President's Message (continued from pg 1)

With their combined skills and talents, this threesome is ideally suited to be in charge of our reunion. They are creative, organized, articulate, gracious, experienced with reunions, dedicated to Cornell and our class, and, perhaps best of all, fun-loving! They have already managed to secure at least one show-stopping University speaker for the traditional 50th Reunion Forum. Publishing a class yearbook of memories and reflections, and advice for our "sister class" (graduating seniors 50 years younger), has also been researched. And a snappy new logo, a joint endeavor of several members of the class council, is on our class website and in this edition of our newsletter.

Plans are moving forward, but we need help. Helping with the yearbook, as with any of several other elements of our reunion, is a way you can join our behind-the-scenes staging. I think I may be quite typical in enjoying events so much more when I have had a hand in the decision-making and running of them. It makes one feel a real part of the party, even before it begins. I urge you to do the same.

A second very good reason to jump on the 50th Reunion bandwagon is that when we list your name as a member of our committee, your friends will be much more inclined to attend! If you choose to come simply to enjoy yourself - and we hope you will! - please think about starting now to contact your friends to be sure they begin to make plans to return for Reunion. If you would be interested in organizing an effort to contact the members of organizations or activities you were a part of, we would love to know that. We guarantee you will have a good time in any case, but you will find there is an additional layer of enjoyment if the friends you grew up and shared so much with at Cornell are there as well.

But there is another reason to join us in this venture, and it is truly for yourself. Over the last few years so many wonderful classmates have stepped up to become involved in our class affairs. Ours is a dynamic group who enjoy one another very much. Many of us see each other during the year, but we definitely gather at the Cornell Alumni Leadership Conference (CALC) each January. The University provides cutting-edge information on many topics via forums, inter-active workshops, and faculty speakers that are fabulously stimulating, and in the evenings, our classmates meet for dinners together. We'd love to welcome enthusiastic classmates to our growing cadre.

If you would like to learn more about our class activities and how to join us, please go to our class website, *cornell1964*. *org*. You will find ways you can help with Reunion, large or small, and how to contact any one of us.

All the best for a very happy 70th birthday this year. Come celebrate with us in just a little over two years!

Until we meet again or anew, Susan Mair Holden, President

Treasurer's Report

I wish all of you a happy and healthy New Year.
Last year we had a total of 459 dues payers, a slight
decrease from 2010. Our thanks to those of you who want
to stay connected to Cornell and to the Class of '64.

2012 brings us one year closer to our 50th Reunion, which promises to be the best one yet. Be sure to keep the class informed of your whereabouts so we won't miss out on the chance to celebrate together.

Stay connected to Cornell and to your classmates by completing the enclosed dues card along with your payment. Please consider including a donation to our scholarship / fellowship awards so well exemplified in the stories in this newsletter.

You may also pay your dues online through our class website at: cornell | 964.org Easier Still: Sign up for automatic renewal.

Whatever you do, please don't forget to send in news for our class column in the *Cornell Alumni Magazine* and send your email address changes to: Linda Meltzer at *lcm12@cornell.edu* to make sure you are getting the most current information on our class activities.

Barbara Lutz Brim, Treasurer barbarabrim@comcast.net

'64s Online

Have you noticed? We've moved to a new home...

cornell1964.org

And we have a completely new -- yet familiar -- look.

Everything you found before is there, and there's more:

- See the most complete and current information about our 50th Reunion.
- Meet our latest JFK Awardee, Zain Pasha '11.
 Because of his desire to create opportunities
 for low-income high school students, after
 graduation, Zain started out with Teach for
 America. (Read more about Zain's evolving
 career below on page 4 of this edition of the
 newsletter.)
- Follow our class history from our sophomore year (can it be 50 years?), as reported in the pages of the Cornell Daily Sun. Read about our class publication, the Cornell Bear. Relive a percussive musical performance by Nigerian-born Michael Olatunji. And do you recall that a 27-year-old grad student was elected Cornell president?

Bruce Wagner, Webmaster bdw5@cornell.edu

50th Reunion Planning



Pictured above are class members (L toR) Toby Rice Goldberg, Bruce Wagner, Janet Spencer King, Linda Cohen Meltzer, Judie Pink Gorra, Susie Mair Holden, Barbara Furman Attardi and Tim Davis. They met in July 2011 to discuss 50th Reunion plans.

If not now, then when will you go back to Cornell?

If you are ever to go to a reunion, this is the one you should not miss.

More people will attend our fiftieth than any of our other reunions.

What a time it was!

Come see what's going on with the campus half a century after we left.

Meet up with old friends, places, memories, and bump into traces of the person you were 50 years ago.

Our reunion weekend will be the kickoff of the 150th anniversary celebration of Cornell's founding.

What a time it will be!

A chance to make friends with those great people you didn't know in the '60s

A glimpse of what the Cornell of the future will be like

An opportunity to do it your way: make this Reunion your own weekend, designed for your enjoyment alone, or to share with family or friends.

Get involved! Join the fun!

Suggest Class Gatherings

What's on the 50th Reunion schedule? It's up to us! This is the time to make suggestions.



Would you like to attend lectures, concerts, discussions, hikes, tours, rock and roll parties, stargazing sessions, group naps, wine tasting, or networking? Let us know.

Contribute to Our Yearbook

What ideas do you have for our 50th Reunion keepsake yearbook?

What questions should be included?

Do you have ideas for essays or other items to add?

Can you submit a poem, mini-meditation, sketch, joke, etc.?

What will be in your autobiography?
What questions or messages do you have
for our classmates?

Which photographs will you submit? (Ah! the kindness of Photoshop)

Lend Us Your Treasured Collectibles

We are planning a "Memory Lane" exposition... so if you have anything stored from the '60s that could bring back vivid campus memories, please let us display them in the Reunion Collection.

We're looking for photographs, clothing, and other souvenirs such as concert posters or tickets, fraternity/sorority pins, pennants, book covers, postcards, etc.

(All articles will be returned to you.)

To find out more or to volunteer, contact::

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Together we will make this our biggest and best Reunion yet!

Phillip Caruso (continued from pg 1)

Later, Phil wrote to describe the school and the region where they distributed the materials:

"I'd like you to know about the school that received your generous donation of school supplies. The school is the most progressive of all in my geographic area of responsibility and is one of the only schools in this extremely conservative area to both allow and encourage females to attend. Approximately 20% of the students are females. The school has been remarkably successful and boasts an attendance of over 200 children who travel from up to 2 kilometers away to attend. The students learn about history, how to read and write the Pashto language, basic mathematics and other subjects. There are two teachers, a principal and a security guard who operate the school. The school is strictly secular and does not discuss religion or Islam."

JFK (continued from pg 1)



Zain Pasha (2011)

After a stint working for Teach for America last summer, Zain continues to pursue his passion for education reform. He was recently invited to participate in a workshop at the Cornell Connect Conference on the application of technology in creating an authentic

educational experience for students, and also participated in a public debate about the value of liberal education in today's world. (http://www.news.cornell.edu/stories/Oct11/ConnectDebate.html).

Zain is also actively developing his non-profit, Push Beyond Fellows Coalition, which seeks to assist high-achieving urban youth gain access to post-secondary opportunities of their choosing. Push Beyond's model emphasizes mentorship and application support.

And, to pay the bills, Zain will be joining Deloitte Consulting as an analyst in February 2012 and will continue working for education reform through Deloitte's volunteer and pro-bono initiatives.



Amy McKlindon (2009)

After two years at Child Trends, a nonprofit research organization in Washington, DC, Amy returned to her hometown in the Philadelphia area to start graduate school at Temple University's School of Social Work. Her academic coursework, field placement

at Catholic Social Service's Northeast Family Service Center, and her work as a graduate research assistant all keep her very busy.

She says, "I am learning a great deal inside and outside of the classroom. At my field placement, I work with a homeless prevention program and pregnancy/parenting services, in addition to providing some individual case manage-

Amy credits the generous support of the Class of 1964, along with the tuition assistance she receives from Temple through her assistantship, for allowing her to pursue her dreams of child welfare advocacy and policy work without the burden of excessive debt. She says "I will be forever grateful."



Shoshana Aleinikoff (2008)

After graduation from Cornell, Shoshana matriculated at the Georgetown University School of Medicine where she became involved in The HOYA Clinic, a student run free clinic for homeless families in Washington, DC. She now serves on the advisory

board and continues to volunteer at the clinic as a student clinician.

Shoshana has also led research to characterize the health barriers for homeless families in DC, as well as a project which looked at HIV screening rates in primary care settings in the DC metropolitan area. She completed a supplemental curriculum in Medical Spanish and Cultural Competency, and, in addition, is preparing for a month long trip to Tanzania, to work in a medical clinic at a Nyarugusu refugee camp with the Tanzanian Red Cross.

Following a residency in Family Medicine, Shoshana's ultimate goal is to provide primary care to underserved communities both locally and globally.

Keep these programs strong. Donate when you pay your class dues!

Tradition Fellowship

Academic Year 2012

Dear Class of 1964,

I am writing to express my overwhelming gratitude for my Tradition scholarship for this academic school year. My name is Kristen Jenkins and I am a current junior in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations. In my past year at Cornell, I feel that I have grown tremendously, both as a student and as a person. I have met so many outstanding people and had many memorable experiences. Currently, I am the Vice Chair for Internal Relations on the Student Assembly Finance Commission, the new social chair for my sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta, the Greek liaison for Class of 2013 Council, and am playing intramural volleyball. I'm keeping busy, but of course focusing on my schoolwork as well. I declared a minor in Art History last year, so this semester I am taking all ILR and Art History classes. Last summer I interned at the ILR Extension Office in NYC, and it was there that I decided I want to pursue a career in Human Resources. I am currently continuing to do research on my summer research project remotely and simultaneously interviewing for HR internships for next summer. Being at Cornell has opened up so many doors for me already, and I can't be more thankful to you for helping me get to where I am today! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Kristen lenkins Cornell University Class of 2013



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Cornell Class of 1964 President's Message 2012

Dear Classmates,

As time goes by-which seems to be happening more quickly these days-we are coming closer to our milestone reunion, and it is getting pretty exciting! Our three 50th Reunion Co-Chairs, Linda Meltzer, Joan Melville and Bruce Wagner, have been working full-tilt since their election at our last reunion.

This past year Linda, Joan, and Bruce have been working particularly hard. They attended the 50th reunion of the Class of '61 last June to reconnoiter the activities, themes, and pacing their Reunion Chairs had chosen. Through the close connection with these chairs they have already learned of pitfalls to avoid, and excellent ideas to pursue. They are planning to attend this and next year's reunions as well to ensure that every detail is exactly right for our 50th Reunion. (continued on pg 2)

JFK Award Update

The JFK Memorial Award continues to attract sterling candidates. Last year, the Class received 30 superb applications. The choice was difficult, as it often is. The committee read many intriguing essays, confronted many worthy aspirations, and assessed a large number of astounding recommendations. There is no question, in the committee's opinion, that Cornell continues to turn out the very best young citizens.

Last year, the award committee was composed of class members Tim Davis, Janet Spencer King, Judie Pink Gorra, Matt Sonfeld, and Cynthia Wolloch, and for the first time also included a JFK alum, Dr. Joyce West (JFK '86). We are pleased that she will continue on the committee in 2012 and are delighted to welcome Jared Genser (JFK '93) as a reader this year as well. Joyce and Jared are both featured in the JFK video, which you can find on the class website. As the 2012 competition gets under way, the JFK Chair sought updates from some recent grantees. On page 4 there are excerpts of a few of them:

Philip Caruso (2008)

Phil recently returned from an assignment with the Air Force in Counterintelligence and Counter-terror operations in Kandahar, Afghanistan. He shared this message with the class:

"We do humanitarian aid missions to villages in our area. We visit them often, and lobby with the powers that be to help them, all in the name of winning their 'hearts and minds' and convincing the local population to shun the insurgency and help us identify and eradicate the small element that is bent on causing

death and destruction to Coalition Forces and the Government. My job is fantastic in that it allows me to truly make a difference every day in this country." (continued on pg 4)

> Inspired by Phil's work, the class officers decided to help out by sending school supplies for his unit to distribute to teachers and kids in the area where they were working

