

# The Alumni

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## Alumni, Undergraduate Chapters Continue To Succeed

*Cornell Chapter Named Outstanding Alumni Chapter For Second Consecutive Year*

Great news! Mark Clemente '73 and Greg Moore '06 are new members of our DUA board. Both are already actively involved with the undergraduate brothers and very enthusiastic about contributing to Cornell DU's continued success.

Mark, one of four Clemente brothers who are Cornell DUs, has been a loyal DU alumnus and is on the sprint football board as well. He has also agreed to assume Bob Verna's ('68) role as our DUA vice president treasurer at our spring 2007 annual board meeting. Bob will continue his many years of outstanding service as a director and as treasurer of our Cornell DU Justice Foundation.

Greg graduated in May and was one of the founding brothers in the 2003 recolonization of our DU chapter. He did an excellent job as its first president and wants to continue his involvement in DU and support of the brotherhood's future achievement and growth.

We all thank Mark and Greg for stepping up to my request in the spring 2006 *Noose* for a few additional alums to become DUA directors. If you are also interested in working with our DU undergrads, please contact me. We welcome your support.

I believe the DU undergraduates and alumni working together have now successfully completed our chapter's reorganization in just three years. This accomplishment is described throughout this *Noose* and in past issues. A few highlights are: a large, diverse, engaged, and recognized membership; chapter organization and management of day-to-day operations, including sound financials; many individual and chapter awards; Cornell's Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs' 2005-'06 year-end high rating and selection of DU as one of the most improved fraternities; continued (and even improving) high academic

achievement (with spring '06 semester's house GPA of 3.282 ranking DU 12th of 43 fraternities); greatly expanded alumni participation with chapter in alumni relations, communications, member and new member education programs, mentoring, and recruitment; the establishment of the Parents' Club; and being chosen Outstanding DU Alumni Chapter for the second consecutive year. It's been a real team effort!

Our thanks to all who have given their time, effort, and support. A special thank you to Paula Mozdzioc, president of the DU Parents Club, and Jared Goodman, our resident adviser who created and organized the first such DU support group.

So what's next: Randy Shayler '07, chapter president, answers this very well in his letter (*see page two*). We must continue our focus on good execution and

high performance in all areas—those needing improvement as well as our strengths! We are beginning the next phase of our new DU, that we are calling Excellent Execution. Alumni involvement is essential for our strong undergraduate chapter to achieve even greater excellence. Thanks again for all you do!

If you haven't already done so, I ask that you contribute before year end to the Leadership Phase of our Capital Campaign, as discussed in Tony Cashen's update (*see page two*), as well as allocate to DU some or all of any contributions to the Cornell Fund. We need and appreciate your financial support; it is essential to Cornell DU's long-term success!

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*Tony Murray '60, Fred Harwood '59 and Delegates Mike Baxter '09, Brandon Potter '09, and Steve Shaner '08, accept the Outstanding Alumni Chapter Award from Bill Messick and Ed Porter, DU International chairman and president. "This award is presented to an alumni chapter each year that shows excellence in solid organization, positive leadership and respectful advising of the undergraduate chapter, while maintaining excellent communication with their existing base of alumni brothers as well as the chapter."*

## Alumni Officers

### President

Tony Murray '60

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Fred Harwood '59

### Vice President— Treasurer

Bob Verna '68

### Vice President— Fundraising

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Tom Kobin '90

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Michael Lawskey '92

Kevin Marcus '92

Greg Moore '06

Doug Porter '78

Leigh Schmalz '61

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Sam Sezak '98

Randy Shayler '72

Peter Vogel '92

## Undergraduate President Reflects on Chapter

Dear Brothers,

After you read the great news in this issue, we hope you will share in the excitement of the chapter's continued success. This year more than ever, we are fortunate to have the strong commitment and involvement of the brotherhood, a tremendous depth of motivated and extremely capable leadership within the chapter, and award-winning alumni support to guide us in the right direction.

By combining and leveraging those advantages, we hope to deliver performance this year that will far exceed our goals as well as the expectations of Cornell University and DU International, as expressed through formal evaluations and award criteria. We hope that our chapter will finally receive the level of recognition it deserves for the dedication and hard work invested in our organization over the years.

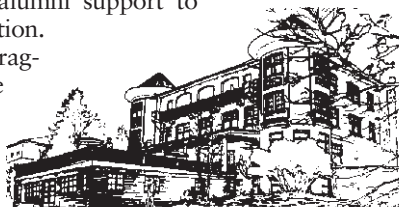
Over the next semester, the undergraduate chapter will enhance and reformulate its member education program to better serve the needs of the brotherhood. The program will center

around professional, career, and cultural development, as we hope to increase the knowledge and awareness of the undergraduates about life in the real world. Alumni career mentors will have a large role in the new program, as will our new faculty adviser, Dr. Tove Hammer. We will also develop and implement new procedures for maintaining and cleaning the chapter house and establish a chapter website to enhance communications among DU brothers of all ages.

More than ever, we hope our collective efforts will fulfill the chapter's overarching goal of providing each brother with an unparalleled undergraduate experience and an entire lifetime of brotherhood in the fullest sense of the word.

As always, please contact me with any suggestions or recommendations you may have. We all hope to see you back at 6 South Ave. again soon.

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## An Update on the DU Capital Campaign

Since reorganizing the undergraduate chapter in 2003, you have read and observed the tremendous success of our new undergraduate group, which numbered 76 last spring when we successfully recruited 26 new members—the largest new class on campus.

Those of you who have visited the chapter and met your undergraduate brothers know of their quality. You will also have observed the complete renovation of the chapter house, which serves all of us very well—including the alumni suite, now available to all visiting alums.

During the past three years, as we have undertaken the long-term Capital Campaign, we have worked to raise Leadership Pledges and gifts in the first phase of the campaign. Having nearly reached our halfway goal of \$650,000, we are now completing that effort in order to launch the all-member canvas next year.

The funds we seek to raise will allow us to: repay the university loan we incurred for the restoration of 6 South; provide the endowment necessary to maintain the physical condition of the chapter; provide program and leadership support; and continue to make scholarship awards to deserving brothers.

Cornell has just announced a \$4 billion, five-year capital campaign—one of the largest ever undertaken by any university and almost two

times larger than the university's last campaign. As we continue our fundraising efforts, contributions to DU will qualify as contributions to the university, individual classes, the Tower Club, and to reunion class campaigns.

If we are successful in completing our solicitation of additional Leadership Pledges by year end, we will launch the all-member canvas early next year. Please respond with your interest and generosity when you are solicited for support. The "heavy lifting" required to restore DU to its historic level of excellence has been done by a relatively few alumni brothers. Now we need every brother's support to complete the task begun four years ago.

Leadership Pledges in the amount of \$10,000 or more are sought for this phase of the campaign. Thus far, we have had pledges ranging from that amount to \$100,000. Checks should be made out to Cornell University, account #279004, and mailed to me or to Cornell Gift Services, P.O. Box 2600, Ithaca, NY 14851.

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## DU Recognized with Four Awards in Ceremony



*Pictured above: Tony Murray '60, Distinguished Service Award winner; Randy Shayler '07, chapter president; Jonathan Ray '09, Outstanding New Member Award winner; now VP of Philanthropy, Lou Morga '07, past president and Outstanding Chapter Leader Award winner; Lance Polivy '08, vice president; Greg Moore '06, chapter president (2003-'04); Dave Binder '07, past vice president; Brian Strahine '02, assistant dean of students; and Tony Cashen '57. DU also received the Most Improved Chapter Award.*

## Greek Week Victory Bolsters DU's Campus Image

Since its beginnings, Greek Week has been a fun and effective way for members of the Greek community to meet one another and to attract freshmen to the Greek system.

What better way to accomplish both of these goals than to emerge as Greek Week champions? In a series of events during the week of September 25, DU and the rest of the yellow team (Alpha Phi, Alpha Sigma Phi, Tau Kappa Epsilon, and Alpha Kappa Alpha) out played and out participated 11 other teams to come out of the week number one.

Throughout the week, points were distributed to teams based on attendance, as

well as success in athletic competitions. Competitions included volleyball, relay races, wings eating contest, and three-on-three basketball. Attendance events included a carnival on Ho Plaza, a comedy night, an ice cream social, and a Saturday afternoon football game.

Thanks go out to Lance Polivy '08, the IFC vice president of programming, for helping to organize the entire week, and to Kevin Phillips '09, DU's Greek Week captain, for organizing the brotherhood into an enthusiastic and winning team.

Adam Sackowitz '09

## Looking for a few good DUs

Do you know of any freshmen on campus who would potentially make a good DU? We want to hear about them! Please contact Brandon Potter, vice president of recruitment, by e-mail at [bdp27@cornell.edu](mailto:bdp27@cornell.edu) or by phone at 216-288-5107.

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## Brother Joins Elite Group of Meinig Scholars

Whitney Cushing '09, of Homer, Alaska, has joined an elite group by winning a Meinig Family Cornell National Scholar Award. This select group of students, which makes up two percent of Cornell's population, is selected based on leadership and academic excellence.

Whitney was very active in his high school, community, and state politics. He once moved 200 miles away on his own for six months to take a paid job on a U.S. Senate campaign. During the summer, Whitney serves as a deckhand on a 32-foot commercial fishing salmon boat in Bristol Bay, Alaska.

Whitney was also recognized nationally for founding Homer Alaskan Youth for Environmental Action (HAYEA)—the first environmental youth group on the Kenai Peninsula. At Cornell, Whitney is involved with various clubs and groups and is on the Student Advisory Board to Cornell Campus Life.

As a legacy in the house (Jack Cushing '74), he is a great fit as DU historian. He is also the chairman for the Chapter of Excellence report to DU international and has been a major contributor to this issue of the *Noose*.



*Whitney Cushing '07 holds a large King Salmon in Bristol Bay, Alaska.*

## Undergraduates Hold Productive Retreat

This year's annual brotherhood retreat, held on August 27, took us to Cornell's Lab of Ornithology in Sapsucker Woods, where we spent a full day examining our organization and setting the tone for the new year.

The retreat agenda included presentations from undergrads and alumni and focused on key areas of the chapter. It began with discussions of the opportunities and threats present in our environment and the strengths and weaknesses of our chapter. Armed with that information, we then drilled down on current issues facing the chapter and discussed them in depth.

We were fortunate to have five alumni attend the retreat: Mark Clemente '73, Tony Cashen '57, Randy Shayler Sr. '72, Bob Verna '68, and Tony Murray '60. Tony Cashen kicked off our discussion in the morning with a candid appraisal of the Greek system's long-term outlook. His remarks reminded us how fortunate we are at Cornell to have such a healthy

Greek community with such a bright future. Tony also reminded us of the inherent risks that we face. Compared to many other campuses, Cornell strongly supports its fraternities and sororities—but we face the same risks and pitfalls as all chapters nationwide. The responsibility falls on each chapter to safeguard the future of the system, and DU is leading the charge at Cornell.

The undergraduates and alumni then brain stormed the strengths and weaknesses of the chapter. In this productive session, we discussed our collection of awards, our beautiful, newly renovated chapter house, our excellent recruitment results, and our outstanding alumni relations program, among other things. As weaknesses, we recognized that we should invest in the development of our member education program, our house clean-up procedures, and expanding our social schedule beyond our usual list of preferred sororities.

After a brief update from each execu-

tive officer and a lunch break, we were joined by Kara Miller, the new assistant dean of fraternity and sorority affairs. She introduced herself to the brotherhood and shared her fresh perspective on the Cornell Greek system. We concluded the day with a recruitment planning session to kick off our efforts for this semester. Led by the vice president of recruitment, Brandon Potter '09, we discussed various strategies and techniques for continuing our tremendous success in recruitment.

At the end of the day, we recapped the session and actions we would take as the results of our valuable discussions. Best of all, we left the session relaxed, refreshed, and ready to face another year of student life, classes, philanthropy events, parties, memories, and brotherhood.



*A scene from the chapter retreat, held at the Lab of Ornithology in September.*

## DU Continues Its Strong Recruitment Program

The tables have turned, and the group that made up Cornell's largest pledge class last spring has now become Cornell's largest group of new recruiters.

The brotherhood has made numerous efforts to augment its already thriving recruitment program. With enthusiasm and contribution from every brother, DU will secure another strong pledge class in the spring and solidify its position as one of the most successful houses on campus.

The brotherhood kick started rush by establishing a summer recruitment agenda. We took advantage of the fact that Cornell Club chapters throughout the United States host summer picnics welcoming all incoming freshmen in their regions. The clubs also invite a handful of upperclassmen to act as ambassadors to Cornell. Several DU brothers were able to attend these events and met some promis-



ing candidates before they even set foot on campus.

One of our biggest recruitment goals for this year is to continue the tradition of having varsity athletes in the house: We lost a number of athletes to graduation in 2006, and the number of athletes has dwindled in recent pledge classes. While we are committed to maintaining a diverse and balanced brotherhood, we are working closely with our current athletes to establish recruitment events that cater specifically to freshmen on varsity teams. We have a rivalry week celebration planned for November that coincides with the Cornell-Penn football game. Alumni support has also been beneficial to us, as we search for athlete candidates.

Countless other tactics have put us in a good position for freshman recruitment. Brothers are encouraged to be visible on

North Campus and to wear letters as often as possible. Our Greek Week victory and our many appearances in The Cornell Daily Sun have created a positive image for our chapter. Hosting open parties is another good way of getting freshman to DU. We have also hosted several smaller events at the house that encourage more intimate interaction between rushees and brothers. These have been very valuable for recruitment.

In an event that was unprecedented since our recolonization, the brotherhood decided not to have a fall pledge class this year. Our current numbers made it unnecessary. The brotherhood is on pace to take in another strong group of DUs this January. We will continue to find candidates who are a good fit for our chapter and thus maintain our strong position on campus. We look forward to our spring recruitment with eagerness and optimism.

Brandon Potter '09

## House Remains in Good Repair

As we pass the halfway mark of the first semester, the house is in very good condition. At the end of last year, we reevaluated the approach we took to house clean ups.

At the beginning of this year, we changed our system in order to hold brothers more accountable for the condition of the house. Since this strategy has been implemented, there has been a noticeable improvement in the general cleanliness of the house. With chapter clean ups, event clean ups, and informal house clean-ups during the week, the house remains in a constant state of tidiness.

Since the beginning of the year, the house has hosted three events for alumni and parents: a Cornell football Class of '71 reunion, DU Parents Weekend, and the Homecoming reception. The entire brotherhood pitched in to prepare the house for these events and the results were stellar.

We received numerous compliments about the cleanliness of the house, including several alumni who said this was the neatest they had seen the house in years. Some parents undoubtedly expected a messy house when they arrived for the Parents Weekend celebration, but they were pleasantly surprised when they walked into a great looking house. The entire brotherhood deserves credit for all

of the compliments we received about the house because of the work they put into keeping up its appearance.

The house is currently undergoing a few small renovations in order to improve the quality of life of the brotherhood and to improve the overall appearance of the house. Just recently, new refrigeration and freezer storage units were installed in the pantry. This project began over the summer with the old units being removed, and the new units are now installed and fully operational. The inconvenience of not having storage units in the first couple of weeks was greatly overshadowed by the benefit these new units bring to the house. Our cook, Kat, is very pleased to have the new refrigerator and freezer; she now has the added storage space to fully utilize the kitchen.

The front porch is in the process of being remodeled. New concrete has been poured, and there will be new brickwork and improved railings. The entire project should be completed by the end of October and will greatly improve the appearance of the entryway.

The brotherhood deserves credit for keeping up the appearance of the house, and the alumni deserve appreciation for all of the work and support they put into the house.

Casey Joyce '09

## DU Scholarship Update

### OFSA EVALUATION

For the first time, DU received the highest rating from Cornell's Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs for 2005-'06. Only seven fraternities received this rating.

### CHAPTER GPA AND RANK

The chapter continued and even improved its high academic achievement. DU's spring '06 semester GPA was 3.282, making it 12th of 43 fraternities.

### DU \$50 WINNERS

During the spring '06 semester, 50 brothers earned our DUA \$50 academic performance recognition awards for achieving a GPA of 3.0 or better!

### OUR \$500 WINNERS

Andrew Davis '09, highest GPA (new member), Dan Scharber '09, most improved GPA (new member), Ty Kline '08, most improved GPA, Mark Levendorf '08, highest GPA all won a \$500 DU scholarship during the spring 2006 semester.



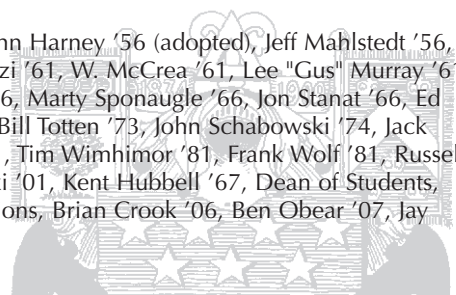
## Scenes from Reunion 2006

Attending reunion in June 2006 were 37 brothers, two adopted brothers, three Cornell guests, and seven undergraduates, for a total including spouses of over 70 people.



### IN ATTENDANCE

Bill Richardson '46, Jerry Finch '46, Fred Antil '55, Charlie Feeney '56 (adopted), John Harney '56 (adopted), Jeff Mahlstedt '56, Bill "Suds" Keane '56, Bill Shizuy '56, John Strozier '56, Tony Cashen '57, Frank Cuzzi '61, W. McCrea '61, Lee "Gus" Murray '61, Dick Perkins '61, Don Young '61, Nick Mallios '66, John Shaffer '66, Bill Shenkel '66, Marty Sponaugle '66, Jon Stanat '66, Ed Weideman '66, Bill Wilson '66, Dick Storto '71, Marc Witt '71, Randy Shayler '72, Bill Totten '73, John Schabowski '74, Jack Brewster '75, Jim Seeley '75, Alan Ciambrone '76, Dan Leonard '79, Mark Jurliy '81, Tim Wimhimor '81, Frank Wolf '81, Russell Woze '81, Nick Bombach '96, Tom Crone '01, Chris Morosetti '01, Anthony Smulski '01, Kent Hubbell '67, Dean of Students, Travis Apgar, Assistant Dean for Greek Life, Pete Noyes, Director of Football Operations, Brian Crook '06, Ben Obear '07, Jay Fischer '07, Chris Torre '08, Luke Bonney '08, Rob Brody '08, and Ty Kline '08.







## DU Continues Its Strong Philanthropic Tradition

Since recolonization, one of the true passions of the DU brotherhood has been giving back to the community, and this semester has been no different.

Jonathan Ray '09—or J-Ray, as he is called—along with the help of the brotherhood, put together two outstanding philanthropic events that not only helped the community but were also truly enjoyable for the brothers.

The marathon of events kicked off early in the semester with Tip-A-Canoe, an event that DU hosted along with Kappa Alpha Theta. Teams of four registered and participated in canoe relay races on Bebee Lake. And just as the name implies, teams that were behind could cut off their opponents and tip their canoe. When the participants were not racing, they were entertained by music and volleyball and could even enjoy some burgers prepared by DU brothers on the grill. The day was a huge success: with the brothers enjoying a truly fun day while raising \$2,500 for CASA (Court Appointed Special Attorneys)—an organization that provides legal aid to abused children.

DU's second event, and one that arguably will be our largest of the year, was our haunted house, hosted on Friday, October 20. Again, we hosted the event with Kappa Alpha Theta, and with the help of Rob Brody '08—as well as team leaders from DU and Theta—J-Ray did a phenomenal job organizing the massive production. The house was divided into sections, each a different station relating

to the overall theme of “DU Haunted Ghost Town.” The areas consisted of a haunted diner, a hospital, a school, a jail, and a town center in the great hall. The basement party room was used to for games and crafts for the kids.

The children had a great time, and all of the brothers involved seemed to enjoy themselves as well. Overall, the event raised \$260 for the Ithaca City School District and hosted around 150 children and parents. While the event itself was a great time, the setup and clean up were time consuming, and all of the brothers involved are sincerely appreciated for their efforts.



*Scenes from DU's haunted house fundraiser.*

## Peter Zell '08 Helps Score Big Wins for the Big Red

Peter Zell '08 was recently named Ivy-League Special Teams Player of the Week, an accomplishment noted in the Cornell Daily Sun on October 5 and in a Cornell press release on October 2. Below are a few excerpts from the articles.

“As a freshman pledging Delta Upsilon, junior Peter Zell's nickname was Ray Finkel—a nod to the character in Ace Ventura: Pet Detective, who was a placekicker for the Miami Dolphins. Two years later, after Zell kicked a 33-yard field goal to seal Cornell's 23-21 upset of then-No. 23 Albany...his fraternity brothers creat-

ed a Facebook group called “Peter Zell Is Going To The NFL.”

“Zell has emerged as a valuable offensive weapon over the past three weeks, going four for five on field goals as the Red opened the season with two losses, in which the team scored just 14 points. He ranks number two among Division I-AA kickers in field goal attempts per game, with 2.3, and is ranked 33rd in points per game with 7.7. His performance against Albany—three field goals, including a career-long kick from 45 yards out—earned him Ivy League Special Teams Player of the Week hon-

ors and catapulted him to Facebook fame.

Zell continued his record-breaking pace with field goals against Harvard and Colgate for a total of nine through five games. The Cornell season record is 14. Peter's final results can be found on the Cornell website.”

Peter has said that he would like to meet Peter Gogolak. In addition to Peter Zell, two other DUs are playing varsity football at Cornell: sophomore Josh Barvin, offensive line, and junior Loren Rosenberg, offensive line and special teams.



## DU Hosts Another Successful Homecoming

Although I am in my first full semester as a brother of Delta Upsilon, it did not take long to realize why Homecoming is so widely loved by our brotherhood. Homecoming more than lived up to my expectations.

The day's festivities kicked off early Saturday morning at the Delta Upsilon house. Breakfast was served for the brotherhood and its guests, the Cornell women's lacrosse team. The mixer with the team was well received by all in attendance, as the guests and the brothers spent a few hours socializing and enjoying some music, led by the vocal talents of Paul Burke '07.

After our morning event with the lacrosse team, the brotherhood made the hike to the Bartels Hall parking lot, where the second part of our Homecoming experience commenced with a tailgate barbecue. Our beloved house cook, Kat, barbecued while the Homecoming festivities continued over

the next hour and the brothers continued to get psyched for the upcoming game against Colgate.

Kickoff was at 1:00 p.m., and the Big Red squared off against Colgate, who clearly had the Big Red's number—defeating us 10 of the last 11 meetings. Fortunately for Cornell, they

had the support of the Delta Upsilon brotherhood, who took its Big Red pride enthusiasm

“As we headed back from the game, the student body was buzzing. The victory against our Central New York rivals had everyone talking about our team.”

to new limits. DU's support for the football team was evident: We sported red Delta Upsilon shirts designed by Brandon Potter '09 while cheering our semi-impartial support for three specific football players—Josh Barvin '09, offensive lineman, Loren Rosenberg '08, special team's player, and Peter Zell '08, our All-League hopeful kicker. The brotherhood and the entire campus were thrilled to watch Cornell defeat Colgate 38-14.

As we headed back from the game, the student body was buzzing. The victory against our Central New York rivals had everyone talking about our team. Following the game, the alumni and brotherhood met back at the chapter house for a reception. Alumni President Tony Murray '60, Fundraising Coordinator Tony Cashen '57, and Randy Shayler Sr. '72, along with many others, were in attendance.

Also, the brothers were thrilled to see several recent graduates. In attendance from the '06 class were: Patrick Potts; Greg Moore; Chris Eckstein; Ross Hamilton; Edward Sabia; Daniel Scellen; and Tyson Stutz.

Homecoming 2006 was an excellent representation of our close-knit brotherhood and its strong ties to Cornell University. As a sophomore, I appreciated the leadership role that the senior class took in making homecoming successful. We hope to enjoy the rest of the year with our senior brothers and hope to see them all back next year for Homecoming 2007.

Michael Baxter '09

## Families Enjoy DU Hospitality During Parents Weekend

During the weekend of September 30, Delta Upsilon hosted its first Parents Weekend, which featured a variety of activities for both the brothers and their parents.

The weekend kicked off with a football tailgate on Saturday that gave parents and brothers an opportunity to meet and mingle. For many parents, it was their first time at Delta Upsilon since their son's initiation, and many were impressed by the condition and cleanliness of the house in preparation for the weekend.

For dinner, Kat prepared a delicious barbecue spread, which was followed by a prize drawing called out by Robert Yackee's ('08) little brother. After that, everyone headed to Schoellkopf Field for the first-ever night game against No. 23 Albany. Although cold and rainy, brothers and parents stuck together and toughed out the weather to watch brother Peter Zell '08 win the game 23-21 on a late field goal, sending everyone home happy.

Sunday morning was the parent-son golf tournament, which featured six teams. The tournament ended after 11



*Undergraduate brothers pose with their families during Parents Weekend.*

holes due to weather conditions and came down to a long-drive competition, which was won by Paul Burke '07 and an impressive 300-yard drive. In the best dressed competition, Randy Shayler Sr. '72 easily beat the competition with his plaid sweater and knickers. The event concluded with a group picture with the designer of the course, who also serves as the cash register operator, starter, and groundskeeper.

The final event was a Sunday afternoon barbecue to get the parents filled up

for their trips back home. All the good-byes were said, and the parents were off, concluding our first Parents Weekend.

Paul Burke summed up the general feeling of the weekend with just one sentence: “That was just *fun*.” A very special thanks to Paula Mozdziok, president of the DU Parents Club, and everyone who made Parents Weekend possible. The weekend was a smash hit, and everyone hopes to do it again next year!

Steve Shaner '08

## Chapter Hosts Reunion for 1971 Football Champs

Many of the Big Red's and DU's finest met and mixed at Cornell on September 23, during the reunions of the the 1971 Ivy League co-champions and Lefty James' nationally ranked teams of 1948-1951.

Eighteen of the 60 players on that roster were DUs: Sam Costa '74 (deceased), Jack Cushing '72, Keith Daub '73, Tom Guba '72, Paul Hanly '73, Doug Herron '72, Mike Knuff '74, Pat Knuff '74, Craig Lambert '72, Dan Lombardo '74, Jack Moresko '72, Mike Phillips '74, Mark Piscitelli '73, Tom Rakowski '72, Tim Rowlands '72, Randy Shayler '72, Jim Theodorakos '73, Joe Wasilewski '74. Thirteen of 17 living DU players returned (all but Moresko, Phillips, Picitelli, and Wasilewski).

Although the day appeared to begin at 8:00 a.m. with undergrads hosting a lavish breakfast attended by alumni brothers, Academic Adviser Tove Hammer, former coaches, and other guests (50-plus people), it actually began at 6:00 a.m. for the brothers charged with setting up.

According to Randy Shayler, virtually every one of the non-DU breakfast guests sought him out during the day to share how impressed they were with undergraduates' efforts and graciousness and how impressed they are with them and the chapter.

Legendary Cornell Coach Ted Thoren, who has seen DU for more than 50 years, told me "I have never seen the DU House look better." Jack Tom Guba remembered how

Thoren convinced him not to quit football after breaking his foot on the second day of practice. Two of the DU guests were Ed Marinaro, who established rushing records that still stand, and Pete Noyes, director of football operations.

At halftime, the block of DU undergrads, sporting their red DU t-shirts, made Cornell history when the team members were introduced: It was the first time at Schoellkopf that anyone received louder cheers than Ed Marinaro.

DU hosted a successful post-game reception at the house. The general

consensus among the alumni brothers who attended was that they could only wish that the classes of 1937, '38, '39 were treated as well as they were by the undergrads—or thought as highly of them then as the alumni think of the undergrads now.

DU continues to play a leadership role in the Cornell Football Association. Randy Shayler is a new member of the board, joining Dan Leonard '79, treasurer, Rob Ainslie '78, Phil Mahoney '91, Rob Ryder '91, and Bill Wilson '66. Fred Devlin '67 is immediate past chairman of the CFA.



*Mrs. Knuff, Mike Knuff '74, Pat Knuff '74, Tom Rakowski '72, Dan Lombardo '74, Mrs. Lombardo.*



*Brothers and friends gather for a group photo on the field.*

## Chapter Welcomes Its New Faculty Adviser

We are very pleased to announce that Dr. Tove H. Hammer has accepted DU's invitation to become our faculty adviser. Dr. Hammer is professor of organizational behavior in the ILR School and editor of the *ILR Review*.

She was a Pi Phi undergrad at Cornell in the Class of '69. She has already visited the house and met several undergraduate and alumni leaders. Her areas of expertise include" leadership; motivation; stress and the workplace; technology and work; work process redesign; worker motivation and satisfaction; organizational change; and other subjects relevant to organizations.

Her recent publications have ranged across a wide variety of workplace issues. Charles G. McClure '08, vice president member education, noted, "Dr. Hammer will be an excellent addition to DU. Her passion for Cornell as



*Brothers enjoy a dinner with Tove Hammer, DU's new faculty adviser.*

well as her area of study in leadership and organizational behavior would serve any fraternity well. As a faculty adviser, we expect she will help us gain access to

many valuable speakers within the Cornell community as well as supporting the chapter's career and cultural development programs."

## Help Your Brothers Through Alumni Mentoring

We kicked off the third year of our alumni mentoring program with a great meeting at the house on Friday, September. I led a discussion with about 20 undergrads in the chapter room and explained the simple process of contacting the alumni mentors.

I encouraged them to reach out to the alums who have volunteered as mentors and tap into the knowledge and experience of guys who have walked in their shoes. We currently have about 25 alumni mentors, but we need double that number! Let's face it, most of us didn't have a clue what the

working world was like during our undergrad years, and it would have been helpful to have some advice before diving into the job interview process or postgraduate world.

Current mentors include: Brian McGrory '85; Mark Clemente '73; Paul Freeman '85; Peter Vogel '92; Jim King '87; Dan Devine '86; Tony Murray '60; Leigh Schmalz '61; Fred Harwood '59; Ivan Matsunaga '86; Mark Stolfe '86; Ed Utz '87; Bill Sibert '85; Rick George '86; Mike Hartmann '85; Phil Mahoney '91; Paul Kisslinger '89; Dave DeBell '67; Steve Jablonski '86; Bob

Logue '90; David Weinstein '95; and Kevin Marcus '92.

Being a mentor takes as much or as little effort as you can afford. My experience is that the undergrads mostly want to talk on the phone about career choices and get advice as they look past graduation. I'll keep this as simple and painless for you as possible: Send me an e-mail at [dan.gilroy@usfood.com](mailto:dan.gilroy@usfood.com) or call me at 630-496-4295 to join the program.

Dan Gilroy '86

## In Memoriam

*Dear Brothers, it is with great sadness that we report the recent deaths of Brothers George Dentes '76 and Harry Garman '67.*

George Dentes '76 died on October 31, 2006, of a heart attack while in Albany.

Mark Clemente '73 wrote: "I had the pleasure of seeing George frequently this fall, as he was thoroughly enjoying the sprint football undefeated championship season with two of his sons on the team—including Zak, the quarterback.

George was often seen after the games passing out write ups of the game and basking in glow of the accomplishments of his sons. His smile had never been bigger. He was at every game with his entire entourage in tow."

This is truly sad news for Cornell, Ithaca, sprint football, Delta Upsilon and, of course, his family and friends. We all join in wishing Elsie and the kids our sincere condolences.

Harry Garman '67 died on Monday, September 4, 2006, at the age of 61. "We will miss Harry very much, and our hearts go out to his

family," said Pete Noyes in a message to CFA members.

Some of the other expressions of affection and admiration from DU brothers: "Harry was one of the really true gentlemen of our era. I was very sad to hear of his passing."

"Surprised and distressed to hear of Harry Garman's death. Harry was among the most agile (and gymnastic) 'big guys' I ever knew."

"What a sadness. He was a great guy and great DU/Cornellian."



# DU ALUMNI WRITE

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**William W. Dickhart III '43** writes, "Took the big step: Sold the townhouse and moved to an apartment in a retirement home near Valley Forge." Keep in touch with Bill at 22116 Shannondell Dr., Audubon, PA 19403. E-mail him at [wmdickhart@aol.com](mailto:wmdickhart@aol.com).

"I am a retired physician and disabled due to past polio syndrome," writes **Paul W. Weld '46**. "I have bird watching as a hobby and am a member of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology." Keep in touch with Paul at 47 Hampshire Ln., Mendon, NY 14506.

**Edwin C. Shuttleworth Jr. '51** writes, "Since retirement in 1989, I have been painting (mostly watercolor). Actually started in 1968 during my teaching/practice/research years. Numerous shows and awards. Solo show at the Butler Museum of American Art in 2004. Many paintings in public and private collections in US and Canada. I have four children and three grandchildren (so far). Spend most of my summers in the Catskills. Fortunately, I remain in good health." Write to Ed at 3216 Chapel Hill Blvd., Boynton Beach, FL 33435. Send him e-mail at [pegasus99@adelphia.net](mailto:pegasus99@adelphia.net).



*Nick Maione '06 and several DU Brothers pose for a photo at the wedding of Tony Maione '08.*

"When the hurricane warnings came in," writes **John R. Sanford '52**, "Jaki and I scooted up to our little house in the country, 25 miles away from the house in Gulfport. When we came back a week later, we found that Katrina had 'eaten' our house and everything in it. Pictures cannot convey the utter devastation and depression that follows such a thing. So considering our decrepitude, we agreed that seaside living had too many trade offs. We headed north to the Ozarks, a few miles from Branson, Missouri, where we can look at a lake instead of the Gulf." Send John e-mail at [johnsanford@hotmail.com](mailto:johnsanford@hotmail.com). Postal mail reaches him at 13410 Edwin Ladner Rd., Pass Christian, MS 39571.

"Enjoying partial retirement," writes **James A. Cashen III '58**. "Still active as a labor arbitrator in private and public sectors. We now have six of our nine adult children living on the farm in their own homes. Also blessed with their 10 children (our grandchildren), all under 12. Another three grandchildren live eight miles away and three more 80 miles away. We are all involved in our organic farm, operated by our youngest (Chris) and his wife (Katie). We barter food for delivery of veggies, home schooling, swimming lessons, etc. What a life!" Write to Jim at 73 Roxbury Rd., Hudson, NY 12534. Send him e-mail at [jimcashen@yahoo.com](mailto:jimcashen@yahoo.com).

**Walter R. Grote '74** writes, "My family is doing well. My son, Luke, is working on a master's in divinity. My daughter, Mary, is in her second year of medical school at the Kansas City University of Medicine and BioSciences, and Brielle and Skylar are playing soccer and wrestling. My wife, Debbie (an RN), is going back to ER work now that the girls are older. I keep in touch with **Joe Wasilewski '74**, **John Schabowski '74**, and **John Magill III '73**, **Jim Parolie '72**,

and **Craig Scott '72**." Keep in touch with Walt at 2014 Stillwater Rd., Newton, NJ 07860. E-mail him at [mb1072@earthlink.net](mailto:mb1072@earthlink.net).

**John D. Brewster Jr. '75** writes, "I had a wonderful time at the DU reception on reunion weekend. My wife, Debbie, and I enjoyed seeing old friends and making new ones. Many thanks to **Randy Shayler '72** for organizing the event and to the current brothers for so graciously hosting it. My daughter, Kate, is transferring to Cornell in the fall 2006 semester. Kate will be a sophomore majoring in classics." Write to Jack at 703 Bergen St., Philadelphia, PA 19111; [brewdog@cavtel.net](mailto:brewdog@cavtel.net).

"It's been a busy spring and summer," writes **Thomas R. Kobin '90**. "In April, my wife, Lisa, son, Timothy, and I moved to Westfield, New Jersey. Then on July 5, 2006, our daughter, Caroline Grace, was born." For an update on the Kobin family, write to "Binsk" at 227 Avon Rd., Westfield, NJ 07090; [trkobin@att.net](mailto:trkobin@att.net).

**Peter J. Vogel '92** writes, "Had a great weekend at **Eric Penttinen's '92** wedding the weekend of May 19 down in Cambridge, Maryland. It was well attended with the likes of **Phil Mahoney '91**, **Dave Casey '91**, **Rob Ryder '91**, **John Bloedorn '91**, **Kevin Marcus '92**, **Pete Reynolds '92**, **Timothy "Chip" Stevens '92**, **Mike Trimarco '92**, **Wally Davis '93**, **Greg Devine '93**, **Chris Muldowney '95**, and **Tom Crone '01**. Despite the over indulgence, the typical embarrassing shenanigans were kept to a minimum." Write to Peter at 63 Autumn Ridge Rd., Pound Ridge, NY 10576. Send him e-mail at [pvogel@pipeline.com](mailto:pvogel@pipeline.com).

## DECEASED

*We regret to report the deaths of:*

**Chandler Burpee Jr. '44**

**Kent C. Woodworth '55**

**Harry S. Garman '67**

**George M. Dentes '73**

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