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## Why Race, Class & Gender Impact Educational Attainment: What Can We Do About It?

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*Saturday, March 17, 2007, 4:00 pm*  
*The American Institute of Architects*  
*1735 New York Avenue NW*  
*Washington, DC 20006*  
[www.aia.org](http://www.aia.org)

Join us for a provocative and stimulating panel discussion by three distinguished Cornell professors, who will share insights from their work on race, social class, gender, ethnicity and differences in educational attainment.

The discussion will address social networks, culture, preferences, economic resources and other important factors that influence K-12 students, as well as students at Cornell and other selective institutions. Throughout the discussion, the panel will illustrate examples of how inequality research informs educational interventions. A reception will follow the panel discussion.

### *Save the Date!*

**May 10, 2007**

Faculty Speaker: Giuseppe Pezzotti  
of the Hotel School

**May 19-20, 2007**

Dragonboat Festival

**May 19, 2007**

Mount Vernon Spring Wine  
Festival and Sunset Tour

**May 22, 2007**

CCW Annual Dinner &  
Silent Auction

**June 17, 2007**

Father's Day Picnic

### Faculty Panel

- David R. Harris, Vice Provost for Social Sciences;  
Robert S. Harrison Executive Director, Institute for Social Sciences
- Shelley Correll, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology,  
co-principal investigator, The ADVANCE Program at Cornell
- Stephen L. Morgan, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology,  
Director, Center for the Study of Inequality

**To attend:** RSVP by 03/09/07 to Barbara Naylor, [bsn6@cornell.edu](mailto:bsn6@cornell.edu), 607.255.4173.

**Metro:** Farragut West (Blue/Orange Line), Farragut North (Red Line).

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*Welcome New Cornell Club of Washington Members!*

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## Events at a Glance...

### March

- 4 Footlights: *Insurrection Holding History* Performance, 2:00 pm  
*Questions:* Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net
- 13 CCW Programming & Board Meeting, 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm  
*Questions:* Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com
- 13 Kennedy Center for Jazz Featuring Wynton Marsalis, 8:00 pm  
*Questions:* Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu
- 15 CEN: Entrepreneurialism Abroad, 6:30 pm  
*Questions:* [www.cen.cornell.edu](http://www.cen.cornell.edu)
- 17 Why Race, Class, and Gender Impact Educational Attainment, 4:00 pm  
*Questions:* Barbara Naylor, bsn6@cornell.edu, 607.255.4173
- 23 ISSC: Kiplinger Gallery, 6:30 pm  
*Questions:* Steve Piekarec, spiekare@verizon.net

### April

- 10 CCW Programming & Board Meeting, 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm  
*Questions:* Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com
- 10 Ivy League Reception with Chinese Ambassador, H.E. Zhou Wenzhong, 6:30 pm  
*Questions:* Sheila Summers, summs@ix.netcom.com, 202.363.5443
- 12 CEN: Recording Industry Association of America, 6:30 pm  
*Questions:* [www.cen.cornell.edu](http://www.cen.cornell.edu)
- 14 Old Rag XLIII, 8:00 am  
*Questions:* Clint Brass, ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.216.2035
- 15 Capital Alumni Network Day with the Wizards, 3:30 pm  
*Questions:* <http://verizoncenter.com/CAN>

### May

- 8 CCW Programming & Board Meeting, 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm  
*Questions:* Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com
- 10 Faculty Speaker: Giuseppe Pezzotti of the Hotel School  
*Watch for details in CCW News.*
- 19 Mount Vernon Spring Wine Festival and Sunset Tour  
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- 19-20 Dragonboat Festival  
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### June

- 12 CCW Programming & Board Meeting, 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm  
*Questions:* Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com
- 17 Father's Day Picnic  
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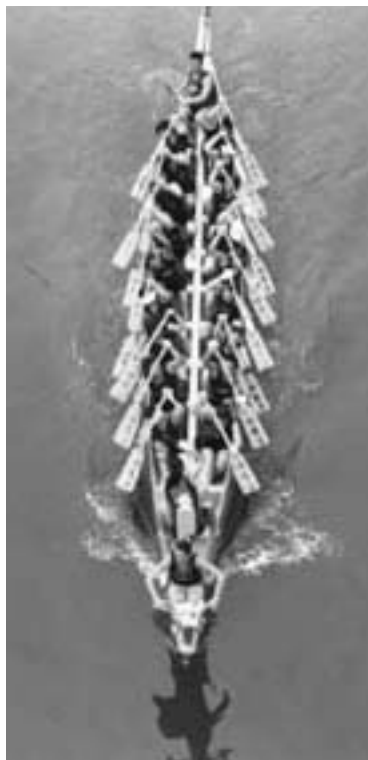
# Club Announcements...

## CCW Monthly Board and Programming Meetings

**Tuesday, March 13, 2007** All CCW members are invited to attend and participate in our monthly CCW Board Meetings at 7:30 pm, and/or Programming Meetings at 6:30 pm. Meetings take place at 1341 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 (downstairs from the Cornell Center). These meetings are a great way to get involved with the Club. The Cornell Club of Washington will host an Ice Cream Social at 9:00 pm to welcome the Cornell in Washington students.

**Metro:** Dupont Circle (Red Line).

**Questions:** Jonathan Simon, [jxs@vnf.com](mailto:jxs@vnf.com).



## Dragon Boat Team Recruiting Paddlers for 2007 Festival

*Saturday & Sunday, May 19-20, 2007  
Potomac River*

We are recruiting new paddlers and veteran paddlers for the Big Red Dragon boats.

Cornellians, their family members and friends are eligible to participate.

No previous experience necessary.

Great fun!

Three learning/practice sessions will be scheduled in late April and early May.

Watch for details in the April issue of CCWNews.

**Questions:** Bob Day, [dayhaven@comcast.net](mailto:dayhaven@comcast.net).

*Roving Reporter: Josh Novikoff '03*

## Doug Murray '03 Skates in Washington

WASHINGTON, February 21 -- Cornell alums chose CU loyalty over DC loyalty, cheering on Doug Murray '03 as he helped the San Jose Sharks skate past the hometown Washington Capitals 3-2 in an exciting shootout. Fans turned the Verizon Center into "Lynah Mid-Atlantic" for the evening, shouting Cornell cheers and singing the alma mater. Doug promised the group after the game that he could hear his schoolmates shout "red" from the rafters during the National Anthem.

Doug joined a contingent of fans the night before the game for a happy hour at the Mayflower Hotel. Alums peppered the skater with questions about his experience in the NHL, hockey upbringing, the state of the game, glory days at Cornell, and his on ice rivalries. After 90 minutes of fielding hockey questions, Doug was ready to turn the table, and kept in mind what city he was in. "Who will be the next president," Doug asked the group. Everyone replied at once.



## Ivy League Reception with Chinese Ambassador, H.E. Zhou Wenzhong

**New Date!**

**Tuesday, April 10, 2007, 6:30 pm**

*The Embassy of the People's Republic of China  
2300 Connecticut Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20008*

*The dinner with the Chinese Ambassador originally scheduled for March 6, 2007 has been rescheduled due to a scheduling conflict which affected the Ambassador and his top assistants.*

The CUCDC is organizing the first Ivy League Embassy Consortium event with H.E. Zhou Wenzhong, Ambassador from the People's Republic of China. The Ambassador will make a short speech, and then answer questions. The Chefs at the Chinese Embassy will prepare some of their sumptuous specialties. This will be a One Ivy event.

**Cost:** \$ 35 members, \$ 45 non-members. Price includes dinner, beer, wine and soft drinks.

**To attend:** Please send check, payable to "CUCDC", to Sheila Summers, 4227 46th Street NW, Washington, DC 20016. Tickets can also be purchased online at [www.cucdc.org/events.php](http://www.cucdc.org/events.php)

**Contact:** Sheila Summers, [summs@ix.netcom.com](mailto:summs@ix.netcom.com), 202.363.5443.



**Entrepreneurialism Abroad:  
Samuel R. Berger '67, Chairman and Co-founder,  
Stonebridge International LLC. and former  
National Security Advisor to President Clinton**

Thursday, March 15, 2007, 6:30 pm  
The Madison  
Montpelier Room  
1177 Fifteenth St. NW  
Washington, DC 20005



Mr. Berger is Chairman and co-founder of Stonebridge International LLC, an international strategic advisory firm based in Washington, DC. As former National Security Advisor to President Clinton (1997-2000), Mr. Berger was pivotal in shaping America's role in the post-Cold War era.

**Cost:** \$30 per person (includes hors d'oeuvres, presentation, dessert and coffee/tea)  
**To attend:** Register at <http://cen.cornell.edu>.

**Cary Sherman '68, President,  
Recording Industry Association of America**

Thursday, April 12, 2007, 6:30 pm  
The Madison  
Montpelier Room  
1177 Fifteenth Street NW  
Washington, DC 20005



Cary Sherman is the president of the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA). The trade group's more than 350 member companies are responsible for creating, manufacturing, or distributing 90 percent of all legitimate sound recordings sold in the United States. He coordinates the industry's legal, policy and business objectives and his responsibilities include technology, licensing, enforcement, and government affairs issues, among others. He also serves as the General Counsel of the organization.

**Cost:** \$30 per person (includes hors d'oeuvres, presentation, dessert and coffee/tea)  
**To attend:** Register at <http://cen.cornell.edu>.

**Kennedy Center for  
Jazz Featuring Wynton Marsalis**

Tuesday, March 13, 2007, 8:00 pm  
Kennedy Center  
2700 F Street NW  
Washington, DC 20037



Please join CCW members for a special evening at the Kennedy Center for Jazz at Lincoln Center featuring Wynton Marsalis!

**Cost:** 40 members, \$45 non-members. Seats are first tier sides.  
**To attend:** Please contact Tomoko Morinaga, [tm58@cornell.edu](mailto:tm58@cornell.edu).

**Capital Alumni Network Day  
with the Wizards**

Sunday, April 15, 2007, 3:30 pm  
Verizon Center  
601 F Street NW  
Washington, DC 20004  
[www.verizoncenter.com](http://www.verizoncenter.com)



The NBA season is in full swing and the Wizards are in first place! What better time to promote another unique offer available to Capital Alumni Network members from our friends at the Wizards. Take advantage of special Capital Alumni Network discounts when they take on the Chicago Bulls!

**Cost:** \$24 Upper Level, \$80 Lower Level  
**To attend:** Order tickets online at [/www.verizoncenter.com/CAN](http://www.verizoncenter.com/CAN)

**Greet Spring for Old Rag XLIII**

Saturday, April 14, 2007, 8:00 am  
Old Rag Mountain, Virginia  
Meet at: The Cornell Center  
2148 O Street NW, Washington, DC 20037

Alumni and Cornell-in-Washington students will climb Old Rag Mountain near Sperryville, Virginia. This is one of the Washington area's most popular excursions, and we expect a large turnout (25-40) each time we go. The first two-thirds of the strenuous, 9-mile hike is on a trail through the trees, while the upper part is open and rocky. Lunch and water should be carried in a day-pack, and a hat and sturdy shoes should be worn. The total time needed for climbing, enjoying the view, eating, and descending is about 6 hours.

The National Park Service has an \$8 fee per person and allows no more hikers after the parking lot is full. Therefore, a prompt 8:00 a.m. start from the Cornell Center is needed for this full-day event. In order to comply with University policy, hikers will be asked to sign a standard release form.

**To attend:** RSVP by 04/11/07 to Clint Brass, [ctb14@cornell.edu](mailto:ctb14@cornell.edu), 703.216.2035. Please provide your name, email address, a number where you can be reached shortly before the hike in case of bad weather, and the number of people coming. Please indicate if you can give people a ride (if so, how many people) or if you need a ride.

**4 Questions:** Clint Brass, [ctb14@cornell.edu](mailto:ctb14@cornell.edu), 703.216.2035.



## Footlights

### Modern Drama Discussion Group

CCW co-sponsors the Modern Drama Discussion Group known as "Footlights". Each month, 35-50 Footlights members meet over dinner with playwrights, directors, and scholars to discuss modern drama. We read the plays on our own, meet at inexpensive restaurants near Washington-area metro stations, and eventually attend performances of most of the plays we've discussed. You can attend our dinner-discussions, join our theater trips, or both.

Membership is free. We do ask that you read the plays for discussion in advance. A \$5 donation at dinner-discussions to cover expenses is suggested. You pay for dinner and theater tickets. Footlights always gets group rates at local theaters. Contributions to Footlights are tax-deductible.

#### **Performance: *Insurrection: Holding History***

*Sunday, March 4, 2007, 2:00 pm*  
*H Street Playhouse*

*1365 H Street NE, Washington, DC*

**Cost:** \$18

**To attend:** Contact Robin Larkin,  
robinlarkin@comcast.net.

## Ivy Singles Social Club

### Beginning of Spring Social

Hosted by The Cornell Club of Washington

*Kiplinger Gallery*  
*Friday, March 23, 2007, 6:30 pm*  
*1729 H Street NW*  
*Washington, DC 20006*

As the city trees turn green and the sun outlasts the dark, come out of the hibernation and join us for our first event of the Spring.

The Kiplinger Gallery includes selections from the Kiplinger collection shown in changing exhibitions. This collection comprises over 5,000 items, including prints, paintings, and photographs. This expansive collection originated in the 1920s when W. M. Kiplinger, a young reporter new to Washington, bought a single old Washington print for his small office. As the success of Kiplinger's newsletter grew, so did his collection of Washingtoniana.

**Cost:** \$25 in advance, \$35 for email, phone reservations and walk-ins.

**To attend:** Send check by 03/19/07 payable to the "Cornell Club of Washington" to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, VA 22181. Email and phone reservations, spiekare@verizon.net, 703.281.4311. Please note your school on the check. If possible, please RSVP to the E-vite site: [www.evite.com/app/publicUrl/spiekare@verizon.net/kiplinger07](http://www.evite.com/app/publicUrl/spiekare@verizon.net/kiplinger07)

*The Ivy Singles Social Club (ISSC) is a coalition of Ivy League, Seven Sister and other prestigious schools' regional alumni associations that sponsors social activities. Our events are open to all single alumni of member schools.*

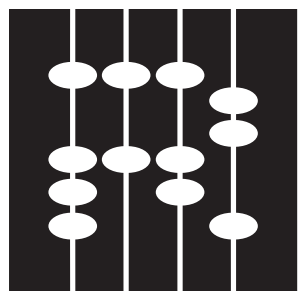
*The majority of our attendees are in their 30's, 40's or 50's.*

[www.ivysinglesdc.com](http://www.ivysinglesdc.com)



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**CCW Picture Gallery**

*Doug Murray '03 Skates in Washington  
& U.S. State Department Tour  
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