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CCW's Annual Dinner and Silent Auction

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Thursday, May 19, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Panevino Ristorante in Hilton Embassy Suites
23rd St. between M & N Streets, NW

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While Washington D.C. celebrates the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian, the Cornell Club of Washington welcomes Dr. Angela Gonzales, Assistant Professor of Development Sociology and affiliate faculty in Cornell University's American Indian Program, as the Keynote Speaker for this year's Annual Dinner and Silent Auction. Professor Gonzales will discuss changes in the use and meaning of the terms "indigenous individual" and "collective identity". She will also discuss the expansion and development of tribal government gaming.



Her interest in the sociological processes underlying development and contemporary constructions of identity in the United States link these two distinct issues that are the subject of much of her research activity. Dr. Gonzales is an enrolled member of the Hopi Tribe of Arizona, former director of the tribe's Grants and Scholarship Program, and current member of the Executive Committee of the Hopi Education Endowment Fund. She received her Ph.D. in Sociology from Harvard University in 2002.

A cash bar cocktail reception will kick off the evening, allowing guests to browse the items in the Silent Auction and place their bids on this year's most sought-after bargains. Once the Silent Auction closes, Cornellians gather for a plated dinner, followed by the featured presentation, questions and answers, and dessert. Proceeds from the Silent Auction support the Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship Fund, which helps to finance a D.C.-area student's education at Cornell.

Donations: Please donate a product or service to the auction! Hot items last year were tangible ones like clothing and artwork – especially Cornell memorabilia. This year, we hope to add some "experience" items - something you can share with fellow Cornellians while helping to support a good cause. Get creative! Maybe a behind-the-scenes tour of a museum at which you volunteer, or a few days at your beach house on a weekend when you are not using it. Any and all items are appreciated. All donations will be acknowledged in the *CCW Newsletter* and are tax-deductible to the extent allowable by law. Contact Mel Zurn at mzurn@att.net or 703/585-3585 to submit an item or for more details on the Silent Auction. Deadline for donations is Friday, May 13.

Directions: For the Panevino Ristorante inside the Hilton Embassy Suites, enter on 23rd St. NW between M and N Streets. Metro: Dupont Circle, South on the Red line or Foggy Bottom on the Orange / Blue lines. Street and area garage parking available.

Costs: Please see the **reservation form** at the back of this newsletter for more information on how to reserve your place at this year's Annual Dinner and Silent Auction.

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CAAAN Update

from Jill A. Fields (VA) and Debbie Rutenberg (MD/DC)

Cornell Alumni Alumni Admissions Ambassadors Network (CAAAN) activities are in full gear as several milestones have been accomplished by the time you receive this newsletter:

- * Students were sent admissions decisions on April 1, 2005.
- * Alumni moratorium ended on April 5, 2005--all accepted students will be contacted by an alumnus and offered congratulations!
- * The VA committees had nine honorees for the Meinig Family Cornell National Scholar, Cornell Presidential Research Scholar and Cornell Tradition Fellow programs and the MD/DC committees have more than 15 honorees among its applicants. Bottom line: we saw a very strong group of applicants from the DC metropolitan region this year and hope to contribute strong numbers to the Cornell Class of 2009!
- * The two regions joined forces to sponsor an Accepted Student Reception on April 21st at the Courtyard by Marriott at 16th St. and Rhode Island Avenue. Special thanks go to Marc Duber and the Bernstein Companies for donation of the venue and beverages to the students and their parents. This was a very special contribution and we greatly appreciate Marc's generosity.
- * On May 1st Lloyd Hall joined us at Falls Church High School for an information session geared toward high school juniors and their parents. Just as one cycle ends, the new one begins!

Please join us in our receptions, one-on-one meetings with students and fall college fairs throughout the year. The more participation we have from our strong regional alumni network, the more positive message we send to those students considering Cornell.

Many thanks to our eight committee chairs and all of the alumni volunteers for their countless hours and tireless efforts on behalf of Cornell and the CCW. We could not accomplish such strong results without your dedication and commitment to Cornell.

Coming Events in May

Wed., May 4 - ISSC International Spy Museum, 800 F St NW, 5:45 p.m.

Contact: Yale Club at yale@ivysinglesdc.com or 202/244-4546.

Wed., May 4 - Pre-Reunion Event (Classes '00 and '05), Capitol City Brewery Company, 2 Massachusetts Ave NE, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Contact: Jeff Goldstein at jdj20@cornell.edu or 202/ 395-4571.

Tues., May 10 - CCW Board Meeting, 2148 O St., 7:30 p.m.,

Programming Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Contact: Danielle Alsop, dalsop@verizon.net.

Thurs., May 19 - Annual Dinner & Silent Auction, Panevino Northern Italian Ristorante, in the Hilton Embassy Suites, 23rd St between M & N St. NW, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Contact: Lauren Hall at ccwprogramming@yahoo.com or 703/525-0130.

Fri., May 20 - ISSC, The Mansion, 2020 O St. NW, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Contact: Debby Prigal at dprigal@aol.com or 202/ 265-3145 or Peter at Harvard@ivysingles.com or 703/ 413-0098.

Tues., May 24 - Briefing on Post-Apartheid South Africa, South African Embassy Annex, Van Ness Center, 4301 Connecticut Ave NW, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Contact: Marjorie Loory at mloory@aol.com or 202/ 625.6312.

Coming Events in June

Wed., Jun 8 - CEN DC Presents Technology and Finance Author Andy Kessler,

The Madison Hotel, 1177 15th St. NW, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. See www.cen.cornell.edu.

Please forward all updates in your contact information to CCW's Database Manager, Elias Savada at ccwchange@mac.com. Use this email address for questions about your membership status also.

Quick Club Announcements...

CCW Meetings

Tuesday, May 10th: Members are invited to attend the monthly Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m., preceded by the Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Club headquarters, 2148 O St. NW, Washington, D.C. Pizza for all attending. For questions contact Danielle Alsop at dalsop@verizon.net Metro: Dupont Circle, Red Line.

Community Service: Tutoring at Jefferson Junior High

Saturday mornings, 10:00-11:30 a.m., 801 7th St. SW

Join in the Saturday Academy tutoring program with the 7th, 8th, and 9th graders at Jefferson. Tutors are needed in all subjects, from Algebra and Reading to Spanish and Physics. Typical activities include helping students with homework assignments, test preparation or research. Volunteers need not commit to every weekend.

Jefferson is located at the intersection of 7th Street SW and Maine Avenue. There's plenty of free parking, and the school is four blocks south of the L'Enfant Plaza Metro. For more information, contact Dan Lavanga '89 at 703/548-8349 or dlavanga@hotmail.com.

Dragon Boat Festival, May 28-29 "Big Red Dragons" Race for CCW

Washington's Fourth Annual Dragon Boat Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday, May 28 and 29, on the Potomac River between the Kennedy Center and Washington Harbor. Come root for CCW's entry, the "Big Red Dragons."

Dragon Boats are 45-feet long, including the dragon's head and tail, and are propelled forward by 20 high-tempo paddlers in each boat and a drummer--a colorful spectacle. With four boats in each race, watch races all day long from 9:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Saturday. Only Saturday's winners and second-place finishers will race on Sunday, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Cultural exhibitions, arts and crafts demonstrations and hands-on activities, including traditional Taiwanese Dances and other dance programs are scheduled to start at 11:00 a.m. on both days.

Due to the waterfront construction, this year's activities will be more spread out than previously. The best viewing of the boat races will be along the seawall directly under the Kennedy Center's riverside outdoor terrace. Boat launching and official ceremonies will be at Thompson Boat Center, and cultural activities further upstream from Thompson Boat Center.

Races in 2005 will start from the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge against the current to a point 500 meters further upstream, just below the Thompson Boat Center.

Directions: Fans taking Metro can either walk from the Foggy Bottom Metro Station or take a shuttle bus to the Thompson Boat Center area. Parking alternatives include the commercial lot at the foot of Wisconsin Avenue where it meets K Street, N.W., the Kennedy Center's Garage, or other garages along K Street underneath the Whitehurst Freeway.

For further details you can check the festival website www.dragonboatdc.com or call Bob Day at 301/438-7755.

Roving Reporter: Tomoko Morinaga

CAAA Raised \$20K for Tradition Scholarship

Cornell Asian Alumni Association (CAAA) had another successful Pan-Asian New Year Dinner in New York City on February 12th, raising about \$20,000 this year. (To date, CAAA has raised \$150,000 for the Tradition Scholarship.

Guest of Honor was Ted Tang '79, the first Asian-American Hotel executive from Texas. About 200 guests enjoyed a delicious ten course Chinese dinner, traditional Chinese Dragon Dance (the crowd's favorite).

Briefing on Post-Apartheid South Africa

Tues., May 24, 1:30-3:00 p.m.
South African Embassy Annex
Van Ness Center
4301 Connecticut Ave. NW

The South African Embassy has invited 35 CCW members and their guests to attend a briefing on post-apartheid South Africa on Tuesday, May 24 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. at their annex. The program will also include a DVD presentation of pictures of the country, followed by a question and answer session,

Location: The annex is located on the second floor of the Van Ness Center at 4301 Connecticut Avenue NW. This is across the street from University of the District of Columbia campus. (There is a CVS store located to the left of the entrance of the building.) Take the elevator to the second floor and turn left as you exit. Follow the Cornell Club signs to the meeting room which is on the left side of the hallway.

Directions: The most convenient way to reach the annex is to take the Red Line of the Metro to the UDC/Van Ness station. Metered street parking and parking garages are also available.

Reservations: If you would like to attend the event, please contact Marjorie Loory by Friday, May 20 at 202/625-6312 or mloory@aol.com. Please include your phone number or email address so that we can reach you if you are not among the first 35 to respond.

Roving Reporter: Bob McKinless

OLD RAG XXXIX Biggest Ever!

On Saturday, April 16 thirty alumni and 13 of their friends were joined by 11 Cornell-in-Washington students on a cool but sunny day on Old Rag Mountain near Sperryville, VA. The total of 54 hikers (33 of whom were first-timers) broke the record of 51 set in September 1991.

Clint Brass '90 guided the students during the hike while I was lagging behind.

Many thanks to the drivers who transported students and other alumni: Brad Spencer '79, Pat McMurray, Ted Jamieson '92, Dave Storm, Allegra Schafer '99, Jennifer Smith '99, Chris Tupino '00, Edan Lichtenstein '01, Claudio Gaultieri '02, Dave Morgenstein '03, Josh Novikoff '03 and Ted Serbinski '04.

CCW Nominating Committee Presents Slate for 2005-2006

As of April 15, 2005

President: Jonathan Simon '92

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Marge Loory '55

3 others to be determined

Terms Expire June 07

Phil Collins '74

Nicole Driebe '94, '98, PhD '00

Mark Schneider, Hotel '93

Helen Schwartz '64

Alison Torrillo French '95

Roving Reporter: Strategy Team

Techie Hour: Sold out!

All chairs filled at the Release 6.0 of Techie Hour on February 10. (We thank BlueRaster.com, our corporate sponsor). The panel theme, "Overseas Outsourcing, Backlash?" attracted firms keen on finding a competitive advantage. Experienced managers of overseas projects, Michael Bruce and Professor Antonio Gayoso provided insights to a Fortune 500, mid-cap, and dot.com audience. Case studies of U.S. firms, global competition by developing countries, and cost-cutting choices provided leading edge ideas. More? White Paper/PowerPoint for the event
4 at www.techiehour.com.

Famous, Powerful Cornell Alumni Eager to Work for You

Need to charge up your organization? Inject some visibility into your company? Use the power of experience, prestige, and courageous leadership to advance your institutional agenda. Then consider some of these famous alumni currently available via the CCW Job Bank....

Okay, we were going to give you a list of names, but then it dawned on us -- they are actually not famous and powerful -- at least not yet. We bet some of them will be, with time, so the jobs you offer them now can come back to reward you with their loyalty down the road. What we are talking about, of course, are the Cornell alumni here in the DC area who are seeking jobs through the CCW Job Bank. Right now, what they do have to offer are intelligence, talent, and all the benefits of the self-discipline acquired through a Cornell education.

And while they may not be famous or powerful, they are sincerely eager. Approximately 70 local alumni, of varying ages and levels of experience, are actively listed as part of the CCW Job Bank. They come from most of Cornell's different schools, and they represent disciplines as diverse as engineering, finance, public policy, agriculture, architecture, and more.

You can reach this talented pool of Cornell alumni with your current job openings. Please send e-mails with job openings to Steven@OpComm.com. In the subject line, put: CCWJO - <A brief description of the job, but do not include company name> . Describe the job in the body of the message. Your job posting will be forwarded to alumni who are on the list. You can indicate if you want them to contact you via e-mail, or phone; or if you prefer to stay "hidden", they will send resumes to you via our Job Bank coordinator, Steve Oppenheimer.

For more information on how the Job Bank works, see
<http://ccw.alumni.cornell.edu/career/JBPolicy.pdf>

The Barber B. Conable Scholarship

Each semester, the Cornell Club of Washington awards a stipend to a Cornell-in-Washington (CIW) student to help defray the costs of living in an expensive urban area and the loss of work-study funding. The scholarship honors Barber B. Conable '43, former Congressman and former President of the World Bank, for his contributions to our government and international relations.

This semester, the CCW Scholarship Committee was proud to make the award to Stacia Webster, Class of 2006 of the College of Arts and Sciences. Stacia majors in Chemistry and concentrates in Education and Africana Studies. Apart from her academics, Stacia participates in a long list of Cornell work-study programs, with stints as a lab operator for Cornell Information Technologies, a writer for the Ethos Yearbook in the Office of Minority Affairs, a program assistant in Cornell's Pre-Freshman Summer Program, and a Calculus tutor in Cornell's Learning Strategies Center.



Barber B. Conable

In addition to her rigorous academic schedule and work-study, Stacia is a member of Cornell's Baraka Kwa Wimbo Gospel Ensemble. Singing is one of Stacia's many passions. As she puts it, "I am extremely passionate about expressing my spirituality, my beliefs and all of myself...through singing and performance." Unfortunately, the Scholarship Committee did not get a free concert. For the Cornell-in-Washington semester, Stacia is interning at "Woman's Work", a nonprofit that offers support --continuing education, job training, legal advice, and counseling -- for single women.

Upon graduation, Stacia plans to teach for a few years in the Miami public school system. Her ultimate goal is to master the science of cosmetics, working with natural elements and ingredients to produce healthy cosmetics.

To donate so CCW can continue supporting outstanding Cornellians, contact Drew Warshaw, Vice President of Scholarship at drew.warshaw@gmail.com or 917/359-4171 or simply write a check to Cornell Club of Washington (write "scholarship" in the memo line) and send to: CCW, 2148 O St. NW, Washington, DC 20037.

ISSC Events for May

Wednesday, May 4, 5:45 p.m. (for group entry at 6:00 sharp) International Spy Museum 800 F St NW

Your Mission: Gather intelligence, conduct reconnaissance, discover secrets. The Yale Club of Washington and the Ivy Singles Social Club invite you to the International Spy Museum on Wednesday, May 4th. Explore the world's largest collection of international espionage artifacts ever placed on public display while meeting other alumni and friends. Disguise, surveillance, threat analysis (just like your office?), and code-breaking are just part of the permanent exhibition. Also learn about the famous men and women – from Moses to Harriet Tubman, Elizabeth I to George Washington – who relied on intelligence to be effective leaders. Join us for a look at history and current events through interaction with intelligence specialists in the Ops Center.

Afterwards, continue your conversations and intrigue at McCormick and Schmick's Restaurant across the intersection at 901 F Street NW. The bar area(s) will have drinks at IVY rates. Dining room tables inside are another choice.

Reservations: Since the group deadline of April 2nd has passed, reservations maybe accepted for \$20 if the Museum has extra room for our group. Please inquire by email (yale@ivysinglesdc.com) or phone (202/244-4546) two to three days prior to the event before attempting walk-in. And RSVP (yes, no OR maybe) as soon as possible to <http://www.evite.com/spiekare@cs.com/spymuseum>.

Directions: The Spy Museum is near the Gallery Place Metro, 9th Street exit, on the Green, Yellow and Red lines. For those driving, street parking is limited. Lots serving MCI center are four blocks away.

Friday, May 20, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. The Mansion 2020 O St. NW

Light hors d'oeuvres and Cash Bar

The University of Chicago and Harvard Clubs of DC invite you for a special opportunity to see one of Washington's hidden gems, and to catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Those who arrive early can tour the Mansion. According to its own description, "The Mansion combines art, architecture, literature and inspiration to craft an exhilarating entertainment experience." Rooms are decorated with treasures from all over the world. Secret doors abound. Presidents have used it as a private refuge. We can mingle there.

Reservations: Please send \$25 by check, payable to "The University of Chicago Club of Washington". Note your school on the check. Send to Debby Prigal, 1625 Q St. NW #207, Washington, DC 20009, by **Monday, May 16th, 2005**. You can pay \$30 at the door, instead. Please let us know by email that you will be coming. We expect to welcome walk-ins, too.

Directions: Take Metro's Red Line to the Dupont Circle stop, take the south exit, then walk two blocks west on O Street to 2020. Please do not park on the street. Valet parking is available for \$20. The Mansion is handicapped accessible.

Send any questions to Debby at dprigal@aol.com or 202/265-3145 or to Peter at harvard@ivysinglesdc.com or 703/413-0098. Or check the website at **www.ivysinglesdc.com**

The Ivy Singles Social Club (ISSC) is a coalition of Ivy League, Seven Sister and other prestigious schools' regional alumni associations that sponsor joint social activities. Our events are open to all single alumni of member schools. Most of our attendees are in their 30s, 40s or 50s.

CEN Presents Andy Kessler

Wed., June 8th, 6:30-9:30 p.m. The Madison Hotel 15th and M Streets N.W.

Andy Kessler '80 is a Cornell engineer turned Wall Street analyst turned investment banker, venture capitalist and hedge fund manager. His new book, *Running Money*, is filled with funny stories from his days running a hedge fund in Silicon Valley. It came out in September, recently joined the New York Times Business Bestseller list. His first book, *Wall Street Meat*, covered his time working as an analyst with Jack Grubman, Mary Meeker and Frank Quattrone.

Andy will talk about working on Wall Street, about what drives Silicon Valley, how they both affect global trade, the publishing business and anything else during what should be a lively Q&A.

Cost: \$30 per person (includes buffet reception, presentation, dessert and coffee)
*Seating is limited. Please register early at www.cen.cornell.edu.

Location: Metro Farragut North (Red Line), McPherson Sq. (Yellow and Blue).

Pre-Reunion Event for Classes '0 and '5

Wed., May 4, 6-8:00 p.m. Capitol City Brewery Company 2 Massachusetts Ave NE

Catch up with classmates at the May 4th Pre-Reunion event from 6:00-8:00 at the Capitol City Brewery Company on Capitol Hill. See who's going to reunion, make plans, and reconnect with your classmates before returning to Ithaca on June 9-12, 2005.

All reunion years welcome! The \$12.00 event includes brewery tour, tasting, and hors d'oeuvres. This pre-reunion event is co-sponsored by all the Reunion Classes, the Cornell Club of Washington, and Cornell University Middle Atlantic Regional Office. Capitol City Brewery is across the street from Union Station Metro (Red Line) in the Post Office Building.

RSVP: Make your \$12.00 check payable to Jeff Goldstein '90, 723 North Nelson St. Arlington VA 22203-2214. Walk-ins welcome, \$12.00 paid at the door. For questions, contact Jeff at Jdg20@cornell.edu or 202/395-4571. For online registration, see <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/reunion/> **5**

CCW ANNUAL DINNER

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1250 22nd St, NW

**Guest Speaker: Professor Angela Gonzales
American Indian Program, Cornell University**

SILENT AUCTION: Proceeds benefit the Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship Fund. Please contact Melvin Zum at mzum@att.net or 703/585-3585 for more information on or to donate a product or service to the Silent Auction.

Please send your Dinner RSVP by Fri., May 6th.

For all other questions, contact:

Lauren Hall at ccwprogramming@yahoo.com or 703/525-0130.

Please Print

Name , School, Year _____

Guest Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Meal Choice: Chicken ___ Salmon ___ Vegetarian ___

Number attending

___ x \$35 for Recent Grad CCW members (Classes '99 - '04) = \$ _____

___ x \$45 all other class years Club member and guest(s) = \$ _____

___ x \$55 per non member = \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Tax deductible gift to the CCW Scholarship Fund (please enclose a separate check) = \$ _____

___ I cannot attend, but included is a tax deductible gift to the CCW Scholarship Fund for \$ _____

___ I would like to donate an item for auction (please contact me at the above address). Yes ___ No ___

Please make checks payable to the Cornell Club of Washington and mail to: Courtney Van Tassel, 1401 N. Taft St., Apt. 504, Arlington, VA 22201

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