



Save the dates—
2011

Help TA Celebrate a Century of Service!

Mark your calendars for the following Centennial Celebrations (details forthcoming):

August 12-14, 2011 in
Ithaca, and

October 14-16, 2011 in
Ann Arbor.

Photos, Documents and Artifacts

We'd like to thank Scott Smith, son of the late C. Hadley Smith, for donating a set of photographic negatives taken of Cornell Branch "special renovations" during the mid-1980s. These large format images are the best representations of the building's interior to date. The CBTA Renovations Committee is especially grateful for this addition to our photo archive because it will contribute to the visual component of the Centennial Celebrations, and support the Telluride House (Cornell) application for inclusion on the National Historic Register.

The Centennial Committee is gathering photos, documents, and artifacts for display at the Centennial Celebrations. If you have any material to lend or donate to this effort, please contact philip.kaplan@tellurideassociation.org.



Constitutional Convention (1911) in Olmsted, UT. LL Nunn is highlighted here, on the right and toward the rear of the photo.

Telluride Association: 100 years and growing

In 1911, Lucien L. Nunn founded Telluride Association (TA) as an organization dedicated to promoting his vision of higher education grounded in practical work and responsible self-governance. In 2011, we will celebrate the centennial anniversary of TA's founding. We can be proud of a century in which TA has established two active Branches, as well as several thriving summer programs for high school sophomores and juniors. This milestone gives us an opportunity to look back at our history, and to look forward at how we hope to continue to fulfill our mission in the future. It is also a great reason to gather with friends and enjoy a party!

Plans for celebrating our centennial are in development. At the 2009 Convention, TA decided to hold two centennial celebration weekends, one in Ithaca and one in Ann Arbor, in order to maximize the opportunities for Tellurid-

ers past and present to participate. The Ithaca events will take place from August 12-14, 2011; the Ann Arbor events will be held from October 14-16, 2011. The celebration in Ann Arbor will also serve to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the Michigan Branch.

In addition, there is some interest in planning a tour of the sites in the West where L. L. Nunn made his pioneering contributions to the generation and transmission of electricity, and established his initial forays into education. However, it will not be feasible to offer such an event without sufficient interest. If you are interested, please take a moment to offer your feedback via the survey mentioned below.

The Centennial Committee is in the process of coordinating the events to be held on these weekends. Through exhibits and talks, we intend to offer activities

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Associate Gatherings

San Francisco

On April 4, 2009, a group of twenty associates and friends gathered at Thirsty Bear Restaurant and Brewery in San Francisco to connect with fellow Telluriders and learn about TA's programs. It was a pleasure to have several Deep Springs alums in attendance at this intimate event.

Chicago

Rick Shepro, SP70 and Lindsay Roberts hosted approximately 30 Telluriders at their Chicago home on the evening of April 17, 2009. All of TA's programs were well represented.

A few Michigan Branchmembers took the opportunity to drive from Ann Arbor to network with associates and reunite with friends. All attendees had the chance to learn about TA's current operations and goals.



Telluriders gather in Chicago.

Thank you, Rick and Lindsay, for opening your beautiful home and providing a space for associates to reconnect.

Ithaca

Former CBTA residents from the late 1950s and early 1960s met at Telluride House in Ithaca on August 14, 2009 for a reunion. Additional photos from the event are posted at the Telluride Association Facebook Page.



Reunion attendees on the porch at CBTA, August 14, 2009.

Ann Arbor

The Michigan Branch will host its annual Winter Gala on the evening of January 30, 2010. Hors d'oeuvres, an open bar and entertainment will be provided. All Telluride associates are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to gala2010@umich.edu.

Host an Event for TA

If you would like to offer your space or time for an associate event in your region, please contact Shannon Saksewski, TA's Development Director, at 734-668-6039 or shannon@tellurideassociation.org.

Telluride Association: 100 Years and Growing

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that explore TA's long and rich history. We will also highlight TA's contributions to the national debate on the future of higher education, the fostering of democratic self-governance, and the role that service plays in shaping our characters. And of course, we will gather to have fun, reconnect with old friends, and share memories about how TA has touched our lives.

We are currently compiling suggestions for the specific sorts of events that may interest associates. If TA has a valid email address for you, it is likely that you received an invitation to participate in a short survey to help us plan the centennial events. If you did not receive the invitation, you can find the survey at:

<https://app.e2ma.net/app2/survey/32301/205010364/0d80e9baf0/>.

The questions are also included on the back page of this newsletter, along with mailing information. Please take a few minutes to answer the survey questions either electronically or via hard copy. If you have additional questions or suggestions about the Centennial Celebration, please feel free to send them to me at philip.kaplan@tellurideassociation.org.

In the end, the Centennial Celebrations will only be successful to the extent that associates are involved. TA, after all, is nothing more than the sum total of all of the lives who have passed through its various programs. We want the participation of not only current branchmembers, trustees and summer program attendees, but also of friends and associates who were affiliated with the organization in the past. Over the next two years, we will be calling on all associates to help us with the planning. Those who are willing can help TA by getting in touch with old friends who have lost contact with TA after their time in a TASS, TASP, Branch, and/or TA. In addition, we will compile a record of the Association's history through written and oral recollections and images. We hope to set up space on the TA website to allow all of our Associates to share their reminiscences and photographs. Ultimately, we want to document how TA has influenced the individuals who have been a part of it, and how it has, and will continue to, contribute to higher education in America.

—Philip Kaplan, CB85 TA86, Centennial Committee Chair (*Philip can be reached at phil.kaplan@tellurideassociation.org.*)





Karl Schmeidler, c. 1940.

Cornell Branch during WWII: A Conversation with Karl Schmeidler, CB40

For many newcomers to TA's programs, adjusting to Telluridean life can be a challenge. For Karl Schmeidler, CB40, whose Branch experience was intertwined with the US intervention in World War II, it was particularly difficult. Schmeidler entered the House as a freshman. As such, Schmeidler recalls, he was "anything but coddled." Perhaps even more so than today, a premium was put on verbal and written argumentation. As one can imagine, members of the House were an especially opinionated and articulate group of people, and Schmeidler remembers many an unwanted rejoinder: "I opened my mouth and had two words out and had twenty of them landing on me."

The environment was heightened, of course, by opinions surrounding the US's possible entry into World War II, at times moving from argumentative towards combative. As Schmeidler recollects, the house was "split evenly down the middle" between those who favored US intervention and those who did not. This issue became "exceedingly important," eclipsing all other elements of the House's discussions; disputes erupted frequently during meal service.

As the US entered the war in 1942, the university went into "wartime footing." Cornell is a land grant college, so at least some ROTC training was required of all male students. Schmeidler had previously enrolled in advanced ROTC to pay off his college expenses and was therefore even more likely than others to be commissioned. The tension at Cornell doubled, as any student could be called off to war at any time. This uncertainty meant that students doubled up their courses as much as they could in hopes of earning their degree before being sent off to the battlefield. As Schmeidler puts it, "you worked like a dog... no one got the normal four-year quiet time."

Schmeidler managed to finish his degree in three years. As he remembers it, Cornell did "a good job at keeping things going" despite the fact that many faculty members were called off to do government work. In '44 he was commissioned and served in active duty in the Army. After the war, he earned a JD

at Harvard, and went on to balance a military career with his civilian career as an attorney. While he did not originally intend to make the military a career, Schmeidler ended up retiring as a colonel; he served during the Korean and Vietnam wars and managed to travel the world, living extensively in both Europe and Asia. He regrets that he could not keep in better touch with his fellow housemembers, who seemed to "scatter all over the world."

Given all the turmoil, does Schmeidler consider living in the House a mistake? The answer is an emphatic no: "The whole idea of the House is a wonderful thing!" Schmeidler de-

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scribes his time at the Cornell Branch as a priceless opportunity to age emotionally and intellectually. He cites his fellow housemembers as some of the strongest and brightest people he ever met. The high intellectual standards of the House, combined with the frenetic pace and restless atmosphere of wartime Cornell, meant that Schmeidler had no choice but to "grow up fast." Now, many years later and with the wisdom of hindsight, Schmeidler considers his time at the House "good training" for his career as both a colonel and an attorney.

—Mr. Schmeidler was interviewed by the authors of this article, Hammad Ahmed, SP02, and Jordan Greenwald, SP03.

2010 Summer Programs June 27-August 7

TASP

Cornell I

Democracy and Diversity

Faculty: Professor Laura Donaldson, Departments of English and American Indian Studies, Cornell University; and Professor David Peritz, Department of Political Science, Sarah Lawrence College

Factotum: Joy Liu

Cornell II

Gods and Heroes of the Celts and Vikings

Faculty: Professor Thomas Hill, Department of English, Cornell University; and Professor Charles Wright, Department of English, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Factotum: Jacob Denz

UT Austin

Changing Minds, Winning Peace: Cultural and Public Diplomacy in Today's World

Faculty: Professor William Glade, Department of Economics; and Professor Lawrence S. Graham, Department of Government, The University of Texas at Austin

Factotum: Breanna Byington and Mariam Rahmani

TASS

Indiana University

Blackness, Literature, and the Media

Faculty: Libya Pugh, New York-based actor and educator*

Tutors: Angela Crumdy and Joseph Blue

University of Michigan

Poverty, Environment, Work, and Social Inequality in America

Faculty: Dorceta Taylor, School of Natural Resources and Environment; and Ian Robinson, Department of Sociology and the Residential College, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Tutors: Emma Slager and Nina Idemudia

* Professor Don Belton, who was scheduled to co-teach the 2010 IU TASS with Libya Pugh, tragically passed away on December 27, 2009. As of this writing, Telluride Association is working with Indiana University (IU) to ensure that the IU TASS takes place as scheduled. Please refer to www.tellurideassociation.com for additional information.

Your Gift is Needed

Last year, TA served 142 students through six summer programs and two Branches. TA associates and staff logged thousands of hours running our Branches, organizing summer programs, and managing our financial and human capital. Through the years, our programs have touched over 5,100 lives, and have encouraged many to reach for greater educational goals. The accomplishments of our associates across a wide range of professional fields reflect the high dividends of investing in education. Now more than ever, we need your help to continue this important work.

You can give via the enclosed envelope or online at <http://www.tellurideassociation.org/support.html>. TA is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Thank you, to each of the nearly 150 associates who interviewed candidates for the 2009 summer programs.

Ibrahim Adeniji	S. Max Edelson	William Kowalsky Jr.	Ramya Rajagopalan
Hammad Ahmed	Maximilian Eisenburger	Selena Kyle	Freya Rajeshwar
Taiwo Ajumobi	Jessica Falcone	Emily LaDue	Irit Rasooly
Muthuraman Alagappan	Stephen Fix	Hyunok Lee	Patrick Reynolds
Barbara Alden	Nathan Floyd	Paul Levesque	Samantha Richmond
Jenne Ayers	Elizabeth (Jan) Ford	Zhi Chen Lin	Adi Robertson
Ellen Baer	David Foster	Amanda Littauer	Rose Ruther
Siddhartha Bajracharya	Amber Fox	Conan Liu	Puneet Sahota
Mitchell Baker	Kathleen Frankovic	Linda Louie	Shannon Saksewski
Michael Barany	Isao Fujimoto	Diana Louis	Matthew Schmitz
Natalie Bau	Seth Galligan	Anthony Mariano	Alan Segal
Jessica Bauman	Varun Gauri	James May	Calvin Selth
Paul Benecki	Martin Geiger	Jawuan Meeks	Richard Shepro
Taylor Black	Jeremy Gilmore	Eliot Michaelson	Joshua Smith
Nicole Blumner	Jameson Goodman	Caroline Miller	Aleksandar Stefanovski
Christopher Breiseth	Kristi Graunke	Ana Miller-ter Kuile	Lauren Stokes
Daniel Briggs	Jordan Greenwald	Michael Millette	Irene Sun
John Briggs	Flojaune Griffin	John Minnich	Jenny Sun
Afua Bruce	Meghan Haynes	Alan Mishler	Aurelia Tichoux
Breanna Byington	Monica Henestroza	R. Peter Mogielnicki	Danielle Tillman
Lynn Carlson	Martise Hill	Kristofer Monson	Andrew Torres
George Carroll	Jessi Holler	Valerie Montes	Andrew Torres
Chris Chapman	Laura Holzman	Ruben Montiel	Pepper Trail
Chen Chen	Arthur Hong	Catherine Morris	William Ulrich
Douglas Chessen	Mai-Linh Hong	Nathan Nagy	Lee Wang
Katlin Christian	Claire Horan	Hannah Nolan-Spohn	Xiwen (Emily) Wang
Estella Cisneros	Marina Hsieh	Paul Oliver	Tsering Wangchuk
Michal Cohen	Bojun Hu	Nydia Parries	Peter Webb
Alisha Creel	Cindy Hwang	James Pautz	Mark Wellington
Ian Crovisier	Luukas Ilves	Charles Pazdernik	Tyler White
Joel Dahl	Aaron Johnson	David Pederson	Jason Williams
Julian Darwall	Jonathan Jones	Govind Persad	Waiching Wong
Manasi Desai	Ridley Jones	Stephen Pershing	William Woolston
Laura Dixon	Stephanie Kelly	Susan Price	Charles Wu
Jessica Dragonetti	Janet Kim	Kenneth Pursley	Eunice Yu
Sasha-Mae Eccleston	Franz Kogler	Bridget Queenan	Noah Zatz
Lynn Eckert	Erna & Keith Kostuch	Michael Ragalie	



2009 Summer Program Participants

TASP

Cornell I

Pleasure and Danger: Bodies in History, Science, Literature, and Philosophy.
Faculty: Masha Raskolnikov, Cornell University; and Gregory Tomso, University of West Florida

Robert Cipriano (New York, NY)
Olivia Dahl (Charlottesville, VA)
Sonya Dekhtyar (Chicago, IL)
James Durling (Chevy Chase, MD)
Navarez Encinas (Albuquerque, NM)
Keyanah Freeland (Camden, NJ)
Yichao Hao (Cupertino, CA)
Erin Holder (Pulaski, WI)
James Johnston III (Coweta, OK)
Dohee Kang (Shanghai, China)
Melissa Lang (Shanghai, China)
Kevin Lin (New York, NY)
Laura Navarro (Plainsboro, NJ)
Dacia Simon (Brooklyn, NY)
Natalie Umanzor (Monroe, NY)
Adam Wilson (Palmetto Bay, FL)

Cornell II

Empire of Prisons. **Faculty:** Tamar Carroll and Barry Maxwell, Cornell University

Michael Barton (Glendale, NY)
Madeline Chan (Troy, NY)
Marissa Dearing (Potomac, MD)
Chelsea DeLarm (Crawfordsville, IN)
Rachel Harmon (Champaign, IL)
Aaron Hsu (Fremont, CA)
Gabriel Murchison (Sherborn, MA)
William Rogers (Clarkston, MI)
Tugba Rona (Istanbul, Turkey)
Charlie Sun (Ojai, CA)
Eric Thompson (Borger, TX)
Aziza Tichavakunda (Washington, DC)
Jennifer Tran (Oakland, CA)
Christian Veliz (Brooklyn, NY)
Angela Wang (Edison, NJ)
Hyun Woo Yoon (Gangwon-do, Republic of Korea)

University of Michigan

Physics, Philosophy, Fiction. **Faculty:** Benjamin Paloff, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; and Katie Peterson, Deep Springs College

John Angelo Alonzo (Chicago, IL)
Hannah Baker (Sag Harbor, NY)
Leonore Carron-Desrosiers (Montreal, QC)
Shuxuan Cenzhang (New York, NY)
Maya Fegan (Honolulu, HI)
Michael Anthony George (Ampang, Selangor, Malaysia)
Shibi Kannan (Plano, TX)
Shelby Lin (Poquott, NY)
Maia Mares (Greenfield Park, NY)
Michael Migjel-Schwartz (Slaterville Springs, NY)
Sushaan Modi (Demarest, NJ)
Achyut Patil (Tempe, AZ)
Edward Pimentel (Jacksonville, FL)
Maitreyi Ray (Woodbury, MN)
Elizabeth Schyling (Northglenn, CO)
Sahiba Sindhu (Diamond Bar, CA)
Matthew Stolz (Charlotte, NC)
Sefanit Tucker (Winter Springs, FL)

University of Texas, Austin

Documenting Reality: Producing and Reading the Literature of Fact. **Faculty:** J.B. Colson and William Stott, The University of Texas at Austin

Lisa Bao (Wilmington, DE)
Jennifer Giang (Lilburn, GA)
Zachary Goldhammer (Cambridge, MA)
Aaron Johnson (Carson, CA)
William Kim (Bedford, NH)
Akshatha Kommalapati (Cypress, TX)
Sahil Luthra (Los Altos, CA)
Evan Marshall (Beaverton, OR)
Jonathan McJunkin (Muncy, PA)
Bill Nguyen (Lansing, MI)
Douglas Rintoul (Orlando, FL)
Ella Schwalb (Glen Ridge, NJ)
Mary Seitz-Brown (Spring Grove, PA)
Donggeun Seo (Davis, CA)
Patrick Steadman (Williamsville, NY)
Obaid Syed (Norman, OK)
Morgan Whittler (Southfield, MI)
Justine Yan (Fremont, CA)

TASS

University of Michigan

Imaging Race in Literature and Visual Culture.
Faculty: Joshua L. Miller, University of Michigan; and Ruby C. Tapia, Ohio State University.

Alexander Bolden (Cleveland, OH)
Sevonna Brown (Saginaw, MI)
Rebecca Browne (Chicago, IL)
Barbara DeLarm (Crawfordsville, IN)
Isiah Dodd (Kalamazoo, MI)
Nathan Haist (Flint, MI)
Nicholas Herd (Saginaw, MI)
Christopher Hooten (Indianapolis, IN)
Jesse Idun (Aston, PA)
Tiara Jones (Detroit, MI)
Milani Lawrence (Bronx, NY)
Ibronke Otusile (Queens, NY)
Sylvia Percovich (Miramar, FL)
Adam Ratajczak (Shelby Twp., MI)
Samuel Wallace (Sacramento, CA)
Morgan White (Village of Lakewood, IL)
Ivy Yan (Carmel, IN)

Indiana University

Health and Illness in the African American Community: Social and Neurobiological Perspectives.
Faculty: Maresa Murray and Sharlene Newman, Indiana University.

Demetrius Baefsky (El Sobrante, CA)
Dorothea Bamfo (Acton, MA)
Jayde Bonner (Detroit, MI)
Wesley Dixon (Pembroke Pines, FL)
Patricia Ekpo (Lawrenceville, GA)
Cheta Emba (Glen Allen, VA)
Claude-Michael Ezie (Wake Forest, NC)
Thaddaeus Gregory (Seattle, WA)
Joseph Hill, Jr. (Wilton, CA)
Joshua Ingram (Pembroke Pines, FL)
Daniel Ki (Cupertino, CA)
Shelly-ann Nesbitt (Brooklyn, NY)
AdePeju Oshodi (Indianapolis, IN)
Aijalon Range (Sacramento, CA)
Marveliz Santos (Bronx, NY)
Whitni Smith (Cincinnati, OH)
Taylor Valencia (Stafford, VA)
Nabil Zaman (Charlotte, NC)



2009 CU TASPers picnicking.

2009 Summer TASP & TASS Program Participants



University of Michigan TASPers in downtown Ann Arbor, 2009.



Indiana University TASSers, 2009.

College Choice

Cornell I TASP '08

Juliana Atabong–Cornell University
Timothy Barker–Columbia University
Annette Casillas–Sarah Lawrence College
Alexandra Cooper–Ponté–University of Pennsylvania
Sierra Hallmen–Washington College
Ilana Harris–Babou–Yale University
Colin Hill–Oxford University
(Christ Church College)
Yifeng (Frank) Huang–Stanford University
Mehves Konuk–University of Chicago
Christopher Levesque–Cornell University
Leigh Marshall–Stanford University
Eric Mora–Cornell University
Kyle O'Malley–Stanford University
Samantha Renker–University of Tulsa
Alejandro Van Zandt–Escobar–Undecided

Unknown: Caleb Frye

Cornell II TASP '08

Sarah Asman–Cornell University
Stacy Christopher–Cornell University
Laura Cremer–Yale University
Benjamin Crosby–Yale University
Maximilian Evans–Harvard University
Henning Gammerschlag–RWTH Aachen
Jessica Haley–Princeton University
Rachel Kempf–Yale University
Haley Kossek–Brown University
Edward Krasniewski–Columbia University
Hannah Milem–Harvard University
Zagreb Mukerjee–Harvard University
Charlene Wong–Harvard College
Tony Wu–Yale University
Fangzhou (Jimmy) Yu–Harvard University

Unknown: Maria Hernandez

Michigan TASP '08

Jessica Belding–Yale University
Sukari Brown–NYU
Abigail Cember–University of Maryland, College Park
Devon Chen–Princeton University
Michael Harris–Deerp Springs College
Trent Kim–Harvard College
Sarah Luebke–Harvard University
Choongho (Vincent) Park–University of Pennsylvania
Kia Salehi–Wellesley College
Anthony Staccione–Harvard University
Lucia Tang–Yale University
Nguyen Khuong Tran–Rhodes College
Danylo Villano–Penn State
Ethan Walker–Seim–American University
Megan Winkelman–Stanford University

Unknown: James Campbell,
Alexander Chien, Suzanne Walker

The University of Texas, Austin TASP '08

Nima Ahmadi–Stanford University
Emma Alexander–Yale University
Michael Becker–Brown University
Gregory Buzzard–Dartmouth College
Nabhan Chowdhury–University of Pennsylvania
Tania Flores–Occidental College
Cansu Gunel–Istanbul Bilgi University
Elston He–Harvard University
Katherine Huang–Princeton University
Lucas Iberico–Lozada–Yale University
Trisha Jain–University of Michigan
Michelle Kizer–Cornell University
Roy Lee–Yale University
Tasnoba Nusrat–Harvard University
Cara Scozzafava–NYU
Amalia Skilton–Yale University
Tyler White–University of Michigan

Unknown: Aditi Nair

Indiana TASS '07

Soudea Forbes–Reed College
Richard Onyejuruwa–Ithaca College
James Smalls–Howard University
Alexandra Smedley–University of Michigan

Unknown: Donavin Brayboy, Bertram Graves II,
Sandie Heholt–Leeds, Phillip Johnson,
Ashleigh Paschal, Danielle Rhodes, Thierry Swinney

Michigan TASS I '07

Rachel Buckle–Princeton University
Briana Carter–Howard University
Xeryus Coard–Benedict College
Jameelah Morris–Tufts University
Jabari Perry–Carleton College
Corey Rateau–University of Chicago (deferred)
Kiran Sebastian–Wayne College
Aaron Talley–University of Chicago
Kari Todd–Pitzer College
Brian Williams–Brandeis University

Unknown: Tenisha Bryan, Brienne Dennis,
Aria Newton, Carmen Whatley

Michigan TASS II '07

Innocent Akujuobi–Howard University
Rose Bamfo–Harvard College
Hena Haines–Harvard University
Moses Icyishaka–Princeton University
Yannan Kang–University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Jakara Lee–Lincoln University
Cristy Miles–DePaul University
Stephan Mimms–Pennsylvania State University
Lynn Nestor–Emory University
Taquna Peters–University of Mass/Amherst

Unknown: Nath-niel Bass, Darius Brown,
Sebrina Campbell, Christopher Thomas,
Brooke Young



Langelihle: The Yarrow Award in South Africa

Flojaune Griffin, MB05, is the 2009 recipient of the Mike Yarrow Adventurous Education Award. She spent the past summer working on two projects in South Africa. Griffin is a doctoral candidate in Epidemiology at the University of Michigan School of Public Health.

My Yarrow Award Project in South Africa overwhelmed, perplexed and inspired me in a way that I still struggle to describe. It was moving to see the people with whom I worked so joyous, proud, and motivated irrespective of age and grave circumstances. The average life expectancy in South Africa for men and women is 47 and 49 years respectively. HIV/AIDS affects 11% of the population, and is the leading cause of death, accounting for 52% of annual deaths. Among the other top ten causes of death are traffic accidents, violence, tuberculosis, and diarrhea. For those unfamiliar with public health, none of these reasons even come close to making the top ten causes of death in the United States for the general population. Our list includes chronic conditions associated with aging such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes, and cancer. It does not include conditions such as diarrhea, which can be prevented by drinking clean water. The reality of this situation was haunting.

In conjunction with my host organization, TRG International (TRG), and with the support of Telluride Association's Yarrow Award, I worked on two projects in South Africa during the summer of 2009: an early childhood education conference in Johannesburg and a college preparation mini-course in Durban. Both projects fit within an existing infrastructure and capitalized on its resources and networks; they also served as an expansion of current offerings and thus, a continuation of the mission of TRG to improve the lives of youth in underserved areas.

The early childhood education conference was inspired by TRG's collaboration with Happy Day preschool in the Soweto community of Johannesburg. Happy Day preschool began as a babysitting facility run by one woman—coincidentally named Flo—with 82 students on an abandoned school bus. TRG discovered the philanthropic work of the Happy Day staff and began raising funds to complete the construction of a new facility. This facility's purpose is to provide a suitable environment for



Ms. Griffin works with a student at Inanda comprehensive High School.

learning and to help promote the importance of education at an early stage in the academic careers of children. On my first trip to South Africa in 2008, I worked with TRG to finish the facility. Upon arrival, we saw that all 82 children were in one room. By the time we finished, we had painted, carpeted, and decorated four rooms so the children could take advantage of a spacious and stimulating learning environment. On the heels of this rewarding experience, I realized that the lack in formal teacher training and lax legislative oversight for public facilities, food, and health safety had left our preschool and many others with pressing needs. One of the major concerns I had while I was there was that the Happy Day had major sanitary issues; combined with lack of educator training in CPR and first aid, these were extremely hazardous conditions for the students. I left feeling that I wanted to return and contribute my skills to help the students in tangible ways. In debriefing with our partners in South Africa, they expressed a desire for organized training to address some of our concerns. Thus, upon leaving South Africa in July 2008 we began plans for an Early Childhood Education Conference.

This conference, the first in Soweto history, trained educa-

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tors to implement a global curriculum and provide suitable environments for learning. The conference provided an overview of fundamental education concepts, discussed theories of learning and implementation, taught developmental stages and milestones, and addressed CPR and health promotion mechanisms to ensure student health and safety. My primary responsibility was to lead the CPR and child safety workshop, which detailed appropriate hygiene routines for preschool settings, handling of medication, accidental poisoning and overdose, infection control measures, and CPR training. With high rates of infant mortality, death from infectious disease, and HIV/AIDS among young children, the curriculum for this session was of extreme importance to ensuring community safety. Over the course of the conference, I prepared the presentation to be interactive and creatively cover a wide variety of topics. Much to my surprise, the enthusiasm and interest in my sessions was extremely high. The participants took copious notes, unabashedly asked questions, and readily volunteered. I was taken aback by a volunteer who agreed to help me demonstrate how to treat a burn and then began sobbing uncontrollably during the demonstration. Her colleagues escorted her out to console her; it was then that I learned that she was overwhelmed with emotion because a child in her pre-school had been badly burned. Unfortunately, the injuries were worsened because the teachers were unsure how to attend to them. I realized then that their thirst for knowledge was not an academic pursuit or an enthusiasm for the unknown, but in fact personal; they wanted to know more to be able to better serve and protect their students, friends and families.

Our second project in 2008 was in Durban where we traveled to Inanda Comprehensive High School, which is located near Gandhi settlement. Inanda High serves 1400 students in buildings structured to hold 1000. Of these students, 300 are orphans. TRG worked with 212 of the orphans in two ways: 1) providing scholarships for tuition, books and a school uniforms, and 2) hosting an annual leadership conference. The leadership conference exists to supplement their curriculum with information to help them practice English with native speakers, increase evaluation and analytic experience, improve public speaking skills, and be exposed to careers and opportunities available to them. We challenged the students in many ways and saw their perspectives expand. I distinctly remember my group members—who named themselves “ikanyezi ekusasa”, which means “stars of tomorrow”—marveling at the concept of public education in the United States. What I found most humbling was their grati-

tude toward black Americans (people with different ancestry, but who look like them and are 25 years further in a parallel struggle for civil rights), who were learning as much from them about history and culture as they were from us about education and opportunity. Our closing ceremony was emotional as the members of my group taught me a Zulu dance and named me Langelihle, which means “good day” in Zulu, because they said I had an optimistic disposition and “everyday is a good day to me.”

Many students that summer indicated an interest in exploring higher education opportunities outside of South Africa but expressed frustration in finding resources to prepare them for success in this endeavor. As such, I returned with a special mission forged from needs I saw on my first trip. Because of the student requests, TRG added a college preparatory mini-course to its program, with the intent to expand to a year-round service offering. The curriculum included preparation for the SAT and TOEFL. In addition, students prepared drafts of college entrance essays for which I provided daily edits and feedback to assist in their applications. Because computer access is limited, additional laptops were provided to allow students to type and edit their essays. The work here was tiring and the days were long. The students, however, were extremely motivated. They developed a rigorous independent study schedule in addition to the hours they spent asking me for explanations of questions and providing counter-examples to ensure a full understanding of concepts, and mulling over the types of questions on which they'd performed poorly in previous exams. Similarly, their es-

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Yarrow Award recipient Flojaune Griffin reviews CPR techniques with Happy Day preschool educators.



1940s

Lee **TALBOT**, DS48, writes: "On May 21st the Explorers Club gave me their highest award at their Annual Dinner at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City... In the past 12 months I have continued teaching graduate students as senior Professor of Environmental Science, International Affairs and Public Policy at George Mason University, made three working visits to Asia and one to Europe, spent a month hiking and climbing in the High Sierras, gave the Withrow Chair Lectures at Deep Springs, and won 75 percent of the national and international sports car road races I entered. I also had two chapters and three articles published. And I'm continuing to thoroughly enjoy life!"

1950s

Ted **HOFMANN**, CB54 TA56, donated a bound set of *Minutes* from the 1911-1955 Conventions. He writes, "In the 1950s when Paul **SZASZ** was working on some constitutional questions (I can't remember the precise details) he asked me to do some research in the old Convention Minutes. I put together a set ... and took them home to work on over the summer. To keep them in order I had them bound in three volumes." Hofmann is a senior specialist in English books at Quaritch, an antiquarian bookseller based in London.

Rod **MASON**, CB56, retired from the Los Alamos National Lab in 2006 after 33 years. Currently he runs a small company, the Research Applications Corporation, which builds plasma simulation codes for alternate energy applications. He and his wife Caroline reside in Los Alamos, 505/672-1938 or rodmason01@msn.com.

Following retirement in Annapolis, Ambassador (RET) Vernon **PENNER**, DS57, joined National Geographic/Lindblad expeditions as a guest lecturer on the annual "Atlantic Odyssey" voyage from Lisbon, Portugal to Salvador de Bahia, Brazil and transiting Madeira, the Canaries, and the Cape Verde Islands where

Vern served as chief of mission from 1986-1990.

Kirstin Downey, an award winning correspondent from the *Washington Post* joined Christopher **BREISETH**, CB58 TA59 SPF69, at Telluride House on March 12 for an informal talk with housemembers. Downey delivered a lecture at the School of Industrial and Labor Relations about the biography she has written on the first female Secretary of Labor Frances **PERKINS**. Perkins Scholar Vinod **ARAVINDAKSHAN**, CB08, notes that Telluride House is mentioned "very favourably in the biography." Breiseth was instrumental in establishing Madame Perkins as a long-term faculty resident (late 1950s to the mid-1960s). See: <http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/news/FrancesPerkins022409.html>

On July 16-17, Robert **BENSON**, SP59, visited the Cornell TASP's and enjoyed dinner with President Sharon **TREGASKIS**, CB94 TA96. While in Ithaca, he attended portions of each seminar, ate lunch with the TASP's and their faculty, hiked the Cornell campus, and was feted at a soiree hosted by the TASP's. The 2009 Cornell TASP's were funded through a donation from Mr. Benson in honor of the 50th anniversary of his own TASP experience.

1960s

After more than forty years, Isao **FUJIMOTO**, CB62 TA63, returned to Cornell to defend his dissertation. While in town he visited the Cornell Branch on January 6, 2009. He is senior lecturer emeritus in the graduate program in community development at UC Davis, where he has been on faculty for 35 years.

Marc **HOFFMAN**, DS66, was a guest of CBTA from October 5-8 while he conducted research about bees at Mann Library.

LeGrace **BENSON**, CBG69, received the 2008 Award for Excellence of Service and Scholarship from the Haitian Studies Association, meeting in Saint Marc, Hai-

ti, November 2008. Benson is Associate Editor of the *Journal of Haitian Studies* and author of numerous articles and chapters on the arts of Haiti. She would be very pleased to hear from Telluriders who have done work of research in Haiti.

1970s

William **VOLLMANN**'s, DS77 CB79, new book *Imperial* was recently released by Viking Press. The *New York Times* ran a piece on Vollmann on July 29, 2009.

1980s

Melissa **LANE**, SP83, has joined the Princeton University faculty as professor of politics after 20 years of studying and teaching at the University of Cambridge.

The European History Section affiliate of the Southern Historical Association selected Warren **ROSENBLUM**'s, DS83 CB85 TA87, book, "Beyond the Prison Gates: Punishment and Welfare in Germany, 1850-1933," to receive the Baker-Burton award for Best First Book in European History for 2009. Criteria for selection for the award include: "quality and originality of research, new and stimulating interpretations and insights, and literary quality."

Jeff **BEHRENS**, SP84 TA95, has recently joined a new biotechnology company, Edimer Pharmaceuticals. Edimer is working on a treatment for a rare genetic disease, XL-HED (x-linked hypohidrotic ectodermal dysplasia). Edimer is currently based in Boston. The firm expects to move to Kendall Square, Cambridge this winter.

Shepard **SMITH**, DS88 CB90 TA91, and Tara **SHANNON SMITH**, SP86 CB87 TA88, were one of the "seven families, one from each of the uniformed services, selected as National Military Family Association's 2009 Military Families of the Year for the roles they play in their communities and the way they embrace the military lifestyle." See http://www.isria.com/pages/21_October_2009_195.php#

Eero **CARROLL**, SP89, was recently appointed as substitute lecturer in sociology at Mälardalen University in Västerås, a mid-sized Swedish industrial town an hour's commute westward from Stockholm where he still lives. Together with his fiancée Madelene Lidestad, he is a proud parent to Sophia (born April 2, 2007). They are also happily expecting their second child, who is due to arrive in mid-March next year.

Former TA member, Braxton **POPE**, SP89 CB90 TA92, produced the Lionsgate feature film *Shrink* www.shrinkthemovie.net, starring Kevin Spacey, Robin Williams, Saffron Burrows and Gore Vidal. *Shrink* premiered at the 2009 Sundance Film Festival and opened in theaters across the country in July.

Says proud father Noah **ZATZ**, SP89 CB90 TA92, on November 6: "Jessica [**CATELINO**, SP91 CB92 TA93] gave birth this morning to Mica Ann Zattelino, who weighed in at 7 lbs 14 oz. All of us are happy, healthy, and sleepy."



Noah Zatz and Jessica Cattelino with newborn Mica Ann Zattelino.

1990s

Daniel **DEBOWY**, SP09, is a PGY-IV resident in adult psychiatry at McLean Hospital in Belmont, MA.

Former TA member Jessica **LISSY TREY**, SP90 TA95, and Jeff Trey announce the birth of their daughter, Noemi Ariella, on Monday, September 7th. Jessica says "So far she is a very calm and sweet baby, and we are enjoying getting to know her." jessicalissy@earthlink.net



Jessica Lisey Trey greets daughter Noemi Ariella.

We are happy to learn that new baby, William Francis McGill, went home on September 29 after 73 days in the Newborn Special Care Unit. Kenny **MCGILL**, SP90 CB91 TA95, Lizzy, and Alice report "all is well, and we're happy to be finally settling in to the normal (!) newborn routine. . ."

Associate professor of law at the Cornell Law School, Bernadette **MEYLER**, SP90, was recognized for her interdisciplinary work between law and the humanities as the recipient of a 2009 Provost's Award for Distinguished Scholarship. The \$15,000 awards recognize research and scholarship by outstanding tenured faculty members early in their careers.

Still Dreaming America, a solo performance by Rosamond **KING**, SP91 CB92, took place on March 27 at the Bronx Academy of Arts and Dance. Rosa is also the featured performer in *RIGIDIGIDM DE BAMBA DE: RUPTURED CALYPSO*—a dance theatre piece that has a lot of calypso, a little reggae, and a whole lot of winding! They are going on tour beginning in October (Philadelphia [SOLD OUT!], New York City, Seattle, D.C.), and tickets are on sale now (more details at www.rosamondking.com).

Dawn Star **BORCHELT**, SP93, and family welcomed Day Eleanor Sarahs-Borchelt at 6:53 PM on July 22, 2009. Day, who was born at home, weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces, and was 19.75 inches long.

On June 12, Shelby **DIETZ**, SP93 CB94 TA98, and family welcomed son Fintan.

Tameka **JACKSON-SMITH**, SP93, gave birth to Kevin Malik Smith on November 10, 2009.

Noah **ZATZ**, SP89 CB90 TA92, and Jessica **CATELINO**, SP91 CB92 TA93, attended a talk in Princeton by Jenny 8. **LEE**, SP93, about her new book *The Fortune Cookie Chronicles: Adventures in the World of Chinese Food* (<http://www.fortunecookiechronicles.com/>). See also: The New York Times book review (3/9/2009).

On May 31, Beatrice Virginia Washburn was born to Valerie **JAFFEE WASHBURN**, SP94 TA01, and husband Ian in Berkeley.

Amanda **LITTAUER**, CB95 TA96, has taken a new position at Northern Illinois University.

Julia **WATTS-BELSER**, SP95 CB96 TA98, has been accepted to the American Academy of Religion/Luce Foundation summer seminar in Theologies of Religious Pluralism.

Former CBTA resident Sana **KRASIKOV**, SP96 CB97, was awarded the 2009 Sami Rohr Prize for Jewish Literature, worth \$100,000, for her debut short story collection, "One More Year". Krasikov read from her work on November 5, 2009 at Hollis E. Cornell Auditorium (GSH). She presented as part of the Centennial Reading Series sponsored by Cornell's Creative Writing Program. An article about Krasikov's first writing course at Cornell University appears in the Fall 2009 edition of Cornell's quarterly magazine *Ezra* (<http://ezramagazine.cornell.edu/Viewpoint1.html>).

Stephen **SMITH**, SP97, is the proud author of his first book, *Stoking the Fire of Democracy: Our Generation's Introduction to Grassroots Organizing* (<http://stokingthefireofdemocracy.com>). Smith notes that his "own fire was stoked at age 17 by authors like Wittgenstein and Austen at TASP".

Jessica **BAUMAN**, SP98 CB99 TA03, and John **BRIGGS**, SP98 CB99 TA01, were married on June 6th, in Laurel, MD. Fellow Telluriders John **CATTLEY**, SP98 CB99 TA00, and Jason **STOCKMANN**, CB99, attended the ceremony. Jess is completing her master's in speech lan-

guage pathology at the U. of Maryland and will work at the Kingsbury Day School in Northwest Washington. John works as a senior advisor to U.S. Representative Allyson Schwartz of Pennsylvania. They live in Silver Spring, MD.

Afua **BRUCE**, SS98 SP99 TA06, joined the full-time MBA program at the University of Michigan.

Ryan **ISMERT**, CB98 TA06, and wife welcomed daughter Mirabelle at 1:19 PM on November 18, 2009.



Andrea and Ryan Ismert with newborn Mirabelle.

Currently on a Clarence Darrow scholarship at the University of Michigan Law School, Elizabeth **MARTINEZ** (nee **MITCHELL**), SP98, will be graduating in May 2010. Following graduation, Martinez will spend a year clerking for a judge on the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Raj **PATEL**, CB98, and Farshad **ARAGHI**, CBG00, will be at a food conference "Visible Warnings: The World Food Crisis in Perspective" at Cornell on April 3-4.

Emily **AHONEN**, MB99 TA02, finished her PhD in Public Health and moved to Chicago from Barcelona, Spain. She's on a post-doc at the University of Illinois-Chicago School of Public Health.

Angus **JENNINGS**, CB99, gave a lecture on January 21, 2009, about Boston's real estate market and how smart growth zoning may produce affordable solutions for young buyers. He is the principal planner for the Concord Square Planning & Development firm.

2000s

Sarah **UHLER MORTON**, MB00 TA01, and Jason **MORTON**, SP93 MB02 TA03, would like to announce the birth of their son Ryder James Morton. Sarah and Jason were the first MBTA marriage (as far as we know), and look forward to bringing Ryder to Convention this year. They write: "Our family will be moving to Pennsylvania where Jason will be an Assistant Professor in Mathematics and Statistics at Penn State. Sarah is graduating with her MD/PhD (finally) from UCSF this spring and is applying to residency in Pediatrics. We'd love to hear from any TA folks in the Penn State/Philly area!"

Nathan **NAGY**, SP01 CB02 TA05, spent the month of August vacationing in Iceland and will start work at a law firm in New York on September 15.

Ranga **RAJAGOPALAN**, CB01 TA04, joins the full-time MBA program at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business in August 2009.

Noah **ROSENBLUM**, DS03 TA05, has relocated to Washington D. C., having spent a second summer teaching at the Great Books Summer Program at Amherst College. Other GBSP staff included former TASPers, Kate **MCCURDY** and Nicholas **HAYES**.

Michael **BARANY**, SP04 CB05 TA07, was in Budapest in July for a couple of conferences. On the deck of a Danube riverboat, he ran into long-lost associate Lance **RIPS**, SP65, a professor of cognitive psychology at Northwestern University. Michael reports that although he didn't have a chance to meet her, Nan **STALNAKER** (AD during the mid-1980s) was also on the boat. Speaking of chance encounters, Noah **ROSENBLUM**, DS03 TA05, wearing a DS t-shirt, caught the attention of Roger **CARTWRIGHT**, CB41, in a coffee shop recently.

Daniel **KINDERMAN**, CB04, and Dagmar Burde are the proud parents of Sophie Charlotte Kinderman, born in Berlin, Germany on Friday, September 18 at 12:29 p.m. European Standard time



Sophie Charlotte Kinderman.

(6:29 a.m. east coast time). From January to December 2010, Kinderman will be a post-doctoral fellow in the Department of Politics at the New School for Social Research in NYC.



Noah Rosenblum, teaching at the Great Books Summer Program at Amherst College.

Cornell TASP ('04 and '09) faculty member Masha **RASKOLNIKOV**, SPF04, has a new book out *Body Against Soul* from Ohio State University Press, 2009.

Swarthmore undergrad Lauren **STOKES**, SP04, was interviewed for a story appearing in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* on May 29, 2009 about the college's unique program for testing students in the honors program.

Maia **DEDRICK**, MB05, graduated and completed a thesis entitled, "Agricultural Production at a Late Classic Maya Household: Off-Mound Excavations at Medicinal Trail, Belize." Over the summer, she interned at the Cedar Creek Ecosystem Science Reserve.

As part of her dissertation research, Flojaune **GRIFFIN**, MB05, presented her research entitled, "Prospective relationships between vitamin D and systolic hypertension among women" at the American Heart Association 63rd High Blood Pressure Conference on September 24. Articles featuring this research are being published by *Web MD*, *HealthDay*, *Reuters* and *The Michigan Daily*.

Recent MBTA grad Hayley **SMITHKORT**, MB05, was accepted to UM's pharmaceutical engineering Master's program; she plans to complete her degree in December 2010.

Anthony W. **MARIANO**, SP06 MB07, spent this summer in London, working as an intern in the House of Commons.

Valerie **MONTES**, SP06 MB07, has received a scholarship to study Arabic at the University of Alexandria. She will spend the 2009-2010 academic year in Egypt.

Alberto **SOLIS**, SP06, is featured on the Kenyon College website: <http://www.kenyon.edu/x44423.xml>.

Fulbright Scholar Beenish **AHMED**, MB07, a recent MBTA grad, is recording her experiences at the University of Cambridge via her blog: <http://andvoicesare.blogspot.com/>. Prior to departing for Cambridge, Beenish studied Urdu

in India on a Critical Language Scholarship.

Former CBTA member, Sarosh **ANKLESARIA**, CB07, took a job with an architecture firm in Basel, Switzerland in February 2009. He would like to hear from other Telluriders living in the region.

Nate **MAY's**, MB07, time in South Africa on the Reese Miller Scholarship came to a close. For his service project, Nate produced an album for the Cape Town-based group Khoi Khonnexion. The CD traces the sun's path through the day with indigenous instruments, edgy loops, and field recordings providing support for the fiery poetry of Jethro Louw. The message of the poetry is a renewed pride in indigenous identity among a people who have lived through the psychological warfare of apartheid and its aftermath. Proceeds for album sales will assist the San people in the Kalahari desert, whose way of life has been disturbed by the greed of diamond-seekers. Please contact Nate (natemay@umich.edu) if you are interested in buying a copy of the CD.

Corey **RATEAU**, SS07, has deferred his admission to the University of Chicago for a year to serve with City Year Chicago as an Americorps volunteer.

Brian **ROSA**, CB07, recently completed research in Mexico City through a grant from the Clarence S. Stein Institute for Urban and Landscape Studies. In the fall, he will begin a School of Geography studentship in human geography at the University of Manchester.

Brian **WILLIAMS**, SS07, is the recipient of a Posse Foundation Scholarship (a full tuition award) to attend Brandeis University.

Seth **GALLIGAN**, MB08, interned with the West Michigan Film Office during the summer of 2009. The office facilitates film projects that are in the area and works to draw new film projects to Michigan.

Paul **OLIVER**, MB08, graduated with a degree in political science and has ac-

cepted a job in Washington, DC. He will eventually pursue a graduate degree in either public policy or political science.

Jessica **TESORIERO**, MB08, is in the middle of a seven-month stint in Amman, Jordan, where she is studying Arabic at the Qasid Institute under an NSEP Boren Fellowship. She will return to Michigan in the winter to finish her Master's degree in Public Policy.

Over the summer, Ben **TOPPING**, MB08, received several accolades: He was selected for solo performances at both the Detroit Opera House and the Kerrytown Concert House; he was awarded the role of Martin in the Michigan Opera Theatre's production of "The Promised Land"; and he witnessed the premiere of the documentary "Voices of a Never-Ending Dawn" in which he portrays Corporal John Toornman.

Andrew **BIELAK**, CB09, will join CBTA and Cornell's Department of City and Regional Planning as the 2009-2011 Atkinson-Tetreault Scholar. Andrew earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Michigan.

Rachel **HARMON**, SP09, reflects on her summer studying the *Empire of Prisons* as a Cornell TAsPer in "Riding High at Telluride": <http://www.uni.illinois.edu/og/features/2009/10/riding-high-telluride>.

Pavel **LION**, MBC09, accompanied by Nate **MAY**, MB07, offered a live, free performance at the Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor, MI on October 29. For details see: <http://events.detnews.com/ann-arbor-mi/events/show/88623928-pavel-lion-singer-songwriter>.

Congratulations to Deep Springs Aird Humanities Chair and 2009 Michigan TASP faculty member Katie **PETERSON**, SPF09, who has been awarded a 2009-2010 Bunting Fellowship from the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The fellowship will allow Katie to complete "Strange Litany," an unfinished manuscript of poems.

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CARL ALLEN, DS29 CB32 TA32, passed away in January 2009. Among Allen's most recent activities was the establishment of the Allen South Fork Preserve in California. Darcel Ramirez-Hamson, a former business partner and close family friend of Allen's, brought her family to see Cornell Branch on October 7, 2009.



Carl Allen, c. 1930

SYLVIA BINGHAM, SP04, died on September 15, 2009 in Cleveland, OH, from injuries sustained in a bicycle-truck accident during her commute to work. She was 22. Bingham, a recent Yale graduate, double majored in French and sociology. She moved from New Haven to Cleveland in order to work for Hard Hatted Women, an organization committed to lifting women out of poverty, through AmeriCorps VISTA.



Sylvia Bingham at her Yale graduation ceremony (2009) with parents Stephen and Françoise.

Bingham was passionate about social justice and the environment. In celebration of her life, several members of her TASP gathered in Connecticut on September 27, 2009. Bingham's family founded the Sylvia Bingham Foundation (www.sylviabinghamfoundation.org) to advocate for pedestrian and cyclist safety.

DOROTHY CRONK, wife of Edwin Cronk, DS36 CB39 TA39, passed away March 5, 2009 at the age of 90. Edwin remarked that she considered the time they lived at Deep Springs while he was president of the college "the happiest years of her life."

JOHN "Jack" DeBEERS, DS32 TA35, passed away on May 20, 2009 in Santa Rosa, CA at the age of 94. After Deep Springs, he transferred to Cornell. After graduating in 1937, DeBeers worked for the US Tariff Commission and pursued an MA from American University. DeBeers was a Fellow at the Brookings Institute, and, in 1951, he earned a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Chicago. From 1960-1979, he held various positions with the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB). While at IDB, he worked to establish pioneering investments in Latin American projects which would provide water, sewage, educational, and rural health facilities. He was a former member of the Deep Springs Board of Trustees and a recipient of the Deep Springs Medal in 1996 for his outstanding life of service and commitment to Nunnian ideals.

ESTHER DOTSON, SPF83, died on October 28, 2009 after a long illness. She was 91. Dotson received her undergraduate degree from Vassar College in 1939, and completed her Ph.D. at NYU in 1973. She then became the first woman ever to be appointed to a full-time professorship in Cornell's Department of the History of Art. An authority on Michelangelo, Dotson served as a consultant on the Sistine Chapel's restoration. In recognition of her service and scholarly work on the Sistine

Chapel, she was received at the Vatican by Pope John Paul II. In addition to her academic work, Dotson was an active volunteer with the Southern Tier Episcopal Peace Fellowship and Meals-on-Wheels, as well as a founding member of Loaves and Fishes.

ROBERT FORTUINE, CB52 TA54, died on May 11, 2009. Fortune received his BA in German literature classics from Cornell in 1956, and his MD from McGill University in Montreal. Later, during a commission in the US Public Health Service, he earned an MPH from Harvard and completed residency in general preventative medicine at the University of Oklahoma's Health Center. After retirement, Fortune was active as a medical historian of Alaska and the arctic, and was named Alaska Historian of the Year in 1990 and 2005. He was also a Fellow of the Arctic Institute of North America, and co-founder of the Amundsen Educational Center in Soldotna, AK. Fortune is survived by his wife of 49 years, Sheila, as well as two sons, a daughter, and their spouses.

WILLIAM D. JENSEN, DS56, passed away on July 4, 2007 at the age of 68 after a battle with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. A native of Richfield, Utah, Jensen graduated from UC Berkeley, and earned his PhD in chemistry at the University of Utah. Jensen's many hobbies included photography, electronics, and astronomy. He worked in the high-tech industry for several decades, first with Bell Labs, then with GTE, Read-Rite, and finally Seagate. Jensen's son Kevin states in his eulogy for his father, "I treasure that which he tried to teach and show me, and I remember fondly his kindness throughout my life. I especially appreciate knowing that what I found valuable in him others saw as well." Jensen is survived by Barbara, his wife of 42 years, as well as two sisters, two sons, a daughter and their spouses, and three grandchildren.

MORRISON "Mop" RUTHERFORD, DS35 CB38, passed away on February 4, 2009 at the age of 89. Born on May 30, 1919 in Washington, DC, Rutherford earned his medical degree from Cornell Medical College in 1943. During World War II, he served as a captain in the US Army. In 1945, he married Mary Carpenter. Rutherford is survived by two daughters, two sons-in-law, and four grandsons.

EVE KOSOFSKY SEDGWICK, SP66 CB67 TA69, died on April 12, 2009. The following memorial is by Scott **McLEEMEE**, SP80, who writes a column called "Intellectual Affairs" which is published each Wednesday by Inside Higher Ed (IHE).

This piece was originally included in the April 14, 2009 edition of IHE. It is reprinted with the permission of the author.

One of the most influential cultural theorists of her generation, **EVE KOSOFSKY SEDGWICK**, died on Sunday following "a long and very public battle with cancer," in the words of David Manning, director of media relations for the CUNY Graduate Center, where Sedgwick was a distinguished professor of English. The author and editor of numerous books, Sedgwick is perhaps best remembered for *Epistemology of the Closet* (University of California Press, 1990), regarded as one of the founding works of what became known as "queer theory." A volume of her po-



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etry, *Fat Art, Thin Art*, was published by Duke University Press in 1994. She mixed poetry, memoir, and psychoanalysis in *A Dialogue on Love* (Beacon, 1999), based on her struggle with breast cancer and depression. Sedgwick received her Ph.D. from Yale University in 1975. Before joining the Graduate Center in 1998, she was a professor of English at Duke University, and also taught at Hamilton College, Boston University, and Amherst College. In 2005, she was elected to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, then to the American Philosophical Society in 2006.

WILLIAM J. SPALDING, DS34 CB37, passed away on August 13, 2008 at the age of 88. After attending Deep Springs College, he continued his education at Cornell and Harvard, eventually earning a Ph.D. in Far Eastern Studies from Cornell. He taught at Swarthmore College, the University of South Carolina, and Vassar College before beginning his career with the US State Department and CIA. Spalding was an avid carpenter and an active member of his church.

HENRIQUE SUGURI, SP99 CB00 TA01, died on July 3, 2009 in Sao Paulo, Brazil. As a Yarrow Scholar in the summer following his junior year, Suguri traveled in June 2003 to Sao Paulo, where he compiled a film documentary of gay life, a theme he had explored the preceding semester in *The Anniversary*, his final project for Cornell's Advanced Film & Video course.

"If there's something I learned from my previous experience in public service," he wrote in his Yarrow application, "it is that the most tempting danger of public service is what Brazilians call 'assistencialismo,' the drive to simply 'help' others through charity, donations, paternalism—'assistencialismo' presupposes that the 'helper' is superior to the 'helped' and will continue to be so. I don't want to help anyone," he continued. "I want to empower others to help themselves, or in the case of this documentary, I want to use the technique I've acquired to allow others to express themselves, make themselves heard, and change the way people look onto gays, lesbians, drag queens, etc." Suguri's brother Vinicius has asked that anyone with photos, videos, or recollections to share contact him at vsuguri@hotmail.com.



Henrique Suguri at the 2007 Convention.

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Also Remembered

MADELEINE PELNER COSMAN,

former Deep Springs Trustee, died in March 2006.

WINONA HOLLOWAY,

died on November 5, 2009. She lived at Deep Springs College in the late 40s and again throughout the 1970s when her husband, Merritt, was a cowboy and the ranch manager. Merritt died in 2004.

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says changed from disorganized outlines to well-structured coming-of-age stories describing life's journeys and their impact on academic pursuits. Over time their confidence increased as they saw this dream become a progressively more realistic goal.

At the urging of the TRG leadership, I also conducted four workshops on CPR and First Aid for the high school students during the three days of the leadership conference on the topic of emergency situations. We did not pre-plan to conduct this session, but once again, I had a captive audience desperate to learn how to help attend to the needs of those ailing in their communities. Students told me stories of diabetic emergencies, cardiac arrest, and seizures and some of the misguided steps people in the community took to address them. They were thankful to have information to empower them to respond appropriately; in turn, I was thankful to be of useful service.

My travels have inspired greater introspection and appreciation for the global human experience. Greatest, however, is the drive to want to be of service to others in such a way that my travels benefit my community at home and those abroad. As a future educator, these experiences enable me to have a broad perspective on global issues related to health and education. This is of the utmost importance to me as international collaboration is critical to my current and prospective research endeavors. Working with TRG has given me a greater understanding of the context of health disparities in South Africa and the distinct challenges facing its Public Health workforce.

I spoke extensively in my application about how this project was academically relevant, but it was also personal. I do not pretend to have all of the answers, but I attempt to listen to others and partner with them in ways they find beneficial. Beneficence requires more than a desire to help; it requires a mutual respect among equals, which is a quality that enhances my interactions with others. For me, this experience was a summer project, yet so much more than an application or reflective essay can capture. I did not mention the chronic bronchitis that plagued me throughout the trip because of the poor air quality, nor did I discuss the racial prejudice I experienced from some white South Africans with antiquated views who were surprised to interact with a black traveler. I did not mention the failures: the projects that didn't go well, internal conflict in the group, the feeling of being taken advantage of by some of our community partners. I spoke only briefly of the extreme lows that accompanied my work each day on the project as I internalized my surroundings and reflected on the context of my service, the painful stories spoken almost directly to my soul, the lacking infrastructure for abantu in South Africa despite minimal post-apartheid efforts, and the hopelessness I also saw on faces that I did not want to acknowledge or accept. Maybe I did not want to accept it or talk about it because I could feel some people clinging to my hopefulness and I wanted to embolden their hope. Maybe I did not discuss these things because I did not want my joyous tale to be overshadowed by defeat and sorrow. Or maybe my first group of students was perceptive beyond its years and saw a quality in me that I had not yet come to know as my own. It is possible that I was called to this service and these challenges because I would one day tell the story as a reflection of a personal truth. Maybe every day is a good day to me.



Centennial Celebration Survey

Thank you for taking time to help guide TA's Centennial Celebration planning efforts. The following survey should require only a few minutes of your time. If you would prefer to complete the survey online, please refer to the link on p. 2. Otherwise, please use the attached envelope to mail your survey to the Ann Arbor Office (1735 Washtenaw Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48104).

- 1) To help Telluride Association celebrate its Centennial in 2011, I might be willing to come to events in:
 - a) Ithaca in late August
 - b) Ann Arbor in mid-October
 - c) Both
 - d) Neither
- 2) I would be most enthusiastic about participating in the following events during a Centennial weekend (select all that apply):
 - a) Reunion-type social events with old friends from my summer program/Branch/TA
 - b) Tours/exhibits/lectures on the history of Telluride Association
 - c) Panel talks/discussions on the future of Telluride Association
 - d) Panel talks/lectures on general issues concerning education, service and/or self-governance
 - e) Artistic exhibits/performances by TA associates
 - f) A keynote address by a prominent figure regarding democracy, service, and/or education.
 - g) Other ideas (please explain below)

If you chose "other", please use this space to explain your ideas for interesting Centennial weekend events or activities:

- 3) I would be most likely to attend a Centennial weekend:
 - a) On my own
 - b) With a partner/spouse
 - c) With my partner/spouse and child(ren)

Please indicate the number of children likely to attend a Centennial weekend with you:

- 4) I would be willing to contact old friends to encourage them to come to a Centennial weekend:
 - a) Yes
 - b) No
- 5) I might be interested in participating in a separate tour of sites in the Western United States that are historically connected with Telluride Association and L.L. Nunn:
 - a) Yes
 - b) Maybe
 - c) No
- 6) If you answered "yes" to Question 5, what time of the year would be most convenient for your schedule? (select all that apply)
 - a) Summer (June-August)
 - b) Fall (September-November)
 - c) Winter (December-February)
 - d) Spring (March-May)

With regard to Question 6, if you are able to be more specific, please provide notes here:

- 7) If you answered "yes" or "maybe" to Question 5, what would you be willing to pay for the tour? Note that the fee would include housing, and that some portion may be tax deductible to the extent of the law.
 - a) \$750
 - b) \$1,000
 - c) \$1,500
 - d) \$2,000
 - e) Other (\$_____)
- 8) Please share any additional thoughts or suggestions regarding the celebration of Telluride Association's Centennial.
- 9) What is your name? (optional)
- 10) In what Telluride Association program(s) have you participated? Please include program(s), program location(s), and year(s).
- 11) Are you interested in serving on a Centennial outreach, steering, or advisory committee?
(Please mark all that apply.)
 - a) Yes, I'm interested in OUTREACH to other Telluriders.
 - b) Yes, I'm interested in helping to plan the events via participation on the STEERING committee.
 - c) Yes, I will act in an ADVISORY capacity, and will offer access to my knowledge and network to those who are planning the event.
 - d) No.

If yes, what is the best way to reach you?

- 12) Please share updates about yourself, including personal and professional accomplishments and contact information. If you would like this information to be included in the "Telluride Newsletter" or "eNewsletter", please indicate that TA has permission to publish this information.
- 13) Are there any other Telluriders who you think would be interested in completing this survey? Please include their name and current contact information here.

Thank you for completing our survey! If you have additional suggestions, comments, or questions, please contact Shannon Saksewski at shannon@tellurideassociation.org or 734-668-6039.



