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### **4/28 Sustainability Event**

**To attend:** Register on-line at the CCW website and pay with a credit card using Pay-Pal. Payment by check can also be arranged, but on-line registration is preferred. Space will be limited to about 150. A participants list must be submitted to the National Research Council in advance, so early registration is requested and advised.

**Metro:** Judiciary Square (Red Line)

**Cost:** \$18 per person for Cornell alumni and their guests; \$10 for current Cornell students and Cornell graduates in the Classes of '06, '07, and '08.

**Questions?** Contact Bob Day '56 at 301.438.7755 or by e-mail at [dayhaven@comcast.net](mailto:dayhaven@comcast.net).

### *Registration Now Open!*

### **Sustainability Science Event Wins Alumni Federation Grant**

*Tuesday, April 28, 6:00 pm; Program starts about 6:45 pm*  
*Keck Center of the National Academies*  
*500 Fifth Street, NW*  
*Washington, DC 20001*  
[www.sustainablefuture.cornell.edu](http://www.sustainablefuture.cornell.edu)

The Cornell Alumni Federation has awarded the Cornell Club of Washington a \$4,000 grant to support an outstanding program featuring the new Cornell Center for a Sustainable Future (CCSF). This is a don't miss opportunity to hear Prof. Frank DiSalvo, the Center's nationally known Director, and his team--all top experts in their fields--describe the Center's mission and priorities in the burgeoning field of sustainability science.

Come and hear what all the buzz is about. Registration is now open and early signups are advised. Numerous expressions of interest have already been received..

Distinguished members of the Cornell Faculty will introduce alumni and potential partners in the Greater Washington area to the University's campus-wide, inter-disciplinary approach to sustainability science. Participating on the panel will be:

- Frank DiSalvo, J.A. Newman Professor of Physical Science, and Director of CCSF;
- Jeff Tester, Croll Professor of Sustainable Energy Systems, and CCSF's Associate Director, Energy Programs;
- Anurag Agrawal, Associate Professor, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, and CCSF's Associate Director for Environment Programs; and
- Michael Hoffmann,, Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and Director of the Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station.

The evening program, hosted by the Cornell Center for a Sustainable Future and the Cornell Club of Washington, will take place at the Keck Center. It was opened in 2002 by the National Academy of Science, the National Academy of Engineering, and the Institute of Medicine to house their National Research Council and to help stimulate dialogue on diverse matters and major policy issues through expert meetings and workshops.

Professor DiSalvo, himself a long-time member of the National Academy of Science, will lead the panel discussion about the research priorities of the new Center. "Energy, Environment and Economic Development" are the three key themes in the Center's approach to sustainability science. DiSalvo and the other panelists will also bring the audience up to date on trends on the Cornell campus which aspires to have a zero-carbon footprint and set an example for other universities.

CCSF's Associate Director for Economic Development Programs, Christopher S. Barrett, will not be participating in the panel presentation, but Prof. DiSalvo and the other panel members will be including some of the Economic Development aspects of the Center's work in their remarks.

Your Cornell Club of Washington (CCW) is proud to partner with Professor DiSalvo and his team to bring to the Nation's Capital this event, which will include a welcoming reception.

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## Welcome New Cornell Club of Washington Members!

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### Welcome New Life Member!

No. 276 Yihan Yoon '09 A&LS

The Club's life membership program, established in 1985, is an excellent way to maintain your membership in the Club, and at the same time significantly benefit the Club's scholarship efforts. Life membership fees are invested, and the resulting income is added to the Club's operating budget in lieu of annual dues. When a life member leaves the area, the initial fee is transferred to the Club's Scholarship Fund.

## Events at a Glance...

### March

- 1 Cornell Club Book Group, 6:00 pm  
Questions: Ben VanEvery, vanevery@gmail.com
- 6 Pre-Reunion Reception for Classes of the 4's and 9's  
Questions: Dale Lazar, dsl36@cornell.edu; Bonni Dutcher, bsdutcher@aol.com
- 7 CCW Knitting Group, 10:00 am  
Questions: Katherine Rogers, ccwknitting@gmail.com
- 10 CCW Board Meeting, 7:30 pm  
Questions: Kim Jones, knj2@cornell.edu
- 11 Silk Road Ensemble with Yo Yo Ma, *SOLD OUT, WAIT LIST FULL*  
Questions: Tomoko Morinaga, tm58@cornell.edu
- 18 International Student Tour and Lunch at the Museum of American History  
Questions: Ed Berkowitz, EdBerko@aol.com
- 22 Cooking Demo  
Questions: Amy Billing, amycbilling@gmail.com
- 23 Breaking into the Green Industry  
Questions: Nicole DelToro, ndeltoro@andrewscole.com
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# Club Announcements...

## CCW Monthly Board and Programming Meeting

**Tuesday, March 10, 2009** 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. The Programming Committee Meeting will be held at 6:30 pm (before the board convenes). 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](mailto:knj2@cornell.edu)

## Interested in a CCW Leadership Opportunity?

The CCW Nominations Committee is in the process of selecting officers and board members for the 2009-10 club year, which offers alumni a great way to get involved in the outstanding work of the club. You get 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 about open volunteer positions, please contact CCW Nominations Committee Chair Jon Simon, [jds35@cornell.edu](mailto:jds35@cornell.edu), 301.915.8081 or CCW President Kim Jones, [knj2@cornell.edu](mailto:knj2@cornell.edu).

## Cornell Crews to Race on Potomac

Cornell's heavyweight crews will be participating in the George Washington Invitational Regatta on Friday afternoon and all day Saturday, April 10-11. The best viewing will be near the finish line at Washington Harbor on the Georgetown Waterfront.

Full details will not be available until later in March, but the Big Red and the Georgetown Hoyas will square off in a dual meet on Saturday afternoon, April 11, according to both coaches. Since the format for the regatta is actually a series of dual meets each day, Cornell's Eights will be racing against other colleges on Friday afternoon and again on Saturday morning.

Watch for complete details on CCW's website, in the April edition of this newsletter, and in your inbox. Head Coach Todd Kennett will also be advising crew alumni in our region. Based on previous experience, families of the Cornell athletes will also be coming to Washington for these races. Plan now to join the fun and cheer for the Big Red.

**Questions?** Contact Bob Day at 301.438.7755 or [dayhaven@comcast.net](mailto:dayhaven@comcast.net).

## Breaking into the Green Industry

### Co Sponsored by the Cornell Club of Washington and the Cornell Entrepreneurial Network

On Monday, March 23, we'll feature alumni who work in the green industry with a goal of helping you chart a career towards your dream job. Each presenter will give a sense of how they got there, what they do, what keeps them there, and what the opportunities are. You'll have a chance to meet, ask questions, and grow your network.

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

**Cost:** \$30 includes reception, networking and presenters

**Questions?** Email Nicole DeToro '91, [ndeltoro@andrewscole.com](mailto:ndeltoro@andrewscole.com).

## Volunteer Piano Instructors Needed

Do you play the piano? Additional piano instructors are needed to teach students at the Lamond Recreation Center as part of CCW's ongoing partnership with the DC Department of Parks and Recreation. No formal training required. If interested, please contact Kim Jones at [knj2@cornell.edu](mailto:knj2@cornell.edu).

## Seeking CCW News Editor

Do you enjoy editing and proofreading?

Interested in learning about desktop publishing?

Volunteer to be the next CCW Newsletter Editor!

CCW News is a great way to get involved with the Cornell Club of Washington.

Issues are published once a month, ten times a year, plus a special summer issue.

Training and software will be provided.

CCW News is looking for a newsletter editor to start training as soon as possible.

**Interested?** Contact Anastasia Handy, [anastasia@handy.tc](mailto:anastasia@handy.tc).

## Cornell Club Knitting Group

The Cornell Club of Washington is starting a knitting group!

Come join us on Saturday, March 7 at 10:00 am even if you're just learning. We'll share coffee and tea over knitting – learn new tricks, finish old projects, and meet some new folks.

**Interested?** Email [ccwknitting@gmail.com](mailto:ccwknitting@gmail.com) to RSVP or for more information.

## Greek Life At Cornell Today: A Timely Update on a Treasured Cornell Experience

Tuesday, March 24, 2009, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
The City Tavern (oldest DC private club)  
3206 M Street, NW (at Wisconsin Ave. intersection)  
Washington, DC  
<http://www.citytavernclubdc.org>

Join Cornell Associate Dean of Students for Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, Travis Apgar for an update on the vibrancy of Greek Life at Cornell today, during his visit to DC. Dean Apgar will share the successes of the system, including the progress of the Creating Chapters of Excellence program and student leadership development, as well as some of the challenges faced by the Greek system. Learn what is new with Greek Life and how alumni involvement provides an on-going source of strength while mingling with Cornellians who share this interest in historic rooms with period furnishings and historical memorabilia.

Greek Life remains a significant part of Campus Life for today's undergraduates as it continues to thrive and grow. Now three Greek Councils exist, not just two. They are working together to achieve University and Greek Life goals shared by undergraduate participants as they focus on living facilities and activities, as well as significant community service. New initiatives are going forward due to continued support from the University and alumni to assist and guide the student Greek Life leadership.

**To attend:** RSVP by Friday, March 20 go to [cornellclubdc.org](http://cornellclubdc.org) to RSVP by PayPal or send a check (payable to CCW) to G.L. Stifel, 9636 Old Spring Rd, Kensington, MD 20895. Space is limited. Please note, the RSVP date is firm; no walk-ins for this event.

**Cost:** \$30 person, includes cocktail reception fare

**City Tavern Dress:** Coat and tie for men and appropriate attire for women.

**Parking:** On street or public garage in same block, (Wisconsin entrance)

**Questions?** Contact Gladys Stifel '58, [gls23@cornell.edu](mailto:gls23@cornell.edu), 301.933.0263.

### Save the Date

## Evening at the Finnish Embassy

Wednesday, April 15, 6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Embassy of Finland  
3301 Massachusetts Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20008  
<http://www.finland.org/>

Did you know that Finland ranks as the second most competitive country in the world according to the World Economic Forum? Join CCW and the Johnson School Club of DC for a night at the Finnish Embassy where staff will be on hand to introduce you to their country and talk about its role in the international business arena. A visit to this Embassy is a real treat. Breathtaking in its beauty and known as Embassy Row's green jewel, the Finnish Embassy, the first to receive a Green Building Rating, additionally exhibits some of its country's finest art and design.

**To attend:** Registration will be available shortly on the CCW website, [www.cornellclubdc.org](http://www.cornellclubdc.org).

**Metro/Parking:** Dupont Circle (1.4 miles). Take Massachusetts Avenue Line Bus (N2, N3, N4, N6) toward Observatory Circle. On-street parking.

**Questions?** Contact Gladys Stifel '58, [gls23@cornell.edu](mailto:gls23@cornell.edu).

## Pre-Reunion Reception for the Classes of the 4'S and 9'S

March 6, 2009  
6:30 – 8:30 pm  
Kiplinger Editors Building  
1729 H Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20006  
<http://kiplinger.pastperfect-online.com>

Appetizers and refreshments

Started by journalist W.M. Kiplinger more than 80 years ago, the Kiplinger Washington Collection is one of the largest private holdings of Washingtoniana. The extensive collection includes prints, photographs, and paintings with a focus on Washington history and the city's built environment. Located in the Editors Building in downtown's Lafayette Square neighborhood, you will see 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.

**To attend:** Please register online at [www.cornellclubdc.org](http://www.cornellclubdc.org). All Reunion Classes are invited to attend. Space is limited by the venue, so please register in advance. First come, first served until we reach maximum capacity.

**Cost:** Thanks to the generous support of the Reunion Classes the event is free for each member of a Reunion Class and a guest. The charge is \$10 for anyone from a non-Reunion Class who wishes to attend, for any guest after the first, and for walk-ins (accepted up to our maximum capacity).

**Questions?** Email Dale Lazar, [dsl36@cornell.edu](mailto:dsl36@cornell.edu) or Bonni Dutcher, [bsdutcher@aol.com](mailto:bsdutcher@aol.com).

## Cornell Softball 2009 Capital Alumni Network Season

Springtime is coming. Time for softball. The Cornell Alumni softball team has been in the Capital Alumni Network (CAN) league almost since the beginning, over a dozen years ago, with some very good years. The team has had 9 straight seasons with a .500 or better winning percentage, with a 7-7 in 2008.

**PLAYERS NEEDED!** We have a number of players returning from last year's team, but always need more experienced players, male and female. If you are interested in joining the team or have any questions, please contact Artie Mabbett at [amabbett@yahoo.com](mailto:amabbett@yahoo.com).

## Dragon Boat Team Seeks New Talent

The Cornell Club is getting ready to hatch another brood of Big Red Dragons to compete in this year's edition of Washington's Dragon Boat Festival on the weekend of May 16-17. The team, consisting of 20 paddlers, will race both mornings and both afternoons on the Potomac near the Kennedy Center.

You are invited to join the fun and get some exercise. If you've always thought you might like to try this new sport, now's your chance. No previous experience necessary. Our team, known to our competitors as the Big Red Dragons, has always done well in this Festival and always with newcomers on board.

Sign-up by emailing Co-Captain Kate Bryant at [kateb36@gmail.com](mailto:kateb36@gmail.com). Three one-hour training sessions will be scheduled – first to learn how and then to fine tune our timing. Approximate cost will be \$45-\$50 per seat in the boat, including all lessons and two days of racing.

**Questions?** Contact Kate Bryant at 202.276.5282, or Bob Day at 301.438.7755 or e-mail at [dayhaven@comcast.net](mailto:dayhaven@comcast.net).

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## Ivy Singles

### Ivy Singles Beginning of Spring Event Hosted by CCW

*Friday, March 27, 6:30 – 9:00 pm*  
*Kiplinger Exhibit Hall*  
*Editors Building*  
*1729 H Street NW*  
*Washington, DC*  
<http://kiplinger.pastperfect-online.com>

As the city trees turn green and the sun outlasts the dark, come out of hibernation and join us for our first event of the Spring. We again return to the Kiplinger Gallery, the longest running venue of all our events. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar

**To attend:** Send a check for \$25 to Steve Piekarec, 2535 West Meredith Drive, Vienna, Virginia 22181, by March 23. Make check payable to "The Cornell Club of Washington" and note your school on the check. \$35 for reservations by email ([Spiekare@verizon.net](mailto:Spiekare@verizon.net)) or phone (703.281.4311) and walk-ins. Please RSVP if possible to the e-mail address or the E-vite site.

**Metro/Parking:** Farragut North (Red Line) or Farragut West (Orange/Blue Line). Street parking is available nearby after 6:30 pm and there are also parking garages nearby.

For more information please visit our website at <http://www.ivysinglesdc.com>.

## Community Service

### Volunteer with CCW for Hands on DC 2009 Work-a-thon

*Saturday, April 25 9:00 am – 3:00 pm*  
*Washington, DC School TBD*  
<http://handsondc.kintera.org>

Join fellow Cornell alumni in cleaning up a DC school as part of the Hands on DC 2009 Work-a-thon taking place Saturday, April 25 (school to be assigned in mid-April). During this annual event, more than 2,000 volunteers spend the day at one of about 30 to 40 DC public schools. The work typically involves projects such as painting, cleaning, or landscaping.

Volunteers arrive at their assigned school at 9am. After a brief introduction and explanation of the day, they are assigned to specific projects and begin their work. Following a break for lunch around noon, volunteers complete their projects and help clean up before departing their school around 2-3pm. That night, at 8pm, a celebration party will take place at a location to be announced.

**To attend:** Register at <http://handsondc.kintera.org> and join the "Cornell Cares" team.

**Questions?** Contact Phil Collins '74 at [ccwservice@yahoo.com](mailto:ccwservice@yahoo.com).

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### Potomac River Cleanup Organized by the Alice Ferguson Foundation

*Saturday, April 4*  
*9:00 am to noon*  
*Exact location: TBD*

**To attend:** Send an email to Phil Collins at [ccwservice@yahoo.com](mailto:ccwservice@yahoo.com) titled "April 4 Potomac River Cleanup".

For more information visit:  
[http://www.fergusonfoundation.org/trash\\_initiative/trash\\_cleanup.html](http://www.fergusonfoundation.org/trash_initiative/trash_cleanup.html)

### Join Cornell International Students for a Tour & Lunch at the Newly Renovated National Museum of American History

*Wednesday, March 18, 11:00 am – 1:30 pm*  
*National Museum of American History*  
*14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW (National Mall)*  
*Washington, DC*  
<http://americanhistory.si.edu/>

The museum is celebrating its reopening after a two-year revitalization project to shine new light on American history. Come see outstanding exhibitions including: The Star-Spangled Banner – The Flag that Inspired the National Anthem; The Scurlock Studio and Black Washington – Picturing the Promise; Abraham Lincoln – An Extraordinary Life; First Ladies at the Smithsonian; The American President – A Glorious Burden; Thanks for the Memories – Music, Sports and Entertainment History; and The Price of Freedom – Americans at War, to name a few.

Join Cornell International Students, visiting DC for their Spring Break, at 11am for an hour-long docent-led tour of the museum highlights. Reconvene at 12:30 pm in the Stars and Stripes Cafe to talk with fellow alumni and current students over lunch.

**To attend:** Please RSVP to Ed Berkowitz '56, [EdBerko@aol.com](mailto:EdBerko@aol.com), by Monday, March 9. This is a free event. Lunch is individually purchased.

**Metro:** Federal Triangle or Smithsonian (Blue/Orange Line)

**Tastings on the Terrace  
Hosted by the Cornell Hotel Society**

*Tuesday, March 31*

*6:30 pm Reception, 7:00 – 9:00pm Silent Auction, 7:00 – 10:00 pm Tastings*

*The Kennedy Center, Roof Terrace*

*2700 F St., NW*

*Washington, DC 20566*

*<http://www.kennedy-center.org/>*

Join the Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter of the Cornell Hotel Society at the Kennedy Center Roof Terrace Restaurant for a night of culinary exploration featuring some of DC's finest chefs:

- Central Michel Richard - Chef de Cuisine: Cedric Maupillier
- Brasserie Beck - Chef & Proprietor: Robert Weidmaier
- Hudson Restaurant and Lounge - Executive Chef: Ryan T. Arnold
- Mie N Yu - Executive Chef: Tim Miller
- Old Ebbitt Grill - Executive Chef: Robert McGowan
- The Source by Wolfgang Puck - Chef de Cuisine: Scott Drewno

All proceeds will go to support The Cornell Hotel Society Foundation Scholarship Endowment. The event is supported and assisted by the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington, Education Foundation's "Roosevelt HS Culinary" and the Hotel Association of Washington DC, Foundation's "Hospitality High" Charter School.

**Cost:** \$125 per person

**Credit Card Payments:** Via [www.paypal.com](http://www.paypal.com): Send money to recipient's email [chswashingtondc@hotmail.com](mailto:chswashingtondc@hotmail.com) with email subject "Tastings on the Terrace" and a note including your name and contact number.

**Check Payments:** Mail checks to Cornell Hotel Society, c/o Eva Moore, 6015 North Dakota Ave NW, Washington DC 20011. Note your name and contact number.

**Questions?** Walker Lunn '03, 202.465.4802 or [chswashingtondc@hotmail.com](mailto:chswashingtondc@hotmail.com).

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