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## President's Letter

Dear Rochester Area Alumni,

New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Rochester. It's not often that Rochester is included in the big leagues of American cities, but when it comes to Cornell alumni organizations, the Cornell Club of Rochester is near the top of the list of largest and most active. As 2004 winds to a close, we're still celebrating the centennial year of the Cornell Club of Rochester, which also makes us one of the University's oldest alumni organizations.

Whether you're new to the Cornell Club of Rochester or a longtime member, if you would like to consider a greater level of involvement with the group, your help will be welcomed and appreciated.

I would like to encourage you to attend a meeting of our board of directors. Our board meetings are open to any member. The meetings are informal, fun and a great way to meet the local leadership and become more involved with the club. You can help out with a single event or take on a continuing responsibility in a particular area of interest to you.

This year, each of our board meetings will include one long-range planning topic. Topics include programming, fundraising, scholarships, membership development, community service, CAAAN interviewing, communications, leadership development, essay contest and collaboration with other Cornell groups. For a schedule of board meetings, call me at 585-248-8676 or contact me via email: [tom@cummingscreative.com](mailto:tom@cummingscreative.com).

If you know area Cornellians who might like to be members of the Cornell Club of Rochester, but have not yet joined or renewed, please consider calling or emailing them to extend a personal invitation.

I look forward to seeing you at the Cornell-Penn Luncheon on November 22, or at one of the many other events planned for the months ahead.

Regards,

Tom Cummings '75  
President, Cornell Club of Rochester

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**November 20 (Saturday)**

Cornell vs. Penn, broadcast on the YES network. Kick-off is at noon.

**November 22 (Monday)**

Cornell Penn Luncheon Join us at our traditional pre-Thanksgiving luncheon. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Sanjay Hiranandani '92 at 585.340.2751 or snh@rochester.rr.com.

**November 29 (Monday)**

WXXI Phonathon. 7-10 PM. WXXI Television Studios, 280 State Street, Rochester. Contact Karen Bronson Clark MPS '89 at 585.425.9469 or kjbclark@juno.com.

**December 17-18 (Friday - Saturday)**

Holiday Baskets. From December 10 - 17 we'll collect non-perishable food items and on Friday evening, December 17 we'll sort the donated items for our holiday baskets. Then on Saturday, the 18th, we'll deliver the baskets to needy families. Donations of food or money gladly accepted. Call for more information or to volunteer to help. Contact: Ross Lanzafame '77, MPS '79 at 585.231.1203 or rlanzafame@hselaw.com.

**January 8 (Saturday)**

Founder's Day Luncheon with Guest Speaker. Celebrate Ezra Cornell's birthday at Midvale Country Club. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Larry Dunham '73 at 585.586.6029 or larry.dunham@usa.xerox.com.

**January 19 (Wednesday)**

Cornell Alumni Book Club. Barnes & Noble, Monroe Avenue, Pittsford, 7-9 PM. For more information and to RSVP, please call Kristen Hallagan '90 at 585.242.0199.

**January 28 (Friday)**

Cornell Hockey Night at a Rochester-Area Sports Bar: Cornell vs. Clarkson (broadcast live from Lynah Rink!). Details TBA.

**January 29 (Saturday)**

Hunt Hollow Ski Outing, 4 PM. Discount lift tickets and rentals. Contact Jack Clarcq at 585.475.6302 or jrcnvd@rit.edu.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!**

Robert & Joanne Brandt (class of 1951) won a pair of tickets to GEVA. Their name was drawn from all the paid members of the Cornell Club of Rochester as of September 30, 2004.

Many thanks to Cornell Club of Rochester member Nannette Nocon '82 for providing the tickets. Thanks to everyone for their prompt payment - your membership goes a long way to helping the club defray administrative costs. If you haven't yet paid, a membership form is enclosed in this newsletter for your convenience.

**CORNELL SPORTS ON TV**

College Sports Television has released its schedule of hockey coverage, and two contests in which Cornell will play are included. Details follow:

**Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

Cornell vs. Penn, YES Network, 12:00 noon

**Tuesday, December 28<sup>th</sup>**

Cornell vs. Boston College at the Florida College Classic, 7:30 pm Eastern time.

**Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

(Live from Lynah Rink!)

Cornell vs. Clarkson, 8:00 pm Eastern time. Watch for news of a club event at a Rochester-area sports bar for this game.

CSTV is available on regional cable outlets (check with your local provider) and can be seen nationally via DirecTV on channel 610. One needs to have the DirecTV "sports package" to get CSTV. More information on CSTV may be found on their website:

[www.cstv.com](http://www.cstv.com)

**IN MEMORIAM**

We note with regret the passing of Ruth Maltinsky '47, former vice-president of the Cornell Women's Club and very active member until she became ill. Ruth passed away Sept. 9, after a long bout with cancer. Friends may contribute in her memory to the Highland Hospital Medical Oncology Fund. Our sympathies go out to her family.

**VETERINARY SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED**

Collin Wolff, Megan Kirchgessner and Stephanie Spakowsky are the recipients of the Cornell Club Veterinary Scholarship awarded every three years. They each received \$1,000 in scholarships. The awards were made possible through the generosity of the Tasker Estate. Every three years, we ask the College of Veterinary Medicine to distribute an application to veterinary students who have roots from Monroe County. The undergraduate scholarship committee (with help from available veterinarians in the community) select the recipients of the awards. Donations are always welcome. The fund currently has approximately \$23,000 after the awards are made. Special thanks to the alums who volunteered to review the applications.

**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATES**

The Cornell Club of Rochester provides scholarship support each year to Cornell undergraduates from the greater-Rochester area.

During 2004 – 2005, nine students were awarded a total of \$11,200. Since 1984, scholarships awarded by the club total over \$268,000.

Current Cornell undergraduates from the Rochester area who are eligible for financial aid should contact Toby Silverman at [tobyjs@rochester.rr.com](mailto:tobyjs@rochester.rr.com) for details.

**CHRISTMAS BASKET PROJECT**

The Cornell Club of Rochester, along with the Johnson Club, will be preparing and delivering Christmas Baskets for ten inner-city families. Each family has been screened by the Eastside Community Center to verify need. You can help this community service project by:

- Donating non-perishable food items (e.g., soups, tuna fish, cereals, juices, canned vegetables, canned fruit, peanut butter, jellies, pasta, potatoes, macaroni and cheese, crackers, stuffing, tomato sauce, jello, rice, coffee, tea; Plus: toothpaste, shampoo, paper towels, etc.)
- Donating money (i.e., we will shop and buy the food with your donation)
- Donating time and labor to assemble and deliver the baskets

We would like to give each family enough groceries for up to a week, so please be as generous as you can.

We have arranged a drop-off site to accept your donations:

Ross Lanzafame  
 Harter, Secrest & Emery LLP  
 1600 Bausch & Lomb Place  
 654-8595 (Please call first!)

If you don't have the time for shopping, please consider sending a check. We offer a convenient "Busy Shopper Program" and will go to the store on your behalf. Please mail your check, payable to "Cornell Club of Rochester", to Ross Lanzafame, 75 Eagle Rock Drive, Rochester, NY 14609.

If you can donate your time to help assemble and/or deliver the Christmas food baskets, please call Ross Lanzafame at 231-1203 (work), or 654-8595 (home). Or send e-mail to [rlanzafame@hselaw.com](mailto:rlanzafame@hselaw.com). Christmas baskets will be assembled on Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> and then delivered on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Call today to volunteer for this fun and very worthwhile community service project!

**From:**

The Cornell Club of Rochester  
c/o Alex Chernavsky, MBA'95  
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**HOLIDAY ENTERTAINING WITH WINE AND CHEESE**

Sponsored by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences ALS Alumni Association  
Join fellow alumni for an evening of fabulous wine and cheese pairings:

- Learn how to throw a wine and cheese party for this holiday season
- Taste the latest cheese selections from France, England, Italy, and America
- Understand the proper wine glass to use for each type of wine
- Learn about the new Viniculture curriculum at the College
- Enjoy the perfect wine and cheese pairings with a few other surprises

**Date:** Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 5:30 – 7:30 pm (appetizers at 5:30 pm; class at 5:45)

**Location:** Tastings Restaurant located at the Pittsford Wegmans, 3195 Monroe Ave.

**Cost:** \$30.00 per person

Please RSVP by Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. Send checks or credit card information to Sharon Detzer (607.255.1915 or [sld4@cornell.edu](mailto:sld4@cornell.edu)):

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