CU establishes new Bouffant School of Beautician Management

Beauty may be in the eye of the beholder, but Cornell will soon embrace would-be experts in hairstyling, manicures, pedicures and make-up. Thanks to a generous $75 million endowment from Eugene A. ’66 and Clairol B. Bouffant ’65, Cornell will establish the Bouffant School of Beautician Management.

In a unanimous vote, Cornell's Trustees approved establishing the unique college, first among the Ivies. The Bouffant School will begin recruiting up to 15 faculty and 5 staff members this summer, with classes slated to begin this fall. The university is hoping to lure famed hairstylists Braid Pitt from the University of Pittsburgh, Robert Bobb from Duke and Bea Haive from the University of Texas.

"Nationwide we have seen a demand for people who are well-versed in improving appearances," said Fuller Brush, the newly appointed dean. "On the cutting edge, so to speak, we hope that Cornell graduates can simply make the world look a little better."

Brush said the Bouffant School will help bolster Cornell's newly refreshed mission: "any person, any study, any hairstyle."

The Bouffant School will be located in Rand Hall, under the auspices of the College of Architecture, Art and Planning.

Cornell Employee Slope Day, May 2

Rock On! Tower & Tennille, the College Ave. Boys and 'CU Sync to perform at first annual Cornell Employee Slope Day

Rock out before the students! Performers Tower & Tennille, The College Ave. Boys and 'CU Sync take to the Libe Slope stage for a glorious afternoon of music – at the first-ever annual Cornell Employee Slope Day, May 2, from noon to 5 p.m.

Tickets are free, but employees and their families can get up to ten wristbands for Cornell Employee Slope Day.

Donny Osmond, a local radio host, will be the master of ceremonies.

The line-up: College Ave. Boys at 1 p.m., followed by 'CU Sync at 2:15 p.m.; and ending with Tower & Tennille at 3:30 to 5 p.m.

For the upcoming show, Cornell will be the last stop on Tower and Tennille's 2013 Return from Tour tour. This 1970s duo hasperformed nationwide in other cities, including Poughkeepsie and Water Vliet, N.Y. Tower & Tennille have earned six gold singles, one half bronze, three amalgams, two recyclable plastics, one aluminum, three tin, eight lead and one platinum single. They have created a very distinctive – and literally unheard of – brand of pop music.

"We are lucky we booked Tower & Tennille," said Joe Scaffido, Cornell's top booking agent. "They were ten minutes away from signing a contract for the students' Slope Day on May 3, but we got them first for Cornell Employee Slope Day! The students get Paul Revere and the Raiders."

The other two bands, The College Ave. Boys and 'CU Sync, are touring together. Prior to playing at Cornell Employee Slope Day, they will perform at Bailey Hall on May 1 and for the new Hess Gas Station April 30 grand opening in Oneonta, at Market Street and Main Street – where "We Treat Your Car Right!"
KinderBrains Lecture Series starts April 11

The fourth annual Cornell Kinder-Brains Lecture Series begins April 11. Throughout the month, promising kindergartners from across the country speak on a fascinating range of topics. The lecture series was made possible by grants from Pull-Ups, Garanimals matching pajamas from Sears and by new Super Healthy Cheerios by General Mills.

Speakers include:

April 11 – Theodora Zincks, age 5, prodigious finger painter, exceptional colorer and Smiley Face aficionado from Palo Alto, Calif., lectures on “If Everything I Learned in Kindergarten is All I Need to Know, Then Why Bother for the Next 12 Years?” at the Alice Statler Auditorium, 4:30 p.m.

April 18 – Libby Hyde-Bailey, age 4, whose chalk paintings have appeared on some of the finest neighborhood driveways in Elmira, speaks on “The Golden Rule: Is It Gold and Is It a Rule?,” at the David Call Auditorium, 4:30 p.m.

April 25 – TeeFee Crane, age 5, from Buffalo, who runs with scissors, designs refrigerator art, and is It a Rule? who preferred to remain anonymous. “It’s about time they learned what was involved in my typical day, so that they will respect my need for downtime before I make their supper or take them for a walk.”

Another, who works in one of the operating rooms, said that she will bring her pet chicken, Feathers, to work, but is going to leave her in her cage out in the waiting room rather than in the surgical prep room. “I just don’t think Feathers will appreciate the sight of knives and scalpels,” she said. She also will not bring Feathers with her when she goes to the Trillium for lunch. “Bring Your Pet to Work Day really changes your perspective on much of what we take for granted in our daily work lives,” she said. One of the cashiers in the small animal hospital is bringing her dog, Mooch, and having him sit in the lobby. “That way, he can meet a wide range of other dogs, and learn about what they do for a living, whether it is agility, as a service animal, or as a working dog,” she said. “The day will give him an opportunity to decide if any of those occupations might be right for him.” 🐾

Plantations to create extinct garden collection

Last year it was the corpse flower, but this year Plantations has outdone itself,” said the communications manager for Cornell Plantations. “As part of Cornell’s sesquicentennial celebrations, we are creating an extinct garden, and are currently collecting specimens of all plants that have become extinct since 1865, the year of Cornell’s founding,” he announced at a recent gathering of horticulturalists.

He admits that the plants have been hard to come by, saying that only living, fully rooted, whole specimens will be featured in a round garden at the base of Rhododendron Hill that has been specially created for these specimens. The Plantations is not accepting dried or preserved plants or DNA samples, he says.

Cost, also, is a factor, he says. “We simply cannot pay upwards of $1 million per plant,” he says, noting that the top five companies specializing in rare and exotic plants were unable to give him a firm figure for anything less. “We tried mail order firms, too,” he says, “and they all said they were out of stock.” 🐾

Skortomacare to become new, optional health care plan

The university is announcing a new, optional health care plan available to all endowed and contract college employees, Skortomacare. The plan is based on the same premises as the current endowed plan for healthy living, with an emphasis on prevention, wellness exams and employees’ commitment to lead a more healthy lifestyle. In addition to offering all the benefits that come with the healthy living plan, Skortomacare gives cash bonuses – paid by the mile – to employees who walk or run to work; free, all-you-can-eat lunches to all employees in the Wellness Program weight loss contest; and a Big Red “Skortomacare Forever!” T-shirt to all participants who sign up before spring arrives in June. “We are piloting this program to employees this year,” said a benefits administrator, “but if it is successful, we will offer it to students next year. Just think of the impact of 19,000 red T-shirts all across campus.” 🐾
out of loss comes perspective, says final Soup and Hope speaker

NANCY DOOLITTLE

Before Mar Pérez moved with her husband to Ithaca in 1996 – leaving her family, pets and belongings in her hometown of Macuto, located between the mountains and coastline of Venezuela – she packed up everything she didn’t need to bring with her and numbered and color-coded the boxes.

Two years later, after three days of rain, the mountainside slid into Macuto – burying everything in its path – including her pets and all those boxes. Her parents survived, but because of the town’s isolation, Pérez did not hear from them for three days.

“Those were the longest three days of my life,” said Pérez, a program coordinator in the Office of the Dean of Students, presenting the final Soup and Hope talk of 2013, March 28 in Sage Chapel.

When her father finally got through by phone, he recounted the event – at 8 p.m. he heard screaming to “run, run … the mountain, the river is coming down.” But there was no time to run, and water poured into the house everywhere. The family huddled in the house and prayed, holding on to faith that they would survive. Just when all seemed lost, the water levels stopped rising.

When her family went outside, water and mud were everywhere. “So much of the town was gone, friends and family lost forever,” Mar Pérez said. “No childhood house, my school, grandmother’s house, my own house and my beloved animals … .”

Her mother died a year later.

Pérez said that from these experiences came what have been her guiding lights ever since: her parents’ “valor, fé y esperanza . . . courage, faith and hope.”

In spite of all his losses, Pérez said that her father, a former consular general officer for the Venezuela Consulate, kept moving forward, becoming, for her, a rock “bigger than those that came down the mountain.”

Now, whenever life seems overwhelming, she calls him. He listens quietly until her voice slows down, and “then comes all the advice that he can share, simple and to the point,” Pérez said. “When you have lost so much, you know how to keep things in perspective.”

And for Pérez, too, life has gone on. She still lives in Ithaca, with her husband and children, and she works full-time for the Staley Center for Student and Community Support, mentoring student staff; bringing leadership support to “Tapestry of Possibilities”; providing artistic counsel, publicity promotion and Web support for EARS, Minds Matter and the Women’s Center; and offering direct administrative support to the University Crisis Management Team.

She has learned that “making time for happiness matters,” accepting support is part of the healing process, and “it is totally 100 percent OK to love chocolate more than anything in the universe.”

Family, friends and experiences, Pérez said, are what keep her going. “No matter how big or small a crisis, we always have each other,” she said. “While I no longer have all the color-coded boxes, I carry all the experiences and memories – from Venezuela and from many of you here – with me,” she said. “We can only give out what we have in our hearts, and what we give will always come back to us in bigger ways.

“Live fully in the present with valor, fé y esperanza … courage, faith and hope,” she concluded.
Cloud Computing: What’s in it for students, faculty and staff?
By Teresa Craighead

Fourth in a series of articles about cloud computing at Cornell.

Cloud services have many institutional benefits related to efficiency, flexibility and saving resources. But how do they benefit those of us who use these services in our daily work lives?

Here are some ways each of us as individual users profit from Cornell’s emerging focus on cloud services:

They are easy to use: Because of good user interfaces, we can begin using cloud services right away and build skills as we need to use less familiar features. For example, many of Cornell’s faculty and staff have set up Box accounts and within minutes have productively used them because of the Box’s intuitive interface.

They are accessible via the web and on a variety of end-user devices: PCs, mobile phones, tablets.

They help us with productivity: Services use dashboards, interfaces and templates that make it easy for end users to produce desired results on their own, for example, in setting up blogs with Cornell’s blog service or a survey with Qualtrics. There is no need to wait around for an expert to configure or build the blog or survey for you.

Cornell’s cloud service strategy could ultimately lead to more applications for users to choose from: As costs come down, it may be affordable to offer more applications, even if there is overlap in functionality, so that individuals can choose just the right tool for their needs.

In a world where we can all be our own IT department by downloading an app on a smartphone or tablet, users expect campus IT to provide quickly available, easy-to-use, personalized services. Enterprise cloud services are one way IT@Cornell can provide the kind of experience that users want and expect.

More information:
Guide to Understanding Cloud Services, at http://www.it.cornell.edu/services/guides/cloud/
Cloud computing: What are Cornell’s cloud services?, at http://pawprint.cornell.edu/?q=articles/columns/tech-talk/cloud-computing-what-are-cornell%e2%80%99s-cloud-services
Why is cloud computing strategic for Cornell?, at http://pawprint.cornell.edu/?q=articles/columns/tech-talk/cloud-computing-strategic-for-cornell

Tech Training Spotlight

For a complete listing of technical training resources, see www.it.cornell.edu/training. Email questions to workshop-info@cornell.edu.


Vet open house, April 13
The annual Vet College Open House will be held April 13, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at the College of Veterinary Medicine. It is a free event; children must be chaperoned.

Veterinary students and members of the faculty and staff host the open house to provide those interested with a closer look at veterinary medicine. They will be on hand to answer questions about veterinarian, veterinary technician, or animal care specialist careers. This rapidly growing field provides opportunities to work in the animal health industry, government, armed forces and with many other species in zoos, wildlife refuges and developing countries.

Participate in a scavenger hunt as you explore the Open House exhibits.

Events, demos and tours
• Camelids (Alpacas and Chewy the Camel)
• Virtual hospital tours and admissions presentations (James Law Auditorium); ultrasound demos; equine treadmill
• Canine agility
• Animal pathology “Show-and-Tell”
• Tour the Animal Health Diagnostic Center

Exhibits
• Visit the petting zoo and play with baby farm animals.
• Explore exhibits with exotic pets and wildlife.
• Learn how to milk a cow.
• Discover more about the anatomy of your pets.
• Watch students perform an ultrasound on a dogs.
• Dress up in surgical scrubs and have your photo taken as a veterinary surgeon.
• Visit Teddy Bear ER, where we will surgically repair your wounded stuffed animals with TLC. Bring your own stuffed animal.
• See a demonstration of a state-of-the-art performance treadmill, used to study orthopedic and cardiovascular diseases of horses.
• Watch an expert farrier fabricate horseshoes throughout the day.

2013 lectures
Topics will include public health issues, the veterinary profession, pet emergencies and first-aid.
The fourth annual American Red Cross blood drive competition between Cornell and Dartmouth College began with a blood drive April 1 and continues with eight additional drives throughout the month. The competition provides an informal incentive for both campuses to rally their communities to help meet the need nationwide for blood. All faculty, staff and students are encouraged to participate.

Last year, Cornell won bragging rights over Dartmouth, having collected 333 units of donated blood. Because each unit of blood is estimated to save up to three lives, last year’s Cornell donations were estimated to have saved nearly 1,000 lives. This year, Cornell must collect well over 333 units to defend its position, as scoring for the competition is based on the greatest percentage increase over the previous year’s collection. Nine different student organizations have volunteered their time to host blood drives across campus to meet this challenge.

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### The need for blood donations: an every day challenge

- Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood, with more than 44,000 blood donations needed daily.
- The average red blood cell transfusion is approximately 3 pints, but a single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood.
- Type O-negative blood (red cells) can be transfused to patients of all blood types. It is always in great demand and often in short supply.
- Type AB-positive plasma can be transfused to patients of all other blood types. AB plasma is also usually in short supply.
**News from the EA**

**A message from Leslie Morris**

What is the Employee Assembly (EA) and what does it do for me? I know many employees ask the same question I asked before I became involved with the EA.

I am the manager of marketing and communications for the Office of Executive Education at the School of Hotel Administration. I previously worked as the manager of marketing and communications for the Schwartz Center for the Performing Arts and the Department of Theatre, Film and Dance. During Reimagining Cornell, our department suffered drastic staff and budget cuts, and it was then that I began being interested in campus governance and championing employee interests. Because the performing arts center was located on the edge of campus, I felt being involved in EA would also introduce me to staff from across campus and to central administrators.

Now I can answer that question. The EA is a dedicated group of staff members who volunteer to serve as representatives for employees across campus and advocate for employees on such matters as policies, concerns and benefits.

I have been fortunate to serve on an EA that proactively works to institute change, pass resolutions and take action. I am extremely proud of our efforts in initiating, implementing and following up on the Employee Engagement Survey and the many policy and benefits changes that will result in bettering employee work environments. I serve as co-chair on the Personal Development Committee for the Response to the Engagement Survey Team and am excited to see the development of proposed improved policies with regard to wellness and personal development for staff.

I also served as the communications chairperson for the EA for two years, and it is gratifying to work with so many talented and dedicated employees who commit their time to help spread the word about the EA to its constituents. As my second term on the EA comes to a close, I hope others will consider running from a variety of duties.

To those of you who have not volunteered before, I hope you will consider it this year,” said Mary Opperman, vice president for human resources and safety services. “Volunteers significantly contribute to the success of this event,” she added.

**Pay practices for Slope Day**

**Staff volunteers:** Supervisory approval is needed for release time from work for volunteer hours that coincide with scheduled work hours. Hours spent volunteering will be considered paid release time (i.e., paid leave) only if they coincide with scheduled work hours. Hours spent volunteering that fall outside of scheduled work hours will be without pay.

**Nonexempt staff required to work:** Nonexempt staff members who are required to work the Slope Day event will be paid for all hours worked during the event, even if such hours do not coincide with their regularly scheduled work hours. Such time should be entered as “regular” in the time collection system.

If you are unsure whether you are assisting at Slope Day in a volunteer or in a required capacity, contact your supervisor, your local human resources representative or the Division of Human Resources (255-6894) for clarification.

**Exempt staff** who provide assistance during Slope Day in any capacity will receive their usual compensation.

**To volunteer**

Staff and faculty who wish to volunteer are asked to submit an online application, found at http://www.slopeday.cornell.edu, where the dates, times and location for the training can also be accessed. Volunteers should plan to attend one of the training sessions to review their volunteer duties.

E-mail slopehelp@cornell.edu or call 255-3513 with questions.

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**Register for The Pedal for Pets bike-a-thon**

The Pedal for Pets bike-a-thon to support the Patient Assistance Fund to benefit animal patients of the Cornell University Hospital for Animals will be held April 27, and all faculty and staff are welcome to register. Join the Student Chapter of the American Veterinary Medical Association (SCAVMA) bikers on a 30- or 50-mile bike ride throughout Ithaca and the neighboring communities and raise funds for the Patient Assistance Fund, which benefits clients with economic need to help cover medical and surgical costs for their animal companions.

Check-in and day-of registration for the race itself is at the Veterinary Medical Center at the College of Veterinary Medicine, April 27 at 9 a.m. The bike-a-thon begins in the B-lot parking lot at 10 a.m. Finish-line activities, including awards, will be at 2 p.m.

You can also help by sponsoring a rider, donating a prize at the finish line, or helping to sponsor the event.

**Registration Fee:** $40. More information and registration online at www.vet.cornell.edu/events/ pedal or return the form along with registration fee or donations to: Jane Park c/o Stephanie Specchio, S2016 Schurman Hall, Cornell University
Community viewing and discussion of three-part PBS documentary on race begins April 8

The State Theatre of Ithaca will screen the PBS documentary series “Race: the Power of an Illusion,” over three consecutive Mondays, April 8, 15 and 22, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free admission. Community leaders will introduce each episode of the series; with screenings followed by a panel and facilitated conversation about the film and its current relevance.

The first installment, showing April 8, will be introduced by Cornell President David Skorton and Greater Ithaca Activities Center Director Marcia Fort. This episode examines the contemporary science that challenges concepts of race that group humans into three or four fundamentally different groups according to their physical traits.

The second, The Story We Tell , showing April 15, will be introduced by Jean McPheeters, president, Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce and Assistant Professor Sean Eversley Bradwell, Ithaca College. Episode 2 uncovers the roots of the race concept in North America, the 19th century science that legitimated it, and its persistence into the present.

Svante Myrick, mayor of Ithaca, and Don Barber, supervisor, Town of Caroline, will introduce the third episode, April 22, The House We Live In. This episode discusses how politics, economics and culture define race. It reveals how our social institutions “make” race by disproportionately channeling resources, power, status and wealth to some.

The idea for a broad community viewing of this documentary was born out of an earlier public viewing of the series by the Social Justice Committee of the Ithaca Friends (Quakers), who named the community-viewing initiative, “Understanding to Overcome.”

For more information, see U2O.org at http://u2o.org/ and watch the preview clip at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x7NwtQe2FZM.

Reminder: Duck race and fun run race

The 13th Annual Cascadilla Duck Race and Color Splash Fun Run Race will be held April 28, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Registration and 5-K run will begin at 10 a.m. at Stewart Park on the Cayuga Waterfront Trail.

At 2 p.m., 3,400 bright yellow rubber ducks will tumble over the falls and float down Cascadilla Creek to the finish line at the Cooperative Extension, on 615 Willow Ave., Ithaca. A festival there will feature food, games, prizes and live entertainment.

Between 3 and 4 p.m., duck race prizes and awards will be given at the center, with games, activities, displays and refreshments. The event coincides with the annual CCE-Tompkins Master Composters’ Compost Center, also at the center.

All proceeds benefit the Tompkins County 4-H Youth Development Program, including 4-H Clubs, Rural Youth Services, 4-H Urban Outreach and Primitive Pursuits.

For more information, see http://ccetompkins.org/4h/activities-events/program-activities or call 4-H Duck Race Coordinator or Megan Tiff, (607) 272-2292, or e-mail Laura Pulito, lbp39@cornell.edu.

Getting the ball rolling...

Seventy-five people participated in the Cornell Recreation Connection bowling events March 20 and March 23 at the Helen Newman Bowling Center. Both events were well received and are planned to be repeated next year.

On both days all participants received a free ticket to bowl again, along with a door prize. Door prizes were donated by Helen Newman Bowling Center, Cornell Athletics, The Cornell Store, the Division of Human Resources and Safety Services, Cornell Cinema, Campus Facilities, The Nines, Cayuga Lake Creamery, Cornell Dining, Cornell Wellness and Yogurt Crazy. Prizes were given to the top bowlers at the March 23 tournament; token prizes were awarded at the March 20 lunchtime event.

Cheryl McGraw, in pink, was voted best dressed at the lunchtime bowling event, March 20.
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Canoe, $265. Old Town Discovery 133k, excellent condition, strong and stable. SuperLinkSTM wide beam keeled; 13’L, 40”W, 14”D; 3 canoe seats; fishing, hunting, paddling. jkt27@cornell.edu or 255-4632.

Walk-in handicapped tub, $1,200, with whirlpool system, in-line heater. Purchased in 2010 for $2,700. Includes fixtures. Minimal usage. Have all paperwork. eh85@cornell.edu or 255-7393.

GE microwave and GE refrigerator/freezer, $200. Microwave (N’H 24”W 18”D) $50. Side-by-side refrigerator/freezer (69”H 36”W 31”D) with icemaker, ice/water dispenser, electronic control panel $150. cwcd@cornell.edu or 255-2009.

Suitcase, Delsey, brown, 69.26”H x 14”W x 10”D. Large outside pockets, 2 corner wheels, TSA lock combination. es37@cornell.edu or 279-9895.

Carisle Snow Hog Holeshot ATV tires, $83 for the pair. 18 x 6.5-8. Brand new in shipping wrap - never used. No shipping. Cash. tltd@cornell.edu or 255-1682.

1999 Harley Davidson Sportster 883, $4000. Has forward controls, new rear tire and brakes, windshield, new handle bars and luggage rack, cr332@cornell.edu or 607-425-2796.

Proform Treadmill, $250. Paid $450, three years ago, has adjustable incline, and programmable workouts. mc31@cornell.edu or 255-7536.

Empire couch with lion claw feet, $1999 and microwave, $79. Beautiful antique in excellent condition. Mahogany. Family heirloom but moving, so must sacrifice. 1150-watt microwave, new 2012. mc834@cornell.edu or 255-7495.

Home office chair, $50., good condition, purchased from Staples. Vocazo™ Mesh Managers Chair, Black Item: 646143 Model: 13243 - kr3@cornell.edu or 220-3470.

OFFER
Van Pool, $130/mo. Seats available, Van Pool, daily commute between Watkins Glen and Ithaca. Affordable. lam79@cornell.edu or 255-0144.

Book Sale Trumansburg Ulysses Philomathic Library, 1-3. Apr. 26: 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Apr. 27 & 28: 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Apr. 29 & 30: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. 74 E. Main St, Trumansburg, 607-387-5623.

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COOPERATIVE EXTENSION EVENTS
AgStravaganza!
A free family event for learning about local agriculture, with educational exhibits, farm machinery, and farm-themed games, crafts and activities will be held April 6, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., The Shops at Ithaca Mall, 40 Catherwood Road, Ithaca.

Avoid problems with home improvements
A free public workshop on avoiding problems with home improvements will be held April 11 at 11 a.m., 615 Willow Avenue, Ithaca. Mike Danaher, consumer fraud attorney from the New York State Attorney General’s Office, will present information on what typical home improvement scams look like, how to avoid them and what to do if they happen to you. No advance registration is necessary.

What the robin knows
Jon Young, birder, tracker, naturalist and author of “What the Robin Knows,” will share his insights into bird language and behavior. April 12, 7-9 p.m., at the Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods, Ithaca.

Free, donations appreciated. Space is limited—arrive early for a good seat. Copies of “What the Robin Knows” will be available for sale and signing by the author. Sponsored by Primitive Pursuits at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County.

How to buy local meats
Many consumers are interested in buying local meats but are confused by such designations as “grass-fed,” “natural,” and “organic,” and are unfamiliar with many cuts of meat and how they’re used. A class on buying local meats will be held April 18 at 7 p.m., in Room A of the Cooperative Extension Education Center, 615 Willow Ave., Ithaca. The class is free but registration is necessary: call (607) 272-2292. Questions? Contact Matt LeRoux at mnl28@cornell.edu.

PLANTATIONS EVENTS
Take a Mundy audio tour
The Mundy Wildflower Garden is known for its variety of early-blooming wildflowers. To celebrate National Poetry Month this April, graduate student Emily Oliver matched her favorite poems to many of the garden’s wildflowers. Look for signs throughout the garden providing a number of information on what typical home improvement scams look like, how to avoid them and what to do if they happen to you. No advance registration is necessary. Call 607-272-2292. Questions? Contact Matt LeRoux at mnl28@cornell.edu.

IN-HOME CARE
Teresa Nix, certified senior advisor (CSA) and private consultant on senior health care needs, will speak April 24, noon-1 p.m., at 224 Weill Hall. Topics addressed will include: where to find the options for in-home care; differences between licensed agencies and certified agencies, between Companion Services and Home Health Aide Services, and between private hires and agency employees; managing care from a different state or distance from your loved one. To register, go to https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFNfaE5IcDdCc3hhWnBYZFVw

Pruning trees and shrubs
Learn the basics of pruning and advanced techniques in this hands-on workshop, April 13, 1-4 p.m., at the Nevin Welcome Center, Cornell Plantations. An indoor session to discuss tools, techniques and safety will be followed by field experience with a wide variety of woody plants. Bring your own pair of comfortable hand pruners and/or a small folding saw, and wear sturdy footwear. Cost: $36; $30 members and Cornell students. Pre-registration required at http://www.cornellplantations.org/event.

NEW YORK CITY TRIPS
Day trips to New York City resume with the first trip April 13. Discounted fare for these trips is $50 per person for Cornell employees and up to four guests. Additional trips are scheduled for May 11, June 8, July 13 and August 10. Call Swarthout at 257-2277 to make a reservation.

Once your payment is received and your reservation is set, you will receive an email confirmation, which serves as your boarding pass for the trip.

Shawrthout Tours cancel a trip, your money will be refunded. Swarthout Tours is not responsible for the cost of any tickets you may have purchased to concerts or shows that you may miss in New York City in the event of trip cancellation.

Itinerary for “Day on Your Own in NYC” trips
6:30 a.m.: Bus leaves Cornell’s B-Lot (you must have your boarding pass to board the bus).

11:30 a.m.: Bus arrives at NYC with drop-offs at Bryant Park and Macys (34th Street and 7th Ave.). Spend the day on your own in New York City.

The bus leaves from Bryant Park ONLY at 8 p.m. sharp, returning to Cornell at about 12:30 am.

CU PARENTING 101
Parenting experts will present a forum for members of the Cornell community considering becoming a parent or about to become a parent, April 22, 8:30-10 a.m., at 163 Day Hall. Topics to be covered: short-term disability benefits; parental leave options, child care referral and financial aid, health benefits and workplace lactation support. For more information and to register, go to https://www.hr.cornell.edu/life/support/wellbeing_programs.html or email wellbeing@cornell.edu.

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Teresa Nix, certified senior advisor (CSA) and private consultant on senior health care needs, will speak April 24, noon-1 p.m., at 224 Weill Hall. Topics addressed will include: where to find the options for in-home care; differences between licensed agencies and certified agencies, between Companion Services and Home Health Aide Services, and between private hires and agency employees; managing care from a different state or distance from your loved one. To register, go to https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFNfaE5IcDdCc3hhWnBYZFVw

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