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Reception at the Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia

*Saturday, February 12, 6:00 to 8:00 pm  
2129 Wyoming Avenue, NW*

Join the Cornell Club of Washington for a reception at The Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia! As guests of Ambassador Zoran Jolevski, we will enjoy a short presentation on a Macedonian topic of interest, along with generous appetizers and open bar. Attendance is limited to 100 people, so sign up now.

The Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia in Washington DC is located in the historic Sheridan-Kalorama Area in a building known as the Moses House. It is a symbol of a life and an era of Washington DC. This historic property began the transformation of Sheridan-Kalorama, from a rural forest to one of the elite residential areas of the U.S. Capital.

Moses House is the oldest free-standing building in the neighborhood, designed by one of the most famous architects of his time, Thomas Franklin Schneider in the Queen Anne style and built in 1893 for the residence of the family of W.H. Moses, owner of a renowned furniture and carpet store. In 1925 it was redesigned to its current neo-classical appearance. It served as a French Embassy and Chancery from the 1940s until 1984. After the French Embassy sold the property, it remained vacant and the building physically deteriorated.

In 2004, after purchase by the Republic of Macedonia, a renovation project was initiated and the full glory of the building was revived. On October 26, 2005, it became the new home of the Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia in Washington D.C and a residence for the Ambassador.

**Cost/RSVP:**

Members - \$40; Life Members - \$35; Non-Members - \$50 (price includes generous appetizers and open bar with beer, wine, soft drinks)

**Two methods of payment:**

**By check:** send checks payable to "Cornell Club of Washington" to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna 22181 by Monday, February 7th.

**Online:** price includes PayPal fee ([www.cornellclubdc.org/events](http://www.cornellclubdc.org/events)).

**Dress:** Dressy/Smart Casual

**Parking/Metro:**

The Embassy is located on Wyoming Avenue, NW, just off Connecticut Avenue near the Washington Hilton. Street parking is available on the weekend on Wyoming Avenue and adjoining streets.

The Embassy is located between the Du Pont and Woodley Park Metros (Red line), about a 15-minute walk from each station.

**Contact and Questions:** Steve Piekarec at 703-281-4311 or [spiekare@verizon.net](mailto:spiekare@verizon.net)

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**Interested in CCW  
Leadership This Year?**

We're always looking for Cornell alumni volunteers to get involved in the outstanding work of the club, and are beginning to identify officers and board members for the 2011 club year that starts in July. This is a great opportunity for you to work side-by-side with other dedicated volunteers, have fun meeting alumni in the region, and give back to the Cornell community.

To learn more, contact CCW Nominations Committee Chair Kim Jones Gilliam at [knj2@cornell.edu](mailto:knj2@cornell.edu).

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## Welcome New Cornell Club of Washington Members!

Amy Chen '02 GRAD  
Eric M. Goldstein '05 ARTS  
Melissa R. Goldstein '05 I&LR

Nicholas D. Gray '01 A&LS  
Deborah Wright '77 ARTS



### January

- 27 2nd Annual Predictions Dinner featuring Mike McCurry  
*Questions:* Johnson School Alumni Affairs at 1-800-847-2082, ext. 2,  
or alumni@johnson.cornell.edu
- 28-30 Cornell Alumni Leadership Conference  
*Questions:* Office of Alumni Affairs at calc@cornell.edu  
or 607-255-1988
- 28 Classes of 1974, 1975, and 1976 Reception  
*Questions:* Marleen Kay Davis at mkdavis@utk.edu or  
865-851-3911 (day of event)
- 28 You Changed My Life! - CALC Open Event  
*Questions:* Office of Alumni Affairs at 607-254-7115 or calc@cornell.edu
- 29 Policy Panel Discussion and Big Red Tailgate - CALC Open Event  
*Questions:* Office of Alumni Affairs at 607-254-7115 or calc@cornell.edu

### February

- 8 Washington Capitals vs. Doug Murray '03 and the San Jose Sharks  
*Questions:* Josh Novikoff at jbn6@cornell.edu
- 12 Reception at the Embassy of the Republic of Macedonia  
*Questions:* Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net or 703-281-4311
- 12 Ivy Tennis Party  
*Questions:* David Federbush (Yale Club) at federbus@erols.com or 301-657-4680
- 13 CCW Book Club **New Date**  
*Questions:* Brandon Jonas at brandon.jonas@gmail.com

### March

- 12 Ice Skating (more information coming soon)  
*Questions:* Glen Strahs at glennstrahs@yahoo.com
- 12 Cornell vs. UVA Lacrosse  
*Questions:* Liz Mannis at liz.mannis@gmail.com
- 13 Annual Gridiron Club White-Tie Dinner  
*Questions:* Dorothy Kester Jackman at dlk730@gmail.com
- 15 Tour of New Arena Stage's Architecture & Lunch at Pier 7  
*Questions:* Bob Day at 301-438-7755 or dayhaven@comcast.net

### April

- 2 Old Rag LI Hike  
*Questions:* Clint Brass at ctb14@cornell.edu or 703-216-2035
- 9-10 Cornell Crews Race on Potomac in GWU Invitational Regatta  
*Questions:* Bob Day at 301-438-7755 or dayhaven@comcast.net
- 22-24 Alumni Art Gallery Event: Come sell YOUR artwork  
*Questions:* Dorothy Kester Jackman at dlk730@gmail.com

### Every Friday Throughout the Season

Ivy Singles Over-50 Bridge  
*Questions:* Carolyn Morgan at carolynmakins@aol.com

## CCW Book Club

Sunday, February 13, 4:00 pm (note date change) - Location TBD

The CCW will meet in February to discuss *The Corrections* by Jonathan Franzen.  
Contact Brandon Jonas at Brandon.jonas@gmail.com for more information.

# Club Announcements...

## CCW Monthly Board Meeting

**February 8:** All CCW members are invited to attend and participate in our monthly CCW Board Meetings at 7:30 pm on the second Tuesday of each month, September through June. Meetings take place at 1341 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 (downstairs from the Cornell Center). The Programming meeting will take place from 6:30 to 7:30 immediately preceding the Board Meeting.

**Metro:** Dupont Circle (Red line)

**Questions:** Steve Piekarec, [spiekare@verizon.net](mailto:spiekare@verizon.net) (Board); Jaclyn West Hamlin '03, [jlwest06@yahoo.com](mailto:jlwest06@yahoo.com) or Dorothy Kester Jackman '04, [dlk730@gmail.com](mailto:dlk730@gmail.com) (Programming).

## Cornell Alumni-Student Mentoring Program

On Thursday, January 6, the Cornell Alumni-Student Mentoring Program (CASMP) held its second annual DC Winter Break Networking Reception. The event took place in downtown DC at Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC, courtesy of Susan Ebner '77, JD '80 who serves as counsel of the firm. 25 alumni mentors and students gathered to share a light meal and good conversation. The keynote speaker, Dennis Williams '73, Associate Dean of Students at Georgetown University, a University Council member, former Vice President of the Cornell Alumni Federation and former president of the Cornell Black Alumni Association, shared what he has learned about mentoring through his own mentoring relationship.

The Cornell Alumni-Student Mentoring Program was launched in the spring of 2004 in order to further the development of Cornell's undergraduates. The mentoring program seeks to create personal and professional relationships between current students and alumni mentors, who act as role models and provide guidance to the undergraduates. To learn more about becoming a mentor or to register for the program, visit [www.casmp.cornell.edu](http://www.casmp.cornell.edu).

## Volunteer Tutors Wanted!

Want to help individual DC students get more out of their education? Volunteers are needed to tutor students at the Bald Eagle recreation center (100 Joliet Street SW). Tutoring is one-on-one or with small groups of similar age students. Students particularly appreciate help with homework or games that help them learn while also having fun. Student participation is highest right after school from 3:30 to 5:30.

Tutoring will also be provided on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Volunteers must provide their own transportation. Books for many ages are available at the Center, but it is a good idea to bring paper and pencils for supplementary exercises.

**Questions & Contact:** Lenora Moragne at [lmoragne@verizon.net](mailto:lmoragne@verizon.net).

## Volunteer with the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network in the New Year to Meet Prospective Students!

The Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) is a group of thousands of alumni volunteers worldwide who assist Cornell's Office of Admissions in recruiting superior undergraduate applicants.

Volunteers in our area help prospective students from the DC region discover more about university life and the rich opportunities Cornell offers. Between October and April of each year, volunteers reach out to individual applicants and groups, attend high school college fairs as representatives of Cornell, and occasionally host receptions for prospective students. We are always in need of more alumni to get involved with this rewarding activity, and what a great opportunity for you to give back to your alma mater as you embark on a new year! If you are already a CAAAN volunteer, we thank you and would like to enlist your help in inviting your alumni friends to volunteer!

If interested in volunteering your time to meet with Cornell applicants, please register by mid-January at <http://caaan.admissions.cornell.edu/> you will be assigned to an area committee. If you are not called upon this season, you will be contacted for the 2011-12 admissions cycle.

If you would like to contact area chairs directly with questions, please email Janet Cornfeld '72 at [jlcornfeld@aol.com](mailto:jlcornfeld@aol.com), for Maryland/DC or Craig Lowenthal '03 at [cbl5@cornell.edu](mailto:cbl5@cornell.edu) for Virginia.

## Judge Isadore A. Honig

CCW expresses its condolences to the family of Judge Isadore A. Honig, a longtime member of the Cornell Club of Washington. He passed away peacefully in his sleep on Friday, October 29, 2010 at the age of 99. He is survived by his only son, Douglas Honig of Seattle, WA and his brother Nate of Cincinnati, OH. After growing up in Port Jervis, NY, he won a scholarship to Cornell and then earned a law degree from the University of Michigan. Shortly after marrying Pearl Rudner of Philadelphia, PA, he went into the Army for WWII serving in Algeria and Italy. He then embarked on a lengthy legal career in Washington, DC, capped by 15 years as an Administrative Law Judge with the FCC from 1958 to 1973. Following his wife's death in 1968 he married Lillian Ellman of New York, who predeceased him. He was active in Congregation Har Tzeon and is remembered fondly for his gentle spirit and sense of humor. He was able to remain in his home in Silver Spring till the end.

## Big Red Crews to Race on Potomac this April

Mark your calendars now for the weekend of April 9-10, when Cornell's Men's Heavyweight Crews will race both mornings and both afternoons on the Potomac. Watch our March and April editions and CCW's website for further details on the George Washington Invitational Regatta as they become available.

**Contact:** Bob Day at [dayaven@comcast.net](mailto:dayaven@comcast.net) or 301-438-7755.

## Two Cornell Alumnae Wounded in Arizona Shooting

U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords of Arizona, who was shot and seriously wounded on January 8 when a gunman opened fire during a constituent event, was a graduate of Cornell University. Giffords, who earned a master's degree in regional planning from Cornell in 1997 and serves on the President's Council of Cornell Women, was re-elected to her third term last November in a close race against Tea Party favorite Jesse Kelly. She has been upgraded to serious condition but is recovering following neurosurgery at the University of Arizona Medical Center. She has since been moved to the TIRR Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston for the lengthy rehabilitation phase of her recovery.



A further twelve people were wounded, including Susan Hileman '73, a graduate of the College of Human Ecology, who was shot three times by the gunman. Hileman, known as Suzi, had brought her neighbor, 9-year-old Christina Taylor Green, to visit Giffords, who was meeting with her constituents at a grocery store parking lot. Hileman is in stable condition and is expected to recover. Green and five others were killed.



Hileman is married to William Hileman '72, a graduate of the College of Arts and Sciences. She is a retired social worker who maintains close ties to Cornell as chair and director of the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network for the Cornell Club of Southern Arizona and as a member of the Human Ecology Alumni Association Board. She also served on her class's 30th Reunion Campaign Major Gifts Committee (2002-03).

The CCW expresses condolences to the families who lost members in this tragedy and its wishes for a quick recovery to those wounded.

*Adapted from article originally published by the Cornell Chronicle.*

## Old Rag LI

*Saturday, April 2, 8:00 am  
Old Rag Mountain, Virginia*

Alumni and Cornell in Washington students will climb Old Rag Mountain, near Sperryville, VA, for the 51st time in our semiannual trek into the Blue Ridge. This is one of the Washington area's most popular excursions, and we expect a large turnout (25-40 people) each time we go.

The first 1/3 of the strenuous, 9-mile hike (summit 3268 ft.; elevation gain 2300 ft.) is on an uphill trail through the trees, while the upper part is open and rocky. Bring lunch and water in a day-pack, and be sure to wear a hat and sturdy shoes. The total time needed for climbing, enjoying the view, eating, and descending is about 6 hours. We usually get back to DC around 7:00 pm. The Park Service does not allow 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. (Note: this is a very difficult hike; those who have not hiked a trail like Old Rag's are strongly encouraged to email or call Clint Brass, using the contact information below, if you would like to get more information before RSVPing.) To comply with University policy, participants will be asked to sign a standard release form.

**Cost:** \$8 National Park Service fee, payable on location before we begin. Please bring exact change.

**Meet at:** The Cornell Center, 2148 O Street NW

**To attend:** RSVP by Wednesday, March 30th to Clint Brass at [ctb14@cornell.edu](mailto:ctb14@cornell.edu) or 703-216-2035. Please provide your name, email address, a telephone number where you can be reached shortly before the hike (in the event of bad weather), and the number of people coming (friends are welcome). In addition, we try to carpool; please indicate if you can give anyone a ride (if so, how many people), if you need a ride, or if you will meet us there. Directions are available that morning at the Cornell Center or via email in a PDF file. In the event of bad weather, our rain date is April 9th.

**Metro:** Dupont Circle (Red line); Foggy Bottom (Blue and Orange lines)

**Questions:** Clint Brass at [ctb14@cornell.edu](mailto:ctb14@cornell.edu) or 703-216-2035

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## Tour of Dazzling Architecture of Arena Stage's New Mead Center for American Theater

*Tuesday, March 15, at 12:00 noon*

*Arena Stage at the Mead Center*

*1101 Sixth St., SW*

*Lunch afterward across the street at*

*Pier 7 Restaurant in the Channel Inn*

*650 Water Street, SE*

The Cornell Club of Washington has reserved all 25 of the available slots for participating in a special guided tour of the dramatic—some say dazzling—architecture and soaring public spaces of the Arena Stage's newly opened Mead Center for American Theater. Will you join us? This is a don't-miss opportunity.

This daytime event promises to be memorable, due in part to the refreshing new approaches by Architect Bing Thom of Vancouver, British Columbia. His dramatic and sweeping cantilevered roof is

already an architectural landmark for Southwest DC's revitalization. The critical acclaim has been so enthusiastic that Architect Thom has opened an office in Washington—his first in the United States.

The tour lasts less than an hour and will be followed by lunch together at the attractive Pier 7 Restaurant in the Channel Inn on the Southwest Waterfront. This whole area is now undergoing its long discussed and finally launched remake into one of Washington's next centers of excitement.

**Cost/RSVP:** Make your reservations with Bob Day. The tour is free; lunch is from menu with separate checks. Prices are reasonable.

**Metro:** Waterfront (Green line)

**Parking:** Two (2) hours free with dining. Rate thereafter same as meters on street.

**Contact:** Bob Day at [dayhaven@comcast.net](mailto:dayhaven@comcast.net) or 301-438-7755.

## CCW Volunteers Rock Cornell Cares Day January 8 and 9

### **DC Central Kitchen**

About 35 volunteers turned out at DC Central Kitchen and several people voluntarily stayed past the planned finish time to complete the tasks—peeling over 100 pounds of yams, making meatloaf, preparing salads, and packing up croutons. We all had a great time and it bodes well for our next round of community service events in April.—*Jerry Shih '08*



From left to right: 1. Dan Schiff '05, Elina Hum '79, Jerry Shih '08, Jody Katz '77, and Brook Katzen '04; 2. Yael Fitzpatrick, Dave Fitzpatrick '83, and Ross George (right) Johnson '09; and 3. Les Abercrombie III, MPS '83, Atilla Harai Hotel '99, and Anne Park CIPA '10.



### **Capital Area Food Bank**

Saturday January 8th began with a dusting of snow, a perfect reminder of winter mornings at Cornell. We had about 70 people total in the CCW group at the Capital Area Food Bank for two three-hour sessions of preparing food bags for those in need. We added the food items to each bag, carefully inspected and closed them, and packed them into boxes. By the end of the day, we had reminisced about our time at Cornell and made over 3,000 food bags to be distributed to children and the elderly in DC and Maryland. The Capital Area Food Bank was incredibly grateful for our efforts and welcomed us back, as a group or individually, to volunteer any time. Thank you to everyone who attended and made the event such a success!—*Nicole Silver '08*



The afternoon shift at the Capital Area Food Bank smiles after completing our work for the day.



### **Ronald McDonald House**

On Saturday, January 8th, 10 volunteers arrived at the BRAND NEW Ronald McDonald House in NE Washington DC (3727 14th Street, NE, Washington DC 20017) for a morning of cleaning and crafts! Ronald McDonald House provides housing to families with sick children who are being treated at one of the nearby hospitals (Children's, Washington Hospital Center, NIH, etc.) so that they are able to be close to their children and live as a family in a warm, home-like setting. The new facility is bright, cheerful and is now able to support 26 families, a huge increase over the prior facility. After dusting, scrubbing, mopping and sweeping, the volunteer kids sat down with some of the resident kids (from Bogata Columbia) and drew "Get Well" cards for the families to take to their sick children.

A special thank you to our non-Cornell friends who joined Jarrett Stoltzfus '06, Susan Sperry '92, Jocelyn Spielman Turkel '93, and Jill Fields '88 in this fun morning activity. Thank you to our coordinator, Lauren Camp, at the Ronald McDonald House and to the entire team for being part of our weekend of Community Service!—*Jill Fields '88*



Left: Back row from left to right: Jill Fields '88 (with list of cleaning duties supplied by the Resident Manager, Celia), Mary Ann Rashid, and Jarrett Stoltzfus '06; At table from left to right: Julie Rashid, Jocelyn Spielman Turkel '93, Emma Farley, and an RMH Resident.



Right: From left to right: Julia Rashid, Jocelyn Spielman Turkel '93, Faisal Rashid, Emma Farley, Susan Sperry '92, and RMH Resident.

## The Ivy Singles Social Club February Event At Kiplinger Gallery

*Friday, February 25, 6:30 to 9:00 pm*  
*Kiplinger Gallery*  
*Editors Building*  
*1729 H Street NW*  
*202-887-6400*

We again return, perhaps for the final time, to the Kiplinger Gallery, the longest running venue of all our events.

The Kiplinger Gallery includes selections from the Kiplinger collection shown in changing exhibitions. This collection comprises over 5,000 items, including prints, paintings, and photographs, most of which feature Washington architecture. You will also find maps and period, political portraits.

The “Vanishing Washington” collection includes watercolors and photographs. This expansive collection originated in the 1920s when W. M. Kiplinger, a young reporter new to Washington, bought a single old Washington print for his small office. As the success of Kiplinger’s newsletter grew, so did his collection of Washingtoniana.

We offer hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar.

**Cost/RSVP:** \$25 by check to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, Virginia 22181, by Monday, February 21st. Make checks payable to “The Cornell Club of Washington” and note your school on the check. \$35 for email (Spiekare@verizon.net) or phone reservations (703-281-4311) and walk-ins.

Online pre-payment is also available on the Cornell Club website.

<http://www.cornellclubdc.org/events/2011/02/25/ivy-singles-february-event-kiplinger-gallery>

Please RSVP if possible to the email address or the Evite site.

**Metro:** There are 2 Metro Stations within 4 blocks, Farragut North (Red line) and Farragut West (Orange and Blue lines).

**Parking:** For those driving, street parking is available nearby, but be aware of the new DC parking rules (parking meters until 10PM). There are also parking garages nearby (check on closing times).

**Contact & Questions:** Steve piekarec at [spiekare@verizon.net](mailto:spiekare@verizon.net) or 703-281-4311, or check the website, [www.ivysinglesdc.com](http://www.ivysinglesdc.com) for more information.

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 and their guests.

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