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Seventy-five years ago, the Big Red played one of the most famous contests in college football history. The so-called Fifth Down Game—in which Cornell forfeited a key win against Dartmouth as a matter of honor—would be remembered for generations as both the University's most heartbreaking athletic loss and its most enduring victory. The drama was only deepened by the fact that nearly every member of that 1940 squad was about to go off to fight for their country: they were one of the most talented teams the Big Red had ever seen, enjoying "their last gridiron fling before war overtook them."

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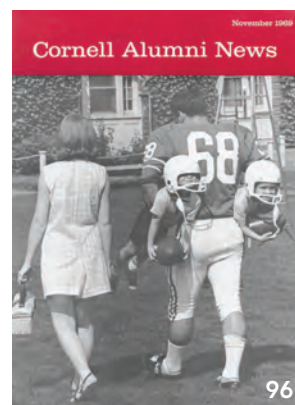
In her new book, *Sisters in Law*, Linda Redlick Hirshman '66 compares and contrasts the lives of the Supreme Court's first two female justices: Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54. While the two came from different political persuasions and personal backgrounds—O'Connor was a country girl, Ginsburg a consummate city kid—both overcame the sexist limitations of their times to rise to the nation's highest court. In an excerpt, Hirshman details how Ginsburg entered the major leagues of gender rights law.

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Stumped about what to get that special person on your list this holiday season—or just looking for a unique present for a birthday, anniversary, graduation, or other occasion? Check out CAM's first-ever gift guide, with a wide variety of items all made or sold by your fellow Cornellians. From handy gadgets to high-end skin care items, ethically sourced jewelry to cookies iced with your custom photos—this shopping guide offers novel ideas for ways to fête your loved ones . . . or just treat yourself.

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Toward a Sustainable Future



Green line: President Garrett with the Campus-to-Campus bus, which promotes sustainability by reducing personal car use.

One of the most critical challenges for humankind is meeting the energy, environmental, economic, and social needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to do the same. Through research and hands-on education, innovation, and public engagement, Cornell has become a world leader in addressing these challenges. As we move forward with a strategic planning effort over the next months, I see sustainability emerging as among the promising areas for increased effort and impact.

Sustainability is a signature area of excellence for Cornell. Being interdisciplinary in nature, it draws together creative combinations of expertise from across our colleges and campuses. It offers unparalleled opportunities for student learning, and it taps into our land-grant mission by bringing knowledge to bear on critical local and global problems.

Cornell researchers play pivotal roles in advancing public policy on climate change, informed by science and reasoned analysis, and in spurring innovative technologies that support a more sustainable future. Moreover, the University may well lead the country in the rigorous study of inequality and its effects on related challenges, such as resource allocation, that can negatively affect sustainability.

In May we will welcome internationally recognized conservation biologist David Lodge as the first Francis J. DiSalvo Director of the Atkinson Center for a Sustainable Future. With an impressive record of multidisciplinary research, administrative leadership, and policy

experience, he will enhance the Atkinson Center's global perspective on sustainability issues—and bring even more prominence to Cornell's efforts.

We are known for training the next generation of leaders who will determine how best to respond to environmental challenges. For example, Cornell University Sustainable Design (CUSD),

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Carl Sagan's concern for our
'pale blue dot.'**

an interdisciplinary student project team advised by systems engineering faculty member David Schneider, has collaborated with faculty and staff in our Division of Infrastructure Properties and Planning to take advantage of our campuses as "living laboratories" for sustainability and climate action.

Building on the significant progress we have already made in reducing our reliance on fossil fuels through such innovations as lake source cooling and our combined heat and power plant, CUSD students surveyed rooftops on the Ithaca campus to create a prioritized action list for solar photovoltaic development and presented a design for what could be the city's first net zero building. Our new Cornell Tech campus on Roosevelt Island will incorporate sustainable design—and progressive engineering—to create an environmentally friendly, energy-efficient

community, with several buildings that will be world-class examples of green design. CUSD teams have collaborated with faculty and facilities engineering professionals on feasibility studies for solar, wind, and geothermal energy for Cornell Tech and will continue to be involved as the project develops.

Several of the curriculum grants made this fall through the Engaged Cornell initiative, which seeks to make community-engaged learning a central part of the student experience, have a sustainability component. The Cornell Conservation Medicine Program, for example, will bring together veterinary students and undergraduates for experiences that link the health of animals, humans, and the environment to biodiversity and societal needs, working with partners in Africa and Indonesia. An Engaged Cornell grant is also strengthening the newly launched undergraduate minor in community food systems with opportunities for students to work with local partners on issues related to food security, sovereignty, and justice across New York State and beyond.

We are leading the way in practice, research, and education, and we can underscore and enhance that. I have asked our Senior Leadership Climate Action Group—led by Lance Collins, the Joseph Silbert Dean of Engineering, and KyuJung Whang, vice president for infrastructure properties and planning—to consider how we might use our campuses more fully as "living laboratories" to increase the impact of our efforts. They will report back by the end of the academic year so their findings can inform the strategic planning process, our collective decision-making, and fundraising.

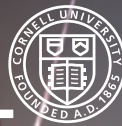
After surveying an image of Earth taken from space, the late Cornell professor Carl Sagan observed, "To me, it underscores our responsibility to deal more kindly with one another, and to preserve and cherish the pale blue dot, the only home we've ever known." Like many of you, I share Sagan's concern for our "pale blue dot," and believe that sustainability must continue to be a priority for Cornell, the country, and the world. ■

—President Elizabeth Garrett
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Those Were the Days



"A New Era for Collegetown" in our September/October issue looked at the construction boom that is changing the neighborhood. We asked for your comments, and memories of your favorite Collegetown haunts.

A whole generation of Cornellians doesn't know that Collegetown Bagels was next door to where it is now and that Oliver's was on the corner. Also, there was the Egan's supermarket down on College Avenue, Cravings ice cream beneath Sheldon Court, Turk Brothers for Cornell gear, two record stores whose names escape me on College Avenue, the liquor store next to the record store, and the Chinese restaurant underneath Eddygate.

*Andrew Wong '89
New York, NY*

Andrew posted a pretty good list from my era, but he left out Cabbagetown Cafe on Eddy Street. You can still get a Wings of Life salad made to your liking at Wegmans, sometimes even prepared by Julie Jordan '71 herself (though that last detail is probably lost on today's students).

I think there also used to be a pizza place in Sheldon Court next to Cravings. And don't forget the Collegetown Motor Lodge across from Fire Station #9. It was great to sit on the ramp in front of the station (or the Nines patio) and watch the sunset. 312 College Ave. now blocks that view, but the liquor store next to it is still as busy as ever.

*Dan Maas '87
Ithaca, NY*

I guess this means I couldn't get that apartment I had on Linden Avenue (1969-70), about equidistant from the Palms and the shortcut path to the IGA,

for \$90 anymore. Granted, it was cozy: to open the oven in the galley kitchen one had to stand in the living room; the fridge door at the other end opened into the bedroom, which had no closet; and in the miniscule shower one stood under the home's visible central staircase. But the main room had space for a table for two, a University desk and chair, a small bookcase, and a comfy reading chair. A tiny closed-in porch door gave shelter as one prepared to descend the in-winter icy and treacherous rear-entrance steps. With a view out over the valley, it was to me 250 square feet of heaven. Hands off Linden Avenue.

*Mark Budwig '69
New York, NY*

Making a Difference

Thank you for publishing "In Memory of Elizabeth," the story of my daughter's struggle with the leading viral cause of birth defects, cytomegalovirus (CMV), and my work with the State of Connecticut to prevent these disabilities through legislation.

I shared the article widely. The doctor who was instrumental in getting the bill passed in Utah was very excited to read it, and a doctor in Massachusetts wrote to say, "It motivates all of us to keep going on a seemingly uphill battle." The California professor who founded the Congenital Cytomegalovirus Foundation offered help should I desire to pursue legislation in other states such as hers.

I'm glad you reported how the bill is raising awareness and making a difference in Connecticut, and that I began the legislative process with the dog license office. I hope it will inspire others to start a bill in their own state.

I believe your article may spare many children across the country from the suffering our daughter endured.

*Lisa Avazian Saunders '82
Mystic, CT*

SPEAK UP!

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In the first of a unique collaboration, this issue of *Cornell Alumni Magazine* includes a special section produced by *EZRA*, the magazine published by Cornell University. The four-page insert, starting on page 57, includes excerpts from a conversation with Cornell's new provost, Michael Kotlikoff.

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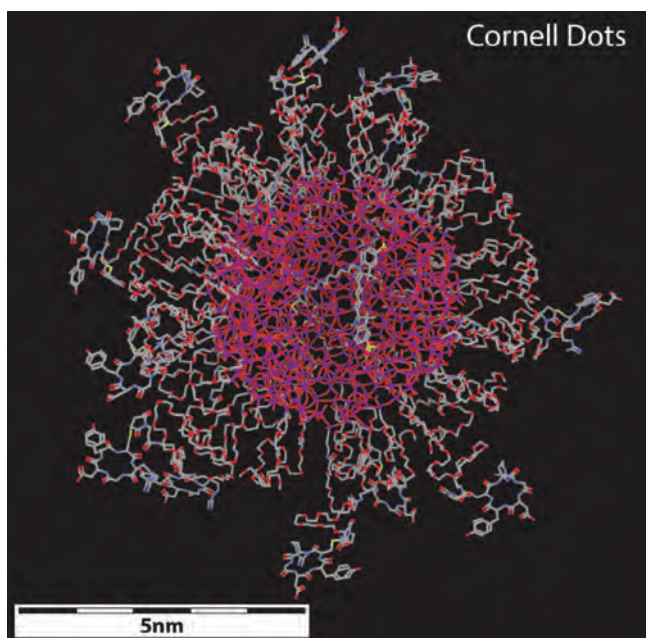
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NANO 'DOTS' SPUR NEW CANCER CENTER

The University is teaming up with Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center to open a Center of Cancer Nanotechnology Excellence. Funded in part with an \$8.2 million grant from the National Cancer Institute, the venture—which will have one facility in Duffield Hall and another at Sloan Kettering in New York City—will bring together scientists, engineers, biologists, and physicians to develop new cancer therapies based on nanotechnology. It will focus on melanoma and malignant brain cancers, basing its work on so-called “Cornell Dots”—nanoparticles, developed on campus, now in human trials for diagnostics and drug delivery. “You can’t do this alone,” says materials science professor Uli Wiesner, inventor of the dots. “The medical community doesn’t have enough know-how of nanomaterials, and we, the scientists and engineers, don’t have enough experience in the medical area.”

‘A university is about the fullest and freest expression of ideas and arguments. There isn’t any idea that ought not to be tested and questioned.’

— President Elizabeth Garrett, in an interview with New York City media in October

ANYTHING FOR SCIENCE

Neurobiology and behavior graduate student Michael Smith’s research earned him a 2015 Ig Nobel prize, which honors humorous scientific achievements. Did he . . .



- a) Hang upside down for four days straight?
- b) Spend a semester living among cows in the Cornell herd?
- c) Let himself get stung by honeybees 200 times?

ANSWER: C

\$7 Million for Food Research at Geneva Ag Station

The Geneva Ag Station’s food and beverage research facility will get an additional \$3.6 million in state funding, bringing its total support to \$7 million, Governor Andrew Cuomo said in October. The increase in funding for the Cornell Food Venture Center, which Cuomo announced at the third annual Beer, Wine, Spirits & Cider Summit in Albany, is part of an initiative to grow the state’s craft beverage industry. Says Ag Dean Kathryn Boor: “The state’s investment will keep Cornell at the cutting edge of providing ‘knowledge with public purpose’ to farmers, food manufacturers, and entrepreneurs throughout New York and beyond.”



How now: GiGi Ventura '16 takes a selfie with Rosie the cow on Ag Day, which brought a barnyard’s worth of livestock to the Ag Quad in September.

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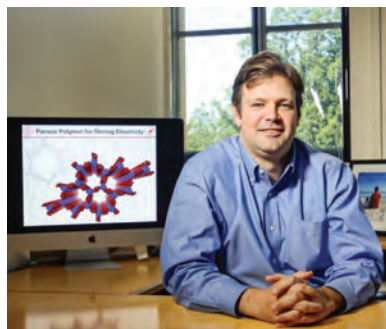


'Cornell student-athletes are actually more vulnerable to neglecting their nutritional needs because they are taking on so much academically.'

— Clint Wattenberg '02, BS '03,
Big Red sports dietitian

Fuel for Big Red Athletes

Varsity athletes needing a boost before and after workouts can grab some much-needed calories, plus expert nutrition advice, at the Big Red Fueling Station that opened in Bartels Hall this semester. The subject of a current Cornell crowdfunding campaign—with a goal of \$25,000, it runs through November 7—the station offers healthful snacks at no cost, including a trio of University-sourced items: apples from Cornell Orchards; Trilli-Yum trail mix produced by Cornell Dining; and Big Red Refuel, a chocolate-milk-based sports drink made at the Dairy Plant.



Alum, Prof Named MacArthur 'Geniuses'

Two Cornellians are among this year's crop of MacArthur Foundation Fellows. The twenty-four winners of the annual awards, commonly known as "genius grants," will each receive \$625,000 in unrestricted funding over five years. They include Professor William Dichtel (above left), a chemist who, according to the foundation, is "developing new ways to make nanostructured materials with potential uses in energy storage, solar power, biosensors, and other technologies." The other Cornellian fellow is Christopher Ré '02, MEng '03, a Stanford University computer scientist "making big data more widely accessible and useful in groundbreaking data applications."



Postage paid: Hockey great Ken Dryden '69 is among six legendary NHL goalies celebrated on a new stamp series in his native Canada. "They wore their hearts on their sleeves while they played," the head of Canada Post said when they were unveiled, "and captured ours in the process."



**Weill Cornell
Medicine**

Medical College Renamed

The Cornell med school—which officially became Weill Cornell Medical College in 1998 in recognition of a \$100 million gift from longtime University benefactors Joan and Sanford Weill '55—has changed its name again. In early October it announced it was rebranding itself as Weill Cornell Medicine. "Weill Cornell Medicine has a distinguished legacy of putting patients first, providing them with the finest care, and offering the best possible outcomes to ensure that they live healthier lives," explains Dean Laurie Glimcher. "Our name now fully encapsulates the strength and totality of our mission—keeping the patient at the center of everything we do."

GIVE MY REGARDS TO... THESE CORNELLIANS IN THE NEWS

Irene Rosenfeld '75, PhD '80 (right), chairman and CEO of Mondelez (formerly Kraft), and **Sandra Peterson '80**, group worldwide chairman for Johnson & Johnson, named to *Fortune's* list of the business world's most powerful women. Rosenfeld was number 9, Peterson 28.



Steve Moses '15, winner of the \$500,000 grand prize on CBS's "Big Brother" reality show. Moses, a former member of the Big Red Band, spent two years on the Hill before transferring to SUNY Fredonia.



Hotelier and amateur chef **Max Aronson '19** (left), who took home \$10,000 for winning the "Teen Redeem" competition on the Food Network's "Chopped" in September.

Charles "Chuck" Feeney '56, Irwin Jacobs '54, and Joan Klein Jacobs '54, among eight recipients of the 2015 Andrew Carnegie Medal of Philanthropy.

Professor **Peter Lepage**, winner of the Sakurai Prize for Theoretical Particle Physics from the American Physical Society. The award, for outstanding achievement in particle theory, is named for J.J. Sakurai, PhD '58.



Taste treat: President Garrett samples her custom flavor.

'It's a chocolate lover's dream, really.'

— Deanna Simons, quality manager at the Cornell Dairy, on the official inauguration ice cream, '24 Garrett Swirl,' a medley of chocolate, caramel, and mocha

R + D

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

A conference on food security drew more than 650 participants from sixty-one countries to campus in October. Co-sponsored by Columbia, it focused on identifying innovative, research-based methods to feed a global population set to surpass 9 billion by 2050.



Campus researchers have developed a new lightweight, stretchable material that has the potential to be made into prosthetic body parts and artificial organs. Dubbed "elastomer foam" (left), it starts as a liquid that can be poured into a mold to create shapes, with pathways for fluids.

The algae blooms that have harmed industry and tourism nationwide are the subject of a research effort by Cornell microbiologists and bioengineers. They've been designing devices to sample and analyze these "brown tides" with the aim of preventing their explosive growth.

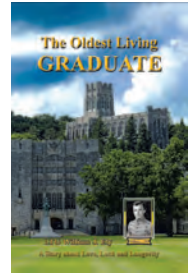


After analyzing more than seven years of images that NASA's Cassini spacecraft has taken of the Saturn moon Enceladus, Big Red planetary scientists have announced that it has a global ocean hidden under a thick crust of ice (left).

DID YOU KNOW...

That the oldest living graduate of West Point is a Cornellian?

Retired U.S. Army Lt. Gen. William Ely, MS '36, will turn 104 in late December. He recently self-published his autobiography (right).



CU is Fifteenth in U.S. News Poll

The latest *U.S. News & World Report* ranking of the nation's best universities put Cornell at number fifteen. Its other ratings include:

- The College of Engineering ranked ninth.
- CALS's Dyson School rated tenth among undergrad business programs.
- Engineering specialties ranked in the top ten included engineering physics (fifth); biological/agricultural (eighth); materials (eighth); mechanical (eighth); and civil (ninth).
- In the new category of "most innovative schools," Cornell was twelfth.
- In economic diversity, Cornell rose one spot, to eighth.
- The University ranked seventeenth on the "great schools, great prices" list.



Money man: Robert Smith '85 garnered the cover spot of *Forbes's* 2015 issue ranking the 400 richest Americans. Listed at number 268, the former chemical engineering major is founder, chairman, and CEO of Vista Equity Partners, a private equity firm that the magazine credits with \$15.9 billion in client assets.

Engineers Blow Out 150 Candles

The Engineering college marked its own Sesquicentennial in late October with a campus celebration featuring prominent alumni and former and current faculty and administrators. Events included a panel discussion on the field's future, research presentations, lab tours, a lunch with President Garrett, an homage to former deans, the unveiling of a student-made time capsule, and a rundown of "150 Innovations Made Possible by Breaking the Rules."

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Welcome Home

On a historic weekend, Cornell inaugurates a new president

On a gloriously sunny late summer morning, the University kicked off Homecoming weekend with a historic event: the inauguration of its thirteenth—and first female—president. Hundreds of students, alumni, staff, and berobed faculty witnessed legal scholar Elizabeth Garrett formally accept the symbols of office, as three trustees presented her with the University charter, mace, and seal.

In her inaugural address, Garrett repeatedly cited C. P. Cavafy’s poem *Ithaka*, about Odysseus’s journey to his home island after the Trojan War. “I am confident we will lead the world in creating new paths to knowledge, discovery, and the many ways we can move closer to the truth,” she said, “and in

launching our students on their own voyages.”

Following tradition, the academic procession included representatives of dozens of other colleges and universities, marching in order of their founding year. English professor Alice Fulton delivered three poems she’d written for the occasion, and Board of Trustees chairman Robert Harrison ’76 offered opening remarks. “It is fitting as we turn the page on our yearlong celebration of the Sesquicentennial that we begin the next 150 years with a historic first: for the first time in 150 years, Cornell University has chosen as its president a person from the great state of Oklahoma,” he said, to a round of laughter, “and also a woman.” ■





East Hill excitement (clockwise from top left): Viewing Inauguration from the A. D. White statue; Garrett with former presidents (from left) Frank Rhodes, David Skorton, and Jeffrey Lehman '77; Garrett conducts the coin toss; fans in the Crescent; Friday night fireworks; the Marching Band and cheerleaders; the thirteenth president in uniform; the processional; Garrett and board chairman Robert Harrison '76 on the dais; and a bird's-eye view of the ceremony on the Arts Quad



International Affairs

Ray Offenheiser, MS '76,
is the longtime head of
Oxfam America



Veteran international development officer Ray Offenheiser, MS '76, has spent the past two decades as president of Oxfam America, one of seventeen confederated Oxfam organizations worldwide. CAM caught up with Offenheiser in October during his trip to campus to mark the fiftieth anniversary of Cornell's Committee on U.S./Latin American Relations (CUSLAR) and to visit the Atkinson Center for Sustainable Development, on whose advisory board he sits. Offenheiser also serves as board member or adviser to such heavy-hitters as the World Economic Forum, the Clinton Global Initiative, the Council on Foreign Relations, the Aspen Institute, the World Agricultural Forum, and the Gates Foundation.

In the world of international development, what makes Oxfam distinctive? We decided to move away from being a service-delivery organization to addressing root causes—to right the wrongs that drive social injustice around the world. We realized that a lot of what had been executed as international development was defining poverty as the absence of public goods, and therefore the project would be providing them. But the problem is that in most organizations, you never have enough money to realize that at scale in a durable way, so you're on a treadmill that you can never get off. What was needed was an appreciation for the fact that in many of these countries resources were scarce, institutions were weak, and corruption was rampant. Until you could create a policy environment that was supported by capable, effective institutions within the state and broader civil society, a lot of these good ideas were not going to take.

How does this focus jibe with Oxfam's original mission? Oxfam was founded by Quakers and Oxford academics to aid refugees in Greece during the Second World War. It has always been interested in ideas and policy because of its origins in the



Relief work: (From top) Ray Offenheiser, MS '76, at a refugee camp in Lebanon; with Syrian refugees; in South Sudan; and (opposite) at a camp in Jordan.

university world—but speaking truth to power is a Quaker concept, as are internationalist values and humanitarianism. In the case of Oxfam in the U.S., we were founded at Harvard and MIT, and by Unitarians and other church people in Boston, so it's a lot of the same culture.

How do you challenge power structures while still working within the system? We decided we wanted to play a somewhat complicated game where we were trying to be insiders and outsiders at the same time. For example, in our current Behind the Brands campaign, we address the fact that a lot of corporations have adopted the rhetoric of sustainable development, but we're not sure they've adopted the practices. We constructed the campaign around a report card that challenges corporations on seven issues ranging from labor practices to policies on land and water investments, carbon emissions, treatment of women,

and transparency about financing and investments. We said, “We could score you based on your public profile and reports, or we could collaborate with you and score you more fairly.” We approached ten of the world’s largest food and beverage companies, and to our surprise they all said yes. So we’ve pushed them to achieve greater performance, and they’ve been open to that. They realize that in the future these sustainability principles are going to be important to their stock valuation, to the public perception of their brands, and to the success of their businesses.

In 2014, Oxfam’s report on income inequality—particularly the statistic that the world’s richest eighty-five people have as much wealth as the poorest three billion—shook up the World Economic Forum meeting in Davos. What was the strategy behind that? We released our report to the international press in Davos the day before the meeting started with the objective of driving the conversation, so the media was asking everybody about their views on the inequality question. It surprised even us the extent to which it became a dominant narrative out of Davos, and then carried over into major media for weeks afterward.

You spend about 60 percent of your work life on the road. Can you give an example of how that firsthand experience informs your understanding of global issues? I was just in the Masai areas of Tanzania where they’re having more challenges finding water for their cattle. In Sub-Saharan Africa, there are areas where the drought would come every seven years, and now the cycles are closer to three. So climate change is not something that may happen; it’s actually under way in many parts of the world. You can decide this is cyclical or you can decide it’s real—but even if it’s cyclical, it can be a long cycle. It’s an existential crisis.

How is Oxfam America working to influence official U.S. policy? We’ve invested heavily in trying to ensure that we can deliver the U.S. government on important issues, so we have an office in Washington with seventy-five people that just do public policy work. We’ve built research capability and a strong presence on Capitol Hill and with the administrative agencies, and we’ve created a lobbying body. We also needed the ability to deliver a segment of the American public to the conversation; the environmental movement had done that thirty years ago, but the development community hadn’t done it at all. So we built a national constituency of supporters of our work all over the U.S. at the congressional district level, because you need to convince Congresspeople that people in their districts are interested in the issues you’re working on. We had to become much more political, much more policy based, and very sophisticated about the Washington scene. ■

— Beth Saulnier



The Crisis in Syria

Offenheiser weighs in on the desperate situation in the Middle East and beyond

What has been Oxfam’s role in humanitarian response to the Syrian conflict? We’ve been on the ground there since the early days, and we are in Lebanon in the large refugee camps, where we largely manage the water and sanitation infrastructure. We’ve been involved with a large number of refugees in Jordan and Lebanon, most of whom are not living in camps; they’re in makeshift housing, in tents in olive groves, in chicken coops, on the roofs of apartment buildings in plywood shelters. And then in Syria itself, we’re one of only three international not-for-profits in Damascus. We made a decision to be there in part because we saw the national capacity to deliver water and sanitation services to the population collapsing, and we were worried about massive cholera outbreaks.

What’s your take on the forces driving the refugee crisis? Syria is largely a middle-class country. The people I’ve met with there owned shops, were doctors, engineers, teachers—by and large, well-educated, middle class professionals. Imagine you go from being well off economically to living in a plywood crate in a refugee camp in northern Jordan, and trying to figure out when and if you can go home. And meanwhile you’re using whatever cash you have to keep yourself alive. Families with fourteen people have been living in a single room in southern Beirut, spending down their cash, selling their jewelry; their children are working in the streets as shoeshine boys or on a construction site. And at some point they’re going to have to make a decision about their future: are they waiting around to go back to Syria or give up on it? And what we’re seeing now is this mass population that is down to their last bit of cash deciding the only future they may have is to bet on getting themselves to Europe and hoping for the best.

What about the longer-term picture in the region? The situation has gotten extraordinarily complicated. The northern part of Syria is being contested by three or four different Islamic groups, and U.S. efforts to support a reasonable opposition have deteriorated. International relief organizations have evacuated because it’s not safe for their staff. And then there’s a larger challenge of ISIS’s growing popularity among Islamic youth around the world, its aggressive recruiting, and its barbaric practices on the ground—and it doesn’t seem to be going away.

So could the refugee crisis only get worse? I worry that we’re going to see a sustained instability for a decade or two—in which case the migration problem that Europe is seeing now is only the tip of the iceberg. In Washington, there are discussions about intervention versus containment; the foreign policy establishment doesn’t have a clear view on how it’s going to find its way through this. So as a humanitarian organization, we’re seeing a complicated picture where only a fraction of what the U.N. agencies need is being delivered by the donor countries. And if we’re looking at a longer trajectory—combined with expanded conflicts in Yemen and Sudan—the whole global humanitarian system is being stretched almost to the breaking point.

Language Lessons

Cornellians co-found California's first 'dual immersion' Mandarin school



Global village: Students (left) at Oakland's Yu Ming Charter School. Half who enroll already know Mandarin and half weren't previously exposed to the language; the classes (below) are taught by native speakers. Above: Co-founders (from left) Wynee Yang Sade '94, David Cherry '89, MD '93, Christine Schwinn '89, Gloria Lee '92, and Matthew Sade, MBA '97.



In a bustling public school on a quiet street in the Bay Area city of Oakland, California, the entrance hall is decorated with paper-plate pandas and colorful dragons on popsicle sticks. From each classroom come the sounds of eager young learners: one group of kids is giving book reports, another is doing dictation, and a third is identifying words their teacher writes on the blackboard.

The remarkable thing is that all of it—every syllable—is in Mandarin Chinese.

It's an early fall morning at the Yu Ming Charter School, a public elementary school co-founded by five Cornellians. Opened in 2011, Yu Ming—the name roughly translates as “Together for the future”—serves some 300 students in kindergarten through fifth grade. It's mainly housed in a former parochial school that Yu Ming has already outgrown: two of its grades are located in another facility across the street, and a further expansion is in the works as it continues to add grade levels. “They say it takes a village to raise a child—but it also takes a village to raise a charter school, and we had that,” says Gloria Lee '92, one of a core group of founders who worked with dozens of volunteers to navigate the myriad logistical and regulatory hurdles to get the school off the ground. “There are times when it hits me and I think, Wow, there are 300 kids who are getting a unique, high-quality education that they wouldn't have, if we hadn't done what we did. It's incredibly rewarding.”

Yu Ming was the first of its kind in California: a Mandarin school based on what's known as the “dual immersion” model. By design, half of each incoming kindergarten class is made up of native speakers—while the other half, as co-founder Wynee Yang Sade '94 puts it, “don't speak a lick of Chinese.” Teachers hail from China, Taiwan, and Singapore; in the youngest grades 90 percent of coursework is conducted in Mandarin and 10 percent in English, with the split shifting to 70 percent Chinese

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by the fifth grade. “In most parts of the world it's normal for kids to grow up speaking multiple languages, and it's a shame that's not the case in the United States,” Lee observes. “In the long run, I think it puts us at a disadvantage as a country.”

While a significant number of Yu Ming's students are of Chinese extraction, the student body is racially and ethnically diverse. In part to level the playing field in terms of socioeconomic background, students wear uniforms: a white polo shirt, maroon sweater, and navy blue bottoms. The academic year comprises 190 days of instruction—ten more than a typical California public school—to reduce language falloff over the summer. Each year the school gets more than 200 applications for about fifty seats, with students chosen by lottery. “Some families just want to give their kids a leg up,” says Sade, whose husband, Matthew Sade, MBA '97, is also a co-founder. “So many studies show the benefits for math, science, and other subjects when you have a second language under your belt. Others want their kid to have a connection with their cultural

roots, maybe with grandparents who may not be in this country.”

The Sades have a fifth grader and a third grader enrolled, with a third child set to start kindergarten next year. Yu Ming will add a sixth grade class in fall 2016, incorporating an additional grade annually until the school goes up to eighth. “My husband and I are not really fluent in anything, but we’ve traveled and wished we were,” says Christine Schwinn ’89, who is married to fellow co-founder David Cherry ’89, MD ’93. “So one reason we did this was because of our commitment to bilingualism in general, but also because of the economic power of China in the future. We’d love to have our kids fluent in multiple languages, but starting early with Mandarin seemed to provide the most benefits, because it’s harder to pick up later.”

According to the State Department’s Foreign Service Institute, Mandarin is among the most difficult languages for native English speakers to master, requiring some 2,200 hours of class time—on par with Arabic, Japanese, and Korean. (Romance languages like French or Spanish are ranked as easy, with tongues like Russian, Hindi, and Polish rated as medium.) “It’s difficult coming from a Roman-letter-based language, and you’ve got to master the tones,” says Lee. “So immersion truly is the best way. You’ve got to start early. Children just naturally pick it up in their spongelike way.” Both Sade and Lee are the American-born daughters of Taiwanese parents; both were forced to take Chinese language classes on the weekends as kids—and hated it. “I will just say for the record that my mom was right,” says Lee. “I should have studied more in Chinese school. I do feel like it’s a disadvantage that I don’t speak it. I think about the opportunities I could have had if I were fluent.” Lee says that her kids, a third and a fifth grader, can already talk circles around her and her husband, who doesn’t speak Mandarin either. “They can totally talk about us behind our backs—and do regularly,” she says with a laugh. “And it’s just going to get worse as they get older.”

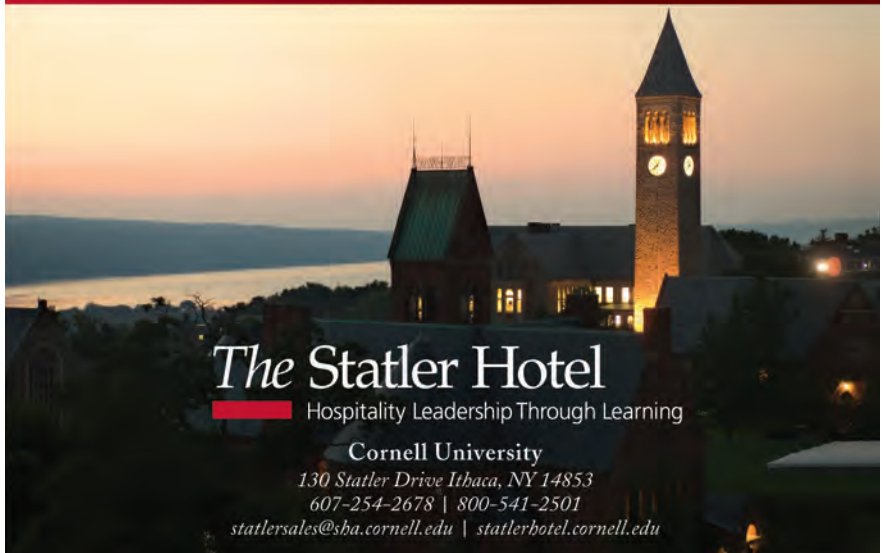
Lee recalls that the ultimate benediction for Yu Ming came during a recent reunion of her mother’s large extended family, when her mom’s eldest sister—the matriarch of the clan—put her kids’ language skills to the test. “She basically interrogated them in Chinese,” Lee says. “And they must have done great, because afterward she pulled me aside and said, ‘You did a really good thing by starting that school.’ Coming from my auntie, that was a really big deal.” ■

— Beth Saulnier



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Stylist to the Stars

Tara Swennen '01 dresses some of Hollywood's A-list ladies



On a Tuesday in mid-August, movie star Kristen Stewart was in New York City promoting her latest project, an action-comedy called *American Ultra*. She was a guest on “LIVE with Kelly and Michael” in the morning, appeared on “The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” at night, and flew back to Los Angeles at the end of the day. Her near-constant companion throughout that media whirlwind: Tara Swennen '01, her stylist for more than a decade.

Thirty-six-year-old Swennen has made a name for herself dressing an A-list roster of clients in her signature style, creating looks that are classic and elegant, but with a creative twist. In addition to Stewart—best known as Bella Swan from the *Twilight* movies—they include “Modern Family” star Julie Bowen, Kaley Cuoco of “The Big Bang Theory,” and Emily Ratajkowski of *Gone Girl* and the “Blurred Lines” music video. “It’s been lovely working with Kristen through her younger, teenage years and watching her blossom into a woman,” says Swennen, who notes that Stewart is now the face of high-profile fashion brands Balenciaga and Chanel. “I’ve been able to have a lot of influence on her look, and we’ve done a lot of fun things together. It’s a true collaboration.”

The Los Angeles-based stylist has wanted to work in fashion for as long as she can remember; her Cornell application materials even included sketches she’d done when she was just seven years old. (As she recalls: “I wanted them to know that I meant business.”) As a textiles and apparel major in the College of Human Ecology, she designed everything from kids’ clothes to hockey jerseys. But after graduation, she says, “I realized that I could create a look much faster without having to manufacture it,” so she went to work for two high-profile stylists: first Andrea Lieberman, notable for outfitting Jennifer Lopez for the 2000 Grammy Awards in a now-iconic green Versace gown with a dramatically plunging neckline; and then Rachel Zoe, the Bravo reality show star whom Swennen describes as “the queen of the red carpet scene.” Swennen struck off on her own in 2006—and she notes that although the job has its share of glamour, it





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Clothes encounters: (From far left) Tara Swennen '01 with stars Kristen Stewart and Julie Bowen; Bowen, Stewart, and Kaley Cuoco display Swennen's stylings on the red carpet

also requires hard work and hustle. "Styling involves everything from perfecting your taste level to keeping up with trends, building and maintaining relationships with clients and designers, networking like crazy, and all sorts of organizational stuff that comes with owning your own business," she says. "Essentially, I'm always working or on call."

For the New York outing, Swennen outfitted Stewart in a simple Thierry Mugler sheath on "LIVE" and a black Diane von Furstenberg romper on "Fallon." But she added her trademark visual appeal with unexpected color combinations—like the dress's mint and coral fabric—and edgy accessories such as the choker and strappy heels she paired with the romper. Thanks in part to this unique aesthetic, Swennen has garnered more than 17,000 followers on Instagram and was named one of the *Hollywood Reporter's* top twenty-five stylists of 2015. "Every woman has certain things that she wants to project and certain insecurities that she wants to cover up—and clothes are a great way to do that," says Swennen. "I really believe that your personality shows through your wardrobe. My job is to help everyone present their own voice through what they wear." ■

— Anne Machalinski

Tara 's Tips Everyday style advice from a pro

Tailoring is key "So many women don't understand their body and what looks best on them," Swennen says, so they just buy what's cute on the hanger. Her biggest piece of advice is to have clothes altered to suit your figure.

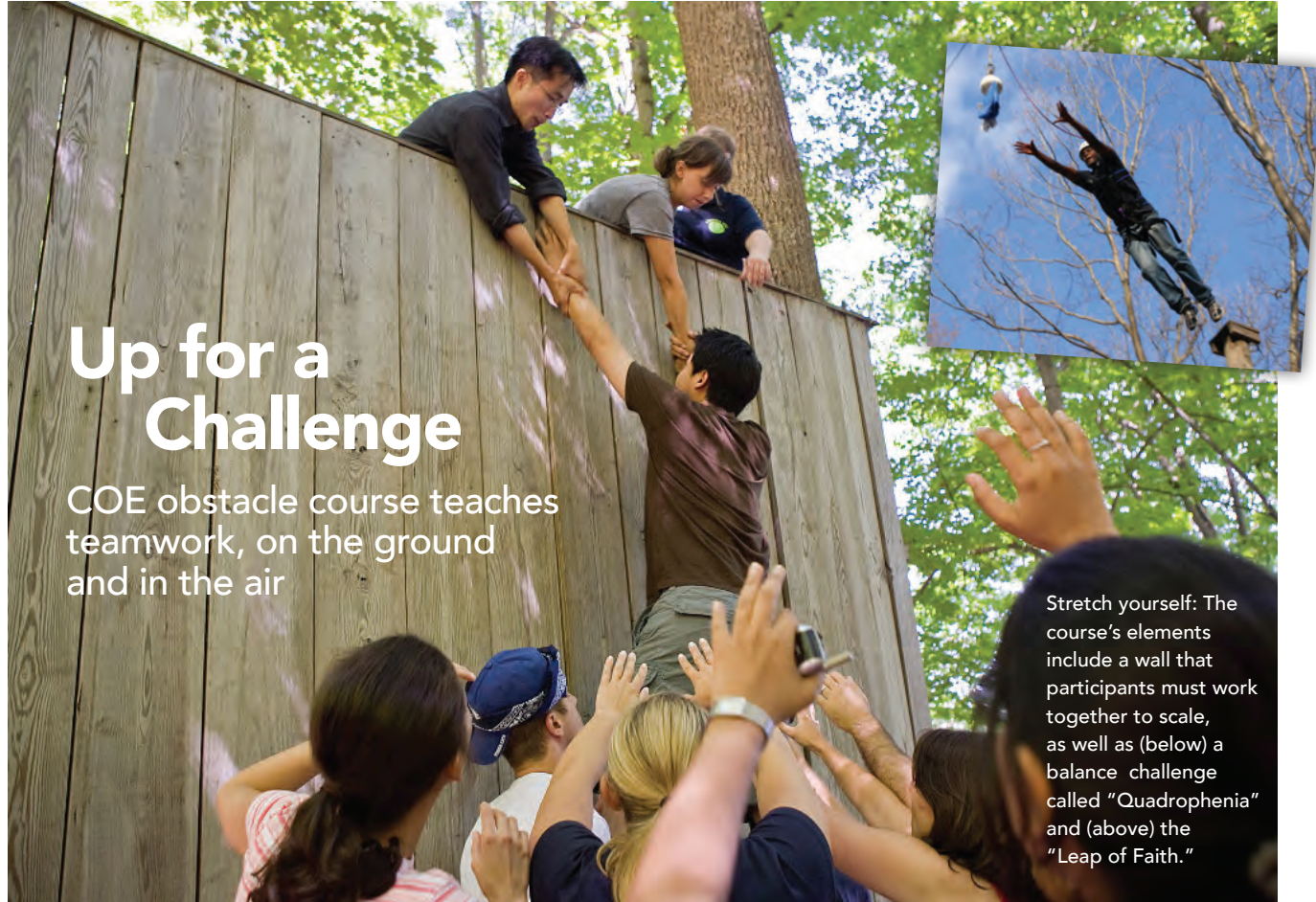
Be comfy Make sure that you wear things that you feel comfortable in—because it shows. "Whether you're going to the grocery store or walking the red carpet, you don't want your outfit to wear you," Swennen says. "Always wear what you love and what you feel fabulous in."

Classics endure "I would never tell anyone to fill up their closet with trendy pieces," Swennen says. Instead, women should stick to the classics and incorporate inexpensive fast-fashion items as accents. "Have fun with them, but don't spend the bulk of your clothing allowance on them."

Easy on the accessories When it comes to accessories, Swennen says she's a "less is more kind of gal." As the saying goes: take a look at yourself in the mirror before heading out the door—and then remove one piece of jewelry.

Up for a Challenge

COE obstacle course teaches teamwork, on the ground and in the air



Stretch yourself: The course's elements include a wall that participants must work together to scale, as well as (below) a balance challenge called "Quadrophenia" and (above) the "Leap of Faith."

In a forest five miles from campus, last night's rain drips off the leaves as strident insects buzz in the muggy morning air. Twelve newly acquainted MBA students stand in a spiral, hand-in-hand—and when their instructor gives the command, they uncoil like a whip. Hands still connected and with arms outstretched, they race the clock to reach their objective: a plush fish. Without breaking formation, they have to snag the "client" and reel him in. "It may seem silly," admits their instructor, Matt Cowburn, "but there's an underlying reason for everything we do out here."

It's a typical day during the busy summer season at the Hoffman Challenge Course, a Cornell Outdoor Education facility located in the hamlet of Varna. By integrating a variety of physical obstacles with group problem-solving exercises, the course teaches teambuilding and leadership skills to groups from on and off campus. Opened in 1997 and operated year-round, it's one of the largest facilities of its kind in the country.

It hosts more than 4,000 participants each year for hands-on training at a time when teamwork and cooperative learning are seen as increasingly vital, both in higher education and in the business world. "There's a lot of focus around not only having theoretical knowledge, but also being able to get along with others," notes Amy Kohut, director of the Cornell Team & Leadership Center, the COE program that oversees the course.

On a Monday in July, the course is hosting the Johnson School's newest crop of executive MBA students. Today marks the beginning of a week-long orientation in which they'll

cultivate interpersonal skills while getting to know their classmates; it's part educational exercise, part icebreaker. Since their MBA program is geared toward people who are already employed full-time, they'll spend much of the next two years in different locations, studying virtually—which makes this first week particularly vital. And, Kohut says, navigating the Hoffman course presents an ideal bonding experience, noting that "the connections people form here are very special."

The course includes some thirty ground-level elements—for example, a fourteen-foot wall that participants cooperate to scale using each other's bodies—as well as high challenges suspended twenty to forty feet in the air. Underpinning the Hoffman philosophy is the integration of education with physical activity, a method known as kinesthetic learning. "When you're physically doing something, there's a whole-body connection to your memory," explains Kohut. "I have people that come up to me

and say, 'Ten years ago, you were with me when I dove off of this' or 'I jumped off of that'—and because it was kinesthetic, they remember the experience very clearly."

At the course's center stands a sixty-four-foot-tall replica of McGraw Tower, outfitted with a platform and rappelling stations. Among the other high elements are a 400-foot-long double zipline, balance beams, a giant swing, a "Leap of Faith," and a pendulum-like gizmo dubbed the "Flying Squirrel." Instructor Erica Freeman '15 explains that the facility's motto, "Challenge by choice," underscores the fact that participants >



'When you're physically doing something, there's a whole-body connection to your memory.'

are encouraged to go outside their comfort zones—but within reason. “People understand from the beginning that there’s no pressure to do something that would make them panic,” she says. “But some people do get halfway up a ladder and realize that it just isn’t for them.”

The course sees its heaviest traffic during the summer, but there’s also a spike during the winter, with team-building events for fraternity and sorority members. With a typical program lasting four to eight hours, Freeman says, the course offers a condensed experience for groups looking to get outside without a major time commitment. “It’s more accessible to people who could benefit from spending time together outdoors but may not want to go on a lengthy backpacking or kayaking trip,” she says. Though the course mainly hosts college groups and retreats for local companies—past corporate clients include Corning Incorporated, an Upstate firm that makes advanced materials—it’s also open to alumni during Reunion and to students seeking an alternative to boozy Slope Day activities. At such times, the focus becomes more recreational—but, Kohut says, “we always weave in ‘What did you learn about yourself and whom did you meet?’”

After each challenge, the instructors conduct a short debriefing in which participants are asked to ponder how they can apply their experiences to real-world situations—an element that Cowburn calls essential. “You have to make it meaningful,” he says. “When people are outside dealing with the weather and the bugs, they need to see the meaning in what they’re doing.” His point is underscored when the Johnson students tackle the “Spider Web,” an element in which two teams, representing opposing companies, collaborate to pass their members through a network of ropes without touching it. The obstacle, suspended between two trees, is roughly six feet high; the aspiring MBAs have to maneuver twelve differently shaped and sized classmates through its varied gaps. After some tactical planning and a lot of heavy lifting, the teams complete the challenge, then gather to discuss what they’ve learned. They touch on the meaning of leadership and the advantages of adaptability, but focus on strategic communication—which they agree is essential to success, both on the course and in the boardroom. “If you can’t work well together, you can’t work at all,” Kohut says, summing up the takeaway. “If you have the greatest idea in the world but you can’t get somebody to understand it, it’s not a good idea.” ■

— Matt Schultz

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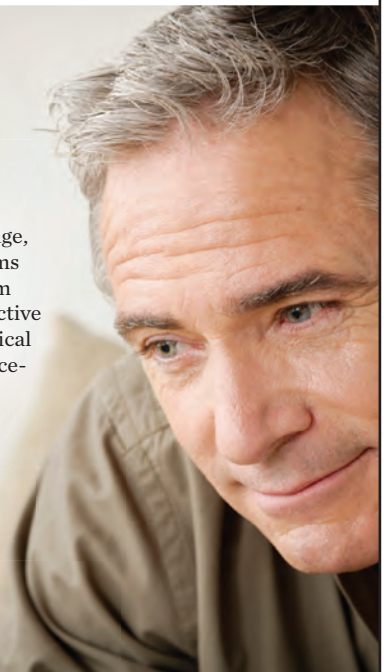
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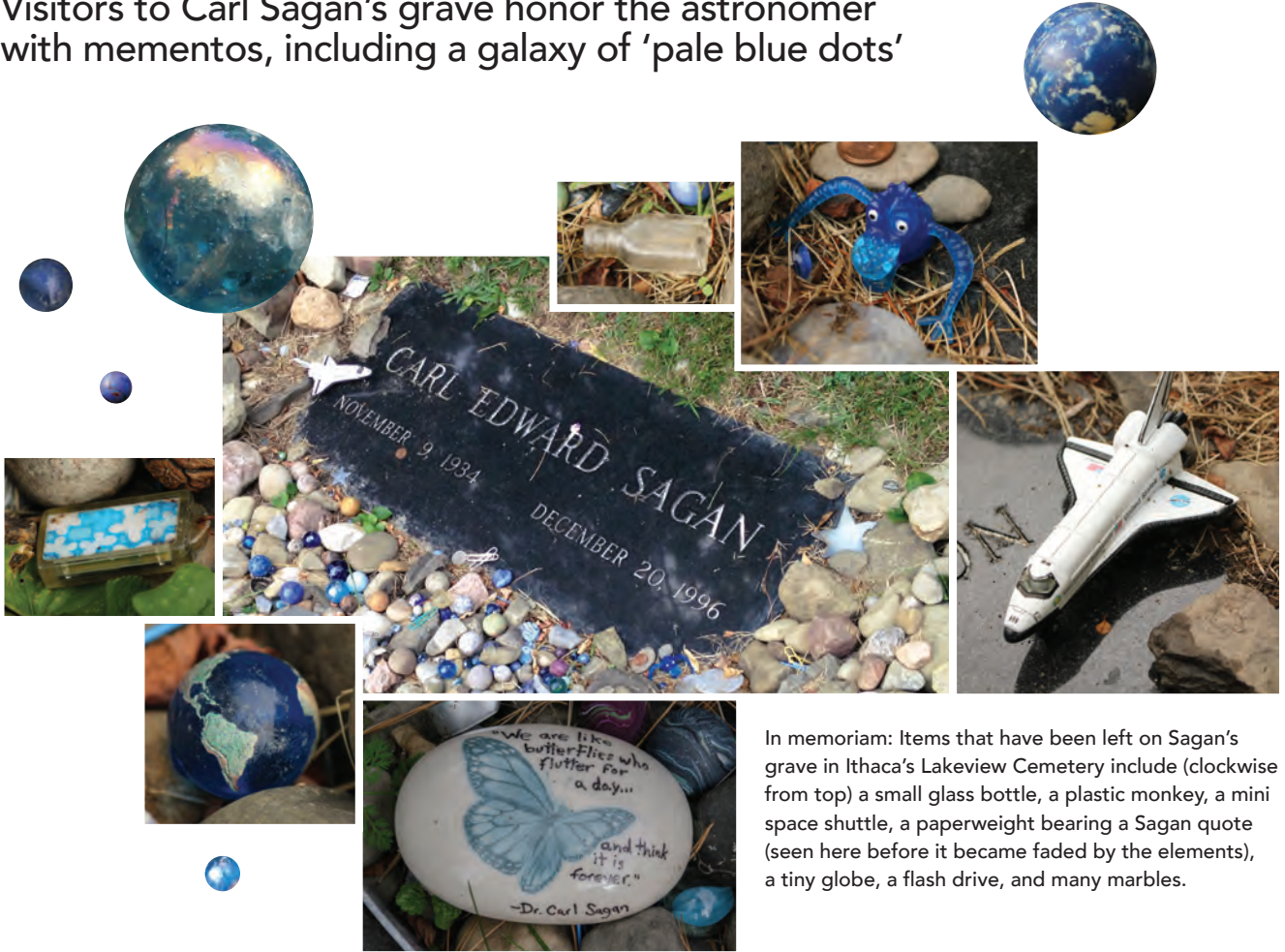
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Stardust Memories

Visitors to Carl Sagan's grave honor the astronomer with mementos, including a galaxy of 'pale blue dots'



In memoriam: Items that have been left on Sagan's grave in Ithaca's Lakeview Cemetery include (clockwise from top) a small glass bottle, a plastic monkey, a mini space shuttle, a paperweight bearing a Sagan quote (seen here before it became faded by the elements), a tiny globe, a flash drive, and many marbles.

Cornell astronomer Carl Sagan was a rock star. His rock: the planet Earth. His arena: the universe. His fans: the millions of viewers he introduced to the wonders of space on the PBS series "Cosmos," launched in 1980.

At the height of his renown Sagan was a global icon, as recognizable as Michael Jordan or the Dalai Lama. He died of cancer in 1996—but he has hardly been forgotten. His grave atop Ithaca's Lakeview Cemetery shows that Sagan is still treasured by the many visitors to his final resting place.

What began as a reflection of Jewish tradition—the leaving of a small stone or shell at the gravesite of a loved one—has evolved into an ever-shifting display of keepsakes covering the plot. There are coins, keys, NASA collector cards, votive candles, a blue plastic monkey, a cluster of pink paper clips arranged as stars (or atoms?), a moldering copy of Isaac Asimov's *Foundation's Edge*. There's an Altoids tin that, upon inspection, proves to be a crude bong (Sagan was an outspoken advocate of legalizing marijuana). And always, there are "pale blue dots"—dozens of marbles, polished glass pieces, and colorful plastic orbs that honor Sagan's elegant description of Earth's place in a vast universe.

Last spring, jewel-like clusters of glass were deposited at the corners of the headstone. Was it to mark the

renaming of a Cornell institute in Sagan's honor? Astronomy professor Lisa Kaltenegger—director of a multidisciplinary research effort on extraterrestrial life that's now known as the Carl Sagan Institute: Pale Blue Dot and Beyond—says she can't be sure. "But it's a lovely idea," she says, "and very much in the spirit of Carl."

Sagan's widow, Ann Druyan, also has no qualms about visitors leaving mementos on the grave, calling it "a wonderful testament to Carl's connection with so many people around the world." And in fact, she and their son, Sam, began the tradition themselves. "Sam was about five when Carl died," Druyan explains. "One evening a family friend came over with some sculpting clay and we started to make little multi-colored planets. We would bring these instead of stones to Carl's grave."

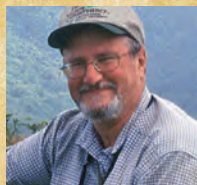
A recent visit to the site revealed that a plastic replica of the space shuttle *Columbia* had arrived. A SpaceX baseball cap had vanished. And a clay paperweight bearing a Sagan quote had succumbed to atmospheric forces, its stenciled blue butterfly and the handwritten words themselves vanished into the ether. "We are like butterflies," it had read, "who flutter for a day . . . and think it is forever." ■

—Franklin Crawford

Sagan's widow calls the graveside tradition 'a wonderful testament.'

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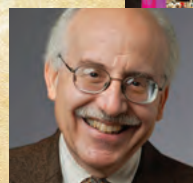
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Perfect fit: Professor Susan Ashdown, MS '89, in the lab with models of the human form. Left: The body scanner at work.

The Body Electric

A Human Ecology lab studies how clothes fit the human for

There's a long, high-pitched chirp, and eight cameras glide down four metal poles fixed to the corners of a raised platform. You hold perfectly still, maintaining a solemn face. Twelve seconds later, your image appears on a computer screen.

Your likeness has just been captured by Cornell's body scanner. The \$100,000 piece of technology, housed on the second floor of the Human Ecology building, gathers approximately 300,000 data points to create a three-dimensional image of the human form. With a few keystrokes, you can navigate around your avatar, moving the mouse to see yourself from the perspective of someone shorter or taller. Professor Susan Ashdown, MS '89, who leads the Cornell Body Scan Research Group, explains that it's not uncommon to be unnerved by the experience. "You never see yourself as the sculptor does, in three dimensions; even in a mirror, it's two-D," she says.

Ashdown, who has been working with body scanners since 2000, focuses her research on making clothing fit better. As she explains, bodies differ far more than most people realize. "We think 'tall basketball player' or 'short jockey' or 'muscular person,'" Ashdown says, "but we don't really pay attention to the different proportions." She notes that ready-to-wear clothing—garments mass-produced for store shelves—is intended to fit most customers passably, and therefore only fits a small minority well.

To understand the design challenges posed by different body types, Ashdown and her research team are amassing a database comprising scans of volunteer models, many of them Cornell students. (She's not quite sure of the tally, but says they have "files and files of people.") The process involves scanning each person twice, then merging the two images. Each model is first scanned in minimal clothing, such as undergarments, and then fully clothed—carefully holding the same pose for both. The combined image tells Ashdown how much space there is between the clothing and the body—how well the garment fits.

Creating more customized clothing is somewhat of a return to tradition, Ashdown explains. In the centuries before ready-to-wear reigned, consumers purchased material and enlisted tailors and dressmakers to design custom clothes. As body scanning becomes more accessible and ubiquitous, she says, the concept is re-emerging.

Ultimately, shoppers could upload their scans and have garments made that perfectly match their proportions. "It wouldn't be true custom," Ashdown says. "But if there were patterns to fit every imaginable shape, size, and proportion, it would just be a matter of matching your body to a pattern." Already, rudimentary versions of the scanners can be found in malls, helping shoppers ascertain their true sizes and directing them to stores that may stock clothes that suit them.

Ashdown's research projects comprise a wide variety of topics. She has studied the relationship between the fit of jeans and body satisfaction, and worked with Nike on establishing a better sizing system for athletic apparel. To explore one of the most notoriously hard-to-fit garments—bras—she used pressure sensors as well as scans and queried subjects on their feelings about their own bras. She has collaborated with NASA to update its spacesuits to accommodate a wider variety of body types, and is currently working on a project to make active wear, such as bike shorts, better fitting and more comfortable. Another ongoing effort aims to improve firefighters' uniforms; working with a local station, the lab scanned firefighters in their gear. Models even posed in action shots—using a hose or wearing a breathing tank—so the researchers can take range of motion into account. Still another project aims

to streamline the design process overall by creating half-sized mannequins for use as dress forms. "It's more economical and practical to make patterns on a half-scale," says undergraduate researcher Jackie Wu '17, a fashion and apparel design major from Boston who's collaborating on the effort. "You can figure things out without wasting fabric, and you can manipulate the pattern more easily because it's smaller." Last summer, the team gave the half-size forms a test run by sending a dozen to a Syracuse summer camp for teenagers interested in fashion.

Over the course of her work, Ashdown has been scanned dozens of times. Her proportions have been used to design a jacket, which she hails as the best-fitting garment she owns. Has her work influenced her shopping habits? "I sought out custom clothing sooner than I would have otherwise," Ashdown admits. "I became more and more uncomfortable in clothes that didn't fit." ■

— Ruth Weissmann '17

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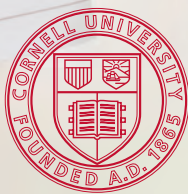


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Strange Brew

Brooklyn Brewery's **Steve Hindy '71, MA '75**, went from war correspondent to beer mogul



Hops to it: Steve Hindy '71, MA '75, co-founded Brooklyn's eponymous brewery (left), which draws legions of beer fans to Williamsburg.



After graduation, Steve Hindy '71, MA '75, put his newly minted teaching credential to work in an Ithaca High School English class. It didn't go well. "I almost had a nervous breakdown," Hindy recalls. "It's the hardest thing I ever did in my life."

Hindy says it like he means it—which is especially intriguing given what else he's done. Hindy has been a war correspondent; he's been abducted in Lebanon by militiamen who tortured and killed his traveling companions; he's been robbed at gunpoint in his own office; he's been roughed up by New York mobsters. And, most famously, he's built a brewery up from nothing into a Brooklyn icon that helped usher in the borough's renaissance.

Hindy is a co-founder of Brooklyn Brewery, the Williamsburg mainstay that has for decades been at the forefront of the American craft beer movement. What started as a tiny operation that sold its wares out of a truck has grown into the largest exporter of craft beers in the U.S., in addition to domestic sales across the eastern half of the country. "People ask me if I ever thought we'd get this big, and the answer is, 'Hell yes,'" Hindy says with a laugh. "But I never thought we'd be selling a lot of beer in London and Paris and Stockholm."

The brewery's 130 employees work out of a facility that has variously housed an iron works, a stained-glass window factory, and a matzo ball producer. Now it's a magnet for beer lovers—both tourists and locals—who flock to its tasting room,

tours, and cultural events. With real estate becoming ever pricier and industry increasingly pushed out of the city, the brewery is a vestige of New York's bygone identity as a manufacturing base. As former Mayor Michael Bloomberg said in his introduction to *Beer School: Bottling Success at the Brooklyn Brewery*, which Hindy wrote with co-founder Tom Potter: "Steve and Tom believed in Brooklyn's history—its rich traditions: Walt Whitman, Jackie Robinson, and all the Dodger greats, Coney Island and the Cyclone, the Brooklyn Bridge—to name a few. They understood that Brooklyn is more than an address; it's a spirit, an attitude, an identity. And they bet—correctly—that hometown pride would lead New Yorkers to embrace Brooklyn beer as their own."

While some of Brooklyn Brewery's products are made in the Upstate city of Utica, the Williamsburg plant is a busy, noisy hub of beer-making and bottling, dominated by giant fermentation tanks and a snaking production line. (A state-of-the-art production facility on Staten Island is in the works, Hindy says, and the brewing that's now contracted out to the Utica plant will eventually move there.) Its flagship beer, Brooklyn Lager, comprises more than half of its total production; other regularly available products include a German-style pilsner, several variations on India Pale Ale, and a wheat beer made of New York State grain, malt, and hops. There's a wide variety of seasonal offerings including a black chocolate stout, a pumpkin >

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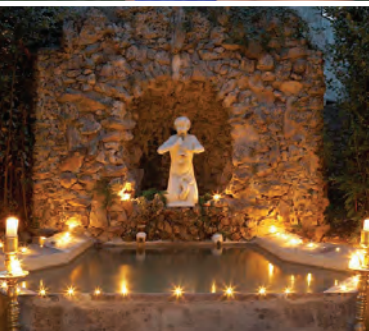


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ale, and an Oktoberfest, plus a specialty line dubbed the Brooklyn Quarterly Experiment. Sold in Champagne-style bottles, BQE beers riff on flavors like coffee, cherries, and orange peel; they're aged in barrels, housed in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, that once contained bourbon and other spirits. "The birth of craft beer and the growth of Brooklyn Brewery are all connected to the increasing sophistication of American consumers," Hindy observes. "Let's face it: I was brought up eating Kraft cheese slices and Wonder Bread and having dinner out of cans, but today many Americans have traveled around the world; we know what real cheese is and what real wine is. People are looking for products that aren't mass-produced, that are artisanal and locally sourced. Craft beer is part of that story."

When Hindy and Potter (a banker who lived downstairs from Hindy in Park Slope) founded the business in 1981, neither the brewery's success nor the borough's was a slam dunk. For one thing, Hindy's background hardly set him up to be a beer mogul. After fleeing his high school English job he got into journalism, eventually becoming the Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press. He covered wars and the Iranian revolution; when Egyptian president Anwar Sadat was assassinated, Hindy was sitting behind him. After Hindy, his wife, and their two children moved back to the U.S. and settled in Brooklyn, Hindy found his editing job at *Newsday* a bit dull by comparison. Having gotten a taste for homebrew in Cairo—where he'd met American diplomats who'd taken up the hobby while serving in Islamic countries where alcohol is forbidden—Hindy convinced Potter to join him in quitting his day job. They raised \$500,000 from investors, recruited a veteran brewmaster, and embarked on what Hindy describes as fifteen years of "really grueling work and a lot of sleepless nights."

Among the more dramatic moments: being held at gunpoint by armed robbers, who forced Hindy to open the brewery's safe and fork over \$30,000 in cash (for which the business had no insurance). And then there was the time, in the borough's grittier days, when those low-level mobsters came by to shake him down—and Hindy somehow managed to talk them out of it. "At a critical moment, this guy slammed me into the wall, and then he burst out laughing," Hindy recalls. "And all his guys started laughing, and he said he was going to leave us alone. And then he said he'd like me to come to his Christmas party. Luckily, he went away—and he never did invite me." ■

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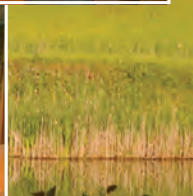
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Big Red Highlights

HALL OF FAME With the induction of eleven new honorees in September, Cornell's athletic pantheon now has 577 members. The additions are **Ka'Ron Barnes '04**, men's basketball; Dick Blood, softball coach; **Jessica Brown '05**, women's track and field; **Shonda Brown '05**, women's track and field; Lou Duesing, women's track and field coach; **Colin Farrell '05**, men's lightweight rowing; **Karen Force '04**, women's basketball; **Erica Holveck Murphy '03**, women's lacrosse; **Travis Lee '05**, wrestling; **Lauren May '05**, softball; and Pete Noyes, football coach.

TENNIS Although the bulk of its schedule is held in the spring, the Big Red men's tennis team made some waves this fall. **Colin Sinclair '17** won the Lenz Singles Bracket at the Ivy Plus tournament in September, his first tourney title in almost two years. **Chris Vrabel '17** (right) and **David Volfson '19** reached the final at first doubles in the same event. Volfson was ranked number two among the nation's freshmen in the initial Intercollegiate Tennis Association standings released in September.

ROWING **Greg Davis '16** (below, fourth from right) earned a silver medal at the World Rowing Under 23 Championships held in Plovdiv, Bulgaria, in July. Davis was a member of the U.S. heavyweight eight that finished second to Germany in the final. He was joined in Bulgaria by **Ned Benning '16**, who competed in the men's double scull, and **Marco Bustamante '18**, who rowed in the lightweight four. Meanwhile, five Cornell rowers earned medals at the Royal Canadian Henley Regatta. **Joel Cooper '17**, **Christian DiGiocomo '17**, and **Rich Rosin '18**, rowed for the New York Athletic Club's winning under-23 men's eight boat while **Joe Pinnola-Vizza '18** and **James McManus '18** (right) rowed for the Conshohocken Rowing Center and won the under-23 men's lightweight pair.

TRACK AND FIELD **Taysia Radoslav '18** earned two medals at the Panamerican Junior Track and Field Championships, held in Edmonton, Alberta in August. Competing for Canada, Radoslav finished second in the women's 400 meter hurdles, and then collected a bronze medal in the 4x400 meter relay.



Alumni News

FOOTBALL Cornell gridiron legend **Pete Gogolak '64** and his brother Charlie have been named winners of the National Football Foundation's Outstanding Contribution to Amateur Football Award for 2015. The brothers introduced soccer-style kicking to football. During his time on East Hill, Pete set several NCAA placekicking records—many of which were broken by Charlie, who played at Princeton. Pete went on to enjoy a long and successful professional playing career.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE With **Ashleigh Smith '07, BS '08**, playing defense, England's Women's National Lacrosse Team won its second straight European Lacrosse Championship. England defeated Wales 11-8 to take its sixth title since the tournament started in 1996. **Halsey Diakow '09** was a member of the Israeli national team that finished fourth, and **Cacki Helmer '12** served as an assistant coach for fifth-place Team Ireland.

MEN'S LACROSSE Despite a storied career that has included the highest individual accolades, one achievement had eluded **Rob Pannell '12, BS '13**: a national championship. That changed this summer as he helped lead the New York Lizards to the Major League Lacrosse title. Pannell paced the league in scoring with 68 points on 38 goals and 30 assists, then scored four goals to help the Lizards to a 15-12 win over the Rochester Rattlers in the title game.

BASEBALL Former Big Red pitcher **Brent Jones '15** struggled with injuries during his second professional season, making sixteen appearances for three minor league teams. Jones started and finished the season with the Class Kane County Cougars, going 2-5 with a 4.15 ERA. He was a fourth-round pick of the Arizona Diamondbacks in 2014, the earliest any Cornell player has gone in the baseball draft.

POLO A former Cornell player now how holds one of the top management positions in polo. **Duncan Huyler '83** is CEO of the United States Polo Association, the national governing body. Co-captain of the 1983 men's team that finished as national runner-up, Huyler has served as CFO for several financial firms.

Coaching Changes

BASEBALL In August, Dan Pepicelli was named Cornell's new head baseball coach, replacing **Bill Walkenbach '98**, who left after seven seasons to become head coach at Claremont-Mudd-Scripps. Pepicelli comes to the Hill after six years as the pitching coach at Clemson University, where he helped the Tigers to a College World Series appearance. He previously served as head coach at St. John Fisher and Hartwick. Joining Pepicelli is assistant coach **Frank Hager '12**.

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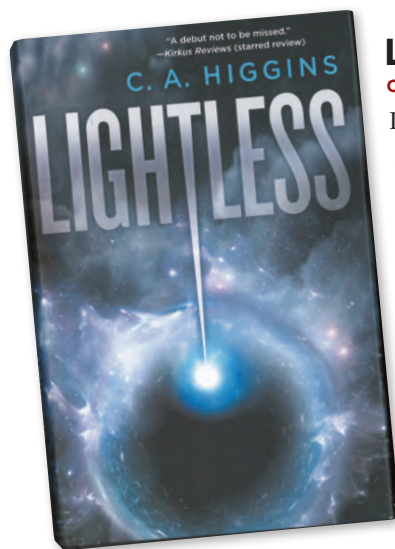
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New Releases



Lightless

C.A. HIGGINS '13

In her debut sci-fi novel, former physics major Higgins creates a dystopian future in which a computer scientist must contend with cunning terrorists, officious government functionaries, and a sentient spacecraft whose violent moods threaten everyone on board. All of the action takes place inside this experimental military

spaceship, dubbed the *Ananke*, creating what the *New York Times* called “a pleasing claustrophobia.”

Higgins credits such disparate creative influences as *The Usual Suspects* and “Battlestar Galactica,” but her physics degree also had an impact—particularly in her choice to name each book section for a different law of thermodynamics. A runner up in the 2013 Dell Magazines Award for Undergraduate Excellence in Science Fiction and Fantasy Writing, Higgins wrote most of *Lightless* while at Cornell. “The *Ananke* was made of metal, but men had built her,” she writes. “All things men create have some aspect of humanity in them, for men are incapable of creating the truly alien. And so the *Ananke* was made of metal, but all her parts were analogous to flesh.”



Crossing the Plains with Bruno

ANNICK SMITH '58

In her latest memoir, Smith reflects on a two-week road trip with her steadfast canine companion—a chocolate Lab named Bruno—that began as a straightforward journey to collect her 100-year-old mother from an assisted living facility in Chicago and bring her to the family's beach house on Lake Michigan. But as she and her dog travel, random encounters and familiar settings spark deep reflections of Smith's past: her Hungarian Jewish roots, her childhood in

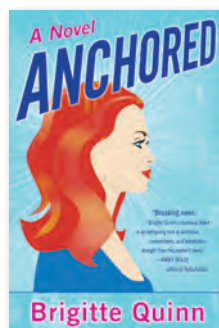
Chicago, her marriage, the death of her husband, her move West, and her career as a Hollywood producer. “While driving across the vast spaces of the interior West, I often got lost in memory or flights of fancy. Bruno's presence and his needs forced me to return to the actual,” writes Smith, a founding board member of the Sundance Film Institute. “He reminded me that I, too, am an animal whose existence depends on being alert to the scents and sights and hunger and emotions of the moment.”



Mrs. Shaw

MUKOMA WA NGUGI

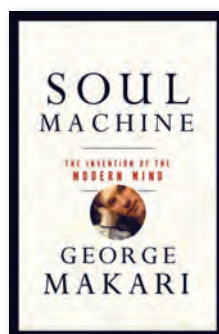
Ngugi, an assistant professor of English at Cornell, was short-listed for both the Caine Prize for African Writing and the Penguin Prize for African Writing for the manuscript that ultimately became *Mrs. Shaw*. His novel centers on the relationships among three exiles forced to make new lives in the United States. Two of them in particular, banished from the same fictional African dictatorship, form a connection underscored by the violent events they both lived through, and complicated by how differently they remember them. “To know who we are, we have to go into the past. We have to find those who made us,” says one of the exiles. “The truth is like a river; to find it we have to go to its source.”



Anchored

BRIGITTE QUINN '84

A former TV news reporter brings her professional experience to the page in this debut novel about an unseasoned anchor who aspires to Barbara Walters-esque fame. The heroine spends her days at a small-time network reporting on car chases, interviewing obscure local celebrities, and dreaming about how to break into covering real news—until a new male colleague arrives and turns her life upside down. She faces mounting moral dilemmas as competitive tensions give way to chemistry and gets a chance at her big break that may come at the expense of her integrity.



Soul Machine

GEORGE MAKARI, MD '87

Exploring “the invention of the modern mind,” a psychiatry professor at the Medical College describes how the concept evolved in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries as a compromise between science and religion. Makari, who previously penned *Revolution in Mind: The Creation of Psychoanalysis*, contemplates the writings of foremost theorists of the period including Hobbes, Newton, Locke, Diderot, Voltaire, and Kant.

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Ups & Downs

Three-quarters of a century ago, the Big Red won—then lost—one of the most famous games in football history

By Brad Herzog '90

Most of the key players are gone now, outlived by the drama that unfolded seventy-five years ago this November. But stories are immortal, and for years the members of the 1940 Big Red football squad told and re-told the tale of what generations would come to know as the Fifth Down Game: the moment when the University forfeited a key victory, choosing ethics over glory. In the history of Big Red sports, it was both the most heartbreaking loss and the most enduring victory.

Three-quarters of a century have passed, and most pre-war sports headlines have faded into history. Who remembers which team won the 1940 college football national championship? How about that year's Heisman Trophy? But people still talk about a game played that fall between Cornell and Dartmouth before a half-capacity crowd in Hanover, New Hampshire.

A decade ago, ESPN football historian Beano Cook ranked the most important moments in the sport's history. He placed the Fifth Down Game second, behind only the famous "Win one for the Gipper" speech (which happened to be immortalized on the silver screen that same autumn in 1940). But while George Gipp's quotation may well have been apocryphal, the Fifth Down Game is in the record books. Twice, you might say.

In an era when scandals like Deflategate and the Lance Armstrong doping case demonstrate that athletes are sometimes willing to bend the rules for the sake of victory, the story of how one college football program chose to do the right thing resonates. Today, it may seem a quaint tale. But it serves as a reminder of the fact that in sports, as in life, winning isn't everything.

On September 16, 1940, President Franklin Roosevelt signed into law the first peacetime draft in U.S. history. The Nazis had plowed through France, and a once-sanguine American public feared what might come next; nearly two-thirds of Americans believed that Hitler's bid for domination wouldn't stop on the Eastern side of the Atlantic. The sports pages offered little distraction. Wimbledon and both the Summer and Winter Olympics had been cancelled.

But one story did capture the attention of sports fans across the nation: a football team from Ithaca that just wouldn't lose.

Only five years earlier, Cornell had been luckless. Coach Gil Dobie left for Boston College, saying, "You can't win games with Phi Beta Kappas." But then Carl Snavelly took the reins and the team's fortunes turned. In 1938, the Big Red lost only once. The following year, Cornell went 8-0 (beating Big Ten champ Ohio State along the way) and finished the season ranked fourth in the country by the Associated Press. With nearly every star returning for the 1940 campaign, Stanley Woodward of the *New York Times* wrote, "Theoretically this Cornell team is one of the greatest that has ever stepped out ready made on a football field."

On October 16, after Cornell had won its first two games by a combined score of 79-0, every player over the age of twenty-one lined up with nearly 1,500 other male Cornellians at six draft registration booths on campus. Three days later, five Big Red players scored touchdowns in a 33-6 rout of Syracuse, after which opposing coach Ossie Solem deemed Cornell's "the greatest passing attack I've ever seen." The Big Red was ranked number one in the nation, earning more than twice as many first-place votes as Notre Dame. On October 26, more than 30,000 fans at Schoellkopf Field watched another victory over Ohio State. After a 27-0 win over Columbia the following week, one Iowa newspaper announced, "CORNELL APPEARS CINCH TO HAVE UNBEATEN SEASON." The next Saturday, Cornell beat Yale 21-0.

But harsh realities from the wider world cast a shadow over that autumn. On the day that the Fifth Down Game would be played—November 16, a week and a half after FDR was re-elected to an unprecedented third term—the U.S. awoke to the news that more than 500 German bombers had all but destroyed the British city of Coventry. The war was going badly. America's sons—including Cornell's football stars—seemed destined for the battlefields of Europe.

Indeed, by the end of the war, Walt Scholl '41—the second-stringer who threw the Fifth Down Game's fateful fourth-quarter pass—had flown seventy-two missions over the Mediterranean, earning a Distinguished Flying Cross. Teammates Frank "Bud" Finneran '41 and Ray Jenkins '42 rose to the rank of Marine captain and were awarded Bronze Stars. Hal McCullough '41 single-handedly wiped out a machine gun nest and captured a group of German soldiers. Lou Conti '41 served seventeen months as a bomber pilot in the South Pacific; Mort Landsberg '41 flew fighter planes alongside future President George H. W. Bush; Nick Drahos '41, MS '50, served on the French front as a demolitions expert. >





Key players:

(Top row, from left)
Walt Matuszak '41, DVM '43;
Walt Scholl '41;
Bud Finneran '41;
Ray Jenkins '42;
Hal McCullough '41.
(Bottom row, from left)
Lou Conti '41;
Mort Landsberg '41;
Nick Drahos '41, MS '50;
Bill Murphy '41.



Then there were the men who didn't come home. Landsberg lost a brother, who was shot down over the Ryukyu Islands. Snavely lost his son, Carl Jr. '42, whose bomber disappeared off the coast of Newfoundland. And Ed Van Order '42, the only junior to start on the 1940 team, perished on Okinawa three months before the war's end.

In *Honor on the Line*, a chronicle of 1940 and the Fifth Down Game that Robert Scott, MRP '73, and Myles Pocta self-published in 2012, the authors describe the season as players enjoying "their last gridiron fling before war overtook them—and took over their lives." Such was the setting on the third Saturday in November, when a group of red-clad teammates—having won eighteen straight games—trekked to Dartmouth's Memorial Field on what was, by all accounts, a meteorologically miserable day.



The contest seemed a mismatch. Cornell had the nation's most potent offense, outscoring its opponents 181-13, while the Big Green had won only three games out of seven. But Dartmouth—they were known as the "Indians" then—had been focusing on this match-up since a 35-6 trouncing in Ithaca a year earlier. Immediately following that game, Coach Earl Blaik had announced his priorities: "Gentleman, next year there is only one game on the schedule—Cornell." And then there was the weather. Four days of rain and a dusting of snow had turned the field into a sloppy mess. And as the *New York Times* had noted, "In football, mud is the great equalizer."

It was 0-0 at the half. Cornell couldn't muster an offense; Dartmouth, which attempted only one pass all day, pushed into Big Red territory several times, but failed to score. In the third quarter, Cornell finally moved the ball deep into Dartmouth's

Play by play:

Vintage images show how the now-infamous final moments of the game unfolded.



First down: The Big Red's Landsberg plunges to the Dartmouth three-yard line.

Cornell might have attempted a game-tying field goal, but even a tie would have dashed hopes for a national championship, so the Big Red went for the win.

end of the field, but a pass was intercepted in the end zone. It was still a scoreless game until the final quarter, when a Dartmouth field goal made it 3-0.

Led by Scholl off the bench, Cornell mounted one final desperation drive. By the time he completed a pass to halfback Bill Murphy '41, making it first and goal at the six-yard line, there were only forty-five seconds left on the clock. And here began the series of plays that would become the stuff of confusion, controversy, conversation—and eventually, legend.

First down: Landsberg ran for three yards.

Second down: Scholl carried the ball to the one-yard line.

Third down: Landsberg again, diving forward into a mass of players.

Right guard Conti would later insist that Landsberg had scored, but the ref didn't see it that way. W. H. "Red" Friesell Jr. stood five feet tall, but he'd established an outsized reputation in his two decades as an official. If Army played Navy, if Harvard played Yale, if Cornell was trying to continue an eighteen-game unbeaten streak, then Friesell was working the game.

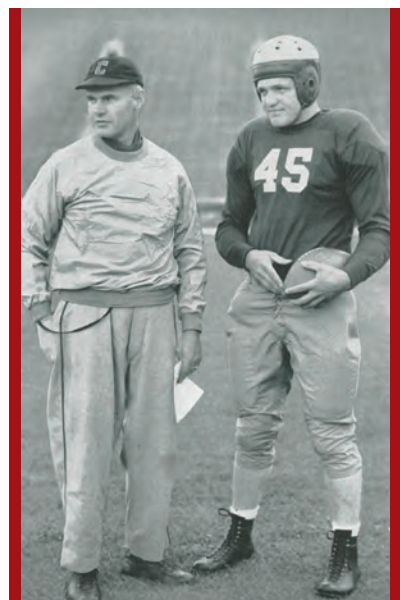
No touchdown, he signaled, and placed the ball about a foot from the goal line.

The Big Red asked for a time out, but it had none left. Friesell called a delay of game penalty and marched the ball five yards back to near the six-yard line. In a normal scenario—fourth down, losing 3-0 with only ten seconds remaining—Cornell might have attempted a game-tying field goal. But even a tie would likely have dashed hopes for a national championship (which was awarded by a vote of Associated Press sports writers and usually went to an undefeated team), so the Big Red went for the win. Scholl rolled to his right and tossed the ball toward the end zone. When it was batted down by a defender, the Dartmouth fans erupted in celebration.

Game over. But then it wasn't.

Friesell grabbed the ball, walked a few steps, then stopped suddenly and conferred with the head linesman. There were no penalty flags in those days, so there's no clear visual record of exactly what happened on that play. Dartmouth players insisted it was an incomplete pass on fourth down. Cornell captain Walt Matuszak '41, DVM '43, was equally adamant that the fourth down had to be replayed because both teams had been called offside. Whether that was the case or the officials simply lost track of downs, Friesell marched the ball back to the six-yard line and signaled that it was Cornell's ball. Again.

With three seconds left on the clock, Cornell tried the exact same play. Legend has it that Murphy whispered, "Dear Lord, if you let me score this touchdown, I promise to attend Mass every day for a year." This time, he caught the pass in the end zone just before falling out of bounds. The clock ticked to zero, Drahos kicked the extra point, and Cornell won 7-3. But given what soon developed, Murphy would have to seek clarification from his priest. ➤



On the sidelines:
Coach Carl Snively (left) with
team captain Walt Matuszak



So close: Scholl reaches the one-yard line; Landsberg later makes a half-yard, and Cornell is penalized for time outs.



Photographic proof: In the fourth down, the location of the ball (circled) would show no player had been offside.



Gridiron Greats: The 1940 Big Red football squad's official portrait

In the game's immediate aftermath, confusion reigned. Most of the reporters in the press box were certain that five downs had occurred, and nearly every green-clad spectator agreed. Word of the controversy quickly reached the ears of Cornell President Edmund Ezra Day and athletic director Jim Lynah 1905. But the scoreboard—always the final word—read 7-3. Never had a college football game's outcome been determined by a decision beyond the field of play.

Only a month earlier, Columbia had scored a game-winning touchdown against Georgia on what film later revealed to be an illegal forward lateral. Two weeks before that, Ohio State had beaten Purdue when a game-winning field goal was kicked by a player who should have been disqualified as an illegal substitute. Neither final score had even been seriously debated. As the *Daily Sun* had opined after that Columbia game, "Nothing can be done about it now."

And now Cornell's unbeaten streak and national title aspirations were on the line. The Big Red players debated the situation on the train home to Ithaca—and they were hardly inclined to forfeit the win. "On that ride back there were all sorts of frenzied versions of what had happened," then-assistant athletic director Bob Kane '34 wrote in *Good Sports*, his history of Cornell athletics. Some, including Drahos, believed that offsetting penalties had necessitated a fifth down. Others pointed out that even if the referees had been in error, they had been hired by Dartmouth. Besides, they said, Landsberg's third-down run should have been ruled a touchdown. In hindsight, they were likely a bunch of twenty-one-year-olds trying to convince themselves they'd won fair and square.

Meanwhile, Day and Lynah huddled together and made a weighty decision. They emerged to release a joint statement: "If the officials in charge of today's Dartmouth-Cornell game rule after investigation that . . . the winning touchdown was scored on an illegal fifth down, the score of the game . . . will be recorded as Dartmouth 3, Cornell 0."



Fourth down: Up 3-0, the Green's Don Norton could have intercepted the pass, but plays it safe and knocks it down.



Pleading the fifth: Scholl throws the final pass on down five sending Cornell home thinking they've won 7-3.

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On Monday, Friesell sent a special report to Asa Bushnell, commissioner of the Eastern Intercollegiate Football Association. "I am now convinced beyond a shadow of a doubt," he confessed, "that I was in error in allowing Cornell possession of the ball for the play on which they scored." He also admitted that his jurisdiction had ceased at the close of the game; he could not correct his mistake. Bushnell announced that his organization did not have the authority to change the score. It was up to Cornell and Dartmouth.

That same morning, Snively and Kane scrutinized the grainy game footage. "And we looked—and we looked—and we looked," Kane recalled. "After running the film back and forth many times he turned off the projector, removed his glasses and quietly said, 'No question, it was a fifth down.'" A telegram was sent to Hanover announcing that "Cornell relinquishes claim to the victory and extends congratulations to Dartmouth."

Kane described breaking the news to the Big Red players as a "melancholy task." Day—a 1905 Dartmouth grad—told them they were the best team he'd seen in forty years. One rumor, passed down through the decades, holds that Day believed his alma mater would never accept the concession, and that a gentlemanly demurral would be forthcoming. And in fact, every time Finneran told the tale he concluded on a wistful note: "We're still waiting for that telegram."

A return telegram did arrive—stating that Dartmouth accepted the victory "and salutes the Cornell team, the honorable and honored opponent of her longest unbroken football rivalry."

Dartmouth's newspaper put out a special edition, and hundreds of students marched through Hanover behind a band playing Cornell's alma mater. In Ithaca, most of the Big Red players felt frustrated and deflated; indeed, they lost to Penn the very next Saturday. But as the *Daily Sun* put it, "Our record of sportsmanship still stands unscarred." The national press agreed. The *New York Times* marveled that "the result probably deprived Cornell of the mythical national championship of the East; yet the Cornell authorities accepted it without a quiver." The *Syracuse Herald-Journal* declared that the Big Red "looks bigger than ever."

Cornell's concession turned what would likely have been a historical footnote into an iconic event. A win would have been forgotten in months; a defeat has lingered as legend for seventy-five years. As Kane later noted: "No victory or bundles of victories have or will ever bring the glory this loss with honor has." ■

Five Downs, Five Facts

Of the eighteen Cornellians who played in the Fifth Down Game, ten are in the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame.

In the days before point spreads, Cornell was a 15-1 favorite to beat Dartmouth. But bookmakers refused to pay off on a 3-0 Dartmouth win; instead, they stuck with the 7-3 Saturday score.

Within hours of the game's resolution, Cornell and Dartmouth were invited to replay it in New York to benefit the Infantile Paralysis Fund (now the March of Dimes). Citing an opposition to "postseason" play, Dartmouth declined.

Another mistaken fifth down occurred on October 6, 1990, when Colorado beat Missouri 33-31 with a final-play touchdown. Although the video clearly showed five downs, Colorado coach Bill McCartney declared that "in no way, shape, or form would we forfeit the game." His team went on to win the national championship.

The only man to officially score in the Fifth Down Game, Dartmouth placekicker Bob Krieger, went on to play for the Philadelphia Eagles. During one of his pro games in 1941, a referee suffered a severely broken leg and never officiated again. It was Red Friesell—who eventually became a welcome face at Dartmouth and Cornell reunions and had a racehorse named after him, dubbed "Fifth Down Red."

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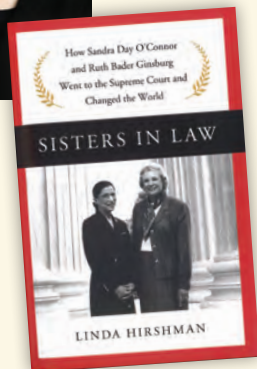
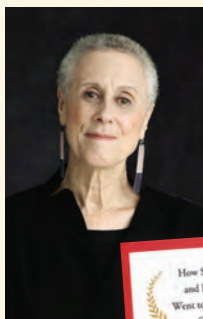
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Women's Work

A lawyer-philosopher chronicles
the ceiling-smashing rise
of the Supreme Court's first
two female justices



Linda Redlick Hirshman '66 means no disrespect when she refers to the subjects of her new book as “Sandra” and “Ruth.” After all, Hirshman spent three intense years with them—in her own head, at any rate—as she researched and wrote about the first two women to serve on the Supreme Court, and the feminist advances that helped them get there. “I do feel like I know them,” says Hirshman, a lawyer and philosopher who specializes in writing about social movements. “I can’t resist calling them by their first names, because when you live with the subjects of a biography for as long as I did, you *do* get to know them. It was wonderful to be in their company all those years.”

Published in September by Harper, *Sisters in Law* chronicles (in the words of its subtitle) “how Sandra Day O’Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg went to the Supreme Court and changed the world.” In it, Hirshman describes how two women from different backgrounds overcame the sexist barriers of their time to rise to the land’s highest court. O’Connor was a country girl, the daughter of an Arizona cattle rancher, educated out West (at Stanford). Ginsburg was a city kid and a product of the East: the Brooklyn-born child of Russian-Jewish immigrants, she graduated from Cornell in 1954 with a degree in government and studied at Harvard Law before transferring to Columbia, where she tied for first in her class.

Like Ginsburg, Hirshman majored in government on the Hill. After earning a JD from the University of Chicago she practiced labor law, representing unions in three cases that went before the Supreme Court (and arguing two of them herself). She went on to earn a PhD in philosophy from the University of Illinois, Chicago, and taught at Brandeis until retiring from academia in 2002. Her previous books include *The Woman’s Guide to Law School*; *Hard Bargains: The Politics of Sex*; and *Victory: The Triumphant Gay Revolution*. Arguably her most high-profile title is *Get to Work: And Get a Life, Before It’s Too Late*, which argued that women who opt out of the workforce to raise children do both themselves and society a disservice. When it was published in 2006—garnering Hirshman an appearance on the “Colbert Report”—it sparked a firestorm among editorial writers, bloggers, and stay-at-home mothers, many of whom excoriated her in vivid language. Asked if the experience has made her gun shy, the author just chuckles. “I represented organized labor in the state courts of Georgia,” says Hirshman, who splits her time between Manhattan and Arizona and is currently at work on a dystopian novel. “So people said, ‘Linda Hirshman makes me vomit’? I had actual working men and women depending on me for their survival. So, in fact, stay-at-home moms did not scare me.”

When Hirshman started work on *Sisters in Law*, she met briefly with both O’Connor and Ginsburg, but neither sat

down with her for an interview. Ginsburg agreed to participate if O’Connor would, Hirshman says, but O’Connor declined—though Ginsburg did send occasional packets of background material and gave other people the go-ahead to cooperate with the research process. Hirshman notes that among the many lessons she took away from her two subjects was the healing power of work in the wake of grief. “My husband had died three months before I got the book contract,” Hirshman recalls. “As Ruth and Sandra both said in interviews after their husbands died, work is the great salvation in that hard time. So I worked from the moment I got up until the moment I was too tired at the end of the day to do anything else.” The resulting volume has received solid reviews, including a star from *Library Journal*. While veteran *New York Times* Supreme Court reporter Linda Greenhouse opined that the book “raises more questions than it answers,” *Kirkus* called it “an intelligent, evenhanded look at a changing society and its legal foundations.”

‘Both Ruth and Sandra clearly understood that they were entitled to govern.’

Despite her subjects’ contrasting biographies and political persuasions—O’Connor, a legislator in conservative Arizona, was nominated by Republican Ronald Reagan, while Ginsburg was a former American Civil Liberties Union attorney tapped for the court by Democrat Bill Clinton—Hirshman notes numerous commonalities, not least of which is how they both faced down gender discrimination. After graduating from Stanford Law, O’Connor was snubbed by dozens of firms—except one, which condescended to offer her a job as a legal secretary. Despite a glowing endorsement for a Supreme Court clerkship from the dean of Harvard Law, Ginsburg was rejected by Justice Felix Frankfurter solely because of her sex. “Both Ruth and Sandra clearly understood that they were entitled to govern—and nothing that the world told them about how, being women, they were not entitled convinced them,” Hirshman says. “They understood that this entitlement was not theirs alone; if discrimination against them was wrong, then discrimination against other women was also wrong. So when they began to succeed, they did not pull the ladder up after them.”

—Beth Saulnier

Test Cases

In an excerpt from her new book, Linda Redlick Hirshman '66 describes how Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54 entered the big leagues of gender rights law. Then in her thirties and a professor at Rutgers University, Ginsburg became involved in several prominent discrimination cases—one of them steered to her by her husband, prominent tax attorney Martin Ginsburg '53.

In a scene right out of Hepburn and Tracy's battle-of-the-sexes movie *Adam's Rib*, Professor Ginsburg was working in her home office in their upscale apartment one night in 1970 when Marty waltzed into her sanctum with a tax advance sheet. Greeted with an impatient "no time for tax cases," Marty persevered. This one she had to read.

Marty's case involved a lifelong bachelor, Charles Moritz, the sole support of his eighty-nine-year-old widowed mother. He tried to collect the \$600 deduction the tax code provided for caretaking costs while he was out earning a living as a medical editor. The Internal Revenue Code, having no truck with lifelong bachelors and their mothers, allowed only the dependency deduction for caretaking women, widowers, and the unlucky married man whose wife is "incapacitated."

The line separated men from women, full stop. There were no distracting issues here, unless the court was willing to say that it was unnatural for men, rather than women, to care for their mothers. From Ruth Ginsburg's strategic point of view, it did not matter whether the plaintiff was male or female. The only issue was whether, in 1970, the government could treat one sex unequally simply because . . . it could. Civil rights lawyers are always looking for the perfect case, one that squarely presents the injustice of the distinctions, with no distracting side issues and with a very appealing plaintiff to represent the cause. The Ginsburgs decided Charles Moritz was the plaintiff for them. (When Moritz first got their call, he thought someone was playing a joke. Why would fancy New York lawyers be bothered with him?) Unlike *Adam's Rib*, where the defense attorney played by Katharine Hepburn was at war with her prosecutor husband (Spencer Tracy) in the case against Judy Holliday's bloodthirsty wife, in the Moritz case the Ginsburgs were on the same side. Moritz was, of course, ecstatic

to have them. Since he had lost before the tax court, the next step in his case was to appeal the decision to the local federal court of appeals in Colorado, where he lived. The Ginsburgs wrote the papers to start the appeal and began working on the brief. When it was done they sent some copies around to lawyers they thought might be interested.

The liberal NYU professor Norman Dorsen was sitting in his faculty office at the Law School when the Ginsburgs' brief arrived. Dorsen, who was an important general counsel at the national office of the American Civil Liberties Union, thought it was a great job. "Marty doing the tax side and Ruth making the equal protection argument, I wrote her and said it was an absolutely brilliant piece of work." Dorsen—and the ACLU—mattered. That's why the Ginsburgs sent him their brief. They were looking for help with the thousands of dollars of expenses they knew they

would incur representing Charles Moritz in the federal court of appeals.

By 1970, anyone who was anyone in social change was banging on the door of the ACLU. Ruth and Marty Ginsburg, however, weren't just anyone. At Rutgers, Ruth was already starting to take sex-discrimination cases for the New Jersey ACLU. One day that fall, she opened her office door at Rutgers and who should be standing there but Mel Wulf, the dining hall waiter at her old summer camp, Camp Che-Na-Wah. Wulf, the legal director of the national ACLU, was visiting Ruth's former student and present colleague Frank Askin, who was already a member of the ACLU board. After the customary chat about Swedish civil procedure, Ginsburg told Wulf she was doing a sex-discrimination case for the New Jersey ACLU. He was not impressed with her little local litigation, although he later called this the moment he "plucked Ruth Bader Ginsburg from obscurity." As usual with Ginsburg, it was more like ➤



Legal mind: Ginsburg at work in 1977

she did it herself (backwards and in high heels). She sent Wulf a follow-up letter with an appeal for help with the Moritz case. Getting no response, Ruth deployed her second arrow—a clever, musically themed letter to Wulf about the value of the Moritz case, in the form of a play on Gilbert and Sullivan, familiar from their camp productions.

Her interest in Wulf intensified when she read that the ACLU was already in charge of *Reed v. Reed*, the first constitutional sex-discrimination case to go to the Supreme Court since 1961. The Reeds, separated and then divorced, were in court because the State of Idaho had a law preferring men over women as the administrators of dead people's estates. When the Reeds' son died, Cecil Reed was appointed executor, over the mother, Sally. Sally Reed's sense of injustice may have been fueled by the tragic circumstances of her son's death. A judge had ordered Sally to turn her son over to his father under the then-standard doctrine that a child old enough to need education about the world should be transferred to his father, once the "tender years" spent with his mother were over. Right after she relinquished him to his father, the boy had killed himself. Now his father was going to administer their son's estate.

Ginsburg asked to see the papers Mel Wulf was drafting to appeal *Reed v.*

Reed to the high court. Her reading was that Wulf wasn't moving aggressively enough to change the legal landscape for women. She wrote to Wulf again and suggested that perhaps he could use a woman's touch with his brief to the Supreme Court on behalf of women's rights. Teaching a course and trolling for relevant cases, skinny, bookish Ruth Bader Ginsburg took a look at *Reed v. Reed* and decided to stand on that lever and move the world. But first a word or two about that world.

There's a reason Ginsburg was in favor of women having a constitutional amendment of their own, the Equal Rights Amendment. The Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which mandates the equal protection of the laws, like all of the amendments passed after the Civil War, was interpreted to apply to discrimination on the grounds of race (or servitude). If a law discriminated on the basis of race it was suspect, and had to be justified by a compelling state interest. After all, that's why the Civil War was fought.

Until Ruth Bader Ginsburg started her crusade, trying to get constitutional protection against discrimination for any human person other than a black person was almost impossible. Legislatures "discriminate" all the time in the ordinary course of making laws. Driving

fifty miles an hour, illegal; forty, legal. Voters at twenty-one, disenfranchised at twenty; employers of more than fifty covered by the labor law, those employing fewer than fifty not covered. Judges and scholars worried that once these legislative decisions to divide the population could be challenged in court, where would the challenges stop? It's one thing to say schools couldn't be segregated into black and white, but demanding the legislature to justify all classifications would lead to anarchy.

Almost four decades before the reborn feminist movement, the Supreme Court had said that the standard for review of most laws would be whether they are rational. Only a tiny category of laws would be looked at hard, what the Court called a strict-scrutiny standard of review. Those were laws that discriminate on race or alienage and laws that impact the explicit protections of the Bill of Rights, such as freedom of speech and religion. Otherwise, all the law required was that the legislature have some rational basis for distinguishing between its citizens, including its male and female citizens. Rational basis was the lowest standard of judicial review of legislation.

When Ruth Bader Ginsburg took pen to hand for the mother who wanted a fair shot at administering her dead son's estate, the Court had repeatedly turned back pleas to stop the states

Life history: (Clockwise from below): Ruth Bader, aged two; giving a sermon as camp rabbi at fifteen; as a Cornell senior; an official Supreme Court portrait; and her swearing-in as a justice



from treating women differently from men. Just ten years before, in *Hoyt v. Florida*, the Court had said it was okay to discourage women from serving on juries. Between 1961 and 1971, however, lay the earthquake we call the feminist movement. Now seminars full of newly enrolled female law students around the country were turning up examples of how the discriminatory laws hurt women. They wanted the equal protection of the laws applied to them, too. Could the feminist law professor Ruth Bader Ginsburg persuade the Court to apply the race-based Civil War amendments to the altered landscape of sex?

Paradoxically, the American legal system is as conservative as the American Revolution was revolutionary. Despite the revolution, America inherited its legal system from the mother ship, England. In our mutual system of common law, which developed over centuries, deciding one case at a time, courts can make law. But because courts are usually not elected, when they make common law, they are reluctant to make it seem as though they are legislating from the bench. They pretend they're just applying what the prior cases required. The federal courts, which mostly interpret the U.S. Constitution, are also not elected. The Constitution is so old, and the language so broad, that when a court lays down new rules, it appears to be just making stuff up. So the courts try really hard to convince themselves that what they are doing is just discovering what the Constitution meant.

Asking a court, conservative by nature and history, to make the leap from protecting the constitutional beneficiaries of the Civil War to applying equality to their wives was a big jump. At that time, Justice William Brennan, the liberal judge Ginsburg was counting on, wouldn't even hire a female student to be his law clerk.

In 1969 the "liberal" *Harvard Law Review* published a 150-page article on equal protection, the very constitutional doctrine Ginsburg was invoking. The word "sex," as in "sex discrimination," appears four times—three to distinguish it from genuinely suspect categories such as race and once in a footnote to ask whether "experience teaches that the biological differences between the sexes are often related to performance." The brainiacs at Harvard then offered their ultimate argument against constitutional equality for women: Who could imagine gender integration in the military?

Ginsburg had her work cut out for her. ■

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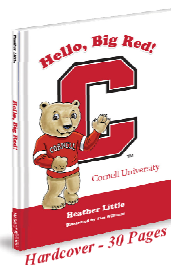
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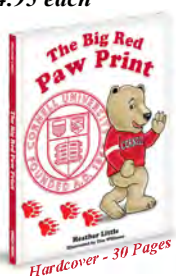
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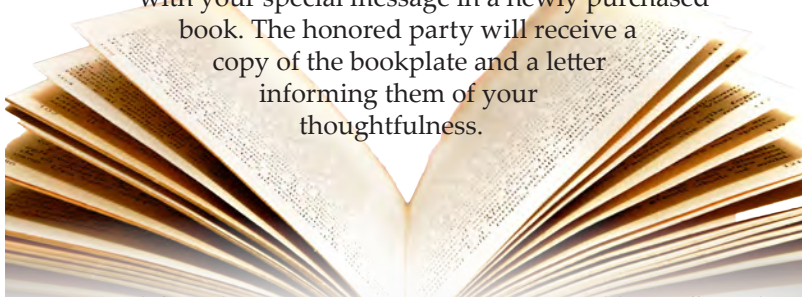


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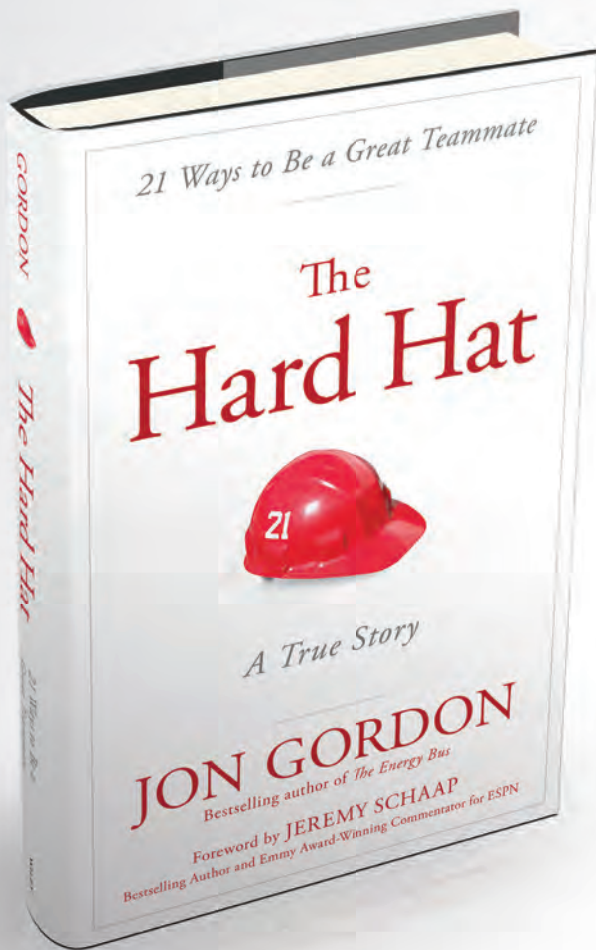
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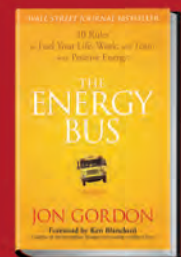
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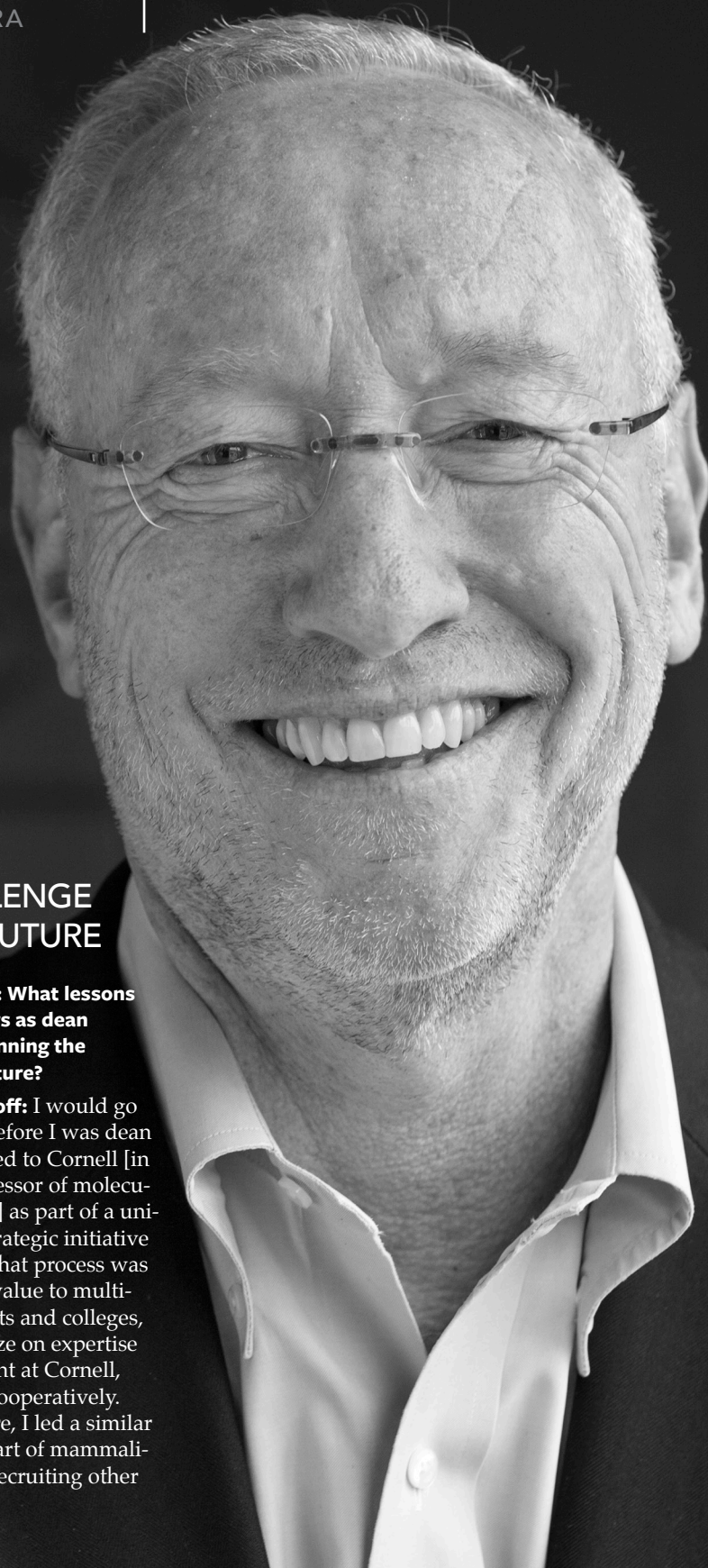


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PROVOST TACKLES 'THE CHALLENGE AND ART' OF CHARTING THE FUTURE

Michael I. Kotlikoff became Cornell University's 16th provost Aug. 1. Kotlikoff, who served as dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine from 2007-15, discussed his new role as the university's chief academic officer, the strategic planning process that he will lead for Cornell and how his experience as a dean has prepared him for this job. The full conversation is available at www.news.cornell.edu/provost-QA.

Excerpts from the conversation:

Ezra magazine: What lessons from your years as dean will help in planning the university's future?

Michael Kotlikoff: I would go back to even before I was dean – I was recruited to Cornell [in 2000, as a professor of molecular physiology] as part of a universitywide strategic initiative in genomics. That process was meant to add value to multiple departments and colleges, and to capitalize on expertise that was present at Cornell, by recruiting cooperatively. Once I was here, I led a similar effort on the part of mammalian genomics, recruiting other faculty.



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The effort recruited faculty to be part of an interdisciplinary initiative and enhanced collaborations in a way that brought departments and colleges together. We haven't been in a position to do much of that lately, and it's one of the directions that I want to pursue in multiple areas of research and scholarship across the university. ...

We will invest in those priorities in a way that enhances the stature and impact of multiple colleges, but also try to make sure that colleges have the resources necessary to advance their individual priorities.

Ezra: How are you approaching the strategic planning process?

MK: It is essential that we engage faculty and the entire Cornell community and, through that, commit to succeed in whatever we choose to do. I have four broad areas that I would like to make sure we capture as part of our strategic planning.

The first is the curriculum – particularly the undergraduate curriculum ... I think it is very important for the provost to lead a discussion about what we want a Cornell education to mean for all of our students, what we expect for them in terms of the breadth of education and exposure to diverse areas of thought ...

A second area relates to the changing landscape of educational technology. ... I'd like to catalyze the formation of a plan that facilitates the creative adoption of technology by our faculty at all levels of our curriculum – our on-campus undergraduate, graduate and professional curricula, as well as our distance learning programs at the master's and certificate levels.

Third, I believe that universities should foster an engaged, as well as an informed, citizenry. ... I'd like us to think about how we leverage [our engagement programs around the world and in New York City] in a way that provides opportunities and experiences for our students by thinking broadly about

the common elements of these efforts.

The fourth area is research. The effort here is not to define or encompass all research activities at Cornell, but to focus on those areas in which we can cooperate. I'm thinking of initiatives in physical sciences, life sciences and social sciences, but also in humanities, the arts and in areas of broad impact on society such as cancer biology, food security, public health and the sustainability of our ecosystems. The real challenge will be picking those areas where Cornell can excel and where investments will impact our stature significantly, while not reducing our commitments to areas of excellence that are centered within a single college. ...

These strategic plans also will generate ideas that will lower the barriers to cross-campus collaborations.

Ezra: What are your thoughts about President Garrett's interpretation of “any person ... any study” as she described in her recent inauguration address, where she stressed the need to focus efforts and resources?

MK: That's absolutely necessary. Cornell has a fundamental duality: academic discovery and the imperative of impact. To me, Cornell's uniqueness lies in the fact that we continue to express these two poles that derive from our founders ... You will not find another institution in the world that combines the stature of academic excellence in pure discovery, whether it's in physics, in humanities, in social sciences or in biology, with the imperative to apply knowledge to better our condition. ... [but] I think we would all agree that we have to make choices within these commitments to discovery and impact, to pick those areas in which we will be world class, and part of that may mean choosing not to do everything.

One point I would emphasize is that our strategic plan will encompass, at every level and as part of our DNA, “any person.” ... Cornell will always be a place where

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everyone is welcome, where success is supported and nurtured, and where we have open inquiry, open discussion and open expression.

Ezra: With the leadership changes at Cornell, what is on the minds of the faculty, staff, students and alumni with whom you have spoken?

MK: What I've heard is an understandable concern about our direction – a desire to address some longstanding issues and to set a strategic direction for the institution.

First, I emphasize at every opportunity that President Garrett and I are committed to academic investment, to bringing the most outstanding faculty, staff and students to our campus and to thereby foster learning and discovery and enhance our stature. Second, with respect to the budget model, I emphasize the goals of our new budgeting system – to promote responsible financial management and strategic decision making in our colleges and administrative units. A third concern relates to the deficit position that we have been in for the past few years and our ability to make the decisions necessary to eliminate this problem and invest in faculty and programs. This process is well underway, and [we] are committed to advancing all of our outstanding schools and colleges.

Finally, I do hear concerns about our ability to collaborate on a curriculum that has more unified elements within the framework of our new budget model that pools tuition, and whether it will produce the most effective and impactful curriculum for our students. ... I don't believe it's the provost's role to dictate solutions, but it is the responsibility of the provost to lead the discussion.

Ezra: The rising cost of education is often on the minds of so many alumni, parents and students; where do we go from here, and are there lessons from your initiatives as dean for diversifying the broader university revenue stream?

MK: We really need to do everything that we can to try and lower the pressure on tuition. All the main revenue streams for higher education are under pressure, and our tuition is increasing at a rate that many of us find worrying. However ... the cost of education today actually is significantly lower for many of our students than it was two decades ago because of the aggressive financial aid initiatives led by President David Skorton. That's a message that the public doesn't hear very often, but I think it is an important expression of our values. At the same time, our state support and federal grant support have declined or have been flat, and our costs associated with regulatory compliance continue to grow.

This is a costly endeavor. As President Garrett said recently, we don't do anybody any favors



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At top: then Dean Michael Kotlikoff

at a recent hooding ceremony for DVM graduates; and above, with President Elizabeth Garrett, visiting the Cornell NanoScale Science and Technology Facility clean room in Duffield Hall.

by pretending it's not. But I do think we need to do whatever we can to contain costs, to think creatively about other revenue sources, and by so doing, advance our core mission.

There are some areas in which Cornell is positioned to be very entrepreneurial, particularly in academic technology ...

Ezra: The university is coming out of an exciting sesquicentennial, a successful campaign and a presidential transition. How will you help Cornell gain momentum to take on new challenges and opportunities?

MK: The energy and courage of our new president gives me extraordinary confidence that we will succeed. President Garrett is a force of nature.

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41 **Mary Louise Garmong** Overman tells us that her husband, Joseph, passed away in August 2014. She writes, "He was a graduate of the U. of Illinois, had his doctorate from U. of Rochester, and worked for DuPont for more than 30 years. We have four grown children: two live here in Las Vegas, one in New Jersey, and one in Rochester, NY."

Herbert Abrams reports, "We live comfortably in a retirement community in Palo Alto, CA. We first came to Stanford in 1948; in 1960 I became a professor of radiology and director of diagnostic radiology. We lived on campus until 1947, when I became Philip H. Cook professor and chairman of radiology at Harvard Medical School and radiologist-in-chief at Brigham and Women's Hospital and the Dana-Farber Cancer Center. We remained in Boston for 18 years, and returned to Stanford in 1985. While in the East, we built a house on Martha's Vineyard and spent our summers there, returning each year."

"In August I'll be 95. I'm still in good health and playing tennis three times a week with a great bunch not quite as old as I. Marilyn and I celebrated our 72nd anniversary on the coast at Half Moon Bay. She is in good physical health but has Alzheimer's and no longer travels. For my son's 65th birthday, I took him and his wife to France for a few weeks, and last March I visited Cuba on a Stanford trip on art and architecture. The sixth edition of *Abrams' Angiography* was published in Chinese in Shanghai, and they did a fine job with the illustrations. Lastly, I had a wonderful time at our 70th Reunion and hope to return for the 75th."

Ted Eiben, MS '46, is living close to campus (50 miles) and enjoying the publicity about sports at Cornell. When he wrote last May, he said, "Spring is springing, and we do enjoy the heat. Love to all old friends still surviving. See you next year." **Herbert Cogan** writes, "I presented a paper at my psychoanalytical institute and it was well-received. I bask in my son's success as co-founder of Newsela (<https://newsela.com>). I was very pleased to renew contact with **Larry Kalik**, who is practically my neighbor." Please send news to: **Class of 1941**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, abb83@cornell.edu.

42 **Arleen Heidgerd** Perry sent us a report from her home in Sarasota, FL. "I retired in 1983 from teaching fourth grade in North Rose, NY. I am now living at Sunnyside Village in independent living, and I love it there. I have two living children, Richard and Linda, five grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren. I love to keep in touch with my family."

When asked what she'd rather be doing now, Arleen said, "Just what I'm doing now, but without a walker. Most of my Cornell friends are deceased, but I'd love to hear from some who are still around. I was a Tri Delt at Cornell." Send your news to: **Class of 1942**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, abb83@cornell.edu.

43 **Gene Saks**, winner of three Tony awards, passed away last March. Although he spent 15 years acting, he was best known for his directing on Broadway. "He could direct actors to be funny, but he wasn't funny himself," said Emanuel Azenberg, who produced nine Broadway shows directed by Gene. "He would say, 'This is funny,' in a very serious way. And you'd laugh because *that* was funny. All of those fundamentals—pacing, timing, line readings—that's what he was good at." Directing such classics as *Lost in Yonkers*, *Biloxi Blues*, and *Mame*, Gene made a lasting legacy in the arts.

John Holden (Southampton, NY) writes, "Both Bernice and I are in reasonably good health. We've been staying close to home—no traveling. Our three children live nearby and help us out with transportation, etc. We also have four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. I have no complaints, but would like to do some more walking and some pitch-and-putt golf." John adds, "I hear regularly from classmate **Tom Baskous**, and would like to hear from others in the Class of '43 or other classes." When asked what he learned at Cornell, John replied, "A good education that served me well in the land surveying-engineering business. After WWII, I went to work for **Theodore F. Squires '25** and later became partners with him at Squires and Holden, now SHW&S. I've since retired and my youngest son is now a partner in the firm."

Barbara Larrabee Johnson (Johnson City, NY) has been retired from teaching home economics in high school for about 30 years. She muses, "Where did the time go?" Barbara stays busy playing bridge two or three times a week, attending family gatherings, and attending learning in retirement programs affiliated with Binghamton U. She writes, "My apartment complex caters to those 65 or older, so there are lots of activities—yoga, book club, Bingo, etc." **Edward Clarke** (Darien, CT) retired in 1985. He has been a volunteer and board president at Person to Person for Darien for 25 years, a board member for more than 20 years at Darien Land Trust, and a board member for more than eight years at United Way, Darien. He adds, "Roberta and I are in assisted living. At Cornell I learned self-reliance and responsibility—and how to get along with people you are exposed to throughout life."

Barbara Wahl Cate checked in from Maplewood, NJ, with no news. **Jerome Batt** (Williams-ville, NY) writes, "Dorothy and I will be celebrating our 71st anniversary on July 1. We get to Cornell occasionally. Our daughter, **Rosemary '73**, and her husband, Ron, are professors in the ILR school. I am still enjoying golf." More news welcome at: **Class of 1943**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, abb83@cornell.edu.

44 Friends and family of **Art Kesten** gathered at Arlington National Cemetery last July 6 for a celebration of his life. The service included a rendition of the "Evening Song," as a tribute to his love for Cornell, and was followed by a reception. Art and **Dotty (Kay)** have always been dedicated members

of the Class of 1944, winning the Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award in 1998 for their extraordinary service to Cornell. Art is survived by Dotty, son **Dale '72** and wife Elizabeth, daughter **Lynn Kesten Coakley '74**, and granddaughters **Lauren Coakley '04** and **Shannon Coakley '07**.

William Elkins, LLB '49, said it was good to hear from Dotty. He writes, "**Trene (Sutphen)** and I are just getting ready to return home from this great Christian retirement village in Florida. I seem to be slowing down quite a bit, but we are doing what we can, and support our church, our local grange, the Tea Party here in Florida and at home, and the NYS Conservative Party." **Anne Bishop McKusick** writes, "I hope that our planet will begin using nuclear energy nearly exclusively. I am happy going to meetings and continuing to study." She would like to hear from **Maralyn Winsor Fleming '45**.

Dunbar King writes, "I'm finishing the Long Island house, which was damaged in Superstorm Sandy. I've also been trying to replace the bulkhead on a 1926 Model T Ford, which is running well. At Cornell I learned how to invest in the stock market after taking kinematics of machinery." **Robert Rochford** writes, "My wife and I retired near Clemson U. in Seneca, SC, but recently moved to Akron, OH, to be near our children." At Cornell, Robert learned that regardless of the obstacles to his goals, he will always try to persevere.

Marion Graham Blose, BS HE '46, shares that she and **Dottie Hotchkiss** Haberl '46 like comparing the athletic activities they enjoy. **Maryann Trask** Whitcomb is still retired, "but all is good with four sons, ten grandkids, and 22 great-grandkids. No complaints here. I'm looking forward to getting back to our summer place on Clearwater Pond in Industry, ME. Classmates are welcome to stop by."

Erma Nightingale Wiggin is still working, via long-distance, for the company that she and **Bud** started many years ago. "I spend winters in Florida and summers in New England—the best of both worlds! Family is all well—four boys and their wives, six grandchildren, and one great-grandson." **Sigmund Hoffman**, MFS '48, reports that he and **Serena (Ginsberg) '47**, MA '48, are retired and living in assisted living, but he would rather be working still. He would like to hear from **Tony Castellani**, BS Ag '47. **Gerald Barad**, BA '47, MD '52, is a full-time greenhouse and garden specialist in cacti and desert plants.

Lucy Upson Canterbury, BA '43, sent a short note that she is in an assisted living facility. **Howie Evans**, PhD '50, reports that he has been working to enlarge the eighth edition of his book, *The Guide to Dissection of the Dog*, coauthored by **Alexander de Lahunta**, PhD '63, but he'd rather be collecting shells on Tahiti. He writes, "We moved to Kendal at Ithaca, and I like it very much. There are many Cornell retirees here from all colleges, and we have room at Kendal for more!" Howie would like to hear from any people who took Anatomy in Arts and Sciences or the Vet school. At Cornell, he learned to keep well and active.

William Gaffney retired from Eastman Kodak in 1986. He writes, "I spend winters in San Diego and Phoenix with my daughter and family. I'm

pretty healthy and remain active with town politics and American Legion." William would like to hear from **Eddie Shoemaker '43**. When asked what the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell was, he replied, "My ROTC experience gave me an opening in the US Army in 1943 for OCS and resulted ultimately in a promotion to captain at 22 years old. This, in turn, impressed management

us would be happy to join you there.] The most important thing he learned at Cornell was a love of teaching. **Ruth Boyd Wilson**, BS HE '44 (Hume, VA) is still enjoying a small horse farm in Virginia. Daughter Susan has taken over the barn, and son Doug manages the rest. All grandchildren and four great-grandchildren are well and happy. "What more can I wish for?" she asks.

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Dorothy Taylor Prey '46

at Eastman Kodak toward a great career with 46 years of service." Send news to: **Class of 1944**, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 401 East State St., Suite 301, Ithaca, NY 14850. Class Notes Editor e-mail, abb83@cornell.edu.

45 Your scribe Julie shed a few tears hearing about the latest Reunion festivities in her absence and regrets being unable to have joined the revelers. Next Reunion, she is promising herself.

Robert Leach (Swarthmore, PA) writes, "Perhaps when the poet Philip Stack wrote, 'Leave me to books and wine and memories,' he had someone like me in mind. I try to get people to celebrate their brains by reading my website: www.thehumandeclaration.com." Robert tells us that he wished he could be sitting on the deck of the *Queen Mary*. **Jean Adelphi Snyder**, MS HE '55 (Spencer, NY) retired in 1979 after 30-plus years of teaching, which she always liked. She and her husband enjoyed the next 20 years traveling across the country before he died, visiting family and friends. She considers herself one of the lucky ones. She still lives in the retirement home that they built in 1972, with her family living nearby. She'd like to hear from anyone who remembers her. **Daniel Glosser**, BEE '44 (Johnstown, PA) tells us that the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell was the surveying of ground measurements.

We're sorry to report the death of **Paul Kilby**, BA '47, MBA '49 (Lakeland, FL) on May 22, 2015. His wife, **Agnes (Lodwick)**, MS HE '48, wrote us last spring to say that he was well cared for in the health center of Florida Presbyterian Homes, where he was visited by son **Alan Kilby '73**, MD '77, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Agnes said that Cornell was a wonderful place to work and it helped in the education of their children. **Rosetta Deni Newton**, BS HE '44 (Orchard Park, NY) has spent the last seven years at a lovely retirement home, but she and her husband, Frank, still have the farm, where he spends his days. Classmate **Jeanne Treman Shempp** lives in the retirement home with her. Rosetta would like to get to reunions and such, but she says she's slowed down a bit and feels best at home. Her church education was important to her at Cornell.

James Carley, PhD '51 (Tucson, AZ) regretfully reports that nothing has changed in retirement recently. In his family, 5-year-old Lauren will start kindergarten in Kansas this fall. Four other children, all grown and living mostly elsewhere, are doing well. What he'd like to be doing now is swimming in the Caribbean. [Ed.: Some of

Harold "Bud" Saunders, BS Hotel '47 (Englewood, CO) passed away at the age of 91 on February 4, 2015. Daughter Robin Angelo (El Dorado Hills, CA) tells us that she is the proud owner of his fraternity pin and the veteran flag presented at his memorial. Her father took her to many Cornell alumni functions, and he served many years as the Cornell Club of Colorado secretary/treasurer. **Jerome Entin**, BME '48 (Monroe Township, NJ) retired in 1987 as partner in Manning and Lewis Engineering Co. He is active in computer clubs in Concordia and other towns in the state. In sports he is still playing doubles tennis. He quit skiing at age 80, and golf at 86. He still attends Metropolitan Opera performances in New York City and the New Jersey Symphony in Newark, NJ. He has two married sons, five grandchildren (all professionals), four of whom are married, and two great-grandsons born in 2014. "We surely have been blessed," he says. He is happily living in Concordia Retirement Community in central New Jersey, and spends the three months of winter in Florida. As to old Cornell friends, having graduated from a war-fractured class, he never made close Cornell friends. He says his engineering training at Cornell gave him purpose and direction for his lifetime.

William Berley, BS Ag '48 (Seattle, WA) moved to Seattle to be close to daughter **Jan Berley Sublett '78**, son **Richard '75**, and grandson **Marcus '05** and their families. He concludes his note, "How great learning can be on the beautiful Cornell campus." **Richard Weishaar**, BA '49, MD '52 (Machiponggo, VA) is glad he spent some time (when possible) traveling by auto around the country, taking in all the natural beauty. He's enjoying nature from his waterfront dwelling on the Chesapeake Bay. Sadly, his old Cornell friends have all departed. He shared this as the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell: "On arrival at medical school, students were told—believe me!—that the school would be there long after we were gone." So much for student inflated egos and all other inflated egos.

Bob and I and your other classmates enjoy hearing from you, so do send us your news. **Julie Kamerer** Snell, 3154 Gracefield Rd., Apt. 111, Silver Spring, MD 20904-0806; e-mail, julie.snell@verizon.com; **Bob Frankenfeld**, 3737 Atlantic Ave., Apt. 900, Long Beach, CA 90807-6434; e-mail, betbobf@aol.com.

46 Women are responding! **Sylvia Mayer Paul** shared that she and her husband wintered in Florida about 25 miles from the Gulf Coast, north of Tampa. It is in ranch and forest country and abuts a

46-mile hiking/biking trail, which provides a fine opportunity for daily exercise. They enjoy attending concerts by the Florida and Buffalo symphony orchestras and singing in church choirs. Sylvia also mentioned that she started trekking in the mountains of the world after her first husband, Charles Helbert, died. She has many happy memories of those trips to Antarctica, Spain, Southeast Asia, Latin America, Africa, and Nepal. Sylvia sends her best wishes to all the wonderful Cornell '46ers. P.S. Until recently, Sylvia ran and finished a winner in the 5K races at Reunions!

Joyce Manley Forney is working up her enthusiasm for our 70th Reunion next year! She, **Virginia Dondero** Pfundstein, and **Priscilla Alden** Clement are still doing their 69-year-old round robin, and Reunion is their current topic. Joyce lives in a retirement community and is able to garden. She credits her small dog as being her exercise machine; they have 65 acres to cover. At 91, she is leading her first creative writing class, writing feature articles for their "Village Bugle," and singing with the Village Singers. Joyce just welcomed her fifth great-grandchild. She is hoping to see **Nancy Mynott Davis** and **Margaret "Scottie" Monteith** Edelman at the 2016 Reunion and would like to hear from **Alice McKinney** Luttrell. The most valuable thing that she learned at Cornell: "You NEVER stop learning. It is one of life's great rewards."

Jean Krumwiede Boek was able to travel around the world with her husband, **Walter**, who died in 2012. She is now living with her daughter Sandra in Washington, DC. **Jeanne Quigan** Scott has a granddaughter who just graduated from law school and a grandson who is writing a book. She would like to be traveling right now. **Virginia Dondero** Pfundstein wrote that her husband died after 66 years of marriage. She is starting life alone, but her seven children are very helpful. She keeps busy volunteering, ministering to the sick, and writing stories. Virginia added that at Cornell and afterwards she learned to "never stop learning and to gear yourself to changes."

Genealogy is a serious hobby for **Priscilla Alden** Clement. She has just added the 170,000th name to her family tree. **Ellen Vidal** Hollmeyer and husband Lewis have moved to a retirement community in Chagrin Falls, OH, and are enjoying the birds and deer. Between them they have eight children, 22 grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. Ellen would like to hear from **Ruth Whitney** Weick. **Barbara Spencer** Ihrig also moved to a retirement community in Madison, TN. Her daughter Marilyn recently retired from the V.A. after 43 years of nursing and 22 years in administration.

Look for more news in the next issue. Please continue to send news to me. It's such a pleasure hearing from you! **Dorothy Taylor** Prey, 1 Baldwin Ave. #501, San Mateo, CA 94401; tel., (650) 342-1196; e-mail, dmprey@aol.com.

With only two classmates' submissions, I'll add some blurbs and an excerpt from an old column to give you some ideas on Reunion joys.

Robert Nist (Trinity, FL; BobNist@hotmail.com), co-Reunion chair, isn't retired. He's still volunteering, full-time, for United Way and AARP's income tax return programs for the elderly and low income families. Bob's great-grandchildren range from middle school to college, plus a double-great pre-schooler whose father is a US Marine. The old Cornell friend he'd most like to hear from is **Mac Adams**, PhD '53. The most valuable thing he learned

at Cornell was to stay out of trouble. "Old Reliable" **Robert Brodsky** (Claremont, CA; rfoxbro@aol.com) has reached the 90 mark, and he spends his time lecturing and writing books. He recently finished his sixth book, a travelogue: "Pat and Bob Trip the Light Fantastic." Bob misses the old sailing days at Redondo Beach. He's still in touch with Cornell friends **Dick Allen '45**, BME '47, and **Sewell Shuger**, BME '45. Compared to what today's freshmen cart in, he brought minimal clothing and a thirst for beer. The most valuable thing he learned at Cornell was engineering.

I, your class correspondent, **Paul Levine**, BS ORIE '49 (Pleasanton, CA; pblevine@juno.com), am nearing my ACBL bridge quest, making silver life master. Four more master points to reach 1,000, and then this region will see one joyous celebration. I'm also working on transportation and NYC lodging to facilitate a monster turnout for next June's 70th Reunion. Stay tuned. I should have Reunion news two months from now in our next CAM edition. The old column excerpt follows:

"Tales from our 60th in '06—Ithaca is cool. Even the weather was cool despite global warming. With so much to do, see, and feel, weather was secondary. Your reporter maximized his Cornell experience, arriving from California on the preceding Sunday as sole representative of the earliest class attending Cornell's Adult University (CAU). Our seminar covered the US presidency from Woodrow Wilson to the present. We soaked in insights from distinguished professors and historians. CAU is a magnificent add-on as a precursor to your 65th in 2011. [Ed.: Now our 70th in 2016.] There also were many learning experiences during Reunion. We visited the Ornithology Lab, a leading force in the study and conservation of birds (and countering) avian flu."

Other fascinating visits depicted were to Mann Library, the Space Sciences building, and the Johnson Museum of Art. It's interesting to note that CAU and Reunion put us ahead of the curve by introducing us to and/or increasing our knowledge of the workings of our government, Mideast conflicts, global warming, avian flu, libraries' modern operations, and new developments in astronomy. That exposure, plus visiting with classmates and treading once more on Cornell's magnificent campus, is a thrilling experience. I eagerly anticipate seeing you once more on the Hill. ☐ **Paul Levine**, pblevine@juno.com.

47 Hello again from beautiful New Jersey. It is hot and humid as I write in August, but it will be close to winter when you read all about your classmates. We have plenty of news at this time. Keep it coming and I will pass it along to everyone.

We start off with **Shirley Buck** Rabeler (Cortland, NY). She has three daughters, three sons, and 13 grandchildren. Her hip remains good after her surgery in 2013, which has allowed her to stay active in church, the Cornell Women's Club of Cortland County, and family activities. Her 90th birthday will be celebrated this year at upper Buttermilk Falls State Park in Ithaca. **Lucille Holden** Smith (Ilion, NY) stays active in her church and with many visits to her family. She has four children, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

William Eberle sold the family home that they've owned since 1975, and downsized to a smaller home next door. He is still driving and gets to New York and Boston frequently. **Lois Daththyn** Sardina still lives in Perry, NY. She reads three newspapers and many books, does crossword puzzles,

and watches her favorite TV shows. We received a note from **Margaret Newell** Mitchell, who moved to an assisted living facility in Cleveland, OH. **Bernardine Morris** Erkins (Bliss, ID) has ten children. Four live nearby and the rest are scattered all over the US.

Jane Ruggles Pinel calls Hillsborough, NH, home, where she has an art gallery. Her book *Dolly: Her Story* is for sale at Amazon.com, as well as her other book, *The Picnic Basket*. **Jessie Leitstein** Weitz (Whitestone, NY) keeps very busy with books clubs, theatre, travel, and community activities. **Serena Ginsberg Hoffman**, MA '48, and husband **Sig '44**, MFS '48 (Ridgefield, CT) are keeping very active. Serena keeps in touch with a couple of her old roommates. **Jean Shapiro** Blumenthal is a NYC dweller and retired from her position as a stockbroker. She recently became a great-grandmother.

My thanks to all who have contributed news. If you did not make it into this issue, you will be included in a future column. Please send me news so we can keep this column going! I know there are fewer of us, so it's important for us to keep in touch. ☐ **Sylvia Kianoff** Shain, 653 Primrose Lane, River Vale, NJ 07675; tel., (201) 391-1263; e-mail, irashain1@verizon.net.

48 **Bob McKinless**, Alexandria, VA: "Busy with church, choir, and Washington Men's Camerata. We sing five or six concerts per year and will sing a concert version of Wagner's *Rienzi* opera in the fall. Twenty years as librarian for our group is enough for me, so I'm recruiting a replacement. Cornell Club of Washington keeps me active also, and having bicycled in all 50 states, I'm continuing to do so. My goal is to increase the number of counties I've covered. I plan to be in Ithaca for Homecoming for the dedication of the refurbished Lambda Chi Alpha house, a \$2 million project. I'm on Medicare, but the only support I use is the bike. The *Washington Post* is a good paper with good columnists and sports writers. Youngest grandchild graduated from Virginia Commonwealth in May, and the oldest is an ER doctor in a Virginia hospital."

Ray Schumacher (another Lambda Chi Alpha brother, president no less), Milford, OH: "Board member of Milford Public Library and docent at both the Milford Historical Society Museum and the Chittenango (NY) Landing Canal Boat Museum (famous Erie Canal dry-dock facilities). We have a second home near Chittenango. Read *The Week* magazine and the *Cincinnati Enquirer* for local news, and watch WCET-TV and listen to NPR radio. Our town is trying to decide what to do with Milford Main School, built in 1912. Visited Seward House Museum recently. I have trod in 35 states."

Millicent Bentley Lawrence, Saratoga Springs, NY: "Ed (Princeton '50) and I left our 90-acre farm and solar-heated house in Greenwich, NY, where we had to cook meals and shovel snow, downsizing to an 'adult community.' (Our daughter and her husband now live in our solar-heated home.) Prestwick Chase is our new home among the Thoroughbred horse farms west of Saratoga Springs. We enjoy the diversity of the residents and unusual activities and entertainment arranged by our vital young activities director. Dinners are almost too good for our would-be youthful figures. Ed was delighted to be updated by the long letter from **Chuck von Wrangell** in the Class Notes. We reprinted it to share with his Princeton crew-mates."

John Ross, Wickenburg, AZ: "Our dog, exercise class, museum monitoring, church, and social

activities keep us busy. I'm on Medicare and TRICARE For Life and walk with no support. The *Arizona Republic* and the *Wickenburg Sun* keep us up to date with national, international, and local town activities, weather, editorials, and letters to the editor. I read *Atlantic Monthly* magazine and we listen to PBS for TV and KBAQ Phoenix for classical music. We were blessed with our first great-grandchild in June. Spouse Donnie does a better job than Mom on apple pie and rice pudding. Will we ever learn to settle disputes without war? Our town is the 'roping capital of the West,' but a large development will change our very small community. Will they ever learn to take on projects they can handle? We have a second home in Munds Park, AZ, where we previously lived for 34 years. We have friends there and it's a cool place to go when it's too hot in Phoenix. East and West will 'never the twain meet.' We must learn to appreciate and get along with others."

Gerald Starr, Palm Beach Gardens, FL: "Gardening and restaurants keep me busy. Saw doctors, etc., at least 40 times in 2014. Use cane, walker, and scooter—all of them. I read the *Wall Street Journal*. Do not like the policies of the *New York Times*, but like *TIME*, Fox TV, and ABC radio. I lost my first wife in 1987 to lung cancer, and in 1992 married a wonderful woman. She's an exceptional cook and baker. We're re-doing the clubhouse in our Mirasol community. Recently made a round-the-world trip in a private jet. We own three houses—in Westhampton, Old Westbury, and Palm Beach Gardens. I believe that trade, travel, etc., will break down the historical East-West cultural barriers. I've trod in 45 states." **Sylvia Kilbourne** Hosie, MNS '49, Northport, NY: "Keeping up with three generations of kids. Saw a doctor maybe two or three times in 2014. We're on Medicare/AARP. Read *Newsday*, the *New York Times*, and *TIME* magazine, and watch PBS-TV and listen to CBS radio. Our community of Asharoken is still recovering from Superstorm Sandy in 2012. We have a trailer home in Sanibel, FL. I hope East will someday meet West. I guess we've touched ground in 20 states."

Nancy Hauers Doyle, Westwood, MA: "Ten years ago my family responsibilities changed and I was allowed to travel. That was my dream. My friend Jane and I have taken a trip overseas every year. We started in Egypt and wanted to see the pyramids and learn about the ancient civilization. We took hot air balloons over the Valley of the Kings. If you study as you travel, it is like another college education. Since then we have been to Morocco, Turkey, Italy, Tuscany, Sicily, Cuba, Scandinavia (fjords, little villages), Iceland, Germany, England, Czechoslovakia (and its lovely palaces), and Vienna (saw the Lipizzaner horses in the royal stables). In the winter I am in Sarasota, FL, where I get to the opera and lectures. I play a horrid form of golf, but the alligators live it up. In summer I am in North Chatham on Cape Cod sailing and chasing the stupid white balls again. The rest of the year I am outside of Boston in a very nice retirement community. For all of you who are alive and kicking, stay that way." ☐ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; phone and fax, (516) 767-1776; e-mail, bobpersons48@gmail.com.

49 "Downsizing": one of the changes that many of our classmates are making in their lives, discarding some elements and making way for new ones, making radical changes in their housing, clearing out

some of the items collected over the years now no longer needed.

Class president **Jack Gilbert**, BCE '49 (Ithaca, NY; ingerjack@msn.com) sums up this situation perfectly. Having moved to a new house, he writes, "We're trying to get out from under the deluge of stuff we have gathered since 1949." He adds, "I would rather have my wife, **Inger (Molmen)**, back on her feet so we could get back to traveling." Jack and Inger have become great-grandparents. Jack, who does hear from his old Cornell friends, says that, at Cornell, "with the help of two Cornell girlfriends (one pre-war and one post-war) I grew up." **Bert Singleton** (Westfield, NJ; berdias@junio.com) wrote, "We're in the process of downsizing from a house to a condo." He and **Diane (Danziger)** '53 moved in April. **Mary Heisler Allison** (The Villages, FL) writes, "I moved to a much smaller unit. After my brother, Ted, died last year, I didn't need such a large unit, and he paid for half of it! I don't expect to get much money for second-hand furniture. I downsized about 60 percent. Still looking for things! Who needs so much STUFF at our age? I've settled in and am enjoying it. Had a super visitor in April—**Polly Wallworth Riggs**. We had a great time! Hi to all!"

Jacques Zakin (zakin.1@osu.edu) and his wife, Laura, sold their house in Worthington, OH, and moved to a one-level condo apartment overlooking the river in Dublin, OH. "Both are suburbs of Columbus, which has a lot of cultural offerings," he writes. Jacques teaches one technical elective course at Ohio State U. each year, co-chairs the chemical engineering department's honors and awards committee, and advises undergraduates, master's, and PhD students doing research in his lab. He would enjoy hearing from **Lawson Singer**. The most valuable thing Jacques learned at Cornell: "Technical writing skills from the authoritative director of the Chemical Engineering school, **Fred 'Dusty' Rhodes, PhD 1914.**" **Leonard Abraham**, PhD '53 (South Hadley, MA; lgakms@verizon.com) tells us that he retired ages ago. "I just joined Loomis Communities, an active retirement community. I'm still busy singing in a local group and hear from and see my four sons, eight grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren." He adds that he would like to be driving his van. "I stopped driving a few months ago." When asked who is the old Cornell friend he would most like to hear from, Leonard said, "Hard to pick one." The most valuable thing that he learned at Cornell: "Be happy with what you have."

A. Arthur Lowenthal, BA '48 (Saratoga Springs, NY), married to Therese, writes, "Following major spine surgery and rehab, Terry and I decided to drive to Hilton Head, SC, for a month of recovery, relaxation, and relief from bitter weather." His most valuable lesson learned at Cornell: "If one sets a goal, go for it with all your energy!" **Philip Worn** (Brandon, VT) is retired. His wife passed away on July 15, 2014. Philip said that he would like to be "celebrating peace and quiet" and would really enjoy hearing from **Philip Snyder '46**. His most valuable Cornell lesson: "Besides the best Engineering education, camaraderie."

Ann Seguin Hill (Kenilworth, NJ), who was married to the late Edmund, reports, "Our 65th Reunion was a wonderful event. I was fortunate to attend with **Roxanne Rosse Williams** and her husband, and **Jim and Toni Hallinan Ottobro**. We especially treasure the memories of this Reunion because Roxy passed away in September 2014. We spent four wonderful days together that we'll never forget. Roxy was a loyal Cornellian and will

be greatly missed." **William Feinberg** (Ocean, NJ; fdflaw@verizon.net) is still practicing law with the firm of Feinberg, Dee & Feinberg in Bayonne. His wife, Joan, takes their therapy dog, Joe, to nursing homes, delivers food for Meals on Wheels, and volunteers at the Monmouth Museum. William writes, "I am a trustee of several environmental groups and a charity, and am a member of several professional organizations. I would rather be walking on the beach of Bora Bora." "Patience in dealing with other people" was the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell.

Wadsworth Stone (Natick, MA; waddystone@verizon.net) is semi-retired as a project engineer. He writes, "I've been watching my seven grandchildren graduate college and get married." He says he would like to be traveling and would enjoy hearing from his Kappa Sigma fraternity brothers of '48, '49, and '50. His most valuable Cornell lessons: "Looking ahead to the future, and respect for all I come in contact with—business or social." **Dionisios Theokas**, PhD '53 (Vineland, NJ), married to Georgia, writes that his work is in advertising—signs and billboards. At Cornell he learned that "people (especially staff) are willing to help." **Wendel Kent** (Sarasota, FL) says, "At 90 years old, I'm doing quite well." He would enjoy hearing from **John Dirck Ten Hagen**. **Edgar Galson**, married to Eva, is retired. He writes, "I'm physically active—tennis, skiing, sailing, hiking, piano, reading, community activities."

Lastly, we have received sad news. **Clarence "Wally" Shonnard** of Vergennes, VT, died on January 4, 2015. He is survived by his wife, **Elizabeth (Child)** '44. **Dick Schreiber**, BArch '49, of Springfield, OH, passed away on January 5, 2015. Please keep in touch, everyone! ☐ **Dorothy Mulhoffer Solow**, 50 Grant Street, Wellsboro, PA 16901; e-mail, winspeck@yahoo.com.

50 I am **Pat Carry Stewart**, our new class co-correspondent. I have agreed to work with **Paul Joslin**, who had taken on sole responsibility for our column beautifully for a number of months when longtime co-correspondent **Marion Steinmann** was sidelined with a stroke. I am happy to report that she is recovering nicely, but feels she just is not up to writing the column. She did a superb job over a great number of years and we cannot thank her enough. I know she would love to hear from you. Her address is: Cathedral Village G417, 600 E. Cathedral Rd., Philadelphia, PA 19128. E-mail address: cjoiner@ix.netcom.com. I will do my best in writing the column, but will never be able to do as marvelous a job as she did.

Paul has urged me to tell you a bit about myself. As some of you know, I have been active in Cornell activities since we graduated, starting with fundraising in New York City for Cornell and our class, and culminating in my election to the Board of Trustees, on which I served for 28 years. When I was elected I was one of only two women on the board. I met my husband, **Chuck Stewart '40**, during my time there. I was also most fortunate in my business career—particularly in the '50s through the early '70s, when there was little appreciation of what women could contribute. In the '60s I was a partner in a small New York Stock Exchange firm, one of only three women partners in firms on the Exchange. The men I worked with were willing to ignore the fact that I was a woman and gave me meaningful roles in their business. As a result, in the '70s I was asked to serve on

several corporate boards—the first being TWA. This helped Chuck and me to easily travel extensively to Europe, Asia, South America, and Africa. That is enough about me for now. In future columns I will tell you a bit more about my life in New York City, Scotland (where we spent our summers), and Florida, where I am living now.

Lori Heyman Gordon (Falls Church, VA) writes that she is founder and president of Int'l Pairs Advanced Inst. for Relationship Skills, where she is a relationship educator, workshop leader, author, consultant, and psychotherapist. After graduation from Cornell, she received an MSW from Catholic U. and a PhD from Summit U. in Louisiana. Lori has received a number of awards recognizing her work, has appeared on television shows including the "Today" show, and has been recognized in publications like *Time* and *Newsweek*. Her husband died in 2005. She is the mother of four and grandmother of ten.

Donald Worn, BME '52 (Los Gatos, CA) sent news for the first time! He worked as a mechanical engineer in the aerospace industry for 43 years, 31 of them with Lockheed Missile and Space, from which he retired in 1992. He has retired again, this time from a volunteer position preparing income tax returns through a government-sponsored program. He has also served as trustee of his local high school and worked with the San Jose Judicial Dept., visiting homes of guardians of children in need of care. He has also managed a 125-mile bicycle tour created by Lockheed employees. He reminds us that for our 45th Reunion, he rode his bicycle from California to Ithaca and back. He concluded by stating that he originally took his volunteer work for granted, but he now realizes that is what life is all about. He wrote, "I enjoyed my days of working and my subsequent years of retirement. I have had few sorrows and many joys."

Ted Nordahl (Wilmette, IL) has been active in the hotel business, having served as VP and sales manager for the Drake Hotel in Chicago and then as an officer of Western Hotels and Resorts. In his spare time he served on the board of directors of the Western Golf Assn. He now divides his time between Wilmette, his summer home in South Haven, MI, and a winter home in Boynton Beach, FL. **Mary Helen Sears** (Sterling, VA) received her law degree from George Washington U. and was a member of the Bar in both Washington, DC, and Virginia. She practiced law in the fields of patents, trademarks, and copyrights throughout the US and in various European countries and Japan. As a result, she traveled to Europe, Asia, and Australia, as well as across the continental US, Hawaii, and the Caribbean. She is now retired and living in a senior facility.

Ralph Williams, MD '54 (Sante Fe, NM) "finally" retired from active medical practice in rheumatology in October 2014 and spends a great deal of his time painting. He is an active member of the New Mexico Watercolor Society. Some years ago, he was the recipient of the Gold Medal Award of the American College of Rheumatology for his contribution to medical literature and for training many rheumatologists from other countries. As you may recall, his wife and our classmate, **Mary "Patch" (Adams)**, died in Ithaca at the time of our 60th Reunion.

If you sent in a news form recently, look for your news in a future column! Some of our news has become a bit dated, so don't hesitate to send us new and updated reports, preferably by e-mail. ☐ **Pat Carry Stewart**, 2613 N. Ocean Blvd, Gulf Stream, FL 33483; tel., (561) 278-5387; e-mail,

stewartpc@aol.com; **Paul Joslin**, 13731 Hickman Rd. #4207, Urbandale, IA 50323; tel., (515) 278-0960; e-mail, phjoslin@aol.com.

51 **Marybeth Weaver Ostrom** and **Rip Haley** are busy planning our 65th Reunion for June 9-12, 2016. See you there! And in other great news, **Shelley Epstein** Akabas, who with **Steve Rounds** organized our 60th, has won one of six 2015 Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Awards!

Catherine "Kitty" Welch Munn (Raleigh, NC) writes, "We are living at Springmoor, a retirement community. I have moved from our villa to an apartment, and Dev continues in the memory unit. With assistance from my new pacemaker and a red power chair I am now able to cover all parts of the complex. Life goes on." From the *Wall Street Journal* on July 21, 2015: Silicon Valley billionaire Yuri Milner "is personally funding a new effort to scan the skies for signs of intelligent alien life." Called Breakthrough Listen, the ten-year project will be centered at UC Berkeley's SETI. Advisors to the project include a British cosmologist and astrophysicist and our classmate **Frank Drake**, a pioneering astronomer and the founder of the SETI program.

Phoebe Eisenbrown Berner (Harrisburg, PA) reports that husband **Ben '50** suffered advanced Parkinson's disease and died in late January. She writes, "I'm now fortunate to be living in a fine long-term care facility and am still well enough to drive." **Marvin "Toby" Silverman** (North Palm Beach, FL) writes, "I finally sold my fermentation business to a company in Brazil. We were marketing to over 40 countries before the sale, with manufacturing in the US as well as abroad. I sold the villa in Provence and skipped to Florida, play at Trump National in Briarcliff Manor, NY, and spend time at the lake house in Saratoga Springs." His fondest memory of Cornell: "Bull sessions in the evening over a pitcher of beer."

Ev Seidenberg (Stuart, FL) shared one of his fondest memories of Cornell: "Prof. **Clinton Rossiter '39**'s small Advanced Government class meeting out on Libe Slope on nice spring afternoons. On one occasion he popped for a couple of us to bring a tray of beer from Willard Straight." **Anne Flannery Davidson's** (Margate, NJ) fondest memory of Cornell is "all of it." **Pete Spencer** (Cleveland, OH) reports, "I kept the hospital busy last year—urinary infection, triple bypass, fractured pelvis, and hernia repair. I'm back on my feet and feeling good."

William and Elaine Shannon Zimmer '52 (Schenectady, NY) report that granddaughter Heather has a doctorate from RPI and is currently employed at Lincoln Labs in Massachusetts. William writes, "We have been in all 50 states and several foreign countries (some for only a very short time), but I have now slowed down and am becoming more like a hermit." His favorite Cornell memory: "My participation on the Cornell track team." **Shirley "Sherry" Flanders**, BFA '52 (Phoenix, AZ) writes, "I have made oil paintings, prints, and pen and ink drawings that I have to find homes for. Many have already gone. I will send a disc of some works or photos of any interest. No charge! Only reply if you can use any." Write to your correspondent for contact information.

Jim O'Brien (Riverton, NJ) reports three children, four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and this memory: "After signing up for part-time work, the Cornell office sent me to a waiter's job

at a fraternity. The head waiter in charge was classmate **Dick Ramin**. To no surprise, Dick's door was open to Big Red football players, including **John, MD '55**, and **Pete Pierik '52**, BArch '53, **Bob Gage, Lindy Hull**, and **Bill Hin**, MEd '63. On the day after each game, the waiters' kitchen heard interesting recaps of the games." **Albert Glassenberg** (New London, CT) writes, "Wife Judith fought ovarian cancer for 14 years before the cancer won in September 2014. The loss of my wife has left me in no man's land with daughter Jacqueline Hemmerdinger and her twin daughters and son Charles and his three daughters." Fondest memory of Cornell: "Final exam of senior year."

Howard Feinstein, MD '55, PhD '77 (Ithaca, NY) writes, "It is a time of life for celebrating cycles of return. My wife, Rosalind, stood beside Eleanor Roosevelt at the Sarah Lawrence College graduation in 1957, and this year, on the cusp of 80, she represented Sarah Lawrence by wearing her school's cap and gown marching to celebrate Cornell's Sesquicentennial. This spring I retired from psychiatric practice in Ithaca after 53 years. Now I can hug my patients when we meet without fear of violating some code. We just enjoy each other." **Robert Morlath** (Smithtown, NY) says, "The grandkids are all getting married. I still see **John Wilson '52** a few times a year." Fondest memory: "The phone call in late August offering me a slot in the Mechanical Engineering school in a few weeks. Had to buy into a house on University Ave. that was occupied by veterans, then went to TKE."

Paul Jones (Atherton, CA) writes, "What a pleasure to join in Cornell's 150th anniversary! It was a great show. I was amazed to be greeted with open arms as the oldest alumnus and plopped down next to Engineering dean Lance Collins. I'm just back from a great theatre immersion in London. My time and energy are still going into stopping the California high-speed rail project—a political boondoggle of the highest order." Please send your news to: **Brad Bond**, 101 Hillside Way, Marietta, OH 45750; tel. (740) 374-6715; e-mail, bbond101@suddenlink.net.

52 Your class council met in Ithaca on July 13. I was unable to be there, so a full report will have to wait until the next issue. I do know that **Sue Youker** Schlaepfer and **Dick Dye**, MPA '56, our 65th Reunion chairs, have been working hard. I will have more on that, too. For now, be sure your calendars are marked for Reunion: June 8-11, 2017. We will be headquartered at the Statler.

Word is that people have been clamoring to have their photos in the magazine. A solution has come: "*Cornell Alumni Magazine* is creating a new Alumni Photo Gallery!" writes our editor. "Share all the photos that we've never been able to fit in the class columns with your classmates and friends. To post pictures of weddings, new babies, mini-reunions, successes, events, travels, tributes, and more, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>."

The mailbox has news from those we have never heard from, or haven't heard from in a long time. **Murray Wigsten**, MA '54, writes from somewhere that he thinks and therefore is. **Martin Simon** (Long Beach, CA) writes that he is presently executive VP of Trimco door hardware manufacturing and has recently received an award of merit for service to the door hardware industry. He was previously EVP of the Edgington Oil Co. in Long Beach. **George** and **Avis Pope Payne '54** split

their time between Farmington, NY, and Dunellon, FL. George, now retired, writes that he was a dairy farmer and founder of Country Max farm and garden stores. There are now 15 stores run by his three sons. He and Avis's five children are graduates of Iowa State, Ithaca College, U. of Maine, and the Cornell Ag and Vet schools. He hopes to see all 18 of his grandchildren graduate from college. Two granddaughters are currently at Cornell.

Arthur Mange, BEP '54 (Amherst, MA) writes, "I take lots of photographs. Results are at www.credo.library.umass.edu." Arthur, retired from UMass, Amherst, wrote textbooks on human genetics and hopes to continue. On that subject, he recommends Emily Dickinson's "Hope is a Thing with Feathers." His present concern, he says, is "staying upright," and he likes the news form. Thank you, Arthur. **Sid**, MD '56, and **Phebe Vanderbilt Goldstein** (sgoldst1@hfhhs.org) are in Bloomfield Hills, MI. Sid still sees patients, edits *Cardiology News*, and serves on several safety committees for drug trials. He is Phebe's chief chef and chauffeur as her stroke has her walking with a walker. Sid and Phebe celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in July.

Ernest Mendel (cemendel2000@yahoo.com) wrote that he was enjoying his home in The Villages, FL. "It's great here with 100,000 other retirees." He hopes to see some of you soon. (Maybe at Reunion?) His concerns are health and happiness. **Marian Maag** (Pinehurst, NC; mmaag@nc.rr.com) writes, "I am still enjoying my retirement years. Family is close by (brother, sister-in-law, nephews, and their children), and I am active in our homeowners association and church groups." **Eugene Nester** (Seattle, WA; enester@uw.edu) is a professor emeritus in microbiology at the U.



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of Washington and has been there since 1962. He hopes to remain in good health.

Dorothy Baczewski Waxman (NYC; dorwaxman@gmail.com) is retired, but she has been VP, fashion direction at Associated Merchandising Corp. (AMC) and New York editor of *Textile View* magazine. She is currently concerned with Talking Textiles and the Dorothy Waxman Textile Design

Cooney Kolb (Atlantic Beach, FL) is enjoying the lifestyle, activities, and new friends at Fleet Landing, a continuing care community. **Clint Cooper '54** and Joe Quimby, a former NROTC teacher, are residents. Nancy has been retired and living in Florida for ten years and is busy at tennis, bridge, and book club. She is also a beach lover. She adds, "I hope to attend two grandsons' weddings

after years in a Torrance group family practice. Son Owen is a fourth grade teacher in Atlanta. Irene and husband **Owen '50**, PhD '58, a lacrosse letterman of the Ross H. "Jim" Smith era, and honors ME, who became a rocketeering pioneer and later a school administrator, are proud great-grandparents of three.

Helen Wallace Miksch (Lititz, PA) writes that her oldest daughter, Caroline, who's four years older than Helen's oldest grandling, has, after ten years' widowhood, married an Australian and lives in Gingin, on the West Aussie coast. She has kept her clothing business in Ubud, Bali. Second daughter Alison, a food photographer by trade, is with *Southern Living* magazine and lives in Birmingham, AL. Youngest Nancy is a Williamsport, PA, nurse. Helen has five grandchildren in college: Alfred, American U. (Brussels), City College of Santa Barbara, Moravian, and Susquehanna. The youngest great-grandkid, Vega, lives in Ubud. **Barbara Zelfman** Gross (Longboat Key, FL, and Sands Point, NY) had grandling collegians in Miami, Syracuse, George Washington, and Dartmouth last year. **Felice "Flic" Bernstein** Burns (NYC) submits that her oldest grandchild is a Cornell grad lawyer of 28, and her youngest, a 23-year-old Cornell Civil Engineer, is nearby. **Ruth Chipman Busch** (Oak Bowery, AL), widow of Pershing Rifle, chess club member, and Ag Engineer **Charles '51**, PhD '60, is a retired Auburn U. associate prof of anthropology. Son **Brian '90** was an Engineering Physics and Linguistics major.

What keeps **Herb Neuman** (NYC) busy? His reply is an enthusiastic, "Still working! No inclination to retire!" That runs in the family. Spouse Stephanie, says he, is "still teaching and doing research at Columbia's School of Public Administration and Int'l Affairs." She's not the only Columbian in the family tree. Eldest grandperson, Talia, 21, is a known Barnardian. Mid-grand followed her to Morningside Heights. The youngest, Jacob, 16, is on the way through high school. The Neumans, somewhat recently, made their 50th trip to Israel—"involved philanthropy, business, and family matters." **Bob Neff**, JD '56 (Pinehurst, NC) writes, "Busy is good. Probably what keeps me busy is the same old stuff, which now is accomplished with less efficiency. Takes longer." He celebrated 40 years' marriage to Julie a year ago. "Best lifetime decision." **Lawrence Smith** (Piffard, NY) went to Cuba in 2014, the year President Obama announced plans for the normalization of relations. The trip was well before the reopening of the Havana Embassy.

The Cornell Football Assn. will honor the memory of **Bill Whelan**, one of our many valiant 20-7 victors over Michigan in 1951 and captain in '52, at its CFA Awards day on the morning before the November 11 (who knows) taming of the Columbia Lions at Schoellkopf. He will be the 2015 winner of the CFA Fallen Comrade Award. Running backs **Mark (NOT Moose) Miller '84** and **Frank Bradley '50** will receive career achievement recognition.

Let us now introduce an intermittent feature—call it the Mystery of the Month. Amid the returns from our first 2015 News and Dues mailing came an unsigned form—and no envelope—in legible penmanship, as follows (all sic): "Summer Camp May thru Oct, Adirondack League Club Little Moose Lake, Old Farge, NY 13420." (Didn't that used to be Old Forge?) Anyway, will the perpetrator please step forward? There is no reward beyond the knowledge that you will have scratched an itching curiosity. Thank you. **Jim Hanchett**, 300 First Ave. #8B, New York, NY 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

‘All my clothes smelled of turpentine from my painting courses.’

Libby Milliken Klim '55

Prize 2015. The prize awards \$5,000 and is open to "students from any country currently enrolled in a textile, fashion, or knitting course." **Lewis Rubenstein** (Schodack Landing, NY; lrubenst@nycap.rr.com) writes, "I'm retired, healthy, and wise." How does he spend his time? "Exploring the world with my wife. In October of last year, we took a trip from Rome, around the boot, and into the Black Sea." Lewis hopes to get on a ship with Pat and travel from Lima, Peru, and into the Amazon. His present concerns: "Getting out of bed in the morning." And he thinks Obama is a great president.

When **C. V. Noyes**, MBA '55 (cvnoyes@comcast.net) wrote, he and **Elizabeth (Sachs) '54** were in Harpswell, ME, and he was filling out a form and cooking dinner. He had been skiing and was an ambulance driver until he was 85. He is still on the F and R board of directors, and he and Betsy will be moving to Buckingham's Choice, a retirement community in Maryland. **Theodore Castner** (Pittsford, NY; testout@frontiernet.net) writes, "I'm enjoying concerts by the Rochester Philharmonic and the Penfield Symphony." He and Emily still travel and see their grandchildren in Massachusetts. "In June, Emily and I expect to take a trip to Istanbul and cruise portions of the Mediterranean including Corfu and the Balkan Coast, ending in Venice." The political gridlock in Washington and the disagreement between global warming (and climate change) skeptics and the majority of the scientific community concern him. He thinks that the cost of higher education having risen much more rapidly than inflation is a serious problem.

Shirley Sagen Norton (Canton, NY; snorton7@twcny.rr.com) is living at Partridge Knoll, an independent living retirement community. She is still active in AARP, Zonta, and her church. Shirley had been driving to Pennsylvania every few months to visit her daughter, **Bonnie '81**, DVM '84. On one trip home she stopped to visit **Barbara Ingalls** Trerise in Canton, NY. She says, "I hope to stay as well as I am for as long as possible and be able to come to our 65th Reunion in 2017." **Joseph Fagan** (Scottsdale, PA) has been doing labor arbitration in western Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia, and renovating for rental apartments in two former family homes. He has been fly-fishing and hunting, but adds, "We hung up our skis two years ago." His concerns: "Watching our grandchildren (nine) and great-grandchildren (five) progress."

James Clarke (Columbia, SC; carosyn@bellouth.net) wrote, "I'm engaged half-time, working the family farm growing loblolly pine trees." He had been watching the trees grow and getting ready to replant genetically improved trees this fall and hoped to "get the work done." **Nancy**

in New England this summer. I have family in Vermont and New Hampshire and visit them when it's too hot to breathe here." Nancy's concerns: "Staying strong enough to be a help when two new grandsons arrive here this summer." **Joan Boffa** Gaul, joangaul@mac.com.

53 Most of us, when we noticed we were, let's say, maturing, a few decades back, wondered what would come after the time to retire. It's no huge surprise that quite a few of our MD classmates have not strayed far from the field of medicine after the office hours have ended. For instance, **Sam Cassell** (Wyckoff, NJ), besides bridge, reading, sailing and racing his boat, and taking classes in Torah, Talmud, and the history of Judaism, has been helping uninsured people obtain healthcare at the Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative.

David Harris (Cold Spring Harbor, NY) reads, gardens, attends to "the activities of daily living as a retired physician on several (medical) New York State boards such as Medical Professional Conduct, the Columbia U. School of Public Health Board of Overseers, and Public Health Solutions." **Richard Klein** (Tenafly, NJ) has been teaching palliative care to medical students at St. Barnabas Medical Center and conducting annual palliative care symposia there (16 so far). There's time for educational programs for him and Joan at One Day U. and Juilliard, and Road Scholar trips to Berlin, London, and Albuquerque. Richard writes, "Our weekly Bible study group is now involved with the salacious parts of the King David story."

Julian Aroesty (Lexington, MA) has been consulting medical insurers to defend hospitals in malpractice cases and teaching at Harvard Medical School. He's also chief medical officer of a high-tech startup. Julian has crossed some interesting paths along the way. He credits his cardiac physiologist Nobel laureates Cornell Med school profs Dickinson Richards III and Andre Cournand with inspiring him to his career in cardiac investigation. He also recalls meetings with Hans Bethe and James (DNA) Watson.

Irene Selmer Griffith (Torrance, CA) issues daily e-mail dispatches to keep family and friends in the Griffith loop, which embraces community, educational, and church activities. She remains chairlady of the Los Angeles County Commission on Older Adults' Health, Nutrition, and Long Term Care Committee. Daughter Diane, an optometrist, and her husband, neuropsych researcher Ron, are back from three years in Saudi Arabia. Doctor daughter Nancy has opened a concierge practice

54 Those earth tremblers are coming closer and closer together, and I am now wondering if there is an earthquake season. It seems that whenever I sit down in August to write my November column, the earth moves. This Sunday it was a 4.0 quake in San Leandro, CA, south of Oakland, which, granted, did not noticeably deter my typing here in Virginia, but it was reported and led to another Google search for its location. It was a part of the Hayward Fault, which is to the east of that geological menace, the San Andreas, but part of the same system. The Virginia Quake (magnitude 5.8) of August 2011 was felt by more people than any other in the history of the US. The study of earthquakes is a fascinating topic to which Cornell has lent its considerable expertise for several years.

My curiosity continues as to the whys of building naming on campus. Who were Barton and Bailey? Mr. Liberty Hyde Bailey was the first dean of the College of Agriculture, who passed away the year we graduated at 96. Who else remembers sitting in Bailey Hall (built 1914) as a brand new freshman, learning the words to the "Song of the Classes"? We have sat there uncomfortably until just recently. There is a great quote in **Morris Bishop 1914**, PhD '26's *A History of Cornell* (which I have paraphrased), recounting a 1917 concert being given by Fritz Kreisler. Mid-concert a band of 80 hoodlums burst into the concert hall objecting to Mr. Kreisler's presence and were promptly put to rout by students. Throughout the episode, Mr. Kreisler continued to play Viotti's *Concerto in A minor*—by flashlight. "No tumult since Nero's time has had such a fine violin accompaniment." Barton Hall was built at the same time and was called the New Armory until 1940, when it was then named for **Frank A. Barton 1891**. For many years, Barton Hall was the largest unpillared room in existence. The interior of the building covers almost two acres. Much more about the buildings' history is there for the finding.

William Titus has been in Locust Valley, NY, for over 50 years and has no intention of relocating. He worked for Cornell for 28 years at Cooperative Extension and has not taken a breather since. His life revolves around sailing, teaching sailing to the junior crews, US Power Squadron, and helping with construction and landscaping at the yacht club. He and his wife lived aboard a 25-ft. sailboat for a year, traveling from Maine to the Bahamas and Key West. As a landlubber, from time to time, he studies evolution. His bucket list? A trip to the Galápagos. Wonder how you tap into that energy flow? **Bruce Hartwigsen**, BArch '54, and his wife have recently moved to Westminster Retirement Community in Winter Park, FL, and still found time for a 24-day cruise around the Mediterranean. Next stop, a visit to Africa and perhaps a glider ride.

Sonia Melius Suter walks miles on an indoor track each week, does church work, plays bridge, and generally keeps all systems occupied and engaged. She and Chuck live in Ohio and the grands are in Virginia and Connecticut, thus travel is also in the mix. **Robert Evans** returned to his hometown of Branchport, NY, and immersed himself in the town and its affairs. He owns a business in the Windmill Farm and Craft Market and is writing a book on WWII. **Paul Nemiroff** is still thriving in Scottsdale, AZ, still painting, ushering at theaters, and volunteering at arts and culinary festivals. When he finds the time it will be off to South Africa—to taste the wine perhaps?

The note I received from **Robert Greenwald** felt as though it jumped off the paper with the

energy it transmitted. Robert is still working full time in real estate, as he says work is his hobby and takes him all over the globe. His philosophy is that work keeps you young and he intends to work to 103. I do hope he gives pep talks at the 55-plus complex where he lives. **John Fodor**, BArch '57, is presently designing and making cabinets when he is not helping recruit staff in football, basketball, and hockey for student athletes in Connecticut. He volunteers with the Knights of Columbus and is on the building committee for his diocese.

Judith Greifer Benjamin moved to Ashland, OR, 17 years ago after doing a good deal of research, if my memory serves, and has been pleased with her decision. Ashland is a gem of a small city, having a great deal to offer in cultural and educational opportunities. It has a renowned Shakespeare Festival for which Judith volunteers in their Tudor Guild Gift Shop when she's not taking courses at the Osher Lifelong Learning Inst. or working on politics or social activism. Again a fully engaged class member. **James Symons**'s energy never seems to flag. Jim and his wife are in motion constantly, having taken more than 52 trips all over the world, with the photo documentation to prove it. Addresses for viewing his work will be on our website. When not traveling, they enjoy golf and fishing in the warm Florida climate. Jim said the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell was self-respect. Many of us will second that. **Leslie Papenfus** Reed, lesliejreed@me.com. Class website, <http://classof54.alumni.cornell.edu>.

55 It was fun to look back at our early days at Cornell. During the winter of 1952-53, **Janet Scanlan** Lawrence recalled, "We were not permitted to wear slacks, but could wear snowpants outside." Her plans for after graduation were going to Germany to live with her military husband. This year, Janet adds, she hopes to be able to take her family on a driving trip in the U.K. and France. **Peter Hoss** was wearing his camel-hair coat and hanging out with his buddies at Cayuga Lodge. He returned to California, which he says he appreciated more after living in Ithaca. Peter published a book entitled *Born in Yosemite* and plans to continue writing about and visiting Yosemite.

Irene Adler Hirsch was sporting an "Air Force blue, double-breasted coat, ear muffs, gloves, and lined boots" that first winter. Her goals post-graduation were to start a Cornell club somewhere (and she did, in Israel) and keep in touch with classmates (and she has done so). **Gerry Curkendall** kept warm in "a mackinaw, a cap with earflaps, and galoshes." As for post-graduation plans, "I thought I'd go back to the family farm," but that lasted less than a year. "In 1956 I started my 35 years at IBM." A vivid memory: "Pushing my pregnant wife, Ethel, up Buffalo Street," just before her due date.

Gordon White has been chosen chairman of the Middlesex County Economic Development Authority, and writes, "I hope to travel, stay young, and keep sailing and driving my race car." During the winter of 1952-53, **Alan MacDonald** was wearing "a coat, tie, sweater, and topcoat" and was planning to have dinner with his DKE brothers. His favorite class was Accounting 101 with Prof. Tom Silk. **Sylvia Verin** Mangalam, MA '57, writes that hers was "probably Botany or Welding." (Remember that phrase about "any person finding instruction in any study?") Sylvia had the unique experience of "sleeping under Cascadilla Bridge for

the interval between the closing of a shared apartment and the opening of the dorms."

After returning from our 60th Reunion, **Libby Milliken** Klim and her son planned to show their paintings and drawings at the local Mattapoissett, MA, library. At Cornell, Libby recalls, her favorite course was sculpture, and she writes, "All my clothes smelled of turpentine from my painting courses." **Elizabeth Burroughs** Miley's favorite course was Geology, and during one class, she remembers, the professor announced the discovery of the Salk vaccine. During the winter of 1952-53 Liz could be found enjoying dinners at Sage with **Marcia Willeman** Sutter, **Ellie Grieg** Downing, **Susan Bergmann** Prausnitz, and **Ellen Buck** Strong. In the spring of our senior year, she focused on "enjoying the beautiful campus with friends, church at Sage Chapel, and canoeing on Beebe Lake."

A look back from **Barbara Burg Gilman**: "I was a marshal for the Ag school at graduation and I was also a new bride. **Mike, DVM '56**, and I had been married in Anabel Taylor the previous Sunday. I still have my baton!" **Art Murakami**, like many of you, remembers Government 101 with Prof. **Clinton Rossiter '39**. "He was excellent and kept me interested." Prominent in **Marlene Medjuck** Green's memory was the day Prof. **George Healey, PhD '47**, read aloud her essay on the English romantic poets, citing it for her understanding of the poets. "A magical mega-moment!"

Joe Silverman was sorry to have missed Reunion, but his grandson's graduation took precedence. Joe is trying to promote criminal justice reform. If you're interested in helping, Google "Eisler + Silverman + Psychiatric Annals March 2014." Joe adds, "Share your thoughts with the corresponding author: me." **Herb Roleke** married his high school sweetheart in Eau Claire, WI, just after graduation, after which they took a two-month honeymoon before he had to report to Ft. Lee, VA. "What a beautiful time we had, breaking in my brand new Chevrolet, a graduation present from my parents." **Konrad Bald** said he remembered nothing from graduation; he was getting ready to go into the Army. He regretted not being at our Reunion last June: "The first I've missed." Konrad and **Dell (Tauscher) '52** chose a very nice retirement community in Barrington, IL, near old friends of 30 years. "Our church members are our family."

After two years at Cornell, **Elinor Rohrllich** transferred to Columbia—but always viewed Cornell as her "actual alma mater." She recalled her first sight of the clock tower at night: "I thought it was the moon." Among **Dan Krouner**'s memories were acing his Statistics class ("I exempted the final exam—amazing!"), tanning in the spring, and hitting the half-court shot as the half ended in the basketball game at Colgate. Dan's been a Celtics season ticket holder for 44 years as well as a regular in the Saratoga racing season. When **Pat McCormick** graduated, her next steps were: 1) continuing her studies in physical therapy at U. of Buffalo; and 2) marrying **Herb Hoehing**. For the upcoming years, Pat hopes to "stay on the green side of the grass"—and Herb adds, "I want to be with her above the grass." Here's hoping for good health and happiness for all! **Nancy Savage** Petrie, nancypetrie@optonline.net.

56 Once again: Remember the fun. Remember the friendships. Share them again. Remember the dates, June 9-12, 2016, for our 60th Reunion in Ithaca.

Also: *Cornell Alumni Magazine* is creating a new Alumni Photo Gallery, for all the photos that we've never been able to fit in our class column. To post pictures you want to share, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>.

"Thank you, Mr. Norman Turkish" is a warm tribute book that I received honoring **Norman Turkish**, MBA '60's accomplishments in life and in establishing Cornell's Center for Jewish Living. Quoted in the book is our classmate **Eli Jacobs** (San Mateo, CA): "He was a whirlwind student leader when I had the privilege to room with him at SAM 60 years ago, and now six decades later, stroke or no stroke, it is apparent that he has lost none of his legendary zeal, organizational skills, or role model qualities that he exemplified early on." The book contains the many ways the center enriched programming at Cornell over the past 28 years. I am sure Norman would be pleased to share a copy of the book with you if asked.

Grace Goldsmith Wahba (Madison, WI) and her partner, David Callan, flew out to Oakland this past February to attend a Kiddish lunch given in honor of her Cornell roommate **Roz Grinberg** Aronson's 80th birthday. Grace has been on the statistics faculty at UW, Madison for 48 years and recently graduated her 36th and 37th PhD students. This past June, Grace's colleagues and former students organized a conference on "Big Data," partly in honor of her 80th birthday. Grace took up race-walking several years ago and has many medals in the 1,500 meters in women in our age group in the Wisconsin Senior Olympics. At **Howard Schneider**, JD '59's 80th birthday celebration were classmates **Harvey Hammer**, **Burt Siegel**, **Steve Alexander**, and **Arthur Rosenbloom**, LLB '59. It should be noted that Harvey was honored by the American Psychiatric Assn. for five years of membership and contributions to the field of psychiatry.

Lenore Brotman Greenstein (Naples, FL) celebrated her 80th with all 20 of her immediate family members in NYC and a sentimental trip to Manhattan Beach, where she grew up. Lenny is the new coordinator for the Women's Cultural Alliance in South Naples, bringing educational, cultural, and social activities to her community. "Life is good," says **Larry Brown** (Highwood, IL), who spends much of his retirement time with things relating to the sport of curling. He is also director of the Rolfe Pancreatic Cancer Foundation and a supporter of the Cornell tennis team. **Roy Curtiss III** and his wife, Josephine Clark-Curtiss, have been recruited to the U. of Florida, Gainesville as professors in the colleges of medicine and veterinary medicine. Roy will be the founder of the Center for Vaccine Development.

Betty Specht Rossiter reports that "life is fun" in her new condo in Pasadena, CA. **Bill Purdy** divides his time between Scotia, NY, and The Villages, FL. He retired from his work in real estate and spends his time playing pickleball—he won three national tournaments in his age group. **Gail Berry** Reeves (Pittsford, NY) continues her work at the Valley Manor, an independent senior community, as manager of resident services. **Bonnie Smith Whyte** (Reston, VA) volunteers her time at local civic organizations and has mini-reunions with classmates several times a year. **Peg Jones Halberstadt** and husband **Duke '53** live in Twin Lakes, a suburb of Cincinnati. Says Peg, "Our children are thinking of retiring. That does age one."

My freshman corridor-mate **Martha Koren** Moskowitz lives in Margate, NJ. Martha, seeing your name on the news form brings back lots of

happy memories of our days at Cornell. **John Long**, MS Ag '57 (Albion, NY) is still involved in the agricultural community in New York State. **Orlando Turco** (Ithaca, NY) continues his interest and involvement in the Cornell wrestling program. **Ty Frank**, BS Ag '59 (Gallatin, TN) looks forward to being at our 60th Reunion in June. Great news, Ty! **Robert Hutchins** (Enfield, CT) is also attending our 60th. In the meantime, he still does some consulting engineering in the field of electrical discharge machining, and he sings with the Melody Boys, a six-member singing group with over 50 gigs a year at retirement and nursing homes. We've heard from **Peter Musella** (Ocala, FL), who sings in a barbershop chorus and volunteers for Hospice of Ocala.

Alfred Devendorf (Locust Valley, NY) volunteers at a health clinic a few days a week and is a board member of the Long Island Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependency. **Keith Kellogg** (Phoenix, AZ) retired from the employee benefit business and is now testing out the benefits of his retirement. **Jack Shirman** (Quechee, VT, and Naples, FL) went to Churchill, MB, with his wife to see the polar bears as they get ready to "hit the ice in search of seals." Jack also hosted classmate **Bert Schwarzschild** and his wife, Olive, at his new retirement home in Naples. **Ronald Hartman** (Lakewood, CA) continues his work as an ophthalmologist, chairman of the governing board of the Lakewood Medical Center, and a volunteer for Cornell-related activities. **Peter Thaler** (Los Angeles, CA) reports a tribute to our classmate **Curtis Reis** (aka Narby Krimsnatch) at the Sesqui-centennial celebration in L.A.

Lois Ullman Berkowitz '59, wife of our classmate **Ed**, wrote, "Just wanted to thank you for mentioning the Cornell Club Avalon movie event. It was a great event and a great way to remember Ed. All credit for organizing goes to **Bob Day**, who put in an enormous amount of time to work it all out." We are also remembering **Orlando Luzzi**, BCE '58 (Huntington, NY), who passed away this past January, and **Ed Wolf** (Phoenix, AZ), ZBT at Cornell and roommate of our **Steve Kittenplan**. Ed passed away earlier this year. Again, put the date of our 60th, June 9-12, 2016, on your calendars. **Phyllis Bosworth**, 8 East 83rd St., New York, NY 10028; e-mail, phylboz@aol.com.

57 As we near the end of 2015, quite a few of us can look back at the celebrations we had this year to mark a milestone in our lives—turning 80. **Ann Phillips Drechsel** was feted at Martha's Vineyard last summer, courtesy of son **Duncan**, MBA '94. Lots of memories as **Andy**, MBA '58, and Ann went there for their honeymoon and had a house there for 30 years. Ann was looking forward to seeing old friends and neighbors, and reports that she is trying to downsize but not succeeding. Cornell provided her with the best way to learn and study subjects, but she says that Siri now answers all her questions!

Judy Tischler Rogers had her 80th birthday party at her son's summer home in Maine. All the family—sons, their wives, and six grandchildren—were there to celebrate. Judy finished substitute teaching a year ago, and at present she volunteers at the local elementary school near her home in Crestline, CA. In addition, she heads the stewardship program at her church and has started a successful food outreach program. Since she retired three years ago, **Barbara Ries Taylor** has been working part-time at a community health

outreach program serving a poor neighborhood in Houston. She and **Bob '56** traveled through southern Spain in early June. Barbara would like to hear from **Eleanor Meaker** Kraft, LLB '60, and **Carol Gehrke** Townsend.

Barbara Timen Holstein keeps in touch with **Marilyn Greene** Abrams. Barbara reports that she is doing volunteer work, but would prefer to do paid work. **Pat Podesta** retired from classroom teaching almost 30 years ago, and since then she has developed a variety of interests. One enjoyable and rewarding interest is calligraphy. She serves as president of the regional guild near her home in Kingston, PA. **Jane Taber** Gillett lives in two worlds—summers at Thousand Island Park on the St. Lawrence River and winters in St. Petersburg, FL, where two of her four children reside. In both places she works in pottery, which is sold in a small gallery. She's also having a short story published that recounts growing up in a veterinarian's family in rural northern New York, as told by a 6-year-old. As for what she'd rather be doing now: "I'm doing it!"

A full-time Floridian (Sarasota) is **Marilyn Rives** Miller, who has started her third year of golfing and loves it. She writes, "Having given up my horses after 68 years, golf, swimming, and walking the dog are filling in, plus painting watercolors." Marilyn's oldest granddaughter graduated in May as a veterinarian. She decided at age 8 that she wanted to do what her grandfather did. Marilyn's late husband was Class of 1960 at the Vet school. **Francine Hassol** Lifton (Boca Raton, FL) traveled through Italy this year. She says, "Glorious, but glad to be home in Florida." **Judy Reusswig**, JCreuss@aol.com.

Paul Noble's delightful wife, Paulette Cooper, is the subject of a book entitled *The Unbreakable Miss Lovely* by Tony Ortega. It involves her disagreement with Scientology and her survival in Belgium during the Holocaust. Speaking of survival, **Don Fellner** is four years distant from his bout with cancer, playing golf several times a week on Hilton Head. With the \$\$ Don wins on the course, he will be well advised to invest it with **Dwight Emanuelson**, who continues as senior VP of investments in the Hilton Head office of Wells Fargo.

The medical profession must soldier on without two luminaries: **Vincent Napoliello**, who retired last December after 46 years as a gynecologist; and **Barry Malin**, MD '61, who is living the good life after 40 years as a urologist. Don splits his time between Pompton Plains, NJ, and Sarasota, FL, while Barry enjoys all seasons in Bufalo. Barry has two sons, one an attorney with the NFL and the other an art dealer. **Steve Miles** continues to be involved in real estate and other investment in the Houston area. Who would he most like to hear from? "Football teammate **Cy Benson**."

Ted Engel, MBA '58, MS HE '64, is still working with standardbred horses—breeding, training, and racing. He is also associated with the Indianapolis AAA baseball team, top affiliate of the Pittsburgh Pirates. **Enrique Terrazas** has retired from his Mexican construction company, turning it over to his two sons. All five children are married and have produced 15 grandchildren. **Steven Wallach**, BA '60, also retired from the medical profession, splits his time between Tappan, NY, and Boynton Beach, FL. He and Carol have three daughters, two of whom are physicians and one a lawyer. Also splitting time is my lacrosse teammate **Anton "Tough Tony" Tewes**, who escapes

Florida each summer, enjoying a few rounds of golf with **Al Suter**, MBA '59, in Northern Michigan.

The "Retired, but" list includes **Sheldon Lawrence**, who tutors immigrants in English and related subjects in Fairfield, CT; **Paul Ramsey**, BME '59, developing 57 contiguous acres in South Carolina; and **Arthur "Goose" Gensler**, BArch '58, who is on the "Semi" list, going into one or more of his 46 worldwide offices every day. The little office he started in San Francisco many years ago is now the largest design firm in the world. He also serves on a number of nonprofit boards. On Cornell, Goose sums up what many of us echo, namely, "What a great school it is and how many doors it opens." ■ **John Seiler**, suitcase2@aol.com.

58 From **Muriel King Taylor**, MD '62: "Jack, 94, and I continue to enjoy 'The House That Jack Built' here in Lakewood, WA, where we've lived since 1991. Some projects continue and will go on forever, such as ridding the perennial garden of our verdant crop of prehistoric sour weed and solving the problems presented by appliances that seem to have coordinated dates for achieving predetermined obsolescence. We too may be approaching the latter, but refuse to believe it to have been predetermined. For example, our 41-year-old son married for the first time three days ago (last April) and we, who ourselves married at 35 and 50, respectively, thought he might actually be ahead of his time!"

With so many negative reports about the V.A., it's good to hear a positive one from Muriel. "Jack, a WWII vet, turns out to be eligible for some truly wonderful services from the V.A.—and we have been impressed with the speed and appropriateness of our local V.A. in responding to his needs. Most lately, he spent 12 days in respite care while I had to make a trip to Mexico. He really enjoyed his stay and was pleased that the V.A. went to such lengths to make it healthy and interesting." Muriel keeps busy: "I paint in a class weekly, but now am trying to learn the art of Sumi (Asian ink painting) and am having mild success. I also find my three-times-per-week exercise class to have been the best method for delaying obsolescence available. Some in our long-standing class are in their 90s! Our WOW (Women on the Water) demonstrated a replica of an 18th-century French admiral's gig yesterday in an event sponsored by our county library celebrating the wonderful book *The Boys in the Boat*. If you've not read this grand story of the Olympian rowing crew who won in Berlin, do; it also includes some of Cornell's rowing history along with the story about this remarkable U. of Washington crew who succeeded in humiliating Hitler. We are happy to hear from Cornellians, so let us know if you are to be in the Seattle/Tacoma area (jamur4321@gmail.com)."

John Morrison (thereseM7@att.net) works out regularly, he says, along with playing poker at least once a week. He and Terry still live in Lake Forest, IL, and all four children are fully employed: Linda is a grade school teacher; **Cindy Morrison Phoele** '94 has written a book about Bulgaria, entitled *Cold Snap*; **Mark '96** is a senior executive with Hilton in D.C.; and Jason is a real estate appraiser. John wants to hear from **Bill Bynam**, BME/BArch '60, PhD '68, **Doug Lee**, and **Chick Marshall**. **Clive Chu** retired and moved back to Florida. **Robert Hanna** (rcshanna@aol.com; Ponte Vedra Beach, FL) and Eileen travel and play golf, but his message to all is that "one's retirement location

should consider medical care!" He would like to hear from Chem E **Walter Wills** '57. Robert says that his most valuable learning from Cornell is "patience." (Perhaps there's a good story behind that.)

From a few thousand miles east, we hear from **Beverly Amerman** Lewin at Ramat Hasharon, Israel. Beverly (lewinb@hotmail.com) retired and now enjoys linguistics research, painting, and her six grandchildren. Also enjoying her younger ones is **Eleanor DeMov** Schaffer (Freeport, NY), as well as husband Eugene, her children, and volunteer work. "Life is great!" she reports. **Gerald Freedman** sends those same words, and adds his gratefulness. Now retired, he sculpts and invites us to check some of his works at: ctsculptors.org. Gerald (Gerald.Freedman@yale.edu) spends winters in Florida and summers in Connecticut, travels to

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Peg Jones Halberstadt '56

Europe and the Caribbean, and enjoys time with his three doctorate children and three grandchildren. **Marilyn Drury**-Katillo travels to Europe (especially to countries of the old Austro-Hungarian Empire) as well as to England and Ireland. With her second hip replaced, she's still gardening out in Park Ridge, IL, but says, "Phooey to this aging; hoorah for Peter Pan and Benjamin Button." From her business card, it seems she's still in realty along with her other activities.

Patricia Wizes Moore (heroicw@aol.com) would like to be, she says, "living in England; working with aircraft and space equipment; talking and studying Shakespeare and poetry there; and working with puppets at Sesame St. I missed that one 40-plus years ago and I would have been great!" Instead, she's plugging along up in Golden Valley, MN, "taking care of sisters, children and grandchildren, and dogs . . . Kind of a quiet life, now that I examine it; all is well." Many of us '58ers have read **Al Podell's** *Around the World in 50 Years*, written as only Al could, informing us of so many places to visit as well as NOT. Few are so risk-willing as Al to try the last "Savage Seven," but somehow he survived to write about them. A fun read it is. And now, how fast the time comes around to say it again: Happy Holidays to all! ■ **Dick Haggard**, richardhaggard11@gmail.com; **Jan Arps** Jarvie, janjarvie@gmail.com.

59 First, an update on Reunion attendance records. Our class records still hold! Despite larger graduating classes and record numbers of attendees at Reunions, the Class of '59 still holds the 25th Reunion record at 428 classmates, and the 50th Reunion record with 390 classmates. "In sum," says **Harry Petchesky**, "we have a remarkable record. Now's the time to go after the 60th, and a trifecta." (YES!)

Harry, you may recall, was co-chair, with **Dave Dunlop**, of our 25th and 50th Reunions. He also has built a remarkable record in the legal profession (he's currently with LePatner & Assocs. in NYC). Harry writes, "Too many years ago, before lawyers were permitted to advertise, a law school

classmate and I were discussing ways in which we could publicize our accomplishments. His advice: 'Get one of your winning cases written up on the first page of the *New York Law Journal*.' This happened three times. The first two were appellate court reversals, one of a decision by the late Hortense Gabel, the other a landmark decision concerning Dean & DeLuca's loss of its right to extend its lease at its first store on Prince Street. The third was the subject of a July 14, 2015 article in the *Journal*. The comprehensive decision by the court makes it clear that a law firm must examine a prospective employee's background and work experience carefully before hiring him or her. Finding that the attorney in the case failed to do so, the Court granted my motion to disqualify my adversary. Over the years, young associates often

said they like working on my matters because they were always interesting. The recent case is no exception, and I am grateful to be able to continue what has been a varied, interesting, and intellectually stimulating career path."

"How often have you regretted your failure to engage the elder generations of your family for information about their lives and memories? How many times have you wanted just one more hour with a deceased relative who could answer that one burning question that you suddenly thought about, and that no one else can answer?" Questions such as these form the basis of *When Descendants Become Ancestors: The Flip Side of Genealogy* by **David Kendall** (Alexandria Bay, NY), a retired SUNY Brockport professor. The book is part how-to and part family history, stressing the value of stories from "the good old days" and how our stories should be told for generations to come. Inspiration for the book started when David inherited his great-grandmother's diary from the 1860s. Her notes about daily life along the St. Lawrence River inspired him to keep a journal for his own descendants. **Cindy Cavanaugh** Shoemaker (Marbury, MD) continues to coordinate 11 universities at Southern Maryland Higher Education Center, which offers upper-level degrees and other professional development opportunities in southern Maryland. She finds time for her 12 grandchildren, travel, and her townhouse in Naples, FL. **Charles "Cholly" Beck**, M Chem E '61, and his wife, Lorna, have moved from Winston-Salem, NC, to Ormond Beach, FL, where their son and his family reside. "I finally finished with the renovation of our fixer-upper home, but am still trying to get my workshop organized," he writes.

"First time I had seen a Cornell graduation in Ithaca," writes **Margaret Clark** Butcher, BS Nurs '59 (Pinehurst, NC), who attended the graduation of her granddaughter **Rebecca Harrison** '14. Margaret attended Cornell's School of Nursing, so her own graduation was in NYC at New York Hospital. "I recently had lunch with **Christine Henges** Popper in Venice, FL; I hadn't seen her since we graduated in 1959!" Margaret and her husband love riverboat travel in Europe, spend time in Florida every year, and live on a golf course that

they enjoy using. **Benson**, BA '61, MBA '62, and **Mary Ellen Dahlen Simon**, MA '63, keep in touch with close friends **Alan Rosenthal** and **Steve Segal**, and regularly attend events of the Cornell Club of Washington, DC. They also spend much time on activities at the U. of Maryland; Benson takes one class there in the fall and another in the spring term, and attends extracurricular lectures.

It's always a delight to write about a classmate—Margaret Butcher, for example—for the first time, and to hear from a classmate who hasn't been in touch for a while—**Jessica Reynolds** Jenner, for example, who hasn't been mentioned in this column in more than 30 years! Jessica (Castle Rock, CO) earned a PhD from Columbia and has worked in higher education since 1980, when she began as an assistant professor in the Clark U. School of Business in Worcester, MA. She retired as dean of business from Husson College in Bangor, ME, in 1999 and since then has worked as a consultant in business in higher education. "My career goal is to retire before I'm 80, but work is just so much fun it's hard to stop. Aside from work, which is more or less part-time depending on what is on my plate, I exercise, hand-build pottery, and

travel, mostly for birding. In the past year I went to Morocco (beautiful, but camels are very uncomfortable to ride) and to Hungary and Romania (capital cities are beautiful, and Transylvania is fascinating)." ■ **Jenny Tesar**, jet24@cornell.edu.

60 **Dick Morrison** (McLean, VA) missed our 55th Reunion because, he writes, "I was in China, participating in a joint venture of the US State Dept. and the Chinese Ministry of Culture entitled 'Two Countries, One Stage.'" Dick, formerly an economist at the National Science Foundation, was selected to be a guest singer with the Choral Arts Society of Washington as it joined with the Qingdao Symphony Orchestra in performances of Carl Orff's epic work *Carmina Burana*, which took place in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Qingdao, and Hong Kong. He says, "The concerts played to SRO audiences and critical raves in each of the five cities," while the 18-day trip "afforded many opportunities for sightseeing, shopping, and exotic dining. The air quality, about which the singers had grave concerns, turned out to be manageable,

so that the ample stock of masks we brought along turned out, thankfully, not to be necessary."

"The Class of '60 Directory convinced me it's time to write," says **Carol Klaus** Coyle-Shea. She noticed the name "**Robert Shea**" on the Unknown Addresses list and wants to report that not only does she know where he is, but she has been married to him for a year. "One missing person accounted for," she says. Carol had been engaged to Bob before he left Cornell in 1958 for the U. of New Hampshire, and the two lost touch for more than 55 years, finally reconnecting sometime after Carol's husband, **Bob Coyle '59**, BCE '60, MRP '71, died. Coincidentally, both had become involved in community theatre in recent years, she in Alexandria, VA, where she has lived for several decades, he in Newport News, VA, where he had retired after a career in the US Army. The newly wedded couple now serve as judges for Washington Area Theatre Community Honors, traveling to more than 20 performances and deciding on the "Tonys" to be given at the annual awards ceremony. Carol says she had done a limited amount of traveling before her recent marriage, while Bob had lived all over the world and visited all seven continents. They

spent a month's honeymoon in France last year, taking two river cruises and spending a week in Paris, and this past summer cruised on the Rhine and Moselle. "I could get used to this travel stuff, and it looks like I will," says Carol happily. Her husband is pleased to leave the Unknown Address list and says, "Where you find her, you'll find me." The Sheas' blended family now includes seven adult children and 13 grandchildren.

George Bartling reports that he and **Linnea (Hoberg)** are still ensconced in Roanoke, IN. "We're very happy, enjoying good health and our many activities. I've been doing lots of volunteer work for arts organizations since my retirement in 2006. Am currently on the board of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic and serve as treasurer of the Fort Wayne Youtheatre. I also play competitive table tennis, manage a local TT club, and enjoy collecting stamps and managing our investments." Linnea retired in 2014 after 20 years of interim ministry work with local churches seeking new pastoral leadership, and, says George, "she continues as a well-respected local potter, working out of a studio in our re-purposed 1902 brick one-room schoolhouse," which the Bartlings renovated and expanded many years ago.

Newly retired is **Bruce Veghte**, who stepped down from his position as CFO of the Clearwater Marine Aquarium in Florida in summer 2015. **Carol Simonson** retired from Georgia Southern U. in 2004 as associate professor emeritus of nursing. She now lives in Lillington, NC, and says her wish is to "travel all over the world, first to Alaska and second to Australia." Another retired academic is **Michael Andrew**, who spent 43 years as professor of education and department chair at the

Criminal Mind

Toby Friedman Gottfried '59

Ask Toby Gottfried if she's heard of a particular mystery author, and she'll likely give you a detailed list of every book the writer has ever penned. When asked to name her favorite writer, she'll probably balk, unable to decide among so many. The former CALS biochemistry major is what you might call a crime fiction super fan.

A quarter-century ago, the California-based Gottfried and her husband helped found Left Coast Crime, an annual mystery convention held west of the Rockies. Since the first was held in San Francisco in 1991, the event has traveled to various states including Arizona, Alaska, and Hawaii. Compared to other such conventions—particularly Bouchercon, which boasts some 2,000 annual attendees—Left Coast Crime is relatively small, hosting around 400 people. "We're trying to keep it an intimate conference," says Gottfried, one of numerous volunteers who help organize the event. "Then the attendees get a chance to really schmooze with the authors."

For Gottfried, the gatherings are all about community. Although reading is perceived as a solitary pursuit, crime fiction conferences unite mystery enthusiasts—diehard fans, new and veteran authors, and aspiring writers alike. Says Gottfried: "It's very educational and stimulating to be with people who are interested in the same subject." The events feature numerous panel discussions—on such topics as humor, hard-boiled crime, and the genteel "cozy" genre—as well as social gatherings, book sales, and more.

Gottfried earned a PhD in biochemistry from Penn before joining a molecular diagnostics company, where she aided in the development of one of the first HIV tests. While she and her husband were working in London, they became devotees of classic mystery authors such as Agatha Christie, and have been hooked on crime fiction ever since. "It's the solving of a puzzle, and the morality," Gottfried says, explaining the genre's appeal. "There's always justice at the end." Then she corrects herself: "Almost always."

—Christina Lee '18



U. of New Hampshire before stepping down in 2009 to devote full time to running his farm in Gorham, ME. He reports now having 35 horses plus a flock of Hampshire sheep and is proud to say, "I have raised two millionaire race horses and might have a third on the way." He notes that he has five children and 11 grandchildren—"all above average!" An old Cornell friend he would like to hear from is **Vittorio Sicherle**.

Elsa "Inky" Karlsson Nielsen writes from New Berlin, NY, that she is still doing substitute teaching in Unadilla Valley Central School. She and **Dan, DVM '63**, recently celebrated their 50th anniversary on a cruise with good friends, followed by a week at Disney World with their entire family. **John Fenton** (Corfu, NY), who spent much of his working years as a teacher and administrator in private Christian day schools, is now in retirement, serving as East Coast representative for Voice for Christ Ministries, a radio network that offers religious programming in rural Alaska. John and his wife, Patricia, spend their winters in Alabama.

Our condolences to **Bettyann Cohen Gruber**, who lost her husband, **Martin, DVM '62**, in late 2013. She now spends seven months each year in Sarasota, FL, but returns to Chelmsford, MA, for the summer and early fall months, keeping busy in both places playing golf and volunteering with local organizations. Send your news to: **Judy Bryant Wittenberg**, jw275@cornell.edu.

61 What several of our classmates have said regarding "the most valuable thing you learned at Cornell" may be interesting to you. I'll just list a few: to value learning and friendships; never stop learning; knowledge really is power; to appreciate diversity and the self-confidence to continue professional development; critical thinking and communication skills; enhancing a quest or inquisitiveness that has been with me always; and finally, to wait patiently for spring. It comes eventually.

Ellie Browner Greco (Forked River, NJ; ebgreco13@gmail.com) is in the business of buying and selling antiques and collectibles at shows. She states, "I am ready to simplify my lifestyle. I am still collecting antique quilts and studying quilts and textiles." Her business card says Barneget Bay Quilts and Antiques. She and husband Bill travel with daughter Laurie and son-in-law Hunter yearly, recently to Alaska and the Galápagos Islands ("most unique"). Next up: Machu Picchu. **Alanson Brown III** (Pendroy, MT; alansoncb76@gmail.com) directs the Int'l Hunting Dog Hall of Fame. He spends October through May in Alabama, and May through September in Montana. "I train Labrador retrievers for field trial competitions." What he learned at Cornell: "Never hide in the girls' closet at Risley dorm when Proctor George is looking for you—bare legs beneath the dresses give you away." Oh, Lanse.

Joseph Santamaria, BArch '62 (Houston, TX; jwsantamaria@yahoo.com) loves retirement. "I'm volunteering at MD Anderson Cancer Center, at the 1940 Air Terminal Museum, and on the building committee at the Briar Club (swim and tennis). I'm also taking Spanish classes—have almost forgotten all the Italian I learned at Cornell!" Joe would like to travel more and see some Big Red lacrosse games. Arthritis has slowed him down, but he still plays golf. "I had a mini-reunion with **Bob Allen**, BArch '62, **Bruce Herbert**, and **Ed Kavounas** in San Francisco in June 2011 and hope to have another soon." Joe's buddy Edmond

Kavounas (ekavounas@gmail.com) writes, "I'm retired from Rockwood Capital, which I co-founded in 1990 and led as CEO and chairman until 2014. Rockwood is a real estate private equity manager. Currently I am an advisor to Rockwood, focused on the multifamily development business; chair of the Woodstock (VT) Inn's parent company; and investing in various ventures. Peggy (Stanford '62) and I have three boys, all married, and eight grandchildren. We took a family trip to Greece and Turkey last year and look forward to France this summer." He recalls the gathering Joe mentioned for Sunday brunch in Berkeley.

Jim Baden, MD '65 (jpbadenmed@gmail.com) and wife Sheila are happy in Hilton Head, SC. Jim writes, "I sing with Hilton Head Barber Shoppers, and I'm working as a volunteer surgeon in a medical clinic." His daughter, Whitney, is teaching Spanish at the local Catholic high school, and son Michael is a co-owner with Meineke repair shops. Jim is active in alumni fraternity affairs for SAE. **Helen Trubek Glenn** (htglenn@yahoo.com) lives in Cocoa Beach, FL, and writes, "At mid-life I began writing poetry and received an MFA in writing from Vermont College of Fine Arts in 1991. My poems have appeared in journals and anthologies and I am working on a book-length manuscript. My first husband, **John Glenn, MD '65**, passed away in March 2000. I was remarried, in 2008, to Jack Wolfeitch, a fellow poet. We met at a writing conference." Helen would like to hear from **Jackie Beck Tautz**, BS Nurs '61.

Tony, DVM '62, and **Brenda Young Crawford** (helivet@aol.com) have been retired for 19 years. "We live in a wonderful community outside Daytona Beach, FL. My husband plays bridge and teaches students for fixed wing and helicopter ratings, and I make jewelry. We travel a great deal. Our family is thriving—five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. I love my life and do whatever I want. We try to take advantage of every opportunity, especially when it concerns travel." **Frances Shapiro Ivker** (drfbi@netzero.com) does part-time office gynecology. "I quit delivering babies in 2005. Spent December 2014 in Israel with son Mark (Penn '91) and family, with a five-day side trip to Cyprus. All nine grandkids are doing well in school, from UMass, Amherst to second grade in Birmingham, AL." Frances and Barry (Penn '62) are at home in Hoover, AL.

Jill Beckoff Nagy (nagjill0@gmail.com) and husband **George, PhD '62**, live in Troy, NY. "Right now," writes Jill, "I'm watching snow fall on the first day of spring. What could possibly be nicer?" She adds, "It's amazing how quickly time fills up. I'm writing for a couple of small local newspapers, tutoring for literacy volunteers, serving on the boards of several community organizations, and was just named to the Troy City Charter Review Commission." **Hillel Swiller**, MD '65 (White Plains, NY; hswiller@gmail.com), married to **Willa (Radin) '62**, BFA '62, writes, "I am working half-time in the practice of psychiatry and as a clinical professor of psychiatry at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in NYC. I love what I'm doing." He would like to hear from **Steve Whitelaw**.

Jay Treadwell (Chevy Chase, MD; jay@theoptimumgroup.us) is still not retired as a partner of the Optimum Group. He writes, "On April 13, my stepbrother **Morgan Stark '62** (ILR) died after a short but painful illness of glioblastoma, a fatal brain cancer. We were close and I will miss him." Jay and wife Peggy would like to travel more. Jay would like to hear from **Rocco Angelo '58**, **Bruce Hewitt**, and **David Bentley '64**. Thank you for

responding to the news form—keep it coming! **Susan Williams Stevens**, sasteven61@gmail.com; **Doug Fuss**, dougout@attglobal.net.

62 It's that time of year again! If you send out an annual letter, please do send a copy to your correspondent. Happy holidays to all!

Lesslie Avery Giacobbi (Villa Park, CA; lesslieg@aol.com) writes that she has been selling California real estate for 35 years. She and **Peter '61**, MBA '63, lived in Italy for many years and enjoy frequent visits there to see friends and family. Managing director of Marzel Int'l is **Tomas Zeisel's** title (zeiselmt@msn.com). He and Maritza make their home on Johns Island, SC, where she is director of family relations and housing with Habitat for Humanity in Charleston. Hotelie Tomas's latest project is reopening Topoco Lodge, a historic lodge in the Smoky Mountains of North Carolina and Tennessee.

Janice Moulton (jmolton@smith.edu) and husband **George Robinson '64**, BA '66 (grobison@smith.edu) have released a new book, *Nap of the Earth*. George and Janice are college professors who switched from writing academic books to thrillers after having their own adventures. They fled East Berlin with US Army intelligence officers just before the Berlin Wall fell. They were interrogated by Chinese security police about the student demonstrations before the Tiananmen Square disaster. They gathered enough spent bullets from the street to counterweight harpsichord keys; saved 60 people from a bus-crash in rural Thailand; danced with Uighurs on a Chang Jiang riverboat; and rode horses in New Zealand with a stuntman who doubled as a Nazgûl. In summary, a female helicopter pilot becomes a suspect in thefts of depleted uranium armor-piercing ammo from a US Army post in Germany. When some of the ammunition is used in ethnic uprisings in Estonia, relations between the US and the European Union deteriorate. One of her friends dies in a suspicious auto accident, another kills himself. Army CID arrests her, and after polygraph interrogation, she is inexplicably released. She gets caught between Army investigators and the arms dealers who threaten her and demand the rest of the missing ammunition. Unfortunately, she knows exactly where it is. What a plot!

Jane Jaffe Giddan (janegiddan@gmail.com) writes, "I am finally ending my long and very satisfying career as a speech-language pathologist. I retired some years ago as professor emerita in the Dept. of Psychiatry of the (then) Medical College of Ohio, but continued clinical work, specializing in autism and language disorders, when we moved to the Dallas area. It has been a treat to be here, near our adult children and three grandkids, building archival memories wherever and whenever we can. Most recently I've worked with childhood pal and psychologist Ellen Cole on our blog at 70candles.com, our Huffington Post blog, and our book, *70Candles! Women Thriving in Their 8th Decade*. Taos Inst. Publishers, purveyors of the online Positive Aging Newsletter, will offer *70Candles!* in paperback and as an e-book. You can read all about it at: www.taosinstitute.net/70Candles." Jane enjoyed a wonderful visit last winter from Cornell roommate "and eternal friend, **Evelyn Eskin**."

You'll find **Adina Cohen** (adina@argosybooks.com) at the Argosy Book Store in New York. From Lake Placid, **Bill Stowe** checks in to say that he and Barbara are trying to keep warm in Upstate

New York. He's hoping to hear from **Bill Kline '63**. **David Dameron** (dave.liz35@yahoo.com) has been teaching globalization and history with the OLLI program at UNLV for the past 17 years. David and his wife have just moved to Abilene, TX, to be closer to their son and his family.

Jane Barrows Tatibouet (hawaiihoteliers@aol.com) and Andre remain very busy in the hotel business in Hawaii. Andre founded Aston Hotels and Resorts and sold the company after taking it public in 1998. They then founded Hawaii Hotel Consultants. Jane serves as president and directs the hotel renovation division; Andre oversees the investor/real estate division. Together they share ownership in Waikiki hotels. "No plans nor desire to retire!" Jane served on Cornell's Board of Trustees and also as a trustee for the U. of Hawaii. "Following these experiences, I remain very involved in assuring that higher education delivers the promised academic knowledge and skills that fulfill both parents' and students' expectations." Please keep my inbox full in 2016!  **Jan McClayton** Crites, jmc50@cornell.edu.

63 The following is good news for those of you asking to submit photos to the class column. *Cornell Alumni Magazine* is creating a new Alumni Photo Gallery! Share all the photos that we've never been able to fit in the class columns with your classmates and friends. To post pictures of family, mini-reunions, travels, and more, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>.

From **Christian '65** and **Helen Downs Haller**, PhD '67 (Pittsford, NY): "By the time this is in print, we will have received and will be installing a ring of ten bells to be hung in the English style for change ringing. If you don't know what I'm talking about, read *The Nine Tailors* by Dorothy Sayers or visit www.NAGCR.org. Come visit us and our bells!" (Location: Christ Church, Rochester, NY.) **Doris Grayson** Kitson lives in New York City and writes, "I'm traveling, writing, and organizing my apartment." She retired January 31, 2015 and says she is "getting adjusted to the change." David and **Debra Willen** Stern live in Los Angeles, CA. Debra is a doing part-time college counseling and is self-employed. In response to the question on the news form about what has been happening in your life or with your family, she says, "When things get interesting, it is generally bad stuff. Currently, happily uneventful."


Chris and **Ruth LeSourd** moved from Seattle to Anacortes, WA, and write, "We found the house we hope to have until the end of time." Chris says, "I'm doing marketing hospitality expert witness work and referring cases to my network of hospitality consultants." **Gene Beckwith** has retired and lives with his wife, Marilyn, in Clinton, OH. Gene is studying music with the electric bass guitar, working on his second novel, and building a G gauge railroad in his back garden. He is also an active amateur radio operator and photographer. When asked what he'd rather be doing, he said: "Only to have more time to pursue my interests and study—so much to do, so little time." He would like to hear from his Cornell friend **Richard Byndas**.

Cornell and **Alice Dawson** recently sold their home in Hyde Park, NY, and moved to their vacation home by Lake Bomoseen in Bomoseen, VT. "Please come by and visit." Last April, they picked up their boat in Tampa Bay, FL, and completed the Great Loop, which included the Inner Coastal

Waterway to New York City and the Hudson River. A few years ago, they cruised the Great Lakes and Canada. Summer 2014, the Dawsons traveled from Lake Michigan, down the rivers, into the Gulf of Mexico and western Florida. **Raven Pratt** Davis-King (formerly Sarah Pratt) lives in Orangevale, CA, and is a driver and a dog walker. **Joan Travers** Barist writes, "My husband and I returned last spring from a wonderful trip to southern India and Sri Lanka. Met up with **Art** and **Rita Padnick Sussman** in Pondicherry, India. Rita and I were roommates at Cornell and she fixed me up on a blind date with my future husband, Jeffrey. It was a great birthday reunion."

Dean and **Mary Williams** are retired and live in La Cañada, CA. Dean retired in 1995. In 2014, Dean and Mary traveled to Africa, Austria, and Spain. They have three grown children: son **Sean '90** is in real estate in NYC and has three children; daughter Jill (Notre Dame) has two children; and Steven (Duke, BS '99 and MS '00) has a daughter. Dean likes to travel, read, and help others, and would like to visit Cornell and improve his computer skills. From Poughkeepsie, NY, **Bob Ulrich** writes that he is teaching early American history at several lifetime learning programs in his area including Bard College and SUNY New Paltz. "I am starting, finally, to knock a few destinations off my bucket list—Galápagos Islands off Ecuador last December and India this December." Next? "Not sure."

Carol Bagdasarian Aslanian writes, "I continue to work in the field of higher education, conducting market research for colleges seeking to grow their enrollments. My company, Aslanian Market Research, works with schools nationwide." When Carol sent her news, daughter Leslie had recently given birth to her third son and daughter Liz was expecting to expand her family over the summer. The most valuable thing Carol learned at Cornell: "Being independent and passionate about my career and family." Father **David Willis Geib** is a Catholic priest. He is assistant director at St. Benedict Retreat and Conference Center in the mountains of Oregon. He lives in McKenzie Bridge, OR, and says, "I am in a place as beautiful as Cornell, with even more waterfalls."

Warren Icke '62 and I took a week's self-guided walking trip in the Provence region of France in June. We walked from one hill town or "perched village" to another. The lavender was blooming and the sun was shining as we walked each day. We walked alone, but had good maps and a detailed guidebook. That's all the news for now. Please e-mail me with your news at any time.  **Nancy Biers** Icke, 12350 E. Roger Road, Tucson, AZ 85749; e-mail, ick63@gmail.com.

64 This is getting to be a (happily welcomed) trend! Once again, we're hearing from classmates who either have never been in this column or haven't been heard from in years.

George Robinson, BA '66, and his wife, **Janice Moulton '62**, have become co-authors of techno-thrillers (a natural fit, as his degree is in Physics, hers in English), their latest being *Nap of the Earth*. The couple's own adventures make them naturals for this particular literary genre. Both are college professors who switched from writing academic books to thrillers after having their own adventures: they fled East Berlin with US Army intelligence officers just before the Berlin Wall fell; were interrogated by Chinese Security Police about

the student demonstrations before the Tiananmen Square disaster (where they gathered enough spent bullets from the street to counterweight harpsichord keys); saved 60 people from a bus crash in rural Thailand; danced with Uighurs on a Chang Jiang riverboat; and rode horses in New Zealand with a stuntman who had doubled as a Nazgûl (a *Lord of the Rings* character).

Sadly, another classmate/author, **Lisa Anderson** Todd, died last July of heart disease. She had been planning additional promotion of her autobiographical account of her experiences with the Mississippi Freedom Democrats in the 1960s. *For a Voice and the Vote: My Journey with the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party* was published last December. **Cindy Wolloch** says the book is wonderful.

Arthur Gaines Jr., a first-timer here, is an oceanographer emeritus (with what organization he doesn't say, although his e-mail address indicates he was at least affiliated with Woods Hole). Arthur and wife Jennifer live in Falmouth, MA, and have two grown daughters. **Warren Beeton**, BME '67, who was last in this column 34 years ago, is a retired engineer, but is active in the Citizens Climate Lobby, working on climate change issues. Warren also teaches science to adults, participates in local community governance, and enjoys duplicate bridge. He and wife Trudy live in Haymarket, VA, and have a daughter and two grandchildren. Belated congrats to **Gary Cocks**, who got married in July 2014, then moved to Springfield, IL, with his bride. Gary shares that he's learning about activities and cultural events in the state capital, and that "they never let you forget it's the Land of Lincoln."

Peter Stauder is enjoying retirement from his home in Clermont, FL. He writes that he's "fishing, cooking, and relating to grandchildren." Peter, who's also doing genealogical research, adds that a granddaughter is living with him while she's attending a local college. **William Frommer** is still working at the law firm he founded more than 17 years ago. "I'm taking great pride in its growth as a recognized IP law firm." William writes that he travels for work and pleasure; recently, in the pleasure category, to the Galápagos Islands for eight days of snorkeling with rays, sea turtles, sea lions, and hammerhead sharks (!). He says that he otherwise would like to own a winery. William and wife Karen live in Bedford Corners, NY. And speaking of wineries . . . Napa, CA, resident **Dick Heinzelman**, using the pseudonym Richard Heinz, has written and published a book entitled *Memoir of a Soul in Poetry and Prose*, available on Amazon.com.

Having lost his wife of 42 years more than two years ago, **Charles Levitt** was selling his house in the Chicago suburb of Bartlett, IL, when he wrote. He would like to be closer to the Lake Michigan shore—"to walk on a warm summer day, feeling sand between my toes." Chuck has two sons and two grandsons. **Hans Weishaupt** writes that he and wife **Arenda (Spiele)**, MS '60, have moved from the "solitary splendor" of a hillside in Rehatobel, Switzerland, to the "hustle and bustle of Heiden, Switzerland—closer to the doctor, butcher, baker, candlestick maker, and undertaker." Hans adds that daughter **Stefanie Weishaupt** Prelesnik '92 makes them "the sole triple-whammy Cornell family in Switzerland!"

Enid Cantor Goldberg continues to teach high school English and write books while husband **Alan '63** is still working at Aracyn Pharmaceuticals, the biotech company he founded. The Goldbergs live in Teaneck, NJ; their son, daughter, and two

grandchildren live in California. **Ann Sirrine** Rider has a new job: supervisor of Enfield, NY, which you may recall is a town adjacent to Ithaca. Ann writes, "Sometimes this is a little too intellectually challenging, but it's a whole new subject matter. Who knew I wanted to know so much about roads and paying the bills the municipal way?" She does manage to get away now and then to visit her daughter and two grandsons who live on the Jersey Shore.

Lastly, **David Smith** (Washington, DC) is still doing post-retirement research in ichthyology—both the historical and scientific study of fishes—at the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of Natural History. David was also looking forward to the arrival last July of Cornell's past president David Skorton as the Smithsonian's new secretary. That's it for now. Please keep the news coming: **Bev Johns** Lamont, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont64@comcast.net. Class website, www.cornell1964.org.

65 Reflections of our wonderful 50th Reunion continue to arrive. **Chuck Andola** (Highland, NY; uasales@aol.com) attended with his wife and wrote, "The guys and gals we saw or met and drank with still remember what's important. We just had fun." **Ginger Teller** (NYC; vteller@hunter.cuny.edu) writes, "I'm still reliving the Reunion highlights in my head; what a wonderful weekend!" **Carla Taylor** Garnham (cgarnham@uwm.edu) recalled Fall Weekend dance fun with **Pete Mortimer**, and she thanks everyone who was involved for creating a great 50th.

Scot MacEwan relates a moment on the way to the Arts Quad tents with a delightful woman classmate. "We see the Hot Truck, and some young college gents are starting in on their egg and bacon cheeseburgers. Our classmate explains that she hasn't been on campus for years and misses the burgers. Might she please have a bite? Young gent gives over the burger. One bite and another bite and soon the burger is gone. Delicious! I gesture silently toward my wallet, but the young gent shakes his head, no. At Reunion we knew and met a lot of nice folks!" **Barbara Press** Turner (barbara.pressturner@gmail.com) made sure she came back for our major milestone. "I was stimulated by the forum, energized by conversations with classmates (some of whom I had not met before) thoroughly entertained by the Glee Club, Chorus, and the Sherwoods, and very impressed with Joel Perlman's sculpture exhibit. There were so many activities from which to choose, you were never without a great alternative. The class gift of the arch entrance to the A.D. White Garden was lovely. My husband, Bill, who did not go to Cornell, so enjoyed Reunion! We will attend the 55th!"

Lou Ferraro (ferrarojr@aol.com) sends thanks to all who helped him hold mini-reunions in advance of our weekend in Ithaca and to those who reached out to classmates to encourage them to come to our 50th. "Those who were part of the National Championship freshman crew included **Ed Steinglass**, MCE '69 (coxswain), **Chip Bettie**, ME '66 (stroke), **Gordie Hough** (No. 6), **John Rothschild**, MD '69 (No. 4), **Lou Ferraro** (No. 3), and **Bud Suiter**, MBA '67 (bow). To fill the boat we recruited **Dave Mellon**, plus two from the current Cornell women's crew. Other '65 oarsmen attending reunion were **Chris Mabley**, **Jim Hughes**, **Bob Matthews**, PhD '74, and **Jim Bennett**." **Dave Bridgeman** (Ft. Myers, FL; dazel2010@gmail.com) commented, "I spent most of my time meeting new-to-me classmates. We shared the same zip

code 50 years ago and in this vein I had enjoyable encounters throughout the weekend. We even got into some taboo subjects (i.e., politics and religion), and although we held differing viewpoints, we kept our emotions out of the picture while sharing opinions. If Congress could do the same, perhaps we'd see some progress toward our common national goals."

Thanks to their excellent leadership, our 50th Reunion co-chairs **Judy Kellner** Rushmore and **Mike Gibson**, ME '66, report these class accomplishments: We established a new 50th Reunion record for Tower Club membership with 109 members (exceeding our original goal by 29 members); the previous record of 102 members, had been held by the Class of 1957. We acquired 77 Quadrangle Club members and collectively raised nearly \$12.2 million, more than doubling our previous class best. Gifts were received from 556 classmates!

The mayor of Slaughter Beach, DE, **Bill Krause** (billgabbycrab@gmail.com) and wife Ellen have built a home in a tranquil area bordered by the Prime Hook National Wildlife Reserve. Bill describes his responsibilities: "I do weddings, fix tickets, and fight with FEMA." He adds, "We see lots of big birds, and a pair of redtail hawks who terrorize the bunnies that live in the bayberry bushes, and yesterday several ospreys flew close to the house carrying fresh-caught fish on their way back to the nest." Bill is still running their business and they have nine grandchildren. "Some of you may remember my daughter Tammy, who was born in Ithaca and learned the inner workings of pool tables by the time she was 2. Loved the Straight!" Another fan of the Straight is **Bill Pope**, ME '66 (Atlanta, GA; wspope1@yahoo.com), who also enjoyed food at the Statler after a hard fencing practice. Bill is a program manager for Honeywell Aerospace and has two grandsons, from his oldest son, living in New York. He shares, "My youngest is doing something with Big Data that is beyond me!"

Alan Fridkin, JD '70 (Westfield, MA; alan.gayl@comcast.net) enjoys travel writing in his retirement. He comments, "Alassio, Italy, has become our second home. Andrew Dickson White spent a few winters here writing his memoirs and I'm doing the same." **Bill** and **Irene Vanneman** count Vermont as their favorite place to enjoy skiing, kayaking, and canoeing. Bill flies his Cessna 182, whenever the weather cooperates, from their home in Lexington, MA. He is still practicing medicine, doing gastroenterology. Granddaughter **Elizabeth Klein** is Class of 2018 and a fifth-generation at Cornell. Bill declares that the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell was independence . . . and a sense that even the crazy ideas can succeed.

Please go to our class website and look through the pictures and read the bios that are listed there. There is more news, but our current allotted space has been reached. Please consider subscribing and we'll be able to report more. **Steve Appell** will catch us up for the issues published in early 2016. **Joan Hens** Johnson, joanipat@gmail.com; and **Steve Appell**, BigRed1965@aol.com.

66 A note from class president **Alice Katz** Berglas: It's August as we write, November as you read this, but the only dates you need to know? June 9-12, 2016. THANK YOU to so many who have let us know they will attend Reunion! Thank you to those volunteering on all sorts of committees. The 50th is FABULOUS. (No other word captures better the spirit and the warmth and welcome.) Come for any/every reason you can think of. Some classmates have attended every Reunion, but many more will return for the first time since graduation. Come for forums, music, quads, sunsets—but come first for the time together. It is your Cornell and our class. Don't let anything stop you! This 50th Reunion year: e-mail an old friend; join our class gift and campaign; and, especially, say "YES!" to the registration mailing in March. Questions? JUST ASK. Alice (alice.berglas@gmail.com) and **Jeanne Brown** Sander (ebbs17@verizon.net), co-Reunion chairs.

We have more news than can fit in one issue, so if your update isn't included, know that it will be in an upcoming column. **Joe Polacco** (Columbia, MO) is a professor emeritus of biochem at the U. of Missouri, teaching part time. He writes, "I spent two months last fall at the Escola Superior de Agricultura Luiz de Queiroz (ESALQ), the ag school of the Universidade de São Paulo. Talented and very hospitable/driven students kept me hopping—not bad, given my false hip and a freshman-year football knee dinger. Nancy and I are each going around for a second time, and each of us has three kids. We're both healthy and active and look to travel—colleagues in South America and Europe make travel that much sweeter. La vita è bella."

Larry Berger (Merrick, NY; LHB6@cornell.edu) is still involved with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Nassau County, currently as the president of the board of directors. He also keeps busy with ham radio activities (his call sign is WA25UH). He and wife Carol have four kids (or their spouses) with Cornell degrees. (Can anybody top that?) Larry would like to hear from **Richard Greene**, ME '67. **Gary Schoener** (Minneapolis, MN; grschoener@aol.com) is still a clinical psychologist, training, consulting, and testifying in legal cases. He spent two weeks in Puerto Rico for his 70th birthday, along with many fellow squash and tennis team members.

Paul Fein (Agawam, MA; Lincjeff1@comcast.net) wrote a beautiful note mourning the loss of tennis coach Eddie Moylan in May (Gary Schoener wrote about coach Moylan too). Paul wrote, "Coach was a beloved and inspirational tennis teacher, role model, and friend to his many players. Coach's expertise and information infused my tennis writing for foreign and domestic magazines. He would be pleased to know that I recently received first place in a national writing contest for my 'Beauty of Federer' essay. The lessons I learned from Coach made me not just a better player, but a better person."

Linda Cascio Engstrom (Hillsboro, OR; lengstro@teleport.com) is still teaching landscape illustration and some design workshops part time at Portland Community College. She and husband

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Bill Krause '65

Fred '64, ME '66, maintain a Pinot Gris vineyard, which they planted in the 1980s, and sell the grapes to the local Oak Knoll Winery. They now have a third grandchild, with both sons living nearby in the Portland, OR, area. After spinal surgery in May, Linda hoped to start biking and traveling again by the time this column is printed. She plans to attend our 50th, and, when asked about the most valuable thing she learned at Cornell, responded with, "How to think and have confidence in my abilities!" **Ellen Bravo** (Milwaukee, WI; bravo.ellen@gmail.com) is the director of Family Values @ Work Consortium, a network of state coalitions working for paid sick days and family leave. She has written a novel, *Again and Again*, published in August, about campus date rape and Senate politics. Her sons are both working in the arts.

Jeff Collins (Chapel Hill, NC; jcollins@pappasventures.com) decided not to retire completely, but to reduce his work to one day a week, beginning July 1, 2015. Jeff wrote, "I'm looking forward to an upcoming six-week 'bucket list' trip in the fall to five countries in east and southern Africa—should be fantastic." He is also looking forward to seeing lots of '66ers next year. What did Jeff learn at Cornell? "How to think for myself." (Do you sense a theme in these responses?) **Otis Curtis**, MS '74 (Brookings, SD; okcp@swiftnet.net) wrote that his wife, **Kathryn Penrod-Curtis**, PhD '84, retired from South Dakota State U. **Carolyn "Cary" Stiber** (NYC; carystiber@rcn.com) reports that she also retired.

Howard Sobel (Oceanside, NY; HLSobelPE@aol.com) wrote, "I'm working—and truly enjoying it or I wouldn't do it. I have been retained as the independent monitor, overseeing a \$1.2 billion capital improvement program to harden an electric utility system against future severe weather

events such as Superstorm Sandy. Just increased our grandchild population to seven—six girls and one boy (the prince)." Howard has three sons, including one Cornellian. He is looking forward to our 50th and has started contacting Phi Epsilon Pi brothers. The most valuable thing he learned at Cornell: "To teach yourself and to be able to re-invent yourself successfully when the world around you changes." Howard then wrote: "Kathy and I love our life and all that we do, and are still very much in love."

Bill Seaman wrote that he chairs his town's Land Care Committee and also works with his church's Earth Care program. He and wife Anne enjoyed their first-ever cruise on the *Queen Mary 2*, sailing from Southampton to New York after an extended trip to Europe. ■ **Pete Salinger**, pete.sal@verizon.net; **Susan Rockford** Bittker, ladyscienc@aol.com; **Deanne Gebell** Gitner, Deanne.Gitner@gmail.com.

67 Elaine Ware Mansfield (Burdett, NY) has been awarded a national gold medal for her book, *Leaning into Love: A Spiritual Journey through Grief*, which was selected as the best book in the category Aging/Death & Dying by the Independent Publisher Book Awards (IPPY), which honor the year's best titles from around the world published by academic, small, and independent presses.

Robert Morse (Washington, DC; ramorse@rcn.com) reports, "I'm currently retired from high school physics teaching after 45 years. Working as a consultant for the College Board and spending long summers on the shore of Seneca Lake, an hour from Ithaca." In February, the American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) announced

that Robert was being awarded the Robert A. Millikan Medal. This award recognizes educators who have made notable and creative contributions to the teaching of physics. He is co-chair of the AP Physics 1 Development Committee and assistant editor of the Davidson AP Physics EdX project. The AAPT said, "Robert has made many creative contributions to physics education, technology-infused curricula in his own high school classes, and curricular modules on electrostatics and Newton's laws distributed by AAPT/PTRA for a broader audience of students and teachers, serving as 'master teacher for master teachers' in the early PTRA program."

Chuck Roby, MCE '68 (Santa Ana, CA; chuck.robby@prodigy.net) reports, "I recently spent a few days in the California desert with **Pete Woglom**, MCE '68, and his wife, Linda. We celebrated Pete's 70th, played golf, and visited the General Patton Museum at Chiriaco Summit, CA. The troops that trained there during WWII really endured a tough desert environment. No wonder they swept through North Africa." **Wes Boyar**, MRP '73 (Ithaca, NY; boyarwes222@yahoo.com) writes, "I'm writing short stories, Binary Word Paintings, and working on a novel about two musicians from Senegal and Gambia, West Africa. After a hit-and-run, 13 years in a wheelchair, and 18 major surgeries, I am elated to be back on my feet, despite being told by orthopedic surgeons that I would never walk again." He regards independence as the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell and would like to hear from **Art Pearce**, MRP '74.

Adam Perl (Ithaca, NY; Adam@pastimes.com) writes, "I'm still running my antique shop in Ithaca with no immediate plans to retire. We celebrated our 36th wedding anniversary, two of our three children are married, my 25th crossword puzzle was published in the *New York Times*, and I created two crosswords for the Cornell Sesquicentennial. I'm still singing with the Cayuga Vocal Ensemble and the Savage Club." He recalls his favorite place on campus was the Straight Music Room and has organized three Cornell Glee Club reunions, including one at Homecoming 2015.

My daughter, **Vanessa Hoffman '07**, married David Weiner (U. of Rochester '04) in June in Potomac, MD. Other Cornellians on hand for the festivities included my wife, **Eileen Barkas Hoffman '69**, **Melzar** and **Jane Marshall Richards '68**, **R.V. '64** and **Tia Schneider Denenberg**, **Phyllis Kaye**, **Stephanie Payton '83**, **DVM '87**, **Ben Weiner '88**, **Debra Audus '07**, **Carolyn Jacobson '72**, **Gail Frommer '70**, **Mary Challinor '77**, **Laurence Lese**, **JD '70**, **Ronald Berenbeim '66**, **Nicholas Kass '65**, **MPA '67**, **Peter Buchsbaum**, **Laurie Berke-Weiss '71**, **Martha Zaslow '72**, **Steve Maron '07**, **BS Ag '06**, and **Matt Ginsberg '07**. ■ **Richard Hoffman**, 2925 28th St. NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, derhoff@yahoo.com.

68 I'm writing this column from the deck of a ship sailing in the Baltic Sea, but please don't think I took advantage of a ridiculously discounted cruise fare and am freezing like a mid-winter stroll across campus, as the deadline for this Nov/Dec column was August 15.

Robert Swersky and his wife, Mary Ellen, live in Great Neck, NY, where Bob continues to practice vascular and cardiothoracic surgery. Bob is scaling back now and is playing more golf, swimming, and driving sports cars, though he recently sold his Viper. He visited classmate **Ron Liebersen**, ME '69, and his wife, Barbara, at their home in Scottsdale,

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AZ, and he's looking forward to seeing more of his friends from Phi Sig Epsilon (perhaps at our 50th Reunion, June 7-10, 2018). **Neil Rivchin** retired after a total of 43 years, the last 34 as a partner in the law firm O'Connell and Aronowitz in Albany, NY. Neil and wife Pam were exploring properties for a retirement home in Sarasota, FL, or Denver, CO, and they now have more time for traveling and visiting their daughters and especially their 3-year-old grandson.

Bruce Smalling (Piffard, NY) and wife Suzanne have been retired since 2012. Bruce is busy with his five grandchildren and three sons and does volunteer work with the Alzheimer's Assn., though he misses his time as a teacher. **Ray Reisler**, MAT '71 (Los Angeles, CA) visited campus twice in 2014. On April 26 he attended the Cornell Topical Sermon Contest Awards Gala along with 28 students who wrote sermons around the theme of justice and social responsibility and the life of the honoree, Ray's father, the late Judge **Ray Reisler** '27. Ray then returned one month later to attend the graduation of his son, **Zachary** '14, a third-generation Cornellian.

Gary Mols retired from teaching and coaching high school basketball in 2001 and opened a "little" restaurant in his town of Shawnigan Lake, BC. For the past eight years he has been in business with his son, Joe. Their business is Island Murphy Beds, which, Gary half-jokingly reports, has had its ups and downs. **Judi Gichner** Kauffman writes that she continues to design, write, and teach for craft manufacturers and magazines and that she has no retirement plans. **Stan Smith** is still working and loving it. Stan's 4-year-old daughter, 2-year-old son, and young marriage keep him very active.

Kathy Riggs Van Wie (Houston, TX) is active in several nonprofits. She serves as an interpreter for the Faith in Practice surgical team in Antigua, Guatemala, and is on the advisory boards of Freedom Place therapeutic residential unit for US girls rescued from sex trafficking, and the Amistad Mission, a school, hospital, and orphanage in Bolivia. **Karen Woyshner** Zill and husband Nicholas live in Washington, DC. Karen says that for the past eight years she's had a "great gig" writing the discussion guides for the PBS series "Independent Lens." Karen attended the Sesquicentennial celebration on campus (April 24-27) with classmate **Mary Lou Janicki** Currian, and said she had a wonderful weekend of stimulating discussion groups and listening to the many tributes to outgoing President Skorton, despite the frigid Ithaca weather.

Kathleen Maney Fox (Cortland, NY) reports that she's busy after retiring from her 35-year career teaching. As treasurer of Cornell's Women's Club of Cortland County, she organizes breakfasts and lunches for retirees. Kathleen says her greatest joy is her four grandchildren. **Chet Stein** fills much of his retirement time with his interest in photography and the missions to Israel he's chaired for the Jewish National Fund. His fourth and most recent mission was titled "Israel Through the Photographic Lens." Chet and his wife, Rita, report that their biggest recent event was the birth of their first grandchild, Emma Goldie, who fortunately lives just five minutes away in their hometown of Rockville, MD. Please keep sending your news, either through Cornell mailings or directly to me: **Chuck Levitan**, clevitan22@comcast.net.

tall ship, the *Kalmar Nyckel*, a re-creation of a Dutch ship from the early 1600s. Let us know your parts of call, Don.

Lawrence Levy's second historical novel, *Brooklyn On Fire*, will be out in January 2016. The first in the series, *Second Street Station*, was published by Random House in June and featured in the Authors section of the Sept/Oct edition of *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. We'll look for you on the bestseller list. **Patty Stahl** is in Dallas working part time in a private psychotherapy practice and is "perfectly happy with life as it is." She'd love to hear from freshman roomie **Jacqui Stark**. **Richard Rusk** (Athens, GA) writes, "I'm working hard on the climate change issue." He would love to connect with Cornell grads on this subject. **Jan Turk Mills** and husband **Robin**, MBA '69, recently bought a 38-ft. power catamaran to cruise the Florida Keys and Bahamas.

Jeffrey Bond is a busy grandpa. Eight years ago he retired as history chairman at an independent school in Michigan to move to southwest Virginia to help care for newborn grand-triplets. He is still fully involved with them, but he and wife Ruth will be traveling to Brussels to be with their mom-to-be diplomat daughter. This will make six grandchildren for them. **Jesse Jenner** built a second home in Colorado to be near his daughter and grandchild and may move there permanently. He writes, "I'm still managing and trying lawsuits for Ropes and Gray." **Claire Scully DeLauro** and husband **Al** keep busy traveling, maintaining two homes (one in Texas and one in California), and, she writes, "playing with people in various car clubs (Ferrari, Porsche, Mustang/Shelby)." Al is involved with the management of the Ferrari Club of America, and Claire is on the board of her homeowners' association. **Myron Bilyj** is senior principal engineer for General Dynamics Information Technology in Chesapeake, VA.

And for those of us who don't know the difference between tort and torte, here's some useful information from my daughter, **Alexis Riedl** Twomey '00, at Cornell Alumni Affairs: "The Cornell Law School operates the Legal Information Institute (LII), a nonprofit that began in 1992 (<https://www.law.cornell.edu/>). LII is the foremost provider of free access to legal information in the world, with millions of users around the globe. It generates more than half of all the Web traffic to Cornell on an annual basis. It basically provides federal, state, constitutional, and certain global law, etc., legal info in both legal-ese and layman's explanations. See: https://www.law.cornell.edu/lii/about/who_we_are. A good site to bookmark." Enjoy the holidays, and have a happy and healthy 2016. Doesn't 1969 seem like last week? Please send your news to me: **Tina Economaki** Riedl, triedl048@gmail.com.

70 As yet another year is coming to a close, I will tell you about the second half of our 45th Reunion, six months ago in June 2015. I left off at the end of our delightful Friday lunch near the Johnson Museum. The University Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at Sage Chapel overlapped with the end of our picnic lunch and museum tour. The names of Class of '70 classmates who died since our 40th Reunion were spoken as a candle was lit for them. It was a lovely and very moving ceremony, and time for reflection, presented by Cornell for all of the reuniting classes. The Olin Lecture, an always anticipated Reunion event, was later on

Friday afternoon. It featured a much discussed, and perhaps even somewhat controversial, talk by author **Junot Díaz**, MFA '95. His most recent book is *This is How You Lost Her*.

The '70 class reception and dinner spanned three hours on Friday evening. It was held at the Statler Hotel's Carrier Ballroom and included our official class meeting. Soon after the reception, the Hangovers, the male a cappella subgroup of the Glee Club, entertained us with lively songs. **Paul Vizcarrondo**, one of our longtime Cornell Annual Fund representatives, gave us a rousing report on the results of our 45th Reunion Campaign. Dollars raised: \$10,617,626, a Class of '70 best. These funds were gifted by 485 classmates and included 46 Tower Club members (gifts of \$5,000 or more). Our class has 61 Cayuga Society members (those classmates who have included Cornell in their estate planning) and 447 1865 Society members (classmates who have given to Cornell for two consecutive years at least). Hooray and congrats to all of our participating classmates!

Friday evening's star attraction was President David Skorton. Reunion 2015 was his last as Cornell's 12th president. On July 1, he became the 13th director of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC. He is always a dynamic speaker, and shared personal anecdotes as well as comments on the legacy, achievements, and history of the Class of '70. We were honored to have him spend time with us. **Beth Heydinger** Treadway, our nominating committee chair, spoke about the new slate of officers and leadership team members for 2015-20. The updated officer and leadership team page is on our Class of '70 website, cornell70.org. There was also a special thank you to retiring officers.

Bill, ME '71, and **Gail Post Wallis**, who did such a fantastic job with our unique and special 45th Reunion (and in large part our 40th as well) have decided that they will not continue in this role for our 50th. That leadership position remains open, as does the spot for Reunion registrar, which Bill so ably fulfilled during this last term. Our very capable and innovative VP of communications, **Murem Sakas** Sharpe, has also decided to retire, and **Don Noveau** will be filling this officer position. Thanks to all who have served the Class of '70 and to those who will continue in their roles as well as the several new volunteers. To finish up our class meeting, Gail and Bill thanked the many classmates who contributed to our 45th Reunion success. One last announcement was made: the winner of our class lottery was **Suzanne Grisez** Martin. She won a free 45th Reunion registration fee. Suzanne was randomly chosen from those classmates who paid dues, signed up for automatic renewal, and are loyal members of our class. Congrats and thanks!

The main Reunion event on Saturday morning was President Skorton's last State of the University address. It was a special occasion for all those in attendance. Our final event was the reception and dinner on Saturday evening at Lynah Rink. Right before the festivities began, classmates had the opportunity to join a special tour of Cornell's athletic facilities. The entire evening, which was hosted by our class VP, **Sally Anne Levine**, JD '73, celebrated the athletic legacy of the Class of 1970. Our NCAA championship 1970 men's ice hockey team was represented by **Ian Orr**, who was accompanied by his wife and our classmate, **Pat (Gallagher)**. Their fantastic and undefeated season has still not been matched after 45 years!

Classmates attending our 45th Reunion who were members of athletic teams during our four years on the Hill were announced, and Andy Noel,

69 Hope you all are enjoying autumn and had a great summer. "Ahoy" to **Don Verdiani**, ME '71, who has started crewing on Delaware's

Cornell's longtime athletic director, was our informative and entertaining featured speaker. The evening concluded with the formal announcement of our Class of 1970 Spirit Fund. More information on this endowed fund, as well as our other two funds, can be viewed on our class website. Touch-down, our very own Big Red bear, made an appearance, and along with Cornell's Pep Band, enhanced our evening by bringing fun, music, and spirit into Lynah Rink. It was an excellent Reunion Weekend, and now we can begin to look forward to our 50th celebration in June 2020! 📧 **Connie Ferris Meyer**, cfm7@cornell.edu.

71 Congratulations to **Bruce MacFadden** (brucemacfadden@gmail.com), who was recently promoted to distinguished professor at the U. of Florida. He was also elected as a fellow of the AAAS (American Assn. for the Advancement of Science). For the past decade, Bruce has led paleontological excavations to collect fossils along the Panama Canal and has involved STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) teachers from the US in these international field and research experiences.

Deb Gale (dgale@wildblue.net) serves as the associate director of diversity and international admissions at the U. of Vermont. She is married to Marek Pyka and has a son, Matt Gale-Pyka, who graduated from UVM and is now a licensed teacher. Matt also works with the UVM track team, "assisting the jumping coach." Deb adds, "I'm close to getting a master's in early childhood special education and would like to be working in that field." She would like to catch up with **Dara Prisamt Murray** and **Harriet Friedland Fuchs**, MS HE '74. **Diane Adkin** (Camas, WA; dadkin@spiritone.com) reports, "I'm still importing and selling fair trade olive oil from Palestine." In her spare time, she and a few others have founded a nonprofit to support Palestinian farming communities (www.landofcanaanfoundation.org). Diane's partner, Bob Raemer, has retired from Delta after flying the Orient for the last three years.

Martha Coultrap is also among the not-yet-retired. She wrote, "I'm still enjoying the practice of law. My specialty is investment management and private equity." Marty manages to spend one day a week with her granddaughter Eleanor, and has her fingers crossed that Eleanor will be a fourth-generation Cornellian! (Marty's son-in-law **Jon Guarino '06**, ME '07, graduated from Cornell.) By the time you read this column, Marty will have taken a summer trip to the Loire Valley. Her summer plans also included a visit to her 18th-century farmhouse in Chatham, NY, by **Art Spitzer**, **Elisabeth Kaplan Boas**, and **Sandie Feinman Antar**.

"Life is Service—the one who progresses is the one who gives his fellow man a little more, a little better, service." **Joe Kohler III** (Canandaigua, NY; jkk247@cornell.edu) wrote that this E. M. Statler quote, which is inscribed on the wall outside Statler Hall, is the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell. Not surprisingly, Joe works in the hospitality industry. He is the regional director of the Caribbean for Cayuga Hospitality Advisors. He would love to hear from **Andy Tisch**.

Ken Margolies, MPS '11 (kam47@cornell.edu) has lots of news on both the work and personal front. He married artist Robin Dintiman at the end of May in Cold Spring, NY, and wrote, "The ceremony was in a historic restored chapel on the Hudson River followed by a party on a riverboat cruising on the Hudson through the highlands,

one of the most beautiful places on earth." **Vic Trodella**, BArch '72, and **Nick Lembo**, BArch '75, attended. After the wedding, Ken and Robin took a one-month honeymoon in Italy. At the beginning of July, Ken retired after nearly 30 years of employment at the ILR extension office in NYC. He plans to continue working half-time as senior associate for ILR's Worker Inst. for the next year. The Worker Inst. is dedicated to workers' rights and collective representation. Ken will also continue his staff recruiting business, Margolies and Potterton, which helps labor organizations find and hire staff.

Diana Simkin (Dssimkin@aol.com) wrote, "I'm still doing personal training and teaching Lamaze childbirth preparation at Mount Sinai Roosevelt hospital and the 92nd Street Y in New York." Diana and husband David enjoyed a year of having their adult (39-year-old) nephew live with them in Norfolk, CT! She took a fabulous 18-day trip to China in 2014 and was planning a trip to Ireland in May 2015. **Chuck Reisen** (chasreisen@aol.com) seems to have fully embraced retirement. He reported, "I ski all winter in Colorado and stay in Avon at the Jersey Shore from May until Labor Day. Fall is motorcycling season—I ride old Italian hand-built Moto Morini 350s. I do a bit of swing dancing lessons on the Boardwalk!" Chuck's older son graduated from Syracuse Law and passed the Bar. Chuck would love to hear from **Tony Fels**. **Nancy Seligman Goldmark**, BS Nurs '73 (Yorktown Heights, NY) wrote that her husband, **Harry, MD '73**, is retiring from his orthopedic surgery practice in December 2015. "We are building a house and barn in an equine community in Aiken, SC, and plan to move there permanently at the end of the year." Nancy and Harry became grandparents in March to Alexander James.

And now for a delightful, entertaining, and true story about **Rob Nelson**: If you didn't already know it, Rob is the inventor of Big League Chew bubble gum. The gum is shredded and comes in a pouch, like chewing tobacco, to evoke the memory of many big league baseball players who were never without a wad of tobacco when they were on the field. On July 14, 2015 the *Washington Post* published a long feature story about a visit with Rob ("Nellie" to his friends) to learn how he came up with the idea in the late 1970s and convinced then-teammate (for the Portland, OR, Mavericks) Jim Bouton to back him. Check out the article: https://www.washingtonpost.com/sports/nationals/rob-nelson-invented-big-league-chew-and-his-bubble-has-yet-to-burst/2015/07/14/718ff9d2-2a26-11e5-a250-42bd812efc09_story.html.

Have you ever wished you could submit some photos of your adventures (weddings, new babies, travels, mini-reunions, etc.) so your classmates could see them? *Cornell Alumni Magazine* has created a new Alumni Photo Gallery. Post your photos at: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. Send news to: 📧 **Gayle Yeomans**, gay2@cornell.edu; **Linda Germaine-Miller**, LG95@cornell.edu.

72 I hope most of you were able to attend the numerous "Cornell 150" celebrations that occurred at the homes of alumni across the country to commemorate Cornell's Sesquicentennial. I attended one at the lovely home of **Steve Kane**, MBA '73, and his wife, Jackie, in the San Mateo, CA, hills.

This year, **Louise Shelley** is one of 31 inaugural Andrew Carnegie Fellows who were named as

part of a new fellowship program established by the Carnegie Corp. of New York to support social scientists whose research addresses urgent contemporary issues from fresh perspectives. Louise will be writing a book for Princeton U. Press on illicit trade functions in the real and virtual worlds, and how it undermines the sustainability of the planet. After 30 years as a partner at Wilmer Hale in Boston, **Richard Johnston** left the firm to become chief legal counsel to new Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey. Rich advises Healey on key legal strategies and oversees cases involving more than one of the office bureaus. "While I very much enjoyed Wilmer Hale and had a varied and exciting career there, including substantial involvement in domestic and international pro bono cases, working full time on public issues for a dynamic and progressive attorney general is a very rejuvenating way to turn 65."

John Connerney, PhD '79 (jack@connerney.com) works for NASA (my former employer) in the Solar System Exploration Division at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, MD. Jack reminds us that NASA is still sending spacecraft to other planets. The *Maven* spacecraft is on its way to Mars, and the *Juno* spacecraft is scheduled to arrive at Jupiter in July 2016. Jack traveled to Denmark in May, where he was awarded an honorary doctorate from the Technical U. of Denmark. His twins, Ian and Cristin, are now 17 and looking at colleges. Jack is hoping that one or both children will be attracted to Cornell. Cristin won a silver medal at the World Cup acrobatics competition held in Geneva, Switzerland. Jack would like to hear from classmates **John McBride**, **Sarah Roholt**, MS HE '76, and **James Olson**. **Debra Farrell Dolinski**, BFA '71 (Como, Italy; debradolinski@gmail.com) is teaching "Art in English" in two schools on a project basis and working on her own photography and painting. She also published a document on land art in the academia.edu weekly digest. She is up to six grandchildren and keeps busy in her garden and harvesting her fruit. Debra says that the most valuable things she learned at Cornell were, "Never give up, and believe in yourself."

In August, I journeyed to Burlington, VT, to attend a celebration of the life of **Bruce McGeoch**, ME '73, who passed away in February. The event, at the Vermont National Country Club, was hosted by Bruce's widow, Cynthia, and daughter Lauren. Several Alpha Chi Rho fraternity brothers attended, including **Wes Schulz**, ME '73, and wife Debbie, who flew in from Texas, and **Bill Trommer** and companion Ann Edwards, who drove over from Maine. **Larry Baum** flew his own plane from Ithaca with wife Trudy, and Cathy and **Mike Milley '71** took a commercial jet from San Francisco. The large gathering of relatives and friends shared stories of a good-hearted, generous family man who died before his time.

Gene Weber (eweber@webercapital.com) of San Francisco read about Bruce's passing in a previous class column and expressed his condolences. They were in EE together and shared stories at Bay Area events when Bruce lived in California. Gene also passed along the news that while on campus for the ECE Advisory Council meeting earlier this year, he had a wonderful dinner at the Ithaca Country Club with **John** and **Cheryl Ostrom Mitchell**. Gene had not seen John, a freshman buddy, since our 35th Reunion. They only wished **Tom Flanagan**, MAT '75, was there with them. Then it was on to the 1000 Islands, where Gene was hosted by Phi Sig brother **Al** and **Jane Gunz Arras** at their villa, and later met their new grandson,

Henry. In April, Gene spent a week saltwater fly-fishing with **Dennis Ling '75**, a classmate from grad school at Wharton.

Julia Kosow Grosberg (juliaekg@aol.com) works part-time as a school psychologist for BOCES in northern Westchester County. Daughter Michelle got married to David Smith last fall. She is a speech pathologist working at Mt. Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital in Hartford, CT. Julia has wonderful memories of the Cornell Savoyards' Gilbert and Sullivan productions. **Gary Masterson** (gcmasterson@comcast.net) works for AT&T Global Managed Services, where he deploys global contract centers for his client Thomson Reuters. Gary specializes in establishing call centers in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, and Peru. He is looking forward to seeing his Delta Tau Delta fraternity brothers during Homecoming Weekend.

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Wow! The August mail is full of news from those working and those retired. **Jay Goland** is still working in Long Beach, CA, as an otorhinolaryngology specialist. He wrote a book called *What I Wish I Learned In School*. He says he'd much rather be swimming in Maui and I'm guessing he'd get a lot of votes from classmates on that choice. The most valuable thing he learned at Cornell: "Don't be afraid of rejection by women. Walk up and say something. Simply be real." That advice stands the test of time, for all of us. **Christine Hradesky**, married to Joseph Dadourian, practices psychiatry in Los Angeles.

Baylor Gibson, MCE '74, who calls La Crescenta, CA, home, works in civil/geotechnical engineering design, inspection, quality control testing, and management. He and Linda celebrated a wedding—daughter Sarah to Anthony Cortes—and their first grandson, Elijah, to daughter Elizabeth and her husband, Jonathon Gardner. Baylor would most like to hear from **Don Perry** and **Jay Paxton**, and adds that he'd rather be visiting classmates and old friends than working! His most valuable lesson from Cornell: "How to analyze new phenomena and model them mathematically to design/repair structures."

Steven Fruchtmann (NYC) has been engaging in drug development in hematology and oncology at Onconova Therapeutics as the chief medical officer for the past six months. He'd like to hear from **Chuck Keibler**. His valuable Cornell lesson: "Be prepared and accept change. Be flexible and welcoming." **George Mitchell** lives with his wife, Becky, in North Rose, NY, where he is still farming and coaching track. George also likes to play with classic muscle cars and has two. George and Becky are close to retiring from the USPS. "When you have six grandchildren, you want that time!"

George says life is good, so he's not looking for anything different. What has proved to be the most valuable thing George learned at Cornell? "Keep on learning. You will never know it all, despite what you might think sometimes."

Fred Yosca (Lynbrook, NY) still runs the municipal bond trading desk at BNY Mellon Capital Markets in NYC. Fred says, "After 35 years, I'm starting to get the hang of it. I still enjoy it, so why quit?" Fred and wife Pat celebrated 42 years of marriage in November 2014 and would love to

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Phyllis Haight Grummon '73

be able to spend more time with their 9- and 7-year-old grandsons. **Jeff Schwartz** has worked as a partner practicing bankruptcy law at Hahn & Hesen LLP since 1976. His wife, Kathryn, is involved in the slow food movement, so Jeff eats in very nice places. He's amazed at the amount of food that is grown in Westchester County! Their daughter Jeanne just graduated from NYU law school and will be joining PricewaterhouseCoopers in their bank regulatory consulting group. Daughter Jessie is a clinical social worker in Burlington, VT. Jeff stays in touch with a number of Cornell friends including **John Kontrabecki**, JD/MBA '77, **Charlie Steiner**, BFA '73, **Bob Mittleman**, **Nick Weingarten** '74, **March '77**, **Marc Levinson** '72, and **Kathy Reyen Judd** '72. Finally, Jeff has his "bags packed" for Cornell's next Frozen Four hockey appearance!

Neil Roland (Wheaton, MD) writes with news of his children: daughter Joella just graduated from the U. of Maryland law school, where she won a two-year presidential management fellowship and a school achievement and service award; and son Micah just graduated from high school and is taking a gap year in Barcelona, Spain, before attending Earlham College in Indiana, where he hopes to play soccer. **Mark Reader** and wife **Jill Nangeroni** '75 are both retired. They ride Arabians in long-distance races under A.E.R.C. and Federation Equestre Int'l sanctions. They just completed the Biltmore Challenge in Asheville, NC, and finished in the top ten in the 30-mile race.

Mark '72 and **Shelley Grumet Schimelman** spent last winter in Florida and couldn't have been happier about the winter they picked to start doing that! They have a new grandson, Gabriel, born November 2014. Gabriel joins Hazel, their 4-year-old granddaughter, child of daughter Sondra and her husband, Jamie Aresty. Their other daughter, Rachel, married Owen Lovell in June 2014 in the Thousand Islands. Shelley and Mark feel very, very lucky to have their children and grandchildren relatively nearby. "Time spent with our children and grandchildren is the best."

Thanks for the news! If you haven't seen yours yet, look for it in a future column! In the meantime, keep up to date with our class at <http://www.cornell73.com> and on Facebook ("Cornell Class of 1973"). Send your news to: **Phyllis Haight Grummon**, phg3@cornell.edu; **David Ross**, dave@daveross.com; **Pamela Meyers**, psmeys@fuse.net.

74 Bonni Schulman Dutcher (Potomac, MD; BSDutcher@gmail.com) is thinking about her next chapter after a career in pharma/biotech, working on new cancer drugs. She would like to help cancer patients get the best care by providing information and doctor referrals for specific cancers. Bonni is a fellow active member of the Cornell Club of Washington, DC, and is eager to hear from old friends.

Mira Tetkowsky Berkley (Fredonia, NY; mira.berkley@fredonia.edu) just retired as associate

professor and program coordinator of Early Childhood Education at SUNY Fredonia, and plans to continue as a consultant in that field. No surprise that she was a student of **Urie Bronfenbrenner** '38 in Human Ecology, and writes that his ecological theory was one of the most valuable things she learned at Cornell. Her HumEc nursery-kindergarten program, she says, "should be the model for teacher education!" She would like to hear from **Carol Meyers Edelstein**. **Lynda Lee Costen** (Bloomfield, CT; lcosten6@gmail.com) celebrated her daughter's marriage last August.

Keith Earley (Rockville, MD; khearley0203@gmail.com) reports that he is retired, but completed his PhD in June 2015 in human development and organizational systems at Fielding Graduate U. He is now an adjunct faculty member at Georgetown U. in Washington, DC. His daughter had a third son in November 2014 (and notes that all three have names that begin with "K"). **John Pieroni** (Bergenfield, NJ; lawpieroni@aol.com) is a criminal trial attorney and says, "I continue to fight the good fight defending the constitutional rights of individuals who have been accused of criminal activity." Having majored in Theoretical Mathematics, he would like to teach a course connecting both the fields of law and mathematics. He notes that he is still an elected member of Pi Mu Epsilon, the national mathematics honorary fraternity. He also mentioned that he'd like to hear from **Robert Bill** '71, PhD '76.

Karen Spencer Turner (Taylors, SC; karen.turner@marsh.com) is an underwriter and not yet retired. She is a new grandmother as of May 2015, and she would like to hear from **Mariann Salton Thompson**. **Curtis Hamburg** (Palmetto Bay, FL; curt.doc@aol.com) is still senior partner in Heartwell Cardiology Group and just had a fifth grandchild. He states that he is not ready for retirement yet, with a 12- and 13-year-old at home. He saw fellow Beta fraternity brothers at Reunion 2014 and would like to hear from **Don Winnicki**. **James Connor** (Annandale, VA; jconnor3@cox.net) retired as a tax partner from PricewaterhouseCoopers in June 2013, and then became a math teacher at a local high school. He says he's grateful for those seven undergraduate math courses he took! His wife, Sheila, succumbed to ovarian cancer in January 2012, and he recently remarried.

Wendy Schwartz Wein (Cheshire, CT; wswein2002@yahoo.com) has been assisting in her

husband's medical office as office manager, working on billing. The two of them have been spending "a lot" of time traveling to see their three children and their families. (Two are Cornellians—**Allison '04** and **Lauren '09**—and the third graduated in 2002 from that university in New Haven.) They recently visited Croatia for ten days. **Nancy Geiselmann** Hamill (Reinholds, PA; jhamill@dejazzd.com) recently ran for reelection in the Pennsylvania primary for the seventh time for Magisterial District Judge; she will be unopposed in the November general election. In July 2015 she performed the wedding of **Carolyn Hirschmann '06**,

and friends. In 2012, I followed my wife's lead and retired. Having previously purchased a retirement home in Clarksville, VA, on the Virginia/North Carolina border, we consolidated three houses into one and moved there. Now we live in our version of paradise on our favorite lake surrounded by some of the best friends anyone could ask for." John, thanks for the reflections and update.

Rodney Brooks lives in Silver Spring, MD, and writes a column on retirement for USA TODAY. He is the author of a new book on retirement, *Is One Million Dollars Enough?* It's available on Amazon and other e-book retailers. Rodney stays connected with

2014, while his son graduated from Hartwick College in May 2014 and from the State Highway Patrol Academy in South Carolina in June 2015.

That is all the room we have for this issue. Keep reading the column! We have more recollections from Reunion coming, plus other news and notes—we'll get to these soon. **Karen DeMarco Boroff**, Karen.boroff@shu.edu; **Mitch Frank**, mfgator@gmail.com; **Joan Pease**, japease1032@aol.com; **Deb Gellman**, dsgellman@hotmail.com.

'The grass never grew greener on the other side of the fence for me.'

John Blanchard '75

daughter of **Thomas '70** and **Susan Schindewolf Hirschmann '73**, to Daniel D'souza. **Virginia Neptune** Esson (Nashua, NH; vesson@aol.com) retired at the end of August 2014 as the business secretary at Pennichuck Middle School in Nashua, NH.

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75 Thank you to all of you who continue to share photos of our Reunion! It was a wonderful four days.

We heard from **John Blanchard**, ME '76 (john@beagleden.com), who makes his first-time-ever contribution to the column! He writes, "Immediately after graduating with my shiny new Mechanical Engineering degree, I went to work for DuPont in Richmond, VA, in June of 1976. I spent my entire 36-year career there in various capacities. For about the last 25 years, I worked as a process control engineer, installing, configuring, and maintaining Honeywell Distributed Control Systems. Other than a few years in management, I worked the majority of my career as a practicing engineer. I was fortunate to work for a business that was making money and expanding so the grass never grew greener on the other side of the fence for me. Through that time I worked on many projects, from a few instruments to a whole process plant. It was a very rewarding career and I was fortunate to work with a lot of great people."

John continues, "In 1977, I met my best friend, partner, and wife, and we were married in 1979. She was an RN and specialized in cardiac nursing. Her career went from hospitals to doctors' offices, where she administered thousands of cardiac stress tests. We have enjoyed many things together over the years including our dogs, boating,

Cornell through the Cornell Club in Washington, DC, and the Cornell Black Alumni Association. **Ned Goldberg** also hails from the D.C. area. He recently retired from the federal government after 34 years of service, where he held a position as chief information security officer and privacy officer for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. (FDIC) in the senior executive service. He is currently VP for cyber security at CenterPoint, a rapidly growing small business. He continues to sing in the Washington Men's Camerata, a nationally recognized men's vocal music group that he founded with other Cornellians and Harvard grads 30 years ago.

Moving up the coast, **Andrew Feigin** writes from Huntington Station, NY, and, in the small world department, lives about two blocks away from my childhood home! Congratulations to him for receiving a 2014 Emmy Award as well as a 2014 DGA Medallion, acknowledging his contributions as stage manager for the 67th Annual Tony Awards. He continues to work as a production stage manager for live and televised events for his company, AppleFig Productions. We appreciate that he uses his talents for Cornell. He stage-managed performances of Cornell's 150 film, "The Big Idea," in Boston, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. He also hosts Cornell externs and is a member of the Cornell Club of Long Island. His two children live in Seattle: Ben is a software engineer, and Hannah manages events for an upscale catering firm. He fondly remembers Elba's Pizza on Eddy Street as one of his favorite hangouts.

Janet Rivkin Zuckerman (Mamaroneck, NY) is a practicing clinical psychologist with a private practice. She is currently the director of the Westchester Center for the Study of Psychoanalysis and Psychotherapy in White Plains. Son Scott is a medical doctor in his third year of residency at Vanderbilt Medical Center, and son Matthew is a first-year graduate student in Yale's architecture program. Cornell nostalgia waxes for **Mike Tannenbaum** (Mike.Tannenbaum53@gmail.com) from his home in Oneonta, NY. He has attended most reunions throughout the years, and still frequents Cornell men's hockey games at Lynah Rink, Madison Square Garden, and RPI. Mike spent endless hours studying in Mann Library and "hanging out" with Pi Lambda Phi friends in Collegetown, no doubt a factor in his success in completing his sixth year as provost and VP for academic affairs at Hartwick College, a small liberal arts school in Oneonta. His daughter started law school at Stanford in fall

76 **Ann Rosovsky** Beaton's family is a magnet for Cornellians. Ann (New York City) writes, "Neal and I have a new daughter-in-law, **Olivia Oran '08**, daughter of Hilary and **Stuart Oran '71**, who married our son Greg (Duke '08, Columbia Law '13). There's also a new grandson, Seth, joining older brother Leo, children of **Eric '04** and **Rachel Shaw Beaton '04**. Rachel is the daughter of classmates **Tony Shaw**, ME '77, and **Marilyn Tebor**. Our youngest son, Andrew (Duke '14), is writing sports for the *Wall Street Journal*." No pressure, Leo and Seth, but . . . how about Cornell?

Frank Spinella, JD '79, was a Philosophy major as an undergrad and went on to Cornell Law School. By trade, he's a trial attorney, now based in Concord, NH, but he has also published two novels. The more recent book, *Heresy*, brings to life the fourth-century controversy over the teachings of Arius on the nature of Jesus—a controversy that led to the Council of Nicea. *Heresy* won the 2014 Int'l Book Award for religious fiction. Last year, **Angelo Foglia** (Milton, NY) was elected to the board of directors of Sawyer Savings Bank. **Gordon Fox** and his wife, Lynne, live in Oakland, CA, where Gordon owns a graphic arts and printing company. His older child is receiving a commercial real estate manager certification, and his younger daughter is starting law school at Santa Clara U. What would Gordon like to be doing more? "Playing golf."

Much happy news from **Robert "Roddy" Gabel**, who wrote, "I retired at the end of 2014, after nearly 35 years with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. I am now focusing on home renovations, gardening, and growing and propagating orchids. After nearly 35 years together, my partner, Jim Mitchell, and I were finally able to legally marry, and we did so in October 2014. We took a trip to Hawaii in January to celebrate my retirement." Here's what he says he would rather be doing now: "Enjoying a house that doesn't need any work! We hope to achieve that goal soon." He says the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell was that "it's all about concepts and being able to apply them in novel situations. You can always look up a fac-toid." He adds, "I already keep in touch with my two closest friends and their spouses from Cornell, but would enjoy hearing from others."

Lauren Rosenberg-Moffitt wrote last summer, "I have a financial advisory practice, Platinum Financial Services Ameriprise Practice in Great Neck, NY, and create smart strategies for clients from the East Coast to the West Coast. I have two grown children—Amanda is in San Francisco and Douglas in New York—and in September we will all go to Italy." What would Lauren rather be doing? "I love working with clients to develop their peak financial performance and knowledge. I am so fortunate to love what I do—every day!" She says the most valuable things she learned at Cornell are: "Life is as beautiful as Ithaca. Be your best every day. Surround yourself with smart,

energetic people.” Lauren and **David Moffitt**, MBA ’77, live in Manhasset, NY.

Martin Heistein has been traveling. This summer he wrote, “I just came back from a three-week trip to Nepal and India, and we are off to Spain next month.” When he and wife Jeanette are at home in Teaneck, NJ, Martin works as a partner in the law firm Belkin Burden Wenig & Goldman, specializing in real estate. He adds, “My oldest daughter had our first grandchild two years ago, and we are expecting another one in August.”

Emily Goldstein Colton (Granite City, IL) wrote, “I am the director of the Southern Illinois U., Edwardsville bookstore and textbook rental program. I’ve been there since 2006 and I love it. I got divorced and then married my childhood friend, Jeremy, which is why I moved to the St. Louis region. We are very happy. My son, Daniel, still lives in the Ithaca area.” What would Emily rather be doing? “Traveling more. My husband just started a new business, so it’s going to be a while until he has time to travel. I’ll have to go on my own!” She’d love to hear from her Cornell friend **Debbie Stinson**. The most valuable thing she learned at Cornell: “How to think critically and gain insight; how to think for myself.”

Last spring, **Stephanie Mann** Nealer wrote, “I volunteer at the Learning Ally (formerly Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic), reading textbooks on a variety of subjects—history, sociology, political science, and literature. So my liberal arts degree is being supplemented with very up-to-date info. My daughter, Erin, is graduating this May from Wellesley College and is likely to be working in the D.C. area. We’re planning a family vacation to Iceland this summer.”

Your news, whether on the traditional yellow paper form or submitted electronically, is most welcome—especially as we think ahead to our (gulp!) 40th Reunion, coming soon. Please catch us up on what you’ve been up to, and then plan to meet up with us all in June 2016 if you possibly can! ✉ **Pat Relf** Hanavan, patrelf1@gmail.com; **Lisa Diamant**, ljdiamant@verizon.net; **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, krinsk54@gmail.com.

77 Thanks to those of you who have sent in news recently! Your correspondents, **Howie Eisen** and **Annette Mulee**, only have time to write two columns a year each. That leaves this space empty twice a year! If you enjoy writing and want to help ensure that we have a fuller column in every issue, contact class president **Joe Reina** (jtr25@cornell.edu) to volunteer as a class correspondent. What better way to keep in touch with your Cornell friends?

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78 Fun and retirement seem to be the common refrains in this column. (Those of us still in the trenches are glad to hear the two go well together!)

Marguerite Blythe Katchen closed her medical practice in geriatrics last year and has been doing more calligraphy and book binding and traveling in South America, Vietnam, Cambodia, Canada, and the US. She recalls how her medical career choice was made, in part, by the realization that she did not want to be a nurse after Cornell closed the Nursing school in 1979.

James Hoffman sold his business last year and was planning some travel to Italy this fall as part of his next chapter. Other bucket-list items include classes, volunteering, and more travel. He would welcome hearing from old friends. **Curt Anastasio** retired in 2013 as CEO of NuStar Energy. He and wife **Lorraine (Nichols)** live in San Antonio, TX, where Curt is executive chairman of Gas Log MLP. **Robin Weiss** Kramme is still enjoying retirement under the Phoenix sun while finding some local success with creative writing. For the third year, one of her plays was selected by a panel of judges for the Arizona Women’s Theatre Co. Robin writes, “It was so much fun hearing real actors speak my words and have a live audience respond with laughter and applause!” Bravo, Robin!

Rich Cavanagh, ME ’79, is also having fun in a side business partnership with a local blues group, the Betty Fox Band, in St. Petersburg, FL; he produced the band’s second CD, which was released in May. **Eleanor English** Folta says that she and her husband are having a blast impacting people’s lives as independent brand partners for Nerium, an anti-aging skin care product. She adds, “The kids are all out of college.” **Cynthia Kubas** recently took up sweep rowing, competed in her first regatta, and took her first on-campus Cornell’s Adult University (CAU) course—in rowing—over the summer. She has been hanging out on Friday nights with classmate **Melinda Dower**, who is enjoying her retirement. The two of them joined former fellow ruggers **Eileen Currie** Stokley and **Pat Reilly** in cheering on the Big Red women’s rugby “7s” as they played in the Ivy tournament at Princeton.

Randy Hulle has moved to Wisconsin to be closer to his four grandchildren. Although disabled with MS, he hopes to help out on his daughter and son-in-law’s dairy farm there. Randy, who credits his time at Cornell with teaching him how to make friends, would like to hear from **Mark Prior**. The company **Paul Metselaar** founded 30 years ago after leaving his law practice, Ovation Travel Group, is now the fifth largest travel management company in the US. He is currently launching a luxury leisure travel agency, called Lark, “for a new generation of luxury travelers.”

Court Williams says he’d rather be doing some international travel for pleasure instead of business. Court is CEO of Global Hospitality, an executive search firm. His daughter graduated from UVM this year and his son is a junior at Smeal Business School at Penn State. He would like to hear from **Chris McCormick** ’79. **David Kaplan**’s youngest son has entered the Cornell Class of 2019 in Arts and Sciences. His older son graduated from Dartmouth last year and is working at a technology startup in California. **Irene Kowalczyk** Hryhorowych, ME ’80, is director of global energy sourcing and policy at MeadWestvaco in New York. She has joined the roster of empty-nesters with the graduation of her third child this year from Syracuse U. Irene points to attention to detail and the value of doing thorough analysis as the most valuable things she learned at Cornell.

While having all this fun, don’t forget to share some of it with your classmates! *Cornell Alumni*

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79 The end of autumn is upon us, with winter just around the corner (or least for those who live in the Northeast and Midwest). After all these years, and many visits to campus, I still think that this is the most beautiful time of year at Cornell. We have lots of news for this column, and some classmates are even writing about retirement.

Matthew Frisch retired in 2012 from the NYC schools, and has sold his house in Bayside, Queens, and moved to Oyster Bay on Long Island. Matt is also very involved with his family’s country house in the Catskills. His wife, Robyn, is the CEO of Rochem Int’l. The most valuable thing he learned in college was Chinese in the FALCON program—and how to get ketchup out of a stubborn bottle. Matt would love to hear from his Cornell friends. **Peg Caldwell**-Ott and husband Derek live a few blocks from me (**Linda Moses**) in NYC. Peg is currently the science department chair at St. Bernards, a private boys school. **Lev Parsons** ’09 is her colleague and 30 years her junior! This is her last year teaching, then she will retire to Harrisonburg, VA, to be near her aunt, **Martha Belle Caldwell** ’54, and oldest brother, the Rev. **Wallace Caldwell** ’70. Her middle brother, the Rev. **George Caldwell** ’73, will also retire soon. Peg plans to write four books and complete a number of other projects that have been on the back burner for years.

Nancy Sverdluk retired in July, after a 36-year career in human resources. She spent the past 26-plus years at Depository Trust & Clearing Corp. (DTCC). Nancy plans to travel, a lifelong passion, as well as spend time with family, volunteer, and do some consulting work. **Jeff Berg**, ME ’80, MBA ’81, is also retired and let us know that he enjoyed a wonderful visit at his home in Scottsdale, AZ, last March with classmates **Karen Mineo** (New Hope, PA), **Steve Sues**, MS ORIE ’80, MBA ’81 (Orange, OH), and **Jeff Goldberg**, ME ’80 (Tucson, AZ). They enjoyed lots of golf, tennis, hiking, eating, and drinking. Jeff is spending summers at his new home in Cape Cod. **Jeffrey Margolis**, MBA ’80, and his wife, Nancy, are in Boynton Beach, FL. He runs a consulting business and splits the year between New York and Florida. Jeffrey is working part-time and playing golf, although he would like to spend more time traveling and volunteering. They have one daughter, Lisa, 25, who lives in Philadelphia and works as a dog trainer. The most valuable things he learned at Cornell were perseverance and a belief in diversity.

Another new theme is grandkids. **Jim Hoffer** and wife Cathy (Sparks, NV) are celebrating the arrival of their second grandchild in December 2014. Jim is doing exactly what he wants to be doing in life—coaching college-aged intercollegiate athletes to compete in every endeavor of their young lives. Jim fondly remembers two of his deceased Cornell football teammates, **Mike Tanner** and **Frank Santamaria**. The most valuable thing he got at Cornell was lifelong friends he

stays in touch with. **Christian Felden** has been practicing law in a small two-person firm since 1985 and has offices in Jacksonville, NC, and Florida. His favorite pastime these days is teaching his 4-year-old grandson how to play ice hockey.

Olivia Gollin-Hoepl is the special education coordinator for a charter school district that serves the low income community in Dayton, OH; however, she also wishes she could be hiking in Upper Treman Park in Ithaca. This summer, Olivia celebrated her 30th wedding anniversary with her husband, Bill. The most valuable things she learned at Cornell are that education is essential, to take time to create friendships, and to make sure to enjoy and appreciate nature. **David Potter** and wife Roxanne hail from LaCrosse, WA. David is still driving a school bus and grain truck and is a combine mechanic. He keeps busy coaching his youngest daughter, Lura, in tennis. Second daughter Angela graduated from the U. of Idaho and works in Tricities, WA. Roxanne's massage business is thriving. David would like to be doing more ministry and would love to hear from **Deborah Kolb** and **Craig Kinoshita**. The most important thing he learned at Cornell was how to handle a diversity of people and ideologies.

It's difficult to believe, but I am finally an empty-nester. My youngest son, Jason Gurevitch, graduated Hunter College High School and is so excited to be a freshman at Colby College. My middle son, Matthew, is a senior at U. of Chicago, majoring in math and minoring in linguistics. My oldest son, Eric, graduated from U. of Chicago, spent a year teaching and learning in India and a year home, and just started a PhD program at his alma mater in the South Asian studies department. He is looking forward to many more trips to India. Meanwhile, I have been attending a lot of lectures and enjoying the NYC cultural life and hope to finally find some time to go to the gym! I was recently at a bar mitzvah and was thrilled to run into two Cornellians, **Brian Linder** and **Lauri Feldman '80**, who both live in the NYC metro area.

We would love to hear from more classmates, so please encourage everyone to send updates. Photos can be submitted to cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery. You can submit news to class of 79 at of79@cornell.edu, or directly to: **Linda Moses**, mosesgurevitch@aol.com, **Kathy Zappia Gould**, kathy.gould57@gmail.com; or **Cynthia Ahlgren Shea**, cynthia.shea@sothebyshomes.com.

80 If I wasn't popping Metoprolol like Mentos, the excitement and anticipation of this time of year would make my pulse quicken. The bounty of the fall agricultural harvest is now ours to enjoy, and soon the hills of Ithaca will be gleaming with a treacherous mix of ice, slush, and the frozen tears of freshmen who grew up in SoCal. On the bright side, students will be able to warm themselves in the glow of our Thanksgiving weekend thrashing of BU at MSG.

December . . . ahhh, December! A guy in a Big Red suit gets more attention than Trump, and many will light eight candles, one for each of Cornell's undergraduate colleges (yes, there are seven now, but a small group of us have insider information about a future College of Time Travel Engineering). It's a most wonderful time, with a new year on the horizon.

Speaking of a new year, please allow me a bit of shameless promotion. In the wake of our 35th Reunion, many of your classmates have stepped

forward to volunteer for class leadership positions as we point to 2020 and our 40th (yikes!). Over the next five years, this group will devote their time and talent to keeping our class among the best at Cornell. They are **Hillary Abbey**, **Leona Barsky**, MS '81, **Beth Bennett**, **Nancy MacIntyre** Hollinshead, **Dana Jerrard**, **Dori Kelnor**, **Tim O'Connor**, **Steve Pirozzi**, **Molly Pulver**, **Dik Saalfeld**, **Kathy Biondolillo** Valliere, **Todd Wolleman**, and **Donna Young**. And now to your news.

David Toug, who is married to **Jama (Gibbs) '88**, writes, "Our niece, **Maiya Gibbs '19**, is a freshman in CALS. In February, we moved to a new apartment in northern Manhattan for more space as we raise our two children, ages 7 and 5." **Donna Fremed**'s expertise is in talent acquisition and HR consulting, and she is proud of two nieces currently attending UC Davis and Carnegie Mellon. In a perfect world she would have more time to be a "tennis bum." **Albert Wu**, MD '84, is a professor of health policy and management and a practicing internist at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. His wife is no slouch either: Diana Sugg is a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist. The link to Cornell is strong with this one: "The Hopkins lacrosse team is still the enemy." **Arthur Chapin**'s son, **Michael '15**, has accepted a position in the Hopkins PhD program for Near Eastern studies.

We frequently publish items from our Minimalist File, but this one takes the cake. **Robert Manfred** writes, "I was elected the tenth Commissioner of Baseball in August." **Sandy and Jill Lonati Curtis** are splitting time between the Bay Area (working for Chevron) and the suburbs of Houston. When the Curtises moved to California they reconnected with Sandy's roommate **Scott Shafer**. This was a wireless connection at first; they "recognized his dulcet tones" on KQED, the NPR station in San Francisco. **Carol Treusdell** Ottman and her husband, Gerald, are enjoying life in Forest, VA.

Gregory Gordon and wife Roberta are grandparents for a second time. Son **Steven '08** and his wife, Karen, are the new parents. Greg's younger son, **Jonathan '15**, is in his first year of med school. Recent classmate sightings have included **Jeff Chernak**, **Jay Cohen**, and **Craig Tendler**. The cherries that made our class ice cream flavor, Frozen 4 Ezra, the talk of campus during Reunion Weekend 2015 came from Bittner Singer Orchards, the enterprise of class couple **Jim and Margo Sue Randall Bittner**. The business is a wholesale operation, providing fresh fruit to farmer's markets and grocery chains. For over 30 years, the Bittners have been active volunteers in the Niagara County region, including the local Farm Bureau, Water Conservation District, La Leche League, Barker PTA, and the Farm Visibility Inst. Margo is owner of the Winery at Marjim Manor, using the fruits of the farm to create unique specialty wines.

Thomas Stopyra knows a thing or two about fruit as well. He's a crop consultant for Packers of Indian River, with a current focus on the citrus greening disease affecting Florida crops. For a climatic change of pace, he visits son Marcelo in Fairbanks, AK. **Donna Chin** is CEO of BOB Fund for Children in Ithaca. The fund was created to support children and young adults affected by cancer in the family. This charity recently created an undergraduate scholarship at Cornell. Daughter **Megan Wallace '18** is a CALS sophomore.

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<http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. Check out the latest class happenings and upcoming events at our website (<http://cornell1980.com>). Classmate profiles can be found at: <http://classacts.cornell1980.com>, and more than 350 classmates are now members of our Facebook group (<http://facebook.com/groups/Cornell1980>). Best wishes for the season from your scribes: **Dana Jerrard**, dej24@cornell.edu; **Leona Barsky**, leona_barsky@aol.com; **Dik Saalfeld**, rfs25@cornell.edu.

81 Hello all! Winter is upon us. Turn around and our Reunion will be here in June. It's our 35th! Where does the time go? Save the dates, June 9-12, 2016.

Florida certainly has had its share of weather—an unbelievably hot summer and a few hurricanes after that. I am still busy with the PTA board of my children's elementary school—a new role for me, volunteer coordinator—though it is something I am used to doing (networking and helping others with their duties). I did manage to go to NYC in June with my 9-year-old daughter, Ella, and we went to the bar mitzvah of **Sue Levitt**'s son Sam. It was wonderful to share this memorable occasion with Sue and her family.

Carolyn Koptlinka Peterson tells us that she is retired from her position as the dairy services regulatory program manager at the Virginia Dept. of Agriculture. She got remarried in November 2014 and relocated to Waynesboro, PA, where she started a consulting business, Peterson Dairy Consulting LLC. **Sandra Waring** Holloway is celebrating 30 years of catering! She established Tasteful Connections (tastefulconnections.com) in 1985, and it has evolved into a family enterprise. She writes, "I'm trying to figure out if there is life beyond the hospitality business. If so, how do I find it?!"

John Mooney's optometry practice has been in business for 25 years. He and Deborah recently took a cruise to Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Bruges, Normandy, Bordeaux, Spain, and Portugal. Sounds wonderful to me! **Sara Schepps** Matschke is an attorney in insurance defense litigation for Garbarini & Scher in NYC. Her daughter, Ali, is a junior at Lehigh U. studying finance. **V. Ann Stewart '77**, DVM '81, is a professor of parasitology and tropical public health at the Uniformed Services U. of the Health Sciences.

Ian Brodrick, MD '85, has joined Morristown Medical Center-Atlantic Health System as medical director of Rockaway Family Medicine Assocs. and Urgent Care Center in Rockaway, NJ. He and his wife also celebrated the acceptance of their son, **Andrew '19**, in the Arts and Sciences college! Also in New Jersey, **Barbara Reale** is a midwife and faculty at the U. of Pennsylvania's midwives and women's health NP program. **Adam Petriella** is an executive at a subsidiary of a NYC-based hedge fund, working within a commercial real estate firm. He writes, "I love what I do, but I would love to be spending time in Ithaca (in spring), sight-seeing and enjoying the campus." He says he learned at Cornell that "nice" goes a long way.

Gregory LaRosa is VP biology in the rare disease research unit of Pfizer, and is looking forward to retirement someday. He has one daughter who graduated from Central St. Martins in London! **Marie Bundy** Golson works in the nuclear power business. She and Eugene have two adult children, and Marie says she is anxiously awaiting retirement so she can relax on the beach. **Lori Schiffrin** has spent a lot of time with **Lisa Wisznat** Kirsten and **Kitty Yates** Edwinston '82. She became a Red

Cross volunteer, focusing on disaster preparedness. Way to go, Lori! She would like to hear from **Jamie Martin**.

Jessica Pearlstein Zachs has been doing a lot of volunteer work—she is the president of the board of her local Jewish day school. She also bicycled across Israel—383 miles in five days! That's simply amazing! Jessica's children are all in NYC. **Catherine Popkin** is a gastroenterologist in Florida. Her daughter, **Elizabeth Donoway '19**, is a freshman in Arts and Sciences majoring in Physics. **Gabriel Diaz-Saavedra** continues to work in sales of organic fertilizer for Perdue Agriecycle, traveling across all of the Southeastern states. He has a niece at Cornell this year.

Alison Spear, BArch '82, works independently in architecture and interior design and runs her farm and farm stand in Wappingers Falls, NY. She knows that dedication and commitment to friends, family, and career is important and appreciates the fine faculty of the AAP school at Cornell. **Richard Colletti** is a veterinarian practicing in Avon, CT. He and his wife have six children and four dogs (two Dobermans, a German shepherd, and a Scottish terrier!). Wow! His wife is in school for her nursing degree and his son is in the US Marine Corps (weapons division). Richard abides by the mantra to enjoy learning—and to never stop learning! **Ann Lantelme** Laubach's daughter, **Eva '19**, is in CALS studying Animal Science. Also at Cornell is **Joe Poluka's** son **Adam '19**, who is in the Engineering college.

It seems that everyone is looking forward to retirement. I'm not quite there yet since my kids are 7 and 9! Keep in touch! ✉ **Betsy Silverfine**, bsilverfine@comcast.net; **Barb Amoscatto** Sabaitis, beachba@hotmail.com; and **JoAnn Minsker** Adams, joann@budadams.net.

82 We heard from several proud Cornell parents this time around! **Bob and Helen Zamorski Holands** report: "We are very proud that our youngest, son **Daniel '19**, was accepted to Cornell as a Jacobs Scholar in the College of Engineering and will attend in fall 2015. Older brother **Jeffrey '12** graduated from Civil Engineering and designs bridges for HDR Inc., in the Washington, DC, area." **Paige Klotz** Grossman, who lives with husband Richard in Tenafly, NJ, reports that their son, **David '15**, just graduated from the College of Engineering in Materials Science and is working as an analyst at Antheus Capital LLC, a private equity firm. Paige's father, **Lewis Klotz '56** (CALS), attended grandson David's graduation. The Grossmans' daughter, Stephanie, is attending Choate. Paige would love to hear from **Deborah Yourish** Porges, MD '86.

Nancy Flynn reports from Portland, OR, that her book-length poetry collection, *Every Door Recklessly Ajar*, was published in June 2015 by Ithaca-based publisher Cayuga Lake Books. She says, "In addition to writing, I'm busy with activities in our northeast Portland neighborhood, including a plot at the Woodlawn Community Garden and volunteering with Alberta Main Street, a local organization that works to create a vibrant, creative, equitable, and sustainable commercial district serving residents and visitors to our community." From the other coast, **Miriam Akabas** (NYC) tells us, "After having been a management consultant and heading up information technology departments for many years, I left that career for teaching. In 2011, I then left teaching to become an

accountant and am loving that too. All my careers have been perfect at the time." Continuing the proud-parent theme, Miriam says that her son is a senior at Brandeis with a triple major (business, psychology, and history), and her daughter, **Ariel Kaminsky '19**, is attending Cornell. She also reports that no less than three of her nephews are Cornellians and got married recently: **Samuel Akabas '07** (CALS), **Shai Akabas '09**, BA '08 (Arts), and **Tal Akabas '11**, ME '12 (Engineering)—the latter two to Brandeis women.

This past summer, **Dana Isaacoff** (Richmond, VA) joined Geoff McDonald & Assocs. as COO of the

She specializes in qualitative research and adult learning/higher education instruction. Nancy celebrated her 30th wedding anniversary and will be setting sail on her new 44-ft. sailboat on the East Coast. She is very proud of her two children: John is an F-16 fighter pilot and Emma is a corporate recruiter. Nancy adds that she would love to be hiking in the Wasatch, fly-fishing in Montana, or sailing in Antaviana. The most valuable thing she learned at Cornell: "I served on the school district negotiations team, where we practiced interest-based bargaining with much success." **Richard Amoroso** was elected to serve as president of the

‘All my careers have been perfect at the time.’

Miriam Akabas '82

Richmond-based personal injury law firm. Dana has spent 25 years in professional services strategic planning, business technology, and financial services management, and most recently was chief information officer at the Williams Mullen law firm. In her new position, Dana will be involved with identifying new business opportunities, building new firm technologies, expanding the client base, and enhancing client service. After leaving Cornell, Dana earned an MS from MIT and a master's from the New School for Social Research.

Returning to that proud-parent theme, I (**Mark Fernau**) am pleased to announce that this past summer my son, Fletcher, a New York City resident, married his longtime sweetheart, a doctor in her third year of residency. I continue my day job as managing technical editor at the American Meteorological Society in Boston and also find that I am spending quite a bit of time in my role as current president of my fraternity chapter's alumni association. My wife, **Melissa (Duncan) '83**, and I celebrated our 32nd wedding anniversary in July.

And now, a word from our sponsor: *Cornell Alumni Magazine* is creating a new alumni photo gallery! To share with your classmates and Cornell friends all those photos that couldn't fit into these class columns, please post all those memories of weddings, children, mini-reunions, successes, events, travels, and tributes to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. ✉ **Mark Fernau**, mef29@cornell.edu; **Nina Kondo**, nmk22@cornell.edu; **Doug Skalka**, dskalka@npmlaw.com.

83 I am writing this column in mid-August, as a heat wave passes through New York and many families are away on vacation. The amount of news has been meager, but with the end of summer and the start of the new school semester, Barb and I hope to get more updates from you. Once again, Big Red men's hockey will be playing over Thanksgiving weekend 2015. We won the game last year, so hopefully that run continues! As you know, Madison Square Garden sells out for this event—you can sit with your class if you act quickly and get your tickets now! Check out our Facebook page for more details ("Cornell Class of 1983") or contact **Lynn Leopold** at: lynnleopold@gmail.com.

Nancy Delaney-Garrison is a faculty member in the School of Education at Westminster College.

Arizona Captive Insurance Assn. Richard is a litigation attorney at Polsinelli, a national law firm. The mission of his company is to support and market the position of the State of Arizona as a competitive home for captive insurance companies.

Jennifer Rosato Perea was named dean of the DePaul U. College of Law. She earned her law degree from Penn and is an accomplished scholar in family law, bioethics, and civil procedure. She started with DePaul on July 1, 2015. **Duncan Huyler**, who got his bachelor's in Applied Economics and Management, was appointed the next CEO of the US Polo Assn., which supports the men's and women's polo teams at Cornell and currently runs over 30 college tournaments each season.

My son, **Johnny Felice '11**, graduated from Arts and Sciences like me and my dad, **Alfred Felice '55**, MD '59. Johnny had the distinct honor of being the first legacy of the Cornell in Washington, DC, program, where he worked for the US Supreme Court as a judicial intern. He met with **Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54**, Samuel Alito, and Chief Justice John Roberts, among other top judges. Johnny was present when I was sworn in to the US Supreme Court as an admitted attorney—a great moment for both of us! As I mentioned in the March/April column, halfway through law school, Johnny made a career change into music. He is currently touring the East Coast, making music videos, performing on NBC with his band (Mighty Mystic), performing in front of thousands as the lead guitarist, and living his dream! Nothing could make a dad prouder. Check his band out at: www.mightymystic.com; he has an album coming out next month.

I recently shared a great day with roommate and frat brother **Matthew Crowley**. Matt (and 140 other guests) came to my house to celebrate my grandmother's 100th birthday and to watch my son's band perform a private concert—what a day! Matt continues to surf, his favorite hobby, run his family business, and coach soccer and lacrosse as well. Matt was an all-American lacrosse player at Cornell, and throwing the ball around in my yard with him was a lot of fun! He still stays in great shape. His wife, Victoria, is fun and very athletic as well. Stay young forever, brother! Send your news to us: ✉ **Jon Felice**, jbfelice@jbfelice.com; or **Barb Warner** Deane, bldeane@gmail.com. Online news form, <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

84 As I write this column, another Labor Day is right around the corner and our class news supply will soon run out. Please e-mail us some fresh news.

Brian Bornstein enjoyed attending our 30th Reunion and was happy to spend time with classmates **David Anapolle**, **David Terris**, **Herb** and **Jeanine Thomas Riband**, **Chris Wilsey**, **Jonathan Cayne**, **Joel Schechter**, and **Norah Lincoff**. Dave Terris reports that he stepped down after 12 years of serving as chair of otolaryngology at Georgia Regents U., and is just enjoying being a busy endocrine surgeon. **Jean Leskovec** Davis owns and runs the Tombstone Boarding House Inn in Tombstone, AZ, down the street from the O.K. Corral! **Kevin Chin** (Allen, TX) works for the New York Air Brake Train Dynamics Systems as a systems engineer.

Curt Gilliland (Alhambra, CA) is managing the Annandale Golf Club. Twin daughters Emma and Sadie were accepted and are enrolled into Mayfield Senior School in Pasadena. When he is not traveling or skiing, **James Coppola** (Auburn, NY) is working as a business consultant for AXA Advisors. He is also the owner of Toro Run Winery in Ovid, NY. He says the most important thing he learned at Cornell is how to apply knowledge. The Wines course must really be paying off!

Richik Ghosh, PhD '91 (Upper St. Clair, PA) is a principal scientist at Thermo Fisher Scientific, in its cell analysis business unit. **George Fowler** is an architect living in Ellicott City, MD, and would love to hear from **Stephen Osborn**. **Amy Allen** Moorman (Cordova, TN) is the chair of the Dept. of Management at the Martha and Spencer Love School of Management at Elon U. in North Carolina, where she is teaching business law. **Maryam Golnaraghi** reports that in 2014, after ten years as the chief of an international program on disaster risk reduction at the United Nations in Geneva, she founded and now serves as president of Golnaraghi and Co., providing research and advisory services to clients in the public and private sectors. She also served as the special advisor in disaster risk reduction and partnerships to Environment Canada and as a senior advisor to the World Bank, and provided executive management services to support the establishment of a new Canadian Center of Excellence for safe marine transportation of hazardous bulk liquids. She is in Vancouver with her two daughters and is happy to be back near the US. You can connect with her on LinkedIn.

Han Chiu (La Jolla, CA; han@cmxcapital.com) reports, "I am currently working on a nonprofit foundation to help fix the healthcare system. It's a major initiative coordinated with a number of universities and is code-named Vavici (Vas [Go], Vie [Life], Chi [Force]; literally Go-Life-Force). My son, Daniel, graduated from Stanford with both a BA and MS, and my daughter, Kristen, is a freshman at NYU." Han's favorite place to hang out while he was on the Hill was the Nines. **Graham Pugh**, ME '93, writes, "After ten years in Washington, DC, working at the US Dept. of Energy, I returned to Portland, OR, to take a position as deputy director at the Lemelson Foundation, which is focused on the power of invention to improve lives."

Greg and Jenny Hubbard Garner (g.garner@comcast.net) have lived in Denver, CO, for 28 years. Greg is an attorney with the Colorado Office of the State Controller, and Jenny is the church administrator for Wheat Ridge Presbyterian. Jenny writes, "While it can be difficult to sell native-born Coloradans on the somewhat cloudier climes of Ithaca, NY, we are proud to announce

that our daughter, **Selby**, started with the Cornell Class of 2019 this fall! Credit goes first and foremost to Selby, who graduated earlier this year from Lakewood High School's IB Program and got admitted. Additional credit goes to Uncle **Mark '79** and Aunt **Ruth Hubbard Allstadt '82**; **Judeth Piccinini** Yeany; and **Ted '82** and **Sue Peck Phillips '81**. A Big Red team effort!"

Lindsay Liotta Forness reports that she recently returned from settling daughter (and recent Cornell grad) **Keri '15** in D.C. Her son Brian is happily playing goalie for the Bolts in Evansville, IN, and is looking forward to some awesome saves! A sincere thanks to those who sent along news. Please send us more via e-mail or the online news form: <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>. **Janet Insardi**, insardij@hotmail.com; **Catherine "Kitty" Cantwell**, catherinej.cantwell@gmail.com. Class website, <http://classof84.alumni.cornell.edu>.

85 Everyone is heading back to school as I write this column. Moms and dads are packing up their college-bound children and driving hours away to drop them on the steps of their dorm rooms—like our parents did (omg!) 34 years ago! And, we, the Class of 1985, just celebrated our 30th Reunion last summer. From what I hear, it was a huge success. Thank you to the planning committee! You can view pics on our Facebook page, Cornell Class of 1985. Now, to the news.

Dave Votypka and his fiancée, Penny Hughes, traveled to Massachusetts from New York with **Jeff Dunlap '86** to celebrate the 50th birthday of his Cornell roommate, **Scott Chapman**. Dave's son is off to his first year at Oswego State U., studying math and physics. With three academic scholarships and status in the honors program, he may be transferring to Cornell soon! **Beth Lenarsky Shmariahu** (Hewlett Bay Park, NY) writes that her son, Jordan, is graduating from Colgate U. and her daughter will start at Muhlenberg College this fall. She would like to hear from **Michael Longo**.

Ellen Baum Rabinowitz and her husband, Lloyd, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary (awesome!). Their son Brent will be a freshman at U. of New Hampshire this fall, while daughter Sonia headed to Israel with Birthright in May. **Jill Shaffro** McGovern writes that her daughter is off to U. of Rochester this year, majoring in engineering and minoring in dance. I echo Jill's sentiment of "What a combo!" **Arthur and Gail Fischman Pesner** are proud of their son, **Eric '15**, who graduated from Cornell as a member of Phi Beta Kappa. And on the other end of the parenting spectrum, **Larry Carbone**, JD '88, writes that he and wife Marcella have been blessed with their first child, Larry Jr. Enjoy!

Karen Mayo-Tall is senior council at the US Dept. of Education in Washington, DC. She is specializing in class litigation and White House initiatives. She is hoping to be on the five-year plan to retirement in North Carolina. Daughter Jasmine is a college junior and is researching and traveling abroad. Son Justin is a high school sophomore, setting track records and playing water sports. She would like to hear from **Jeanna Bertolini-Cioffi**, MS '87. **Betsy Daniels** Graseck has been working for Morgan Stanley for 25 years, recently covering US large cap bonds. Daughter Maggie will be in middle school this fall, and son Jack is in second grade. They recently enjoyed a mini-reunion in Japan, visiting with **Dave and Judy**

Marlinski Doyno, their daughters **Abbey '16** and **Jenna '19**, and **Laura Clark** and her son, Jack.

Michele Holding is a pain physician in Spring City, PA. She is grateful to the ladies of Wani House for teaching her how to cook! **David Lustick** is the associate professor of science education at UMass, Lowell's Graduate School of Education. He and seven others joined together as Champions of Change for Climate Education and Literacy at a White House ceremony—"educators, students, scientists, and citizens disseminating science-based information about climate change."

Marlene Wust-Smith, MD '89, was one of seven pediatricians honored by *Parents Magazine* for "going above and beyond the traditional call of duty." She made the list of "Best Pediatricians of 2014" for dedication to serving families in the rural, impoverished counties of north-central Pennsylvania. In addition, Marlene is committed to combating childhood obesity and to promoting literacy and breastfeeding. **Sue Mould** Engdahl and her business partner opened Rocket Fizz Scottsdale, a soda pop and candy shop. They specialize in novelty and vintage-style candies and soda and wonderful gifts. They want their guests to "feel like a kid in a candy store; it is usually a walk down memory lane." They will be opening a second store in Gilbert, AZ, in the fall and a mobile shop as well. She says, "We are having a blast through the process!" And finally, I received a couple of business cards. **Barry Greenblatt** is a managing director for Wells Fargo in Charlotte, NC, and **Dayssi Olarte** de Kanaros is president of Flag Luxury Group in NYC.

In late June, **Leslie Nydick** Roseti, **Maryellen Fisher** Magee, **Cindy Cowen** Bowman, **Jill Beckenstein** Lerner, and I spent four wonderful days together in Jupiter, FL. Our mini-reunions with all our Cornell housemates including **Margaret Vanasse**, **Elizabeth Mozesky** Langston, **Karen Magri** Dadd, **Sharon Tolpin** Topper, and **Debbie Eisenstat** DeRoche have become an annual tradition—hoping to make it biannual! We have known each other since freshman year and are BFFs to this day!

Want to share photos of weddings, children, mini-reunions, events, travels, tributes, or more? Post them now at: www.cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery. Any news can be sent to: **Joyce Zerkowitz** Cornett, cornett0667@comcast.net; or **Roberta Zweibel** Farhi, rfariesq@aol.com.

86 **Roman Schwartzmann** (Boise, ID) is an orthopedic surgeon, horse rancher, hay farmer, and father to a 3-year-old son, Nikolai. It sounds like he is quite the Renaissance man! **Ji-In Kim** (Princeton, NJ) says she is enjoying her family and her work at Kadmon Pharmaceuticals. **Stacy Mason** (San Anselmo, CA) is working as a physical therapist and writes that the Cornell person she would most like to reconnect with is "Rick" (she didn't specify which Rick, but perhaps he'll know).

K. Louise Hanson (Nashville, TN), an associate professor of medicine, writes, "I graduated medical school from Vanderbilt and never left Nashville." She has served as the director of the Vanderbilt's Student Health Center since 2007. **Maggie McNamara** Jackson has started an educational consulting firm in Marblehead, MA, advising students on the college search and application process, a subject that is undoubtedly on the minds of many classmates! Maggie has had plenty of personal experience in this arena as she has two sets of twins and has been down this road four

times. Her older sons graduated from Cornell in May and her younger boys are sophomores at Duke and Northwestern. **Irene Molnar** Wrenner is living in Vermont and working as an elected official in Essex. She spent the past year homeschooling her teenaged children. She says it was the kids' suggestion, and they all marveled at the number and variety of opportunities it opened to them.

On a personal note, my wife, **Lori Spydell** Wagner, and I had a fabulous week in July. It began with us crashing a mini-reunion hosted by **Kevin Cornacchio** in Buffalo, NY, which included **Michael Malaga**, **Michael Lally**, **Steve** and **Linda Pozzobon**, and **Nigel** and **Elizabeth Vandenbrink De'Ath** and their numerous offspring. Perhaps the biggest news to share from the group is that Michael Malaga and his wife, Jasmine, recently welcomed daughter Charlotte to their family. Congratulations! That group of guys has been spending a week together every summer since graduation. **Duncan Wood** is usually among them, but was not able to make it out of Scotland to join this time, so when I heard that news I eagerly volunteered to fill his shoes. Kevin and his wife and kids live in an older section of Buffalo that has experienced a tremendous resurgence of young families and professionals moving in and refurbishing beautiful old homes in an area not far from downtown.

We also spent time with **Beth Bruno** Hyer, who also lives in the Buffalo suburbs. She is an empty-nester with both her son and daughter now in college. Three days later we were able to host **Nancy Keates** in Shaker Heights, OH, while she was in town working on a story for the *Wall Street Journal*. Nancy writes for the paper's mansion section. As she described the house she was writing about we realized it was at the end of our street—what a small world! The following week we were in Chicago to see Paul McCartney at Lollapalooza and saw **Clarkson '85** and **Laura Nieboer Hine**, who are enjoying life and work in Chicago. While they live in Chicago's North Shore area, they booked a hotel room in downtown Chicago for Lollapalooza weekend so they could see many acts over three days (just like the hipsters in attendance), but still get a good night's sleep.

Please remember to mark your calendars for our 30th Reunion, June 9-12, 2016! Also: *Cornell Alumni Magazine* has created a photo gallery. To post pictures of weddings, grandchildren, mini-reunions, successes, events, travels, tributes, and more, go to: <http://cornellalumni.com/magazine.com/photogallery>. Hope to see you all in Ithaca next June.

■ **Mike Wagner**, michaelwagner@wowway.com; **Nancy Keates**, nancy.keates@wsj.com.

87 By the time you read this, most of our class will have celebrated turning 50 (which for us is the new 30)! Speaking of 30, our next big milestone is our 30th

Reunion. We go into serious planning mode in January, so while you're dreaming of returning to the Hill, send us your news!

Our classmates are making news in arts and entertainment. **Emile Levisetti** reports that he has been directing a lot of hour-long TV dramas. He's also been traveling to Toronto, Portland, and NYC. From July to December he'll be working and living in Melbourne, Australia. Class playwright **Jennifer Maisel** has had a very busy year! Her play *Out of Orbit* was workshopped at Sundance, then produced by Cal Rep and performed at the theater on the *Queen Mary* last spring. Her screenplay *Lost Boy* aired on Lifetime television in July, and her new play, *MATCH*, was workshopped at the Berkshire Playwrights Lab a few days later! She has come a long way from West Campus Theatre! We received a press release from NBC that **Jessica Ettinger** was awarded the 2015 New York Press Club Entertainment News Award. Jessica is a host at NBC's TODAY Show Radio on SiriusXM. **Keith Jacoby's** wife, Eileen Decker, was appointed by President Obama to be the US Attorney for the Central District of California. She was confirmed by the Senate in June.

Susan Dinan shared, "In August I will start a new job as dean of the Pforzheimer Honors College at Pace U. I am currently director of the Honors

College at William Paterson U." **Bob Winter** wrote the book *Agile Performance Improvement: The New Synergy of Agile and Human Performance Technology*, which demonstrates the mutual benefits that accrue when the values and principles of performance consulting and agile software development are blended under the guidance of practitioners skilled in both. Bob is an internal principal education consultant and practice lead at CA Technologies, a software company of 13,000 employees. He is the author of the "It Ain't Training" blog, and he tweets as @TheBobWinter.

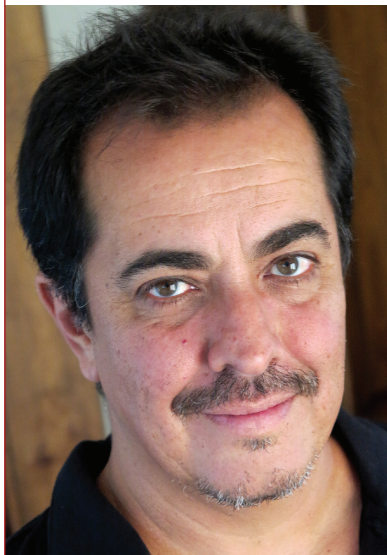
Verna Ng Tyree started a new job as associate director of office services and facilities at the National Trust for Historic Preservation located at the Watergate Building. Four or five other alums from various class years work there as well. She reported that she was about to have a 50th birthday reunion of sorts with classmates **Sharon Holland Loucks**, **Grace Liu Spring '88**, and **Antony Spring Wendy Marx**, MD '91, retired from pediatric private practice a few years ago. Now she's running medical missions to Haiti with an organization called Hands Up for Haiti. She has two daughters who are currently Cornell students: **Jenna Yasgur '16** is a senior and **Rachel Yasgur '18** is a sophomore. Her youngest, Max, is dying to go to Cornell too, so

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Richard Ortega '85

"You may not have seen me on screen," says Richard Ortega, "but I guarantee you've heard me." The former Spanish major is a veteran Hollywood voiceover actor, compiling more than 1,800 credits over two decades.

Professionally known as Richard Miro, Ortega recently worked on the Showtime drama "Ray Donovan" and HBO's popular "Game of Thrones." For the latter, he re-voiced a minor character named Lord Blackmont in a process called synching. "Whenever an actor's performance doesn't work, we redo it," he explains. "We match our voice to their lips."



Ortega, who is Cuban-American, got his start in voiceover acting thanks to his facility with Spanish, which earned him a gig as a bullfighter in the 1996 film *The Disappearance of Garcia Lorca*. "And now I've carved out this niche where I'm the go-to guy for languages," says Ortega, who spoke a Mayan tongue in the Mel Gibson film *Apocalypto*, "even for alien languages." Although Ortega appeared in small parts on TV shows like "JAG" and "NYPD Blue" earlier in his career, he eventually gravitated toward voiceovers, in part, because of the dearth of positive roles for Hispanic performers. "When I started out as an actor, 90 percent of my on-screen auditions were for a drug dealer or a gang member—stereotypes," he says, adding that recent shifts have rekindled his interest in on-camera work. "Now, producers want ethnic diversity, and they're willing to cast the role to the best actor."

When Ortega isn't dubbing in the voice of a scripted character, as on "Game of Thrones," he's often called upon to create his own dialogue through research and improvisation; for an episode of Showtime's "Weeds," for instance, he provided the voices of participants in an off-screen cow auction. He keeps an extensive reference library, he says, comprising "police radio dispatches, game shows, sporting events, monster trucks" and more. "When there's a fight—people getting shot, getting hit—what you hear is us, not the actors you're watching," says Ortega. "A friend once told me that I ruined *Gladiator* for him, because he could hear me screaming and dying in surround sound."

— Matt Schultz

she guesses they did something right! She would love to hear from **Kathleen Chopin**.

Patricia Baumann and her husband, Doug Dolan, recently celebrated their 20th anniversary with a two-week honeymoon in Hawaii that included Honolulu, the Big Island, and Maui. **Tamara Smith** reports that after 17 years together, she and Andrea Motyka got married in July 2014. She

over the next four years. It certainly will be a household filled with Cornell degrees. **Ethan Goldrich** lives in Abu Dhabi, UAE, with his wife, Randi. Since August 2014 he has been deputy chief of mission at the US Embassy in Abu Dhabi.

Barbara Walker Byrne is still a stay-at-home mom and is moving to Columbus, OH, with her husband, Sean, and the children. She says she'd

was speaking at the Hotel school on women in leadership in hospitality. Reagan decided then that she wants to go to Cornell!"

Thanks to those of you who recently shared your reflections on the most valuable thing you learned at Cornell. From **Kevin Cook**, who's based in mid-coast Maine in the summer and Naples, FL, the rest of the year and is a pepper breeder for Syngenta and global vegetables R&D co-lead for international pepper breeding programs: "Discipline, meeting deadlines, and the ability to write well. Those dreaded freshman seminars and all those essays really do pay off! So few professionals can really write well." Another Floridian, **Albert Joerger**, PhD '97, loves his "life in paradise" and recently joined Premier Sotheby's Int'l Realty in Sarasota. His most valuable Cornell lesson: "Follow your passion!" Also in Florida (which, by the way, after last winter is looking very good to us New Englanders!), **Anthony Dinkins** works as a senior VP of human resources at Cable & Wireless Communications and credits Cornell for teaching him "teamwork, volunteerism, and communication skills."

Paige VanWirt learned at Cornell "that strong, smart women can be extremely funny." She's an internal medicine physician with an independent practice in Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley. **Scott Weissmann** (Binghamton, NY) noted that daughter **Ruthie '17** is a junior at Cornell. Our editors also note that she was a summer intern at *Cornell Alumni Magazine*! Scott's Cornell takeaway: "To stay open and be ready for any opportunity that comes your way." **Eleonora Gafton** was recently awarded the Excellence in Innovation and Service Award from Maryland U. of Integrative Health, where she's an adjunct faculty member and cooking lab manager. She's beginning a doctoral program this fall, and reports that the most valuable thing she learned at Cornell was "to aim for higher goals and be of service to others."

Lisa Marlow Wolland's one lesson: "Perseverance." Lisa lives in Croton-on-Hudson, NY, where she enjoys cycling with her husband, Glen, when she's not busy working as a principal law clerk for a Supreme Court justice and serving as acting village justice. **Thomas Bruechert** (Austin, TX) wrote that he's "in a happy place" with wife **Lori Duke** and three teenagers, Madisen, Cole Ryan, and Austin. He works as an environmental team leader with the US Dept. of Transportation and cites his valuable Cornell lesson as: "The difference between private sector work and public sector work. I chose public sector and have enjoyed being a public servant for 25-plus years." We'll give the last word on the value of a Cornell education to **Michelle Zweifler**, who continues her Fifth Avenue plastic surgery practice. What did she learn at Cornell? "Everything!"

With a heavy heart, I report that key Cornell memories became bittersweet for many of us when **Micheal Halloran '87** died in February. Known for his always-witty *Cornell Daily Sun* columns during his years studying Engineering on the Hill, he was a great friend to many in our class. Several classmates, including **Catie Blackler** and **Marina Memmo**, joined with Micheal's partner, Tony Dobson, as well as other Cornellians, friends, and family to celebrate his life at a Beebe Lake memorial ceremony on July 5.

In happier news, classmates on the move include **Christian Barry**, who's back in the US after three years in Istanbul, where he led market development for GE Healthcare. He writes that he's happy to be back in the D.C. area, focused on

“Those dreaded freshman seminars and all those essays really do pay off!”

Kevin Cook '89

would love to hear from **Beth Enslow** and **Katherine Klosowski**. **Gligor Tashkovich**, MBA '91, is excited to report that he is embarking on a 700-kilometer bike trip of Sichuan Province and the Tibetan Highlands as a 50th birthday present to himself. We look forward to hearing all about it!

And finally, I share the news that co-correspondent and my former roommate (and still BFF), **Liz Brown**, JD '90, has relocated from Philadelphia to San Mateo, CA, with her husband, David, and daughter, Alexandra. Liz is the managing editor for Thomson Reuters for the Antitrust pages on WestlawNext Practitioner Insights and Practice Point. We are celebrating our 50th birthdays in Chicago this fall with **Cheryl Berger** Israeloff and **Victoria Lazar**.

Cornell Alumni Magazine is now accepting photos! You can submit yours at <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. Please be sure to send us your news: **Whitney Weinstein** Goodman, wwg5@cornell.edu; **Liz Brown**, etb29@cornell.edu; and **Heidi Heasley** Ford, hfh6@cornell.edu. Online news form, <http://alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

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We hope everyone had a wonderful summer, and we can't wait to hear your stories from Homecoming 2015.

Deborah Feldman Friedland, MS Hotel '95 (Sands Point, NY) reports that she's now heading to Eisner Amper's Hospitality Advisory practice. She's raising two teenage boys and a first grade girl. With all of the kids' friends in the house, it's no wonder she's an expert in hospitality. Deborah says, "I wouldn't want my life to be any other way. Juggling a demanding job and a demanding family is utter bliss." She does miss her dear friend **Patrick Poggi**, MBA '94, who passed away a few years ago. The most valuable thing Deborah learned at Cornell: "How to balance a productive, prolific career with the responsibility to give back to the community." She adds, "Feeding and Housing the Homeless, a course offered at the Hotel school, which was championed by Prof. **James Eyster '69**, PhD '77, taught students the importance of giving back to the community while pursuing their education in hospitality. Prof. Eyster will be missed by so many."

Christiana Haldopoulos Staffin, MBA '92 (Bridgewater, NJ) writes that her triplets graduated from high school and will be starting college soon. The trio will be scattering all over the country: one to Emory, one to Indiana, and one to Cornell. Chris and husband **Don '85**, ME '86, MBA '87, are looking forward to many more visits to Ithaca

like to be hanging out on the beach with her kids. The most valuable thing she learned at Cornell was the importance of taking risks. "Taking big risks, such as moving from El Paso, TX, to Upstate New York for school, can open up a whole world of opportunities." **Bo Yoo** lives a couple of hours away from where Barbara is moving, in Sandusky, OH, with spouse Vincenta. Bo owns and operates a busy neurosurgical practice.

Pamela Darer Anderson is the club manager for her daughter's track club. She still has her small company in Toronto, PamSweets, which makes and sells chocolate bark and other yummy treats. Find these at: www.PamSweets.com. Daughter Rebecca just finished her first year of university, and they went on a family trip this summer to Calgary, AB. She writes, "I'd rather be skiing on a big mountain with sunny blue skies and lots of snow." Pam misses **Dave Sharp**, an old Cornell friend, and fondly remembers how Cornell taught her to challenge herself and not to give up on whatever you're trying to do.

Did you know the Class of 1988 has hundreds of members on our Facebook page? It's a great way to reconnect with old friends, see photos, find upcoming events, promote an event, and more (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/8476144284/>). Also: *Cornell Alumni Magazine* has created a new Alumni Photo Gallery! Share all the photos that we've never been able to fit in the class columns with your classmates and friends. To post pictures of weddings, mini-reunions, successes, events, travels, tributes, and more, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. Please send us your news and we will publish it in a future column. Let's be in touch! **Brad Mehl**, bradmehl@gmail.com; and **Andréa Meadow** Danziger, alm46@cornell.edu.

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As I write this in the late summer, I've just returned from a college-touring trip with Bobby, the third of my four children. While Cornell's not on Bobby's list, I'm still holding out hope that my youngest, Ethan, might end up on the Hill. (He did recently say, "How about you get a job at Cornell and then I can go there tuition-free." Definitely an intriguing idea, if that is indeed how it works. Someone clue me in!)

Stephen Scott may be able to enjoy some parents' weekends in Ithaca in a decade or so. He wrote from Orlando, FL, where he's the founder and CEO of Starling Trust Sciences (www.starlingtrust.com): "Daughter Reagan turned 8 on April 6. She visited Cornell in May 2014, when her mom

global health and education, and that it was great to get together with classmates **Pat Murray**, **John Allen**, **Glenn Pacchiana**, and other Zete alums in June for family activities in Black Butte Ranch, OR. **Stephanie Ralston** Khurana was recently named a managing director in the Boston office of the Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation, a leading venture philanthropy firm.

Susan Comminos has been teaching creative writing at RPI, the Troy Arts Center, and the Schenectady JCC, among others. Her poetry has recently appeared in *Subtropics*, *TriQuarterly*, *Quarterly West*, *Cortland Review*, *Nashville Review*, *Malahat Review*, and the Harvard Review Online. In her free time, Susan loves to dance the Argentine tango. **Stacy Jentis** Levinson lives in Charlotte, NC, with husband Dan. Son Jacob is studying business at George Washington U., and daughter Samantha is in high school and busy playing lacrosse and volunteering with her youth group. Stacy works part time as an optometrist with MyEyeDr. **Wayne LaPier** checked in from Liberty Lake, WA, where he's worked as a territory manager with Henry Schein Animal Health for the last four years.

Lynn Weidberg Morgan celebrated husband Randy's 50th birthday and had a great time betting on horses at a Kentucky Derby party with friends including **Howard** and **Eliana Saragovia Byck**, **Bonnie Glick '88**, and Bonnie's husband, Paul Foldi. **Tami Smith** recently started a new job as head of global medical affairs for Spark Therapeutics, a gene therapy company in Philadelphia. She enjoyed skiing with classmate **Teresa Jordan** Epperson in Vail last season. **George Dan** writes from Sparta, NJ, that he's VP of procurement at WPP Group USA, the world's largest communications and advertising holding group.

Continuing the saga of the next generation preparing for college, I recently had the pleasure of hosting **Kayla Sandway** Klos and her family (husband Sig, son Jacob, and daughter Eliza) as they visited Burlington so Jake could check out the U. of Vermont. Jake and my son Bobby share a birthday. Kayla and I were apartment-mates sophomore year (anyone remember Campus Hill?) and senior year (Eddy Street!). She and her family now live in Orchard Park, NY, and Kayla works as special counsel at Jaeckle Fleischmann & Mugal LLP in Buffalo.

To finish up and come full circle in our roundup of Cornellians current, future, and past, **Lisa Paton** Kessler (Mahwah, NJ), who works at Pearson Education as a technology HR director, reports that her son **Thomas '19** is in Engineering! Please let us know what you are up to! Simply send back those news forms you get in the mail, e-mail one of your friendly correspondents (listed below), or visit www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm and our class Facebook page. **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, ac98@cornell.edu; **Lauren Kiddier** McGarry, laurenkiddiermcgarry@gmail.com; **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Kris Borovicka** Gerig, kgerig@columbus.rr.com.

90 One of the more interesting aspects of attending Reunion on the Hill is exploring the distances we have all traveled since last we met, both figuratively and literally.

Elizabeth Ledkovsky, for example, transitioned to a completely new career. She finished law school in 2013 at Fordham and now practices labor and employment and civil rights law in

Rhinebeck, NY—"not far from where I live with my two brilliant kids," she writes. Elizabeth has earned admittance to the Bar in both Illinois and New York, which is quite an achievement for anybody, let alone somebody who is raising two children and opting to change careers. Taking a similarly large leap, **Amanda Willis** chose to leave the legal profession to follow her passion for ecology. Just this year, she successfully completed her master's degree in natural resources from the forestry department at NC State. She is now pursuing a career in environmental conservation in North Carolina.

Kristen Conrad joined us at Reunion from the outskirts of Philadelphia, where she continues to work in marketing research. In particular, she conducts polls pertaining to both products and politics. As the race for President gets under way, her professional life gets particularly busy. Outside of work, she is raising two children, while she also manages to find the time to pursue her passion for music—"from Bach to rock." Not only does she sing classical music as part of Vox Ama Deus (<http://www.voxamadeus.org>), she also plays keyboards and sings for the rock cover band Cool Confusion. "That weekend, I enjoyed all the singing I got to do with the Cornell Chorus," Kristen noted, including spending time with **Heather Doering** Mitchell '89, **T. P. Enders**, ME '96, and **Deborah Skolnik** '89. Debbie has served as senior editor of *Parents Magazine* and *Parenting Magazine*, and now works as a product manager at Myron Manufacturing. During Reunion, she let us all know about her latest writing project, "Gentle Scarsdale Satire," a Facebook page featuring her humorous poetry regarding life in her hometown. Check it out.

While at Reunion, Kristen was one of several dormmates who had a chance to reminisce about freshman year in Dickson Hall, including **Erica Schorr-Evans**, **David Cohen**, **Kathy Kuchler** Wilcox, **Jung Min Lee**, and **Lisa Markovits**. Of all of the classmates I met at Reunion, Lisa may well be the one who has traveled the furthest, both geographically and metaphorically. Known to many by her stage name, Lisa Kohn, she has lived for over two decades in Ecuador, where she raises her sons while working on a special project that uses the power of music and art to reduce domestic violence and sexual abuse. While this is important work anywhere, it's particularly challenging in Ecuador, where levels of violence are extremely high (Lisa reports that six out of ten women and seven out of ten children experience it in some form in their lifetime), and it is culturally accepted to a much greater extent than we would typically hope to find in the US. For more information on her project, visit the Facebook community page at www.facebook.com/NoMasEnEcuador.

Penny Smith Eifrig, another world traveler who joined us at Reunion, has been splitting her time between central Pennsylvania and Berlin, Germany. Penny runs a publishing house and is excited by several new projects that she is bringing to market. "We now have two Cornellian authors, **Robert Logue** and **Andrea Strongwater** '70, BFA '70," Penny said. "While Eifrig Publishing remains primarily a children's book publisher focusing on self-esteem, body image, and environmentalism, we now have several imprints—including *Getting Smart*, which publishes books by the educational think-tank of the same name, headed by the first director of education for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Tom Vander Ark." Penny is especially excited about the release of their new title, *Smart Parents: Parenting for Powerful Learning*, which is getting national acclaim as *the* book for parents

who want the best student-centered education for their children. As a History major myself, I'll note the early-October release of Penny's own 1989: *Diary of a Revolution, From East to West Germany*. That book started as Penny's honors thesis, and she recently had the chance to visit her thesis advisor, Leonard Olschner, in London to give him a copy. For more information on these and other titles, check out Eifrig Publishing's website at: <http://www.eifrigpublishing.com>.

Also making the trek to the Hill this past summer were **Doug Burtnick** and his wife, **April Brasher** '89, who work and raise their kids in the Philadelphia area. April runs an innovative veterinary service just outside Philly. While we roamed the campus with fellow Big Red Band alumni **Marshall Kohen** and **Marc Goldman**, it came to light that Marc and his family recently moved into the very same building in New York City that Doug and April had first moved into when they lived in NYC almost 20 years ago. In the words of comedian Steven Wright, "It's a small world . . . but I wouldn't want to paint it." Marc, Marshall, and I also had the pleasure of bumping into classmates **Doug Onsi**, **Jeff Goldstein**, and **Elinor Langfelder** Schwind.

It truly was a joy to reconnect and reminisce with these classmates and so many others during Reunion weekend. Heather Mitchell, mentioned above, has made an effort to make every Reunion since graduating, and I can understand why. It's an opportunity to bridge the gaps of time and geography, if only for a weekend, and not only reconnect with each other, but also with ourselves. What's happening with you? Please feel free to drop us a line with your news. **Allan Roussele**, agr2@cornell.edu; and **Rose Tanasugarn**, nt28@cornell.edu.

91 Greetings from Kennebunk, ME! It's been great to have so much news to share from classmates—keep the updates coming!

Many of you wrote of the lessons learned at Cornell, and I thought I'd start with some of those. I myself learned the importance of staying off the Suspension Bridge when you're morbidly afraid of heights, a lesson reaffirmed this weekend in Quechee, VT, as I looked down into the gorge there! On a more serious note, **Courtney Stark** Vail (Chandler, AZ) shared that Cornell taught her the value of relationships to carry you through life. **Nate Bailey** (Mason, OH) credits Cornell as the place where he got his sense of independence. **Jean Signorelli** Spiegel learned perseverance at Cornell, and **Becky Levine** Leibowitz remembers how important it was to take a break, find a friend, and make a memory.

Lisa Ploucha Christensen has returned to Syracuse, NY, from Texas to rejoin Bond, Schoenck & King as senior counsel in employee benefits and executive compensation practice. **Celeste Tambaro-D'Allesandro**, husband **David D'Allesandro**, and their three sons are relocating from NYC to Boston. David will be director of the cardiac transplant and VAD program, and an assistant professor at Harvard Medical School. Celeste is managing director at Goldman Sachs and will continue to run the Latin American Equity Sales effort from Boston. They are very excited about this move and are looking forward to connecting with fellow Cornellians in the Boston area.

Melissa Sherman Rothberg (Scarsdale, NY) is a speech pathologist and audiologist, and husband

Daniel is a physician. **Steve Shu**, ME '92 (Los Angeles, CA) has published a book, *The Consulting Apprenticeship*, which was released in July for Amazon Kindle and Apple iBook. Nate Bailey was recently promoted to senior executive of HR for GE Aviation's global supply chain.

On the "whole picture" side of things, Courtney Stark Vail shared that her daughter is off to college on a dance scholarship. Courtney is the campaigns director for a marine protection organization. She'd love to connect with **Kerry Nelson**. **Jean Signorelli** Spiegel (Ballston Lake, NY) and her husband, Bruce, have two girls. The older one plays field hockey and lacrosse and is an honor student. The younger is into gymnastics and swimming. Jean is also a store manager for Kohl's Department Stores and she'd love to hear from **Scott Gargash '92**.

Sarah Abbe Taylor (Mill Valley, CA), her husband, Jim, and their two daughters were away in Italy for three weeks this past summer. Sarah loves to travel when she's not working at the San Francisco Foundation's social impact investing program. She'd love to hear from **Kim Schlemann** Selzman. Becky Levine Leibowitz (Scotch Plains, NJ) recently made a major career change. She is an associate director in regulatory affairs at Janssen Pharmaceuticals. She has two sons about to hit major milestones: the older is preparing to become a bar mitzvah, and the younger will be playing piano in a recital at Carnegie Hall.

Some important news from Cornell: the *Cornell Alumni Magazine* Alumni Photo Gallery is up, and you can submit photos at: <http://cornellalumni.com/photogallery>. Happy Holidays to all of you. May the fond memories and lessons learned at Cornell stay with you in work and in life. ✉ **Wendy Milks** Coburn, wmilkscoburn@me.com; **Charles Wu**, ccwu@mac.com; **Tom Greenberg**, twg22@cornell.edu.

92 It's hard to believe that 2015 is ending. Next year will find our oldest daughter graduated from high school, and the "real" start of the planning for our 25th Reunion. Save the date, June 8-11, 2017! Other highlights of the past year for us have been a local school board campaign for my husband, **Todd Kantorzcyk** (at the time of this writing, the election had not taken place), and my official naming as co-chair of the Philadelphia chapter of the Cornell Women's Network (CWN). CWN provides an opportunity for women to interact and share insights on careers and many aspects of life after Cornell. See if your area has a CWN group!

Steven Cohen lives on the same street (just two blocks down) from my childhood home in Abington, PA. Steven is a medical oncologist at Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia, focusing on clinical care and research in gastrointestinal cancers. He is married to **Renee Turchi '94** and they have a 10-year-old son and a 13-year-old daughter. He has connected with his fraternity brothers through Facebook and writes that the most valuable things he learned at Cornell were "independence and hard work." **Cynthia Caruso** lives in Franklin Lakes, NJ, and is still working as global head of human resources for BNY Mellon Investment Management in NYC. She got married in 2014, had a baby boy, and moved to a new house. She writes, "It was a wonderfully special, life-changing year, and my husband and son are the sunshine in my life!"

Geoffrey Hess lives in Colorado and works for Oskar Blues Brewery. His official title is "Chains, Grains, and Train." More research revealed that this

means he runs the farm associated with this craft brewery. He has three children and would like to hear from **John Thomas**. Another classmate with an interesting work title is **Samuel Levis**. He has a new job as a "crop modeler" with the Climate Corp. in San Francisco. I had to look up what crop models are and learned on Wikipedia that they "help estimate crop yield as a function of weather conditions, soil conditions, and choice of crop management practices." Samuel moved to California from Boulder, CO, with his partner, Suki Liebow.

A classmate with a less unique but no less interesting title is **Tricia Oney Gabor**. She lives in Greenville, SC, where she is the musical director of the Jazz Academy. Her husband, **George '89**, is a math teacher. Tish appears regularly as a symphony soloist throughout the country and is a Blue-jazz label recording artist—she is planning to record her fourth globally distributed vocal jazz album. She also performs jazz and concert cabaret at both large and small performing arts centers as a solo piano/vocal artist as well as with jazz combos and big bands. Tish would like to hear from **Amy Kusel Epner '93** and **John Yih '93**. Another classmate still making music is **Dylan Willoughby**, MFA '95, who just released a debut EP under the moniker "Lost in Stars."

Lisa Cindolo Grace wrote, "After 18 years of working in magazine publishing, I went part time in order to be more present for our kids and also to help my husband start his law firm. The past few years have been a whirlwind—I'm just as busy as when I worked full time, but my life is much more balanced." Cornell taught her that she can "pretty much do anything with hard work." **Janelle Piccone** Styles continues to work in her family's property management business. She was recently appointed Vassar Brothers Medical Center Foundation trustee in addition to other volunteer roles in her community. She enjoyed planning the Mid-Hudson Cornell Club's Sesquicentennial celebration, which was a sold-out event!

In other news, *Cornell Alumni Magazine* has created a new Alumni Photo Gallery! Now you can share all the photos they've never been able to fit in the class columns with your classmates and friends. To post pictures of weddings, children, mini-reunions, successes, events, travels, tributes, and more, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. Albums will be accessible by class year, college, and more. Check it out! Also, please like our class Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/cornellu92>. Keep the news coming! Feel free to e-mail any of us or use the online form at: <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>. ✉ **Jean Kintisch**, jmk226@cornell.edu; **Lois Duffy** Castellano, LKD2@cornell.edu; **Megan Fee** Torrance, mtorrance@torrancelearning.com.

93 Hello, classmates! Hope your autumn is as beautiful as those we enjoyed in Ithaca, and that your glass is at least half full as you look toward 2016. One '93er who is (as my kids would say) pumped for 2016 is **Mike McMahon**, as his home city, Lexington, KY, will be hosting the Breeders Cup, Thoroughbred horse racing's annual championship weekend. Mike, whose company, McMahon and Hill Bloodstock LLC, buys, sells, and invests in racehorses, says he has already heard from several classmates that they are making the trip. "If you have been to the Derby, Preakness, or Belmont, this will be bigger and better! See you soon!"

Another fun event coming up soon is the Cornell vs. Boston U. hockey game at Madison Square Garden on Saturday, November 28 at 8 p.m. Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster or at: <http://cornellbigredtickets.universitytickets.com>. As I write this in August, our class council is working on planning a social event around the hockey game. Check our class Facebook page, "Cornell University - Class of 1993," for specifics and details about organized gatherings before and after the game.

Speaking of August (and also our class Facebook page), I have posted a few photos from my recent trip to Ithaca on our class page. My close friend **Padma Patil**, MBA '97, MMH '98, and I enjoyed beautiful summer weather and long walks on campus, on the newly rejuvenated Commons, and in Collegetown, where the pizza at the Nines was as delish as ever. We shared a pitcher with our hip server, Rudy, a recent grad, who was born in . . . wait for it . . . 1993. Padma and I loved the new buildings on campus, and the almost-completed modern glass addition to the front entryway of the College of Arts and Sciences. In stark contrast, we lamented the current state of some of the Collegetown bars that our class used to frequent. There is no longer a bar where Johnny's used to be, the Royal Palm Tavern was a construction site, and, saddest of all, the Chapter House was a charred shell, having been destroyed by a fire in April 2015. I have posted photos of these no-longer bars to the new online Alumni Photo Gallery. To view these photos and other alumni pics, or to submit your own, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. I have also posted these photos to our class Facebook page.

Last but not in the least bit least, it is about time that this column highlight the captain of our class council ship, president **Earl Pinto** (Bethesda, MD). In addition to leading our class, Earl is the director of acquisition management for the Program Support Center, a component of the US Dept. of Health and Human Services. In this role, he oversees more than \$1.4 billion in government contracts and more than 150 employees. Earl is also the founder of CLICKED, a social club for leading professionals that takes him all over the country. Earl sits on the board of directors for the College of William & Mary Law School, where he got his JD. He also received a master's in public administration from the U. of Southern California, where he was a Dean's Merit Scholar and served as the graduate school's student council president. He has two daughters, Raina, 11, and Aisla, 9. Please connect with Earl (earlpinto@outlook.com) if you would like to get involved in our class council or any class projects.

I will end this column highlighting a concept that I teach my kids, called "lemonade," which is finding the rays of light or positive elements in a difficult or sad situation. Our classmate, attorney **Benjamin Rogoff** Gideon, did this for his clients in the form of a \$22.5 million court victory that was named one of the *National Law Journal's* Top 100 Verdicts of 2014. Benjamin's clients, an electrical lineworker and his wife, were devastated when the lineworker lost his lower legs via electrocution while on the job in northern Vermont. Benjamin was the lead attorney that won the case against the companies that failed to safeguard the substation where the accident occurred. Benjamin reflected, in the press release for the case, "It was such a vindication of the battle we fought for so long. In that moment, you realize the power of our legal system."

Here's to happiness, peace, love, and lemonade for all of us as we head into winter and toward 2016. Take care and please share. ■ **Melissa Hart Moss**, melimoss@yahoo.com; **Mia Blackler**, miablackler@yahoo.com; **Theresa Flores**, taf6@cornell.edu.

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Hello, classmates! I hope this note finds everyone healthy and happy, wherever you are!

It's mid-August, and this summer both of my children (11-year-old Lindsay and 8-year-old Joshua) are finishing up their summer at sleepaway camp! Once again, the phone calls and e-mails have begun to increase about both Lindsay and Joshua's various after-school activities. By the time you read this, I'm sure we'll be thinking about winter vacation and 2016 activities—how time flies!

Michael and I enjoyed our time as empty-nesters, even getting away to visit the hallowed halls of Cornell. It's crazy to be here and not have it look the same as it did in the early 1990s. As always, construction is everywhere, especially on the Arts and Engineering quads. And Collegetown is so different! Most of the restaurants have turned over several times (except for Collegetown Bagels and Souvlaki House), and even the Campus Store has a whole different vibe! But the wine in the Finger Lakes is still amazing, and we came home with several cases purchased along the Cayuga Wine Trail.

Once again, I have just a few news items from fellow classmates. Please make sure to shoot any of us a note to share updates on you, your family, friends from Cornell, etc. We'd love to hear from you! **Kurt and Jennifer Quin Henninger** of Highlands Ranch, CO, would love to hear from old friends **Douglas Manz**, **Adam Burks**, and **Deborah Riley**. Jennifer is expanding her municipal client list and trying to hire more planners! Kurt continues working in the digital marketing industry, and both can't believe they have one high schooler and one middle school child! When asked what has proved to be the most valuable thing learned at Cornell, Jennifer said, "My ability to communicate effectively was fostered in many Cornell classes."

Last summer, **Martin Naley** launched Cure Forward, a Web service that connects cancer patients who want to try experimental treatments with researchers who are looking for clinical trial subjects. In addition to playing matchmaker to patients and researchers, the website educates users by providing them with narratives about their particular variation of cancer, and connects patients with the same kinds of cancer—especially rare varieties—so they may band together and make a case for expanding drug studies that might not include their condition. **Holly Johnsen Hoehner** was named VP and general counsel in charge of legal last spring at Loretto, a not-for-profit comprehensive continuing care organization that provides a variety of healthcare services for adults of all ages throughout Central New York (where Holly grew up). She is active in the community, serving as a pro bono volunteer for the Say Yes to Education program, among other things. She and husband **Thomas** have two sons and live in Fayetteville, NY.

We also heard from **Jess Mullen-Carey**, BArch '95, in South Pasadena, CA. Jess and spouse **Jessica O'Toole** have two boys, Carter and Gus. Jess is a principal architect and owner of an architecture business. Jessica is a TV writer and producer on the CW's "Jane the Virgin." I'm sure they'd love to hear from some old friends as well. Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday season! ■ **Jennifer**

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Hello, my fellow classmates! It is I, **Steven Strell**, one of your new class correspondents. You may recognize me as either one of the fine folks who, at one point or another, sold you a ticket or took it from you at Cornell Cinema back in the day, or, more recently, as the registration chair for our 15th and 20th Reunions! Along with my co-correspondent, **Scott Lajoie**, I hope you'll keep us swimming in news so we can keep you up-to-date on all our classmate happenings.

To save column space for your news instead of just my own, here's my last 20 years in a set of chronological sentence fragments: after graduation with a BS EE, worked for a couple of years before getting my ME at RPI (sorry, Lynah Faithful; I still rooted for Cornell, though); worked at Sun

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Wendy Milks Coburn '91

Microsystems in Massachusetts; got a job at Apple; moved to San Jose, CA; met, fell in love with, and married Rachel Davis; left Apple and started work at Altera (just celebrated my tenth anniversary there); became a father to our wonderful little boy, Seth, 4; didn't attend Reunion because Rachel fell off a ladder and broke her leg. I was sad to miss Reunion, but I hope everyone who did attend had an amazing time and that the registration process was smooth!

With that, let's take a look at what's happening with some of you. **Cherylanne Muraski** Skolnicki writes, "After many years at P&G, I'm now out on my own as a coach to high-impact working mothers. I help them design a life that maximizes both their professional contribution and their personal peace of mind. I'm absolutely loving this work! My website is: <http://www.CherylanneSkolnicki.com>. I'd love to hear from any fellow alumnae ready to play bigger!" Congratulations to **Erik Bjerke**. As the managing director of wealth management and a wealth management advisor at Merrill Lynch in Atlanta, GA, Erik was recently recognized on *Baron's* "America's Top 1,200 Advisors: State-by-State" list. He was previously recognized in 2012 as No. 1 on Wall Street's "Top 40 Under 40 Advisors" and in 2013 as one of the *Financial Times* "Top 400 Financial Advisors." Erik adds that he fills his home with the love of his wife, Tori, and their four children, Jordan, Piper, Ashton, and Logan.

Taylor Feild is a plant physiologist, evolutionary biologist, and teacher at James Cook U. in Townsville, Queensland, Australia. He's currently researching plant evolution, specifically the rise of flowering plants during the Cretaceous period. Taylor, along with wife Eithne and their two kids, enjoys growing tropical plants and vegetables on a farm in the Queensland tropics. **Sarah Brewster** and her husband, Gil Bernardino, have founded their own K-5 charter school in Hempstead, NY.

She also works for Circulo de la Hispanidad, a nonprofit community-based organization serving immigrants in her area. Sarah says, "I love what I do now. I wouldn't change it. I work very long hours, but it's satisfying work." **Monica Edwards Smith** (Macon, GA) is celebrating her fifth year working for the Macon-Bibb County Convention & Visitors Bureau. On top of that, in January she became the president of the Georgia Assn. of Convention & Visitor Bureaus. Her oldest son was accepted into Cornell's Class of 2018, but chose to go to MIT instead. Monica is learning to adjust to the fact that her first child is off to college, something I'm sure a number of us will be experiencing soon. In the meantime, she's hoping to hear from classmate **Maria Daane**.

Well, that's about all I've got. I hope everybody has a safe, happy holiday season. Since I missed our 20th Reunion, I will be thinking of 2016 as just four more years until our 25th! Please keep in touch with all your news, especially if you have additional Reunion news that didn't get into

the last column. Thanks for reading—and heartfelt thanks to **Abra Benson** Perrie for all her years as class correspondent! ■ **Steven Strell**, strells@mac.com; **Scott Lajoie**, scottlajoie@hotmail.com. Class website, <http://classof95.alumni.cornell.edu>. Online news form, <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

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Some of you may remember men's lacrosse goalkeeper **Mike LaRocco**, who was a starter during all four years at Cornell. He still holds the single-season record for saves—278—and was inducted into the Cornell Athletics Hall of Fame last fall. He is currently the managing director for Brean Capital in NYC. **Josh Babbitt**, MS ORIE '97 (jdb3@cornell.edu) has been general counsel of Sydel Group, a lifestyle hotel developer and operator, for more than four years. He writes, "Stacy and I moved to Jersey City, NJ, a few months ago and recently had our first child, Blake Evan, born April 26."

Globetrotter **Edie Marshall** (esm1@cornell.edu) has been back in the US for more than a year now. She writes, "I work for Washington State U.'s Paul G. Allen School for Global Animal Health, putting my global health experience to good use. This is the longest I've gone without international travel in more than ten years. I'll start traveling again next month, but on shorter trips." She would like to hear from **Albert Pizzica**. **Eric Helmy** (ehelmy@mac.com) recently moved to Bend, OR, and says that he's loving it there. He is a trial attorney, practicing law in business litigation and wildlife conservation. Eric notes the most valuable thing he learned at Cornell: "Critical thinking at a very high level, as well as creative planning and systems analysis. A powerful combo for what I do."

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97 Wow, where has the year gone? The new freshmen have already suffered through their first round of prelims, our kids have been back in school for some time, and the holidays are here. Hard to believe that we are only a short year and a half away from our 20th Reunion! Start planning those summer vacations and get ready to join us in Ithaca, June 8-11, 2017. There are lots of great family-friendly activities if that interests you; otherwise, the tent parties are still 21-plus and a good time for adults each year.

In the meantime, let's see what some of your classmates have been up to this past year. **Rebecca Ratner** Henry sends in an update from Nevada, where she and husband Dan make their

relevant advice for the whole family, covering a wide range of medical, fitness, and lifestyle topics. Anne lives in Westchester, NY, with her husband and two children.

Allyse DiBenedetto Davidow and her husband, Jake, just celebrated the birth of their third child. Allyse, who resides in New Jersey, is a clinical psychologist in private practice.

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99 All the signs of fall are here as I write this in late August. After being sent off with brunches and receptions held across the country by local CAAAN chapters, the Class of '19 moved into their dorms on North Campus on August 21. Our children are back in school; hot, humid summer nights have

recently caught up with **Harriet Pimm** Wegmeyer, **Margaux Neiderbach**, and **Amy VanBlarcom**-Lackey in March for a girl's weekend in none other than our own beloved Ithaca, NY.

Do you have a life update, class gossip, or recent classmate interaction you'd like to share? Please contact your class correspondents: ☐ **Heather Hollidge** Madland, hmadland@gmail.com; or **Melanie Grayce** West, mga6@cornell.edu. Online news form, <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

00 I'm excited to pick up where the last column left off and introduce our remaining class council members. Thank you to all who have volunteered to serve our class!

We are very lucky to have two experienced volunteer leaders to help us grow the Class of 2000's giving participation and our 20th Reunion campaign! **Nicholas Janiga** and **Nina Lee** Torkelson will be serving as our Cornell Annual Fund representatives. Nick reports that daughter Lena Grace was born in April, joining Sofia Marie, 5. Nick, wife **Kim Salsbury '02**, and the girls lived in Park Slope, Brooklyn, for five years, but recently traded in access to all the artisan mayonnaise and gourmet pickles one could ever eat for a new home in New Haven, CT. Kim will continue her full-time job of ensuring that their two children get to school and music classes and eat home-cooked meals. Nick is working as general counsel for a nonprofit allied health educational academy. Nina wrote, "I still live in the Rio Grande Valley. Teach For America brought me down as a fifth grade teacher and I stayed for love (haha). I have been at the Valley Baptist Family Practice residency as a faculty attending physician for the last six years and enjoy seeing patients half the time and teaching the other half. My two boys Lincoln, 9, and Liam, 6, came with me and husband Tom to the 20th Reunion and had a blast! Our youngest, Gwendolyn, 3, could not make it, but will hopefully be at the next." Nina also shared that she was the third overall female at the Reunion 5K Run through the hilly Plantations and will be running the Boston Marathon in April 2016.

Membership chair **Matt Faso** is a CALS graduate with a degree in Applied Economics and Business Management from the Dyson School. He is the director of marketing at Haley Marketing Group and lives in Buffalo, NY, with wife Adrienne and their sons, Eli and Bennett. Matt is looking forward to serving the Class of 2000 and getting to know more of his fellow classmates over the next five years of this term and beyond. Our registration chair needs no introduction—**Kristen Sweeney**, aka registration chair for life! Affinity chair **Kacey Bonner** has been living in L.A. since graduation. She writes, "While I've had a couple of different career tracks at this point—teaching high school, facilitating research partnerships for the Brits, organizing teachers—I've now settled into the world of issue advocacy and strategic communications. I'm fortunate to be able to work at Rally, a really great company that allows me to work on important issues like education, access to healthcare, gun violence, and marriage equality, and figure out how to make those issues resonate with a broader audience. When I'm not trying to get people to care about things, you can find me cooking for friends or spending an obscene amount of time going to see live music around town."

Ellie Fleming will be joining the class council as our Web and social media chair. Ellie is from

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Ellie Fleming '00

home. Rebecca is the VP of people services for Allegiant Travel Co. and Allegiant Air. I'm sure she would have some great suggestions on how to tie a trip to Reunion to your summer vacation plans. Penning her note from the opposite side of the country is **Erin Murphy** Austin. Erin is currently doing wholesale operations at Fair Point Communications in Portland, ME. She and husband Brett are parents to kindergartener Keagan and preschooler Maeve, and have been excitedly awaiting the start of school. While she would rather be snowboarding, the perseverance that she learned on the Hill, I am sure, contributes to surviving that first year of school. Erin would love to hear from (and maybe see at Reunion?) old pals **Candice Kim**, **Susan Neff**, and **Yulun Yang**.

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98 Ophthalmologist **Anne Negrin** Reis has been appearing as a medical contributor on cable and network television. She recently launched a website (docannie.com) with the tagline, "Spreading Love & Knowledge." There you can find seasonally

been replaced with crisp and cool ones; pre-season football has begun; and my work travel schedule is ramping up once again (case in point, I'm currently writing this on a plane headed home to Ann Arbor from Denver). Yes, change seems to be the theme of this column.

Nick Barnard is back in NYC, living in Brooklyn after stints in Austin and London. He is still with Gerson Lehrman Group (GLG)—11 years and counting—though he says he'd like to be fishing more. He and his newlywed wife, Sara, just celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary in August. **Mason** and **Karrie Whitehead Argiopoulos** welcomed twins—daughter Sadie and son Finn—last April! Mason is the chief HR officer for global outsourcing services provider iQor, and Karrie is a second grade teacher in West Irondequoit, NY. The now family of four live outside of Rochester in Honeoye Falls, NY. **Anne Trawinski** (Orchard Park, NY) and her husband, Andrew Beck, welcomed their third child, Easton, who joins big brothers Cooper, 4, and Griffin, 2.

Daniel Cassell just started a new job at Corning Cable Systems this past April. He's a senior project leader in its new product development group located in Hickory, NC. Now that their older daughter is preparing for second grade and their younger daughter is entering the terrible 2s, his wife, Erika, has started teaching high school Spanish. And while he'd rather be traveling to places he's never been before, he has managed to keep in touch with fellow Cornellians **Andy Hoffman** and **Samit Patel**. **Laura Knights** Riley has been with the same Seattle-based company (Harrison Group) since graduating from Cornell! It was sold to YouGov in 2011 and now has a new name. She

De Forest, WI, just outside Madison. "I'm very excited to be serving on our class council for the very first time. Currently I work for a bovine genetics company as a 'matchmaker for cows.' I am also the leader of the Madison branch of the Cornell Club of Wisconsin and am involved with numerous national and state dairy cattle associations. I encourage everyone who hasn't done so already to join our Facebook page and look for other social media groups coming soon!"

Also new to the council are **Ratanak "Rati" Rim Srey** and **Courtney Ahuja**. Rati has previously worked in finance and grants administration at Weill Cornell Medical College and is active in non-profit organizations that share and promote Cambodian culture. Courtney writes, "I'm originally from Houston, TX. After graduating, I spent some time living in California before moving back to Texas in 2002, where I attended SMU Law School and graduated in 2007. I've been practicing oil and gas law for close to seven years, but started out in general corporate law. My family and I moved to Denver in 2011, and I'm currently land manager and in-house counsel for a small energy company in Denver. I love Colorado and enjoy doing all the typical Colorado activities—skiing, cycling, hiking—and I also love spending time with my son, Ronan, 7."

We would also like to thank our nomination chair, **Cindy Levine**, who will be staying on the class council to help our classmates looking for volunteer opportunities to be matched with Class of 2000 council committees on CUVolunteer. As for me, I'm thrilled to start my third term as class correspondent. My husband, **Chris Weld**, and I live in Williamsburg, VA, with our two daughters, Claire, 8, and Abby, 5. Send updates! ☐ **Christine Jensen Weld**, ckj1@cornell.edu. Online news form, <http://alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

O1 Brrr... it's cold in here. There must be some '01ers in the atmosphere! Actually, I'm writing this from sunny Seattle in late August, but the *Farmer's Almanac* (aka "the short answer for why the Communication major is in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences") predicts a harsh winter, and it's generally a safe bet that November/December is chilly in Ithaca. All the more reason to start planning for a balmy June on the Hill, where I hope to reunite with many of you at our 15th Reunion! **Salil Gupte** and I will be bringing our kids to partake in the family-friendly activities, along with some childcare-facilitated debauchery. And, of course, we need to restock our supply of Cornell blankets, umbrellas, decals, and T-shirts!

While I'm figuring out our cross-country flights, it seems a chunk of our classmates can just drive on up. Carpool possibilities? Let's kick things off with **Carrie Andrews** (Rochester, NY). Carrie is a labor relations specialist for New York State United Teachers and serves as Democratic minority leader of the Monroe County Legislature. "This is my last year in office, because of term limits," she writes. That should leave her more time for a major milestone: "Fingers crossed, I'll achieve my goal of traveling to or through all 50 states this year, with trips planned to Montana and Hawaii." A few miles east, **Nicohl Merrill** Swartley left her senior loan officer position at Farm Credit East at the end of January and began as the controller at Three Brothers Wineries and Estates at the end of March. She is also serving her second term on the Waterloo Central School board of education. "The rest

of my time I try to keep up with my boys, Kaleb, 10, Gavin, 8, and husband Kyle. I enjoy being a 4-H mom, sports mom, and wife." Nicohl keeps in touch with **Lori Staib** regularly, exchanges Christmas letters/cards with some roommates, and follows other classmates on Facebook.

Downstate, **Mike Kalogiannis** has earned an MBA from SUNY Stony Brook and is seeking opportunities in biotechnology and medical device industries, though he says he would rather be "kayaking on Cayuga Lake!" We can make that happen in June, Mike! In the meantime, he's been teaching biological sciences and business at NYC-area colleges while completing publications on sleep and neurodegeneration. Nearby, **Elie Gamburg**, BArch '02, was recently promoted to director at KPF, the largest architecture firm in NYC. "I am designing a new flagship hotel for Dubai Expo 2020 and recently completed NYU's first facility in Shanghai and a new set of exterior design standards for Michael Kors Worldwide." The most valuable thing he learned at Cornell (presumably from wrangling the dragon): "Rigorous approach to design; dealing with stress; and work ethic."

Down the coast, **Monica Marusceac** recently added three associates to her hypnotherapy practice in McLean, VA. She's also getting back into aviation, flying light civilian aircrafts like the Cirrus SR20. "I wish I had more time for traveling and to spend with my husband and 3-1/2-year-old son, Alex, relaxing. Luckily, they go flying with me," she writes. (Feel like picking us up from Seattle, Monica?) She'd like to hear from **Aimee Schultz**. She adds that the most valuable thing she learned at Cornell was "to never, ever, ever give up." **Peter Whitbread** writes in from Wake Forest, NC, where he's the sales director at Connexity, co-founder of NatureQuick.com, and raising his 1-year-old son, Caden. The most valuable thing he learned at Cornell: "Continue to learn, grow, and question in efforts to get better. Keep challenging the norm and continue asking questions." He also would "rather be golfing," which makes me think we may spot him on Cornell's Robert Trent Jones course in June.

In Chicago, **Ellen Behrstock** Sherratt is the co-deputy director of Center on Great Teachers and Leaders at American Institutes for Research, and president of the board of directors of the Teacher Salary Project. She has also co-authored two books: *Everyone at the Table: Engaging Teachers in Evaluation Reform* and *Improving Teacher Quality: A Guide for Education Leaders*. In the Chicago suburbs, **Michael Morse** and wife Bethany had their sixth child, Andrew Robert, in April. (Did I read that correctly? Wow!) Our Reunion co-chair **Deeonna Farr** chimes in with news from our far-flung friend **Javier Alvarado** '02, PhD '08, profiled in the January 2015 issue of *Int'l Assignment Services' Global Connection* newsletter. He's been in the Middle East, where he "successfully leads numerous live customer demos of system capabilities for the Royal Saudi Air Defense Force military personnel." He also serves as director of educational and community outreach for the Society of Hispanic Engineers, Boston chapter, serving as a STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) mentor for Latino high school and middle school students. Best of all, he helped his team finish second in the Air Defense Forces Inst. sports tournament, "giving soldiers two additional weeks of paid duty as the award!"

Ready to reunite on June 9-12, 2016? Between columns, we're posting your photos, event invitations, and other news on Twitter (@Cornell2001) and Facebook (/Cornell2001). E-mail your updates

to: ☐ **Nicole Neroulis** Gupte, NicoleMN6@gmail.com; or **Lauren Wallach** Hammer, LEW15@cornell.edu.

O2 **Andrew Mackerer** (Moorestown, NJ) has recently opened a new practice, Mackerer Law Offices LLC, where he does estate planning (www.mackererlaw.com). Andrew earned his JD from Temple U. and was awarded the Faculty Award Taxation LLM for demonstrating outstanding achievement in academic studies. In his sparse free time, he volunteers for the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) and is a board member for the Cornell Club of Greater Philadelphia.

Thomas Moran (Henrico, VA; tommoran38@gmail.com) reports, "I recently joined the law firm of Setliff & Holland PC in the Richmond area, where I continue to practice in the fields of surety and construction. My wife, **Alexis (Mazur) '03**, and I have two sons, Charles, 6, and Vincent, 4, and will be welcoming a new addition to the family in January." He took Charles to the Cornell/Virginia lacrosse game in Charlottesville last spring and said that they enjoyed themselves, even though the "good guys" lost. Thomas recalls his favorite hangout on campus: the porch of Theta Delt—"great view, great friends, and great times." He says he is always interested in meeting Cornellians in the Richmond area, or who are involved in the surety or construction industries. **Carrie Salo Falck** (carrie7@netshingles.com) is freelance copywriting and working on her second novel. She and husband **Eric '01**, MBA '03, welcomed baby girl Seneka Lee last July.

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O3 **Ruby Grinolds** Burner writes, "I have been practicing food and drug regulatory law at Keller and Heckman LLP in Washington, DC, for the past seven years, after earning a JD/MPH from George Washington U. My husband, Todd (Princeton '99), and I recently welcomed our son, Landon McClellan, in March 2015. He joins older sister Avery Isla, who turns 3 in July." **Julia Greenman** is the director of restaurant operations at the Wynn Las Vegas and had a baby, Lena Shayne Angriebeau, in May 2014.

Olivia Gutierrez Parkin writes, "I recently joined Bridgewater Assocs. LP as a senior project manager. "Todd and I, along with Emmeline, 4, and James, 2, also welcomed Gabriel Robert in December 2014." **Aimee Rifkin** Kaufman informed us that she's director of marketing for the National Business Aviation Assn. Aimee adds, "We just had our second baby eight months ago and we are now a family of four—two daughters!" Congratulations to all on their new family members!

Zach Conine was part of a team that won the Strong Cities, Strong Communities (SC2) Las Vegas competition to design the best urban redevelopment ideas for the City of Las Vegas. Zach wrote, "We're pretty proud of the whole thing and Cornell

was a huge part of my inspiration.” They proposed the development of the Unmanned Aerial & Robotics Resource Center (UARRC), which would turn the Cashman Center into an incubator space for the Commercial Robotics/UAS (CRU) industry. It sounds like there’s lots of work moving forward, as the press release included the following quote from Zach: “Now the real work begins. Our hope is to have a group of innovative startup robotics and UAS companies developing in the facility within 12-18 months.” Congratulations, Zach! You can find more information at: www.UARRC.com.

Audrey Robertson Kinsman, author, full-time working finance professional, and mom to two young boys, launched an interactive book and doll set called *The Switch Witch and the Magic of Switchcraft*. This idea was inspired by one of her children, who has a severe food allergy and can’t eat most of the candy he collects on Halloween. Not wanting to deprive him of this holiday, Audrey came up with a way to make the experience fun for him and other children who can’t eat Halloween candy, and also provide parents with a fun and healthy alternative. According to the website, “Switch Witches need your candy to heat their homes and make their Witchy World go round. Invite a Switch Witch to join your family and on Halloween night she will use her spell to Switchcraft your candy for a special surprise.” *The Switch Witch* can be purchased online (<http://switchwitches.com>) or at Target.

From the Human Ecology magazine we learned that **Theresa Dankovich** founded a nonprofit called pAge Drinking Paper, which is working to bring the Drinkable Book to the market. The Drinkable Book is both a water filter and an instruction manual for how and why to clean drinking water. According to the article, “It is printed with messages about water contamination basics, costs pennies to produce, and contains enough paper to filter water for up to four years. The silver nanoparticles in the paper coating kill greater than 99.9 percent of all harmful bacteria, such as cholera, E. coli, and typhoid, leaving water that’s safe for drinking, cooking, and other everyday uses.” We also learned that Theresa received a doctorate from McGill U., did her postdoc at U. of Virginia, and is currently a postdoc at Carnegie Mellon U. Said Theresa: “I just came back from northern Ghana, where we did our filter testing right there in the villages.” Best of luck to you, Theresa!

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04 Hello, Class of 2004! **Christine Chang Gillespie** recently accepted a position at Boise State U., working as a project manager in the new Inst. for STEM and Diversity Initiatives. Christine would love to collaborate with Cornell alumni that have similar goals to increase diversity in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields! She also celebrated her second wedding anniversary

this past summer. You may contact Christine directly at christinechanggillespie@gmail.com.

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Stay in touch with our class. You may send updates and news via the online form (<http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>) or e-mail me directly. **Jessi Petrosino** MacMeekin; jessipetrosino@gmail.com.

05 Happy winter, Class of 2005! I hope that you enjoyed the fall, and perhaps had a chance to go to Ithaca to enjoy the beautiful foliage. Some of my most treasured memories of Cornell included walking through campus while the crisp, colorful leaves flew all around and getting apple cider at the Orchards. What do you remember most about the fall and winter seasons at Cornell?

As expected, this episode’s class column continues to prove that our classmates are representing Cornell all over the country. **Joshua Wilson** just completed his MBA at Yale U. School of Management. He has since accepted a full-time position with Boston Consulting Group in Dallas, TX. He resides there with his wife, Michelle, son Colton, and daughters Catherine and Caroline. **Amanda Humphries** is working as an attorney for the Social Security Administration in Madison, WI. She just recently moved to the area with her son, August. **Sean Quarry** has begun to work in solid waste and hydro power. He has been looking forward to owning his own house and has found a home in Waxhaw, NC, with his wife, daughter, and son. Although Sean has settled in North Carolina, he says that he would much rather be traveling to the West Coast (I was born and raised there, so I don’t blame him!). Some of Sean’s most valuable lessons learned at Cornell are time management and not judging others.

Katrina Bernardo started her neurology residency at Robert Wood Johnson U. Hospital. She also married classmate **Jonathan Kron** in April! Katrina reminisces about studying in Duffield Hall and eating at Collegetown Bagels and Louie’s Lunch. Also in New Jersey is our classmate **Michael Philpott**, who, after seven years in the Army and two years getting his MBA, is now employed as a financial risk consultant in the banking industry. He remembers eating and hanging out at Stella’s, as well as serving on the board of the Cornell Club of Southern Arizona while he attended graduate school in Tucson.

Out West, **Timothy Hou** is the innovation manager for Burbank Water and Power in Burbank, CA. He was recently admitted to the Wharton MBA for Executives program in San Francisco. Outside of work, Timothy is a professional D.J. in Southern California, under the name Le Privé. Keep your updates coming, Class of 2005! We want to know what’s new and exciting in your life! **Johnny Chen**, jc362@cornell.edu; **Michelle Wong**, mrw29@cornell.edu; **Hilary Johnson-King**, haj4@cornell.edu.

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07 **Andrew Fox** (ajpfox@gmail.com) sent us a short note to report that he’s a third year veterinary board eligible resident in diagnostic imaging at U. of Georgia in Athens, GA.

Ariel Zimmerman Zych (azych@sciencefriday.com) was selected as a 2015 Science Communication Fellow to sail aboard the *Nautilus* in an expedition to explore deep-sea biology, geology, and geography in the Galápagos Islands. According to a news release, “Twenty-eight educators and 26 students from around the world have been selected from a competitive pool of applicants by the Ocean Exploration Trust (OET) to participate at sea during the 2015 Nautilus Exploration Program. OET, a nonprofit, has as its mission to explore the ocean, seeking out new discoveries in the fields of geology, biology, maritime history, archaeology, physics, and chemistry, while pushing the boundaries of STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) education and technological innovation.”

“This is an incredible opportunity to communicate the importance of deep-sea exploration. I can’t wait to share what I learn with other educators, parents, and the public,” Ariel said. While aboard, she will participate in live audio commentary and Q&A sessions through the Nautilus Live website (www.NautilusLive.org). “We’ve already seen some incredible things on our initial dives to the ocean floor. We’re positioned along a part of the earth’s crust that is being actively formed, and there is a tremendous amount of volcanic activity that is causing ocean water to warm and escape in the form of hydrothermal vents. The vents we’ve seen have been covered in mussels, tube worms, crabs, even vent fish. The vents here are absolutely beautiful,” she said. Ariel received her MS in zoology from the U. of Florida in 2010 and has been an educator in after-school science programs, outreach events, cruises, zoos, museums, and high schools.

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08 Hey ‘08ers. Can you believe it? The summer is over, fall has started, and we’re so close to winter. Hope you missed us in the last *Cornell Alumni Magazine*—we took a short hiatus from writing last time, but we’re back with an update from classmate **Delana Spaulding**. Delana started working as a nurse practitioner at Lourdes Hospital in Binghamton, NY. And right before, in August 2014, she got married to Christopher Jones. Happy one-year wedding and work anniversary, Delana!

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we've never been able to fit in the class columns with your classmates and friends. To post pictures of weddings, new babies, mini-reunions, successes, events, travels, tributes, and more, go to: <http://cornellalumnimagazine.com/photogallery>. As always, please send us your life updates. We'd love to hear about your latest accomplishments, new jobs, moves, fun travel—anything really! ☐ **Libby Boymel**, lkb24@cornell.edu; **Elana Beale**, erb26@cornell.edu. Online news form, <http://alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

09 Jonathan Lumley-Sapanski (Hotel) and **Mary Margaret "Molly" McGue '10** (A&S) were married on Saturday, July 11 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, IL. The couple honeymooned in Portugal and Morocco. Molly will be attending Rutgers U. Medical School in the fall and Jonathan works as a district manager for Deutsch Family Wine and Spirits, based in New York City. The couple resides in Newark, NJ. Cornellians in their wedding party included **Mary Katherine McGue '18**, **Samantha Buchalter '10**, **Ashley Reaver '10**, **Lauren Benson '10**, **Virginia McMunigal '10**, **Jeannine Sacco**, **Patrick Johnson '08**, **Jacob Messina**, **Michael Goldwasser**, and **Austin Akers**. Over 75 Cornell alumni were in attendance!

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10 It was a tumultuous summer in America, with a seemingly never-ending cycle of one major headline after another during the normally sluggish summer doldrums. The university bid farewell to one president and welcomed another, and the country has been weighing its options over who will become America's next president, while the current president has been keeping busy proving that he is anything but a lame duck.

For the Class of 2010, as well, many changes are afoot. The completion of our first class reunion marks a new chapter in our lives, as some of us move to new cities, take on new jobs, head to graduate school, get hitched, or embark on other life milestones. However, I must also note that if you feel that you haven't achieved the traditional achievements (yet) that many of our peers have been fortunate to accomplish, do not despair. You can take pride in different accomplishments, such as signing a lease for an apartment that you live in by yourself, doing something that's terrified you your entire life, giving to charity, getting promoted, losing weight, paying for your first vacation, and a whole host of other firsts. So don't feel pressured to keep up with the Joneses, even as they barrage social media with photos that make it seem like they are living out your fantasies, because everyone's life moves at a different pace.

Mary McGue finished up her remaining science requirements, took the MCAT in May, and started medical school this fall. We also extend our heartfelt congratulations to Mary for tying the knot this

summer with **Jonathan Lumley-Sapanski '09**. Mary says the most valuable thing she learned at Cornell was learning about people raised in different environments and cultures and making lifelong friends. **Chantal Talmor** is also pursuing medicine and is currently in her second year at Sackler School of Medicine at Tel Aviv U. in Israel.

Brittney Shulman loved being a Cornellian so much that four years weren't enough for her, so she completed medical school at Weill Cornell Medical College in NYC. She started her internal medicine residency last June at Mount Sinai Hospital. Brittney also got hitched last March and spent her honeymoon in Australia, which sounds incredible. She attributes learning to work hard, avoid drama, and appreciate your friends to her time at Cornell. **Jonathan Soh** continues the medical school trend among many of our peers, where he is enrolled in the U. of Rochester and expects to graduate in June 2016.

“We're positioned along a part of the earth's crust that is being actively formed.”

Ariel Zimmerman Zych '07

Alyson Flaker is involved in a different area of healthcare, as she is a registered dietitian at Hackensack U. Medical Center in New Jersey. We can all learn something from Alyson, who, when asked what she'd rather be doing now, says, “I'm very happy with where I am at this point in my life.” Her most important takeaways from Cornell are lifelong friendships and learning to value her education. **Yale Kim** also values her friends and education, and has learned another insightful lesson from her time at Cornell: the importance of self-care. Yale is the lead coordinator for the Johns Hopkins Bayview Gastroenterology/Motility Disease Division and the new Johns Hopkins Food, Body, and Mind Center. She would love to visit old colleagues from Cornell, especially **Paula Jacobs '71** at the Human Ecology office and Dr. Lorraine Maxwell in the Dept. of Design and Environmental Analysis. Yale would also love to hear from **Tracey Alperin** Thompson, **Gina Solomita**, and **Brittani** and **Brandi Jackson**, so if any of you are reading this, get in touch!

Cara Sprunk was recently a featured editor and writer in *The Her Campus Guide to College Life* published last April by Adams Media. **Rachel Dermon** Moore has been successfully running her event planning company, Rachel Dermon Events, for three years now, and she has proudly organized events in Texas, Toronto, and Park City, UT. We also want to congratulate her on getting married in October 2014, with lots of Cornellians in attendance. Rachel's valuable insight from Cornell: “No matter what industry you're in, good networking skills are essential for success!”

David Lee works with small businesses to help them with payroll, workers' compensation, health and benefits, and retirement services as a district manager for ADP's Small Business Services. He is considering going back to school for an MBA, and afterwards would like to be a consultant at one of the Big Four accounting firms. He would really like to hear from **J.T. Keller '11**. David says Cornell taught him the value of reading good books. **Laura Danforth** works as a

digital planning manager at Scripps Networks Interactive and credits Cornell with giving her a strong work ethic.

So there you have it. If you haven't seen your name here yet, that's because you haven't sent us any updates. Feel free to send them to one of your class correspondents: ☐ **Rammy Salem**, rms84@cornell.edu; **Jeff Katz**, jak232@cornell.edu; or **Amar Kelkar**, ahk24@cornell.edu. Online news form, <http://alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

11 Lisa Opdycke (LN04@cornell.edu) graduated from Brown U. with a master's in public policy. She worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston last summer, completing a genoeconomics research project. Lisa says she would have liked to have enjoyed the summer in Rhode Island.

Max Gengos and **Allie Thielens** were recently featured in the *Human Ecology* magazine for their careers in fashion design. Max's line debuted its first women's ready-to-wear collection last summer, and he's continuing his “responsible luxury” concept with his new collection, Arctic Spring, inspired by the clean lines of the frozen tundra. Allie is still the director of design and production at Ninox (<http://www.ninox.cc>) in Boulder, CO, working to “bridge the gap between technical outdoor gear and lifestyle clothing.”

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12 Tony Quintal was promoted to senior director of restaurant operations/loss prevention at the award-winning casual dining franchise Quaker Steak & Lube. Tony's time in the Hotel school prepared him well for this opportunity, in which he will develop business strategies and market expansion through new guest acquisition. Quaker Steak & Lube notes that he will also be responsible for measuring market performance and will oversee the company-owned restaurant local marketing programs.

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like to share to: [Peggy Ramin, mar335@cornell.edu](mailto:mar335@cornell.edu); or [Emily Cusick, egc43@cornell.edu](mailto:egc43@cornell.edu). Online news form, <http://alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

13 The signature of my columns is to begin by setting the scene. Today, I am sitting in my apartment on my tenth day of “fun”-employment. Loyal readers will know that I start law school this fall, and this is my chosen time to relax in blissful unawareness as I prepare for what I hear will be (to put it lightly) a challenging academic ten months. The days haven’t been difficult to fill and I wonder if perhaps I should have taken more time off! Fellow council member **Patricio Martinez** starts Columbia Law School in the fall as well.

‘Tom Naples misses spending his hard-earned dining dollars at Libe Café.’

Once again, I am humbled and excited by everything our classmates have accomplished in only two years. It is really extraordinary. Usually our columns have a heavy focus on graduate school pursuits, but this column will feature budding professionals in a variety of industries. **Tom Naples** started as an associate for Integrated Corporate Relations (ICR) in March 2015. Tom moved to Greenwich, CT, not too long before starting at ICR, where he is exploring the arts and nature scene (“Arts Quad all the way!”). He is involved with the Cornell Club of Fairfield County and the Greenwich chapter of the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN). Tom misses studying in Uris Library and spending his hard-earned dining dollars at Libe Café.

In early August, creator, founder, and CEO **Lindsey Cummins** launched the highly anticipated app “Begroutd” in partnership with Khloe Kardashian. Begroutd is a messaging app that facilitates group chatting through polls, ratings, yes/no questions, and RSVPs. You can download it now for free in the Apple app store, and you can follow it on Twitter (@begroutd). **Erika Kleibrink** works for Silver Mist Garden Center as their landscape architect and advertising art director. She has been with Silver Mist since August 2013. Lucky for Erica, she had time to travel to Europe in January 2015 to visit old friends. During those five weeks, she visited seven countries and 11 cities.

Raca Banerjee is a policy and clinical models program manager for the Coalition to Transform Advanced Care (C-TAC) in Washington, DC. C-TAC recognizes that as the US population ages (one in five Americans will be over 65 years by 2035), those suffering advanced illness will also increase. According to their website, the mission of C-TAC is “to ensure those battling an advanced illness receive comprehensive, high-quality, person- and family-centered care that is consistent with their goals and values and honors their dignity.” **Dan Oh** is an apprentice for a local electric bicycle maker, Gregory Allen, making pedal buggies in Boise, ID.

Under Gregory’s guidance, Dan is also learning to make and sew wool hats for bike riders to battle the colder weather. Check out the documentary View from a Pedal Buggy, featuring Allen and his shop (<http://theeveningclass.blogspot.com/2015/02/view-from-pedal-buggy-2015.html>). In his spare time, Dan is trying to make this work a full-time professional gig. **Sasha Mack** was recently the keynote speaker at Unquowa School’s graduation in June. Sasha is involved in local photography and organizing alumni events in Connecticut.

Some of our classmates are diligent about providing updates, like **Nixon Arauz** and **Kamillah Knight**, MPA ’15, who have already made exciting career moves. Nixon recently moved to the State of Georgia to work for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as an Orise Fellow. In his role, Nixon is responsible for supporting and

Rachael Schuman ’13

enhancing sexually transmitted disease prevention services for adolescents and young adults, specifically in Latin and Hispanic communities. Nixon focuses on both health promotion and partnership development. Kamillah is now an administrative analyst for the City of Orange, NJ, and is transitioning to a new job soon. She still frequents local jazz and blues clubs. Kamillah’s daughter is now 3 years old.

I wish you all Happy Holidays! See (and hopefully hear from) you all in 2016! As always, we want to know what is going on in your lives! E-mail us at: RASchuman@gmail.com; and **Dan Kuhr**, dk453@cornell.edu. Facebook Page, <http://www.facebook.com/Cornell2013>.

14 Hello, Class of 2014. As the summer dies down and classes start back up at our alma mater, a feeling of reflection is in the air. It’s the beginning of a new school year, a time we have historically used to start afresh. I certainly took some time out to reflect in late August, and I hope you did too.

We will keep the column short and sweet this time, and look for more news in the months ahead. Share yours at <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/participate/class-notes.cfm>.

Dana Lerner made her off-Broadway producing debut with a show called *Application Pending*, a one-woman comedy starring Christina Bianco about the cutthroat world of kindergarten admissions at an elite NYC private school. She is also the operations associate at AWA-Partners, a tour booking agency in NYC.

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1930s

- '30—Evelyn Buehlman Nebauer, Essex, CT, April 29, 2015
- '35 BA, MA '38—Ellen Albertini Dow, Woodland Hills, CA, May 4, 2015
- '37-39 SP Ag—E. Jeril Benedict, Hamilton, NY, January 11, 2015
- '37—Elizabeth Wyllie Winters, Ithaca, NY, March 20, 2015
- '38 BA—M. Celia Coulter, New Paltz, NY, April 25, 2015
- '38 BA—Joseph Daks, Encino, CA, June 2, 2015
- '38, BA '39—Marshall P. Hoke, New London, NH, June 19, 2015
- '38 BS HE—Jean Burr Joy, Skaneateles, NY, May 7, 2015
- '38 BS HE—Helen Brew Rich, Venice, FL, May 25, 2015
- '38 BS HE—Pauline Blount Snyder, Boonville, NY, December 25, 2014
- '38 BEE—John S. Somerville Jr., Fair Haven, NJ, June 12, 2015
- '38 BA, JD '40—John S. Stewart, Ithaca, NY, June 30, 2014
- '39 BS Ag, MS Ag '40—Elvira Falco Bass, Blue Hill, ME, April 19, 2015
- '39 BA—Harold R. Cunning Jr., Sarasota, FL, April 24, 2015
- '39 BA—Francis P. Englehardt, Seabrook, NH, May 3, 2015
- '39 BS Ag—Lee A. Frair, Portville, NY, December 30, 2014
- '39 BA, MA '41—Ruth Gold Goodman, Princeton Junction, NJ, May 29, 2015
- '39 BA—Otto A. Poirier, Oakland, CA, January 3, 2014
- '39—Winifred A. Waring, Sonoma, CA, December 2, 2014

1940s

- '40 BA—Martin Ackerman, Boca Raton, FL, May 18, 2015
- '40 BA—Blanche Helms Bayly, Evanston, IL, May 1, 2013
- '40-42 SP Ag—Philip G. Bond, Ithaca, NY, June 5, 2015
- '40 BS HE, MS HE '45—Elizabeth Schmeck Brown, Skillman, NJ, May 19, 2015
- '40 BS Ag—Arthur E. Durfee, Champaign, IL, June 1, 2015
- '40-42 SP Ag—Charles A. Richards, Odessa, NY, December 9, 2014
- '41 BA—Charlotte Katzman Bunkin, Middletown, RI, Dec. 18, 2014
- '41 BA—Frank K. Finneran, Gig Harbor, WA, April 4, 2015
- '41 BA—Ruth Ernest Gilchrist, Burr Ridge, IL, March 29, 2015
- '41 LLM—Quintin Johnstone, Asheville, NC, June 27, 2014
- '41 BA—Royal T. Mather, Raleigh, NC, April 2, 2015
- '42 BA—Jane Norton Cleary, Stratham, NH, December 22, 2014
- '42—Robert W. Ebbbie, Watertown, NY, June 25, 2015
- '42 MD—John T. Flynn, New York City, January 17, 2015
- '42 BA—James A. Kiernan Jr., Naples, FL, April 17, 2015
- '42 MS HE—Jane Sanford Lewis, Sacramento, CA, February 4, 2015
- '42—Burnet Outten Jr., Orlando, FL, January 1, 2015
- '42 BS HE—Alberta Doane Polatsek, Hinckley, OH, December 24, 2014
- '42 BS HE—Paula Collins Preller, Auburn, CA, March 6, 2014
- '42 MA—Catherine Morrison Sippel, Mount Dora, FL, May 28, 2015
- '42 JD—Harold J. Stiles Jr., Newark, NY, April 28, 2015
- '42 BME—Raymond J. Taylor, Loveland, CO, April 12, 2015
- '43, BME '48—Gerald M. Fox, Houston, TX, February 4, 2014
- '43 PhD—Lowell S. Hardin, West Lafayette, IN, April 28, 2015
- '43—Sydnor F. Hodges, Hilton Head, SC, February 27, 2015
- '43 BA—Alberta Schulman Mendelsohn, Nanuet, NY, January 1, 2015

- '44, BS Hotel '47—Richard S. Clark, Hilton Head Island, SC, September 22, 2013
- '44 BA—Barbara Crafts Clements, Glenview, IL, April 7, 2015
- '44, BME '47—Taylor H. Keller, Rochester, NY, April 19, 2015
- '44—John E. Nye, Gulf Breeze, FL, February 26, 2015

- '45—Ted V. Fisher, Atlanta, GA, April 9, 2015
- '45 BA—Edna Smith Lake, Fanwood, NJ, May 22, 2014
- '45 BA, MA '50—Charles M. Larsen, Ithaca, NY, May 16, 2015
- '45, BCE '48—Werner W. Spitz, Pittsford, NY, January 2, 2015
- '45, BS HE '44—Pauline Upson Wallace, Phelps, NY, June 23, 2015

- '46, MD '48—Morton D. Bogdonoff, New York City, March 1, 2015
- '46—Zoe Crichton, Longmont, CO, February 21, 2015
- '46, BA '45, MA '46—Mary Charles Jamison, Providence, RI, May 8, 2013
- '46, BS Ag '45—Barbara Kelsey Martin, Tinton Falls, NJ, April 2, 2015
- '46 MA, PhD '49—Arthur C. Sucsy, Lubbock, TX, April 24, 2015
- '46 BA—Beverly Smith Whitehead, Tuscaloosa, AL, March 1, 2015

- '47—Peter L. Auer, El Cerrito, CA, December 19, 2014
- '47 BA—Kenneth R. David, Bethesda, MD, November 28, 2014
- '47 BS Nurs—Lucille Tate Musslewhite, San Antonio, TX, May 1, 2015
- '47 BA—Robert L. Romano, Pittsburgh, PA, May 1, 2015
- '47 BS HE—Jean Boyd Search, Solomons, MD, January 13, 2015
- '47, BEE '45—Robert L. Smith Jr., Schenectady, NY, May 10, 2015
- '47—Lee H. Taylor, Kailua Kona, HI, December 19, 2014

- '48 PhD—Donald Ashdown, Alamogordo, NM, December 31, 2014
- '48 BA—Howard L. Barron, Scottsdale, AZ, April 6, 2015
- '48 BA—Barbara Berman Bergmann, Bethesda, MD, April 5, 2015
- '48 PhD—Edward C. Broge, Glen Mills, PA, November 23, 2014
- '48 LLB—Eugene V. Clark, Bennington, VT, May 15, 2015
- '48 BS Ag—Rene A. Colon, Santurce, PR, November 15, 2014
- '48, BA '47—Marion Altman Diamond, Tujunga, CA, February 2, 2015
- '48 BA—Stanley R. Glasser, Houston, TX, May 1, 2015
- '48 BA—Daniel Kram, West Orange, NJ, June 8, 2015
- '48—V. Eugene Little, Fairport, NY, March 30, 2015
- '48, BA '49, MD '53—Richard P. Wagner, Torrance, CA, April 29, 2015
- '48, BA '50—Francis G. Weigle, Mystic, CT, January 2, 2015
- '48, BS '51—Donald E. Wolf, Winchester, MA, December 8, 2014

- '49 BS Hotel—Benjamin C. Amsden, Lady Lake, FL, December 10, 2014
- '49 BA—Doris Lubin Bass, Bondville, VT, March 30, 2015
- '49 LLB—Daniel W. Boddie, New Rochelle, NY, January 12, 2015
- '49 JD—Helen D. Brooks, Rochester, NY, March 19, 2015
- '49-51 SP Ag—Joseph P. Buck, Carlisle, PA, April 28, 2015
- '49 BCE—Joseph W. Burdell Jr., Cary, NC, May 22, 2015
- '49 BA—Bettie Neumann Byerly, Cockeysville, MD, September 24, 2014
- '49, BA '50, LLB '53—Willard G. Eldred, Princeton, NJ, May 19, 2015
- '49 BME—Jerome M. Hanover, Memphis, TN, May 5, 2015
- '49 BEE—William F. Kamsler, Littleton, CO, October 2, 2014
- '49 BA—David H. Kenny, Houghton, MI, February 10, 2015
- '49 BS Hotel—Donald A. Kincade, Victoria, BC, Canada, April 23, 2014
- '49 BA—James M. Kortright, Santa Barbara, CA, December 31, 2014
- '49 BME—Henry P. Nielsen, Berlin, MD, April 15, 2015
- '49 PhD—Herbert T. Peeler, Atlantic Beach, FL, April 26, 2015
- '49 BS Hotel—John N. Penn III, Morehead City, NC, May 31, 2015
- '49—Stanley Rubenstein, Deal, NJ, January 18, 2015
- '49 B Chem E—Edwin A. Schneider Jr., Medina, OH, April 5, 2013
- '49 BArch—Richard H. Schreiber, Springfield, OH, January 5, 2015
- '49 B Chem E—C. W. Shonnard, Vergennes, VT, January 4, 2015
- '49 BS Ag—John L. Sigalos, Dallas, TX, April 30, 2015
- '49 BS Ag—Theodore J. Stelter, West Palm Beach, FL, June 25, 2015
- '49 BA—Arlene Ziman Sternfeld, Wallingford, PA, April 21, 2015
- '49 MD—Alfred R. Stumpe, Montgomery, AL, March 31, 2015
- '49 BA—John R. Thomas, Long Beach, CA, February 2, 2015
- '49—John E. Townsend, Winnetka, IL, May 11, 2015
- '49 BS ILR—Craig Voorhees, Rockville, MD, January 29, 2015

1950s

- '50 MD—Chloe Gray Alexson, Rochester, NY, August 17, 2014
- '50 MBA—Ralph H. Berman, Westmount, QC, Canada, April 29, 2015
- '50 MS, PhD '52—Katharine Frizzell Blaisdell, North Haverhill, NH, June 18, 2013
- '50 BS Hotel—John F. Burger, Metairie, LA, May 10, 2015
- '50 BS Ag, MS Ag '59—George L. Casler, Ithaca, NY, June 12, 2015
- '50-51 B&PA—Thomas F. Cassidy III, Pasadena, CA, December 21, 2013
- '50 BS ILR—Maryellen Airy Colvin, Ruston, LA, February 26, 2015
- '50—Penfield Cowan, Metairie, LA, May 11, 2015
- '50 BA—Mary Saxton Crittenden, Palo Alto, CA, March 28, 2015
- '50 BS Ag, PhD '57—John H. Foster, Leeds, MA, June 5, 2015
- '50 LLB—Allen J. Goodman, Water Mill, NY, March 13, 2013

- '50 JD—Emlyn I. Griffith, Rome, NY, April 12, 2015
 '50, BArch '51—Robert K. Hendryx, Bradford, PA, March 3, 2015
 '50, BS Ag '51—Marie Mayhaus Martin, Teutopolis, IL, Sept. 14, 2014
 '50 LLB—James L. Monell, Newtown, PA, January 5, 2015
 '50 MS—Richard F. Morse, Garland, TX, April 17, 2014
 '50 BA, MBA '50—Wilbur Parker, Kankakee, IL, March 25, 2015
 '50 MA, PhD '65—John J. Ruane, Chappaqua, NY, June 9, 2015
 '50, BArch '52—William A. Sharman, Briarcliff Manor, NY, April 18, 2015
 '50-52 GR—Richard J. Skene, Shelton, CT, May 6, 2015
 '50 BME—G. Peter Smith, Bloomfield Hills, MI, May 1, 2015
 '50 DVM—Henry L. Szlachta, Woodstock, IL, April 19, 2015
 '50—Frances Fausel Yeransian, Pearl River, NY, December 22, 2014
- '51 BS Ag—Edgar J. Abram, Johnson City, NY, November 15, 2014
 '51 JD—William F. Banks, Bedford, NY, April 10, 2015
 '51 BA—Latham C. Burns, Toronto, ON, and Aiken, SC, May 12, 2015
 '51 BS ILR—Willys D. DeVoll, Block Island, RI, May 1, 2015
 '51 PhD—James A. Fay, Concord, MA, June 2, 2015
 '51 MILR—Jean Pierce Gow, Endwell, NY, May 7, 2015
 '51 BS Ag—Priscilla Fayer Hunter, Plymouth, MA, March 14, 2015
 '51 BS HE—Rosemary E. Kohut, Rock Hill, SC, February 21, 2015
 '51, BEP '52—Raymond L. Nelson, Palo Alto, CA, December 30, 2014
 '51 BA, MA '52—Bruce Nichol, Guilford, CT, January 11, 2015
 '51 BA—Thomas H. Peterson, Wausau, WI, November 26, 2014
 '51—Jock Thornton, Dobbs Ferry, NY, January 1, 2015
 '51 DVM—John E. Weeks, Sun City, AZ, April 25, 2015
- '52 BS HE—Geraldine Lewis Baker, Paducah, KY, April 13, 2013
 '52 BS HE—Anne Bullock Blanchard, Palatine, IL, April 28, 2015
 '52 PhD—Loy V. Crowder, Cornelia, GA, March 1, 2015
 '52—Kenneth E. Felthousen, Winter Garden, FL, January 2, 2015
 '52 MILR—George T. Y. Lum, Honolulu, HI, April 30, 2015
 '52 MS Aero—Charles C. Mann, Fort Worth, TX, April 4, 2015
 '52 B Chem E—Gordon F. Mead, Winfield, WV, January 9, 2015
 '52 BA—Joanne Smith Nykamp, Great Falls, VA, May 26, 2015
 '52 BA—Barbara J. Weiss, Oakland, CA, June 16, 2015
 '52—Nancy Grignon Worsnop, Columbus, NC, January 12, 2015
- '53 BA—Ruth Chipman Busch, Oak Bowery, AL, June 4, 2015
 '53 PhD—James R. Christensen, Colorado Springs, CO, March 17, 2014
 '53—Thomas O. Conklin, Bridgehampton, NY, November 26, 2014
 '53 BS Ag—Henry M. Goodyear Jr., Albany, GA, April 18, 2015
 '53 BS Ag—Jane Little Hardy, Ithaca, NY, May 21, 2015
 '53 MS, PhD '61—Akira Hosokawa, Tochigi, Japan, April 6, 2015
 '53 MS HE—Mary Foo Lee, Wellesley, MA, January 21, 2015
 '53-54 SP ILR—Andrew A. Martone, Sea Cliff, NY, February 1, 2014
 '53 BS Ag—Linda Schaumann Marts, Albuquerque, NM, May 31, 2015
 '53 BA, JD '55—Randall V. Oakes Jr., Trenton, KY, October 31, 2014
 '53—Albert J. Smith, Ithaca, NY, October 30, 2014
 '53—Richard I. Thomas, Florence, SC, June 17, 2015
 '53 DVM—George D. Vineyard, Perry, NY, April 13, 2015
- '54—Arnold F. Diedrick, Greeley, CO, January 6, 2015
 '54—George T. Fitzgibbon, Johnson City, NY, May 5, 2015
 '54 BS ILR—Jerome A. Halsband, White Plains, NY, April 8, 2015
 '54—Heinz F. Hutter, Long Lake, MN, June 15, 2015
 '54, B Chem E '55—Irwin A. Kaufman, Washington, DC, Feb. 25, 2015
 '54—Donald F. Kean, Geneva, NY, October 21, 2014
 '54 BS HE—Diane Freeman Kuehn, Liverpool, NY, May 28, 2015
 '54, BME '55—Arthur S. Liebeskind, Baltimore, MD, June 26, 2015
 '54—David I. Lipkin, Washington Township, NJ, May 5, 2015
 '54 BS Ag—Glenn O. MacMillen, Polk City, FL, June 5, 2015
 '54—Charles H. McKenzie, Columbia, CT, April 19, 2015
 '54, B Chem E '55—Michael Mensh, Tucson, AZ, November 16, 2012
 '54 BS ILR—Paul V. Napier, Sherman Oaks, CA, February 21, 2015
 '54 BS Ag—Joel A. Norgren, Corvallis, OR, February 10, 2015
 '54-56 GR—Rubert W. Prevatt, Lakeland, FL, April 13, 2015
 '54 BS Nurs—Sally Wood Schenker, Nashville, TN, May 21, 2014
 '54, BS Ag '60—James W. Shepard, Honeoye Falls, NY, Dec. 2, 2014
 '54 BS Ag—Paul G. Sieling, Rose, NY, March 4, 2015
 '54 BA—Maurice Trad, San Francisco, CA, December 14, 2014
 '54, BEE '55, MEE '59—H. Andreas von Biel, Christchurch, NZ, April 28, 2015
- '55 MD—William S. Augerson, Millbrook, NY, January 18, 2015
- '55 LLB—Robert A. Boyd, Norwich, NY, February 19, 2015
 '55 BS Ag—Robert C. Daniels, Prospect, NY, June 20, 2015
 '55 BA, MA '56—Myron R. Gershberg, Pawling, NY, December 9, 2014
 '55, BA '56—I. Stanley Goldberg, Trumansburg, NY, June 13, 2015
 '55 BS Hotel—Henry E. Hirschy Jr., Beaufort, NC, April 17, 2015
 '55—Richard T. Ireland, Nashua, NH, April 19, 2015
 '55 DVM—Frank L. Krohn of Sarasota, FL, March 10, 2015
 '55 BA—Janet Kahn Marcus, Wellesley Hills, MA, May 6, 2015
 '55 MS HE—Doris Mawhinney Martin, Vero Beach, FL, April 14, 2015
 '55—Frederick G. Simpson, Medfield, MA, April 24, 2015
 '55 BA—Roberta Strell Solowey, White Plains, NY, April 22, 2015
 '55 BS HE—Jean Miller Sylling, Aurora, CO, June 20, 2015
 '55 BS Ag—Everett W. Tennant, Jackson, MS, May 5, 2015
 '55 BS Hotel—Alonzo L. Ward III, La Jolla, CA, June 12, 2015
 '55 LLB—Thomas B. Whitley, Washington, DC, June 18, 2015
- '56 JD—Robert A. Contiguglia, Auburn, NY, May 31, 2015
 '56—Annie V. Davis, Chesapeake, VA, May 30, 2015
 '56 BA—William G. Horton, Bellevue, WA, April 3, 2015
 '56, BCE '57—Paul A. Jenkins, Guilford, CT, June 8, 2015
 '56, BCE '58—Orlando E. Luzzi, Huntington, NY, January 25, 2015
 '56, BME '57—Robert A. Lynch, Simi Valley, CA, May 4, 2015
 '56 LLB—Maurice D. O'Connell, Ottawa Hills, OH, April 20, 2015
 '56 MS—Sarl Mongia Planalp, Dover, NH, March 18, 2015
 '56 BS Hotel—Jamie T. Poteet, San Angelo, TX, June 4, 2015
 '56 BS HE—Virginia Tyler Renouard, Paradise Valley, AZ, March 26, 2015
 '56, BCE '57—George L. Schofield Jr., Ramona, CA, January 15, 2015
 '56 BS ILR—Robert E. Stevens, Rochester, NY, April 21, 2015
 '56 MD—Richard D. Wagoner, Rochester, MN, April 26, 2015
 '56—Dexter Worden, Newark, DE, October 30, 2013
- '57 BS Ag—Ralph A. Howell, Elma, NY, December 6, 2014
 '57 BS HE—Anne L. Marvin, Herkimer, NY, April 27, 2015
 '57 BS Ag—Edward G. Sockler, Bridgewater, NJ, June 17, 2015
 '57 BA—Michael C. Tarr, Sun City West, AZ, June 15, 2015
 '57 DVM—Stanley A. Witzel Jr., Charlotte, NC, June 5, 2015
- '58 MBA—William R. Broadbent, San Luis Obispo, CA, March 11, 2015
 '58 BS Hotel—Thomas C. Chevoor, Orlando, FL, March 12, 2014
 '58 BS Ag, MBA '59—John F. Ellis, Ocala, FL, June 9, 2015
 '58 BA—Joel A. Hendler, Pasadena, CA, February 18, 2015
 '58—Linda Schneeloch Jones, Los Angeles, CA, April 19, 2015
 '58—Francis Kernan, Boca Grande, FL, February 13, 2015
 '58 JD—Norman H. Kirshman, Las Vegas, NV, May 9, 2015
 '58 MILR—Allan E. Snyder, Windsor, VT, April 14, 2015
 '58 BA, MD '62—Donald A. Vichick, Sandia Park, NM, June 9, 2015
- '59 MS—A. Herbert Bennett, Athens, GA, February 2, 2015
 '59 BS Hotel—Risa Krouner Kassoff, Albany, NY, May 2, 2015
 '59—James R. Marshall, Conifer, CO, September 9, 2014
 '59 DVM—George N. Schatzle, Rockland, ME, April 18, 2015
 '59, BME '60—Karl M. Van Wirt, Queensbury, NY, May 27, 2015

1960s

- '60 MNS, PhD '62—Rudy A. Bernard, Haslett, MI, January 17, 2015
 '60 BS Hotel—Allen R. Graessle, Santa Cruz, CA, April 15, 2015
 '60 BA—Jay M. Pidto, San Francisco, CA, May 5, 2015
 '60 MD—Richard R. Temple, Red Hook, NY, February 3, 2015
 '60 MS—Katharine Poisel Zarik, Akron, OH, January 7, 2015
 '60 BEE—Gerald M. Zeitlin, Oswego, NY, December 9, 2014
- '61 BA—Stephen C. Frauenthal, Mount Kisco, NY, May 27, 2015
 '61 MBA—Donald S. Freeman, Waterville, ME, December 18, 2014
 '61 PhD—Marvin E. Goodstein, Sewanee, TN, January 6, 2015
 '61 MD—John J. Kuiper, Los Angeles, CA, April 27, 2015
 '61, BEP '62, MBA '63—Henry S. Kurlansik, Boca Raton, FL, Feb. 22, 2015
 '61 DVM—Joseph P. Renaldo, Plummer, ID, May 8, 2015
 '61, BA '62—Stephen M. Tipton, Sherborn, MA, May 12, 2015
 '61 BS Ag—Timothy J. Williams, Mayfield, NY, January 29, 2015
- '62 BA—Willis S. Anderson, Bath, ME, March 7, 2015
 '62 BA—Roger W. Gormel, Syracuse, NY, June 15, 2015
 '62 MS, PhD '65—Stanton J. Peale, Goleta, CA, May 14, 2015
 '62-64 GR—John J. Velie, Albany, NY, June 13, 2015
 '62 BS HE—Margaret Baur Wells, New York City, January 25, 2015

'62 MD—Michael G. Zeigler, San Antonio, TX, December 26, 2014

'63, B Chem E '64—Alan R. Goelzer, Durham, NH, November 23, 2014
'63 MS Ag—Robert C. Hodson, Newark, DE, April 24, 2015
'63 BS Ag—Robert M. Kramer, Roslyn Heights, NY, January 1, 2015
'63, BS Ag '64—Keith W. Mickel, Schoharie, NY, November 25, 2014
'63 BA, MD '67—Richard S. Muchnick, New York City, March 29, 2015
'63, B Chem E '64, ME '66—Philip A. Palmer, Newark, DE, April 17, 2015
'63 LLB—Peter S. Smith, Durham, NH, February 14, 2015
'63 BS HE—Dorothy Malinowski Thomas, Charleston, WV, April 13, 2015

'64, BEE '65—Robert C. Alexander, New York City, May 1, 2015
'64—Clyde D. Brewer, Kennewick, WA, December 15, 2014
'64 BA, LLB '67—Barry M. Hoffman, Berkeley Heights, NJ, May 12, 2015
'64 JD—Charles R. Loveland, Brocton, NY, February 20, 2015
'64 PhD—Rita McCauley, Milton, MA, April 10, 2015
'64 BA—Patricia Knack McKay, New York City, May 24, 2015
'64 PhD—John C. Shelton, Castro Valley, CA, February 2, 2015

'65 BS HE, MAT '66—Roberta Meisels Berns, Bonsall, CA, May 27, 2015
'65 BA—Roberta Kleinsinger Detz, San Rafael, CA, October 7, 2012
'65 BS HE—Diane Schoolmaster Doleski, Victor, NY, April 13, 2015
'65 B Chem E, ME '66—Robert A. Fisher, Irvine, CA, May 20, 2015
'65, BA '66—Peter G. Heylin, Brookdale, CA, April 27, 2015
'65—David W. Reyelt, Clearwater, FL, April 23, 2015
'65 BEE, MEE '66—Edward J. Sebelius, Huntington Beach, CA, January 11, 2015
'65 BS ILR—Donald A. Smith, Wayland, MA, August 26, 2014
'65 B Chem E, ME '66—James J. Staid, Ithaca, NY, May 22, 2015

'66 MBA—Carl E. Breyer Jr., West Springfield, MA, March 10, 2015
'66 DVM—Norman H. Goldstein, Tully, NY, June 13, 2015
'66 BS HE—Kathryn Spetner Johnson, Portland, OR, January 28, 2014
'66 MST—James R. Orgren, Columbia, MO, November 23, 2014
'66 LLB—Stephen G. Shapiro, Los Angeles, CA, April 27, 2015
'66 MBA—W. Prentice Smith, Louisville, KY, April 20, 2015
'66, BCE '68—James E. Straub, Pine Mountain, GA, March 12, 2015

'67 PhD—James D. Edmonds Jr., Sulphur, LA, May 1, 2015
'67 BS Ag, MAT '68—Robert D. Kimmey, Walden, NY, August 25, 2014
'67 MCE—Joav Steinbach, Rockville, MD, April 2, 2015

'68 PhD—James W. Becket, Davis, CA, February 1, 2015
'68 JD—David E. Blabey, Delmar, NY, June 1, 2015
'68 BA—Betsy Rubin Corman, Stamford, CT, April 17, 2015
'68—John E. Seibert II, Boca Raton, FL, April 20, 2015
'68 MA—Barbara Shullman Young, Mequon, WI, June 3, 2015

'69 PhD—George L. Carr, Chelmsford, MA, June 17, 2015
'69, BS '70, ME '71—William J. Cuccio, North Conway, NH, Dec. 6, 2014
'69 JD—Richard A. Curtis, Springfield, PA, December 18, 2011
'69 JD—Verner M. Ingram Jr., Potsdam, NY, June 8, 2015
'69—Robert F. Nelson, Chester Springs, PA, February 25, 2015
'69 BS Hotel—Arthur C. Nilsen, Roswell, GA, March 7, 2015
'69 MPA—Warren C. Pannell, Philadelphia, PA, November 1, 2014
'69 MS Ag—T. Kamala J. Peiris, Sri Lanka, April 1, 2015

1970s

'70 BS ORIE—William L. Clements, Falls Church, VA, April 27, 2015
'70 PhD—Alfred B. H. Drielsma, Gelderland, Netherlands, Feb. 18, 2015
'70 MCE—Charles J. Ewart III, Honolulu, HI, January 3, 2015
'70, BS ORIE '71—Robert F. Hudson II, Alton Bay, NH, Dec. 5, 2014
'70 BME—Steven G. Jalso, Ithaca, NY, May 1, 2015
'70 BS Ag—James I. Marion, Grahamsville, NY, February 22, 2015
'70 BA—Timothy R. Paul, Pittsburgh, PA, May 25, 2015
'70 BS Hotel—Julianne Humphreys Vilardo, Rockville, MD, May 10, 2015

'71 BA, PhD '76—Karabelle Lastique Pizzigati, Kensington, MD, June 12, 2015
'71 MA—Carol F. Wood, White Plains, NY, December 16, 2014

'72 BS HE—Elizabeth A. Bauer, Lutherville, MD, April 2, 2015

'73 ME—Homi C. Bhedwar, Wilmington, DE, April 16, 2015
'73 BS HE—Janet Frankel Staub, Camp Hill, PA, April 1, 2015

'74 MBA—Steven M. Bradbury, St. George, UT, February 24, 2015

'74 BS—Jeffrey F. Ellis, Laytonville, MD, April 7, 2015
'74 MBA—Alain G. Randon, Paris, France, November 4, 2014
'74 BS Ag—Ross D. Spooner, West Edmeston, NY, October 13, 2011
'74—Russell D. Tucker, Camillus, NY, April 10, 2013
'74—William W. Worth, Los Angeles, CA, April 18, 2015

'75 BS Ag—Nadine E. Bournazian, Raleigh, NC, November 17, 2014
'75 BS Hotel—William E. Cresswell Jr., Mason Neck, VA, April 17, 2015
'75 JD—Dale Smolen Ragus, Weston, MA, October 24, 2010
'75 BS Ag—Louie P. Rudin Jr., Ithaca, NY, June 7, 2015
'75 MD—Steven F. Seidman, New York City, October 12, 2014
'75 JD—Leonard B. Terr, Falls Church, VA, June 2, 2015

'76 BA—John W. Threlkeld, Evergreen, CO, June 17, 2015

'77 BS Ag—Joseph C. Delwiche, Lakewood, CO, May 2, 2015
'77 BA—Inez Marshburn, Los Angeles, CA, February 9, 2015
'77 PhD—David Morton, Frostburg, MD, August 22, 2014
'77, BA '78—William L. Ruoff, Conshohocken, PA, May 12, 2015
'77 BA—William A. Swartzman, Palo Alto, CA, May 23, 2015

'79 BA—Frank D. Downing, Fort Worth, TX, April 13, 2015
'79 BS Ag—Heather Mattson June, Groveland, NY, May 28, 2014
'79 BS ILR—Nancy McGuy Schoffelen, Princeton, NJ, July 14, 2014

1980s

'80, BME '81—Lewis H. Durland, Ithaca, NY, May 21, 2015
'80 BA—Robert J. Entenman Jr., London, UK, May 28, 2015
'80 MBA—Rudolph G. Schlobohm, Montclair, NJ, June 22, 2015
'80, BA '82—Audrey D. Tejada, Lawton, OK, April 18, 2015
'80 B Chem E—Fiona Place Wilcher, Glencoe, IL, October 31, 2014

'81 PhD—Linda Arterburn Kaeser, Denver, CO, February 1, 2015

'83 BA—Sabra L. Coverdale, Pearland, TX, January 18, 2015
'85 BA—Alison Brett Silverman, Highland Park, IL, December 24, 2014

'86 BA—Andrea L. Auer, Albany, CA, November 26, 2014
'86 MS Ag, PhD '91—Biao Ding, Columbus, OH, June 25, 2015

'87 BS Hotel—Lissa Wonneberger Kowalski, Mystic, CT, Nov. 5, 2014

'88—Owen F. Wilson, Laveen, AZ, April 16, 2015

'89 MS Ag—Adam D. Weiss, Kansas City, MO, June 9, 2015
'89 BA—Jennifer A. Whitehead, Binghamton, NY, February 24, 2015

1990s

'91 BS Eng—Roland E. Vilett, Eugene, OR, June 9, 2015

'93 BA—Sarah L. Taub, Westborough, MA, August 3, 2013

'94 BA—Prashant K. Bhargava, Brooklyn, NY, May 15, 2015

'97 BS Hotel—Jason L. Davis, Smyrna, GA, April 29, 2015
'97 BS Ag—Toby S. Emo, Nunda, NY, June 7, 2015

'99 BA—Jimmy Gonzalez, Pembroke Pines, FL, November 27, 2014

2000s

'02 BS Hotel—Michelle E. Lebeau, Benton Harbor, MI, June 8, 2015

'05 MLA—Susan R. Luescher, Haines, AK, January 13, 2015

'06 MMH—Caitlin Birk Mullinix, San Francisco, CA, June 23, 2015

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Double Take

A memorable Big Red family photo, recreated

When Dennis Huff '70 scooped his twin sons under his arms during a photo shoot for the Big Red football team, he and his wife never expected the picture would appear on the cover of the *Cornell Alumni News*. Imagine their surprise when it was published in newspapers around the world: the photo was picked up by the Associated Press and appeared across the United States as well as in France, Vietnam, Germany, and Japan. "We have a scrapbook now," says Dennis, a retired business manager. "It's filled with the same picture, from all the different places it was mailed to us from."

In the fall of 1969, Dennis was a senior business major in CALS and the team's co-captain. Bonnie, his high school sweetheart and wife of four years, had just started what would become a nearly four-decade career in administration in the College of Human Ecology, including twelve years as assistant to the dean. "The boys were so identical, they played tricks on their friends," Dennis recalls. "You can't tell them apart now, let alone then."

Fifteen years after the photo was taken, twins Daniel and David joined the Hotel school's Class of 1988—and the freshman football team. Though they were recruited by the Big Red for their football prowess, neither played after their first year, opting to focus on academics. Today, the brothers look back at their parents' multi-tasking skills with awe. "Now I realize that my dad had the responsibilities on the football team, he was married, and they had twins, all while he was going to school," says David. "I don't know how he did it. I don't know how they did it."

For their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Bonnie and Dennis—who now live in Port Charlotte, Florida—rented a house near Virginia Beach, a relatively central location for the extended family. (Daniel is a New York State trooper, David an operations

manager for FedEx in North Carolina.) Almost the entire family gathered there, including its newest member: Daniel's four-month-old granddaughter, Bonnie and Dennis's first great-grandchild. Although Dennis can't pick up his sons with the same ease as when they were four, he gamely agreed to pose with Bonnie and the twins for an updated version of the iconic photo that still holds great significance to them. "I have the November '69 cover hanging on my living room wall," says David. "Framed and matted, right next to my diploma." ■

—Alexandra Bond, '12



Gridiron grins: (Clockwise from top left) The photo recreated (Daniel is in white); the CAN cover; Dennis and the boys; the Huffs last summer.



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