

were attributed, both on campus and off over a period of many years, until it was revealed that Narby was a fictitious character created by his "classmate" **Curt Reis '56**. The most distant prank occurred on the day of the Cornell football game at Yale in 1989, when the *Cornell Daily Sun* staff was able to publish and substitute thousands of copies of Yale's daily newspaper that were then distributed to Yale students and staff. The spoofed paper included articles such as the one headlined "Yale Purchases New Haven." Of course the most famous prank was the Great Pumpkin Mystery that began October 7, 1997. Though we now know the answer to the question, "How was the pumpkin lodged atop the 73-foot-high spire of McGraw Hall," the answer to the question, "Who done it?" is still a mystery.

We do know that our class officers were hard at work representing us at the mid-winter Cornell Alumni Leadership Conference (CALC), not held in sunny Florida, but for the past three years in icy Boston, MA. Attending last January was our class president **Jane Frommer Gertler**, VP **Nancy Nystrom Frantz**, Cornell Annual Fund representative and president of the Cornell Association of Class Officers (CACO) **Jay Waks**, JD '71, and, owning hardly any appropriate winter clothing, our 50th Reunion chairs **Bette** and **Bob Zippin** from sunny Ft. Lauderdale, FL. The Zippins have many great ideas for our 50th and they will be asking for your input while planning for our reunion, June 7-10, 2018. Additionally, **Helen Karel** Dorman, BS HE '67, our affinity chairperson, will need all of our help to reach out to classmates to make the milestone as well-attended as possible. Sometimes all it takes to see one of our long-lost friends is the right personal contact. In the months ahead you'll be receiving more information from Bette about our new class website and Facebook page.

Meanwhile, there's work that needs to be done for groups other than Cornell alums, and **Diane Charske** Hanson is certainly doing her part. Diane was just elected to her fifth term as mayor of Dewey Beach, DE, and her eighth year as town commissioner. Diane says, "It has been my greatest professional challenge, but I feel I am really making a difference in making the town a better place physically and from a quality-of-life standard. It takes a lot of time and pays nothing, so I'm still basically retired, but have a lot of responsibilities just the same." Diane and her husband, **Bill**, did find time last year for a river cruise through Hungary, Romania, Serbia, and Croatia. Diane, you and our many classmates we have highlighted in past columns, who have volunteered their time and skills, represent part of the "Big Idea" Cornell's founders envisioned for its graduates.

We're eager to hear about your accomplishments, activities, and family, so e-mail me so I can share your experiences with our friends and classmates. ✉ **Chuck Levitan**, clevitan22@comcast.net.

69 Whew, what a winter! Some people are probably still digging out—and looking forward to the warm weather.

Alan Cody, **Rich Nalevanko**, and **John Wilkens**, ME '71, attended the annual Cornell Alumni Leadership Conference (CALC) in Boston last January. They were joined by **Charlotte Bruska** Gardner and **Greg Baum** for the first class officers meeting for our next reunion cycle. The meeting focused on goals and priorities for our

class activities and making our next reunion a big success. If you would like to volunteer to help our class use social media to keep in touch with our classmates, please contact Alan or any of our class officers. Visit our website, www.cornell69.org, and don't forget to save the date for our 50th Reunion, June 6-9, 2019!

Steve Marx loves living in Tampa, FL, and welcomed a third grandchild—and first granddaughter—**Hannah Sloane Marx** in October 2014. He is thankful for the business skills, organizational politics, and organizational productivity he learned at WVBR. He is still pleased to be involved as a board member and is immensely proud to have helped WVBR return to Collegetown in their brand new facility at the corner of Stewart and Buffalo. **Susan Wohryzek** Mittler retired as president of the Ithaca Teachers Association and currently co-teaches a collective bargaining simulation course in the ILR school. Daughter **Jessica '94** was awarded tenure at Penn State. Son **Craig '98** welcomed his second child, a little girl, in April.

Michael Ahn, ME '71, MRP '73, is in Carpinteria, CA, and just published a book: *Comeuppance: Stories from the 1960s*, a collection of short stories with Cornell as the setting. "Many of the stories have been previously published in literary reviews. President Skorton purchased a copy with his smartphone at the L.A. Sesqui event! It is available on Amazon." **Richard Lysle** is proud of daughter **Lily Rae**, who has been accepted by the Cornell Law School to join the Class of 2017. Lily graduated from San Francisco State U. with a BS in biology/zoology.

Barry Nocks, professor emeritus of city and regional planning at Clemson U., has been named to the College of Fellows by the American Inst. for Certified Planners in recognition of his achievements in urban planning, community service, and leadership. He has 40 years of experience as a practicing planner, educator, administrator, consultant, and citizen planner. He directed the master planning process for the Reedy River Corridor in Greenville that provided the framework for the area's redevelopment and the creation of the Swamp Rabbit Trail. Barry retired from Clemson in 2013, having served as professor, director of the city and regional planning program, associate dean for research and graduate studies in the College of Architecture, Arts, and Humanities, and director of the Center for Community Growth and Change. He currently serves on the national Planning Accreditation Board as well as the Board of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning. In Greenville, he has served on the City Planning Commission and is currently chair of the city's Design Review Board. He also has been engaged as a consultant and volunteer for a variety of public and private organizations in the Carolinas and throughout the country. Barry's wife, **Elaine**, retired from the faculty at Furman U. Their son and two granddaughters live close by in Greenville. Enjoy the spring! ✉ **Tina Economaki** Riedl, triedl048@gmail.com.

70 Our 45th Reunion will begin in just under a month! And if you have not yet registered for Reunion Weekend, you are in luck. The early bird deadline is Sunday, May 10. Find the big 45th Reunion packet you received in mid-March and read all about it. Then go online to our Class of 1970 website (cornell70.org) and click on the blue HERE near the top of our homepage, or go to the Reunion

tab, where you will find our 45th registration form. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or our super reunion chairs, **Bill**, ME '71, and **Gail Post Wallis** (wdw6@cornell.edu; gpw7@cornell.edu), and they will get in touch with you. Bill is also our reunion registrar and will be very able to help you through the online registration process. Also be sure to check out our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Cornell70) and Twitter page (www.twitter.com/CornellClass70) in addition to the '70 website!

Our 45th Reunion will be celebrating the extensive "legacy" of the Legendary Class of 1970. We will share the spotlight with Cornell's 150th anniversary spectacular Sesquicentennial celebration. The Class of '70 has provided significant and ongoing support for the "Three A's" at Cornell: Reunion will feature a unique '70 forum (Academics), a special '70 tour at the Johnson Museum (Arts), and a dinner celebration at Lynah Rink (Athletics)—ice not included! Come and meet the Big Red Bear!

We have established and are sustaining three major funds as Class of '70 gifts to the university: the '70 Scholarship Fund Endowment (Academics); the '70 Art Fund for the benefit of the Johnson Museum's collections (Arts); and the Spirit of 1970 Fund Endowment for perpetual support of the Big Red Bear, the cheerleading squad, and the Annual Senior Athlete Banquet (Athletics). Please consider making a gift to Cornell as part of our 45th Reunion Campaign. Gifts may be made to the general Cornell Annual Fund, specifically to one of the Class of '70's special funds, or to your choice of any aspect of Cornell.

Our Reunion Forum (Friday, June 5, 10-11:30 a.m.) will take the form of RED Talks. The overriding theme will be "Legacy: First, I consider how my life and work has created a legacy. Then I ask myself: What's left that I should do?" Our panel will be composed of three of our classmates: **Bob Langer**, inventor and professor as well as Cornell Entrepreneur of 2015; **Phyllis Corcoran** Woods, renowned Hollywood costumer; and **Ed Zuckerman**, Emmy-winning TV producer and writer. After the talks, the Q&A session will be enlivened by your questions. As a special addition to our reunion, classmate **Fred Piscop** (Bellmore, NY) will be doing a Cornell Class of 1970 era-specific crossword puzzle for us. In 1995, Fred started puzzling full-time. He does crosswords for the *New York Times*, among other publications, and has published books on the subject as well.

In other news, **Steve Rockey** (swr1@cornell.edu) is very proud to announce the marriage of his daughter, **Kate Rockey-Harris '06**, to **Greg Wolski '06** in the Anabel Taylor Chapel on June 22, 2013. Many Cornellians were in attendance including classmates **Will Nist**, **Dave Ruppert**, and **Dave Barbano**, PhD '78, and Steve's son, **Ben Rockey-Harris '04**. Steve started working in the University Library soon after graduation and has been the director of the Engineering, Math, and Physical Sciences libraries in Carpenter and Malott halls at Cornell. He is now in phased retirement for the next three years and, as such, is working half-time as the Mathematics librarian. He says, "Most of my career I have been the Mathematics librarian, and I am happy to be back to doing that."

On November 12, 2014, the Cornell community of Philadelphia lost a cherished member with the passing of **Karen Moss** Glaser. Sadly, Karen was struck by an SUV as she walked from the commuter train to her car on her way home that evening. Karen was senior associate dean for academic