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Annual Dinner & Silent Auction

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Tuesday, May 16, 2006, 6:30 pm
Old Europe Restaurant
2434 Wisconsin Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20007
www.old-europe.com 202.333.7600

Mr. Larson will be the guest speaker at CCW's Annual Dinner. He has 30 years experience in all aspects of commercial real estate including consulting, joint venture, leasing (both landlord and tenant advisory experience) and sales transactions.



H. Peter Larson, III

Mr. Larson provides brokerage and advisory services to his long standing nationally recognized clients and leverages his entrepreneurial knowledge and experience to assist in charting Transwestern's strategic direction and growth.

Prior to joining Transwestern, Mr. Larson was most recently a Managing Director in Advantis, where he managed intra-company business, coordinating production within fourteen offices throughout the Southeast.

Before establishing a career in the real estate industry, Mr. Larson was a member of the Washington Redskins football team. He is a founding director of Franklin National Bank of Washington, D.C. (now BB&T) and Chairman of the Greater Washington Board of Directors. Mr. Larson has served on both the international board of GVA North America and the executive committee of GVA North America.

A cash bar cocktails 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 auction closes, we'll gather for a sit down dinner, followed by light entertainment, coffee, and apple strudel. Proceeds from the Silent Auction support the Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship Fund, which helps to finance up to six Washington-area student's education at Cornell.

Cost: \$35 members and guests, \$40 non-members.

To attend: Send reservation form (on the back of this issue) and check by 05/05/06, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington", to Josh Novikoff, 2562 University Place NW #4, Washington, DC 20009. Please be sure to include all names and class years of alumni in your party's reservation.

Questions: Josh Novikoff, jbn6@cornell.edu (preferred), 202.441.8863.

Metro: Dupont Circle (Metro Bus D1/D2), Downtown (Metro Bus 32/34/35). Area parking is also available.

Save the Date!

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

Update your directory listing!

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Welcome New Cornell Club of Washington Members!

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Cordell P. Olive, Jr. '78 HOTL

Events at a Glance...

May

- 2 Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis, Yacob Addy & Odadda, 8:00 pm
Questions: Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu, 301.907.0806.
- 6 **RESCHEDULED:** Old Rag Hike XLI, Old Rag Mountain, 8:00 am
Questions: Bob McKinless, rfm10@cornell.edu, 703.256.5451;
Clint Brass, ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.516.0142.
- 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.
- 18 MDDG: *The Elephant Man* Discussion, 6:30 pm
Questions: Mark Gruenberg, press_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.
- 19 ISSC: Happy Hour at Lounge 201, 6:30 pm
Questions: Joy Gambino, dc1476@yahoo.com, 202.494.3591.
- 21 Martha Washington Series: Mount Vernon Wine Festival and Sunset 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.
- 27 MDDG: *The Elephant Man* Performance, 2:00 pm
Questions: Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net, 301.897.9314.

June

- 12 MDDG: *Picasso's Closet* Discussion, 6:30 pm
Questions: Mark Gruenberg, press_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.
- 13 CCW Programming & Board Meeting 6:30 pm & 7:30 pm
Questions: Jonathan Simon, jxs@vnf.com
- 17 Cornell at the Pros Series: Washington Nationals vs. New York Yankees
Questions: Lauren Hall, ccwprogramming@yahoo.com, 703.525.0130.
- 18 Father's Day Picnic at the Kiplinger Farm
Watch the next issue of CCW News for details.
- 25 ISSC: *Riverdance* at Wolftrap
Questions: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311.
- 25 MDDG: *Picasso's Closet* Performance, 3:00 pm
Questions: Robin Larkin, robinlarkin@comcast.net, 301.897.9314.

Club Announcements...

CCW Monthly Board and Programming Meetings

Tuesday, May 9, 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.

Old Rag XLI Rescheduled

*Saturday, May 6, 2006, 8:00 am
Old Rag Mountain, Virginia*

Due to inclement weather,
the Old Rag Hike has been rescheduled.

Questions:

Bob McKinless,

rfm10@cornell.edu, 703.256.5451;

Clint Brass,

ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.516.0142.

Roving Reporter: Josh Novikoff '03 Cornell Hockey Season

Over 100 Lynah faithful Washingtonians gathered for the NCAA tournament at the Grand Slam Sports Bar to witness a triumphant 3-2 comeback over Colorado College and a heartbreaking 1-0 triple overtime loss to eventual champion Wisconsin.

A Pep Band CD helped make a basketball bar sound more like Lynah Rink. Retired cheer squad members energized the crowd. Songs were sung and pepper shakers were banged like cowbells.

Fans were drained as they filed out over 5 hours after the puck dropped that Sunday night. Still, this game for the history books, capped off an unprecedented successful season for Cornell hockey watch parties in Washington. A record 7 games were televised and local alums packed McFadden's, Grand Slam, and Mister Days to watch each one. Our Washington crew was on the "puck" this season. Washington fans knew that if the game was on, CCW had it covered.

Stay tuned for potential Cornell Lacrosse playoff dates in Maryland.

Barber B. Conable Scholarship

It is with pleasure we announce the recipient of our Spring 2006 Barber B. Conable Scholarship, Gati Dalal '07. Gati is a junior Government major with a concentration in Law and Society in the College of Arts and Sciences at Cornell. She works part time at Olin Library and dances on the Cornell Raas Team, a competitive Indian dance troupe. Through clubs like Society for India, Hindu Student Council and ASHA, Gati stays active in the Indian community at Cornell. In her free time, she likes to listen to music, watch movies and read mystery novels; but most importantly, she loves spending time with her friends and family. Gati is very excited to be in Washington this semester. She is interning with the American Civil Liberties Union and has been exploring all the city has to offer.

The Barber B. Conable Scholarship is awarded each semester to a student enrolled in the Cornell-in-Washington Program. It honors Barber B. Conable '43, former Congressman and former President of the World Bank, for his contributions to our government and international relations. The award helps defray the cost of living in a major metropolitan area and the student's potential loss of income from being unable to hold a work-study job while living in Washington and doing an internship.

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.

Roving Reporter: Eliot Greenwald '73 Distinguished Cornellians Series: Jeffrey Lehman '77

WASHINGTON, March 21, 2006 - Cornellians from the Cornell Club of Washington, the Cornell Black Alumni Association and the Cornell Latino Alumni Association gathered to hear former Cornell President Jeffrey Lehman speak about Grutter v. Bollinger, the Supreme Court case holding that the University of Michigan Law School may include racial diversity among its various criteria for admissions. President Lehman traced the history of university affirmative action back to the Supreme Court's Bakke decision in the late 1970s, when he was a law student at the University of Michigan. The Powell decision explained that racial classifications are inherently suspect and are subject to strict scrutiny by a reviewing court. However, when the use of race promotes a compelling governmental interest and is narrowly tailored to that interest its use is permissible. A racially and ethnically diverse student body was found to be such a compelling interest.

President Lehman explained that the majority opinion in Grutter, written by Justice O'Connor, specifically endorsed Justice Powell's Bakke opinion finding that student body diversity is a compelling interest. The Court's opinion also endorsed the Michigan Law School policy of achieving a "critical mass" level of integration that breaks down stereotypes and promotes cross-racial understanding. In doing so, the Court differentiated permissible goals from impermissible quotas. Justice O'Connor's opinion also recognized that it has been 25 years since the Bakke decision and suggested that in another 25 years, the use of racial preferences would no longer be necessary to further the interests approved in the opinion.

A lively question and answer period followed, in which President Lehman responded to numerous questions concerning the Grutter decision and the benefits that students obtain from a racially and culturally diverse student body. The Cornell Club of Washington was pleased to have the Cornell Black Alumni Association and the Cornell Latino Alumni Association as co-sponsors of the event. The opportunity for members of the three alumni organizations to interact with each other during the reception afterwards was itself a tribute to the benefits of a diverse student body.

**CCW Nominating Committee
Presents the 2005-2006 Slate**

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Josh Novikoff '03
Kate Bryant '78
Heather Schroeder '03

**Passing the Home Ownership
Torch to a New
Generation of Cornellians**

*Wednesday, May 10, 2006, 6:30pm
Blue Raster LLC
2500 Wilson Boulevard
Arlington, VA 22201*

In response to a very interested contingent of recent graduates at the last CEN event on Real Estate, the Cornell Club is offering a first-home buying seminar, courtesy of Josh Winston, Director of Home Today. This seminar will cover how to: prepare your financial position for the purchase of a new home; feel comfortable with the real estate financing options available; understand the residential real estate market; find a place to live; make an offer; and understand the paper flow (contracts, mortgages, title work, etc.).

As an accountant with a real estate background, Josh Winston has applied his experience to helping consumers understand the homebuying process, prepared them for the financial realities of buying a home, and provided mortgages to new homebuyers.

Cost: \$5 members, \$10 non-members. Payable at the door. Refreshments will be available. A Blue Raster employee will greet attendees in the lobby
To attend: RSVP to Lauren Hall, ccwprogramming@yahoo.com.
Metro: Courthouse (Orange Line)

Special thanks to Michael Lippmann, '95, and the Blue Raster staff for sharing their office space with us.

**Dragon Boat Festival
Root for the Big Red**

*Saturday and Sunday, May 20-21, 2006
Virginia Avenue & Rock Creek Drive NW
Washington, DC 20566*

Come cheer CCW's "Big Red Dragons" as they compete in Washington's Fifth Annual Dragon Boat Festival, to be held on the Potomac River in front of the Kennedy Center. Racing is in the morning and the afternoon. Team fans can enjoy exciting racing from the lawn beneath the Kennedy Center's riverfront terrace. The event is free to spectators. Experienced CCW team members can still contact Kate Bryant, kgbryant3@aol.com to enlist as substitutes.

Metro: Foggy Bottom (Blue/Orange Lines)
Questions: Bob Day, 301.438.7755;
Kate Bryant, kgbryant3@aol.com.

Modern Drama Discussion Group

CCW co-sponsors the Modern Drama Discussion Group known as "Footlights." Each month, Footlights members meet over dinner with playwrights, directors, and scholars to discuss modern drama. Participants read the plays on their own, meet at inexpensive restaurants near Washington-area Metro stations, and usually attend performances. Membership is free, although a \$5 donation is requested.

Performance: *The Sins of Sor Juana*
*Sunday, May 7, 2006, 4:00 pm
GALA Hispanic Theatre*

3333 14th St. NW, Washington, DC
Performed in Spanish with English surtitles.
Cost: \$20

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)

Discussion: *The Elephant Man*
*Thursday, May 18, 2006, 6:30 pm
Casa Fiesta*

4910 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Washington, DC
In Bernard Pomerance's play, a Victorian surgeon rescues a heavily disfigured man who is mistreated while scraping a living as a side-show freak. Behind his monstrous facade, we see a person of intelligence and sensitivity.
Cost: \$14 buffet, includes tax and tip.

To attend: RSVP to Mark Gruenberg, press_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.
Metro: Tenleytown-AU, Friendship Heights (Red Line). Street parking is limited.

Performance: *The Elephant Man*
*Saturday, May 27, 2006, 2:00 pm
Olney Theatre*

2001 Olney-Sandy Spring Road, Olney, MD.
Cost: \$33

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.

Discussion: *Picasso's Closet*
*Monday, June 12, 2006, 6:30 pm
Alfio's La Cucina D'Italia*

4515 Willard Ave., Chevy Chase, MD
Dorfman considers the role of art in times of war, dramatizing Picasso's creation of his famous painting, "Guernica," a work that confronted Nazi atrocities and changed the art world forever.

To attend: RSVP to Mark Gruenberg, press_associates@yahoo.com, 202.898.4825.

Ivy Singles Social Club

Happy Hour

Hosted by Northwestern University

Friday, May 19, 2006, 6:30 pm
Lounge 201
201 Massachusetts Ave. NE
Washington, DC 20002

Northwestern University and the Ivy Singles Social Club invite you to a happy hour party at Lounge 201, the District's premier cocktail lounge, in Washington's Capitol Hill neighborhood. Reviewed by the Washington Post as "a Sinatra-style martini lounge..." Lounge 201 offers a unique ambiance perfect for socializing and meeting up with friends. Please bring ID to ensure admission.

Cost: \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door. Includes hors d'oeuvres & drink specials.
To attend: Send check, by 05/10/06, payable to "NU Club of Washington, DC", to Joy Gambino, 1050 N. Taylor St. #209, Arlington VA 22201. Please note the name of your school. In addition, whether paying in advance or planning to pay at the door, RSVP by responding to the Evite broadcast.
Questions: Joy Gambino, dc1476@yahoo.com, 202.494.3591.
Metro: Union Station (Red Line), Capitol South (Orange Line).

Riverdance at Wolftrap

Hosted by the Cornell Club of Washington

Sunday, June 25, 2006
Wolftrap Farm Park
1551 Trap Road (Filene Center)
Vienna, VA 22182.
www.wolftrap.org 703.255.1900

4:00 pm: Picnic in the Meadow
6:30 pm: Lawn seating opens
8:00 pm: "Riverdance", Filene Center

Join us for a double-event, an afternoon picnic at Wolftrap, with "Riverdance" to follow. Our afternoon event is an informal get-together in the large picnic area at the far end of the Meadow to the left of the Filene Center (the main Wolf Trap stage). Attendees should bring their own picnic lunches and drinks; no grilling is allowed. People may bring their own drinks, including wine and beer, but we cannot sell those beverages. The setting is casual and relaxed.

Cost: Performance: \$22 lawn seats, \$55 in-house seats. Picnic: \$5.
To attend: Send check, by 06/18/06, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington" to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, VA 22181. Please note your school on the check. If you plan on attending just the picnic, you need not pay in advance, but please RSVP for planning purposes. Please respond to the link to our Evite <http://www.evite.com/spiekare@cs.com/riverdance>.
Questions: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311.
Directions: From the Capital Beltway (495): Take exit 45 to Route 267 West (Dulles Toll Road), follow signs to local exits, pay a 75-cent toll and exit at the Wolf Trap ramp. The Filene Center will be on the right. From Route 7 Westbound (toward Leesburg): Turn left on Towlston Road, drive one mile and the Filene Center will be on your left. Parking: Available.
Metro: Metro access is not available for the picnic, but a \$5 (exact change only) shuttle for the performance runs from West Falls Church Metro, starting 2 hours before a performance.

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

**Martha Washington and Wine Series
Mount Vernon Wine Festival and
Sunset Tour**

Sunday, May 21, 2006, 6:00 pm
Historic Mount Vernon
3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway
Mount Vernon, VA 22121

Join us for an extraordinary event of wine and entertainment at Mount Vernon, featuring 16 Virginia Wineries, blues music, candlelight Mansion tours including the rarely visited Mansion cellars. Martha and George Washington may appear. Bring your own folding chair or a blanket to picnic on the lawn (seating not available).

A variety of hot and cold food and desserts will be available on site from the Mount Vernon Inn Restaurant and Firehook Bakery Concessions. Outside food is not allowed. Designated drivers will receive free Coca-Cola soft drinks. In addition, The Shops at Mount Vernon will be open until 9:30 pm.

Cost: \$32 members, \$37 for non-members.
To attend: Send check by 05/12/06, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington" to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, VA 22181.
Questions: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@cs.com, 703.281.4311.

**Cornell at the Pros Series
Washington Nationals vs.
New York Yankees**

Saturday, June 17, 2006, 1:00 pm
RFK Stadium
2400 East Capitol Street SE
Washington, DC 20003

Cost: \$16 members; \$20 non-members.
To attend: Mail form, self-addressed stamped envelope and check, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington" to Lauren Hall, 1410 N. Scott St., Apt. 869, Arlington, VA 22209. Tickets will be mailed starting 05/01/06.
Questions: Lauren Hall, ccwprogramming@yahoo.com (preferred); 703.525.0130.

**Washington Nationals vs. New York Yankees
Reservation Form**

Name: _____
School/Year: _____
Address _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Number attending
_____ x \$16 CCW members = \$ _____
_____ x \$20 non-members = \$ _____
Total = \$ _____

