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Give to the Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship This Holiday Season!

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Scholarship support opens Cornell’s doors to bright and deserving area students, regardless of their financial circumstances. Your support makes it possible for Cornell to remain within reach for students whose potential is without limits. For example, this past fall the Cornell Club of Washington was pleased to award the Epstein Scholarship to Bethesda, MD, native Kimberly ‘12. Hear a word of Kimberly’s sincere appreciation:

“My major has given me the tools to practically examine many of the country’s policy problems and introduced me to a lot of subjects and issues that I had no knowledge of before coming to Cornell. Wherever I end up post-Cornell, I’m confident that my time here as an undergraduate will serve me well and have given me the tools and skills to succeed.... I love Cornell so much and I’m so grateful to you for providing me with this scholarship. I’m so happy to be here and your generosity makes financing my education more feasible.”

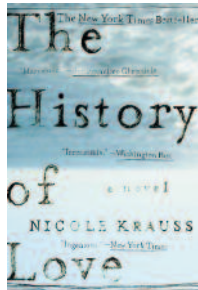
Scholarship support opens Cornell’s doors to bright and deserving students, regardless of their financial means. Providing scholarship money is the most direct infusion of goodwill you can put into the university. Like a shot in the arm—your money will go directly to a student and meet an important need immediately.

Please consider donating this holiday season to the Cornell Club of Washington Scholarship fund!

Two Easy Ways to Give:

Online: You can give any amount at any time by making a donation to the fund online at cornellclubdc.org by clicking on the “Support Scholarships” link. There is also a choice to donate when signing up for memberships.

By Check via Mail: All checks should be made out to “Cornell Club of Washington” with a note on the check that is it for the Scholarship. Please mail checks to: 2148 O St. NW, Washington, DC 20037.



CCW Book Club: *The History of Love*

Sunday, December 5, 4:00 pm
Location TBD

Join us for a discussion of Nicole Krauss’s best-selling work, *The History of Love*.

Questions: Brandon Jonas at brandon.jonas@gmail.com.



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Amy Shyr '10 HOTL
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Charles C. Snyder '09 I&LR
Robert D. Strahota '62 ARTS, '64 JGSM
Paige Zaitlin '08 HUEC
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Events at a Glance...

November

27 Big Red Men's Holiday Ice Hockey vs. Colgate University (in New Jersey)
Questions: A'ndrea Van Schoick '96 at alv1@cornell.edu

December

3 Ivy Singles Social Club Holiday Party
Questions: Phebe Greenwood at phebebg@yahoo.com
4 Walking Tour with Prof. Swerdlow: National Archives
Questions: Kim Jones Gilliam at knj2@cornell.ed.
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Questions: Brandon Jonas at brandon.jonas@gmail.com
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Questions: Kim Jones Gilliam at knj2@cornell.edu
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Questions: Steve Piekarec at spiekare@verizon.net or 703-281-4311
18 Cornell Young Alum Holiday Cocktail Party
Questions: Contact Lindsay Schattenstein at las368@cornell.edu
29-30 Cornell Basketball Team in VCU Holiday Tournament in Richmond
Questions: Bob Day at 301-438-7755 or Gary Thompson at gthompson@hunton.com

January

7 Cornell Hotel Society—Annual Holiday Party
Questions: Eva Moore at chswashingtondc@gmail.com
8-9 Cornell Cares Day & CCW Community Service Weekend
Questions: Ted Gumer at tedgumerCCW@yahoo.com
11 Northern Virginia Cornell Luncheon
Questions: Barbara Osgood at 703-502-1018 or btosgood@verizon.net
22 CCW Event at the Embassy of Macedonia
Questions: Steve Piekerec at spiekare@verizon.net or 703-281-4311
25 Tribute to Pablo Casals at the Kennedy Center
Questions: Tomoko Morinaga at tm58@cornell.edu
28-30 Cornell Alumni Leadership Conferences
Questions: Cornell University Office of Alumni Affairs at calc@cornell.edu or 607-255-1988

Every Friday Throughout the Season

Ivy Singles Over-50 Bridge
Questions: Carolyn Morgan at carolynmakins@aol.com

Club Announcements...

CCW Community Service Weekend

CCW Monthly Board Meeting

December 14, 2010: 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). In December the Board will hold its Holiday Pot Luck. There will not be a programming meeting.

Metro: Dupont Circle (Red line)

Questions: Steve Piekarec, spiekare@verizon.net (Board); Jaclyn West Hamlin '03, jlwest06@yahoo.com or Dorothy Kester Jackman '04, dlk730@gmail.com (Programming).

Old Town Alexandria Food Tour

Sunday, December 12, 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Meets near City Hall in Old Town
301 King St, Alexandria, VA

Join fellow Cornell alumni to explore Old Town Alexandria, which has prospered for over 260 years, and discover locally owned and operated restaurants off the beaten path in this historic and architecturally unique town!

On this guided, narrated walking tour, you will learn about Old Town's significance throughout the history of our country while stopping to sample dishes at long standing family owned restaurants. Enjoy both colonial and modern indigenous cuisine, which may include Virginia ham and biscuits, Mid-Atlantic Mahogany BBQ, local beer and wine, traditional Lebanese dishes, Old Town's famous 125 year old Jelly Cake, fresh baked artisan bread, local seafood, specialty teas, and more!

Join us as we bring you through a town of stately mansions, charming row houses, and tree-lined streets. See what makes this former port town so charming, and delicious. All dishes are included in the price. Enough food is served that most participants will not need dinner after the tour. All dishes are served sitting down, so you can enjoy the ambiance of each restaurant while trying their specialties, and hearing their stories. The restaurants have meticulously chosen dishes to showcase the culinary variety that exists within Old Town. At each stop, you will feel like a guest of honor, as you speak with the owners or their families, and enjoy their specialties.

Logistics: The food tour will last approximately 3 hours and can accommodate participants of all age groups and fitness levels. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing. We will be sitting for all dishes. The tour will take place rain or shine.

Cost: \$50 per ticket for CCW members and guests, \$55 for non-members. All food and drinks are included.

Register: Pay via PayPal on the www.cornellclubdc.org website or contact Kim Jones Gilliam to learn how to pay via check.

Questions: Contact Kim Jones Gilliam at knj2@cornell.edu.

Saturday January 8 & Sunday January 9, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Multiple Locations

It's now time to register for your volunteer event during Cornell Cares Weekend. CCW has the following events you can attend. Please email the CCW member noted below (and thank you to all our volunteer leaders for organizing each event!). Please do not contact the specific locations to register—rather, sign up through the CCW leaders who are serving as liaisons.

Saturday January 8: Capital Area Food Bank

Event: Sorting and packing donated food for thousands of families

Shift One: 9:00 am to 12:00 noon (40 people)

Shift Two: 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm (40 people)

To Register: Contact Nicole Silver at silver.nicole@gmail.com.

General Info: <http://www.capitalareafoodbank.org>

Saturday January 8: DC Central Kitchen

Event: Preparing thousands of hot meals for distribution throughout the area

Time: 8:45 am to 1:00 pm (40 people)

To Register: Contact Jerry Shih at jy90392@gmail.com.

General Info: <http://www.dccentralkitchen.org>

Saturday January 8: Ronald McDonald House of Washington DC
(1326 Quincy St NE)

Event: Clean and organize the House

Time: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (15 people)

To Register: Contact Jill Fields at jaf53@cornell.edu.

General Info: <http://www.rmhc.greaterdc.org>

Sunday January 9: Ronald McDonald House of Falls Church
(3312 Gallows Road)

Time: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (15 people)

To Register: Contact Megan Weber at mweber06@sbcglobal.net.

General Info: <http://www.rmhc.greaterdc.org>

Please check the CCW website for more information on each event. Feel free to call Ted Gumer for information at 301-761-1762 if you have trouble reaching the leaders. Again, thank you leaders for sharing your time with all of us!

Finally, thank YOU for supporting the CCW and Cornell during Cornell Cares Day and our local CCW Community Service Weekend. We have the very best alumni and it is wonderful to share our time, our enthusiasm and our Cornell spirit with our local community. As always, if you have ideas for events such as these, please contact Ted.

CCW Knitting Club—Hats for Hunger

The Cornell Club of Washington's knitting group is collecting hats until December for Hats for Hunger, which donates the proceeds of hat sales to Heifer International. If you would like to knit or crochet a hat to contribute, please email Katherine Rogers at kkrogers@gmail.com. For more information about the knitting group or to subscribe to its email list, please email the group at ccwknitting@gmail.com.

Cornell Young Alum Holiday Cocktail Party

Saturday, December 18, 6:45 to 10:00 pm
The Rookery
2519 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC



Come join fellow DC-area Cornell young alums in celebration of the holiday season! We have the entire upstairs of The Rookery (www.therookerydc.com), a private dining club located near Georgetown, for the evening. DJ Deuce and DJ Nedroc of Background Solutions Entertainment (www.thatismyjam.com) will be providing great music throughout the evening. Come early—open bar is from 7:00 to 8:00 pm!

Logistics:

6:45 pm: Check-In
7:00 to 8:00 pm: Open Bar and Passed Hors D'Oeuvres
8:00 to 10:00 pm: Additional food platters throughout

Dress: Cocktail attire required.

Cost: Before 12/1: CCW Members: \$30, Non-Members: \$35
After 12/1 and On-Site: CCW Members: \$40,
Non-Members: \$45
Consider joining CCW today for the discounted pricing—young alums get reduced membership fees!

Register: Pay via PayPal at
<http://www.cornellclubdc.org/events/2010/12/18/cornell-young-alum-holiday-cocktail-party>.

Metro: Foggy Bottom-GWU (Orange and Blue lines).

Questions: Contact Lindsay Schattenstein at
las368@cornell.edu.

Have You Renewed Your Membership?

CCW's 2010-2011 membership year is well halfway through—if you haven't renewed your membership yet, now's the time to do it! Remember, CCW dues are tax deductible if you get them paid by December 31, 2010. And it's easier than ever. Just visit us at <http://cornellclubdc.org/membership>. You can even use your PayPal account! Join us on Facebook and LinkedIn, too

We have a great year of events planned, so take a moment, too, to spread the word to your Cornellian friends! !

Paid membership in the Cornell Club of Washington gets you:

- Free or discounted admission to many events
- Priority registration at popular events
- A directory of Cornell Club of Washington members
- A monthly newsletter highlighting Club activities
- Reciprocal discounts at selected One Ivy, Cornell Club of Maryland, and other partner-sponsored events
- Dual membership discounts with the DC Cornell Black Alumni Association (CBAA)

Big Red Hockey v. Colgate at Prudential Center (Newark NJ)

Saturday, November 27, 7:30 pm
Prudential Center, Newark, NJ

Let's face it—no Thanksgiving is complete without it! Join fellow Cornell Club of Washington members as the Big Red men's ice hockey team takes on the Raiders of Colgate University at the home of the New Jersey Devils, the Prudential Center in Newark, New Jersey. Block seating is available exclusively to CCW members in the Blue Line, section 7.

The ECAC Hockey Writers and Broadcasters Association forecasts a fourth place finish for Colgate this year, while predicting second place for Cornell.

For more information and to purchase tickets online:

<http://www.cornellclubdc.org/events/2010/11/27/big-red-hockey-v-colgate-meadowlands>.



Pictured from left to right: Mike Owens '00 and Susan Owens '02, with son Ethan; Liz Pomper '98; Jennifer Owens Eisenman '04 and Keith Eisenman '01; Fran Raab '61, beside a Ceremony participant; Marge and Doug Currie '57; and Robert Raab, PhD '63. Not shown: Warren Beeton '64 and Bob Day '56

Cornellians Celebrate Sousa's 156th Birthday

Altogether 11 Cornellians made their way to this event, of whom 5 were alumni of the Big Red Band. As it turned out, we had lots of lively and thoroughly enjoyable conversation over brunch at Tunnick's Tavern on Capitol Hill. This followed the U.S. Marine Band's traditional Musical Tribute and Wreath Laying Ceremony at John Philip Sousa's gravesite in Congressional Cemetery, where birthday cake was served.

Four Cornell members of the Owens and Eisenman family, including 3 band alums, joined CCW's Liz Pomper '98, band alum Warren Beeton '64, now living in Haymarket VA, two Cornell couples—Doug '57 and Marge Currie and the Raabs—and your reporter. Fran Raab '61 and her husband Robert PhD '64 are looking forward to Fran's 50th Class Reunion in June. Susan '02 and Mike Owens '00 brought along 4-month old Ethan, Cornell Class of 2032.

Big Red Band members in our area may contact Liz Pomper at ehp3@cornell.edu for further information on the Band's alumni organization and its activities. For those who regretted missing this event, they will have another chance. Sousa's November 6th Birthday falls on a Sunday in 2011, and the Marine Band's traditional ceremony at Congressional Cemetery would be doable.—
Photo and report by Bob Day '56

A Wunderbar Oktoberfest for NOVA Lunch Club!

The Cornell Northern Virginia Lunch group met at Joe Manelski's house for an Oktoberfest on October 12. About 25 people attended, on a beautiful fall day. Joe provided a menu of authentic German food: assorted sausages, potato salad, sauerkraut, red cabbage, and apple strudel for dessert, washed down with German beer. Thanks to Néstor Cruz, the program was presented by Christina C. Scheppelmann, Director of Artistic Operations at the Washington National Opera.

The next NOVA Cornell luncheon will be held on January 11.

Questions: Contact Barbara Osgood at 703-502-1018 or btosgood@verizon.net



Big Red Basketball Team to Compete in Holiday Tournament in Richmond

*Wednesday to Thursday, December 29 to 30, 5:00 pm
Virginia Commonwealth University Arena, Richmond, Virginia
Reception hosted by Cornell Club of Central Virginia on December 29
www.vcuramnation.com/2010*

Wear red and join fellow Cornellians and their families in Richmond as Cornell's Ivy League Defending Champions compete in a Holiday Tournament hosted by Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). The Big Red take on the University of New Hampshire in the opening game. Tournament format and plans for a Cornell reception on opening night are as follows:

VCU Holiday Tournament Schedule:

Wednesday, December 29, 5:00 pm: CORNELL vs. NEW HAMPSHIRE and VCU vs. WOFFORD.

Thursday, December 30, 5:00 pm: losers vs. losers and then winners vs. winners.

The Cornell Club of Central Virginia (CCCVA) will be hosting a post-game reception for the team together with players' families, alumni, current Cornell students and their families on December 29th. According to the Club's President, Tracy Ruff, this event will support visiting CU athletes while building loyalty and enthusiasm for Cornell among alumni and current students in Central Virginia—an area with a fairly large alumni base that, due to its distance from the Ithaca campus, rarely has the opportunity to host Cornell groups. Tracy Ruff can be reached at twink@comcast.net.

Gary Thompson of CCCVA provides the following additional information on the Club's plans for the game and reception. Final details with a link for online registration will be sent through an e-blast to all regional alumni soon. Interested CCW members can contact Gary to make sure they get the word and can get tickets in the Cornell Section.

As of this writing, CCCVA's plan is to host a reception at the VCU arena after the CU/UNH game on Wednesday 12/29 for the team, player's families, coaches and CU alumni and friends. They expect to offer a buffet (with free soft drinks/ cash bar) and a game ticket in the Cornell section—price will be \$10 (for the reception and a one-day ticket covering both the CU/UNH and VCU/Wofford games on Wed), or \$20 (to include the reception and a 2-day ticket in the CU section for all 4 games on Wed. and Thurs.); and hope to offer the reception and a 2-day ticket free for current Cornell students.

Questions & Contact: Gary Thompson of CCCVA at gthompson@hunton.com or Bob Day of CCW, 301-438-7755.

Volunteer Tutors Wanted!

Want to help individual DC students get more out of their education? Volunteers are needed to tutor students at the Bald Eagle recreation center (100 Joliet St SW). Tutoring is one on one or with small groups of similar age students. Students particularly appreciate help with homework or games that help them learn while also having fun. Student participation is highest right after school from 3:30 to 5:30. Tutoring will also be provided on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30pm. Volunteers must provide their own transportation. Books for many ages are available at the Center, but it is a good idea to bring paper and pencils for supplementary exercises.

Questions & Contact: Lenora Moragne at lmoragne@verizon.net.

Ivy Singles Social Club Holiday Party at DACOR-Bacon House

*Friday, December 3, 6:30 to 9:00 pm
DACOR-Bacon House
1801 F Street, NW (at 18th Street), Washington, DC*

The Stanford Club of Washington D.C. invites you to the Ivy Singles Social Club Holiday Party! Our venue is the elegant and historic DACOR-Bacon House (built 1824-25), home to several Supreme Court Justices and a Maryland governor. U.S. Congressman from New York, Robert Low Bacon and his wife, Virginia Murray Bacon, lived in the house until 1980. Upon her death Virginia bequeathed the building and furnishings as a memorial to her husband. The DACOR-Bacon House and Foundation now serve as a "place to facilitate international peace and understanding" as well as a conference and meeting place for Diplomatic and Consular Officers, Retired (DACOR).

Each floor of the DACOR-Bacon House will be festively decorated for the holiday season. We will feast on hot and cold hors d'oeuvres and enjoy a fine selection of wine, cocktails and non-alcoholic drinks from a cash bar. Consistent with our elegant surroundings, please come dressed in holiday, cocktail or business attire.

Reservations, Online or Snail Mail: Register online for \$35, which includes a \$2 processing fee. To register by mail send a check for \$35 by payable to "WDCSA" or "Washington DC Stanford Association" to: Phebe Greenwood, 504 Gaslight Drive, Richmond, Virginia 23229.

Checks must be received by Monday, November 29th. Please note your school on the memo line of the check.

Walk-Ins: Walk-ins are welcome at \$40, however advance reservations are strongly encouraged as space is limited.

Dress: Dressy/Smart Casual

Metro: Farragut West (Orange and Blue Line). Walk 3 blocks south on 18th Street, NW.

Parking: Street parking is available after 6:30 pm. Please be aware that most nearby parking garages close early. Check with the garage attendant.

Map: Go to <http://maps.google.com>; then type "DACOR-Bacon House in Washington, D.C." for a street map and photo.

Questions: Contact Phebe Greenwood at phebebg@yahoo.com.

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