



AZ News

The Cornell Chapter of Alpha Zeta • Summer 2009

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SUMMER PICNIC August 1, 2009

The AZ alumni picnic will be held on Saturday, August 1, at Jim '60 and Lois Carter's cottage on Seneca Lake near Burdett (northeast of Watkins Glen). **Directions are below and on the AZ website.**

The meal will be a chicken BBQ with all the "fixings." Cost: \$10 /person, \$5 for students, and free for children 5 and under.

RSVP by Saturday, July 18, with numbers and payment, check payable to "Jim Carter," and preferably a week sooner to give us a head count. Mail to 1250 Mt. Zoar Rd., Pine City, NY 14871; phone 607-733-5040. Phone at Jim's cottage (weekends) is 607-546-2048.

Entering CALS freshmen and transfers from Seneca and the surrounding counties will be invited. We hope you'll join us for a fun afternoon. Let's gather between noon and 12:30 p.m., with the meal served around 1:00 p.m.

Directions: From Ithaca area, take Rt. 79 west to Burdett. At the blinking red light in Burdett, go straight on Lake St.; continue on Carpenter Rd (one mile total); turn right at State Route 414; turn left at Chase Rd. At the Y, keep left. Jim and Lois are at 3979 Chase Rd. From other directions, come north or south on Rt. 414 to Chase Rd. (south of Hector or north of Watkins Glen). Watch for signs and parking assistants. Parking and "shuttle" service will be provided.

We hope you'll join us for a fun afternoon.

Congratulations to the chapter on winning multiple awards!

Last year in this space, we reported that the chapter was one of five "Most Improved Chapters" within IFC. This year in late April, they received the Outstanding Chapter Award, along with Best Facility Management (congrats to Tom Linden '07, facility mgr.); Alex Cowen '10 won outstanding officer; and Rob Farnham '09 won outstanding IFC leader for his contribution to the Greek system and our chapter.

At the National AZ biennial Conclave/National Agricultural Leadership Conference (NALC), John Orłowski '10 was elected the new student representative on the High Council (following Brittany Mosher '09); Anna Kenney '11 was named treasurer of the year; and Alex Cowen '10 was scribe of the year. Congratulations to the chapter, to these particular individuals, and to all members for the chapter award.

AZ "springs" into summer after another successful semester

This spring semester has been one of great growth for our chapter. Beginning this January with rush, the house has come together to put on some successful events. Events this year included bowling, a limo to dinner, paintball, and a poker tournament. We had 14 people sign bids and begin the pledging process. As always, the pledging process brings the house together, and actives and pledges alike enjoyed the fun of pledging, from the pizza scavenger hunt to egg week. In the end, 10 new members were initiated and attended their first meeting the same weekend.

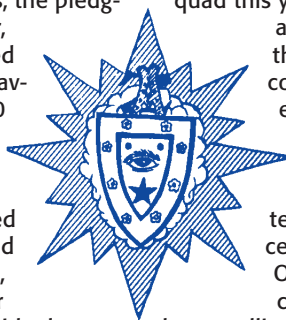
Beyond pledging, AZ has increased its commitment to philanthropy and community service. This spring alone, the chapter has participated in over seven philanthropy events, and individual community service hours are at a high. Some of our events included two Adopt-a-Highway clean-ups, Relay for Life, March of Dimes, and the Robert Baker garden maintenance project. The garden project was one of the most meaningful community service events because Mrs. Baker, Mr. Church, and Mrs. Church all stopped by for a visit and

pitched in as our members mulched and worked on the garden. The people of Woodsedge were very grateful, and actives had a lot of fun helping.

In working to support our values across the board, we also got in touch with our roots and put on a very fun and educational Ag Day on the CALS quad this year. Our chef served up tasty burgers and hot dogs, while members sporting their letters with pride worked the cow-chip bingo and showed off farm equipment and livestock. It gave us an opportunity to give the Cornell community an exciting look into agriculture and take pride in our fraternity's foundation. Most of the success was due to the work of John Orłowski '10 and the Ag Day planning committee, which spent countless hours calling local groups and planning the event.

With spring also comes the annual trip to NALC and this year, Conclave. In March, with the help of the Corporation Board, we were able to send 17 delegates down to Raleigh, NC. Some of the activities included a campus scavenger hunt, Ag trips

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PHOTO CAPTION

Page one, top:
Members and new pledges gather
for a photo after pinning.

From left: William McCaffrey '10,
Matti Hart '10, Shane Rothermel '10,
Anna Kenney '11, Judith
Amsalem '12, and Jeannette
Friedman '12.

Recap of NALC and Conclave

Eleven hours spent in a car with good friends. Warm, albeit damp, and lusciously green North Carolina. Three days of vibrant exchange of ideas, perceptions, traditions, and the future of agriculture. Connections and friends made that will last a lifetime. What am I talking about? NALC! The National Agricultural Leadership Conference, or NALC, is the annual gathering of Alpha Zetans from across the country. The conference focuses on stimulating discussion about the current situation of agriculture, examining opportunities agricultural endeavors provide, evaluating challenges in agriculture that affect society, and honing students' leadership skills. Biannually, NALC entails the national business meeting of the fraternity, Conclave. The North Carolina State University Chapter hosted both NALC and Conclave this past March 26-28, and a massive delegation of 17 actives from the Cornell chapter eagerly made the trip to North Carolina State to be a part of action.

To say the least, the North Carolina chapter did an excellent job organizing a fun and busy conference. Chapters arrived Thursday, March 26, and immediately, actives as distant as California and Delaware, or Puerto Rico and Illinois got a chance to meet and swap AZ stories, since room assignments strove to group together members from different chapters. Thursday night was the opening dinner, where the traditional T-shirt exchange and banner contest occurred. Cornell Chapter's banner, featuring a house photo, enjoyed a high level of popularity. In the end, however, Arizona Chapter won the banner contest.

Leadership development workshops at North Carolina State occupied attendants' Friday morning, while the afternoon consisted of workshops focused on agricultural issues. One afternoon workshop, a biofuel discus-

sion panel, directly investigated and encouraged students to critically evaluate the controversies associated with the production of biodiesel fuel. Feature speakers on the panel included a biodiesel manufacturer and an assistant director of marketing in North Carolina's department of agriculture and consumer services. Friday evening's activity included a piece of NC State Chapter's tradition with the national fraternity. Participants were broken into multi-chapter groups and had to work together to complete one of NC State's pledge events, the campus scavenger hunt. The event allowed Alpha Zetans to explore the beautiful campus while bonding with members from other chapters through team-building exercises. Saturday consisted of agribusiness tours designed to enlighten students about more diverse agricultural fields such as feed milling, land-based fish farming, and farm equipment sales. The keynote speaker at Saturday's closing dinner, Michele Payn-Knoper, masterfully outlined the single biggest threat to agriculture—lack of public understanding and support—and empowered and challenged NALC participants to actively work to change public sentiment through education.

NALC and Conclave was more than workshops and tours. The trip to North Carolina gave members of the Cornell chapter a chance to make friends and show that Cornell is a leader within the national fraternity. Not only did members of our chapter establish new relationships with Morrill, Cook, Delaware, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, and Iowa chapters; several members also had the opportunity to serve on the High Council or the Alpha Zeta Foundation Board. Congratulations are in order for Brother John Orłowski,

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Cornell Chapter members at NALC. Front row: Carolyn Abbott '10, Patty Dalglish '11, Elizabeth Buck '11, Daniel Borchert '91, Paul Ruskiewicz '96, Marlene van Es '11, and Kate Harkness '11. Back row: Amanda Powers '09, Abubakar Jalloh '10, Sam Bradley '10, Dan Demeree '11, Matti Hart '10, Shane Rothermel '10, Scott Tucker '10, Dana Gale '10, Joe D'Angelo '10, Chris Castellano '10, John Orłowski '10, and Brittany Mosher '09.

Faculty dinner is a grand affair

This spring, Alpha Zeta continued its fine tradition of faculty dinners by hosting a three-course meal at the house on March 4. This year, over 20 faculty members and staff were in attendance, and the crowd of actives, pledges, and guests was so large there was not a single open seat left in the dining room.

The evening began around 5:30 p.m. with a reception in the upstairs area where our members and the faculty could sit down and chat with each other. To our surprise and delight, one of our faculty in attendance, Dr. Nicholas Calderone, brought exotic honey samples to share with all of those in attendance. Around 6:00 p.m., everyone proceeded to the downstairs dining area to enjoy a delectable three-course meal prepared by our capable and skilled cook, Peter Seznec.

During dessert, we were fortunate enough to have the pleasure of hosting Dr. Thomas Tylutki '90 as our featured speaker for the evening. Dr. Tylutki gave a presentation on his international agricultural work and experiences in such distant locales as South Africa and Ukraine. Dr. Tylutki shared with us in great detail his work and the differences in agricultural practices and operations between nations. It was surprising and tragic when he showed a photo of South African farm workers and explained that although there were only a few

people in the photo, at least one of them was likely to be HIV positive, and that the mortality rate of the virus resulted in a chronic shortage of farm workers in that nation.

I'd like to give my sincerest thanks to Dr. Tylutki for taking time out of his busy schedule to be our speaker for the evening. I would also like to thank the faculty who were able to make time to join us for a delicious meal, and for the actives who invited the faculty and

made the event a great success. Lastly, I'd like to give my deepest appreciation to Chelsea Hoover '10, our steward, for helping to coordinate the edible details of the event and for ensuring the dinner was adequately staffed and ran smoothly. A wonderful evening was had by all.

Fraternally,
Brian Crandall '10
Chronicler



Brittany Mosher '09 listens intently to Professor Travis Park, Assoc. '07, at the faculty dinner.

Cornell Chapter helps Texas farmers on national service trip

Over winter break, the Cornell Chapter did not bundle up and stay home up here in the cold north. Instead, as part of an Alpha Zeta national service project, we had some fun helping out a Texas ranching family, the Legows, whose land was pummeled by Hurricane Ike last year. John Orłowski '10 and I joined about 20 other AZ members from across the nation to help out Chip, Jean, and Janet Legow in the reconstruction of their barbed-wire fence.

The Legows have about 4,400 acres of land that sustains around 300 cattle in the south of Texas. All of this land was fenced off until the storm surge of Hurricane Ike came in this past summer, with floodwater up to 20 feet in places, wrecking the fence and hindering the family's cattle operations. Fencing such a large area is a lot of work, and that is where Alpha Zeta came into play.

Through blood, sweat, and maybe some tears (none by me), we worked to put back up five miles of the Legows' fence. In the five days we were down there, we developed good teamwork skills and a systematic way of putting up the fence, led by Chip Legow. It was a lot of fun because of their personalities. Chip always had plenty of stories to tell us (often telling them to us more than once) and the twin sisters, Jean and Janet, were so funny they could probably star on their own sitcom.

However, we had to deal with some of the difficulties of the Texan environment. The mosquitoes had their way with us, making for a tough experience. It was the strangest thing to have only a week until Christmas and spending most of the day swatting mosquitoes from my face. They told us that if we thought the insects were bad during the fencing, then we should visit during the summer when it is even worse. For me, I had never seen mosquitoes that bad before, and it was only December.

On a personal level, the trip changed me quite a bit. Growing up on a dairy farm, I did not get much of a chance to travel and experience

the country. The national service project gives students a chance to do just that. The trip gave me the motivation to want to go out and experience new things all the time. Also, the trip gave me a greater appreciation for the fraternity of Alpha Zeta. It allowed me to realize how much more there is to our organization than when I first met Alpha Zetans from other chapters.

All in all, the national service trip was a great experience for me and is a great function of Alpha Zeta. I look forward to having the opportunity to go on the trip again.

Fraternally,
Daniel Demeree '11



AZ members help out in the fields of south Texas. Left to right: Michael Oak '07, John Orłowski '10, and Dan Demeree '11.

Recruitment chair aims to improve AZ's rush system

Spring rush this year was highly successful. Alpha Zeta hosted numerous rush events for two weeks at the beginning of the term. During the first week of rush, the fraternity treated rushes to events such as sledding, snow football, ice cream at Purity, ice skating, and a movie night. We also hosted a house poker tournament and played an intense game of broomball at Cass Park. Both the active membership and rushes had a good time at all events.

The second week of rush was also very successful. The week centered on the dinners at the house, followed by a movie or a good game of cards. At the end of the rush period, 25 bids were extended to potential members. Fourteen of these bids were accepted, and the house initiated 10 new members into the

fraternity this spring. We expect that these individuals will continue to uphold the fine standards and traditions of Alpha Zeta.

Although the current system we use is successful at bringing quality people to the house, it was apparent to me that we can do much better as an organization. Through the rush system alone, we only attract about three percent of the people eligible to join Alpha Zeta down to the house. Developing a system that allows the fraternity to recruit all year long would significantly increase the number of people interested in the house and improve our membership base.

A few weeks after rush ended, we decided to change all instances of the word "rush" to "recruitment" in the bylaws and house articles. We also voted to expand the

duties of the recruitment chair to develop and implement recruitment activities all year long. Right now we are in the process of developing an integrated year-round system that should ensure a good number of quality people are always interested in Alpha Zeta.

Some of the things we are working on include the revival of Ag Day to increase our presence in the Cornell community, a reorganization of the CALS Charitable Trust Scholarship to make it more useful for recruiting purposes, and most importantly, developing a system to obtain alumni recommendations. If you know of any quality students who will be coming to Cornell in the fall, please let us know. Thank you.

John Orłowski '10
Recruitment Chair



The spring 2009 pledge class (from left): Chris Castellano '10 (pledgemaster), Caitlin Sheldon '11, Aubrey Whittaker '12, Marine de Marcken '11, Mark Hudson (winter '09), Jeanette Friedman '12, Seth Andrews '12, Judy Amsalem '12, Denis Lu '11, Emmaline Long '12, Mason Newark '11, and Brittany Mosher '09 (pledge educator).

Introducing the newest Alpha Zetans!

Pledging Alpha Zeta fraternity is a one-of-a-kind experience. When we first got our bids nearly three months ago, we didn't know what to expect. Our minds and hearts started racing when we signed our bids and began this journey. "What were we getting into?" we asked each other. The pledging process was intense at times, but we were always able to get things done. Through the pledge process, we became a cohesive family of pledge siblings, and we became unified. Let's meet our newly initiated brothers and sisters!

Mason J. Newark '11 was born and raised in Sussex County, Delaware. He is majoring in plant science and entomology. In his spare time, he enjoys running, lifting weights, football, camping, and traveling abroad.

Emmaline Long '12 is from Bergen, New York. She is majoring in agricultural sciences with a minor in crop production, and is also involved in collegiate 4-H and Navigators Christian Fellowship. In her spare time, she enjoys tending her sheep, swimming, and camping with family.

Aubrey Whittaker '12 is an agriculture education major from Whitney Point, New York. Her family owns and operates a dairy farm. She helps out on the family farm on the weekends and enjoys participating in 4-H and promoting dairy in her county.

Judy Amsalem '12 is a natural resources major. She is from New York City. In addition to Alpha Zeta, she is involved with crew and enjoys photography, rowing, and anything outdoors.

Jeanie Friedman '12 is from Wilton, Connecticut, and is majoring in SNES. She is also on the crew team. In her spare time, she enjoys rowing, kayaking, swimming, and otters.

Caity Sheldon '11 is an agricultural science major. She is from Great Falls, a small town in Virginia. Her interests include dairy cows, agriculture, sports, and country music.

Marine de Marcken '11 is an animal science major. Originally born in Belgium, she now resides in Salisbury, Connecticut. Her hobbies include riding horses, skiing, and languages.

Seth Andrews '12 is a bioengineering major. He is from Machias in upstate New York. Seth enjoys swimming, reading, and video games in his spare time.

Denis Lu '11 is a biology major. He is from West Haverstraw, New York. When he's not busy doing research, Denis enjoys music, drumming and composition.

Mark Hudson '09 is a horticulture major. He is from Rochester, New York. When he's not working in his greenhouse, Mark enjoys cooking, relaxing, and talking.

"Moshellano's Eleven" (our pledge class name) had an amazing pledge experience. We not only learned anything and everything there is to know about Alpha Zeta, but we also grew as individuals. We experienced good times, stressful times, and even sad times during our nine long weeks as pledges, and we sure are glad it's over! We are now new members of Alpha Zeta, and we all look forward to the many new experiences that it will bring us.

scenes from the 2009 reunion and more

AZ “springs” into summer, cont.

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to local farms, and some good barbecue! Cornell chapter received more than good friends and fellowship with two of our members, Anna Kenney '11 and Alex Cowen '10, receiving officer of the year awards for treasurer and scribe, respectively. We also had a passing of the baton from Brittany Mosher '09 to John Orlowski '10, as John was elected the new student representative to the high council. Last but not least, Shane Rothermel '10 was appointed to the Alpha Zeta Foundation that deals with the financial aspects of Alpha Zeta. Overall, it was a fun and successful trip, and definitely worth the 10-hour drive to North Carolina and back!

As the semester draws to a close, the executive board, the chapter, and I look forward to what this summer and fall semester will bring. With morale, numbers and participation at a high, the chapter can only keep moving forward in a positive and productive way. It is an exciting time to be chancellor, and I am excited to see what our chapter can do in the future!

Fraternally,
Marlene van Es '11
Chancellor

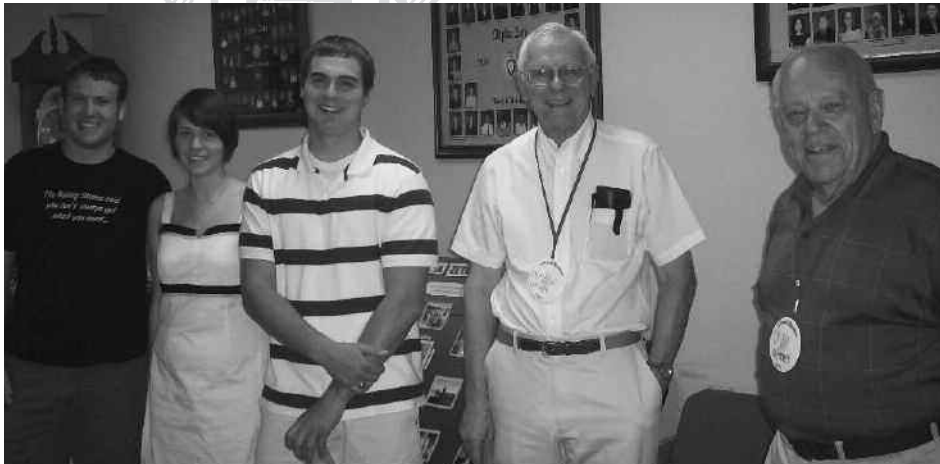
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new student representative to the High Council, and Brother Shane Rothermel, new member of the foundation board. Many thanks are extended to Sister Brittany Mosher for her service as past student representative, Fahren Robb Grad '08, past alumni representative, and Paul Ruskiewicz '96, outgoing high chancellor.

Needless to say, NALC and Conclave was a motivational, educational, and highly enjoyable trip for the 17 Cornell chapter actives in attendance. The delegation would like to thank the corporation board, because we would not have been able to attend NALC without its support. The actives of the Cornell chapter look forward to attending the next NALC, hosted by Cook Chapter at Rutgers next spring, and plan on submitting a bid to host the 2011 NALC.

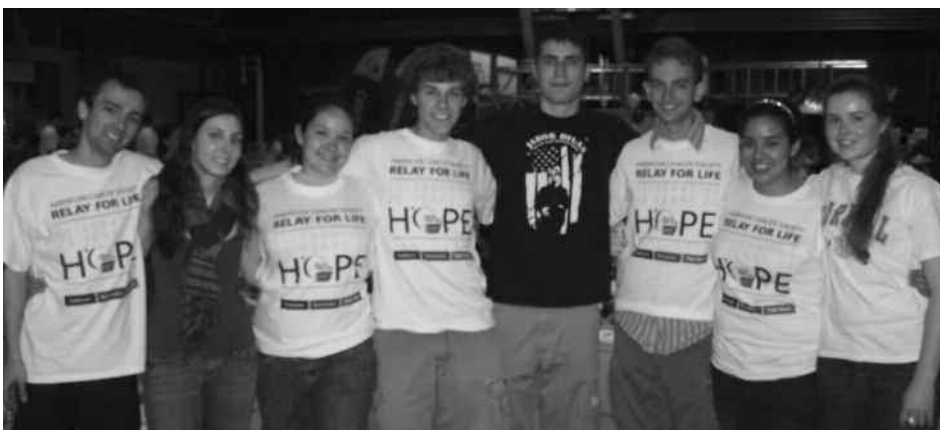
Elizabeth Buck '11



AZ alumni return for reunion (from left): Mike Gould '11 (Censor), Ariana Verrilli '09, Tom Linden '07 (Facility Manager), Doug Dalrymple '56, and Jim Weisbeck '59.



From left: Dick Church '64, Ed Smith '64, Doug Dedrick '59, Jim Van Houten '66, and Dick Vincent '59. Others who visited but not in pictures are: Jim Bittner '80 and Kevin Bittner '04.



Members stand together at Relay for Life. From left: Brian Crandall '10, Kristen Vitro '11, Emily Nestle '09, Keith Ciccaglione '11, Seth Andrews '12, Alex Cowen '10, Paula Ortiz '09, and Marine de Marcken '11.

our alumni send their news

Philip Wolff '38 writes, "Attended my 70th at Cornell this year with wife Elise Hughes Wolff '39. We celebrate our 38th anniversary in October and my 93rd birthday." He is still treasurer of the class of '38, enjoys golf, gardening, and woodwork and is very active in the Olympic movement. The Wolffs still summer in the Adirondacks at Saranac Lake. "Gave up mountain climbing but still canoe! Enjoy news on AZ. The house looked very good." This winter, keep in touch with Phil at 18755 W. Bernardo Dr., Apt. 1238, San Diego, CA 92127. E-mail him at philipwolff@aol.com.

"Just got back from Argentina and Chili," writes **J.C. White '39**. "Crossed the Andes by boat and bus. Gorgeous! Still playing tennis and walking. Active with environmental groups. Miss my old roommate, **Chet Freeman '39**, and other AZs. Not many of us left." Catch up with J.C. at 5878 Wyldeewood Lakes Ct., Ft. Myers, FL 33919; jamescwh@peoplepc.com.

"At 87, I'm still experiencing good health," reports **Lewellyn S. Mix '46** (1129 Trantwood Ave., Virginia Beach, VA 23454). "I lift weights and swim at the rec center three mornings a week. I'm waiting for the housing marketing to recover so we can move to a smaller apartment. Both Connie and I stay busy with church

activities. We enjoyed a four-day family reunion at a retreat center in Williamsburg, Virginia, just before our granddaughter's wedding. Twenty-eight of the extended Lew Mix family, including spouses, children, and grandchildren, attended. A great time was enjoyed by all."

Willett Porter '49 is in his 58th year as a Methodist minister and in the 56th year of marriage to Shirley. He is still pastoring a local country church in Putnam County, called Mount Hope, and was named last year as "Pastor Emeritus" of the Mount Kisco UMC in Westchester. He sends regards to all. Write to Rev. Porter at 31 Maple Dr., Mahopac, NY 10541.

"Today, July 15, 2008, after I got off the 2388 harvesting 100 bushels of wheat, and as I read about the pledges for the AZ chapter, I wondered how many would know what a '2388' was and if any had ever been on a combine?" laments **Robert Call '50**. "Where will our professional farmers come from? VoAg, FFA, and 4-H alone won't be enough for tomorrow's farm operators." Contact Bob at 6661 Fisher Rd., Oakfield, NY 14125 or rrcall@yahoo.com.

"I have been retired from Cornell agricultural economics since 1995, but still maintain con-

tact with the department," writes **George L. Casler '50**. "I finished my second three-year term on the CALS Charitable Trust in 2007. In July 2007, we celebrated Pat's 70th birthday in Oregon with all our offspring and also saw Cec (**Cecil Lamb '50**) and Ann Lamb in Palo Alto. In October 2008, we visited Spain and Portugal for two weeks. We have done our part to stimulate the economy by installing a new kitchen and buying a new U.S.-made car." Get in touch with George at 107 Christopher Cir., Ithaca, NY 14850; glc4@cornell.edu.

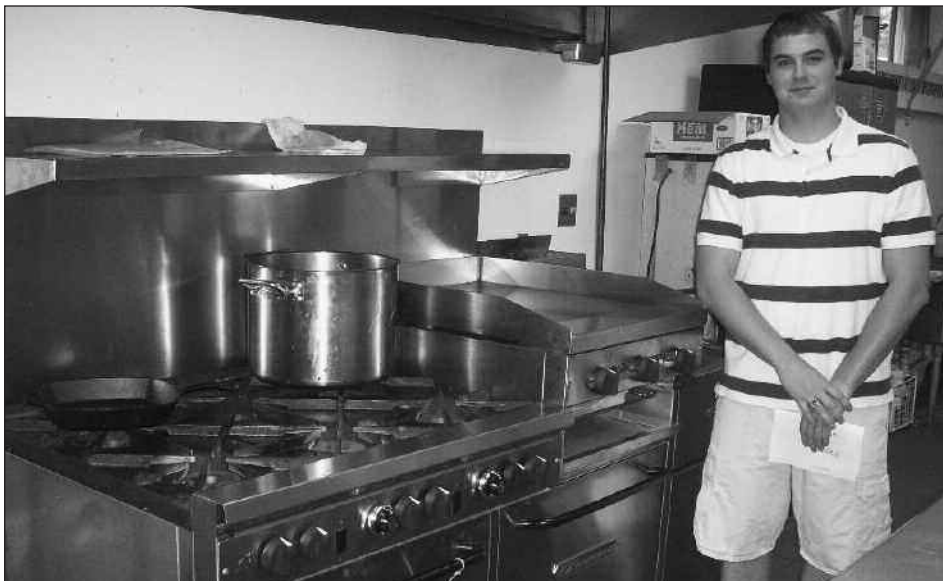
Maurice E. Mix '50 notes: "I was chancellor of AZ in 1948. We are comfortable in the Langdon Place Nursing Home in Keene, New Hampshire. My wife, Alice, is in the intensive care unit, and I have a separate apartment in the assisted living unit. We enjoy receiving mail and phone calls from Cornellians and other friends. If a brother or sister AZ is traveling in the area, please drop in to see us." Mixey can be reached at 136A St., Langdon Place Nursing Home, Keene, NH 03431; mixm20@sover.net.

Everett W. Tennant '55 has a new residence, 151 Pimlico Place, Jackson, MS 39211, but still receives mail at P.O. Box 12313, Jackson, MS 39236. "Bill" has an empty nest at last and has downsized, in addition to being retired. He reports of his four children: Louis, of Bristol, Connecticut, is a graduate of Regis University in Denver, Colorado; Andy, of Auburn, Alabama, is a graduate of Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana; Madrid, of New York, New York, is a graduate of Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, New York; Beth, of Jackson, Mississippi, is a graduate of Millsaps College in Jackson. E-mail Bill at ebillt@att.net.

Richard C. Grambow '57 sends word that **John B. Tasker '55** has authored a book, *Standing on the Shoulders of Giants: Foundations in Veterinary Medicine for the Advancement of Human Welfare*, published by Llumina Press. The book contains 14 chapters describing independent events in veterinary research that provided new understanding of human medical problems and their management. To find out more, get in touch with Dick at 1435 Shoreline Way, Loveland, OH 45140; rcg27@cornell.edu.

"My wife and I recently completed classroom training to be Steven ministers through our

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AZ's new stove (slightly used!) replaces the old stove that served AZ well for more than 40 years, with Facility Manager Tom Linden '07. We're happy to report that Tom will be entering Cornell Veterinary College this fall, but will be staying on as facility manager.

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church, First Presbyterian, in West Chester, Pennsylvania," writes **Leon L. "Vern" Anstee '61**. "We look forward to this commitment in Christian ministry. If any brothers or sisters are in the Philadelphia area, give us a shout: 1651 Yardley Dr., West Chester, PA 19380; vern.anstee@verizon.net."

Robert E. Graves '65 is still doing extension work as a professor in the agricultural and biological engineering department at Penn State. "I was honored this year by the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers with the grade of Fellow," writes Bob. "I enjoyed making my first AZ picnic this summer." Keep in touch with Bob at 220 S. Osmond St., State College, PA 16801; reg2@psu.edu.

"Cathy and I welcomed our second grandchild, Harrison, born on October 17," writes **Donald Danila '69**. "We moved last year to a new house on a lake where I can play at bass fishing and kayaking. We're still working and, based on the present economy and our retirement plans, are likely to keep doing so for another few years." Don also reports a new employer: Millstone Environmental Lab. Send him greetings at 214 Pattagansett Dr., East Lyme, CT 06333; abcfish@ct.metrocast.net.

"My wife, Kathy, and I are going on our 27th year here on our small lakeside farm in Hamlin, New York," writes **Ted J. Habgood '73** (142 Cook Rd., Hamlin, NY 14464). "Our daughter, Jenny, is a junior at Morrisville in their equine science BS program, and our son, Brent, is an account manager at IBM. We would love to see any brothers traveling by Hamlin anytime!" Reach Ted by e-mail at ted.habgood@fnfg.com or triadr98@yahoo.com.

John K. Crane '77 reports, "I got married July 5, 2008, to Elizabeth Abbey. **Mark Hagan '75** was a guest at our wedding. My daughter, Sarah, applied to the Cornell Ag School but was not accepted, so she will attend Grove City College in Grove City, Pennsylvania." Send greetings to John at his new address of 400 Cadman Dr., Williamsville, NY 14221. E-mail him at jcrane@acsu.buffalo.edu.

"My wife and I traveled to Wisconsin in June 2008 to attend my daughter's wedding," writes **Randy D. Hulle '78**. "Since I have MS, my walking has been affected. I have a service dog, called Wyatt, to help me walk. My goal and dream was to walk my daughter down

the aisle, and that was fulfilled when she got married on June 14th. My boys were also there; it was a real joy to see them and spend time with all of my children. All in all, it was a day I will remember and cherish for a long time. Although it was a long trip, it was a joyous occasion – and a dream come true. We became first-time grandparents on November 14, 2008, when my daughter, Sam Ewing, gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Ella Ewing. We are really proud and looking forward to their visit back east this year. It will be beautiful to hold my first grandchild." Congratulate Randy at 103 Boniface Dr., Bldg. 4-401, Pine Bush, NY 12566.

"Kathy Shields in admissions told me how great the house was doing!" reports **Edward Koronowski '89**. "I am starting to keep in touch a little better with brothers and sisters now. It's a great family. After working on all species of animals since 1994, I landed an industry job with Abbott Laboratories in their animal health division. I will be covering the northeast into NY, PA, NJ, and MD. My last six years in Maryland at the horse tracks gave me a good base down here. I don't think I'll have to move anytime soon. Look for me on the road in your area. And since I call on Cornell as their veterinary liaison, I might swing by the

house for meals! New mailing address is P.O. Box 38423, Baltimore, MD 21231. E-mail me at kornys13@yahoo.com."

Craig A. Schenk '90 is now employed by Milton Cat. Keep in touch with him at 4254 Mary Dr., Eden, NY 14057; craigpattischenk@aol.com.

Nicole (Vantuno) Wagner '94 happily reports, "Stephen and I welcomed Kyle Joseph Wagner on April 29, 2008. He is a very sweet, happy baby, and his big brothers, Leo and Calvin, have been wonderful helpers and teachers." Send Nicole congratulations at 4 Whittier St., Edison, NJ 08820 or e-mail her at sweetpeeh3@yahoo.com

Liz and **Holland Foote '95** are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Spencer, on June 5, 2008. "Mother, father, and older sister, Meghan (3), couldn't be happier!" writes Holland. "We welcome visitors to the San Francisco Bay/wine country area. Please contact us at hfoote12@yahoo.com." Holland lives at 120 Ravenswood Ct., Petaluma, CA 94952.

"On July 15, 2008, my husband, Scott, and I welcomed our second child, Benjamin

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AZ's May 2009 graduating class (from left): Emily Nestle, L.E. Odom, Kayleigh Fischer, Sarah Stokoe, Kaylan Spatny, Paul Clerkin, Brittany Mosher, Amanda Powers, Rob Farnham, and Leticia Daconti. Graduating, but missing from picture: Brigitte Buckbee, Molly Crowley, Dina Halagian, Laura Harthans, Paula Ortiz, and Kaitlin Quirk.

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Michael Mayer," reports **Lori (Zimmerman) Mayer '95**. "Ben weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, and is doing great. We also moved recently to Garnet Valley, Pennsylvania." Lori is currently the senior director of brand management at Genesis Health Care. Send congratulations to her new address of 7 Eavenson Way, Garnet Valley, PA 19061. E-mail reaches her at smayer13@gmail.com.

Matthew "Casey" Becker '98 works at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland, Ohio. Keep in touch with him at his new address of 2301 Traymore Rd., University Heights, OH 44118. E-mail him at raydancase@yahoo.com.

"I am engaged to Sandra Crane (Cornell '95)," announces **Benjamin Timerman '00** (bk-tsrambler@hotmail.com). "Our wedding is planned for June 27, 2009. Sandra is a pediatrician in Watertown, NY. I'm a detective with the Jefferson County Sheriff's office in Watertown." Congratulate Ben by postal mail at 36725 County Rt. 15, Lafargeville, NY 13656.

Ezra Cornell, Assoc. '01, reports his new title of president of Cornell Pochily Investment Advisors, Inc., as of January 4, 2008. Reach him at his new business address: 2415 N. Triphammer Rd., Ste. 1, Ithaca, NY 14850.

Adam Zeller '01 reports that he married in August 2008. "My wife, Kimberly, and I moved to the Houston, Texas, area last summer and bought a house in Spring, Texas, last December, where we hope to start our family. I am working as a quality assurance specialist for Lexicon Pharmaceuticals, and my wife is a firearms specialist for the City of Houston crime lab. Feel free to contact me to chat about old times, new times, or help pursuing a career." Take Adam up on his offer at 22010 Briarvine Ct., Spring, TX 77389; ajz7@attn.net.

Rivka Shoulson '03 writes, "Marc Wiznia and I were married on November 23, 2008, in New Windsor, NY. We were fortunate that many AZ alumni were able to celebrate with us on our special day, including **Jonathan Kui '01, Megan Ackerman '02, Jeremy Yost '99, JoAnna (DeBlock) Becerril '03, Jennifer (Winchell) Sands '03, Leighanna Marley '04, and Michael Wilson '03** (see photo below). We are now living in New York City on the Upper West Side. I am currently a second-year laboratory animal medicine resident at Columbia University, and Marc continues to work in Prudential Financial's mergers and acquisitions group." Send congratulations to Rivka at 326 Columbus Ave., Apt. 6G, New York, NY 10023.

Reach **Jolene Tam '04** at her new address of 664 Fairmont, Mountain View, CA 94041.

"I am continuing to work with Syngenta Seeds as the squash assistant breeder," reports **Lisa Polewczak '06**. "I'm continuing my education by attending the plant breeder academy at UC Davis. If any of my pledge siblings want to get in touch, feel free to e-mail me at l.polewczak@gmail.com."

Jessica (Peck) Shaver '06 (4372 Lake Rd., Williamson, NY 14589) and her husband, Dale, welcomed their daughter, Breanna Lynne, into their lives on June 1, 2008. Both parents are looking forward to celebrating her first birthday this June. Find out how the festivities went at jshaver74@hotmail.com.

deceased

We regret to announce the deaths of:

W. Lorenzo Palmer '32
September 16, 2008

Harold B. Sweet '35
December 1, 2008

W. Dexter Bellamy '38
February 28, 2009

Chester "Chet" Higby Freeman '39
September 9, 2008

Robert G. Latimer '39
March 26, 2008

Marcel F. Mulbury '39
October 28, 2008

George E. Mattus '41
May 16, 2008

Russell H. Bradley '42
December 28, 2008

John R. Pavka '42
May 15, 2008

Frank A. Walkley '43, Assoc. '73
June 6, 2009

Richard L. Wing '56
June 23, 2008

Forrest H. Davis '57
August 21, 2008



On November 23, 2008, Rivka Shoulson '03 and Marc Wiznia were married at Anthony's Pier Nine in New Windsor, New York. Many AZ Alumni attended, including (from left): Jennifer (Winchell) Sands '03, Joanna (DeBlock) Becerril '03, Megan Ackerman '02, Jeremy Yost '99, Leighanne Marley '04, Michael Wilson '03, and Jonathan Kui '01.