Volunteer Spotlights, December 2014: FHTR Award Recipients for 2014

**John Alexander ’74, MBA ’76**  
Arts & Sciences, Johnson  
Ithaca, NY

**Favorite Cornell Spot:** Anywhere in the Plantations  
**Favorite Cornell Tradition:** Dragon Day  
**Cornell Volunteer Communities:** 40th Reunion Campaign (Member); Class of 1974 Class Council; Cornell University Board of Trustees (Trustee Emeritus); Presidential Councillor; Entrepreneurship@Cornell Advisory Council (Member); Fraternity and Sorority Advisory Council (Member); Johnson Graduate School of Management Advisory Council (Member Emeritus); Major Gifts Committee (Member); President's Circle Committee (Member); Solar Decathlon Advisory Team (SOLDAT) (Member); Trustee Community Communications Committee (Member); Johnson Art Museum Community Advisory Board (Member); Sphinx Head Society Alumni Advisor; Johnson Board Fellows Alumni Advisor - BR Ventures  
**First CU Volunteer Experience:** Co-President (with Elaine) of the Cornell Club of the Ithaca Area  
**Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience:** Serving as a member of the Entrepreneurship@Cornell Advisory Council  
**Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience:** Serving two terms on the Board of Trustees

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**Elaine Mead Alexander ’77**  
Hotel Administration  
Ithaca, NY

**Favorite Cornell Spot:** Newman Arboretum in Cornell Plantations  
**Favorite Cornell Tradition:** Singing of the “Evening Song” as well as singing of the Alma Mater  
**Cornell Volunteer Communities:** 25th Reunion Campaign Major Gifts Committee (Member); Cornell University Council (CUC) (Member); Cornell University Council Student & Academic Services Committee (Member); Class of 1977 (Treasurer, Vice President); Major Gifts Committee (Member); President's Circle Committee (Chair); Cornell Club of the Ithaca Area (Co-President); Cornell Women's Club (Member)  
**First CU Volunteer Experience:** Served on a committee to choose recipients for Cornell Women's Club of Ithaca scholarships when that task was handled by volunteers!  
**Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience:** Membership on the Cornell University Council (CUC)  
**Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience:** Serving on the initial committee to revitalize the Cornell Club of the Ithaca area, then serving as co-president for the club, because of the broad exposure to the entire Cornell community gained through this experience.

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**John Dyson ’65**  
Agriculture & Life Sciences  
New York, NY

"John has been so very active and generous with his time and leadership in so many areas."

**Cornell Volunteer Communities:** Presidential Councillor; Board of Trustees (Trustee Emeritus); College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) Advisory Council (Member; past Chair); Fraternity and Sorority Advisory Council (Member)
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Charles Feeney '56
Hotel Administration
San Francisco, CA

"I had one idea that never changed in my mind—that you should use your wealth to help people."

"With his peerless contributions to Cornell, the global scope of his philanthropy, and his commitment to "giving while living," he has dedicated his life in service of others." (David J. Skorton, 2013)

Cornell Volunteer Communities: Presidential Councillor; Cornell University Council (CUC) (Life Member); CUC International Programs Committee (2001); School of Hotel Administration Dean's Advisory Board (Emeritus Member)

James Hanchett '53
Arts & Sciences
New York, NY

Favorite Cornell Spot: Tradition and Hall of Fame Rooms in Friends Hall, overlooking the football field (had a hand in the selections, composition and setting up)
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Freedom and Responsibility
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Class of 1953 (President and Correspondent); Cornell University Council (Member); Continuous Reunion Club (CRC) (Chair); Cornell Football Association (CFA) (Lifetime Historian)
First CU Volunteer Experience: Early class reunion planning and execution
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Class of 1953; Continuous Reunion Club; Cornell Football Association
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: Recipient of Frank H.T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Service Award, William "Bill" Vanneman '31 Outstanding Class Leader Award, and CFA Lou Conti '41 Lifetime Achievement Award. Plus CALC, Homecoming 2014 and Sesquicentennial activities.

Kent Sheng '78
Arts & Sciences
Saddle River, NJ

Favorite Cornell Spot: Standing in line at the Hot Truck on a winter's night before a big test
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Cornell hockey
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Class of 1978 Class Council; Cornell University Council (CUC) (Member); Cornell Asian Alumni Association (Member)
First CU Volunteer Experience: Helping to co-found the Cornell Asian Alumni Association in 1990
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Chair of the Student and Academic Services Major Gifts Committee
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: Co-chairing the first formal reunion for all Cornell Asian alumni in 2010
Ginger So ’79
Arts & Sciences
Mountainside, NJ

Favorite Cornell Spot: Willard Straight Hall
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Cornelliana Night at Reunion
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Class of 1979 Class Council; Cornell Mosaic Executive Committee (Vice Chair); Cornell University Council (Life Member); Regional Campaign Committee (Member); Student and Academic Services (SAS) Advisory Council (Member); Cornell Asian Alumni Association (CAAA) Advisory Board (Member)
First CU Volunteer Experience: Cornell Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) member
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Serving as Vice Chair of Mosaic
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: Planning and participating in multigenerational Cornell events; we learn from each other.