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Potomac Paddle XVI Launches Fall Fun

Join Cornell-in-Washington students and alumni on Saturday, September 6 for an invigorating paddle from Jack's Boathouse in Georgetown upstream towards Chain Bridge, then back downstream to tour Roosevelt Island. We will eat lunch there and return to Jack's about 1 p.m.

Meet at the Cornell Center (2148 O Street, NW) at 9:30 a.m. or at the Boathouse (western end of K Street, under the Whitehurst Freeway) at 10 a.m. Look for Joyce Nicholas MPA '02 in a red baseball cap near the boathouse docks to get directions and guidelines for this year's outing at 10 a.m. Rental is \$30 per canoe, which can hold 2-3 people. Bring lunch and something to drink; life jackets will be provided. For additional details and to sign up, contact Bob McKinless '48 at 703-256-5451 or e-mail bikerbob8@mac.com.

Welcome Picnic, September 14

Kick off the new year by meeting other CU alumni and learning more about the CCW community. Bring yourself, your partner, your children and friends to Pierce Mill in Rock Creek Park at noon on Sunday, September 14. This event can be reached by Metro or by car. Take the Metro to the Van Ness Station, exit the East entrance and walk south on Connecticut Ave., NW, walk two blocks, turn left onto Tilden St., walk for 7 minutes and the Pierce Mill is on your left before West Beach Drive. Drivers should travel to the 2800th block of Connecticut Ave., NW and follow the previously mentioned directions. Parking is available to the left of the Pierce Mill. Food and drink will be provided. Event cost is \$5 per person. RSVP to Joyce Nicholas MPA '02, joycenicholas@hotmail.com, 202-363-1549 by September 10.

Time for Old Rag XXXVI

On Saturday, September 20, alumni and Cornell-in-Washington students will climb Old Rag Mountain near Sperryville, VA. This is one of the Washington Area chapter's most popular excursions, and we expect a large turnout (25-40) each time we go. The first 2/3 of the strenuous 9-mile hike is on a trail through the trees, while the upper part is open and rocky. Bring lunch and water carried in a day-pack, and wear a hat and sturdy shoes. The total time needed for climbing, enjoying the view, eating and descending is about six hours. The Park Service has a \$5 fee per person and allows no more hikers after the parking lot is full. Therefore, a prompt 8 a.m. start from the Cornell Center is needed for this full-day event.

Let Bob McKinless '48 know if you are planning to go (or if you have questions) call 703-256-5451 or e-mail bikerbob8@mac.com. Please contact Bob by September 17th so he can arrange transportation for the students and carpools among the alumni. Give your name, home phone number and the number of passengers you could carry comfortably - or if you NEED a ride.

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President's Letter

September 2003

Dear Club Members:

Welcome to the Cornell Club of Washington! For new members, you are in for a real treat as you get to know this dynamic group of leaders who are here to serve you. For returning members, we hope it was the excellent programming along with the warmth of our group that brought you back. Regardless of how long you have been a member, please be aware that the doors of communication are open. Your ideas will help shape CCW's future. Please let us hear them!

Cornell was founded on a tradition of service and we plan on continuing that tradition. We believe in working with a theme or guiding principle. This year that theme is demonstrating the true power of an alumni network. Beyond my regular duties as president, I plan on contributing to three specific areas:

To the Institution: I would like to work with the Office of Admissions to help ensure that we are on the cutting edge. Cornell has tremendous competition and it is not enough to just attract the brightest students. We have to ensure that after they are selected they actually choose Cornell and enroll.

To the Alumni: I would like to build a large alliance of Cornell alumni businesses—be it attorneys or massage therapists. This would benefit thousands of alumni in the metropolitan area. On numerous occasions people ask, "Do you know a good doctor or who does your accounting?" I would much rather refer them to a fellow Cornellian...wouldn't you?

To the community: I am a social activist. I founded a nonprofit organization to help reform education. Our Club has an amazing group of community service volunteers who work hard but I believe we should have a stronger presence in the community.

Thank you all for your support. We do not take lightly our commitment to serve you. Please consider volunteering...it could be as simple as providing a contact name from your rolodex. We hope to hear from you soon.

Best,

Danielle Alsop '92
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Coming Events...

September

- 6 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Potomac Paddle XV
- 9 6:30 p.m. Programming Meeting, 7:30 p.m. Board Meeting, 2148 O St NW
- 12 6:30-9:00 p.m. Ivy Singles, Potomac Boat Club, 3530 Water St. NW
- 13 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Suited for Change, Community Service, 17121 "I" St.
- 14 Noon, Welcome Picnic, Pierce Mill in Rock Creek Park
- 18 6:00-9:00 p.m., Cynthia Froggatt, Capital Hilton, "Leading at a Distance"
- 20 8:00 a.m., Old Rag XXXVI, bikerbob8@mac.com

Quick Club Announcements...

● Programming and Board Meetings:

Join other alumni and find out how you can get involved in the DC Cornell community. On Tuesday, September 9, 2003, come to the year's first CCW Programming and Board Meeting at the Washington Cornell Center (2148 O St. NW, Dupont Circle Metro).

Programming Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m., followed by CCW Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend both meetings. All other meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month. Contact Danielle Alsop '92 at dal-sop@verizon.net

● Community Service:

Suited for Change, Saturday, September 13, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Join fellow Cornellians and friends at Suited for Change, 1712 I Street, NW, Suite B100, Washington, D.C. (located between the Art Gallery Grille and Bottom Line restaurants), a private non-profit organization that provides professional clothing and ongoing career education to low-income women who have completed job training and/or job readiness programs and are seeking employment (<http://www.suitedforchange.org/>).

We will be sorting and organizing clothing donated during the organization's quarterly clothing drive. Complementary pizza and soda will be provided by the sponsor directly after the event. Volunteers should be sure to wear comfortable shoes. Please contact Suzanne Proctor at sproctor@cdc.gov if you would like to participate.

● Cornell Entrepreneur Network (CEN) Event:

Hear Cynthia Froggatt, MS '85, author of "Leading from a Distance," describes how to work together even when team members are far apart. On Thursday, September 18, the Cornell Entrepreneur Network (CEN) and the President's Council of Cornell Women (PCCW) sponsor this talk and buffet reception at the Capital Hilton, (1001 16th St.).

Her first book, "Work Naked: Eight Essential Principles for Peak Performance in the Virtual Workplace," earned rave reviews from many readers. Learn about the movement toward a more distributed workforce, the focus of her second book, "Leading from a Distance." Visit the Cornell Entrepreneur website, www.cen.cornell.edu, to learn more about this talk or to register on-line.

● Volunteers Needed for Joint Business-Law Event:

Alumni of the Johnson Graduate School of Management and Cornell Law School are organizing a cocktail party, dinner, or similar event for the coming year, where alumni from each school can catch up with each other as well as meet grads of the other school. We are seeking volunteers to help organize this event, as well as suggestions for what kind of event and what venue would attract the most alums.

To volunteer or contribute ideas, please contact Chuck Schilke, JD '88, at charles.schilke@verizon.net, W:202-303-5361, or Kim Jones, MBA '02, Kim.Jones@touchstone.com

Sign Up Now for State Department Tour

Your Cornell Club is pleased to announce a tour of the State Department's Diplomatic Reception Rooms, being organized for Cornell Club of Washington members by the Club's "Urbanauts." Please mark your calendars now for Wednesday, November 19, at 10:30 a.m. as the date and time. Please reply quickly, if you are interested in participating.

This is a rare opportunity to tour the Diplomatic Reception Rooms where the Secretary of State receives and entertains leading figures of the world. The rooms contain a rich and renowned collection of antiques from the Federal Period, paintings and other artifacts intimately associated with American history, and other Americana.

The number of participants is strictly limited to 25 individuals, in accordance with strict security procedures. To reserve your space, e-mail your Social Security Number (SSN) and Date Of Birth (DOB) to Bob Day at dayhaven@starpower.net or call 301-438-7755. We must have these data before we can save you a space on the tour. Those Club members who already submitted these data for tours in February and March 2003, cancelled due to Code Orange, need not resubmit their data, but they are requested to respond promptly to sign up for the November tour. For questions and further information, contact Bob Day at 301-438-7755.

CCW Alumni Listserv:

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

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 Kim Jones, MBA '02
Kim.Jones@touchstone.com

Time to renew your CCW membership!

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. Please send in your check and this form **TODAY!**

2003-2004 Cornell Club of Washington Membership Form

I am a NEW member of the CCW.
 I am RENEWING my CCW membership.

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Name 1 _____

Name 2 _____

School/Year _____ School/Year _____

School/Year _____ School/Year _____

School/Year _____ CU I.D. _____
(see mailing label)

School/Year _____ CU I.D. _____
(see mailing label)

Maiden Name _____

Maiden Name _____

Preferred Address _____

Preferred Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Telephone _____

Home Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Profession _____

Profession _____

E-Mail Address _____

E-Mail Address _____

- I would like to receive club updates via email.
 Please DO NOT list my name in a membership directory (online to members only and hard copy).
 I would like to list my organization in the club directory. Please call me during the ___ day ___ evening

Membership Dues

Enclosed is my check for annual membership dues, payable to the Cornell Club of Washington, for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Class of 2003 \$5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Couple \$35 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Graduate ('00 -'02) \$15 | <input type="checkbox"/> Life Member: Single/Couple \$300/\$350 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Single \$30 | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member (Parent/Friend of Cornellian,
Non-Cornellians) \$15 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Class of 1944 and earlier Free | |

Membership Dues \$ _____

Scholarship

My check includes an additional contribution as a gift in support of the Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship fund for local Cornell undergraduates.

Scholarship Contribution \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Activities

I am interested in the following activities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting with Prospective Students (CAAAN)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phonathons | <input type="checkbox"/> Staffing College Nights (CAAAN)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing for International Student Visit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Program Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Black Alumni Association (CBAA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Asian Alumni Association (CAAA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Dinner Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Latino Alumni Association (CLAA) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneurship and Personal Enterprise Network/ | <input type="checkbox"/> CUGALA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Entrepreneur Network | <input type="checkbox"/> CCW Job Bank |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cornell Tradition | <input type="checkbox"/> CCW Connections |

**Please return to:
 Cornell Club of Washington, 2148 O St., N.W., Washington, DC 20037**

Ivy Singles Social Event for September

Hosted by the MIT Club of Washington
Ivy Singles Social Club September Event

Friday, September 12, 2003
6:30 to 9:00 p.m.

The Potomac Boat Club
3530 Water Street NW
Washington, DC

Hors d'Oeuvres and Cash Bar

Come watch the sun go down and the city light up while you mingle on the verandah of the historic Potomac Boat Club.

Advance Reservations: Send \$20 by check to Cynthia Cole, 3624 Norton Place NW, Washington, DC 20016, so that it is received by Tuesday, September 9. Make checks payable to "MIT Club of Washington" and note your school on the check. \$25 for email reservations (to Cynthia.cole@alum.mit.edu by Sept. 11) and walk-ins, if available. Pre-reservation is strongly recommended as space is limited.

Directions:

Bus: Take buses 30-36 to Wisconsin & M St. or 38B or B11 to 33rd or 34th & M Streets.

Metro: Take the Georgetown Metro Connection bus from Dupont Circle (19th Street and Sunderland Place, NW - one half block south of the Dupont Circle Metro Station south exit) or Rosslyn to 34th or 33rd & M Streets. Walk down the hill, across the canal and down to Water Street (K Street, extended) then turn right and walk past 34th Street to the boat club. From Foggy Bottom take the Georgetown Metro Connection bus to Wisconsin & K and walk along K then Water Streets. Or walk approx. 20-25 min. from Foggy Bottom to the boat club.

Auto: From downtown and points east, drive west on K Street until it becomes Water Street. Or from points east or west take M Street to Wisconsin Avenue and go south on Wisconsin to the river. Right onto Water Street and continue beyond 34th Street. Club is on the left just before the stone archway of the aqueduct bridge. On-street metered and lot parking are available along K and Water Streets.

Questions: For more information please see our website at www.ivysinglesdc.com or www.mitdc.org or contact Steve Piekarec at spiekare@aflcio.org, (o) 202-637-5234 or 202-639-6280 (f).

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 30s, 40s and 50s.

Join in Programming for Your CCW!

The CCW Programming Committee would like to invite you to join the DC Cornell community for a great year of events. It is our goal to bring you a diverse and innovative line-up of activities.

Be sure to check out the CCW website, <http://ccw.alumni.cornell.edu>, and monthly newsletter for a listing of club events. Also, please feel free to drop by the Washington Cornell Center the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. to share your ideas and suggestions during our monthly meetings.

Please contact Lauren Myers at lm32@cornell.edu or 202-246-4724 to schedule or organize events. Lauren is a 1997 graduate of ILR and has served as a Cornell Young Alumni Chair in the Bay and DC Areas. During her undergraduate years, she was an active member of the Cornell Concert Commission and the Cornell University Programming Board.

Joyce Nicholas, MPA '02, will be serving as Lauren's Co-Programming Chair. As a graduate student, she acted as the Colloquium Chair of the Cornell Public Affairs Society. If you are interested in being a programming volunteer, please contact Joyce at joycenicholas@hotmail.com or 202-363-1549.

Did you know. . .

Our region had a 66% entering rate of students accepted to Cornell--a 16% increase over years past! Thanks to all our Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassadors in the Network (CAAAN) for doing such a great job last year! 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.

CCW AWARDS 4 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2003-2004!

The CCW Scholarship Committee has kept busy this past summer, interviewing and selecting local area students for the various scholarships that the Cornell Club of Washington independently funds and awards. It's not necessarily an easy task, choosing among so many bright, motivated and qualified students, but the committee was up for the task. We are please to announce the following winners:

Howard S. Epstein Cornell Club of Washington Federation Memorial Scholarship

Maria Gorodetskaya AAP '06 (Olney, MD)
Manuela Hess HE '04 (Wheaton, MD)
Christina Lofton HA '04 (North Potomac, MD)

Austin Kiplinger Scholarship

Mubdiul Ali Imitiaz HE '06 (Falls Church, VA)

The Club could not assist these deserving students were it not for the generosity of our local alumni, who are committed to helping both the local community and Cornell through their support. Look for details of an upcoming scholarship/silent auction event in January 2004 at which you will be able to meet some of our current recipients.

Many thanks to committee members Carol Epstein and Eric Jaffe for dedicating a beautiful Sunday to interviewing students!

To volunteer or make a donation, contact Nicole DelToro '91 at ndeltoro@andrewscore.com.

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