Leo Beranek ’36, Westwood, Massachusetts, celebrated his 100th birthday on Sept. 15, 2014, and received international recognition for his outstanding contributions to acoustics during the century. The Fall 2014 issue of Acoustics Today was dedicated entirely to Baranek and his contributions to the field.

Deceased:
Betty Schmidt Wolfe ’37, Winter Park, Florida, Nov. 16, 2014
Frances Keeler Tragle ’37, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, Jan. 2, 2015
Lynn Morrow ’38, Waukon, Iowa, Jan. 23, 2015

George H. Duffey ’42, Brookings, South Dakota, has published 8 books. Most of them did not sell very well. But one of them, “Applied Group Theory for Physicists and Chemists,” is due to be reprinted by Dover Publications. I guess that means it is a classic.

Donald “Buster” Buss ’49, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, spent September and October 2014 visiting friends and relatives in Germany and took a Danube River Cruise from Nuremberg, Germany, through Vienna, Austria, and then on to Budapest, Hungary. He says, “Had a great time!”

Harriet Frye Heath ’49, Winter Harbor, Maine. With the passing of her husband, Harriet Heath moved to a cozy little apartment behind her daughter's art studio in Winter Harbor, Maine. There she can continue teaching her online course through DePaul University. She has also just agreed to teach a course for the local school district in adult education.

Deceased:
Ruth Merrihew Schallert ’40, Madison, Wisconsin, Oct. 6, 2014
Adria Kahler Ralston ’41, Hot Springs, South Dakota, Nov. 26, 2014
Virginia Cory Sampson ’41, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Dec. 6, 2014
James Bailey ’42, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, Feb. 11, 2015
Dorothy Beach Fisher ’42, Aiken, South Carolina, Nov. 5, 2014
Beatrice Woods Kesner ’42, DeKalb, Illinois, Nov. 16, 2014
Catherine Dudek Ringgenberg ’42, Boulder, Colorado, Jan. 15, 2015
Luverna Travis Field ’43, Rochester, Minnesota, Dec. 8, 2014
Dorothy Glasener Merrill ’43, Indianola, Iowa, Dec. 23, 2014
Sydney Lambertson ’44, Burlingame, California, Jan. 10, 2015
Arline Swain Darland ’45, Eldridge, Iowa, Jan. 27, 2015
Joan Searls Irwin ’45, St. Petersburg, Florida, Oct. 8, 2014
Margaret Willard Jarvis ’45, Decatur, Illinois, Nov. 29, 2014
Norma Kracht Luce ’46, Mt. Prospect, Illinois, Aug. 25, 2014
Donna Grant Knutson ’47, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Jan. 10, 2015
Grace Carson Wagner ’47, Gainesville, Florida, May 27, 2014
Robert Boley ’48, Chelsea, Michigan, Jan. 31, 2015
Glen Davidson ’48, McCormick, South Carolina, Aug. 10, 2014
Mary Voorhees Hanzlik ’49, Novato, California, Dec. 22, 2014
Jack Hotsenpillar ’49, Prescott, Arizona, Jan. 21, 2015
Albert Russell Mooney ’49, Greensboro, North Carolina, July 15, 2014
Edward Quant ’49, Plymouth, Michigan, Aug. 10, 2014
Carol Weigand Williams ’49, St. Ansgar, Iowa, Feb. 1, 2015

’50s

Jean Ostrander Ziebell ’50 and Bud, Sioux City, Iowa, have moved to a home on the campus of Sunrise Retirement Community. “It is on the other side of town from our previous homes so we are trying to find places to shop in on this side of town. We spent a little time on Maui just after the move and have been trying to get settled ever since. As many of you know getting rid of “stuff” after years of having lots of storage areas is a huge job. We are slowly getting acquainted with the neighbors. We elected not to go to Arizona this winter, due to the move, so are learning to cope with the cold and snow. So far, the cold has been the worst of those two.”

Catharine Phelps Warmbrod ’51: On January 30 Bob and I celebrated our Golden Wedding Anniversary with a dinner party and program for 20 friends.

Helen Irish Ackerson ’54, Keokuk, Iowa, received the Governor's Volunteer Award for years of work doing foster care review in Lee County with Iowa Child Advocacy Board.

Elizabeth Fox Carr ’54 and David Carr ’55, location, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Aug. 27, 2014.

James and Nancy Nash Weaver ’54:
Moved to Columbia, MO two years ago, where two of our daughters live. Different than the married barracks 62 years ago. We are doing well and enjoying life!

Duane Carlson ’55 and Ann Holcomb Carlson ’55, Chicago, travelled around the world with stops in Taiwan, Hong Kong, Paris, Milan, Lago Maggiore and Madrid. Having flown 20,000 miles on this May-June trip we travelled 17,000 miles to spend November with our daughter and her family on Saipan in Micronesia's Northern Mariana Islands. Our daughter Pam is married to a Cornellian - Dale Carhill, ’85. While there we traditionally read to our granddaughter Helen's grade school class and present each
student with a copy of the book, thanks to My Book Foundation, founded by Ann's sister and Cornellian, Mary Jane Holcomb Keefe '59. We also travel to San Francisco each autumn to be with our "close-in" child Steven, his wife Ifen and children Luke and Devon. Our wintertime is spent on San Diego's Pacific Beach, where we visit with local alumni including Lois Brossart '55, Chuck '53 and Nancy Sherman Farnham '54. We also get together with Jan Berg Brown '55 and David Wolfe honorary '55 of Los Angeles. This winter we will enjoy a visit from Chicagoans John and Ann Lowe Turner, both '94 and their children. And a new addition to the San Diego scene is David Hanses '87 who has become the director of development for the famed LaJolla Playhouse. We also are blessed to have young friends attending Cornell - Michelle Ngirbabul '16 from Saipan and Bradley Kane '18 from the Chicago suburbs who help keep us be in touch with today's Hilltop scene. In the nearly 60 years since graduation, Cornell has been - and continues to be - a very important part of our lives.

Mary Anne Kolbe Rounds '56, I'm still editor of our Boy Scout councils monthly newspaper. (26 years and counting!) I'm also a first-round editor of the National BSA's bi-monthly "Advancement News." Life is good!

Hilda Peterson Wales '56, Albuquerque, New Mexico, had a poetry chapbook, “Into Every Singing Silence,” published by Finishing Line Press. Hilda has been writing poetry since her Cornell days, but only after retirement from her position as counselor at the United World College did she begin to spend time on something that had been an occasional hobby. “Into Every Singing Silence” was chosen by the publishing company when it was entered in a chapbook contest. Hilda lives in retirement with her husband, Don.

Marriage:
Miriam Temple '55 to Toby Thompson, July 2014

Deceased:
Patricia Frei Hoar '50, Reno, Nevada, Jan. 18, 2015
Richard “Joe” Morton '50, Iowa Falls, Iowa, Feb. 28, 2015
Theodore Renkes '50, Roswell, Georgia, Nov. 29, 2014
Ruth Albright Stevens '50, Watertown, Minnesota, July 4, 2014
Winston Hamersly '51, Glenville, Minnesota, Nov. 17, 2014
Lila French Megchelsen '51, Marengo, Iowa, Aug. 28, 2014
Nancy Johnson Ringgenberg '51, Indianapolis, Indiana, Oct. 6, 2014
Robert “Chris” Christiansen '52, Seattle, April 2, 2014
Mary Heneman Hansen '52, Iowa City, Iowa, July 25, 2014
James Langland '52, Alexandria, Virginia, Aug. 18, 2014
Dorothy Devitt Nelson '52, Silvis, Illinois, Nov. 26, 2014
Ardeth Scott Riedesel '52, Mayville, New York, Jan. 5, 2015
Beverly Van Orden '53, Vancouver, Washington, Nov. 8, 2014
Dorothy Ferger Schumacher '54, Rockford, Illinois, Sept. 6, 2013
Robert Engel '55, Iowa City, Iowa, Nov. 30, 2014
Lee Roy Collins ’56, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, July 20, 2014
Mark Johnson ’57, Fairmont, Minnesota, Jan. 17, 2015
Betsy Doland Linneman ’57, Bloomington, Illinois, July 19, 2014
Carole Carlson ’58, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Aug. 3, 2014
Kathryn Kamprath Ward ’59, Minneapolis, Dec. 4, 2012

’60s

Kay Chaplin Saelens ’60, Loveland, Colorado, volunteered this summer with Turtle Patrol on South Padre Island, Texas, and with an English as a Second Language class of older adults at a Los Fresnos, Texas, church. Kay returned to Colorado in August after a trip to Belgium, where she attended the 100 Year Commemoration of World War I in Flanders Field and researched the Saelens’ genealogy. She stopped in Iceland for three days on the way home, missing any eruption from the volcano. In August, Kay’s Alaska collection was exhibited at the Global Village Museum in Fort Collins, Colorado. Kay plans to apply to return to Alaska for a job with Princess Cruise Line in May-September of 2015.

Robert Hadsell ’64:
After work in science writing, government relations, research center public affairs, and finally design and development of computer-and-web-based educational programs and professional training, I have followed a couple of years of apparent retirement with a new career in show business, providing publicity and booking services for a local jazz singer with broader aspirations.

Carol Wells Saberian ’64, Austin, Texas, is now certified to teach French, Spanish, Latin, English, and English as a Second Language. She still teaches high school, and is teaching five sections of French and one of Latin this year.

Roger Wait ’64 has retired and is currently an active board member for CGH Health Foundation and President elect of Twin City Sunrise Rotary club.

John Bickel ’66, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, wrote an article, "The Best Job I Ever Had," which appeared in the September 2014 issue of S&D Reflector. In the article he shares thoughts and reflections on some of the wonderful memories he had growing up around steamboats.

Robert Blake ’66 and Janet Blake ’66 celebrated their 50th anniversary in June 2014 with their family and grandchildren on an Alaskan cruise.

In July, 2014, Donna Day Dvorak ’66, Carol Blount Flint ’66, Susan Boehm Schimmel ’66, and Elaine Jones Harris ’66 had a reunion weekend at the home of Rick and Sue Schimmel ’66 in Champaign, IL. They were in the Arrow social group and shared the Penthouse House section of Rood
House in 1965-66. All are educators in either high school or college and are celebrating their 70th birthdays.

**Douglas Easton ’66**: I have retired from my position as Professor of Biology at SUNY Buffalo State after 37 years. I have been appointed Professor Emeritus and Research Professor of Biology and will continue my research in the area of molecular and cellular biology. I will also teach one graduate course in the fall semester. My wife Rosellen Ring-Easton and I will be traveling in the American Southwest this spring.

**James Ingle ’66**, Rochester, Minnesota, an internationally recognized breast cancer expert, received the 2014 William L. McGuire Memorial Lecture Award on Dec. 10 at the 2014 San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium. He is a professor of oncology and the Foust Professor in the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine in Rochester, Minnesota. He has been the leader of breast cancer research at the Mayo Clinic Cancer Center, serving as program co-leader of the women's cancer program with responsibility for breast cancer. He is currently co-director of the Mayo Clinic Breast Cancer Specialized Program of Research Excellence (SPORE). SPORE grants are funded by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and are the major NCI translational research grants in which clinicians and basic scientists work together to conduct the most promising research.

**Carol Zarko Manning ’66** and Don, continue to travel widely, most recently returning last week from Sydney Australia and New Zealand. In between, I've been building with Habitat here in New Jersey and last spring took my second building trip to Antigua, Guatemala, with From Houses to Homes. My local group of builders have also been discovered as a resource to help renovate/remodel rooms in old churches and community missions. We redid about 5 rooms in an 150 year old church in Orange NJ to revamp them for storage for a local food bank, painted the interior of a 100+ year old (and last) working synagogue in Newark NJ, and remodeled five rooms to house a clinic in a Newark community service center.

**Joseph Gebhardt ’68**, retired in June 2014, but has continued working part-time for another law firm in employment and civil rights law. His wife Suzy retired from the school system in July. They have two grandsons: Michael and Jonathan.

**Richard Myers ’68**: I retired in October 2013, after two careers -25 years as an executive/administrator in pro football and intercollegiate athletics, followed by 17 years with Kaiser Permanente(a large HMO), most recently as Assistant Manager of Member States for the Mid-Atlantic Region(DC, Maryland, Virginia). I am enjoying playing golf 3-5 days a week and looking forward to more travel and more time spent at our condo at Amelia Island Plantation, near Jacksonville, Florida, once Dolores retires. She is a registered nurse and safety officer with the federal government in Virginia and plans to retire this year. Our three daughters all live in the area. Julie is a government attorney, married with two boys. Jaime is a social worker and Jaclyn is a registered nurse(and getting married in April). I enjoy staying in touch with many old friends from The Hilltop and am looking forward to trip back to Iowa this June, to include a few days of golf with Cornell friends.
Carol Shiner Wilson ’68, Allentown, Pennsylvania, continues her service in philanthropic ventures and in activities such as reader for the Chautauqua Book Prize. She enjoys frequent visits to New York City for cultural events now that she is retired.

Michael Conklin ’69: In addition to teaching a course at DePaul in the recent fall quarter, I stayed busy in December delivering a public lecture at the Harold Washington Library in Chicago, “Chicago Newspapers: End of the Golden Era.” In January, I made a return trip to Tanzania to continue work at Faraja Primary School, a school for kids with physical disabilities. This includes producing and administering its new media content.

John Wren ’69: 5280 Magazine says I’ve “infused Denver with an entrepreneurial spirit” with the free startup workshops and peer advisory groups I’ve organized and facilitated. The Small Business Chamber of Commerce, Inc. now offers to help local chambers and other groups to start similar efforts across the country. http://www.SmallBizChamber.org

Deceased:
Jean Zabel Brubaker ’61, Round Rock, Texas, Sept. 12, 2014
David Pieper ’61, St. Charles, Missouri, Aug. 21, 2014
Marilyn Yearns Lynch ’62, Ashtabula, Ohio, Oct. 10, 2014
George Iwanowski ’64, Lombard, Illinois, May 4, 2013
John Wallenstein ’64, Springfield, Illinois, Aug. 7, 2014
Theodore Houser ’68, Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 24, 2014
Thomas Martin ’68, Leawood, Kansas, Sept. 23, 2014

’70s

Thomas “Tom” McKay ’70, Hampton, Illinois, had his novel "West Fork" published by East Hall Press at Augustana College. The love story takes place in western Illinois during the late-1900s when farm consolidation dramatically changed small town and rural life.

David Nelson ’70, Ankeny, Iowa, a lawyer at Whitfield & Eddy, PLC, was selected by peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® 2015.

Eric Carlson ’71, is enjoying watching his 12 grandchildren grow up, and has a 13th grandchild on the way. Eric’s four daughters live near him with their families, and he says, “I am very lucky!” Eric still attends the NCAA wrestling tournaments and follows collegiate wrestling. He says that he hopes to attend his 45th reunion in October 2016.

A short film featuring Gary Nabhan ’73 about food waste and how to feed the hungry was one of five winners of the Sundance Short Film Contest. View at https://vimeo.com/116890818?from=facebook

Carolyn Curtis ’74, Kansas City, Missouri, retired from her position as director of communications for Ericsson Inc. after a 30-year career in public relations and communications. She and her husband, Steve Firestone, have two daughters, both married, who live close by.
Elizabeth “Betsy” Evans ’74, Tucson, Arizona, will see the release of her sixth book on March 3. In the novel, “As Good As Dead” (Bloomsbury Books: New York, London, and Sydney), secrets from the past threaten the careful life of the main character—part of whose story takes place at Cornell. The book was endorsed by Bharati Mukherjee: “Elizabeth Evans is a masterful storyteller, and ‘As Good As Dead,’ simultaneously funny, menacing and wise, is her finest novel to date. Charlotte, the fearless and loveably flawed narrator, will find a permanent place in American literature.” Long a teacher of writing and literature, in May 2014, Elizabeth was named professor emerita in the program in creative writing at the University of Arizona.

Nancy Johnson St. Clair ’74 and Steve St. Clair ’73, Des Moines, Iowa. Last year alone, Steve won 45 million dollars in settlements that were returned to elderly consumers who had been defrauded by buying clubs. Their daughters are Cate and Anne. Cate graduated from Wellesley with a degree in philosophy and earned a law degree from Drake. Anne graduated from Guilford College with degrees in Chinese and Religious studies and is now working on a degree in nursing. They are not quite empty nesters! They share their home (Nancy, happily - Steve grudgingly) with two dogs and three cats. We have been together since 1973 and still feel young though every day our mirrors reflect our reality. Best to all.

Steve Anderson ’75, Great Falls, Virginia, continues his work in Washington, D.C., as president and CEO of the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, where he has served for seven years. Previously he was CEO of the National Restaurant Association for eight years and CEO of the American Frozen Food Institute for 10 years. In his free time he has been very active as a volunteer in the area of education. Steve completed three terms on Cornell’s Board of Trustees and he is currently on the Parents Council at Elon University and the Board of Trustees at Flint Hill School, outside of Washington, D.C. Previously Steve was the Paul E. Wise executive in residence at the University of Delaware Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics. He has been a visiting lecturer at Northwestern University’s J.L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management, American University’s Washington College of Law, and in the political science department at Elon University. Former Secretary of State Colin Powell appointed Steve to the Board of Trustees of America’s Promise—The Alliance for Youth, founded by Powell, where Steve served for eight years. He also served as chairman of the Board of Trustees of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s Institute for Organization Management.

Steven Parrott ’75, Madison, Wisconsin, retired after 25 years at the University of Iowa, including 10 years as director of University Relations. “Have moved to Madison, Wis., where my wife, Kathleen, and I are spending time helping take care of our granddaughter.”

Lin Dunlap, wife of Mark Dunlap ’79, Kansas City, Missouri, died Oct. 14, 2014, after a four-and-a-half-year battle with primary peritoneal cancer. Mark said, “She left this earth the way she wanted to: at home, peacefully, and with family surrounding her.”

Deceased:
Allison Hall ’73, Anguilla, Illinois, Aug. 27, 2014
William Travis Jr. ’73, Chaska, Minnesota, July 26, 2014
Arlene Fernow Troy Hon.’79, Mount Vernon, Iowa, Dec. 10, 2014
Michael Ford '82 retired from the United States Navy at the end of 2014 after a 29 year career as a Surface Warfare Officer. During his time on active duty, Mike was fortunate to have Commanded two of our Navy’s finest ships, the USS MUSTIN (DDG 89) and the USS BUNKER HILL (CG 52). Following his retirement, Mike embarked on a new adventure, beginning work on PhD in Engineering and Public Policy at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh. He will study Energy and Environmental issues and hopes to complete his degree by 2017. If there any classmates in the Pittsburgh area, he would love to get together for a pierogi, a beverage and/or a Pirates game!

Jennifer Hodge Jerzyk '82 is a Senior Development Officer with IES Abroad. I spent spring semester '81 studying French in Nantes, France on the IES program, and this spring (2015) have the great pleasure of organizing a 50th anniversary celebration weekend of IES Abroad in Nantes with a group of 40 of our alumni. After 30+ years, I am using my French major and language skills in my work environment. Vive La France!

Kristin Caskey ’84, Richmond, Virginia, is part of a team of design faculty at Virginia Commonwealth University who have started a successful community-engaged design studio. The mOb Studio is located off campus in Richmond's downtown arts corridor and serves all of Richmond's constituents with high-quality design services. mOb Studio is a team-taught, service-learning studio class of 30 students from graphic, fashion, and interior design, as well as a few sculpture, painting, crafts, and photo students. mOb Studio has received a $40,000, Virginia Commonwealth University Quest Innovation grant and has received various grants and awards. The work being done in the studio has been presented in Japan, Portugal, and, most recently, at the American Community Design Association in Detroit.

Donald Hughes ’85, was chosen Minnesota Family Physician of the year for 2013 and continue to teach medical students and resident physicians in my practice. “Oldest son gave us first grandchild, second son graduating from St Scholastica college and admitted to University of Minnesota Duluth Medical school for this fall, and youngest(daughter) has started her freshman year at Luther college. Wife continues to successfully operate 3 small businesses in our community.”

Monte Zeccola ’85 became a licensed realtor in the state of Florida and is working for Cervera Real Estate in South Beach (Miami).

William Epcke Jr. ’87: I’d like to share my appointment by the Mayor of Des Plaines to the Consumer Protection Commission, one of only two such commissions in the State of IL. On Jan 5, 2015 the Des Plaines City Council approved my appointment to serve on the commission until August 30, 2018 when my post will be up for renewal. The Consumer Protection Commission’s responsibilities include receiving and investigating complaints and initiating its own investigations of deceptive or unfair trade practices against consumers, as well as educating consumers on how to protect themselves when conducting business.
**Kathryn Gomm Martin ’87**: Having finished my State Department tour in Vienna, Austria in October 2014, we have been assigned to Moscow, Russia. I am now the Office Manager for the U.S. Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Mr. John Tefft.

**Joanne Vest ’87** is divorced and now employed at Augusta Senior and Community Center as Assistant Director.

**David Hanses ’88**, San Diego, had a very busy summer! After 12 years, a celebration ceremony at the Art Institute of Chicago, and several failed attempts to legalize same-sex marriage in the state of Illinois, David and his partner, Philip, were married on July 26 in Chicago. The informal service was officiated by **Lisa Gehrke ’91** and attended by alumni from across the country: **Sean Finn ’88, Tom Davies ’88, Denis Smith ’91, Lucia Chong Lee ’88, Elizabeth Kania Georgescu ’90, Andrea Herrera ’85, Ann Holcomb Carlson ’55,** and **Duane Carlson ’55**. Shortly thereafter David and Philip moved to San Diego, where David accepted a position as director of development at the La Jolla Playhouse. The famous playhouse was founded by Gregory Peck and has a rich history of bringing American theater to life. Notable titles incubated in La Jolla include “Jersey Boys,” “Memphis,” and “The Hunchback of Notre Dame.”

**George Suppes ’88** and **Deb Crooks Suppes ’88**, Lakeville, Minnesota, attended the 30th Trans Am Nationals in Fairborn, Ohio, with George’s customized 1980 Pontiac Trans Am. George and his car won first place in the Lite Custom Class. He plans to take his car back to the national event in August 2015 to compete in the Winner’s Circle against other 2014 class winners.

**Michael Byrne ’89** was recently promoted to Night Shift Service Department Foreman and Parts Department Salesman.

**Marriage:**

**David Hanses ’88** to Philip Patterson, July 26, 2014

**Deceased:**

**Barbara Bloom ’80**, St. Louis, Aug. 3, 2014

**Betty M. Meyer Hon. ’81**, Mount Vernon, Iowa, Dec. 11, 2014

**William “Ben” Whisenhunt ’90** and **Michele Zographos Whisenhunt ’90**, Sycamore, Illinois, are pleased that their daughter, Meredith, started at Cornell College in the fall. Ben is a professor of history at College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, and Michele is the librarian at Southeast Elementary School in Sycamore. Their son, Matthew, is a junior in high school. In 2001 the Whisenhunt family lived in Canterbury, England, for a semester, where Ben taught at Canterbury Christ Church University. In 2006 they lived in Russia for four months because Ben received a J. William Fulbright Senior Scholar Award to teach at Ryazan’ State University, in Ryazan’, Russia.
Vondolee Delgado-Nixon ’91, received the “Provost’s Award for Distinguished Teaching by a Lecturer” during a surprise visit to her Class of 2018 classroom on February 18, 2015 by Ohio State President Michael Drake and Vice Provost Mike Boehm. Only three lecturers university-wide receive this award each year. The presenters snuck up on her in class, and Dr. Drake praised her achievements. Her husband, Dr. Greg Nixon, Assistant Dean for Clinical Services, and son, Chase Nixon, presented her with a bouquet of red roses and lots of hugs.

Kelly Montijo-Fink ’92 of Hiawatha, Iowa has won the Native American Music Award for Best Compilation Album at the 15th Annual Native American Music Awards held on Friday, November 14th at the Seneca Allegany Events Center in New York. Her album entitled “Let Me Forget” contains a variety of genres such as pop, rock, dance, hip-hop, rap, industrial-traditional, and Celtic styling. The album also features other local artists Josh Misener, Sean Murphy, Shane Lunsford, and Chris Stanton. Kelly is of Apache, Mexican and Spanish heritage. The Native American Music Awards was founded in 1998 by President/CEO Ellen Bello and is the music industry’s only national organization for the advancement and recognition of Native American musical expression. The New York Times has said NAMA is devoted to bringing indigenous music to the world’s consciousness.

Jennifer Ascher ’93 and Larry Handlin ’93 moved to Litchfield, Minnesota, over the summer. Larry is working at Ridgewater College, and Jennifer is working on furthering herself as an artist and violin teacher. Their girls turn 12 in September and are starting sixth grade.

Chad Elliott ’96 lives in Bristol, England, with his wife Anne. Chad recently received a postgraduate diploma in Internal Communications from the Chartered Institute of Public Relations, London. He hopes to begin work on his master’s degree at Kingston University this summer. His comedy writing appears in Neil McGinness' new book Weekly World News and in the 2015 Viz Comic Annual. Chad also won the September 2014 Txtlit.co.uk short fiction competition.

Jon “Jack” Lumanog ’96, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has been reappointed by the newly elected archbishop for a five-year term as canon to the archbishop of the Anglican Church in North America. He was also appointed as chief operating officer for the denomination. He has executive-level oversight of a multinational church with more than 1,000 affiliated churches in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. Jack spent most of November on the road, traveling 28,781 miles to visit five countries: Canada, Singapore, Malaysia, Myanmar, and Australia, where he met with leadership of the respective Anglican churches in each of those countries. Jack lives with his wife, Amy, and their two daughters.

Jean Evans ’97, earned her license as a certified professional midwife and has moved back to Minnesota. She opened her own business, Wildflower Midwifery, and serves families desiring natural, family-centered home birth experiences. Jean also maintains her law license and practices law serving Texas clients, she says, “thanks to the wonder of technology!”

Nicole Tuma Cornell ’98, Saint Paul, Minnesota, earned her Master’s of Science in Organization Development from Pepperdine University in August 2014, and is now the client director at the Nielsen Company, where she leads the cereal division at General Mills. Nicole and her husband, David Cornell, are expecting their first child in March 2015.
Matthew Rhoades '00 and Jenny Hirshheimer Rhoades '99, have become licensed foster parents with the intent to adopt. In September, we welcomed siblings John (8) and Michelle (6) to our home. Our lives have been completely turned upside down, but we love it! Jenny is teaching at a therapeutic day school and Matt is working in sales for a sporting goods distributor/manufacturer.

Marriages:
Kara Dennis Benart '98 to Devon Benart, July 19, 2014
Amy Spicer Anneberg '99 to David Smith Klein, May 3, 2014
Ryan Johnson '99 to Renee Johnson, Oct. 27, 2013

Birth:
Ettalyn Marie Steckl, born 1/31/15 to Carrie Hill Steckl ‘92 and Dave Steckl.

Deceased:
Michael Phelps '97, Bentonville, Arkansas, Jan. 5, 2015
Jeremiah Furyk Clark '99, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Jan. 1, 2015

'00s

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Erik Bauer '01, Salem, Massachusetts, recently had two book reviews published—one in the New England Archivists Newsletter and a second for the Historical Journal of Massachusetts. In addition, he was recently appointed as co-chair to the New England Archivist Constituencies Task Force in order to engage historical societies and public libraries in New England. His wife, Genevieve Gilson '01, is excited to have started a job with a national WGBH radio show.

Justin Dix '01 and Cara Becker Dix '03 are expecting twin boys in May 2015.

Jessica Lynch '01: I accepted a new job with Janssen R&D, part of Johnson and Johnson, as a Principal Scientist. I am developing preclinical toxicology programs for new large molecule drug products. After accepting this position, I moved from Reno NV to the Philadelphia area. I have been able to take up some old sports playing hurling with the allentown hurling club and playing camogie and Gaelic football with the Baltimore bohemians at the North American Finals.

Robert Poggenklass '03: In June 2014, I began work as an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union of Virginia in Richmond, doing both litigation and policy work, including lobbying, on criminal justice reform. I previously worked as a public defender in Newport News, Va.
Jordan Frew ’04 and Sara Kock Frew ’03, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were married in a ceremony in King Chapel on June 21, 2014, after more than 11 years together. Many Cornell alumni were able to make the trip back to the Hilltop to celebrate with them, and they were happy to have Anna Hepler ’05 and Andy Sorensen ’04 stand with them as they exchanged vows. Jordan has a new position in technical support for the Hiawatha campus for Go Daddy, and he assists in remote support of the company’s various offices and employees around the globe. Sara left her position of nearly 10 years working as a teacher for the Rockwell Child Development Center to join the newly established St. Pius X Early Learning Center as assistant director.

Nathan Fuller ’04: I have moved to Baltimore and started my new position as a Lecturer at Morgan State University, an HBCU, which has been an interesting and enlightening experience for me. I have also completed my first semester in Morgan’s PhD in English program and am enjoying my second semester in the program. Additionally, I presented at the Ford-Turpin Symposium on African American Literature this past November, with the title of my talk being “The Magic of Ecofeminism: Conjure Power and Interconnectedness in Ntozake Shange’s Sassafrass, Cypress, and Indigo.” Finally, I recently participated in and received a certificate at a workshop in service learning at the University of Maryland-College Park. All in all, it has been a busy year and I am enjoying every minute of it.

Derek Johnson ’04, Washington, D.C., was selected to join next year’s international Munich Young Leaders group of 25 rising movers and shakers in global affairs and foreign policy. As part of the program, he will meet with high-ranking political leaders from around the world to discuss new ideas to strengthen global security at the 2015 Munich Security Conference, the world’s preeminent forum for senior government officials and civil society leaders dedicated to peaceful conflict resolution and international cooperation.

Bonnie Sedan ’04, Sedona, Arizona, and partner Pamela Ravenwood co-founded Firehouse Donuts in November 2014. Bonnie said, “We wanted to be a part of something fun in our community that could also produce a handful of exciting jobs.” Firehouse Donuts is an original franchise, and two locations already open and a third opening in 2015.

John Dietz ’06, Papillion, Nebraska, married Holly Theresa Morris on May 17, 2014, at Faith Lutheran Church in Talmage, Nebraska. Holly is an attorney and shareholder at Shasteen & Morris, PC. John is a senior analyst assigned to the director of logistics, J4, at the United States Strategic Command Offutt Air Force Base.

Jaclyn Johnson ’06 has been named Artistic Director of St. Croix Festival Theatre in St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin. After joining the administration team in 2010 as Associate Artistic Director, Johnson has continued to act, direct and design for the company while growing in her administration responsibilities and creating new tiers of programming. In 2010 she created and implemented an Internship and Apprenticeship program for undergraduate students. Drawing upon her long history with improv (including as a member in the early years of Cornell’s own PHASE 5), in 2010, she created an Improv line-up which is now one of the communities most celebrated Friday night activities in the summer. Johnson annually returns to Cornell’s campus to audition and interview interested students. Johnson continues to mentor young Cornellians as they enter the world of professional theatre, and sights
Cornell’s theatre department and the collaboration with Riverside Theatre or Iowa City as a particular gift in her development as a theatre artist. She recently served as a Guest Artist for the Riverside Theatre and Cornell College co-production of BIRTH WITCHES. In 2014, the Festival Theatre Board named Johnson the Artistic Director of Festival Theatre. Jaclyn lives in Dresser, Wisconsin with her fiance, **Jonathan Levine ’06.** The two plan to take their vows in October, on the stage of Festival Theatre’s production of “Noises Off,” one of the two shows they both appeared in while at Cornell College (in 2003), directed by the late Mark Hunter.

**Elizabeth Bach ’07:** I completed my Ph.D. in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology from Iowa State University in fall 2014 and started a position at a Postdoctoral Research Associate with the Illinois Natural History Survey in Champaign, IL. I will continue my research in soil ecology, focusing on soil fungal communities and nutrient cycling in tallgrass prairie.

**Catherine “Cate” Johnson Decker ’07 and Justin Decker ’05,** Cedar Rapids, Iowa, welcome their third child, Jayce David Decker. Cate says, “Big sisters Jaylen (4) and Jordyn (2) are loving their new little brother!”

**Kelly Bartolotta Jensen ’07,** Delavan, Wisconsin, is the editor and community manager for Book Riot. She calls it “a dream job writing and talking about books.” Kelly published her first book, “It Happens: A Guide to Contemporary Realistic Fiction for the Young Adult Reader,” through VOYA Press. In her free time, Kelly blogs about reading, books, and writing at Stacked. She and her co-blogger are nearing their sixth year writing and have reached nearly two million unique visitors.

**Ryan Suttenfield ’07,** Trenton, Missouri, managed the St. Louis-based Lewis and Clark Collegiate Summer Baseball League for the first time in summer 2014. The league All-Star Game was held at Busch Stadium, and he had a great experience coaching there. Ryan’s Governors team won the regular season Conference Championship with a 26-10 record. In the league championship game, they came up one run short in a wild 12-inning affair. He says, “It was a fun summer of baseball with lots of travel time.”

**Mira Hoffman ’08,** Los Angeles, was honored as part of “The Amazing Race” production team when the show won an Emmy Award for “Outstanding Reality—Competition Program” in the 2013-14 awards. Mira is the production coordinator for the show.

**Julia Kamenetzky ’08,** Tucson, Arizona, graduated with a doctorate in astrophysical and planetary sciences from the University of Colorado at Boulder in August. She moved to Tucson to begin a National Science Foundation Astronomy and Astrophysics Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Arizona.

**Margaret Obermann ’08:** After 1 ½ years, I am proud to announce that in December 2014 I earned my second MA degree in Social Justice and Community Development from Loyola University Chicago. I’m currently looking for employment in the nonprofit sector, and I am looking forward to serving with others and empowering communities locally and abroad.
Kristin Willard Zasada '08 and Zach Zasada '10 had a random Cornellian encounter with Laurie Marie '08 when they ran into each other at the airport in the Dominican Republic. What a small world we live in!

Abigail Michaelson Purens '09 and Kristopher Rhodes Purens '09, Ann Arbor, Michigan, were married on the beach in North Carolina's Outer Banks on June 6, 2014, in a ceremony co-officiated by fellow Cornellian Megan Regel '08. Both have changed their last names to Purens to reflect Kris' birth name, and so Abby can avoid constant Beatles references.

Rebecca Sullens '09 is the Associate Director of Berry Center for Economics, Business and Public Policy, at Cornell College.

Elizabeth Wessling '09: I received my MS in Mental Health Counseling from Missouri State University in 2013 and am currently in the process of obtaining my licensure as a professional counselor in the state of Missouri.

Paul Appel '10 and Emma Reicks '09 are engaged!

Marriages:
Rebecca Ringquist '00 to Katy Mess, Oct. 25, 2014
Sara Kock '03 to Jordan Frew '04, June 21, 2014
John David Dietz '06 to Holly Morris, May 17, 2014
Jessica Chrisman '09 to Shaun Richardson, August 2, 2014
Kaitlin Foster '09 to Erick Scanlon '05, Dec. 12, 2014
Abigail Michaelson '09 to Kristopher Rhodes '09, June 6, 2014

Births:
Elise Avery, Oct. 29, 2014, to Jessica Orloski Radzak '00 and Eric Radzak '00
Xavier Alexander, Dec. 18, 2014 to Jennifer Hanson Stumpf '01 and Richard Stumpf '01
Amelia Mae Irene Lyons, Dec. 1, 2014 to Monica Davis Lyons '02 and Kristopher Lyons
Carter Robert, Nov. 21, 2013, to Sarah McKiel Pratt '02 and Bryon Pratt
Henry Wyatt, Jan. 21, 2015 to Lisa Runia '03 and Jake Runia '04
Brendan Earl, Sept. 15, 2014, to Tara Drollinger Allard '04 and Mark Allard
Eldon Ransom, June 14, 2014 to Jaclyn Peterson Mann '04 and David Mann
Harper June, Nov. 10, 2014, to Sarah Wille Paxton '04 and Danny Paxton
Xavier Joseph Theodor, Feb. 7, 2014, to Franziska Zgraggen Zschokke '04 and Leo Zschokke
Eleanor Michelle, May 5, 2014, to Jamie Wallace Smith '05 and Rik Smith
Anna Louise and Eva Mae, June 12, 2014 to Joanna and Seth Bartlett '06
Caleb Mason, July 18, 2014, to Terrie Mason Shekels '06 and Mathew Shekels
Gavin Miles Birdslay, March 29, 2014 to Elizabeth Lingle Birdslay '07 and Scott Birdslay
Elise Gabrielle, Dec. 18, 2014 to Lauren Page Bose '07 and Byron Bose '07
Jayce David, June 4, 2014, to Catherine Johnson Decker '07 and Justin Decker '05
Kevin Elliott, April 15, 2014, to Kaleigh Boysen Doncheck '08 and David Doncheck
Evelyn Renee, Jan. 6, 2015 to Lauren Kimmel Hinrichsen '08 and Hans Hinrichsen '10
Deceased:
Andrea Wirth '00, Chicago, Aug. 21, 2014

'10s

Elizabeth Bennett '10, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was elected as the state representative for Iowa House District 65. She is an active Democrat and has previously volunteered her time for many Democratic candidates and served as a delegate to the 2012 Democratic National Convention.

Elizabeth Von Nothern '10: Beth started working in the ENT department at the VA Medical Center in September 2013. Nick Nothern '10 came back to the hilltop Summer 2013 working in admissions. He has since started his first season in Fall 2014 as the Head Assistant Wrestling Coach. They are welcoming their first child, expected June 2015.

Andrea Weed '11 has accepted the position of Case Manager with the Be The Match Registry. She is very excited to help facilitate stem cell transplants around the world!

Elizabeth “Liz” Litteral '13, completed her Master of Arts from the University of Denver in Conflict Resolution with a focus on public and community conflict. Liz is a certified Colorado mediator, practicing mediation through county courts. This fall she interned with the U.S. Department of Justice Community Relations Service. She is now beginning a new position for a national management company as a residential leasing consultant and negotiations and public forum specialist.

Cortney Waguespack '13 is employed at St. Catherine’s Montessori as an Advancement Associate.

Phillip Weber '13 is employed by PricewaterhouseCoopers as an IT Security Consultant.

Melissa Trentacoste '14, is working her “dream job” as a Tour Actor/Director with Missoula Children's Theatre. She is currently touring the Pacific Northwest teaching theatre to children in the communities she visits. “It's the most rewarding job in the universe, and I can't begin to describe the joy it brings me to see those kids succeed. It's truly magical.”

Marriages:
Yunyao “Ginny” Huang '14 to Christopher Rishel '13, May 20, 2014

Deceased:
Robert Lamb III '11, Terra Bella, California, Nov. 27, 2014
Christopher Holihan '14, Altamonte Springs, Florida, Dec. 12, 2014
Dominique Hudson '14, St. Louis, Aug. 20, 2014
Connor Robinson '18, Libertyville, Illinois, Oct. 27, 2014