



# The Cornell Alpha Delta

*“When you see the gravestones from the little necropolis of Cameirus ...*

*It is the so-often repeated single word—the anonymous Χαιρε—which attracts you...It is not the names of the rich or the worthy...But this single word, ‘Be Happy,’ serving both as a farewell and admonition, that goes to your heart with the whole impact of the Greek style of mind, the Greek orientation to life and death: so that you are shamed into ... realizing how little you have fulfilled...A thought so simple yet so pregnant, and how even your native vocabulary lacks a word whose brevity and grace could paint upon the darkness of death the fading colors of such gaiety, love and truth as Χαιρε does upon these modest gravestones.”*

—Lawrence Durrell  
Reflections on a Marine Venus  
(1953)



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## STEWARDSHIP FOR THE FUTURE

Stewardship is one of the most important concepts we can define. According to Merriam Webster, stewardship is “the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; especially the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one’s care.”

The structure at 777 Stewart Avenue is more than a building or a residence for current brothers during their passage at Cornell. The house, besides its historical significance, is a tribute to the brothers who chose to construct a foundation for the growth and development of current and future brothers. As such, each of us take an oath of being stewards to both the living brotherhood and the physical structure. Currently, there are renewing needs to attend to the physical envelope of the house as it weathers the elements. If you ask yourself, didn’t we just do this? The answer is

not a one and done but a recurring need to renew efforts as building elements come due for maintenance, updating, or replacement. Those needs are to renew the exterior to preserve the integrity of the interior systems against further water damage and the freeze/thaw damage to the masonry.

We have completed a survey of the exterior with a large boom lift to gain up close observations of condition of the roof, the eaves, the gutters, and flashing, as well as the masonry façade. This was prompted by recurring water damage to the rooms above the library and entry. The findings are not unexpected: failures at the flashing at the intersection of roof and masonry. The good news is that the integrity of the slate roof is sound, but efforts need to be made to replace the flashing and reset the stonework at the gables, replacing missing

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*Area of failed flashing over library rooms calling for immediate repairs.*

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## STEWARDSHIP FOR THE FUTURE

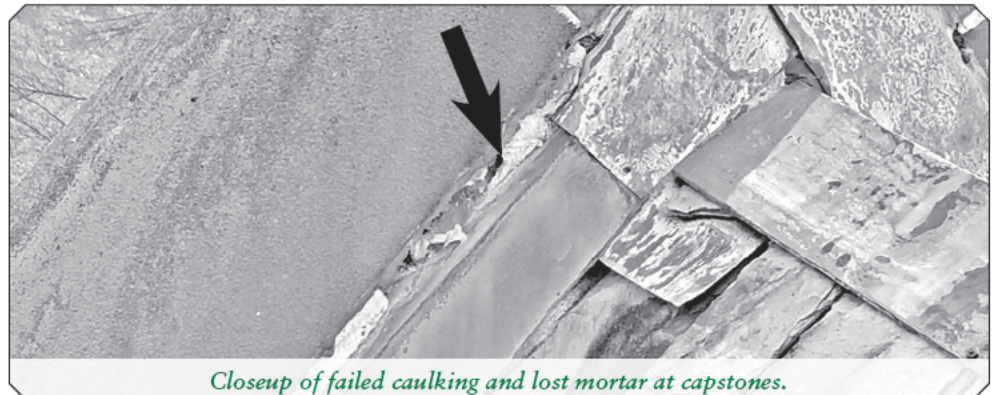
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brickwork and repointing compromised mortar jointing. On this and the previous page are photos that show daylight through the attic at some key locations as well as compromised flashing and required gutter repairs.

This is not a surprise unless we ignore our mission to respect and preserve the integrity of the building against the elements. We are prioritizing the work that has to be done, as well as analyzing other responsible efforts. That means that we are looking to do what needs to be done to the exterior while we've invested in scaffolding for a particular area. No point in paying for it again in the not too distant future to address lower priority—but still necessary—care of the exterior.

As you recall from the 150<sup>th</sup>, there were plans put forth for a renewal of interior systems as well, which will be further studied and prioritized. For now, it's a responsible approach to the stewardship of the building we've been entrusted to maintain for generations of brothers to come.

Gregory Williamson '82



## FROM THE SPRING '22 PRESIDENT

To be a fraternity man in the year of 2022 is not always an easy life. The fraternity man is often met with prejudicial scorn, stereotypes, and preconceived notions. Nevertheless, to be a Cornell Alpha Delt has continued to be a source of great pride for myself and the rest of the brotherhood this year. The administration has continued its unjustified aggression toward the fraternity system, and Alpha Delt has been no exception. The Pollack regime seeks to make Greek life more and more untenable at every turn. Rush week, once a lively and festive period before the beginning of spring classes, has now been relegated to the first week of coursework, making it difficult for rushees and brothers alike to explore the wonders of the Phi. Despite the university's best efforts, though, the Alpha Delt men have once again come out victorious.

Thanks to the diligent work of our Rush Chairs Camillo Guarducci '23, Kyle Bernardes '23, and Anish Bardhan '24 we were able to secure 18 young gentlemen for the Phi's 153<sup>rd</sup> pledge class. Between sheer numbers and true Adelpic diversity, the new class is truly remarkable. Our new brothers hail from Caracas to Manila, and from Los Angeles to Atlanta. Greek life in general is shrinking, but the Phi continues to expand; this year's class marks a three year high in pledge class size.

To say that this year was critical for Alpha Delt would be an understatement. A combination of intense scrutiny on the Greek system and the COVID-19 pandemic threatened the very existence of many of our sacred traditions. Our Homecoming, Valentine's Day, and Derby formals had not occurred since 2019, meaning the only brothers who had seen these traditions in-person were the seniors. If these

events did not happen this year they would have been lost to history. Our cherished Victory Club was on the verge of extinction. Rush events like TurkeyFest and a full-throated alumni-packed initiation weekend too were on the rocks. Thankfully, with a collective effort we have been able to revive each and every one of these traditions. In the fall, we successfully hosted our unrivaled TurkeyFest rush event, where prospective members received a small taste of the mysteries of the Phi. Homecoming and Valentine's Day formals in the living room were a smashing success, and the brothers were humbled to have an incredibly strong showing of over 40 alumni for initiation weekend. I am pleased to announce as well that Victory Club returned in full force this spring. And just like that, traditions that were once in doubt have been shown to the younger brothers of the Phi, ensuring they will live on.

Leading my Alpha Delt brethren through these turbulent times has not been easy. But then again, why should it be? Alpha Delta Phi is one of the oldest organizations on Cornell's campus. It is a brotherhood full of diversity, history, panache, and, of course, ego. To ensure a ship of this magnitude and significance stays its course could never be easy. And yet, the honor was all mine. To have led this group of active brothers in this incredible house of ours was an amazing opportunity. I am bittersweet as my time at Cornell comes to a close. I will be sad to say goodbye to the Phi, but I am confident the house is well-positioned to succeed next year!

*Xaipe,*  
Andrew Yanover '22  
Spring '22 President

## SPRING '21 PRESIDENT PROUD OF BROTHERS' HARD WORK

During this semester of historic circumstances, the brotherhood has risen to the occasion. Between COVID-19 restrictions and heightened anti-Greek life sentiment, these past five months have presented us with some of the most daunting obstacles to date; even full brotherhood protocol dinners were prohibited by the university. These challenges inspired me to lead as president this semester, and with the help of our great alumni and executive board we were able to succeed beyond expectation.

Coming into the spring, I—along with many of the actives—was quite concerned that a new pledge class would not be able to be assimilated into the brotherhood properly.

The traditions, history, and secrets I learned during my time as a pledge were what led me to wholeheartedly love Alpha Delt. As the graduating seniors, pledge class 149 and I made it our mission to ensure the passing down of our traditions during a year dominated by uncertainty and change. The completely virtual rush week was the first challenge that presented itself to the Phi. Knowing the stakes, our brotherhood stepped up to the task with unmatched energy and creativity, as any Alpha Delt should. We recruited a diverse group of 17 fine gentlemen to be in the 152nd pledge class; a disproportionately large

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# JOIN US IN WELCOMING ALPHA DELTA PHI'S NEWEST BROTHERS

**ADAM JUDA ABERGEL '24** was born and raised in Los Angeles, CA. Coming from a French, Moroccan, and Jewish background, he attended Le Lycée Français de Los Angeles. In the College of Arts and Sciences, he is studying mathematics, coupled with a concentration in economics. He enjoys playing soccer, surfing along Los Angeles's coast, and traveling internationally. He plans to pursue a career in finance. Still learning about the possible careers finance presents, he is looking into the traditional yet attractive investment banking and private equity path. Adam was immediately inclined to join Alpha Delta Phi after his first interactions with the brothers he initially met. They all displayed the unique elements the fraternity embodies, an international environment based on an impenetrable brotherhood and founded on the richness of a historical literary society.

**SAMUEL COLE ABERMAN '24** is a freshman from Armonk, NY. Sam attended Byram Hills High School. He currently studies computer science engineering in the College of Engineering. He has a passion for research, having created the first CRISPR knockout for the human IL-2 gene in high school. After graduation, he hopes to work at a venture capital firm, continuing his trend of helping emerging technologies come to fruition. Sam is an avid sports fan, with his favorite team being the New York Knicks. He chose to join Alpha Delta Phi for the close-knit brotherhood, diversity, and tradition.

**MAURY AHAM '24** is from New York, NY. He went to The Bronx High School of Science and is enrolled in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations. After college, he hopes to pursue opportunities in sports business, particularly baseball. A fun fact about Maury is that he was once ranked as the No. 10 chess player for his age in the United States. Maury chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because of its legacy and its brotherhood.

**PATRICK ALSTON '25** is from Atlanta, GA, and attended Phillips Academy Andover in Andover, MA. He is in the S.C. Johnson College of Business' Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management. Patrick plans on concentrating in international trade and management. A fun fact about Patrick is that he took four years of Japanese in high school and hopes to continue it at Cornell. Patrick decided to join Alpha Delta Phi because of the core values that brothers exemplify and the opportunity to live in the house with the men he hopes to call his brothers.

**ANDREW ARONSON '23** is a sophomore from Short Hills, NJ, where he attended Millburn High School. He is studying in the SC Johnson College of Business, School of Hotel Administration, studying hotel administration and pursuing minors in real estate and finance. Post-graduation, he hopes to enter the field of real estate, potentially through private equity or development. Andrew was drawn to Alpha Delta Phi because of the close-knit brotherhood and the values each of its brothers uphold.

**MYLES JOSEPH BARD '24**, from New York City, attended Suffield Academy. He is currently enrolled in the S.C. Johnson College of Business, School of Hotel Administration, with a major in hotel administration. After his education is over, Myles would love the opportunity to work in New York City and participate in the city's return to its past glory. While making the decision about what fraternity to join, it was not clear at first. "However, after a rather relaxing night, it hit me what makes this place so special. Even though I had not yet known the meaning of 'Manus Mul-tae Cor Unum,' it explains why I chose Alpha Delta Phi. I fell in love with how so many different individuals can become one family, and it was evident the first second I arrived. Once that realization hit me, I have never looked back and feel privileged to be a part of such a strong brotherhood." This desire for a strong brotherhood stems from the fact that Myles has never had brothers, only one sister, and has never been more excited to be a part of this family.

**ANISH HENRY MOHAN BARDHAN '24** was born and raised in New York City. He attended The Dwight School. He is currently in the College of Human Ecology studying policy analysis and management. After graduation, his intention is to continue the development of his application that allows for smoother interaction between a restaurant's waitstaff, kitchen staff, and customers, which he is currently working on in his spare time. In his later life, he hopes to work as an elected official as a member of America's federal government. He chose Alpha Delta Phi because of the warm smiles, undergraduate brothers' genuine characters, and the welcoming environment at 777 Stewart Avenue made him feel as if he hadn't even left home. Something interesting about him is that his childhood dream was to become the first president of Mars.

**MATTHEW LEWIS EPSTEIN** is from Scarsdale, NY, and attended Ardsley High School. He is studying in the College of Human

Ecology with a major in policy analysis and management and intended minors in business and entrepreneurship. Matthew became interested in business and entrepreneurship in high school, where he grew various Instagram accounts to over 800,000 followers. Since then, he has had a passion for digital marketing and product development and founded his company, [loversentiment.com](http://loversentiment.com), in his senior year of high school. Matthew plans on following the same path, leaving college and continuing to run his own business ventures, whether it be [loversentiment.com](http://loversentiment.com) or something else. Matthew came from a town with little diversity and was enamored by the different backgrounds and, thus, experiences that the brothers have here at Alpha Delta Phi, as well as how all of these backgrounds come together to form a unique brotherhood.

**ZACHARY WILLIAM FIEDLER '24** is from Boca Raton, FL. He attended Pine Crest School and is now enrolled in the SC Johnson College of Business, School of Hotel Administration, with a major in hotel administration. Zach loves to travel more than anything, is enamored with the world of hospitality, and has been lucky enough to have hospitality experiences from Laos to the Arctic Circle. After college, Zach hopes to move to New York City to pursue a career in hotel administration or another form of hospitality. Zachary was first introduced to Alpha Delta Phi by his brother, Benjamin Fiedler '19. Since his first moment stepping into the house on 777 Stewart Avenue, Zach decided he wanted to follow his brother's footsteps and to join this great brotherhood. The connections and memories Benjamin made during his time are a perfect reflection of his feeling toward this fraternity. Zach has lived in a rather homogeneous community for the majority his life, and he sees Alpha Delta Phi as a way to expand his perspectives.

**MAURICIO MOISES FUHRMAN '25** is a freshman in the College of Engineering studying computer science. He is from North Miami Beach, FL, and graduated from Scheck Hillel High School. After graduation, he hopes to pursue a career in software development. A fun fact about him is that he went skydiving at 15. He chose Alpha Delta Phi, at first, because its members showed him a good time and persuaded him to attend Cornell. But he realized that Alpha Delta Phi stands for more than himself... and its morals and ideals reflect a man he would like to eventually become.

**WESLEY GILBERT '23** is from Armonk,

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NY. He is in the College of Arts & Sciences studying economics and business. He has had a unique college experience so far, as he was a first-year spring admit to Cornell. Wes spent his first semester of his freshman year studying international business in Paris, France. There, he developed a love for travel and experiencing different cultures, something he wishes to continue in his adult life. After college, Wes plans on working in the business world.

**CAMILLO GUARDUCCI '23** is from New York City, where he attended Lycée Français de New York. He is currently a sophomore, majoring in hotel administration and

minoring in information science. He is quadrilingual and hopes to pursue a career in country/folk song writing.

**JOSEPH EDUARDO GUENOUN '25**, is from Miami, FL. He attended Dr. Michael M. Krop Senior High School and is in the College of Engineering. He plans to major in operations research and engineering in hopes of developing a certain mathematical skill set that will help him post-college. Although he is an engineer, Joseph wants to pursue a career in finance. He feels that studying to be an engineer will offer him an advantage in the business-oriented world. A fun fact about him is that respects the dietary restrictions of being

kosher. Joseph chose to join Alpha Delta Phi to get the most out of his Cornell experience, grow as a man, and develop relationships that will affect him for the rest of his life.

**ALEX BRASIL GUIMARÃES '25** is from New York, NY, and attended High School of Math Science and Engineering. He is studying economics in the College of Arts & Sciences. After graduation, he hopes to go into finance and eventually pursue entrepreneurship. A fun fact is that he enjoys kite surfing. Alex decided to join Alpha Delta Phi because of the core values and opportunity to learn from a remarkable group of individuals from many different backgrounds.

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*Our newest brothers at 2022 spring initiation.*

## OUR NEWEST BROTHERS (2021-2022)

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**TY DAISUKE HALLORAN '25** is from Tokyo, Japan. He attended Phillips Academy Andover in Andover, MA, and is continuing his academic endeavors at the Nolan School of Hotel Administration. After college, he looks to pursue a career in land development and management. He is fluent in Japanese and looks to leverage this skill in his professional career. Ty was drawn to Alpha Delta Phi's diversity and ultimately chose to join as he sees it as a place where he can grow as a person in all facets of life.

**HUGO DAVID IAN GREGER HAMILTON '24** is a hotel major in the SC Johnson College of Business, School of Hotel Administration. He was born in London, England, and attended King's College School. His dream is to travel to Africa after concluding his studies at Cornell and to work in commodities. He chose Alpha Delta Phi because he instantly recognized the tight-knit brotherhood of the house. He sees Alpha Delt as a place where he can grow profoundly as a person, friend, and leader, supported by the crutch of camaraderie. An interesting fact about him is that he is trilingual: Swedish, English, and American.

**MAX HOROWITZ '23** is a sophomore from Harrison, NY. He attended The Leffell School (formerly Solomon Schechter School of Westchester), and he is now studying computer science in the College of Engineering. Post graduation, he aspires to attend business school. His interests include machine learning and its potential impact in the world of finance. Max is a licensed real-estate salesperson for WRE Group, a boutique commercial real-estate brokerage in Manhattan. Upon entering Cornell, Max strived to branch out and form unique bonds with a diverse group of people. This was paramount in his decision to join Alpha Delta Phi's brotherhood.

**ELIJAH WILLIAM HUNT '25** is from Aspen, CO, and he went to Aspen High School. He is currently in the SC Johnson College of Business, Nolan School of Hotel Administration studying hotel administration. A fun fact about Elijah is that he skipped his senior year of high school to matriculate to Cornell a year early. After college, Elijah plans to go into real estate development working in hotel development. He chose to join Alpha Delta Phi to be a part of a diverse brotherhood that will help develop him as a person as he will be able to do the same in return, while being part of a tightly bound brotherhood.

**ETHAN SAMUEL HUNT '24** is studying hotel administration in the SC Johnson College of Business, School of Hotel Administration. He is originally from Chicago, IL, but spent most of his youth in Aspen, CO, going to Aspen High School. Ethan plans to pursue a career in commercial real estate development within the hospitality sector after he graduates from Cornell. He decided to come to Alpha Delta Phi with hopes of finding a group of people he could confide in, express loyalty toward, and show vulnerability to. Something particularly interesting about Ethan is that he has spent the past four years producing and mixing music in a variety of different genres.

**HENRY JACOB HUROWITZ '25** is from Hollywood, FL. He went to Nova Southeastern University School and is in the Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management. After college, he has aspirations to go into the field of social entrepreneurship and help the community around him. A fun fact about Henry is that he founded a non-profit, FoodEASE, that has fed 150,000 people. Henry chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because of its emphasis on values and brotherhood.

**GIDEON PAUL HYMAN '24** is from Los Angeles, CA, where he attended Harvard-Westlake School. He is currently studying communication in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and pursuing a minor in business. Gideon's life was significantly altered in his sophomore year of high school after a misdiagnosis of cancer kept him out of school for an extended period of time. Upon graduation, he hopes to attend business school and then to pursue a career in finance. Gideon knew he belonged in Alpha Delta Phi because of its emphasis on diversity and tradition. He is an avid sports fan and loves dogs, especially his two at home.

**SAMUEL ALEXANDER ITKIN '23** is from Los Angeles, CA, where he attended The Buckley School. He is currently a sophomore in the College of Arts & Sciences studying economics and government with a minor in business. After graduation, he aspires to work in financial services as an investment banking analyst with plans to get a JD or an MBA. Samuel enjoys conducting independent research on the aviation and transportation industry around the world and aspires to receive his pilot's license one day. Samuel was instantly drawn to Alpha Delta Phi's diverse ethnic backgrounds, individual interests, and career paths, all while maintaining an equitable and largely homogeneous brotherhood experience for every member.

**MINWOOK KIM '25** from Scarsdale, NY, went to Edgemont High School. He is in

the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences studying global development. After college, Minwook wishes to work as an ESG analyst. A fun fact is that he placed 12th at the Fencing Cadet World Cup in Germany. Minwook chose to join Alpha Delt for its close-knit brotherhood and its ideals.

**JULIO ANDRÉS LEÑEZ '25** is pursuing a double major in computer science and operations research engineering in the College of Engineering. Julio was born in Caracas, Venezuela, moved to Madrid, Spain, in 2010, to Santiago, Chile, in 2012, and to Miami, FL, in 2019. He is a very motivated student who wants to enhance the technology industry in Latin America and eventually get involved in Venezuelan politics. He chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because he aligns with its ideals and wants to become a better man. His fun fact is that he is a self-taught magician.

**CAMILO ORTIZ '25** was born in Cali, Colombia. He went to Coral Gables Senior High School and is in the Nolan School of Hotel Administration. After college, he aspires to venture in casino business and nightlife. Fun fact—first Florida Baking Champion. Camilo chose to join Alpha Delta Phi for its values and its people.

**PHILIP DMITRIEVICH MERKULOV '24** is from London, England. He attended Highgate Senior School and is now enrolled at the College of Arts & Sciences. After graduation, Philip hopes to spend some months in Italy. He chose Alpha Delt due to its large international student community, unlike any other brotherhood at Cornell. Although the grew up in the U.K., Philip is of Russian origin and speaks the language fluently.

**EVAN JAMES PARK '23** is studying government and information science in the College of Arts & Sciences. He is from Orange County, CA, and attended Phillips Academy Andover. Evan chose Alpha Delta Phi because of the brotherhood's diversity: of experiences, philosophies, and interests. He is excited to grow alongside brothers who have much to teach him yet also share the core values of brotherhood, leadership, sacrifice, and service. Evan is currently in the early stages of developing a startup called Civility (see box, below). He plans to work on Civility throughout college and after graduation, growing it until every American city and county is represented on the platform.

**HARRISON SAMUEL PORGES '25** is from New York, NY. He went to Horace Mann School and is in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations studying industrial and labor

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relations. After college, he aspires to work in real estate acquisitions. A fun fact is that he doesn't know how to ride a bike. Harrison chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because he wants to join a brotherhood that lasts for life.

**FERDINAND MARTIN (MARTY) ROMUALDEZ JR. '24** is in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences studying global development. He is from Manila, Philippines, and went to Institut Le Rosey in Rolle, Switzerland. Marty is interested in agriculture and economics and would like to return to the Philippines upon graduating. He is looking to get into the agribusiness industry in the Philippines with his older brother, who is also in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences but taking agricultural sciences. He is an avid polo player and has played in tournaments all over the world. Marty joined Alpha Delta Phi because he really resonates with the brothers of the house and shares the same values. He was also drawn to Alpha Delta Phi because he found the brothers in the house to be from really diverse and international backgrounds.

**CAIO BLINDER TEIG '25** is from Curitiba, Brazil. He went to Scheck Hillel (Miami) and is in the Dyson School studying applied economics and management. After college, Caio plans to delve into real estate, following his

father's footsteps. A fun fact is that he learned how to swim in high school. Caio chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because of its values and principles. Caio is tempted by an environment where it's not only about the social aspects, but also about traditions and respect.

**ANDRES URMENETA '25** is from New York, NY. He went to The Dalton School and is in the College of Arts & Sciences majoring in economics. After college, Andres plans to pursue a career in investment banking and is open to starting a company of his own. A fun fact is that he is fluent in Spanish. Andres chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because of its emphasis on tradition and the values it represents.

**MAXIMILIAN PETER VON ERB '24** was born and raised in New York City. He was brought up in a multicultural household and attended the Lycée Français de New York from pre-K through high school. He is pursuing a transfer from the College of Arts & Sciences to the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences to major in communications. His ultimate goal out of college is to devote himself to the betterment of the environment and to the communities around him. He hopes to learn about different lives and cultures around the globe through the experience of travel. He visited the Alpha Delta Phi chapter house for the first time his sophomore year of high

school while visiting his sister at Cornell. Four years later, he has returned due to the diverse culture he once dreamed of embracing. Like his father before him, Max is passionate about skiing. He spent a gap year in the Swiss alps as a ski instructor, teaching individuals of all ages and nationalities.

**SIMON HOLDEN WIGDOR '25** is from New York, NY. He went to Grace Church School and is in the School of Industrial and Labor Relations. After college, he aspires to be an employment lawyer and a fun fact is that he was born during his family's Thanksgiving dinner. Simon chose to join Alpha Delta Phi because of its emphasis on brotherhood and growing each brother into a man.

**JUSTIN MAX YEHUDA '23** is from Tenafly, NJ, and attended the Solomon Schechter School of Westchester and the University of Maryland at College Park before transferring to Cornell. He is a student in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences studying biometry and statistics, intending on pursuing a career in finance following graduation. Justin joined Alpha Delta Phi primarily for its strong sense of community and its storied history. He is a solid chess player, as well as an avid boxing fan.

## NEW BROTHER HELPING DEVELOP STARTUP TO PROMOTE CIVIL DISCOURSE



Evan Park '23 is studying government and information science in the College of Arts and Sciences. Evan is from Orange County, CA, and attended Phillips Academy Andover for high school. Evan chose Alpha Delta Phi because of the brotherhood's diversity—of experiences, philosophies, and interests. He is excited to grow alongside brothers who have much to teach him yet also share his

core values: brotherhood, leadership, sacrifice, and service.

Evan took a gap year after high school to work as a teacher at an elementary school in the inner city of Los Angeles. He taught small groups of at-risk students in math and language arts. As a result of his work, all his students improved by at least a grade level, some seeing drastic improvement. His year in service helped him grow in empathy and taught him that what makes life meaningful is living selflessly and improving the lives of others.

Evan is currently in the early development of a startup called Civility, which will be a social media platform to improve

communication between people and their local politicians. Civility will have unique features designed for bi-directional outreach, transparency, and the promotion of civil discussions. With Civility, Evan hopes to rebuild our democracy from the ground up.

Evan has spent the past eight months interviewing over 100 potential users, including both politicians and constituents. Through these interviews, he has found a strong need for this platform. This summer, Evan will be in Ithaca working with two Cornell-run startup accelerators: The Johnson Summer Startup Accelerator and The Life-Changing Labs Accelerator. These accelerators will give Civility, which is currently just Evan and his co-founder, the mentorship and team members needed to launch an initial product early in the summer and iterate on it throughout the summer. Civility is currently seeking funding to scale its operations. Learn more about Civility at <https://civilityus.com>. Reach Evan at [ejp98@cornell.edu](mailto:ejp98@cornell.edu).



## UPSTANDING FRATERNITY MEN IN 2022

The active brotherhood recognizes that in order for the Phi to continue to thrive on Cornell's campus we must be leaders; we must set a positive example and never forget that the Alpha Delt man is a gentleman—no more and no less. Brothers Alexander Saffari '24, Adam Abergel '24, and Evan Park '23 have stepped up to the challenge and taken on an issue that has plagued society in general and Greek life specifically for far too long, creating the Sexual Assault Prevention & Safety (SAPS) Committee in coordination with members of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority.

Their stated mission is to “increase a sense of community and safety between fraternities and sororities by institutionalizing communication and preventive actions as well as bringing awareness to Cornell University's Greek life and campus as a whole.” This includes a fraternity-specific educational series on sexual assault in the college setting, as well as having members of Alpha Delt undergo training to become ambassadors for the ConsentEd program, which provides support and education about sexual conduct and misconduct to the Cornell community at-large. Furthermore,

SAPS is committed to ensuring that all parties have sober monitors and designated point people in the event that someone needs assistance.

Over the course of the semester, the committee has grown to include an additional sorority and two additional fraternities. The SAPS Committee wants to emphasize that, “in a college environment where there is a sexual assault issue, we strive to be proactive and minimize any potential issues by focusing on education, awareness, and preventive action.”

The actives are grateful for these brothers' leadership on this important issue. We hope that other brothers in the Phi and fraternity men at large will take notice of the critical work the SAPS Committee is doing. Alex, Adam, and Evan's work leading the charge on an uncomfortable subject truly embodies the pillars of our brotherhood and ensures that future brothers have excellent role models to look up to.

*William Brody '22*

## 189<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION RECAP

Alpha Delt conventions are fun. Even the training sessions are fun. Speakers this year had a lot of experience dealing with fraternity and sorority crises, fraternity leadership challenges, alumni relations, and personal brand management to accelerate career advancement.

Hotelies will appreciate hearing that the international picks great hotels: The Brown Palace in Denver, the historic Train Station in St. Louis, and the AT&T Hotel on the University of Texas Austin campus. Receptions in huge spaces, opportunities to go out on the town, and a closing banquet are part of each convention. Plenty of time to get together with brothers, share stories from college days and life's adventures. A new dimension of brotherhood and value of our fraternity grows from fellowship.

The training sessions are well worth attending, though geared for current and future chapter officers, the speakers address leadership issues and ways to deal with them that can help a guy solve work, community, even family problems at any point in life.

“What does it feel like to be a leader?” It feels like everyone is in your face shouting the wrong answer.

When facing problems that are primarily caused by misguided human behavior and nobody has command authority, a leader needs a clear assessment of the situation, a goal he wants to achieve, and a plan that will bring people along to achieve success.

Attending the leadership sessions provided both the tools to assess problematic situations and devise strategies to achieve collective

behavior change goals. Any time you are working on something with other people, someone in the group is using at least one of the techniques presented. If not, the chances of a train wreck are pretty good.

Social media has created a new career: influencers. The only difference between successful influencers and you is that they consciously curate their brand. The session on personal brand management at this year's convention was aimed particularly at how to assess yourself and manage your brand story in order to jump-start your career. Salient differentiation.

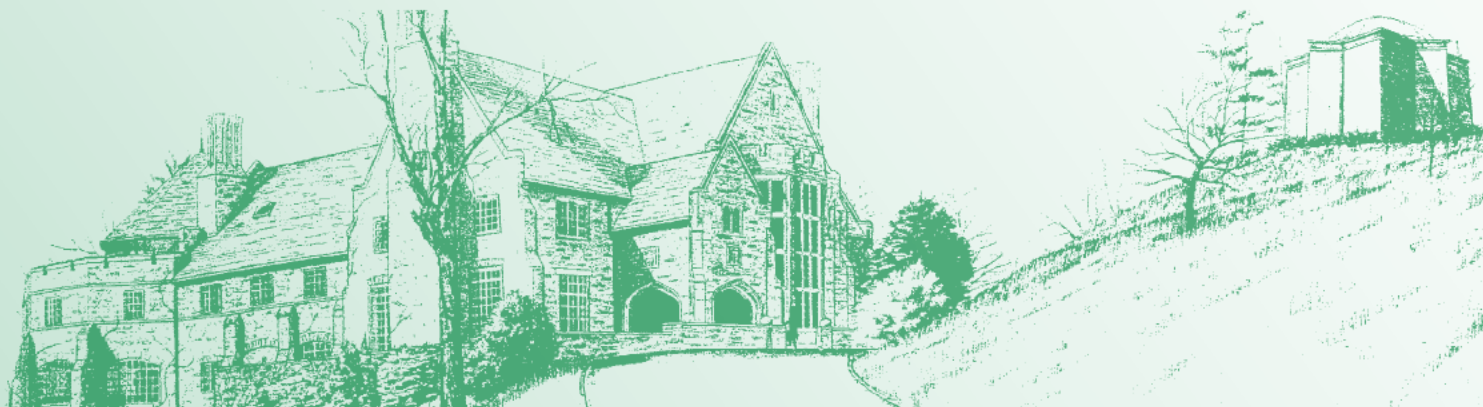
Again, useful knowledge at any age. Know yourself...not just your dreamy superficial self, but your 'what have you really done with your life' that meant something to you self. Once you know who you are, you can build a brand story that links your skills, interests, and emotions to convince people you can help them solve problems and achieve goals.

The speaker was a former “Mad Men” advertising executive and aficionado of David Ogilvy. Look up Ogilvy's Confessions book. It isn't anything like St. Augustine's.

If you want the three-page summary of the presentations at this year's Alpha Delta Phi Annual Convention, send an email to [clintandkaren@gmail.com](mailto:clintandkaren@gmail.com).

Hope to see you at the 190<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Philadelphia August 4-7, 2022.

*Clint Kennedy '76*



## ΑΔΦ SPRING 2020 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Griffin Sarachek '21  
Noah Gold '22  
Ryan Weiss '22  
Sean Kelly '21  
Jack Brous '22  
Kyle Morgan '21  
Jordan Eskenazi '22  
Andres Zavrosa '21

## ΑΔΦ FALL 2020 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Ryan Weiss '22  
Sean Kelly '21  
Andrew Aronson '23  
Jordan Eskenazi '22  
Christopher Hajjar '21  
Diego Urmeneta '23  
Ezra Stern '23  
Jack Brous '22

## ΑΔΦ SPRING 2021 ACADEMIC AWARDS

Kyle Bernardez  
Andrew Aronson  
Ryan Weiss  
Noah Gold  
Ezra Stern  
Jordan Eskenazi '22  
Diego Martinez  
Andrew Yanover



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Fellowships include the possibility of a \$4,000 loan replacement, \$3,500 support account, wage subsidy, and other financial benefits.

If you are interested in supporting the Alpha Delta Phi Cornell Tradition Fellowship with a tax-deductible gift, please contact the Alumni Records Office at [alumnirecords@adphicornell.org](mailto:alumnirecords@adphicornell.org)

## ΑΔΦ CORNELL TRADITION FELLOWSHIPS AWARDED

Dear Alumni of Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell,

I am tremendously humbled and thankful to have received the Alpha Delta Phi Cornell Tradition Fellowship this year. As a graduating senior with only a few weeks left at Cornell, I frequently find myself drifting off into a nostalgic recollection of the priceless memories I've forged here, nearly all of which were at the Phi.

Having held six positions in the house ranging from president to social to rush chair, I can genuinely say that I entered Alpha Delt a boy and am leaving it a man. Whether it be financial support through the ACEF and McVoy Scholarships, emotional support through the lifelong friendships I have made with my brothers, or professional support through the leadership development and career networking I have received, Alpha Delt has truly been there with me every step of my college experience.

I will be graduating after three years, so sadly I will be missing that final fourth year, but I look forward to working as an Analyst at The Blackstone Group in New York City upon graduation. As my time at the Phi draws to a bittersweet end, I am content that the house is in good hands and am excited to see the younger brothers grow into their potential the same way I did.

You, the alumni, are what makes this beautiful organization possible, so from the bottom of my heart, thank you. Thank you for making Alpha Delt possible, thank you for offering scholarships to the brothers who need it most, and thank you for believing in kids like me and their potential to become something great. It is my honor to receive this scholarship, and I am excited to pay it forward in the future as an alumnus.

Xaipe,

Sean Patrick Kelly '21

To the Alumni of Alpha Delta Phi:

I am writing in appreciation of your generous contribution to scholarship awards. With your help, I have received the Alpha Delta Phi Cornell Tradition Fellowship, which helped me continue my studies at Cornell University.

I just finished my third year in the Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management. I will be declaring a concentration in finance. This program has allowed me to grow professionally, but also being in this school and this environment has given me the opportunity to grow as a person.

This semester, I had the opportunity to study abroad, and I went to Florence, Italy.

Once again, thank you for your generosity.

Cordially,

Diego Urmeneta '23

## FALL PRESIDENT LAUDS BROTHERS COMING TOGETHER DESPITE CHALLENGES

The job of the fall president is never an easy one: he must fuse together the interests of the seniors in Collegetown (who have only just met the sophomore class) and the rest of the brotherhood. Cohesion is often elusive in August, when brothers return from all corners of the globe—each expecting his own vision of what the house should be doing.

Nevertheless, Alpha Deltas this fall came together to face an increasingly hostile campus environment where we not only survived but thrived. Though COVID-19 restrictions were more relaxed than ever before, the university was still enforcing strict regulations on how fraternities could operate. More than ever before, rush events, parties, and special events were under a microscope that severely restricted how we could operate. That is why I am incredibly proud to say that the actives came together with a unified spirit to end out the semester on a high note with incredible rush prospects.

We revived some of our favorite rush events such as TurkeyFest, and the brotherhood enjoyed its first Homecoming formal since 2019. Brothers enjoyed many activities together like paintballing and go karting. All in all, the active brotherhood pulled together in the face of many obstacles to not only have a fun time, but also an incredible potential rush class. I am glad to have had the honor of serving my brothers as the active president.

*Alejandro Sabo '22*  
Fall 2021 President



## THE RETURN OF VICTORY CLUB!

I am overjoyed to share with the alumni that Victory Club has returned! After a three-year hiatus, the Victory Club tradition was in serious doubt. The dedication of the actives combined with the vigor of our Victory Club Chairs brought back this wonderful philanthropic endeavor. I can confidently say that gambling, black tie, philanthropy, and serious fun returned to the Phi this April in epic fashion.

Friends, family, and the Cornell community

at large all came together in support of the Ithaca Public Education Initiative. In all, we raised nearly \$15,000—a new record in recent years. Most importantly, the new members of the Phi have now seen the event in full force—ensuring that Victory Club will live on for generations to come!

*William Brody '22*  
Victory Club Chair







Ithaca Public Education Initiative

To: Kara Miller McCarty, Robert G. Engel Director of Sorority & Fraternity Life

Kara,

As we wind down our year raising funds to provide grants and fiscal support to the Ithaca City School District's schools, teacher, staff and students, I wanted to share with you my gratitude to the young men of Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell.

These young men have supported our work within the Ithaca school community for more than a decade, supporting IPEI with financial gifts from their annual Victory Club celebration, volunteering to provide hours of setup and take down for our events, and keeping in touch after graduation!

This year, as we adjusted our fundraising events and financial support programs, Alpha Delta Phi, both on campus and the national organization, adjusted their support and made matching sponsoring gifts to bring a new event to the community—the IPEI Scavenger Hunt.

This new, family friendly event invited the community to find and photograph items and locations of social, historical and cultural pieces of Ithaca's story. More than 90 families registered for the event and spent two beautiful April days outside their house, seeing people and friends (at safe, social distances!) and learning about their home.

Alpha Delta Phi made a financial contribution, joining several other community businesses and organizations in making this event available to all interested participants. With this support, were able to offer a "pay what you can" option to all registrations—moving our fundraising event in the direction of equity and inclusion—inviting anyone to engage and be part of Ithaca's culture of philanthropy at any level.

We are honored by the support of these young men and their alumni groups, and look forward to seeing them in the fall and inviting them to join our spelling bee and scavenger hunt during the 2021-22 school year.

You can find Alpha Delt's logo on the front page of our Scavenger Hunt program. Thank you for all that you do for the Greek communities of Cornell. We hope they all engage with Ithaca to improve all lives in our community.

All the best,

Steve Manley  
Executive Director, IPEI

Special thanks to our Event Sponsors!



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## Assembling an IKEA Bookshelf

The deadwood falls – undead, not quite wood

I slice down the flatbox of pressed boards  
Fumble for directions like a clod

Noting Dante omitted to record  
This circle of hell below the boiling blood,  
Stone ditches and icy lakes the poets toured

Good thing Noah used real wood for the Flood  
Or else I wouldn't be here to complain,  
To curse this bane of my solitude

The palm trees rustle in a hushed refrain  
Turn back, turn back now! They seem to say  
It's not too late to abandon

The absurd travails of self-assembly.  
I open the sheet of neutered hieroglyphs  
Confounding arrows refuse to guide me

I turn on the radio for something to uplift  
They promise a rousing Haydn's Hen  
As my concentration starts to drift

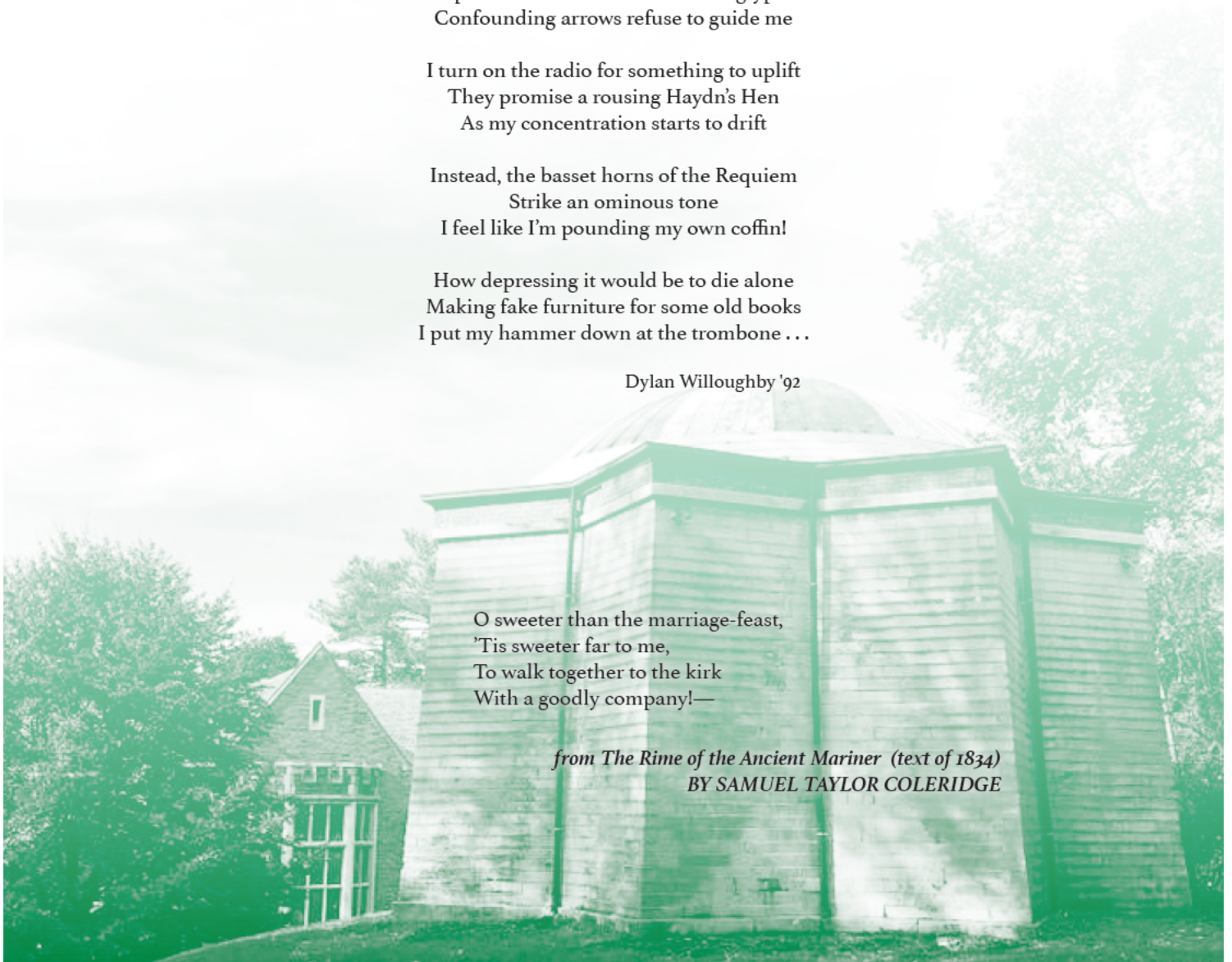
Instead, the basset horns of the Requiem  
Strike an ominous tone  
I feel like I'm pounding my own coffin!

How depressing it would be to die alone  
Making fake furniture for some old books  
I put my hammer down at the trombone . . .

Dylan Willoughby '92

O sweeter than the marriage-feast,  
'Tis sweeter far to me,  
To walk together to the kirk  
With a goodly company!—

*from The Rime of the Ancient Mariner (text of 1834)*  
BY SAMUEL TAYLOR COLERIDGE



## Reinald Werrenrath Jr. '36

August 8, 2019

Reinald Werrenrath Jr. passed away on August 8, 2019, at Westminster Place/Presbyterian Homes, in Evanston, Illinois. He was 104. He is survived by his wife Elizabeth (105), and they were happily married for 82 years. He attended Tabor Academy and Cornell. His family includes his daughter, Kirsten, and his sons, Reinald III and Peter, in addition to many grand- and great-grandchildren, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Reinald was born in New York City on June 8, 1915, to notable American baritone Reinald Werrenrath and Ada Petersen Werrenrath. Reinald was a television pioneer in his native New York City, and in 1940 he helped start the first experimental TV station in Chicago, WBKB (now WLS). He created, produced, and directed many of the earliest TV shows, including "Zoo Parade" and "Ding Dong School." Reinald served as a Navy lieutenant commander in World War II, as fighter director officer aboard the aircraft carrier USS Cabot in the Pacific Theater, and later aboard the USS Oriskany during the Korean War.

After serving his country, Reinald resumed his career in television, and was involved in such projects as televising the 1964 Nobel Prize Award Ceremonies in Oslo and Stockholm, and the World Series of Golf. A long-time human rights champion and education advocate, Reinald served as chairman of the Highland Park Human Relations Commission, and as chairman of the local school board. Reinald and Elizabeth teamed up to make over 100 educational films with nationwide distribution. After retirement, they kept busy connecting with people, traveling, and continuing to make educational films. In 1997, Reinald received the prestigious National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Chicago/Midwest Silver Circle Award.

Reinald remained active until recently and will be missed greatly by all those who knew and loved him. His family requests any donations to the Geneva Foundation Fellowship Fund at Presbyterian Homes, 3200 Grant St., Evanston, IL 60201.

## Hubert H. Everist '40

October 15, 2020

Hubert Harpham Everist Jr., 103, passed away peacefully on October 15, 2020. He was a lifelong resident of Sioux City, a business leader, world traveler, and a generous supporter of the arts.

After graduation from Cornell, he served in WWII as a captain in the US Army Air Force, piloting A-26 attack bombers over Germany. A graduate civil engineer, he followed a career in family businesses, which included Western Contracting Corporation of Sioux City, and Intercontinental Engineering-Manufacturing Corporation of Kansas City. He served in various officer positions, becoming president of Western in 1968 and presiding over landmark construction projects including dredging of Tampa Bay, interstate highway construction, and hydroelectric dams.

Mr. Everist became president of Intercontinental upon its founding in 1958, and later served the firm for over 50 years as chairman and director. Professional honors included presidency of The Beavers, a national organization of contractors specializing in construction of hydroelectric dams, canals, and bridges. Mr. Everist also served as a director of the Security National Bank of Sioux City for 16 years. The Sioux City Art Center, and the Shrine for Music at the University of South Dakota were generously supported over many years by he and his wife, Margaret Ann.

## Edward T. Turner Jr. '48

October 11, 2021

Edward T. "Ned" Turner Jr., 96, devoted and loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend passed away quietly in his home on October 11, 2021, with family by his side. He was born May 7, 1925, in Dayton, OH, where he grew up. He married the love of his life, Phyllis Dye Turner, also from Dayton, September 1, 1951, and in 1960 they moved to Terre Haute, IN, and settled into their lifelong home. Phyllis preceded Ned in death in 2019.

Ned earned his Bachelor's in Mechanical Engineering in 1948 from Cornell and he earned a special advanced degree in 1953 from the Institute of Paper Chemistry in Appleton, WI. During college Ned was active in Tau Beta Pi Honorary Fraternity, Atmos Honorary Fraternity, Cornell Crew Team and Crew Club, Student Council, Alpha Delta Phi, and he was the recipient of the John McMullen Scholarship.

Ned was a US Navy veteran of World War II. After the war, he worked for Huffman Manufacturing Co. and Gardner Board & Carton Company before joining Weston Paper in 1960. His professional memberships include serving on the boards of directors of Old National Bancorp, Merchants National Bank of Terre Haute, Alliance for Growth and Progress, Indiana Chamber of Commerce, Union Hospital, American Forest & Paper Association, Valley Federal Savings Bank and Greater Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce.

He served as president and trustee of The Weston Wabash Foundation, chairman of Containerboard & Kraft Paper Group, AFPA, Fibre Box Association. He was president of Junior Achievement of the Wabash Valley and Country Club of Terre Haute. Ned was a member of the Swope Art Museum, Community Theater of Terre Haute, and President's Society of Indiana State University.

He was known in the Terre Haute community for his business acumen, and even up until his death his mind stayed sharp when it came to business. Ned was a private and humble man. Perhaps unknown to many he was a great outdoorsman and a cowboy at heart. While growing up he spent a number of summers working at a family cattle ranch in Colorado and exploring the Southwest. He sat tall in the saddle and could ride any mount offered to him. Later in life, he and Phyllis often rode together. They shared their love of all things outdoors, animals big and small, and the Southwest with their children, both at home and along the way.

Survivors include his four children, Chris Turner (William Miller) of Reston, VA; Julianne Turner Stuart (James) of Oakland, CA; Edward T. "Ned" Turner III (Jeanette) of Conifer, CO; and Marjorie Turner McCormack (Robert) of Albuquerque, NM. He also leaves five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his three sisters Marianne Keyes, Jeanne Creed, and Eleanor Wasmuth. The family would especially like to thank Ned's wonderful caregivers, Joanne, Kim, Lori, Beth, and Sarah, who were with him through the end and took such great care of him.

## George Sandy Diehl Jr. '50

August 29, 2021

George S. Diehl Jr. of Towson, MD, August 29, 2021; international salesman in the air conditioning industry, including at JCI/York Industries and Worthington Industries; veteran; enjoyed genealogy and playing bridge, tennis, golf, and croquet; active in alumni affairs. Alpha Delta Phi

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## W. Bogert Kiplinger '50

W. Bogert Kiplinger '50 (MBA '51) of St. Louis, MO, died 2021 in Connecticut, age 92. Boge started college at Duke, then transferred to Cornell and joined ADPhi. He courted his future wife of six decades, Carol Hinsman, a Smithie, at Alpha Delt formals his junior and senior years. After serving as an officer in the Navy, Boge worked at IBM and then for Matthews-Hinsman Co., a St. Louis wholesale fabrics distributor that he headed for decades. He is survived by six children, including Herman Kiplinger, who joined AD in his freshman year at Cornell with the class of '79. Bogert was close to his beloved cousin, Austin H. Kiplinger '39, (a member of DU and Telluride, who chaired the Cornell board of trustees 1985-'89), and to his cousin, Knight A. Kiplinger '69.

## William L. Hodges '52

September 14, 2021

**Before the passing of brother Hodges, we received this lovely note from him:** "Time passes and I find myself in a long-term health care situation, with Liz nearby to cheer me. She says I had too much fun in my 90 years, which brought me to my present state. She may be right. I've loved life! And Cornell and friends there were certainly a highlight. How fortunate we all were!"

## John H. Murphy '53

December 12, 2019

John Murphy passed away on December 12, 2019. Born in Grosse Pointe, Michigan, the youngest of eight children, John attended local schools, and graduated from Cornell with a major in business and economics and a minor in architecture.

He was an executive at Ford, Lincoln, Stran Steel, Xerox, Blackhawk Mfg. Co., Applied Power, Rexnord, and Liturgical Publications prior to starting his own marketing firm. He specialized in marketing, mergers and acquisitions, new product development, and company culture. His career took the family from Detroit to Rochester, NY, to Milwaukee, to Boston, back to Detroit, and back to Milwaukee, where he started Murphy Associates, a well-known regional marketing strategy and public relations firm in southeast Wisconsin.

He was active in Sales & Marketing Executives, Independent Business Association of Wisconsin (IBAW), Cornell Club of Wisconsin, and West Allis, Wauwatosa, Waukesha Chambers, he found his cultural home at the Greater Brookfield Chamber of Commerce, where he was a member for 25-plus years. He was a board member at Elmbrook Humane Society and Metropolitan Speakers Group as well as a chamber ambassador. John taught new business planning at the Cornell and Harvard Business Schools, and Wayne State University. He also taught marketing, product planning, and business planning at Marquette University, UW-Milwaukee, Cardinal Stritch, MSOE, and WCTC. He considered teaching a privilege.

## Henry H. Hubbard III '56

May 25, 2021

Henry H. Hubbard III passed away peacefully on May 25 at Tryon Estates in Tryon, NC. Hank was born in Detroit and grew up in Grosse Pointe Farms, MI. He attended Kerby School, Brownell Junior High, and Grosse Pointe High School and graduated from Cornell with a Bachelor of Arts in economics.

It was at Cornell that he met Marianne Smith and they were married in Old Greenwich, CT, on June 20, 1959. They lived in Grosse Pointe

Farms and had three children: Henry Hudson Hubbard IV, Katharine Peirce Hubbard, and Karen Smith Hubbard (now Jones). Hank's business career started when he was five by having chickens and a fresh egg business with his sister, Sally. He then moved on to being a Detroit News carrier, camp counselor at Camp Charlevoix, and a stint at Hudson Motor Car Company as draftsman before going to Cornell.

Hank joined the J.L. Hudson Company after Cornell in 1958. In 1978, Hank joined McCurdy & Company in Rochester, NY. In 1986, Hank went to Porteous, Mitchell & Braun in Portland, ME. In 1991, he moved to Chicago, Illinois to become CEO and president of Madigan Brothers. From 1993 to 1997, Hank was a realtor for County Line Properties in Hinsdale, IL. For the next five years, Hank was CEO of Trimmingham Brothers in Hamilton, Bermuda. He then retired in June of 2002 and he and Marianne moved to Tryon, NC, to retire and enjoy friends and golf.

Hank was a member of Tryon's Congressional Church, Holy Trinity Church (Bermuda), Union Church (Hinsdale, IL), St. Bartholomew Church (Yarmouth, ME), Third Presbyterian Church (Rochester, NY), Fourth Presbyterian Church (Lake Forest, IL) and Grosse Pointe Memorial Church (Grosse Pointe Farms, MI).

Hank was known for his balloon parties on July 5th, lollipop care packages to favorite college students, glass blowing, emceeding the PBS-TV (channel 30) Auction in Toledo, and lecturing at Rochester Institute of Technology and St. Lawrence University. He belonged to the Tryon Country Club, Harbor Beach Resort Association, Mid Ocean Club, Royal Bermuda Yacht Club, Rochester Country Club, Onwentsia Club, Toledo Club, Toledo Country Club, Country Club of Detroit, Cornell Club of New York, Beth L'Amed, Atmos and Alpha Delta Phi.

## HENRY HUBBARD '56 REMEMBRANCES

**Thomas C. "TC" Reed '55:** The passing of a brother is always unwelcome news. My days at AΔΦ with the departed were 70 years ago! But key lines from the roll call stick with me always: "Henry Hudson Hubbard III, Grosse point, Michigan." Hank was a solid member of the fraternity. Since I was an engineer, and Hank was a liberal arts major, we did not share preliminary exam intelligence, but we shared many good times at the clubhouse—in the highest sense of that word. When in doubt, Hank always did the right thing—to include laughing at himself. Seven decades later, I still miss him.

## Gordon Wood Anderson '58

July 24, 2021

Gordon Wood Anderson died peacefully at age 86 at his home in New York City after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's and Parkinson's diseases. He was born in Evanston, IL. After receiving his bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering from Cornell in 1959. Gordy—also nicknamed Woody—went to the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, where he received his Ph.D. in physics in 1969.

In 1964, he and several fellow students from Illinois taught as a "tag-team" at Tougaloo College, a Black college in Jackson, Mississippi, each student taking six-week stretches of teaching physics. For the rest of his life, he was proud that five of those student teachers went on to receive graduate degrees in physics. After receiving his doctorate, instead of returning to Tougaloo as planned, he accepted a coveted post-doctoral fellowship at the Naval Research Lab, where he loved the work so much that he accepted a permanent position in applied

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physics with specialties in optics, sonar devices, and lasers.

In 1998, facing unwelcome, mandatory retirement from the lab at age 62, Gordy accepted a position in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, where he provided technical reviews of sensor and laser technologies. Finally, in 2008, he decided to retire from government service and find a way to reexperience the satisfaction he found in helping Black students choose a career in physics. This time, teaching physics would bring him to Medgar Evers College, part of the City Colleges of New York (CCNY) in Brooklyn, NY.

This move also meant he would be living with his life partner, Sherry Walther Kaplan (Cornell '59). Sherry and Gordy met thanks to an Alpha Delt bi-annual reunion held in Boston in 2002. The matchmaker was Sally Vrooman ('59), wife of late Alpha Delt brother Dave Vrooman '59. All went well until Woody was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and Parkinson's with Lewy Body Dementia in the fall of 2016.

As his diseases inevitably advanced, Alpha Delt once again made a difference. Woody had a collection of photos from various Alpha Delt gatherings that would be placed on the dining room table, propped up on bookstands to prompt memories of special times with his Alpha Delt brothers and their partners. There were photos of croquet games, Don Marshall's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday party with Jim Edgar and John Brinsley, an end-of-life vacation on Cape Cod with the Vroomans and Ann and Dan Hall.

Then there was the piece de resistance: a photo of a Big Red fire engine taken during an Alpha Delt reunion in Maine in 2016. In the driver's seat was, of course, Dave Brown, joined by Gordy, Bob Bryant, Cal Carr, Dan Hall, Jim Hunt, Mal Johnston, and Terry West. Oh the tales that photo evoked for Gordy. Into the last weeks of his life, Woody would respond to images of his Alpha Delta Phi brothers with his wonderful big smile.

## Robert G. McClellan Jr. '59

August 1, 2019

Bob McClellan of Greenwich, CT, died August 1, 2019. He worked for Medico & Associates, was president of McClellan Management Services, and worked as a systems engineer for IBM. He was active in alumni affairs and Alpha Delta Phi.

## John P. Oldendorf '62

December 11, 2019

John Phillip Oldendorf, age 79, of Lake Elmo. Passed away in peace at home December 11, 2019. Beloved husband, father, teacher, business, and civic leader.

## Frank F. Gilmore '63

May 25, 2022

Frank F. Gilmore passed away on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at Ellis Hospital. Frank was born in Wellesley, MA, to the late Frank Gilmore and Mary Lee Strickland Gilmore. Frank was a renowned architect, a long-time partner in the firm Stracher-Roth-Gilmore in Schenectady, and a gifted painter. His exceptional work, his consistent talent, and his unerring eye for beauty have enhanced the cityscapes of the Capital Region and beyond. If you have admired Albany Airport or the Rensselaer train station, or have looked around during a show at Proctors, Frank's designs have touched your life. The generous love, encouragement, interest, and intellect he always exhibited made Frank a beloved presence in Schenectady, but he also took great pride in his family and loved them fiercely.

## Joe R. McAfee '63

August 2, 2020

Joe R. McAfee was a deeply caring person who ended his almost two-decade battle with Parkinson's Disease. He laughed and smiled the whole way through even on his final Zoom call with his siblings.

Joe was the eldest of four who grew up between Port Arthur, TX, and Pittsburgh, PA. He came from a long line of engineers and he carried on that legacy in several different oil companies, finally running a few different manufacturing companies. He received his Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Cornell, where he remained and earned a Master's of Mechanical Engineering as well as his MBA.

Joe had so many interests that were about as far from engineering as one could get, mostly in part due to his wife, Nancy McAfee, who helped curate the right side of his brain. He adored traveling the world, attending movie festivals—where they would spend day and night in movie theaters for over a week, and attending jazz festivals—most notably the New Orleans Jazz Festival. Joe will be greatly missed by many.

He is survived by his loving wife, Nancy McAfee, who cared for him for a long time through his battle of 55 years. Their 56th wedding anniversary would have been celebrated on August 22.

## Alan Paller '67

November 9, 2021

Alan Paller, an early and influential advocate for cybersecurity and a diverse cyber workforce, died November 9 at his home in Bethesda, MD. He was 76. His death was announced by the Bethesda-based SANS Institute, one of the world's foremost nongovernment cybersecurity training programs, which Mr. Paller founded with his wife in 1989. The institute did not specify the cause.

Mr. Paller, an entrepreneur and technologist, combined idealism with a cut-to-the-chase pragmatism. From his start working with the Navy to use computers to design ships, he embarked on one of the most successful private-sector efforts in the United States to train generations of cybersecurity professionals and sought to broaden their ranks to include women and people of color. He increasingly sounded the alarm about the threats to an ever more digitally connected world. He spoke of cybersecurity as an "existential issue" and early on championed regulation, which the U.S. government is only now starting to embrace.

"We're desperately late in doing this," he told The Washington Post in 2012. "Our future economic well-being and future national security are at stake if we don't mandate it."

His twin missions were building the pipeline for cyber talent—what he called "cyber ninjas"—and relentlessly pushing the public and private sectors to adopt standards or "critical controls" to lessen the odds that their computer systems would be hacked. He wasn't shy to ask friends to wield their influence to press for action. Shortly after Jane Holl Lute became deputy homeland security secretary in the Obama administration, she received a call from Samuel R. "Sandy" Berger, Alan's college classmate and President Bill Clinton's national security adviser.

## ALAN PALLER '67 REMEMBRANCES

**James Brady '67:** As a fall pledge, I roomed with Alan and Luis Morales in the second-floor tower room. I have vivid memories of Alan, which I would be happy to share. In junior year, and maybe again as a senior, Alan lived off campus with Ed Deseve, who might also have some reflections. If you want to pick my memory,

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call at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

**Kent Hubbell '67 :** Alan and I were friends during our time at Cornell, and he was the person I looked to for his passion/knowledge of engineering technology. I loved his bright and positive spirit during our times together at Alpha Delt. I recall the last time we got together in Washington, D.C., early in his career, when he was very excited about the future of IT and satellite communications. Given his intelligence and ambition, I always expected that he would have a very distinguished career and make us proud. He had a good heart.

**Ed Seeger '67:** I think it's safe to say that our class of '67 is all-too-well aware of Alan's death. My fondest recollection is of a horribly provocative and inappropriate comment he made one day as a freshman pledge regarding details of his date with a classmate, a gal whose cute picture I can still see in my head in the Pig Book. To disclose it now would be unfair to Marsha and hurtful to the classmate Alan went out with. The perverse kick I get out of recalling it to myself is that for me it positions Alan well outside the intellectual and techie parameters that brought him to a life of acclaim. Alan was also once a young man sketching out his relationship with women and to himself. I have got to believe that the Phi contributed meaningfully to his growth beyond his early forays up to Mary Donlon Hall.

**Gautham Nagesh '05:** Alan came to Cornell from Indianapolis and majored in mechanical engineering, later earning a master's degree in engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Classmates remembered a thoughtful and humorous young man who showed both the technical promise of his future as well as an appreciation for the folly of youth.

His career would be dedicated to protecting the nation's networks from potential threats. An early pioneer in the field of cybersecurity in Washington, D.C., Alan founded with his wife the SANS Institute, one of the foremost cybersecurity training programs in the world, where he trained generations of professionals to combat the rising tide of cyber attacks while steadily pressing for government regulation. It would be fair to say almost no one did more to protect America from the threat of computer attacks than Alan. His vision, organizing capabilities and dedication to the cause helped stem countless threats, and his wisdom was sought at every level of the government and private sector. Rarely does one find his combination of intellect, passion and compassion in a single person.

It was in that role that I first encountered Alan, early in my career as a journalist covering technology. Long before he saw my name in a newsletter and realized our connection, he was a trusted source and a person who could patiently explain complex issues to a young reporter. Once we realized we shared a link to the Phi, he became source of wisdom, guidance and encouragement that helped me navigate the perilous early days of my career. A true older brother in every sense of the word.

The world is certainly poorer for his loss, but we can take heart in knowing he prepared thousands of people to take up his mission. Now that he is gone, I can only appreciate how fortunate I was to have spent some time in his company. Whenever something good happened in my career, Alan was the happiest for me outside my own family, and always eager to take me to celebrate. I hope he is enjoying the fruits of a life well-lived.

## Robert M. Reed '74

December 11, 2018

Robert Martin Reed, 65, of Haines City, FL, and Ithaca, NY, passed away on December 11, 2018. He was born in Ithaca, NY.

Bob's lifelong passion for the game of golf began in high school and continued into college. At Cornell he was captain of the golf team and helped to win many tournaments throughout the northeast. After college he pursued a career in the hospitality business in the midwest. A highlight of his career was hosting Elvis Presley and his entourage at his hotel. Eventually, his successful career managing hotels led him back to his love of golf. In the 1980s he relocated to Florida to manage golf courses and to teach golf.

In 1990, Bob became a member of the East Central Chapter of the North Florida PGA and from 2008 to 2011 was president of the chapter. In the ensuing years Bob's involvement with golf continued and in 2015 he reached a milestone in joining the PGA's Quarter Century Club, having been a member of the association and a professional golfer for in excess of 25 years. In the most recent chapter of Bob's golf career, after he stopped playing the game, he continued to support the various PGA tournaments with his officiating and hole-by-hole support of NBC television coverage.

For more information about Bob's career in golf, please see the North Florida PGA Facebook page. Most people who knew "Baby Lou" can understand and share what Arnold Palmer wrote in his letter to Bob in 2010: "Many thanks for the wonderful cheesecake," Most likely Bobby's response was "No problem, boo boo."

## Charles S. Temel '75

April 14, 2022

Charles Saul Temel passed away on April 14 at age 68. The son of Holocaust survivors, Charlie was born in Bogota, Colombia, and immigrated to America at age nine when his family moved to Miami. He lived the American dream; graduating from Cornell (where he met his wife of 44 years, Judy Wesalo Temel), building a career as a trusted financial advisor to his longstanding clients, and raising a family filled with love.

## Joseph Raymond Welch '95

November 20, 2020

Joseph Raymond Welch died Sunday, November 8, 2020. To Joe, family, service, friendship, and charity were the hallmarks of this great man. He was a scholar and a gentleman who, despite great challenges, made an indelible mark on his community. Joe attended Corning East High, Cornell, Syracuse University, and Western New England School of Law. Always a standout student, he received many accolades along the way.

Following his passion for politics, he accepted an appointment as Steuben County Democratic Party Election Commissioner in 2010. It was shortly thereafter serious health concerns surfaced that forced him from his dream job. Despite declining health, Joe remained determined to contribute to his community. He was the bedrock of the Corning City Democratic Party for over 20 years.

He was appointed chairman in 2011 and worked part time on every local, state, and national campaign, including this past election. He was named to the Executive Committee of New York's Democratic Party, where he chaired legislative and election committees. Those in the state Democratic party held him in high esteem for his election law knowledge. He was recently honored to be named a Biden delegate after New York's presidential primary.

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His engaging piper personality made him a political force. Joe was a natural leader. At Cornell he was president of Alpha Delt. After college he served as president of the Cornell Star & Crescent Foundation.

His contributions to the City of Corning were many. Joe was a valued member of community projects and initiatives including Option 2 and TEDx Chemung River. He was effective because he knew and had the respect of community leaders. He had a great mind for remembering names. His wit and charm made him a natural in these settings.

All the above pales in comparison to his friendships. His Facebook account is a testament to the many and eclectic friendships he formed wherever he went. In high school Joe was universally beloved and accepted by "A" students, athletes, and everyone else. He was a man about town, known to everyone and often referred to as the Mayor of Market Street. He brought people together from varying backgrounds, interests, likes, and needs.

Being with Joe was a fun and informative experience. He possessed

a vast array of knowledge and was always "the guy" you wanted on your trivia team. Obscure topics fascinated him, and he delighted many with dazzling displays of knowledge and his unique ability to use a random fact or theory tailor made for the occasion. Though a passionate Democrat, he was at ease arguing both sides of political and constitutional topics. He made you think.

## Paulo A. DeF. Rust '11

December 3, 2021

Paul A. Rust of Puerto Adela, Paraguay, formerly of Seymour, IN, died December 3, 2021. He was a farmer, private pilot, and translator/interpreter, active in community and international affairs.

## ALPHA DELT BROTHERS ...

Share your thoughts, opinions, and memories of Alpha Delt in the newsletter. Send them to Howie Schaffer '90 at [hbschaffer@aol.com](mailto:hbschaffer@aol.com)

# YOUNG ALUM IN THE SPOTLIGHT: GRIFFIN BADER '19

Breaking into the music industry is a daunting task, but the Phi is lucky enough to have at least one alum who is making great strides. Active brothers sat down with Griffin Bader '20 to discuss his latest projects as he traverses the New York City music scene. By day, Griffin works as a talent booker for Breaking Sound—a concert promotion company that specializes in showcasing emerging artists. The company is active in three continents and 20 global cities; Griffin works as their lead booker for New York City. This means that every day Griffin is on the ground scouring his hometown city in search of promising new musicians. Beyond finding hot talent, Griffin handles everything from artist relations to venue logistics and fan entertainment, ensuring



that concert goes and artists alike are well taken care of and enjoying the show.

As the enterprising young Alpha Delt alum that he is, Griffin has his hand in projects that extend beyond his work for Breaking Sound. Griffin himself manages multiple up-and-coming New York City artists. From bookings to marketing to production, Griffin is helping his artists reach their potential. In his own words, "I love championing music that I believe in, and working to develop that artist's career and creative vision."

In addition to artist management, Griffin also does his own concert booking work. He recently set up a small nationwide 12-show tour for a young artist everywhere from

Atlanta to New York to Nashville. But music is not his only hustle—Griffin also recently organized a comedy show in Brooklyn that was a great success.

Griffin's first foray into the whirlwind world of music and business was during his time at Alpha Delt. With some help from members of his pledge class, Griffin created CTown Sounds, a concert hosted at Alpha Delt featuring multiple Cornell student artists that many current active brothers still remember fondly. He remarks that he was lucky to be surrounded by a creative and eclectic group during his time at Alpha Delt—qualities not often found in other Cornell fraternities. While many Alpha Deltas pursue more traditional career paths like law or banking, we are lucky to have an alum like Griffin who is charting his own course—one new artist at a time!

Be sure to catch the next newsletter for another young alum in the spotlight!

## SPRING '21 PRESIDENT

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class compared to all-time low rush numbers among Greek life at large.

Once recruited, the real challenge began. It was only with the passion and hard work of every brother that we were able to complete the new member education process in full during these trying times. The new class is a well-tried crew of Alpha Deltas who bleed emerald and pearl and far exceed the expectations of excellence and enthusiasm the brotherhood had for them. As pledge class 149 graduates, we could not be prouder to pass the helm over to the rest of the actives, who possess the same admiration and respect for one another and

the rich history of our brotherhood.

Much of what a normal semester at Alpha Delt and Cornell looks like was nowhere to be found last spring: in-person classes and recruitment, social and philanthropic events, Slope Day, Victory Club, and many other hallmarks of student life here in Ithaca simply vanished with the pandemic. In these unprecedented and tumultuous times, where traditions are kept few and far between, it was the brothers of Alpha Delta Phi who ensured the great river of history continued to flow as strong as the roaring gorges that surround them. The newly initiated brothers can sing Xaipe without error and tell the great story of Samuel Eells with conviction and pride, just as well as the many pledge classes before them.

For the brotherhood to have come out of this year stronger, closer, and well prepared for the future is a testament to the undeniable spark that Alpha Delt has lit up in all of us and the never-ending desire to pass down the astonishing experience we are far too lucky to have had within these hallowed walls. As my days here are numbered, I reflect on these remarkable last few years and look ahead, eagerly awaiting the bright future of the Phi, a future I will not get to see with my own eyes, but one we have ensured will certainly come to fruition.

Xaipe,

Grant Weintrob  
Spring '21 President

## WHO ARE WE, WHY DO WE HAVE ANNUAL DUES, AND WHY SHOULD YOU PAY THEM?

We are Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell Inc. and were formed as Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell University, as filed with the secretary of the State of New York on March 15, 1878. We have members of our corporation who are or were matriculated students at Cornell who have been initiated into our brotherhood. So, we are all members of our corporation. But are you an entitled member of AΔΦ at Cornell Inc.?

An entitled member has the right to vote at our annual meeting, which is where we take care of the business of the fraternity. Yes, we have officers of the corporation, which include the president, vice president,

secretary, and treasurer, who have their roles and responsibilities. These are the alumni brothers who take care of the day-to-day business of the fraternity.

We also have a board of directors, which elects the officers of the corporation and delegates authority to these officers to accomplish the responsibilities that are defined by their roles. There is some redundancy built into all of this, and for good reason. More brothers involved means more different perspectives on problem solving, and more hands working to solve our problems.

So, how do you become and remain as an entitled member? You must have paid your

defined annual dues for the calendar year in which the annual meeting is held, at least 50 days before the meeting is held. If you are an entitled member, then you have a vote on any business that is raised at the annual meeting that is subject to a vote by the membership.

If you would like to get more involved in the alumni association as a board member or officer, reach out to me. Please pay your annual dues so that you are supporting the work that we are doing and so that you have the right to vote at our annual meetings.

**Ken Growney '82**  
Chairman of the Board

## NEWS FROM OUR ALUMNI

**Robert Post '50:** In the end, I don't think fraternities are going to survive, but when they force you all to sell the house and property, this little bit to help maintain the house will help get a better price. Not that memories of living, eating, singing, and partying at the house were some of the best of my Cornell years.

**William Ferguson '52:** At age 91, I'm still here—but somewhat less active in sports, etc. However, I still enjoy bridge—like the house years ago. Would like to get back to Cornell but have discontinued most travel. Best to all Alpha Deltas!

**John Fisher Jr. '57:** Waking up is the highlight of each day! Living in a CCRC is a new experience in community and giving back is part of community. I serve as chair of the program committee, and as a member of the North Hill Reads Committee, the civic affairs committee, leader of the men's book club, and moderator of the current events discussion group. I'm busier than when I worked.

**James Edgar '58:** Judy and I are surviving here in smokey, fire devastated California. Still consulting, but on a more selective basis. In touch with **Don Marshall '58**, John Brinsley '58, **Gordon Anderson '58**, and **Dave Brown '58** most recently. Lamenting the end of salmon season but looking forward to the start of the Dungeness crab and waterfowl seasons. Aches and pains consistent with too many birthdays!



*From Fernando Barbachano '69: Rob Hemstead '71 as he showed up at his hotel in Mexico the month after the 150th.*

**Hans Lawaetz '59:** I was elected honorary life president of the international Senepol Cattle Breeders Association (SCBA) in 2016 after serving 40 years on the executive committee, first as chairman and 17 years as chairman/president. The Senepol breed was started on St. Croix (an island of 84 square miles) in 1918 and is now in over 20 tropical countries of the world, from Vietnam to Australia, South Africa, and Brazil, where it is the fastest growing cattle breed with over 100,000 regis-

tered Senepol cattle in 20 years. My experience and education at Cornell was very instrumental in my dealings with international issues and forming a new breed association that is now recognized internationally. Annaly Farms is one of the leading sources of Senepol genetics. [www.senepolcattle.com](http://www.senepolcattle.com)

**Fred Parkin '63:** I think there were five Alpha Deltas in Vietnam in 1966: myself, **Tom Clark '63**, **Bob Woods '62**, **Bill Bowling '63**, I think, and Jim Hunt (civilian). Gotta love that obligatory ROTC in the late '50s!

**Clinton Kennedy '76:** I sailed in the Minnetonka Yoder Club MC fleet this summer. Due to social distancing, the E. boat stayed in storage

**John Ramsdell '76:** I am a grandfather.

**David "Durfs" Durfee '80:** I put in a plug for the Phi in the alumni notes in the final edition of the *Cornell Alumni Magazine*.

**Philip McCarthy II '86:** I had dinner in New York with **Caesar Wyszomirski '85** and **Karl S.F. Kirchner '85** this past summer at my neighborhood haunt, Antonucci. I was pleased that a family friend, **Hugo Hamilton '24**, joined the house last spring.

**Nicholas C. "Dylan" Willoughby '92:** Dylan has a limited-edition poetry chapbook out from Chest Creek Press entitled "Les Festivals des Murmures," with illustrations by the painter Anthony Mastromatteo (see page 13). Recent poems have appeared in the *Laurel Review*, *Fahmidan Journal*, *Goat's Milk Magazine* (Canada), *Sledgehammer Lit* (Guernsey), *ZIN Daily* (Croatia), *Melbourne Culture Corner* (Australia), *Pareidolia Literary*, *Sparro's Trombone*, *Vulnerable Magazine*, and *Bloom Magazine* (Scotland), and are forthcoming in *Seventh Quarry* (Wales), *Amethyst Review*, and *Ample Remains*.

Photography has recently appeared in *Rejection Letters* and is forthcoming for *Vulnerable Magazine*. he writes: "Hope you're well. I'm in the hospital but I just received word that my "Murmures" book was accepted for the annual New England Guild of Book Workers exhibition. (Many of the poems in the

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*Will Prather '91 and Peter Christ '92 in Minneapolis MN at the Midwest premiere of Will's new show featuring the music of Donna Summer.*

# NEWS FROM OUR ALUMNI

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collection appeared in *Agenda*.)”

**Gautham Nagesh '05:** Left *WSJ* and moved west in 2017. Great to see the growing contingent of brothers in California.

**Connor Hayes '16:** I wanted to offer thanks for the summer 2020 edition of *The Cornell Alpha Delt*, which I have just read while sorting through old mail. David Olusoga was

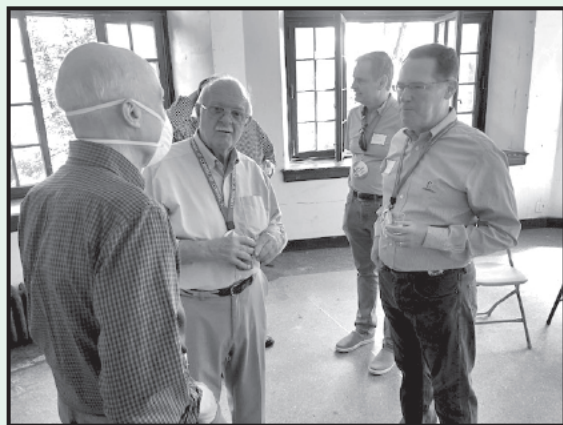
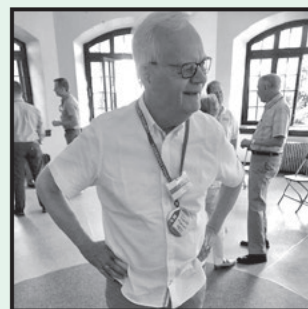
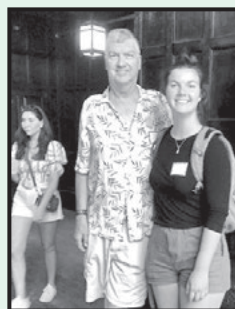
courageous to share his experiences of racism and discrimination. I hope his story was a reminder to all who read it that darkness can lurk even at institutions as supposedly enlightened as Cornell and that reaffirming our shared value of brotherhood is perhaps the most potent and immediate response we have to this bigotry. Richard Burt's piece was also beautifully written and, I thought,

captured the complexities of what it means to be in a fraternity, especially in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, very well. In the midst of a seemingly constant barrage of voices highlighting the downsides of Greek life, Ambassador Burt's piece was a reminder of all the good that can come from the experience and why I remember my time with the men of 777 Stewart Avenue so fondly. Keep up the great work.

## Reunion 2022



*Class of 2017*



*Reunion host Tony Johnson '80 with Hakan Sokmensuer '80.*



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