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DU Continues To Grow, Flourish At Cornell

Dear Brother,

The good news at DU continues. The chapter's accomplishments during 2005-'06 are impressive and gratifying.

In January, we had a record-breaking recruitment, resulting in 26 new member associates—the largest pledge class on the hill! In this *Noose*, you can read about the new members and the successful recruitment program headed by Lance Polivy '08.

Our 75 brothers are diverse, balanced, and engaged in chapter activities. Thirty-seven are living in the house. Eighteen seniors will graduate this semester.

The importance of scholarship in DU and the chapter's success academically during the past year is presented in this issue. We now rank 15th of all fraternities at Cornell. The chapter is into its third year of operation since reopening in August 2003. We are blessed with strong and capable officers, both outgoing and incoming.

The new academic year begins each August with an all-brothers/alumni directors retreat. On Friday, February 10, 2006, DU alumni hosted our annual wel-

coming dinner at the Statler for our 26 new members (pledges). On Sunday, February 12, 2006, we held our undergraduate officers/alumni directors retreat.

Each of these events was a terrific success, reinforcing teamwork between alumni and undergraduates as our management culture. At the officers/alumni directors retreat, the brothers ran the meeting with alumni now assuming a support role.

Initiation on April 8 was very impressive, with 26 new brothers and many parents attending. Charlie Joyce '72, whose son, Casey '09, was in the new member class, delivered an excellent charge about making good choices and taking risks in life. "DU alums took a risk in re-starting the chapter; our first core group of 15 and the others in the initial pledge class, initiated in December 2003, took a risk in joining a new DU. We all take risks in life. It's part of life, and that's good. Look how it's paying off very positively here in DU."

On April 11, Randy Shayler II '07 was elected president and Lance Polivy '08 vice president. Both did terrific jobs previously as treasurer and vice president of recruitment and will be great leaders in their added responsibilities. All officers are now elected for one-year terms extending from April to April. This enables more logical

transitions and better continuity with CU OFSA and DU reporting requirements.

Bill Schenkel '66 is leaving the board after 30-plus years of service because he feels it is time to rotate off and make room for some younger DU alums. Bill told me, "It's been a truly fantastic experience and a privilege working with the other alumni officers and everyone else associated with DU over these many years." Hopefully, Bill's example will inspire two or three alums who are interested and willing to work with DU undergraduates to join our board of directors.

Bottom line: The chapter is once again in good shape. The undergraduate articles in this issue provide the best evidence of the chapter's accomplishments and the quality and character of the brotherhood. I am extremely optimistic about our future.

I want to thank Lou Morga '07 and all the chapter officers for a terrific job in 2005-'06. Also, my sincere appreciation to DU alumni everywhere for your continued involvement and support.

Fraternally,
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REUNION 2006

**Saturday, June 10
4:00-6:00 p.m.**

We expect a big turnout at our DU reception at 6 South Ave. Classes of '61 and '66 as well as '01 are making a special effort to get their DU brothers back for reunion. Joe Pierce '75 is again catering, and Randy Shayler '72 is hosting. If you can attend, please RSVP by June 1 to Randy at shayler1@twcny.rr.com or (315) 632-4127.



Twenty-six new DU brothers on the porch after initiation

Alumni Officers

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Tony Murray '60

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Vice President—Fundraising

Tony Cashen '57

Vice President—Counsel

Tom Talley '65

Danny Alvarez '91

Rod Beckwith '57

Kevin Bruns '79

Frank Cuzzi '61

Dan Devine '86

Fred Devlin '67

Dan Gilroy '86

Peter Gogolak '64

John Hock '90

Tom Kobin '90

Bruno LaRocca '64

Michael Lawskey '92

Kevin Marcus '92

Doug Porter '78

Leigh Schmalz '61

John Seiler '57

Sam Sezak '98

Randy Shayler '72

Peter Vogel '92

Capital Campaign Nears All-Member Phase

As previously announced, we will soon kick off the all-member canvass to raise the remaining amount to achieve our \$1.3 million capital goal. We will be distributing informational material about the campaign, and our team of class captains will begin contacting our 1,000 alumni to answer questions and ensure that the goal is met.

The chapter has reached two important milestones. First, we are close to completing the leadership phase of our campaign. In the winter 2005-'06 *Noose*, we published the list of contributors to date: 58 alumni, with 20 making leadership gifts of \$10,000 or more. Our heartfelt thanks go out to these magnificent brothers, representing eight decades of devoted DUs! Total contributions now approach \$500,000. We are currently working to conclude the leadership solicitations so that we can launch the all-member solicitation.

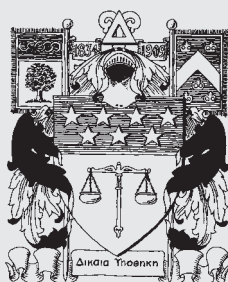
The second milestone is the success the new DU chapter has achieved after just three years of operation. As you read the articles in this *Noose*, you will be impressed by the accomplishments,

character, and quality of our chapter. We have regained our traditional position as one of the best fraternities at Cornell. Each of our 26 diverse new members is dramatic evidence. Our chapter's leaders are well respected and involved on campus, we are winning awards and other forms of recognition, and we are attracting legacies to our brotherhood—seven so far. The alumni who have recently met these young men are enormously enthusiastic and proud of our new DUs.

They are a stellar group of undergraduate men, and DU is continuing as an important Cornell institution that has earned and deserves your continued support. I urge you to join those who have already given as we reach out to conclude our leadership solicitation and then begin the all-member canvass. Please contact me or any member of the steering committee.

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Just a reminder that all gifts made to the DU Capital Campaign (Cornell account #279004) are fully tax-deductible and earn credit toward University Tower Club membership and class and reunion contributions. Contributions can be mailed to: Cornell Gift Services, 55 Broad Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850 or Tony Cashen, 118 Old Ox Rd., Ghent, NY 12075.



Five seniors who were members of the core group that recolonized DU
Chris Eckstein, Gage Stille, Ross Hamilton, Patrick Potts, and Greg Moore.

A Message From The Incoming Chapter President

Dear Brothers,

DU is poised to continue the strong pace of growth that we have experienced over the past few years. We no longer see ourselves as a refounding chapter. Under Presidents Moore, VanStekelenburg and Morga, we successfully restarted and reinvigorated our organization. Their excellent leadership and the considerable hard work of the undergraduates and alumni delivered DU, shining and vibrant, through a critical stage in its redevelopment. That phase in our history is drawing to a close.

Our mission is clear: continuous improvement. Our award-winning philanthropy program and our superlative recruitment program are the current flagships of our organization. We have the opportunity to produce a similar level of excellence in facilities management, member education, and scholarship. Those three areas will receive the greatest effort this year. Additionally, our continuing vigilance in risk management and hazing prevention will sustain the long-term vitality and success of our chapter

for years to come.

We have become one of the best fraternities on the Hill. Our goal is to once again become number one.

Alumni, as always, have a critical role to play at 6 South Ave. You are a source of inspiration, guidance, long-term planning, and awesome stories about the old days. We hope you will come back to the house and share with us more often. As you can see in this issue, there is a strong legacy presence in the chapter. DU strives to be a fraternity with which you will want your sons—and your daughters—to spend plenty of time.

Next year's improvements will harness ideas from all brothers—both undergraduates and alumni. Please feel free to contact me directly at any time. We hope that you will join us in celebrating our accomplishments and help us work hard toward an even greater DU.

Dikaia,
Randy Shayler II '07
Undergraduate President
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Outgoing Chapter President Reflects On His Tenure

Our chapter has undergone a major transformation during the past year. We have seen important improvements to the chapter house, our brothers' GPAs, and brotherhood involvement, but the biggest improvement by far was the addition of 26 new members. We are now 75 strong, and the future looks even brighter.

If you were to ask average Cornell students what the top fraternities are, DU would be on every list. It is unbelievable to think that, in less than three years, we not only grew in numbers but also have award-winning philanthropy, financial management, and alumni programs. This year, we expect to receive awards in the same areas and hopefully more. Although much praise has been given to the undergraduates for a successful transformation of our chapter, our alumni deserve even more. Without the persistence and guidance of Tony Murray '60, Tony Cashen '57, Frank Cuzzi '61, Bob Verna '68, and Fred Harwood '59,

our chapter would simply not exist on campus. Tony Murray '60 alone has spent an enormous amount of time ensuring that our chapter continues to grow and develop toward its full potential.

I am extremely grateful for the support Tony has given to me during my term as president, and I know he and other alumni will continue to give support to the future leaders of our chapter. There are so many aspects of our chapter that make it great. The house, location, brothers, and alumni all add to what we have here.

I thank everyone for the opportunity to be president of the greatest fraternity at Cornell, and I will take everything I learned from here with me throughout my life.

Dikaia,
Lou Morga '07
Undergraduate President 2005-'06



The DU executive board meets for a retreat in February. (See related story, page six.)

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Additional DU Highlights And Accomplishments

The chapter received an overall rating from OFSA (Cornell Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs) of a category two on a scale of one through five based on its 2004-'05 year-end report. Officers are currently completing our report for 2005-'06. While category two is a very good rating, they are anticipating a category-one rating for this year.

Jared Goodman, our resident advisor from USC '01, is completing his first year in the Cornell MBA program. He is doing an excellent job, has gained the confidence of the undergraduates, and has agreed to continue as our RA again next year.

Chapter officers attended the February 11 A.D. White Leadership Conference. During this weekend, we hosted the new members dinner on Friday and the officers/alumni directors retreat on Sunday.

Dave Binder '07, DU vice president

and past philanthropy vice president, received one of two honorable mentions for the John Dyson Citizenship Awards—recognizing his outstanding work and leadership with DU brothers and then as IFC director of community and university relations during the spring '05 semester.

The undergraduates have submitted two comprehensive DU reports for 2005-'06 to Cornell's OFSA as well as to the Delta Upsilon International Fraternity (Chapter Excellence Plan).

Alumni

Our directors attended the April 21, 2005 annual meeting in New York City prior to our spring dinner that evening. In addition to reviewing the status of the chapter, capital campaign, and financials, we discussed the opportunity to expand our directors' involvement with the

undergraduate chapter. Directors are now signed up to assist in the 13 chapter operational areas.

The mentoring program continues under the direction of John Honchariw '06 and Dan Gilroy '86. Peter Vogel '92 and Chip Stevens '92 spent a Friday night with brothers and had a good discussion session with about 20 our of undergraduate brothers on Saturday afternoon. Peter and Chip got great feedback and appreciation!

As mentioned in my letter, we hosted our annual new associate member (pledge) dinner on February 10 at the Statler. Frank Cuzzi '61, Bob Verna '68, Randy Shayler '72, Tony Cashen '57, and I are very impressed by all 26 new brothers, among whom are three Cornell DU legacies.

Tony Murray '60

DU Continues Its Award-Winning Philanthropy Program

This semester, Delta Upsilon kept its philanthropy program strong by continuing with some old traditions and adding some new ones as well.

The brotherhood kicked things off with the annual "Cards and Cookies" event with our neighbor on South Avenue, Kappa Alpha Theta. The event was a huge success, as the dining hall was filled to capacity with members from both houses. Together, the two groups made over 60 cards and 90 cookies for the local Oak Hill Nursing Home.

For the second straight year on Valentine's Day, the new members organized a flower sale that fulfilled the philanthropy event requirement of the new member program. Led by our new member philanthropy chair, Jonathan Ray '09, the pledges put on an enormously successful sale. All of the money raised was donated to the Ithaca Youth Bureau.

The biggest philanthropic event of the semester was the annual Easter Egg Hunt, in which the entire brotherhood participated. Done in coordination with the Ithaca Youth Bureau, over 30 children invaded the chapter house one Saturday afternoon and participated in a variety of events—like egg painting, relay races, and, of course, a hunt for eggs and candy. The brotherhood hid candy and over 200 eggs throughout the chapter house, and the kids found everything, having a great time in the



The annual DU Easter Egg Hunt.

process.

The final event for the semester took place hours after the Easter Egg Hunt. Much of the brotherhood hadn't had enough philanthropy for one day, so they headed over to Barton Hall for Relay for Life, a campus-wide event that benefits the American Cancer Society. The object of the relay is to have someone from your team walking around the track at all times for 12 straight hours to symbolize the long fight that cancer patients endure. With over 2,000 people participating

throughout the campus, Delta Upsilon raised the highest money total among fraternities.

This semester was packed with philanthropy events, all of which were successful and benefited many different people and organizations around campus and in the Ithaca community. DU has the strongest philanthropy program at Cornell, and it does not appear to be slowing down anytime soon.

Paul Burke III '07

DU Brothers Remain Academically Strong

The scholarship of the brotherhood progressed a great deal this semester under the leadership of Charles G. McClure IV '08, vice president of scholarship.

The most obvious indication of how well this semester went academically was the significant improvement in the house's grade point average. The house GPA increased from a 3.116 to 3.295—jumping from 27th place all the way up to 15th out of all the fraternities at Cornell. Another impressive statistic is that over 44 brothers received a GPA of 3.0 or higher—with three of them obtaining a 4.0 or higher.

Mark Levendorf '08 received the highest GPA award, while Ross Hamilton '06 earned the most improved GPA award. Of the new members initiated in the fall, Peter Schrafel '08 had the highest GPA.

Another improvement in the house's scholarship program was the requirement that each new member complete two study hours every week. Although it was expected that new members would study far more in a week, it served two purposes: First, it ensured that they would study a bare minimum of two hours, and, more importantly, it sent a message to new members that study is

taken very seriously by the brothers of Delta Upsilon.

Another method of support for new members was taken three weeks before initiation, when Brother McClure met with each new member individually to make sure that he was performing well in the classroom, while at the same time providing academic assistance and advice. The importance of academics was impressed upon the new members, since it was felt that setting the tone early at DU would serve them well for the remainder of their Cornell careers.

C.G. McClure '08

Legacies Strengthen DU Tradition At Cornell

What a wonderful development—seven legacies are undergraduate brothers at DU!

Three are new brothers initiated April 8, 2006—Casey Joyce '09 (son of Charlie Joyce '72), Whitney Cushing '09 (son of Jack Cushing '72), and Dan Honchariw '08 (brother of John Honchariw '06).

Randy Shayler II '07, our new chapter president, is the son of Randy Shayler '72. Greg Phillips '08 is the son of Duane Phillips '78. Nick Maione '08 is the brother of Tony Maione '06. These are all direct DU legacies. We are also fortunate to have Jim Hyland '07, whose father is a DU from Penn State.

The class of '72 connection is amazing. It had 26 pledges and three legacies (Rod Clemente, Mike Murphy, and Scott Schnuck), exactly the same rush results as this year. The '72 class is notable in other ways. It experienced the infamous Willard Straight Hall event and campus demonstrations, which I am told united the class. Three

years ago, 20 '72 brothers returned for the Ben Mintz/CFA golf outing in Ithaca, and they still stay in touch. Charlie Joyce, who delivered the initiation charge but who had missed his own undergraduate initiation, was given the DU oath in a surprise ceremony by his son, Casey, who himself had just been initiated. Randy told me it was a "Hallmark moment."

I spoke to several of the legacy fathers. None pushed their sons toward DU, wanting them to make up their own minds about fraternities and even about attending Cornell. All were thrilled when their sons selected DU. When Duane Phillips visited Cornell from San Francisco, he was particularly impressed with the diversity of the chapter. He said, "DU is just like it was when we were undergraduates, except they are smarter."

I can't think of a better testimonial for DU than when younger brothers like Dan and Nick join while their older brothers who are still DU undergradu-



Charlie Joyce '72 is read the DU oath by his son, Casey Joyce '09.

ates. (Remember the four Clemente brothers?) Another DU tradition, legacies, is again alive and well at DU.

Fred Harwood '59

DU ALUMNI WRITE

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William F. Harrity Jr. '41 writes, "Four years as a naval aviator, 1941-'45. Worked in several jobs in advertising till 1950 then hired by a client to learn insurance brokerage. Opened my own brokerage firm in 1955. Won exclusive approval of PGA of America for my designed policy for golf shop operators in 1956, which lasted till

1984. The U.S. Professional Tennis Association in 1975 asked me to handle all their property and casualty insurance till 1989. Retired from that joyful career in 1990. I loved many years of golf at the famous Merion Golf Club in Pennsylvania and a lot of tennis at the Merion Cricket Club. I visited with **Ralph Antell '41** several

times in Richmond. He was the class of '41 secretary for many years despite Lou Gehrig's Disease, a truly wonderful DU alumnus." Write to Bill at 7879 Estancia Way, Sarasota, FL 34238.

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DU Executive Board Meets For February Retreat

On Sunday, February 12, 2006, the DU executive board woke up bright and early to meet in a Willard Straight Hall loft to discuss the state of the chapter. The outlook for the chapter is incredibly positive.

Presentations were made by each officer, outlining progress and goals for the upcoming semester. Additionally, the executive board and the alumni attending the retreat discussed some of the opportunities for improvement in the future. The alumni participants

included Tony Murray '60, Tony Cashen '57, Randy Shayler '72, Bob Verna '68, and Frank Cuzzi '61.

Highlights included a recruitment recap on the efforts of the entire brotherhood; a presentation on our great work in public relations—as evidenced by articles published in *The Cornell Daily Sun* and *The Ithaca Journal* about DU; and a discussion of our improving relations with sororities.

Randy Shayler's presentation on his work as treasurer was another high-

light. Our financial management was previously recognized at Cornell as the strongest on campus, mostly due to Randy's great work. We also discussed our new constitution and possible changes to our internal judicial process.

Everyone felt the retreat was a huge success due to the impressive presentations, discussions, and progress made accomplishing most of the officers' objectives for this school year.

Program Aids Member Education

The member education program has made significant strides this semester and has been very successful in enriching the brotherhood in a variety of ways.

At the beginning of the spring semester, alumni Chip Stevens '92 and Pete Vogel '92 returned to the chapter house to speak to the brotherhood about their respective careers and fielded questions about their lines of work and personal experiences after graduating from Cornell.

In February, Fred Antil '55 joined us for a Sunday formal chapter dinner and discussed some of his life after graduating from Cornell. Brother Antil also brought some excellent pictures to show the brotherhood and told some great stories about life in the house during the 1950s.

In April, the member education program held a Passover Seder in the dining room that was open to all brothers. More than a dozen brothers attended, along with several female guests, and the event was very successful in teaching the brotherhood about a unique religious tradition.

The member education program also has several events planned for the future, including a discussion with Tim Marchell '82, director of mental health initiatives at Cornell, who has come by the chapter house on numerous occasions to speak to and hang out with the brotherhood. Another possible event is a talk given by Gali Porat, an ILR researcher who would give the chapter a presentation on prescription-drug abuse.

Perhaps the most important task facing the member education program in the future is the search for a chapter faculty advisor. Several candidates have been considered for the position, and the chapter hopes to finalize its choice and secure an advisor by the fall.



Brothers relax at the chapter house.

Brother Promoted To NFL QB Coach

Bill Lazor '94 was promoted to Washington Redskins quarterbacks coach in January 2006 after spending the 2004-2005 seasons as an offensive assistant with the Redskins.

In 2003, he was with the Atlanta Falcons as offensive quality control coach. He joined colleague Rennie Simmons in coming to Washington from Atlanta. While his resume lists only three years coaching on the pro level, Bill is more than comfortable working with high-profile players.

In 2003, he worked with a number of notable NFL standouts, including Michael Vick and Warrick Dunn and Pro Bowler Alge Crumpler. Before jumping to the NFL ranks, Bill was offensive coordinator-quarterbacks

coach for the University of Buffalo from 2001-2002.



Bill Lazor '94

Previously, he served in numerous coaching capacities at Cornell. Following his graduation, he joined the coaching staff full time, working with the receivers, running backs, quarterbacks, and tight ends. In addition to his coaching duties, Bill was also the recruiting coordinator from 1998-2000.

Bill enjoyed a record-breaking career as a quarterback for Cornell from 1991-1993, setting 26 school passing and total offensive records. Bill earned his bachelor's degree in human development and family studies. He and his wife, Nicole, live in Ashburn, Virginia.

Brother Recognized At Leadership Conference

At the annual A.D. White Leadership Conference, held on February 11, 2006 at the Statler Hotel, Delta Upsilon brother David Binder '07 was honored for his immense contributions to both the DU brotherhood and the fraternity system at Cornell in general.

In the past, Dave served as vice president of public relations for the chapter, solidifying DU's reputation as the fraternity with the best philanthropy program on campus. During spring semester, Dave was elected to the position of vice president, and during his time in office, he has accomplished a great deal—including the completion of a draft of a new constitution for the brotherhood.

At the A.D. White Leadership

Conference, Dave received an honorable mention for the John S. Dyson '65 Citizenship Award. Mr. Dyson, a Cornell alumnus and trustee emeritus for the university, has been a prime mover to enhance the fraternity and sorority experience at Cornell. The award is given annually during the A.D. White Leadership Conference to a student who has "exemplified exceptional leadership within the Greek community and who has demonstrated a strong commitment to community service, philanthropy, scholarship, and citizenship."

The chapter congratulates Dave on his achievement and thanks him for both the time and effort that he has devoted to Delta Upsilon and the Cornell community.



David Binder '07.

Welcome Our Newest Members

Name	Hometown	Major	Activity
Josh Barvin	Houston, TX	Economics	Cornell Varsity Football
Michael Baxter	Stroudsburg, PA	History	Cornell Ambassador
Michael Betourney	Bakersfield, CA	Biology	Cornell Ambassador
Whitney Cushing	Homer, AK	ILR	Commercial Fisherman
Andrew Davis	Minnetonka, MN	Biology	Intramural Ping-Pong-2nd place
Brian FitzGerald	Fairview Park, OH	ILR	Flag Football
Stephen Hawley	Batavia, NY	Natural Resources	Cooking
Dan Honchariw*	Tiburon, CA	ILR	College Basketball
Casey Joyce	Wellsville, NY	ILR	Flag Football
Riaz Karmali	Toronto, ON	Biology	Flag Football
Jake Lewis	Evanston, IL	Undecided	Cornell Ambassador
Jake Loewentheil	Baltimore, MD	Biology and Society	Dairy Club
John McDonnell	Bethesda, MD	History	Flag Football
Kevin Phillips	Lafayette, CA	Engineering	Intramural Bowling Champion
Brandon Potter	Moreland Hills, OH	Economics	Basketball
Jonathan Ray	Nashville, TN	China & Asia-Pacific Stud.	Community Service
Alexander Rosenblum	New Hartford, NY	Hotel Administration	Boxing
Adam Sackowitz	Old Bethpage, NY	ILR	Hockey Goalie
Daniel Schwarber	North Olmstead, OH	Human Bio, Health	Basketball
Charles Snyder	Rockville, MD	ILR	Intramural Football
Evan Sprenger	Flemington, NJ	Mat. Science & Eng.	Lacrosse
Michael Sutyak	Lafayette, CA	Engineering	Intramural soccer
Edmond Timpano	New Hartford, NY	Biology	Intramural basketball
Kevin Vieira	Union, NJ	Undecided	Cornell Varsity Soccer
Peter Yu	Sarnia, ON	Engineering	Intramural soccer
Peter Zell*	Fort Myers, FL	Economics	Cornell Varsity Football

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DU Nets 26 Diverse New Members In Strong Rush

With 18 seniors graduating in May, the chapter rallied together to make sure that an incredibly strong pledge class was recruited, and the results were outstanding. Twenty-six men decided to become new members of Delta Upsilon, making our pledge class the largest on campus. In addition, the brotherhood extended only 31 bids, making our return rate one of the highest on campus as well.

The story behind the success of this particular rush class was the ability of the brotherhood to take the initiative. Instead of expecting new members to just come to the house during rush week, brothers actively sought out freshman and other men on campus, inviting them to the house for events at the house like barbecues and poker night and weekly pick-up football games in the law school courtyard. The brotherhood changed its rush philosophy significantly this year, changing from a push-only during rush week to a year-long process. Brothers recruited new members from their classes, from the athletic fields, from the weight room—even from meeting them during orientation week.

The new member class is representative of the entire house, coming from many different backgrounds and having many diverse interests. There are football players, soccer players, musicians, student representatives in the Cornell community, and many other individuals who engage in a variety of activities here at

Cornell. This new class is full of strong leaders, eager to serve in positions on the executive board and contribute all they can to the house as a whole.

Because of the success of DU's recruitment program, I have been asked to give a presentation to all of the other fraternities on campus about how to run a successful rush program. This is just another example of how everything is moving in the right direction here at 6 South Ave. Our philanthropy program has

been awarded as the best on campus, our financial management was recognized as the best on campus, we had the largest pledge class on campus, and we have a brother on the Interfraternity Council's executive board for the first time since the recolonization. We're excited to see these newly initiated brothers take on leadership positions and help our house reach new heights.

Lance Polivy '08



DU's newest members at their initiation.

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Edward "Harry" Cumpston Jr. '46 writes, "This is Bentley Village Retirement Home, where Cappy and I are at our last resting place. Would love to hear from some really old DUs. Attended the Naples Cornell Club luncheon yesterday." Write to Harry at 870 Classic Court, #321, Naples FL 34110.

"My wife, Betty, and I have both

retired," writes Everett "Chuck" Loppacker Jr. '53. "We have relocated after 36 years in Connecticut to Williamsburg, Virginia, where we are building a house. Given my architectural, structural/civil engineering, and facilities engineering background—plus the last 12 years as a home inspector for home-purchasing clients—I hope I'm not the builder's 'worst nightmare.' I'm trying not to be. Three of our four children and six of our nine grandchildren live within

a three-hour drive from here, which is great! This coming June, we'll be celebrating our 50th wedding anniversary, so we are having our family's reunion at the Outer Banks of North Carolina. As of today, all of the children and grandchildren will be there." Keep in touch with Chuck at 4204 Summit Loop, Williamsburg, VA 23188. E-mail him at eplop@earthlink.net.

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DU Excels In Intramural Competition

This semester, DU continued its strong performance in the Cornell intramural sports league. Not only has DU been very successful, but intramurals have been a good bonding experience for all the brothers who have played, coached, and cheered at every game.

To start off the semester, we had hockey. After a rough start, DU came roaring back and was the hottest team going into the playoffs. However, in the semi-final round, we went up against a very good goaltender, and we ended up losing to the eventual champions after a tie-breaking goal was scored against us with just four seconds remaining in regulation.

In basketball, DU once again rolled through the regular season undefeated,

never facing a truly formidable opponent. In the playoffs, we were able to withstand some very tough opponents and make it to the finals, where we lost a heartbreaker to the defending champions.

After a semester chock full of near misses, DU finally tasted glory when the bowling team brought home the championship. They dominated the opposition the entire season, successfully defending their intramural title from last year and establishing DU as one of the premier bowling squads on campus.

Other sports that brothers have participated in this semester include ping pong, squash, indoor soccer, softball, and tennis. DU has shown that we can compete in every sport, and we can't

wait until next season to bring home even more championships.

The IFC New Member Olympics was also a big deal for DU. It was an event created by Lance Polivy DU '08 as vice president of programming for the IFC. The pledge classes from every fraternity competed in a bunch of sports to determine who had the most athletic pledge class on campus. The idea was to foster a sense of Greek community as well as to set an example for how to bring a pledge class together (instead of hazing). The event was a huge success, and to top all of it off, DU's team was terrific and finished in second place.

Paul Burke III '07

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We finally located "Log," Peter Kellogg '59, in Round Rock, Texas, a suburb of Austin. Log has been living in Texas, with brief stints in Detroit and New York City, for about 25 years. After graduating from Cornell, he was a Naval Officer for several years. He then got his MBA from Harvard, worked in Nicaragua as director of industrial development for the Central Bank, and by age 36, was vice president of finance for a London merchant bank subsidiary of the Chase Bank. He is still working as an internationally known SAP software expert and has managed SAP issues at many Fortune 500 clients, such as Allstate, Ericsson, British Telecom, AMTRAK, and others. He has also collaborated on one SAP book and is writing a second one. From his travels, he has become skilled in five foreign languages. He moved to Texas and became very active in his church, which he credits for getting him through some hard times. His bachelor lifestyle now gives him the flexibility to spend most of his free time doing charitable work with the homeless and the terminally ill, as well as supporting the national pro-life movement. He also serves on several advisory



The brothers gather for a meeting on the ice during DU intramural hockey.

boards and committees for his Parish in Round Rock. Brothers can contact Log at peter.kellogg@att.net.

Gerald A. Cerand '60 reports that he recently purchased a house on almost 12 acres of land near Cayuga Lake. "Will spend summers there for the next couple of years and then I will either sell or rent out the Potomac, Maryland property. I am still a consultant to the major airports in the U.S., but plan to retire either this year or next year after my daughter, Paige, graduates from Cornell in 2007. Would love to hear from every-

one." Write to Gerry at 8911 Falls Rd., Potomac, MD 20854. Send him e-mail at gcerand@erols.com.

Donald F. Frei '60 writes, "As of January 1, I retired as a partner at Wood, Herron, and Evans, an intellectual property law firm in Cincinnati and now serve in an 'of counsel' position. At the same time, we moved our permanent residence to our home in Incline Village, Nevada, where we have had a vacation home for more than a decade. Cindy and I both enjoy the skiing, biking, and hiking, that the

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Lake Tahoe area provides. It is also much closer to our children and grandchildren in Denver, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, and San Diego—who visit us on a regular basis. Speaking of grandchildren, we now have 12, evenly split in terms of sex—six grandsons and six granddaughters.” Write to Don at 500 Lucille Dr., Incline Village, NV 89451. E-mail him at don@freihome.com.

Donald H. Young '61 (60 Yantacaw Brook Rd., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043) writes, “At the end of 2005, after 40 years in the investment management business, I retired from INVESCO, where I was the head of the global structured products group. We had \$23 billion in assets under management for 300 institutional clients and a staff of 55. Some of the activities I hope to pursue in retirement include: travel; education; scuba diving and underwater photography; bicycle riding; and golf.” Send Don e-mail at notleh@aol.com.

“Contemplating retirement,” writes **John M. Shaffer '66**. “I intend to attend reunion this coming June.” Write to John at 743 Windflower Dr., Longmont, CO 80501. E-mail him at john_shaffer@nrel.gov.

“I retired from DuPont as an operations vice president in September 2004 and have been living in Celebration, Florida since then managing real estate investments,” writes **Bruce A. Carlson '68**. “Kathy (Kappa '69) owns and manages Imagination Realty here in Florida and has been very successful. The market here is still hot despite flattening elsewhere in the country. Our oldest son, Brian (Cornell '98) is married and working in London. Bradley, our youngest, just

graduated from Rollins in Winter Park and is living in L.A. trying to become rich and famous as an actor. He’s had a number of roles in movies, TV series, and commercials but still waiting for ‘the big break.’” Write to Bruce at 1243 Aquila Loop, Celebration, FL 34747; bacducks@aol.com.

William R. Shaw '69 writes, “General practice law firm for over 20 years, now includes representing 30 Cornell fraternities and sororities. Recreation includes 35 years of bow hunting. This year included two bucks and a rare feat—a bow shot coyote. Wife, Gail, and I live above family woodlands and overlooking Cayuga Lake, 20 minutes north of Ithaca.” Send Bill greetings at 14 Deer Crossing Ln., Trumansburg, NY 14886. E-mail him at wmrshaw@aol.com.

James T. O'Hargan '72 reports a new address of 4204 Ridgeway Dr., Tupelo, MS 38826. E-mail him at johargan@rexelusa.com.

Keep in touch with **Stephan M. George '78** at his new address of 20573 Wildcat Run Dr., Esters, FL 33928. E-mail him at smgargoyle@comcast.net.

Jim H. Gibbons '82 writes, “Enjoying the beauty and great climate of the Pikes Peak region since 1984. My wife, Betsy, and I stay busy with work. She is a representative for Abbott Labs, and I am a licensed registered financial advisor, working with smaller banks, credit unions, and small businesses, and individual investors. We raise, breed, and show Irish wolfhounds, have a great yellow lab named Beano (after Beano Cook), and serve on the boards of many local non-profits.” Write to Jim at 7115 Nettlewood Pl., Colorado Springs, CO 80918; jgibb01@aol.com.

Write to **David H. Dase '89** at his new mailing address of 2211 Broadway, #10E, New York, NY 10024.

Send greetings to **Michael C. Hild '97** at 2302 E. Marshall St., Richmond, VA 23223.

“I’m living the Washington, D.C. area, where I’ve just begun my fourth year as a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice,” writes **Robert P. Williams '97**. “I spent the last three years working hard prosecuting the federal government’s lawsuit against the tobacco industry, a case that sought to disgorge \$280 billion worth of profits earned by the major cigarette manufacturers as a result of a 50-year-long conspiracy to defraud the American public about health effects of smoking and marketing to youth. The case culminated in a nine-month-long trial that ended in June 2005. The judge’s decision is still pending. I received an award for my efforts on the case and was recently selected for a new position in the department’s environment and natural resources division, where I will be handling cases involving endangered species.” Write to Rob at 851 N. Gleloe Rd., #1406, Arlington, VA 22203.

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We regret to report the deaths of:

Harry “Skip” Vawter Jr. '42
July 2005

James R. Farrell '50
January 31, 2005

Joseph B. Kirkland Jr. '50
November 8, 2005

David E. Krino '68
December 14, 2005

Donald J. Howell Jr. '85
April 29, 2005

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