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#### Save the Date!

May 20, 2006 Martha Washington Series: Mount Vernon Wine Tour

**June 17, 2006** New York Yankees vs. Washington Nationals

June 18, 2006 Father's Day Picnic at Kiplinger Farm

June 25, 2006 Ivy Singles Social Club: *Riverdance* at Wolftrap

# CCWNEWS

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## Faculty Speaker 2006: Professor Theodore Lowi "Bend Sinister: Searching for the Next American Republic"

Thursday, April 20, 2006, 6:30 pm Charles Sumner School 1201 17th Street NW Washington, DC 20036

The average life of a republic is not long, and American history provides no exception. We are between republics today, and there is a bend in the road.

Professor Lowi's recent research and writing commitments include the politics of globalization, a critical history of the American Democratic party, and a long-term project with an Italian collaborator to develop a conceptual approach to political theory that is one part thesaurus/encyclopedia and one part methodology through use of the computer to develop a cross-tabulational approach to concepts. He is also completing, with colleague Isaac Kramnick, The Norton Anthology of American Political Thought. His leisure time is devoted, in collaboration with co-authors, to keeping two American government textbooks up to date.



**Professor Theodore Lowi** 

Professor Lowi has been the John L. Senior Professor of American Institutions at Cornell University since 1972. He received his doctorate at Yale in 1961, and served on the Cornell faculty from 1959 to 1965 and on the political science faculty at the University of Chicago between 1965 and 1972. His primary fields are American government, political institutions and public policy.

**Cost**: Free for Cornell alumni and their guests. Refreshments before the lecture. **To attend**: RSVP by 04/14/06, to Adriano Sabatelli, adriano.sabatelli@gmail.com, 202.719.7856.

**Metro**: Farragut West (Blue/Orange Line), Farragut North (Red Line). Street and garage parking are also available nearby.

#### Wine Tasting at Best Cellars Clarendon

Wednesday, April 5, 2006, 7:30 pm Best Cellars Clarendon 2855 Clarendon Boulevard Arlington, VA 22201 www.bestcellars.com 703.741.0404

**Cost**: \$15 members and guests, \$20 non-members. Includes a gourmet goodie bag. **To attend**: RSVP by 04/04/06, to Lauren Hall, cwprogramming@yahoo.com.



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#### Seeking Donations for Silent Auction

Please help support CCW's Scholarship Fund by donating an item of value to this year's Silent Auction which will take place on Tuesday, May 16, 2006, during the Annual Dinner.

The Silent Auction is the largest fundraiser for the CCW's Scholarship Fund and it cannot be a success without your support! Proceeds from the Auction will help support up to six students from the Washington area attend Cornell through the Club's four scholarships.

Donated items will appear in the program distributed at the event and in any promotional materials related to the event. Big sellers last year were tangible items like clothing and artwork, and especially any memorabilia related to Cornell. Any and all items are appreciated!

The Cornell Club of Washington is a 501 (c)3 organization. All donations are tax deductible.

**Contact**: Anne Law, alaw99@yahoo.com, 202.662.5347 if you are interested in donating an item or for more information. The deadline for donations is 05/01/06.

## **Events at a Glance...**

#### April

3	MDDG: The Sins of Sor Juana Discussion, 6:30 pm	
	Questions: Mark Gruenberg, press_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.	
4	Yo-Yo Ma Concert, 8:00 pm	
	Questions: Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu, 301.907.0806.	
5	Wine Tasting at Best Cellars Clarendon, 7:30pm	
	Questions: Lauren Hall, ccwprogramming@yahoo.com.	
11	CCW Programming & Board Meeting 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm	
	Questions: Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com.	
18	Career Development Series: Interview Strategy, 6:30 pm	
	Questions: Lauren Hall, ccwprogramming@yahoo.com.	
19	MDDG: Radio Golf Discussion, 6:30 pm	
	Questions: Mark Gruenberg, press_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.	
20	Faculty Speaker 2006: Professor Ted Lowi, 6:30 pm	
	Questions: Adriano Sabatelli, adriano.sabatelli@gmail.com, 202.719.7856.	
20	ISSC: MCXXIII, 6:30 pm	
	Questions: Peter Meyer, pbmeyer@econterms.net, 703.413.0098	
22	Old Rag XLI, Old Rag Mountain, 8:00 am	
	Questions: Bob McKinless, rfm10@cornell.edu, 703.256.5451;	
	Clint Brass, ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.516.0142.	
23	MDDG: Radio Golf Performance, 2:00 pm	
22	Questions: Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net, 301.897.9314.	
23	CAAAN: Newly Accepted Student Reception, 3:00 pm	
22	Questions: Philip Ballard, philipballard22@hotmail.com, 703.581.9321.	
23	Martha Washington Series: Tudor Place House and Garden Tour, 2:00 pm	
27	Questions: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311.	
27	Pre-Reunion Reception, 6:30 pm <i>Questions</i> : Claire Ackerman, cma21@cornell.edu, 646.825.1450.	
29	Community Service: Hands on DC	
2)	Questions: Jane Terrell, jst18@cornell.edu, 202.316.4256.	
29	Tone Rangers, Hangovers & Nothing But Treble, 7:30 pm	
2)	Questions: Gil Keteltas, 202.383.7060.	
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2	Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, Yacob Addy & Odadda, 8:00 pm	
	Questions: Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu, 301.907.0806.	
6	Virginia Gold Cup Races	
	Questions: Amy Billing, amycbilling@gmail.com.	
7	MDDG: The Sins of Sor Juana Performance, 4:00 pm	
	Questions: Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net, 301.897.9314.	
9	CCW Programming & Board Meeting 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm	
	Questions: Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com	
16	CCW Annual Dinner & Silent Auction	
	Questions: Josh Novikoff, jbn6@cornell.edu, 202.441.8863.	
20	Martha Washington Series: Mount Vernon Wine Tour	
	Questions: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311.	
20-21 Fifth Annual Dragon Boat Festival		
	Questions: Bob Day, dayhaven@starpower.net, 301.438.7755.	

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# Club Announcements...

## **CCW Monthly Board and Programming Meetings**

**Tuesday, April 11, 2006** 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.

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red Line). Questions: Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com.

## Advertise in the 2006 CCW Membership Directory

The 2006 Membership Directory will be published in the spring and will go out to all 900+ members of the Cornell Club of Washington.

A limited number of advertising pages will be available for purchase in this year's directory on a first-come basis.

Contact: Melvin Zurn, mzurn@att.net.

Roving Reporter: Adriano Sabatelli '95

## Distinguished Cornellians Series: Judge Paul L. Friedman '65

WASHINGTON, February 27, 2006 -The Cornell Club of Washington kicked off its Distinguished Cornellians Series with Judge Paul L. Friedman, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and a member of the Cornell Class of 1965.

Nearly 40 local alums (not all of whom were attorneys) heard Judge Friedman discuss the timely topic of judicial independence. Judge Friedman described the role and operation of the U.S. District Court and discussed his views on the importance of judicial independence and the problems raised by the increase in political attacks on United States judges.

Judge Friedman also reviewed several significant cases which he has decided, ranging from a class action lawsuit brought by African American farmers alleging decades of discrimination by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, to acting on requests for unsupervised releases from John Hinckley, the man who tried to assassinate President Reagan in 1981.

He also candidly answered numerous questions from the audience on a variety of subjects. It was a great start to what we believe will be an outstanding series of alumni speakers.

Update your directory lisiting!

ccwchange@mac.com

#### Cornell Alumni Association Ambassador Network (CAAAN): Newly Accepted Student Reception

Sunday, April 23, 2006, 3:00 pm Courtyard Embassy Row by Marriott 1600 Rhode Island Avenue NW Washington, DC 20036 www.courtyardembassyrow.com 202.293.8000

Prospective students received their notices from Cornell between March 15th and April 1st. Alumni are welcomed to join CAAAN in welcoming students.

**Contact**: Philip Ballard, philipballard22@hotmail.com, 703.581.9321.

#### **Cornell Softball Starts**

Season begins April 15, 2006.

Practices: Saturday, March 25, 2006, 2:00 pm Sunday, April 2, 2006, 3:00 pm

> Hensley Fields 4200 Eisenhower Avenue Alexandria, VA 22304

There is still time to join the team!

**Contact**: Coach Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311.

## Tone Rangers, Hangovers & Nothing But Treble

Saturday, April 29, 2006, 7:30 pm Holton-Arms School, 7303 River Road Bethesda, MD 20817

**Cost**: \$15, \$10 for students. **To attend**: www.tonerangers.com/tickets. **Questions**: Gil Keteltas, 202.383.7060.

#### **Community Service**

#### Hands On DC

#### Saturday, April 29, 2006

Join volunteers in this major effort to improve the learning environment of District public school children. We need many volunteers to paint, landscape, or mulch at a school. The Cornell Club of Washington will be working as a group on one or more projects at an assigned District school. CCW t-shirts will be provided to volunteers.

#### Kick-off Party, 9:00 am

Cardozo High School, 1300 Clifton St. NW Join all volunteers for a kick-off rally with speeches and entertainment. (Location subject to change.) Metro: U Street (Green Line)

Volunteering, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

CCW volunteers help paint, landscape, or mulch at the assigned school. School to be determined.

#### Closing Party, 8:00 pm

Celebrate your achievement with other volunteers! Location to be determined.

**To volunteer:** RSVP by 04/25/06, to Jane Terrell, jst18@cornell.edu, 202.316.4256. Please provide an email address or phone number to receive information as it becomes available.

## **Cornell Reunion 2006 Pre-Reunion Reception**

Thursday, April 27, 2006, 6:30 pm The University Club of Washington, DC 1135 16th Street NW Washington, DC 20036 <u>www.universityclubdc.com</u> 202.862.8800

Join your fellow classmates and other Cornellians living in the Washington area for a Pre-Reunion Reception! Socialize with old and new friends. The University Club of Washington, DC requires business attire for guests.

**Cost**: \$25 members, \$30 non-members, in advance. \$35 at the door, members & non-members. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

**To attend**: Send checks by 04/20/06, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington," to Claire Ackerman, 3178 Summit Square Drive, Apt. C-1, Oakton, VA 22124, Include name, class year, and number of guests. Indicate your class year on the check.

Questions: Claire Ackerman, cma21@cornell.edu, 646.825.1450

## Interview Strategy: How to Land Every Job, Every Time!

Tuesday, April 18, 2006, 6:30 pm Andrews & Cole, LLC 4733 Bethesda Avenue, Suite 540 Bethesda, MD 20817 www.andrewscole.com 240.497.1970

Nicole DelToro has over 10 years of experience in recruitment and executive searching. Prior to founding the boutique executive search firm Andrews &a! mp; Cole, LLC in 2002, Nicole DelToro was a nationally-ranked top manager, producer, and trainer for Kforce Professional Staffing.

Key strategies to be discussed:

- The most effective way to present yourself and your background to different types of employers.
- $\cdot$  How to anticipate and prepare critical questions.
- $\cdot$  Managing the divergent timing of potential offers.
- Negotiating the best compensation and employment terms without overselling yourself.

**Cost:** \$5 members, \$10 non-members, paybale at door. Light refreshments will be available. **To attend**: RSVP by 04/14/06 to Lauren Hall, ccwprogramming@yahoo.com.

## Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, Yacob Addy & Odadda

Tuesday, May 2, 2006, 8:00 pm Kennedy Center 2700 F Street NW Washington, DC 20566 www.kennedy-center.org 202.467.4600

CCW has reserved seats for a special evening of New Orleans jazz featuring the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, and Ghanaian percussion ensemble, "Odadda", led by master African drum mer, Yacub Addy.

This collaboration will open new horizons and understanding of the era between the 1790s to the 1850s, and its link to today.

**Cost**: First Tier Side Section: \$37 for members, \$47 for non-members. **Contact**: Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu, 301.907.0806.

#### Dragon Boat Team Signups for Festival, May 20-21, 2006

The Big Red Dragons are recruiting paddlers for the upcoming Dragon Boar Festival on May 20-21, 2006. No previous experience in dragon boat racing is necessary—the basic stroke is similar to paddling a canoe at a high tempo. Our "Big Red Dragons" have several veterans to help newcomers learn more quickly. Practices will be in late April and early May.

**Cost**: Depends on the number of people that participate. Estimated cost is between \$35 - \$45. **To participate:** Express your interest to the team captains. Send your name, email address and phone number, including family members or friends, simultaneously to all three of our tri-captains: Jack Chiu '99, Jackwc56@hotmail.com; Kate Bryant '78, kgbryant3@aol.com; and Barbara Cook '75, b.cook25@verizon.net.

Questions: Bob Day, dayhaven@starpower.net, 301.438.7755.

## Virginia Gold Cup Races

Saturday, May 6, 2006

Cornell will be sharing a tent on University Row with the University of Michigan alumni.

Questions: Amy Billing, amycbilling@gmail.com.



The Cornell Club of Washington extends its gratitude to Gary Pokrant, Tax Principal, and the staff of The Reznick Group for providing pro bono tax services to the club.

The Reznick Group completes the Club's annual 990 income tax return each year free of charge. This pro bono service saves the club several hundreds of dollars, which can instead be used for programming, membership and community service efforts.

Thanks again to Gary and the staff of the Reznick Group.

#### Martha Washington Series Tudor Place House and Garden Tour

Sunday, April 23, 2006, 2:00pm 1644 31st Street NW Washington, DC 20007 www.tudorplace.org 202.965.0400

We visit Tudor Place Historic House and Garden in the next stop in the Martha Washington Series. Tudor Place, completed in 1816 by Thomas Peter and his wife Martha Custis Peter, granddaughter of Martha Washington, was designed by Dr. William Thornton, the first architect of the U.S. Capitol. The elegant neoclassical house was the home of six generations of the Peter family and is now a National Historic Landmark located on 4.5 acres in the heart of Georgetown's Historic District. Tudor Place has several hundred pieces of Mount Vernon and Martha and George Washington memorabilia, the largest collection outside of Mount Vernon itself. We will gather at a Georgetown restaurant after the tour.

#### Cost: \$5 members, \$10 non-members.

**To attend**: Sends checks by 04/19/06, payable to the "Cornell Club of Washington", to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, Virginia 22181. **Questions**: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311. **Metro**: Dupont Circle (Metro Bus D2/G2)), Foggy Bottom (Metro Bus 32/38B). Street parking available.

Ivy Singles Social Club

#### MCXXIII Hosted by the Harvard Club of Washington

Thursday, April 20, 2006, 6:30 pm 1223 Connecticut Avenue Washington, DC 20036

**Cost**: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. **Contact**: Peter Meyer, pbmeyer@econterms.net, 703.413.0098.

The Ivy Singles Social Club (ISSC) is a coalition of Ivy League, Seven Sister and other prestigious alumni associations that sponsor social activities. Our events are open to all single alumni of member schools and their guests. Website: www.ivysingledc.com

#### It Is Time For Old Rag XLI

Saturday, April 22, 2006, 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 Park Service has a \$5 fee per person and allows no more hikers after the parking lot is full. Therefore, a prompt 8:00 am 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 04/19/06 to Bob McKinless, rfm10@cornell.edu, 703.256.5451 or Clint Brass, ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.516.0142. Please provide your name, home phone number or email address. Please indicate if you can give people a ride (if so, how many people) or if you need a ride.

**Questions**: Bob McKinless, rfm10@cornell.edu, 703.256.5451; Clint Brass, ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.516.0142.

#### Modern Drama Discussion Group

### Discussion: The Sins of Sor Juana

Monday, April 3, 2006, 6:30 pm Alfio's La Cucina D'Italia 4515 Willard Ave., Chevy Chase, MD 20815 www.alfios.com 301.657.9133

Sor Juana, a 17th century poet, an illegitimate child and a recognized prodigy, risked her life during the Inquisition, by beguiling, out-arguing and outwitting the mediocre minds over her. Join the D.C. based playwright Karen Zacarias, the production director Abel Lopez, and GALA's Managing Director Rebecca Medrano for a discussion of the play. **To attend:** RSVP to Mark Gruenberg, press\_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825. **Metro:** Friendship Heights (Red Line).

#### Discussion: Radio Golf

Wednesday, April 19, 2006, 6:30 pm Casa Fiesta 4910 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Washington, DC

202.244.8888

*Radio* Golf is the last play in the late August Wilson's cycle of 10 dramas about African American life, each set in a different decade of the 20th century. Beatrice Rouse will moderate a panel of Eric Ruffin, head of Howard University's directing program; Sandra Shannon, author of many books and articles on Wilson; and Otis Ramsey-Zoe, literary manager at CENTERSTAGE.

**Cost**: \$14 buffet, includes tax and tip. **To attend:** RSVP to Mark Gruenberg, press\_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.

#### Performance: Radio Golf

Sunday, April 23, 2:00 pm CENTERSTAGE 700 North Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202 www.centerstage.org 410.332.0033 Cost: \$41 To attend: Send check payable to

"Footlights", to Robin Larkin, 5403 Nibud Ct., Rockville MD 20852. **Questions**: Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net, 301.897.9314.

#### Performance: The Sins of Sor Juana

Sunday, May 7, 2006, 4:00 pm GALA Hispanic Theatre 3333 14th St. NW, Washington, DC 20010 www.galatheatre.org 202.234.7174 The play will be performed in Spanish with English surtitles. Cost: \$20 To attend: Send check payable to

To attend: Send check payable to "Footlights", to Robin Larkin, 5403 Nibud Ct., Rockville MD 20852. Questions: Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net, 301.897.9314. Metro: Columbia Heights (Green Line)

Annual Dinner and Silent Auction