



'62/45th in View

Above: Members of our reunion committee take a break from planning to pose for a photo.

Class of '62s nanotechnology man

He played guitar in a band on "the Hill" and was a pitcher on Cornell's baseball team. But back then in the late 1950s and early '60s, perhaps even **Dave Duffield** could not fully imagine how many great chords or home runs he would be hitting in life—nor that one day a gorgeous new building on campus would be named **Duffield Hall**.

The class of '62 can take pride in the fact that **Dave is one of our own**. It's hard to know where to begin in telling the story of this man who was born in Shaker Heights, Ohio, grew up in Ho Ho Kus, New Jersey, and then went on to earn a BS in electrical engineering and an MBA from Cornell. In this age of cyberspace, you'll probably most identify Dave with the giant company **PeopleSoft**, of which he was the co-founder, CEO, and chairman back in 1987. But "founder" and "co-founder" have been titles accompanying Dave's name ever since 1969, when he was just a few years out of school.



He cut his teeth in engineering and marketing with IBM. But

Dave soon decided to strike out on his own. And so in 1969, as the World Wide Web started spinning, he co-founded **Information Associates**, which specialized in computer applications for higher education. Three years later, it was **Integral Systems**, offering "Online real-time applications" for human resource and accounting systems. Then **Business Software**, which Dave founded in 1979. He was on the cutting edge of the IT world.

But it was in 1987—the year of our 25th Cornell reunion—when Dave created his biggest enterprise: **PeopleSoft, Inc.** His company develops and markets software for finance, materials management, distribution, supply-chain planning, manufacturing and human resources for more than 1,800 customers around the world. PeopleSoft had as many as 12,000 employees worldwide before being acquired by Oracle in 2005.

So Dave became a very rich man, worth more than a billion dollars. But his philanthropic interests have put that money to some very important uses—including concern for some 5,000 PeopleSoft employees who lost their jobs in the Oracle acquisition. The **Safety Net**

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The year is finally here

Frankly, it's a bit scary to realize **how time flies**. Wasn't it just a few months ago when we said good bye at the Sunday breakfast at Willard Straight after a fabulous 40th reunion? No—actually, it was more than four and a half years ago. And now we are counting less than two months until the **45th reunion of the Cornell Class of '62**.

Indeed—**THE YEAR IS HERE!** Once again, we're sounding the clarion call: **Come one come all!** Your class council has been working very hard for more than a year to bring you a June weekend that promises to top what has gone before. And so—before you read more—get out your calendar and mark these dates: **June 7-10, 2007**. Because **that's going to be one "wing-ding" weekend**.

Reunion Chairperson Ruth Bleyler and her volunteer staff have spent many months pulling all the parts of the big weekend together. The class of '62 **headquarters** for reunion will be at the new **townhouses on the North Campus**. You should have reservation forms and more information in your hands by now. We urge you to send your reservations in as soon as possible.

For those who are able to arrive on **Thursday**, we'll kick off the festivities with a big reception and **buffet dinner at Duffield Hall**, the new nanotechnology center built with funds donated by your '62 **Classmate Dave Duffield**. Dave is the man who started the pioneering computer company **PeopleSoft** and now runs another software firm called **WorkDay**. And Duffield Hall is a beautiful piece of architecture of which '62 can be proud, since Dave earmarked \$12.5 million of his gift to be credited to our class.

Things really start rolling on **Friday**, with an early continental breakfast at the **Townhouse Commons**. For those in the mood: golf and tennis tournaments. But you certainly don't want to miss the **class of '62 symposium: "1962—and**

45 Years Later." Our featured speaker will be famed Cornell history **Professor Walter LaFeber**.

Friday afternoon will give classmates a chance to wander the campus, and a chance to hear the annual **Olin Lecture**. **Friday evening** you want to be sure to make our **gala reception and dinner-dance** at the **Statler Ballroom**, with music by the great **Backtalk Band**.

Saturday's breakfast at the Townhouse Commons kicks off a busy day. The morning features the **state of the university address** by our new **President David J. Skorton**. After the changes at the top in recent years, it will be interesting to hear about the vision set forth by the university's new leader. Time for some shopping at the **campus store** and a brief walk through **College town**—all to work up an appetite for the **class picnic outside the Johnson Museum**, complete with that all-important **class**

photo. At the museum, a special tour of the **Paul and Helen Anbinder ('62) photo collection**.

The rest of your afternoon is free, but **Saturday night** you'll get a chance to see the latest addition to residential Cornell—the **West Campus**, down Library Slope—because our big evening **reception and dinner** will be held at the dorm named for famous Cornell astronomer **Hans Bethe**. Of course, Saturday night is the time for **Cornelliana**, always a great show.

And what would reunion be without getting together for a beer each night at **the tents on the Arts Quad**? Thank goodness some things don't change!

We end our great reunion all too soon **Sunday morning** with the **class of '62 farewell breakfast and class meeting**—this time at **Robert Purcell Hall** on the North Campus, right near our residence. Before you know it, time once again to say good bye. But also to look forward to the grand-daddy of get-togethers in **2012: our 50th reunion!**



Volunteers still needed for reunion

Your reunion committee is doing a great job of preparing for the big weekend. But they can't do it all themselves. We need some volunteers before, during, and after the big event.

Before: Affinity captains who can contact a group of classmates and encourage them to join us. Contact **Cathy Bomberger** at cathybomb@aol.com. We also need folks who can arrive a

bit early and assist in decorating and setup.

During: Hosts at headquarters and our many events to make the weekend flow smoothly. You won't miss out on anything.

After: For headquarters take down—just an hour or so of your time to wrap up a big weekend. Contact **Ruth Bleyler** at rzb@cornell.edu.

Our class website—a site for expectant eyes

Our class newsletter is a good document to keep with you. But for the most up-to-date information on reunion, all you have to do is click on **our great class of '62 web site**—<http://classof62.alumni.cornell.edu>

You can find registration information, facts about class dues, the *Cornell Alumni Magazine* online, an address update section, names and pic-

tures of your class officers, opportunities for making gifts to the university or your school, and—of great importance—Class Notes, the section where you can keep us up to date on what's happening in your life and where you can be reached.

Alan Flaherty continues doing a great job as our web master. You can reach him at alanflaherty@fuse.net.

Our Cornell Tradition Fellowship is in very good hands

Her name is Betsey Howland. She’s a sophomore in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. And—like the other recipients of the class of ‘62 Frank and Rosa Rhodes Tradition Fellowship—Betsey is a real go-getter.

Betsey grew up on a family farm in the hamlet of Candor, New York, not far from Ithaca. She’s the youngest of five daughters, and she admits that she didn’t want to go to Cornell because it was so close to home. But when she decided to be an animal science major with a minor in farm business



management, the other schools she looked at could not come close to the education she could get on the Hill.

The “go-getter” tag is quite appropriate. Betsey is spending this semester studying at Lincoln University in New Zealand—quite a coup! She said, “I feel very fortunate to have this opportunity to travel and represent Cornell and the United States abroad.”

But back on campus, you wonder when this young lady has the time to sleep. She’s a member of Sigma Alpha, the only professional agriculture society

in the Ivy League.

She mentors first-year students, helping them adapt to the Cornell experience. She’s on the event staff at Lynah Rink—a good way, said Betsey, to watch all the action on the hockey rink. “I don’t have to wait on line for tickets, and I get paid to watch the game!”

All this while keeping up with her studies. Besides our fellowship, which awards her \$4,000 towards tuition, Betsey is the winner of four other scholarships.

Betsey said, “I am truly grateful that alumni like you support such a wonderful program as Cornell Traditions.” Once again, our fellowship is in very good hands.

Dave Duffield

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Foundation provided nearly \$4 million in funds to help more than 500 employees looking for work in a tough technology market.

His interest in people is equaled by his concern for animal welfare. **Maddie’s Fund**, named after his beloved schnauzer, has been endowed for nearly \$300 million and has spent more than \$50 million to create, in the words of fund President Rich Avanzino, “*a no-kill nation where all healthy and treatable shelter dogs and cats are guaranteed loving homes.*”

Though we’re of retirement age, don’t tell that to Dave. In 2005 he co-founded a company called **Workday**, right now a small company aimed at delivering, in Dave’s words, “*the best possible solutions to business challenges in a way that makes people feel great about their work.*” And sitting in his Walnut Creek, California, headquarters, he is planning for significant growth.

Then there is the place where it all started: Cornell. This class of ‘62 graduate, in gratitude to his alma mater, in 1998 donated \$20 million for construction of **Duffield Hall**, one of the most sophisticated research and teaching facilities for **nanotechnology** in the nation. He then added \$15 million more to maintain the building in perpetuity.

We have benefited from his gift because Dave designated \$12.5 million to be credited to the class of ‘62. Thus, with generosity from many other classmates, 10 years ago at our 35th reunion, we gave Cornell \$17.7 million.

It helped us become the fourth-largest giving class in school history.

Briefly, Dave’s most important memory? His freshman walks up Libe Slope in the dead of winter to make an 8:00 a.m. Air Force ROTC class: “My freezing walks were the first few steps in character building that Cornell would provide me.”

Professors with the greatest influence on him? “Dick Conway and Bill Maxwell, for their inspiration into the world of computer programming.” Both helped him start his first two companies.

The \$20 million grant for nanotechnology? “Nanotechnology represented *innovation*, which reminded me of my father. (This) gave me an opportunity to honor my mom and dad. And the grant gave me a vehicle to say thank you to Cornell—where the rest of my life began.”

Think your home life is busy? Dave and his wife, Cheryl, have nine children, six of whom are adopted and under the age of 13. Two of his three children from a previous marriage are Workday employees, and he has six grandchildren. Also members of the family: three dogs, two fish, and a parrot. He says he enjoys his kids’ baseball games, collecting coins, reading, and a competitive game of pool.

So we take our ‘62 hats off to **Dave Duffield**, who says to his classmates at their 45th reunion: “...Please do whatever you can to give back to the school to influence and enrich the college experience of the young people there now and in future years.”

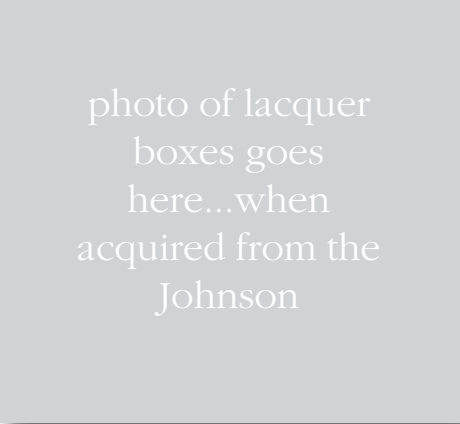
Two reunion treats

Here are two “*must-see*” ‘62-connected locales to squeeze in during a jam-packed weekend of reunion activities.

- The **Helen (‘62) and Paul (‘60) An-binder collection of traditional Chinese lacquer boxes** and other containers at the **Johnson Museum of Art**. These exquisitely beautiful pieces of art were made for bridal trousseaus, writing materials, or entertainment and games.

- **Early morning tours of Sapsucker Woods at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology** (Friday and Saturday)—complete with continental breakfast. The class of ‘62 has given \$5,000 to the lab to support world ecology. Be sure to check out the **Ivory-Billed Woodpecker** display—a beautiful bird not seen for 60 years and thought extinct—but sited again in 2004.

These are just two more ways in which ‘62 supports Cornell.



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