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CCW NEWS

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A Christmas Carol - Ford's Theatre

Wednesday, December 16th, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Ford's Theatre, 511 Tenth Street NW, Washington, DC

Come enjoy a classic of the season, A Christmas Carol By Charles Dickens at historic Ford's Theatre. CCW has a block of tickets to this season's version of the Dickens classic, adapted by Michael Wilson and directed by Michael Baron.

Join the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Future as they lead the miserly Ebenezer Scrooge on a journey of transformation and redemption. Originally conceived by Michael Baron, this music-infused production captures the magic and joy of Dickens' Yuletide classic. Acclaimed Washington stage actor Edward Gero returns to play Scrooge.

The *Washington Post* proclaims it "musically high-spirited" and "infectiously jolly."

Recommended for ages 5 and up. Performance is two hours (including a 15-minute intermission). Dates and actors subject to change.

6:30PM	Meet at Gordon Biersch Brewery, 900 F St. NW Courtyard Marriott - ticket distribution
7:00 PM	Group seating for show
7:30 PM	Show begins

Cost: \$38 member, \$43 non-member. Pay online at the CCW website or by sending a check, made out to the "Cornell Club of Washington" to the following address by December 5, 2015: Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, Virginia 22181

Metro: Metro Center (Red/Blue/Orange/Silver Lines) or Gallery Place-Chinatown (Red/Green/Yellow Lines)

Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net or 703-281-4311

Cornell Cares Day Volunteer Leaders Needed!

Calling all CCW community service volunteers! Event leaders are needed for Cornell Cares Day events (January 2-3, 2015) and more.

There are also opportunities to contribute to our service program by researching partner organizations and setting up our event calendar.

Contact Laura Gonzales Meyers '04 at lmg38@cornell.edu for more information.



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* Register for upcoming events on the CCW website at:
<http://www.cornellclubdc.org> (Click the Events link on the top, left hand side)*

Harlem Renaissance in Washington: A Literary Walking Tour

On October 25, 2015, twenty-five Cornellians and friends joined Kim Roberts, literary historian and poet, for a literary walking tour of the historic U Street neighborhood, home of what later became known as the Harlem Renaissance.



Excerpts from writings by Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, Duke Ellington and others, including Cornellians Jesse Redmon Fauset '05 and Victor R. Daly '19, were read as the group stood in front of their former homes. Kim made the era of the blues, jazz, and Prohibition, as well as the oppression of segregation come alive. Stay tuned for future walking tours!

Club Announcements...

CCW Cornellians Welcome President Garrett

Cornell President Elizabeth Garrett was welcomed to Washington on November 10th at the Marriott at Metro Center by almost 300 Cornell alumni, including CCW members, parents, and friends. It was the first stop of her multicity tour to meet Cornellians across the country and overseas to share her vision for our university.

To celebrate the inaugural visit and welcome Cornell's 13th President to the CCW family, the club presented President Garrett with an honorary life membership, a Washington DC photo book signed by current Board members, and a U.S. Capitol dome tea light holder, as a nod to her previous time in the city.

At the reception, President Garrett mingled with guests, shaking hands and chatting with as many attendees as possible. Among those present were about 20 Cornell-in-Washington (CIW) students enrolled in the fall semester program. Past and present CCW officers and directors also turned out in great numbers.

During her speech, President Garrett praised CCW for its creative programs and support of Cornell students, including sponsorship of five scholarships and stipends for two CIW students this year. She also thanked audience members who have served the university through volunteer leadership positions in their colleges, classes, and local club; in young alumni activities and diversity groups; or by representing the university at college fairs and meeting with prospective students through the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN).

Much of President Garrett's talk was devoted to three themes: strengthening faculty, enhancing the student experience, and connecting the Ithaca and New York City campuses. She concluded her remarks by referring to Ezra Cornell's opening ceremony speech when he declared "not to see a university finished, but to see one begun." President Garrett remarked further, "We are always beginning. Just as Cornell at its founding helped create the modern research university, we will also lead higher education in the 21st Century."

President Garrett's next alumni visit will be to Seattle on December 4th.

Writers: Gladys Stifel '58 and Grace Jean '00; *Photographers:* Sathi Soma '92, M. Eng. '94 and Anne DiGiacomo '80



CCW presented Cornell's 13th President, Elizabeth Garrett, with an honorary life membership during a private reception at the Marriott on November 10th. Garrett received the certificate from Grace Jean '00, CCW President, and Liz Herman '01 and Dorsy Yoffie '06, CCW's Co-Vice Presidents of Membership.



Members of the CCW board welcomed President Garrett to Washington, joining about 300 DC-area Cornellians who attended the November 10th event - the first stop on a 17-city worldwide tour. President Garrett met with CCW board members before greeting event attendees in the main reception.

More pictures at: <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.10153686239018187.1073741834.39638693186&type=3>

Want to become a member of CCW like President Garrett? Join your Cornell home away from home by filling out the insert or online at <http://www.cornellclubdc.org/joinccw>. We hope to CU in 2016!



Third Thursday Social Hour

Thursday, December 17th, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
CoCo Sala, 929 F Street NW, Washington, DC

Join CCW at CoCo Sala for our monthly social hour, held on the third Thursday of the month. International Spirit of Zinck's kicked off our series on the 3rd Thursday of October! We continued the fun on the 19th of November. Don't miss out in December and stay tuned for the January 21, 2016 location on our website and in our January newsletter.

If you haven't tried CoCo Sala's savory small plates you are in for a treat! At CoCo Sala, CCW will be celebrating getting to know more Cornellians, friends, parents and guests who love sharing our Big Red spirit!

Cost: Free to attend. Participants are responsible for food and drinks.

Metro: Gallery Place-Chinatown (Red/Green/Yellow Lines)

Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgs6@cornell.edu

CCW Book Club

Tuesday, December 15th, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Teaism, 400 8th Street NW, Washington, DC

This month we are reading *The Danish Girl* by David Ebershoff. Join us for fun, friends, and stimulating discussion. We hope to CU there!

Cost: Free

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red Line)

Questions: Grace Jean at gvj1@cornell.edu

Consider Donating to CCW

Your donations provide critical support for a variety of club goals:

- Stipends to Cornell-in-Washington students to help defray the costs of living in the city
- Scholarships for Cornell undergraduates from Washington, DC, Maryland, and Virginia
- Programs for Cornell alumni, parents, and friends in the Washington, DC area, including lectures, networking, and cultural and sporting events

To donate, visit www.cornellclubdc.org and click on the "Donate here" button. Alternatively, you may fill out the form at the bottom of this page and send with a check via US mail. If your employer provides for a corporate matching program, please consider including that information as well.

CCW Monthly Board Meeting

December 8th: All CCW members are invited to participate in our monthly CCW Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. and Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. If you plan to attend, please email Grace Jean at gvj1@cornell.edu. Meetings take place at 1341 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 (side entrance of the Cornell Center).

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red Line)

Questions: Grace Jean at gvj1@cornell.edu (Board); Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net or Katherine Stifel at kgstifel@earthlink.net (Programming)

Cornell Club of Washington donation form

Please make check payable to Cornell Club of Washington and indicate "donation" on the memo line.

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 2148 O Street NW
 Washington, DC 20037-1055

Name: _____

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Cornell Young Alumni Annual Holiday Party

Saturday, December 5th, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
BlackFinn, 1620 I Street NW, Washington, DC

Kick off the holiday season with fabulous food, drinks, and music! Register before Thanksgiving to take advantage of the early-bird discount!

Enjoy the open bar (beer, wine, and well liquor) from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and heavy hors d'oeuvres throughout the evening. Extended drink specials will be available after the open bar closes at 10:00 p.m.

Please let us know if you are interested in volunteering for a short registration shift. We'd love your help, and it is a great way to meet everyone coming in!

Registration: By 11/26, \$40 per ticket for CCW members and \$45.00 per ticket for non-members.
After 11/26 and at the door (cash only at the door), \$50.00 per ticket for members and \$55.00 per ticket for non-members.

Metro: One block from Farragut West (Blue/Orange/Silver lines) or two blocks from Farragut North (Red line).

Questions: Julia Buffinton at jab684@cornell.edu.

Ivy Singles Social Club Cordially Invites You to the Annual Holiday Party

Friday, December 4th, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
The DACOR-Bacon House, 1801 F Street NW (on the corner of 18th Street), Washington, DC

The elegant and historic DACOR-Bacon House (built 1824-25) is the venue for our annual holiday party, once again. Each floor will be festively decorated for the holiday season. Come feast on hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and enjoy a selection of fine wines, bubbly, and non-alcoholic drinks from the cash bar.

Registration: \$42.00 per ticket with advanced registration. Register at
https://ycwd.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mc&view=mc&mcid=form_206936.

Walk-ins: Walk-ins welcome at \$47.00 per ticket by check made out to WDCSA or cash.

Attire: Festive holiday, cocktail or business attire.

Metro: Farragut West (Blue/Orange/Silver lines). Walk 3 blocks south on 18th Street to F Street.

Parking: Street parking is available after 6:30 p.m. Nearby parking garages close before midnight.

Questions: Contact Charlotte Perry at CharMPerry@gmail.com or text/cell 202-341-8799.

Walking Tour of the National War Memorials

*Saturday, December 12th, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00p.m.
Foot of Lincoln Memorial Steps*

Join your fellow Cornellians, family, and friends for a casual walk around the war memorials, including the Korean War Veterans Memorial, the Vietnam War Veterans Memorial, and others.

We will talk about the involvement of Cornellians in the planning and executing of the Korean War Veterans Memorial, as well as the process of memorializing the veterans who fought for our country as honored in the national war memorials we see on the Mall.

One of our own Co-VPs for Programming, Katherine Stifel, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, will lead the walk and the discussion. We hope that you will bring your own perspectives and share them with the group.

Dress for comfort and bring water. We will gather for lunch nearby (buy your own) following the walk to socialize and to continue our conversation.

Cost: Free for CCW members. \$5 for non-members. Please register today! The walking tour is limited to 12 people.

Metro: Foggy Bottom - GWU (Silver/Blue/Orange Lines) or street parking

Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgs6@cornell.edu

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Moved? New email? Update your record at www.cornellclubdc.org



Welcome New CCW Members

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Kelly Bowen '06
Brian Curtin '01
Eric Foole '05
Michael Gifford '06

Jonathan Hrehor '15
Janine Lossing '89
Lisa Opdycke '11
Elizabeth Peters '10
Stephen Rosen '15