

across the table you likely could not hear if they were Cornell '68 or if they were drinking Ketel and it was great.

Joel Negrin (joel@jnegrin.com) and his spouse, **Linda (Schwartz) '69**, recently downsized, moving to a "sweet renovated cottage" in Larchmont, NY, where they're just a few miles from their three kids' families. Joel is still practicing law, is in good health ("grading on a curve"), and enjoying life, which includes more frequent traveling. While Joel's wistful ambitions for a perfect day on campus (including a walk across campus listening to the chimes, lunch at the Straight, and dinner and a beer in Collegietown) could be mostly realized

70 The annual Class of 1970 dues mailing for 2018 has begun! Please join in by paying dues and, most importantly, sending in your news, whether it's about family, retirement or a new career, info on '70 classmates and friends, or memories from our years at Cornell! Thanks for being an active and involved member of the Class of '70. A reminder that our 50th Reunion weekend will run from Thursday, June 4, through Sunday, June 7, 2020. Check out our various sites: class website, cornell70.org; Facebook page, www.facebook.com/Cornell70; and Twitter page, www.twitter.com/CornellClass70.

71 Luckily, we received a holiday card from classmate **Jerry Day**, MBA '78—otherwise, I (Gayle) would have only my own news to share in this column. Jerry reported that his twin daughters, Morgan and Lauren, and his older son, Brian, are of ages "corresponding to my undergraduate and graduate years at Cornell." He wrote, "Lauren is studying hard to keep the 'real' Big Red legacy intact, currently with 'application pending' to transfer into the School of Hotel Administration (nervous time). She has been invited to be a TA in accounting, and beyond that she has her goals set on an MBA."

Jerry's son, Brian, is in Nashville, serving as the interim coordinator of promotions for Columbia Records. "He is hoping to parlay that into a career within the Sony Music umbrella, and is exploring the possibility of getting an MBA. Morgan is at the U. of New England majoring in education, art, and computer coding applications for 3D printing. She has been interning at an elementary school." Jerry's wife, Pat, keeps very busy as mother of three young adults, property manager for two houses, family vacation and social coordinator, garden club president, and "oft under-appreciated purveyor of free advice to this owner of an aging yet immature heart."

Jerry says he has spent "another busy year involved with advisory board roles for Cornell and Sacred Heart U. (Jack Welch College of Business and their Great River Golf Course), a trustee position for our charitable foundation, and board work (green committee chair) at our golf course in Connecticut." Jerry and Pat now spend December through May at their Florida home, "counting on our Connecticut River house and the Maine coast for summer enjoyment."

On October 9, 2017, your correspondent **Gayle Yeomans** married Richard Bowden, a chemical engineer who graduated from the U. of Maine, at the Full Moon Resort in the Catskill Mountains (Big Indian, NY). This is Gayle's first marriage! They planned to have an outdoor ceremony, next to the Esopus Creek (which also runs through Gayle's property 1.5 miles away). The weather did not cooperate. Instead, they had their "twilight" wedding in a large tent in the woods, in front of an antique stained glass window that Gayle found at a local auction some 30-plus years earlier. The bride and groom wore fairly traditional wedding garb (though Gayle was sporting a pair of cowboy boots that peeked out from under her long cream dress). At the couple's request, some 90 guests wore whatever they wanted—a good cross-section of jeans, khakis, sequins, suits, spike heels, no heels, sneakers, and cowboy boots. Continuing the informal theme, dinner was served in a rustic barn; there were plenty of tables and chairs, but no assigned seats. The bride and groom table-hopped, and local guests (including the entire Big Indian Fire Co.) mixed with friends and relatives from Canada, Los Angeles, Houston, NYC, Maine, Massachusetts, and Connecticut.

Gayle's brother, **Jim Yeomans '84**, gave the bride away, and Gayle's college roommate, **Beth Kraegel** Labush, was the maid of honor. Dick's good friend Peter McGuire (from Ottawa, ON) served as the best man, and Miss Jane Estrada rounded out the bridal party as flower girl. Many of the guests were longtime music friends of both the bride and the groom. (Dick has played and performed bluegrass and old-time music for more than 50 years. Gayle is years behind, taking up the fiddle around the time of her retirement in 2011.) Several guests brought their instruments—fiddle, guitar, banjo, mandolin, and bass. Once dessert was served, the groom serenaded the bride with the old Hank Williams song "Alabama Waltz" to get the music started. The guests

'Gordon Sander received Finland's Order of the Lion for bringing the world's attention to Finnish culture and history.'

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during an extended Reunion weekend, unfortunately he'll have to return next fall for a hockey game to complete that bucket list. **Bill Falik** (billfalik@gmail.com) and his wife, Diana Cohen, live in sunny Berkeley, CA, where Bill is an adjunct professor at the Berkeley law school, the Hass School of Business, and the College of Environmental Design. Bill teaches three interdisciplinary graduate level courses at those schools and the Goldman School of Public Policy, as he still gets great satisfaction mentoring new students each year. Of course playing with his four grandchildren is always a great kick, and playing golf has moments of satisfaction and disappointment.

Julia Ho Wang (jhowang@comcast.net) and her husband, **Dexter '69**, ME '70, celebrated turning 70 with relatives and friends at a dinner ball at the Park Plaza Hotel in Boston. Julia says they would have done it sooner if she knew it would be so much fun. To ensure everyone had a chance to see each other, they all joined in an elaborate "Radetzky March" (look it up; I did) in the grand ballroom. **Laura Sevush Langworthy** (langworthyinteriors@comcast.net) and her husband, **Richard '66**, BS '70, live in West Newbury, MA. Laura feels lucky to still be passionate about her career in interior design, which enables her to be involved in many projects and to take her work on the road with her as she travels the world and as she visits her three children and their families in London, Los Angeles, NYC, Nantucket, and Connecticut.

Our 50th Reunion is almost here. You should have been receiving monthly updates from the Zippins (CUIN2018@gmail.com), which include a range of activities sure to make June 7-10 a most memorable weekend. Please e-mail me if you're interested in playing golf Friday morning of Reunion weekend. ♦ **Chuck Levitan**, CLevitan22@comcast.net.

69 It's springtime, which means you'll soon be hearing from your class officers about renewing your dues. Please don't forget to fill out the accompanying news form so that we can stay up to date with your activities! Whether it be a growing family, a change in your normal routine, or a newfound passion, we want to hear about it! Send news to: ♦ **Tina Economaki** Riedl, triedl048@gmail.com.

Jack Salberg, MBA '71 (jrs85@cornell.edu) and his wife, Susan, continue to live in Nashville, TN. For over ten years now, they have been enjoying retirement and feel fortunate that they remain physically active. Jack is a proud member of the local men's over-65, level 4.0 tennis team. They have won the Tennessee state championship two of the last three years. Last December, they played at the USTA Southern Sectional tennis tournament in Hilton Head, NC. Recently, Jack and Susan celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary. They dated throughout most of Jack's Cornell days. He notes that Susan "suffered through her share of toga parties and other events at Cornell in the late '60s." For the last six years, the three-week summertime "Camp Grandma and Grandpa" for two exclusive campers, grandkids Joshua, 11, and Elsa, 9, has taken place in Nashville. Jack and Susan love this great, if tiring, tradition. Seems the kids' parents do too!

Jack is in contact with classmates and fraternity brothers **Rob Marangell**, MBA '71 (they often travel with Rob and his wife, Ann, including to Australia and New Zealand), **Tom Downey**, **Jay Kaplan '71**, **Marc Cohen '71**, and **Stu Kobritz**. The first person Jack met at Cornell was Tom Downey, who was bouncing a basketball down the hall in their freshman dorm. It was the first day of our freshman orientation in 1966, and Jack confesses that he was relieved that he might not be alone if he flunked out freshman year. Should Jack have a bonus day in Ithaca, he would visit the waterfalls, eat a meatball parm sub from a truck, and, if it's winter, catch a hockey game at Lynah.

Alison Kent Bermant lives in East Norwich, NY, with her husband, Ed. Alison continues to plan private tours of Israel for individuals and families. She and Ed enjoy their vacation home in the Berkshires. And Alison says she's still having recurring nightmares about an upcoming exam! If Alison had a day in Ithaca, she would pretend to be a student again and sit in on classes. She and Ed are incredibly proud of their daughter, Carrie, mother of three, who gave birth for the fourth time in September to a beautiful baby girl as a gestational carrier for a couple from London. Read all about it here: <http://www.theresnoiiuterus.wordpress.com>. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, tel., (610) 256-3088; e-mail, cfm7@cornell.edu.