

'62 / 40th In View

The newsletter of the Cornell class of '62, which celebrates its 40th reunion in 2002

Getting Us Together: Can You Help?



ITHACA, NY... Attention, Mr. and Mrs. America—and all ships at sea! It's the year 2001; do you know where your

classmates are?

That question has been on the minds of your class officers for the past six months since we introduced you to '62/40th In View. The push is on for a great 40th reunion in Ithaca from June 6 to 9, 2002. And the simple question of "Where is everybody?" has produced a tremendous amount of activity around the country.

"Getting Us Together" is the campaign slogan under which your class council is operating—reaching out to network with as many classmates and class groups as possible to find the people with whom we shared a unique experience more than four decades ago. A simple request from Class President Fred Hart has snowballed. Fred just asked class officers to form "affinity groups"—to think back to their fraternities and sororities, their campus clubs, their schools or departments (or, as Fred so aptly put it, "portions thereof"), the Big Red Band, sports groups—you get the idea—and to reach out

to other classmates and friends so they could become involved in listing as many people with similar interests as they could remember.

What has developed is a list of nearly two dozen such groups—from the Cornell Drama Club to the *Cornell Daily Sun* and *The Widow*, from fraternities to sororities to the heavyweight crew team. But your class officers can't do it all. And that's why we need the help of everyone who reads this newsletter. We're looking for classmates as leaders and organizers of their own affinity groups—or to join those groups listed below:

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These leaders are providing us with a great start. But we'd like you to pitch in to form your own groups or join the ones above—to get in touch with old classmates and friends and get them to make plans for our 40th reunion. For example: remember who was on your frosh corridor? If you need help doing so, contact Beth Spicka (941/434-2826; wspicka@sprynet.com) or Phil Handler (860/232-0383; psh5@cornell.edu). It's not too early to get going.

40 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP

Great alumni classes like Cornell '62 don't just "happen." They're the result of sustained and dedicated leadership. Many, if not most, of the people listed below have been carrying the flame for four decades. There are many others, not listed, who've served honorably in past years. Look closely at this list—'62 has lived to 2000 because of their efforts. They truly deserve our gratitude.

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Then & Now: 1962 vs. 2000

There are many ways to put these past 38 years in perspective, but the editors of our newsletter thought the following "then-and-now" list might make the point.

Then: Long Hair
Now: Longing for hair

Then: Our president's struggle with Fidel
Now: Our president's struggle with fidelity

Then: The perfect high
Now: The perfect high-yield mutual fund.

Then: Hoping for a BMW
Now: Hoping for a BM

Then: Keg
Now: EKG

Then: Rolling Stones
Now: Kidney stones

Then: Acid Rock
Now: Acid reflux

Then: Screw the system!
Now: Upgrade the system

Then: Popping pills, smoking joints
Now: Popping joints

Then: Paar
Now: AARP

There's more—but why twist the knife?

Join A Committee!

In our first issue of '62/40th *In View* we told you that we needed your help on a variety of committees working toward making the 40th reunion the very best ever. Well, more than six months later, most of those committees have chairpersons—but there are a few with leadership still open. And we really need you to pitch in, either to head up or to join a committee. Still in need of a leader: events planning, hospitality, catering, and decorations. If you'd like to help out, please e-mail Reunion Co-chairs Ruth Bleyler at rzb3@cornell.edu or Jeff Blumenthal at djb36@cornell.edu. You can see a full list of our committees on the web site at www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1962/P100.htm.

Reunion Symposium To Examine Lifelong Learning

One of the highlights of our 35th reunion in 1997 came on the Friday morning of Reunion Weekend. Our theme was "Renew with '62," and retired Economics Professor Fred Kahn moderated a fascinating symposium about "reinventing ourselves" as we move through life. The overflow crowd loved the session—and classmates are still talking about it.

For our 40th reunion we've chosen another topic that we think is important to all of us: lifelong learning and the role of technology in helping us achieve our goals. As we become more accustomed to the age of cyberspace and the Internet, new technologies are already helping us continue our education. A few key strokes or a click of a mouse now brings a wealth of information into our offices or homes.

We're looking for classmates who may want to participate in this next symposium—to share their experiences, perhaps as members of the symposium panel, but certainly as part of the audience. If you'd like to participate on the panel, you can contact Vice President Evie Eskin by e-mail at evieskin@aol.com.

HELP US FIND THESE "LOST" CLASSMATES!

If you can tell us where any of these people are, please write to alumniaffairs@cornell.edu or contact the newsletter editor at CU Class of '62, P.O. Box 876, Ithaca, NY 14851-0876.

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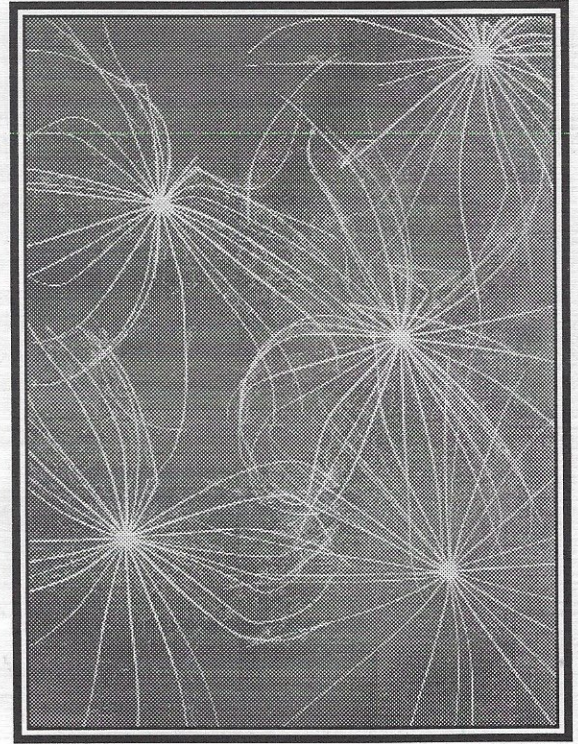
And Here's Another Way To Put Things In Perspective...

As far as we know, Cornell doesn't do this—but Beloit College in Wisconsin does. To try to give faculty a sense of the "mindset" of incoming freshmen, officials make up a list. Here's the one for 2000:

By and large, the new class was born in 1982. They have no meaningful knowledge of the Reagan era—and probably don't know he had ever been shot. They were eight years old during the Persian Gulf War. "Black Monday" 1987 holds no more meaning than the Great Depression. There has only been one Pope. They are too young to remember the space shuttle blowing up.

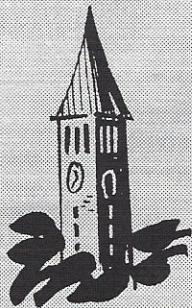
Bottle caps have always been screw-off—and plastic. As far as they know, first-class stamps have always been 33 cents. They have always had an answering machine. Most have never seen a TV set with only 13 channels, nor have they seen a black-and-white TV. The wheels on roller skates have always been "in-line." Jay Leno has always been on the *Tonight Show*. They don't care who shot J.R.—because they never heard of J.R. "Kansas," "Chicago," "Boston," "Alabama," and "America" are groups—not places. They don't have a clue how to use a typewriter.

Talk about putting our 40th in perspective!



Above: *Hawkweed Seeds*, 1937 (solarized silver print) by Andreas Feininger (American, born 1906)
This print is among the 40-plus 19th- and 20th-century photographs given to the Johnson Art Museum by the class of '62.

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