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# Annual Fathers Day Picnic

Summer fun is just around the corner with a great day in the country with the family or that favorite someone on **June 15th from Noon to 4 PM** at Kiplinger's Farm, 16801 River Road, Poolesville, MD. We will supply the beverages and the watermelon for dessert. You bring along some of your favorite picnic fare, a blanket, and the joy of summer to make the picture complete. Tennis, swimming, softball, balloon toss, egg toss and other fun filled activities await for a mere \$5 for CCW members and their guests; \$3 for class of '03, students, and children 6 and over; \$8 for non-members; children 5 and under are free (admissions fees will be collected at the door). CCW memberships will be available for purchase to let you take advantage of member pricing on the spot for those not currently CCW members as well as to renew CCW membership set to expire later in the summer.

RSVP to David Lewandrowski via e-mail (preferred), Lewandrowski5@aol.com, or by phone (703) 858-7901. Also, if you are interested in volunteering 30 minutes of your time to help out at the picnic, please let David know that as well.

Directions; From DC, take River Rd. beyond the Beltway, past Potomac Village, until you reach a "T" intersection. Make a left onto the continuation of River Rd. While on the continuation of River Rd., shortly after you pass by Montevideo Rd. on your right watch for Cornell signs on your right indicating the entrance to Kiplinger's Farm. Take this entrance onto the driveway and follow the signs to the designated parking areas. See you there!

# Save June 1st for Cornell-on-the-Anacostia; Enjoy Fresh Strawberries and Boating

This year's Cornell-on-the-Anacostia will take place on Sunday afternoon, **June 1st, from 1:00-3:30 PM** at the rapidly expanding Anacostia Community Rowing Center, 1115 "O" Street S.E., adjacent to the Washington Navy Yard. Everyone is invited to enjoy this social and sporting event. Cost will be \$6.00 per person with special discounts for families.

Highlights of the afternoon will include fresh strawberries served on the lawn and under the tents, paddling a dragon boat (some splashing occasionally, so wear appropriate clothes), rowing in Eights and Fours for rusty and not-so-rusty rowers, and special exhibits inside the new Boathouse, now open for business and full of shells.

We need to know how many quarts of strawberries to order, so please let Bob and Diana Day, both '56, know if you plan to attend and how many there will be in your party-by e-mail (dayhaven@starpower.net) or by phone (301-438-7755).

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# Letter from the President...

June 2003

Dear Club Members,

Summer marks two things for the club. The Annual Father's Day picnic at Kiplinger's Farm, and the change of officers for the Cornell Club of Washington. I'm happy to report that the incoming slate of volunteers mixes the new and the old, and I am abundantly confident that they will serve this Club well. A special welcome to Danielle Alsop '91, who will be taking over the position of President. Welcome – and good luck!

As my last letter as President, I want to thank again the dozens and even hundreds of Cornellians who have been warm and generous in the course of my two years as CCW President. Cornell volunteers are second to none, and I am extremely grateful for the service of the 2002-2003 Officers and Board of Directors.

I'm especially grateful for the assistance in the 3 areas that I've tried to make the hallmarks of my time as President: (1) using CCW to support the Cornell Association of Class Officers and the Reunion program, (2) launching initiatives in technology and entrepreneurship alumni affairs, and (3) adding to the intense enthusiasm of our undergraduate alumni by more fully involving our graduate and professional alumni. In a life of more than my share of fine opportunities, it's been a great privilege to have had the experience of leading CCW, and I will cherish these years and the many, many friends I have made.

As a final note, I would like to acknowledge that Cornell University has given a very special award to a very special person this year. For decades, this volunteer has devoted countless hours of his life to the service of Cornell. He's held every office but one in the Cornell Club of Washington—strangely, for a Scot, he's never been Treasurer. He's opened the mail, sang songs, helped us to do wonderful things, and kept us from doing foolish things. Earlier this year, Cornell recognized his life of Big Red service by bestowing its highest volunteer honor, the Frank Rhodes award, upon him. Bob McKinless '48, congratulations and thank you for your years of continued service.

Chuck Schilke, JD '88 cns7@cornell.edu

# Coming Events...

# June 1 1-3:30 PM, Cornell on the Anacostia 8 MDDG Attends *The Rainmaker*

11 MDDG discusses Ghosts @ Luna Books

15 Annual Father's Day Picnic @ Kiplinger Farm

7:30 PM, MDDG discusses *Ghosts* @ Luna Books

17 7 - 8:30 PM, Intro to Genealogy

20 Ivy Singles Social with Bryn Mawr, Georgetown Club

21 2:30 - 5:30 PM, Cornell Law School Summer Get Together

24 "Women's Leadership Styles: Celebrating our Similarities and Differences" - TBA

28 1-4 PM, Martha's table Community Service Event 2 PM, MDDG will attend *Ghosts* @ Shakespeare Theatre

July

14 MDDG discusses *Diana of Dobson's* @ Luna Books

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# Quick Club Announcements...

# CCW JobBank:

CCW brings together Cornell alumni and other professionals to establish a regional JobBank in the D.C. area. Employment areas include management consulting, high technology companies, Federal Government, non-profit, public relations firms, and Capitol Hill opportunities.

CCW JobBank is a clearinghouse for job leads, and the information base is a companion service to membership with the Cornell Club. The JobBank is a referral service to match a candidate's qualifications with openings posted by regional alumni. The listing is a localized pool that is distinct from what Career Services in Ithaca offers.

Your help is especially needed for alumni who desire work in the non-technical fields. (We have a shortage of these opportunities). Contact H. Shimbo at hks2@cornell.edu for JobBank assistance.

# Volunteer Needed:

Zinck's Night Chair - Zinck's Night will be on Thursday October 16. We need a young alumnus (Class of '94 through Class of '03) to chair the event. This is a great opportunity it get involved with CCW and work with other young alumni. If interested, please contact our new co-Vice President for Programming Joyce Nicholas MPA '02 at joycenicholas@hotmail.com or call her at home at 202-363-1549.

# CAAAN Update:

The final numbers are in and the region had a 66% entering rate of students accepted to Cornell. That's a 16% increase over years past! Thanks again to all of our CAAAN volunteers for doing an exemplary job advocating Cornell. Your efforts ARE making the difference!

If you are interested in joining CAAAN for the 2003-2004 admissions season, please contact Debbie Rutenberg (MD/DC) at 301-656-4075, debbie@adsolution.com or Samantha Peele (VA) at 703-904-4112, h2oston@yahoo.com for more information.

# Community Service:

Martha's Table on Saturday, June 28, 2003 from 1 - 4 PM

Join fellow Cornellians at Martha's Table on Saturday, June 28th from 1-4. We will help to prepare meals for the area's homeless and elderly. Please be sure to bring a hat and comfortable shoes because we will be working in the kitchen. Martha's Table is located at 2114 14th Street NW and is accessible by Metro. The closest Metro stop is U Street/Cardoza on the Green Line. Street Parking is also available. If you are interested, please contact Michelle Johnson by email at mjohnsondc@yahoo.com or at 703-960-2484.

If you have any additional ideas for community service, please contact Michelle Johnson mjohnsondc@yahoo.com or Suzanne Proctor sop9@cdc.gov

# CCWNEWs will take a summer break. This will be your last issue until September 2003!

# Cornell Law School 4th Annual Alumni Summer Get Together

Welcoming Summer Associates and New Graduates to the Nation's Capital

> Saturday, June 21, 2003 2:30 to 5:30 PM

Host: Dana DiCarlo '91 4322 Windom Place, NW Washington, D.C. 20016

Admission to the event is free, courtesy of Cornell Law School and the Cornell Law Association! Spouses and children are welcome.

We would appreciate the courtesy of your R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, June 18. Please contact the Alumni Relations Office at 607-255-5251 or e-mail alumni@postoffice.law.cornell.edu

In the event of rain, please call 202-955-6614 for rain date details.

# **CCW Alumni Listserv:**

Announce your events, ask questions, find apartments and share job listings! CCW members are staying connected through a new list-serv.

To sign up, send an e-mail to:
 listproc@cornell.edu
 and in the body of the message include
subscribe CU-Alums-DC-L YOUR NAME

Questions? Contact Listserv manager Amanda Stevenson '99, amanda stevenson@yahoo.com

# Introduction to Genealogy

Tuesday, June 17, 2003, 7 – 8:30 PM by Marilyn L. Arnold, B.S. '76 Ag and M.P.S. '90 Hotel, Event Leader

Ever wonder about your heritage—your family's country of origin, where your family lived in the U.S., and what their lives might have been like? Finding your own family history is very interesting, but where do you start? If you're curious, but just don't know where to begin your search, you are certainly not alone! Over the last decade, genealogy has become one of the fastest-growing hobbies in the U.S.. A recent study reports that 49% of families have started a family tree, and 37% have written up a family history or have visited an ancestral town or country. Are you interested in learning more about great-grandpa George or grandma Julia? Come join us on the fascinating path of finding out more about your heritage, your past, and the people who helped influence the person you are today!

This introductory seminar is planned to be informative, informal and interactive; there will be time for Q&A. As Cornellians living in the Washington, D.C. area, we are incredibly lucky to have a vast wealth of local resources rivaled only, perhaps, by the Mormon Church in Salt Lake City. Learn basic techniques on where to begin, what information to seek, how to organize and record basic findings, and where to find key resources —here in the nation's Capital—that can help you get started.

Marilyn L. Arnold (undergrad in environmental sciences; masters in business) will lead the seminar. Ms. Arnold started doing her own genealogy as a hobby about 12 years ago, and has helped others find their family roots—and extended families! (Her "real" career involves creating win-win situations for business and the environment.)

Join us at 7 PM, Tuesday, June 17, 2003, at the Hall of the States, 444 North Capitol Street, N.W., Room #385. Please bring an I.D., pencil with eraser, and your thinking cap! Take the Red Line to Union Station and walk about 2.5 blocks southwest down Louisiana Ave. towards Constitution. The Hall of the States will be on your right (behind La Colline). Onstreet parking is also available.

Space is limited, so please RSVP directly to Marilyn Arnold at marilyn.arnold@cox.net, or call 703-534-6668 if you have questions. Hope to see you there!

# Batter Up! CCW Softball Looking for New Talent

The Big Red softball team entered the top 10 ranks after a successful season opener against Villanova. A second win against Michigan resulted in a seed jump that had everyone talking. The third challenge was two time defending champions, Penn State. The lead flopped throughout: PSU up by one, CU up by two, PSU up by two, CU up by four, PSU up by three... and the final: Big Red 9 - Nittany Lions 10.

The Cornell Team is searching for that last player to put us over the top. Email the Coaching Staff at CAN\_Cornell@yahoo.com and visit the CAN website at http://www.dcalum.org for more information how you can join in the run for the Primrose Cup.

# Indonesian Cultural Night

by Eva Loh '95 & Tomoko Morinaga '89 MPS

On May 8th, the Cornell Asian Alumni Association (CAAA) held a program titled "Indonesian Cultural Night" at the Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia to celebrate the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. Over 60 alumni, friends, incoming freshman, and their parents attended the pro-They were greeted by traditional Javanese Gamelan Music, and friendly Indonesian diplomats who took time to show participants around the embassy. His Excellency Ambassador Soemadi D. M. Brotodiningrat opened his speech by emphasizing the importance of the partnership between Cornell University and Indonesia. He discussed the current issues in Indonesia: the importance of the U.S. trade relations and initiatives with Asia, differences in ASEAN members' position regarding the war with Iraq which didn't impact ASEAN cohesion, threat of North Korea to the region's stability, and influence of SARS on the Asian economy. He was followed by Barbara S. Harvey Ph.D. '74, former Deputy Chief of the Mission at the American Embassy in Indonesia, who addressed the topic of "Indonesian studies in American Universities." After the two presentations, the audience had an opportunity to ask ques-

Once the formal program had concluded, participants dined on the wonderful traditional Indonesian cuisine which was prepared by the Dharma Wanita Persatuan, the association of the Indonesian diplomats' wives. Everyone enjoyed cultivating new friendships and renewing old friendships. At various times throughout the evening, Ambassador Soemadi joined the Gamelan, demonstrating his talent as a seasoned Gamelan player.

CAAA would like to thank the Embassy of Republic of Indonesia, Cornell University Mid-Atlantic Regional Office, Office of Alumni Affairs, Undergraduate Admissions Office, International Regional Office, Southeast Asia Department, CAAAN chairs and their volunteers for their assistance to make the program a huge success. This event was also covered by Suara Merdeka, Indonesian Daily Newspaper.

# The CCW Annual Dinner Guest Speaker Peter S. Knight, AB '73 30 Years of Presidential Campaigning

by Danielle Alsop

Peter S. Knight presented a captivating reflection of his 30 years of public service in Washington, D.C. As he prepares for his own 30th Cornell reunion, he realizes he has indeed come full circle.

Mr. Knight began his career as an intern determined to make a difference. His inspiration at that time was Ralph Nader. After his second internship he decided he wanted to become Al Gore's Chief of Staff so he walked into Gore's office and stated, "I want to be the Chief of Staff." Much to his surprise they agreed.

Since that day and many other days guided by bold determination, he has held senior positions in four presidential campaigns. In the most recent campaign (2000) Mr. Knight served as the Deputy Chair of the Democratic National Committee.

Mr. Knight's reflection included analysis of major areas-politics, policy, communication, and culture-and the degree of change each area has undergone during the past 30 years. He determined that the greatest change has occurred in the area of communication.

Thirty years ago, there were only three television networks with just a few channels while now there are seven networks with hundreds of channels. People can get the news at any time in any format. Mr. Knight admitted as a campaign junkie, his favorite way to follow is the ABC News website "The Note".

Within the next ten years, Mr. Knight foresees the rise of the field worker. This phenomenon will occur for two reasons: to get the candidate's message out and to get people to the polls. Field workers will use advanced technology and micro-targeted techniques to accomplish their mission.

Mr. Knight has also watched the political culture change dramatically. Washington, D.C. has sadly become a win-lose place. He noted how it now appears to be the politics of personal destruction. Mr. Knight believes that effective leadership is key to making a culture change for the positive.

Mr. Knight is currently the Managing Director of MetWest Financial. He also serves as a Director of Medicis Pharmaceutical, EntreMed, Whitman Education Group, Pharmaceutical Resourses, Inc. and the Schroder Mutual Fund Family. His lovely wife, Gail Britton, also attended and provided additional insight into the life of politics. The Knights have one son, Zachary, who is completing his freshman year at Cornell.

# Silent Auction Items Still Available

Miss the dinner, but want to contribute the CCW Scholarship Fund? We still have two items available that will be sold at opening bid price!

- 1. One month membership at Remarck Sport Taekwondo (Alexandria, VA). Price: \$50
- 2. One-hour consulting session on genealogy with Marilyn L. Arnold. Price: \$25

If you are interested in either of these items, please contact Melanie Acostavalle '99, Silent Auction Chair at mga6@cornell.edu or 202-364-5176. Items will go to the first caller or e-mailer!

# Annual Dinner and Silent Auction Raise \$1,500 for CCW Scholarship Fund

by Nicole DelToro '91, Annual Dinner Chair & Melanie Acostavalle '99, Silent Auction Chair

85 people attended the May 15th dinner held at Maggiano's Little Italy. The dinner and silent auction raised \$1,500 for the CCW Scholarship Fund, and those funds will certainly help send more students from the DC area to Cornell.

A special thanks to all of the volunteers who assisted during the dinner and auction, and to the many contributors who donated items this year.

If you have ideas or suggestions for the 2004 dinner, please contact Nicole DelToro or Kathy Miller, the 2004 Annual Dinner Chair.

# Silent Auction Donors

Mr. Mehmood Nathani, MBA '85

Ms. Elizabeth Thomas '94

Ms. Nancy Ann Miller '71

Ms. Danielle Alsop '92

Ms. Marilyn L. Arnold BS '76 and MPS '90

Ms. Lenore Alverez, Cornell Adult University

Mr. Austin Kiplinger '39

Mr. Bob Shaw '78 and Odyssey Cruises

Professor James Maas

Kim Jones '98 and MBA '02

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Interstate Hotels and Resorts

Nicole DelToro '91

Lois Berkowitz '59 and Ed Berkowitz '56

Six Mile Creek Vineyard - Ithaca, NY

Sonja Watkins Kelly

Doug West '98

Melanie Acostavalle'99

Petals and Ivy

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# **RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP EARLY!**

Every member is due to renew in September of 2003. When you renew your dues early, you will help the Club save postage and valuable resources next fall. Please send in your check and this form TODAY!

# 2003-2004 Cornell Club of Washington Membership Form

<ul><li>I am a NEW member of the CCW.</li><li>I am RENEWING my CCW membership.</li></ul>		<ul><li>I am a NEW member of the CCW.</li><li>I am RENEWING my CCW membership.</li></ul>		
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Membership Dues  Enclosed is my check for annual membership dues, payable to the Cornel  Class of 2003 \$5 Recent Graduate ('00-'02) \$15 Cornell Single \$30 Class of 1941 and earlier Free		Cornell Couple \$35 Life Member: Single/Couple \$300/\$350 Associate Member (Parent/Friend of Cornellian, Non-Cornellians) \$15		
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# MDDG Discusses Ghosts and Diana of Dobson's

The MDDG will have dinner-discussions on Wednesday, June 11 and Monday, July 14, both 7:30-9:30 PM (dinner at 6:30) at Luna Books, 1633 P St., NW (near Dupont Circle). On June 11, with director Edwin Sherin, the MDDG will discuss the classic Gbosts (1881), by Henrik Ibsen. Still shocking, Gbosts deals with venereal disease, inherited insanity, assisted suicide, and the constricting effects of societal expectations. On July 14, with director Alisa Palmer, the MDDG will discuss the influential Diana of Dobson's (1908), by Cicely Hamilton. Diana portrays one woman's effort to escape the sweatshop conditions that prevailed for early 20th-century London's working poor. Its premiere led to widespread reform. Except for dinner, participation at the June 11 and July 14 discussions is free (contributions encouraged). Copies of Gbosts and Diana of Dobson's are available at Backstage Books, Olsson's Books & Records, & Politics & Prose. For dinner-discussion reservations, call 202-898-4825 or e-mail gruenberg@footlightsdc.org.

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In Richard Nash's bucolic romance *The Rainmaker* (1954), one young woman's family worries more about her marriage prospects than about the drought devastating their farm. Suddenly, a charming stranger promises, for the right price, to bring rain. On Sunday, June 8, 2 PM, the MDDG will attend a performance of *The Rainmaker* at Center Stage, 700 N. Calvert St. in downtown Baltimore. Tickets are \$22 and include a post-show discussion. Ask the MDDG about free transportation to the theater. On Saturday, June 28, 2 PM, the MDDG will attend a performance of Henrik Ibsen's Gbosts at Shakespeare Theatre, 450 7th St., NW, in downtown Washington. Tickets are \$26 or \$31 and include a post-show discussion. For tickets to either *The Rainmaker* or *Gbosts*, send your check, payable to "Footlights," to Robin Larkin, 5403 Nibud Ct., Rockville, MD 20852 (301-897-9314 & rlarkin@footlightsdc.org).

The Modern Drama Discussion Group is a joint project of the Cornell and other DC-area alumni clubs. For regular updates e-mail join@footlightsdc.org; for general information go to www.footlightsdc.org or call 202-484-8303.