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Letter from the President

Dear Members and Friends of the Cornell Club of Washington,

About fifty years ago, a group of forward-thinking alumni formed the Cornell Club of Washington, and they have left us a legacy that makes a difference to Cornellians every day. What is remarkable to me is the number of former board members, including many of the 32 women and men who led CCW before me, who continued to engage with CCW long after their board service. Their legacy of stewardship and dedication is a Cornell treasure, and it is kindled by an extraordinarily dedicated group of volunteers who serve on the 2017-2018 Board. You'll find their names in every *CCW News*.



Terry Horner '92, PhD '98

One other CCW legacy is embodied by more than 370 Cornellians who became Life Members over the years. Their enduring generosity helps sustain CCW programs and scholarships. Life memberships are held by CCW to generate revenue for programs. Ultimately, the life membership is contributed to the CCW scholarship fund after the member leaves the area or passes away. I hope you'll consider joining as a Life Member this year, if you haven't already done so.

Another CCW legacy is our support of Cornell students through scholarships. Thanks to the longstanding generosity of members and friends, CCW provides scholarships to local Cornell undergraduates every semester. Those scholarships are named to honor some beloved CCW legends—Howard Epstein, Austin Kiplinger, Bob Ladd, and Bob McKinless. In addition, CCW provides stipends, named in honor of Barber Conable, to students participating in the Cornell-in-Washington program. However, CCW's legacy is about more than these leaders, donors, and scholarships. Its legacy extends to our tradition of creating unique, award-winning programs that engage and enlarge the Cornell community in the country's capital—and the volunteers who create and host those events. As you've come to expect, we have a full year planned, as this issue of *CCW News* attests. I invite you to peruse the calendar and register for something that piques your curiosity. Every time you do so, you strengthen the Big Red legacy that generations of Cornellians in Washington, DC have built for us.

Terry Horner '92, PhD '98
President

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Tour of Anderson House
The Society of the Cincinnati

Saturday, December 2nd
11:00 am to noon

Questions?
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Fall Service Weekend

The weather was decidedly *not* autumnal, but that didn't dampen the spirits of CCW volunteers who spent their Columbus Day weekend helping others in need. CCW's Fall Service Weekend consisted of four different service events – three on Saturday, October 7th, and one on Sunday, October 8th – assisting organizations in Virginia, Maryland, and the District.

On Saturday, CCW members went to the orchards in Winchester, VA, to pick apples for Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC), a community-based non-profit organization that provides nutritious supplemental food assistance to Arlingtonians in need. Also on Saturday, Cornellians assisted the Rock Creek Conservancy in its efforts to beautify historic Fort Reno Park in Northwest DC. Volunteers spent the morning doing light manual labor, including trash removal and general cleanup. Finally, on Saturday, Cornellians joined Lands and Waters at an urban greening and conservation project at Carlin Springs Elementary School. Volunteers weeded, mulched, and maintained paths at the school.



L to R: Suzanne Park, Justin and Malaika Kerberr, and Katherine Stifel at Marker Miller Farm.



L to R: Keenan Valentine, Tim Nguyen, Sam Liu and Jennifer Wang.

The volunteers worked in AWC's Center for Community service unloading trucks of donated furniture and household items and stocking those items for future display; cleaning and testing donated electronic equipment to ensure that it is in working condition; and sorting and organizing toys and children's books that ultimately will make their way into the homes of AWC's clients.

A huge thank you to all who participated in this year's Fall Service Weekend and who showed the world the wonderful service spirit of Cornellians and their families!

On Sunday, CCW members and their families volunteered their time at A Wider Circle (AWC), which is a Silver Spring-based organization dedicated to ending poverty by helping families transition out of shelters into homes "with dignity and hope." Prior to beginning their work, CCW members learned about the organization's efforts to combat the staggering poverty that exists in our area and the daily struggles some families endure just to have a home with tables on which to eat and mattresses on which to sleep.



L to R: Michael Kenah, Sophia Giaquinto, Jennifer Wang, Tim Nguyen, and Co-Coordinator Jon Gallinger.

CCW History

With the March 2017 issue of CCW News, we began a series to honor CCW's 32 Past Presidents.

For many years, the Cornell Women's Club and the Cornell Club of Washington (men only) sponsored their own programs and activities. In December 1965, both boards approved a merger agreement, and a referendum vote was mailed to the alumni. The two presidents at the time, Edwin Miller '35 and Lori Eisenberg '50, completed their terms. For the following year (1966-67), Phillip Fleming '52 was elected the first president of the newly consolidated group.

Visit

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Interview a Past President!

Would you like to see CCW honor a Past President?
Would you like to interview a Past President?

We are always looking for suggestions and interviewers.

Please email us at:
newsletter@cornellclubdc.org.

Honoring CCW Past Presidents

Hailing from Roslyn, NY, Eliot Greenwald entered Cornell as a Biology major, but emerged as a Government major. Professor David Danelski in his 'American Government' and 'Constitutional Law' courses was instrumental in this transition. Three communities shaped Eliot's time at Cornell. As a freshman, he pledged Zeta Beta Tau fraternity, where he lived sophomore year. Eliot and ZBT roommate Sam Silverman joined the Risley community for the next 2 years, where Eliot played The Fire Chief in 'The Bald Soprano' senior year. This creative student living center brought a diverse and unique Cornell community experience. Lastly, he was elected to the University Senate for two one-year terms, serving on the Executive Committee for his second term. Eliot is most proud of his work in the Senate. The Senate, a governing body that influenced policy and budgetary practices for the areas that are now under Student and Academic Services, was comprised of an equal number of faculty and students, plus employee and administration representatives. Because both the full Senate and its committee meetings were open, the Cornell Daily Sun and WVBR frequently reported on the Senate. The Senate set up the campus judicial system under President Dale Corson to create a due process system where Cornell became the national model. The old *en loco parentis* approach with a judicial administrator, who was prosecutor, judge, and jury, was transformed into a system with a judicial administrator serving as prosecutor, a peer hearing board deciding the cases, and a judicial advisor, who was a faculty member, helping prepare those who appeared before the hearing board. Another of the Senate's accomplishments was to increase the Dean of Students' mental health counseling budget at a time when it was quite small compared to today's standards for counseling support provided to students.

Law degree in hand, Eliot followed the government trail to DC and joined the Federal Communications Commission. After 5 years there and several law firm jobs spanning 30 years, he returned full circle, to the FCC to work in the Disability Rights Office, where he is Deputy Chief. When Eliot first moved to Washington, he was serving as Class of '73 Correspondent. His classmate, Riki Poster Sheehan, was Membership Chair of CCW. She called him, they lunched, and he joined CCW. Eliot's very first volunteer job for Cornell was participating in the Annual Fund Phonathon. Dan and Esther Bondareff noticed Eliot because not only did he participate, but brought several classmates with him. Esther must have thought she "had a live one" in Greenwald, because it was not much later that he was nominated to the CCW Board. He continued this role for a few years, and became Program Chair whose job also was to produce the monthly CCW newsletter! Membership, Treasurer, Scholarship Chair, and 1st VP roles followed. Eliot has continued his CCW involvement recently as Nominations Chair and Investment & Audit Committee Chair, participating regularly in monthly Board Meetings and CCW events. He is a life member of CU Council. As CCW President (1999-2000), he helped to reorganize our procedures to manage the CCW scholarship and life membership funds and to diversify those funds for improved performance. Join CCW, Eliot says, to meet new friends, whether they were at Cornell at the same time, or not. Also, programs and events for intergenerational local CCW Cornell community members are the draw. Above all, Eliot volunteers to show his appreciation for all that Cornell has done for him.



Eliot Greenwald '73



Eliot and his wife Anita, in Israel

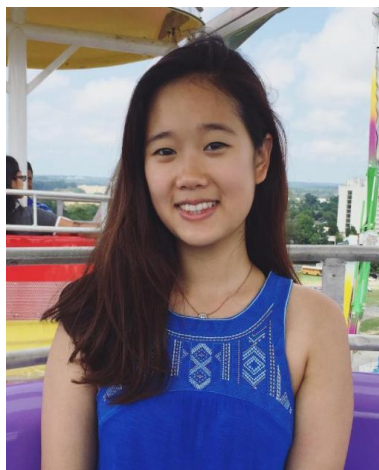
- Katherine Stifel, Arts '87

Meet the 2017 – 2018 CCW Scholarship Recipients

The Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship program enables alumni and friends an opportunity to give on two fronts, financially helping local students to attend Cornell. Due to the generous donations of DC-area alumni, CCW has been able to establish and fund several scholarships for local students who attend Cornell. The scholarships help students defray the “self-help” portion of their financial aid packages and are awarded to students based upon their academic achievement and contributions to Cornell life. This year, CCW is pleased to award scholarships to Juliana Bain, Ahyoung Kim-Lee, and Dominique Turner.



Juliana Bain '19



Ahyoung Kim-Lee '18



Dominique Turner '19

Juliana Bain is the recipient of a Howard S. Epstein Cornell Club of Washington Federation Memorial Scholarship, which honors the late Howard Epstein '58, Law '61, who was a President of both the CCW and the Cornell Federation. Juliana is a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences. She grew up in Arlington, Virginia, and attended Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology. While in high school, Juliana received a U.S. patent for a system she invented to reduce peak acceleration in sports helmets. With a major in Computer Science and minors in Russian Literature and Information Science, Juliana hopes to pursue a career in the public policy aspects of technology. During her freshman year at Cornell, Juliana participated on the fencing team and produced a short documentary – titled Startup Challengers – about purpose-centered entrepreneurs. She also is a member of Women in Computing at Cornell.

Ahyoung Kim-Lee is the recipient of CCW's Kiplinger Scholarship. This scholarship honors the late Austin Kiplinger '39, chairman emeritus of the Cornell University Board of Trustees, in recognition of his service to Cornell and the greater Washington, D.C., community. Ahyoung is a junior in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences who is majoring in Environmental Science and Sustainability and minoring in Applied Economics and Management. Ahyoung is from Bethesda, Maryland, and attended Sidwell Friends School. At Cornell, she is a member of the Pandora Dance Troupe and the Director of Marketing for the Becker House Council. This summer, Ahyoung participated in a fellowship with the Roosevelt Institute. The Institute published her independent research topic – a policy to protect D.C.'s watershed – in its “10 Ideas Journal,” which highlighted the ten best and most actionable environmental policies nationwide. Upon graduation, Ahyoung would like to pursue a career in environmental public policy.

Dominique Turner is this year's recipient of the Robert Ladd Scholarship, which honors Robert D. Ladd '43, who spent virtually his entire lifetime as a Cornell booster. Dominique is a sophomore in the College of Human Ecology, where she is majoring in Policy Analysis and Management with a minor in Business. Dominique hails from Bethesda, Maryland, and attended the National Cathedral School. Dominique's Cornell activities include being an online editor for the Slope Media Group, a Human Ecology Ambassador, and a member of Delta Gamma sorority. Dominique also is the Head of Sales for Religio – a Cornell marketing organization that helps Catholic churches connect on one social media platform. After graduation, Dominique would like to start her own policy and political consulting company.

If you know a worthy student who would benefit from a CCW scholarship, or for more information about gift or volunteer opportunities, please contact scholarship@cornellclubdc.org.

Past Event Highlights

National Symphony Orchestra: Season Opening Gala Concert with Yo-Yo Ma and Cynthia Erivo



Michael and Mary Ellen Stern

CCW members attending the National Symphony Orchestra Season Opening Gala Concert enjoyed a spectacular evening on September 24th at the Kennedy Center. The sold-out concert was led by the National Symphony Orchestra's new Music Director Gianandrea Noseda, and featured performances by world-renowned cellist Yo-Yo Ma and Tony-winning singer Cynthia Erivo ("The Color Purple"). The Orchestra paid tribute to Leonard Bernstein by performing some of the late composer's most famous works, including the Overture to Candide, "Three Meditations" from Mass, and "Symphonic Dances" from West Side Story. The evening provided the perfect occasion to meet other Cornell alums and celebrate the beginning of fall.

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L to R: Anna Carroll, Aiden McCaffney, Vanessa Chu and Da Jong Fan

International Zinck's Night

On October 19th, dozens of CCW members and DC-area alumni celebrated the International Spirit of Zinck's Night at James Hoban's Irish Restaurant and Bar in Dupont Circle.

Zinck's Night is a long standing Cornell tradition. "We'll all have drinks at Theodore Zinck's, when I get back next fall!" goes "Give My Regards to Davy," the timeless Cornell fight song. Theodore Zinck was an Ithaca saloon owner whose pub, the Hotel Brunswick, was a popular haunt for Cornellians in the 1890s. When he died in 1903, a series of bars in and around Collegetown adopted his name over the years. The last one closed in the 1960s, and Cornellians started commemorating the spirit of Zinck's Night by gathering at an establishment on a Thursday night, once a year. This tradition of Cornellians coming together to enjoy camaraderie and refreshments has grown into a gathering for Cornellians of all stripes everywhere. This event was celebrated in 100 cities worldwide, from Australia to Hong Kong to Ghana. In Washington, DC, we enjoyed drink specials and snacks while reminiscing about our favorite Collegetown bars, hardest classes, and snowiest walks to campus (uphill both ways!). We're already looking forward to next year's!



Cornellians celebrating the spirit of International Zinck's Night!

Homecoming Virtual 5K Run



Cornell alumni enjoying the Homecoming Virtual 5K Run

The weekend of October 21st was Homecoming. Those of us in the DC area who could not make it back to Ithaca to participate in the festivities did not let the 300-mile divide keep us from showing our Cornell spirit. On that sunny, 60 degree Saturday morning, a group of Cornell alumni participated in Cornell's World-Wide Homecoming Virtual 5K. The Cornellians met on the Washington Mall, jogged around the Washington Monument, hit the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool, looped around the Lincoln Memorial, and headed back to the steps of the Capitol. Like many other Cornellians around the world who participated virtually, the group shared their photos with the Cornell community via social media. A scenic trot interspersed with conversation continued to strengthen the Big Red bond in the nation's capital.

Events at a Glance

A Cornell Evening at the National Museum of African American History and Culture

President Martha Pollack



Welcome Reception
Friday, November 17th

Museum Event
Saturday, November 18th

Questions?
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NOVEMBER

- 08.....3rd Ivy/Seven Sisters Chess Social
Questions: Kuni Matsuda at stardust@smart.net
- 09Cornell Law School Legal Information Institute 25th Anniversary
Questions: Alumni Affairs Office at jessica.raha@cornell.edu
- 14CCW Monthly Board Meeting
Questions: Terry Horner at president@cornellclubdc.org
- 16Third Thursdays
Questions: kgstifel@earthlink.net
- 17-18...Evening at the National Museum of African American History and Culture
Questions: diversity-aad@cornell.edu
- 1823rd Ivy/Seven Sisters Winter Indoor Mixed Doubles Tennis Party
Questions: Kuni Matsuda at stardust@smart.net
- 25Cornell Classes of 1969-1979, MSG Pre-Game Reception, Cornell vs. BU
Questions: Deb Gellman at dsg24@cornell.edu

DECEMBER

- 02Tour of Anderson House (The Society of the Cincinnati)
Questions: programming@cornellclubdc.org
- 12CCW Monthly Board Meeting
Questions: Terry Horner at president@cornellclubdc.org
- 21Third Thursdays
Questions: kgstifel@earthlink.net

Register for events at <http://www.cornellclubdc.org/events>

Volunteer Corner



Community Service

We are always looking for community service ideas and volunteers! To learn more, contact Laura Gonzales at communityservice@cornellclubdc.org.

Newsletter

Do you like to write? Do you like to edit? Do you want to interview a Past President or Member in the Spotlight? Then please join the communications team! We are always looking for writers, editors, interviewers, content and new ideas. To learn more, contact Christine Song at newsletter@cornellclubdc.org.

Programming

The CCW Programming Committee welcomes suggestions for programs and volunteers to help with them! Please contact programming@cornellclubdc.org.

Technology

Looking for people with website experience to help in the redesign of the CCW website. Contact Terry Horner at president@cornellclubdc.org.

Club Announcements

3rd Ivy / Seven Sisters Chess Social

Wednesday, November 8th, 6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Marrakesh Restaurant

2147 P Street, NW, Washington, DC

We invite you to join us IVY/Seven Sisters alumni Chess social for players of all levels and ages. This is an enjoyable occasion to socialize, and network with IVY/Seven Sisters alumni and their guests, and to take part in casual games. You can come and leave at any sessions. Guidance will be available for beginners at the registration table. We will provide onsite learning session from 7:00 -7:30 pm for beginners. Light food and one drink will be included.

Cost: Advance registration \$15 per player/observer; door admission \$20 per player/observer

Transportation: Dupont Circle Metro (Red Line)

Questions: Kuni Matsuda at Stardust@smart.net or Bob Kolodney at BobkoLive@gmail.com

November Third Thursdays

Thursday, November 16th, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

NEW LOCATION: Hank's Oyster Bar Dupont

1624 Q St NW, Washington, DC

Following in the Spirit of Zinck's Night, join fellow Cornellians for casual socializing at Hank's Oyster Bar. Get to know each other and unwind! Chef Jamie Leeds is a local community builder and proprietor of Hank's. Come one and all; all stages and all ages. Don't miss out!"

Cost: Cash bar

Transportation: Dupont Circle Metro (Red Line)

Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgstifel@earthlink.net

Cornell at the Smithsonian Institution: National Museum of African American History and Culture

Friday, November 17th & Saturday, November 18th

1400 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC

Our exclusive evening at the National Museum of African American History and Culture with special guests, faculty talks, and private tours. Please join President Martha E. Pollack at this impressive museum!

Friday, November 17th

Welcome Reception: 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the JW Marriott, 1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

Hosted by the Cornell Club of Washington, D.C. All are invited to attend.

Saturday, November 18th

Mosaic Luncheon: Noon – 2:00 p.m. at the JW Marriott.

Presentation of the inaugural Mosaic Medal of Distinction.

National Museum of African American History and Culture: 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Hosted by the College of Arts and Sciences, Cornell Black Alumni Association, Cornell Black Lawyers Alumni Network, Cornell Club of Washington, D.C., Cornell Mosaic, and Diversity Alumni Programs.

The After-Party: 10:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

Hosted by the Cornell Black Alumni Association (CBAA). All are invited to attend.

Transportation: Metro Center (Red Line) for JW Marriott; Smithsonian (Blue, Orange, Silver) for museum

Questions: diversity-aad@cornell.edu

Do you have ideas for the CCW Newsletter? We would love to hear from you!

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Welcome New CCW Members

Aeda Chung '04	Jessica Nino de Rivera '17	Mary Catherine Gonzalez '87	Taylor Halcromb '15
Albert Jung '17	Jiaqi Zheng '17	Matthew Kim '17	Tim Seelaus '78
Ann Caton '95	Joanna Barrett '16	Michael Huang '17	Tola Myczkowska '17
Anthony Lin '17	John Wang '17	Mihret Tamrat '17	Tytanan Burney '17
Caroline Crawford '17	Juan Pablo Gonzalez '87	Nils Dennis '92	Vickie Kuang '20
Chris Pliszak '17	Kangalla Pefok '16	Rachel Gardner '17	Vrinda Shukla '17
Crispinus Lee '17	Kari Steed '05	Rebecca Goldman '17	Walter Arteaga '17
Gail Fletcher '17	Katharine Losoncy '99	Rebecca Jessel '05	William Navas '90
Gloria Clement '90 *	Katherine Rausch '17	Samuel Weintraub '17	WooJung Choo '17
Jack Henry Kapp '17	Kristen Thompson '17	Sarah Cutler '16	Yating Ru
Jason Sze '17	Kristin Hardy '17	Sharon Pohoryles '87	Yiqing Maggie Hou '17
Jeffrey Buck '70	Malika Grayson '16	Susan Li '17	Zach Praiss '16

* *New Life Member*