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Cornell Club of Washington Annual Dinner

Featuring Keynote Speaker Susan Hills Murphy '73, Ph.D. '94,
Vice President Emerita, Cornell University Student and Academic Services

Monday, May 9th, 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

The Army and Navy Club on Farragut Square, 901 Seventeenth Street NW, Washington, DC

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You are cordially invited to the Army Navy Club to join us for an excellent meal and conversation with fellow Cornellians at our Annual Dinner. CCW is thrilled to welcome Vice President Emerita Susan Murphy '73, Ph.D. '94 as our keynote speaker. This event is a must-attend; Washington, DC is the final stop for Dr. Murphy prior to returning to Ithaca and her retirement in June.

Dr. Murphy worked at Cornell for 16 years in admissions and financial aid, including nine years as Dean. While serving in that role, she completed her Ph.D. in educational administration at Cornell and subsequently was appointed to her immediate past position as Vice President of Student and Academic Services, serving for more than 20 years until her retirement on June 30, 2015. Susan has touched virtually every area of the Cornell experience, including student health, residential life, and athletics, among many others.

During this special evening, CCW President Grace Jean '00 will preside over a brief CCW business meeting, including the annual report, presentation of the Bondareff and Best Program awards, recognition of outgoing board members, and election of the 2016-17 Board.

The cocktail reception includes hors d'oeuvres and two drink tickets. Additional tickets will be available for purchase. A 3-course plated dinner will be served: Wild Mushroom Soup; Choice of Select Salmon or Chicken Piccata; Chocolate Pecan Bourbon Pie. Please contact A'ndrea Van Schoick (alv1@cornell.edu) regarding dietary restrictions.

Program:

6:00p.m. - 6:30p.m. - Registration

6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m. - Cocktail reception in the Ballroom and Second Floor Parade

7:15p.m. - 10:00p.m - Seated dinner and program in the Main Dining Room, First Floor & First Floor Parade

Cost/RSVP: Please register early as we expect to reach capacity. If paying by check, email A'ndrea Van Schoick (alv1@cornell.edu) for instructions. \$79 Lifetime and current CCW Members; \$94 Non-Members; \$35** Sponsored Young Alumni/CIW Students Classes of 2014-17 with seating adjacent to their sponsors at the same table for Dinner (**Limited to 5 ONLY at this sponsored level).

Sponsorship: All sponsorship level registrations include a private reception with Susan, as well as website, program, and standing recognition during the evening. Reception details will be sent to sponsors separately. Any funds raised in excess of the annual dinner's cost will be donated to the Cornell Club of Washington scholarships, to directly benefit students from our area who are attending Cornell.

A new level of sponsorship- the **Mentoring CCW Bear** (\$44)- will assist in enabling Cornell students and recent Cornell alumni to attend this special celebration; please email A'ndrea Van Schoick if you are interested in this sponsorship level. Other sponsorship levels are: the **Bear Cub** (\$25); **Bear** (\$50); **Big Bear** (\$75); **Big Red Bear** (\$100); **Sesqui Bear** (\$150); **Touchdown in Washington** (\$250, includes one meal); and **Carnelian** (above \$250, includes two meals).

Dress: Men- coat and tie. Women- comparable degree of formality. Military service personnel- uniform of the day may be worn.

Transportation: Farragut West (Orange/Blue/Silver Lines); Farragut North (Red Line); Valet Parking \$13

Questions: A'ndrea Van Schoick '96, Annual Dinner Committee Chair, at alv1@cornell.edu.

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Events at a Glance...

April

- 03 "All the Way" at Arena Stage with Pre-Gathering
Questions: Karen O'Brien at keob-cornell@usa.net
- 03 Ivy Singles Hike, Pizza, and Light
Questions: Sally Elsadek at selsadek@gmail.com
- 09 Old Rag LXI Hike
Questions: Clint Brass at ctb14@cornell.edu
- 11 CCW Monthly Programming and Board Meetings *Note date and upstairs location*
Questions: Grace Jean at gvj1@cornell.edu
- 13 Yo-Yo Ma - Kennedy Center **Sold Out!**
Questions: Tomoko Morinaga at tm58@cornell.edu
- 14 Small Dinner Series- Redwood (Bethesda)
Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgs6@cornell.edu
- 16 Old Rag LXI Hike (rain date)
Questions: Clint Brass at ctb14@cornell.edu
- 18 Professor Schwartz Book Talk "How to Succeed in College and Beyond: The Art of Learning"
Questions: Grace Jean at gvj1cm@gmail.com
- 21 Third Thursdays Social with CCW
Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgs6@cornell.edu
- 23 Annual Earth Day Cleanup with Anacostia Watershed Society
Questions: Laura Gonzales Meyers at lmg38@cornell.edu
- 26 Third Annual Wharton DC Innovation Summit
Questions: Phil Collins at filosofr@gmail.com
- 26 Book Club- The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown
Questions: Liz Pomper at ehp3@cornell.edu

May

- 01 Nationals Ballpark Behind the Scenes Tour
Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net
- 07 Ivy Singles Embassy Tour
Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net
- 09 CCW Annual Dinner
Questions: A'ndrea Van Schoick at alv1@cornell.edu
- 14 Ivy Singles European Union Embassy Tour
Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net
- 15 Mount Vernon Wine Festival- Spring
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Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgs6@cornell.edu
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Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net
- 22 Tribute to Austin Kiplinger and Volunteer Appreciation
Questions: Jim Schoonmaker at js378@cornell.edu
- 27 "A Prairie Home Companion" at Wolf Trap
Questions: Katherine Stifel at kgs6@cornell.edu

* Register for events on the CCW website at: <http://www.cornellclubdc.org/events> *



As in years past, CCW welcomed international students to Washington in March with gift bags stuffed with goodies. Pictured above, Sathi Soma (and Gladys Stifel in background) with gift bags ready to be delivered

Club Announcements...

Remembering President Elizabeth Garrett

Dear Cornell Club of Washington family,

I am reaching out to you and our community of Cornellians and friends during this time of sorrow as we continue to mourn the loss of our beloved President Elizabeth Garrett. The Cornell Club of Washington was one of the few clubs to have had the opportunity to welcome Cornell's new president and hear her remarks. We remember what a joyous occasion it was to meet Beth in November; her untimely passing is keenly felt here in town.

After her visit to Washington, D.C., President Garrett wrote a note to thank us for making the November event so special for her and for all of the Cornell alumni, parents, and friends who attended. Beth said that she felt very welcomed, and she appreciated the opportunity to meet local alumni. She also said that she was honored to be a Cornell Club of Washington member and looked forward to future visits.

When I heard about President Garrett's illness, I sent a note on behalf of the club expressing our well wishes and support. Beth emailed the next day to thank us for the kind message regarding her health.

On March 8, 2016, your Cornell Club of Washington board of directors convened. We shared memories of how Beth's passion and vision for Cornell inspired us and how her energy, tenacity, wit, and humility left indelible imprints on our hearts. We discussed what CCW could do to honor Cornell's first female president now and into the future. I invite you to share your thoughts and ideas with me, and I will be sure to include them as the club moves forward.

We send our heartfelt condolences to Beth's family.

Warmly,

Grace Jean '00
President
Cornell Club of Washington



In Memoriam: Elizabeth Garrett

By Francesco Jimenez

It is with great sadness that I write following the news that the first female president of Cornell has passed away from colon cancer. I was fortunate enough to have had the privilege of meeting President Garrett when she was in DC this past November. I was in awe when I witnessed how she navigated the room. I have never seen someone with so much charisma and ambition talk about a myriad of subjects to each individual.

President Garrett was scheduled to do a world tour to meet with various alumni at the different Cornell Clubs. She seemed to have a lot in store for her plans to launch Cornell further than any other academic leader has done in the past. Although she was President of Cornell University for 8 short months, she had a huge impact on the University.

During the CornellCast of her memorial service on March 17, 2016, multiple campus leaders spoke highly of her accomplishments as well as her determined spirit. President Garrett inspired her coworkers and left life-long impressions on those close to her. Her legacy to Cornell is the new College of Business that combines three different schools on campus. May she rest in peace.

Recap: The Embassy of Canada and CCW Welcome Secretary Skorton

By: Linda Jarschauer Johnson

Photo Credit: Sathi Soma

On Monday, February 29, 2016, the Cornell Club of Washington welcomed Cornell's 12th President and the 13th Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, David Skorton, to Washington. The Embassy of Canada was the perfect venue thanks to Hussein Hirji '03, Economic Counsellor at the Embassy.

Over 250 Cornellians and guests joined in the celebration. David was greatly touched by the size and enthusiasm of the crowd. During his remarks, he talked about driving from his home in Georgetown in his new Chevy Impala and being allowed to park right in front of the Embassy. He commented on the need to participate in more Club activities soon, since he and his wife, Robin Davisson, received free memberships for a year. Club President Grace Jean '00 resolved that issue by presenting them both with lifetime memberships to the Cornell Club of Washington. David set us straight on how Canada got its name. Evidently, letters were put in a hat and someone was asked to pull out three. The first letter was selected and the person announced, "C" eh? Then "N" eh? And finally "D" eh? David Skorton never disappoints!



CCW Monthly Board Meeting

April 11th: All CCW members are invited to participate in our monthly CCW Programming Meeting at 6:30 p.m. and Board Meeting at 7:30 p.m. If you plan to attend, please email Grace Jean at gvj1@cornell.edu. Meetings take place at 1341 22nd Street NW, Washington, DC 20037 (We will meet upstairs in the Cornell Center student lounge).

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red Line)

Questions: Grace Jean at gvj1@cornell.edu (Board); Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net or Katherine Stifel at kgstifel@earthlink.net (Programming)

Spring Service Earth Day Event: AWS Cleanup

Saturday, April 23rd, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Fort DuPont (Celebration to follow at RFK Stadium), Washington, DC

Join the Cornell Club of Washington and the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS) on Saturday, April 23rd to celebrate Earth Day!

Volunteer tasks will consist mainly of light manual labor, including plant care, removal of invasive species, mulching, and more. Volunteers should wear comfortable clothing. This event is family friendly!

Transportation: This event is NOT Metro accessible. We will organize car pools. After you sign-up on the website, expect to receive an email inquiring whether you need a ride or are able to provide one to others.

Contact: Laura Gonzales Meyers '04 at Lmg38@cornell.edu.

Nationals Ballpark - Behind the Scenes Tour

Sunday, May 1st, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Nationals Park, Center Field Gate, Half and N Streets SE,
Washington, DC



Join CCW for a behind-the-scenes look at Nationals Ballpark. Over the course of an hour and fifteen minutes you will visit the PNC Diamond Club; Lexus Presidents Club; Stars & Stripes Club; Shirley Povich Media Center; Nationals Dugout; and

Visiting Team Clubhouse (subject to availability). You will also have the opportunity to throw a pitch in the Nationals Bullpen; touch a module of the spectacular five-story HD scoreboard; experience the Nationals indoor batting cages; and much more!

*Please keep in mind, the Nationals retain the right to modify the tour at any time due to unexpected events at the ballpark. The tour takes place rain or shine. The tour does require a lot of walking but is both wheelchair- and stroller- accessible. Please arrive ten minutes early.

Nationals Park provides accommodations for guests with disabilities. If you require special accommodations in order to participate in the tour, please contact Steve Piekarec.

Cost: CCW members - \$13 members; Non-members - \$18

Transportation: Navy Yard (Green line)

Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net



Save the Date Tribute to Austin Kiplinger and Volunteer Appreciation May 22, 2016 Kiplinger Farm

We are planning a special event to honor Austin 'Kip' Kiplinger '39. Support Kip's vision of volunteerism and stay tuned for more details on the event.

Join us for the 59th Old Rag LXI Hike

Saturday, April 9th, 7:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Old Rag Mountain, Sperryville, VA

Alumni and Cornell in Washington students will climb Old Rag Mountain, near Sperryville, VA, for the 59th time during our semiannual trek into the Blue Ridge. Rain date: April 16th. For more information, please contact Clint Brass at ctb14@cornell.edu.

Professor Schwartz Book Talk “How to Succeed in College and Beyond: The Art of Learning”

Monday, April 18th, 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Macon Bistro & Larder, 5520 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC

Join Professor Schwarz and CCW for a Book Talk and light supper. CIW (Cornell in Washington) students and CU parents are encouraged to attend.

- 6:30 p.m. Registration and conversation with appetizers and drinks
- 7:00 p.m. Select your supper choices and find a seat
- 7:30 p.m. Program starts
- 8:15 p.m. Q & A
- 8:30 p.m. Post-discussion conversation

Sponsorships are available for Professor Schwarz's incidental expenses to thank him for his talk and discussion. Please reach out to Grace Jean at gvj1cm@gmail.com for details.

Cost: \$40 Members, \$46 Non-Members

Metro: Van Ness UDC (Red Line); street parking available

Questions: Grace Jean at gvj1cm@gmail.com



Ivy Singles Hike, Pizza, and Light

*Sunday, April 3rd, 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Peirce Mill in Rock Creek Park, Tilden Street and Rock Creek Parkway NW, Washington, DC*

Join us at noon at the historic Peirce Mill in Rock Creek Park for a tour followed by a hike. After the hike, everyone is invited to visit the Sukyo Mahikari Center where we will enjoy free pizza, refreshments and an opportunity to receive a relaxing, revitalizing form of energy called "light" from Sukyo Mahikari practitioners. The Sukyo Mahikari Center is located at 4479 Connecticut Avenue NW, Washington, DC. Bring water and footwear that supports your ankles well.

Cost: Free

To Register: Visit <http://mcbarnette.com/events.html> or contact Sally Elsadek at selsadek@gmail.com or 848-702-1085

Metro: Van Ness (Red Line)

Questions: Sally Elsadek at elsadek@gmail.com or 848-702-1085

Happy Hour with Ivy Singles

*Thursday, April 21st, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Le Char Noir Wine Lounge, 4907 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Washington, DC*

Come join us for a bit of "April in Paris" at this charming French bistro. The evening will feature hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Cost: Prepaid: \$35 (follow link below or send check payable to Washington Wellesley Club to Deborah Tate, 1022 N. Cleveland St., Arlington, VA 22201 by Monday, April 18. Note your school on the check); Walk-ins: \$40

To Register: Visit https://ycwd.memberclicks.net/index.php?option=com_mc&view=mc&mcid=form_216217. Please RSVP to debate2001@yahoo.com so we can plan to order enough food.

Metro: 10-minute walk from Tenleytown or Friendship Heights (Red Line); parking available on side streets

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Welcome New CCW Members

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| Sonya Bearden '07 | Tara Kheradpir '14 |
| Kristin Brandt '12 | Ying Ma '97 |
| Judith Cochran '59 | Edwin McDonald '82 |
| Erin Connolly '05 | Cyrus Mehri '88 |
| Keri Forness '15 | Salmaan Qadir '15 |
| Caroline Gniewek '15 | Nicole Sandoz '08 |
| Mike Janay | Chris Shea '87 |
| Suedeen Kelly '76 | Dana Westgren '14 |