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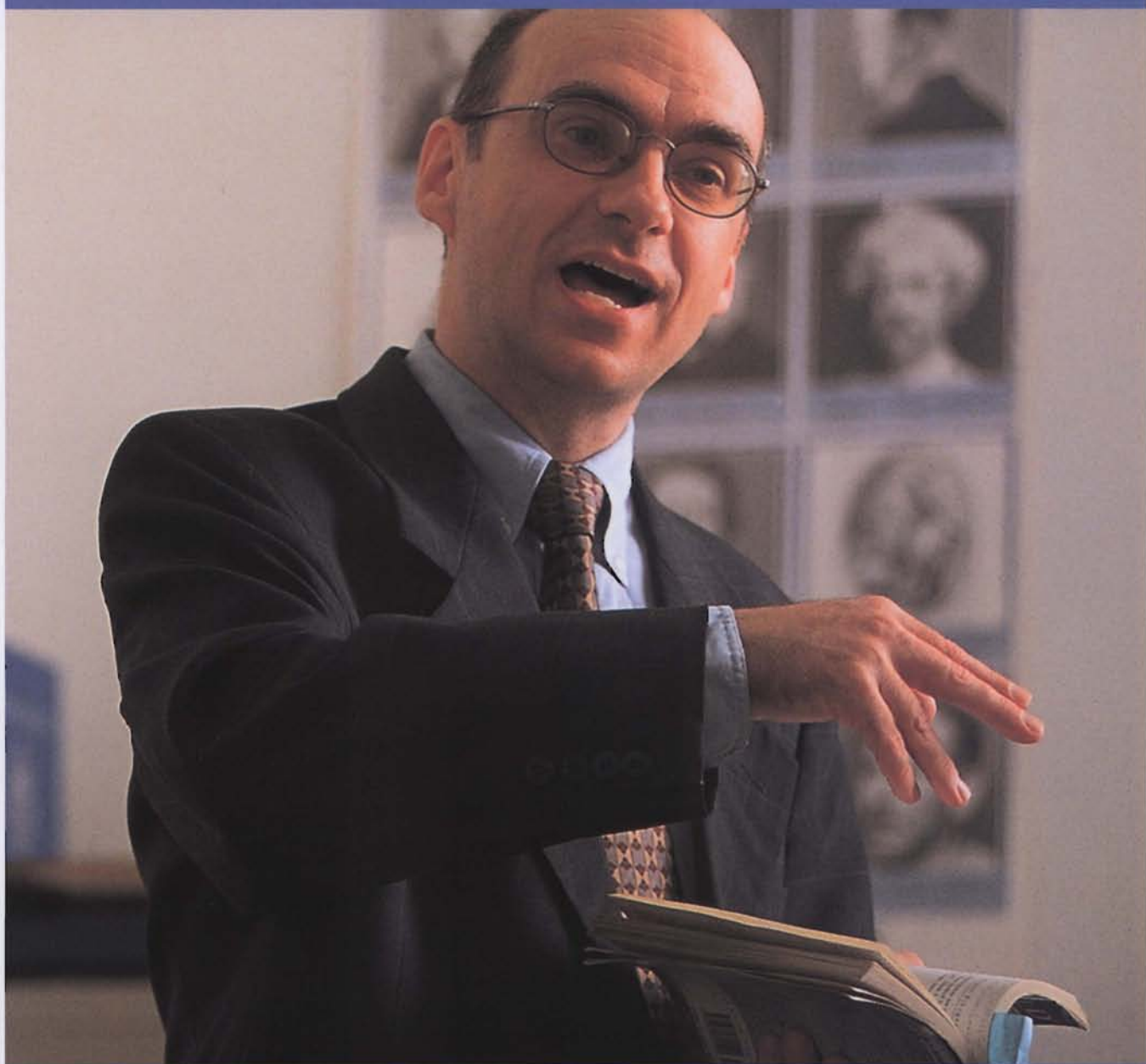


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BRAD HERZOG

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BETH SAULNIER

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THE FIRST YEAR READING PROJECT—IT'S NOT JUST FOR FRESHMEN

aS THEY HEAD TO THE BEACH THIS SUMMER, THE members of the Class of 2007 are toting "Cornell Edition" copies of Sophocles' *Antigone*. The Greek tragedy is required reading for all incoming freshmen, who will be participating in the First Year Reading Project.

The initiative was launched two years ago by Provost Biddy Martin, who wanted new students to have more to talk about than the Ithaca weather and the social scene on North Campus. It began in 2001 with Jared Diamond's *Guns, Germs, and Steel* and continued last year with Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. *Antigone*—the story of the title character's attempts to bury her brother, a casualty of civil war—tackles such topics as society's tolerance for dissent, freedom of religion, and how to preserve individual rights while protecting national security.

Although the reading project was met with some skepticism at first—the *Daily Sun* ran several editorials ridiculing the idea of asking freshmen to read a book—it has become a fixture of the transition to life on the Hill. "We've invented a tradition," says Isaac Kramnick, the Schwartz professor of government and vice provost for undergraduate education. Kramnick has played a leading role in implementing the project and chose this year's title, which he calls "a timeless text that raises timely issues."

Incoming students receive the selected book in early summer and are asked to read it before arriving on campus in August. During orientation week, they attend a faculty symposium in Barton Hall and then participate in small-group sessions led by faculty, staff, and the occasional alumni magazine editor. These

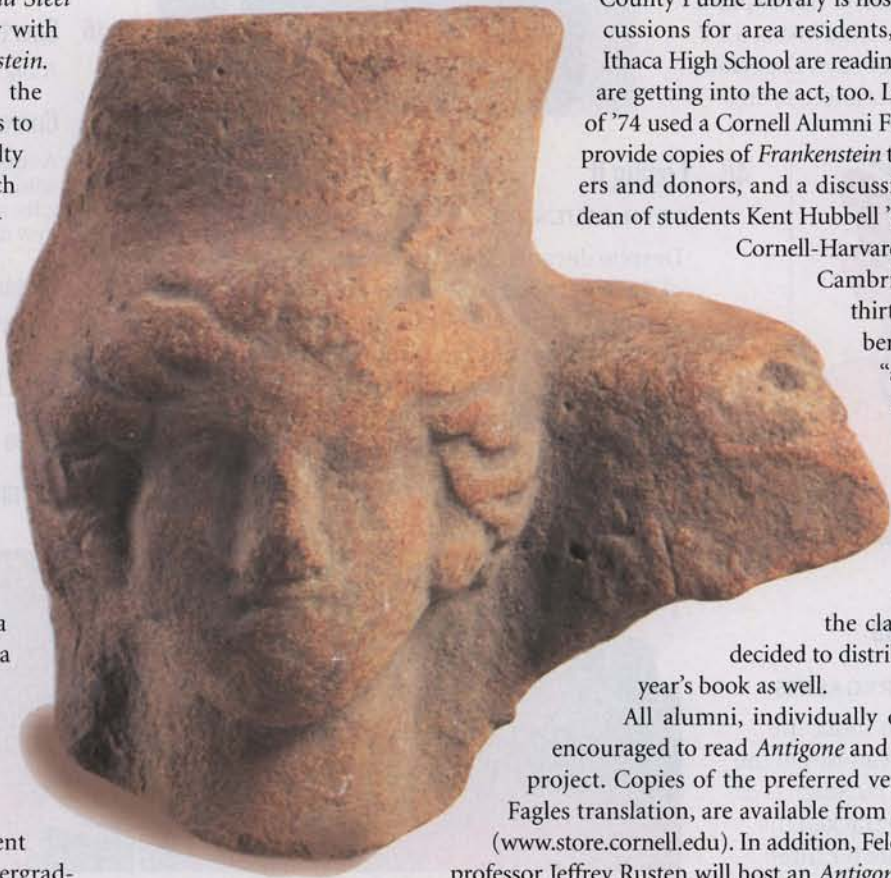
seminars, it is hoped, will spur continuing discussion even after classes begin. Formal attempts to extend the program into the fall semester have so far had limited success (post-*Frankenstein* "Monster Talks" were poorly attended), but *Antigone* will be grist for freshman compositions, and the Schwartz Center will present an adaptation of the play, written and directed by theatre professor and artistic director David Feldshuh, in September.

As was true with *Frankenstein*, this year's project will also extend beyond the campus. The Tompkins County Public Library is hosting *Antigone* discussions for area residents, and students at Ithaca High School are reading the play. Alumni are getting into the act, too. Last year, the Class of '74 used a Cornell Alumni Federation grant to provide copies of *Frankenstein* to 1,300 dues-payers and donors, and a discussion group, led by dean of students Kent Hubbell '67, met before the

Cornell-Harvard football game in Cambridge. Attended by thirty-five class members, the session was "a very engaging and high-energy event," says John Foote '74, who coordinated the project. Feedback was so positive that the class leadership has decided to distribute copies of this year's book as well.

All alumni, individually or in groups, are encouraged to read *Antigone* and participate in the project. Copies of the preferred version, the Robert Fagles translation, are available from the Cornell Store (www.store.cornell.edu). In addition, Feldshuh and classics professor Jeffrey Rusten will host an *Antigone* "study room" at the Cybertower website (<http://cybertower.cornell.edu>). And the Cornell Library has posted a Web page with *Antigone* links (www.library.cornell.edu/iris/antigone/). "Alumni are often involved with the university through athletics, by attending games and following the teams," says Isaac Kramnick. "This reading project gives them a chance to participate in the intellectual life of the campus as well."

— Jim Roberts



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In Defense of Legacies

ADMISSIONS DEBATE RAGES ON

MARCIA McPEAK '86 CARRIES on as if racial preferences were comparable to those given to legacy applicants (Correspondence, May/June 2003). As critics of affirmative action have pointed out, a university would be within its rights were it to set aside all its places for legacies—foolish though such a policy would be. Ann Coulter '84 has written that nothing in the Constitution or the law would preclude a university from devoting its places exclusively to tuba players. Let Ms. McPeak raise a constitutional challenge to legacies or preferential admissions for athletes—she won't get far.

Ms. McPeak writes about my daughter, Lauren '01, "How unfair that another student was denied the opportunity to be admitted, simply because Lauren was a legacy." If this innuendo is the result of her years at Cornell, Ms. McPeak should ask for a refund of her tuition, as Cornell allowed her to graduate without giving her the rudiments of evidence-based argument.

Although technically not relevant to the point Lauren and I made in our letter (March/April 2003), I'd bet the ranch that she would have been admitted irrespective of her legacy status. Though only probative, her actual performance at Cornell will never embarrass Lauren or the admissions office. She graduated with distinction in all subjects and satisfied the requirements for a double major in classical languages and government.

Alan Eade '69
Timonium, Maryland

MARCIA McPEAK ARGUES FOR preferential admission of minorities based solely on the applicant's race. In so arguing, she takes a cheap shot at Lauren Eade '01, who disagreed with that policy in these pages. McPeak builds her argument on the unsubstantiated assumption that Eade was admitted due only to her legacy status, and as a result suggests that Eade is hypocritical in her opposition of preferential treatment for minorities. Unfortunately, neither McPeak nor her letter's readers can possibly know if Eade would have been admitted absent her status as a legacy. In that regard, Eade is situated similarly to minorities whose accomplishments are, often unfairly, suspect simply due to the presence of the very affirmative action (read "racial discrimination") that McPeak supports.

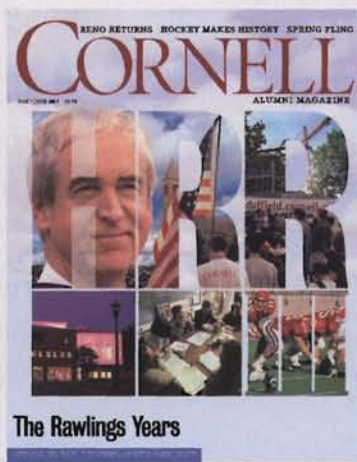
Cornell has an opportunity to reclaim its credibility, and that of its students, by ending all preferences that are not based solely on

student achievement. That policy may result in fewer minorities and fewer legacies gaining admission, but it would leave no doubt about the legitimacy of each student's admission. Deserving minorities as well as deserving legacies would then be free of the umbrella of suspicion under which McPeak has placed Eade. True equality demands a real meritocracy.

Thomas Friedrich '88
Elmira, New York

Kudos

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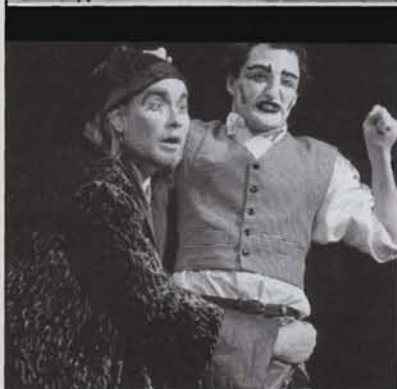
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issue: May/June 2003. The piece on Hunter Rawlings was most informative—just what the subject required. The profiles of Florence Kelley and Pop Warner were also first rate, as was the tribute to Beth Saulnier. Keep it up!

*Stanley Metzger '36, LLB '38
San Diego, California*

High Flyer

THE JOHNSON SCHOOL'S "JUST ABOUT Jobs" event was a tremendous success due to the hard work and vision of the school's staff (From the Hill, May/June 2003). Sam Johnson '51 played a critical role in bringing the corporate recruiters to campus, and I was happy to help out by managing one flight provided by a Johnson School supporter who owns a NetJets share but wishes to remain anonymous.

A correction: NetJets Inc. is a Berkshire Hathaway company. NetJets' chairman is Richard Santulli; Berkshire Hathaway's chairman is Warren Buffett. Much as I appreciate your promoting me to "owner," I suspect Mr. Santulli and Mr. Buffett would be surprised by such a move.

*Charles Lynch '90, MBA '95
Riverside, Connecticut*

Sale's Call

IN AUTHORS, YOU LISTED *THE FIRE OF His Genius* (May/June 2003). It surprises me that you did not mention that the author, Kirkpatrick Sale '58, is the son of a Cornell professor and was editor of the *Daily Sun* in 1958. He grew up in Ithaca and lived within a block of the current Africana Center on Triphammer Road.

*Joyce W. Cima '52
Lansing, New York*

Military Salute

AS A CORNELL GRADUATE AND THE father of Lawrence '98 and Andrew '00, I was pleased that my daughter, Gillian, joined us as proud Cornell alumni at Commencement this year. However, President Rawlings's remarks about the university's response to 9/11 left me deeply disappointed. While his discussion of the impact of that day's events on the Class of 2003 and the Cornell community was certainly appropriate, his comments failed to recognize that his audience included men and women who had, on the preceding day, sworn to do all in their power to insure that a repeat of 9/11 never occurs: the newly commissioned officers of Cor-

nell's ROTC programs.

Candlelight vigils and commitments to openness are fine, but they truly pale in comparison to raising your right hand and swearing to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic," particularly at a time when that oath might well place you in harm's way. Perhaps I'm overly sensitive since both my sons are ROTC graduates, one on active duty and one in reserve status. It didn't seem too much to expect that President Rawlings would include in his remarks some recognition of those who have pledged to give their lives, if necessary, so that he and the rest of the Cornell community might meet by candlelight any time they wish.

Lawrence Boyd Jr. '71, MEng '72
Shaker Heights, Ohio

In Praise of Professor Bernstein

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Raina Perlmutter '81
Cedarhurst, New York

Correction

IN A PROFILE OF ALVIN ROSENFELD '66, we called him a child psychologist; he is a psychiatrist (May/June 2003). Also, the '66 class column stated that Dr. Rosenfeld "has a new book entitled *Raising the September 11 Generation*"; he says, "That was an editorial in the *Chicago Tribune* about my books on the first anniversary of 9/11, saying that they carried an important message for the country."

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Head off to spring training with Glenn Altschuler, Professor of American Studies and Dean of the School of Continuing Education and Summer Sessions. He'll take us to ballparks and behind the scenes in Arizona's flourishing Cactus League, where twelve major leagues prepare for the season each March. We'll have terrific seats for three games, and we'll be based in Scottsdale's Millennium Resort McCormick Ranch.

Bibliophile's Boston: The Great Libraries and Collections April 14-18, 2004

Led by Sarah Thomas, presiding officer of the Cornell library system, and Peter Hirtle, Director for Instruction and Learning in the Division of Research and Information Services, we'll enjoy great libraries, collections, books, and buildings, meet curators and librarians, learn about the latest technologies, and tour several of the most splendid reading rooms in the nation. From our headquarters at the Inn at Harvard, we'll also have ample time to stroll the streets of Cambridge and Harvard Square.

The Play's the Thing: London Theatre May 9-16, 2004

For centuries, London has been synonymous with great theatre. Cornell professor and Artistic Director David Feldshuh, along with Professor Glenn Altschuler, will be our guides to the London stage, where we'll be seeing six plays in all, including productions at the Royal National Theatre and in the West End. We'll be lodged at the Radisson Mountbatten, perfectly set between the theatre district and Covent Garden.

The World of Art in London May 16-23, 2004

We'll explore, discover, and enjoy the full montage of the art world: the places for which great works of art were made, the galleries and auction houses which still sell them, and the museums which display the very best of them all. Frank Robinson, a nationally respected authority on European art and the Director of Cornell's Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, will guide us throughout.

For the Birds: Spring Migrations in Ithaca May 20-23, 2004

More than 120 different kinds of birds migrate to and through Ithaca in spring, and a good birder can see and hear more than 100 of them in a twenty-four hour period. Led by ornithologist nonpareil Charlie Smith, we'll form our own flock to find, follow, observe, and enjoy the 2004 spring migration. Our forays will include treks through Sapsucker Woods, McLean Bog, and the Ringwood Preserve.

Life, Wildlife, and Natural Habitats of Iceland June 5-18, 2004

Warmed by the Gulf Stream and twenty hours of sunlight, Iceland's cities and towns sparkle with lovely people, good food, delightful inns, and immaculate villages. Led by Tim Gallagher, editor of *Living Bird* magazine, and Olafur Nielsen, a leading Icelandic ornithologist, we'll savor Iceland's springtime pleasures, roam its coasts and national parks, savor its unique geological landscapes, and observe its splendid variety of birds at their busiest season.

History and Horticulture in the Hudson Valley June 13-18, 2004

Our land cruise along New York's flowering Hudson will be led by CAU favorites Stuart Blumin, professor of American history, and Donald Rakow, professor of horticulture and director of Cornell Plantations. From our home base at Hopewell Junction's Le Chambord Inn, we'll set out each day to explore and examine a different area of the valley's cultural and horticultural traditions.

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From the Hill



Can you hear me now? Despite meteorological predictions to the contrary, it didn't rain on May 25, and more than 6,000 graduates received bachelor's and advanced degrees before a crowd of 40,000 well-wishers at the 135th commencement.

Gallery Gala

JOHNSON MUSEUM HITS 30

"NEED MODERN ARCHITECTURE BE SO UGLY?" WAILED one disgruntled grad in a 1973 letter to this magazine, underscoring her feelings by enclosing a photograph of a sewing machine. The occasion was the impending opening of architect I.M. Pei's Johnson Museum of Art, then as now one of the most distinctive fixtures on the Ithaca skyline. Thirty years and 2.5 million visitors later, the love-it-or-hate-it Johnson celebrated its silver anniversary with its critics mostly silent; Pei's bold cantilevered design is now acknowledged as an important piece of museum architecture, and the original collection has more than tripled to 30,000 works. Anniversary celebrations in May featured the cutting of a museum-shaped cake, along with music and dance performances, gallery tours, and—like that opening day three decades ago—rain.

Pardon Our Dust

AFRICANA RENOVATION PLANNED

IN APRIL, THE AFRICANA EXPANSION AND RENOVATION Committee announced they were preparing to submit a renovation proposal to the Board of Trustees. The plan calls for \$3.5 million in improvements to the thirty-four-year-old Africana Center, including expanded office, classroom, and library space and upgrading of the heating system.

Provost Biddy Martin emphasized the "serious need" for renovation of the building, which previously housed a fraternity. "She's the best friend that the Africana Center has ever had," says center director Don Ohadike. Funding for the project was approved by the Board's capital facility and project committee in January, but the project was delayed because detailed plans had not been prepared. Administrators hope construction will be completed by Spring 2004.

Cruelest Month

FOUR STUDENTS DIE IN APRIL

THE CAMPUS WAS RATTLED BY THE NEWS OF FOUR student deaths in April. Graduate student Vinod Kundnani collapsed and died while working in an Olin Hall lab on April 1. Ten days later, Karl Brown '04—who was on academic leave and working at a North Campus eatery—committed suicide by jumping off the Stewart Avenue bridge. On the evening of April 14, Hotel student Kristen Osborne '04 fell three stories in a stairwell at her Collegetown residence. She was airlifted to Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, Pennsylvania, but pronounced dead on arrival. Her death was ruled accidental. On April 28, graduate student Mihoko Kajikawa was found dead in her off-campus residence. The cause of death was ruled suicide.

These incidents raised the number of student deaths during the school year to five. (Graduate student Ritesh Shetty disappeared in September, and his body was discovered in a wooded area in February. An autopsy ruled his death a suicide by hanging.) After Kajikawa's death, President Hunter Rawlings sent an e-mail to all students, asking them to remember that "life is precious and fragile" and encouraging them to seek help if they felt overwhelmed by academic pressure. Support for affected students was offered by Counseling and Psychological Services at Gannett Clinic, the Empathy, Assistance, and Referral Service, Cornell United Religious Work, and other campus counseling and advising offices.

In the House

BRANN TO LEAD ALICE COOK HOUSE

UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS HAVE ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT of Ross Brann, chairman of the Department of Near Eastern Studies, as the first West Campus house professor and dean. Brann and his family will live with 350 upper-level students in Alice H. Cook House, the first of five buildings proposed in the \$200 million West Campus Residential Initiative. The house is named for Alice Hanson Cook, the late feminist scholar and ILR professor who also served as the University's first ombudsman in 1969. Groundbreaking took place April 28, and the house should be open by fall.



Ross Brann

The goal of the new house system is to more closely link academics with residential life. According to Isaac Kramnick, vice provost for undergraduate education, each live-in house professor and dean will be responsible for providing "intellectual and social direction" to student residents. Brann, the Konvitz professor of Judeo-Islamic studies, said that "this venture represents the most significant re-casting of the undergraduate experience in the history of Cornell."

In the Meantime...

INTERIM ARTS DEAN NAMED

IN MAY, PROVOST BIDDY MARTIN APPOINTED PHYSICS department chairman G. Peter Lepage interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. In the wake of the July 2002 resignation of former Arts dean Philip Lewis, a search committee was named to find his replacement. Four finalists—all from outside the university—were identified, and on April 9, President Hunter Rawlings and President-elect Jeffrey Lehman offered the position to Robert Fefferman, the former chair of mathematics at the University of Chicago. Fefferman declined the post, deciding to remain at Chicago, where he will become the dean of physical sciences. The search has been reopened, and Lepage will serve a one-year term as interim dean.



Peter Lepage



Back in Space

CU ASTRONAUT RETURNS TO ORBIT

IN LATE APRIL, ASTRONAUT EDWARD LU '84 TRAVELED TO the international space station aboard a Russian Soyuz spacecraft. With the grounding of the U.S. shuttle fleet after the *Columbia* disaster, the Soyuz is the only vehicle for trips to and from the station. Lu, who studied electrical engineering and was a member of the wrestling team, is a veteran of space travel, having made two previous trips aboard the shuttle *Atlantis*. He and Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malenchenko will remain in orbit for six months, maintaining the space station until shuttle missions can resume.

R&D

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

Molecular biology and genetics professor George Hess has invented a laser-based technique to study signal transmission between nerve cells. The process could improve drug design and testing for neurological disorders including epilepsy.

In the search to reduce the cost of "green" plastic, chemistry and chemical biology professor Geoffrey Coates has found a chemical method for synthesizing the biodegradable polymer PHB. His method would replace the more costly, energy-intensive biological process.

Even children with blood-lead levels at the government-accepted standard of 10 mcg/dl developed intellectual impairment, says human development researcher Charles Henderson. Such children had IQ scores about seven points lower than those with lead levels of 1 mcg/dl.

Materials science researchers have designed a porous ceramic structure that sorts proteins by size and magnetic charge. The technique will allow researchers to separate a single protein from among the thousands found in blood, says lead investigator Ulrich Wiesner.

Despite the high cost of self-insurance, when disability payments and absenteeism are included in the calculation of expenses, the cost of poor employee health is greater than that of providing health insurance, finds an Institute for Health and Productivity Studies analysis.

Natural disease resistance in crop plants may be enhanced through modification of a gene discovered by Boyce Thompson Institute researchers. Amplifying the gene's effects may protect plants from pathogens without pesticides, says lead author Daniel Klessig.

Thirty-six percent of restaurateurs named human resources as their number one concern, found Hotel School professor Cathy Enz in a survey of restaurant managers. Despite the sluggish economy, finding and keeping skilled workers remains a problem.

A Dip in the Pool

APPLICATION NUMBERS FALL

DORIS DAVIS, ASSOCIATE PROVOST FOR admissions and enrollment, reported in May that applications fell 5 percent this year, from 21,500 in 2002 to 20,445 in 2003. The overall admit rate rose to 31 percent, up from 28 percent last year. Davis blamed a "sluggish economy" for the dip, and noted that the class of 2007 was more diverse than ever, both racially and geographically. "The quality of the applicant pool," she said, "remains excellent."



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CHILDREN'S BOOKS DONATED

WITH HELP FROM SCHOLASTIC INC., THE CORNELL UNIVERSITY Library was able to distribute 11,000 children's books to area schools and libraries this spring. The gift was made possible by Kevin McEnergy '70, MBA '71, the executive vice president and CFO of Scholastic. McEnergy is a member of the Cornell Library Advisory Council and the Cornell Alumni Magazine Committee. More than 200 libraries and organizations in Central New York received the books, and the Family Reading Partnership coordinated distribution to agencies that serve low-income families.

Diet Rebel

DR. ROBERT ATKINS, 72

ROBERT ATKINS, MD '55, THE DIET DOCTOR WHOSE HIGH-protein weight loss regimen challenged nutritional orthodoxy, died April 17 from injuries sustained in a fall. He gained fame in 1972 with *Dr. Atkins' Diet Revolution*, which advocated a menu laden with protein and sharply limited carbohydrates; the plan was vigorously attacked by the American Medical Association, but his ideas became the focus of renewed popularity, and controversy, in recent years. "I want to eradicate obesity and diabetes," Atkins said in March. "I believe God wants me to do that."

Casualty of War

ELIZABETH NEUFFER, 46



ALESSANDRA SERTLUC

ON MAY 8, ELIZABETH NEUFFER '78, veteran foreign correspondent and reporter for the *Boston Globe*, became the thirteenth journalist to die in Iraq since hostilities began. She was traveling on the highway between Baghdad and Tikrit when her vehicle struck a guardrail, killing Neuffer and her interpreter; the car's driver survived. Neuffer studied history on the Hill before embarking on an award-winning journalism career that took her into many of the world's most dangerous corners. "Elizabeth was far more than an outstanding journalist," said *Globe* foreign editor James Smith. "She wanted to make the world a better place." Neuffer's 2001 book, *The Key to My Neighbor's House*, explored war

crimes tribunals in the wake of ethnic violence in Rwanda and Bosnia. "It's important in all war zones to show great compassion when you're interviewing," she told *Cornell Alumni Magazine* in May 2002, after returning from Afghanistan. "You receive their stories, their pain, and their agony."

A Few Too Many

ALCOHOL-FREE
"WELCOME WEEKEND"

AFTER DRUNKEN MELEES IN COLLEGETOWN kept Ithaca police officers working overtime during freshman orientation week last August, Ithaca mayor Alan Cohen '81 warned Cornell students and officials that "something has to change." In response, the Office of the Dean of Students is promoting a five-day calendar of alcohol-free events that will follow a shortened orientation week. The new "Welcome Weekend" will run from Wednesday, August 27, to Sunday, August 31, and will include a roster of late-night events open to the entire university, not just incoming freshmen. The idea is to encourage non-alcoholic entertainment options for returning students, and weary Ithaca officials and Collegetown neighbors are all for it. Says Cohen: "I hope this is the start of a new tradition at Cornell."

Give My Regards To . . .

These Cornellians in the News

Charles Dickens scholar **Brian Rosenberg '77**, named the sixteenth president of Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Plant biology professor **June Nasrallah**, astrophysics professor **Saul Teukolsky**, University of Michigan space scientist **Lennard Fisk '65**, Duke University statistician **James Berger '71**, PhD '74, Massachusetts Institute of Technology astrophysicist **Paul Schechter '68**, and **William Schlesinger, PhD '76**, elected to the National Academy of Sciences.

Abigail Krich '04 and **Summer Oakes '04**, awarded \$5,000 Udall Scholarships to pursue their interest in environmental policy. Classmates **Stephanie Horowitz** and **Garrett Meigs** earned honorable mentions.

Cooperative Extension's **Environmental Inquiry**, awarded the EPA's Environmental Quality Award, the agency's highest honor. The program engages high school students in research projects around the state.

Lawrence Halprin '39, awarded the first Design Medal by the American Society of Landscape Architects.

Richard Olcott '77, BArch '79, named a Rome Prize fellow by the American Academy in Rome, and **M. Paul Friedberg '53**, awarded the Building Stone Institute's second annual James Daniel Bybee Prize.

History professor **Michael Steinberg**, awarded a Guggenheim fellowship and a Berlin Prize to research a book tentatively titled *Judaism and Generations in German Europe*.

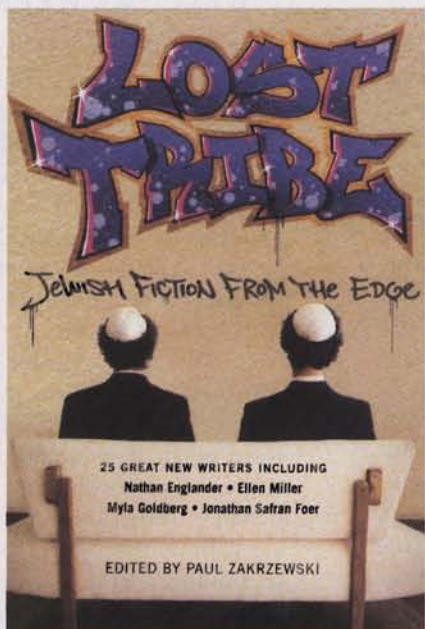
German and comparative literature professor **Peter Hohendahl** and chemical biology professor **Paul Houston**, elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Journalist **Alan MacRobert '72**, recognized by the International Astronomical Union with asteroid 10373 MacRobert, named in his honor.

Ecology and evolutionary biology professor **Jed Sparks**, awarded a five-year, \$500,000 grant from the NSF's Faculty Early Career Development program.

Professor **Neil Ashcroft**, honored with a Bridgman Award for his work in high pressure physics.

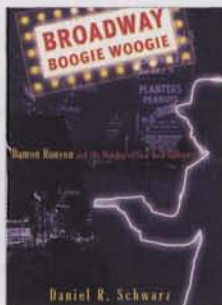
Lauren Jacobs '05, **Ifunanya Maduka '04**, **Jennifer Harber '03**, and **Rebecca Vichiniac '04**, recipients of the 2003 Robinson-Appel Humanitarian Award. Each received \$1,500 to further a self-initiated community service project.



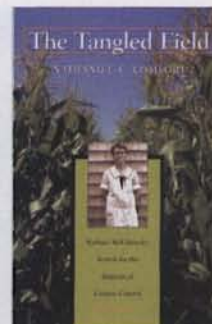
In Brief

LOST TRIBE: JEWISH FICTION FROM THE EDGE, edited by Paul Zakrzewski '90 (Harper-Collins). Zakrzewski, a writer, editor, director of literary programs for the Jewish Community Center in Manhattan, and contributor to *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, features an anthology of fiction by twenty-five young writers that touches on religious intolerance, the legacy of the Holocaust, sex, identity, and other themes of contemporary Jewish life. It includes work by such critically acclaimed authors as Gary Shteyngart, Nathan Englander, Ellen Miller, and Jonathan Safran Foer.

BROADWAY BOOGIE WOOGIE by Daniel R. Schwarz (Palgrave Macmillan). The Stephen H. Weiss Presidential Fellow and professor of English at Cornell examines Damon Runyon's role in creating the public images of New York City culture and his influence on such underworld depictions as the *Godfather* films and "The Sopranos."



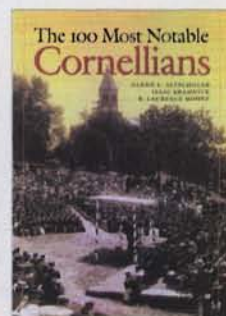
THE TANGLED FIELD by Nathaniel C. Comfort, MS Ag '90 (Harvard University). Barbara McClintock '23, PhD '27, discovered mobile genetic elements in 1946, but she didn't receive the Nobel Prize for her work until thirty-seven years later. Comfort replaces the story we think we know—a cautionary tale of the exclusion of women from science—with a biography that restores the dignity of agency to a vigorous and exceptional scientist.



USONIA, NEW YORK: BUILDING A COMMUNITY WITH FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT by Roland Reisley '46 with John Timpone (Princeton Architectural Press). After World War II, a group of idealistic families engaged Frank Lloyd Wright to design a cooperative community near Pleasantville, New York. Reisley, an early member of Usonia (and still a resident), gives an account of the events and problems as the group creates its utopian vision with the help of America's most famous and outspoken architect.



THE 100 MOST NOTABLE CORNELLIANs by Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76, Isaac Kramnick, and R. Laurence Moore (Cornell University). Three faculty members profile the lives of alumni who have left their mark on various fields. From Janet Reno to Pop Warner, from E. B. White to Christopher Reeve, the choices reflect the wide variety of distinction achieved by Cornellians. (Excerpted in the May/June 2003 CAM.)



DIVERSITY IN AMERICA: KEEPING GOVERNMENT AT A SAFE DISTANCE by Peter H. Schuck '62 (Harvard University). The United States is not only the most diverse nation in history, but the first nation to celebrate diversity as a political ideal. A Yale law professor examines how Americans understand diversity, how we came to embrace it, how government regulates it, and how we can manage it better.



Recently Published

Fiction

THIEF OF WORDS by John Jaffe, pen name of Jody Jaffe '76 and her husband John Muncie (Warner Books). A romantic story about two middle-aged people who discover a second chance at love through the magic of words.

P by Andrew Lewis Conn '95 (Soft Skull Press). A debut novel, inspired by Joyce's *Ulysses* and Sterne's *Tristram Shandy* and set in Manhattan's demimonde, by a contributor to *Film Comment* and *Time Out New York*.

Non-fiction

AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN AND HIV/AIDS by Ednita M. Wright and Dorie J. Gilbert (Praeger). The assistant dean of students for diversity education and outreach co-edits a volume that addresses the needs of the most disenfranchised and least accurately represented population affected by AIDS.

UNCERTAIN SCIENCE . . . UNCERTAIN WORLD by Henry N. Pollack '58 (Cambridge University). An examination of uncertainty in various contexts, from the laboratory to the stock market to the battlefield, with special attention on the issue of global climate change.

DEATH OF A DISCIPLINE by Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak, PhD '67 (Columbia University). A professor, literary theorist, and translator of Jacques Derrida declares the death of comparative literature as we know it, while sounding a call for the field's renewal.

GUEST APPEARANCES AND OTHER TRAVELS IN TIME AND SPACE by Peter I. Rose, PhD '59 (Swallow Press). A Smith College professor reflects on the formative experiences and adventures that led him to a fascination with sociology.

TOUCHING FEELING: AFFECT, PEDAGOGY, PERFORMATIVITY by Eve Kosofsky Sedgwick '71 (Duke University). A pioneer in queer theory explores emotion and expression and offers non-dualistic approaches to pedagogy.

WOODROW WILSON AND HARRY TRUMAN: MISSION AND POWER IN AMERICAN POLICY by Anne R. Pierce '78 (Praeger). An exploration of the way these presidents combined reverence for the past with innovative policies, revealing Truman's brilliance as a foreign-policy strategist and spokesman for American ideals.

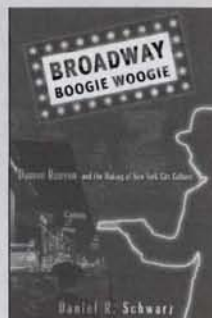


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HORSEPLAY Funny Cide, the first New York-bred horse to win the Kentucky Derby, has some Cornell connections. The gelding was born on the Saratoga Springs family farm of **Mike McMahon '93**, who arranged the deal that brought Funny Cide from New York to Kentucky. Mike and his wife, Natanya, operate McMahon Bloodstock LLC in Lexington, Kentucky. In addition, **Low Titterton '66** is a member of Sackatoga Stables, a group of friends from Sackets Harbor and Saratoga Springs who bought Funny Cide last year for \$75,000. The winner's share of the Kentucky Derby purse was \$800,200. Funny Cide went on to win the Preakness, but fell short of the Triple Crown by finishing third in the Belmont Stakes.

GO FIGURE On the ice, Cornell has a well-established name when it comes to hockey—and now the Big Red is gaining attention in figure skating as well. In its first appearance at the National Collegiate Figure Skating Championship, Cornell won the team title despite not having a coach. Led by co-captains **Robin Abraham '03** and **Kendra Floods '03**, the Big Red topped a nine-team field at the event, held March 28–29 at the University of Denver, beating defending champion Delaware by 7.5 points.



Funny Cide

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LAX CHAMPS Sarah Averson '03 closed her Cornell lacrosse career with an eight-goal performance, leading the team to a 14-8 win over Massachusetts and its second ECAC title in four years. A unanimous first-team All-Ivy pick, Averson fell one goal short of Cornell's single-game scoring record. **Allison Schindler '06** collected a pair of assists against UMass to finish the season with 28, one better than the previous school record set by **Linda Miller '84** in her senior year.

RUGGED The Women's Rugby Football Club continued its winning ways in 2003, grabbing its fourth straight Upstate New

York title. The team has racked up seven straight undefeated fall seasons and seven consecutive New York State Women's Division I Primer Championships. Coached by **Bruce Church '86**, PhD '94, and captained by fly-half Kate Blackledge '05, the Big Red shut out Buffalo State (18-0) and Union (22-0) before downing Binghamton (13-3) for the title. The defense was backstopped by open-side flanker **Melinda Martin '03**, 8-man **Tarah Rowse '03**, and blind-side flanker **Martha Klein '03**. Cornell's Division II team recorded shutouts in the quarterfinals and semifinals before losing 10-5 to Rensselaer in the title match.



SPORTS INFO

Sarah Averson

Big Game

April 26, 2003

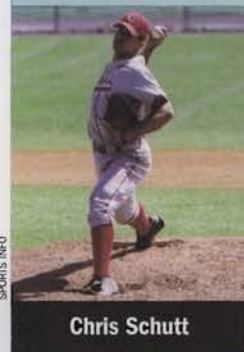
The men's varsity heavyweight crew claimed the Carnegie Cup by defeating Princeton and Yale on the Cayuga Inlet. The Big Red recorded a time of 5:50.7 to finish 1.3 seconds ahead of the Tigers, with the Eli shell trailing by another 3.8 seconds. It was Cornell's first win in the event since 1991. "We had flat water and great conditions," said rower **John Lipros '04**. "It was tight the whole way, but we started pulling away at the end."



SPORTS INFO

FOUR IN A ROW The women's polo team won its fourth straight national championship (and eleventh overall) with a 19-15 win over Colorado State. All-American **Marisa Bianchi '04** led the way with 11 goals for the Big Red, who finished the season 17-2-1. The men's team reached the national semifinals, where it lost to Colorado State 19-18 despite 10 goals from **Senter Johnson '04**.

SPRING STARS A pair of Cornell athletes earned top Ivy League awards for their 2003 seasons. **Ryan McClay '03** was named the men's lacrosse Player of the Year, in addition to earning first-team All-Ivy honors for the third straight season, the second unanimously. A defender, McClay is the first Big Red player since **Paul Schimoler '89** to earn the Player of the Year laurels and the first Big Red player to earn three first-team All-Ivy nods since **Eamon McEneaney '77**. McClay was joined on the All-Ivy first team by **Sean Greenhalgh '05**. On the baseball diamond, **Chris Schutt '04** was honored as the Ivy League Pitcher of the Year after leading the league with 89 strikeouts, including 45 in five Ivy starts. Schutt, who also started 28 games in center field, recorded a 1.89 earned run average in 62 innings. He was a unanimous first-team All-Ivy pick.



Chris Schutt

COACHING CHANGE The Big Red hockey team will have a different look behind the bench as it defends its Ivy League and ECAC titles in 2003-04. Assistant coach **Jamie Russell** has returned to his alma mater

to take over the head coaching position at Michigan Tech. Russell joined the Cornell staff in 1999 and worked closely with the defensive unit that led the country with 1.36 goals allowed per game last season.

HEPS SWEEP The men's and women's track and field teams made it four-for-four as Cornell became the first school to sweep both the indoor and outdoor Heptagonal meets. **Katy Jay '03** paced the women's team to the outdoor title with four first-place finishes as Cornell won nine events. The men counted on depth, scoring in nearly every event to edge Princeton by three points for the outdoor title despite winning just one event.

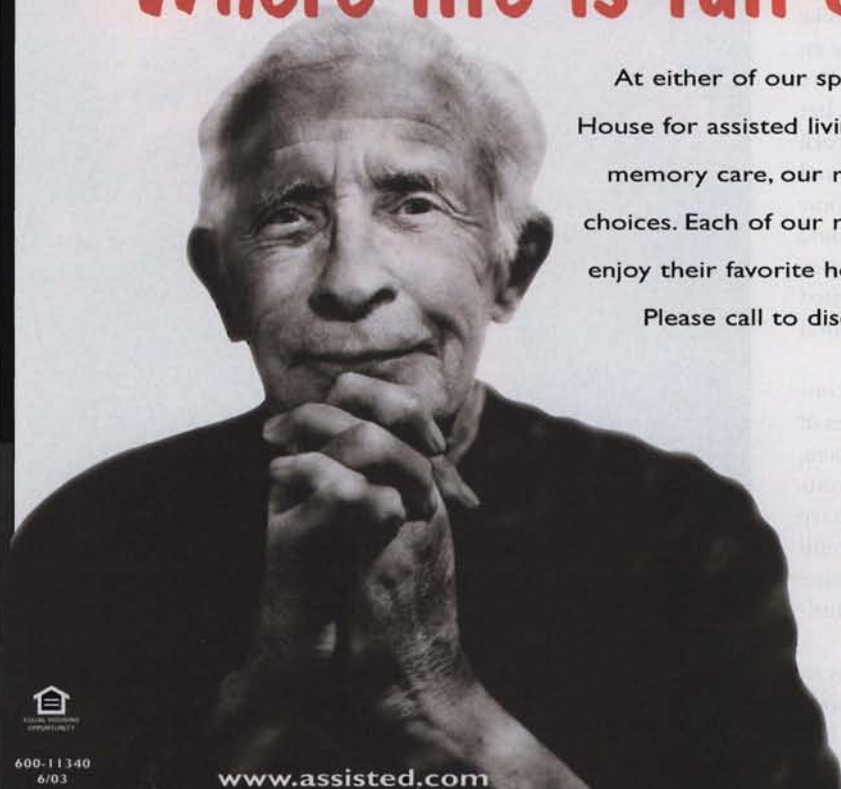
FAMILY FUND Former Cornell hockey player **Mike Tallman '90** was seriously injured in a pickup hockey game on April 24, resulting in paralysis below his waist. The long-term prognosis is unknown, and Tallman's family faces immediate and mounting costs for his care. The Tallman Family Fund has been established to be used at the family's discretion for expenses such as rehabilitation, wheelchairs, and home and vehicle renovations. Checks can be sent to: Tallman Family Fund, c/o Kim Jones, 3079 Scioto Trace, Columbus, OH 43221. For more information, e-mail: tallmanfund@aol.com.



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Finding Her Voice

SOPRANO FORGES SECOND CAREER AFTER ACCIDENT

aS AN UNDERGRAD, SUSAN DAVENNY Wyner '65 was a shy violinist and violist writing an honors thesis on the poetry of Wallace Stevens and performing with the university orchestra and chorus—not pursuits likely to put her in the spotlight. But when voice professor Barbara Troxel heard her sing, she dragged Wyner onto the stage and into a career as a soloist. Throughout the 1970s, the Cleveland native performed under the direction of world-renowned conductors such as André Previn, Leonard Bernstein, and Colin Davis. New music was composed especially for the rich, expressive soprano that Wyner describes as “my soul’s personal voice.”

And then it was gone. Wyner was riding her bike in Central Park in April 1983 when a driver made an illegal turn and sent her crashing to the ground. Her helmet saved her life, but her back was fractured, her skin peeled from her face, and her teeth knocked back in her head. But the worst injuries were invisible: head trauma and muscle damage had left her unable to hear and control her voice as she had before. Wyner could still speak, but she feared her musical career was over—until three years later, when she was invited back to the Hill to teach voice and conduct a choral concert.

The experience sparked a second career as a conductor, with Wyner going on to lead performances of the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Boston Lyric Opera, and the Cleveland Orchestra, among others. Soloists such as Emmanuel Ax and Richard Stoltzman have responded to the gestures of her strong and graceful hands, and critics have been passionate in their praise: “A galvanizing presence.” “Rousing and joyous.” “Musically and emotionally fearless.”

When Wyner first picked up the baton, it was an epiphany as great as the one she’d experienced when she first took the stage as a singer. Suddenly, she had found a voice again, one even richer and more complex than the one she had lost. “Through conducting,



COURTESY OF THE NEW ENGLAND STRING ENSEMBLE

‘Vehicle for the music’: Susan Davenny Wyner at the podium

Tea For Two

THE CHEN BROTHERS UPDATE AN ANCIENT TRADITION

There is nothing traditional about the Old Teahouse on Dryden Road. At ten o'clock on a Saturday night, a line of students spills out the door while inside Asian techno-pop blares from speakers and music videos flash on flat-screen TVs. As they wait for their orders, customers lean on a curved wooden counter or sit on oversized footstools. "The East Coast hasn't experienced the teahouse concept yet," says Richard Chen '01, who runs the business with brother John '98. "We wanted to bring something new to Collegetown."

The shop's most popular drink is bubble tea—fruit-flavored green or black tea served cold and mixed with tapioca balls the size of marbles. The drinks come with wide, neon-colored straws used to suck up the sweet, chewy beads. The beverage, which originated in Taiwan, has soared in popularity over the last decade. "You see a tea shop on every single block," says Richard, who conceived the business plan as a sophomore in the Hotel school. "The trend is as big as Starbucks is in the U.S." John, an architect, designed the neutral-colored, Zen-inspired interiors of their five teahouses. In two years, the business has expanded from Collegetown to UC Davis, UC Berkeley, SUNY Binghamton, and the Appel Commons on North Campus. The Dryden Road shop averages 400–500 customers daily, and altogether the five stores serve close to 2,250 each day.

The shop's logo incorporates the Chinese character meaning "old," commonly used in Taiwanese signs because of its connotation of something familiar, and the double-sided menu is written in both Chinese and English. In addition to drinks flavored with such Asian favorites as mango, passionfruit, lychee, and taro root, the teahouse offers loganberry, malted, and coffee. Prices range from \$2 to \$3—cash only.

The Chens travel to Taiwan every few months to stay abreast of the latest trends. Sampling hundreds of tea varieties, they try to mediate between Asian and American tastes to select new products. "It's difficult for Americans to become accustomed to teas from China because they're bitter and have a stronger taste," says Richard. "Some have more aroma than others. Tea is like wine, except it's been around longer."



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— Lauren McSherry '02

I could enter huge dimensions that a single human voice can't," says Wyner in a voice that trembles, in part because of permanent damage from the accident and in part because she can barely contain her emotion at the memory. "When I got up in front of the eighty-voice choir, I couldn't believe that the inner-focused, shy person that I was just exploded."

Wyner was hooked. When the group practiced songs in other languages, she put on funny accents to get them into the spirit of the piece. Childhood dance training made it easier for her to express herself in the physical language of conducting. "I had always been an atypical singer because I entered music through instrumental work—piano, violin, viola—and only came to singing in an accidental way," she says. "Any time I performed with Bernstein or Previn, I was bringing my fascination with the orchestra as an organism. My analytic sense was as aware as a conductor's, but never with the sense that I would be on the podium."

She had the right sensibility, but there was still much she needed to learn—and unlearn. "My body had always felt so much a part of the magic that one embodies as a singer, with one's eyes and every gesture," says Wyner, who is featured in the Library of Congress's 2003 "Women Who Dare" calendar. "One of the most interesting things I had to learn as a conductor was that I was simply a vehicle for the music. It felt very strange to me to have my back to the audience, and I had to simply get used to it. I learned to put out any kind of energy that I had toward the group that was making music."

The sympathy and patience of her performers ("I really was learning as I went," she confesses), the praise of critics, and a quick succession of fellowships and awards made her journey easier, but her most important collaborator has been her husband, pianist/composer/conductor Yehudai Wyner. The two met during the early years of her singing career, and they often performed together. "I miss making music

with him the way we could before the accident," she says. "He misses my singing because it meant so much to him and he wrote so many pieces for me. But now he has written pieces for me to conduct, and we've performed together in this new way. It has evolved into an even deeper communication."

"Communication" is a recurring motif in Wyner's conversation. Her second career seems to be driven not so much by professional goals—though she's experiencing success as the director of both the New England String Ensemble and Ohio's Warren Philharmonic Orchestra—but by the urge to connect. She talks about linking audience and orchestra, musician and conductor, herself and her emotions. "As a soloist, your voice is the instrument, and you are so close to the music's soul, but the process of working with an orchestra is creating bonds," she says. "Together, you're exploring the deepest dimensions of feeling."

— C.A. Carlson '93, MFA '96

Power of Suggestion

PROF EXAMINES CHILDREN'S TESTIMONY

STEPHEN CECI DOESN'T TESTIFY in court unless he's been subpoenaed, and that's happened only once in his twenty-five-year career. An authority on the reliability of children in the courtroom, Ceci is an attractive expert witness for attorneys hoping to bolster their client's case. But the human development professor always refuses, saying

such work could compromise his studies. "I think it makes for bad science," says Ceci. "I like to do basic research and then leave it to advocates to decide if it's appropriate to use that research and if so, how. The lawyers fight it out in court and they may or may not use my research, but I don't get involved on either team."

Ceci's most recent studies examine a

thorny question in legal circles: will a child who's had a traumatic experience change her story when lawyers, police officers, judges, caseworkers, or other adults investigating and prosecuting a crime ask suggestive or misleading questions? Working with graduate student Tomoe Kanaya and Matthew Scullin, PhD '01, Ceci developed a Video Suggestibility Scale for Children (VSSC). In the test, which gauges preschoolers' ability to stick to their stories, kids watch a brief movie of a birthday party where a fire alarm goes off, a present gets broken, and a guest drops cake. Then the children answer eighteen questions about what they've seen. Nine of the questions are neutral, while the rest introduce errors. "They might say something like, 'When Sharon dropped the cake, did she do it on purpose or was it an accident?'" says Ceci. "And maybe in the video it wasn't Sharon who dropped the cake, it was Susan." After the interview, the researcher tells the child there were a few mistakes, and they go over the questions again. "We look at how many times they shift from their original answer to a new answer. That's called the shift measure; it's a measure of compliance."

The team found a high correlation between scores on the VSSC and children's responses to suggestive questioning in other arenas. But the scale isn't yet available commercially, and it may never be. "We've gotten it to work for kids as young as four-and-a-half," says the professor. The team hopes to extend its reliability to younger children, and also plans to look into its usefulness assessing children with developmental disabilities and those in the juvenile criminal justice system. "If it did work, it would come with suggestions, caveats, and instructions for practitioners," says Ceci, the author of *Jeopardy in the Courtroom: A Scientific Analysis of Children's Testimony*. "The measure is one we hope will alert not only law enforcement, but also child protective services, to children who may need to be interviewed especially carefully."

And while some youngsters may require special treatment in order to preserve their testimony, Ceci hopes his work won't be used to bar them from the courtroom. "I don't feel that any child's testimony should be excluded: let them testify under oath, except in those very rare cir-

Rising Star

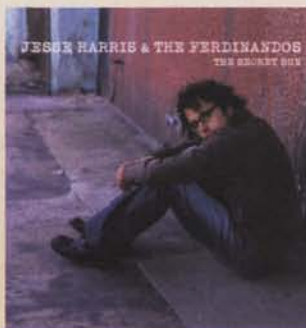
JESSE HARRIS DOES WHAT HE WANTS

at the Grammy awards ceremony in February, comedian Robin Williams held the horn-shaped trophy to his ear and said, "Listen—you can actually hear careers ending." For singer-songwriter Jesse Harris '91, the message was quite different: he could hear his career taking off.

Harris won the Song of the Year award, besting Bruce Springsteen and Alan Jackson with "Don't Know Why," the hit single from Norah Jones's debut CD, *Come Away with Me*. In all, Jones's disc, on which Harris played guitar and contributed five songs, took home eight Grammys. The resulting wave of publicity pushed Harris and his band, the Ferdinandos, into the spotlight. "After the Grammys, the record company wanted our album, *The Secret Sun*, to come out as soon as possible," he says. The release date, originally set for mid-summer, was moved up to May 20.

Harris studied classical piano as a child and began playing guitar as a high school senior. He launched his career on the Hill, playing his original songs in the Noyes Center cafeteria, at Willard Straight coffeehouses, and in Collegetown bars. An English major and aspiring novelist, he says writing literary fiction proved too confining. "There were all these rules about character development and plot development. I found a lot more freedom in songwriting. I enjoyed my writing classes, but I decided I was going to write songs and do whatever I wanted."

Harris is a concise writer—his song "What Makes You" has only forty-seven words—but his lyrics are emotionally complex, with as much unsaid as there is stated. (He's not quite sure how that came about, noting that "most of the songwriters I admire are really verbose, like Bob Dylan and Joni Mitchell.") His music is similarly spare, using a couple of guitars, bass, and drums to provide stark settings for his autobiographic tales. Touring with the Ferdinandos to support *The Secret Sun* is the native New Yorker's top priority for now, but he hopes to continue his collaboration with Norah Jones as well. Says Harris: "It's a cool thing."





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cumstances where you can demonstrate that there were severely tainting influences and thus the testimony would be likely to lead to a miscarriage of justice."

But whether children are well served by the legal system is still an open question for the psychologist. "When it comes to dealing with child-related cases," he says, "the adversarial approach is not the right model. It's easy to talk kids in and out of stuff on cross-examination." Instead of focusing on assigning guilt, Ceci suggests children's mental health should be the priority. "Kids can get raked through the mud; they can be ripped out of their homes, neighborhoods, and schools, and put in emergency foster care. It's more

complicated than whether a child was molested or not. Was violence involved? Were there threats? Was there an element of caregiver betrayal? Is there a high-quality foster care alternative? I believe that some non-adversarial procedure is in children's best interest."

Ceci says he tries not to design research projects based on how the results might influence the legal system. But, he says, being the father of three girls does influence how he presents his data. "I don't say, 'Hey, I'm a father and if my children were molested, this work would be used against them, to discredit them,'" he says. "Much later, though, when we've collected and analyzed the data and I'm writing it

up, I try to be careful so I don't give carte blanche to someone to misuse the results."

In addition to his current research on children's memory and suggestibility, Ceci has authored close to 300 articles on topics such as the relationship between school funding and academic achievement and facial recognition at a twenty-fifth reunion. "I've done all sorts of studies—of perfume, peer reviews, letters of reference. Sometimes you just wake up and say, 'What would happen if you put aftershave on a female model? Would men think it was sexy? Would women think Chanel No. 5 on an athlete was masculine?' Crazy ideas, but they intrigue me."

— Sharon Tregaskis

Greek Revival

ISLAND FUNDS LANGUAGE COURSE

Among its benefactors, Cornell counts alumni and friends, corporations and nonprofits, and the State of New York. This spring, the university added the Greek island of Cephalonia to that list, with a \$10,000 gift earmarked to revive modern Greek language instruction on the Hill.

A meeting five years ago sparked the islanders' interest in Cornell. Organizers of an event for Greek expatriates in New York City had invited Gail Holst-Warhaft, PhD '90, to speak on foreign language instruction. During her talk, they learned she had translated the works of Cephallonian poet Nikos Kavadias. Later, when they quizzed her about Cornell's modern Greek program, they learned it had been cut due to budget problems.

Disturbed by the news, the islanders offered to raise money to support courses in modern Greek. They set to work, sending occasional updates on their efforts. Meanwhile, Holst-Warhaft laid the groundwork on campus. With her appointment this year as interim co-director of Cornell's Institute for European Studies, she made modern Greek classes her pet project. She asked Near Eastern studies chair Ross Brann to sponsor the course and spearheaded efforts to establish an endowment. "You can't teach the culture," she says, "without the language."

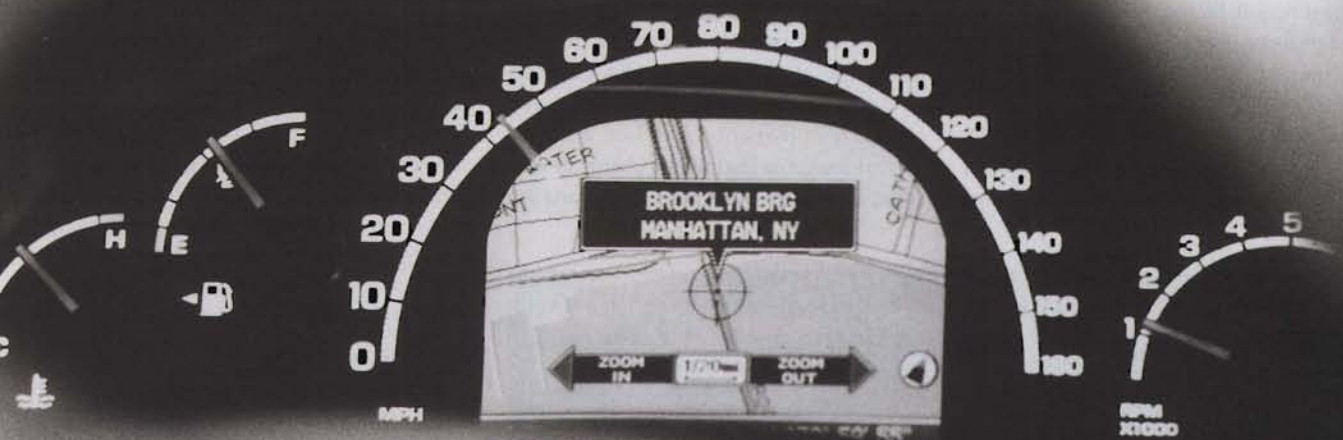
But even Cornellians familiar with the culture craved a better understanding of the language. Kathy Voutsinas '03 learned Greek from her Cephallonian father and northern Greek mother. "I know how to speak the language and understand it," she says, "but I can't write it. I never got any formal teaching." Her plan to study modern Greek on campus was thwarted when she learned that its ancient counterpart, offered through the classics department, was her only option.



This spring, Voutsinas learned the Class of 2007 would have the opportunity she'd missed. Her father let her know after reading an account in a Cephallonian paper, which reported on the February visit of local politician Gerasimos Fortes to campus. During his trip, Fortes, the mayor of Argostoli, Cephalonia's largest city, presented the university with a check for \$10,000. While a three-year pilot program will cost approximately \$80,000, the gift is enough to fund the new course this fall.

During his visit, Fortes met with Holst-Warhaft in New York, where she gave a talk on Kavadias's poems. Then he and three expatriate Cephallonians drove with her to Ithaca. On campus, the group lunched at Banfi's with Arts college dean Philip Lewis and Paulette Manos, deputy mayor of the City of Ithaca. Manos gave a set of books on Tompkins County and Ithaca to Fortes, who presides over the mayoral council of the municipalities of Cephalonia and the nearby island of Ithaca. Later, Fortes presented President Hunter Rawlings with four Greek coins, and Ithaca mayor Alan Cohen '81 arrived just in time to meet his Greek counterpart. Brann described the day's events as festive. "It wasn't dancing on tables," he says, "but it could have been."

— Heather Schroeder '03



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Death with Dignity

OREGON ADVOCATE LEADS DEFENSE OF RIGHT-TO-DIE STATUTE

SARA SINNARD WAS TERMINALLY ill, her heart condition so serious she couldn't talk or even read without excruciating pain. So the sixty-eight-year-old Oregon woman decided to end her life, stockpiling sleeping pills with her husband's blessing. But when the time came to take the medication and place a plastic bag over her head, Sara insisted on doing it herself. She wanted Elven, her husband of forty-nine years, to have an alibi.

"Every time I heard that story, it would bring tears to my eyes," says assisted-dying advocate Barbara Schmid Coombs Lee '70. "The most compelling thing was how he wasn't able to be there—that she sent him

away. He would choke up and say, 'My wife had to die alone. I couldn't be with her, and that's not right.' "

The circumstances of his wife's 1989 death prompted Sinnard to help found Oregon's right-to-die movement, a grassroots effort that has also inspired attempts to put assisted-dying laws on the books in such states as Michigan, Maine, and California. But only Oregon's measure, a citizen initiative passed in 1994, has become law. Now, with a legal challenge from Attorney General John Ashcroft, the statute is in jeopardy. And Lee, a nurse-turned-lawyer, is leading the charge to preserve a measure that some Americans see

as a blessing, others an abomination. "The Oregon Death with Dignity Act has faced many impediments and challenges, and one by one they have been overcome," says Lee. "This Ashcroft directive is just the latest in a long line."

That directive came in November 2001, when Ashcroft issued a memo to the Drug Enforcement Administration essentially nullifying the Oregon law by making it a violation of the Controlled Substances Act to prescribe drugs for the purpose of assisted suicide—the opposite of the position held by his predecessor, Janet Reno '60. The Oregon attorney general countered with a lawsuit alleging that Ashcroft had no standing to dictate medical policy, which is regulated by states. When a U.S. District Court judge ruled in Oregon's favor, the federal government appealed to the Ninth Circuit Court. Oral arguments were held in early May, with a decision expected in July. The case, Lee says, could well wind up before the Supreme Court.

Lee is president of Compassion in Dying, a Portland-based nonprofit that both promotes legal reform and provides practical help to terminal patients in the form of counseling and emotional support. The group, which also advocates more aggressive use of pain medication, aided more than 400 new clients and their families in 2002, fielding 3,000 inquiries from patients in thirty-four states. "We come as close as one can in an illegal environment to integrating the choice of assisted dying into excellent end-of-life care," Lee says. "We don't provide or administer medication. We think that's the way to stay on the right side of the law."

Whether the courts will ultimately agree with Lee and her colleagues, however, is an open question. According to emeritus law professor Larry Palmer, the Supreme Court's unanimous 1997 deci-

'They want a peaceful death,' says Barbara Coombs Lee of terminally ill clients.

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sion in the *Vacco v. Quill* and *Washington v. Glucksberg* cases—in which the justices held that there is no constitutional right to end one's life, though they implied the issue was up to the states—doesn't bode well. "[The right-to-die proponents] think they won, but that's rhetoric," he says. "No judge on the court voted for their position. They said lots of things about the need for pain relief in dealing with terminally ill patients, but no one voted for the position that a doctor could say 'I'm invoking the patient's right to die, so therefore I should be exempt from this criminal law.' No one. It was nine to zero."

Even if the Ninth Circuit sides with Oregon, Palmer notes, the decision could well be overridden on appeal; the Ninth is reversed by the Supreme Court more often than any other circuit court. "The Ashcroft case will turn on a very tricky question of statutory interpretation," says Palmer, whose 2000 book, *Endings and Beginnings: Law, Medicine, and Society*, addresses the legality of assisted suicide. "The main issue is how much discretion the court will give the attorney general in interpreting federal law."

Precedent, he says, is on Ashcroft's side. In *U.S. v. Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative*, the Supreme Court upheld the federal government's injunction against a group supplying medical marijuana, despite a California law allowing its use. Palmer even cites the *Elián Gonzales* case, in which Reno successfully argued that she had the authority to decide the child's fate as the overseer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service—similar to Ashcroft's claim in relation to the DEA. Furthermore, he notes, right-to-die measures have universally failed in legislatures and (with the exception of Oregon) at the ballot box. "If you ask people if they want the right to physician-assisted suicide, they'll say yes," says Palmer, now on the faculty of the Institute for Bioethics, Health Policy, and Law at the University of Louisville. "But when they go to the polls and vote on an actual law, they vote no."

In describing the right she believes belongs to all terminal patients, Lee prefers the terms "assisted dying" and "death with dignity." "Assisted suicide doesn't seem to reflect the thoughtful, considered, rational way people go about this," she says. "They're not choosing to die. They're

choosing the least-worst death available to them. The disease is already killing them. They want the choice of a peaceful death." She goes on to note that the majority of her organization's clients never end their lives; just having the lethal drugs, she says, can be an enormous comfort. "They keep them in the refrigerator, under their pillow, in their dresser drawer. They call it their 'parachute,' their 'safety net,' their 'security blanket.' If they find themselves in their worst nightmare, they know they have a way out."

Lee's passion for the assisted-dying movement stems, in part, from her two decades in medicine. After earning a nursing degree at Cornell's Manhattan campus—she was in one of the last classes before the program was discontinued—Lee became a physician assistant through a program at the University of Washington. "You see good deaths and bad deaths," she says, "and I certainly was impressed by both of them."

Interested in medical policy issues, she earned a law degree at Lewis & Clark, then

became a staffer in the Oregon state legislature, working as counsel to a committee on health care and bioethics. She got involved with the assisted-dying movement after seeing a notice at her church seeking help in drafting what would become Oregon's Measure 16—the ballot initiative that grew from Elven Sinnard's efforts in the wake of his wife's solitary suicide.

As Lee reckons it, about 30 percent of the country is "solidly, immovably opposed" to assisted dying, mainly for religious reasons. Another 30 percent is strongly in favor of the right, without restriction. Lee counts herself as one of the 40 percent in the middle, who support physician-assisted suicide if it's available only to terminally ill people under strict guidelines. "The movement is raising an important issue," says Palmer. "How do people die with dignity in the modern health system? Longevity is extended, and most people are going to die disabled, which wasn't true less than 100 years ago. It's the dark side of medical progress."

—Beth Saulnier

Half Baked

DOT-COM CASUALTY GOES HOLLYWOOD WITH FILM SHORTS

Stephan Paternot '96 isn't even thirty, and he's already made and lost a fortune—and mastered the art of reinventing himself. A co-founder of the now-defunct website *theglobe.com*, Paternot was worth \$97 million at age twenty-four, following the company's much-publicized 1998 IPO. When dot-coms went bust two years later—and the firm was held up as a prime example of over-hyped Internet stock prices—his fortunes took a nosedive. He's since penned a memoir of the experience, *A Very Public Offering*, and now he's on to his next incarnation: movie mogul.

Paternot has produced, financed, and starred in two short films, the most recent of which premiered in New York and L.A. in February. *Wholey Moses* casts Paternot as a purple-haired painter whose medium is . . . frosting. A baker who makes hand-crafted donuts, Stan Moses transforms the much-sought-after pastries into individual works of art. "He's conflicted between making a living on these donuts that people really crave," Paternot told *Fortune*, "and pursuing his artistic passion." The film co-stars Shannyn Sossamon of *A Knight's Tale* as his love interest, a sugar addict, and Linda Hamilton of *Terminator* fame as a French baker. Paternot is now at work adapting *A Very Public Offering* for the big screen.

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Cowboys & Indians

NATIVE AMERICAN ARTIST
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Cowboys figure prominently in the work of Julie Buffalohead. So do chiefs in feather-trimmed head-dresses, the icons of Native American legend, and the Land O'Lakes Indian princess.

As a teen struggling with racism and prejudice in her Minnesota high school, Buffalohead, MFA '01, turned to art. But it wasn't until the painter came to Cornell that she began exploring her identity through her work. "Everything changed for me when I went to grad school," says Buffalohead, who took classes on Native American history and culture and spent hours in the library getting to know the work of other native artists. "I was tired of making paintings and having everything fit into a rectangle. I realized the materials Native American people used attracted me, so I branched out into mixed media." Her recent work incorporates birch bark, porcupine quills, mica, sinew, bones, and beads—the stuff of traditional crafts and the artist's childhood.

Buffalohead traces her roots to the deer clan of the Ponca tribe of

Above: "Nanabozho and Coyote's War Party." Oil on canvas, 51 by 50 inches, 2000.

Below: "Disdain for White Picket Fences" (detail). Ink on birch bark. Series of five 8 by 10-inch panels, 2002.



Oklahoma, but she draws on a range of Native cultures for inspiration. "I wasn't raised on my reservation, and my parents' friends were from all different nations," she says. "I grew up with surrogate families and many nations, so I speak not just for my tribe, but for all kinds of Indian people." Her work has been exhibited throughout Minnesota and at galleries in Arizona, Wisconsin, California, and Iowa. This spring she received a fellowship from the McKnight Foundation, and her latest project, illustrations for a children's book on Sacajaweah penned by Louise Erdrich, will be published this fall.

Buffalohead's "Coyote" series draws on Apache tales of medicine men who transformed themselves into animal forms. But her coyotes are women. In "Coyote Dreams as a Pinup," a voluptuous, scantily clad shape-shifter reclines, head in hand. The "Suburban Evolution" series and "Disdain for White Picket Fences," both painted on birch bark, explore the differences in attitudes of Native Americans and the dominant culture toward land development. "My



"Porcupine Series" (detail). Wax, collage on wood, 12 by 12 inches, 2001.

imagery is so personal it's hard to think about the viewer," she says. "But I try to be provocative. I use stereotypes because Indians didn't have a hand in creating them. It's my way of saying,

'This is not who we are. This is your invention.' But I also use a lot of Indian myths and narratives and characters, so you're presented with what I believe Indians are about."

"Coyote Dreams as a Pinup." Oil on canvas, 40 by 46 inches, 2002.



The Great Paper Chase

STUDENTS ADVOCATE 'TREE-FREE' CAMPUS

COMPUTERS MAY HAVE REVOLUTIONIZED THE WORK world, but not by creating the “paperless” office early proponents suggested. American consumers, just 5 percent of the world’s population, use one-third of its paper. Cornellians consume more than 80 million sheets each year, a demand that requires the felling of close to 7,700 trees. Not only does the logging reduce animal habitat, turning those trees into paper requires more than 700,000 gallons of water, releases 5,000 pounds of toxic chemicals, and uses enough energy to power an average American home for a century.

Hoping to save the trees, Cornell’s student-run Society for Natural Resources Conservation (SNRC) launched an initiative in fall 2001 encouraging the campus community to buy 100 percent post-consumer-waste paper products. According to the group’s estimates, making the switch from virgin paper would save 6,300 trees annually, along with 1,575 cubic yards of landfill space and more than one million pounds of greenhouse gases. “People know that forests are being logged and old growth is disappearing, that 50 percent of landfill space is taken up by paper products,” says SNRC president Stephanie Juice ’04. “But they often don’t connect themselves to the problem. You have to localize it and say, ‘What you do at your office matters—you have the ability to save water, trees, landfill space. You can make more habitat available.’ When you can convince someone that what they do matters, that’s how you make things change.” SNRC member Garrett Meigs ’04 agrees, pointing out that paper choice is more tangible than other environmental considerations. “Everyone’s already buying paper,” says Meigs. “It’s pretty easy to change the buying behavior of individuals.”

Maine’s College of the Atlantic and Indiana University have already made institutional commitments to tree-free paper. But with Cornell’s decentralized administration, SNRC students couldn’t simply meet with one or two key decision-makers, convince them of the importance of a tree-free campus, and assist

with policy implementation. “Getting to know the system itself is a really important first step, and it’s not gratifying because you’re not seeing any change and you’re not seeing that you’re making a difference,” says Meigs. SNRC took a three-pronged approach to the process, using different tactics to reach students, administrators, and the staff members who buy paper. “There are

about 1,200 purchasers on campus,” says Juice. “Every single person has at least four different ways to buy things, and it’s a free market.” And while very large orders must be placed through the university’s purchasing department, most buyers have a great deal of autonomy. So SNRC members began holding workshops to inform purchasers about the environmental costs of virgin paper and answer questions about alternatives.

“There’s still a perception that recycled paper is lower quality, it’s too expensive, it’s going to jam machines,” says Juice. “But the papermaking technology has improved so much that I really can’t tell the difference.” In addition to inviting guest speakers from the natural resources faculty to talk about the importance of generating demand for recycled products, the group provided paper samples for atten-

dees. “They see it’s not brown and it doesn’t have leaves in it. It’s just like normal paper,” says Juice. “Their initial concern is usually, ‘It’s going to jam my machine. I tried it five years ago and it didn’t work.’” That’s when Juice tells them about NetPrint, which prints an average of 30,000 sheets daily in the university’s computer labs, a number that rises to 100,000 during finals. The unit started using recycled paper a year ago. “People didn’t even notice,” she says.

Administrators also worry about cost; prices can be 5 to 10 percent higher, with reams of 100 percent tree-free paper averaging \$2.99. To address such concerns, SNRC launched a usage-reduction effort. “It’s not just changing your purchasing habits but changing your use habits,” says Juice. “Maybe not every e-mail has to be printed, or you can reuse old paper for drafts. NetPrint



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is writing a program that would allow some two-sided printing in the libraries."

This spring, the university print shop, which uses 35 to 40 million sheets of paper annually, switched from 30 percent recycled paper to 100 percent tree-free. "It was costly because we made a commitment not to pass the cost on to our customers," says Cornell Business Services director Tom Romantic, whose unit had already adopted such internal paper reduction measures as double-sided printing. "Environmental issues are something we're dealing with from a university perspective, and we believed this was the right thing to do." Mann Library, Gannett Health Center, and Shoals Marine Lab have also made the switch, as have several departments in Human Ecology and the Ag college. Even before the print shop transition, SNRC estimated that campus departments had saved nearly 200 trees, almost 19,000 gallons of water, and more than 17,000 pounds of solid waste. "One thing that's cool about the initiative is that you can have lots of little victories," says Meigs. "For every department that gets one case to sample, that's a victory. You don't have to get the whole school."

The initiative fits in neatly with SNRC's overall emphasis on forest conservation. The group, a spin-off of the Cornell Greens, has campaigned against commercial logging on public lands and for preservation of the Finger Lakes Forest. They were also active in the fight to convince national office supply superstore Staples Inc. to stop old-growth logging and increase their recycled paper offerings. Last October, Cornell hosted the annual Greening of the Ivies conference, at which a coalition of Ivy League students named the tree-free campaign its top priority. SNRC members provided an organizing handbook and held a panel discussion highlighting their successes and failures. "With the tree-free campaign we're in a really good spot right now," says Meigs. "We have a lot of friends in the university. It took us a while to get to know the system, but now that we do, I can just pick up the phone, call the director of purchasing, and ask a question. We know who to talk to, and they listen to us because we were respectful and patient in the first place."

— Sharon Tregaskis

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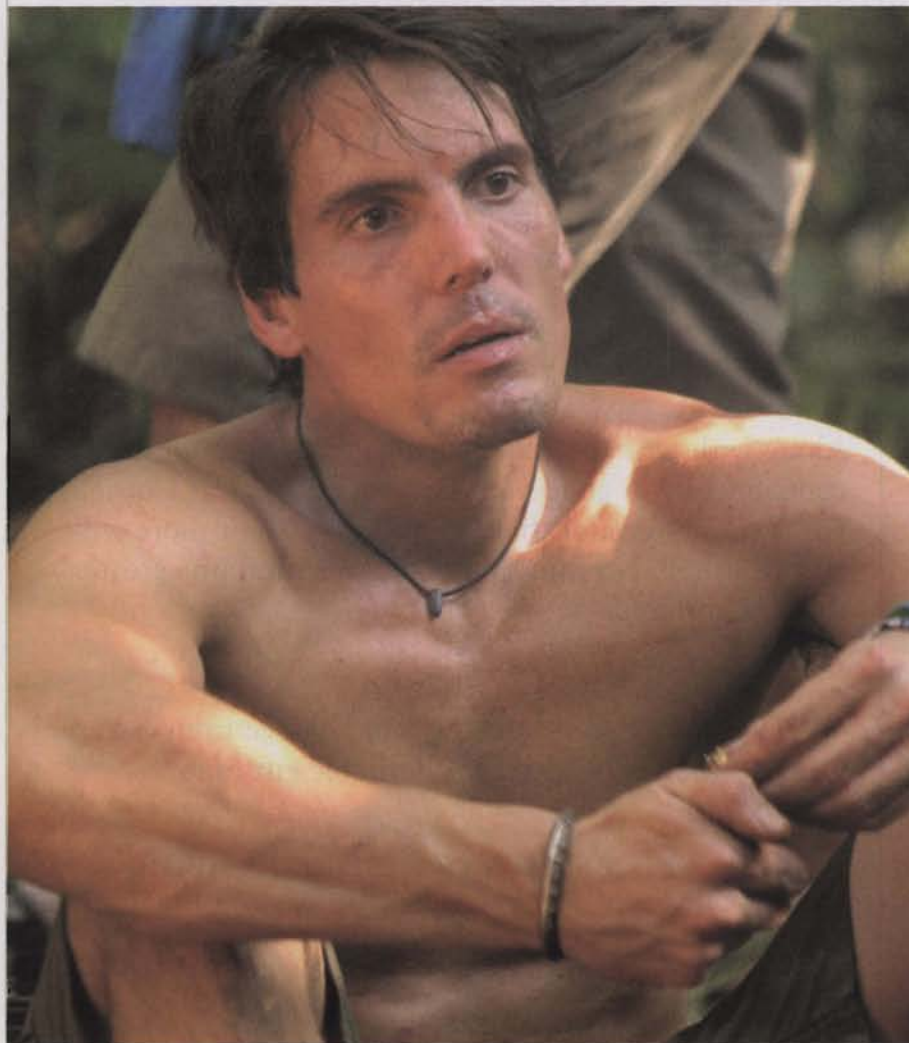
Welcome to the Jungle

HOTELIE SURVIVES THE AMAZON—ON TV

mATTHEW VON ERTFELDA IS a long way from the rainforest. On a sunny May morning, the thirty-three-year-old restaurant design consultant is eating an egg-white frittata at the Parker Meridien Hotel in midtown Manhattan. It's far from the Amazon, where Von Ertfelda '92—goateed and more than twenty pounds thinner—spent thirty-nine exhausting, sweaty, Machiavelian days last fall as a contestant on television's premier reality show.

As one of sixteen participants on "Survivor," the Hotel school grad jockeyed for a \$1 million prize through physical competitions, wilderness skills, and covert deal-making. He and his castmates lived in a makeshift shelter in the jungle, subsisting on whatever they could hunt, fish, or gather. "I tried not to step on anyone's toes and just worked my butt off—building fires, getting water, catching fish," he says. "I wanted to show people I was providing for the tribe."

Machete Matt: 'It's just like high school,' says Von Ertfelda of life on the set.



The show encourages the so-called "Survivors" to cooperate, but it also pits them against each other in a variety of contests, from negotiating a maze blindfolded to knocking an opponent off a spinning log. The winner gains either a reward (a bowl of fresh fruit, a hot shower) or immunity from being "voted off." And therein lies the show's dark side: at the end of every episode, the competitors vote to kick out one person—based not so much on talents or personalities as the alliances they make among themselves.

"Survivor: The Amazon" was the sixth season of the CBS show, and the first to be split by gender; the men and women were initially placed in separate tribes ("Tambaqui" and "Jaburu") that were merged after six competitors were eliminated. Von Ertfelda started off badly. He made alliances with two tribemates who were voted off early on, leaving him friendless and miserable. "It was like I had a bull's-eye on my back," he recalls. It felt, says Von Ertfelda, a lot like his first year in prep school, when he was constantly hazed by the seniors in his dorm. "I would wake up and say, 'God, this is horrible. It's just like high school.' But it was even worse, because it was being broadcast to 23 million people."

Despite Von Ertfelda's early stumbles, the former high school wrestler and football player thrived during the physical competitions. He won immunity by successfully navigating a ropes course and snagged a new Saturn Ion by winning a reward challenge. His penchant for exotic travel also gave him an edge. (His journeys have included tracking cannibals in New Guinea, diving for sunken treasure off Saipan, and hiking the notorious Darien Gap, a lawless jungle between Panama and Colombia known for its poisonous snakes and roving guerrillas.) "Life is an adventure," he says. "I'm always ready to take a risk if I think it's going to result in a cool, positive experience."

Von Ertfelda, who lives in Washington, D.C., and works for Marriott, was born in Hong Kong, studied Mandarin Chinese in Taipei, earned a culinary degree in Paris, and worked as a print model in Asia. In 2002, *People* magazine named him one of its fifty most eligible bachelors, along with Ben Affleck and George Clooney. When he

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decided to take a second stab at "Survivor"—his initial videotape had been rejected—he sent a copy of the magazine along. "I tried to fill the niche I thought they wanted me for," he says. "I was going to be the arrogant, conceited Ivy League guy. I'm really not like that. But I knew if I tried to come off as just nice and decent, I wasn't going to get selected."

On the show, Von Ertfelda had some close calls, nearly being voted off several times. One of his saving graces was his fishing ability—not to mention his willingness to dive into crocodile- and piranha-infested waters rather than lose one of the tribe's few hooks. "At Cornell, he was very focused, determined, and hardworking—a team player," says Hotel school lecturer Giuseppe Pezzotti. "He was the same way on the show."

Still, the program's motto is "outwit, outplay, outlast"; even when other competitors were friendly, they sometimes ripped him to shreds behind his back. "Matthew has no idea he's being played," rival Rob said on camera. "The guy is a complete idiot. But as long as he keeps catching fish, we'll keep him around." (As it turned out, Von Ertfelda outlasted him.)

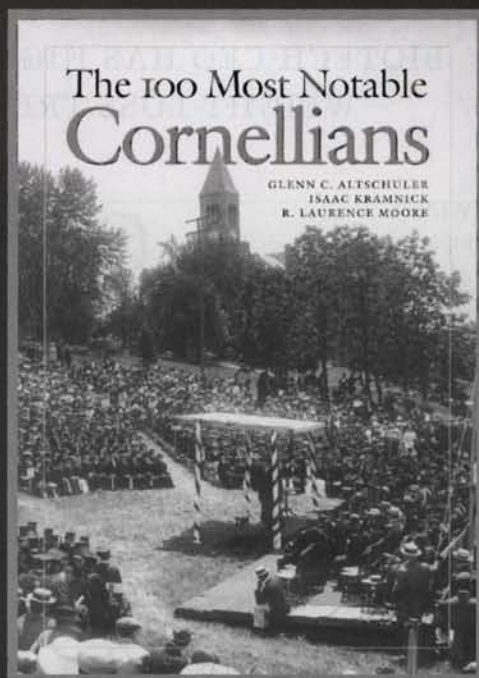
Then there was the machete. After Von Ertfelda was shown repeatedly sharpening his giant knife, "Survivor" fans buzzed that he'd gone over the edge. He says he was just trying to get it sharp enough to fix a pair of sandals that had been melted by a fire, but no matter: Von Ertfelda was seen as a demented character out of *Apocalypse Now*. "The producers made me look like a lunatic, but I thought it was funny," he says. "Being on the show is a double-edged sword. You get all this publicity, but you don't know what kind of publicity you're going to get."

When the final votes were tallied in New York on May 11, Von Ertfelda finished second. While a swimsuit model named Jenna took home the big money—the jury of ousted competitors preferred her six to one—he got a consolation prize of \$100,000. "People think the Survivors are the cream of the crop, but that's completely wrong," he says. "The people on the show are selected because they've got character traits that can be exploited. It's all about entertainment."

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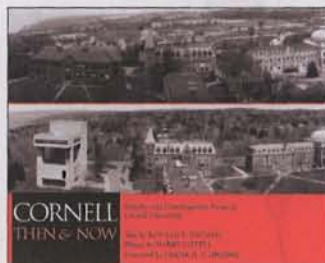
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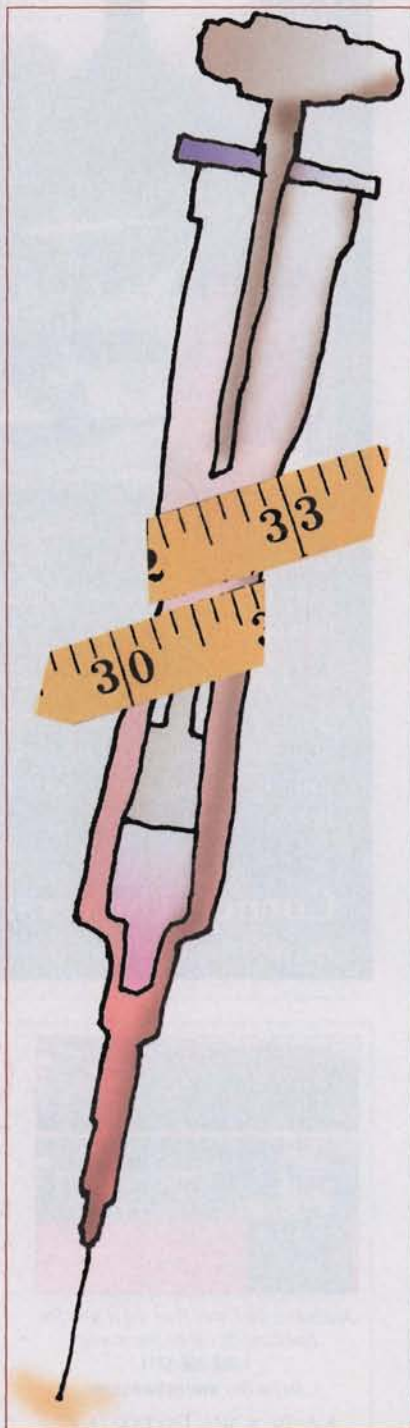
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Either way, it takes patience, nerves of steel, and a lot of self-confidence. "This business is not about instant gratification," says Leonard Schleifer '73, CEO of Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, a company searching for compounds to cure obesity, among other ailments. "This business is about a painstakingly slow, expensive process that can lead to important drugs."

Recently, Schleifer suffered what may be a fatal setback in his quest to produce an anti-obesity treatment. Regeneron poured tens of millions of dollars and a decade of labor into developing Axokine, a medication that had been discovered purely by accident, only to learn on March 28, after the final round of testing, that Axokine was not as effective as Regeneron had hoped.

The day the disappointing test results were announced, Regeneron's stock plunged—from around \$17.30 a share to just \$7.50—and Schleifer lost \$20 million in the value of his own holdings. Many Wall Street analysts say Regeneron should give up on Axokine. But Schleifer is keeping the faith. He says the critics have written the compound off too soon. "It would be disingenuous to say we were elated," says Schleifer. "But as we understand the data, we potentially have an important drug."

Schleifer, fifty-one, is the hard-charging son of a sweater manufacturer from Rego Park in Queens, New York. He earned his MD and a PhD in pharmacology at the University of Virginia and



STEFANIE GREEN

returned to Cornell in 1984 as a research scientist. Then the biotech boom hit, and in 1988 Schleifer abandoned academics to found Regeneron. Located in Tarrytown, New York, Regeneron has lost \$475 million since it went public in 1991; in May it had \$320 million on hand—enough, say company officers, to operate for a few more years.

Regeneron's scientists stumbled on the precursor to Axokine in the early Nineties, while developing a treatment for Lou Gehrig's disease (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis). Testing had to be abandoned because subjects who took the medicine lost too much weight. That led to Axokine, a genetically altered version of ciliary neurotrophic factor, a naturally occurring protein. Injected under the skin, the drug suppresses appetite and weakens the body's natural resistance to substantial weight loss.

Obesity is one of the fastest growing health problems in the U.S., so if Axokine turned out to be safe and effective, it would be the biggest thing in pharmaceuticals since Viagra. With some 60 percent of American adults defined as overweight (20 percent above ideal weight for men; 25 percent above ideal weight for women), there's a big market for any new anti-obesity drug.

But it takes an average of fourteen years and \$800 million to develop a new drug and get it approved by the Food and Drug Administration, says Professor Bruce Ganem, who teaches chemistry and entrepreneurship. "Those times and costs continue to escalate," he says. "The process involves the basic discovery and development of the compound. Then there are the animal trials. And then you begin the clinical trials on humans."

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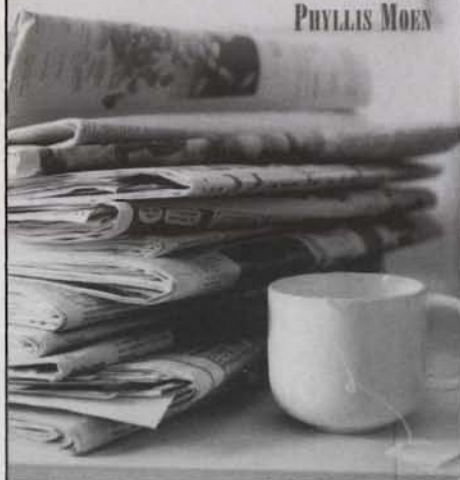
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The biggest problem was that some 70 percent of patients developed antibodies that dampened the drug's effectiveness. Those patients who didn't develop resistance showed significant weight loss, but at levels comparable to anti-obesity drugs already on the market, such as Abbott Laboratories' Meridia. "It wasn't any better than approved oral drugs," says Dr. Jim Birchenough, the senior biotech analyst at Lehman Brothers in San Francisco. "That's not good enough for an injectable drug where you have to figure out who will develop antibodies."

Schleifer disagrees. "Wall Street tends to see things in black and white," he says, "and this result was gray." Axokine, he says, could still help the roughly 10 million obese Americans who wouldn't develop resistance to the drug. In addition, say experts, there may be other, less discussed, uses for Axokine. "The drug does have promise," says Ganem. "But there may be a different protocol for taking the drug. I wouldn't say this is a hopeless outcome." Weill Cornell professor Louis Aronne, an expert on obesity who served as an impartial tester in the Axokine trials, says Axokine may have an important use in combination with other drugs or treatments. "We would expect it to be a better drug for weight-loss maintenance," says the physician, "or for people who have plateaued to continue losing weight."

Because the human body resists weight loss beyond a certain point, hitting a plateau is a common problem for many dieters, regardless of their efforts. By mimicking the effect of Leptin, a hormone that tells the body it is okay to keep losing weight, Axokine helps patients avoid a plateau. "This suggests the drug might be much more valuable than you might think," says Aronne.

For his part, Schleifer seems ready to stay the course. "One thing is for certain," he says. "If all it took was a Cornell degree and a set amount of time to guarantee success, we wouldn't have so many untreatable diseases."

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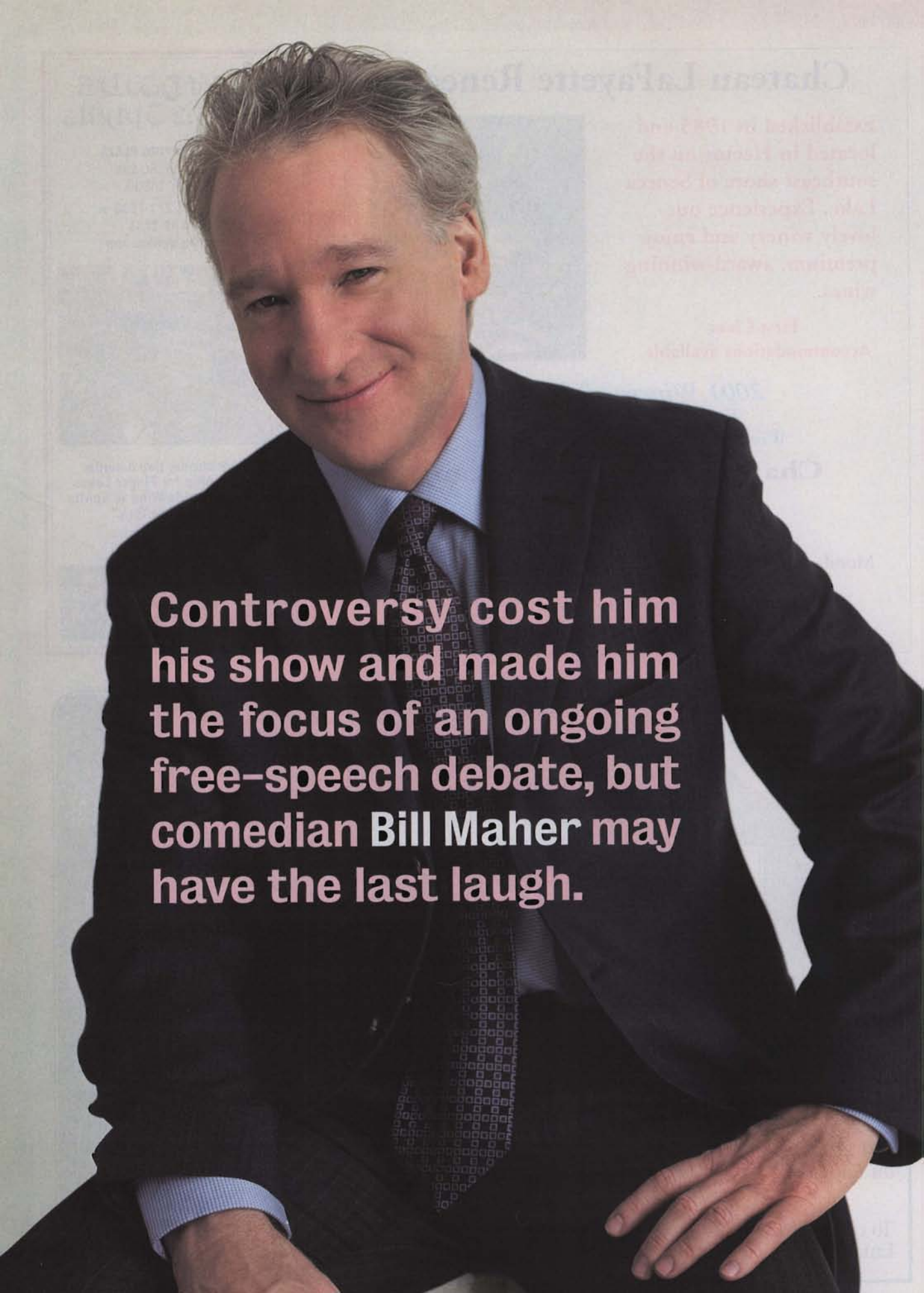
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Controversy cost him his show and made him the focus of an ongoing free-speech debate, but comedian Bill Maher may have the last laugh.

Why is this man smirking?

By Brad Herzog

When the red camera light went on and the star of the show appeared, the studio audience stood and cheered. The host strolled to center stage to begin his monologue, letting the cheers dwindle until he could step in with perfect comic timing: "As I was saying before I was so rudely interrupted eight months ago . . ." These were the opening moments of "Real Time with Bill Maher," an HBO program for viewers who like their issues satirized, their politicians skewered, and their Friday nights punctuated with a live hour of contentiousness and comedy.

In May 2002, after nine years and some 1,200 episodes, Maher's late-night gabfest, "Politically Incorrect," had been unceremoniously yanked off the air by executives at ABC. The show was a political roundtable with comedic undertones, featuring heated and humorous discussions between Maher '78 and an ever-changing quartet of wildly dissimilar guests. One might see Marion Barry arguing issues with G. Gordon Liddy, or former White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers sitting next to Dana Carvey, a situation *Entertainment Weekly* described as a "cerebral celebrity deathmatch."

"Politically Incorrect" had started on Comedy Central, emerging as the cable channel's most successful program. When it moved to ABC in January 1997, it became the first program in fifteen years to make a dent in the Letterman-Leno ratings duopoly. On the day of Bill Clinton's second inauguration, *U.S. News & World Report* put Maher on its cover under the headline, "Move over, Will Rogers." *Time* credited Maher and comedian Dennis Miller with bringing back political satire. CNN's "Showbiz Today" anointed him "the new

contender for King of Late Night."

Through it all, Maher continued to opine, entertain, and, as he put it, "confront conformity." Nothing was sacred. He claimed, among other things, that religion is generally bad, drugs are generally good, most stereotypes are true, AIDS ribbons are stupid, you have to lie to stay married, young people should be discouraged from voting, women's sports are boring, and no doesn't always mean no.

But along came September 17, 2001, and the first episode of "Politically Incorrect" since the terrorist attacks six days earlier. Nerves were still raw, psychological wounds still fresh. Patriotism—and a sense, however fleeting, that America spoke with a united voice—had been the primary sentiment that followed shock and sadness. Flags were unfurling at such a rate stores couldn't keep them in stock. George W. Bush's approval ratings were soaring. Talk show hosts were gingerly—almost apologetically—stepping back behind the microphone, their tone somber and subdued.

Then Bill Maher spoke his mind.

After a panelist (author and former Reagan policy analyst Dinesh D'Souza) took issue with the constant refrain that the suicide hijackers were cowards, Maher agreed and went further. "We have been the cowards, lobbing cruise missiles from 2,000 miles away. That's cowardly," he said. "Staying in the airplane when it hits the building, say what you want about it, it's not cowardly."

He later explained that he meant U.S. politicians who authorize long-distance attacks are the cowards, not the soldiers who carry them out. Indeed, Maher's scorn has rarely been aimed at the military. But a conservative radio talk-show host in Houston was incensed by Maher's comment, and he called on his listeners to demand that the show's sponsors pull their ads. The next day, FedEx did just that, followed by Sears. As the story bounced around the media ether and took on a life of its own, Maher drew widespread criticism. One critic was Ari Fleischer, President Bush's press secretary. "It's a terrible thing to say, and it's unfortunate," Fleischer told the White House press corps. "Americans . . . need to watch what they say, watch what they do, and this is not a time for remarks like that. There never is." Maher would later call Fleischer's comments "one of the creepiest things ever to come out of the White House."

It was the beginning of the end for "Politically Incorrect." When ABC affiliates, most notably the one in the nation's capital, began to drop the show, the network essentially stopped promoting it. By late June, it was off the air. Although ABC claimed Maher's remark had nothing to do with the cancellation, Maher is certain it did.

All of which explains how a fellow so accustomed to observing and analyzing political issues found the spotlight turned back on himself. The forty-seven-year-old New Jersey native, whose earliest stand-up performances were a few jokes at the Temple of Zeus in Goldwin Smith Hall, started his professional comedy career at New York City's Catch A Rising Star with the likes of Jerry Seinfeld, Paul Reiser, and Garry Shandling. A quarter-century later, the laugh-maker had become a lightning rod of sorts for the issue of protecting unpopular speech. The *New York Times* once said of Maher, "It is virtually impossible to characterize his politics, except to say that he would easily be elected chairman of the Contrarian Party." Seinfeld has described his old friend as "a man who has no problem with his own opinion."

maher defines political correctness as "the elevation of sensitivity over truth" and laments the fact that "some time ago in America, we decided it was more important to be nice than right." Such is the tone of both incarnations of his television talk show—commentary served raw and unadorned by niceties. But Maher maintains that comedy remains the main course. "It's an entertainment show first, and I'm a comedian first," he says, sitting on a couch in his office at CBS Television City. It is a warm day in Los Angeles. Spring is just around the corner. But Maher,

dressed in jeans and an old button-down shirt, looks as though he hasn't seen the sun in a while. He is considered a bit of a conundrum in Hollywood—somewhat shy in private, famously outspoken in public. Like his television show, he is alternately strident and sardonic, and difficult to categorize. "I pay such a heavy price at times for being a comedian," he continues. "By that I mean lots of serious people won't talk to me on the show. They're like, 'I'm not going to do a satellite TV interview with him. He's a comedian. He's not Ted Koppel!' If I'm going to pay that price, then I'm going to get the good part of it, which is: I make people laugh. Ted Koppel doesn't."

It used to be that Maher's stand-up routine could be described as comedy infused with political observation. Over the years, however, the balance has shifted. Though politics is to humor what love is to song, Maher's particular brand of current-events com-

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edy made him as well known for his punditry as his punch lines. Case in point: the *San Francisco Chronicle* once reported that Maher was in town to "moderate a health care conference panel discussion and appear at the Punch Line Comedy Club."

But in the eyes of many, the demise of "Politically Incorrect" (ironically, in the wake of politically incorrect comments) turned Maher into something else—a celebrity free speech casualty. The Los Angeles Press Club honored him with its 2002 President's Award "because of his stimulating impact on the national dialogue among journalists, politicians, and citizens, and to support his right to free speech." He was also given a First Amendment Award at the U.S. Comedy Festival in Aspen, Colorado, where he said, "I'll treasure this award, but I'll tell you, life is less bumpy if you're not in line for one."

Maher has long spoken out against the overuse of words that exaggerate circumstances. He claims there are too many self-proclaimed "victims" in this country, for instance. ("Hello, I'm Bill," he used to joke. "I'm a birth survivor."). Along those lines, his latest book, *When You Ride Alone, You Ride with bin Laden*, includes an essay chiding Americans for using the word "hero" too broadly. A basketball star is not a hero, he says. Nor is a rescued coal miner or a cancer survivor or most anyone caught in harm's way. "A hero sacrifices something on purpose," he writes. "Something big." With that in mind, Maher dismisses the notion that he is any sort of free speech martyr. "First of all, I'm not dead," he says. "I don't want to be a martyr because I want to be alive and kicking and talking. And I think a martyr has to pay a bigger price than losing a TV show."

The World According to Bill

bill Maher has a soft spot for the World War II generation. They sacrificed and saved the world for democracy—even those who never soldiered overseas. Back then, he contends, the government was unafraid to ask for civilian support, and posters were printed to remind Americans what they could do to help.

Loose Lips Might Sink Ships!

Food Is A Weapon. Don't Waste It!

When You Ride Alone You Ride With Hitler! Join A Car-Sharing Club Today!

In the war on terrorism, Maher believes the government has failed in that respect. He contends that our politicians have asked us to do very little for our country, and we have responded in kind. "True leadership," he argues, "is getting people, despite the political consequences, to follow you down the right path—not waiting to see what path they intend to follow and then running behind shouting encouragement."

So instead of dwelling on the cancellation of "Politically Incorrect," he plowed his energies into writing a book, a collection of essays and "wartime" posters (created by modern-day artists) that he thinks we should see. Maher's primary point in *When You Ride Alone, You Ride With bin Laden* is that Americans today think sacrifice of any sort means sacrificing freedom. "The fact that you can't have everything you want exactly when you want it has somehow become un-American," he writes. "We convince ourselves that even our shameless waste, our unchecked consumption, and our appalling ignorance of any place in the world except our own little corner must continue—or they win!"

Protection should be our priority, says Maher, so in the book he proposes some changes. He advocates a Secret Service for the people (ten thousand highly professional agents at salaries of \$100,000 a year), and he wants to start a charity called "Change for Change" that collects travelers' pocket change at airport metal detectors and uses the money to improve airport security. He also supports racial profiling in the fight against terrorism. "We have become dangerously and inexplicably committed to placing

pretense over results," he writes, adding that "asking Arabs to answer a few questions at the airport isn't like putting Japanese-Americans in camps."

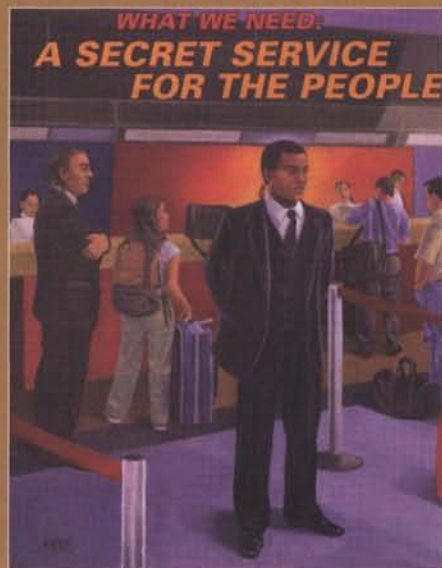
Maher contends that Americans aren't as charitable as we think we are, U.S. companies that jump through tax loopholes are traitorous, and gas-guzzling SUVs—not drugs—fund our enemies. He claims the United States is, indeed, a benevolent superpower ("No country with comparable power ever trod so gently on the rest of the world . . ."), but our arrogance makes us targets. "If you're an American born in the second half of the twentieth century, you're lucky. You've won the world power ball lottery," he writes. "But have some humility about being born on third base. It might help keep the heat off the rest of us."

Which isn't to say that Maher can't stand the heat. The message in one essay toward the end of the book might serve as his motto of sorts: make waves. "The problem in America is not too much speaking out—it's too little," Maher explains. "We're not overrun with rebels here, we're overrun with sheep. We need more people, not less, to say out loud what at least some others are thinking."

**When you ride ALONE
you ride with bin Laden**



**What the Government SHOULD Be Telling
Us to Help Fight the War on Terrorism**
BILL MAHER



Especially when HBO offers you another one. Still, the incident sparked debate about suppression of expression, a debate that has only intensified in recent months. The war on terrorism has widened the chasm between two views of civil liberties during national crises. On one side are the folks who claim that individual rights are being trampled—by invasions of privacy, illegal detentions, denials of due process—and that if such Constitutional foundations are eroded then terrorism will have truly succeeded. On the other side are the citizens who believe that drastic times require drastic measures, that national security trumps all, and that a zealous government is less of a danger than foreign enemies in our midst.

This dichotomy, made even more obvious by the nation's division over the war in Iraq, has heightened sensitivity in both camps regarding the articulation of views. One side is increasingly sensitive to what it perceives as threats to freedom of expression. The other is less tolerant of criticism, quicker to brand dissenters as anti-American.

When the two camps clash, it makes news. At a mall outside of Albany this winter, a sixty-one-year-old lawyer was arrested for trespassing after refusing to take off a "PEACE ON EARTH" T-shirt. At the Academy Awards, documentary filmmaker Michael Moore began an anti-war acceptance speech to cheers, only to be drowned out by boos and a director's decision to cut to music. Meanwhile, the *New York Post* urged a boycott of thirteen prominent actors and musicians, calling them "Saddam lovers."

Indeed, when such clashes of consciousness involve people of a certain fame, it often makes bigger news. Just before the U.S. began bombing Baghdad, Natalie Maines of the Dixie Chicks told a London concert audience, "We're ashamed the president of the United States is from Texas." Dozens of country music stations promptly pulled the group from their playlists. One station in Louisiana made a public spectacle of running over Dixie Chicks

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merchandise with a tractor. The South Carolina legislature even voted to insist the group play a free concert for U.S. troops as penance. Within days, Maines issued a formal apology, closing with the obligatory, "I love my country. I am a proud American."

Maher's situation was not dissimilar: famous person criticizes his country's leaders at a particularly sensitive time. A segment of the public cries foul. Some broadcasting affiliates ban the celebrity from the airwaves. Government representatives get involved, lamenting the inappropriateness of such speech. The speaker attempts to clarify the comments. Molehill becomes mountain.

So is Maher's saga a First Amendment issue? Jeremy Rabkin, associate professor in Cornell's Department of Government, thinks such a notion is absurd. Free speech is the right to talk, he explains, but not necessarily the right to be heard. It is certainly not the right to have a TV show. He says that even when advertisers like FedEx and Sears agree to sponsor a show premised on

political incorrectness, they're not obliged to subsidize controversial views. "Advertisers want to sell their product. I assume that they thought it was going to hurt their sales. I don't for a minute think that the sponsors were, in some sort of altruistic or patriotic spirit, saying on behalf of the country, 'We want to punish you,'" says Rabkin, who teaches a popular course called Civil Liberties in the United States. "If someone is given a forum, they shouldn't be disrupted. But Bill Maher is not guaranteed a forum. They didn't pull the plug in mid-show. They didn't prevent his remarks from being broadcast."

Although he isn't particularly indignant about Maher's post-September 11 comments, Rabkin's contention is that the incident is a simple example of the cost of expressing unpopular ideas. "If you annoy people, you become unpopular. If you have some conviction where you think there's some principle, you brave unpopularity, and sometimes you have to be brave because you suffer," he says. "Yet I don't think any of us would want to live in a country in which there are no consequences for saying really outrageous things."



On the other side of the issue is Cornell Law School professor Steven Shiffrin, a leading progressive theorist on free speech. In his book, *Dissent, Injustice, and the Meanings of America*, Shiffrin argues that free speech—particularly unpopular and dissenting opinions—should not only be tolerated, but encouraged. He faults corporate domination and the mass media, among other entities, for interfering with First Amendment rights. "I come back to who's making the decision and why they're making it," he says. "If Bill Maher was criticized by the public for making an unpopular statement, fine. It's not my view that dissent shouldn't be criticized or that dissent is always right."

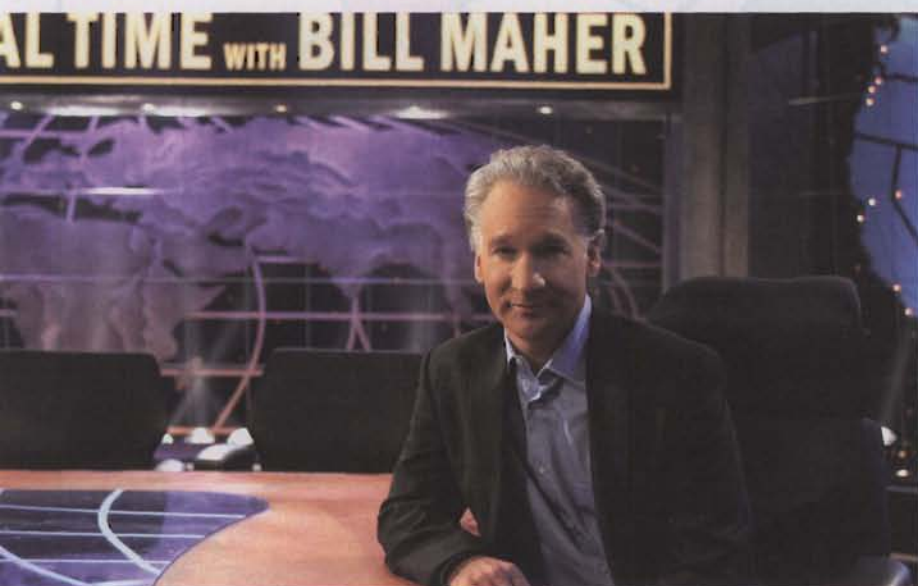
But here you have a guy who is thrown off the air for being different. That's the way it works in a system structured for advertisers. It's not a free market."

The First Amendment is meant as protection from government suppression, and, indeed, the public-versus-private element has long been the focus of free speech cases. Rabkin and others argue that the ABC network clearly is not a government entity, so free speech doesn't apply. But Shiffrin believes that is debatable. "You're talking about a governmental licensee using the government airwaves," he says. "Although I would agree that the courts have not held that commercial broadcasters are governmental in character, there is an argument for the proposition that they are. They actually get more of a subsidy than public broadcasters because they get to keep their advertising revenues."

Maher, however, doesn't blame the network for his cancellation. "I knew what ABC was," he says. "I knew they were going to act like the corporate behemoth that they are." Instead, he condemns the media for falsely stating that his show was being cancelled for low ratings, for taking his commentary out of context, and for ignoring the disparate voices (from Rush Limbaugh to Bill Clinton) that supported his right to make such remarks in

the aftermath. The son of a former WOR and NBC newsman, Maher is no fan of today's media, claiming that journalists, like most politicians, pander to the people rather than leading them. "I think the first order of business for serious journalism is to make interesting what's important. I don't think they do it. I think they cover what the lowest common denominator in all of us is going to gravitate toward," he says. "Free speech suffers when the organs of communication are faulty. It's like a pipeline that's corroded. When Sean Penn went to Iraq and said, 'I gotta go see for myself,' I didn't think that was unpatriotic. I thought that's what a patriot does at a time when he can't trust the media."

More than four decades ago, in an opinion regarding a unanimous U.S. Supreme Court decision in *The New York Times v. Sullivan*, Justice William Brennan wrote that American history has



shown "a profound national commitment to the principle that debate on public issues should be uninhibited, robust, and wide-open, and that it may well include vehement, caustic, and sometimes unpleasantly sharp attacks on government and public officials." To many Americans, this amorphous notion of free speech affirms the underpinnings of our democracy. "I would recall," says Shiffrin, "that [nineteenth-century philosopher] John Stuart Mill was concerned about the extent to which social norms and customs have a chilling effect on freedom of speech. And, in many circumstances, it may be far more important than anything a government might do because a government has limited resources to enforce. But people who think they would be shunned are often silenced."

Of course, as in any good democracy, the debate goes on. "People are concerned that we're overreacting," says Rabkin. "Okay, good. This is why we have civil liberties organizations. The ACLU was started to counteract the excesses of World War I mobilization. It's probably right that people get carried away in wartime or a time of crisis, and they're less patient than they ought to be. You're asking something inhuman if you ask that people not react to the context."

Still, Maher suggests that the criteria for inappropriateness seemed to have a one-sided tilt following the terrorist attacks. "I was on Howard Stern's show, sort of defending myself right after the comment. For an hour I was the bad guy because I said people who stay with suicide missions aren't cowards. And during the course of the conversation, Stern said, 'I think we should drop a nuclear bomb on a Muslim country. I don't care which one. It doesn't matter.' *That*, apparently, is not a controversial comment," he says with an incredulous chuckle. "They took offense at anyone, six days after the attacks, doing anything but singing 'God Bless America.' If I'd made that comment six months later, no one would have even noticed."

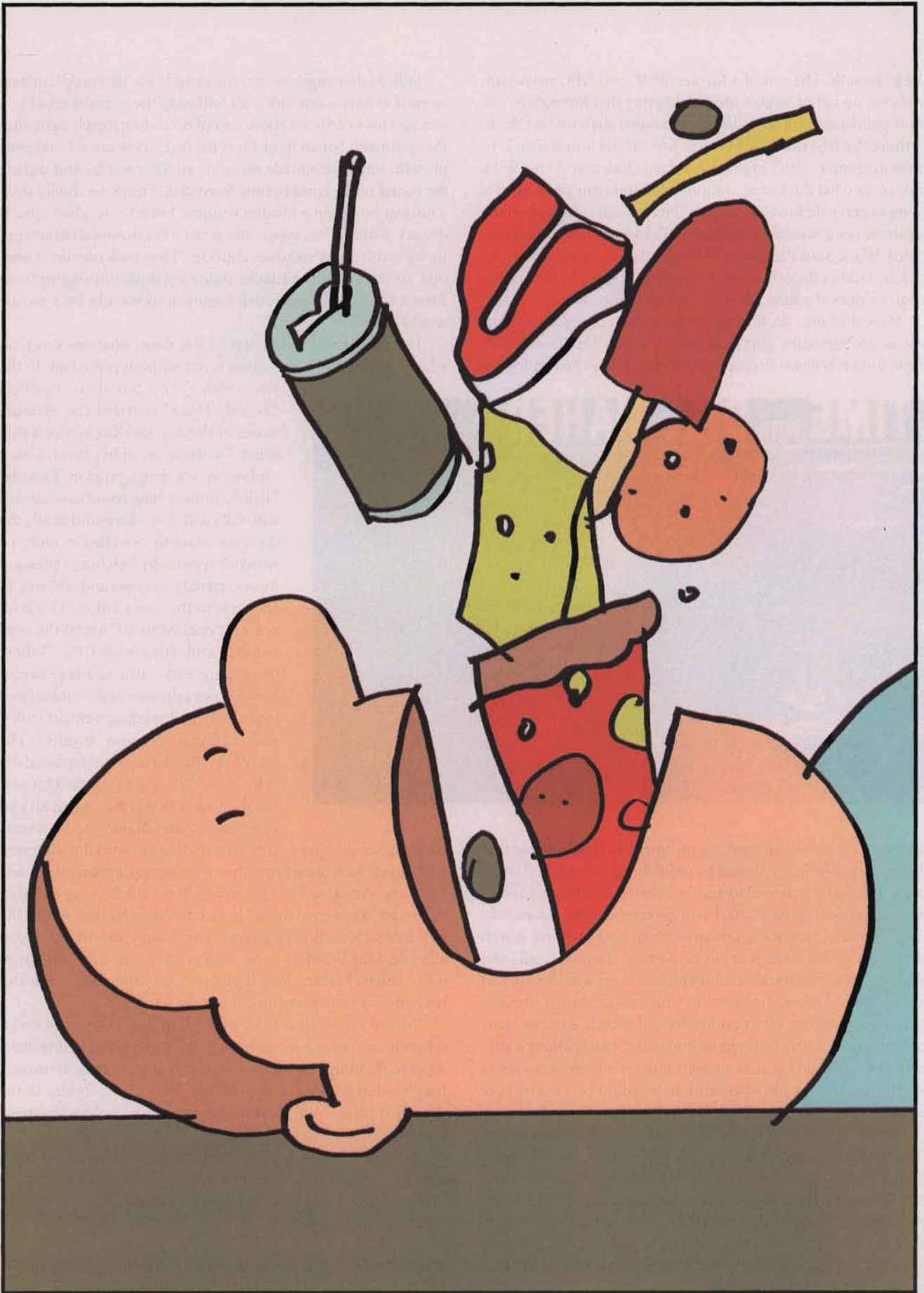
Indeed, Maher's lesson may be less about what one says than when one says it. The situation is not without precedent. In the late 1960s, "The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour" satirized the pressing issues of the day, tackling subjects that other TV shows wouldn't touch—war, civil rights, sex, drugs, religion. Tom and Dick Smothers had countless run-ins with CBS and its censors until finally the show was abruptly cancelled in 1969, the network reportedly bowing to pressure from corporate sponsors and affiliates. In response to the cancellation, *TV Guide* ran a "special editorial" about the controversy and sided with CBS: "Where does satire end—and sacrilege begin? Where does criticism end—and affront begin? Where does disagreement end—and national division begin?" The Smothers Brothers were replaced by "Hee Haw." "They got cancelled for saying the Vietnam War was immoral and unwinnable," says Maher, "and ten years

later you would have a hard time finding anyone who disagreed with them. So it wasn't that they were wrong, apparently. It was that they were ahead of the parade. You'd think being ahead of the parade was a good thing." In fact, two decades later, when CBS scheduled a Smothers Brothers reunion show, the network actually asked the brothers to be controversial. "Twenty years from now," laughs Maher, "they'll probably be going, 'Bill, come out here and say something nice about the terrorists ...'"

True to form, "Real Time with Bill Maher"—a sort of comical-political variety hour featuring everything from satellite interviews to stand-up routines—doesn't pull any punches. Terrorism, Iraq, God, the Ebola virus—Maher finds comic fodder in the darnest places. And this time he's on pay television. No sponsors. No censors. No holding back.

So it was that Maher made it through that first show, concluding with a final thought and a wry grin: "If it's okay with the White House press department, we'll be back next week—not watching what we say." ●

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Losing It

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After decades of dieting, Americans are fatter than ever. What's our problem?

the pork chop, not only glistening with fat but dripping with butter, was captured in full color on the cover of the *New York Times Sunday Magazine*. The headline asked a simple question: "What If It's All Been A Big Fat Lie?" The July 7, 2002, article by Gary Taubes posited that some high-fat diets may not be bad for you after all. Despite the medical warnings, he wrote, perhaps the sacred food pyramid should be turned upside down, with carbohydrates eaten only sparingly and fats and proteins forming the bulk of our caloric intake. Maybe the controversial Atkins Diet, which has waxed and waned in popularity since it was introduced in 1972, is a perfectly good way to lose weight.

But the butter had barely melted on the pork chop before many doctors and nutritionists cried foul. "All of us in this business were infuriated by that article," says Cornell nutrition professor David Levitsky. "It was terrible. It misquoted the scientists, and it didn't present half the data that refutes the arguments that were made." A high-fat diet, Levitsky says, is "directly antagonistic to everything nutritionists and medical people have been saying for the last 100 years."

So, okay; despite all the testimonials from the newly slim, perhaps the Atkins Diet really isn't a good idea. (Although recent studies confirming short-term weight loss have renewed the debate.) We should do what the USDA has been telling us all along: eat lots of fruits and vegetables and complex carbs. But that

message has been out there for decades, and Americans just keep getting fatter. Maybe aspiring dieters should try something else: the Stillman Quick Weight Loss Diet or Sugar Busters or Scarsdale or Herbalife or Pritikin or The Zone. Maybe they should buy SlimFast or join Weight Watchers or Jenny Craig. And if those diet plans don't work, they can always try one of the old dorm-room favorites, the ones where you eat only cabbage soup or grapefruit or spend an entire day consuming nothing but bananas and milk.

What's a dieter to do?

According to national statistics, we've got to do *something*. Americans are getting increasingly heavier, with the number of overweight people—particularly the morbidly obese—rising

dramatically over the past several decades. In 1980, the National Health, Nutrition, and Exercise Survey found that 32 percent of Americans were overweight, and an additional 15 percent were obese. By 1994, about the same number (33 percent) were overweight—but 23 percent were obese. Current figures show that 34 percent are overweight and another 31 percent are obese. In short, nearly two out of every three Americans has a weight problem. “Not only are we getting fatter, but every country that’s been measured for the last twenty years is showing the same trend,” Levitsky says. “What’s also clear is that Americans are concerned about it. Studies where they ask, ‘Have you tried to lose weight in

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the past three years?’ have found that close to half of the population has tried.”

Tried, and failed. Most people who go on diets don’t succeed in reaching their goal weight, Levitsky says, and many who do just put the pounds back on within five years—despite obesity’s undeniable status as a risk factor for heart disease, diabetes, cancer, and a host of other ailments. “If you take away deaths due to trauma,” says nutrition professor T. Colin Campbell, PhD ’62, “80

to 90 percent of deaths are related to diseases that have a close connection to diet.” Or, as Weill Cornell Medical College obesity expert Dr. Louis Aronne puts it: “This is a health issue, not just a cosmetic issue.”

The reasons behind the obesity trend are complex, Cornell experts say, touching on everything from the success of the fast-food industry to the advent of the TV remote control. “The whole issue of food—whether it’s too little or too much, fast or feast, self-indulgence or self-abnegation—is only partly a matter of biology,” says food historian Steven Kaplan, the Goldwin Smith professor of history. “To a great extent, it’s a matter of culture.”

Take portion sizes, frequently cited by nutritionists as one of the prime reasons for the fattening of America. Heaping plates of pasta at eateries like the Olive Garden have become the norm, because restaurateurs know it’s savvy marketing. “For a restaurant, the cost of the food is not the highest proportion of the price on the menu—it’s labor,” Levitsky says. “To increase the amount of food they serve does not increase the price enormously, and it offers one restaurant a benefit over another. Surveys have found that big portions make people go back.”

And as if fast food weren’t unhealthy enough by itself, the concept of “super-sizing” has taken over the industry. A small order of McDonald’s French fries has 210 calories and ten grams of fat; the super-sized version has 610 calories and twenty-nine grams of fat. The bigger-is-better trend has produced giant por-

Thinking Thin

Ironically, Americans’ weight has reached an all-time high at a cultural moment when the ideal of beauty—particularly feminine beauty—is downright skeletal. We may dream of looking like Ally McBeal, but we persist in eating like Homer Simpson. “We’re doing people a disservice, because it’s creating an internal dissonance,” says Weill Cornell obesity expert Dr. Louis Aronne. “The role models are impossibly perfect. People have this unachievable view of the ideal, so they give up.”

Both the cult of thinness and the concept of dieting are relatively recent phenomena, says human development professor Joan Jacobs Brumberg, a feminist historian whose books include *The Body Project* and *Fasting Girls*. Until the late nineteenth century, Brumberg says, a robust body was seen as attractive, an indication of prosperity and a counterpoint to wasting diseases such as consumption and tuberculosis. “A man displayed his

wealth by the health, vigor, and girth of his wife and children,” Brumberg says. “It isn’t until the very end of the century that you begin to have this notion that women should appear slim and only decorative, rather than reproductive and productive.”

The emergence of wealthier women’s desire to separate themselves from working girls like milkmaids and farm wives roughly coincided with the turn-of-the-century discovery of the calorie. By the time that 1920s fashions like flapper dresses were showing more skin, the modern dieting industry had begun to take shape. The post-World War II era brought fame to amply endowed actresses such as Marilyn Monroe and Jayne Mansfield; it wasn’t until the Sixties—the era of Twiggy—that our present obsession with thinness began to take hold. “Twiggy did us all a great disservice,” says Hotel school dietician Mary Tabacchi. “Granted, as we gain in adipose, we’re more subject to heart disease, cancer, and stroke. But you don’t need to be any thinner than a Body Mass Index of twenty, and that’s pretty thin. Twenty-two is prob-



tions of everything from candy bars to movie-theater popcorn to soda. "I'm so old that I grew up with an eight-ounce Coke," Levitsky says with a laugh, "and now you can't even find an eight-ounce Coke."

Experts also attribute some of the blame for the widening of American waistlines to the processed food industry, which packs its products with fat, sugar, and salt. (After tomatoes and vinegar, for example, the third ingredient in a bottle of Heinz ketchup is high fructose corn syrup.) And such treats are hard to resist. According to neurobiology and behavior professor Paul Sherman, a researcher in evolutionary biology, the appeal of those products draws on tastes that go back to the dawn of humanity. "We crave things that were nutritionally valuable in the Stone Age," Sherman says. "At the time we evolved our receptors and preferences, we'd pick the sweetest fruit, the saltiest vegetable, or the fattiest kind of meat—the idea being that more was always better, because there was always so little. The problem is, we don't have any stop mechanism, and food manufacturers are giving us fat in quantities far beyond anything we would have had evolutionarily. There's more fat in a box of crackers than a person in the Stone Age might come across in weeks or months."

And Americans are eating more of those processed foods than ever, says Hotel school professor Mary Tabacchi. Prepackaged and take-out meals, she says, have become staples for time-crunched two-career families. "We eat out almost more than we eat in," says Tabacchi, a registered dietician who teaches courses on healthy cuisine and spa

ably more logical, and twenty-five, which is where we look like women, is fine."

It's a recipe for self-destruction: women live in a society that idealizes thinness but, in practical terms, encourages corpulence. Although most Americans are overweight, they're bombarded with images of well-sculpted men and extraordinarily svelte women. Kaplan, who calls dieting a "secular religion," notes that for most of history, a Rubenesque figure was admired as an indication of feminine sensuality. "Women are adopting diets of the most extraordinary range of madness and faddishness," he says. "They're locked into a frenzied effort that's largely driven by internalized visions of beauty that are purely arbitrary and artificial—whether they're imposed by men or by women themselves."

And many of those media-driven ideals are literally too good to be true. After appearing slim and leggy on the February cover of British *GQ*, actress Kate Winslet complained that the editors had altered the photo to slenderize her thighs. "We need to promote a more savvy visual awareness in girls, so when they pick up *Seventeen*, there's some critique there," Brumberg says. "A lot of women don't realize that there are ways to elongate bodies and get rid of flesh, all done with Photoshop software."

In *The Body Project*, published in 1997, Brumberg explores how girls' sense of self-worth has evolved from an emphasis on good works to an emphasis on good looks. "Girls today, when something goes wrong in their lives—whether it's an argument with their parents or a relationship with a boyfriend or something at school—they routinely start talking about how they hate how they look," she says. "And it's very often a specific body part: 'I hate my thighs' or 'It's my zits.' There's a preoccupation with the body as a representation of the self."

Brumberg advocates de-emphasizing the importance of physical appearance, stressing an appreciation for what the body can do, rather than how it looks. "One of the things I've tried to do in my own life, and also encourage other people to think about, is to not read everybody else's body all the time," she says. "To stop the reflexive, automatic 'You look great' every time you see a friend. Do we disrespect Madeleine Albright because she's large, or do we say that we're not going to buy into these things?" But she acknowledges that in today's culture, it can be a tough sell. Girls are starting to diet in elementary school, she says, and many of them never stop, even as they age. "There are studies," she says, "that say that American women diet until they're in the grave."

What's Your BMI?

management. "In my day, mom always made dinner from scratch, and that's hard now. But when you purchase convenience foods or eat out, you're at the mercy of whoever prepared it." And even when families cook in, she says, they tend to take their bad habits home with them. "We always blame the hospitality industry for huge serving sizes," she says, "but the *Journal of the American Dietetic Society* states that home serving sizes are now double and triple what one would expect."

A two-ounce serving of cheese, for example, is only slightly larger than a pair of dice; when the USDA talks about a serving of meat, it means four ounces—the size of a deck of cards. "It's very hard for us to see that, because we're used to a twelve-ounce steak," Tabacchi says. "People don't even know what a portion size is." Added to the lack of moderation is the dizzying quantity and variety of food commonly available on supermarket shelves, the greatest abundance in human history. "In the 1970s, our food supply became very stable," says Weill Cornell's Aronne. "Food has never been cheaper. Even things that used to be luxuries, like beef and shrimp, now can be eaten every night."

Campbell, the Schurman professor of nutritional science, argues that the American love affair with meats and dairy products is at the root of our dietary ills. He advocates a plant-based diet, eating fewer sugars and refined carbohydrates (those found in white breads and pastas), and increasing the complex carbs found in whole grains. "The problem is, we tend to throw away the best stuff and eat the worst," he says. "The best stuff is the bran layer, the outer coating, which has dietary fiber, B vitamins, and minerals. But we chuck it away and eat almost the pure starch, which is not that great. It's a good source of energy, but we overdo it."

the decline in American dietary discipline is only half of the corpulence equation; lack of physical activity is the other. And those bad habits start early. Schools have cut phys-ed programs for budgetary reasons, and factors like safety concerns and over-scheduling mean that kids spend less time playing outdoors. Aronne cites another culprit: the lure of the TV or computer screen. "If you look at when the obesity epidemic began in the late Seventies and Eighties," he says, "it was at the dawn of the personal computing age—remote controls, video games, activities besides running around in the backyard."

As adults, we drive everywhere, spend hours at our desks, and—thanks to technology—expend little or no energy on tasks that burdened our great-grandparents, like doing the laundry or heating the house. Tabacchi, who lived in France for several years, recalls carrying groceries up five flights of stairs and walking long distances to get to the Metro; even women in their eighties or nineties would haul their daily groceries home in a shopping cart. "These basic things are what it's all about," she says. "It's not some fancy diet. It's going up stairs, or parking a distance from a building and walking."

According to Dr. Louis Aronne, a healthy Body Mass Index—weight corrected for height—is no greater than twenty-five. If a person has a BMI over that number, he or she is defined as overweight; over thirty means obese.

To calculate your BMI, multiply your weight in pounds times 703, then divide it by your height in inches, squared. For example, someone who is five-foot-three (sixty-three inches) and weighs 125 pounds would have a BMI of twenty-two.

$$125 \times 703 = 87,875$$

$$63 \times 63 = 3,969$$

$$\frac{87,875}{3,969} = 22.14$$



But Americans like comfort and convenience. They also like fancy diets, and a multi-billion-dollar industry has cropped up to accommodate them. A Google search for "diet" brings up more than 10 million possible websites, not to mention ads with promises like "Lose 10 lbs. in 2 days." And even as medical science continues its effort to understand the mechanisms behind weight gain and loss, Americans are as confused as ever. Low-fat or low-carb? Weight Watchers or SlimFast? Is white flour the root of all evil or is it sugar?

In recent years, the quick-weight-loss method of choice has been the high-protein, low-carbohydrate diet. The best known is the Atkins Diet, developed by cardiologist Dr. Robert Atkins, MD '55, who died in April from head injuries sustained in a fall on an icy sidewalk. His first book, *Dr. Atkins' Diet Revolution*, was published in 1972, and the regimen became even more popular after the 1992 publication of *Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution*. "It's not that [a diet] needs to be low-calorie," Atkins said in a January interview with CNN. "As long as you cut out the carbohydrates, the weight loss is automatic."

The diet, which has been controversial ever since it was introduced, instructs adherents to avoid carbohydrate-laden breads, grains, pastas, fruits, and starchy vegetables, but to consume as much protein and fat as they like. Its appeal is undeniable; though an apple is off-limits, a bucket of fried chicken or a steak smothered in béarnaise sauce is fine. Levitsky remains unpersuaded. "The bottom line is, low-carb diets are a gimmick," he says. "They're not more successful than any other diet in getting you to lose body tissue. On a low-carb diet, the first effect is to lose fluid, so you lose weight on the scale. That's why these diet books sell so quickly. You lose water, and your friends can see it in your face immediately, and they say, 'Wow, what are you doing?' But as soon

as you start eating the carbohydrates, your weight goes back up.”

Tabacchi, too, is a critic of such regimes, arguing that they’re not only unhealthy but untenable. Although people do lose weight on Atkins, she says, most can’t stay on it, because they crave sugar. “Those books sell because people are looking for the miracle, the magic pill,” says Tabacchi, who holds a PhD in nutrition. “Those diets are unfair, because they build people’s hopes up. People come to me and say, ‘I’ve tried this diet and that diet, and I still can’t lose weight.’ And I tell them, ‘The reason you can’t lose weight is that you haven’t figured out that you have to exercise. There is something called the law of conservation of energy. If you’re eating it and you’re not burning it, it’s going to show up on your body.’”

Tabacchi advocates what she calls “mindful eating,” moderate portions of healthful foods with the occasional treat; a slice of chocolate cake is fine, she says, as long as it’s a *small* slice. A healthy diet, she says, should have 30 percent or less of its calories from fat, 50 to 60 percent from whole grains, fruits, and vegetables, and 12 to 15 percent from protein. Women should eat 1,800–2,200 calories, men 2,200–2,700. And, she says, “increasing your exercise level is key.”

One of the biggest impediments to slimming down, Levitsky says, is that healthy weight loss happens on the order of half a pound a week. “That’s too slow for people to appreciate, so they

chalked up to a lack of willpower, Darwinian medicine expert Sherman notes that the power to slim down just isn’t in our DNA. “I don’t suspect our ancestors were ever overweight,” he says. “They’d eat everything they could get their teeth on, and still barely be making it in terms of calories. That’s why it’s so hard to diet, because in history we were never in a circumstance of overabundance, so there was no selection for any kind of mechanism for avoiding it. Being overweight and obesity are diseases of modern civilization.”

Aronne, director of the Comprehensive Weight Control Center at New York-Presbyterian Hospital, describes an “active resistance mechanism” within the body that kicks in when people try to diet. “Once people gain weight, a neuroendocrine mechanism is set in place that makes it difficult to lose weight,” he says. “Something makes them feel not right when they don’t eat. And even if they succeed in not eating, their metabolism slows down as they start to lose weight, and eventually that undercuts them and makes them plateau. The bottom line is that it’s endocrinology, just like in diabetes or thyroid problems, but much more complicated.”

Aronne believes that, ultimately, obesity will be treated medically, possibly with a combination of drugs designed to defeat the body’s natural inclination to retain weight. “I believe that we’ll control weight the same as we do cholesterol and blood

pressure,” he says. “If someone can’t lower their blood pressure with diet, you don’t say, ‘You’re a bad person who deserves to die of a stroke.’ You give them a pill.”

At the Manhattan clinic, Aronne treats patients using a variety of methods—diet and exercise, medications such as Meridia and Xenical, and sur-

gical interventions such as gastric bypass, which he calls a treatment of last resort. “We’ve actually seen people who are dying from obesity—they couldn’t breathe anymore,” he says. “To me, it’s inhumane to let that happen. If someone is in a position where there is no other choice, and they’re suffering and struggling, we consider surgery.”

Despite the recognition of obesity as a medical condition, the emergence of “size acceptance” movements, and the recent popularity of plus-sized models such as Emme, severely overweight people are still seen as second-class citizens. Jay Leno would never make racial jokes on “The Tonight Show,” but he can tell fat jokes with impunity. “We have a whole new set of social grammar,” Kaplan says, “which argues that not only is heaviness ugly, but it also bespeaks moral flaws—lack of discipline, lack of capacity to command one’s body, to impose order upon oneself.” The ability to control our weight, says human development professor Joan Jacobs Brumberg, has become a critical indication of our self-worth. “The beauty and health imperatives are now fused—you need be thin not only to be attractive, sexual, and fashionable, but also healthy,” Brumberg says. “So the pressure is really on to diet.” ●

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don’t stick to those kind of diets,” he says. “But if they knew that effective weight control is a slow weight loss, they might weigh themselves more often.” Last fall, one of Levitsky’s students, Marnie Nussbaum ’03, conducted a study of freshmen women that showed that getting on the scale is a highly effective way to keep the pounds off. Because weight gain is even slower than weight loss, people aren’t aware that they’re getting larger—until their jeans don’t fit. “The girls in the experimental group weighed themselves every morning and e-mailed their weight to us,” Nussbaum says. “So they became more aware of what they were eating.”

An earlier study by another of Levitsky’s students, Craig Halbmaier ’01, had confirmed that freshmen do gain weight when they get to college—although the so-called “Freshman Fifteen” turned out to be more like the Freshman Four, at least in the first semester. “When you first come to college, you’re up later than you’ve ever been,” Nussbaum says, by way of explanation. “Most people have another dinner at one a.m. They’re at all-you-can-eat dining halls, so they’re eating much more. There are no home-cooked, healthy meals, and there’s junk food whenever they want.”

Clearly, it’s easy to pack on the pounds—and hard to take them off. And although the inability to lose weight is often

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by Sharon Tregaskis



Using digital technology, Barry Perlus offers new views of India's ancient observatories

Eighteenth-century astronomers at the New Delhi site used the Jai Prakash, below, to measure the altitude and movement of the sun by day and track the positions of the stars by night.



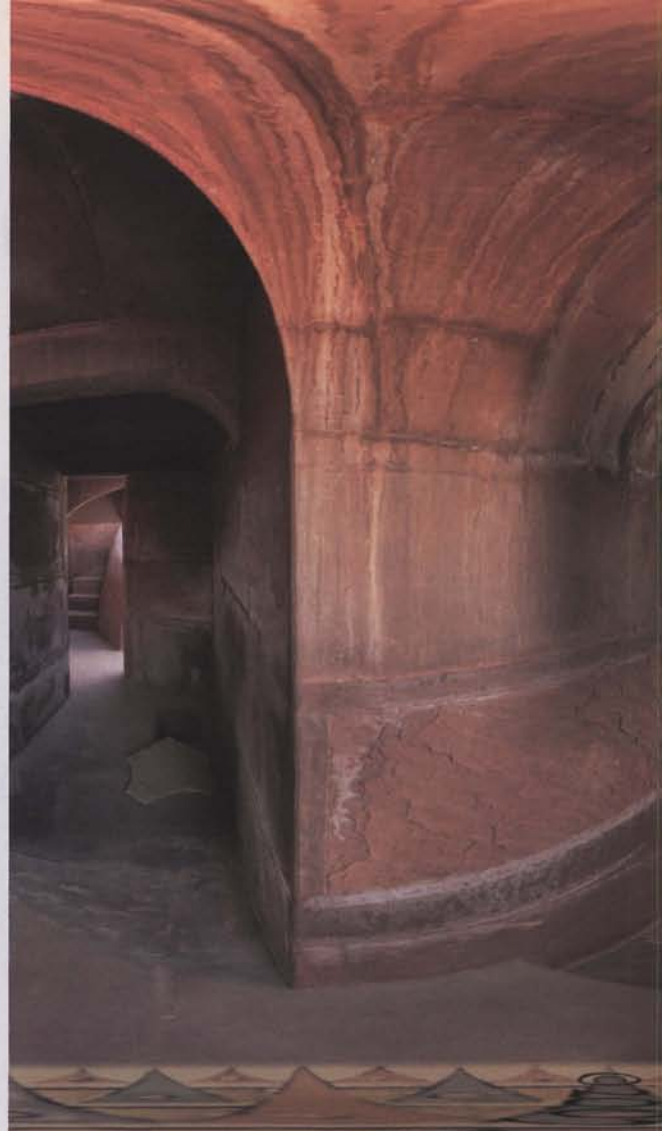
the first time Barry Perlus visited India, he had been a professor for just five years. It was 1989, and he was on his first study leave from the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning. For ten weeks the assistant professor of photography traveled throughout South Asia, carrying four wide-format cameras

loaded with black-and-white and color film. The images he captured explore the interplay of light and shadow, form and function; they also document the region's sacred and historical architecture. Twelve years later, Perlus returned to India, this time to examine more closely the astronomical observatories in New Delhi and Jaipur. He went armed with a digital Nikon CoolPix 995, loaded with the

latest in virtual reality software. "I was just completely taken by surprise and immersed in a magical world," says Perlus. "The buildings are unlike any we have in our environment."

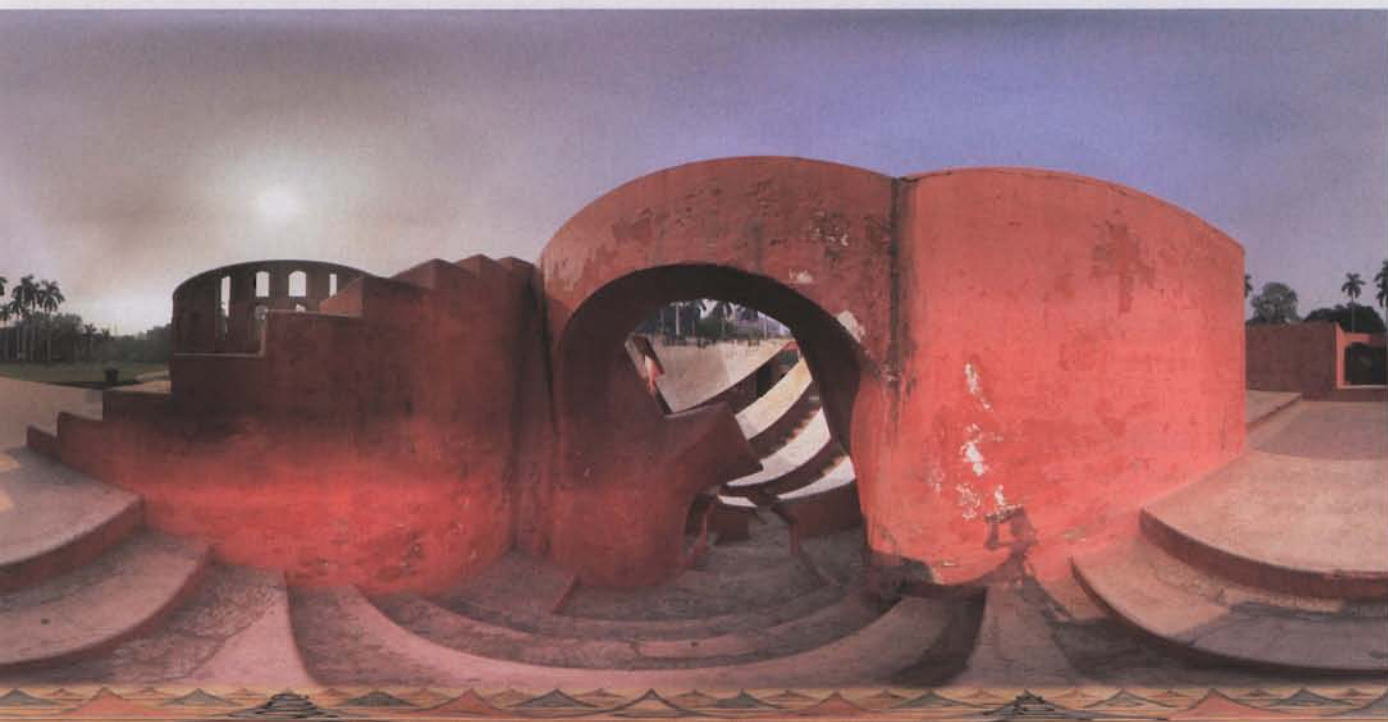
Designed by the Maharajah Jai Singh II of Jaipur, the observatories were constructed throughout Northern India during the eighteenth century. The two largest, captured in Perlus's photos, are now tourist attractions, drawing visitors from across India. The maharajah's designs apply astronomical theories developed in ancient Greece and Persia on a grand scale, compensating for the inaccuracies of the hand-held instruments and small sundials employed by astronomers of his day. They also fulfilled an important political function, suggests architecture professor Bonnie MacDougall. They served as a thinly disguised, self-aggrandizing gesture, disclosing the ambitions of a seasoned courtier and politician. "The observatories signaled to his people that Jai Singh was someone of extreme importance," she says. "He built this city, he put these instruments which are very startling in the center of it, and we're still looking at them. Nearly three centuries later, we still know who Jai Singh is and he's written himself into the architecture text books."

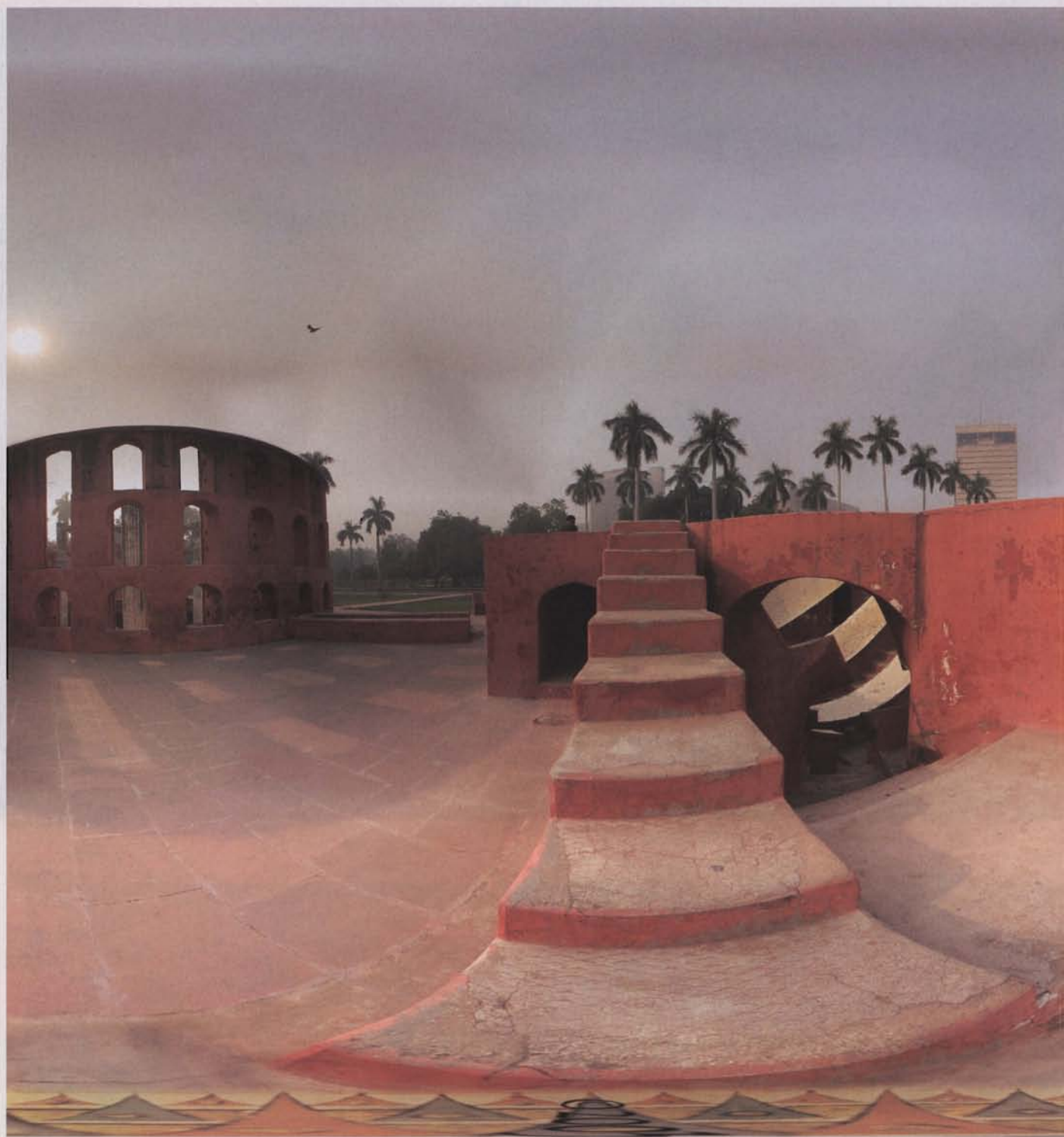
For Perlus, the combination of form and multiple functions only heightens their aesthetic appeal. "They don't have rooms, they don't have seating, and they are full of measurement information, indexes, scales, and geometrical forms that correspond to their function as direct-sight observatories," he says. Furthermore, the bold design of the instruments completely engulfs the observer. "They're the size of a small auditorium," he says. "When you walk into one, the regular environment disappears. You're just in this place of spirals, or columns with radial lines."



Fresh perspective: Using virtual-reality technology, art professor Barry Perlus captured spherical images of each form. Connecting the left and right edges of each rectangular-format photo allows the viewer to see a continuous, 360-degree image. Above, an interior view of the Jai Prakash at Jaipur. At right, the exterior of the same structure at New Delhi. Below: Looking out on the Jaipur observatory from the Ram Yantra. Inset: a conventional close-up of the Misra Yantra equinoctial dial at New Delhi.





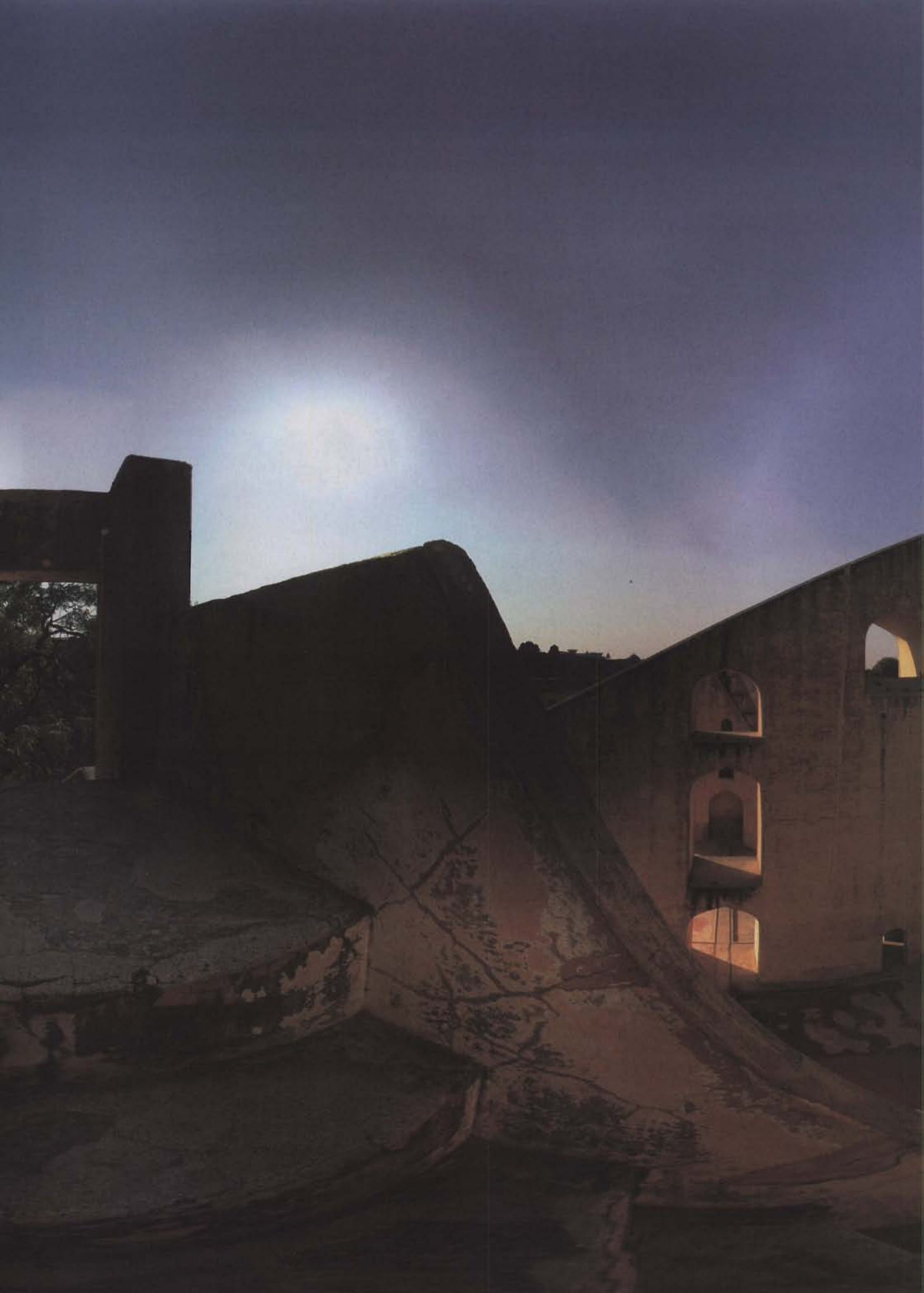


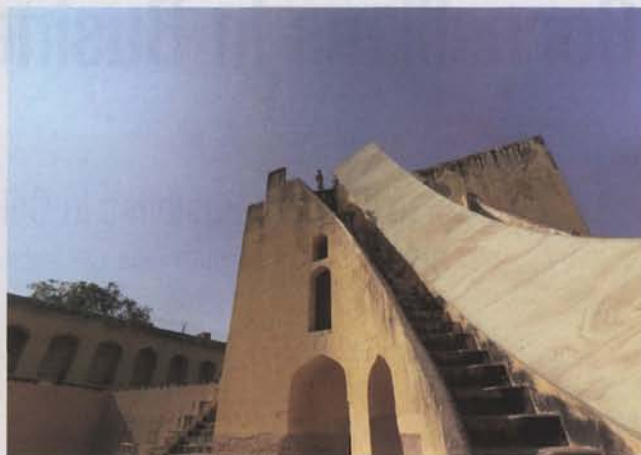
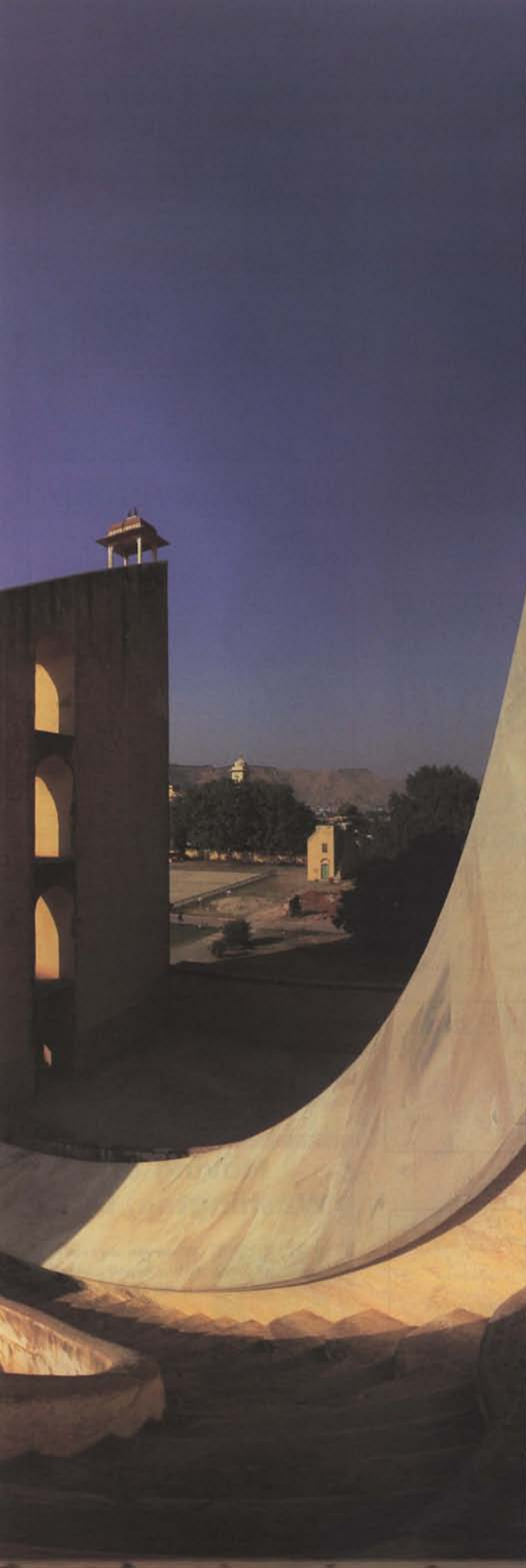
Astrologer's approach: Stairs lead into the Jai Prakash at New Delhi, above; the Ram Yantra is visible at the far left and right of the rendering. The Jaipur site, right, as seen from the Great Samrat Yantra, shares a wall with Jai Singh's castle, visible in the background.

Built near the grounds of the royal palace in Jaipur, Jantar Mantar was once accessible only to the teams of scientists who climbed the stairs leading in and out of each instrument. "Astrologers played a significant role as political advisors throughout the East," says Perlus. "Decisions wouldn't be made without consulting them in terms of the auspiciousness or timing of an event—did the configuration of the heavens suggest this was a good thing to do or a good time to do it? What were the messages from the heavens?"

One of the most prominent instruments at Jantar Mantar is the Jai Prakash, a device that measures the movement of the sun and stars. Together, two corresponding bowls, each more than twenty-seven feet in diameter, create a celestial map. Notches in each cavity mark the passing of the hours during the day, and at night, position an observer to see the stars







Value added: Perlus hopes to include a feature on his website allowing visitors to compose and capture an image from the virtual reality movies, then collaborate with him to make high-resolution prints, like the one above of Jaipur's Great Samrat Yantra. Left, the Samrat Yantra's exterior, seen from a distance.

in precise alignment. "It permits you to see time as movement," says Perlus. "You can just pause and look at the index of the sun's shadow. Every half inch represents two seconds. Looking down at the shadow, you become aware that you're standing on something in motion, witnessing the earth's movement."

As an artist, Perlus says the transition from conventional photography to digital, virtual-reality documentation required a change of perspective. Each recording knits together twenty-nine overlapping images, using stitching programs and sophisticated algorithms to blend shifts in color and exposure between shots. "The primary concept is that of being a surrogate," says the professor. "I'm providing the prospective audience an opportunity to explore, rather than handing them a fixed image to look at and reflect on. The image doesn't have fixed boundaries or frames, and I can't control the composition. The only thing I really control is where I stand when I make the recording."

Consequently, Perlus paid special attention to the vantage point from which he captured each image. "If the work were just from the mindset of a still photographer, there would be only one view, and the rest of the panorama would just be incidental. As viewers pan around in these VRs, they encounter new discoveries and new views." In some cases, he says, that meant placing the camera just inches from a small object with detailed markings and opposite a broad landscape view. "Like a filmmaker planning a dolly action, I had to compose the shots so that when viewers interacted with the panorama, they would be surprised." ●

To see the panoramas, visit

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The program—organized by Lorie Hine '82 in Alumni Affairs and Marike Bradford '97 of the Metro NY Office



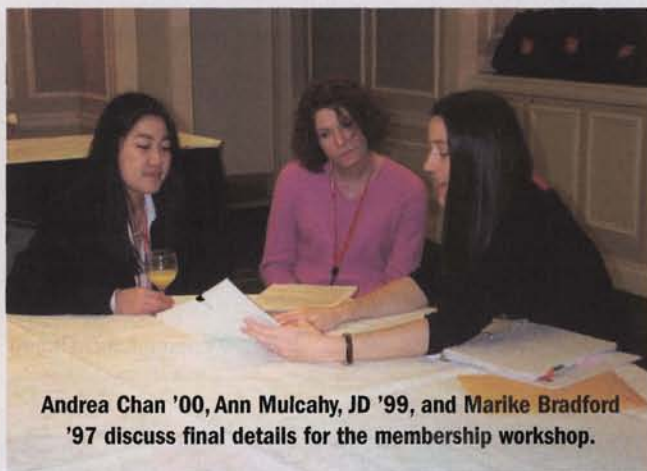
Debriefing: Participants Tracey Marin '96 and Katrina James '96 compare notes following the afternoon sessions.

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Andrea Chan '00, Ann Mulcahy, JD '99, and Marike Bradford '97 discuss final details for the membership workshop.

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staff. It opened with presentations on Building Alumni Participation by Mary Berens '74, Director of Alumni Affairs, Ellen Walsh '76, Director of Regional Offices, and Laurie Koehler, Associate Director and Coordinator for Alumni Volunteer Programs in the Undergraduate Admissions Office. In addition to their staff experience working for Cornell, Mary and Ellen drew on their personal knowledge as active alumni volunteers. The second part of the morning offered concurrent workshops on Increasing and Diversifying Membership, Fundraising for Cornell, and CAAAN's goals and procedures.

Lunch was followed by a presentation by Steven

Rosalie, Associate Provost for Medical Affairs at the Weill Cornell Medical College, on the new medical college being established in Qatar. Among other things, the attendees learned that there are at least three correct ways to pronounce that country's name.

In the afternoon, those attending could again choose among three workshops: Building Great Events, Engaging Young Alumni, and CAAAN. Both CAAAN sessions included training in the new electronic processing for referrals and interview forms. Then Cleibe Souza, Assistant Webmaster, Alumni Affairs and Development, discussed effective ways to use technology, including websites, e-mail, and other online resources. What got the most attention, though, was his posting the score of the NCAA East regional hockey playoff, where Cornell had just beaten Minnesota State, Mankato.

In addition to the conversations that took place in the workshops and over lunch, there was a formal session for exchanging ideas, after which it was time for a group photo, a short cocktail hour, and dinner. Dr. Brian Crane, Assistant Professor of Chemistry and Chemical Biology, updated the group about New Opportunities at the Interface of Biology and Chemistry in the Post-Genomic Era.

Everyone who attended agreed that it was a very full—and productive—day. Said Leslie Nydick: "Some of us discussed ways to plan more opportunities to share ideas and not waiting until the next Leadership Conference."

— Rolf Frantz '66

Calendar of Events

July 15 – August 29

For updated information, call the Office of Alumni Affairs, (607) 255-3517 or visit us online at www.alumni.cornell.edu

NY/Ontario

CCA/Greater Rochester, July 16—Book club at Barnes & Noble, Pittsford. RSVP Kristen Hallagan, (716) 242-0199.

Northeast

CC/Boston, July 17—Red Sox vs. Toronto. \$20 CCOB members, \$25 non-members. RSVP Tom Pasniewski, thp1@cornell.edu, (617) 731-9771.

CC/Boston, July 27—CCOB Day at Fenway Park, Red Sox vs. Yankees. Game ticket packages available to CCOB members. RSVP Tom Pasniewski, thp1@cornell.edu, (617) 731-9771.

CCAIG/Maine, Aug. 2—Trip to the Isles of Shoals, \$30. RSVP Karen Day, karenday@maine.rr.com.

CC/Boston, Aug. 3—Afternoon and evening performances at Tanglewood. RSVP Maddy McDowell, msm32@cornell.edu, (617) 354-1293.

CC/Boston, Aug. 7—Young Alumni Happy Hour at Sophia's. Contact Laura Little, LBL2@cornell.edu, (617) 557-4168.

CC/Boston, Aug. 7—Red Sox vs. Anaheim. Contact Tom Pasniewski, thp1@cornell.edu.

CC/Cape Cod, Aug. 12—Martha's Vineyard Big Red Gathering. Call Barbara Silver or June Kapell, (617) 236-1969.

MidAtlantic

CC/Lancaster, Aug. 16—New student send-off picnic. RSVP John Kinyon, jkinyon@humpexproduct.com, (717) 393-2493.

Midwest

CC/Minnesota, July 15—Reading group discusses *All the Pretty Horses* at Amore Coffee. Call Judy Morgan, morganj@juno.com, (651) 225-0743.

CC/Pittsburgh, July 25—Monthly luncheon, Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania. RSVP by 11:00 a.m. July 25 to Mady Bauer, mab79@cornell.edu.

CC/Mid-America, Aug. 3—Summer reception at Shawnee Mission Park. Call Mary Jones, (816) 584-9367.

CC/Northeastern Ohio, Aug. 4—Student send-off picnic, Horseshoe Lake Park in Shaker Heights. Contact George Ray, g.ray@csuohio.edu, (216) 751-6112.

CC/Pittsburgh, Aug. 29—Monthly luncheon, Engineering Society of Western Pennsylvania. RSVP by Aug. 29 to Mady Bauer, mab79@cornell.edu.

Southeast

CAA/Southwest Florida, July 26—"Footloose" at Broadway Palm Dinner Theater. Call Neena Lurvey, (239) 495-8576.

CAA/Atlanta, Aug. 9—New student send-off. Contact Rachelle Montano at montano@greystone.net or (404) 218-6579.

CAA/Charlotte, Aug. 10—New student send-off. Call Christine Goodell, (704) 995-4944.

CC/Eastern Florida, Aug. 10—New student send-off. Contact Charles Hunt, profit@smartsolutions.com, (561) 967-4770.

Southwest

CC/New Mexico, Aug. 16—Annual Gala Event at the Santa Fe Opera, Mozart's "Così fan Tutte." Contact Helen Pynn, mpynn516@aol.com, (505) 986-1830.

CC/Austin, Aug. 21—Concert Under the Stars, San Antonio Botanical Garden. RSVP Amisha Schraudenbach, alp5@cornell.edu, (210) 614-7162.

Western

CC/Western Washington, Aug. 17—Mariners vs. Red Sox at Safeco Field. RSVP Cheryl Taylor, catbear96@yahoo.com.

Pay attention to your teachers.



1. Urie Bronfenbrenner
2. Robert J. Young
3. Louis Edgerton
4. Jack Lewis
5. Henry S. McGaughan
6. David Curtiss
7. Bernard Stanton
8. Margaret Thomas
9. Jean Failing
10. Dale Corson
11. Paul Ramstad
12. Theresa Humphreyville
13. Robert Holland
14. Paul Hartman
15. Carol Franklin
16. Leon Heppel
17. Lucille Wright
18. Ingrid N. Kovary
19. Marion Howe
20. Gracia Ostrander

21. Gwen Byrnes
22. Mary Ann Payne
23. John G. Seeley
24. Donald Holcomb
25. Henry Munger
26. Ann Mitchell Rogers
27. "Jack" John B. Rogers
28. Jean Sherf
29. Arthur Bratton
30. Jonathan Bishop
31. Dean Davis
32. Ruth Roberts
33. Paul McIsaac
34. Kenneth Greisen
35. Edwin Roberts
36. Norman Daly
37. Herbert Everett
38. Jane McDaniel
39. John P. Windmuller
40. Esther Bratton
41. William Whyte
42. Ethel Samson
43. Knight Biggerstaff
44. Leona W. Gelder
45. Hans Bethe
46. Harry Ainslie
47. Tommie Bryant
48. William Austin
49. Lucinda Noble
50. Alfred Kahn
51. Robert Kirk
52. Clarice Meijer

53. Virginia Briggs
54. Margaret Boynton
55. Boyce McDaniel
56. James Spero
57. William B. Ward

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64. M.H. Abrams
65. Mary Benedict Wood
66. Kathryn E. Walker
67. Irene Patterson
68. Kathleen Rhodes
69. Elmer S. Phillips
70. Daniel G. Sisler
71. W. Keith Kennedy
72. Barbara Babcock Payne
73. Robert Wehe
74. Gray Thoron
75. Edwin G. Moran
76. Beatrice Macleod
77. Donald Byron
78. Virginia Ainslie
79. Harry W. Chaskey
80. Robert Story

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28 ^R During the registration process for Reunion 2003, many updates were received from members of the Class of 1928—not just from those planning to make the trip to Ithaca, but from those who were unable to attend as well. Complete coverage of Reunion will be published in the September/October issue of this magazine, but for now, we would like to share more news of your classmates.

Howard Levie, JD '30, was planning to fly to reunion from his home in Portsmouth, RI. He has lived in an assisted living residence since his wife died in February '02. Howard was last on campus in 1998. **Louise Emery** Angell had hoped to get a ride to Ithaca with a friend. She writes, "I am still active and no one believes I am 97. I walk, drive my car, and do my woodcarving. I also knit, play the piano, and volunteer." Louise had a great time at the 70th Reunion in 1998 and is looking forward to hearing about this year's event and finding out who was able to be there.

Dr. **Jesse Keshin** was last on campus for his grandson's graduation and planned to fly to Reunion 2003 from his home in Florida. When Jesse was an undergraduate at Cornell, he studied English and forestry, but a course in histology put him on a new path to the practice of medicine. He has enjoyed a full and accomplished life that combined a clinical practice in urology with academia. He engaged in numerous research projects over the years in the areas of urology and human fertility, and as a scientist it was always clear to him that "the more we know the more we appreciate how little we know." Jesse has been a member of several professional societies and boards, a professor at the New York Medical College, and the Director of Continuing Medical Education at Parkway General Hospital and founder of other graduate education programs. "Doctors," he writes, "are essentially students forever, expanding their knowledge of the art and science of medicine for the ultimate benefit of their patients."

Ludolph Wlanetz, PhD '38, of Melbourne, FL, sent a friendly, informative letter with his best wishes for a wonderful 75th Reunion. He had hoped to attend himself, but was physically unable to make the 1,000-mile trip. Lou lost his wife Evelyn in March, after a long illness, and currently lives alone in a retirement home. He takes a short walk daily ("wobbly, but sufficiently stable"), but music is his pleasure and preoccupation. "I have a piano and I play. I also have a clarinet that I play. Besides that, I sing bass in our community chorus. These activities leave me little free time." His daughter and her husband live about ten miles away and he's very

grateful for their tender care. He also has a son in Maryland, and his family keeps in good touch by phone. Lou writes, "My active career for 25 years was teaching mechanical engineering, physics, and mathematics. Then for another 25 years I was engaged in engineering research and development work, mostly with the Applied Physics Laboratory of John Hopkins U. I was also a reserve officer for 35 years and retired from the Navy as a Captain."

Stay tuned to the Sept/Oct issue for a full report on Reunion 2003 and many thanks to all who returned questionnaires or sent letters. ♦ Class of '28, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

31 Thanks to those of you who have sent in updates. Your most recent news was, unfortunately, received too late for this deadline, but stay tuned to future issues. Your notes are welcome at any time. Use the news form you received in March, or write me directly.

The following was received some time ago from our literary specialist **Jerry Finch**, PhD '36 (Dr. Jeremiah S., 3110 Monroe Village, Monroe Township, NJ 08831-1918), who remembers that, like him, I also was born and brought up in Albany, NY. He sent me this brief "gem":

"Bret Harte, the writer, lived in Albany for a while. Later, he noted that he hoped to return someday to Albany to die—because that was the place he would least regret leaving!" If you work at it hard enough, you can always find something nice to say. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, 237 N. Main St. #250, S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2088; e-mail, ggrampi@gis.net.

32 Word from Ithaca is that our class president **W. E. Mullestein** has been recognized as one of the awardees for 2003 of the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award. His interest in everything having to do with the well-being of the university has been an ongoing concern of Whitey's for all of the 71 years since our graduation.

Other news of the Mullestein clan came to me in a letter from Whitey and Dot enclosing an e-mail they had received from their granddaughter **Rebecca Shuford '94**, the daughter of **Mary Mullestein Shuford '64**. Becky is currently living in Brest, France, where she is conducting her PhD research at the French Research Inst. for Exploitation of the Sea (I wonder how they answer the telephone). Her research involves studies of the biology and life history of large, highly migratory pelagic fishes and their age and

Watered down: Wet weather and tighter control of drinking made for a more sedate Slope Day—but the music still rocked.



ROBERT BARKER / UP



growth, migratory behavior, and oceanic distribution. Such scientific information is crucial to the development of appropriate and effective marine fisheries that rely on these ecologically and economically important species.

Recently I threw out some files that were gathering dust. One was a three-ring notebook prepared by **Jerry O'Rourke**, the most organized

team published in the paper. Nicky Bawlf was a feisty little fellow who coached both lacrosse and hockey. He explained to me that Beebe hadn't frozen and the team was working out in the Old Armory. I asked for suggestions as to what to write and he told me that the boys were working hard. I pondered what else I might add and suggested: "Coach Bawlf says the team has

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SHEP ARONSON '33

man I ever knew, and it dealt with plans for our 45th Reunion in 1977. Obviously I submitted to my urge to read anything that looked interesting, and a note from **Bob Trier** delighted me. He wrote Jerry complaining that the proposed charge of \$40 for wives who attended with their husbands was unfair because it made no allowance for men who planned to bring more than one wife. Bob suggested two for \$50.

My copy of the '32 *Cornellian* is a little shabby, but I still thumb through it from time to time. The Poughkeepsie Regatta of 1931 took place on a stormy day in June. It was raining on the Hudson and it was raining at Madison Barracks where a group of us ROTC cadets were huddled in a leaky tent listening to a static-filled radio report. Some wit among us took liberties with the "Crew Song" and substituted "in tents" for the line "Oh, the joy of life intense; Rest was made for feebler folk." Navy won, Cornell was second, and Washington was third.

As I write this in mid-April the Frozen Four hockey tournament is taking place at the HSBC Arena in Buffalo. This decides the national inter-collegiate championship. Over 18,000 attended the semifinal games and Cornell was favored to win, but their first goal was disallowed and U. of New Hampshire won by a score of 3-2. The final game (between UNH and Minnesota) will be played after this copy is mailed. Which brings me to the contrast between Cornell hockey in the winter of 1931-32 and the present. Then it was listed in the *Cornellian* as a minor sport. The team practiced and played on Beebe Lake on a rink enclosed by boards about eight inches high, and the condition of the ice varied mostly from poor to very bad. Cornell scheduled five games that season, four of which were to be played in Ithaca and the fifth at Hamilton in Clinton, NY. The story in our yearbook carries the footnote: "All matches canceled because of unfavorable weather conditions." By the way, **William Thompson**, MME '33, one of this column's most faithful correspondents, was editor-in-chief of the 1932 *Cornellian*.

The hockey item brings back a recollection. One evening when I was on the desk at the *Sun* office, coach Nicholas Bawlf walked in and told me that he wanted an article about the hockey

team already worn out five pairs of sneakers." Bawlf turned purple and said that he couldn't stand a smart aleck. ♦ **Jim Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209; tel., (716) 886-1314.

33 **R** **Philip F. Pullen's** daughter, Jody Williams of Winthrop, MA, writes this note about her father: "Sad to say, my dad had a serious brain injury on Easter Sunday 1998 that caused lots of confusion and serious loss of motor and intellectual functions. The good news was it happened while he was playing basketball. He was fully 'with it' and mentally and physically active until this traumatic injury, which may have come from a fall or perhaps a mild stroke. Now he lives in a nursing home in Lexington, MA, the city where he has lived since 1949. He had a long career with Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., retiring at the age of 65 in 1976. He will not be able to come to the reunion, but he does remember and refers to his time at Cornell with affection. Hope you have a GREAT 70th!" We heard from **Louise O'Donnell** Brownell's daughter Terri: "My mother is doing quite well these days. Mom is in assisted living and keeping busy with different activities. She especially does some watercolor painting and knitting." 3119 Meta Ct., Largo, FL 33771.

Roger B. Morrison, MA '34, writes: "I've sold the house in Colorado where my wife Harriet (deceased in 1991) and I lived for 51 years. Biggest problem is disposal into good hands of my professional library (over 2,000 books), plus many years of professional journals of various classes. On Dec. 1, '02, I'm relocating to an apartment (#8104) at Santa Catalina Villas, 7500 N. Calle Sin Envidia, Tucson, AZ 85718. Despite approaching 90 in a little more than one more year, I'm still writing scientific articles and compiling geologic maps—though my vigorous field days are over." **Lynn P. Himmelman** is happy to be here, having an office and secretary two to three hours a day. "I have several trusts—more than 20 grandchildren, ten greats. 2001 Sixth Ave., Ste. 3434, Seattle, WA 98121.

George W. Roesch Jr.: We are located about 14 miles south of Fort Pierce, FL, on South Hutchinson Island, the southern tip of which is

eight to ten miles south of us. Our condominium is directly on the ocean and we have to evacuate if a hurricane is expected. In our 11 years here we have been evacuated three times. The nearest village is Jensen Beach, about four miles west of here. Stuart is about nine miles south and west of here. Family-wise we have one son who lives in Weston, CT. He is married and has three children. His daughter is married and she and her husband have two sons. They live in Fletcher, VT, about 15 miles from St. Albans. We manage to see them two or three times a year—we consider ourselves fortunate. 9940 S. Ocean Dr., #302, Jensen Beach, FL 34957. **Ernestine F. "Ernie" Elmendorf** Taylor: 11 grandchildren; five college graduates, three in college, three at home. The special news: "Just getting older, but still active." 2226 Heatherwood, Yarmouth Port, MA 02675-1443.

Helen Kilquist says: "I've just passed the milestone a little later than some of you of becoming 90. A friend in another retirement home invited me to lunch. When I walked in, there was a mutual friend who lives in Lexington, MA—a happy surprise. Soon two of my nieces will take me to visit their mother, and my sister (two different people) in New York State. These family times are the highlights of my year. There are many opportunities here, but I keep busy with personal things mostly." 320 Avery Heights, Hartford, CT 06106.

Dr. Charles "Charlie" Bloch has been struggling with the effects of a stroke. "I pray to the Lord to recover. I was slightly paralyzed . . . now I can run and walk somewhat. I will try to get to the 1933 Reunion in June 2003." PO Box 7945, Louisville, KY 40207. **Col. Deane Dunloy** writes from 509 Beacon Landing, Tinton Falls, NJ 07753, but this secretary had some trouble deciphering it. It seems they have moved into a retirement facility right near their former home.

Shepard G. "Shep" Aronson was 90 in May '03. "Seem to have all my marbles! Having traveled to 87 countries, I said 'That's enuf!' and now stay in the suburbs and read. Best method: one serious, one thriller simultaneously. Hobby: spotting grammatical errors, as in the first issue of Cornell's Arts and Sciences publication: 'different than' instead of 'different from'—see English101. Best wishes for 2003-plus! (All the travel makes the books more interesting, and vice versa—see Latin 101.)" 66 Hickory Hill Rd., Tappan, NY 10983. Send news to ♦ **Rev. Henry E. Horn**, 47-1 Trowbridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138.

34 Most of us have actually lived through multiple wars, and we are survivors—good for us! **Estelle Markin Greenhill** writes that now that she has enjoyed the parties celebrating her 90th birthday, she is enjoying being able to get around on her own. **Mary Terry** Goff is still in her own home and hopes she will not have to move. She went on three cruises in a year—to Mexico. She has four classmates she hears from (no names) and is happy she went to Cornell when she did—a peaceful time.

Irene VanDeventer Skinner, MS '45, wrote

a wonderfully long letter. I wish I could quote all of it. She keeps in touch with some classmates, all of whom lived in Sage. Those of us who were fortunate enough to live in Sage thought it was the greatest freshman dorm. She stays busy with church and other activities. **Gertrude Murray Squier** has made her regular trip to Hawaii to visit her daughter. She has adjusted to living in a retirement facility. When her daughter came to visit, they went to Ithaca.

There are no more "news" notes in my envelope, so any of you who read this, please write again. I can still pull my weight at Brooklyn Botanic Garden helping to grow most of the annuals used throughout the gardens. No more doing the planting—the knees say "no." Enjoy your summer. ♦ **Eleanor "Dickie" Mirsky Bloom**, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209.

Here's a nice story about a classmate of ours, **Jean Merkel**. Jean's father, Christopher Merkel, had established a nursery back in 1890, growing perennial flower plants in Mentor, OH, a suburb of Cleveland. Jean grew up helping in the family business, and entered Cornell in our class. He enrolled in A&LS, majoring in floriculture. His particular interest was in orchid growing and propagation. After graduation he went back into the family business. In 1936 the Merkel family purchased six acres of Florida land near Boynton Beach, just south of Delray Beach, between the East Coast Highway and the Intercoastal Waterway. There the Merckels established an orchid farm.

Jean developed great knowledge and skill in propagating and hybridizing rare and special varieties of orchids. He became expert in photographing these rare plants and traveled worldwide seeking them out, photographing them, and bringing many new and rare species back to the nursery in Florida. Jean lectured often, wrote several books about orchids and how to grow them, and was a trustee of the American Orchid Society. Over the years this small six-acre farm was very popular among orchid growers and became a landmark in this fast-growing and popular area of the Florida East Coast.

In 2000, over a century after Jean's father had started the farm in Ohio, the Merkel family sold the Florida property to developers. The purchase price in 1936 was \$12,000; it sold in 2000 for \$1,500,000. The Merckels then bought another suitable plot for an orchid farm a bit further inland, but only a short distance from the old stand. The business is still going strong. Jean is 91 now. We don't know how active he is in the business, but like to think he is enjoying his prize specimens and still cross-breeding some of his special favorites as a hobby. This is a fine story of a life career, entrepreneurship, a family business, a labor of love, and sound fiscal management. We hope this finds you very well, Jean, discounted a bit for age perhaps, but enjoying life.

There was a brief note from **Harold Puderbaugh**, who lives in Arkport, NY. He reports that he is now 91 years old, but unfortunately gave little other news! Thanks for your note, Harold!

When these Class Notes reach you, we will be enjoying the summer of 2003. Your class offi-

cers will be busy planning our 70th Reunion for June 2004. Do plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you there! ♦ **William R. Robertson**, 143 Rivermead Rd., Peterborough, NH 03458; tel., (603) 924-8654.

35 The sunny weather today has cheered me up after April snow and prolonged cold, rainy days, so I have hope that happier days are on the way. When I wrote last fall that we were in for an old-fashioned winter, I was hoping that I was wrong. But I could not have been more accurate. Anyway, it's behind us now. If you haven't already done so, please send news items my way—through the News and Dues mailing you recently received, or directly to me.

I have spoken to **Viola Henry Miller-Mullane** by telephone and learned that in late March she drove herself from Ithaca to St. Helena Island off Beaufort, SC, and back to give a party for close to 100 of her family in celebration of a milestone birthday. Congratulations, Viola, on the milestone and on the solo trip. I received a very pleasant note of appreciation from **Ruth Gates Fisher** of Williamsville, NY, for the 1935 calendar from the class. We were happy to be able to do it, Ruth, and glad that you are enjoying it.

Margaret Sturm Connor wrote from Ocean City, MD, also with thanks for the calendar and memories of the mini-reunions that provided so many good times. We can see each other in person at our reunion in close to two years, something Viola Mullane, our Reunion Chair, said she has been thinking about.

Charlie Ashe has recently moved to East Side Manor, Genesee St., Fayetteville, NY 13066. I was extremely pleased to receive, like a bolt from the blue, a letter from **William Buckhout '37**, who now lives at a lifecare residence in Fort Myers, FL. He played baseball when **Bill Dugan** was captain and **John Holman** was manager. Bill started playing tennis in 1982 and was attracted to the tournaments of Super-Senior Tennis organized by the USTA in Florida, where he ran into Bill Dugan. He improved enough to get a national ranking of 20th in the 80s age group. He reached number 1 in the 85s in Florida in 2000. He also served as mayor of Pleasantville, NY, for three terms in the 1950s. Bill, it was great to hear from you and of your interesting life.

Don't forget to write me direct if you think of some news! ♦ **Albert G. Preston Jr.**, 252 Overlook Dr., Greenwich, CT 06830; e-mail, davada35@aol.com.

36 In our last column I reported that **Jim McArdle** and his family were active in the nursery business in Greenwich, CT, and were in the process of renovating it at a cost of about \$1 million. Just before sitting down to write this one, I received a note from **Dick Keegan '49** as follows: "The Grand Marshall of the 2003 St. Patrick's Day Parade in Greenwich, CT, was James B. McArdle, assisted by his son **James McArdle Jr. '63** and grandson **James McArdle III '89**. 'Twas the largest parade in town history. The parade was led by the 100-piece Greenwich High School

band, known as the Cardinals and the Big Red!" No sooner had that arrived but another Cornellian sent in a newspaper clipping with all the details. For those of you unfamiliar with Greenwich, I assure you it is not your quaint New England village. Rather, it is a town noted for its lovely homes and large estates, located on the Long Island Sound about 40 miles from New York City. Also, over the past 20 years or so, several large corporations and businesses have located their headquarters there to take advantage of its natural beauty and absence of New York taxes. Due to space limitations I'll give only some highlights from the newspaper article:

The business was started in 1910 by Jim's father; Jim joined it after graduation from Cornell, taking over the presidency in 1955. He was chosen Grand Marshall of the parade because of his longtime involvement with the town's affairs, including "donating thousands of bulbs" to the town. He has also served as president of the Greenwich Chamber of Commerce, trustee of the hospital, and a director of the Boys & Girls Club. His professional accomplishments include past president and lifetime member of the Westchester and Fairfield Horticultural Society and, of course, member of the Men's Garden Club of America and the Society of American Florists. Jim has 11 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. A fine family and a good life. Top o' the mornin' to you, Jim!

Speaking of newspaper clippings, we have another sent in by **Jo Biddle McMeen**. It is from the *Huntington (PA) Daily News* about Huntington's "grand old Veteran's Day Parade" and has a picture of Jo, "legendary columnist of 'Along the Juniata' in the *Daily News*," waving to the crowd. Looking good, Jo! Also, this just in from **Elizabeth Fowler '65** about her parents: "**Francis 'Frank' Fowler** and wife **Julia** recently moved to an assisted living facility, Bethany Lutheran Village, in Dayton, where their address is 6445 Far Hills Dr., Dayton, OH 45459; tel., (937) 436-6946. They would love to hear from any classmates. Their new home is close to their daughter **Lucy Anne McKoskey**. My brother **Charles Fowler '73** and I are looking forward to visiting regularly."

You may remember that some time ago I commented that we all have our favorite memories of Cornell, and that I would appreciate hearing about some of them for publication. **Ruth Fisher Rosevear** has sent in the following: "In 1931 I'd read in the catalog that there was a symphony orchestra at Cornell. Its existence was part of my reason for choosing Cornell. I showed up for the first rehearsal. The conductor, **Charles Coleman**, said he would put me in the Mandolin Club, a sad little group in which he played violin. It never occurred to me that the orchestra was all male. After all, I was fresh from the New Jersey High School state orchestra where a third were girls. I kept asking Mr. Coleman when I could play in the orchestra. After a few weeks he relented and said to come to the Thursday afternoon string rehearsal. I showed up with my cello and after that I was a member. After me, other girls were admitted. I was elected president of the orchestra my senior year."

After age 40, Ruth enrolled at the U. of Cincinnati to study nutrition to add to her chemistry major at Cornell. She later became a licensed dietician, and her writing eventually earned her a notice in *Who's Who of American Women*, 10th-13th Editions. She says, "I stopped active nutrition teaching in classes and clinics when I was 70, but have continued raising experimental rats to show the difference between good and junk food. I just had a call to show my 109th pair at a health fair this spring. I've been happily married to **Francis '33**, PhD '37, for 64 years. He was a research chemist at Procter and Gamble until retirement 25 years ago. Our two children have given us four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. I feel that Cornell gave me a firm foundation." Thanks so much for sharing your story with us, Ruth.

Now for two brief reports: **David Amsler**, MME '37, says that he and his wife are enjoying excellent companionship and service in a fine retirement home, Bay Village, in Sarasota, FL. Nice to hear from you, Dave. Although **E. Stanley Shepardson**, MS Ag '47, and his wife still call Ithaca home base, they enjoy their summer camp in the Adirondacks and spending a couple of months each winter in Florida. We have other news, but, sorry, it will have to wait. ♦ **Bill Hoyt**, 8090 Oakmont Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95409, subillhoyt@aol.com.

37 **Lyndon Virkler** writes that he has been on permanent vacation since retiring in 1984 from practicing orthodontics. Now Binky follows the sun spending summers on Cape Cod, the winter season in Sarasota, FL, and spring and fall in Virginia Beach, VA. Daughter Carol is an elementary school principal and daughter Lillian is a CPA. Son Lyndon Jr. is dean of students and faculty at the Culinary Institute in Montpelier, VT. Granddaughter Gretchen is a student at McGill U. Emily is a Syracuse U. graduate, grandson Aaron is in sales, and Benny is a cook.

Arthur Harris happily welcomes great-granddaughter Sofia May Shen, born Nov. 11, '02. **Alvin Moscovitz**, JD '39, a retired lawyer, is "happy but amazed" that **Joe Mandel**, JD '39, and **Alex Gossin**, JD '39, are still practicing law. Al's granddaughter is a mathematics major at Penn State, and grandson Joshua, who aspires to being a choral conductor, is a music major at Columbia. The other grands, Daniel and Jacqueline, are in high school.

One of our classmates paid his class dues last September, but the class news form—minus his name and other identification—got separated from the payment. So there's no way to identify the deacon who fishes in Lake Ontario once a year, was on a bus tour along the Maine coast, enjoys Scrabble and cutting fireplace wood, and whose children and grandchildren are "too numerous to mention." But since your scribe is kind of low on material and there's space in the column, he thought you'd like to know. ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd. N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

These past few months have been most unset-

ling. The whole world seems to have turned "topsy-turvy," putting us through all the various emotions we could possibly experience. Perhaps we can settle down and enjoy the pleasures and quietude of summer.

Meanwhile, we heard that **Mary Ferguson Mills** has moved to 88 Notch Hill Rd., Apt. 148, N. Branford, CT 06471. Apparently she is most pleased with her new abode, as she writes, "I moved to Evergreen Woods, a retirement complex near Madison in September. I have a lovely apartment facing an attractive courtyard and many friends, some former residents like myself. Now that winter has arrived . . . I'm especially happy to be here where someone else clears the parking lot and brushes the snow off my car. If the weather is bad, everything I need is here—dining room, movies, special programs, library, store, pool, fitness room, exercise program, mail, maid service. At Christmas I hear from **Marge Hall Schlosser** and **Mary Rogers Hillas '39**."

Florence Cohen Strauss also gives us a new address, 77 Seville F-Kings Pt., Delray Beach, FL 33446. She spent June 2002 in Madison, WI (senior summer school) and July and August 2002 at Circle Lodge (adult cultural camp). Her sons are Dr. Russell and Dr. Theodore. Dr. Russell engages in "deep sea diving in all oceans." There are five great-grandchildren. **Hildegard Uelzmann Wilson** is still tutoring students in Latin and is in the process of writing a book on teaching. She is a community activist and tries to get good candidates elected to office. She keeps in touch with **Ruth Mason Phillips**, who during the past several months was adjusting to a new area of the country—beautiful Colorado's western slope, 40 miles south of Grand Junction. Ruth moved to be near her daughter **Fran Phillips Lazear**, DVM '76, and closer to her son, Dr. **Arthur Phillips III '69**, located in Flagstaff, AZ.

Grace Jones Henley, JD '39, has two sons. Matt, an engineer in Texas in the oil drilling business, "built a house with his own hands." Peter is a CPA, but his heart is in technology; he is in charge of communications for the firm, dealing with 100 computers, etc. Grace and her husband have successfully been able to win his two-and-a-half-year battle with lymphoma. She, in the midst of his problem, had two operations: one to repair a hole in the retina (she sees much better now), another to insert a pacemaker. Despite all these problems she claims she feels fine except being tired from arrhythmia. To quote her, "We're still kicking."

Helen Saunders Engst, MS '65, is as busy as ever with League of Women Voters, FISH (local organization to drive for seniors), reading, co-chair of '37 reunion, and working with Cornell. She thanks heaven for e-mail and is glad to be living in Ithaca so that she can enjoy Cornell and its activities. Her progeny consists of five children, ten grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren, which would ordinarily be enough to keep anyone occupied. Please keep the news coming and enjoy your lives! ♦ **Selma Block Green**, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583; tel., (914) 472-0535.

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Although you're reading this column in early July—a month after Reunion 2003—magazine publishing deadlines required that it be composed several weeks before the event. Stay tuned to the Sept/Oct issue for full reunion coverage. In the meantime, here are some updates we received during the winter and spring months.

Karl Nelson (Weston, CT) is still active in local organizations and playing golf. He wrote that he was looking forward to the 65th Reunion. **Ira Flamberg** (Sharpsville, PA) was also hoping to make the 65th. "After three joint replacements, I gave up golf and tennis, but can still walk with difficulty." **Richard Williamson** always looks forward to the magazine. He writes, "Our nearest Cornell Alumni Club is a bit of a distance from me, so I have little to carry me back in memory to the good old days, except for *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. I was at the last reunion of our class. Are there enough of us left to go back again?"

Walter Tatum (Sequim, WA), '38 Class Director for the Hotel school *Bulletin*, is also a member of Sequim Rotary and Elks clubs. Walt is the author of the novel *The Last Resort*, humorously written several years ago while managing a luxury hotel in Taiwan. "If anyone wants a copy, send \$5 and I'll mail it to them. I'm a salmon fisherman enthusiast as this is the Great Northwest. Sequim is retirees' heaven! Busy selling collectibles from around the world when I was Chief Technical Advisor for the United Nations. At Cornell I was a sprinter on the track team. Happily married man for over 30 years. Was a Sigma Epsilon at Cornell." **Paul Gibbs** (Key West, FL) let us know that he, too, is "happily enjoying life and blessed with good health and friends." **Louis Dauner's** son **Mark** graduated from Cornell in '69, and Mark's son **Mathieu** graduated in '01. "Those are the only ones out of five children and 12 grandchildren to go to Cornell," he says. "There are only a few chances left. I enjoy reading the *Alumni News* each issue. Keep up the good work."

J. Garrett Peavy's niece reported that he died last October in Maui after battling cancer. **Daniel O'Neil** passed away peacefully on December 22, 2002. The O'Neil family said they remember how much he enjoyed the reunion in 1998.

Jean Scheidenhelm Wolff (Hilton Head Island, SC) is in contact with her old roommate **Priscilla Benner Pilcher**, who was a transfer student, like Jean herself. "We've remained close friends, all four of us, although my husband **Al '37** died in 1992. I've given up golf but keep very busy and am as happy as one can be without a lifelong mate. I enjoy travel and still want to go around South America and to South Africa. Have been enjoying the wonderful music on this beautiful island. A great symphony, for which I am active, and great theater. My father was a Cornellian, as well as an uncle and aunt, and third-generation Cornell is very special to me. I went to Wellesley and had to go to Columbia summer school and get top grades before I was allowed to transfer to Cornell." Jean has three children and five grands, and hopes some good

Cornell trips will come along.

"Life goes on as usual with the routine of daily chores around the house and garden," writes **Mabel Levy Gerhart**, MA '39 (Perkasie, PA). "Still enjoy the daily water exercises I do an hour each day. I feel great and am still traveling. My latest trip took me to Vienna, Bratislava, and Budapest. Planning another trip to Sicily for February or March; last trip there was in 1993. Had nice telephone chats with **Fern Bentley** Blackburn and **Violet Lanfear** Weeden. Philadelphia Orchestra concerts in the new Kimmel Center are always a delight, as my interest in music hasn't waned, though I don't get to play the cello anymore—just can't seem to find extra time."

Mary Kelly Northrup (North Palm Beach, FL) continues to enjoy Florida life. "Daughter Carol Shea lives in Newton, MA, and daughter Julia Northrup lives in Seattle." **Paul**, PhD '37, and **Julia Robb Newman** (Mt. Dora, FL) moved to an assisted living facility in November, part of Waterman Village where they had lived in the independent living section for five years. **Elizabeth Jennings** Perry (Bloomington, IN) has been in the same house in Bloomington since 1959. She has three granddaughters. "Two have graduated from college, and the youngest is a sophomore at U. of Wyoming, where her dad is faculty. I keep in touch with my roommate **Henrietta 'Bobbi' Miller**; we talk to each other at least once a month."

And this from **Ruth Barclay Wright** (Cape Porpoise, ME): "Moving in the slow lane, but enjoying family activities. Now have two great-grandchildren living around the corner! Play smaller part in community hospital and church organizations. No more golf or bowling, but love bridge, mahjong, and puzzles. And friends!"

Thank you all for your news—there's more to come! Thanks also to those who mailed dues but no news. Feel free to send updates at any time. ♦ Class of '38, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

39 I am asked to remind you that any information you provide for an "online newsletter, class column, etc., that is posted on any website, anywhere, is accessible to search engines and therefore public." Our class does not have a website, but conscious of the need for personal privacy, I try to keep the news you send me general. I hope that is satisfactory to you.

I am sorry to report that our friend and Men's correspondent **Russell Martin**, MS Ag '41, died on May 21 at Kendal at Ithaca. His disastrous fall in December left him with six fractured ribs (and a broken left shoulder as well), and further complications made skilled nursing care necessary. Russ hoped that some man in the class would volunteer to take over his job. Any interested classmates can contact Jamie Weber at Alumni House (607-255-4850), or Adele Robbinette at *Cornell Alumni Magazine* (607-257-5133, ext. 25), or me. Russ was a longtime Cornell faculty member, a dedicated community volunteer, and a kind and caring man. His memorial service on May 27 was attended by more than 200 of his friends and colleagues, as

well as many members of his family, and he will be sorely missed. We send our sincere condolences to his wife Mig.

Virginia Bennett Wells wrote that **Alice Chism** Clark died in Reno, NV, on Feb. 8, '02. She was a member of Delta Delta Delta, and very active in her city's rehabilitation services. We send our belated sympathy to her family and friends.

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RUTH GOLD GOODMAN '39

Ginny also wrote that living in Salt Lake City last year was exciting because of the extensive preparations for the Winter Olympic Games. Surprisingly, there were no disasters. She and her husband still live in their own home, surrounded by children and grandchildren who "amaze, worry, and delight us."

Ethel Piness Abrams sent a wonderful newspaper article and picture of **Naomi Goldberg** Kruvant, who is well known throughout the New Jersey area for her creative volunteer and philanthropic activities, and her generous funding in perpetuity of a professional director of volunteers in Essex County, a daycare center for a Newark hospital, a center for psychiatric social rehabilitation, an annual fellowship for a gifted young cellist to study with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, and much more. Women like Naomi—who perceive what's important in life, believe strongly in the "power of volunteerism as a factor of change," and can and do help—make our world a better place.

Helen Ziegler Carr, BS HE '41, writes from Blaine, WA, that she and **John** '41 spend their summer and fall cruising Puget Sound, but put on raincoats winter and spring. The Carrs have four children, eight grands, and two great-grands. As Helen says, "Egad!" It must be all that water. It was good to hear from **Winifred Waring**, who enjoys traveling. Recently, she cruised to Mexico, took a wine train through the Napa and Sonoma area, and celebrated her 85th in San Francisco. **Patricia O'Rourke Smith** is writing her second book with co-author Tony Shuon, teaching a music appreciation course called "Let's Go for Baroque" at the local college, still writing for the local newspaper, and looking forward to celebrating 63 years of marriage with **Harry** '38 in September. It must be all that sun in Sun City Center, FL.

One more year till our 65th Reunion. Gather yourselves together, think happy thoughts, smile a lot, and walk twice around the block. We want to see you here in Ithaca in 2004. ♦ **Ruth Gold** Goodman, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850; tel., (607) 257-6357; e-mail, bg11@cornell.edu.

"This old Glee Clubber still sings!" wrote **Oliver**

Stark. "Forest Grove Presbyterian Church Choir is the connection now. Plants and the environment are still my major concerns. I'm part of Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve as one of the trustees. I also serve as botanist/consultant with the Doylestown Township Environment Activities Council. My wife **Peggy (Pearce)** has been editor of Forest Grove Presbyterian Church

Family Focus since September 1983. Retired living is just as full as the previous 40-plus working years were."

Charles Hunt (Winter Haven, FL) reports good health for both himself and wife Sue. "Busy with volunteer work, Boy Scouts, and church. We enjoyed a cruise to Bermuda last year, and still enjoy summers in Silver Lake, NY." **Robert Wilson** has been enjoying independent living at Beverwyck for the past five years, "with over 200 friends (including a dozen Cornellians)."

Richard Netter, JD '41, was presented the Charles H. Silver Award by Beth Israel Medical Center, New York City, at its annual dinner last November. Dick is vice chairman of the hospital and has been a member of its board of trustees since 1958. The award, which has been given only three times since its inception in 1986, is given to individuals who are deeply committed to Beth Israel's mission to provide the highest quality care with compassion and concern for the patients' well-being. Dick devotes half his time to the practice of law with Singer Netter Dowd & Berman, and the balance of his time to various philanthropic activities.

Benjamin Dean has seven volumes in print of his series *A Virginian in Yankeeland*. The last volume, published in January '02, was subtitled *Troika's Invisible Knot*. Ben writes, "All seven volumes are offered comp to the Finger Lakes Library system. Volume 2 is focused on 1935 to 1939 on the Cornell Crew—the inside story on boathouse politics included! Co-correspondent Ruth Gold Goodman can handle loans to you from the said library." ♦ Class of '39 Men, c/o *Cornell Alumni Magazine*, 55 Brown Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-1247.

40 I'll try to get a lot of classmates in this column. It's a snowy Sunday at the end of March as I begin the column. I just said goodbye to my daughter Janice, who works for Brown U. in Providence, RI, where she is living in her own house. Her close friend Bill Riker drove up here with her for a weekend visit. Two talented people: her artistic women's jewelry-making and his unique glass-blowing—happy friends together.

Estelle Wells Evans lives in Georgetown, NY. She had a chance to visit **John '42**, MBA '48, and **Alice Sanderson Rivoire '41**, MS HE '48, in Ithaca at Kendal. **Ed**, DVM '40, and **Peg Catlin Leonard** had been married for 12 years when she passed away. Peg suffered from Alzheimer's disease. I want to bring Ed's letter to our next reunion, as I cannot repeat it all here. It is an inspiration for any of you caring for such a patient. Ed attended an Elderhostel in New Zealand in February 2002, and **Chet Freeman '39**, MS Ag '45, was his roommate. **Jean Raynor**

Duke is a member of the Continuous Reunion Club, the Ag college alumni association, and the Cornell Charter Society. I hope he has time to shape up his Christmas tree farm, a good source of relaxation. **Matthew Locks**, MD '43, retired from a career in academic medicine in 1988, then assumed the role of consultant to the Long Beach City Health Department in 1993. He also enjoys medical teaching, theater, music, reading, and swimming.

Although **George Curtis** has difficulty writing, I have a note from him from Tampa, FL,

sical piano. Still visit Switzerland twice a year." Did he say he retired?

Always traveling, **Lou Conti** attended the Ivy football dinner in New York City. Cornell was well represented by Frank and Rosa Rhodes, Hunter Rawlings, and former Big Red footballers all gathered to honor **Chuck Knight '57**, MBA '59, as the Cornell nominee. Lou enjoyed seeing many players he coached, among the more than 700 at the Waldorf banquet. **Bill Hagar** is as busy as ever. He attended his 80th Fighter Squadron reunion at Fort Walton Beach, FL. He has three great-grandsons. "Golf getting worse every week. Nancy will be beating me if I don't turn my game around. Sailing on Regal Empress out of Tampa to New Orleans for Madri Gras. My regards to all, and tell them to get their Dues/News in and reduce my May phone bill."

Doug and **Anne Lindsay** celebrated 60 years of marriage on April 3 with their five children and ten grandchildren. They moved to Williamsburg Landing, VA. Likewise **Lawrence** and **Betty Jacobs Kalik '44**: children Mildred and **Allen '72** and **Patricia Gross Kalik '72** are giving a gala 60th wedding anniversary party at Cote Basque in NYC. ♦ **Ralph E. Antell**, 7015 Carnation St., Beaufont Towers #408, Richmond, VA 23225.

Greetings to all from sunny, warm Ithaca with no snow this late day in March. Daffodils are showing green leaves and even buds. After the record-breaking snowy winter, this is great. And I am pleased so many of you sent in your news!

Kathleen Spellman McLaurin, MD '44, of Cincinnati writes that she is still on the boards of Children's Hospital Medical Center and Convalescent Hospital, both in Cincinnati. She expects to retire to Maine in the summer and to Florida in the winter. **Virginia Jones** Rewick and husband have their lives brightened by three children, five grandchildren, and three greats. They live in a lovely retirement community in Scottsdale, which means she has help with her macular degeneration and recently replaced knee. She says, "Growing older, but not yet old."

Audrey Bernichon Glacken reports that she is in comfortable retirement in Boynton Beach, FL. She and husband Joseph have five grandchildren and two greats. **Marjorie Steinberg** Lewis regrets to report she is confined to her apartment. Not seriously, but she has a painful disc disease and spinal problems. **Ruth Pierce Moyer**, PhD '69, and husband **James '38** moved to Florida permanently in 2002. They attend Cornell alumni functions and continue to enjoy the symphonies and the Sarasota Opera.

Lorraine Matarazzo Farina and husband Joseph of Schenectady, NY, have three children and four grandchildren. She is a landscape architect and a consultant to Schenectady City. Her husband is a maxillo-facial surgeon from the U. of Pittsburgh. Lorraine belongs to the Thursday Musical Club for Women (celebrating its 90th anniversary), the Panhellenic Club of Schenectady, Brush & Palette, and the St. Luke's Choir—busy lady. **Helen Ackerly** Oshima and husband William live in New Mexico. She says

'Will Templeton recalls a crisis in his marriage when wife Connie put his Blaster jacket in the Goodwill throw outs.'

CAROLYN EVANS FINNERAN '42

Mase has also enjoyed her first Elderhostel trip. This one took her to Provincetown, MA, for whale watching, bird watching, and interesting talks on the history and ecology of Cape Cod.

Argate Polmer Hollander lives in Highland Beach, FL. Her husband **Gerard '39** is deceased. She plays bridge and attends the theater, ballet, and symphony, but had to give up her greatest love, golf, three years ago. She enjoys three sons, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Downsizing from a large, three-level home to a small apartment also keeps her busy, and she loves watching the boats on the nearby intercoastal waterway. Argate spends three or four months every summer in Killington, VT. **Irving Luban** wrote in late 2002 from Israel, where he volunteered at an Army base. His job was to recycle tank helmets, antennas, gas masks, etc. He finished his letter writing, "Peace, not in my lifetime."

John Thatcher lives in Manchester, NJ. He has never stopped singing in glee clubs. He is with a group in New Jersey that does about three shows a week—close to 100 each year. **Shirley Benjamin** Feltman is a practicing clinical psychotherapist in NYC. She has two Cornellian grandchildren, **Mark Proctor '99** and **Lisa Boswell '99**. Mark and Lisa are in law school. **John '38**, JD '40, and **Ellen "Toni" Saxe Stewart** report a grandson, **Donald Stewart '98**, studying for his MBA at the U. of Chicago. They also have three other grandchildren and one great-grandchild. **Laurence Gardner** lives in Bath, NY, and is a part-time farm consultant and a golfer who volunteers at the LPGA Ladies Corning Golf Classic. He served 17 years as treasurer of the Bath Country Club. Now he has more time for home repair and maintenance. He has one grandson, a cancer survivor of eight years, and three granddaughters, college girls.

Don "Duke" Spittler of Lakeview, NY, serves as the chairman on the town of Hamburg Conservation Advisory Board and as member of the Buffalo-Erie County Historical Society Advisory Board. He does research of local history.

thanking us for our class column. Spread the news. **Jerome Payton**, DVM '40, lives in Morris, NY. He does research and development work for H.W. Maylor Co. Jerome lost his spouse Dorothy in late November 2000. It helps that he enjoys the game of golf. Lucky enough to celebrate 60 years of marriage, **Jim** and **Jean Robinson Cowden** send their news from Brecksville, OH. Jim has spent his time and energy researching the relationship of cancer and chronic disease to toxic materials in the environment. He was presented with the Ohio Lake Erie Award for 2001 in honor of his outstanding contributions to protecting and restoring Ohio's Great Lake. Jim serves as VP of the Ohio Coastal Resources Management Capital Project, and participated for several years in the development of the Lake Erie Lakewide Management Plan. He spent years as a researcher, educator, coordinator, and consultant at Kent State U. and Hiram College. ♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, PO Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; tel., (518) 632-5237.

41 **Paul Spiers** and his wife attended a Cornell banquet for outstanding alumni of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences for classmate **Robert Everingham**, presided over by Dean Susan Henry. "Four of us continue to attend the Geriatric Pilots Assn. monthly breakfast meetings at the Rochester airport. We are a dedicated, fun-loving group of 150 WWII pilots. We restored our second old plane that hangs from the ceiling at our airport."

Dr. William Turin lives in Palm Desert, CA. He moved there shortly after his wife Toni passed away in 1992. "My son Dan lives in Switzerland, where he is a teacher. His Swiss wife, Ruth, translates for the Swiss 'Feds.' My only granddaughter Stephanie is an avid ice skater. Daughter Lisa is a paralegal in Los Angeles. Both children are graduates of UC Berkeley. I practiced dentistry for 47 years and am now a book salesman at the local Barnes & Noble. I'm an avid reader and continue my studies on clas-

she is retired to a couch most of the time, but is OK from her neck up!

Gretchen Fonda Gagnon of Cohoes, NY, is thankful to say her health is good. Everything still works, but not as efficiently as when she was climbing the Ithaca hills. She is happy to be physically able to enjoy her great-grandchildren's activities. Her grandchildren have built homes on her old homestead. She asks, "How many of us were able to play with our great-grandparents?" **Dorothy Newman** Seligman and husband live an active life in Somers, NY, playing indoor and outdoor tennis and golf. They live near their children **John Seligman '68** and **Nancy Seligman** Goldmark '71, BS Nurs '73. Recently they toured Ireland and Turkey, and in June they are going to Alaska.

Connie (Cornelia) **Merritt Merwin** and husband **Roger '42** live in Sykesville, MD, in a continuing care facility because she has macular degeneration. This has not stopped her from spending a few days at a cottage on Keuka Lake, NY, or going on a cruise to Turkey, Egypt, and points in between. She still enjoys bridge and golf, and she runs a support group for low vision residents. **Carol Ogle** Woods and husband **Lauren** live in Albany, CA. She is a former teacher and librarian. They moved to California to be near their son and a daughter who is in Seattle. Carol volunteers at school and works in her garden.

The **Julian C. Smith** lectureship was established by members of the Chem E Class of 1962 to honor our classmate (and Kendal at Ithaca resident) as an inspiring teacher, respected author, and influential consultant. On April 9 a dinner was held at the Johnson Art Museum to welcome Klavs Jensen to Cornell as the 16th leader chosen in the field of chemical engineering to lecture and interact with students and faculty under this special lectureship. Congratulations, Julian. ♦ **Dorothy Talbert** Wiggins, 358 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850-6504; tel., (607) 266-7629; e-mail, flower@localnet.com.

42 **Ruth Hyde** Cole (Queensbury, NY) volunteers with the Girl Scouts and Girl Guides, both locally and worldwide. She traveled to California and then enjoyed a train trip across Canada from Vancouver to Montreal, during which she connected with friends and relatives she hadn't seen in 58 years. "Time vanishes when we get together once again!" She cross-stitches, reads, keeps in shape by walking, and enjoys her two children and two grands. **J. L. Hollowell** (holloxyz@aol.com; Hockessin, DE) gave a lecture to students, tour guides, and the interested public at El Colegio Andino, Cusco, Peru, on his research of the stone architecture at Ollantaytambo, Peru. **Donald Goldsmith**, BArch '47 (Delray Beach, FL) is also still working—as an architect/designer and fine arts consultant. He's a member of CERT (Civilian Emergency Rescue Team). He and **Renee (Brozan) '47** celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary and enjoyed a trip to Italy. They play tennis and golf and have three children and two grands.

Shirley Clark Shumate (Kingston, NY) had

a great time at reunion. She works in her church thrift shop and is VP of her garden club. She sees **Anna Boerke** Green, MA '40, and takes pleasure in her two daughters, four grands, and two great-grands. **Julia Papez Wood** (Omaha, NE) attended reunion with her daughter Pamela (we should have gotten together). Since Ithaca is her hometown, it was really special. "Everyone was so nice, gracious, and friendly—we're still talking about it." Julia and husband **Harold**, PhD '50, win the prize with nine children, 27 grands, and six great-grands, including daughter **Deborah Wood** Blum, MS Ag '88, and grandson **Justin Madson** '98. **Bill Paty** (Honolulu, HI) writes he is still Aide-at-Large to the Sec. of the Army and involved with many activities and the Boy Scouts. He likes to visit the mainland on business and pleasure trips four to five times a year. And of course he swims, rides his bike, and jogs. **Henry Supplee** (Fredericksburg, VA) would like to get e-mails at henrysupplee@aol.com.

Thanks to Frank "Curley" **Burgess** (Batavia, IL) and Will "Hee" **Templeton** (Oceanside, CA), we are privy to memories of the Cayuga Blasters. Not a secret organization at all—their name appeared in large script on their purple satin jackets with a muscular arm emblazoned on the left breast—but short-lived and only memorialized in the '42 *Cornellian*, so even member **Ken Stofer** '43, BCE '48, knew naught about it. Will waxes enthusiastically: "The heyday of the Blasters revolved around the great athletes of the Class of '41 that produced the undefeated number-one-ranked national football team. They formed the Blasters to play local town teams in basketball and played Trumansburg, Dryden, Cortland, Ithaca, Elmira, etc. **Nick Drahos** '41, MS '50, **Walt Matuszak** '41, DVM '43, **Hal McCullough** '41, **Bud Finneran** '41, etc., were all household names in Central New York. It was a BLAST. When they played the Elmira Reformatory, all the convicts cheered for us and booed their team, which waxed us."

Frank recollects they intended to create a rugby team to go to Bermuda during Spring Break, but since he didn't go he doesn't recall if they really did. Although not in the '41 *Cornellian*, they did exist in '41 and Ken Stofer vouches for '43. Other '42 members were: **Charles** "Monster" **Jack** (Jackson Springs, NC); **Richard** "Squigg" **Quigg** (Pueblo, CO), and **Harry** "Horse" **Tredennick** (Abilene, TX). Already passing on to that great playing field in the sky are **Louis** "Baglino" **Bufalino**, **Norm** "Big Hoop" **Christensen**, **Frank** "Red" **Crowley**, **Robert** "Scrappy" **Ochs**, **Peter** "Dummy" **Wolff**, and **Ray** "Spider" **Jenkins**. Will also recalls a crisis in his marriage when wife Connie put his Blaster jacket in the Goodwill throw outs.

Frank thinks the Blasters' end came with our entry into WWII. He keeps in touch with **Bill Webster** (Little Rock, AR), **Tom Keene**, BArch '47, a retired architect, and **Malcolm Vail** '41, whom he sees for lunch at the Lions Club where he's been a member for 56 years. He was recently honored by being made a "fellow" of the Melvin Jones Foundation, the Int'l Lions Club's highest honor. He and Mary Lou cele-

brated their 60th anniversary and are very happy living at "The Homestead."

Stanley Brodhead (Nokomis, FL) has been retired for 18 splendid years. He and Marilyn play golf and tennis, and will celebrate their 60th in June. He sent news of **Bill Coate**, PhD '50's move to Jacksonville, FL, and the sad passing of **Edward** "Ted" **Rogers** (Sarasota, FL). Stan recalls that **Ed Callis**'s father got Ted a job arranging bands and broadcasts from the Pennsylvania Hotel, NYC, prior to Ted's joining the Marine Corps as an aviator in WWII. Ted was instrumental in saving Richard Nixon's career by arranging the famous "Checkers Speech" in '52. He was the TV advisor to the Republican National Party and was often interviewed on TV. After retiring to Sarasota he was president and general manager of the local radio and TV stations and chairman of the United Way. Ted is survived by wife Pat, five children, and two grands.

Class prez **Liz Schlamm** Eddy announces the '42 website address: <http://classof42.alumni.cornell.edu>. She asks everyone to contribute photos, and says we should each look it up at least once a week! Letter, e-mail, postcard, or call me with your news. Everyone is interested in your doings. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 8815 46th St. NW, Gig Harbor, WA 98335; e-mail, CeeFinn@juno.com.

43 By the time you read this our glorious 60th Reunion will be history. Or at least Social Studies. "How to Live to Be 80 and Board a Campus Bus 101." Look for our report on this and other matters in the reunion section of the September/October issue. Meanwhile, let's browse some pre-reunion notes.

Furm South (Sewickley, PA): "Recently married Frances Polan, a lovely Canadian. With 38 grandchildren between us, we should never be lonely. God willing, we'll attend our 60th. We see **Jack Rice** and **Bud McGlaughlin** regularly, and keep in touch by phone with **John Eppler**, **Lou Helmick**, and **Jack Slater**. Good to see some progress in Cornell's athletic program even though football continues to be a far, far cry from 1939-42."

Barbara Prescott Arnold (Hillsborough, CA): "In March four alums—now widows—who in 1943 had shared Theta's sleeping porch, gathered for the second time in 60 years for a trip to Copper Canyon, Mexico: **Jean Hammersmith** Wright, **Anne Patterson** Cochrane, **Peggy Clark** Salisbury '44, and myself. Each of us had married Cornellians who left school for WWII duty, came back safely, and raised families. This recent rendezvous was truly wonderful; we rediscovered and renewed the friendships of a lifetime."

Dick Bonser (Biddeford, ME), one-time 150-pound football stalwart, a bit less upbeat at this writing, alas: "Divorced. Retired. Had a stroke ten years ago. Result: strabismus. Limiting. Alive." We looked up strabismus: A visual defect in which one eye cannot focus with the other on an objective because of imbalance of the eye muscles. **Betty Jane Bockstedt** Forgham (Palm City, FL) mailed in a Christmas card

(gives us readers some insight into the time-lapse vagaries of publishing this magazine). The card showed a tree bedizened with the names of places B.J. had visited in 2002: the Mexican Riviera, Branson, Cedar Key, Copper Canyon (see Barbara Arnold above), Maryland (family visit), and Eastern Canada by cruise ship. Her next tree ornament? Cuba (with Cornell travel group, Oct. 31-Nov. 6).

"The big news of the **Handlery** family," writes **Paul** (San Francisco, CA), "was that our son **Michael '74** has been named chairman of the American Hotel and Lodging Assn., a post I held in 1974, making us the first father and son duo so honored." Reports **Trevor Wright**: "We are enjoying life in a retirement community here in Virginia Beach. I still love peanut butter, lettuce, and mayonnaise sandwiches à la Baker Canteen 1939. Would like to hear from any and all when in the area." Tel., (757) 716-2461. Even, Trevor, if any and all wouldn't touch PBLM on white with a barge pole?

The Polk Awards for distinguished journalism in the tradition of George W. Polk, a CBS correspondent who was killed in 1948 covering the civil war in Greece, are announced annually by Long Island U. Among those honored for 2002, our own **Arnold Relman**, together with Marcia Angell, for their *New Republic* reportage. The subject: "America's Other Drug Problem," documenting how drug companies invest far more in advertising and lobbying than in research and development.

Shirley Shapiro Woods (Natick, MA): "My husband **Bill** died in 1995. In his memory, I set up two scholarship funds: one in the school of Chemical Engineering; the other, since we were both amateur but dedicated bird watchers, for the Department of Ornithology. I am still an active volunteer: the Leonard Morse Hospital, the Danforth Museum, where I am a docent, and as a first grade mentor in nearby Framingham. Having traveled to China recently, I should be able to make it to Ithaca in June." Kay and **Roy Herrmann Jr.**, however, will not. They'll be attending the Rotary Convention in Brisbane, Australia. If you're confronted, as we were on our reunion registration form, with a choice between lamb and sole, Roy, the recommended option in Australia is not the sole.

Jane Strahan Davis, BS Ag '46 (Danville, AR): "It seems impossible that our six years in the Sultanate of Oman ended only two years ago. Meanwhile, Arkansas has proved a pleasant place to hunt, fish, and paint. We make annual fall trips to Oregon where the quail are plentiful. At home the vineyard and orchard are gradually maturing and the vegetable gardens are becoming more fertile. Unless there's a major climate change, we should be able to wait out the stock market well fed. It's a good life, and the older we get, the more we enjoy it."

Which may or may not segue to this from **Barbara Wahl Kaufman Cate** (Maplewood, NJ): "I have done a credible job aging my husband, Tracy. I met him in 1975 when he was 29, and looked his age. It took me awhile to get the hang of aging him, but I have become an expert, and since I signed up for our 60th Reunion, I have

speeded up the process through using the most scientific methods (such as leaving the orange juice carton cap partly unscrewed, losing glasses and keys on a daily basis, emergency calling him from school at 9:59 a.m. because I have left the slides I need for my 10 a.m. class at home, arriving at the airport to fly to Munich with an official-looking but expired passport . . .). Tracy is now 56, and by reunion time he will look, if I have anything to do with it, like the senior member of the class of '43. I simply cannot have my classmates saying, 'Isn't it lovely that your son came to reunion with you.' " ♦ **S. Miller Harris**, PO Box 143, Spinnerstown, PA 18968; e-mail, millerharris@netcarrier.com.

44 80th birthdays are still news. In November **Irma Kapernick** Sanford's family "totally" surprised her with a party of 60 guests. Included was her former roommate **Marjorie Evers** Pretoro, who drove with her husband from Maine to this celebration in Fayetteville, NY. Irma takes trips abroad once a year. France and a Rhone River cruise were her latest points of interest. **Don Crandall**, BS Ag '47, turned 80 on January 24 in Medina, NY. "I can say with exaggeration, 'Been there and done that.'" He claims three sons and nine grandchildren and looks forward to our 60th Reunion. **Nancy Green** Stratton wrote of a 50th wedding anniversary celebration in January, a weekend party including four children, their spouses, and 13 grands. She turns 79 in July 2003. Could she be our youngest?

Grandchildren are graduating. **Marilyn Wise** Douglass's grandson **Patrick Douglass '02** graduated "with distinction." She says, "That makes him a winner over his '43 and '44 grandparents, who did not hear any 'distinction' talk in those days." Proud relatives attended the graduation from Chicago and DC. **Hilda Lozner** Milton, BA '43's granddaughter **Landrey Milton** is an '03 grad. Hilda says she's enjoying her new "digs" and entertaining visitors like Gloria and **Pete Bellis**. **Burl and Frances Ward Kimple** of Santa Rosa, CA, claim a Cornell Hotel '99 granddaughter, **Claire Kimple**. Grandkids total 14—ten boys and four girls. **Norman Brandt**, BCE '47's grandson **Harrison Leavens '03** has been writing for the *Sun*. His mother **Laurel Brandt** is '72, BA '71, MA '74. **Frederick Allen**, BS Ag '47, of Stamford, NY, writes, "It's amazing how quick it was from feeling my oats to eating my oats." Retired, he spends his time traveling to various grandchildren's graduations. Two grandsons are soccer and basketball stars.

In order to honor the date of receipt of news, here are some earlier takes: **Robert Garmezy**, BEE '43, and Alice announce the birth of a granddaughter to Dr. **Constantine '92** and **Carrie Garmezy Hrousis '92**, MA IN T '93. "Trips to California have multiplied." **Durland Weale**, MS '53, of Addison, NY, writes, "Busy as can be—garden, lawns, and antique Ford autos." **Marian Stout** Lynes-Bouck, busy and happy in Middleburgh, NY, returned from a family cruise. Three children and four grands are from DC,

Las Vegas, and Los Angeles. **Charlotte Licht** Smallwood Cook says, "Still practicing law in Warsaw, NY, Wyoming County." **Robert Langbaum**, BA '47, reports his retirement in 1999 from the U. of Virginia as professor of English. **Louis Shor**, DVM '53, retired from veterinary medical activities some time ago. He lost his wife in April but manages to keep occupied with community affairs in Mount Laurel, NJ. **Harold Ogburn** moved to Blue Earth, MN. No more lawn mowing and snow shoveling. "Hope to get back to Epworth by the Sea on Saint Simons Island next winter."

Jean Abbott Ault attended a granddaughter's wedding last July and enjoyed a trip to France with her daughter Jane in September. **Robert Miller**, BA '47, flew to Sarajevo with Ted Thoren last September. **Helen Knapp** Ingerson had a great vacation in Rochester and sailing/racing on Lake Ontario. **Hugh Aronson**, BA '46, attended a reunion of his class of November 1947 Harvard Business School and is ready for '44 in '04. **Doris Holmes Jenkins** and **Dubois**, DVM '43, had a great time with **Harold**, BA '47, JD '50, and **June Smith Parker**, MS '50, at Anne and **Don Middleton**, BS '47's camp on Lake George.

William Swain, BEE '43, says, "Thank God we are all here. This semi-retirement is a busy life." **William Evans** of Bethesda, MD, and his wife retired in 1986. "We keep busy with grandkids—all of them." **Richard Evans** writes, "Appropriate with our age I have become president of The Fossils, a 50-plus-year-old educational club for 'distinguished retired men.'"

Classmates write about travel, grandkids, volunteerism, and health. This column is meant to be upbeat, but shouldn't some faithful duespayers' problems be mentioned? (Readers' reactions, please.) **Joe File**, BME '43, in Pennington, NJ, has macular degeneration, but it has not changed his spirit or sense of humor. **J. Warren Finch**, BCE '47, of Largo, FL, broke a leg, but expected to give up the cane soon. **Marjory Underwood** Marker had a rotator cuff operation. She has three children in Middle Eastern countries—Peter is principal of Al Roja School in Bahrain; Margaret lives with her husband in Jordan; Barbara is learning Hausa and teaching in Niger. **Marie Buening** Cramer's husband had a knee replacement because of football injuries at the Naval Academy. They are "adding great-grandchildren." **Helen** "Deanie" **Couch** Darling of Odessa, NY, has had surgeries and health problems, but went to Butte, MT, to take care of a ski-injured friend. **Tom Dent** can't enjoy cruises because of leg problems, but he and Geraldine volunteer on ESL programs for Hispanic immigrants, "trying to retain English as the US official language."

In the membership drive **Art**, BA '49, and **Dotty Kay Kesten**, BS HE '43, have contacted "lost" classmates and have achieved 102 percent of their goal. Of classes 1933 to 2002, only one other reached more than 100 percent. See new members' names in our next column. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir. #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.

45 Reading the article about "Stones & Sweepers" in the March/April issue of this magazine reminded me of the days when I regularly visited Chicago and stayed with my Cornell roomie **Mark Pendleton Jr.** (now retired to Islesboro, ME). The article didn't mention Skips and Vice-Skips, both exalted positions to which Mark was elected by the Chicago Curling Club. It was interesting to watch, even if you don't fully understand the nuances. The post-match beverages didn't hurt, either.

George Bailey, JD '49 (West Palm Beach, FL) sent a most welcome e-mail regarding his efforts to drum up reunion attendance among his fellow ME members of Pi Beta Tau (remember that?). George keeps in close contact with **William E. Barr** (Bartlesville, OK) and some others who are officially listed in '46. Specifically, he was looking for **Harold Bloomfield**, **Jim Kirwin**, **Harry "Pipes" Moore** '46, **BME** '45, and **Bill Phelps** (unfortunately all deceased) and others who were pictured in the 77th volume of *The Cornellian*, labeled the 1945 issue, although many of us appeared in the previous one. He has contacted one of these, **C. Allan Borchert**, **BME** '45 (Madison, CT), who is officially listed as '46, although he considers himself '45, having graduated in June of that year. For strange reasons, many of these have vanished from the Cornell directory and we are pursuing that issue separately. I have had messages from other classmates who received the class mailing and have had a problem using the Directory. Go to <http://directory.alumni.cornell.edu> and log in with your last name and Cornell ID number, which appears above your name on all mailing labels. On the subject of reunion: we have the good news that our class headquarters will be Statler Hall. Having reached the Golden Years (not for sissies) we are considered sufficiently creaky to be pampered. If you had any reticence about coming, dismiss it and make plans!

Our proposed class book, "The Class of '45 Reminisces," is still in the preliminary planning/decision stages awaiting answers to the questions on the latest News Form, which you should have received by now. Please respond so that we can decide whether the project is feasible.

Perennially curious **William Berley**, BS Ag '48 (NYC) was back on campus last January for the Adult University (CAU) session From Columbus to Castro: Landscapes and Legacies of Cuba, taught by Maria Cristina Garcia, who should know about such matters. We await Bill's report. Faithful mother/grandmother **Gloria Piccione La Barbera** (Rockville Centre, NY) takes her entourage of four offspring and five grandchildren on European and Maine trips in the summer, as well as to Panama City, Nashville, and Cape Cod. Medical interests run in the family: her late husband **Joseph** '35 was in family practice for over 50 years, son Joseph is chief of the Vanderbilt U. child psychiatry department, and Damon is in private clinical psychology practice. Both are Brown graduates, but **Duane La Barbera** '70 stayed with Cornell and Rockville Centre. Gia has been active in the Nassau County medical society auxiliary for 54

years and volunteers in programs for chemical dependency.

Still active with her twice-a-year health newsletter, circulation: 500,000, **Alice Ross McCarthy**, MS HE '47 (Birmingham, MI) has her son James working for her company, Bridge Communications, and son David is the webmaster. Among other activities, the company continues to sell her book, *Healthy Teens: Facing the Challenges of Young Lives*, which is used by many high schools and colleges. Alice travels to Florida, Chicago, and Pittsburgh to see her nine grandchildren, but when not on the road she can be found in her garden, chosen as one of four in the Detroit area to be featured on a TV show. "Practically zero" is the way **Jerrier Haddad** (Briarcliff Manor, NY) describes his recent travels/vacations. He doesn't have time for vacations, between still-active consulting work, VP of grants for the IEEE Foundation board, member of Cornell University Council, and emeritus trustee of Webb Institute and Clarkson. I always thought that electrical engineers were good for something and Jerry was one of the best! Another non-traveler is **William Glaeser**, **BME** '49 (Columbus, OH), who consults four days a week at the prestigious Battelle Institute. Bill also volunteers at the local PBS station and is active in the art league and other cultural activities.

Class co-president **Stoddard Knowles**, B Chem E '47, MBA '49 (Annapolis, MD) reported that shortly after he and bride Marian moved into their new home, a ringing doorbell announced the arrival of **William**, BS CE '44, and **Mary Elizabeth Mershon Hoffmann**, BS HE '44, who spotted Tod's name and address in the NYC mini-reunion mailing. He tried to talk them into accompanying him to the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting last January, but Lib and Bill had already committed to a WWII reunion. They had visited us in Virginia Beach prior to moving into their new

VA 23454; e-mail, CescoVA@aol.com. Our class Home Page: <http://hometown.aol.com/CescoVA/CU1945.html>.

46 **Richard** and **Sylvia Goll** (Huntingdon Valley, PA; sd1goll@aol.com) recently toured Portugal and Spain. Twice yearly they visit his sons **Stephen** '77 in Winter Park, FL, and **Bruce** in Stroudsburg, PA, and **Sylvia's** son in St. Paul, MN. **Dick**, a former class correspondent, is president of his township zoning hearing board, is retiring as president of Rotary, and serves on the Institutional Biosafety Committee at Thomas Jefferson U. Annually, they attend the Masters golf tournament and do a two-week time-share in Hilton Head. **Dick** golfs in fair weather and sees **Whit Simmons** occasionally.

Robert and **Ruth Nist** (Gulfport, FL; bnist@msn.com) have been tied down with serious medical problems. **Ruth** has had painful set-backs since a promising recovery from brain surgery, but both seem on the mend again. **Bob** hopes to attend reunion in 2006. He would love hearing from classmates via e-mail or snail mail. **Philip**, BA '49, and **Marion Munisteri** (Setauket, NY) are grandparents of four little Munisteris. Their fathers are **David**, a contractor in Georgia, and **Philip**, Dean of Technology for his school in Southold, LI. **Monk** and **Marion** spend winters in Fort Myers, FL.

Franklyn Meyer (Honolulu, HI) has proved that 31 years of jogging can wear out both hips. His right hip was replaced in Danville, CA, by the same surgeon who replaced his left hip in 1999. He and **Katherine** plan to return to Honolulu for at least six months. **Paul**, BS EE '45, and **Kathy Russell** (North Hutchinson, FL; rsslspaul@aol.com) summered in Wellesley, but finessed the DC area to avoid the sniper. **Paul**, also a former class correspondent, sees **Frank Parkin** '47, another Floridian, occasionally.

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JANE STRAHAN DAVIS '43

Annapolis abode, but that didn't surprise us, owing to a call-ahead. Possibly an Annapolis mini-reunion is in order; there are close to a dozen '45ers not too far away.

We always hope for legible writing on the news form but **Bernard Mayrsohn**, BS Ag '47 (Purchase, NY) really obliges with a typed one. Where can he buy a typewriter ribbon these days? He and wife **Ethel (Handelman)** '46 winter in Miami and cruise the Caribbean and Alaska waters. **Barney** is still working, but tries to finish up by noon. He's active with the Cornell Agricultural Foundation and keeps the 106th Infantry Division reunions going, but is considering slowing down to do some gardening, play tennis, and maybe even golf. ♦ **Pren-tice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach,

Menko, BA '48, and **Helen Baird Rose** (Carmel, CA; menko@redshift.com) celebrated their fifth anniversary on October 25. They were recently foster grandparents for six weeks to five tiny puppies and their abused, abandoned black Lab mom. They found homes for the pups and kept the year-and-a-half-old mom. In '42-43 at Cornell, **Menko's** German shepherd, **Connie**, the Beta Sigma Rho mascot, had pups from a black Great Dane. He and **Mort Bildner** '49 raised them in a closet on the second floor of the fraternity house. **Menko** recently had an article published in the newsletter of the 10,000-member World Federalist Assn. It concerns the Community of Democracies, which met in Seoul, South Korea. He is convener of the NGO Coalition for the Community of Democracies

(website: www.nccd.net) and presented a workshop on the same subject at a joint meeting of the Assn. to Unite the Democracies and the World Federalist Assn. in Denver in October.

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I'm out of news, so had to make a few phone calls: First to **Jan Bassette** Summerville (Sackets Harbor, NY) because she had written earlier, and sometime during my recuperation I'd misplaced it. She had reported two deaths: **Janet Dayton** Knipher on Aug. 29, '02, reported by her husband, and **Joan Waite Marten's** husband **Fred, MD '57**, on Oct. 16, '02. (You probably remember the Martens when they hosted a dinner at the Cornell Club as a mini-reunion before our 50th.) Joan still lives in New York City. Jan talked to **Dottie Taylor Prey** to learn that she just had a knee replacement in January. **Chuck** is doing pretty well; he has a speech therapist.

The second call was to **Mavis Gillette Sand**, BS HE '45 (East Aurora, NY) who is working with her brother and sister on a genealogy book about her grandfather and pioneering in Kansas. She and **Sandy '45**, PhD '55, were going to a genetic society meeting in Melbourne, Australia, and to Frederick, MD, to visit Civil War sites. Their oldest daughter, Beverly, is a professor at Franklin Pierce College in New Hampshire, and **Natalie '76** (the one we met at reunion) is work-

rode the 1908 Harley twice last year and didn't even start the 1917 Ford touring car. Send mail to ♦ **Elinor Baier Kennedy**, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607 or call (610) 777-4938.

47 We are back! You will read this in July, but it is a sunny mid-April day as we write. We are enjoying having survived a Rochester winter of over 136 inches of snow and a devastatingly damaging ice storm last week. The snow resulted in a great ski season, which Pete enjoyed while Arlie recuperated housebound. We have talked to fellow Rochesterian **Ruth Cohn Maltinsky**, who reports, "I'm holding my own." She is still in a wheelchair, but reads a lot and enjoys visiting with people on the phone. She has two daughters and five grandchildren. Call her at (585) 244-2533. Another Rochesterian, **Margi Schiavone** Berens, also survived our winter and the ice storm. She had fallen trees on the roof and no electricity. Her good news is a wonderful trip to Spain with part of her family in February, and her plans for an April cruise to the Caribbean with all four children, two spouses, and two grandchildren.

From Ithaca, **Barlow Ware** checks in frequently and reports he is "still functioning." **John** and **Helen Allmuth Ayer**, BS HE '46, who just returned from a sojourn to Jekyll Island, GA, report that they love living at Kendal. They value the association with the retired professors and alumni. They are proud of their granddaughter **Lynsay Ayer '02**, who upon graduation was one of two in the nation and the only Cornellian to receive a grant to the NIH in Bethesda, MD. Their

to visit the Caribbean, Morocco, and Central Europe. She has three sons, two granddaughters, and one great-granddaughter. **Mary Steadman Rothrock** (M.Rothrock@worldnet.att.net), after retiring from teaching high school in Kenosha, WI, spent ten years as a legal secretary in the law firm of her husband **Cecil '49** until his death in 1999. She has four children and 12 grandchildren ranging from 22 to 6 years old.

Joan Dall Patton frequently sees **June Johnson** Reynolds and brother **Jes Dall '43**. She golfs, has been taking Spanish conversation courses, and has traveled to Acapulco. She has one son and one daughter. Last year **Lester Vollmer** reported his many civic activities (Mar/Apr 2002 column). Now he tells us he retired from radio and TV service, a poultry/sheep cash crops farm, and as a 4-H Club Agent and an Assistant County Agent. **Dick Leonard** and wife Barbara visited with Lorraine and **George Nixon '49** in Maine, traveled to the Canadian Rockies in 2001, then went to San Luis Obispo, CA, and celebrated their 50th anniversary with four offspring and seven grandchildren.

Lois LeWorthy Domm, BS HE '46, is a docent at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and a guide at Independence Hall and has recently traveled to Austria. **Elizabeth Brown**, BS HE '46, MS '53 (JanetBettyBrown@aol.com), still living in Ithaca, retired as State Supervisor of Home Economics Education, traveled to Scotland in 2001, and enjoys gardening and walking. **Arnold**, BME '45, and **Arlene Rosenberg** are among the Finger Lakes snowbirds who winter in Florida at a place called Safety Harbor. Arnold enjoys swimming and genealogy. They have four grandchildren. **Bill Davies** (SpudAndBill@pacific.net) volunteers with SCORE and RSVP (in elementary schools), traveled to Spain and Morocco in 2001, and studied world religions and anthropology. He enjoys racquetball and has five sons and ten grandchildren.

Norbert "Woody" Burlis (nburlis@mail.win.org) reported in June 2001: "Fran and I took our second 'Round-the-Western-Half-of-the-Country' train trip in April. Rode 7,000 miles on Amtrak's Southwest Chief to Los Angeles, Coast Starlight to Seattle, and Empire Builder to Chicago. Detoured at Albuquerque for 1,000 miles of canyon touring, reboarded train in Flagstaff. Took catamarans to Catalina Island from L.A. and to San Juan Islands from Seattle. The scenery was great and the food was too good. Took 600 pictures with my new digital camera."

John Woodford and wife Ruth report, "No news is good news." **Sanford Reiss**, MD '51, and spouse **Beatrice (Strauss)** traveled to Sicily in 2001. **Ken Davies**, BS Ag '46, has retired. **Robert Shavick** (rsHAVICK@aol.com) plays tennis. **Robert L. Smith Jr.**, BEE '45 (smithr@gleneddy.com) volunteers at the Schenectady Hall of Electrical History. **Jean Kuttler** Schreiber traveled to Tibet and China. Her progeny are Robert, Tatiana, and Peter.

Again, I am grateful to Pete for his able assistance. I couldn't do it without him. Send news! ♦ **Arlie Williamson** Anderson, 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610-1329, e-mail arlie47@

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ELINOR BAIER KENNEDY '46

ing on her master's in physiology at the U. of Wisconsin, Milwaukee.

Third to **Meg Geiling** Grashof (Spring Hill, FL), who was expecting her 14th grandchild. She reported having a grandson at Albright College (Reading, PA) and another at the U. of P. Then she gave me sad news: **Jackie Dewey Brett**, BS HE '45, had a stroke, and **Leah Smith Drexler**, BS HE '45's husband **Henry '45** had died.

Fourth to **Louise Greene** Richards, PhD '65 (Ithaca, NY), who was kind enough to send me her beautiful pictorial Christmas letter. Weezy had just had successful cataract surgery and is experimenting with her computer. She and **Rayma Carter** Wilson spent a week in Sanibel, FL, where they visited **Janet Curtin** Horning in Naples.

I was surprised to receive a get well note from **John Eckerson**, husband of AOPi **Joanne (Skinner)**, deceased. John is a busy volunteer; he is historian for both the town and village of Akron. He said old age is creeping up—he only

grandson **Alec Macaulay**, another source of pride and currently a Cornell frosh, is quarterback for the lightweight football team (the 150s in our time) and is studying pre-med. They keep in touch with **Melba Levine** Silver, the mother of three sons and a daughter. Melba is about to become a grandmother for the first time! During John and Helen's travels to and fro they visited **Dick '49** and **Muriel "Mike" Welch Brown**, BS HE '46. Mike recently had carpal tunnel surgery and is busy caring for Dick, who is not well.

We're waiting for the latest news forms that you received with your March dues letter. Absent those you have SURELY returned, we are using information from last year. **Diana Whitley McKinney**, who received her BFA from George Washington U. in 1962, has been continuing her education taking Ancient Greek, Roman, and Aegean History, and History of Art. She has studied Italian and Russian. She belonged to a travel club that owns its own plane, enabling her

aol.com. (assisted by **Peter D. Schwarz**, pschwarz@rochester.rr.com), Class of '47 Web page, www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1947/.

48 **R** **Dorothy VanZoeren** Beardmore, Rochester, MI: "I do what I choose to do when I choose to do it! Today is the 54th for Bill and me. Went to Italy last May, touching nine cities and the Lake Country. Delightful! I work on projects for agencies I consider vital—public education, local social service agency, and National Coalition of Essential Schools Board. Can't ignore education issues after 34 years on local, county, and state boards of education. Daughter moved from Denver to Bainbridge, Chenango County, near **Char Smith** Moore in Binghamton, NY. Charlotte played a major role in my choosing Cornell when I spent two summers babysitting for a relative in their hometown of Sherburne, NY. Today's problem is coming to grips with how much envy and anger there is against this country—largely from people deliberately prevented from facing reality in their land. Technology makes it possible to inform people if only they are free to access it without censorship. The world's problem today is lack of religious and ethnic tolerance of different beliefs and behaviors. Solution is person-to-person acquaintances leading to relationships. It is easier to hate people you don't know. Anything to increase knowledge and acceptance is worthwhile."

David Harris, Somerville, MA: "I'm in early stage of Alzheimer's—take daily doses of turmeric and aricept. World's problem is environmental preservation. Keep busy with yard work, home maintenance, reading, and socializing. I started to use a computer recently after ten years of outdoor life in Costa Rica. Would rather be walking the beach there now. Most recent discovery is computer complexity." **Jeanne Chamoulaud** Kimmell, Kennett Square, PA: "Last year I sobbed as I said 'goodbye' to Tim, off to Boston U., and Jessica, to West Virginia U. How could they?—and after they saw Cornell! Last September we enjoyed delights of Cape May, NJ, with the two little Kimmell kids, in spite of long-awaited rain. 'The rain it raineth everywhere upon the just and un-just fellow, but more upon the just because the unjust hath the just's umbrella.' See, I still remember a few things I learned at dear old Cornell."

Lynn Ellis, Clearwater, FL: "Went back to physical therapy (aka 'torture'). Would rather be walking more easily. Went to St. Paul, MN, for son Lynn's marriage to Robin. His best man was his 17-year-old son. Big family reunion there with both daughters, sons-in-law, and eight grandchildren. I need a better financial adviser than me. The Fed's lower interest rates for borrowers are lowering my retirement income. Need to design a mute button for my radio like the TV one to mute the commercial/political hype/spin. Love makes the world go 'round.'"

William Thompson IV, Oakdale, NY: "I'm owner/manager of a small apartment and a wood lot in New Hampshire. Keep busy at table tennis club with personal training. Last year I played golf. More recently I was thinking about

playing golf. Would rather be getting a massage right now. Hope to assist Theta Chi to be reactivated after several years' hiatus. Son **Erik '93** married at Wilmington Island, GA, and is headquartered at U. of Georgia. Will continue to enjoy riding Amtrak to Savannah. Daughter Kari (Ithaca College '94) was married in January at the Boat House in Central Park, NYC. My problem is disposing of clutter. I'm working on it right now! World's problem is trying to get America to not be a big bully in world affairs. Solution is to open ears and eyes—and keep mouth shut! Have discovered water is a precious commodity. Cost of well drilling is prohibitive. The meaning of life is 'brief.'"

Charlotte Smith Moore, Binghamton, NY: "Lots of volunteering, playing bridge, traveling. Toured Nova Scotia with three sisters; Caribbean cruise, visited Florida, Hatch Lake, NY, vacation; Jersey Shore vacation; Ohio for sister's 50th wedding anniversary; Boston twice to visit kids. Went railroading in the Rockies with sister **Leah Smith '46** before attending Homecoming." **Bernard "B.H.," "Bob" Friedman**, Wainscott and New York City: "Writing! Then, now, and forever!"

Martha Smith Sowell, Palos Verdes Estates, CA: "Day job is cleaning patio after the peacock family leaves each day. In my spare time I photograph the peacocks. The family of peafowl have adopted us. The mother, 'Henrietta,' had four chicks. When little, she would lead them up the sloping trunk of a pine tree, settle herself on a limb, lift one wing for two chicks to climb under, and the other wing for the other two chicks. They would stay until 5:00 a.m. and then leave for a few hours. The beautiful feathers of the male peacock's tail all fall out at the end of the mating season. The problem is they eat the strawberries, tomatoes, and flowers. Solution? Unthinkable! We're still trying to overcome the 9/11 jitters. We were in Washington, DC, and went to Philadelphia on Sept. 10, '01 and were so thankful for our timing and being able to stay with friends those emotionally charged days following 9/11."

John Mitchell, St. Petersburg, FL: "Great riverboat trip with other Cornellians from Budapest to Amsterdam. Traveled to Scotland with chancel choir of First Presbyterian Church of St. Pete on a concert tour. I don't sing—I just travel." ♦ **Bob Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050; tel. and fax, (516) 767-1776.

49 Our cold winter is just a memory now. So what are you doing to get away from the summer heat? **Lawson Singer** sold his summer home in E. Hampton, NY, and is permanently settled in Scottsdale, AZ. He's looking for escape venues from the sizzling rays. It's cooler up north. **Julia Sumberg** Sutton, 24 Graymore Rd., Waltham, MA 02451, writes, "Living now in retirement in the Boston area. Still functioning as a dance/music historian with specialty 16th to early 17th century. Received my doctorate in musicology at Eastman School of Music in '62. Spent many years as a member of music history/musicology department of New England Conservatory of Boston. Happy to hear from

former friends."

Tributes to our classmates who die aren't always possible, but **Sylvester Robert Curran**, BA '48, deserves our admiration! Bob died March 13 at the age of 80. Author of "Curran's Corner" in the *Buffalo News* from '67 to '99, he championed veterans' causes, always urging readers to "say a prayer for our guys over there." As I write this column in April what could be more apropos for our forces in Iraq. When Bob was asked what his trademark tag line, "Hang tough," meant, he said, "It means keep your chin up and take care of yourself. And I hope you will, because I like you." Described as a man with great integrity, a sense of fun, and a great caring heart, he arranged for Australian coast watcher Reg Evans, who was instrumental in rescuing the crew of President Kennedy's PT 109 in the war, to come to the White House and meet him. Bob also led a successful effort to pay off the tax bill of Sgt. Alvin York, WWI doughboy. These are just two of the many achievements that drew national acclaim. No stranger to awards, he earned two Silver Stars, two Bronze Stars, and a Purple Heart in WWII. His literary awards for outstanding articles, often on the military, were many. He received community awards as well. At charitable events he even allowed pies to be thrown at him! Brave man! He will be missed.

Paul Gillette lost his wife Gloria last August after a long illness. He remembers at our 40th Reunion when big Ed Peterson asked to dance with her because she was tall—5 ft., 10 inches. Their son Cmdr. Gregg Gillette, in the Chaplain Corps, returned from Europe to conduct the memorial service. **Norman Baker** got his instrument rating, the hardest step up, in his old Skyhawk and is happily flying every chance he gets with his wife MaryAnn. **Harland** and **Jane Handforth Kester '48** hopefully attended her 55th this past June and surely will be back in 2004 for Harland's 55th!

Nancy Hewlett Kierstead enjoys living in Framingham, MA, next door to her daughter, son-in-law, and two grandsons. She helps out with the boys. She says they are "smart cookies" and is anxious to see what professions they choose down the road a piece. She has one "live-in" companion, an angora cat named Dolly. **Irving Hirschberg** is having fun with his grandchild, golfing, and tutoring, and has avoided getting ill so far. "Still playing singles—tennis, not marriage!" **Earl Murray** says, "This may be of interest only to the Murray family, but granddaughter **Cailin Wilke** entered Cornell exactly 80 years after her great-grandfather **Earl Sr., JD '22**, graduated from the Law school. You may be right, Earl, but all those legacies certainly speak well for Cornell. So many of us have children and now grandchildren who are Cornellians."

George Weikart not only sails on the Magothy River in Maryland, but is treasurer of the River Assn., which is devoted to improving water quality and the quality of life in the river watershed. His wife Anne still exhibits her watercolors at various shows and galleries. They travel to visit family, and spend several weeks in Florida and seven to eight weeks in Puerto Vallarta, Mex-

ico. "Retirement ain't bad!" **Charles and Sylvia Birdsall Huhtanen '48** are enjoying Florida retirement and the myriad activities in their village. He has monitored his blood pressure for 12 years to determine the influence of various factors, such as travel, steroids, and warm weather. Results are on website www.huhtanen.org. Sylvia has a needlework page on this site.

Marty Coler Risch introduced her three grandchildren (8, 12, 13) to New York City last year. It brought back a flood of memories from her first visit in 1937 when Rockefeller Center and the Empire State Bldg. were new architectural wonders. They visited the World Trade Center site and spoke with street vendors about 9/11. "This will be the children's Pearl Harbor." Shared lobster rolls in Maine with Bill and **Martha Merrifield Steen**.

Attending the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) January meeting in NYC were **Jack and Inger Molmen Gilbert**, **Dick Lustberg**, **Jade Rupert**, JD '51, **Bette McGrew Benedict**, and **Jerry Alpern**, MBA '50. President **Dick Keegan** was recovering from eye surgery. Hopefully his new glasses enable him to see perfectly. Keegan wondered if marrying off a daughter when pushing 80 counts as a first. In my book, it sure does! Has anyone ever ridden down a mountain on a sledge? A first for me in a few weeks.

Just received an e-mail reporting the death of **Marvin Soffen**, who died January 4 at his home in Princeton. His daughter **Cynthia Soffen** Cooper '76 says he loved Cornell and attended many reunions. His son **Stephen** graduated from Cornell in '78.

All ideas for reunion gratefully received by the Gilberts at ingerjack@msn.com—'49 uniform? dance at Barton? other activities and social events? Even if you don't have an idea in your head, plan on coming next June 10-13 to our 55th! ♦ **Mary Heisler Allison**, 1812 Puerto Bello Dr., Lady Lake, FL 32159-9442; e-mail, ellenallison13@earthlink.net.

50 Sam Johnson and his wife **Imogene (Powers) '52**, Racine, WI, are two of eight alumni honored as recipients of the 2003 Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award. The award is given in recognition of extraordinary service to Cornell, in both length and quality of contributions through activities within the broad spectrum of Cornell's various alumni organizations, associations, and related groups. Financial contributions to Cornell and other achievements, personal or professional, are not among the qualifications considered by the selection committee. Honorees will be recognized at a banquet on campus at fall Homecoming, October 24.

John Friedman, Sanibel Island, FL, was pictured on the front page of the *Island Sun*—the newspaper serving Sanibel and Captiva Islands, FL—accepting a special award from William Block, deputy director of the National Security Agency. John received a plaque noting that the NSA, as part of its 50th anniversary, had named its original building (half the size of the Pentagon) after his parents, Elizabeth and **William**

Friedman '14.

While on vacation in Florida, my wife Erma and I tooled over to Melbourne for a day visit with **Al Neimeth**, JD '52, and wife Doris. Al's golf game was apparently in a temporary slump, so he used our request to visit as an excuse to cancel his usual Wednesday tee time. They live in a spacious, warmly decorated home in a golf course community adjacent to Patrick AFB, home to many Air Force retirees. Al is a retired Air Force Colonel. Most of his neighbors are also Air Force retirees. Al retired in 1994 as Dean of the Cornell Law School. For many years he served the Law school and the Cornell community in a variety of leadership and somebody-has-to-do-it roles. Since graduation he has served continuously as chair of Law school reunions. Early on, he was our Class of '50 correspondent. He was to be on campus in June for the Law school reunion, and the Class of '63 has asked him to be their faculty guest and to speak at the Friday evening Class Reunion Banquet. He says that it is pretty nice to be respectfully remembered after nine years away from the Hill. Al and Doris spend summers at their beach home at Breezy Point, Long Island. Last fall they took the long and scenic route from New York to Melbourne via an 18-day cruise from Portland, OR, down the west coast through the Panama Canal, and across the Caribbean to Florida. Al and Doris are most gracious hosts. But we did not get a ride in Al's new Miata convertible!

Pat Fritz Bowers, NYC, continues to enjoy the many pleasures of life in the Big Apple. She took Adult University (CAU) study tours to Greece and Spain, and took summer trips to Cape Cod and Block Island. She says, "The sea always calls me back." **Marilyn "Lynn" Layton** Bull, Beacon, NY, still does income taxes for H&R Block, but finds time for travel and grandkids' activities. One grandson graduated from Colby College and two others are at Texas Christian U., alma mater of parents and grandparents. She cruised to Alaska in August, spent a week in October on Lake Orta in Italy, and in November visited her husband's son Tom in London.

Charles Deakne and wife Jane, Severna Park, MD, took a cruise/tour to Alaska. In Anchorage they hooked up for dinner with Acacia fraternity brother **Chuck Adsit**, who had retired there. They made plans to meet at our 55th Reunion, but shortly after returning home he was shocked to be informed that Chuck had suddenly died. He and Jane frequently meet with friends **Lloyd Hayner '52** and wife Evelyn, who live nearby in Elizabeth City. **Jean Thomas** Herrington retired in 1995 from the Dept. of Navy Civil Service and lives in a post-and-beam barn called Timberpog that she built in Morongo Valley, CA, in 1997. Her oldest daughter lives in the original 57-year-old house. Her second daughter has moved from San Diego to the nearby town of Yucca Valley, where she will be community relations coordinator. "I have two married sons and one grandson. Alums, please stop by and visit."

John Kurzenhauser, Modesto, CA, says that with the loving care of wife Donna he is still surviving after a massive stroke in 1990. Donna is

a fifth-generation Californian and eligible to belong to the Native Daughters of the Golden West. Two of his children also live in Modesto, others in Pacific Grove, CA, Torrance, CA, and Boise, ID. **Robert Aguais** now lives in Cardiff-by-the Sea, CA, about 25 miles north of San Diego. In 2000 he retired as senior VP of Science Applications International, but still consults for the company. He's now engaged in setting up philanthropic programs in lesser developed countries and says, "If successful, they will have significant impact."

CAU off-campus study tours are very popular with the Class of '50. The 2002 tours attracted the following classmates: **Robert Entenman** (Tortola and the British Virgin Islands); **Pat Fritz Bowers** (Democracy in Ancient Greece); **Nelson**, MBA '51, and **Nancy Schaenen** (White Nights: A Baltic Summer Voyage Aboard the MV *Song of Flower*); **Joan Kessel** Buyske (The Wall of Separation: Church and State in American Thought, Politics, and Law); **John and Carol McMillan Lawes**, **Daniel and Betty Rosenberger Roberts**, **Roger and Myra Weber Wolcott '51** (The Midterm Elections: National Events and National Politics in 2002); **Lawrence Lodico**, **Howard '51** and **Carrie Baigell Krasnow** (Landscapes and Legacies of Cuba).

CAU on-campus courses were also popular. The following class members participated: **Bernard Herman**, **Peter and Ruth Metz** (Valor, Virtue, Vanity and Vice: Men and Women in the Biblical World); **Hazel Hallock Herr**, **John and Carol McMillan Lawes** (The Ambiguities of Assimilation: The American Jewish Experience); **Lawrence Lodico** (The Perils of Proximity: Cuba and the US in the 20th Century).

On Jan. 2, '02, **Jean Michelini** Partisch, Sarasota, FL, was married to Robert Farley, whom she had known since 1956. "His grandfather, **Thomas Burns**, was born in 1870 and graduated from Cornell in 1893. At Cornell, Charles Evans Hughes, who later became Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, was Thomas's teacher, and Thomas became Hughes's secretary. After the war, Cornell accepted my husband, but he had to wait until January to start, so attended St. Lawrence U. for a semester. Pity."

Natalie "Natasha" Wendel Loeb sadly reports the death of her husband **Julian '49**. ♦ **Paul Joslin**, 6080 Terrace Dr., Johnston, IA 50131; tel., (515) 278-0960; e-mail, phj4@cornell.edu; or **Ruth "Midge" Downey Kreitz**, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; tel., (703) 860-2991; e-mail, rdk12@cornell.edu.

51 Jim Wideman and wife Erla, Decatur, IL, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 28. Retired from the corn wet-milling industry (A. E. Staley), Jim is still involved with presenting industry seminars and consulting worldwide. **William Kilian** retired ten years ago from Merck & Co. after a career in international marketing of chemicals for animal health and agriculture. Business trips took him several times around the world, with many trips to Europe. He has continued to travel in England, France, Egypt, Mexico, Belize, and the Bahamas

after retirement. In 1997 his wife passed away after 45 years of marriage, and he moved to Timonium, MD, to be near daughter Amanda and grandchildren Arielle and Alex. Gardening is a challenging hobby on an acre of hardpan clay. Bill swims 500 yards every morning at a health club, but his long-distance running is in the past. He was a member of the international running club, the Hash House Harriers. Listening to opera (season tickets to the Baltimore Opera), reading, and painting portraits of family and friends are favorite pastimes. Bill teaches "A Course in Miracles" at Notre Dame College of Maryland's Renaissance Institute (for seniors). The course aims to develop a personal philosophy for living. Bill enjoyed a recent performance by the "really great" Cornell Men's Glee Club at a local prep school.

Chuck and Carol Winter Mund '52, Nutley, NJ, have built a summer home near Ithaca in Lansing, NY. He says, "It's great enjoying Cornell's many activities. Many more alums are retiring here." Last summer Adult University's (CAU) Verne Rockcastle introduced them to fly-fishing. They followed that with a weeklong golf clinic with Matt Baughan. **Edward and Susan Green**, Ridgewood, NJ, joined them. Then a June week in Paris exploring gardens with **Donald Rakow, PhD '87**, and an August Baltic cruise with Frank H. T. Rhodes, Frank Robinson, and Michael Sternberg. **Bobbie Vlock** Gottlieb, BS HE '50, Rye, NY, was also on the Baltic cruise.

Bill Reynolds, MBA '55, called from his summer home in the Thousand Islands to help me out with his handwriting. He retired from Merrill Lynch in February 2001 and has joined his sociologist wife Emily (Lee for short) in the Cancer Support Team's visits to victims of the disease. Bill himself is coping with Parkinson's. Bill and Lee support the American Indians College Fund, which led to a visit to three colleges in Montana last summer. Bill is a director of I Care, a group that buys houses in White Plains, then fixes them up and rents them. Membership in the Old Guard, a men's group that meets every Tuesday (with a scheduled speaker) and sponsors other activities, is one of the pleasures of living in Larchmont, NY.

Reunion time 2002 was a tripleheader for **Harry Merker**. He 1) returns every year for the annual alumni varsity baseball game (he was the oldest former varsity player playing, not coaching), 2) returned as a member of the Continuing Reunion Club, and 3) was honored and privileged to have his song "He Is There" presented for the first time at the Sage Chapel Service of Thanksgiving on Saturday, June 8, by **Constance Dunlap '04**. Harry wrote this gospel song honoring the memory of Cornell grads lost at the World Trade Center. He credits Dean Scatterday of the Music dept. and Prof. Scott Tucker, director of the chorus, for making possible the song debut. Harry has left California. His new address is PO Box 77, Lansing, NY, 14882. **Connie Pirnie** Sternberg has retired after 12 years in the Unitarian-Universalist ministry and is now chair of the Connecticut Committee for Interreligious Understanding. She and husband Hal live in Vernon, CT.

John Henry, MD, Director of the Histocompatibility and Immunogenetics Laboratory at SUNY Upstate Medical U. (Syracuse), now has an endowed (\$1.5 million) professorship named after him, "thanks to former students, colleagues, and friends." *Clinical Laboratory Diagnosis and Management* is in its 21st edition, the 7th with Dr. Henry as editor. With two colleagues, he has described a new HLA substitute mutation. **Sam Hochberger**, emeritus professor of civil engineering at Stevens Inst. of Technol-

Citation to **George, MS '56**, and Diane Knack **Conneman**. George was an award-winning professor at CALS from 1956 until 2000 and worked actively with agribusiness professionals and farmers in the state. Retired, he continues to support FarmNet and Extension outreach, as well as his community through the Town Planning Board and the Dispute Resolution Center. His wife's resume is also impressive.

From **Jim Kelly, MBA '54**, Concord, MA, I have a note and photo, which I'll forward to our

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JOAN BOFFA GAUL '52

ogy, is still active as a construction arbitrator for the American Arbitration Assn., member of the Tenafly, NJ, Planning Board, and captain of and advisor to the local tennis team. He and wife Phyllis just purchased a vacation home in The Landings, Savannah, GA, and hope to visit a few months a year. Sam is ranked sixth in USTA Eastern Tennis Section in singles and third in doubles. They see **Elliott Siff** and wife Marlene for dinner quite often. Elliott is still active in new business ventures.

Dr. Richard Glavin traveled to France in January for a friend's wedding in Lyon and then spent February in Cabo San Lucas. Back home in New Creston, CT, he is president of the board of the Northwestern Connecticut AIDS Project, board member of the Chapman House (housing for abused children), and tour coordinator for a group called the "Mad Gardeners."

Our class Web page, courtesy of **Barry Nolin, BME '53**, is www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs.classes/1951. Please send your news to ♦ **Brad Bond**, 101 Hillside Way, Marietta, OH, 45750; tel., (740) 374-6715; e-mail bbond@ee.net.

52 Again, we start with faces from the *New York Times*. On Sat., December 7 in New York City, **Howard Maisel** married Eve France. Howard had retired as president of a Freeport, NY, cement company and as vice president of the British oil and chemical company that bought the cement company. Howard, a widower, and his bride look very happy. Congratulations.

Congratulations, too, to **Dr. George Sutton**, who was elected Honorary Fellow of the American Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics. During his career, he developed, conceived, devised, and tested things that ranged from the first successful ablation heat shield to the transcatheter electrical power transfer device used successfully in artificial hearts. He has written the definitive textbook, *Engineering Magnetohydrodynamics*, and was editor-in chief of the *AIAA Journal* for 30 years. He and **Evelyn (Kunnes)** live in Arlington, VA.

In January, the New York State Agricultural Society presented its 2003 Distinguished Service

webmasters, of ATOs **Don Ross, Bob Ellison, Bob Freer**, and himself at our 50th Reunion. **George Vlahakis**, also at reunion, missed the picture. **Jim Ackerman** and wife Jerry, though not at reunion, were able to visit Jim and wife Jackie on the Cape. Jim's inclusion of a list of Cornell Class of '52 ATOs, complete with up-to-date addresses, including e-mail, was helpful, as **Bruce Wilkins, PhD '67**, is compiling a '52 e-mail list.

Paul and Polly Prine Herman, our webmasters, live in Portland, OR, and have had visitors. **Dick Dye, MPA '56**, who had just returned from spending February in Armenia working with USAID, dropped in for a few days while exploring the western end of the Lewis & Clark trail. In late summer, **Frank and Mary Rowley Forthoffer** arrived in Portland at the end of an Elderhostel. **Barbara Gale** Wood stopped for lunch while visiting her sons. **Peter and Judy Calhoun Schurman** visited while out to see their son in Corvallis. The Hermans have issued an open invitation to see them and their area. You not only get to visit, they take you sightseeing.

From the East Coast, **Hazel Lowe** von Rosenvinge, Annisquam, MA, writes that in September, Cliff and **Pat Dexter** Clark celebrated their 50th anniversary by hosting a group of 12 at the Keltic Lodge on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. Among those present were Joie and **Ted Bauckman '53**; **Sally Ennis** Macklin and husband Jim; **J. P. '50, BME '49**, and **Mary Baxter Barger '50**; and Hazel and husband Ted. Three days of good times were followed by stops in Halifax, Grand Pre, Peggy's Cove, and Lunenburg. Hazel found Grand Pre sad and moving.

Phebe Vandervoort Goldstein sent a long obituary from the *Detroit Free Press* on **Eugene Feingold**. When he retired from the U. of Michigan, Eugene was a national name in public health. At retirement in 1989, he entered the U. of Michigan's law school and graduated with honors. For the rest of his life he handled cases for the ACLU. For free. The Stanford news service sent word that **Bill Kirk**, a 37-year veteran of the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center (SLAC) and the founding editor of the innovative particle physics magazine *Beam Line*, died on February 14. SLAC's former director recalls that Bill,

a history major at Cornell, "was captured in the high-energy physics orbit and never left. A remarkable man."

Joan Dudley Goldspinner of Greenfield, MA, wrote in winter. She had finished the first draft of a novel that she had been trying to write since 1987. Beyond that, Jody wrote, "I have started vigiling for peace in Greenfield (as part

to a conflict with the graduation of daughter Lizzy, 13, from eighth grade at The Country School in Madison, CT. He has seven grandkids, four older than Liz and three younger. Wally's a "full-time housewife and soccer mom" these days, but did find time last summer for a return to Lime Rock for a three-day racing school. "Didn't kill myself; didn't suck, either. Hardest

1991, Sylvia and husband Charles Gray are keen campers—in the Olympic National Forest, WA, last year. **Betty Belle Heslop** Kidder (Arlington, VA) is phasing garden design out of her busy days: "My talented Italian stonemason has retired." Travel continues—to England, France, Italy, and Peru in late years.

Some smell the roses. **Jean Jochum** Bohn watches the grapes grow in her Sebastopol, CA, vineyard. **Marian Wallace** Kooiman (Laguna Woods, CA) staves off retirement idleness by preparing income taxes as an AARP/IRS volunteer. **Kay McBurney** Brady (Lake George and Bradenton, FL) enjoys travel, bridge, jazz and classical music concerts, opera, and ballet with husband Paul, whom she married in 2001. "A dear friend," she says, with whom she went to school from fourth grade through high school.

Retired Adelphi U. chemistry prof. **Fred Bettelheim** (Rockville, MD) continues to do volunteer research at the National Eye Inst. in Bethesda. High-flying **Ed Morris** (Little Rock, AR) still runs his own aviation company and was a part-time employee of two others at last report. **Don Woodley** (Mesa, AZ) keeps his hand in as a financial advisor and as a director of his local homeowners association. **James Hole** (Norwich, NY) holds that his High Meadow Farm and its Percherons and Angus beef keep him too busy for travel or vacations. Retired but, like many, busier than ever, **Sam Cassell** (Wyckoff, NJ) says he's surprised that he doesn't miss working as an internist. But he has kind words for Elderhostel trips, notably a visit to Vietnam, sailing and racing on Long Island Sound, teaching med students to sail, learning bridge at last, pursuing Judaic studies at Melton Inst., and working out at the Y. **Leo Buxbaum** (Whittier, CA) was still practicing gastroenterology when he last checked in.

It's no secret that class columns appear on the Net and are therefore available to search engines and visible to a wide, unseen readership of many strangers. So we try to walk that wire between sharing items of general interest and protecting privacy. Look for announcements of our Homecoming plans soon. It's Oct. 24-25. Football vs. Brown. And look for a full 50th Reunion report in the Sept/Oct *Cornell Alumni Magazine*. ♦ **Jim Hanchett**, 300 1st Ave. #8B, NYC 10009; e-mail, jch46@cornell.edu.

'We do belong to the bionic generation.'

LESLIE PAPENFUS REED '54

of an international group that started in Israel in '88) against all violence and for reconciliation. In these times all we can do is stand for what we believe to be true and right." From Louise Clemens, whom we knew as **Alice Louise Sheldon**, Potsdam, NY: "Happiness is three sons happily married with children, making me a proud grandmother." A retired school nurse, teacher, and health educator, she was traveling to national parks, leaving shortly for Hawaii, then to South America and, in the spring, Korea.

Also traveling were **Phyllis (Perl) '54** and **David Stearns**, JD '58, Sarasota, FL. Dave wrote that Phyllis had embarked on a new part-time career as an art instructor aboard various cruise ships, primarily out of Miami and Ft. Lauderdale. He gets "the free ride as her faithful assistant." They'd been on the Caribbean with Italian and Norwegian cruise ships. "Mucho fun, seeing a lot of interesting ports, and meeting a lot of interesting people."

Also on the water, still, is **E. Whitney Mitchell**, Stuart, FL. He summers in Nantucket and continues (19 years) to run fishing trips for kids and adults. Although retired from real estate, he has licenses in many places, now including Florida. He plays lots of golf and sees his four children and seven grandchildren. "Continue to keep active." I guess! **C. V. Noyes**, MBA '55, Harpswell, ME, was waiting for skiing to start. By now, I suspect, he's hoping it's stopped.

Too much news for the space available. Next time: less news, more names. Cheers, and do check our Web page: <http://classof52.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Joan Boffa** Gaul, 7 Colonial Pl., Pittsburgh, PA 15232; e-mail, jgcomm@aol.com.

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So, what were you doing a half-century ago today? Well, if you were a bright-eyed, bushy-tailed, and freshly ROTC-minted Air Force second lieutenant, you might have been at loose ends because the wild blue yonder suddenly didn't need a huge crop of green subalterns. The police action was over and so your orders to go had been canceled. New ones would be along, maybe right after you found promising employment. Others of us were honeymooning and/or job-hunting and learning the ABCs of adulthood. And now, still, more new stuff to learn. Every day, it seems.

K. Bailey Walbridge (Branford, CT), the former Walbridge Bailey, missed reunion owing

part was getting in and out of the race car." **Bill Bailey** and wife **Jane (Wight) '54** divide the year between Naples, FL, and their cottage far above Cayuga's waters. He's been retired from the insurance game to the golf course for five years now, but son **John '87** carries on and at last report was president of the Professional Insurance Agents Assn. of New York State.

Joe Alfredo (Greenwich, CT) says his has become a golfing family, playing in tournaments at Westchester C.C., Boca Raton, Pinehurst, VT, and Naples. He reports that when he became "sick of retirement" after ten years, he hired on as consultant to his sons' businesses, which gets him into landscaping and Internet advertising. The '53 delegation tied for first in the seventh annual Cornell Golf Tourney at Port Lucie, FL, in March. But maybe you heard about it from **Vinnie Giarusso**, **Gerry Grady**, and **Bill Whelan** in June. **Dean '52**, MBA '56, and **Barbara Green Bock** and Jeff and **Angela LaGuardia** Nichols tapered on for reunion with Bob and **Lorraine Dengler** Shackleford chez **Jack '52** and **Carol Ballagh Boehringer** in Marco Island, FL, in March. "Life is good," says **Barbara Stewart** Chislow (Long Branch, NJ), "and I enjoy every minute of it," traveling, watching her five grandlings develop and mature, and "trying to become computer literate." She's a retired librarian.

Martin Ginsburg (Washington, DC) teaches tax law full-time at Georgetown and "practices the same stuff" for a large NY firm. "Although none have as yet been unkind enough to mention it," says he, "I am well past retirement age and would cheerfully have shuffled off long ago. But my spouse of almost 50 years (**Ruth Bader Ginsburg '54**) has a good job in Washington and she is not inclined to give it up, so I may continue to work for decades." **Henry Stein** (Clinton, CT) says he "flunked retirement" and is well and truly occupied as a fire volunteer and emergency medical technician. There have been trips to China, Australia, New Zealand, and Scandinavia in recent years.

About 40 percent of Americans, particularly widows and widowers, "have confided to public opinion researchers that they have experienced after-death contacts," says **Sylvia L. Hart** (Eugene, OR), and she interviewed scores of them for her third book, *When Spirits Come Calling: The Open-Minded Skeptic's Guide to After-Death Contacts*. The City U. of New York architecture school library head emerita since

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Reunion co-chairs **Ken Hershey** and **Ro Seelbinder** Jung have just attended '53's fabulous 50th and are filled with ideas for our big one next June 10-13, 2004. It's never too early to mark your calendars. You'll receive the first mailing in the fall, and **Jan Jakes** Kunz will start posting a list on our website of who's coming back (www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954). Stay tuned and start planning. More and more details to follow.

Marty Rosenzweig, PhD '59, and wife Bonnie are planning on returning for our 50th. They spent a week on campus last summer attending Adult University (CAU) with their twin grandsons during a swing through eastern colleges. Home in Rolling Hills, CA, Marty is involved in

producing and booking a Jazz Series at the Norris Pavilion for Performing Arts, which they helped develop over the past 20 years. The Jazz Series is held four times a year in a cabaret setting, complete with a large dance floor, reserved seating, and buffet lunch. Marty says it has been a labor of love and a very successful one. Another CAU family are the Boslaughs of Ashburn, VA. Herm and **Marian Russell** Boslaugh have been taking their grandchildren to CAU for several years, always with glowing results. Marian highly recommends it as a family vacation. She says the kids loved trying the many kinds of food in the dining hall.

Marjorie Stock has sold The Inn at Honey Run and has moved into Life 5, "Solving the Challenges of Aging." She finds it most interesting. Wish she would share the solutions with the rest of us. **Martin Cole**, JD '56, appears to need little advice on how to deal with the constant adding of candles to birthday cakes. He is still practicing law, specializing in securities and media litigation, but has created several ways with which to fill his "spare time." Since 1978, aside from being a single practitioner, Marty has been engaged in the sale, purchase, and auctioning of rare stamps and covers. When not engaged in philatelic pursuits he and his French poodle Pierre do canine therapy at Mt. Sinai Hospital. Pierre also accompanies the Coles on their many overseas jaunts. I wonder if Pierre is co-pilot when his master goes aloft in single engine planes.

Patty and Walt Lewis, MD '60, have moved back to Santa Barbara from their ranch on the coast, now that Estelle is in third grade. Summers are still spent at their beach house on the Big Island of Hawaii. Walt plans to sail with **Bob** (Robert M.) **Morrison** and **Peter Eising**, MBA '58, this summer. Walt still misses the practice of medicine and the people but not the paperwork associated with the territory. **Jim Shoffner** writes from Hilton Head that he is going to try to retire once more, with a bit of tennis and golf to keep him moving. **Lloyd** '52 and **Jean Vettel Forstall** enjoyed Lloyd's 50th Reunion and their housing in the new freshman complex, and plan on returning for our 50th in June. The BrideMar Research Foundation, church, travel, friends, family, and an adopted 100-pound golden retriever keep the Forstalls active and in good health.

Duane and Jane Barber Smith, with more time for travel, have specialized in cruising the rivers of Europe. Although retired from actual teaching duties, Jane remains active as board member of the New York State United Teachers Retiree Council #13, serving as its newsletter co-editor. She is also vice chair of the Dutchess County Democratic Committee. In the spring of 2002 **Fred Jensen** returned to give seminars in business at Vilnius Technical U. in Lithuania. Afterward he and **Marilyn (Brady)** '55 traveled to Switzerland and Rome. This past fall they visited **Dick Ragold** '53 in Dorset, VT, to do some leaf peeping; then it was off to China and Tibet on a three-week tour.

Ann Heagle continues to challenge the McDowells for time spent traveling the globe. This past year she cruised South America, West-

ern Europe, the Western Caribbean, and the Mississippi. Ann continues to volunteer at DFW airport two afternoons a week. **Bob** and **Susan Morrison** of Kailua, HI, spent five weeks in Europe last year driving round-trip from Paris to the Algarve in Portugal. Along the way they rented a villa in Lagos, where they tarried for a couple of weeks. Like the Jensens, they, too, toured China in 2002.

We do belong to the bionic generation. Many of us seem to be having bits and pieces replaced and repaired. **Roland Hirsch** is recovering nicely from a hip replacement. **Larry Cohen** moved to Florida and then began his body remodeling—a bit of plumbing work on the arteries and a knee replaced. Unfortunately, his knee had to be redone due to a staph infection, an all too familiar story. Larry is on the mend and ready to resume his normal schedule. **Burt** '51, **DVM** '55, and **Lucy Fein Saunders**, contrary to the masses, up-sized their housing last year by purchasing their dream house in Upper Nyack. Lucy then joined the masses by having a hip replacement. We hope she is doing well and is ready for the slopes once more.

Nancy Moskowitz Wachs, BArch '55, and **Joan Kavochka**, BArch '55, were both on campus Sept. 14, '01 to hear **John Reps**, MRP '57's lecture, "How Gotham Got Its Name," and enjoyed reminiscing about their five years of architecture. Nancy's offspring both live in Redondo Beach, CA, which enables one plane ticket to do double duty. And if you plan right—stay for three months—you avoid the Rochester winters altogether! I hope to hear from as many of you as possible before reunion, as we have many years of catching up to do. ♦ **Lésle Papenfus** Reed, 500 Wolfe St., Alexandria, VA 22314; e-mail, ljreed@speakeasy.net. Class website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954.

55 Last spring, **Frank Hano** and his wife attended one of the many fascinating programs sponsored by Adult University (CAU). The Hanos, who live in Longmeadow, MA, chose Ecuador and Galapagos: A Family Study Tour. Also singing the praises of CAU are **Pete**, MRP '57, and **Mickie Symonds Eschweiler**, who returned last August from a CAU visit to Iceland, followed by a 10-day cruise of the Baltic. The trip was led by **Frank Rhodes**, Johnson Museum Director **Frank Robinson**, history professor **Michael Steinberg**, and CAU director **Ralph Janis** '66. Back home, Pete is the volunteer president of a not-for-profit group that has been building affordable rental housing for senior citizens. He also chairs "The Group," an association of retired business and professional men, sponsored by the Pleasantville Library. Interested in learning more about CAU? You can check out this summer's on-campus programs, as well as the off-campus study tours, at www.cau.cornell.edu. A great way to spend a family vacation; bring the grandkids!

Among the winners of the 2003 Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Service Award is our own **Bob Cowie**, MBA '57, who, along with his wife **Vanne (Shelley)** '57, will be recognized at a ban-

quet during Homecoming Weekend (October 24-26). This award is given in recognition of extraordinary service to Cornell, through activities within the broad spectrum of Cornell's various alumni organizations, associations, and related groups. The Cowies have homes in Carefree, AZ, and Ithaca. **George Liptak** of Dunwoody, GA, says, "There's been no interest in my talents by local W-2 employers," and would like to know how others have handled this challenge. George has been teaching classes at the local United Methodist Church, and attends several meetings each month (Foreign Policy Assn. and the Atlanta Marketing Forum). George says that since **Stu Loory** '54 left CNN to teach at the U. of Missouri School of Journalism, he never sees any Cornellians. "They must have all stayed north or moved further south to Florida."

Howland Swift, who hails from Santa Barbara, CA, still manages the Network of California Community College Foundations and does fund-raising consulting for local nonprofits. When Swift needs his "eastern fix," he spends the summers at a family enclave in northeastern Vermont. He forwards the news that **Baron Bernard** has developed "an incredible hydrogen engine for boats," which Swift says is "really a breakthrough." Baron calls L.A. home. **Judy Silverman** Duke, a Millwood, NY, resident, is now the owner/publisher/editor of Advanced Technology Libraries. **Hilda Bressler** Minkoff of Glenside, PA, has been teaching a course on the organization and administration of pupil personnel services at Arcadia U. She also presented a session last year at the International Assn. of Educational and Vocational Guidance in Warsaw. **Suzanne Liebrecht** Joyce, who lives in Minneapolis, retired last year and has been biking, hiking, and golfing "for fun," plus working with the Minnesota International Center and the American Refugee Committee "to give back." I hope we'll see these lively ladies at Reunion 2005.

Dave Sheffield, BArch '60, MRP '61, still lives in Wellesley, MA, but writes that he's "joined the ranks of the retired," and is now self-employed as an architect/planner/consultant. A welcome note from **Laura Weese**, out in Seattle, brings the news that she enjoyed a visit from John Truman, widower of **Mary Ellen Davison**, last summer. Laura also stays in touch with **Carmen Longo** Jackson, MS '61, in Gaithersburg, MD, **Mimi Morack** Sauer in Stevensville, MT, and **Patricia McCormick** Hoehing in Sylvania, OH. Laura is teaching part-time at Northwest Yeshiva High School and helping with college counseling.

John Davidge, JD '58, has been a busy guy. He and Jean spent five weeks in Australia, New Zealand, and Bora Bora in 2001 and just prior to the trip, had dinner in L.A. with **George** and **Ann Wiggins Riordan**. They've also seen **Irv** and **Jayne Pettit**, **Chuck Berlinghof** and **Thilo Best** from the class of '53, **Jim** '58 and **Annette Fogo Harper** '58, **Dick** and **Pat Peterson Strazza**, and **Jack Vail** '54. **Rona Kass** Schneider, who sells prints on her website, says that selling online is "amazing!" The Schneiders spent a few weeks in Paris and the Loire Valley in the spring of 2002, and report they were showered with kindness by the French people—"or maybe

they're nicer to people with gray hair?" (In which case all of us might qualify for some Gallic kindness!) ♦ **Nancy Savage** Petrie, 6 Inkberry St., East Hampton, NY 11937; e-mail, nsm55@juno.com.

56 Here's what our classmates have been doing: **Maria Radoslovich** Cox won second place in the Florida Native Plant Society competition for the garden at her residence at Ponte Vedra, Duval County. Starting with the existing oaks, magnolias, and cabbage palms, Maria created a 130x75-foot native garden park in the backyard of her golf community home, adding a great variety of shrubs, groundcovers, and wildflowers. She noted that the garden's "loose design" is a peaceful and relaxing contrast to the formalities of her home and other garden areas. And from another classmate who is an expert gardener, **Alan Butterfield** (Guararapes, Brazil) has started a palm tree collection on his property. **John Burns**, DVM '59 (Henrietta, NY) and wife Ann have moved from the St. Lawrence River back to Monroe County and will farm their 90 acres. **Margot Lurie** Zimmerman (Washington, DC) finds time, along with her extensive world traveling with husband Paul, to consult for a malaria vaccine initiative.

Martin Wunderlich Pel-Or (Netanya, Israel) is a licensed government tour guide and would love to see any classmates who come to his part of the world. **Erika Tate** Holzer's new book, written with her husband Hank, is called *Fake Warriors: Identifying, Exposing, and Punishing Those Who Falsify Their Military Service*. It is available from the publisher, Xlibris Corp., via the Internet. **Frederic Sharaf**, studying advanced composition at the Manhattan School of Music, has composed a string quartet, which was recently performed at Carnegie Hall in NYC.

Here are some recent retirees: **Herschel Koblenz** (Shaker Heights, OH) retired from Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP at the end of 2002 after practicing with the same firm for 42-1/2 years. **Patricia Brodie** (Concord, MA), semi-retired from private psychotherapy practice, has been writing poetry and has had several poems accepted for publication. **Martin Wohl** (Chesterfield, MO) has been working on the "Wednesday Crew" of retirees for the St. Louis Habitat for Humanity for several years, and is treasurer and steering committee member for the Lifelong Learning Inst. at Washington U.

Dr. **Louis Levovsky** (North Dartmouth, MA) retired after practicing medicine for 35 years in Fall River, MA, and Newport, RI. **Ruth Morse Harris** (Livingston, TX) retired in 1995 after 29 years of teaching elementary school and has been traveling around the US in a 34-foot fifth-wheel trailer towed by a one-ton Dodge Diesel truck. **Nancy Sonn** Cooper, BS Ag '80, is skiing and hiking and ice skating out in Santa Fe, NM, as has been reported by some of my NYC friends who saw her on the ski lifts there. **Donald Goldman** has relocated back to Marina Del Rey, CA, and is counseling small business clients for SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Engineers).

Elliot Goldstein, MD '60 (Davis, CA) is

professor emeritus at Kansas U. Medical School and UC Davis Medical School. **Bill Zitek**, DVM '59, keeping beautiful Shelter Island, NY, beautiful, is a volunteer and trustee for the Nature Conservancy there. From **Hersch and Shirley Dean Loomis** (Pebble Beach, CA): Hersch is professor of electrical and computer engineering and space systems at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey. Shirley is a professional calligrapher. **Milt Chace** (Ann Arbor, MI) is working as a consulting engineer in the field of light truck vehicle rollovers.

When you are in Rome, **Alex Cicchinelli** would love to see you. **Steve Bailey**, BME '59, and wife Marcia recently visited him and they dined at the Squarcia Family Restaurant just off the Via Veneto. Recent Adult University (CAU) attendee **Percy Edwards** Browning (Ithaca, NY) was part of the recent CAU trip to Cuba. And, finally, **Judy Cimildoro** Jones (Toledo, OH) was reappointed by Governor Bob Taft to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and recently completed consulting assignments to Gujarat, India, and Kiev, Russia. Keep the news coming. ♦ **Phyllis Bosworth**, 8 East 83rd St., NYC 10028; e-mail, phylboz@aol.com.

57 **Ed '54 and Joyce Dudley McDowell** divide time between homes in Hermosa Beach, CA, and Kilauea, HI, but sailing and world travels made up a goodly portion of their lives in 2002. Micronesia, eastern Canada, Kenya, Singapore, and the Galapagos were among the stops, as well as visits in the US with family and friends, including **Dave '56** and **Jane Wedell Pyle**. Ed sailed his *Grand Illusion* in some races off the southern California coast and Hawaii.

Many of us in the East certainly had our fill of snow this past winter, but for avid skiers like **Jerry Neuman** Held, Arlington, VA, it was a boon. She headed for the slopes in West Virginia and Maine and also did some schussing out at Lake Tahoe, where her son **Andy '84** joined her. Her other son lives in the Los Angeles area and Jerry enjoys visiting there with her husband Stan Kovell, as they are both avid golfers. If you had a chance to see the exhibit of Jules Feiffer's work at the New York Historical Society this spring you can thank **Mina Rieur** Weiner. Mina was the curator of the celebration, "JULZ RULZ: Inside the Mind of Jules Feiffer."

Nina Schick Appel, BA '56, just completed her 20th year as Dean of Loyola U. Chicago School of Law. **Alfred '56** has just published a new book, *Jazz Modernism*, and their son Richard is the executive director and creator of a new comedy to be seen on NBC, titled "AUSA: Assistant US Attorney." Dr. **Rochelle Krugman** Kainer, author of *The Collapse of the Self and its Therapeutic Restoration*, delivered a paper on Anais Nin at the Popular Culture Conference in April. Her daughter Eden, a musicologist, also gave a paper—on Ella Fitzgerald and Sophie Tucker.

Robert '55, MBA '57, and **Vanne Shelley Cowie** have been selected to receive the 2003 Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award during Homecoming Weekend, October 24. The award is given in recognition of service

to Cornell in both length and quality of contribution through activities in alumni organizations and related groups.

John Seiler and I are trying out a new form to gather more news from classmates. Watch for the mailing and please take time to respond. Better yet, whenever you're online, it's so easy to send a quick update on your activities via e-mail. Hope you'll take the time to do so. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, JCreuss@aol.com.

I saw a great future for **Colin Campbell** when I first met my freshman-year hallmate, and he hasn't let me down. After Columbia Law School (**Steve Weiss**, please take note), Colin was a VP of the American Stock Exchange, president of Wesleyan U., president of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, and, since April 2000, chairman and president of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, having served on that organization's board since 1989. He has received honorary degrees from ten institutions, and has now been honored by the New-York (sic) Historical Society, which has presented Colin and wife Nancy (who has an equally impressive list of kudos) with the DeWitt Clinton Medal for their lifetime contributions to historical preservation and academic excellence. Congratulations are also in order for **Allan Dunn**, who has discovered a new form of angiogenesis, enabling better treatment for arthritis (by regrowing worn away joint cartilage) and possibly cancer.

When I reported recently that **Chuck LaForge** had sold the Beekman Arms Inn in Rhinebeck, I failed to mention that the buyer is classmate **George Banta**, and that the tradition of the oldest inn in America, dating to 1766, is intact and flourishing. George mentioned that his son and son-in-law have joined him in his business, which includes other hotel and restaurant properties. **Henry Goodman**, BME '59, claims he is retired, but last summer he managed Pioneer Village:1630, a living history museum in Salem, MA. He enjoyed the experience, especially the opportunity to meet visitors from around the world. He reports the birth of his second grandchild, to daughter Rachel in Memphis.

Also retired is **Gerald Rehkugler**, MS '58, who has a daughter starting Cornell this fall, and who, Lord willing, will graduate in our 50th Reunion year. Gerald's wife is pastor of the Fayetteville (NY) United Methodist Church, and Gerald skis up to 100 days a year, hopefully never on Sunday mornings. **Todd Kennedy**, who saw **Tom Paterson** in January, has a new 35-foot sailboat, in which he has been cruising the Maine waters this summer. **Don MacKay**, fully retired from the metal cutting tools business, is also involved in sailing radio-controlled craft. He's also restoring a 1954 MG and trying to give those fish some attention.

Ralph Deeds is another sailor, racing when his duties as an appointee to the Michigan Employment Security Review Board allow some spare time. This follows a stint as an NLRB appointee in the Clinton Administration after retirement from a career in labor relations with General Motors. **Ara Daglian** ("spend income,

not principal") has announced that he received a pasta pot (the kind with the colander on the top cover) and a robot vacuum cleaner last Christmas, and cruised last fall "trots-free" down the west coast of Mexico. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477; e-mail, Suitcase2@aol.com.

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Mid-year issue this is, following reunion but written a couple of months before it. So we'll catch up on earlier news and hope to have many updates for future write-ups here. **Kathe Bennett Hall**, MS '79, and husband **Jackson, Ed D '67**, had a tough decision to make re: their respective 45th and 50th Reunions this year. Both are on the same dates, so they're going to neither. "Because of these dynamics," Kathe writes, "we've decided to travel in June to Switzerland and Austria where I'll have the special joy of singing . . . with our Naples Philharmonic Chorale in magnificent cathedrals for several weeks." Kathe sends her warmest invitation to '58ers to visit them in tropical SW Florida and wishes us all a super reunion. **Dick and Ada Caines** should get to reunion since going to such events is listed as one of the family's prime activities. Dick keeps active outdoors—hunting, fishing, etc.—and considers himself a Syracuse crunch hockey nut and follows **Ken Dryden '69's** playing closely. Dick retired seven years ago, and reports that his wife's craft shop in Bennington, VT, is doing great; his visits there get him into the mountains frequently, often with his grown children and three grandchildren.

David Tobin, wife Nancy, and four daughters, husbands, and three grandchildren ALL attended Adult University (CAU) on campus last year for a "phenomenal family reunion." David is past chairman of CAU and wrote a letter to **Ralph Janis '66**, current chairman, thanking him and exclaiming that it was better than ever; he recommends that we all consider a family vacation with CAU. We'll probably hear more about it at reunion. **Garrison Davidson Jr.** plans to reunite with the class, having made his first return in '98—"That one was great." Garrison still works for Iron Mountain Records, the international records storage company. **Georgia Watson Willis** and husband Frank plan to come up from Austin, TX, to reunite in June; with Frank having retired last year, Georgia writes that they're looking forward to having lots of fun together.

Gene, DVM '67, and **Jean Blume Ceglowski, DVM '67**, both continue their practice of veterinary medicine full-time up in Rupert, VT. Their son **Bob '93** started at the Vet college last year and daughter **Carol, DVM '98**, practices in Staunton, VA. Two other daughters, **Sue Ceglowski Thrasher '88**, and **Laurie Ceglowski Fronhofer '91**, are busy, each raising two children. **Herb Meltzer** writes that he's happily living in Nashville, TN, these last six years as the Bixler Prof. of Psychiatry and Pharmacology at Vanderbilt, and has no plans to retire. Herb gets in lots of international travel—last year covering Australia to Sweden, other European countries, and England—while also presiding over a

neuropsychology collegium, a leading group in schizophrenia research. Another medical researcher is **Martin Steinberg**, "busier than ever studying genomic variations in sickle cell disease." He says there's not enough time for many leisure activities except reading, walking, theater, and music. Martin and Susan's daughter was set to graduate from Millsaps College this past May.

Roberta Schantz Schwartz, since retiring in 1997 from Huntington Hospital as director of social work, practiced privately for a year, then relocated to Key West, FL, whence she leaves to spend her summers in New York. Her three grown children are active in NYC and Louisville, KY, and Ronnie enjoys her four grandchildren, ages 1 to 15. **George Nicholas, BS Hotel '71**, came out of semi-retirement to manage "music creations" called (as best I can decipher) Anejies Jazz, with a supply of various types of musicians. Deciphering a little more, it appears that George also is a managing partner of his real estate acquisition company in the East Hampton, NY, area.

With apologies to writer **Larry Pringle** from the March/April column, Larry's 99th book is properly entitled *Dog of Discovery: A Newfoundland's Adventures with Lewis and Clark*. The dog's-eye view might be most interesting as we approach the 200th anniversary of that magnificent expedition. **Churlene "Cindy" Rogers** Heinbach visited Alaska last summer and lucked out with Mt. McKinley visible all day during her trek there. She also covered California from Napa Valley to Hearst Castle and, since retiring from her New Jersey school directorship, works at keeping in touch with her seven children and 16 grandchildren. **Fred Sherman** says that he and Maggie will be unable to attend reunion this round, but have plans to be there for the 50th. Last summer they took a 12-day cruise on the Baltic Sea and enjoyed it very much.

We have a note from **Bruce Marshall** as we go to press, sent on the early April day he received his reunion packet. He writes, "Unset-

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Our class webmaster **Alan Newhouse** "unretired" at the end of December and returned to government service as the director of the Nuclear Systems Program—also called Project Prometheus—for the NASA Office of Space Science. Alan writes that the program has three major aspects: 1) revive the radioisotope power supply program, 2) develop advanced space nuclear power electric propulsion systems, and 3) build a robotic spacecraft to visit, in the next ten years, the three icy moons of Jupiter (Europa, Ganymede, and Callisto) using a space nuclear reactor and electric propulsion. "The purpose of this program," he says, "is to cause a revolutionary change in our ability to explore the solar system by providing large amounts of electric power at the destination (Jupiter) for maneuvering, making scientific measurements, and sending back data at very high rates. This is like coming home for me, since this was what I had been doing when I retired in 1995 when the space nuclear power work was stopped by Congress and the Clinton Administration."

Dale Rogers Marshall, a political scientist who became the sixth president of Wheaton College in 1992, announced that she will resign on June 30, '04. Patricia King, chair of Wheaton's Board of Trustees, said, "Wheaton is unquestionably stronger today because of President Marshall's leadership. In the past decade, the college has become significantly more selective, our students are winning prestigious academic awards such as the Rhodes Scholarship, our faculty has grown significantly more diverse, and our resources have grown through vigorous fund-raising and good management. Dale has created a solid foundation from which Wheaton can continue to reach new heights." While serving as Wheaton's president, Dale has remained active as a scholar and a faculty member, regularly teaching courses on urban politics. She currently chairs the American Council on Education's Leadership Commission and is a member

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JOHN SEILER '57

ting coincidence: today's *Washington Post* carries the sad news of the death of **Roger Garrett, PhD '67**. He made a great contribution to campus life as a Glee Clubber, shot-putter, and all around good guy. I never realized he was an ace biochemist, but he earned his MS and PhD at Cornell also. If anyone can get the April 3 *Post* online, the obituary is in section A. I know all his Phi Gam brothers will want to know. Roger and other class members we have lost will be held in memory on Sunday morning at reunion.

Connie (Case) and I hope to have seen many of you before this issue appears in print. ♦ **Dick Haggard**, 1207 Nash Dr., Fort Washington, PA 19034; e-mail, rhaggard@voicenet.com.

of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Dave and **Mary Ann Berry** are "still coping" with retired life in Honolulu, HI. They recently completed a trip to Vietnam, where they helped deliver wheelchairs to needy people in Ho Chi Minh City, Quang Tre Province, and Hanoi. Dave notes that the Princeton Class of '77 donated a container of 240 wheelchairs, each of which had a Princeton decal on it. "Although they did not come right out and say it, it was implied that Cornell could not do as well. I believe we can," says Dave. He points out that a \$75 donation is matched by the Wheelchair Foundation to provide one chair; "it seems to me it would be a piece of cake to have 240 of

our classmates come up with \$75." You can learn more about the Wheelchair Foundation at www.wheelchairfoundation.org or by contacting Dave at Berrysinhawaii@aol.com.

Oskar and Anne Barringer Rogg, longtime residents of New Milford, CT, have moved to their farm in Virginia where they raise beef cattle. The address: still River Farm, 1383 Topaz Dr., Draper, VA. Their four older children are married, and Anne and Oskar have eight grandchildren. Their youngest daughter, Jennifer, is engaged to be married. This past January, **Philip '58**, BS Ag '61, and **Dorothy Willman Bartlett**, M Ed '61, and **Nelson and Susanne Joyner** participated in the CAU off-campus study tour From Columbus to Castro: Landscapes and Legacies of Cuba.

A gentle reminder: Please take a moment to check the list of missing classmates posted on our website. If your name is on it or if you know the address of anyone else on the list, please notify Cornell at alumni_updates@aad.cornell.edu. ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801; tel., (203) 792-8237; e-mail, jet24@cornell.edu.

60 "There are indeed second—not to say third—acts in American lives," says **Ron Mallis**, who reports an exciting career change and new graduate degree. After many years working in publishing, executive education, and management consulting, Ron returned to school and, in June 2002, received a master's degree in city planning from the Massachusetts Inst. of Technology. "The two years at MIT were astonishing and exhilarating," says Ron, "and put me in touch with something I should have done ages ago, as well as with a phenomenal bunch of classmates and faculty." Ron then accepted a position as senior planner and project manager at the planning and architecture firm of Goody, Clancy & Associates in Boston, MA, where he is "wrestling," he says, with two major planning

been arduous," he says. Your classmates send condolences and good wishes, Richard.

Ginny Seipt is enjoying her new digs on the West Side of New York, where she hosted a number of old friends and family during the past year. She works part-time at ABC as an associate director, placing commercials or formatting them for "Primetime Thursday," "20/20," and the network. Ginny says she did "minimum traveling" in 2002, like many others no doubt; her trips included several days in Florida with friends and two weeks in Myrtle Beach, SC. **Herbert T. Kaplan** writes that he is "working in Washington, DC, at Bistro Bis restaurant," which a quick search of Google reveals to be located on Capitol Hill at the Hotel George, and was voted one of Washington's best new restaurants not long ago. Herb and wife Sally live in Bethesda, MD. **Stephen Rothschild** of Alamo, CA, is senior VP for investments at Smith Barney and a partner in the Rothschild Group, along with his sons Daniel and Michael.

Congratulations to **Lew Springer**, BEE '62, of Auburn, who married Mary Karalekas on Oct. 13, '02. There is also very good news from **Leonard Becker** of Berkeley, CA, who received a kidney transplant last year and is doing well. Facing the prospect of a five-year wait on the national kidney transplant list, and having no luck with appeals to friends, family, and local churches, Leonard says, "I found my live donor by putting out a desperate plea on the Internet bulletin board, Craigslist." Within weeks, an altruistic individual offering to donate a kidney presented herself, and she and Leonard flew to Minnesota's Mayo Clinic, where the surgical transplant took place. The *San Francisco Chronicle* provided details of this story in an article entitled "Transplant Patients Turn to Internet," which appeared in August 2002.

David Simpson writes from Tenafly, NJ, "I had a wonderful visit with **David Engel '59** last August." David Engel lives in Florence, Italy, having retired from the US Foreign Service. In

year traveling, and their itinerary included visits to sons **John '89** in Arizona and **David '91** in California. Sadly, I just received news of the loss of two classmates. **Michael Martin** of Denver, CO, died in September 2001 in a mountaineering accident. Among his survivors is his sister, **Andrea Martin Bachrach '64**. **Jerry Hazlitt** of Hector, NY, a grape grower and owner of Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards Farm Winery, died in October 2002. Jerry's survivors include wife Elaine, three children, and six grandchildren, along with brother **James Hazlitt '60**. Send news to ♦ **Judy Bryant Wittenberg** at 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jw275@cornell.edu.

61 In a newly published book by Judith Hope about the struggles and hardships of 15 pioneering women of the Harvard Law Class of '64, who worked together to overcome discrimination in the male-dominated, sometimes sexist legal profession, the stories of **June Freeman Berkowitz** and **Alice Pasachoff Wegman** are recorded. Titled *Pinstripes and Pearls*, the book describes how their network of friendships and alliances enabled them to attain their goals.

Jim Rather was an airborne infantry platoon leader after leaving Cornell, had a law career at the US Attorney's Office, and then had a private practice until 1992. That was when he was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). Today, his wife Amalia and sons Jim and John and daughter Evgenia at his side, Jim is "locked in"—a paralytic condition in which he is conscious and alert but unable to communicate except by eye movements. He continues to think and reflect and is exceptionally strong. Jim's sister Jane Rather Thiebaud has mentioned how much it would mean to Jim if he heard from his many Cornell friends. Jim Rather can be contacted at 2 Colonial Rd., Port Washington, NY 11050-4398.

Brenda Young Crawford passed the FAA written test and is taking fixed-wing flying instruction. Brenda and husband **Tony**, DVM '62, live in Spruce Creek, FL, where Tony teaches prospective helicopter pilots. Last fall, the Crawfords were part of an air race crew in Reno in support of fellow Cornellian **Fred Telling**, PhD '76, who raced his WWII AT-6 trainer.

John Sargent, ME CH '67, is president of Quantitative Medical Systems. He and wife Laurie vacationed in Scotland, France, and Japan last year. They often get together with **Jackie Grimm Kingston** and husband **Bill '59**. Jackie is a copy editor for *Hersam Acorn Newspapers* in Ridgefield, CT. **Larry Murray** built a second home in Wellington, FL, but still spends most of his time in West Chester, PA. Last year, he formed a tax consulting firm with offices in major US cities and in London. **Donald Low** has a second home in the Channel Island area of Oxnard, CA.

Bill Onorato retired two years ago from the World Bank and still lives in McLean, VA. He does some consulting on international oil and gas pipelines and other energy matters. On his agenda are trips/treks to Zermatt, Patagonia, and Tibet. When he's not traveling, Bill enjoys spending time at his lakeside home in Maine. As

‘There are indeed second—not to say third—acts in American lives.’

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projects, one involving the City of Boston and Harvard U., the other for the City of Cambridge.

Another recent degree recipient is **Richard Meade** of Paris, who was awarded a BA, his second, from England's Cambridge U. in June 2002. His 16-year-old daughter, his son (a London banker and also a Cambridge graduate), and his granddaughter were all present at Richard's graduation. Richard now divides his time between Cambridge and Paris, and says he'd "be delighted to see any classmates in either city." He is currently engaged in a major writing project, a theodicy, and struggling to recover from the loss of his wife **Christine Nabias**, MA '71, to illness two years ago. "The road to recovery has

December, he was visited by Jean-Jacques and **Karin Rosenthal** Demorest; Jean-Jacques was chairman of the French department at Cornell before migrating to Harvard. The Demorests now divide their time between Paris and Belle Isle, a small island in the English Channel. David also attended a mini-Cornell *Daily Sun* reunion last year, where he "saw **Bob Toffler** for the first time in 40 years." Son **Gideon Simpson '03** has followed in his father's footsteps and is now working on the *Sun* as its business editor.

William "Ron" Roach reports from Rocky Hill, NJ, "After 35 years working as a physicist for RCA/Sarnoff Corp., I retired in September 2001." He and wife Betty spent much of the past

a visiting lecturer, **Robert Stamper** had assignments in Australia, Brazil, India, and the Philippines last year. **Judy Rensin** Mandell does freelance writing. **Deni Greene** invites classmates traveling to Melbourne, Australia, to contact her. She's part of an active group of Cornell alumni who have gotten together for a barbecue at Deni's beach house, a Chinatown banquet, and Zinck's night. Deni migrated from California to Australia 20 years ago and operates an environmental consulting firm.

Sue Bakeman Dougherty, MNS '63, is on the human science faculty of Monroe (NY) Community College. Sue's activities include boating on Lake Ontario, skiing, swimming, tennis, windsurfing, and whitewater kayaking. She took a traditional tour of Italy with her colleagues last year, and resides in Longboat Key, FL, during the winter. **Larry Wheeler** took a course in Web page design at Adult University (CAU) last summer, the results of which can be found at www.wheelerconsult.com. **Bernice Broyde**, MS '63, is teaching and taking classes at the Howard Inst. in Boston, "to keep my brain alive." She walks 50 miles a week to stay fit, and keeps in touch with daughter **Lara Shapiro** '91 and son Alexander Shapiro (Yale '88).

Carlo Brunori does some part-time consulting on environmental issues. He and wife Carol traveled to central Italy, where his grandparents lived before coming to the US. Carlo's leisure activities include gardening, fishing, yard work, hunting, and fall planting. **Ellie Browner** Greco is building a video collection about the artistic and technical aspects of historic quilts. Ellie writes that "learning about quilts and sharing that information satisfies me in abundant ways."

Therese "Terry" Elzas Baker married Carl Degler, a Pulitzer Prize-winning historian from Stanford, in 2000, and at the same time retired from the sociology department at CalState, San Marcos last summer (where she was one of the original 12 founding faculty members). And **Bernie Iliff** wed Wanda Vass last year. The Iliffs live in Virginia Beach, where Bernie may be seen on the links at least four times a week.

Gail Kweller Ripans was moved to write about how much she regretted the tragic death in March of **Jim Davis**, MD '65, his wife Francie, and daughter Amanda. News reports indicated that Jim was piloting a small plane that crashed near Asheville, NC, while accompanying his daughter on a book tour for her first novel. He was a brilliant and dedicated physician, medical professor, researcher, and humanitarian. Jim's life was very full with his work, family, friends, and colleagues. Gail, who was very close to Jim at Cornell, recalled how much their friendship and the happy times they shared together meant to her.

RETIREMENTS: **Neila Cruickshank** Werner from teaching (now assisting husband Pete with his law practice in Northport, NY); **Kent Dohrman** from directing university business operations—last stop Cleveland State U. (visited the Philippines with wife Olivia and her family); and **Jim Lovelace** from KAPL Inc./Lockheed-Martin (after 41 years in nondestructive testing—interested in astronomy and guitar pickin').

Lassie Tischler Eicher and husband **Myron** '60 invite classmates to visit them at their home at the Boulders in Carefree, AZ. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, dsk15@cornell.edu.

62 A request from our class newsletter editor, **Mike Eisgrau**: he asks that anyone who has not been receiving the newsletter contact him at meisgrau@javitscenter.com. Good news came from Mike that he and wife Betty celebrated the one-year anniversary of her successful liver transplant on February 11. They enjoy visiting their place in Florida. **Bill Brozowski** (txfarmerbill@yahoo.com) reports he purchased a getaway at Wilderness Lakes in Mathis, TX, through classmate **Dan Kopp** of Sandia, TX. "Now we both have access to Corpus Christi Lake." Bill just returned from a trip exploring historic sites along the Rio Grande River, including Roma, San Ygnacio, Laredo, Marathon, and Alpine. They also saw the New Mexico towns of Mesilla, Lordsburg, and Sierra Blanca—stone jails, plazas, old stores, dirt streets, cantinas... "So serene, economical, and NO traffic."

Bill Coggeshall (coggeshall@pacificmediaassociates.com) had a travel-filled 2002, in addition to moving his office to his home to achieve a very short commute. He enjoyed visiting parks in Shanghai, where he joined the local morning Tai Chi custom. "One park had a bilingual map listing all activities and their times; my favorite was 'Seniles Disco.'" Bill adds, "The high point of the trip to Australia was certainly Kangaroo Island. All of Australia is noted for its curious animals: super-poisonous snakes, spiders, and jellyfish; the unclassifiable echidna and platypus; the ostrich and cassowary. But the kangaroo, and its smaller cousin the wallaby, have to be among the most fascinating to watch. Since there are virtually no predators on Kangaroo Island (the few feral cats are trapped and their skins sold to tourists), there are a lot of tame and relatively defenseless animals there."

The National Football Foundation honored our own **Joseph F. Miller**, MBA '65, last December at its annual meeting in New York. In less than five years, Joe has built the Richmond, VA, chapter from scratch to more than 300 members, sponsoring over 14 events annually. There were more than 12,000 candidates nationwide for the honor that was bestowed. A fall celebration of the accreditation of Cornell's undergraduate business program included **Stephen Ashley**, MBA '64, trustee and chief executive of The Ashley Group. Stephen participated in a symposium entitled "Business," along with other alumni. The closing ceremonies included distribution of the Cornell Dairy Bar's latest ice cream, "Executive Sweet," coffee ice cream blended with caramel and nougat.

Judy (Prenske) and Bruce Rich '60 recently returned from a trip to Italy. In Judy's words, "We spent 11 days in Sicily in April climbing volcanos (Etna), dodging snow slides, lounging by the Mediterranean, checking out Greek, Roman, Moorish, and Franco ruins galore (everybody who was anybody invaded southern

Italy), eating lots of fish, and buying beautiful ceramics (which were stolen from the suitcase that made it home from the Rome airport about two days after I did). We rented a car and drove everywhere. It was mountainous, hilly, and very, very foggy in places. So foggy that at one point, as we approached the top of a peak where a medieval town was located, we had to back down because we just couldn't see more than a foot in front of us. And the Italians are lunatic drivers on these curvy, twisty two-lane roads. I went armed with 3x5 cards filled with sentences and phrases for specific situations that I had learned while taking 12 hours of Italian. Of course, my simple Italian worked best with the people who already knew some English! Still, I was grateful for the little I knew.

"We also saw lots of 'pace' (that's 'peace' in Italian) banners hanging from windows everywhere. We encountered only one slightly anti-American moment and that was during the taxi ride from the airport into Rome at the beginning of the trip. The driver turned up his radio very loud to a station that was playing anti-war songs by American and British singers. Very curious. This, of course, was counterbalanced by a lovely young shopkeeper in Siracusa who hugged us when she realized we were Americans. In the back of her store were all these pictures of the World Trade Center. So it goes. And, against all odds, one evening in a restaurant in Taormina, after listening in on the conversation of four Americans seated at the next table, we realized that they were all with Cornell's Art & Architecture program in Rome. Among them were Jeffrey Blanchard, who heads up the AA&P college program in Rome; **Donald Greenberg** '55, PhD '68, professor of computer graphics, and his wife, **Iris (Marcus)** '58, MST '64, who also works for Cornell. Small world, yes?"

As one who is also passionate about travel, I'll mention my meeting the daughter of Cornellians while we both were sitting on an ancient stone wall awaiting the opening hour of a Byzantine church in Thessaloniki, Greece. Cornellian connections are everywhere! ♦ **Jan McClayton** Crites, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97034; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

R 63 By the time you read this, our 40th Reunion will be history. You will find complete coverage of Reunion Weekend, including the individual Reunion Reports, in the September/October issue. Meanwhile, I am still finishing up on news from 2002 with the exception of two entries from eager 2003 correspondents. **Robert Kramer** continues to practice oral and maxillofacial surgery in partnership with **Martin Garfield** '64. Bob will be returning to Cornell this summer for courses in Adult University (CAU) to further his cooking hobby. My prize to the most enthusiastic '63 correspondent is **Madeleine Leston** Meehan. She had a solo exhibit (50-plus pieces) at the Reichhold Center for the Performing Arts at the U. of the Virgin Islands. She also will exhibit at Sibley and is on a panel on campus regarding creativity and Cornell on June 6 (also at Sibley). She just got back

from Key West having visited **Edward Hower**. Edward has written "fabulous fiction, researched in India, Ceylon, etc."

David Wood is operating a 500-cow dairy farm in West Charlton, NY. **Keith Olin**, DVM '67, and wife Robin are in New Holland, PA. Keith is retired from veterinary medicine and is now restoring a 1770 stone home in Lancaster, PA. **Peter Cummings**, MA '64, is still having his work on Shakespeare's sonnets published. **Gary Orkin**, MS '66, is a certified financial planner in Berkeley, CA. He and wife Martha visit NYC more often because their children study and work in the state. **Richard '62** and **Neil Ann Stuckey Levine** keep busy with eldercare and grandparenting. Dick continues to work in Princeton, and Neil is active in the Cornell Club and in publishing research essays on Amish and Mennonite history and a book about the Anabaptist community in and around Strasbourg, France.

Robert Ulrich is retired, but keeps busy traveling and working on his coin collection. **Warren Walker**, PhD '68, lives in The Hague, Netherlands, and has a weekend house in the Champagne/Ardennes region of France. He works part-time as senior policy analyst at RAND Europe and as a professor of policy analysis at the Delft U. of Technology. **Arnie '60**, MBA '63, JD '64, and **Ellen Kheel Jacobs**, M Ed '64, have lived 30 years in the same apartment in NYC and consider themselves boring after having been married 40 years. Congratulations! **Yunus** and **Aysen Aslan** live in Kusadasi, Turkey. Yunus is ready to retire, while his wife still works at the Marriott. He is trying to write a book about the history of hotel training in Turkey, as he is the first director of the first hotel school in that country. **James Mack** retired in September 2002 from the Dept. of State.

Daniel and **Mary Daly** watched their youngest daughter **Ellen '02** play four years as a starter for the Cornell women's soccer team until her graduation. **Judith Bloom** retired from teaching high school art in July 2001. She is a member of and has exhibited with The Alliance of Queens Artists. **Mardee Greenfield** Jenrette retired after 31 years at Miami-Dade Community College, during which time she was a biology instructor and ended up being associate provost. **John Needham** is director of Human Resources for the American Red Cross in Holland, OH. He and his wife purchased a summer home on Indian Lake in the Adirondacks. **Joe Brennan** has been studying Spanish and enjoys being back on a college campus.

The American Society of Agricultural Engineers has named **Arthur Johnson**, PhD '69, a Fellow of the Society. **Loring '61** and **Susan Fidler Smith** are in Boston. Susan retired from teaching after 37 years and they are now enjoying their children and grandchildren. **Robert Pendergrass**, ME Ch '70, MBA '71, works as a consultant in Europe, so considers himself semi-retired. He worked for 30 years in various European countries and is now spending time golfing and playing tennis in Naples, FL. **Barbara Hartung Wade**, M Ed '64, was appointed department head, Languages Other than Eng-

lish at Valley Stream Memorial Junior High. She spends vacation time in timeshares at Melia Cancun in Mexico and Lake Buena Vista, FL. She had a hole-in-one last year and was also club champion in her flight. **Steven Whitman** is president of HMP Industries Inc. in Ansonia, CT. **Cornell Dawson** is a project engineer re-erecting a 200-year-old Chinese home at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, MA. He got involved in this project after IBM downsized. Two years ago he and his wife and son Michael visited Uganda for a safari and to hike in the mountains to see gorillas. They also toured the Nile—a great trip.

Peter Heinrich owns and operates the Lodge at Woodcliff Resort in Rochester, NY. He sold the Daisy Flour Mill Restaurant in 2001 after owning it for 20 years. **Mary Dunn Medina** is still riding and showing Tennessee walking horses. She and Bob have one grandchild. **Robert Epstein** married Katherine in July 2001. He is a partner in Epstein, Levinsohn, Bodine, Hurwitz and Weinstein LLP in NYC. **David '62** and **Ginny Hoffman Morthland** have moved to Tucson following Dave's "serendipitous retirement" (he used to work for Willamette Industries). **James and Barbara Boicourt Richards** live in Tokyo where J.C. is VP, New Business Development for the Electronic and Engineering Division of National Starch and Chemical Company.

Be sure to send in News forms or e-mail me. ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke**, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, ickle@execpc.com.

64 Happy mid-summer! Thanks to you who responded quickly to our plea for dues and news, and to all others who make continuation of this column possible. And now, as your reward, here's some news.

Last March, university trustee **Thomas Mann** and wife **Diann (Goodman) '66**, BS HE '65, donated a Civil War-era photography book (a two-volume set) to the Cornell University Library. *Garner's Photographic Sketch Book*, published in 1865 and 1866, was heralded as the library's seven millionth acquisition. The *Cornell Chronicle* said of the book: "With its powerful juxtaposition of stark images and richly suggestive text, [the book] is a vital primary source for students of the Civil War and American history." The Manns have long collected Civil War-era books, manuscripts, and photographs, and other examples of early photography. Both are members of the Advisory Council of the Johnson Museum of Art, and Thomas currently chairs the Board of Trustees Research Committee.

An address (in St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada) but no news came in from oral-maxillofacial surgeon **Jerry Kostandoff**, whom we haven't heard from in 19 years. **Larry Ash**, last here 14 years ago, teaches economics in an MBA program at Webster U. in Arkansas and also consults for an international public affairs firm in Los Angeles. He and wife Tamara, who live in Fayetteville, AR, and have two children still at home, recently took the older one on a college-looking tour. **Karen Rice Shoup** reports, "I continue to derive great satisfaction working two

days a week as a marriage and family therapist," plus gardening, swimming, and travel. Husband **Chuck '60**, MS '65, retired two years ago. The Shoups recently visited with Karen's 97-year-old aunt in St. Lucia, some ways from their home in Riverbank, CA.

New grandmother **Malvina Jacknis Abbott**, of San Diego, CA, is still a public defender representing abused, neglected, and abandoned children. She says she is looking forward to our 40th Reunion (next year; yikes!). In January, **Alan Loss** and a partner started a new company, Personal Wealth Advisory LLC, specializing in helping business owners move from success to significance. He is also on the board of directors of four local organizations: Central PA chapter of Financial Planning Assn., Lancaster County Estate Planning Council, Leave-a-Legacy of Lancaster Co., and Small Business Group of Lancaster Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

Biology professor **Alicia Vogt Linzey**, MS '65, currently is an administrator (Interim Vice-Provost for Research and Dean of the Grad School) at Indiana U. of Pennsylvania, but did research in mammal ecology in Pennsylvania and South Africa, from where she recently returned. Alicia also did a dive trip to Truk Lagoon in Micronesia. She is active in state, national, and international conservation; other interests include birding, camping, and travel. Alicia has two grown sons and lives in Indiana, PA. Another scuba diver is **Charles Levitt**. He's apparently enthusiastic about it, as he notes recent travel to Cozumel, Hawaii, and Tahiti, "all places where it is tropical and the water is aquamarine." When he dries off, Chuck does market analysis, specializing in commodities futures. He and wife Mila have two grown sons and live in Bartlett, IL, where Chuck is president of their community's homeowner association.

New Yorker **Bob Hamburger** teaches creative writing and American studies at New Jersey City U. And while he lives in New York with wife Irene Sunshine and their young son, Bob is executive director of the Fayette County (TN) Civil Rights Museum, which is preparing a traveling exhibition on the story of civil rights in that part of the Volunteer State. Bob notes that his father **Robert '36** is looking forward to his 70th Reunion in three years. **Penny Freedman** Weill lives with husband Jeffrey in White Plains, NY, where she works as an administrative assistant.

Lawyer **Stephen Lewenberg** reports, "I have gone from semi-retired to mostly retired." Steve is looking forward to wife Liz's retirement next year, which will coincide with their 40th anniversary, so they can be free to travel on their own schedule. Daughter **Sara '92** was married in June at their home on Martha's Vineyard. Steve still enjoys sailing and his volunteer work, including his 38 years with Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN), of which he's chair of the Newton-Brookline Committee. Congrats to **Robert Strudler**, named a recipient of the Hearstone Builder Lifetime Public Service Award in January. He and wife Ruth still live in Houston, TX.

Bart Mills reports that he and wife **Nancy (Dunhoff)** still interview movie and television

celebrities for newspaper and magazine articles, still live in Manhattan Beach, CA, and are also heavily involved (he doesn't say how) in California's "ever rising (we hope)" real estate market. Bart also spends two days a week tutoring inner-city children. Bart's activities include racquetball with son **Kevin '93**, hiking with son-in-law **Tom Trenga '86**, and playing softball in a local senior league near their home. Bart says he's finishing a rewarding/exhausting two-year term as president of the Cornell Club of Los Angeles, a job which Nancy held from '95 to '97, and is continuing as CAAAN chair for Southern L.A. County. Nancy recently participated in a "Careers for Creative People" forum back at Cornell. Fellow panelists included an Internet creative director, a music producer, a painter, and a magazine editor. The purpose of the discussion was to show students how to incorporate creative skills into various career options. For her part, Nancy noted that her and Bart's move many years ago from NYC to London, where Bart had taken a new job, meant uprooting her from her full-time magazine job—but that it was a favorable turn of fate as it caused her to turn to freelance writing.

That's it for now. Please send in your news with your dues if you haven't already done so. Also be sure to stop by our class website: <http://classof64.alumni.cornell.edu>. ♦ **Bev Johns Lamont**, 720 Chestnut St., Deerfield, IL 60015; e-mail, blamont@tribune.com.

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Another academic year has flown by and the campus is green again after a hard Central New York winter. From Falls Church, **Judith Gleicher Seiff** writes that son **Josh '98** married **Jenn Behar '97** in April 2002. They can now have a real Cornell family reunion with her daughter **Joanne '95**, who is married to **Jeff Marcus '95**. Her son Dan graduated from Frostburg U. and has gone into law enforcement. She says that he is a "real cop on the beat" in Prince William County, VA. Judy continues to work full-time as Temple Administrator (executive director) at Temple Rodef Shalom, now the largest synagogue in Virginia. When she gets the chance, she enjoys quiet weekends at their cabin on a mountaintop near Berkeley Springs, WV.

Jeffrey Kass writes that he left International Paper after 25 years, where he was VP for strategic planning. He is now consulting and enjoying having more control over his travel schedule. He and wife Deidre are still located in Memphis, but plan to move to the West Coast next year. Their son Mike graduated from Stanford and is now a product manager with Microsoft.

Leslie Steinau joined the Siller Wilk Law Firm in NYC in June 2002 and is specializing in corporate and intellectual property law. **Marvin Foster** is now with Peck Road Truck Center in Whittier, CA, as his former employer closed its business. His son Royal is the rental manager at Carmenita Truck Leasing in Santa Fe Springs. The *Boston Globe* of Nov. 28, '02 contained a nice article about the **Ryan** family, **Joe**, his wife Eileen, and son Sean.

From the *Cornell Chronicle* we learn that

John Dyson, chairman and chief executive of Pebble Ridge Vineyards & Wine Estates, participated in a symposium celebrating the accreditation of Cornell's undergrad business program. And from multiple sources we see and hear from **Paul Wolfowitz**. **Myron Jacobson** wrote, "I'm once again a Cornell parent. My daughter Clarice was accepted. She fondly remembers attending the 'academics' at our 25th Reunion with my son Glenn, who's now a labor lawyer with Kelly, Drye and Warren in New York City. My other son, Daniel, who also attended that reunion, graduated from NYU's Tish School and got a master's in journalism at Columbia. He just had a long article published in the *Westchester County Magazine*."

Alan Fleischman has been a senior broker with Butler Kane Commercial Real Estate since August 2000. He has been a director of The League for the Hard of Hearing, NYC, since 1990, having served on the development committee. His children are in high school. **Carol Mowbray Bruner** (carolbruner@cox.net) wrote, "Although I didn't graduate from Cornell (BA, U. of Southern California; PhD, U. of New Mexico), I fully appreciate those first two years as an undergraduate. After 20 years of teaching developmental/educational psychology at the U. of New Mexico, U. of Maryland, and Mt. Vernon College for Women (now part of George Washington U.), I've opened a variety store in the mountains east of San Diego. I would love to hear from old friends!

And this happy note from my wife **Doren Poland Norfleet** and me that our daughter Denen received a dual degree from Syracuse U. this May, with a JD from the law school and an MPA from the Maxwell School. Retirement is looking suddenly closer! If you are renewing your class dues on line, please send your class correspondents some news via e-mail. ♦ **Dennis Norfleet**, 3187 State Rt. 48, Oswego, NY 13126; tel., (315) 342-0457; e-mail, dpn5@cornell.edu; **Ronald Harris**, 5203 Forestdale Ct., West Bloomfield, MI 48322; tel., (248) 788-3397; e-mail, rsh28@cornell.edu; and **Joan Elstein Rogow**, 9 Mason Farm Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822; tel., (908) 782-7028.

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Jeanne Mozier writes from West Virginia that an expanded second edition of her book *Way Out in West Virginia* was released last year. Her book is a must-read on "the wonders and oddities of the mountain state" and has been nominated for both state and national travel book awards. Jeanne was also re-appointed by the governor to serve a second term on the West Virginia Commission on the Arts. **Neil Chafetz** and wife Karen are living in Rancho Palos Verdes, CA, and dealing with a young family of three kids, spending a lot of time driving to various activities, and secretly dreaming about reincarnation as one of their own kids, a thought many of us have had over the years. Neil still enjoys interviewing prospective Cornellians from his area.

Deanne Gebell Gitner and husband Gerald are wintering in Highland Beach, FL, and summering in Fairfield, NJ. Deanne recently retired as communications coordinator of the Millburn Township School District in New Jersey. They look forward to meeting fellow Florida Cornellians and can be contacted at dgg26@cornell.edu. **James Shulman** has spent retirement "immersed in genealogical research," specifically traveling throughout the US meeting new-found relatives. He and wife Jacqueline have located five branches of the family and over 2,400 living relatives. James has been retired since 1998. **Diann Goodman Mann**, BS HE '65, writes from Palm Beach Gardens, FL, that she and husband **Tom '64** are retired and spending time between Florida and Wyoming and loving it. They run into Cornellians everywhere. Diann and Tom have four grandchildren ages 1, 2, 4, and 4-1/2 and enjoy them tremendously, as many of us who are lucky enough to have them do. They recently took a trip to 12 of our national parks and monuments in the Southwest US, and pass on to us that the trip was fantastic and as interesting and breathtaking as travel anywhere outside the US. Great to hear, with all that's going on in the world today.

Ronni Barrett Lacroute, Yamhill, OR, and husband Bernard are more occupied than ever with their winery in Oregon. They are very proud that Willakenzie Estate was featured in a

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spring 2002 *Newsweek* article on companies of the future (using technology to get ahead in business). Ronni travels to several states to market the wines, recently attended the Aspen Wine and Food Festival, and this past February gave a talk at the U. of South Florida on the relationship between art and wine. Many of us feel the pursuit of wine drinking is an intellectual and artistic endeavor. I'm sure Ronni found time to hike and cycle in Glacier National Park and was planning to attend the Cornell Arts and Science Advisory Council this spring. She missed the Trustee Council Weekend because of pneumonia and misses Cornell. Ronni sends a big hello to class president **Alice Katz** Berglas, and sends another congrats for Alice's well-deserved alumni volunteer award. Who better than Alice B.? **Diane Stein** Dobrow writes from Franklin Lakes, NJ, that she had the pleasure to visit with Alice and attend her daughter Nancy's fabulous wedding in Napa Valley. She writes it was a little odd seeing Alice not wearing red and white and not toting voluminous shopping bags full of Cornell paperwork. The wedding was a mini-reunion of sorts. Diane says that the setting was as beautiful as a sunny autumn day in Ithaca and all that was missing was the Alma Mater and Beebe beach.

John Monroe, PhD '70, is enjoying retirement in Palo Alto, CA. After helping organize the technical regulations strategy for the new Hewlett Packard, he took the Golden Handshake. He has been spending a few days per month consulting to various companies concerned with regulatory strategy, but the real

have more get-togethers in the future. Hilda and husband Marty can be contacted at their Alford, MA, home.

We end this column with a reminder from **Doris Meibach** Wallace that Nov. 22, '63—nearly 40 years ago—will always be a part of our Cornell collective memory. She remembers mourning with **Eddie Schlossberg** '67, then a freshman at Cornell, and now the husband of Caroline Kennedy. Eddie transferred from Cornell and didn't graduate with our class. ♦ **Bill Blockton**, rbsfabrics@aol.com; **Susan Rockford** Bittker, ladyscienc@aol.com; and **John Miers**, e-mail, John_Miers@nih.gov.

67 Plenty of Cornell family news from **Roy Christensen**, ME M '68 (New Vernon, NJ; crc25@cornell.edu). In May 2002, his son **Ken** '95 earned an MBA from the Johnson School, where son **Scott** '97 is a first-year student. Son **Eric** '95, DVM '99, continues teaching at the Vet college, and daughter Anne-Marie graduated this year from Bryn Mawr. **Sandra Nelsen** Williams (Vestal, NY; sjnwms@aol.com) has been program manager with the Broome County Office for Aging since 1990, working in the areas of energy assistance and transportation. She and husband Robert have children Kristina, 28, an occupational therapist; Mark, 26, a business owner; and Brent, 24, an environmental engineer.

Ben Blaney, Cincinnati, OH, is assistant lab director of waste research with the US Environmental Protection Agency: "Only child Alice is

yahoo.com) reports that her daughter Jennifer is a real estate agent on Nantucket and son Matthew is an ensign in the US Coast Guard in Charleston, SC. **Roger McCauley** (Glouster, OH; rmccauley@coadinc.org) was recognized by the Ohio House of Representatives through a letter of commendation from the Speaker for his 25 years as Director of the Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development. **Carol Farber** Wolf (Austin, TX; wolfaustin@aol.com) moved from Boston to Austin to become VP, marketing at Harcourt Supplemental Publishers. She reports that her son Spencer's documentary, "Northeast Passage: The American Dream," aired on Oregon PBS in August 2002 and sold out in local theaters (www.northeastpassage.com), and that son Jason's consulting business is thriving.

Peter Buchsbaum (Stockton, NJ; pbuchsbaum@aol.com) became mayor of his town, West Amwell, NJ, as of January 2003, and was also named last year to the Best Lawyers in America list. **Howard Weiss** (Boca Raton, FL; hiw@weissandhandlerpa.com) is a senior partner in his law firm, Weiss & Handler PA. He writes that his older daughter graduated from the U. of Pennsylvania and is attending NYU law school, his younger daughter is now at Penn, and his son is a 13-point guard on the Pinecrest middle school basketball team. **Don New** (Canastota, NY; dbrnew@aol.com), renowned wrestler of our undergraduate days, was inducted into the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame last November. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St. NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

'Neil Chafetz and wife Karen are secretly dreaming about reincarnation as one of their own kids.'

BILL BLOCKTON '66

bonus of retirement has given him the time to practice trombone, play with several groups, and teach fifth graders once a week. He and wife **Meg** (Warne), MS Ag '68, also have more time for the family almond ranch. A quick note from **Mark Litman** in Minnesota informs us that oldest daughter Leah is a freshman at Harvard. She chose Harvard, he writes, because rumor has it that Cornell works its students too hard. His middle daughter is a nationally ranked swimmer and looking at U. of Pennsylvania (the water is too cold in Cayuga Lake), and his youngest daughter is dad's rollercoaster buddy and has six more years before she enters college—a chance for Cornell yet.

Hilda Lichtenstein Levine attended a fun Cornell mini-reunion last August for Cornellians living in the Berkshires. The event was actually planned by Hilda and **Toby Kleban** Levine '64, no relation. It was held at the old Chatham Shepherd in Old Chatham, NY, and attracted 180 people. Cornell in the Berkshires hopes to

13, and having a great time with soccer. Squash and skiing are my favorites." **Allan Hauer**, ME E '68 (Los Alamos, NM; awhauer@earthlink.net) reports that his daughter Amanda finished her freshman year at Colorado State U. "I was amazed at how much the Central Commons area of this western university reminds me of Cornell—Ivy and all!" **Barbara Smith** MacGillivray (Laguna Beach, CA; imax.barb@yahoo.com) is a clinical psychologist, and husband Greg an Imax filmmaker. Son Shaun, 22, is at USC film school, and daughter Meghan, 19, is at UC Santa Barbara. **Joanne Edelson** Honigman (Brooklyn, NY; joanneeh@aol.com) works for a publisher in New York's SoHo as a book-cover and graphic designer. She has two children on the Hill, **Jacob** '04 and **Amy** '06.

Lois Thetford (Seattle, WA; loisth@mindspring.com) reports that her daughter Robyn had a baby boy last December: "Her family lives here in Seattle, three blocks from me." **Linda McMahon** Meskun (Shaftsbury, VT; lmeskun@

68 Hope you're having a good summer. As this column was written prior to reunion, please stay tuned to the Sept/Oct issue for the full Reunion Report. I want to note with thanks the wonderful work by **Jay Waks**, JD '71, and wife Harriett in hosting a lovely pre-reunion dinner at their home in Larchmont, NY. Classmates in attendance included **Fran Bonsignore**, MPA '71, and wife Susan, **Jane Frommer Gertler** and husband **David** '67, ME I '68, **Marty Glenn** and wife Andrea, **Cheryl Katz Kaufmann** and husband **Nick** '67, **Henry and Ellen Schaum Korn**, **Fran Milberg**, **Malcolm Ross**, JD '75, and wife Phyllis, **Walter Schenker** and wife Susan, **Steve Siegel**, Steve, MBA '70, JD '71, and **Sharon Lawner Weinberg**, PhD '71, **Dave and Peggy Simon Weisbrod** '66, and **Joan Gottesman** Wexler and her friend Len Orland. It was a great dinner. Also in attendance was **Kent Hubbell** '67, BArch '69, Dean of Students and Professor of Architecture, who provided an update on student affairs.

I recently saw **Andy Crowley** and wife Janice at a function in the Boston area. Andy lives in Dover, MA, and runs a company that manufactures salad dressing, including the Paul Newman label. **Martha Foster O'Keefe**, MS '70, attended the Adult University (CAU) program in Australia with husband **Robert**, DVM '67. I recently saw **Rick and Beth Deabler** Corwin at a pre-reunion party in Boston. They live in Belmont, MA. Rick is with John Hancock in Boston, and Beth is

enjoying active retirement. Also there was **Susan Leibowitz**, busy with her work as a psychologist. **Mary Pasley** lives in New York City and is a senior paralegal in the immigration law field. Mary says she has never seen the climate so tough for foreigners. She also notes, "It's hard for me to believe that I grew up with **Paul Wolfowitz '65** on the same block in Ithaca—we couldn't be more diametrically opposed."

Eleanor Zenn Zweibel and husband Ron live in New York City. Eleanor is involved in real estate management and her husband is a New York State Supreme Court Judge. Their son **Rob** is Cornell '05. **Tom Weiss** is a psychiatrist and lives in Sherborn, MA. He works at the Spectrum/Boston Road Clinic, at Life Management Associates, and at Heywood Hospital in Worcester, Harvard, and Gardner, MA, respectively. Tom has two children at Exeter in New Hampshire. His daughter Anna is a varsity rower, and Nathaniel a football and baseball player and writer for the school newspaper. Tom has worked with a group that set up a medical school on the Caribbean Island of St. Eustatius.

Jim Hirsh is a professor of English at Georgia State U. His most recent book is *Shakespeare and the History of Soliloquies*. **Jon Vinograd** lives in Saranac Lake, NY. Jon had a career with the State of New York in the Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities and recently retired. He and wife Meg have twin daughters, one in medical school and the other a social worker. Their third child, **Ross**, is Cornell '03. Jon enjoys small-town living and is actively involved in the town, as well as serving as president of the Lake Placid Synagogue. He is working toward a real estate appraiser's license.

Joyce Banch Flynn retired as assistant superintendent in the Three Village School District on Long Island and enjoys her leisure. She and husband Dan live in Northport, NY, and have an apartment in Manhattan and a vacation home in the Hamptons. Joyce is studying French and does volunteer work for Recording for the Blind. **Steve Hamilton** is in Sutton, NH. He works as a pilot for American Airlines. **Candi Rosenberg Rosen** and husband **David**, MPA '70, live in Harrison, NY. David is president and CEO of the MediSys Health Network, which includes Jamaica Hospital, Brookdale U. Hospital, and Flushing Hospital. **Jim Gutman** is executive editor and part owner of Atlantic Information Services Inc., a Washington, DC-based publisher of print and e-mail business newsletters, directories, and reports. Jim and wife Kathy live in Laurel, MD, and their daughter Pamela attends Wake Forest U.

Judith Winter Andrucki, MST '69, and husband Martin live in Maine. Judy practices law and enjoys singing with the Maine Music Society. She also has been reappointed by the Governor to the U. of Maine System Board of Trustees. Her husband is on a Fulbright grant to study theater in Budapest, Hungary. **Susan Mascette** Brandt reports that after almost 31 years of practicing law, she is retired and is enjoying some time for herself. Sue and husband Bill live in Pittsford, NY. **Ted and Patricia Snyder Panitz** live in Centerville, MA. They

both teach at Cape Cod Community College in West Barnstable. Their son **Michael '98**, ME CS '99, teaches computer science at Cascadia Community College in Bothell, WA, outside Seattle. Their younger son Andy is graduating from the U. of Massachusetts as a math major. That's all for now. I look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, Putnam Investments, 1 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109; e-mail, gordon_silver@putnam.com.

69 **David Halpert** writes that before September 11, 2001 he had taken a sabbatical from Cantor Fitzgerald, which was located in the World Trade Center. Soon after the attack, he and wife Kelly, son Colton, 4, and 1-year-old son Owen relocated to Santa Monica, CA, with a second home in La Quinta. There, David joined the senior management team of Countrywide Securities. "We left NYC after 30 years," says David. Another Californian, **Peter Hoa**, lives in Los Altos with wife Shirley and works in nearby San Jose as the director of engineering for Cisco Systems, VGD Business Unit. They have three sons: Michael is in his third year of medical school at Boston U., David (Harvard '02) works for IBM's Silicon Valley Lab, and Edward is a high school senior.

Steve Kussin tells us about his three sons. **Todd '97** graduated from Hofstra Law School, was recently married, and is employed at Clifford, Chance, Rogers, and Wells. **Eric '01** works in sports marketing for the National Basketball Assn. and lives in New York City, while Lonnie, the youngest, is a high school senior. Steve is in his 20th year as a high school principal and has worked as an adjunct professor at Hofstra U. and C.W. Post. Additionally, he has completed his first novel and says, "Loved writing, but not looking forward to marketing it." His wife Sharyn teaches Spanish at Midwood High School in Brooklyn. **Ray Caraballo** writes from South Carolina that he has taken over the management of the Forest Lake Club, succeeding **George Shissias '57**, who managed it for 42 years. Ray's son Michael also works in the hospitality industry as an executive sous chef at the Countryside Country Club in Naples, FL. Ray's daughter Marcie married Dr. Peter Nguyen in October 2002, and daughter Mindie is a second grade teacher in Irmo, SC.

Mike Kurtzon writes to say that he and wife Lisa have children David, 27, and Joanna, 24. Mike attended the U. of Chicago Law School and says, "I've practiced law in Chicago for almost 30 years." He keeps in touch with **Stu Lourie**, **Joe Miller**, and **Alan Lowenfels**, as well as **Robert Powell** and **Mike Loeb**. Dr. **Mark Reiter** is vice-chairman of the obstetrics and gynecology department at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, DC. He and wife Colleen have a daughter who is a freshman at the U. of Tampa.

In his 30th year with the New York State Dept. of Corrections, **Thomas Levanduski** is currently working as a senior corrections counselor at the Green Haven maximum-security facility. He has retired as a master sergeant from

the US Air Force Reserve after 28 years of service. Thomas recently moved to a 35-acre farm in Rhinebeck where he has plans for an equestrian facility. **Robert Rogers** has a new address in Nashville, TN. **Bob and Kelly Radford**, BA '75, relocated to the Madison, WI, area with their daughter Kassie, a 10th grader. "Kelly got a great opportunity as an RN at VW Hospital," says Rob.

We hear from **Richard Poznysk** that he is now a full-time cranberry farmer with 46 acres in production. In May 2002 he retired from State Street Bank of Boston after 22 years. His new home is in Mattapoisett, MA, near Cape Cod. **Warren Lem** has become a US Professional Tennis Assn. instructor and teaches free tennis clinics to local children and adults in Pine Key, FL. **Michael Smith** is ready to construct a kit-car now that his five-car garage—complete with a hydraulic lift—is finished. He also informs us that his son James is in graduate school at MIT studying architecture, after two years as a "skibum" in Steamboat, CO. His daughter Dawn attends Centenary College in New Jersey, as well as keeping two horses and show riding.

Kathleen Schmidt Carlson recently retired from W. L. Gore & Assoc., the makers of Gore-Tex, where she was the leader of global and domestic relocation. Currently she is a board member of the Salvation Army and mentors at-risk children. Kathleen and husband **Bruce '68** tell us they are regular travelers to Florida, London, and Paris. Celebration, FL—"Disney Town"—is the home of Bruce's mother **Marcella Hauser Schmidt '34** and where they own several properties. The Carlsons' son Brad lives in Winter Park, where he is a junior at Rollins College and does modeling and acting. Son **Brian '98** lives in London and consults for KPMG.

Many classmates may not realize that *Cornell Alumni Magazine* is available on the Web. Therefore, any information provided for this column is accessible to Internet search engines. As you share news with us, please keep in mind that through the Internet it is also being broadcast to a larger audience. ♦ **Arda Coyle Boucher**, 21 Hemlock Hill Rd., Amherst, NH 03031; e-mail, aboucher@airmar.com.

70 **Randy Kamen** has been with Sony Electronic Inc. for 15 years, and in the late spring of 2002 she was promoted to VP and chief counsel for labor and employment. Her son Adam was bar mitzvahed in 2002 and is a straight "A" student. Randy's e-mail is randy.kamen@am.sony.com. **Phil Schwartz** (dpphil@att.net) and wife Andrea Wagner-Schwartz became grandparents in September 2002 when their oldest daughter Rachel had a girl. Late in the summer of 2002, their middle daughter Michelle returned from England after her junior year abroad at the U. of Essex. In 2001, Phil did some photography for a Cornell physics professor's feature film shot in Ithaca. Phil also took part in the first Cornell Short Film Festival, held in Los Angeles. The festival was organized by **Nick Muccini '87** and **Jim Tavares '92**. Phil and family live in Santa Monica, CA.

Michael Pendergast, MPA '72, had his first

book published in July 2002 by iUniverse Writer's Showcase. The book, *The Beginning of the Beginning*, is a novel about creation from the Big Bang (and before) to the dawn of man and the war between Good and Evil that has been waged almost since the beginning. In the fall of 2002, Michael was a teaching assistant at Marquette U., teaching Philosophy 101: Logic and Critical Reasoning. He lives in New Sweden, ME.

Our very own **Kevin McGovern** has been a member of the Cornell Board of Trustees since July 2002. Congratulations! Kevin and wife Lisa have two children. Their son **Jarrett '03** is a member of the 2003 Ivy Co-Champion lacrosse team, and their daughter Ashley is a junior at Greenwich Academy in Connecticut. The family has homes in Greenwich, NYC, and Palm Beach, FL. Kevin is also a member of the board of directors of the Cornell Research Foundation and the board of directors of Sports Authority. His law firm, McGovern and Associates, has offices at Trump Tower and in Greenwich. He specializes in building businesses and enforcing intellectual property (patents). He is also rights-holder and licensing coordinator for a company that holds the world patent for alpha hydroxy acids used in skin care. The information that Kevin provided me only scratches the surface of his business and activities. He is a dedicated member of the Class of 1970 and an active Cornellian, as well as having founded or been involved in many diverse scholarship foundations and organizations. Check his website, www.kevinmcgovern.com, for more!

Josh and Amelia Welt Katzen '73 live in Newton, MA, and have children Sonya, 20 (post-high school), Abe, 18 (a senior at Roxbury Latin School), and Eli, 16 (a sophomore at New Jewish High School). Josh stayed in Ithaca for several years following graduation and started the Moosewood Restaurant on Cayuga Street, "which went on to become relatively well known." (I would say it is very well known and a definite must when visiting Cornell and Ithaca—remember all the cookbooks.) In 1976 he and Amelia married, both graduated from U. of Pennsylvania Law School, and moved to Newton. Amelia is an attorney with the US Environmental Protection Agency. Josh practiced law with Goulston & Storrs in Boston in the early 1980s and then left to become a real estate developer. His company, J.W. Katzen Co., is a unit of Rochester Management Corp., and he runs shopping center and apartment house projects. Josh is active in pro-Israel organizations (CAMERA, JINSA, and AIPAC). He is also the chairman of the Building Committee of a 20-acre campus for New Jewish High School (groundbreaking April 2002) of Greater Boston in Waltham, MA. Both Josh and Amelia are active in amateur chamber music in Boston—he plays cello and she the violin. Most of the family's summers are spent on Dolly Island in Lake Winnepesaukee, NH. Cornellians are welcome to stop by when in the area or floating by.

Bernie Neenan, PhD '81, is the president of Neenan Associates in Syracuse, NY, an applied economics consulting firm specializing in electricity market design and product pricing

(www.bneenan.com). Its services include market research, wholesale market, retail product design, implementation services, and program evaluation. Bernie has been part of the evolving electricity markets for over 20 years. His RPT program design is the industry standard and was adopted by Niagara Mohawk, Georgia Power, Central and SouthWest, and Florida Power and Light. Bernie has worked both with US wholesale marketers and in England, Wales, New Zealand, and Australia in market restructuring initiatives. He has been recognized by EPRI's Innovator Award, and is known for his ability to translate theory into practice!

Enjoy the rest of summer 2003. Only two years until our 35th Reunion in 2005! ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; conimae2@aol.com.

71 Heartiest congratulations to our classmate **Martha Coultrap** on her recent election to the university Board of Trustees! Martha has been a tireless worker for the Class of '71 and for Cornell, and we applaud her accomplishments. Martha has served as treasurer, secretary, and president of the class, president of the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO), and chair of the Reunion Campaign Committee for our 30th Reunion. She is an attorney and has been a partner at Emmet, Marvin, and Martin LLP since 1998. Send your congratulations to Martha at mcoultrap@emmetmarvin.com.

My husband **Joe Miller '69** and I recently traveled to California, where we enjoyed the company of some dear Cornell friends. We shared an evening with **Stu Lourie '69**, who lives in San Diego, where he is active in Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) activities. Recently, Stu has been in touch with **Mark Katz** and other members of the former Phi Epsilon Pi fraternity. He is actively recruiting former Phi Eps to attend a reunion in Manhattan this summer. **Jeffrey Gutman** writes that he and his wife Ilene live in Bethesda, MD, where he works in the East Asia Region of the World Bank as Director for Strategy and Operations. Jeffrey's son Matthew, 25, is at the Tufts U. School of Veterinary Medicine in Boston, and daughter **Katie**, 20, is finishing her junior year at Cornell.

Hollice "Holly" Person Flynn and husband Robert recently celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary and are now empty nesters. They have two adult sons who are teachers. "Taking advantage of Pataki's early retirement incentive two years ago we left teaching and have been enjoying a busy retirement, traveling, volunteering, and going back to school to study. Life has never been better—we highly recommend retirement!" They live in Averill Park, NY, and have enjoyed renewing Cornell contacts through CAAAN. You may reach them at Flynn@capital.net.

Bob Taylor (taylor@maine.rr.com) is living in Falmouth, ME, where he is "semi-retired." Bob reports that he sold his company, John Hewitt and Associates Inc., last year and now has time to devote to Cornell involvement. He

organizes the Cornell Book Awards for Maine and is "happy to report the interest is growing!" Bob has four children and celebrated with his family last year when his son Christopher was married and a daughter graduated from Dartmouth. **Jeffrey Liddle** and wife Tara have children Alexa and Harry, who attend Grace Church School in New York City. Tara is completing a book on child development for McGraw-Hill. Jeff notes that he continues to be blessed with a challenging high profile trial law practice. In August 2001 he won the largest employment law award for a single employee in US history.

Lawrence and **Lucretia Reed** reside in Shelton, CT. Their daughter Megan graduated from Northeastern U. *cum laude* and is now living in Brooklyn running a Miller Method classroom for autistic children. Son Tom is also at Northeastern studying computer science. Lawrence works as an electrical engineer with Northrop Grumman on airborne radar systems. He would like to locate classmate **William A. Myers**.

Bill McGrath lives in Chandler, AZ, where he enjoys riding his motorcycle. His personal goals are to "spend more time scuba diving in the South Pacific, have my photography published in *National Geographic*, and ride my BMW to Yellowknife, NWT, for the summer solstice." **Jim VanKerkhove** writes from Portland, OR, that daughter **Claire '02** graduated from Human Ecology. Son **Neil '99** is living in Manhattan, pursuing an acting career. Jim's wife Myra works as a medical social worker at Providence St. Vincent's Hospital. Jim is president of HZF Media, which provides media e-mail marketing technology and services for businesses. You may contact Jim at vankerj@yahoo.com.

Christina Sickles Merchant of Vienna, VA, has a new position as the director of a labor management project in the health care industry. Christina may be contacted at cmerchant@att.net. **Bob Baumwoll** (wooltree@aol.com) is an internal medicine physician in the Boston area. Bob is the father of three daughters, one at Vassar, one at Smith, and a teenager still at home. Bob's wife Martha is a ceramic artist. Bob would like to reconnect with **Larry Stillman '70** and **Jay Goodwin**. **Ira Casson** has a private practice in neurology and specializes in sports concussions. He does work with the NFL, NY Jets, and NY Islanders as a neurological consultant. Ira and wife Susan keep in touch with **Irv**, DVM '74, and **Susan Fishman Rosenfeld '73**.

I received a nice e-mail from **Marilyn Blumberg Cane** (marilyncane@yahoo.com), who writes, "On the professional front, I have been a law school professor in South Florida at Nova Southeastern U. for 20 years. I teach in the corporate law area. I've enjoyed the opportunity to teach in Australia, Russia, and the UK. Family front: Karen Michaels and I had a Civil Union in Vermont in June 2001. Karen is an artist and photographer. She had been a child psychologist. My son **Daniel Cane '98** is one of the three founders and senior VP of Blackboard Inc., the enterprise software company for e-Education. He and his Cornell friends developed the prototype. Dan was married in May 2002. Son Jonathan (NYU '00) is a producer for MTV and

MTV2. He lives in L.A. My ex-husband **Ed Cane '70** remarried and lives here in South Florida. We stay in touch regularly."

We are wishing all of our classmates a great summer. Please take a few moments and send some news for our next issue to ♦ **Linda Germaine-Miller**, Linda_Germaine-Miller@vmed.org; or **Matt Silverman**, mes62@cornell.edu.

72 Trendy as ever, the Class of '72 now includes two freshly minted members of the American foreign policy establishment. My old pal **Jay Branegan**, former White House correspondent for *Time* magazine (and journalism teacher at Northwestern and Georgetown for the past year and a half), has joined the staff of the US Senate Foreign Relations Committee, where he will advise chairman Sen. Richard Lugar about war and peace and other issues at the epicenter of life. With Jay no longer a working journalist, the White House is safer already. Meanwhile, **Eric Edelman** was nominated by President Bush in February to serve as US ambassador to Turkey. It would be the second embassy post for Eric, who was US ambassador to Finland between July 1998 and January 2001. Since his return from Helsinki, Eric has been Vice President Cheney's principal deputy assistant for national security affairs. Eric started his foreign service career as a member of the delegation to the West Bank/Gaza Autonomy Talks in 1980 and continued his work on Middle East issues while serving as special assistant to Secretary of State George Schultz and as desk officer in the Office of Soviet Affairs. If confirmed by the Senate, Eric will likely report to Ankara this summer, accompanied by wife Trish (also a State Department alumnus) and three of their four children.

Class president **Bruce Graev** is reaping big dividends from our last reunion: he asked Nancy Pernini to marry him on Saturday of Reunion Weekend, and she said yes. They are slated to tie the knot on June 15, '03. "Reunion was great, as you well know, but this is a reunion I will NEVER forget," Bruce says. "Life does truly begin at 50." Bruce is a financial advisor and VP at Merrill Lynch in Princeton, NJ. **Alfreda Radzicki**, BArch '73, has been named a partner at Gruzen Samton Architects, Planners & Interior Designers in New York City, with responsibility for zoning and pre-development services. Husband **William Cunningham**, BArch '73, continues in his role as director of facilities development at the Weill Cornell Medical College in Manhattan. Their older son **Andrew** is a freshman at Cornell's College of Engineering and plans to major in computer science. Younger son Peter is in the eighth grade. **Maureen McCreadie** is a co-author of *Accessing and Browsing Information and Communication*, a book published in 2001 by MIT Press, Cambridge, MA.

Elias Savada was a member of the New Directors Jury at the 50th San Sebastian Film Festival held last year in Spain, an extension of his role as online movie critic for nitrateonline.com. His business, the Motion Picture Information Service (a copyright search firm), celebrated its 25th anniversary last year. Elias has

served for over two years as database manager for the Cornell Club of Washington, and is co-chair of the 23rd International Conference on Jewish Genealogy being held this July in Washington, DC. Elias's son graduated from Boston U. last year and his daughter is a sophomore at Syracuse U. **Mark Ellenberg** is a partner at the Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft law firm in Washington, DC, and wife **Nancy Abramowitz**

Molofsky and wife Anne (with sons David, 16, and Henry, 12), **Walter Molofsky** and wife Brenda, **Joel Rudin '74** and wife Naomi, and **Jon Sugarman '71** and wife Jean (with sons Max, 12, and Ross, 8). We are grateful for their longstanding friendship.

Walter Graze died at his home in Albany, CA, on Mar. 2, '03, according to an e-mail received from **Michael Belzer**, PhD '93. Michael

'Jim and Abby Gordon provide pro bono or low cost legal service at the Antler Inn when they are in residence.'

GARY L. RUBIN '72

teaches at American U. law school. Their daughter **Julia Ellenberg** graduated from Cornell in '01, son Alan is completing his senior year at the U. of Pennsylvania, and daughter Molly is completing 12th grade.

James Gordon and wife Abby, both successful Baltimore attorneys, are taking steps toward early retirement in the Rocky Mountains, according to an e-mail received from **William Molloy**, MBA '74. Jim and Abby purchased the Antler Inn, a historic tavern in Chateau, MT. Inspired by the television series "Ed," Jim and Abby provide *pro bono* or low cost legal service at the Inn every Monday night when they are in residence several weeks each year. They have also restored and expanded a beautiful mountain retreat near a dude ranch, owned and operated by the Nature Conservancy, which will soon be their permanent home. Jim volunteers to take guests of the Nature Conservancy on stagecoach rides, and Abby provides the guests with cinnamon rolls.

Susan Farber Straus lives in Owings Mills, MD, and continues to work as a clinical psychologist with severely emotionally disturbed children and abused children in residential treatment. She recently became director of a clinical internship program and enjoys working with graduate students from various colleges and universities in the area. Susan and husband **David**, PhD '77, act in and direct plays for an amateur drama group, and Susan also takes piano lessons and attends Jewish adult education classes. **Maureen Brosnan Marcklinger** lives in Sudbury, MA, and has been a professor of nursing at Roxbury Community College for over nine years. Son Joseph is a senior at UC Berkeley, and daughter Anne has completed studies at UC Santa Barbara.

On a personal note, my younger son Zach celebrated his bar mitzvah on Mar. 22, '03, and was unbelievably great. As in the past, our family was supported by a strong contingent of Cornell friends, including **Liz Bass** and husband **Joe Masci** (with their son Jonnie, 8), Jay Branegan, **Gordon Chang '73**, JD '76, and wife Lydia, **Bill Howard '74** and wife Gwen (with sons Scott, 13, and Gregory, 11), **Kal Lindenberg '71**, **Robert**

says Walt was diagnosed with inoperable and aggressive brain cancer in April 2002, and approached his treatment for the next ten months with the same focused attention that he gave to his work and public service activities. For two decades, Walt worked in the field of industrial hygiene and occupational health and safety. Most recently he transformed a moribund program certifying asbestos consultants into an effective oversight and education program. Walt is survived by his wife Margene and daughters Rita, 29, and Maxine, 10. Donations in his memory may be made to the National Brain Tumor Foundation, Oakland, CA (nbtbf@brain-tumor.org), or to an educational trust that is being established for Maxine (mhorowitz@hq.dir.ca.gov). ♦ **Gary L. Rubin**, glrubin@aol.com; **Alex Barna**, alexander.barna-1@nasa.gov.

R73 This column greets you after reunion has passed and the heat of summer is baking you. Full coverage of Reunion 2003 will appear in the next issue (Sept/Oct). It's an astonishing 80 degrees outside my window this sunny tax day. Tomorrow promises a return to more realistic weather for April. News from the mailbag includes word from **Michael Ciaraldi** that his play, *First Date*, was produced in April. Michael lives in Acton, MA, and also notes that he and about 20 of his fellow "PHUDS" from the six-year PhD program had a reunion at Cornell in June 2002. **John King**, MA IN T '77, still lives in Trumansburg, NY, where he has owned and operated Finger Lakes Skydivers in Ovid for 21 years. John is married to Patricia Frantangelo, a Cortland grad. John took his first jump as a senior at Cornell and has over 4,000 skydives now. He also holds a commercial pilot's license and is an FAA-licensed aircraft mechanic and master parachute rigger.

Janet Gayler Fallon writes from Elkton, MD, with news of both herself and husband **Bob**. Bob, an Ag grad, studies the environmental fate of chemicals for DuPont. Janet teaches classes and writes grant and press releases for the Fair Hill Native Center. Sons Dan and Doug are both swimmers. Dan is a sophomore at the

Call Me Dr. Joint

ROBERT BRUNGRABER '74

Robert "Ben" Brungraber likes cranes. "Any job site that has a crane on it is a good thing," says the irrepressible engineer, who has turned his enthusiasm for heavy lifting and his expertise in old-fashioned mortise-and-tenon joinery (hence that nickname, "Dr. Joint") into a one-of-a-kind job. He's the sole full-time structural engineer for the timber frame industry. For the last seventeen years Brungraber has been lead engineer for New Hampshire's Benson Woodworking, which builds homes and commercial structures using pre-Industrial Revolution post-and-beam techniques. Brungraber has made everything from a forty-foot tower for the Denver Library to a handmade replica of Henry David Thoreau's Walden Pond cabin. The process is well suited to modern open-concept homes, he says: timber framing is sturdy, efficient, and allows for flexible wall partitions. "It's using an old technique to build in a very new way."

Brungraber did doctoral research in authentic joinery at Stanford and later taught engineering at Bucknell



and the University of Connecticut. But he missed building, so he signed on with Benson in 1986, when it was one of a handful of companies reviving a lost art. "I ran away and joined the circus," he says. "Chasing my passion, I guess you'd say. I've had a great time."

U. of Maryland, and Doug is a high school junior. **Christopher Hunt**, BS Eng '79, an old friend of mine, sent in his address. He still lives in Arlington, VA. Hope all is well with him and that we got to say "hello at reunion." **Stephanie Fain** Morrow, MRP '75, also writes from Virginia (Alexandria). She's thrilled to have another connection to Cornell. Her younger daughter Kathy was accepted early decision into the Hotel school Class of 2007. **Pam Meyers**, a fellow correspondent, didn't make it to reunion because she will have already visited Cornell in mid-May to pick up her Cornell sophomore **David Greenberg**, who plans to do Cornell in Washington next fall.

Ellen Walser de Lara, PhD '00, was recently featured in a publication from the Syracuse U. College of Human Services and Health Professions. She is not only a classmate, but also a faculty fellow at the Life Development Center at Cornell. Ellen recently co-authored a book on the effects of school violence, bullying, and harassment entitled *And Words Can Hurt For-*

ever: How to Protect Adolescents from Bullying, Harassment, and Emotional Violence. **Steve Ruell**, ME C '74, and **Jeff Coffin** traveled to Beebe Lake Dam to provide it with a detailed inspection. These classmates work with Kleinschmidt Associates, an energy and water resource consulting firm from Maine. **Randy Barbarash** lives in Chester, NY, and was surprised by fellow "Sammy" (SAM) **Dennis Paese** at Randy's 50th birthday party.

Donald Partridge sends news from Batavia, NY, of his daughter **Darcy** '99, who is now at North Carolina State in Raleigh working on her doctorate in plant pathology. Son **Scott** '01 is at St. John Fisher enrolled in a master's in education for science teaching. Daughter **Kris** is finishing this year at Cortland and will be going into teaching. **Kris** spent a semester in Cologne, Germany, attending a German sports school. Donald now works as the service coordinator for Cummins & Bricker. He distributes machinery from South Carolina to Maine and west to Indiana. He's also traveled to

Ireland, Holland, and Germany.

Piyawat Boon-Long, ME M '74, lives in Chiang Mai, Thailand, where he is the director of the Thailand Research Fund, an organization similar in function to the NSF, although smaller in size. Piyawat sends news of **C. K. Sydney Chu**, MS '74, who is now a professor of mathematics at Hong Kong U. and of **C. H. John Young**, who just moved back to Singapore after 17 years with Shangri-La Hotels in Hong Kong and China. John's last position with Shangri-La was as a vice president. **Thomas Martin** also sends news from abroad, Buckley's Estate, Antigua, and Barbuda. Thomas lives in a house on a hill with an ocean view with wife Judi and daughters Nikki and Lauren. Judi is the director of clinical services at Crossroads Centre, Antigua, the drug and alcohol treatment center founded by Eric Clapton. Crossroads recently offered financial support to September 11 NYC firefighters and police officers needing rehabilitation help. Thomas hoped to see **Alan MacDonald**, BA '76, at the 30th Reunion.

Denise Meridith lives in Phoenix, AZ, and recently retired as the BLM director in Arizona. She was with the BLM for 29 years. Now she heads her own consulting firm focusing on training and public relations. She's also the executive director of the Arizona Trail Assn. Denise was voted one of the "Valley's Most Influential" by the *Phoenix Business Journal* and received the first-ever BLM Legends Award. To top it all off, Sept. 21, '02 was designated Denise Meridith Day in Phoenix. **Peter Barker** lives in Leesburg, VA, where he recently moved to "Old Bittersweet Farm" in Loudon County. Peter is a project leader doing biomarker validation at the National Inst. for Standards and Technology in the US Department of Commerce.

Herb Mendel's daughter **Marisa** is in the class of 2006 at Cornell. Herb lives in Fayetteville, NY, and just completed a term as president of the medical staff at Crouse Hospital in Syracuse. Herb reports running into **Roger Jacobs**, who was dropping off son **Josh** for the Class of 2006 orientation. Herb also attended the bat mitzvah of Jennifer, daughter of **Jack** and **Wendy Drutman Zigler** '74, who live in Dallas, TX. As always, please send your news to ♦ **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, phg3@cornell.edu.

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It's not too early to mark your 2004 calendar for June 10-13—our 30th Reunion! Please watch our class website, www.cornell74.com, for details. Some mini-reunions have already started. Yours truly joined classmates **Mary "Mi" O'Connell**, **Alice Brown**, **Barb Johnson** and husband **Jeff Fischer**, **Evan Zuckerman** and husband **Andy Bernstein**, and **Kristen Rupert** and husband **John Foote** for a four-day gathering in Las Vegas in April. We celebrated the big 50 for Evan. (Yes, some classmates are still turning 50!). Joining the group for a cocktail party at the Venetian (arranged by **Mark Birtner** '94) was **Ken Seymour**, who lives near Reno. Ken filled us in that he went to L.A. to attend graduate school, then lived for many years in Pullman, WA. He now works in computers and enjoys cartogra-

phy and refereeing volleyball.

Christmas cards brought news from **Carol Munro Selig** in Mill Valley, CA. Daughter Sarah Jane is at Yale, son Alex will be a senior in high school and is into tennis and drama, and husband Rand is involved in various biodiversity and ecological projects. **Jackie Dolat's** card said that she has been doing front-end engineering for a gas recycling plant near Prudhoe Bay, AK, but she was able to spend quite a bit of time last fall in the Pasadena, CA, office of the engineering firm. **Bill Howard** and **Sandy Sears** held a Geek Night in Hartford, CT, in February. What is Geek Night? Geek Night is when self-proclaimed Geeks like Bill and Sandy talk about technology issues that impact our daily lives, such as Internet security. Bill, who is editor of *PC Magazine*, hopes to do a Geek Night in New Jersey, where he lives (Westfield). **Dena Goodman** is a professor of History and Women's Studies at the U. of Michigan. She has been in Ann Arbor for three years and is anxious to connect with other Cornellians in the area. Her e-mail is Goodmand@umich.edu.

In an e-mail to Kris Rupert, **Jim Hood** writes that he and a friend from Harvard Business School started a "marketing innovations company," Bray+Hood+Associates (www.brayhood.com), in Wilton, CT. Their programs include branding, positioning, product development, service enhancements, messaging, customer loyalty, and channel management. Jim described his career as half in the ad agency world (Young & Rubicam) and half on Wall Street (Lehman Brothers, CSFB). Jim lives in Westport, CT, with wife Julia and three children. Kris also reported on a visit with **Patti Englander** Henning, who was in Boston during a blizzard, which is a big deal if you live in Plantation, FL! Patti is a judge in Ft. Lauderdale, presiding over civil cases. She was widowed in April 2002 when her husband passed away after nine months of battling a rare form of sino-nasal cancer. At the time she saw Kris in February 2003, her daughter Alyssa was a high school senior and son David was in ninth grade. Both were in Boston for a debate tournament at Harvard. Patti is in touch with **Judy Katz** Cates, who lives in Belleville, IL, outside St. Louis where she practices law. Patti's e-mail is Henhows@aol.com.

In February, **Ann Berman** was named VP for finance and chief financial officer for Harvard U. Ann has been at Harvard for over ten years with finance positions for the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, and lives in Cambridge, MA. Prior to her career at Harvard, Berman worked in public accounting, first at Pricewaterhouse and then at Richard A. Eisner & Co. in New York. Then she pursued an interest in foreign languages (begun at Cornell as a French major) with graduate work in Italian literature at Columbia and NYU. **Brian Lantelme** reports that he is a photographer in NYC and will soon have a book of Times Square photos published by the U. of Minnesota Press. Brian's e-mail is bryan@med.cuny.edu.

Daniel Robinson '03 sent a poignant e-mail as follows: "Following some significant changes in my life, I returned to Cornell and graduated

in December 2002. Thank you for keeping me on the '74 mailing list. The newsletters helped me to stay connected to Cornell, and when I decided to go back to school, I knew where I wanted to go. My fellow students in the class of 2003 treated me great (even though I was as old or older than their parents), and so did the faculty. It was a wonderful experience. I had a double major, AEM (Applied Economics and Management, as it is called now) and Animal Science. I took a position with Agway as a dairy cattle nutrition specialist. Prior to going back to school, I worked for AT&T, building and maintaining long-distance cable routes in many different areas of the country. I became very ill and had to take a disability retirement. When I finally got back on my feet, I no longer wanted to do that type of work. My interest has always been in agriculture, so I decided to try something that I really enjoy. I am married; my wife's name is Jill. We have one son, Danny, who is 5, and live in Marathon, NY." Daniel's e-mail is dkr6@cornell.edu.

Last March, the *Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal* ran a feature article on **Susan Weiss Shoval**. Susan is president of GUARD Insurance Group, a business she runs with husband Judd. The company, headquartered in Wilkes-Barre, PA, employs 300 people and wrote policies for \$155 million in premiums. Susan lives in Kingston, PA. **Anne Fletcher** spoke to a full house in Goldwin Smith Hall last April on the topic of "Winning at Weight Control: What We Can Learn from Maintainers." Anne is the author of the national bestseller *Thin for Life: 10 Keys to Success from People Who Have Lost Weight and Kept It Off*. Anne was executive editor and chief writer of the Tufts U. Health & Nutrition Letter and a contributing editor for *Prevention* magazine. She also taught nutrition and biochemistry for Penn State U. and was an assistant director of Frances Stern Nutrition Center at the New England Medical Center Hospital in Boston. Anne lives in Mankato, MN.

The *Cornell Chronicle* reported that **Francis Fukuyama**, dean of faculty and the Bernard L. Schwartz Professor of International Political Economy at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins U., delivered three lectures on "The State after September 11" at Cornell in February 2003. Francis has drawn international acclaim for his books *The End of History and the Last Man* and *Trust: The Social Virtues and the Creation of Prosperity*. Prior to his current position at Johns Hopkins, Francis was at the School of Public Policy, George Mason U. He has been a member of the political science department of Rand Corp., as well as of the US Department of State in policy planning.

Norman Bloch wrote that on Feb. 1, '03, two days after his 50th birthday, he became a partner in the New York office of Thompson Hine LLP, a law firm based in Ohio. He will continue to specialize in white collar criminal defense and civil litigation. Norman mentioned that **Jeff Appelbaum**, JD '77, is a partner in the firm. His new work address is Thompson Hine LLP, One Chase Manhattan Plaza, 58th Floor,

NYC 10005-1401, (212) 344-5680. His e-mail is norman.bloch@thompsonhine.com. In our last column **Steve Raye** reported that **Harold Levy**, JD '79, had left the job as New York City schools chancellor and requested that he check in to let us know what was next. Here's the scoop: Harold has gone to work for Kaplan Inc., the test preparation company. He is managing the creation of a for-profit school of education for training teachers, as well as principals and other administrators. ♦ **Betsy Beach**, eab52@cornell.edu; **Steve Raye**, SRaye321@aol.com; **Linda Meyers Geyer**, lgdesigns@cox.net.

75 Right now, it's April. The weather is just gorgeous (although ten days earlier schools were closed for snow). The Seton Hall students are on the university green tossing a frisbee, having classes outside, and otherwise just hanging out. The picture reminds me of spring in Ithaca (for those few beautiful days that came our way).

I had a wonderful time celebrating the bar mitzvah of Alex Stein, son of **Robert** and **Paula Kirschenbaum Stein '76**. Their daughter **Erica** is completing her sophomore year at Cornell and is already on the editorial staff of the *Cornell Daily Sun*. At the festivities, I met up with fellow ILR student **Daniel Schwimer** and wife Cynthia. Their 17-year-old son Michael is all of 6 feet 7 inches, and while he plays basketball, he excels in baseball. Dan and Cynthia live in Alexandria, VA, where Dan has been employed by the General Accounting Office since graduation from law school. While he is looking forward to coming to our 30th Reunion, in the near term, by the time you read this Dan should have completed his bike trip to Italy with several other Cornellians celebrating their 50th birthday. Bikers include **Peter Wright**, MBA '76, **Steve Weintraub**, **Benny Lorenzo '74**, **John Golden**, and **Bob Weiser**. Also at the Stein bar mitzvah was **Liza Barsanti Hoyt '79**. Lisa and husband **Lon '79** have children Lisbeth, 10, and Loren, 7. Lon is currently the musical director of the Broadway hit *Hairspray*. Lisa works for Graham Pelton Consulting, where she is a campaign director.

A host of our classmates participated last summer in Adult University (CAU) (were we really attending Cornell's "Kiddie" University when we were there?). Among the students were **John Abeles**, ME C '76, fellow class correspondent **Mitch Frank**, **Fran Kanterman**, **Michael Lowery**, **Jim Quinn**, and **Marie Welborn**. Some of the courses included Ethics in Modern Warfare, The Eclectic Ethnic: A Culinary Workshop, and Five Easy Midnight Cowboys: The Age of Vietnam and Watergate on Film.

From the Nov/Dec 2002 news mailbag (some things still are on a time delay!), there are some great stories by our classmates. **Yin Fee Fanny Ho** resides in Hong Kong. Last December, she took her 14-year-old daughter to Shanghai to view a special exhibition of China's earliest paintings. For one of the works of art, the two had to stand in line for 10 hours! She remarked how much Shanghai has changed

since the 1970s. Her advice: live every day to the fullest, for it will be history tomorrow. On the other side of the Pacific, **Elizabeth Norment** lives in Ashland, OR. Even so, she has been acting in theater, television, and film in New York City and around the country. She also keeps active volunteering with animal shelters and humane societies.

Benoit Gateau-Cumin, MPS HA '75, writes from California, where he lives with wife Susanna and three dogs. He is now in his tenth year with his own search firm, Boutique, specializing in the hospitality industry. **Karen Beckvar** lives in Phoenix, AZ, where she was recently elected to the Scottsdale School Board. At one of the board member training seminars, she ran into **Karen McClelland** '77, who was newly elected to the Sedona-Oak Creek School Board. From the Lone Star State, we hear from **Frederick Johnson**, MBA '77. His summer vacations bring him to a family farm in Westfield, NJ.

As always, news from the Big Apple dominates the mail bag. **Joan Milbauer Hussler** and husband **Ken** '74 reside in Bellmore, NY. Their daughter **Elisabeth** '06 joined older brother **Paul** '04 last September at Cornell. At the same time, cousin **Jacob Englander** (son of **Alise Kreditor** '76), **Deborah Birnbaum** (daughter of **Ellen Wurman Birnbaum** '77), and **Emily Breidbart** (daughter of **David Breidbart** and **Joan Leibowitz** '78) were also starting as freshmen. Joan and Ken's son Paul is a member of both the Big Red Band and the Pep Band, so they have especially enjoyed watching Cornell football and hockey. Joan is co-president of the Cornell Club of Long Island, along with **Marilyn Krinsky Price** '74. She has been able to rekindle many connections with Cornellians, including **Michael Mechlin** and wife **Merys (Cohen)** '76, and **Beth Goldstein Boguslaw** '76, who lives in Woodbury, NY. She looks forward to hearing from other Long Island Cornellians. E-mail her at jbm18@cornell.edu.

Dave Leavitt lives in Glenmont, NY, where he is Director of Career, Technical, and Alternative Programs for cooperative education programs. **Amy Cohen** Banker is an artist in New York City, and has had shows in the Berkshires, several Madison Avenue galleries, Lincoln Center, and Ireland. She was appreciative of the many letters of condolence and support she received from fellow classmates when her daughter Allison died in 2001 from Hodgkin's disease. Her other daughter, Meredith, graduated from Wheaton College with a concentration in English and Creative Writing. **Guido Dingerkus**, MS '77, who resides in Goshen, NY, is the Director of Natural History Consultants Inc., and an adjunct professor of biology at Rockland Community College. Also in the teaching profession is **Barbara Oliver**, who teaches at Vails Gate Elementary School in New Windsor, NY. **Jeannette Rose Williams** writes, somewhat cryptically, that her work is "The Bronze Mint." She's residing in Geneva, NY, and recently enjoyed traveling to Colorado for vacation. **Marsha Pilat-Davis** is a principal at Pilat Davis Architects, and volunteers her time and talent for the Mamaroneck, NY, school district's

building and planning committees. She recently saw **Sheilah (Wallin)** and husband **Gary Bourgeois**, MRP '75. She introduced the couple to each other some 28 years ago and had not seen them since graduation.

Congratulations to **Donald Rose**, who received the 2002 Distinguished Alumnus Award from the U. of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. He reports that his twins Alexandra and Dylan began kindergarten this year! **William Manns Jr.** reports that he recently worked with Dream Team attorneys Johnnie Cochran and Barry Scheck in a case against the NJ State Police. **Paul Morris** and wife **Marcia (Langwell)** '74 proudly took daughter **Bari** up to Cornell, where she is now finishing her first year in the Ag college. Their recent Cornell connections include meeting up with **Gwenn Tennenbaum** Canfield and husband Doug at their Lake George home. Paul and Marcia reside in Oradell, NJ. **Richard Hirschlag** is just a few miles away in Englewood, NJ. He boasts that his wife Julia Barr has earned two Emmy awards and has portrayed Brooke English on "All My Children." Their daughter Allison has her mom's Thespian spirit and has appeared on the daytime drama "Guiding Light" as Lizzie Spaulding. The entire family has produced a CD to benefit The Fund for Animals.

Rounding out news from the Northeast come three items from the New England area. **Kenneth Steele** continues his work as data management coordinator at Griffin Hospital in Derby, CT. He lives in Cheshire with wife Susan and youngsters Benjamin, 10, and Molly, 5. **Karen Graves Agnew** is busy home-schooling her three children in East Barre, VT. Her eldest, Aislinn, is now in college, but she continues to work with Click and Elsbeth. The family lives in an earth-sheltered home in Vermont's Green Mountains. **Nadina Salley**, MS '79, lives in NH, and her recent travel includes attending the Zonta International Convention last summer.

Let me close with the "small world" department. At a recent function at Seton Hall, I ran into **Jeanne Fattori** Reinig. She started the conversation with, "You look familiar..." and after a few questions and answers, we were reunited! She recently moved to Basking Ridge, NJ. Keep in touch! We all take delight in learning about how our classmates are doing. Keeping connected with each other, even if the link is only with a few words on the page, can really put a smile on someone's face and warm up an old memory. ♦ **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, boroffka@shu.edu; **Joan Pease**, japease1032@aol.com; **Mitch Frank**, mjfgator@aol.com; and **Deb Gellman**, dsgellman@hotmail.com.

76 There is not much news to report, so please send in your News forms or write to one of the class correspondents. When channel surfing one day, I came across the ECAC hockey semifinals. It was great to hear the Big Red Band play the Alma Mater at halftime, and even better to see how well the hockey team played. My husband **Morris Diamant** '74 and classmate **Mike Piotrowski** '74 continued to e-

mail each other on the results of the next game with the U. of New Hampshire. Mike was not pleased with the final outcome due to some of the referees' calls, and felt that the Cornell team outskated UNH.

Deidra "Deedee" Dain sent some information and a picture from a gathering on Oct. 26, '02 at her home. Six '76ers enjoyed time together during her family's annual Fall Festival, which doubled as a Halloween party. Deedee and her family live in an apple orchard in the Shenandoah Valley, Winchester, VA. **Diane Laufman**, **Murray Lieberman**, **Don** and **Mary Ann Steele Van Duyn**, and **Ann Spudis** had a great day outside, amidst such activities as making and drinking apple cider, archery (with primitive bows and arrows made by Deedee's husband), football, and great pot-luck eating. The group of '76ers has enjoyed visiting each other during this once-a-year event for several years. She invites anyone who is in the area to join them.

Amy Lubow Downs can be found at SNX, a software publishing company, located in New York City. She is married to Dan, an art teacher and wedding photographer. They live in Brooklyn, NY, with their two sons. After opening one of Italy's most luxurious villa-hotels on Lake Garda for legendary hotelier Bob Burns (founder of Regent International Hotels), **Christophe Bergen** has started his own real estate development and management company with his Italian life partner, Verena. Anyone looking to vacation/live/invest in one of the most beautiful mountain lakes in Europe should contact Christophe for inside information. A trip to Villa Feltrinelli (www.villafeltrinelli.com) is certainly a great introduction to the area. In March 2003, Christophe caught up with Cornellians of all classes at a meeting in Dubrovnik of the European Chapter of the Cornell Hotel Society: great fun and fascinating perspective on a once war torn city. Christophe can be reached at cmb333@virgilio.it.

Dean Lennox '75 e-mailed **Pat Relf** Hanavan with news after a plea for material. Dean wrote that some of us started with the class of '75 and graduated with the class of '76 for a variety of reasons. For Dean, taking a year off to travel seemed like a good idea at the time. Now he pays the penalty by receiving mailings and donation requests from both classes. Add that to the various groups, each with their own postal "droppings": Soccer Alumni newsletters, Hotel Alumni magazines, fraternity newsletters, etc. He says it's like he signed up for Lands' End catalogs under two different names. Anyway, in January 2003, he did have a small gathering of Cornell housemates, a reunion of those who lived on the lake at 913 Taughannock Blvd. in 1975. It was a fun year—water skiing and sailing, nice fireplace, keg on tap at all times. It's easy now to forget the hard parts—five miles from campus, car broken down, water pipes frozen a couple of times, inept landlord. Present at the gathering were Dean, **Paul Millar** '75, **Richard Steinmetz** '75, **Sue Smith Rorke**, and **Stu Laubenstein** '75. ♦ **Lisa Diamant**, Ljdiamant@aol.com; **Karen Krinsky Sussman**, Krinsk54@aol.com; **Pat Relf** Hanavan, Relf@aol.com.

77 At the end of March, my son Michael celebrated his bar mitzvah. It was a wonderfully moving event and a true milestone in our family history. We celebrated that evening at the National Press Club in Washington, DC, and the party was a lot of fun. Celebrating with us were classmates **Janet Lorn** Cobe, MBA '78, **Cathy Marschean**-Spivak, **Bob Bowers**, ME C '78, and **David Joseph**. Other Cornellians at the event included **Bob Panzer** '81, **Ellen Panzer** '88, **Glenn Guior** '80, **Barbara Frank** '83, **Bill and Ellen Haas Sternberg**, both '78, **Virginia Wallace** Panzer Wiener '55, **Joel** '55 and **Sherry Vogel Mallin** '55, BS HE '54, and **Sue Kleinman Lusk** '56. Plus, all my mother's bridge lady friends who came down for the bar mitzvah have children who went to Cornell.

Earlier that month we attended the bat mitzvah of Bill and Ellen Haas Sternberg's daughter Lauren. It's nice because not only are we friends with Bill and Ellen, but our children travel in the same social circle (if that's what you call a bunch of boys and girls in middle school who circle around each other). They had many Cornellians in attendance as well, including classmates **Bill Axelrod** and **Peter** '76 and **Jodi Kaplan Susser**.

Several classmates have children continuing in the Cornell tradition. **Carlos Maycotte** (atascadero@redmex.com) is still working at a hotel resort operation in San Miguel de Allende in central Mexico. Carlos's son Carlos Alberto has been accepted to Cornell and will be a freshman this fall in the Arts college. Rachel Wechsler also will be a freshman in the Arts college. Rachel is the daughter of classmates **Ron Wechsler** and **Debra Biegelson**. The Wechslers live in New York City and have other children Bennett, 14, and Jordan, 9. **Ed Pratt** lives in Dallas, TX, and his daughter Jourdan will also be a freshman in the fall, attending the Hotel school. **Colleen Race** Martin (Colleen.Martin@alcoa.com) lives in Newburgh, NY. Her daughter **Maureen** is in the class of '06. She is enrolled in the ILR school and is a member of the Big Red Band. Colleen notes that Maureen has attended more Cornell events in one semester than she went to in four years!

Rick Hill (mktpowerhouse@yahoo.com) has sons attending the Arts college. **Ricky** is in the class of '05 and is majoring in sociology; **Johnny** is in the class of '05 and is majoring in economics. Rick lives in Escondido, CA, and works at Hewlett-Packard alongside **Jeff Robbins**. **John J. Gilbert** (jgilbert@rudin.com) lives in New Rochelle, NY, and his son **JJ** is in the class of '05. John sent a lovely note talking about the program started last fall at the university to honor **Eamon McEneaney's** memory and his work as a poet. Eamon was an employee of Cantor Fitzgerald and lost his life in the 9/11 tragedy. The Cornell English department has created "The Eamon McEneaney Visiting Professor Lecture Series," where great writers are brought to Ithaca to teach, lecture, and read their works. Edna O'Brien, the great Irish novelist and poet, was the first recipient. John encourages all of our classmates to support the lecture series, as it is a wonderful way to acknowledge Eamon's life and

his passion for the written and spoken word.

C. Anne Vitulo (c_anne@worldnet.att.net) is a counselor to the Cornell Board of Trustees. She recently was honored by *San Jose Magazine* and the Junior Leagues of San Jose and Palo Alto as one of the "Women Making a Mark" for 2002. Anne started her own communications firm, C is for Communications, and uses her professional communications skills to help non-profits. She also is a member of the Junior League's Endowment Fund Board and the board of directors for the Peninsula Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired. **Jeff Brown** (jeffrey203@charter.net) is also involved with alumni affairs. He lives in Roswell, GA, but went up to New York City in January to attend the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) Mid-Winter Meeting. He said that he attended a wonderful reception at **Dave Brunner's** home. **Ruth Raisfeld** (rdradr@optonline.net) was elected to the board of directors of the ILR Alumni Assn. Ruth lives in Scarsdale, NY, and about a year ago left her position as "Of Counsel" in the employment law department of Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe to devote herself to mediating and arbitrating workplace disputes.

There are other ways to stay in touch with Cornell, like living in the Ithaca area. **Marlaine Brem Darfler** (Marlained@tier.net) says, "Yes, I'm the one that never left." Marlaine lives 12 miles outside Ithaca and feels it is a wonderful place to both raise a family and grow old. She has her own massage therapy business at the bottom of the Buffalo Street hill. Her husband **Richard** '72 does construction management for Tompkins Cortland Community College. They have three sons, including two boys in college. The Darflers spend a lot of time working for their local library and their synagogue. As if she isn't busy enough, Marlaine spends time at Hospicare of Ithaca and is the VP of the Lansing Theater and Performing Arts Club. **Fred Barken**, BA '76, MS '77 (fbarken@tcwnc.ny.com) practices internal medicine in Ithaca, and his

Washington, DC. It is called 15RIA, after its location on Rhode Island Avenue. If it's anything like his other restaurants, I'm sure it will be a fabulous success.

Finally, let's not forget about the people serving our country. **Tim Downs** (timdowns2@aol.com) has been called to active duty with the Army Reserve. He is a Civil Affairs Officer in Kabul, Afghanistan, helping with reconstruction, particularly of schools. Tim's regular work is as a teacher with the Rochester (NY) city school district. Tim, we all send you our best. ♦ **Lorrie Panzer** Rudin, lorrie_b_rudin@fan.niema.com; and **Howie Eisen**, eisenh@tuhs.temple.edu.

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The Reunion news will be in the next issue, so you can look forward to that report next time. Here are some updates received

earlier this year. **Peter Bernard** and wife **Andrea (Present)** '76 were thrilled when their daughter Lauren was accepted to the Cornell Class of 2007. Lauren also has a younger sister Stephanie. **Robert Horowitz** and his wife live in Scarsdale, NY, where he teaches dentistry, specifically about preserving teeth, dental implants, and digital photography. He has lectured from Argentina to Korea to major dental, periodontal, and implant organizations. His wife has a practice in child and adolescent psychiatry and has joined a chamber group and full orchestra. They have two daughters. **Bill Sternberg**, once the senior editor of the *Cornell Daily Sun*, is now the senior Washington/World Editor at *USA Today*. He has helped oversee coverage of the Monica Lewinsky scandal, the 2000 election and recount, and 9/11 and the war on terrorism. His wife **Ellen (Haas)** sells promotional items for Visions Marketing Inc. They have children Scott, 16, Lauren, 13, and Bradley, 9, as well as a dog, Duncan, 1-1/2.

Bruce Clements lives in Saratoga Springs, NY. After graduating from ILR, he lived in Dal-

'Bryan Plude specializes in engineering for restoration and conservation of wildlife habitat.'

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wife **Marlene (Weiss)** '78 teaches business law at Ithaca College. They have four children. Their oldest, **Joanne**, just finished her sophomore year in the Hotel school.

Matt Swaya is VP and assistant general counsel-Retail North America for Starbucks Coffee Co. He lives on Mercer Island in Washington. **Drew Nieporent** (hose2000@aol.com) lives in Ridgewood, NJ. He recently was the focus of a segment on "48 Hours" about health and diet. Drew's segment describes his 120 lb. weight loss and his lifestyle changes. Drew just opened his latest restaurant (number 16) in

Ithaca, where he worked for Hyatt Hotels. He then took a job selling postal equipment in Dallas and then Manhattan. He came back home to work with his dad in the insurance business and just celebrated 20 years as an insurance agent. Bruce has children Katie, 12, and Tim, 10. They all enjoyed watching the Big Red Hockey Team beat RPI. Bruce is also president of the local Lion's Club and vice president of the Capital District Cornell Club. **Carlo Gomez** writes that he works for a Singapore-based company that manages suite apartments in London, Seoul, Singapore, Shanghai, and Manila. Carlo holds

the general manager's position for their property in Manila and represents the company in the Philippines as well. He has two beautiful basset hounds that he loves to walk.

Bryan Plude left his position with Ducks Unlimited to start his own engineering consulting firm, Canvasback Consulting. He specializes in engineering for restoration and conservation of wildlife habitat. He and his wife Rebecca live in Davis, CA. **Patricia Moran Peters**, ME C '79, worked for 10 years after graduation for a geotechnical consultant. She then stayed home to raise her sons Brian, 14, and Jeffrey, 12. Patricia has started to work part-time for a small engineering firm. She and husband David, whose alma mater is the U. of Texas, live in Houston with their family. **Dena Seifer** Friedman lives in Princeton, NJ, with husband Alan and daughters Jenny and Stephanie. Dena has a small private practice in psychiatry and has achieved what she feels is a good balance between career and family life.

Randy "Vinny" Hulle has retired as a dairy farmer. He and wife Barbara live in Pine Bush, NY. Randy has nieces and nephews attending Cornell now. He is a member of AZ fraternity and misses being on the polo team. Randy credits his Cornell experience with having taught him knowledge and the acceptance of other people, along with their differences and limitations. **Ken Mogil** just opened a second office in Greenwich, CT; it is called The Mogil Group North and specializes in insuring high value homes. He has vacationed in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, and Cancun, where he ran into classmates **Steven** and **Nancy Adler Manket**, who were also vacationing there. Future travel destinations include Las Vegas and Santa Fe. **Matthew Kelly** has teenagers in the house now and he thinks about his college days. He posed the following questions: Did I play my stereo (LPs) this loud? Do you remember computer punch cards? Who has my Doobie Brothers album? What's that mushy green stuff in the fridge? Whose phone calls are these? And why don't I remember anything from my 8 a.m. classes?

Mary Gallo Tucker and husband **Clark, M ILR '78**, are thrilled that their oldest son Robert has been accepted to Cornell and will be a

member of the ILR Class of 2007. Mary and Clark met at the ILR school. **Rich Beckert** has been appointed executive VP, resorts for Club Corp., a company involved in delivering premier golf, private club, and resort experiences. Rich is based in Dallas and lives with wife Sandra and their 7-year-old daughter Rebecca. Rich has been with Club Corp. since 2002. Prior to that, he served as CEO of Malibu Entertainment Worldwide and as chief administrative officer for Bristol Hotels and Resorts. **Roger Strauch** and **Dan Miller** are involved with the Roda Group, an investing firm that is currently working with a start-up company called SightSpeed that had its beginnings in a Cornell laboratory. They are located in Berkeley, CA.

That's all for now. I hope to see lots of good news from all of our classmates so I can pass it on through this column. ♦ **Pepi F. Leids**, Pleids@aol.com; **Eileen Brill** Wagner, brillcon@aol.com.

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Twenty-five years later, baby, we were born to ReUNion! Just as "The Boss" is famous for going back to his hometown in Asbury Park, NJ, we hope members of the class of 1979 are drawn back home to Cornell to reunite with friends. Mark your calendars to "run back" to Ithaca for our 25th Reunion, June 10-13, 2004. And to help make sure the weekend activities include things you would like to do, consider completing the online Reunion Survey at <http://classof79.alumni.cornell.edu>.

25th Reunions are considered milestone events and typically draw a very large number of classmates. However, each of us knows that a reunion event's "fun quotient" increases if people you care about seeing are also in attendance. To help you reconnect with classmates, **Karen Mineo** is generating "affinity lists"—lists of people who were possibly in your classes or in your sorority or fraternity, or sport or club. If you would like access to a list, contact Karen at kam213@comcast.net. If you are interested in hosting a "pre-reunion event" in your hometown, please contact **Mary Wilensky** Kahn at mask638@aol.com. Mary can help you coordinate the details. Plans are already in the works

for events in Houston and Philadelphia.

Also, here is the website for the Cornell online directory: <http://directory.alumni.cornell.edu>. Please make sure that your own information is correct by registering and checking out your online listing. You can use this site to search for current contact information for your alumni friends. Only alumni have access to this very useful and complete Cornell alumni database.

And now, on to the news! **Christina Mann** Schmidlapp (cms4154@yahoo.com) has "finally recovered from a decade of tending to three children and volunteer activities" and is now beginning a career as a freelance writer, covering civic design for a magazine in Pittsburgh, a city which is home to some great civic design. In her ample spare time, Christina gardens, cooks, and thinks fondly of college classmates. I, **Cindy Ahlgren** Shea (cynthia.shea@sothebys.com), have begun a new career as a real estate broker with Sotheby's International Realty in Bridgehampton, NY. I'm finding the change of pace from being a lawyer very refreshing. If any classmates or their friends or relatives want to buy, sell, or rent property in the Hamptons, send me an e-mail. At the very least, we can have a fun day chatting about old times.

Carmen Lopez (daintydee@ij.net) is an automated testing manager at Soft Computer Consultants, a medical software company. She has one son, Ricardo Rodriguez, who is a sophomore at Florida State U., Gainesville. **Richard Stearns** (stichx@aol.com) of Santa Monica, CA, spent last Thanksgiving with **John Dowd '80**, an ATO brother at "John's hotel," the Turtle Bay Resort on the north shore of Oahu. Rich writes that the waves would have reached the top of McGraw Tower. Earlier in 2002, Rich and friends **Rand "Zig" Siegfried**, BS Eng '82, **Stuart Litwin '81**, Steve Moritz, and Daniel Baskes decided to participate in the California AidsRide, a 575-mile bicycle ride from San Francisco to Los Angeles. The event raised over \$2.7 million dollars, and Rich's five-member team raised over \$30,000. Rich writes that they "had numerous breakdowns, two flats, two wipeouts, and many hours in the physical therapy tent. The ride itself was simply awesome. The focus, the spirit, the attitude of all participants was heartwarming. At the end, 725 cyclists lifted their bikes into the air in triumph."

Liz Rakov Igleheart (eigleheart@aol.com) is co-chair of the fund-raising committee and a board member for the Community Action Center, which provides financial aid, food, and clothing to over 6,000 individuals each year. Liz and husband Bill celebrated their 20th anniversary, and Liz is now in the passenger seat as her daughter Alex practices driving. Alex and her brother Austin, 11, both play soccer. **Corey Ayling** is living with his wife and five children in Minnesota, where he practices law. Last year, Corey made headlines when he represented the Metropolitan Sports Facilities Commission in its much publicized battle to keep the Minnesota Twins playing in the Metrodome for the 2002 season. The case settled shortly before it was to go to trial. The Twins agreed to play in the Metrodome for both the 2002 and 2003 seasons.

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And, as part of a collective bargaining agreement reached between the players and the baseball owners, the owners agreed not to contract the number of teams in the major league through 2006. In his spare time, Corey coaches kids' soccer and basketball and plays men's softball.

Willert Morris (wmorris@cowanfinancial.com) joined the Cowan Financial Group to provide business, personal, and corporate planning. His son William Austin was born on May 11, '00, and Will and his wife, the Honorable Judge Gayle P. Roberts, celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary this summer. **Rebecca Vallely**, MBA '80, lives in the Ithaca area and is a financial services representative with MetLife Financial Services in Elmira. Rebecca recently attended a MetLife President's Conference in Maui, HI, due to her distinguished sales and service record. **Knute Salhus** (knute.salhus@wilmer.com) joined Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering as a partner in their New York office in December 2002. Previously, Knute had spent five years at Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, also in NYC, and before that had been a special counsel at the SEC in Washington, DC. Knute is living in NYC with wife Cory and daughter Katrina.

As happens from time to time, we don't report the news received as quickly as we would like, but we still want to share the information. **Anna Cognetto** (cognetto@sundutchess.edu) is teaching at Dutchess Community College in the behavioral sciences department. In addition to teaching adolescent and gender psychology classes, Anna is teaching the drug and alcohol use and abuse classes. Anna was selected for *Who's Who in American Teachers*, after having her name submitted by a former student. She is completing her PhD dissertation in addictions counseling. Anna and her partner Charity celebrate their 13th anniversary in August. Anna's oldest step-daughter has graduated from college, and her youngest step-daughter has completed several semesters in the Audubon Program.

Matt Schiff (mschiff@schiffandhulbert.com) is living in the Chicago area. Last summer he returned to campus to drop his daughter Annie, then 16, at her dorm. Annie was in the high school summer honors program and took one course, Freedom and Justice, with Professor Isaac Kramnick, for three credits. Matt took the same course as a freshman. **Richard Friedman** (rfriedman@dreierbaritz.com) is a partner in the New York law firm of Dreier & Baritz. Rich handles mediation, arbitration, and litigation arising out of business disputes. He and wife Sandy live in Westport, CT. Their children Alissa, 16, and Jeffrey, 14, are ranked USTA tennis players.

Karen Jewett (kj28@cornell.edu) has been visiting and/or running into classmates all over the Western Region in the last year. In Seattle, she saw **Jay Kuhn**, **Scott Dennison**, and **Scott McAdams** at Cornell Club of Seattle events. Karen has worked with Richard Stearns on the Cornell Club of L.A. phonathon. And Scott Dennison and Karen competed in the third annual Rally in the Valley in San Diego in September 2002, an event that **Doug Deane** organizes for the Cornell Club of San Diego.

In closing, I urge you to send us news for the column. We have a new class e-mail address: classof79@cornell.edu. Or write to us directly. ♦ **Cynthia Ahlgren** Shea, cynthiashea@hotmail.com; and **Kathy Zappia** Gould at rdgould@adelphia.net.

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The mailbox was empty a few days ago, and I was hoping for some good news from the Alumni Office, but no luck as of mid-April. It seems that we are all preoccupied with our (hopefully) full lives and do not have the time to check in or send any updates to Cornell. I used to think that it was enough to keep up with my closest friends, but now I realize that even doing that is a formidable task in our busy world. So reading the alumni news is a welcome aide to keeping in touch. For this column, I decided to resort to my Class Directory and send an imploring e-mail to everyone who was listed to try to gather some news. Although I only made it through the first few pages of the directory before the deadline, I was amazed at a few things:

1) Keeping an e-mail address over the period of three years does not seem to be a priority. Hasn't everyone heard of the Cornell e-mail forwarding service? It works well! In addition, it has a nice ring to it (ending with cornell.edu); 2) some of our classmates are either ultra-efficient or just plain conscientious. I received many responses within a few hours; and 3) it seems that Springsteen is our rock star of choice. So now, on to the news.

Russ Bernard writes that **John Dowd** is enjoying his new position at the Turtle Bay Resort (turtlebayresort.com) on the north shore of the island of Oahu in Hawaii. John and his family are thoroughly enjoying the Hawaiian lifestyle. Recently **Richard Stearns** '79 and family visited him in paradise. From Sioux City, IA, **Sharon Key** Beals writes that she is still at IBP, now part of Tyson. She is in charge of the Fresh Meat (Beef, Pork, Case Ready) QA and Food Safety group and spends most of her nonworking hours schlepping the kids to Tae-kwon-do tournaments. Nick, her 8 year old, is a blue belt and won the South Dakota State Championship for sparring in his class. Rachel, 10, is a green belt and took second place in sparring at the same tournament. They are headed to Orlando to the Junior Olympics with both of them in July to see how they stack up against the national competition. She notes, "Donny and I caught the Rising Tour in KC. It's not the same watching Springsteen without **Beverly DiTaranti Tramontelli**, but we managed to enjoy ourselves despite being surrounded by all these really old-looking people. Hard to believe we're coming up on our 20th anniversary, but 1983 was a good year for weddings, as **Beverly** and **Angelo** celebrated theirs a few days ago."

Mario Alfano, MBA '84, has returned to Boston and set up his own marketing consulting practice. Dr. **Jeff Axelbank** is a psychologist and management consultant. He has a private practice for psychotherapy, as well as consulting work to corporations and other organizations about the functioning of work groups and

teams. Jeff lives with wife Lori Freedman (Boston U. '80) and their children Ariella, 11, and Elan, 7, in Central New Jersey. In addition to all this work and family stuff, Jeff CAN'T WAIT to see Bruce Springsteen with Cornell classmates **Janet Fine** and **Dave Redberg** in July!

Stephen Kohn is a licensed clinical social worker. He has focused his professional practice almost exclusively on management coaching and employee assistance consulting services. Stephen is president of Work & People Solutions, a human resources management consulting firm based in White Plains, NY. He has recently co-authored a book entitled *Six Indispensable Human Relations Practices Used by Bosses Everyone Admires Most*, which can be purchased at Amazon.com. **Clifford Cook**, MRP '87 (cmc54@cornell.edu) is working as a city planner for Cambridge, MA, where he has been employed for seven years. He lives in Watertown with wife Roxanne and son Eli, 4. **Kenneth Rock**, P.E., has been promoted to VP, Chief Electrical Engineer at Mueller Associates.

Hope you enjoyed the news. If you are still thirsting for more, perhaps you can start thinking about Reunion 2005 (our 25th!). **Jodi Diehl** Nestle (navycows@adelphia.net or jnestle@merimack.k12.nh.us) is looking for input concerning your likes and dislikes from past reunions, souvenir ideas, and whether you can help. She and **Nancy McIntyre** Hollinshead are starting to plan and would like to hear from you. Once again, thank you all for responding to my SOS. Hope all is well. We look forward to more of your news! ♦ **Cynthia Addonizio-Bianco**, caa28@cornell.edu; **Jill Abrams** Klein, jfa22@cornell.edu.

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It's summertime! What are you doing during these precious, warm months to get away from all the stress of life? Are you headed to the Vineyard, the Hamptons, Nantucket, the Jersey Shore, the West Coast, Europe, or just to your backyard pool? Whatever you are doing, we hope your days are filled with peace and joy. Our column is a bit short this month because we're waiting for all your news to arrive. Did you renew your subscription to *Cornell Alumni Magazine*? In the mailing sent to you, there is a News form. Please take a few minutes to update us on your family news, professional information, and volunteer activities.

Robert Sanders (rsanders@faesy-sanders.com) just sent his form back. He and his wife of seven years, Allison, live in Wilton, CT, with their son, 4. Robert is a vice president and partner at Faesy & Sanders Architects in Wilton. His volunteer activities include town government, the Norfield Church music board, and Ogden House, a teen center. **Walter Cruickshank**, deputy director of the Minerals Management Service since April 2002, was recently awarded the Presidential Rank of Meritorious Executive Award. A 15-year employee of MMS, Walter has played a key role in the development and implementation of President Bush's National Energy Policy within the Dept. of Interior. Another key career accomplishment was the initiation of the

royalty-in-kind program at MMS. Under this program, MMS is testing the effectiveness of taking royalties "in kind" as an alternative to the traditional cash payment for collecting mineral royalties. Walter lives in Maryland with his wife and two children.

Sheryl WuDunn, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, recently became anchor and principal writer for "Page One," the Discover Times Channel's nightly three-minute program that gives viewers an exclusive first look at the stories headed for the next day's front page of the *New York Times*. "Page One" airs Monday through Friday, 10:00 p.m. EST. During the 1990s, Sheryl served as a *New York Times* correspondent in Beijing and Tokyo. In 1990, she and husband Nicholas Kristof, now an Op-Ed columnist at the *Times*, won the Pulitzer for their coverage of China's Tiananmen Square democracy movement. They were the first married couple to win a Pulitzer for journalism together, and Sheryl was also the first Asian-American to do so. The couple also won the George Polk Award and the Overseas Press Club Award for their reporting in China. Sheryl has an MBA from Harvard. What an accomplished woman!

In Seal Beach near Los Angeles, CA, **JoAnn Minsker** Adams and husband Bud recently opened a successful coffeehouse called BOGART's. They serve wonderful lattes, mochas, gourmet pastries, and bagels (www.bogartscoffee.com). If you are in the area, stop in and say hello to JoAnn and her team.

Last summer, several of our classmates attended Adult University (CAU). **Jocelyn Bowie** did the Tennis Clinic; **Karen Everet** did Natural Life in Ice-Age New York; **Michele Chape** Hanss did the Wine Class; and **Kathy Beauregard** Haswell did Star Treks: The Past, Present and Future of Space Exploration.

Here in the Boston area, I am enjoying life as a single mom with my children James, 11, and MaryAnn, 9. We are looking forward to spending a few relaxing weeks in Falmouth, Cape Cod. Drop us an e-mail to let us know what you did this summer! Enjoy! ♦ **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, kathleen_lashoto@equityofice.com; **Jennifer Read** Campbell, ronjen.cam@aol.com; or **Betsy Silverfine**, bsilverfine@rogers.com.

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It's already been a year since we celebrated our 20th Reunion. How time flies by! In the "It's a small world" category, **John McDaniel** (John.S.Mcdaniel@bge.com) wrote that he was standing on a train platform in Baltimore on the way to Philadelphia, when **Jim Magruder** (jmagrude@centerstage.org) walked up to him and said, "Weren't you in the Class of 1982 at Cornell?" John reports that Jim has had a great career in the performing arts since graduating. He went to Yale for graduate work in drama, and taught at both Yale and Johns Hopkins. His current primary occupation is associate dramaturg at Center Stage in Baltimore, where he recently received a large grant from the Mellon Foundation. Congrats and continued success to Jim! And, as it turns out, Jim and

John live about 100 feet from each other across an alley near Johns Hopkins in Baltimore. It amazed John that Jim recognized him. You never know where you're going to run into a fellow classmate.

Robin Horowitz Friehling (Friehlings1@aol.com) and husband **David '81** wrote from New City, NY, that they and **Karen Gochman** Abrahams found each other at a summer camp reunion for their kids. After the event, Robin, Karen, and **Ginny Pados** Beutnagel had their own reunion, and look forward to spending more "quality time" together. **Miriam Akabas** (mha9@cornell.edu) was hired by a Cornellian at The Birch Wathen Lenox School, where she is in her third year of teaching. She finds her work truly rewarding and says that children Eli, 8, and Ariel, 5, enjoy visiting her on their days off from school. "The warmth of the students and of colleagues is compelling. It's a real community and a great place to work," writes Miriam.

Class president **Lorraine Aronowitz** Danzig and husband Rob held a Scrabble/Boggle Night for friends, which was a big hit. Joining them were **Lauren Silfen**, Miriam Akabas and husband Dave, and **Julia Chu '87**. There were others in attendance, but the Cornellians were high scorers. "Okay, very nerdy, but fun!" writes Lorraine. Best wishes to **Loren Susser**, whose wedding announcement, which appeared in the *New York Times*, said that she and Brandon Palmer were married in New York City at the end of January. Since graduation, Loren has received a master's degree in social work from Columbia and an MBS from Baruch, and was a corporate manager in the New York office of Aetna.

In the "I wonder what ever happened to him" news, I had lunch with **Steve Gans**, a U-Hall 3 dormmate, who left Cornell after our freshman year to return home to Brandeis. After a pro-soccer tour with the Baltimore Blast, then law school, Steve practiced in Boston and is currently COO and general counsel for the New England Mobile Book Fair/Jessica's Biscuit, a book and publishing company. He lives in Newton, MA, with wife Lori and sons Noah and Joshua. Steve says he still has strong feelings for and feels a debt of gratitude to Cornell, and would love to reconnect with classmates with whom he's lost touch. You can reach him at sgans@ecookbooks.com.

Wendy Raymond has moved one mile to 261 Pine Cobble Rd., Williamstown, MA 01267 (wraymond@williams.edu). With sloping grades and plenty of mud to secure, she's happy to receive horticulture tips from anyone experienced with northern planting. Wendy writes, "With my mom moving in with us, I really feel like a grown-up. My husband Dave has been dubbed an angel by everyone who learns of our news. I told a friend of my dream that one day an orphan would appear on our doorstep for us to adopt. Then I had to laugh, because, in fact, my 78-year-old orphan has arrived. Be careful what you wish for!" Another tidbit from Wendy: "A Williams College student of mine who knew I went to Cornell told me she was all excited about a visit she planned to Ithaca for later in the spring, because she'd never seen the campus

but heard of its great beauty. I asked, 'When are you going?' and she replied, 'For Slope Day.' I smiled . . . very broadly. What memories."

In the not too early to mention news, **Terry Kilmer** Oosterom says save the date for our Homecoming tailgate party on October 25, which Terry will be hosting under a blue ("Sorry, couldn't find a red one") tent. Look for her and **Greg Busby** and our class banner! Contact Terry at Cornelltko@aol.com. Hope to hear from you with more news updates from our News and Dues mailing before then! ♦ **Nina Kondo**, nmk22@cornell.edu; and **Donna DeSilva**, rjodmd@starpower.net.

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While I would really like to report on reunion activities—who was there, what they did, who really looks 42, who doesn't—I'm afraid that I cannot. I am writing this in April, but we can look forward to reading all the reunion news in the Sept/Oct issue. I do, however, have some Class of '83 news to share that was received this spring with the News and Dues cards and via e-mail.

I was happy to hear from **Velan Thillairajah**, who is living and working in Vienna, VA. Velan's company, EAI Technologies, just had its two-year anniversary. He writes, "EAI focuses on application development using Java, XML, and Web Services technologies for companies like AOL, Network Solutions, KPMG, Commerzban, and VeriSign." Velan and wife Lisa have children Nathan, 8, and Anna, 5, to keep them busy and, according to Velan, "entertained as well." **Steve Novak** married Dawn Daniels during an ice storm on Apr. 5, '03 in Rochester, NY. They met in their church community in Rochester and share an interest in social justice issues. They have traveled to Haiti and Chiapas, Mexico, on humanitarian trips in the past and hope to continue to do so in the future.

Given the time delay inherent in alumni reporting, the news we recently reported about **Vivian Schiller** was out of date before it was even published! Vivian has left CNN and moved to Washington, DC, with her family and is now heading up a new television network called Discovery Times Channel as general manager/senior VP. It launched on March 25. The network is a joint venture between the *New York Times* and Discovery Networks and features documentaries on domestic and international stories, many of them based on *New York Times* reporting. Good luck, Vivian!

"I just finished an MS in applied physics at Johns Hopkins U.," writes **Martin Gomez**, ME '84. "I'm putting my new degree to work immediately—I've been appointed mission system engineer for a new scientific spacecraft, so a little piece of Upson Hall will be going on an interplanetary voyage in time for our 25th Reunion." **Dominic Fote** is a criminal prosecutor with the law firm Chapman, Glucksmann & Dean in Los Angeles. He writes, "I am in L.A., living in a tiny condo in Malibu on the ocean with my wife Becky (also an attorney) and children Gianna, 10, and Adam, 8." At the time this was written (pre-reunion), Dom was looking

forward to catching up with **Benjy Goldman**. He also reported that he's been sharing his '70s music with his kids and turned them into "big Traffic fans."

Kevin Cope brought us up to date through the News and Dues cards. "I continue to be very involved in serving as a family doctor in our small town of Broadalbin. I am also medical director of our local hospital in Amsterdam, and on the leadership team of a non-denominational church we helped start. The church is called Fulmont Community Church and ministers to the Fulton and Montgomery county areas of New York. All this would not be possible without my wife Sally, who serves alongside me and helps raise our four children. Who has time for a midlife crisis?" Kevin invites members of the class of '83 to "stop by and say hello if you are in our area. God is Good!"

Living in Cobleskill, NY, **Miriam Garver McGuire** wrote, "I work on a common sense program to reduce non-point source pollution in the NYC watershed. It's hands-on science with a dose of political controversy. I enjoy working with Cornell's Water Resource Inst. on some projects. My husband and two children and I ski, hike, travel, and camp together. We have a variety of interests, at times too diverse, but it works. We just need more time to do everything."

Congratulations go to **Kim Leffert**, who wrote, "On Oct. 5, '02 I married Ed Silverstein at the Hotel Inter-Continental in Chicago. Ed is a computer engineer at Tellabs and I'm (still) practicing labor and employment law at Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw. **Julienne Bramesco** and husband **Glenn Law** attended our beautiful wedding. Ed and I live in Chicago. It's a ten-minute walk from our living room to our season ticket seats at Wrigley Field. I can't wait to show Cornell to Ed at our reunion!" Congratulations of a different sort go to **Kathleen Tobin Erb**, JD '86, who announces, "My husband Bruce and I are happy to share the news of the birth of our first child, McKenna Tobin Erb. She was born on June 25, '02. This is the third grandchild for proud grandparents Jeanne and **Frank Tobin '55**." Kathleen and Bruce live in Anchorage, AK.

After five years, this is my final column and I wanted to take the opportunity to thank all of you who have written in over the years about your important life events, both the happy and the sad. I've really enjoyed being part of shoring up our connections so many years after leaving Cornell. When I started writing this column I was a full-time, at-home mom with daughters who were 2 and 8. In the years since, I have watched my daughters grow and have also become both more involved in my community—doing alumni interviewing for Cornell and even running an Irish Dance school at one point—and then less involved as I went through a difficult time seeking a diagnosis for some disturbing medical symptoms in the winter of 2001. I was later diagnosed with an autoimmune disorder called Sjogren's Syndrome, a disorder that first began tentatively revealing itself to me our senior year at Cornell.

Now, five years since I started my term as

class correspondent, my daughters continue to grow (they are now 7 and 13), **Steve Kern** and I are coming up on our 18th anniversary, and I'm responding well to medical treatment. I'm also working again, at present as the director of admissions for The Madeleine Choir School in Salt Lake City. What I enjoyed most about being a correspondent was hearing from old friends when I least expected it. I think of it as the e-mail version of facetime. I hope to continue to hear from old classmates even though my term is up, and as I have yet to meet another person with

Last summer, our class had a great turnout at Adult University (CAU). **Gail Rowe** and **John and Anita Lawrence Ferro** participated in a weeklong class called Understanding the Science of Everyday Things. **Emily Liu** Filloramo and husband Richard attended the Tennis Clinic and the Golf Clinic. **Timothy Harrod** also did the Golf Clinic. **Virginia Greene** worked in the Sculpture Studio doing constructions in wood. And **Donald '83** and **Allison Grove Gulbrandson** participated in the Writing Workshop: Reality, Imagination, and the Problem of "Truth" in

'A little piece of Upson Hall will be going on an interplanetary voyage.'

MARTIN GOMEZ '83

Sjogren's, would love to hear from any classmates who also have this disorder. Oh, and feel free to contact me if you'd be interested in the job of co-class correspondent. I don't know if the post has been filled yet. ♦ **Jennifer Hughes Kern**, jenniferkern@juno.com; **Scott and Patty Palmer Dulman**, pdulman@earthlink.net.

84 **Angelina Chueh** says, "Life is definitely different from anything I ever expected when I was at Cornell. I'm married to a Frenchman since last year, and we're happy, already, to announce the arrival of our son Antoine. He joined us during the Queen's 50th Jubilee Weekend, so his arrival was celebrated with parades and concerts all around London!" Instead of working in medicine, Angelina is now a marketing director in asset management after several years as an investment manager. She also never thought she'd live half of her post-college days overseas! **Keith Friedenberg** and wife have been married for 11 years now. They had their third child last year. Bryan is 7, Ryan is 3-1/2, and Reid is 1. Keith is doing better in all aspects of his life than he thought possible while at Cornell. He loves Ohio because of the high quality of life. His plans for the next 40 years: "Watch all my children grow and excel in all their life endeavors."

Ted Doheny has been elected vice president of Ingersoll-Rand Company Limited and named president of Ingersoll-Rand Business Services, a new position. During his tenure at IR Air Solutions, Ted helped create, develop, and implement the firm's "Solutionizing T" strategy. He helped transform the Air Solutions unit's business model from that of a "compressor company" to that of a leading solutions provider. **Ranjeet Sudan**, BS Eng '86, and wife Missy are living in Silicon Valley. They have a 1-year-old daughter. **Mike Scully** was one of six former All-Americans to head the list of 12 new members inducted into the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame at the 25th annual ceremonies last November. Mike was a football linebacker at Cornell. Membership in the Hall of Fame now totals 429.

Autobiographical Writing. It all sounds like a lot of fun. Definitely one of the activities I would like to try someday!

Farland Chang is a former anchor at CNN and current CEO of the media communications company WorldBizWatch. His integrated media communications company produces business news programs for broadcast, syndication, and licensing. In the first six months of serving Malaysian communities, the most well-received service was Media Training. **Vanessa Ginley Noel**, BFA '86, recently opened the boutique Vanessa Noel Hotel, or VNH, in the center of Nantucket. The property, which she designed, opened on July 4, '02. Attached to the VNH is her shoe boutique. She has had a store on Nantucket since 1994. Vanessa spent six months renovating the three-story property, supervising every detail and dealing with all the requisite municipal limitations that come with changing a historic structure. The eight-room inn was completely booked for its opening week. We wish Vanessa success with her new undertaking.

Terri Port McClellan survived her 40th birthday in March. Jim threw her a not-so-surprise party. Her team at work decorated the office building in her honor—black and white balloons and happy 40th birthday signs all the way from the lobby to her office. The door was also wrapped in "Over-the-Hill" paper—payback for all the birthday celebrations Terri has instigated in the past. At lunch they served a tombstone cake. Terry writes, "So many of the people I worked with didn't realize I was that old. Maybe now I'll get a little more respect . . . NOT!" Terri and her family survived the renovations of a new deck and sunroom. Now that the snow has finally melted, her next big project is putting in the gardens around the new deck. She's trying to do a red and white garden and says that if there are any Aggies with good suggestions for Zone 5 in New Hampshire, e-mail her. Terri visited with **Joan Guilfoyle**, her husband Jim Stewart, and their new son Christopher, born February 8, during a trip to Washington, DC, at the end of February. Mom, Dad, and new baby are doing great!

We're starting the push for reunion planning. The officers met in NYC on January 24 and discussed plans for the events of reunion weekend, as well as the organization of our Cornell Fund Reunion Campaign. We're still looking for volunteers. If classmates are interested, drop one of us an e-mail.

Jennifer Lauro has joined the firm of Burns and Levinson LLP as a partner in their Labor, Employment, and Employee Benefits Group and Business Litigation Group. Formerly a vice managing partner at Peabody and Arnold LLP, Jennifer concentrates her practice in the areas of employment law and commercial litigation. She defends businesses against a variety of suits including discrimination, sexual harassment, and wrongful termination. She also prosecutes and

Chicago, and now six in the Carolinas, I'm officially a Southerner. I drink sweet tea and eat fried vegetables."

After teaching science in New York City public schools, **Chris Pandolfi** attended Master's Seminary in Los Angeles. Now he loves going to work every day at a Baptist church in Medford, Long Island, where he has served as pastor for the past five years and has seen great results in the areas of counseling and outreach. Also on Long Island, **Allan Klinger** works as a radiologist and, with wife Alisa and children Matt, 7, and Marc, 5, lives in Dix Hills. **C.J. Britt**, settled in Lyons, NY, kept his news succinct: "Married; three children."

Pizza at The Nines plays a big role in the fond memories of many of our classmates and

inato Wickham, George, PhD '90, and **Jill Blackstock Daddis, Edy Dale, and John '83 and Pat Kerwawycz Stewart '82**. Bill notes that much fun and frivolity were had by all, both on and off the slopes. The Pages extend best 40th wishes to their classmates.

Enjoying his downtime, **Dr. Steve Weinman** went snowboarding in northern Japan. In between his powder adventures, Steve works in New York and Vermont emergency departments and communicates with **Jacintha Thung Pelouch '88** in Texas, who has two beautiful girls, and **Brian Hirsch '86, BA '88**, who lives with his wife and two daughters in Alaska providing wind power for native populations. Opting for much warmer temperatures, **Jay, BArch '86**, and **Kathy Chan Valgora** vacationed in Central America this past winter. "Jay and I have terrific boys (Tyler, 4-1/2, and Julian, 1-1/2). We just got back from Belize, where Tyler learned to snorkel and we discovered the great beauty of the sealife around the second largest coral reef in the world. Julian became known as 'the Wild Julian bird,' as he competed with the morning calls of the tropical birds in the rain forest with his shrieking. I am working as an account director at a boutique ad agency, Stein Rogan & Partners, where we just completed the biggest ad campaign for Sundance Channel in NYC and L.A. Jay is the principal design director at Walker Group. He just learned that two of his designs (a retail building for Lladro in Ginza, Japan, and a shopping complex in Bilbao, Spain) were awarded top honors by the retail industry. We are still living in New York and loving it." Jay and Kathy socialize with many Cornellians, including classmates **Chuck Rosenzweig, JD '88**, and wife **Stacy (Oratz) '86**, **Scott Lauer, BArch '86**, **Chris Stachecki** and **Dorothy Pierson '87**, **Ed Bakos, BArch '86**, **Linda Kao, and Jay, BArch '86**, and **Sandra Levy Lampros '88**.

Kathleen Rowe proudly announced that her eponymous business, Kathleen Rowe Associates, a Needham, MA-based public relations and marketing communication firm, won the Platinum Award for product or service communications in the 2002 League of American Communication Professionals' Magellan Competition. The award recognized the firm's work on behalf of the MIT Sloan School of Management. In addition to managing the media relations for the event and building the competition's reputation, Kathleen worked with MIT students to develop business plans that many hope to form into actual companies. In scholarly pursuit, **Melina Pappademos** is finishing her doctorate in history at NYU. As often as possible, she returns to Greece: "It's my heritage and I haven't seen enough of it yet."

Tracey Nichol Austin shares this story about her 3-year-old daughter Jill: "I went to an art gallery opening and decided to carry my daughter in her backpack so she could see things too. It was somewhat quiet until she announced that she had 'poopy drawers' to everyone who walked by." When not chasing Jill around, Tracey still is the associate director for corporate sales for Upstate NY with Verizon Wireless and lives

'You never realize how important electricity is until you and three kids and a husband have to do without it for three days!'

MAUREEN LAFFEY BILLS '86

defends claims involving unfair competition and contract and trade secret disputes. **Guy Donatiello** has been elected president of the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Assn. (PIPLA). PIPLA was established in 1923 "to advocate steadfastly our Constitutional provision for the promotion of science and the useful arts; to further high standards of professional ethics; to promote the development and administration of the patent, trademark, and copyright laws; to increase the knowledge of patent law and related subjects; and to promote professional relationships."

On the **McManus** front, **Don, M Eng '85**, and I decided to try snowboarding this winter, after being avid skiers our whole lives. Well, 30 minutes into our first lesson, I fell and broke my leg! Of course, our 7-year-old son Collin did three days of snowboarding with no injuries. And Hannah, who is 3, can't wait to get back on the slopes for more skiing. Please send news with your class dues or just e-mail one of us at the addresses below. ♦ **Karla Sievers McManus**, Klorax@attbi.com; and **Lindsay Liotta Forness**, Fornesszone@aol.com. Class website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1984.

85 With the snowy and icy blizzards of 2003 behind us, enjoy the summer! Finding life pleasurable in the Charlotte, NC, area, **Barry Greenblatt** raves about the terrific weather, with color on the trees into late December and flowers that bloom in early March (but he got his frosty share of the Blizzard of 2003). He is doing great, as is wife Karen and their twins Jacob and Brandon, who just finished first grade. Barry continues to labor at the Bank of America, now supporting the Credit Derivatives group. He comments, "After four winters in Ithaca, 12 in

includes **David Votypka** and **Jesse Wagner, MD '89**, among its devotees. The Votypka family farm celebrated 55 years of growing NYS potatoes in 2002: "We have changed many things, but potatoes have always been grown on our farm." Votypka potatoes, not to be confused with Idaho bakers, are used for potato chips (as sold to client Wise). Dave also avidly remembers swimming and jumping into the gorge that ran through North Campus with his former roomie **Scott Chapman**, who now operates a chiropractic practice with wife Carol near Boston, MA. Jesse Wagner, the director of a ten-physician (and growing) hospitalist program at Middlesex Hospital in Middletown, CT, wrote in: "Sadly divorced but starting a new phase in my life with an upbeat look toward the tremendous possibilities of the future. Spending more time with my children (Sara, class of 2018, and Joshua, class of 2020) than ever before."

Winnie Dunn celebrates a new family! Winnie married architect Lawrence Kearns in Chicago over Thanksgiving weekend 2002, surrounded by family and many Cornell friends, such as **Bill, ME E '86**, and **Stephanie Liniger Page, Jill Blackstock Daddis, Mark and Kelly Martin, and Jim Joseph**. For the past seven years, Winnie has been the program director of a children's mental health program at DePaul U. in Chicago, with administrative, clinical, and teaching responsibilities. Now Winnie and Larry live in Oak Park, IL, with his two wonderful kids Colleen and Kevin. Another celebration was in the works as Stephanie donned her hostess hat in January and threw a surprise 40th birthday party for Bill at the Hunt Hollows ski club outside Rochester, NY. "Old photos of wild parties at PIKA were on display, as well as some childhood pictures, including those '70s hairdos." In attendance were **Bill '86** and **Debbie Spamp-**

in Ithaca with husband Bill, who currently is the Racquet Sports Director at Ithaca College (after a stint in the same role for Cornell). In addition to keeping in touch with **Greg '87**, MLA '96, and **Sue Dinda Fischer '86**, she had a great time seeing everyone, including **Mara Horwitz Smith**, **Birgit Zeeb**, and half the football team at the Cornell Hall of Fame Dinner this past fall when **Mike Scully '84** was inducted.

The Division of Neurosurgery at the Naval Medical Center, which was recently commended by the Dept. of Defense as a Center of Excellence in neurosurgery, calls **Cmdr. Nick Theodore** its Chief. Still in San Diego, Nick keeps up with East Coasters **Craig Stanley** in New York and **Tim Norris** in Massachusetts, and tries to keep up with Constantine, 4, and John, 2. Kudos Korner: A news release from Turner Investment Partners announced the appointment of **Antoinette Robbins** to Chief Compliance Officer for the investment management firm. Antoinette now lives in King of Prussia, PA. The *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* sang the praises of **Hugh Chou**, who has developed nearly 200 financial calculators for various websites. Illinois Wesleyan U. announced the tenure and promotion of **Abigail Jahiel** to associate professor, political science. Congratulations to all! ♦ **Sandy Ng Cassidy**, sandrang924@yahoo.com; **Risa Mish**, rmm22@cornell.edu.

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I write on an unusually warm April day here in New England. It's 80 degrees—temperatures the weather people say we haven't seen since last October. I now believe New England is only slightly above Ithaca on the weather favorability scale. I also write on the heels of the defeat of Cornell men's hockey in the Frozen Four. The upset came from the U. of New Hampshire, which is just up the road from me, so the game was broadcast in our local schools. "Don't worry, Mommy, I cheered for Cornell!" my 7-year-old informed me. She may have been in the minority, but at least she was loyal to the Big Red! I'm sure **Elizabeth Mead** was interested in the outcome of the game as well. "I am now a fan of ALL Cornell athletic teams," she writes, "as I'm newly married to Andy Noel, Cornell's Director of Athletics." Elizabeth writes of reunions with classmates at various athletic events this year, including a slew in the Boston area, namely **Patricia Belden**, **Holly Hart**, **Deirdre Maltais** Heisler, **Anne Cowie**, and **Chris and Donna-Lee Gargano Selland**. Elizabeth also keeps in touch with **Ellen Nordberg**, who lives in San Pedro, CA, with her husband.

Nancy Abrams Dreier writes from Florida with news about the circuit of movie theaters she owns with her husband. "We found that with the war going on, people are looking for a respite from CNN, and we offer an inexpensive entertainment option," Nancy says. She reports that her children, ages 10 and 13, often "work" in the theaters selling popcorn. "Professor **Wendell Earle**, PhD '50, would be proud of these young entrepreneurs," Nancy writes. You can check out the theater website at SunriseCine.com. Other self-employed classmates in-

clude **Susan Seligsohn Howell** and husband **Steve '84**, who own a residential design company in the Boston area. "We were recently named one of the '101 best companies to work for' by *Professional Remodeler*," Susan reports. She also sends news of a recent trip to Chicago, where she visited with **Laura Nieboer-Hine** and husband **Clarkson Hine '85**.

Michael Erlanger reports news of professional accomplishments in the architectural field, too. The firm he co-founded in 2000, **Aparia Design**, recently completed a "destination spa" for Sheraton Corp. on an Indian reservation south of Phoenix. "The project was unique due to the cultural and historical guidelines we were required to follow," Michael says. The resort was recently featured in *Hospitality Design* magazine.

Classmates on the move include **Jeffrey Cowan**, who spent two adventurous weeks traveling through Kenya with **Marc Lacey '87**, the *New York Times* correspondent for East Africa. Their adventures included visiting the home of the chief suspect in the November 2002 Mombasa hotel terrorist attack and hiking through the gorges of Hell's Gate National Park. The duo also communed with the zebras on Crescent Island and ran out of gas in the Turkana bush country in 105 degree heat. Definitely not your ordinary day at the office! **Vicky Beer** writes of travels a little closer to home, namely Orcas Island, Vancouver, and various spots in Montana. "I'm a physician practicing internal medicine part-time in a non-profit community health center just outside Seattle," Vicky writes. She's married to attorney **Jeff Sprung** and the couple has daughter **Hava**, almost 2.

"Not a lot of 'new news' to report," writes **Irene Hendricks**, "but I did want to mention that I have a relatively new job as VP of Human Resources for MBIA Insurance Corp. in Armonk, NY." Irene also reports that **Jennifer Ellenberg** had a baby girl last March and works as a VP with GE Capital Aviation Services in Stamford, CT. "After surviving the Upstate New York Ice Storm of 2003, I'm back on-line after three days without power," writes **Maureen Lafey Bills**. "You never realize how important electricity is until you and three kids and a husband have to do without it for three days!" And speaking of power, Maureen also reports that **Roxane Maywalt** is still a "power attorney" specializing in energy law, but has traded her Washington, DC, job for a simpler life in Upstate New York. Roxane works for the company that owns Niagara Mohawk, by the way, so Maureen knows who to call the next time the lights go out!

"I have a tidbit for you," begins **Karen Dillon**. "I left *Inc.* magazine, where I had been deputy editor for five years, to join *Harvard Business Review* as deputy editor in March." Karen has daughters **Emma** and **Rebecca**. **Keneth Roldan** has been named chief executive officer of Wesley, Brown & Bartle, a search firm specializing in executives of color. "WB&B has recruited executives into more than 300 companies in the Fortune 500," reports Mike Paul, the firm's president. Ken is also president of the Cornell Latino Alumni Assn. and a new member of Cornell's Trustee Council.

And a column wouldn't be complete without news of recent births. We're happy to report that **Ilene Weisbard** Berman and husband Dan recently welcomed their third child, **Flora Tess**. I also just received an e-mail from **Suzanne Perla**. "I have very new news," Suzanne says. "She's just six days old!" The new arrival, **Madeleine Aviva Blank**, joins siblings **Josh** and **Rebecca**. And speaking of news, please keep it coming. You can stop by our class website next time you're on the Web, www.classof86.cornell.edu, and share the latest with us. Or write to one of us. Keep in touch! ♦ **Allison Farbaniec** MacLean, aaf9@cornell.edu; **Hilory Federgreen** Wagner, haf5@cornell.edu; and **Jackie Byers** Davidson, katwhisperer@hotmail.com.

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I can't believe that I'm still digging out from winter in April. Am I in Ithaca? No, I am here in Westchester County, finishing up my second year at New York U. School of Social Work, working 21 hours a week in fieldwork and still being a full-time mom for my 4- and 2-year-old. So, what is going on with you all, dear classmates? **George Stelling** was recently promoted to VP of sales operations at ON Semiconductor to drive an ambitious transformation program designed to improve the effectiveness and delivery of sales operations, eBusiness, and marketing communications within the company. George joined ON Semiconductor in November 2002 leading strategic projects in several key areas of the company. George was previously senior VP and CIO at The Franklin Mint.

Wendy Wagner recently moved to Auburn, ME. She is teaching part-time at U. of Maine, Augusta and at Central Maine Technical College. She writes, "I also had another baby—a son named Eric, who joins big sister Sophie. We recently spent a week in New York visiting family. Our big outings were to the Bronx Zoo (with kids) and the Matisse-Picasso exhibit at MOMA (without kids)." Did you get the chance to hear a reading of **James Sturz's** literary thriller *SASSO*? Well, if it was at Queens College, you were lucky enough to hear James, as well as actor **Kevin Hogan** reading the role of Antonio Montefalcone. *SASSO* is set in southern Italy in the mid-1970s and told by an American anthropologist who travels there to study the local community just after the discovery of two mysterious murders and some equally enigmatic frescoes. For reviews and more information, please visit www.jamessturz.com.

Here's news from **David Price**, who is now part of "Good Day Live." Dave was in San Diego covering the Super Bowl and was broadcasting live from Disney World for that show. Dave has also been getting involved in areas of the news besides weather, most recently with the breaking news coverage of the shuttle disaster for Channel 5 in New York. He has been traveling extensively, taking trips to Vietnam, Cambodia, Japan, and Peru in the last 12 months or so. A happy part of his travels is that he runs into classmates all over the globe. He recently saw **Dave Menz** in New York (he lives in Ohio) and **Leslie Brickman** in Miami. Leslie is working at the Marriott

Rove Like an Egyptian

MIKE BASSETT '87

In the summer of 2002, Mike Bassett found out that working inside the Great Pyramid has its challenges, including extreme heat, scant light, and poor air circulation. "There were times when you couldn't light a lighter, there was so little air," Bassett says. "One of the guys was screaming, 'Get a parakeet! When the parakeet dies, I'm out of here!'"

An engineer with Burlington, Massachusetts-based iRobot Corporation, Bassett headed a team that designed and built a robot to explore what lay behind a mysterious door within the Egyptian landmark. Bassett drove the Pyramid Rover—twelve centimeters wide, thirty centimeters long, and expandable from eleven to twenty-eight centimeters tall—deep inside a tiny shaft to the limestone door. "We were looking at things nobody had seen since the construction of the pyramid," Bassett says.

The team eventually maneuvered the robot to drill a hole in the door;



on a later mission, the rover inserted a camera through the opening for a *National Geographic* broadcast, with the results revealed live on the Fox network. The door, located off the queen's burial chamber, proved to lead to . . . another door, which has yet to be opened.

— Heather Schroeder '03

Eden Rock Resort on Collins Ave.

D.L. Ressel continues to work at Viacom. **Gligor Tashkovich**, MBA '91, was recently appointed to the official US delegation to monitor the presidential elections in the Republic of Armenia. **Fred Barber** led a team of 15 people on a short-term mission trip from Church of the Hills in Austin, TX, to Namibia in Southwest Africa last summer. The group worked in a squatter camp doing basic health screening and AIDS caregiver training, and worked with students in high schools in the capital city, Windhoek, on AIDS prevention. Fred taught a short course in Christian doctrines at the U. of Namibia. This was his fourth trip to Namibia since 1995.

Have you spotted **Hugh O'Gorman** recently? Well, **Tom Tseng**, ME C '94, was flipping channels and came upon the CBS sitcom "Still Standing," and there was Hugh guest-starring as a college pal of the main character. Hugh

is a star of "Remember WENN" and "The Tenth Kingdom," and has been in numerous films and Broadway productions. He was also a guest star on "ER," and is currently head of acting at Cal-State, Long Beach. Did you spot **Scott Pesner** at the Frozen Four? The hockey team made the Frozen Four for the first time in 23 years, but lost to U. of New Hampshire in the semis. Scott was there, captured on ESPN2 buying souvenirs during the first intermission.

Finally, a group of class officers recently got together at the home of **Stacey Neuhofer** Silberzweig and husband Jeff. In attendance were class president **John Gee**, yours truly, **Melissa Hodes**, and Stacey and Jeff. Joining us on the phone were **Chris Olsen**, Scott Pesner, Tom Tseng, and **Eileen Napolitano**. That's all for now. Send us news. We love to hear from you. ♦ **Debra Howard Stern**, dstern@acksys.com; or **Tom S. Tseng**, tseng@stanford.edu.

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Strange as it sounds, I am writing this column from what can best be described as a "temporal news dead zone." You see, our magazine deadline forces me to complete this column in mid-April prior to reunion, but by the time you read it, our 15th Reunion will be but a fading memory. The result: in our first post-reunion column, I am completely unable to tell you just how wonderful a time we had! I can't say what a fabulous job **Pam Darer** Anderson and **Lisa Pasquale** Semmes and their crew did (although I can laud them on how hard they've been working up to this point!), I can't enthuse about the fair weather, the lavish dinners, the triumphant class spirit, the attendees and their adorable children, or the current state of the campus. I can't even announce who our new class officers are, although I'm pretty sure that you've got **Steve Tomaselli** and me around as columnists for the next five years.

One small consolation is that I can remind you to visit our class website (<http://classof88.alumni.cornell.edu>), where we've already posted all of the latest information, pictures, and reunion reviews, as well as who our new class officers are for the next five years. If you attended reunion, please send Steve and me your pictures and stories, and we'll post those, too! As for the class column, Steve has promised that his take on what happened will appear in the Sept/Oct issue with the magazine's full reunion coverage.

So, in lieu of embarrassing reunion anecdotes and misty-eyed revelations about how everyone's changed yet remained the same, I'll just write about what everyone's been doing outside of Ithaca, with one notable exception. In October 2002, **Suzanne Bors** (twobirch@mind.spring.com) and John Andrews were married on the campus at Sage Chapel. They held their reception at the Johnson Art Museum and were very pleased that fellow Cornellians **Diane Miller**, Andrew '90, BArch '91, and **Betsy Taber Magre**, and Dr. **Julie Ericson** '87 joined them for the celebration.

Further afield, classmate **Paul Sterental** (pgymd@ec-red.com) is living in Bay Harbor, FL, with wife Gloria and children Yael, 8, Moses, 6, and David, 3. Paul completed his MBA at Columbia in 1990, ran a home construction business through 1996 in Miami, and moved to hometown Lima, Peru, in 1997 to build and run a start-up snack-foods manufacturing business (potato chips, tortilla chips, and corn curls). In 2003, Paul and family moved back to Miami, where he continues his career in real estate development. Paul keeps in touch with **Eliana Saragovia** Byck '89, **Daniel Lender**, and **David Adler** '87.

Frank Condon (fscond@yahoo.com) is living in Marlboro, NJ, with wife Samantha and sons Jake, 3-1/2, and Matthew, 1-1/2. Frank is a certified financial planner, VP at UBS PaineWebber, a director with the Financial Planning Assn. of New Jersey, and a director with the Family Selection Committee for the Freehold Area Habitat For Humanity. Also at home in the Garden State are **David** and **Kim Gaver Mullarkey** and their daughters Kara and Jillian. David

joined Johnson & Johnson in global strategic marketing for their pharmaceutical group in Raritan, NJ. Kim, who also works for J&J, changed from the Consumer Group to the Medical Devices & Diagnostics Group and joined in Gynacare, a woman's health group based in Somerville, NC. In 2002, the Mullarkeys built a home and a beach house; they had help on the beach house from **Jeff '86** and **Kathy Cuthill Doughty**.

Matthew Murnane just relocated in Albany, NY, and is relieved to be a homeowner rather than a renter. Matthew's working as a staff neurologist at Albany Medical Center and is on faculty at Albany Medical College. At the medical center, Matthew sees **Tom Perera** and **Dennis McKenna**, who both work as ER physicians, and occasionally runs across **Tyrone Bristol**, who is a local pediatrician. In January, Matthew attended the Cornell-RPI hockey game in Troy with **Steve Krizar**, now a busy family practice doctor in nearby Valatie. Steve and wife **Anne (Carnevale) '90** just added son Joshua to their family. **Greg Wolf** and **Karen Reitz** now have a son and a new daughter, Alessandra.

Andrea Lieblein (andrea_lieblein@hotmail.com) is helping to raise funds for her boyfriend David Weingard, who is competing in Ironman Lake Placid this July, an athletic event consisting of a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride, and a 26.2-mile run. David is a Type 1 diabetic (diagnosed at age 37) and is trying to raise awareness of diabetes and fund diabetes research and related care. He is featured in the June issue of *Triathlete* magazine and will be on ESPN later this summer. Andrea says you can make donations through www.jdrf.org/nyc. Andrea works as a strategic business advisor to a large HMO in NYC.

Mercy Addo-Yobo is an MD and a Fellow of the American College of Ob/Gyn. She remains in touch with **Bernadette Clement**, also a doctor, who was married on May 18, '02, and **Karen Bailey**. **Randall Verhoef** is a senior manufacturing engineer with Raytheon in California. He has boys Ezekiel, Zachariah, and Nehemiah. **Ellen Pospischil Bildsten**, BArch '91, is a principal architect at Bildsten & Sherwin Design Studio Inc. in Santa Barbara, CA. Ellen and husband **Lars, PhD '91**, have daughters Erika, Mariel, and Kate.

Ivy Simms Batos sends word from Moreland Hills, OH, that she has young sons Matthew and Alex, and that she hopes that they'll be future Cornellians. In 2002, Ivy met up with **Valerie Hausman** at Canyon Ranch Spa, and Ivy reports that Valerie received her MBA from Harvard in 1993 and has sons Andrew and Justin. **Raoul Choos** of Newton, MA, has a son Elijah Nathaniel Dean, born on May 13, '01. **Nicole Abbatecola** (nabbatecola@optonline.net) and husband Grant Babyak welcomed their second child, Christopher Nicholas, on May 17, '02. Christopher joins big brother Andrew, 2.

Shari Michels is now an attorney in New York City and married to Eric Buckvar. On Aug. 10, '02, **Joel Fetzer** and Christina Chiu-Hua Wu were married in El Monte, CA. Cornellians in attendance included the best man and U. of Stockholm physics professor **Ansar Fayyazuddin**,

and Cornell economics professor David Ng, the husband of the bride's sister. The service took place at the Evangelical Formosan Church of Los Angeles and was conducted in English (the native language of the groom), Spanish (the native language of the groom's pastor), Mandarin (the native language of the bride), and Taiwanese (the native language of the bride's parents).

Annemarie Etienne reports the marriage of **Myrka Maignan** to **Raymond Smith**. On Nov. 7, '02, **Nicholas Whitcombe** was married to Colleen Kelley in New York City. Nicholas's father was best man, and the groomsmen included classmate **Eric Shaub**, **Mike Browne '87**, and **Gordon Goetzmann '86**, MBA '91. Nicholas and Colleen live in NYC. **Stephen Sheffield**, BFA '89, married Alison in Wellesley, MA, in August 2002. Groomsmen included best man **Matthew Bauer**, **RJ Lavallee**, and **Dave Beiser**. Stephen is teaching advanced black and white photography at the New England School of Photography.

It's always a pleasure to announce news of personal friends, and I'd like to close this column with glad tidings of Julie Laura Mansfield Griswold, born to **Beth "Patchy" Mansfield** and **Ken Griswold** on Dec. 31, '02. Please keep your letters and e-mails coming, and don't forget to send along digital pictures or news of your fellow classmates. Cheers, and enjoy the summer weather. ♦ **Larry Goldman**, lig2@cornell.edu; **Steve Tomaselli**, st89@cornell.edu.

89 Due to a hiccup in the rotation last fall, I'm writing my first piece in a year, so I thought I'd begin with a little personal news. Last June, **Lauren Kidder McGarry** and I were fortunate to have **Scott '88** and **Alexa Coin Florence '87** visit while en route from their home in Davenport, IA, to Ithaca for **Joanne Cappucci '87**, MBA '93's wedding. Scott is gainfully employed as the president of Nancy's Pies, "America's Leading Source of No Sugar Added and Sugar Free Baked Desserts," and Alexa is fully occupied keeping him and their son Ben in line. Highlights of the stay included the typical ritualistic outdoor cooking of meats, consumption of beverages, and pyrotechnic displays in the "back 40." My son Thane, 5, and daughter Jillian, 3, especially enjoyed the buttermilk pancake "pre-mix" instructions and chef help from "Mr. Florence" on the morning of their departure.

Tracy Evans Krantz '90 wrote to tell us that she and husband **Stefan** had their third child, Sophie Ilana, on Dec. 31, '02. She joins big brothers Stuart, 6, and Gabriel, 3. Stefan is a partner at the law firm of Dickstein, Shapiro, Morin, and Oshinsky, in Washington, DC, where he practices energy law. She adds, "We are so happy with our family of five. Watch out Cornell... here they come!" **Christine (Hollands)** and **Len Tokish** send news from the Pacific Northwest that last October they added girl number three, Olivia Helen, to join older sisters Hannah, 5, and Julia, 3. Len works for an orthopedic spinal start-up, and Chris has the hard work of being at home with the girls. All those nights in the dining room working problem sets really

paid off, Len!

Dan Phelan wrote with an update that he and his wife and daughter live in the small town of River Forest, IL (it's just west of Chicago next to a town called Oak Park). Dan said, "It sure is good to be back in the Chicago area after living in New York, Washington, DC, and San Francisco, and a year abroad in Europe." Dan works for Grosvenor Capital Mgmt., a hedge fund of funds firm, and is about ten floors below **Peter Langas '87**, who works for Sanford Bernstein. Dan also attended **Brian Anderlueh's** wedding last fall in Carmel, CA. How about an update, Brian?

From the literary circles, **Marianne Schnall** wrote to let us know that her work has appeared in a recent publication. "I am featured as a contributor for the new book *Sisterhood is Forever: The Women's Anthology for a New Millennium*, compiled by Robin Morgan (Washington Square Press, a division of Simon & Schuster). The book features over 60 original articles from a wide array of American women, confronting the most important issues facing America today." News from **Sue Brebbia Zuidema** came from Russia with love, where she and husband **Jim '88**, MBA '94, live and are busy raising their two children.

Lisa Stuart and Adam Hoffberg exchanged vows in February 2003 to start married life. In attendance were old roommates **Brenda Gale Raphael** and **Liz Glenner Galloway**, and classmates **Dan Coultoff** and **Patricia Levy**. She added, "I've had a couple of crazy years, including being anthraxed while working for Senator Kennedy last year." **Matthew Lane** exchanged vows with Valerie Steiker in March 2003 at M Studio, a photography studio and loft in New York. Matthew is doing his residency in internal medicine at New York U. Medical Center after receiving his MD from NYU. His bride is a senior editor at *Vogue*.

Of their recent pilgrimage to Orlando to pay homage to "the Mouse," **Elise Billings Hamann** wrote that she and husband **Jim**, ME AES '90, MBA '91, "took our four kids (two 6-year-old girls and two 4-year-old boys) to Orlando to visit Mickey and all his pals at the Magic Kingdom. We had the best week there and all had a blast, but I am NEVER going back! By videotaping every ride, character we met, and splash in the hotel pool complete with pirate ship, I plan to let them re-live our Disney experience via our VCR. Hey, if they want to go again, they can go when they have their own kids or save their pennies and go for spring break. I must admit, if I were a student at Cornell today I'd love to take part in the amazing volunteer opportunities that Cornell now coordinates for students during winter and spring breaks, and would hope that my kids might feel the same way. Sigh. At this stage, Margaret and Caroline's first grade work is not necessarily on the Ivy track. We won't give up hope yet, so stay tuned."

This sort of "vacation" leaves parents feeling like a sherpa assisting an attempt on Everest. All the parents among us who have lugged gear, kids, diaper bags, backpacks, bottles, and all the ancillary equipment can relate. Having done my family's same ritual visit, I can confidently say we will visit most of the world before needing to

do Disney again. ♦ **Mike McGarry**, mmcgarry@dma-us.com; **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, ac98@cornell.edu; **Stephanie Bloom** Avidon, savidon1@hotmail.com; **Lauren Hoeflich**, laurenhoeflich@yahoo.com.

90 Alphabetically speaking, the class of 1990 is extraordinarily talented. From A to Z, this column documents the accomplishments, advancement, and additional offspring we can boast of.

Alexander David was born to **Lisa Olsen** Kirkland in June 2001. Lisa will complete her residency at Emory U. and take a job on staff at a private hospital in Macon, GA. **Jennifer Henze** Otto gave birth to baby boy #2, Andrew William, in March 2001. Alexandra is the second daughter for **Regina Duffey** Moravek and husband Martin. **Deborah Thibodeau** and husband **Walt Bosenberg**, PhD '90, welcomed Adam Richard in December 2000.

Brussels, Belgium, is where newlyweds **Christian**, MBA '95, and **Margaret Mordy Delesalle** reside. They were married on a gorgeous fall day at the end of October 2002 in Darien, CT. Friends and family from all over the US and Europe were there to celebrate, including classmates **Kim Abell**, **Jennie Chen**, **Charlie**, MBA '95, and **Elizabeth von Keyserling Lynch**, DVM '95, **Molly Wrobel** Thompson, **Nicole Beauregard** Dalziel, MBA '95, and **Anne Marie Farrell**. Margaret is on leave as a vice president for credit card marketing at Citigroup in New York. Cosmetic eye surgery is Dr. **Jessica Lattman**'s specialty. She has a private practice in Manhattan, lives in Scarsdale, is married to **David Rosenberg** '89, MD '93, and gave birth to second daughter Samantha Belle in January 2002. When Jessica last wrote, she was planning a bike trip to Corsica and Sardinia.

Donovan Smith has taken a new job as general manager of JRW Technologies and lives in Kansas City, MO. "Emma Abigail ('Abbie') joined the family (including big sister Ashlee and big brother Joshua) on Jan. 22, '01," writes **Andrew Vanasse**. The Vanasse family calls Greer, SC, home. Fort Leavenworth is the origin of news from **Janice Chen**: "I am [here] for Command and General Staff College (a mid-level Army officer career school) with classmate **Noelle Briand**. It was such a coincidence to run into another Cornellian here, of all places, at an Army school. I'm headed to Fort Bliss, TX (home of the US Army Air Defense Artillery). Next job is a staff officer at the 32d Army Air and Missile Defense Command."

Gabriela Sofia Ortega was born to **Naomi Tein** and husband Carlos Ortega on Jan. 3, '03. The happy news was e-mailed by proud grandmother **Marlene Alpert** Tein '61. As thanks for so quickly keeping us in the loop, I'll add Marlene's note that "from a grandmother's point of view, Gaby is BEAUTIFUL!" Naomi and Carlos live in Arlington, VA. Hannah Flora Weinberg is the pride and joy of dad **Geoff Weinberg** and mom Jeany. Hannah's birthday is Apr. 23, '01. This news was brought to you by **John Hines**, who lives in Philadelphia. Illinois is home for

Jason Stahlman, ME AES '91, CME '91—Arlington Heights, to be exact. Jason married Monica Eydt on July 8, '00, and works for UOP. Despite the many gourmet cuisine options in the Chicago area, he admits to missing Sage Dining Hall!

Jenia Molnar is director of publicity at Giorgio Armani in NYC. **Kenichi Kiriya** was named president and CEO of Kobeya Baking Co. Ltd. in Osaka, Japan, taking over his father's position. Write to Ken at k-kiriya@kobeya.co.jp. Logicworks is an Internet services firm "that's actually doing very well," reports **John Wolff**, MBA '99. When he last wrote, he had just launched a new brand for this company. Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center is the workplace of **Erik Johnson**, MD '94; he is attending physician there. New family addition Francis joins Max, 4, and Lily, 2. Erik also let us know that **Eric Handelman** got married in 1998 and had a daughter Olivia in 2000.

Nancy Solomon Weiss writes that son Zachary Edward was born Sept. 7, '01. In 2000, she visited **Randi Freedman** Meyer, Randi's husband Gary, and son Jared in Atlanta. Nancy is assistant corporate counsel in the employment law group for Pfizer. Ophthalmologist **Glenn Bulan** is clinical/assistant professor of surgery in the ophthalmology department at Brown U. Glenn was wed to Anne Essex in Galveston, TX, in July 2002. **Peter Piepenhagen** works as a scientist for Genzyme. **Danielle Simpson** has achieved a PhD in developmental psychology from Claremont Graduate U. Quality Systems International employs **Jennifer Zinn** Lagasse as a consultant/trainer. The firm is located in Lexington, MA, but Jennifer lives in Farmington Hills, MI. She married Luc Lagasse in November '98.

RightNow Technologies, a leading global provider of eService (CRM) solutions, announced the appointment of **Sean Forbes** as the company's vice president of marketing and business development. In this position, Sean is responsible for extending RightNow's revenue growth and dominance in the eService marketplace. Sean is a decorated veteran of the US Navy, having served from 1990 to 1994 as a Surface Warfare Officer and deployed during the Persian Gulf War. After returning, he led SEAL trained boarding teams in counter-narcotics deployments. Sean also was a Foreign Exchange Officer with both the Japanese and Indonesian Navies. Stanford U. has a new vascular surgery fellow: **Eugene Lee**. **Shon DeVries** sends news from Lake Oswego, OR, that baby Benjamin John was born in December 2001.

Teaching Spanish is **Beth Rosenstein**'s passion. She works at the High School of Music, Art, and Performing Arts (the "Fame" high school) in New York. In 2000, Beth took a biking/camping trip in the San Juan Islands. She also told us that **Karen Pisetzner** Fried and her husband bought a house in Ithaca, where Karen works as a psychologist. UNLV Field Liaison **Francine Bruno** Heretakis is also employed as the executive director at Nevada Children's Center. She received her MSW from NYU in 1995. Unusually, nobody in the Class of 1990 has given their child a name that begins with "U"...

Veronica Marie Elizabeth Attar, daughter of **Cary Attar**, was born in August 2001. Cary recently ran into a Cornellian atop Vail while on a skiing vacation. Valerie Cavender Bares made her appearance slightly earlier than Veronica—in May 2001—to the delight of parents **Jeannine** and **Kent Cavender-Bares** '88.

Walter III joins big sister Robyn, 3, in the Baumann family. Mom **Melissa Gambrell** Baumann sent along the update. She works as a nutrition consultant for Synergy Fitness Club. No doubt, Melissa will raise her kids to cheer for Big Red Ice Hockey—"women's, of course." There are two Xs in "LexisNexis," which is about as close as I'll get to finding news related to this letter! **Sharon Cort** recently left law practice to become Director of Law School Markets for this provider of authoritative legal, news, public records, and business information. The **Yonats**—**Maria** and **Stephen**—were married at the Niagara Club in Buffalo on Nov. 21, '01. Steven is a bankruptcy and commercial litigation attorney. Zimbabwe, Zambia, and Botswana were part of **Fred Delboy**'s fantastic honeymoon last June. He and wife Jenny live in Chestertown, MD, where he is in private practice as a physician.

Numerically speaking, I'm proud to say that since our last reunion, your class correspondents have reported news on almost 500 different classmates! Being included in this ever-growing list is as easy as 1-2-3: 1) Turn on your computer; 2) write us an update about anything new in your life, as detailed and as frequently as you like (we love to get e-mail). Remember that we can't report engagements or children yet-to-be born, so be sure to contact us after the happy events have taken place; 3) e-mail your news to ♦ **Alisa Gilhooley**, AlisaGil@aol.com; **Amanda Willis**, AmandaEsq@aol.com; or **Carole Moran** Krus, ckm42@cornell.edu.

91 The beginning of year 2003 rang in much success and recognition for several alumni from the Class of '91. Shortly after the New Year, **Noel "Dean" Blackwood** learned that his moonlighting business venture, music label Revenant Records, had received national recognition with three Grammy nominations associated with Revenant's latest release, "Screamin' and Hollerin' the Blues: The Worlds of Charley Patton." A month later Revenant Records was awarded the coveted gold gramophone for the categories of Best Historical Album, Best Album Notes, and Best Boxed Set. *GQ* magazine also named Revenant as America's best record label in 2002. Despite Revenant's recent success, Dean is not ready to quit his day job as a corporate attorney for Dell Computer. "The label is a spiritual outlet for me. If I did it full-time and had to worry about mouths to feed, I don't know if it would feel the same." Dean currently lives in a South Austin apartment with wife Laurie (Revenant Records' sole employee) and daughters Emma, 8, and Iris, 4, as they await the completion of their West Austin dream home.

Also in January, **Brian Cannon**, JD '94, was named partner at the Palo Alto, CA, office of Fish

& Neave. After completing his undergraduate degree, Brian continued at Cornell Law School, where he was editor of the *Law Review*. Brian is a litigation specialist focusing on patent, trade secret, and unfair competition matters, including issues related to medical devices, biotechnology, semiconductor processing, electronics, and scientific instruments. **Erica Calderas** has been named partner at Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP in Cleveland. Erica joined the firm in 1994 and concentrates her practice in litigation. She is also the editor and frequent author of several American Bar Assn. publications and currently resides in Willoughby Hills, OH.

In February, **Philip Pilla** was named president of Creative Partners, a brand development and marketing communications firm based in Stamford, CT. Philip comes to the firm with more than 13 years of experience in integrated communications, having worked in several New York advertising agencies and most recently having served as the VP of marketing for Sirius Satellite Radio. He lives in Weston, CT, with wife Leah and daughter Sophia.

Chuck Taylor, ME '92, and wife Jennifer welcomed their son Alexander Charles last October. Only two days before Alexander's birth, Chuck began work as a product manager at Progressive Insurance in Cleveland, where he manages the watercraft insurance program, a \$100 million nationwide insurance line. Another October arrival was Zachary, son of **Mark**, JD '95, and **Melissa Arnold Adams**. Mark reported that the week in which Zachary was born was chock full of activity. Melissa and Mark had signed papers for the closing on a new home on Monday, and Zachary was born the following day. Mark managed the move to the new home on Friday—just in time for Melissa and Zachary's homecoming on Saturday. Whew!

Greg Dickhens reported that he and wife Kaela and toddler Leana moved to a new home in Manhattan Beach, CA, last fall, just in time to welcome a new baby in November. Greg continues to work as VP of development for Hilton Hotels Corp. **Michelle May** Koellermeier recently took a break from her ob/gyn duties at Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital to deliver her own new arrival, son Adam. Adam joined Michelle, husband Jacob, and big sister Mackenzie at their home in Twentynine Palms, CA, last December. **Rose Tanasugarn** '90, BA '95, wrote to announce that **Charlotte Bischel** and husband Robert became the proud parents of Elizabeth "Ellie" Stone in January. Charlotte and Robert were married in 1996 and currently live in Fullerton, CA.

News from the East Coast includes an announcement from **Robert Weiner** and wife Inessa, who welcomed their first child, Sonia Idelle, last November. In addition to a new baby, Robert has a new job that corresponds nicely with his newfound fatherhood. He has a position in the New York City government working for Mayor Bloomberg as deputy director in the Office of School Safety and Planning. **Ariane Schreiber** Horn, JD '96, and husband Jeffrey also had occasion to celebrate, as their first child, Elena Michelle, arrived in February. Ariane

writes, "Elena has been a very cooperative child from the start—I went into labor less than 12 hours after starting maternity leave!" Ariane plans to return to her job as associate general counsel at Celanese Int'l Corp. in Summit, NJ, after maternity leave. **Debbie Etelson-Mayblum** and husband Adam Mayblum are delighted to report that their family is a bit larger with the

ily addition! Okay, let's get the goods from those who haven't forgotten us (sigh, violins, etc.).

Penni Wint Urquhart sent us news, and I will now attempt to sum up the last 11 years in one paragraph. Here goes. After graduating, Penni worked at a small graphics company for five years, where she met Duncan, whom she married in '95. They bought a house in Mt. Ver-

'I can confidently say we will visit most of the world before needing to do Disney again.'

MIKE MCGARRY '89

addition of their second son, Kyle Max, who joins older brother Ethan, 2. Debbie works as an assistant professor of pediatrics at New York Medical College.

From the Mid-Atlantic, **Nicole Luecke** and husband **Chris Selley** are also expanding their family. They welcomed Thomas Jerome in February. Thomas joins sister Kate, 5, and brother Alex, 2. Nicole continues her work at a private ob/gyn practice in Annapolis, MD, while Chris has started Precision Microfab, a laser micro-machining business. Nicole also reported new additions for several other Cornellians in the area. **Mark McClintock** and **Jane Davenport** '90, MA '92, who reside in Bethesda, MD, welcomed son Evan Bishop last August. Mark works as a transportation engineer for Parsons, and Jane recently left her job as an attorney for the Ocean Conservancy to stay at home with Evan. Also living in the Greater Washington, DC, area, **Brian Sachar** and wife Jeannie had their first child, Angelina, in December. Finally, Nicole reports that **Susanna Suh** and husband Jim Larish had their first baby, Aidan Yoon Ho, in March. Susanna is a partner at the Cahill, Gordon & Reindel law firm in New York City.

The last birth announcement comes to us from **Julie Voveris** Furtado, Middleboro, MA. Julie and husband John welcomed not one, but two additions to their family. In March, healthy twins Madison Alexandria and Dylan John joined Julie and John and are certain to keep their hands (and arms) full! Congratulations to all the new parents, as well as to the classmates who wrote in with other accomplishments! ♦ **Corinne Kuchling**, kuccori@hotmail.com; **Dave Smith**, docds30@yahoo.com; and **Nina Rosen** Peek, nsr5@cornell.edu.

92 It's spring again! Yippee! Well, yippee sometimes. Here in the Metro New York area it's in the 80s one day and in the 40s the next. Oh well, take what you get . . . or move, right? Sooo, it seems that a lot of our classmates are off soaking up the sun somewhere (with sunscreen on, of course) because only a handful of '92ers wrote to us. Come on! We too want to know all about that promotion, vacation, or fam-

non, NY, in '97 and had a beautiful boy, Ryan, in 2000. She loves to travel and has had the good fortune to travel in Europe and across the country, as well as going on a cruise in 2002 through the Panama Canal. She made it back to Cornell last year with **Wilma Ann Anderson** (that's me!) for the 10th Reunion. Since '97 she's been working at Pfizer Pharmaceuticals (yes, the makers of Viagra—and no, she doesn't have any free samples, so don't ask) as a consultant and is doing some acting and singing at church to balance out her life. **Priscilla Powell** Coq dropped us a note to report that she and husband Pierre recently celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary. They have three beautiful sons. Priscilla is a redevelopment consultant for the Port of Miami and her husband is a graphic designer.

Let's extend our congratulations to **Jeffrey Osterman** of Scarsdale, NY, who has been named partner in the Trade Practices & Regulatory Law Department of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, one of the largest law firms in the nation. Jeffrey concentrates in the area of intellectual property, with a particular focus on complex transactional matters. Jeffrey is a member of the State Bar of New York and is admitted to practice before the US Patent and Trademark Office. He has appeared on national television and lectured on intellectual property, electronic privacy, and e-commerce throughout the United States and on US intellectual property and contract law in Japan. He also serves as executive editor of *The Journal of Propriety Rights*. Jeffrey graduated *cum laude* from Harvard Law School.

On Jan. 19, '03, the *Chicago Sun-Times* printed a story on **Amanda Larsen** Puck, MPS HA '93, who is the host of Chicago's hit restaurant review show "Check, Please!" and is the manager at the Spago restaurant located at 520 N. Dearborn. Stop by if you're in town and by all means "please check" out the show (pun intended). "Check, Please!" is on WTTW at 10:30 p.m. Thursdays; it repeats at 5 p.m. Saturdays and 10 p.m. Sundays. Congratulations, Amanda! We're pleased to share that Dr. **Susie K. Lee** has joined the practice at Westchester Gastroenterology Associates and the medical staff of Phelps Memorial Hospital Center. Dr. Lee is one of the few female physicians in

Westchester County performing endoscopic ultrasounds. A gastroenterologist, she will further enhance the Hospital Center's ability to diagnose and treat a variety of gastrointestinal disorders. Keep up the great work, Susie!

Daryl Atwood reports that he, wife **Janice (Lawson)**, and their daughter Jada, 2-1/2, reside in Rochester, NY (more than 125 inches of snow this year, according to Daryl). Janice is an attorney at Hamberger & Weiss. Daryl is a senior business analyst at Xerox Corp. **Duane Bryan** is currently a cardiology fellow at Albert Einstein Medical Center in New York City. He'll be finished next summer and is living in Long Island now. He says he has "no wife (looking I guess), and no kids." **Randall McMillan** shares that he has kids Jada and Jason. He is the director of business and legal affairs at Island Def Jam Music Group. **Davenel Denis** proudly announced that he and wife Natasha welcomed Natalya Valencia into the world on Aug. 3, '02. The couple recently spent time in Napa Valley, CA—seven days of great wine and food. Davenel is a product manager (Ambien) at Sanofi-Synthelabo, as well as an investor/real estate agent at TEE Inc.

Here endeth the news. I am now off to sunny St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands. I'll tell ya' all about it when I get back. Debbie, Renee, and I can't wait to hear your news—we're all ears. Don't forget to tell a friend from '92 to drop us a line! Until next time: be a light, and be well. ♦ **Wilma Ann Anderson**, info@WilPowerEnterprises.com; **Debbie Feinstein**, Debbie_Feinstein@yahoo.com; and **Renee Hunter-Toth**, rah24@cornell.edu.

93 Welcome back to another edition of Class News. While we all have just returned from our 10th Reunion, this column was submitted well before, so check back in the next issue (Sept/Oct) for a report on reunion.

Many former Cornell women's basketball players got together to witness the wedding of **Kristin Sponaule** to Brian Kopp in Lancaster, PA, on Oct. 12, '02. Among those attending, although not all basketball players, were classmates **Beth Purcell**, **Lisa Moskin**, **Christina Mull Heyniger**, **Tina Masington Tummonds**, and **Debora Capucci Buljat**. In other wedding news, **Hillary Kurtzman** married Mark Walters. Classmate **Scott Jackson** was not only their official witness, but caught the garter as well! Their other witness was **Amy Pollack '94**. Hillary and Mark honeymooned in Sorrento, Italy, and London, England (where Hillary lived for six years). Hillary completed her MBA from McCombs School of Business, U. of Texas, Austin. **Julia Reichgott** was married to Daniel Prieto in Seville, Spain, in July 2002. After returning, Julie joined Bank One Corp. as a VP of Human Resources in Chicago, IL. A little old, but still worth reporting, **Simone Peart** Boyce wrote that she got married two years ago, and in 2002 finished her PhD in Economics from UC Berkeley. Simone is currently living in Boston and working for an economic consulting firm.

Jennifer Pierce-Sylvester writes in from the

heart of Green Bay Packerland (Luxemburg, WI), where she recently bought a house with husband **Frank Sylvester**. Jennifer made a "career change" to full-time motherhood after the birth of their second child, Frankie. Frank senior is now a professor at St. Norbert College. **Cesar Tello**, DVM '97, writes that for the past year he's been taking a monthly break from his veterinarian practice at Noah's Ark Pet Clinic in Jackson Heights, NY, to attend a book club with fellow Cornellians. Joining Cesar have been **Antonio Santana**, **David Brioso**, **Jason Macias '00**, **Ricardo Roman '95**, **Jared Malave '94**, BS HE '96, and **Mark Bones '96**. Among the books they've read are *The Great Gatsby*, *The Wild Blue*, and *Snow in August*. Another Vet, **Julia Irwin**, writes from Lewisburg, PA, that she is currently in the process of building a new hospital for her veterinary practice, Animal Emergency Center, in Watsonstown, PA. Also working on his own business is **David Douglas Brown**, who launched a private equity firm, Strategic Capital, focused on small- and medium-sized businesses in South Florida.

Marsha Wittink writes in from Philadelphia, PA, with a whole bunch of news. She married classmate **Josh Owen**, BFA '94, finished her residency, is now doing a fellowship and master's degree in bioethics at the U. of Pennsylvania, and had their first child, Jasper Sam Owen, in July 2002. Josh is the principal designer of owenlogik.com and is a professor of industrial design. Completing a fellowship in dental implantology is **Wendy Croll Halpern**. Wendy and husband **Andrew '92** live in Ambler, PA, with their son Benjamin, 2. Andy is "loving private practice" as a radiologist in Bethlehem, PA. They keep in close contact with fellow Cornellians **Heather Rogers Barrow**, **Linda Kletzkin Chernoff**, **Elise Rosenberg**, and **Jennifer Johnson Taylor '92**.

Kimberly Wedemeyer Porter writes from Omaha, NE, that she's going back to school at Creighton U.'s Accelerated Nursing Program to become an R.N. Kim is married to Mathew Porter and they live with their two cats. **Derek** and **Nichole Bialas Harrison** moved to Rochester, NY. Derek is working as a superintendent for Turner Construction Co., while Nichole started her residency at Strong Memorial. **Eduardo Rabel** reports that he runs an after-school program in a public school in Brooklyn. In 1998, while participating in an artist's residency in Mexico in 1998, Eduardo painted a mural with kindergartners and discovered the joy of working with kids. He also works with Free Arts for Abused Children and El Museo del Barrio.

If you're in the Napa Valley, stop by Paradigm Winery to visit **Amanda Cramer**, who works as Assistant Winemaker. Amanda is "back in Napa to stay this time," after stints in wineries in Australia (2001) and Chile (2002). **Adrian Sexton** reports that he recently sold a script, "Royal Punk," to Full Fathom 5 Productions.

Heading the baby news are **Alice (Herrick)** and **Michael Daoud**. Their "meaty" baby, Peter, was baptized in October with an audience of Cornell alums, including **Christa Fossee**,

Bryenne Johnson, and **Scott Jackson**. Alice notes that in Mike's travels this past year, he's been lucky enough to drop in on **Michael Pedulla** in Philadelphia and **George Conti** in Boston. **Geoffrey Suval** and wife Louise are also new parents. Daughter Anna was born on Feb. 18, '02. Also welcoming their first child are **Michelle Argersinger**, DVM '96, and husband Gregory Guilmette. Michael Hays Guilmette was born on Sept. 5, '02.

Karen (Byrne) and **Orson Wang** write that their son Malcolm, 2, "loves to have the words 'Cornell University' spelled for him repeatedly." Karen also reports that **Zoe Marchal** Phillips and husband Justin had a daughter, Emma Rose, on Oct. 29, '01. After adopting two children from the Ukraine (Anna and Daniel), **Aaron Hicks** and wife **Holly (Creech) '94** had another child last year, Thomas—this time through traditional means. Their home on eastern Long Island is now filled to overflowing!

And finally, some news of my own. After almost ten years of residence, I recently left New York City for a house in the 'burbs with wife Jennifer. We're very happy out here in Joisey, and our dog Beau loves to run around in the backyard. I'm still commuting into the City each day, where I work as an intellectual property attorney with Kenyon & Kenyon. ♦ **Gregg Paradise**, gparadise@kenyon.com; **Yael Berkowitz**, yberkowitz@buckconsultants.com.

94 Our 10th Reunion is a mere year away, and some of our classmates are getting into the spirit early. **Cindy Crowell Pena** reports that she and husband **Mario '93** plan to be in Ithaca this month for Mario's 10th Reunion, "but we're leaving the kids to spend some quality time with Grandma and Grandpa!" The kids would be Aidan, who was born on Oct. 3, '02, and twin girls Cassidy and Kinsey, born in October 2000. Mario has just started his own law practice in Fairfield County, CT, and Cindy has left the work force to be a stay-at-home mom (at least for now).

In other recent (for these columns!) news, **Mary Kate (Conroy)** and husband Lt. **Ramiro Gutierrez** report not only a wonderful family life in Chesapeake, VA, for themselves, but lots of news about classmates. Mary Kate is "working part-time for the Academy for Educational Development and full-time as a mommy" to 3-year-old Ramiro John. Ramiro the elder is finishing his second year of internal medicine residency at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. Mary Kate reports that **Catherine Britell**, ME C '95, is doing very well working as an engineer in New Jersey. **Melissa Dills Boglioli** and husband **James** celebrated their son James Douglas's first birthday back in April. **David '92** and **Brenda White Henriquez** are enjoying presiding over their brood of three daughters and living in Kingston, MA.

Roxana Cantarovici writes, "Last September, Walter and I moved to Geneva, Switzerland, with our 2-1/2-year-old daughter Tamara. I was transferred from the Argentinian Procter & Gamble office to the Western Europe headquarter-

ters. We can still be reached at rmc5@cornell.edu." Roxana's former roommate J. Allison Bignault (you knew her as **Jennifer Hertel**) gave birth to her first child, Ellen Marie Bignault, on Dec. 17, '02. Allison and husband David are happily living outside of Atlanta, and as a proud "aunt," I can vouch for Ellen's absolute cuteness. Poor David—Ellen's birthday is two days before Allison's birthday, and two days after the couple's one year wedding anniversary. Throw Christmas into the mix, and I am not sure the man's wallet can survive Decembers to come!

Speaking of December, **Greg Bassuk** married Dana Rosenthal in Lawrence, NY. Cornellians at the wedding included **Kevin McGovern '70**, Prof. **James Maas, PhD '66**, **Dan and Michelle Feldman Weinberg '93**, **Ken Greenspan**, and **Benjamin Goodman**. Greg is managing director of the venture capital firm McGovern Capital LLC in New York and Greenwich, CT. Dana teaches math and reading at the Woodmere Middle School in Hewlett, NY.

In another December wedding, **Andrea Green** married Paul Wasserman in Cedarhurst, NY. The *New York Times* reports that Andrea is putting her Cornell degree, NYU MBA, and CPA to good use as a vice president at Lehman Brothers in New York, where she helps match corporate investors with corporations in which to invest. Her new hubby is a national sales manager for Mikasa, the crystal, glassware, and china company. Hmm, wonder what brand of china they registered for! Paul is also an editor and publisher of *The Saratoga Special*, a daily newspaper published during the horse-racing season in Saratoga Springs, NY.

Not sure how they snagged it, but the *New York Times* told the extended story of the courtship of **Melissa Goldstein, MD '99**, and husband of half a year Daniel Feldman. Melissa married her match in Boston, but the pair live and work in Moscow, she as a pediatrician at the European Medical Center, and he as a manager of the legal department of Ernst & Young's Moscow office. Before they moved to Moscow, he was a senior attorney in the enforcement division of the Securities and Exchange Commission, based out of New York. The article goes into great depth about their first blind date in June 2000, her failure to return his calls for months because another guy had asked her for an exclusive relationship, and her out-of-the-blue call to him once that relationship ended. Daniel apparently knew what he wanted. He told the *Times*, "I didn't play the game of waiting two days or a week to call back. I called her immediately." And the rest, as they say, is history. Melissa's new husband actually has four inches over her six-foot height—no small feat. The article even notes that he has more than 200 pairs of sneakers, although it doesn't say whether all 200 pairs made it to Moscow with them.

Back in the States, **Elizabeth Aundrea Thomas** recently launched an online art website, Thomas Creations Virtual Gallery. The website exhibits paintings and sculptures (clay, wood, glass) and three-dimensional art by award-winning artist Michael Anthony Thomas. The site address is www.TCVG.com. Don't see

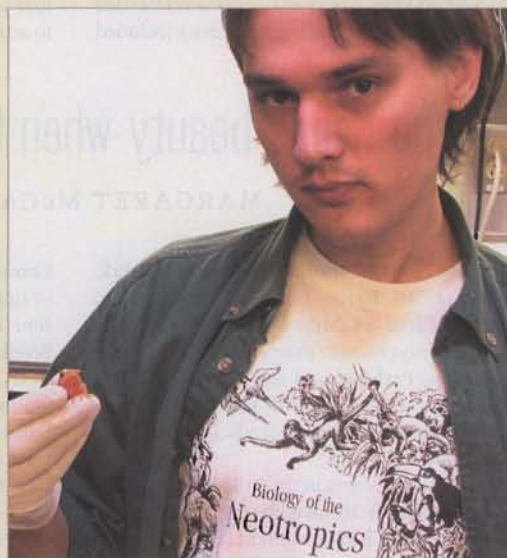
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KEVIN ZIPPEL '94

When Pharaoh refused to free the Israelites from slavery, God punished the Egyptians with a plague of frogs that filled the Nile and swarmed the countryside. Conservationist Kevin Zippel '94 might be tempted to consider such an abundance a blessing, not a curse.

Zippel coordinates Project Golden Frog, a collaboration between scientists in the U.S. and Central America to protect Panama's national symbol from extinction. The small, bright yellow amphibians face a loss of habitat due to deforestation and mining as well as dangers posed by an illegal pet trade and a parasitic fungus. Already, their cousins, the golden toads of Costa Rica, have vanished. "Usually by the time you realize a species is on the road to extinction, it's too late," says Zippel. "This project is unique because we had an opportunity to react prior to extinction."

Now in its sixth year, Project Golden Frog combines an extensive survey of wild frogs in Panama with a captive-breeding program at thirty zoos in the U.S. At the Detroit Zoo, where Zippel works as curator of the National Amphibian Conservation



Center, thousands of frogs have been hatched.

While scientists don't fully understand the role of amphibians in the ecosystem, Zippel points out that frogs play a crucial role in insect control, limiting the spread of diseases such as West Nile virus. In addition, he says, compounds useful in treating Alzheimer's, stroke, and cancer have been isolated from the skin of amphibians. "You can pull a few rivets from an airplane and still fly it," he says. "But how many can you pull before you lose the integrity of the system? With amphibians and the ecosystem, we just don't know."

your news here? Want to make sure your classmates know what you're up to when reunion rolls around? Then e-mail us your news! ♦ **Dineen Pashoukos** Wasylik, dmp5@cornell.edu; **Jennifer Rabin** Marchant, jar1229@hotmail.com; and **Dika Lam**, DEL5@cornell.edu.

95 Hello again, everyone! I'm sure you're all reading this column in the midst of your summer holiday, nicely tanned, relaxing in a hammock with a cool glass of lemonade. Okay, okay . . . at a bare minimum I hope you are breaking away from the cubicle, getting outside, and enjoying some of the warm, sunny days

with those important people in your life.

I'd like to start this column with the little ones. We've had some recent additions to the greater family of the Class of 1995 in three corners of the country. On the East Coast, **Rick** and **Lindsay Jordan Vincent** lead the group with a nearly New Year's Day baby. Ryan Jacob arrived on Jan. 4, '03. On the West Coast, Chong and **Julie Oldakowski** Hunter welcomed a little girl into their lives in mid-January. And in the Middle (in a state you don't want to mess with), **Eric** and **Anna Zakos Feliberti** are now sharing their home with Anastasia Simone. Congratulations to our newest classmates to join the ranks of the sleep-deprived, totally devoted parents!

And what generally comes before babies, but marriage. **Eric Frew** and **Audrey Krat** were married on Nov. 9, '02, in midtown Manhattan. Although they were graduates of the same class, they did not meet until several years later when introduced by mutual friends **Sam Yen** and **Eve Farrington-Yen '96**. Per the norm, in addition to Sam and Eve, a bevy of Cornellians attended this special event. The Big Red guests included

atric Grand Rounds presentation at Fletcher Allen Hospital in Burlington, VT, about the healing power of laughter.

At the time of writing this column (mid-April), Operation Iraqi Freedom is in full force. **Robert Kohrs** sent an e-mail about his latest career move. On Jan. 29, '03, Uncle Sam made Rob an offer he couldn't refuse and recalled him to active duty. He is currently stationed at Camp

friend—we'll call him **Adam Hill '97**—informs me that if I make one more bad pun (I've apparently made too many cracks about London being a good place to drop a few pounds), he is revoking my dramatic license.

So on to your news. **Amanda Ripley** is still working for *Time* magazine, but now out of Fontainebleau, France (outside Paris), where her husband is getting his MBA. Despite recent Franco-American tensions, she is thoroughly enjoying "la vie en rose," writing about French eccentricities, inhaling loads of secondhand smoke, and, of course, eating very well. She had a loyal crew of Cornellians over for a visit in May, **Aileen Garipey**, **Rebecca Kornfeld**, and **Lisa Green**. Aileen, by the way, is now living in Philadelphia with her husband and her chocolate Lab and working as a doctor. Rebecca is doing PR work in New York, and Lisa is getting her PhD in health policy at Johns Hopkins. Amanda also reports that **Ethan Frank-Collins** and wife Joy had their first child last year. He's a cheery, robust boy named Cormac. "Frank-Collins is already prepping him for the minors, and I'm not joking about that," she writes. Also on my side of the Atlantic, **Elizabeth Bard** is now happily installed in Paris, writing about arts and culture for publications such as the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*.

Thanks to Google, my savior for all things column-related, I have discovered loads and loads of classmates working at law firms (which may explain the great news vacuum, since sending in one's news probably does not do much to up one's billable hours). In New York, **Lauren Bergida** and **Theresa Buckley** are at Kasowitz, Benson, Torres & Friedman, **Brooke Spigler** at Proskauer Rose, **David Pospichil** at Kelley Drye, **Stacy Aronowitz** at Schulte, Roth & Zabel, **Brian Waldbaum** at Weil, Gotshal & Manges, and **Joshua Eisenberg**, JD '00—who's also a captain in the US Army Reserve—is at Heller Ehrman. Outside the City, **Katherine Riedel** is at Warren & Young in Ashtabula, Ohio; **Eduardo Kim**, JD '00, is at Thompson Hine in Cleveland; **William Rubenstein** is at Bond, Schoeneck & King in Syracuse; **Charlotte Lee** is at Nixon Peabody in Boston; and **Erik Lehtinen** is at Hewley Troxell Ennis & Hawley in Idaho.

Wedding Watch: Wedding One (courtesy of the *New York Times*): **Jeremy Gans** married Lisa Seslowe on April 13, '03 at the Pierre in Manhattan. The groom is an associate at Fulbright & Jaworski in Manhattan, and the bride is an associate at Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker. Wedding Two: Dr. **Jami Finkelson** married **Kenneth Young '97** on April 6 at the Tribeca Rooftop in New York. Jami is a clinical psychologist doing a postdoctoral research fellowship in child psychiatry at Columbia. Kenneth is an associate at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, and a director of the Coro New York Leadership Center. Wedding Three: Dr. **Andrew Brief** married Jessica Molk at Bridgewater in Manhattan on Jan. 5. Andrew is a resident in orthopedic surgery at the Hospital for Joint Diseases in Manhattan. Jessica is studying for a master's degree in early childhood and elementary education at NYU.

And finally: Congratulations to Howie and

'Who needs beauty when they have brains?'

MARGARET MCCARTHY '98

Jon Abe, **Toya Williford**, **Kye Soon Hong**, **Eric Vigessaa '96**, **Karen Fessler**, **Elaine Chang**, **Jeremy Chua '99**, **Mike Steiger '96**, and **Ellie Kim '96**. Also recently married in New York City were **Lisa Perlman** and **David Kaufman**. The pair wed at the 200 Fifth Club and honeymooned in the Hawaiian Islands. Lisa is a stand-up comic and writer.

For those of you in the Arlington, VA, area, **Adam Getz** is in the neighborhood working as a PeopleSoft CRM consultant. Up the coast a bit, **Bryan Williams** is finishing up his MA in Latin at Columbia U. and is very active in the peace movement.

Mark Piretti sent in a lively e-mail briefing us on his goings-on. "I have been at Blue Sky Studios in White Plains, NY, for over six years now, working mostly on animated feature films for Twentieth Century Fox. The Oscar-nominated animated film *Ice Age* was my first film credit, and I must admit it was a real hoot seeing my name in the credits on the big screen along with Cornellians **David Peng '98**, **Bonnie Scott '94**, and **Jeff Joe '93**. Thanks to that film's success I am busy working on Blue Sky's second feature film as the supervising rigger. What's a supervising rigger, you ask? I am in charge of the department that develops the "bone" and "muscle" structures, as well as the facial expressions for all of the computer-generated characters in our films. I moved to the East Village recently into a cool pad where I seem to run into Cornellians every time I round a NYC corner. Well, that's the sound byte of my life."

Another informative e-mail with lots of neat news and life events came from **Joy Baldwin**. After graduation, Joy served in AmeriCorps for a year. Following that, she worked on cancer research in North Carolina until she "ran off to the theater (I guess the Risley blood runs strong!) and started in an MFA program at U. of North Carolina." The call to return to medicine was too strong, and Joy went to the U. of Vermont College of Medicine, where she is currently entering her fourth year. Joy is a National Health Service Corps Scholarship recipient. She was also awarded a Schweitzer Fellowship and started the Prescription Laughter Theater Company. Marrying Joy's love of theater and medicine, the troupe performs comedy for people in hospitals and nursing homes. Furthermore, Joy recently had the honor of delivering a Psychi-

Commando in Kuwait for an unspecified period of time with his reserve unit, 6th Communication Battalion out of Floyd Bennett Field, Brooklyn, NY. Rob writes, "Although I was not ROTC, I joined the Marine Corps a year after graduation and served as a Communications Officer at Camp Pendleton, CA. When my contract expired in fall 2000, I returned home to New Jersey to start a civilian career. I still serve as a Communications Officer with 6th Comm. Currently, I am the Satellite Platoon Commander in charge of various mobile satellite vehicles that provide data and telcom connections to the rest of the world." If you want to see pictures of Rob and his unit, check out www.campcom.mando.us. I would like to add a special thank you to Rob for his dedication to the United States and actively serving his country in the armed forces!

And that's all the news that's fit to print. You'll notice that this column is significantly shorter than previous Class Notes columns. This phenomenon has nothing to do with a lack of dues-paying members, but rather a lack of news! There are about 500 words available to us that can be used to write about you. If you'd like to let your fellow '95ers know what you're up to before the next reunion, please drop either me or Alison an e-mail. We are all Curious Georges and love to read about each other, so make sure to send in some updates!

With the extra room, I'll give you an update on me (Abra). When you read this, I will be living in New Jersey working as a summer MBA marketing intern for Johnson & Johnson in their Personal Products Company. Should be fun! Take care, everyone, and thanks for reading! ♦ **Abra Benson**, amb8@cornell.edu; **Alison Torillo**, amt7@cornell.edu; Class website: www.classof95.cornell.edu.

96 Hello from London, where I've spent the past week writing about the war and Brad Pitt's butt. As a friend puts it, clearly the two big issues of the day. (Get your minds out of the gutter: for the record, the butt—or bum, as they'd say here—is his new squeezable one at Madame Tussaud's wax museum. Personally, I think it feels like a slightly deflated kickball, but . . .) I feel a segue involving the phrase "bum deal" coming on, but another

Rachel Effron Barkin on the birth of their son Jordan Foster on Jan 23. The Barkins live in West Orange, NJ, where Rachel works as a project manager for a pharmaceutical software company and Howie is an equities trader. No need to Google me if you want to send news: ♦ **Courtney Rubin**, cbr1@cornell.edu; **Sheryl Magzamen**, SLM1@cornell.edu; and **Allie Cahill**, AlexandraCahill@aol.com.

97 If this winter's extreme weather was any indication, the East Coast will be melting in a heat wave as you read this. I bet it's nice in West Virginia this time of year, though, so I'm starting the news with **Mike Alsko** (msal@msal.com), wife Gillian, and daughter Ella, who have relocated to the hills of West Virginia, where Mike works as the front office manager at the Greenbrier Hotel. The family is slowly adjusting to small town life. **Keith Branche** (kbranche@peninsula.com) is food and beverage director at the Peninsula Hotel in New York. He's also a contributing editor to *Sante* magazine and works for Branche Hospitality Consulting.

Eric (esaidel@mindspring.com) and **Tahl Ben-Yehuda Saidel '92** welcomed a second daughter, Sara Michel, to their family on Oct. 29, '02. Sara joins big sister Eliana. Eric works for a law firm in Hawthorne, NY, and Tahl is principal of the Hebrew school at Congregation Or Zarua in Manhattan. **Bonnie Hoffman** (bonnie.desol@yahoo.com) started working toward a master's degree in the horticulture department at Oregon State U. Bonnie worked for more than a year at a medicinal organic herb farm, and she spent two months in Honduras and southern Mexico, first volunteering with a local group (the Honduran Conservation Corps) and then seeing the sights of Oaxaca. **Roger Hom** (rmjh@mindspring.com) braved an eight-hour drive through "brutal snow conditions" on a trip to Mt. Tremblant, Canada, where he snowboarded with **Ping Lam**, **Anthony Tsai '96**, **Patty Lee '96**, and **Cassandra Wu '96**. Roger's running his design business, GenericLife, and planned to post pictures from the trip at www.genericlife.com/tourist. He also sees **Eric Schuldenfrei**, BArch '99, and **Jonathan Doyle '01**.

Kathryn Kantes attempted to satisfy her itch to travel by capitalizing on her firm's sabbatical program. She spent the spring in South America (Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Peru), summer in Eastern/Central Europe (Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia, Poland, Hungary), and autumn in Southeast Asia (Myanmar, Laos, Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam). She also squeezed in a visit to Spain to meet up with **Deirdre Cohen** and **Katherine Roberts**. Back at work in the States since November, Kathryn writes that it didn't take long to start dreaming about her next expedition. **Luis Garcia** (luis.garcia2@us.army.mil) was stationed in Germany last summer and has taken advantage of the assignment, visiting Paris, Bonn, and Rothenburg, among other European destinations. He's been involved in military exercises in Poland and Kuwait. In December, **Brian Gyovai** was in the middle of F-15C training at Tundall Air Force

Base in Panama City, FL. He planned a move to Okinawa in April. Brian reports **Chris Murray '95** has had a baby.

Kara Bombach (kmb10@cornell.edu) was sworn in to the Maryland Bar in December, and she is enjoying Baker and McKenzie, where her work is closely tied in with current events (she's doing international trade work, with a focus on export regulations, including US and UN sanctions, anti-Israeli boycott, and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act counseling). She attended **Colin Day's** nuptials in Australia in February. In December, **Michael Yu** wrote that he was working in Hong Kong doing business development for AOL Time Warner. **Braeden Ziegler** (Braeden10@aol.com) relocated to Connecticut last summer from Las Vegas; he's working as an investment broker with David Lerner Associates in Darien. **Adam Hocherman** (hock@hock.net) celebrated his third anniversary with software company Symcline. Adam traveled to Thailand with **Levina Wong '96**, JD '02, and **Al Day**, JD '02, and he spent time in Greece with **Saul Farber '01**.

Chad Sparks (csdspark@aol.com) is working his way through med school. After working at a healthcare law firm in Washington, DC, and completing medical school in New York, **Vanessa Greenwood** (vangreen@att.net) is doing a dual residency in family medicine and psychiatry in San Diego, CA. She saw **Theresa Singleton** and **Matthew Wagner '98** in Boston, **Julie Crotty '87**, JD/MBA '96, in NYC, and **Jeffrey Pelletier '00** in Oregon. **Manisha Gupta** (manisha_ashok@yahoo.com) finished her residency at U. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill last year and is living in Phoenix with husband Ashok. Manisha works in Scottsdale as a general/cosmetic dentist.

This past year, **Sharmila Murthy** (smurthy@law.harvard.edu) was finishing up a joint JD/MPA program at Harvard Law School and the Kennedy School of Government. Sharmila will clerk for a judge on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Nashville, TN. She keeps up with **Katariina Tuovinen '98**, **Grainne O'Neill '98**, **Alison Nash '98**, **Beckie Rawlinson**, and **David Hollman**. **Amy Silino** (silino@unc.edu) expected to graduate from business school at the U. of North Carolina in May and took a job with Sara Lee in Winston-Salem marketing its Playtex line of bras. Amy hopes to reconnect with classmates in NYC in December. **Laura Goddard** (lgoddard@ucdavis.edu) is earning a PhD in entomology at UC Davis. She's involved with the horse polo team and stays in touch with **Dan Murray**, **Mary Beth Turell**, **Margaret Macris**, **Matt Demartino '99**, and **Tim Kieff '98**.

Several classmates checked in from the City of Brotherly Love. **Kristy-Jo Shoemaker** (kds7@cornell.edu) returned to the area and is working for Grace Children's Products as a forecast analyst for the Toys "R" Us account. **Chad Levitt** (whom I spotted in the social pages of *Philadelphia Magazine* not too long ago) retired from the NFL (Oakland Raiders, St. Louis Rams, Chicago Bears) and is living in Philly and working for The Philadelphia Private Bank. **Mary Anna Denman** (maryanna1@hotmail.com) married a med school classmate and is com-

pleting her ob/gyn residency at Penn. She saw **Heidi Reester**, **Amy Kornbluth**, **Kara Salzillo**, and **Meghan Thompson Fenn** at **Susan Colvert's** Philadelphia wedding. **Buck Holmes** and wife **Allison (Riley) '98** welcomed daughter Riley in December. ♦ **Erica Broennle Nelson**, ejb4@cornell.edu; **Sarah Deardorff Carter**, sjd5@cornell.edu. Class website, www.classof97.cornell.edu.

98 The first order of business is to share the most unique news we've seen in quite a while. **Margaret McCarthy** wrote that she was a state finalist for the Miss New York pageant, the preliminary competition to the televised Miss USA pageant. She didn't win, but was selected for the Educational Achievement award. She wrote of the experience, "Who needs beauty when they have brains?" Congratulations, Margaret.

Shannon Marchegiani wrote that she's keeping busy as an active duty second lieutenant in the Air Force and medical student at the Uniformed Services U. This summer she traveled to Germany and next year her clerkships will take her to hospitals from Portsmouth, VA, to Hawaii. She caught up with Cornell newlyweds **Alexander** and **Christine Trilivas Lauren** in Philadelphia, and also offers **Jess Greene** overdue wedding congrats. **Allyson Byrne** is also studying. She finished four years of dental school and is now doing a two-year residency to become an endodontist. **Rob Bentley** reports that he's in his first year at New York U.'s Stern School of Business. Keep up the good work.

Speaking of... those working among us are busy as well! **Jessica Cohen** wrote that she's still in psychiatry pharmaceutical sales, and was recently licensed as a real estate broker. She's also busy keeping track of her golden retrievers, Meagan and Hailey, who live with her on the Upper West Side of Manhattan. Also working in Manhattan is **Susan Master**, who is an assistant counsel for the State of New York Grievance Committee for the Second and Eleventh Judicial Districts. She works in Brooklyn Heights. **Caroline Israel** is living in NYC, as she just finished her master's degree in organizational psychology at Columbia U. **Meri Weber** moved from the City to Philadelphia in the fall to begin her PhD in child psychology at Temple U.

Jennifer Noyes wrote from London, where she's been busy doing consulting work and traveling Europe. Close by, **Jason Dailey** reports that he's still playing hockey in the United Kingdom, but spent last summer in Charlotte, NC. **Meredith Chaiken** moved to Boston from DC in the fall to get a master's in Public Policy at the Kennedy School at Harvard.

Jack Ferrer wrote that he and wife **Monique Sellas-Ferrer** will be celebrating their first wedding anniversary on May 25. "A year ago we were married in the Bronx, NY. During the same week, Monique also graduated from Cornell's School of Medicine in NYC. Since the honeymoon (Puerto Rico) we have moved to Boston, where Monique is a resident with Harvard's Emergency Medicine Residency program at the Mass General/Brigham & Women's hospitals. At

our wedding we were joined by **David Fein '97**, **Travis Terry '97**, **Adigun Palmer**, **Barrington Fields '97**, **Gis Morisset '97**, and **Rebecca Velez '97**, as well as **Gwen Bernacki '98**, **Pierre LaTouche '98**, and **Daniel Flores '98**. Jack continues to work for JP Morgan as a product manager with one of their equity product groups.

Stay tuned to the Sept/Oct issue for a full report on reunion! ♦ **Molly Darnieder**, mbd4@cornell.edu; **Anna Sise**, annasise@hotmail.com.

99 As we finally enter summer (with a spring of unrelenting cumulonimbus clouds), I have come to a profound conclusion: *The concept of the umbrella is inherently flawed.* It is always at the opposite end of wherever you are—unfailingly. So, you can choose to go through life purchasing an umbrella a week, or like me, end up with lots of sloppy, soppy socks. Where'm I going with this?

If I would peg someone as a back-up umbrella carrier (like a back-up alarm setter), it would be **Frank Goldberg**, still in San Francisco practicing law post-Berkeley Law School. He's a first-year associate specializing in commercial litigation and intellectual property matters and still reminisces about his white-baseball-cap-wearing days. Got some questions about whether weather-gear is requisite? Just ask **Caroline Bower**. Now that she's back in the continental US after a year in South Korea, she is studying tropical weather at the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA. Certainly a good reference for those of us waiting for spring's showers to cease.

Stacy Lapatine, an associate in a real estate finance and securitization group at Credit Suisse First Boston in NYC, is happy to report that pal **Shira Goldwyn** gave birth to a beautiful baby girl in 2002, **Samantha Annabelle**. Sounds like a pink parasol is in order! **David Gaffin** (e-mail address: "Cornellveggie") lives in Oceanside, CA, where the sun doesn't stop shining. After traveling to New Zealand, South Africa, Turkey, and the UK, he now works in San Diego for a greenhouse that specializes in begonias and carnivorous plants.

Is more precipitation on the way? Best ask **Antoinette Quagliata**. She's at Duke, working on her Master of Environmental Management (MEM) in H₂O resources. Fellow class columnist **Melanie Arzt** has sworn off ominous skies by keeping a sunny, "do-gooder" disposition (as she would say). She is an event planner and the marketing manager for Volunteers of America. Mel organized their big event called "I Remember Mama" (sounds like a song right out of "Chicago"): a Mother's Day celebration in Boston for low-income elderly mothers, who otherwise wouldn't have May flowers to come home to. Talk about sunshine!

For those of us living in DC, I wish Cornellians could replicate the "Zip Car" technology: there could be an "umbrella station" on every corner, on rainy day reserve. It would come in handy for **Doug Thornell**, who is the communications director and senior advisor to the Congressional Black Caucus. On rain-free days, Doug enjoys spending his free time with dog

Gus and all his friends on S Street. **Sheyna Horowitz**, too, could partake in this revolutionary Zip Umbrella technology. She's an account director at the Corporate Advisory Board, but is headed to B-school in the fall; and she's already started planning our big '99 reunion. The *New York Times* Sunday wedding page reports that Beltway Babe **Allison Zwibak** was married in November to Daniel Turner in a beautiful Bethesda ceremony. Allison works in the office of communications at the National Cancer Inst., creating content for the institute's website.

See, Allison could pick up an umbrella on Dupont Circle and return it to a public receptacle on Pennsylvania Avenue for **Sam Goldberg** to take advantage of. Sammy G. edits manuscripts about airplanes and spaceships at *Air & Space/Smithsonian Magazine*, but he claims to spend his days pondering what's become of "Frank Goldberg Esq." (Note to Sam: see above.) **Matt Christianson**, who has been in DC since graduation and is celebrating his one-year wedding anniversary to **Sarah (Toll)**, graduated from Georgetown Med School in May and is off to Philly for residency this summer.

It's raining men for **Taryn Williams**, ME C '00, who's in San Francisco where she just received her P.E. (Professional Engineer) license in civil engineering. When Taryn's not taking Japanese classes with **Yuki Ohashi**, she's been seen spending time with **Brice Wu '00**, **Alex Offenberger**, and **Mike Filler '00**. Speaking of inclement weather, also falling from the sky is **Nichole Mayo**, who tandem-jumped with the US Army Golden Knights, the Army's elite parachute team and among the world's best skydivers. And speaking of "dropping": **Chris Price** is happy to report that he's dropped his middle name. You can now refer to him with the more professional two-name moniker; Chris "The Man" Price is no longer necessary.

Last but not least, as a (gender) correction to last issue's column: after teaching college admissions prep in California and traveling the islands of Jamaica, **Eki Edwards** turned in the yellow polka dot bikini for a lab coat last fall, launching her medical career at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in Manhattan. '99ers, may all your days be sunny, without a cloud in the sky! Send your news and umbrella hang-ups to ♦ **Jess Smith**, JESSinIOWA@hotmail.com; **Melanie Arzt**, melanie@improvboston.com; or **Jennifer Sheldon**, jsheldon@law.uconn.edu.

00 Hey, there, Cornell Class of the Century! I hope it's a beautiful summer day as you peruse this column and reminisce about your friends from high above Cayuga's waters. Fall is on its way and you are truly veterans of the workforce now. Life has finally settled down somewhat as you work your way up the corporate ladder, start families, and finish school. Check your head closely, however; there may even be some grays or whites lurking—those grizzly hairs are simply symptomatic of your mid-twenties.

In this latest edition of our news, I am proud to share first the accomplishments of our

classmates who are serving in the military. **Jenny Moose** writes that she was deployed for six months to support Operation Enduring Freedom. Afterwards, she returned to Oklahoma City. She has also visited Diego Garcia, British Indian Ocean Territory, the Arabian Peninsula, and Tokyo. **Mark Silvius** reports that he is a first lieutenant in the US Air Force working as an electrical engineer for the Air Force Research Laboratory at Rome Research Site in Rome, NY. He is simultaneously working on a master's in electrical engineering at Syracuse U.

We also have some Cornellians working to satisfy our appetites. **Amber Herron** says she has relocated from NYC as a pastry chef to Central New Jersey as a restaurant manager at The Fromagerie, which received top ranking from *Wine Spectator* for wine service. **Heather Foulks** has graduated from the Culinary Inst. of America. She moved away from the Hudson Valley to Pennsylvania, where she is now an assistant manager at The Peninsula Grille in Warrington, PA.

Rose Dakin has certainly traveled to interesting places. She went to a conference last October on Greenhouse Gas Control Technologies in Kyoto, Japan. Rose writes that she has also seen **Brenda Kulju** in Boulder, CO, and **Kristin Ruether '99** in Portland, OR. In the Big Apple, **Stacey Pavesi** is currently events planning at *Time* magazine. She says, "It's a fun job that allows me to plan all types of events and to travel quite often." Stacey has traveled to London, Barcelona, home to California, and to a ranch in Colorado.

As I sift through Class of 2000 news reports, there are an increasing number of wedding announcements. Congratulations to all those who have become engaged or have already married. Be sure to write in to tell us of your nuptials. **Suzanne Fishel** married **Jeff Ugine**, MA IN T '01, in Ithaca on Aug. 31, '02. The happy couple honeymooned in Vancouver and Alaska. Suzanne is currently teaching English to eighth and ninth graders at the Missao Na Sra de Fatima in Mapinham, Mozambique. Jeff is teaching biology to ninth and tenth graders at the same mission, which is run by Augustine nuns. The two will be there until December 2004. **Paul Flint** and **Jessica Lyn Habernig '01** were married on July 27 in Ulster. The Flints honeymooned in Maine and now live in North Chatham. Jessica is currently a laboratory technician at the Wadsworth Research Lab in Albany, while Paul is finishing law school at Albany Law School.

Many classmates have written in about their recent career moves. **Dani Schwartz** is working as an associate at the law firm of Fasulo and Bacon in Delaware. **Alex Iglecia** has created his own businesses, Spirit Alive and Genuine Bussey Style. Spirit Alive, he writes, "is a service for graphic design," while Genuine Bussey Style is "a form of realistic personal protection." **Meir Gottlieb** works for Salar Inc. and has worked to shape patient care at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center.

There are several classmates who will be heading back to the classroom in a couple of months, both as students and teachers. **Bret**

David Jenkins is studying to be a chiropractor and is currently in his first year at New York Chiropractic College in Seneca Falls, NY. **Brendan St. Amant** taught for a year at a private school in Sewickley, PA. He is now serving in the Peace Corps in Niger, Africa. How exciting!

Time to wrap this up! Keep sending in the news. We love reading about what you are up to and the fascinating feats you have accomplished. The Class of 2000 has reason to boast about its successes. And, as always, we hope you and your families continue to be healthy and happy. ♦ **Sarah Striffler**, sjs34@cornell.edu; and **Andrea Chan**, amc32@cornell.edu.

01 Hello, Class of 2001! We hope the summer has been relaxing and is treating all of you well. Here's some warming news from your classmates. Housemates **James Carmody**, MPA '02, and **Steve McBrady** hosted a lavish winter gala at their Arlington, VA, residence in February. Cornellians in attendance included **Anat Grosfeld** '02, BS HE '01, **Jake Kramer**, **Christy Whitehead**, **Ellen Behrstock**, **Ana Frischtak**, **Ben Mandel**, **Craig Koester**, **Kim Atkinson**, and **Christopher Mendez**, as well as **Alethea Harris** '99 and **Scott Orloff** '00. Congratulations to **Jessica Habernig** on her marriage to **Paul Flint** '00. Following a honeymoon in Maine, the couple now resides in North Chatham, NY. Jessica is now working as a laboratory technician at the Wadsworth Research Lab in Albany, and Paul is a third-year law student at Albany Law School.

Jamie and **Amira Abuzeid Aycock** have spent the year in Miami, FL, taking a break from graduate school at Harvard (Law and Divinity Schools, respectively). The much needed break allows Amira to focus on their son Noah Alan (Class of 2024?), who was born on May 11, '02. Jamie is working as a paralegal. They have had fun meeting up with friends and fellow class officers **Nathan Connell**, who is teaching at Barry U. in Miami before heading to med school in the Fall, and **Joanne Schleifman**, who stopped by in Miami after heading to the Caribbean for a spring break cruise in the midst of her 2L year at Harvard Law School. **John Mizro** is working as an agriculture consultant with A.C.S. Services in Rochester, NY. He is also raising dairy heifers on rotational grazing, with approximately 300-plus head.

After receiving her MEng in May of 2002, **Tara Rizzo** has been working for BAE Systems in northern New Jersey, an aerospace and defense company. Her work is primarily focused on the engineering management portion of the Joint Strike Fighter contract. Tara's also been working as the company's liaison for Cornell recruitment. **Duncan Hau** spent a year after graduation teaching middle school science in Shanghai, China. Now he has completed his first year of medical school at Tufts U. Congratulations to **Kathryn Franko**, who has received a fellowship from the Gates-Cambridge Trust, a subsidiary of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, for graduate study in physiology at Cambridge U. in England. Kathryn will be able to apply what she learned in her undergraduate

studies in neurobiology to her graduate degree. **Chris Riccione**, MS Ag '02, has been working for Citigroup Asset Management and living in Stamford, CT.

A correction from the March/April 2003 edition of the Class Notes: **Lenny Lesser** is not living in Ithaca. He is currently living in Rochester, NY, while attending the U. of Rochester Medical School. However, Lenny's girlfriend is still at Cornell and he frequently visits to see her and the Cornell hockey games. Thus, some would think he was living in Ithaca. Either way, it's true that he can't leave Cornell. A big thanks to **Maureen Sullivan** for continually giving us updates of the wild and crazy things that the Class of 2001 has been doing. As she says, "While some of these notes may seem outlandish, I assure you that they are all completely accurate. It is Cornell's students, however, who are outlandish." She has provided the information for the rest of this column.

Maureen Sullivan and **Kate McMahon** are "living the dream," having ditched their cubicles and minivans, respectively, to move to Honolulu, HI. Maureen is dabbling in local public relations and local event marketing on the island and putting in some valuable time at the beach and on her surfboard. Kate is an ambassador of aloha and always has a huge smile on her face these days. Together, the partners in crime have taught the locals valuable lessons about Cornell girls. **Catherine Kelly** works as an alumni relations director at Germantown Friends School in Philadelphia. She also coached the high school's field hockey team through a wildly successful fall season, ending with a state tournament win. Congratulations to Cat! **Christina Peruto** is at the end of her first year at Georgetown Medical School, where she is already known as "the loudest girl on campus." Recently, Chrissy lost a bet and had to

Excel spreadsheet. The non-Cornell alum attendees were unimpressed and rather numbed by those spreadsheets, while the Cornellians were in awe. The event culminated with a masquerade ball on New Year's Eve, where the athletic party-people of the Class of 2001 gathered to celebrate after a hard day of skiing. Joining JR to dress up with him was **Leo Urbinelli**, **Trey Burlingame** as the Easter Bunny, **Sarah McGoe** as "crazy bird," **Meg Dubato** as a geisha, **Matt** and **Jenny Ehn** as each other, **Chris Barnes** as a wrestler, and **Niels Heilmann** as a doctor. All of JR's friends were proud of him for his dedication to continuing to reunite friends well beyond graduation.

On a wild adventure, **Rich De Soto** headed out west, driving cross country, then through Mexico, tracing his Mexican roots and seeking the perfect churro. He finally headed down through South America, where he enjoyed spectacular beaches and a hippie commune. *Olé olé olé!* Do you have any news for your fellow classmates? Let us know so we can write about it! E-mail us at classof2001@cornell.edu. Have a great summer! ♦ **Lauren Wallach**, lew15@cornell.edu; and **Itai Dinour**, id22@cornell.edu.

02 On a recent trip to Washington, DC, I had the good fortune to run into a number of fellow graduates of the Class of 2002. **Brian Crandall** seemed to be enjoying life in the District and his job at the Corporate Executive Board. He reported that classmate **Paul Delligatti** will be moving to Washington to begin law school this fall. Also in DC, **Shaun Kelleher** is working for the AFL-CIO and enjoying living on Capitol Hill. In other news, **Jacquelin Yuen** is finishing up an internship in Rochester as part of Cornell's Dietetic Internship Program, from which she

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do something not mentionable in this column at Georgetown's grad student intramural tournament. Needless to say, the fans in the bleachers were impressed.

Congratulations to **JR Taormina** for having successfully conquered the monster of all missions. He gathered 40 Class of 2001ers and friends in upstate Vermont over New Year's for a four-day fiasco of fun, skiing, and outlandish atrocity. His biggest challenge was that the attendees, from all over New England, could only arrive in four cars for the four designated parking spaces at the ski cabin. The solution: JR put the gears of his incredibly practical engineering mind to task, diagramming each attendee's location and personal needs in a large

will be graduating this summer. Down in New York City, **Alison Vasios** reports that she's teaching and coaching at a private school in Brooklyn Heights. She added that classmate **Dan Frenkel** is also in NYC in the Medical School at New York U. Finally, further afield, **Shane Downey** writes that he's been working toward a diploma in Accountancy at Wilfrid Laurier U. in Waterloo, Ontario. He plans to join KPMG's Financial Institutions practice in mid-September.

I hope that summer treats you all well. We're lean on class news this time around and would love to hear what everyone is up to. Please send updates! ♦ **Elizabeth Richards**, elizabethlauren_richards@yahoo.com.

03 Hey, '03! Congratulations on graduating! Here is the first of many reflections of our time on the Hill and our little way of staying connected even as we all move on to great things beyond our four years together!

*There once was a class of '03
Whose students were close as can be
Together they'd stay
Through the 25th of May
Then toss up their caps and say, "Whee!"
Far, far away from Cornell
In cities and towns we now dwell
The Cornellian we read
Connections we need
We hope that this note finds you well.
And so we ask you to write
Any thoughts, heavy or light
Just give us a shout
News is what we're about
Sit down and write us tonight!*

And now, without further ado, we would like to introduce you to your alumni class council, who will work hard to help keep our class connected in the years ahead! Co-Presidents: **Nicole Manning** just finished her degree in Industrial and Labor Relations. Originally from Cortlandt Manor, NY, Nicole looks forward to heading back to the metropolitan area next year where she'll be attending law school. **Carl Jones Jr.**, having completed his bachelor's degree by double majoring in Africana Studies and Research and History, will continue on to the JD/MBA program at the U. of Georgia.

Vice President of Events **Jamie Hanlon**, with her ILR degree, is now set to take on New York City. Vice President of Publicity **Anne Marino** finished her degree from the Ag college with a major in Applied Economics and Management. With the skills and knowledge from Cornell, she will work for a federated merchandising group in product development. Vice Presidents of Special Campaigns: **Kira Moriah** majored in Government and Asian Studies. Having graduated back in December, she spent

financial position for Dow Companies. Webmaster **Aaron Carlton** is a graduate of the Engineering college with a major in Operations Research and Industrial Engineering.

Your Class Correspondents: **Sudha Nandagopal** graduated from Arts and Sciences with a degree in Biology and Society, concentrating in Environment and Public Policy. In August she will begin her one-year fellowship with Green Corps and work on environmental campaigns. **Sam Buckingham** graduated from the Hotel school and is now a commissioned officer in the US Navy. In early June she will report to the USS Ross (DDG-71) based out of Norfolk, VA.

The Alumni Class Council would like to thank all the seniors who took the time to volunteer for phon-a-thons and to give to the senior class campaign. We would also like to thank **Kelly Maule '97** for all her time and energy spent in helping with the campaign. We have had an amazing four years filled with many memories and we hope that in the coming years you will continue to stay connected to Cornell. We look forward to getting your news as we work to keep you all updated on our exciting post-Cornell lives! Just e-mail us with any bits of information you have. We would especially love to hear your adventure stories or just any interesting ways in which being a Cornellian has affected you since graduation. ♦ **Sudha Nandagopal**, sn58@cornell.edu; or **Samantha Buckingham**, swb9@cornell.edu.

CVM **George Abbott**, DVM '45, was presented with the Alumni Assn. Salmon Award for Distinguished Alumni Service during the March Conference at the college. Established in 1986 by the Alumni Association, this award is given annually and recognizes exemplary effort on behalf of the college. Other alumni joining us for the March Conference included **Joseph Adams**, DVM '61, **Kimberly Agnello**, DVM '01, **Lynn Baker**, DVM '99, **Bridget Barry**, DVM '91, **Larry Bartholf**, DVM '65, **Jon Bertoldo**, DVM '77, **Kit Blackmore**, DVM '79, **Edwin Blaisdell**, DVM '52,

DVM '79, **Helen Sheldon Longacre**, DVM '82, **James MacDonald**, DVM '73, **Jonathan May**, DVM '80, **Karen Negrin**, DVM '98, **Peter Neveu**, DVM '68, **Carrie O'Loughlin**, DVM '98, **Richard Orzeck**, DVM '91, **Ron Peters**, DVM '77, **Lucia Roberts**, DVM '84, **David Rockwell**, DVM '99, **Keith Scudder**, DVM '68, **Dan Smith**, DVM '99, **Catherine Stiner**, DVM '97, **Wayne Trampler**, DVM '65, **Carla Walsh**, DVM '88, **Faith Prentice White**, DVM '77, **Will Wilhelm**, DVM '78, **Megan Williams**, DVM '96, **Richard Youket**, DVM '88, and **James Zwart**, DVM '75.

On Friday, April 4, the college hosted its annual Scholarship Reception for student recipients and scholarship donors. Traveling to the college on behalf of their class to meet the recipient of their scholarships were **John D. Murray**, DVM '39, **Bob (Robert E.) Clark**, DVM '52, **Neil Burgher**, DVM '58, **Ned Dykes**, DVM '74, and **Dick Grambow**, DVM '57, with wife **Barbara (Allen) '56** on behalf of Dick's class and on behalf of the Grambow Family Scholarship. Dr. Grambow was also the guest speaker for the evening. Congratulations!

Dorothea Dehart Fitzsimmons, DVM '80, of Locke, NY, has recently been hired as an assistant professor in the Agriculture and Horticulture department at Alfred State SUNY College of Technology, where she will serve as coordinator of the Animal Science Program. **Nathaniel White**, DVM '71, has been named Interim Director of the Marion DuPont Scott Equine Medical Center in Leesburg, VA. White joined the center in 1985 and is an internationally recognized expert in colic and musculoskeletal disorders. In 1985 he was appointed the Theodora Ayer Randolph Professor of Equine Surgery at the Equine Medical Center. **Joy Warren Bennett**, DVM '99, and her husband moved to north central Indiana and she has a new job working for the USDA as a pig inspector. **Paige Adams Graziano Pongrantz**, DVM '99, is working part-time in Marshfield, MA, doing relief work. She and Andy are looking forward to the completion of their house after a year of construction! Paige and Andy welcomed Matthew Luke to their family in December '02. **Jim Brown**, DVM '86, was seen at the Newfoundland National Specialty in Ellicottville, NY, on April 26, where he attended a lecture on hip dysplasia by Cornell's Dr. Rory Todhunter. Dr. Brown practices in Buffalo at the Blue Cross Small Animal Hospital. Dr. **Kathy Earnest-Koons**, GR '94-95 (FAC) traveled to Brewster, NY, on April 26 to attend the wedding of **Sandra Tarasoff**, DVM '97, to **Christopher Sciarra** '87. Classmate **Maria Lagana**, DVM '97, was a bridesmaid.

Reunion 2003 is history! Special events during the weekend included the welcome reception, Friday picnic in the "old breezeway," a dedication ceremony to name the Jane M. Turrel Radiation Therapy Suite, a dedication ceremony to name the Gumaer Necropsy Facility (in honor of **Ken Gumaer**, DVM '43), and viewing of CUHA consultation rooms furnished by the DVM class of 1978. Stay tuned to the Sept/Oct issue for a full recap. ♦ College of Veterinary Medicine News, Office of Public Affairs, Box 39, Ithaca, NY 14853; or e-mail **Tracey Brant**, tlb10@cornell.edu.

'Sam Buckingham is now a commissioned officer in the US Navy.'

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the spring at Cornell. She will continue on to work in foreign service for the US government. **Kevin Price** is yet another ILR graduate. With four years of Cornell to look back on, he is off to the US Air Force.

Secretary/Treasurer **Erika Ichinose** will take the expertise that she gained in her Nutritional Sciences major (concentration in Dietetics) and be at Teachers College, Columbia U. starting this fall, working on her master's in Nutrition Education. Historian/Photographer **Steve Harasim** graduated from the Engineering college with a major in Chem E. He currently works in a

Michael, DVM '82 and Ann Freer Cary, DVM '82, Mike Casler, DVM '69, Eugene, DVM '67, and Jeanne Blume Ceglowski, DVM '67, Dorie Cesaratto, DVM '91, Andre Charlebois, DVM '75, Elia Colon-Mallah, DVM '92, Laura Bobst Cook, DVM '89, Fiona Davies-Brown, DVM '94, Pam Duddy, DVM '91, Duane Dunnewold, DVM '69, Tim Fitzpatrick, DVM '77, Mark Focacci, DVM '94, Linda Garrett, DVM '84, Suzanne Gerber, DVM '00, Chris Neff Hatfield, DVM '82, Jeanne Hillman, DVM '92, Tanya Jackson, DVM '95, David Jenkins, DVM '77, Kent Kay, DVM '57, Sarah Meixell King, DVM '81, Leonard Kregar,

Alumni Deaths

'15—**Karl K. Shimansky** of Castalia, OH, June 11, 2002; retired publisher. Alpha Tau Omega.

'21 BA—**Frederick J. Muth** of Lancaster, PA, January 1, 2003; retired vice president and controller, Armstrong Cork Co.; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Delta Upsilon.

'28 BS HE—**Carlotta Denman Kimball** (Mrs. William H. '27) of Simsbury, CT, July 30, 2002.

'30 BS Ag, PhD '37—**Charles H. Diebold** of Peralta, NM, January 4, 2003; owner, CH & E Diebold Ltd.

'30 BA, JD '32—**Hymen Knopf** of Hollywood, FL, December 3, 2002; attorney; active in civic, community, and religious affairs.

'31 BA—**Gladys Young Jayne** (Mrs. Lawrence D. '30) of Waverly, NY, November 1, 2001; secretary, Jayne's Flowers and Paint. Kappa Delta.

'31, BA '33—**Janet Bailey Muller** (Mrs. Herbert J.) of Bloomington, IN, September 11, 2002. Delta Gamma.

'33 BS Ag—**Kenneth E. Brown** of Leesburg, FL, April 30, 2002. Acacia.

'33, BArch '34—**William B. North** of Woodstown, NJ, exact date unknown; architect. Theta Delta Chi.

'34 BS Ag—**Harold L. Donner** of Ithaca, NY, August 15, 2002; retired farmer and landscaper.

'34 BA—**Harold Eliasberg** of Sands Point, NY, January 10, 2003; stock broker; veteran. Beta Sigma Rho.

'34 BS HE—**Mina Bellinger Hewitt** of Batavia, IL, December 20, 2002; teacher; active in community and religious affairs. Delta Gamma.

'34 MD—**Ernest V. Reynolds** of Barre, VT, March 14, 1998; retired physician.

'35 BS Ag—**Glen O. Blumenstock** of Cherry Valley, NY, July 26, 2002; master gardener; farmer; active in community affairs. Delta Sigma Lambda.

'35 BA—**George Hawley IV** of Jamesville, NY, December 22, 2002; high school teacher; veteran; active in community and religious affairs. Acacia.

'35—**Hector W. L. Zucchini** of New Milford,

NJ, September 13, 1994.

'36 BS Ag—**Ken W. Asai** of Easthampton, MA, January 5, 2003; worked for IBM.

'36 BS Ag—**Marie Prole Mulcahy** of Geneva, IL, January 9, 2003; president, Genesee Memorial Hospital; active in civic, community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'36 BS HE—**Margaret Edwards Schoen** of Fairbanks, AK, January 3, 2003; home economics teacher; musician; active in community, religious, and alumni affairs.

'37 MS Ed—**Elswood S. Hill** of Gilford, NH, March 21, 2001.

'37 PhD—**Thomas O. King** of Santa Barbara, CA, June 7, 2000; professor, agricultural economics; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Zeta.

'38, ME '39—**Charles F. Jaeger** of Waitsfield, VT, November 29, 2002; retired engineer.

'38—**Leland R. Kemp** of Harbour Heights, FL, formerly of Waterville, NY, December 20, 2002; dairy farmer; active in community and religious affairs.

'38 MA—**Russell W. Ludlum** of Livingston Manor, NY, December 11, 2002; school district principal; mathematics teacher; veteran; active in community and professional affairs.

'38 MD—**Charles L. Neill Jr.** of Jackson, MS, September 28, 2002; neurosurgeon; prof. of neurosurgery, U. of Mississippi School of Medicine; veteran; active in civic, community, and professional affairs.

'38 MD—**Barnard D. Patterson** of Edenton, NC, May 19, 2002; retired physician.

'38 BS Ag—**Ira C. Saurman** of Coconut Creek, FL, January 20, 2002; retired.

'39 MA—**John H. Hewitt** of Pleasant Valley, NY, October 16, 2001; librarian, MIT's Research Lab of Electronics; veteran; active in community affairs.

'39 MS Ag—**Donald A. Weinland** of Carmichael, CA, December 15, 2002; attorney; retired asst. director, California Dept. of Food and Agriculture; veteran; active in community affairs.

'40, BArch '41—**Roger M. Herbst** of Marco

Island, FL, exact date unknown; architect. Phi Delta Theta.

'40 BS Ag—Lt. Col. **Andrew B. C. Nicholls** of Sarasota, FL, January 3, 2003; retired Army officer; veteran; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'40 BA, LLB '42—**Walter Zeldow** of Hilton Head, SC, January 5, 2003; attorney; active in community and professional affairs. Wife, Lenore (Zipser) '43.

'41 JD—**James D. Hodnett** of Drexel Hill, PA, May 1, 2002; attorney.

'41 BA—**Frances Wolfsie Levitzky** of Ithaca, September 8, 1997. Sigma Delta Tau.

'41 BA, MD '44—**Henry Renfert Jr.** of Austin, TX, January 5, 2003; physician; founder, Austin Diagnostic Clinic; active in community, professional, and religious affairs. Chi Psi.

'41 BS Ag—**Rodney E. Wohlers** of Perrysburg, OH, January 7, 2003; retired eastern agricultural manager, Hunt-Wesson Foods; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'42—**Henry F. Gerhauser** of Dallas, TX, March 11, 2000. Alpha Delta Phi.

'42 BEE—**Joseph C. Littleton** of Hammondsport, NY, December 16, 2002; vice president, Corning Glass Works; inventor; musician; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and alumni affairs. Beta Theta Pi.

'42—**Edmond B. Olchowski** of Greenfield, MA, December 11, 2000.

'42 BS Ag—**Leonard Parker** of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, January 6, 2003; landscape architect; veteran; helped to liberate Dachau; active in community, professional, and religious affairs.

'43 JD—**Thomas M. Gardiner** of Carlsbad, CA, April 15, 2002; attorney.

'43 LLB—**James N. Johnson** of Sedona, AZ, April 25, 2002; former vice president, Smith Corp.

'43 LLB—**Hon. Reginald S. Oliver** of Sodus Point, NY, August 29, 2002; judge.

'43 BS Hotel—**Michael Samperi** of Hoboken, NJ, January 18, 2002; hotel consultant; adult education teacher; active in alumni affairs. Tau Kappa Epsilon.

'44 BS ME—**Robert N. Johnson** of Cherry Hill, NJ, July 17, 2001; mechanical engineer, Beaumont Birch Co.

'44 BS Ag—**Frank L. Wiley** of Victor, NY, December 5, 2002; retired dairy farmer; active in community and alumni affairs.

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'45 BS ME—William B. Furstman of Daytona Beach, FL, December 20, 2002; retired retailer, Macy's Dept. Stores; veteran; active in civic, community, professional, and religious affairs.

'46 BS ME—Theron W. Davidson of Lexington Park, MD, exact date unknown; clergyman.

'46 MA—Scott A. Swinehart of Columbus, OH, December 30, 2002; retired Presbyterian minister; active in community and religious affairs.

'47 BS ME—Earl D. Barkhuff of Staatsburg, NY, January 7, 2003; retired mechanical engineer, IBM; veteran; active in community and religious affairs.

'47 BA—Zue Bronaugh Cockley of Mansfield, OH, December 10, 2002; retired insurance agent.

'47, BS HE '49—Marion Kibbe Petterson of Palm Beach, FL, February 5, 2001. Kappa Kappa Gamma. Husband, Birger Petterson Jr. '47, BS ME '49.

'48 BA, MA '49—Stuart Flack of Utica, NY, July 19, 2002.

'48 BS Ag—Paul Judson Jr. of Haydenville, MA, January 15, 2000. Alpha Sigma Phi.

'48 PhD—Charles J. Kentler Jr. of Sea Girt, NJ, January 15, 2002; retired business owner.

'48 B Chem E—Robert C. Kohrn of Hamden, CT, April 29, 2002; worked for Gates Rubber Co.

'48—George L. Lee Jr. of Whitehouse Station, NJ, March 15, 1999; CEO, Red Devil Inc.

'49 BA—Rocco J. Furfare of Shortsville, NY, December 21, 2001; retired owner, Winged Pheasant Golf Links. Seal & Serpent.

'49 BS AE—Julian U. Loeb of Las Vegas, NV, April 30, 2002; high school teacher; security director; writer.

'49 BS Nurs—Ann Shore Milnes of Vienna, VA, May 2, 2002; nurse. Husband, Roger F. Milnes '45, BA '44.

'49 BS ME—Ronald D. Norris of Washington, IL, September 16, 2002; worked for Caterpillar Tractors.

'49 MS ILR—Robert L. Stutz of Chilmark, MA, December 6, 1998; retired, Better Fabrics Testing Bureau.

'50 JD—John E. Fitzpatrick of Houston, TX, April 23, 2000; attorney.

'50 BS Ag—Edwin B. Millard of Northfield, IL, January 8, 2003; retired president, Children's Home & Aid Society of Illinois; exec. director, Parsons Child and Family Center; active in community and professional affairs. Acacia.

'50 JD—Roger B. Prehn of Tucson, AZ, formerly of Fayetteville, NY, November 16, 2002; retired attorney; veteran; active in community and alumni affairs. Sigma Nu.

'50 M Ch E—Horace T. Robson of Lutz, FL, July 2, 2000.

'51 BS Ag—George Domingos of Massena, NY, December 15, 2002; retired teacher.

'51 BS Hotel—Richard C. Graham Sr. of Winter Springs, FL, January 9, 2003; employment counselor. Acacia.

'51 BS Ag—Richard K. Kawahara of Honolulu, HI, exact date unknown; worked for dept. of education, State of Hawaii.

'51-53 GR—C. Paul Marsh of Port Royal, SC, formerly of Raleigh, NC, exact date unknown; professor, rural sociology dept., North Carolina State U.

'51 BA—Robert S. McLellan of Chevy Chase, MD, February 9, 2003.

'51 BS Ag—David F. Newton of Longview, TX, April 24, 2002; soil and well tester. Alpha Zeta.

'51 MS—Leona Brodman Smith of Pontiac, IL, February 23, 2003; special education teacher; active in community and religious affairs.

'51 PhD—John S. Titus of Urbana, IL, May 19, 1998; professor, U. of Illinois.

'51 PhD—Warren S. Walker of Lubbock, TX, November 22, 2002; director, Archive of Turkish Oral Literature, Texas Tech U.; writer; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'51 M ILR—William R. Young of Ormond Beach, FL, September 27, 1996; retired vice president, Schlitz Brewing Co.

'53 BA—Robert S. Solomon of White Plains, NY, November 21, 2002; mechanical engineer, retired from Consumers Union; veteran; active in civic, community, and alumni affairs.

'53, BS Ag '54—George L. Winter of Bradenton, FL, January 19, 2002; retired manager, United Way; active in community affairs.

'54—Robert E. Guttery of Colorado Springs, CO, formerly of Salt Lake City, UT, September 1997.

'54—Robert W. Heil of Columbus, OH, November 20, 1994; director, Christian Outreach School of Ministries. Wife, Letitia (Martin) '54.

'54 BS Ag—Gordon H. Hills of Kamuela, HI, August 17, 2002; writer.

'54 BS Ag—Marie Ferro Jervis of Annandale, VA, August 31, 2002. Delta Gamma. Husband, Wilfrid C. '54.

'54 M ILR—**Sanford E. Kline** of Manlius, NY, December 2, 2001; president, Stylish Women Ltd.

'54 BA—**Edgar Miller** of Coral Gables, FL, December 5, 2002; attorney. Alpha Epsilon Pi.

'54 PhD—**Leif Owren** of Bergen, Norway, January 7, 2002; professor emeritus of physics, U. of Bergen. Wife, Ingrid (Romming), GR '49-52.

'56 JD—**Richard A. Bernstein** of Pittsford, NY, January 16, 2000; attorney.

'56 MS ILR—**F. X. Hodgson** of Poway, CA, April 12, 1997; retired salesperson.

'57 MBA—**John E. Shantz** of Oldwick, NJ, November 18, 2001; retired vice president, Discount Corp.; active in community and religious affairs.

'57 BS Hotel—**Merreyle S. Smiley** of Newport, OR, formerly of Seattle, WA, January 1, 2003; hotelier; veteran; active in professional affairs.

'58 MS—**Roger Pennock Jr.** of University Park, PA, June 14, 2002; professor of agronomy, Penn State U.

'58 MIE—**Robert W. Scott** of Louisville, KY, May 2, 2002; worked for General Electric; active in alumni affairs.

'58 BA—**Elaine Interrante** Tunnick of Albertson, NY, December 17, 2002.

'59 M Ed—**Cyril J. Meyer** of Sibley, IA, May 22, 2001. Wife, R. Gloria (Parrott), MS Ed '51.

'59 BS Ag, DVM '63—**Wendell S. Moore Jr.** of Stony Brook, NY, May 17, 2001; veterinarian.

'59 BA, BS Hotel '61—**Robert K. Semel** of South Salem, NY, exact date unknown; president, Uniflex Inc. Tau Delta Phi.

'60 BA—**Robert W. Beales** of Lyons, NY, February 16, 1993. Delta Tau Delta.

'60 BS ILR—**Joseph L. Janack** of Constantia, NY, April 2, 1997.

'60—**John F. Krey III** of St. Louis, MO, November 1986; president, Krey Packing Co.

'60 BA—**Michael S. Martin** of Denver, CO, September 8, 2001; math professor, U. of Denver; mountaineer; active in community and professional affairs. Phi Sigma Epsilon.

'60 BA—**Bruce K. Miller** of Seattle, WA, June 13, 2001. Psi Upsilon.

'61 BA—**John C. Keller** of Frederick, PA, September 5, 1996. Alpha Delta Phi.

'61 PhD—**Roy A. Larson** of Raleigh, NC, January 8, 2003; professor of horticulture, North Carolina State U., Raleigh.

'61 BS Hotel—**Michael D. Spencer** of Incline Village, NV, May 19, 1999. Pi Kappa Phi.

'62 PhD—**Floyd M. Cammack** of Kaneohe, HI, December 31, 2002; retired librarian; harpichord builder.

'62 BS Ag—**John C. Kimbark** of Manheim, PA, 1993; worked for Harcourt Brace Jovanovich.

'62 MA—**Martha Donnell** Scott of Painted Post, NY, June 13, 2002; retired school teacher.

'63 MA—**Shadrack O. Kwas** of Nairobi, Kenya, May 8, 2000; professor of economics, U. of Nairobi.

'64 BA—**Robert M. Baker Jr.** of Springfield, VA, April 10, 2001; economist, US Treasury Dept.

'64, B Chem E '65—**David C. Fordham** of Baraboo, WI, January 3, 2003; engineer; worked for the US Army. Theta Chi.

'64 BS Nurs—**Barbara Krokow** Israel (Mrs. Jay M.) of Jericho, NY, January 1986.

'64, BA '66—**Stephen H. Judson** of Leesburg, FL, April 25, 2001. Delta Phi.

'64 BS Ag, MS '66—**Robert H. Kelly** of Pittsburgh, PA, April 17, 2000; physician.

'64 BArch—**Robert J. Macon** of Rochester, NY, March 26, 2002; architect.

'64 BS Hotel—**Stefan B. Stamper** of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, February 7, 2001; banker.

'65 BS HE—**Barbara Kirschbaum** Boxer (Mrs. Samuel A.) of East Northport, NY, October 12, 1992.

'65 BS Hotel—**Karl W. Hochadel** of New Fairfield, CT, November 11, 1994; accountant and tax executive, hotel industry.

'65 BS Ag—**Gary A. Vater** of Ft. Charlotte, FL, formerly of Pittsburgh, PA, December 2, 2001. Acacia.

'66, BS Ag '67, MS Ag '93—**James E. Capron** of Geneva, NY, January 21, 1999; secondary school teacher.

'66 MBA—**Christopher G. Dummer** of Leicester, England, March 7, 2002; chairman, Parmeko P.L.C.

'66 BS Nurs—**Barbara Stryker** McCleskey (Mrs. Stephen) of Wallingford, PA, August 7, 2002; nurse.

'67 PhD—**William W. Ash** of La Honda, CA, March 6, 1994.

'67 BS Ag—**John H. Hubbell** of San Marino, CA, January 6, 2003; president, sales division of Nesle USA; active in community and professional

affairs. Alpha Chi Rho. Wife, Holly (Rose) '70.

'67 BS Eng, PhD '73—**George D. Meixel Jr.** of Milford, NJ, April 3, 2001; engineer. Sigma Chi.

'67, BEE '69—**James J. Treacy Jr.** of Bellevue, WA, October 15, 1990.

'67 BS Ag, MBA '68—**Bruce C. Wilson** of New York City, June 1992.

'68 BS HE—**Soleil Benmore** Donahue of Carlsbad, CA, March 3, 2000. Kappa Kappa Gamma.

'68 PhD—**Thomas K. Wood** of Newark, DE, September 7, 2002; entomologist; professor, U. of Delaware; active in professional and alumni affairs.

'72 BS Hotel—**Maurizio Manfredi** of Smyrna, GA, January 5, 2003; restaurant manager; active in community affairs.

'74 BS Ag, MPS HHSA '75—**Kenneth A. Cramer** of Jacksonville, FL, May 10, 1999; assistant vice president, Gulf Life Insurance. Beta Sigma Rho.

'74 BS Eng—**Bruce E. Huehn** of East Wenatchee, WA, November 1, 2001; engineer.

'74 BS Ag—**Robert D. Lawson** of Baltimore, MD, January 26, 1996.

'76 BS ILR—**Paul S. Gerarde** of Queensbury, NY, December 1, 2002; president, Keena Assocs.; director of human resources, CB Sports; active in community and professional affairs. Chi Psi.

'76 BS Ag—**Douglas G. Snow** of Elm City, NC, December 18, 2002; operator, Snowdale Farms. Alpha Zeta.

'77 BS Ag—**Gary P. Roberts** of Sherman Oaks, CA, December 22, 2002.

'82 BS Eng—**Anne Wheeler Quinn** of Kirkwood, NY, November 23, 1996; engineer.

'86—**Theresa I. Chow** of Oradell, NJ, May 29, 2002; principal, Diamondcluster International.

'89 MBA—**Michael N. Kennedy** of Stouffville, Ont., Canada, was mistakenly listed as deceased in the May/June 1999 *Cornell Magazine*.

'91 BS Ag—**Jodi Dechow** Hilts of Verona, NY, July 20, 2002; community educator, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Oneida County.

'93—**Richard A. Gamelin** of Warwick, RI, January 3, 2003; musician; music teacher; inventor; active in professional affairs. Zeta Psi.

'93 BS Ag—**Mathew A. Kleiner** of New York City, February 27, 2003; health advocate; asst. district attorney, Manhattan; campaign manager. Wife, Jennifer (Butler) '93.

The 3,158 undergraduate students who entered the university in the 2002 fall and 2003 spring terms included 496 who are known to be the children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren of alumni.

The information for the following lists was compiled during the admissions process from data provided by the descendants of alumni who apply for admission as undergraduates, are admitted, and then matriculate at the university. No such list is ever considered to be complete, so additions and corrections to the lists are welcome. The names of graduate students who entered in 2002 and are descendants of Cornellians are also welcome, both for publication in the magazine and for the accuracy of university records. Please contact *Cornell Alumni Magazine* with any revisions.

According to the information supplied, one student who entered the university in 2002 is a fifth-generation Cornellian: Diane Wuest is the great-great-granddaughter of the late Addison Weed 1879, the great-granddaughter of the late Leslie D. Perry '08 and the late Ruth (Weed) '07, the granddaughter of the late James E. McKee '37 and Natalie (Perry) '38, and the daughter of Robert G. Wuest '74 and Wendy (McKee) '74.

20 students who entered in 2002 are the great-grandchildren of Cornellians: James Bingham [Thomas V. Bingham '54]; Marni Bromberg [Bernard Bromberg '34]; Yosef Bronsnick [Arnold J. Currier, PhD '23]; Grier Colella [John C. Grier, LLB '04]; Charles Crandall [Lola Van Alstyne '25]; Jane Ginther [Francis Ryan '10]; Laura Harder [Margaret Remsen Rude '21]; Christopher Jachmich [William C. Kinsolving '23]; Tyler Jones [Raymond T. Jones Jr. '16 and Frederick B. Embury '27]; Amy Kaplan [Joseph Krauskopf '16]; Hannah Moderow [John Jay White '05]; Marcellus Randall [James W. Johnson '17]; Rebecca Schmitt [Ira E. Cole '15]; Weining Shen [Liang H. Shen '18, MME '20]; Brian Skelly [Howard P. Ryan '15]; Leigh Stefanik [W. Le Roy Umstad '09]; Paul Stuart [Sherman Parker '13]; Joy Tomlinson [Clarence D. Coulter '18, ME '20]; Ross Woodson [Edward W. Carson '33]; Kira Wisley [Ernest S. Breed, LLB '04, and Ione (Andrew) '12].

13 students who entered in 2002 are both great-grandchildren and grandchildren of Cornellians: Michelle Duvall [Robert Duvall '03; and Ruth Brown Foy '44]; Genevieve Judson-Jourdain [Paul Judson '09; and Paul Judson Jr. '48]; Judd Meyer [Gordon Hubbard Hamilton '12; and Christabel Hamilton Frederick '46, BS Ag '48, DVM '49]; Elizabeth Pullen [H. Leroy Fancher, MA '24; and James H. Pullen '38]; Jordan Rosen [Henry Ten Hagen Sr. '13; and Henry Ten Hagen Jr. '50]; Catherine Schnell [George Spamer '15, MF '16; and William H. Munson '36]; Christopher Smith [George Sanderson, LLB '11; and F. Thayer Sanderson '44, LLB '48]; Daniel Smith [Julian C. Smith Sr. 1900; and Julian C. Smith Jr. '41]; Satya Stainton [Walter H. Stainton '19, PhD '27; and John Stainton '54, MRP '59]; Bradley Tucker [Samuel M. Goldberg '16; and Robert S. Gordon '43]; Cory Warfield [Guy T. Warfield Jr. '25; and Guy T. Warfield III '51]; Garrett Wasson [Herbert G. Honeywell '13; Charles Wille '17; and Charles E. Wille '50]; Cailin Wilke [Earl W. Murray, LLB '22; and Earl W. Murray Jr. '49].

Elisabeth Harding is the granddaughter of Samuel Harding 1894 and the daughter of David Harding '72, MS '76, PhD '83; Jason Kahn is the great-grandson of Edward J. Regensburg '20 and the son of R. Douglas Kahn '74; Douglass McLean is the great-grandson of William B. McLean '29 and the son of J. Nelson McLean '65; Matthew Pendleton is the great-grandson of Claude Marc Pendleton '18 and the son of Robert M. Pendleton '63; Lucas Perkins is the great-grandson of Sidney Quinby '24 and the son of Jeffrey J. Perkins, ME M '00; David Tagatac is the great-grandson of Clyde Mayer '21 and the son of Daniel Tagatac, MS '79, and Anne E. Mayer '77; Nicholas Zimmermann is the great-grandson of Leroy R. Grumman '16 and Rose (Werther) '19, the great-grandson of Ellis L. Phillips 1895, and the son of Philip B. Zimmermann '73 and Kathryn N. Phillips '75.

In the legacy listings that follow, deceased alumni are designated by an asterisk (*); a dagger (†) indicates a stepparent.

ONE CORNELLIAN PARENT

229 new students note one Cornellian parent. Those who also have at least one Cornellian grandparent or great-grandparent are listed elsewhere.

Parent	Child
Vahid Alaghband '74, ME I '75	Sanam
William N. Alberta, MS '77	Ian
William J. Anderson '71	Charlotte
John T. Angelini, MBA '71	Stephen
Marcia Clark Arem '73	Hannah
Carol Bagdasarian Aslanian '63	Elizabeth
Donald E. Aubrecht '70, BArch '71	Donald
Anthony L. Auerbach '71	Benjamin
Gerald E. Batt '72	Dorian
Barbara Grable Bergman, GR '78-79	Melissa
Laurie Berke-Weiss '71	Alexandra Berke
Deborah Rich Bernstein '76	Max
Amarjit S. Bhusr, MS '76, MBA '77	Arzoo
Esta R. Bigler '70	Matthew
	Bigler-McCorkell
Stuart Binstock '75	Anna
Ellen Wurman Birnbaum '77	Deborah
Howard A. Konick '66, BArch '68	Esther Blodau-Konick
William W. Boles '68	Kristin

Jeffrey Borer, MD '69	Jon
Donald R. Bossard '68	Bret
Michael A. Botsakos '76, ME E '77	Michael
Robert J. Bowen, GR '71-72	David
John D. Boyd, MBA '77	Philip
Nora Brockner Brower '67	Elizabeth
Linda Lechner Buehler '77	Amanda
Hannelore Vinica Bushell, MA '72, PhD '75	Max
Frank Calaguire '73	Jordan
Lisa A. Fleming '78	Anna Carbino
Ronald T. Carman '73	Meredith
Richard D. Carvolth, MD '78	R. Trent
Bernard J. Chambers Jr. '80	Brian
Carlos E. Chardon Jr. '61	Carolyne
Judith A. Mabel '64	Joshua Christensen
Daniel Christiansen, DVM '81	Dana
I. Margaret Coffey, DVM '03	Claire
W. Ronnie Coffman, PhD '71	Caroline
Richard S. Cohen '74	Jared
Craig A. Cosenza '71	Kaitlyn
Patrick E. Costello '75	Abigail
David F. Crawford '74	Corey
*Nan Karwan Cutting '75	Claire
Joseph D. Danas '64	Lindsay
Katrina Vanderlip	Alissa De
De Carbonnel '74	Carbonnel

Joseph DeMeo '64, BS Ag '66, MBA '67	J. S.
Susan M. Arnsten-Russell '80	Teegan Delli-Bovi
Anita Graves Deming '73, MPS Ag '78	Roger
Steven K. Dentel, MS '80, PhD '84	Colin Dentel-Post
Jeffrey A. Dewey '76	Craig
Emanuel M. Bloom, MD '77	Benjamin
	DiCicco-Bloom
A. David Dodwell '71	Jennifer
†Philip Ribolow '79	Douglas
	Drummond
Stephen Dunegan, MBA '79, JD '80	Dennis
Gerald Durkin, JD '79	Elizabeth
Leroy A. Ellerbrock, PhD '76	Tanya
F. Warren Elish '77, MBA '78	Lauren
Alise F. Kreditor '76	Jacob Englander
F. Paul Esposito '66	Edward
Carla Ginsburg '69	Marissa Evans
Margot E. Fassler, MA '80, PhD '83	Joseph
Sindy Okonow Finkelson '76	Erica
Barbara Pearce Johnson '74	Zachary Fischer
Stephen A. Forward '72	Zachary
Edward A. Frongillo Jr., MS '81, MS Ag '87, PhD '91	Dominic
John Fullington '70	John
Richard E. Furnas '73, PhD '81	Benjamin
Guy G. Fusco '80	Valerie
Gary J. Gartenberg '69	David
Stanley N. Garver '73, MRP '76	Lindsay
Bruce S. Gigliotti '76	Eric
Terry V. Gifford '70	Michael
Mason D. Gilbert '64, MS '66, PhD '73	Jessie
Ellen F. Glanz '70	Jared Glanz-Berger
	Lena
Karen Moss Glaser '70	Matthew Glead
Anne C. Letteri '76	Jessica
George M. Goldmark, MD '73	Alison Golensky
George Golenwsky '74	Stacy Golman
Marilyn S. Neiman '75, BS Ag '74	Dara
Barbara Ecker Gordon '70	Nelson
S. Nelson Gray Jr., MPS HA '76	Aaron
Richard M. Green '70, MBA '73	Jonah
Mark J. Green '67	Peter
Douglas A. Gregg, PhD '91	Oliver
Charles N. Gregory '75	Dylan
Richard H. Greif '71	William
James Q. Grimshaw '71, JD '74	Elka
David L. Gruenberg '69	Georgia
Janice Meeker Guthrie '76	Andrew
Gary L. Harden '61	Brett
*Joseph Harris '50	Carolann
Robert D. Hass Jr., MBA '88	Derek
Richard G. Haswell '79	Denison
Denison H. Hatch Jr. '71	James
James M. Hatfield '74	Alicia Henderson
Lorraine Henderson Iacovitti, PhD '79	
Betsy Fineberg Hershberg '72	Daniel
Julia Bauer Herzog '81	Aaron
Don N. Hettiaratchy, PhD '92	Dona
Laura Muggleton Higgins '69, MS '71	Edgar
Richard E. Hill '77	John
Elaine Vier Holt '76	Brendan
Joanne Edelson Honigman '67	Amy
David P. Howe, MBA '88	Matthew
Robert D. Hunter, JD '76	Katherine
Yoshiro Ikura, MS '79, PhD '81	Masato
Michelle L. Hefferon '82	Jessica Ingerick
Mary Valla Ippolito '77	Andrea
Roger B. Jacobs '73	Joshua
Barbara Heck James, JD '79	Scott
Bruce Jentleson '73, MA '82, PhD '83	Katherine
Michael N. Jonas '77	Samantha
Ronald Kaleya, MD '80	Marin

Robert D. Kaplan, MD '84	Zachary	Lawrence S. Salant '81	Joshua	Andrew N. Bernstein '74	Whitney Bernstein
William G. Kappus '73	Meghan	Debra Haupt-Saltzman '78	Mathew Saltzman	Evan M. Zuckerman '74	
Frederick J. Kelly '78	Jessica	Ecaterina Weismann '77,	Daniel Scher	Gary B. Bettman '74	Jordan Bettman
Rashid A. Khan '73, MBA '74	Suhair	ME E '78		Michelle (Weiner) '75	
Steven W. Klein '65, BS Eng '68	Gregg	Randy E. Scott '79	Jason	James Bittner '80	Janet Bittner
Peter S. Knight '73	Zach	Gary Sesser '72	Anne	Margo Sue (Randall) '80	
William F. Kocher, JD '73	Cassie	Gary Sesser '72	Benjamin	Jose R.M. Bonilha, MS '76	Carolyn Bonilha
Lawrence G. Koerner '77	Michael	Daniel B. Shure, MBA '83	Raphael	Benedetta (Bruno), GR '75-'77	
Milton L. Kogan '57	Millay	Rosemary Gallick-Silverstein,	May Silverstein	Matthew K. Bonner '81	Daniel Bonner
Michael Kornblum '74, ME M '75	Dana	MPS CA '76		Alice (Freyer) '79	
Andre G. LaClair '76, ME EP '78,	Jean-Paul	John C. Simonds '68, BS Eng '72	Gregory	Kirk E. Boothroyd '82	Kathryn Boothroyd
ME AES '87		George K. So '75	Henry	Maureen (Gallagher) '82	
D. Randall Lacey '77, ME C '99	Forrest	Jamil Sopher '65, ME E '66	Margaret	David M. Breidbart '75	Emily Breidbart
H. Peter Larson III '67, BA '70	Amanda	Debra J. Hertz '76	Laura Southerland	Joan (Leibowitz) '78	
Delores Wesley Lee, MS '73	Brandon	Wendy Wallitt '69	Noah Spies	John S. Brice '77, BArch '79	Nicholas Brice
Carol E. Heckman, JD '77	Tyler Levin	Jodi Sielschott Stechschulte '74	John	Yvonne M. Eisner '77	
Stuart A. Lewis '74	Rebecca	Ross W. Stefano '77, MBA '78	Christian	Eric C. Cyker '78, MBA/ME I '80	Zachary Cater-
Douglas J. Little, MA '75, PhD '78	Alison	Steven H. Stein '76	David	Teresa J. Cater-Cyker '78	Cyker
Roger S. Lowenstein '76	Matthew	Christopher E. Stocke '74,	Michael	David C. Child '68	Zachary Child
Shun-Wen Lu, PhD '98	Yan	ME C '75		Alice R. Herman, MA '72	
*David H. Lustbader '71	Jessica	Philip B. Sun '75	Christina	Stephen C. Clancy '74, JD '78,	Rachel Clancy
Martha Rosett Lutz '78	Claudia	Daniel Talmadge, MA '81	Heather	MA'86, PhD '88	
Craig D. MacKay '74	Julia	Kathleen Mathews Taylor, MBA '79	Lauren	Marianne K. Saphra '71	
Martin Macklin '56, MIE '58	Alicia	Ralph S. Terkowitz '72	Jeffrey	Wesley A. Clark '73	Allison Clark
Anthony M. Maione '81	Anthony	Ganesh B. Thapa, PhD '89	Dipti	Linda (Moore) '75	
Nicholas T. Makes '75, ME C '76	Katherine	Joanne MacCabe Thompson,	Kevin	Philip Cogen '72	Jonathan Cogen
Roger J. Malik, MS '79, PhD '81	Daniel	MBA '75		Fran (Rosenberg) '75	
Gary W. Malm '77	Jennifer	Ronald Trachtenberg '69	Lindsey	David A. Conde '78, BS '80	Janine Conde
Bruce D. Mansdorf '66	Lucy	*David F. Tulchin '77	Ashley	Ann (Procida) '81	
Edward Marchant '68	Cameron	Claudia Freeman Valins '72	Whitney	Mark A. Cukierski '73, PhD '85	William Cukierski
Robert E. Maroney '72	Megan	Richard C. Van Nostrand, MS '71	Elizabeth	Gwendolyn (Vail) '72, BS HE '71, MA '74	Andrew
Colleen Race Martin '77	Maureen	David A. Vollmer '74	Beth	William H. Cunningham '72,	Cunningham
Kevin J. McEnery '70, MBA '71	Lisa	Ven-Woei Wang, MS '83, PhD '85	Jessica	BArch '73	
Herbert Mendel '73	Marisa	*Donald R. Weber '76	Jennifer	Alfreda Radzicki '72, BArch '73	
Dennis D. Miller, PhD '78	Erica	Richard J. Weiss '74	Michael	John M. Delaney '80	Serenity Delaney
Mark W. Miller '77	Keith	Kevin L. Weitsman '72, ME E '73	Andrew	Deborah (Rosbaugh) '80	
Michael Millican '69	Ian	Jeffrey L. Welde '70, ME E '71	Christopher	Michael R. Cooper, JD '73	Anthea Dexter-
Laurie Clemente Milnor '75	Ashley	Stephen B. Wexler '61	Sharon	Cecily R. Dexter '71	Cooper
Margaret L. Moline '75	Adam	Ronald G. Wick '69, ME Ch '70	Lindsay	Marion Frank Dunbar '74	Adrienne Dunbar
Malcolm L. Morris '69	Alexander	Henry E. Williams '71	Jay	Yvonne (Jara) '73	
Joy F. Willig '77	Ethan Moses	Marcos C. Wilson '75, BS Eng '77	Marissa	John P. Franzen '70, BArch '72,	William Franzen
Yuko Mulugetta, MBA '94	Retta	Lester E. Wold, MS '74	Barbara	MArch '75	
Andrew J. Nolte '70	Thomas	Michael G. Wolski, MBA '77	Gregory	Ann (Kavicky) '75	
Benedict C. Obidun, MS '76	Nneka	Mark B. Wright '74	Maisie	Robert D. George '77	Andrew George
Lyndon R. Odell '75	Brian	Jacqueline Wright '99	Michelle	Blanche (Kattermann) '79	
Kenneth L. Osborn '80, DVM '01	Daniel	Paul Po-Lon Wu, GR '76-'77	Ray	Edward Gilbert '78	Caitlin Gilbert
Miriam Garcia Otero, GR '74-'76	Miriam	Geoffrey C. Yates, MS '77	Heidi	Gretchen (Kane) '77	
Ibrahim Paksoy '72, ME M '73,	Oya	Peter P. Yim '73	Jeremy	Abraham I. Gladstone '77	Miriam Gladstone
MBA '74		James Young, JD '70	Patrick	Barbara A. Katz-Gladstone '76	Emily Goldman
Stephen M. Pawlak '79	Kathleen	Bruce Zirinsky '69	John	Jack R. Goldman, GR '65-'67	
Douglas M. Leone '79	Kristin Perkins			Barbara E. Mink, MA '85	
Eric M. Perry '69	Sarah			Larry S. Greenfield '72	Nicole Greenfield
Carlos A. Pichardo '82, ME E '83	Carlos			Sharon H. Foster '74	
Stuart B. Pink, MD '80	Brian			Stewart G. Greisman '77	Laura Greisman
Neal R. Platt '75	Brigitte			Lisa (Babitz) '77	
Candace Kagan Platz, DVM '81	Shana			Michael G. Heisler '77	Benjamin Heisler
Richard S. Polevoy '75	Jacob			Marsha E. St. John '80	
Robert A. Profusek '72	Kathryn			Jeffrey Henig '73	Samantha Henig
Mohammed I. Qamar '74, MS '76	Natasha			Robin (Marantz) '73	
Donald A. Rakow, MPS Ag '77,	Alexander			Thomas R. Hirschmann '70	Carolyn
PhD '87				Susan (Schindewolf) '73	Hirschmann
Ellen Simson Rank '76	Shelley			Joel L. Hodes '68	Amanda Hodes
Phillip Ratner '66, MBA '71	Ashley			Nancy Kulerman Hodes '68	
Beverley E. Birks '69	Julia Raybould			Peter C. Holmberg '76	Andrew Holmberg
Dan D. Reed '74	Andrew			Marilyn (Durrant) '76	
Richard K. Reed '64	Susannah			Krzysztof P. Holzer, MS '86,	Eduardo Holzer-
Gene D. Resnick '70, MD '74	Susannah			PhD '89	Torres
Paul J. Riner '78	Bradley			Carolina (Torres) '80, ME Ch '81	
Steven Rockey '70	Mark			Kenneth W. Husserl '74	Elisabeth Husserl
	Kate Rockey-			Joan (Milbauer) '75	
	Harris			Scott C. Jackson '77	Aaron Jackson
Stewart Rog, ME C '74	Joshua			Elaine (Zajac) '78	
Laurence Rogers '72	Matthew			Scott B. Jaffe '78	Nicole Jaffe
Randy Rosenberg '74	Carly			Leah (Zelmanowitz) '80	
J. David Rubin '58	Ephram			Martha E. Garrison, MA INT '80	Martha Jahn
Virginia A. Rudd '81	Natalie			†Margaret Miller Jahn, PhD '88	
Renwick S. Russell '69	Lisa			Samuel Thomas Jennings '73	Christopher
Linda Vecchiotti Saal '71	Andrew			Karen (Brendel) '74	Jennings

TWO CORNELLIAN PARENTS

98 new students note both Cornellian mothers and fathers (or parent and step-parent). Those who also have Cornellian grandparents or great-grandparents are listed elsewhere.

Parents

Brian J. Acker, MD '76
Michele (Brodsky) '75
Henry Adams III '77
Kerry (Crowell) '76
Stephen R. Angel '70, JD '74
Marcie (Goldstein) '74
Robert Anolik '74
Ruth (Blenstock) '74
Stuart Appelbaum '69,
MA INT '75
Jean King '71, MS '78, PhD '79
Martin D. Caffrey, MS '76, PhD '82
Barbara A. Appignani '81, MD '86
Kenneth J. Ayres '75
Elaine (Johnson) '75
Harold P. Brull '70
Myra (Barrett), MA '64, PhD '71
Edward Bartholomew '80, MBA '82
Carol (Johnson) '81,
ME E '82

Child

Lauren Acker
Kathryn Adams
Anna Angel
Rachel Anolik
Hannah
Appelbaum
Julien Appignani
Bradley Ayres
Jessica Barrett
Randyn
Bartholomew

THREE CORNELL GENERATIONS

Of the students entering in 2002, 43 are listed as third-generation Cornellians.

Grandparent(s)	Parent(s)	Child
W. Franklin Shipe Jr., PhD '49	Michael C. Ahn '69, ME C '71, MRP '73 Suzanne (Shipe) '71, BA '73	Byron Ahn
Norman W. Allen '44, BS Ag '46 Gertrude (Durfee) '45, BS HE '44	George E. Allen '72	Travis Allen
Henry E. Bartels '48 Nancy (Horton) '48	Philip H. Bartels '71	Katherine Bartels
*Dorothy Reynolds Bell '41	Peter D. Bell '73	Adam Bell
Leonard T. Borden '49 Phyllis (Horton) '49	Thomas A. Borden '76	Michael Borden
James Stocker '51 Patricia (Gunderson) '53 Richens Brigham '48	James E. Brigham '75, ME C '77 Julie Brigham Karen Stocker '74	Julie Brigham
Ralph R. Brown '53	Robert R. Brown II '77	Robert Brown
*Clive B. Chambers Sr. '33, DVM '35	Clive B. Chambers Jr. '69	Andrew Chambers
Lawrence A. Christensen '37	Norman L. Christensen '73	Lauren Christensen
Hermaine Kurtz Cohen '41	Jonathan F. Cohen '67	Ilana Cohen
*Joseph N. Cuzzi '31, CE '34	Frank E. Cuzzi '61, MBA '64	Alexandra Cox-Cuzzi
Warner L. Durfee '43, BS Ag '46	Steven E. Durfee '79 Marylouise (Vanlieshout) '78	Nathan Durfee
Miguel Ferrer-Rincon '38	Miguel A. Ferrer '59, MBA '61	Augusto Ferrer
John J. Gilbert Jr. '49 Inger (Molmen) '49	John J. Gilbert III '77	John Gilbert
*Arthur E. Greene '50	Dwight H. Greene '72, BS Ag '76	Andrea Greene
Stanford N. Fertig, PhD '50	Michael S. Hall '68	Bryan Hall
Donald L. Summer '58	Robert M. Kaplan '77	Max Kaplan
*F. Bruce Krysiak '47 Margaret (Dragon) '48	Bruce W. Krysiak '72, MBA '73	David Krysiak
Joseph A. Langley '51 Betsey (Eisele) '50	Dennis J. Langley '74	Kelly Langley
Leonard Lehman '49	Jeffrey S. Lehman '77 Diane Becker Lehman '79	Jacob Lehman

Donald Meister '42 Marcia (Colby) '44	Loretta Brown Meister '94	Alexander Meister
*John B. Noble '51 Lorina (Smith) '53	Sarah Noble Moag '80	Griffin Moag
Douglas L. Murray '49	Lynn A. Murray '78	Mark Murray
*John B. Noble '51 Lorina (Smith) '53	John A. Noble '76	Elizabeth Noble
William D. Clark '50	Margaret A. Clark '72, BA '71	Caitlin O'Meara
*Charles L. Pinkney '34	Robert N. Pinkney '62, BS Ag '69 Karen (Wilson) '66	Sarah Pinkney
Kermit D. Morgan '53	James R. Putman '74	Blake Putman
Theodore R. Hoenig '40	Karen L. Hoenig-Rigamonti '73	Eva Rigamonti
Diana Meyer Robbins '40	Peter G. Robbins '74	Sophie Robbins
Norman E. Schlenker '37	Paul E. Schlenker '67	Julia Schlenker
Claire D. Mather '40	Scott C. Schnuck '72 Julia (Mather) '70	Thomas Schnuck
*Michael Schubert '36	Robert C. Schubert '66	Kathryn Schubert
Jerome Schwarzkopf '48	Donald A. Schwarzkopf '77	Andrew Schwarzkopf
Naomi Knauss Drummond '50	Peter A. Shraga '70	Geoffrey Shraga
*Charles G. Rickard, DVM '43, MS '46	Kenneth R. Sill '75 Jean (Rickard) '77	Theodore Sill
*William L. Simrell Jr. '26, BArch '28, BLA '33	Marcia F. Wyant, MS '76	Lindsey Simrell
*Albert W. Miller, DVM '49 *Margaret (Gibson) '48,	Timothy W. Smithling '77 Leueen (Miller) '76	Katelyn Smithling
Richard E. Redmond '52 Margaret (Bailey) '52	Christine Redmond Tausel '74	Mark Tausel
*Ellen Judith Loeb Wander '45, BA '44	Craig R. Wander '76	Seth Wander
*Geoffrey M. Weaver Sr. '38	Geoffrey M. Weaver Jr. '68, MBA '75	Matthew Weaver
*Milton Weiss '23, LLB '25	Stephen H. Weiss '57	Michael Weiss
Eugene E. Wright '50 Leslie (Warfield) '51	Peter E. Wright '77, ME Ag '78	Teresa Wright
*Robert Engel '53	Lawrence P. Young '73 Jennifer (Engel) '79	Jack Young

Richard A. Kaufman '76 Robin (Marks) '76	Melissa Kaufman
Richard H. Korn '71, PhD '79 *Amy (Newman), M ILR '77	Melissa Korn
John A. Kronstadt '73 Helen I. Bendix '73	Erik Bendix Kronstadt
Vidyardhar G. Kulkarni, MS '79, PhD '80	Ashwin Kulkarni
Radhika (Devarajan), MS I '80, PhD '81	Carlos La Hoz
Cesar A. La Hoz, PhD '82	
Martha Daniels La Hoz '82	
Ronald J. Linden '73 Shira (Siegel) '73	Joshua Linden
Martin S. List '72 Nancy A. Fiordalisi '74	Allison List
James C. McDonnell '79 Anne (Speciale) '81	Evelyn McDonnell
Thomas F. McGuire '78 Charlene (Allen) '78	Thomas McGuire
William S. Moody '76 Patricia (Hait) '77	Marianne Moody
Paul Morris '75 Marcia (Langwell) '74	Bari Morris
J. Kevin Nedrow '70 Barbara (Linehan) '73	Katherine Nedrow
Joel Negrin '68 Linda (Schwartz) '69	Noah Negrin
Bong-Sung Oum, MA '80, PhD '83 Aejoo Lee, MPS HA '81	Brian Oum
Victor J. Paci, JD '80 Jennifer (Miller), JD '80	Elizabeth Paci

Ken Packman, GR '86-87 †Alan H. Davidoff '80 Joseph C. Palermo '75, DVM '79 Maryann (Cawley), JD '79	Iris Packman Kate Palermo
Se-II Park, MS ILR '77, PhD '80 Mikyung P. Cho '81	Tae Jung Park
Andrew Peterson '77 Ann Marie (Reuter) '77, BA '80	Daniel Peterson
Michael M. Pliss '80 Sandra A. Brocius '80	Orenda Pliss
Jeremy A. Rabkin '74 Rhoda (Pinn) '75	Ariel Rabkin
James C. Rautio '78 Jean (White) '76	Julie Rautio
Arnold I. Resnick '72 Julia Barash '73	Cassie Resnick
David H. Rice '70 Lucy A. Roberts, GR '68-72	Sarah Rice
Thomas Riegelman '79 Susan Achinapura '80	Claire Riegelman
Raymond Rodgers '76 Debora (Engbrethson) '76	Katharine Rodgers
Donald R. Rosenbaum '67 Lee (Flasterstein) '70	Joyce Rosenbaum
Nathan L. Rudgers '82 Nancy (Kane) '82	Judson Rudgers
Richard Saltz '73, MBA '74 Lynn (Rosenbluth) '75	Marcy Saltz
Steven J. Sanford '75 Susan A. Sullivan '75	Benjamin Sanford

John A. Sawchuk '71 Gioia (Marchetti) '73	Andrew Sawchuk
*William G. Schimpf '79 Susan M. Peters '82	Brian Schimpf
Alfred K. Schlomann '80 Clare (Nesdall) '80	Catherine Schlomann
Dietrich Schulze '83 Christine (Pichler) '83	Karl Schulze
Bernhard Seibald '76 Marcia (Ulrich) '75	Daniel Seibald
Charles M. Shafran '70, ME Ch '71 Robin (Begun) '72, BS HE '71	Hannah Shafran
Brian Shiffrin '74 Robin (Barnett) '74	Nina Shiffrin
David E. Sparrow, MA '86 Rebecca (McMillan), M ILR '86	Luisa Sparrow
Richard L. Stewart '71 Lin (Tang) '72	Heather Stewart
Charles S. Temel '75 Judy (Wesalo) '75	Erica Temel
Samuel L. Tolbert '76 Karen P. Lucas '76	Gregory Tolbert
Kenneth E. Towbin '74 Rachel (Reich) '74	Benjamin Towbin
Curt W. Travers '76 Gail (Kaminsky) '77	Mark Travers
Robert Weggler '78 Diana (Lorenz) '78	Ryan Weggler
Richard D. Weinberg '69 Barbara (Gross) '69	Matthew Weinberg

FOUR CORNELL GENERATIONS

Of the students entering in 2002, 14 are listed as fourth-generation Cornellians.

Eric D. Allen '75	father	Robin Allen
Norman W. Allen '44, BS Ag '46	grandfather	
Gertrude (Durfee) '45, BS HE '44	grandmother	
*George Norwood Allen '05	great-grandfather	
Martin T. Biegelman '73	father	Alissa Biegelman
Lynn C. Silber '74	mother	
Jan Rudeloff Beaujon '52	grandfather	
Florence (Jessup) '51	grandmother	
*George Penney Jessup '08	great-grandfather	
Linda Talmage Byrne '81	mother	Lauren Byrne
Nathaniel A. Talmage Jr. '54	grandfather	
Jane (Lueck) '57	grandmother	
*Nathaniel A. Talmage '22	great-grandmother	
Dirk H. Dugan '72	father	Maureen Dugan
*William D. Dugan '35	grandfather	
Ruth (Harder) '35	grandmother	
*Thomas L. Kimble '48	grandfather	
*Leon A. Olds '19	great-grandfather	
*William J. Dugan '07, LLB '13	great-grandfather	
Aaron D. Gowan '75	father	Katherine Gowan
*Donald E. Gowan '62	grandfather	
*Charles P. Ward '16,	great-grandfather	
Lawrence W. Hall '81	father	Stephen Hall
Stephen S.J. Hall '56	grandfather	
Marjorie (Schmitz) '58	grandmother	
*Wallace S. Young '16	great-grandmother	
Judith Day Lawson '70	mother	Timothy Lawson
*Henry C. Day '38	grandfather	
*George W. Day '01	great-grandfather	

Francis R. Nullet, MD '77	father	Michael Nullet
Priscilla (Hooley) '76	mother	
John S. Hooley '38, MD '42	grandfather	
*Francis G. Hooley '04	great-grandfather	
James C. Potter '65	father	Justin Potter
Carleton W. Potter, DVM '40	grandfather	
† Esther (Twentyman) '45	step-grandmother	
*Marian Wightman Potter '40	grandmother	
*Wilburn H. Potter, DVM '18	great-grandfather	
Thomas J. Rich '74, MBA '75	father	James Rich
Thomas A. Rich '38	grandfather	
Helen (Brew) '38	grandmother	
*James D. Brew '12	great-grandfather	
*George T. Rich, SP Ag '10-11	great-grandfather	
Robert Shaner III '69	father	Elizabeth Shaner
*Robert H. Shaner Jr. '42	grandfather	
Margaret (Hooper), SP Ag '38-40	grandmother	
*Robert H. Shaner '15	great-grandfather	
*Julia (Moody) '16	great-grandmother	
Cheryl Smart '81	mother	Evangeline Wolfe
Robert Henry Smart '57	grandfather	
Marjorie (Nelson) '57	grandmother	
*Irene Aldrich Nelson '27	great-grandmother	
Peter T. Schurman '52	grandfather	Megan Womer
Judith (Calhoun) '52	grandmother	
*George M. Schurman '13	great-grandfather	
*Arthur W. Benson '10	great-grandfather	
Philip Mayo Young '62	father	Lauren Young
Nancy (Halsey) '62	mother	
*Hugh Halsey '30	grandfather	
*Clayton Ivy Halsey 1900	great-grandfather	

Thomas R. Whiston '77	Jodi Whiston
Karen (Pearce) '78	
John R. Whittleton '68	Erik Whittleton
Louise (Dumond) '68	
Charles R. Wilson Jr. '66,	Elsa Wilson
ME AESP '67, PhD '70	
Denise S. Gelberg '72, PhD '93	
Gary H. Wolf '72	Alexander Wolf
Bonnie (Grad) '71	
William W. Young '74	Steven Young
Barbara (Snider) '76	
Allen C. Yun '79, PhD '86,	Shira Yun
ME Ch '87	
Diana (Salzman) '79, MS '83	
Patrick J. Zimmer '73	John Zimmer
Arlene (Finkelstein) '75	

Frank L. Bradley Jr. '50	Caroline Bradley
Robert G. Hindmarsh '50	Emily Briggs
Anthony G. Scalzi '49	Catherine Brown
James F. Jerome '52	Justinian Capone
*Susanne Montgomery Jerome '53	
*Evan Hollister Jr. '32	Emma Colby
James Alexander Colby '50	Sarah Colby
*William Basse '44	Molly Crofton
Krushna M. Das, MS '60, PhD '62	Krishna Das
Patricia Strickler '46	Matthew Dietly
William E. Carroll '48	Brian Donahue
Albert F. Edwards '49	Kristen Edwards
Barbara (Adams) '50	
Khurshed Effendi, GR '52-53	Sabih Effendi
Robert D. Farrell '48, DVM '51	Adam Farrell
Amanda (Goldsmith) '54	
Robert D. Farrell '48, DVM '51	Matthew Farrell
Amanda (Goldsmith) '54	
*Edward M. Feeley '42	Lynne Feeley
*David A. Fraser, JD '37	Alexis Fraser
Marion (Ford) '33	
*Frederick Horacek '51	Carina Garnic
Erwin A. Conklin, DVM '43	Bronwyn George
Robert L. Case '40	Alexander Gilbert
Joseph B. Gilbert '40, LLB '47	
*Alfred I. Friedlander, DVM '55	Jessica Golden
Manuel Pousada '52	Sara Goodman
*Bernard W. Rosen, DVM '40	David Gordon
Jerome K. Pasto '38,	Laura Harvey
MS '46, PhD '50	
Dean G. Hudson, MD '50	Michael Hudson
Floyd Philip Hunt '43	Jonathan Hunt
Carolyn Huston Jackson '58, MS '67	Christina Jackson
Kenneth Altschuler '48	Warren Jacobson
Roger Alan Graves, MS ILR '55	Lindsay Johnson
Arnold Honig '48	Shoshannah
Alice (Sterling) '50	Lenski
Harvey G. Levy '41	Katherine Levy
John L. Ayer '47	Alec Macaulay
Helen (Allmuth) '47, BS HE '46	
*Donald D. Cahoon '35	Kristin Maier

*Alfred G. Marshak '30	Michael Marshak
Beverly Lisan, GR '44-45	Eden Marx
Norman R. Maxfield '50	Grant Maxfield
H. Arthur Strecker '40, PhD '48	Julia Miller
Willis R. Newman, PhD '69	Sophia Newman
*Robert R. Place '48	Jamie Place
Arthur M. Jaggard '51	Katharine Priaux
Lois (Hoyer) '53	
Richard E. Holmberg '51	John Roberts
Thomas T. Rollinson '48, MBA '50	Elizabeth Rollinson
*Harold F. Kreizinger, PhD '55	Aaron Ross
Jean (Doloff), MS '56, PhD '58	
Walter B. Hinkle Jr., MS '49, PhD '52	John Schaub
Ray Clayton Roberts, PhD '52	Rebecca Selling
*Marion Goldberg Laeger, MS '47	Alexander Shapero
Lawrence N. Smith '53	Amos Smith
Catherine (Austin) '53	
*Norman E. Snodgrass '49	Stephanie
Robert C. Souers '48	Snodgrass
*Harold B. Stevens '36	Joanna Souers
	Christopher
	Stevens
Ceylon M. Sutherland, DVM '54	Leah Sutherland
*Frank X. Brandstetter '33	Meera Tandon
*Robert B. Morris, DVM '38	Suzanne Tariat
Iris (Smith) '46	
Ramon Hess Aires '50	Garret Touchstone
Hsin H. Tung, MCE '50	Stephen Tung
Vera (Gien), GR '49-50	
Madhurendra K. Varma, MS ILR '57	Rajeev Varma
*Wilbur G. Downs '35, MD '38	Andrew Warner
Harry H. Wetzel Jr. '41	Kevin Wetzel
Robert M. Whalen '48	Robert Whalen
David Zuch '48	Rachel Zuch

GRANDPARENT(S) ONLY

71 new students note at least one Cornellian grandparent. Other multi-generational connections are listed in the introductory paragraphs and elsewhere.

Grandparent(s)	Child
Tracy B. Miller '48	Sara Abelson
Charles M. Allaben Jr. '45	Jonah Allaben
Mary (Gridley) '46	
*Lawrence Aquadro '47, BME '46	Brian Aquadro
*Milton J. Brothers '47	Talya Arbisser
Joyce (Bauer) '47	
*Edward B. Simmons '44, BA '48	William
Catherine (Morrison) '50	Armstrong
Barbara Gans Gallant '44	Rebecca Barclay
George Patterson Jr., SP Ag '52-53	Jennifer Barr
Richard C. Barrett '40	Tucker Barrett
*Winston E. Barrow '22	Emily Barrow
Howard C. Bateman '45, BS Ag '49	Rebecca
	Bateman
Raymond C. Baxter '44	Peter Baxter
Martha (Edson) '44	
Jack Herman Siegel, SP Ag '36-38	Richard Blashka

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Paved Paradise

THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF
PARKING ON CAMPUS



NICOLA KOUNTOUPEIS / UP

THREE TIMES A YEAR—DURING Orientation, Commencement, and Reunion—Cornell's eleven parking attendants take a break from writing tickets, and drivers heave a sigh of relief.

But the rest of the year, watch out. "Last year, there were 53,782 tickets," says Transportation and Mail Services communications manager David Lieb '89. "Of those, 10,764 were warning tickets with no fine." That works out to almost 150 tickets issued each day. The problem, says Lieb, is not unique to Cornell. "According to conventional wisdom," he says, "a university is defined as a group of people centered around a common parking problem."

Such difficulties have caused administrative headaches at Cornell for more than a half-century. In 1898, Claudio Juan Martinez '02 drove the first student-owned automobile—a White Steamer—to campus. Three decades later, the university established a Motor Vehicle Bureau. "Ford, Olds, Chevrolet, Stutz, Stanley, *et al* have supplied and combined to create a monstrous plot against the smooth running of the University," complained senior Ronald Mulliken in the February 1955 *Alumni News*. "Parking space has decreased in proportion to the increase in University size, and with more and more vehicles being registered each year the situation needs an immediate solution."

Each year the numbers only get worse.

This year, about 30,000 Cornellians vied for the 10,000 parking spaces on campus. In addition, 120,000 visitors added to the congestion. Daily permits can cost up to eight dollars, while annual permits range from \$290 to \$630. Failure to display the proper pass earns a \$25 fine. Lieb calls campus parking enforcement a customer service. "We're serving the people who have paid to use these spaces," he says. "If they're being taken up by people who have not paid, it's displacing someone with a legitimate claim."

To further complicate matters, parking spots dwindle as new buildings rise. "I've watched buildings go up on parking lots across campus," says Lieb. "The need for that parking obviously doesn't go away, but the way that we can accommodate demand changes."

Emily House '05, who bought a parking permit on construction-torn West Campus, has received four tickets this spring. When unauthorized cars took up spaces in her fifteen-vehicle lot, the Human Ecology student simply left her four-door sedan elsewhere. But after racking up \$100 in fines, House changed her tactic. Now, she says, she calls Cornell Police and receives special permission to park outside her assigned lot. "I will take any precaution necessary to not get a ticket."

After limited success with programs geared to reduce the number of student cars on campus, the university created incentives for faculty and staff to leave their vehicles at home. "We've done a good job in the past decade of reducing demand without paving over the campus," says Lieb. Employees who turn in their personal parking permits receive a free Omni Ride mass-transit pass, and the Ride Share program gives carpoolers low-cost spots in perimeter lots. Together, the programs have removed between 2,200 and 2,500 cars from Cornell's streets.

"We have a vested interest in mitigating the demand on campus," says Lieb. "If we wanted to park everybody, you can imagine a structure the size of the Arts Quad, six or seven stories tall. Obviously, the quad is sacrosanct and we're not considering that, but the point is the more you build, the greater the demand."

— Heather Schroeder '03