



# Pawprint

A Newspaper by and for the Cornell Community

## Despite Frigid Temperatures, Employee Winter Celebration Draws Record Crowd of 1,800



(Above) A favorite of the Employee Day events, CrossRoad entertains Cornell community members as they wait their turn in the food line.



(Above) Spending quality time together, Tim Marchell (Gannett) with son Owen Marchell.

(Right) EAP staffer Janet Henry spends the day with her seven-year-old twin grandchildren Christian (left) and Chandra Henry. Children's activities at the event were underwritten by Aetna.



(Left) President Skorton and his wife, Professor Robin Davison, warmly greet guests while serving at the February 10 Employee Celebration in Bartels Hall.

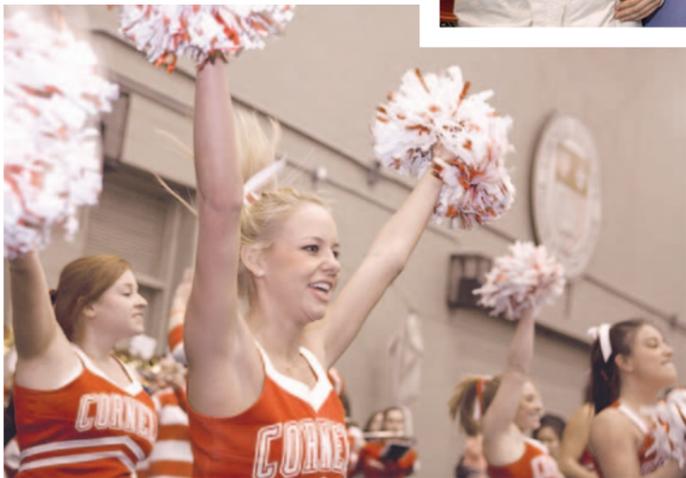
(Right) With his new makeover, the Big Red Mascot provides bear hugs for Lauryn Shipos (right), granddaughter of Kathy Shipos (CUHA), and her guest Tara Radcliff.



(Right) Pei Hong Zhai, daughter of Bingnian Zhai (crop & soil sci.), shows her spirit during the Employee Celebration men's basketball game.



(Below) The Cornell University cheerleading squad pumps up the crowd at the Employee Winter Celebration community dinner.



(Above) Cornell Tradition student Jackie Murphy '08, paints faces during the community dinner festivities.

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## Nominations open for Cook Awards

The Cook Awards committee and the Office of the Vice Provost for Diversity and Faculty Development seek nominations for the 14th annual Cook Awards. The Cook Awards honor individuals who deserve recognition for their commitment to women's issues and their contributions to improving the climate for women at Cornell. The awards are named in honor of Constance E. Cook, Cornell's first woman vice president, and the late Professor Emerita Alice H. Cook, founding member of ACSW, The Advisory Committee on the Status of Women.

Nominations may include any deserving male or female member of the Cornell community-staff, faculty or students. The Cook Awards committee will review all nominations and choose the final awardees. Those selected for the honor will be recognized at a reception in April.

Nomination letters should describe the individual's commitment to women's issues and efforts to enhance the climate for women at Cornell. Additional items to include are the nominee's Cornell affiliation, e-mail address and local or campus address. Nominations may be submitted by e-mail to Patty Stark at pas4@cornell.edu or mailed to her at the Office of the Vice Provost for Diversity and Faculty Development, 449 Day Hall.

The deadline for nominations is March 16. For a complete list of the previous Cook Award winners, visit <http://web.cornell.edu/acsw/>.

## Last Chance to qualify to be an EA candidate

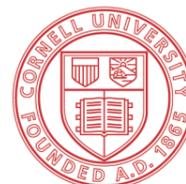
With a deadline of February 26 for completed petitions, time is running out to qualify as a candidate in Employee Assembly elections in March.

Seven positions will be contested, including seats held by incumbents Joe DeMarco, Andri Goncarovs, Hazel Hall, Peter Korolov, Inda Mahler, Pat Mahoney, and Janice Miles. Any full or part-time regular university staff member is eligible and encouraged to run.

Completed petitions must be returned to 109 Day Hall by February 26. Potential candidates should visit the assembly Web site at <http://assembly.cornell.edu/> elections to get more information about the assembly and the election process. Election packets are available at the Office of Assemblies, 109 Day Hall, or staff may request packets via the Web site. Campaigning begins March 8, and voting is scheduled to take place March 16-23. For additional information, contact Andri Goncarovs at aag44@cornell.edu or Amy O'Donnell at aro2@cornell.edu.

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## Leadership Leads

### George Peter

### What have we learned?

Benjamin Franklin once said, "The older I get, the more I realize that I could be wrong about some things." I'm not sure that I am old enough to come to that conclusion. But, there is no doubt that I should have been more sensitive to the issue of how to handle psychiatric issues.

I have learned that this is a very hot topic and that there are standards that are accepted by the

"mainstream." Further, as in practically every topic, strong opinions develop pro and con on every issue under the sun. Strong positions are defended on both sides of the issue.

What I have learned is that it is wise to not touch these issues with a "10 foot pole." On the other hand, healthy debate and exposure to issues should be the role of any news publication. 🐾

## Cornell's Statewide Impact is a Major Enterprise in its Own Right

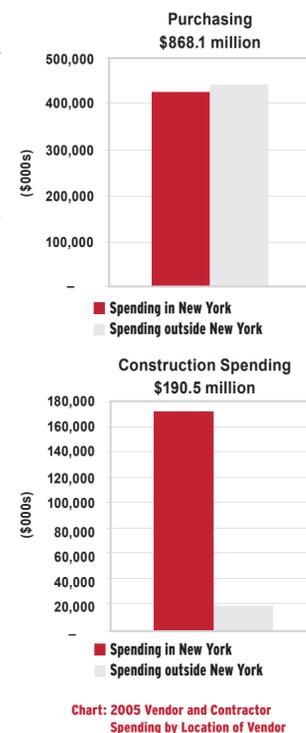
JOANNE DESTEFANO  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR FINANCIAL AFFAIRS & UNIVERSITY CONTROLLER

Cornell University recently released its first ever economic impact study. This article is the first in a series providing a more in-depth view of the details of the report. Today's article is focused on our institution as a major enterprise.

Have you ever wondered what kind and size of economic impacts Cornell has on the local, regional and state levels?

To pull together that kind of data, former President Hunter Rawlings, upon the recommendation of Executive Vice President Stephen Golding, commissioned a first-ever study of the economic impact of Cornell's mission of education, research, business development, and public service on the state of New York and its citizens. The resulting report is a comprehensive study of how Cornell uses the resources provided by parents, grateful donors and public agencies to educate New York students, provide translational research and clinical services, and promote economic activity in Tompkins County, New York City and throughout the State. This report will serve as a benchmark to measure Cornell's economic performance and impact over time, allowing university leadership the ability to assess how effectively we are using the resources provided in support of Cornell's threefold mission of teaching, research, and service. At its heart, the report is a testimony to the dedication of Cornell's faculty, staff, and students in their multi-faceted support of the State and its citizens.

As a major employer, a consumer of hundreds of millions of dollars of goods and services, and an initiator of large scale construction projects, Cornell has an enormous impact on its surroundings. In addition to spending more on research than any other university in New York State, Cornell is a leading generator of new businesses and new jobs, especially in central New York. As the land grant university for New York State, Cornell also has a special responsibility, to disseminate—primarily through extension programs—new knowledge to families, businesses, and communities throughout the state. Highlights of the report include:



- Cornell is one of New York State's largest non-governmental employers; the university's payroll in 2005 totaled over \$1 billion, of which \$962 million was paid to New York State residents.
- It is estimated that in 2005, household spending by University employees generated over 6,200 jobs and \$970 million in economic activity in New York State.
- In 2005, Cornell spent almost \$900 million on purchases of goods and services, of which nearly half—\$425 million—was paid to New York State vendors.
- The university spent \$190 million in construction, of which \$170 million was paid to New York-based contractors, equating to approximately 1,730 positions in construction and related industries in New York State.
- The estimated direct spending on both goods and services and construction within New York State supported around 3,500 jobs and \$465 million in economic activity (see Chart above).
- When we consider Cooperative Extension and estimated student and visitor spending; Cornell's 2005 impact directly or indirectly generated an estimated \$3.3 billion and more than 36,000 jobs in total economic activity throughout the state.

In many ways Cornell is, uniquely well-positioned to help New Yorkers respond effectively to the demands of an increasingly knowledge-driven, globally integrated economy. Cornell is New York State's leading center in academic research with more than a century's experience in translating the findings of scientific research into practical applications. 🐾

In the next edition, look for this series to highlight Cornell's specific role in workforce development, research and business development.

## Welcoming New Faces to Cornell

### Robert RS Spearman



JOE GORDON/INYSLES

Selected as the top candidate out of a group of 37 applicants, Robert RS Spearman started his new position as utility plant operator at the NYS Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva in early February. Spearman, who formerly worked as a machine maintenance mechanic for the International Paper Company, enjoys the daily responsibility and challenge of his job, and is especially appreciative of the opportunity to improve his education by taking university classes. In his spare time, Spearman coaches youth sports—his children are all talented athletes—and enjoys working with his hands doing roofing, drywall and window installations. 🐾

### Mark Waterman



JASON KOSHI/UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHY

A former Borg Warner employee, Mark Waterman now serves as a custodian on the second shift in the Cornell Store. He's struck by the teamwork that Building Care espouses and likes the way employees are encouraged to "work their way up the ladder." At home, he and his wife are kept very busy with their 2-year old son, but when he has the opportunity, Waterman enjoys outdoor activities including snow-boarding, snowmobiling and hunting. 🐾

### Dawn Shedden

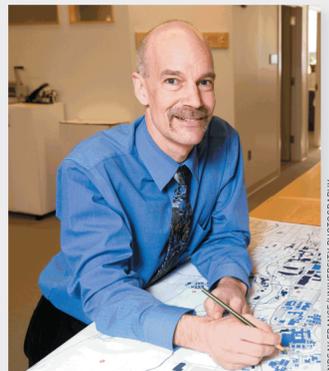


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A custodian at Cornell since late October of last year, Dawn Shedden works out of Wing Hall. A cleaning professional formerly employed with Merry Maids, she enjoys the process of cleaning and especially likes working in a building by herself. Shedden has been surprised at how friendly and easy-going her Building Care colleagues have been. In her leisure time she likes to sew, watch movies from her large DVD collection—and clean! 🐾

Timing is everything, they say, and David Cutter's sense of timing is superb. Cutter, who was recently hired as a landscape architect in the Campus Planning Office, comes on board just as the comprehensive campus master planning process winds up its first phase. Cutter views his new role as an advocate for and "voice of the campus landscape," seeing his field of operation as the whole exterior experience of Cornell including plantings, lighting, outdoor furniture and the ground plane. Upon his return to campus after graduating from Cornell in 1985, Cutter was surprised at how much more built the campus had become as well as the dramatic densification of Collegetown. To his mind, though, the essence of Cornell hasn't changed. Until his family of five children finish their school year in Sackets Harbor, New York, and can move to Ithaca, Cutter makes the drive back home on weekends to reconnect with his wife and family. 🐾

### David Cutter



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As the Digital Resources Coordinator for University Photography, Corey Chimko is responsible for maintaining the departmental Web site and the UPhoto Image Library. In this capacity Chimko has the privilege of seeing the vibrancy of Cornell life through the lenses of his department's photographers. Delighted to work in an environment that fosters creativity and intellectual freedom, Chimko takes great solace in having found an island of sanity that inspires him daily with reasons to be optimistic. Outside of work hours, Chimko takes advantage of public lectures, the Cornell Cinema and progressive entertainment offerings of Ithaca. Originally from Canada, Chimko met his wife Molly in New York City in 2000 while doing graduate work in ancient history at New York University. After witnessing 9/11, the couple moved back to Canada for several years where Chimko spent some time as a blackjack dealer. They moved to Florida in 2003 where he was employed with the Orlando Public Library; after living through three hurricanes, they decided to come full circle and return to New York State. 🐾

### Corey Chimko



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### Ashley Woody-Wethington



JOE GORDON/INYSLES

A graduate of Geneva High School, Ashley Woody-Wethington worked as a housekeeper for two years at Hobart and William Smith Colleges before starting employment last fall as a custodian in the Buildings and Properties Department at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in Geneva. Within a short period of time, she's become a valuable part of the Geneva custodial team. When not at work, Woody-Wethington can be found cooking, dancing, surfing the Web, and downloading music. 🐾

### Amy Parmley



Prior to coming to Cornell in November as an information systems consultant in training and end-user support in the Office of Human Resources, Amy Parmley

was employed by The American School of Guatemala, where she taught third grade and was involved with teacher training. Living abroad for three and a half years taught her that although cultures can look and feel differently, people are people, wherever they are. During her Cornell interview she was told that one of the best perks about working here are the people—and after just three months into the job, she definitely concurs. In her spare time Parmley explores new places, near and far, and enjoys reading, cooking and hiking. After being away for many years, this native of southern Cayuga County is happy to be near her family and back in central New York again. 🐾

## EA News & Views

### Inda Mahler

### Why you should run for the Employee Assembly

I have spent a very rewarding two years now on the Employee Assembly (EA). During that time I have learned much more about the university, its senior leadership and how Cornell works than I ever expected. Through these eye-opening experiences my perspective has broadened and I feel I am in a great position to help to make Cornell a better place. An unexpected bonus are the new friendships I have made by interacting with individuals from all over campus and Geneva. Joining the EA has been one of the highlights of my time here at Cornell.

The Employee Assembly is now preparing for the spring elections. I plan to run again and hope to be elected to another two years of service. I encourage everyone to consider joining the EA

by running for a seat. The Assembly meetings are a comfortable place to speak your mind where every opinion is welcomed and encouraged. To do its best work, the EA needs a diversity of people to share their perspectives and offer insights on campus issues that affect us in the workplace. The 13 members of the Employee Assembly work together to identify solutions to resolve a variety of employee issues.

I was warmly welcomed to the Employee Assembly two years ago, and I would like to offer that same welcome to you. Seriously consider picking up a candidate packet from the Office of Assemblies in 109 Day Hall and run for a seat on the '07 Employee Assembly. 🐾

## My Perspective

### Thomas R. Bruce, director, Legal Information Institute

### The case for fixing Cornell's bad-weather policy

This article appears more than a week since the Valentine's Day snowstorm and since the appearance of the petition I wrote requesting the university's administration to think hard about what happens when bad weather threatens to close the campus. Many readers already have signed the petition, and they have my thanks for speaking up. Many more have talked about the petition with their co-workers and supervisors. Practically everybody has griped about Cornell's decision to stay open when so much snow was falling and all other institutions of higher education in the region chose to close.

Why did I initiate the petition? I didn't think that it was a good idea to stay open on Valentine's Day, but I knew that we'd not get very far by blaming anybody. I remind readers what a big, complicated place Cornell is and why such an institution needs bad-weather policies and procedures that are more nuanced and a lot more safe than what we have now.

I've been at Cornell nearly 20 years, and in Ithaca for about 35 of the last 47. During that time many things have changed in important ways. There are a lot more single parents working on campus now, and a lot more families where both parents work. And a lot more of the people who work at Cornell live further away. When I was growing up "far away" from campus meant Dryden, Newfield, and Trumansburg. Now it means Cortland, Elmira, Interlaken or Binghamton.

Another important change is that a lot more Cornell employees perform work that isn't directly tied to classroom instruction or to critical services such as providing food and housing for students, maintaining safety and facilities, or caring for animals. These individuals do important work, but it's work that can wait for a day if the weather's bad enough to keep them off the roads. Just during my time working at the Law School, the number of employees in this category has increased enormously.

A final set of changes involves technology. First, long-range weather predictions have gotten better. There's still no way to know if there will be six inches of snow or 16 at any given hour, but we have a lot more ability to prepare for widespread bad-weather events in advance. Second, we're able to communicate with many (though not all) members of the community a lot more quickly than we ever could before. It's realistic to imagine, for example, that professors could let students know very quickly via e-mail whether or not they would be holding class on a bad-weather day. Technology buys us time and flexibility.

The petition is intended to ask that we keep all the above issues in mind while we grapple with this question: How can we fix the bad-weather policy so that the fewest possible people have to travel to campus when going there is risky?

I can think of two approaches to that question, and I'm sure there are many more. The first is to define an operational status that falls somewhere between the current "closed" and "open" levels, in which only those truly needed to directly support instruction or provide critical services travel to campus when the weather is bad and the university chooses to hold classes. The second is to set up policies and procedures that allow employees to use common sense without feeling that they'll be penalized for it. One way to define such a policy might be this: "If you have to travel through an area where the local authorities are telling you to stay off the roads, and you're not in a critical job, stay home. We'll still pay you." Although some employees would still need to travel to campus when the roads were bad, under this arrangement, there would be a lot fewer of them.

I don't believe crafting a new policy is a job for just the university's administration to take up. It's something we all need to consider, because it would likely end up being a lot more complicated in practice than we can imagine right now. Many employees have made insightful suggestions when they signed the petition. I suspect nearly everyone has ideas about what could be done differently the next time we get a couple of feet of white stuff. I include the university's leadership in that group, as well, and I hope that better policies and practice will come as a result. Such policies will be better still if we all contribute. 🐾

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## NEW & NOTEWORTHY

### 2007 Bring a Child to Work Day set

Save the date for Bring a Child to Work Day, taking place this year on Thursday, April 26. Watch for registration information coming in March. 🐾

### State of the Art Gallery's juried photography show calls for entries

Cornell community members are invited to submit up to two works to this annual popular show, running from March 2 through April 1 in downtown Ithaca. The deadline for submitting work is February 26, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m., and the entry fee of \$30 does not guarantee that work will be selected for showing. Photographs will be judged on artistic vision, technical merit, and quality of presentation. The opening reception will be held at the gallery 5:00-8:00 p.m., March 2. A minimum of \$500 in prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the prize judge at 6:30 p.m. Complete details and entry instructions can be found on the State of the Art Gallery's Web site <http://soag.org/photoshow2007.htm>. 🐾

### Gertrude Hawk Chocolates latest fundraiser for Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund

As part of a yearlong initiative to raise money for children and families affected by the Gulf region's hurricanes and flooding, The Cornell Black Professional Women's Forum (CBPWF) announces a special fund raiser.

Members will sell Gertrude Hawk Chocolates from the Spring 2007 catalog and the money raised will be donated to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund at <http://www.cornell.edu/katrina/Support> this worthwhile cause by placing an order today. You can view Gertrude Hawk's Spring 2007 catalog at: [www.gettrudehawkchocolates.com/index.cfm?act=programs\\_spring07](http://www.gettrudehawkchocolates.com/index.cfm?act=programs_spring07)

Contact Nadine Porter at 255-3412 or [ndp5@cornell.edu](mailto:ndp5@cornell.edu) if you wish to place an order or help with this effort.

March 5 is the last day to place an order and delivery, and payment will take place the week of March 26. 🐾

### Staff and faculty invited to nominate outstanding Cornell seniors

The Cornell Tradition invites staff and faculty to identify and nominate deserving Cornell Tradition seniors for the annual Senior Recognition Awards, given to Tradition Fellows who exhibit outstanding service and leadership through work and volunteer activities.

To nominate a student, visit [www.commitment.cornell.edu/tradition](http://www.commitment.cornell.edu/tradition), view the List of Senior Tradition Fellows to see if the senior(s) you wish to nominate is/are a fellow, and download the one-page nomination form.

Send completed forms to 103 Day Hall. Each of the 10 Senior Recognition Awards recipients have the opportunity to establish a one-year, \$4,000 Tradition fellowship award for 2007-2008 and give \$500 to the non-profit agency of their choice.

Contact the Cornell Tradition with questions at 255-8595. The nomination deadline is Friday, March 2. 🐾

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## CLASSIFIED ADS

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### FOR SALE

- Memorex MP3 player, 512MB, \$45, bm20.
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  - 2000 4HD, auto, S-10 LS, ex. cond., dual air bags, cruise, AC, 84K, pict. avail., rjf2.
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  - 2002 Mallard 20N camper, w/furnace, AC, frig., stove, oven, microwave, BA, awning, AM/FM/CD, ex. cond., \$6,900, njb6.
  - 1995 Buick LeSabre, 182K, great buy, \$750/obo., 533-4175 or 351-5454.
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  - Tamron lens 200-400, 5.6LDF, \$300/obo.; Canon EOS A2E film camera body, \$200/obo.; 2 Lowepro packs \$35/ea., nec2.
  - Blue enamel catalytic wood stove, ex. cond., \$1,000, Sarah at sm256 or 564-0469 (eves).
  - Couch, cream & green, \$100; brown recliner, \$50, both in good cond., mem66.
  - GE 30" elec. range, self cleaning, ceramic top, \$300; over the range microwave, \$100, ex. cond., smd18 or 5-3699.
- ### FOR RENT
- 3 BR lake house, Seneca Lake, avail. year-round, www.red-creek-cottage.com for info. & rates, Martha at 229-4592.
  - 5 BR lake house, 2 BA, avail. weekly, monthly & graduation weekend, FP, no pets, \$1,200/mo.+util., 5-4637 or whg1.
  - 1 BR apt., East Shore Dr., March, \$575/mo.+util., Holly at 272-0688, ref.#A4.
  - House, nr. Upper Treman, 1,100' sq., privacy, views, fenced yard, avail. mid-March, \$725/mo.+util., 272-0088.
  - 1 BR mobile home, Varna, priv. park, new BA, \$400/mo.+util., no dogs, dwpl or 273-2477.
  - 2 BR apt., bus, fresh paint, new stove, tub/shower, avail. April 1, \$595/mo., 347-4932.
- ### WANTED
- Used girls figure skates, size 2, alm22, 5-8304.
  - Roommate to share 2 BR apt., parking, close to CU, bus, \$450/mo. incl. util., Nigel at 301-602-2887 or neg29.

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# After 30 years of bowling, Pam Dollaway rolls the big one

JUDI EASTBURN

**P**am Dollaway, had come so close to bowling the perfect game on so many occasions over the past 30 years of her bowling career, she had basically given up on it ever happening for her. It is not unusual for Dollaway, human resources manager for the athletics and physical education department, to pile up seven or eight strikes in a row, even rolling a 298 and a 299 game and multiple 279s on several occasions.

But Lady Luck strikes in strange ways.

While subbing in the highly competitive all-male Ithaca Classic League at Bowl-o-Drome last December 8, luck and skill joined forces and she finally rolled that elusive 300 game.

"I was shocked," Dollaway recalled. "In that league you go head-to-head with another bowler from the other team. I was just so focused on out-bowling him, I didn't really think about my own string of strikes." Only a month earlier she had put 10 strikes in a row and inexplicably left one pin standing on the 11th frame, rolling a 289.

"I was really emotional when it actually dawned on me that I had rolled a perfect game!" Attesting to her prowess as a bowler, she's

the only woman who occasionally subs in the all-male league. One of the first local female bowlers to attain an average of over 200 a year, Dollaway, who continues to carry an average over 200, has been inducted into the local bowlers hall of fame and holds medals from the Empire State Games. In the early 90s, she taught Cornell physical education classes and for many years was the association secretary and bowling coach for the local Junior bowling program. Through her guidance and continual encouragement, bowlers young and old alike have improved their games. For the last 10 years, Dollaway has coached the area Special Olympics bowlers, finding it to be a very rewarding experience.

Dollaway joins an elite group of just four other Ithaca women—Linda Koski, Elise Rosica and Cornell's own Kelley Foster and Yamily Zavala—who have rolled perfect 300 games. 🐾



Pam Dollaway

JASON KOSKI/UNIVERSITY PHOTOGRAPHY

## CRC Bowling Tourney set for March 17

**W**hy not sharpen up your bowling skills, dust off those bowling shoes and join CRC for the Harry Dickson Scotch Doubles Tournament and Chicken Barbecue? This year's tournament is set for Saturday, March 17 at the Helen Newman Bowling Center. Squad times are 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. and a tasty chicken barbecue (served from 3:30-6:00 p.m.) is included. The cost is \$12.50 per person (\$25 per couple) and includes both the barbecue and bowling. All couple combinations are welcome. Prizes will be awarded and a 50/50 raffle will take place during each shift. Entry blanks are available on-line at <http://www.crc.cornell.edu/eccalendar.html>, at the Helen Newman Bowling Center, at the CRC desk in 130 Day Hall, by calling 255-7565 or e-mailing Cheryl McGraw at [crm54@cornell.edu](mailto:crm54@cornell.edu). Entry deadline is March 9. Whether you are a first-time bowler or an experienced league bowler, you are guaranteed to have fun. 🐾



## Letter to the Editor Dennis Stein

To the Editor:

As a family member of one who suffers with mental illness, I am taking issue with some of the material in the January 25 "Leadership Leads" column. First, let me say that George Peter is one of my most favorite people on this planet. Still I differ with the physician he quoted in his article and want to go on record as such.

I recently sought to educate myself concerning these difficult biological disorders that have so affected my family. For almost two years, I struggled with anger, guilt, sadness and many competing feelings while trying to deal with the consequences of my loved one's behavior. I was angry one minute wanting to hold her responsible for the mess she was making of her life and mine; and then I would feel such extreme sadness because I knew that my loved one was acting out because of her mental health problems.

When she took her medication, she was one of the best mothers I have known. Because of her love and instinctive parenting knowledge, she raised three of the most wonderful children. She could have continued to parent her children, had she not gotten tired of taking her medication, which although having side effects, allowed her to function. Once she stopped her medication, her life fell apart.

Unless you've personally witnessed the devastation of these disorders and the difference medication can make, you might erroneously believe that such individuals are pulling themselves up by their own strength and have decided to change their ways. Wrong!!!! Medication can and does make a difference, and my prayer is that folks who depend on medication to live what we call "normal lives" will not quit taking them because of the column.

Janet Henry, administrative assistant, Employee Assistance Program 🐾

## Pawprint Picks

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

### Lunar New Year at the Johnson Museum

Celebrate the Lunar New Year from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., including performances of a lion dance, art activities, demonstrations of kung fu and tai chi, Tibetan and Chinese calligraphy, and live performances by the Chinese pop a cappella group FantAsia, and more. Tastes of New Year's foods will also be offered.

On view at the Museum is Chinese artist Wenda Gu's installation "United Nations: We Are Fortunate Animals." Timed to the Lunar New Year, "United Nations" presents two large screens



depicting circles of pseudo-Chinese characters referring to Chinese zodiac animals with an accompanying DVD cartoon. The event is free and open to all.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

### Book reading of "The Rising Shore-Roanoke" at The Bookery II (Dewitt Mall), downtown Ithaca

Deborah Homsher, managing editor of Southeast Asia Program publications, will read at 2 p.m. from her new book of historical fiction telling the story of the Lost Colony on Roanoke Island, which after flourishing for three years, vanished without a trace. To read an excerpt from the novel, visit [www.risingshoreroanoke.com](http://www.risingshoreroanoke.com).



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

### The Provost's Annual Academic State of the University Address

Provost Biddy Martin will inaugurate this annual presentation at 4:30 p.m. in David L. Call Alumni Auditorium. A reception will follow immediately after the lecture.

## CRC...Your Connection to Fun!

Sunday, March 11

### Stars on Ice, Wilkes Barre, PA \$78

This 4:00 p.m. show features special guest star, Kurt Browning with World Champion Todd Eldridge and Olympic Gold Medalists, Alexei Yagudin, Jamie Salé, and David Pelletier. Price includes round-trip bus transportation and show ticket. Gift certificates are available for holiday giving.

Saturday, March 17

### Harry Dickson Tournament \$12.50

See above for more information.

Wednesday, April 11

### A Day on your own in NYC \$38

Spend the day on your own in New York City. Explore the museums, do some shopping, and see a show. With many local schools on break this week, take this opportunity to share the experience with your children. Don't forget...Wednesdays are a great day for matinees on Broadway!

Check out the Web site for trip details!  
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