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September Restaurant Series: Rumberos

Monday, September 8, 7:00 pm
 Rumberos
 3345 14th Street NW
 Washington, DC 20010
www.rumberos-dc.com

Rumberos is the next stop for CCW's bimonthly restaurant series. Come join us as we venture out into DC's amazing culinary scene. A Latin American tapas restaurant located in Columbia Heights, Rumberos serves delicious food and drinks from all over South and Central America. Average entrée is approximately \$17. Dinner cost is handled on an individual basis.



To attend: RSVP to Katherine Rogers, kkrogers@gmail.com
 Metro: Columbia Heights (Green Line)

Recent Graduate Welcome Happy Hour

Tuesday, September 17, 6:00pm
 Recessions Lounge
 1823 L Street, NW
 Washington, DC 20036
www.recessionsdc.com

Join us after work to meet new alumni, reconnect with classmates, mingle and network.



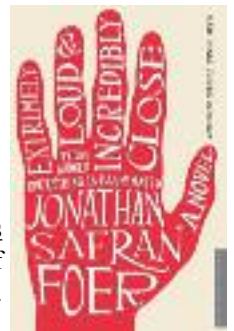
To attend: RSVP to Josh Novikoff, jbn6@cornell.edu
 Metro: Farragut North (Red Line), Farragut West (Blue and Orange Lines)

CCW Book Club:

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close by Jonathan Safran Foer

Sunday, October 12, 3:00 pm
 Portico Cafe at National Portrait Gallery
 750 9th St NW
 Washington, DC 20560
www.npg.si.edu

This month we're reading a novel from the author of Everything is Illuminated. Jonathan Safran Foer's 2005 novel explores the aftermath of the 9/11 attack from the perspective of a victim's nine-year-old son.



Metro: Gallery Place-Chinatown (Red/Green/Yellow), Metro Center (Red/Blue/Orange)
 Contact: Benjamin VanEvery, vanevery@gmail.com

Save the Date!

Thursday, October 16, 2008
 International Spirit of Zinck's Night

Saturday, November 1, 2008
 Casey Trees Community Tree Planting

Visit www.cornellclubdc.org
 for details!

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Robert Strauss '48 ENGR
Diane Hazard Taft '07 ARTS
Michelle Y. Talbert '00 HUEC
Katie Twyman '07 HOTL

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Questions: Grace Morgenstein, gmm11@cornell.edu, 301.983.8552

Club Announcements...

CCW Monthly Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 9, 2008 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).

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red Line)

Questions: Kim Jones, knj2@cornell.edu

CCW Partners with DC Dept. of Parks & Recreation Volunteers Needed!

The CCW DC Public Schools Task Force is excited to announce a new partnership with the DC Dept. of Parks & Recreation for the 2008-2009 calendar year. Volunteers are needed for pilot programs at two rec centers to improve student academic achievement by providing educational opportunities during out-of-school hours. Email the site coordinator if interested.

King Greenleaf 201 N St. SW; Navy Yard or Waterfront-SEU Metro (Green Line)

Coordinator: Lenora Moragne, lmoragne@verizon.net

- **Homework Help:** Tutor weekdays from 3:15-5pm, Saturdays from 10:30am-12:30pm, and 7-9pm on Wednesdays. Respond with available days/weeks.

- **Educational Field Trips:** Develop educational field trips, work with participants prior to, during, or following the field trip to reinforce learning from the experience.

- **Food and Health Education:** Work with the USDA and Cornell resources to develop nutritional education resources such as flyers and workshops.

Lamond 20 Tuckerman St. NE; Takoma Station (red line) or Ft. Totten Metro (Yellow Line)

Coordinator: Kim Jones, kimmiejz@aol.com

- **Homework Help:** Tutor weekdays from 4-6pm. Respond with available days/weeks.

- **Teen Workshops:** Organize a series of teen workshops (presentation skills, interviewing, professionalism, etc).

- **Piano Instruction:** Fill vacancy to provide lessons to individual or small groups of students during weekdays and possibly on the weekends.

Help ensure that these programs are a success! We will share other initiatives as they roll out throughout the year. For more information or to join the Task Force, visit www.cornellclubdc.org/group/dcps.

Savion Glover "Bare Soundz"

Friday, October 17, 8:00pm

Warner Theatre

513 13th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20004

www.warnertheatre.com

Best known as creator and star of the Broadway smash *Bring in Da Noise, Bring in Da Funk*, tap dance king Savion Glover merges acoustic syncopations with jazz music in his latest venture, *Bare Soundz*. Joined on stage by tap masters Marshall Davis, Jr. and Mourice Chestnut, as well as live jazz musicians, Glover uses explosive body language and captivating stage presence to take tap to new dimensions.

Cost: CCW members \$52; non-members \$57

Metro: Metro Center (Red, Blue and Orange Lines)

Contact: Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu



Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network
(CAAAN)

Cornell Campus Trip for High School Seniors

Sunday-Monday, October 19-20

Sunday-Monday, November 16-17

Do you know a high school senior who is thinking of applying to Cornell? Then help spread the word about a two-day field trip for high school seniors interested in visiting the Cornell campus, sponsored by the Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network of the Cornell Club of Washington. Included in the agenda is a tour of the campus, admissions presentations, classes and free time to explore.



Buses leave from Montgomery Mall in Bethesda, Maryland at 7:15 am and return the following evening to the same place around 8:30 pm. Cornell will provide housing in a freshman dorm at no additional charge.

In past years, buses have filled quickly, so early reservations are recommended. Students must fill out a medical insurance and permission form and have it signed by a parent or guardian. (Required forms <http://admissions.cornell.edu/downloads/MedicalAuthorizationForm.pdf>)

Cost: \$100.00, includes bus and Sunday night dinner.

To attend: Send check, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington" to Grace Morgenstein, 11201 Tack House Court, Potomac, MD 20854.

Questions: Grace Morgenstein, gmm11@cornell.edu, 301.983.8552. For information on past bus trips, please contact Helen Shimbo, hks2@cornell.edu.

Social Networking: How does it affect elections?

Cornell University Professor Jon Kleinberg '93 &
Garrett Graff, friend of Cornell, editor at the *Washingtonian*

Thursday, September 25, 6:30pm
The Madison Hotel
1177 Fifteenth Street NW
Washington, DC 20005

Here are just a few snippets of information that tell the social networking story as it relates to the upcoming presidential election:

- * A Time magazine blogger is moderating a debate – on Twitter - between the parties' communication directors.
- * A Pew survey found that 46% of Americans have used the Internet for politics so far this election season.
- * 71-year-old John McCain has a MySpace Page with nearly 60,000 friends.
- * Barack Obama has raised \$2 million donations of less than \$200 each via a website, and has 1 million plus supporters on his Facebook page.

At this CEN event you'll first hear the more theoretical bent on how social networking has grown and how and why it works. For example, why do people forward on certain petitions or pleas? Is this grass-roots activism something we can measure and what does it mean? Then you'll hear about how that technical science is affecting social science, specifically around candidates and their campaigns. How do the candidates ingest the dialogue and opinions around the blogosphere? What effect might this approach have on the polls?

To attend: <http://cen.cornell.edu/>

The Ivy Singles Social Club October Event Hosted by the Cornell Club of Washington

Friday, October 24, 6:30pm
Woman's National Democratic Club
1526 New Hampshire Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Join us for an evening of exceptional non-partisan company and conversation in the Adlai Stevenson Ballroom of the Woman's National Democratic Club.

The Woman's National Democratic Club is located near Dupont Circle in the Whittemore House, one of Washington's most elegant, historic mansions with ten function rooms and a garden. Each room displays political campaign memorabilia, portraits, photographs, political cartoons, antique furnishings in handsomely appointed rooms, such as the antique filled Marjorie Merriweather Post Parlor. Significant interior features include the Arts and Crafts foyer and stairwell, and an elaborate plaster ceiling in the former music room, now the Hamlin Room. In addition to its permanent collection, the museum features special exhibits like its 2002 exhibit, The Kennedys: A Legacy of Style and Substance.

Cost: : \$30 by check, \$35 for email or phone reservations, and walk-ins.

To attend: Send check, by 10/20, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington", to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, VA. Please RSVP if possible to the e-mail address or the e-vite.

Contact: Steve Piekarec, Spiekare@verizon.net, 703.281.4311

Metro & Parking: The mansion is on New Hampshire Avenue, a half block Northeast off Dupont Circle and 2 minutes walk from the Dupont Metro Station (Red Line). For those driving, there are 3 parking garages nearby, and street parking, while always limited, improves after 6:30pm.

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.

www.ivysinglesdc.com

Old Rag Hike XLVI

Saturday, September 13, 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, VA, for the 46th 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 2/3 of the strenuous, 9-mile hike is on a 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 difficult hike; those who have not hiked a trail like Old Rag's are strongly encouraged to e-mail or call Clint Brass, using the contact information below, if you would like to get more information before RSVPing.)

Cost: \$8 National Park Service fee, payable on location before we begin. Please bring exact change. Commemorative t-shirts (left from the previous hike, showing "Spring 2008") will also be available at cost (approx. \$9 for short-sleeved and \$11 for long-sleeved).

To attend: RSVP by 9/10 to Clint Brass, ctb14@cornell.edu, 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 e-mail. In the event of bad weather, our rain date is 9/20.

Questions: Clint Brass ctb14@cornell.edu, 703.216.2035

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red Line)

Membership Form

2008-2009 Cornell Club of Washington

NEW! Join or renew online at www.cornellclubdc.org/joinccw.

- I am a NEW member of the CCW.
- I am RENEWING my CCW membership.

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Name 1 _____

Name 2 _____

School _____ Year _____

School _____ Year _____

Grad School/Year _____ CU I.D. _____
(see mailing label)

Grad School/Year _____ CU I.D. _____
(see mailing label)

Maiden Name _____

Maiden Name _____

Preferred Address _____

Preferred Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Profession _____

Profession _____

E-Mail Address _____

E-Mail Address _____

- Add me to the CCW Member e-mail listserv.
- Please send me the newsletter **ONLY** as an Adobe Acrobat file via an e-mailed hyperlink (i.e. no hard copy mailed to my address).
- Please **DO NOT** list my name in a membership directory.

Membership Dues

Enclosed is my check for annual membership dues, payable to the Cornell Club of Washington, for:

- Class of 2008 - \$10
- Recent Graduate ('05 - '07) - \$20
- Cornell Single - \$35
- Cornell Couple - \$40
- Class of 1948 and earlier - Free
- Life Member(s) - Single \$350 - OR - Couple \$400
- Associate Member (Parent/Friend of Cornellian, Non-Cornellians) - \$25
- Joint membership with the Cornell Black Alumni Association (CBAA) - \$50
- Joint couple membership with the Cornell Black Alumni Association (CBAA) - \$60

Total Membership Dues \$ _____

Scholarship

My check includes an additional contribution as a gift in support of the CCW Scholarship Fund for local Cornell undergraduates.

Scholarship Contribution \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed** \$ _____

**CCW is a 501(c)(3) organization. Membership dues and Scholarship Fund donations are tax deductible to the extent permitted by law.

Activities

I wish to participate in the following activities with the Cornell Club of Washington:

- Membership
- Fundraising/Phonathon
- Program/Event Planning
- CCW Job Bank
- Financial/ Investment Planning
- Newsletter/ Publicity/ Web
- Community Service
- Meeting with Prospective Students (CAAAN)
- CCW Career Networking
- Sports Leagues
- CLAA - Cornell Latino Alumni Association
- CUGALA - Cornell Gay and Lesbian Alumni
- CAAA - Cornell Asian Alumni Association
- CLAA - Cornell Latino Alumni Association
- Other: _____

Please return to:

Cornell Club of Washington, 2148 O Street, NW, Washington DC 20037-1095 - Thank you!

**Cornell-on-the-Anacostia:
Strawberries & Cream at the Anacostia Community Boathouse**

Sunday, September 7, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Anacostia Community Boathouse
1115 "O" Street SE
Washington DC 20003
www.anacostiaboathouse.org

Get a taste of Henley-on-Thames with strawberries and cream at the Anacostia Community Boathouse. Our open house includes a taste of Chinese-style dragonboat racing and outrigger canoeing with hands-on coaching, and a taste of crew-style rowing like you always wanted to try. There will be racing shells for Cornell Crew alumni and one of Capital Rowing Club's two training barges for complete novices, both with strong Cornell connections..

Join alumni and Cornell in Washington students at this unique open house. In addition to a bit of exercise, some networking and refreshments, our riversport tasting will also include plans for the new Anacostia Waterfront--Poplar Point and Boathouse Row. Get a preview of Washington's next waterfront neighborhood along the Regatta Reach of the Anacostia River or just come and watch.



Cost: \$10 CCW members & guest; non-members & guests \$15.

To attend: Send check, payable to "Cornell Club of Washington", to Bob Day, 1717 Maryland Road, Silver Spring, MD 20906.

Metro: Navy Yard (Green Lines); Eastern Market (Blue/Orange Line). Parking is available.
Questions: Bob Day, dayhaven@comcast.net, 301.438.7755

CCW News

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Renew your membership at www.cornellclubdc.org/renew.

Moved? New email? Send changes to: ccwchange@mac.com