

'62/50TH IN REAR VIEW

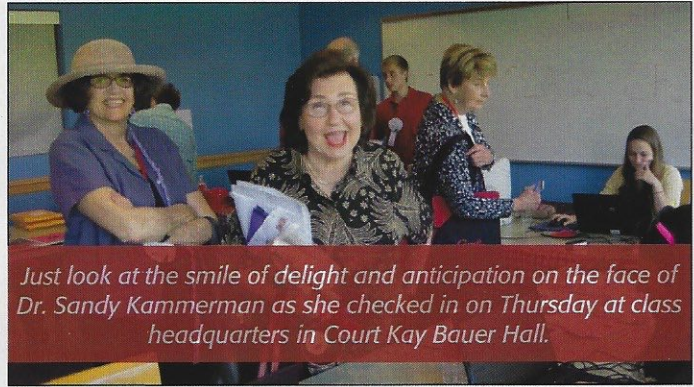
If you were there, you know what a great time we had. If you couldn't make it—for whatever reason—you missed a once-in-Cornell-lifetime big bash! In a word: Nearly 400 members of the class of '62 (their spouses, families, and friends) were treated to a fabulous 50th on The Hill. The pictures tell the story, although there are too many to include here. But, we're bringing you some of the highlights and nonstop fun from Thursday to Sunday, June 7–10, 2012.

Classmates arriving on Thursday afternoon had little time to catch their breath because they were treated to a terrific video of nostalgia, "Remembering Our Days on the Hill," produced by professional videographers Phil and Maddy Handler. They spent more than two years interviewing nine classmates from different colleges—looking back on those very special four years in our lives. Retired Federal Appeals Court Judge Harry Edwards moderated a fascinating panel and audience discussion with the stars of the video onstage.

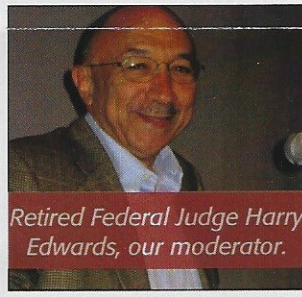
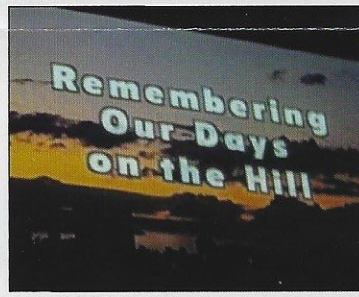
(Frank Quirk still has a small number of DVDs of the video and discussion. They are priced at \$12 per copy, or \$10 for orders of two or more. Orders, with checks made out to Frank Quirk, should be mailed to Frank Quirk at 2110 Foresthill Road, Alexandria, Virginia 22307. To reserve a copy: fbquirk@verizon.net.)

We ate healthy for our 50th—at least for breakfast *al fresco* under our class tent outside the dorm—we had granola, yogurt, skim milk, and fruit ... OK, there were some pastries as well!

But, we had to eat quickly because Friday morning brought the second-biggest feature of the weekend, a terrific seminar entitled, "Lessons for Successful Living, Shall We Meet at 100?" It featured famous classmate Jane Brody—a nationally known personal health columnist for *The New York Times*. With her onstage were two experts, Brian Wansink, Professor of Consumer Behavior, College of



Just look at the smile of delight and anticipation on the face of Dr. Sandy Kammerman as she checked in on Thursday at class headquarters in Court Kay Bauer Hall.



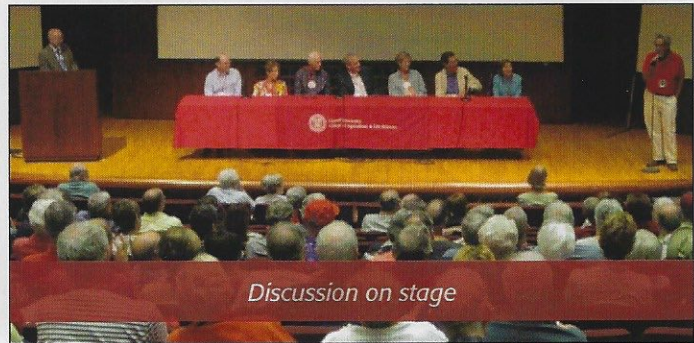
Retired Federal Judge Harry Edwards, our moderator.



Panel: Sam Fleming, Jane Brody, Mike Duesing, Alex Steinbergh, Charlotte Collister, Clark Halstead, and Jan Crites.

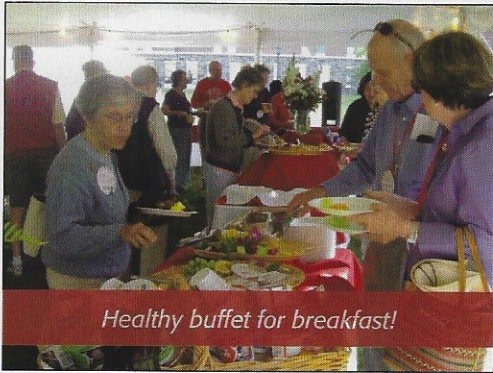


Classmates having breakfast in our class tent outside the dorm.

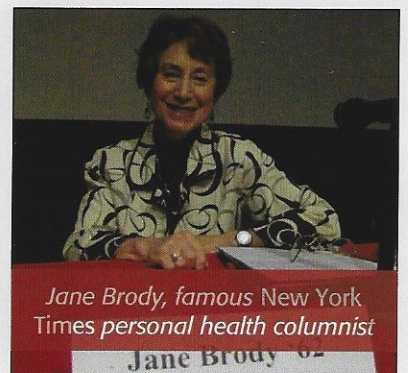
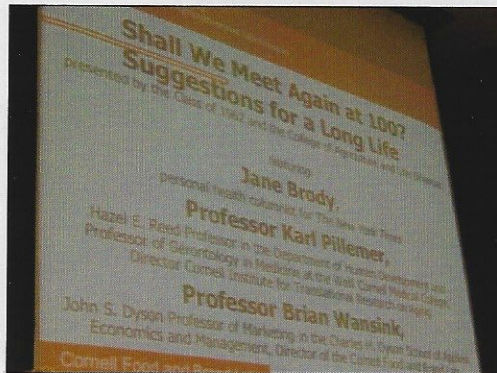


Discussion on stage

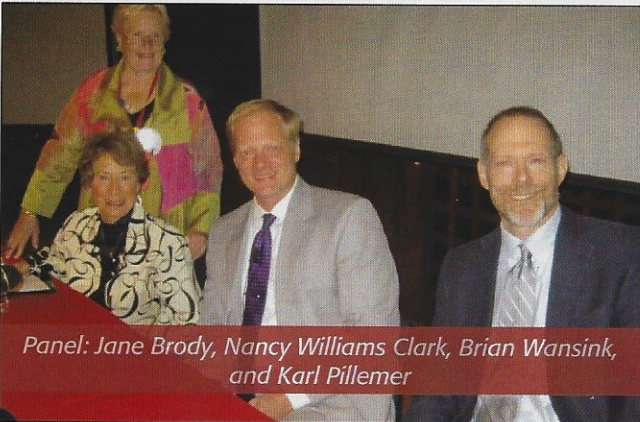
Above photo: Picture of Cornell campus, taken by Hal Sieling '62 at Reunion 2012.



Healthy buffet for breakfast!



Jane Brody, famous New York Times personal health columnist

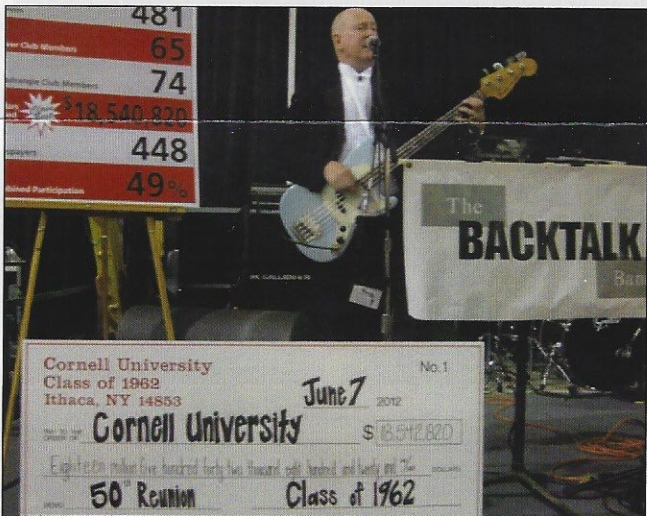


Panel: Jane Brody, Nancy Williams Clark, Brian Wansink, and Karl Pillemer

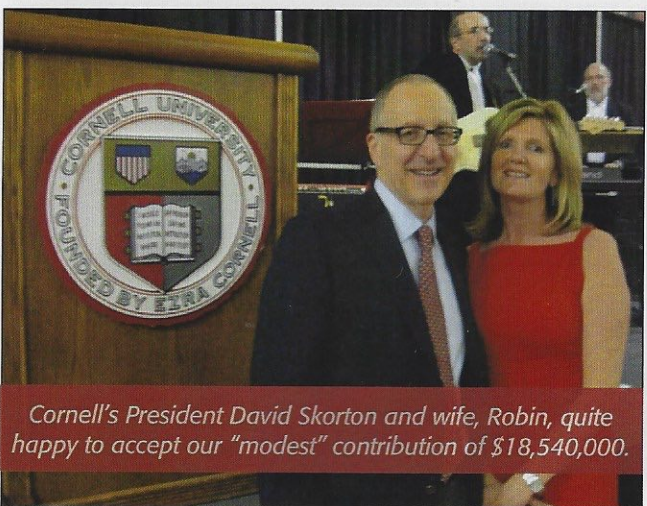
Agriculture and Life Sciences, and Karl Pillemer, Professor of Translational Research on Aging, College of Human Ecology. The event was ably moderated by Nancy Williams Clark.

The rest of the day was given over to a slew of activities including at Sage Chapel where we had a solemn remembrance of Cornellians who have died. Class of '62 President Alex Vollmer remembered our class council member—and good friend—Harris Palmer.

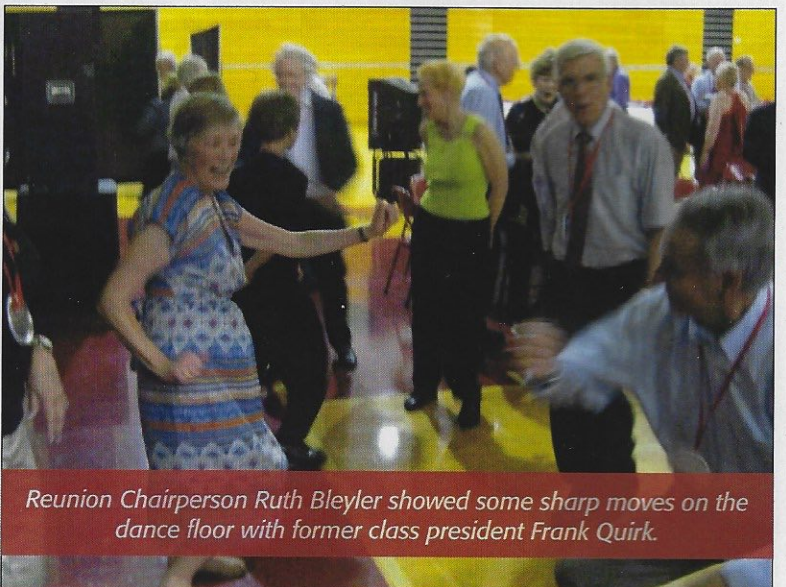
But, oh, what a Friday evening was in store for us! We ate, drank, and rock and rolled to the fabulous Backtalk Band—so good that the day after our 45th Reunion, we booked them for our 50th! They were better



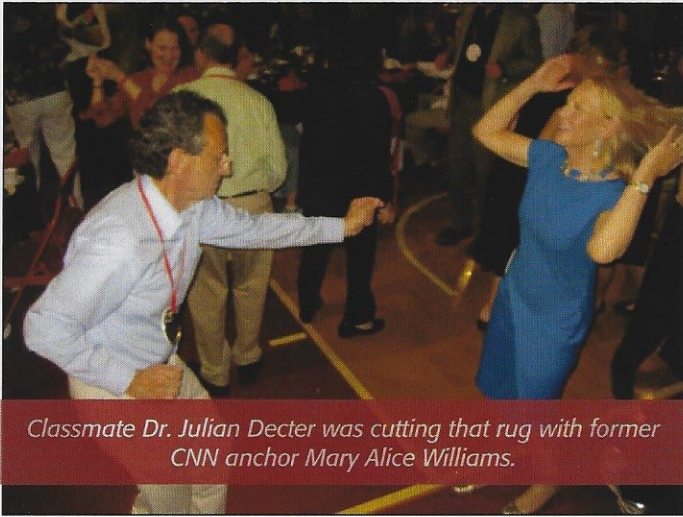
Great crowd at Bartels Hall!



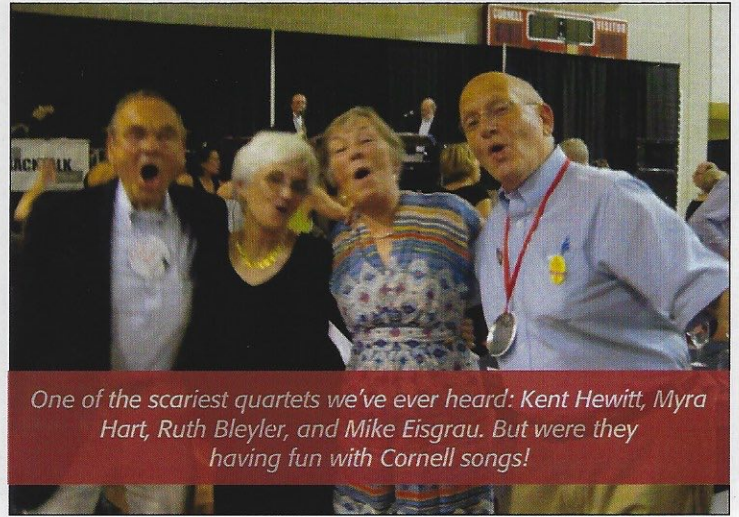
Cornell's President David Skorton and wife, Robin, quite happy to accept our "modest" contribution of \$18,540,000.



Reunion Chairperson Ruth Bleyler showed some sharp moves on the dance floor with former class president Frank Quirk.



Classmate Dr. Julian Decker was cutting that rug with former CNN anchor Mary Alice Williams.



One of the scariest quartets we've ever heard: Kent Hewitt, Myra Hart, Ruth Bleyler, and Mike Eisgrau. But were they having fun with Cornell songs!

than ever; what a night!

On Saturday, we thought we were going to a picnic at the Cornell Plantations, but Mother Nature had other thoughts. The threat of thunder and lightning converted our picnic into an indoor buffet. It was a lot of fun with good food, and would you believe it? The rain never came!

Classmates scattered to attend an array of fraternity, sorority, and individual school activities. Some of us took a nostalgic walk into Collegetown—same streets, but new stores and a younger crowd hanging out.

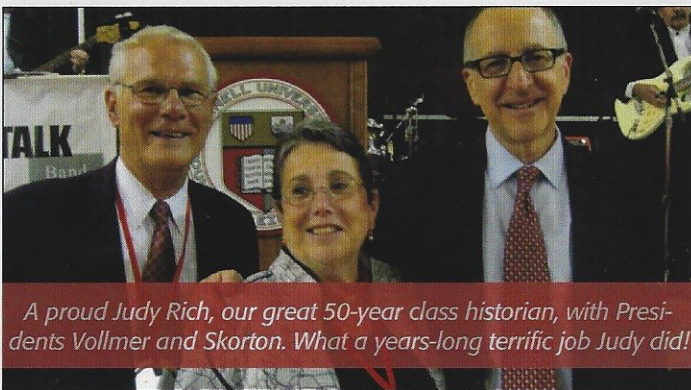
It seemed like we didn't stop eating on Saturday with breakfast at the headquarters tent, luncheon buffet across campus, and before we knew it, we were getting ready for a great Saturday night banquet and class meeting. The night was graced by Professor Glenn Altschuler, VP of University Relations, and former Cornell President Hunter Rawlings. A quarter-century ago, President Rawlings joined us at our 25th Reunion. Saturday night, as president of the Association of American Universities, he was there to praise those of us who made it to our 50th.



Saturday buffet in Bartels



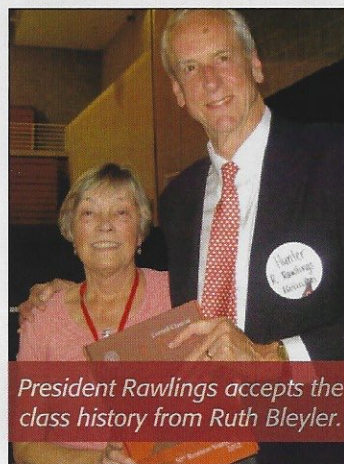
The crowd chowing down at the Saturday luncheon.



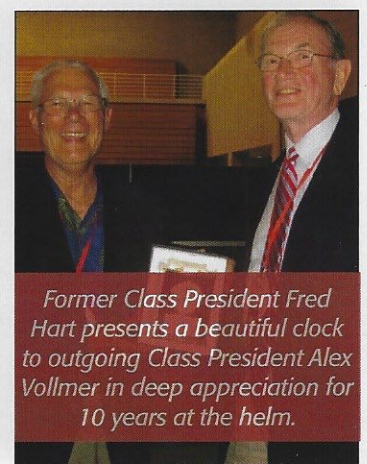
A proud Judy Rich, our great 50-year class historian, with Presidents Vollmer and Skorton. What a years-long terrific job Judy did!



Cornellians munch outside a bagel store in Collegetown.

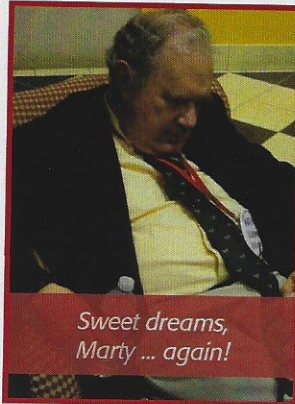


President Rawlings accepts the class history from Ruth Bleyler.



Former Class President Fred Hart presents a beautiful clock to outgoing Class President Alex Vollmer in deep appreciation for 10 years at the helm.

All too soon, it was late Saturday night and many '62ers were a bit bushed by three nonstop days of Reunion. At our 45th Reunion, cameras caught classmate and lawyer Marty Silverman with wife, Priscilla, asleep at midnight in our class headquarters. Five years later, Marty was back to snoozing! We don't blame you, Marty.



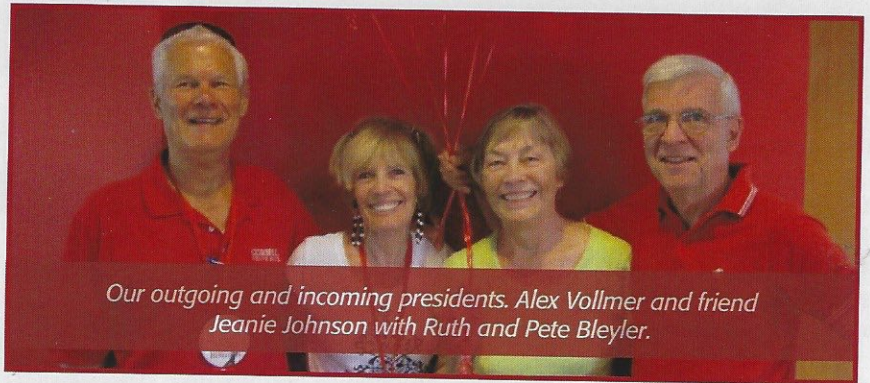
*Sweet dreams,
Marty ... again!*



Ruth and her clerks.

Sunday morning was a time for goodbyes. A bit bittersweet since we'd come all this way—and all these years—and we're still together as one of Cornell's greatest classes. It was time to thank our great Reunion chairperson Ruth Bleyler and her fabulous volunteer organization for making this perhaps the best Reunion ever! And, thank you to the Cornell students who were hardworking clerks throughout the weekend—great job, kids! But, Ruth's work is not done ... for she has been elected as the next president of the Cornell class of 1962; we are in very good hands.

Next January, there will be another class council meeting as we look toward our 55th!



*Our outgoing and incoming presidents. Alex Vollmer and friend
Jeanie Johnson with Ruth and Pete Bleyler.*

To contact class officers, please use our website at cornellclassof62.org.

SEE YOU @ OUR 55TH IN 2017!

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