Volunteer Spotlights, March 2014: Alumni Trustees

Nicole DelToro ‘91
Term: 2013-17
Bethesda, MD

Favorite Cornell Spot: So many to choose from! I think it's the top of Libe Slope at Sunset.
Favorite Cornell Tradition: As a student, I loved Cornell Football games and I still do: the tailgating, the band, and of course, the game!
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Board of Trustees; DC Campaign Committee (Co-Chair); Cornell University Council; Class of 1991 Council; Capital Area Cornell Women’s Network
First CU Volunteer Experience: I moved to South Florida the summer after I graduated and I immediately hunted down the local Cornell Club and became a Board Member of the Cornell Club of the Gold Coast.
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Alumni-elected trustee
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: As President of the Cornell Club of Washington for 2 years, I was able to work with an amazing group of incredibly committed volunteers: our 28-person board. Board members ranged from recent grads to members of the Class of 1948. I am still amazed at how much they gave of their time and themselves to provide meaningful experiences for the 12,000+ alumni that call the Metro DC area home, all while supporting the university's initiatives.

William McAleer ’73
Term: 2013-17
Seattle, WA

Favorite Cornell Spot: The ride box at Willard Straight, since it's where I met my wife, Colleen. The ride box has probably now been replaced by a web application, but when we were in school it was how we sourced rides and riders. She was going to Pittsburgh and picked me out as her driver, we then started dating, and the rest was history. My other regular favorite spot is going to hockey games at Lynah Rink.
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Dragon Day on the Quad
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Cornell trustee; advisory boards for Johnson, E@C, and Pillsbury Entrepreneurship program; Class of ’73 officer; Cornell Club of Western Washington; helped start Cornell Entrepreneur Network in Seattle and restart the Seattle Johnson School Club; Big Red Venture Fund as advisor and Council member; host annual West Coast Treks for Johnson MBA candidates
First CU Volunteer Experience: I first got involved with Cornell interviewing students that were applying to both undergrad and the Johnson School and mentored many of them once they were accepted. I really enjoy working with the students and helping them realize their career passions.
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Mentoring Johnson School students looking for opportunities
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: Helping start and grow the Cornell Entrepreneur Network activities in Seattle

Meredith Rosenberg ‘92
Term: 2012-16
Boston, MA

Favorite Cornell Spot: Too many to choose. Among my favorites are sitting under a tree on Libe Slope; sitting on the overhang behind Uris library looking down Libe Slope; the Chapter House; zip line across upper end of Beebe Lake by the waterfall.
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Hot Truck with friends
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Board of Trustees; Entrepreneurship@Cornell; PCCW; Mentoring undergraduate students
First CU Volunteer Experience: Serving as a freshman orientation counselor in Fall 1989, the start of my sophomore year
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Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Boston 150th Advisory Group
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: I was a Reunion Class Clerk for the Class of 1965's 25th reunion in 1990. It was through this experience that I was first engaged with Alumni Affairs and saw the breadth of volunteer opportunities beyond what was happening on campus.

Alumni-Elected Trustee Candidates for 2014
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Enrique Vila-Biaggi '94, MEN '95
2014 Candidate
Guaynabo, PR
Favorite Cornell Spot: Libe Slope – Breathtaking and so peaceful and relaxing!
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Torn between Slope Day and our Hot Truck Run after midnight! Happy that I still get to do the Hot Truck run with my friends when I visit campus!
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Cornell University Council (Life Member); CAAAN Advisory Committee (C'AC) (Chair); Cornell University Council Administrative Board; Cornell Alumni Association Administrative Board; Cornell Alumni Club of Puerto Rico
First CU Volunteer Experience: CAAAN (Miami, FL) right after graduation… Loved it!
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: I became Chair of the CAAAN Advisory Committee (C'AC) this past June. Working with an awesome team of alumni and Admissions personnel to increase and improve our interaction with applicants during the Contact Meeting process.
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: It has to be CAAAN! We are the first to see prospective Cornellians while they are going through the application process. We provide students with their first glimpse of Cornell, and hopefully our interaction and insightfulness leads to students who, once they join Cornell, become fully engaged with the university and later on even more engaged as alumni. Our role is key!

Michael Troy '81
2014 Candidate
Greenwich, CT
Favorite Cornell Spot: Atop McGraw Tower on a beautiful, sunny day
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Singing the Alma Mater at any sporting event
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Cornell University Council, Athletics Advisory Council (Chair), Dyson School Advisory Council, President's Circle Committee, Major Gifts Committee, Class of 1981 Class Council
First CU Volunteer Experience: Tower Club Committee
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Cornell University Council
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: Serving as chair of the Athletics Advisory Council
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Elizabeth Everett '97
2014 candidate
South Salem, NY

Favorite Cornell Spot: The suspension bridge. Not just for the beauty of the spot above the gorge, but because it reminds me of stories of antics from my parents’ time on the Hill.
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Big Red teams saluting the Band and their fans at the conclusion of their contests – win or lose.
Cornell Volunteer Communities: PCCW, Cornell University Council, Athletics Advisory Council, Fraternity and Sorority Advisory Council, Class of ’97 and Regional Campaigns, CFA
First CU Volunteer Experience: Clerk for the Class of ’49s 45th Reunion in Risley Hall. I was exposed to terrific alumni who not only provided me with valuable academic, career and life advice at the time, but also became lifelong friends and inspired me to become and remain an alumni leader.
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: Connecting with remarkable Cornellians at the PCCW and AAAC Ithaca meetings in March.
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: It’s challenging to pick just one, but having benefited from a Cornell Tradition Fellowship as a student, being able to endow a Cornell Tradition Book Award as an alumnae is the clear answer. Getting to know and engaging with the student recipients each year just amplifies the experience.

Kim Azzarelli '93
2014 candidate
New York, NY

Favorite Cornell Spot: Uris Library - its views and tranquility are unmatched
Favorite Cornell Tradition: Very hard to choose but I would have to pick apple picking at Cornell Orchards
Cornell Volunteer Communities: Avon Global Center for Women and Justice at Cornell Law School (Co-founder and Steering Committee: Chair since 2008); President’s Council of Cornell Women (Member 2009-2015); Diversity and Inclusion (Vice Chair 2010-2013); Law School Advisory Council (Member 2009-2017)
First CU Volunteer Experience: I interned during college with the then-recently established President’s Council of Cornell Women and assisted women entrepreneurs in downtown Ithaca with their business plans and strategies.
Most Recent CU Volunteer Experience: The Avon Global Center for Women and Justice at Cornell Law School
Most Impactful CU Volunteer Experience: I would have to say it has been my work with the the Avon Global Center for Women and Justice, which works at the Cornell Law School and convenes judges, legal professionals and governmental and non-governmental organizations to improve access to justice in an effort to eliminate violence against women and girls. It has given me an incredible opportunity to work with Cornellians and women across the globe to affect real change.