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2012 marks 20 years since I moved away from New York—first to Chicago, then to San Francisco. Where has all that time gone? Although there is a healthy contingent of Cornell alumni in the Bay Area, every now and then there is a Big Red event that can only take place back East and I wish I were around for it. Such an event happened late last November when Cornell played hockey against Boston U. at Madison Square Garden. A number of classmates were there to cheer on the Big Red Team including **Howard** and **Pamela Goldberg Greenstein** and their children Brooke and Harris, plus **Robert** and **Patricia Cook Rosenberg '89** and their kids Reed and Grayson. Also reported in attendance were **Jonathan Hyde** and his brother **Brian Hyde '91**, who also saw **Peter Moss** in the arena. Although BU won in overtime 2-1, there was plenty of red in the Garden to support the team.

There are some significant accomplishments of our fellow Cornellians to report. In November, **Richard Stone** had an article published in *Science* magazine, "Vigil at North Korea's Mount Doom," that chronicles a "volcanological expedition" of western scientists to Mount Paektu in North Korea. Records indicate that the volcano explodes about once every 100 years, the last time being in 1903. Two-thirds of the mountain in China (where it is known as Changbai) is covered with modern monitoring instruments, but the part of the mountain in North Korea had been "mostly beyond the reach of foreigners and modern equipment" until the trip that Richard's article details. It is truly a fascinating piece that I highly recommend. Richard lives in Beijing and is *Science's* Asia news editor. From his professional bio: "Stone has reported on non-proliferation and environmental issues from some of the most forbidding corners of the world, including North Korea and Iran. In addition to his work for *Science*, Stone has written for *National Geographic*, *Discover*, and *Smithsonian* magazines and is the author of *Mammoth: The Resurrection of an Ice Age Giant*."

Another significant piece of career news came in early December when **Robin Rosenbaum** was nominated by President Obama to the US District Court for Southern Florida. Robin has served as a US magistrate judge for the Southern District of Florida since 2007. From 1998 until her appointment to the bench, she was an assistant US attorney in the same district; she served as chief of the economic crimes section in the Fort Lauderdale office beginning in 2002. In the announcement of the appointment, President Obama said of Robin and two other nominees, "Their records of service to the public and the legal profession are distinguished and impressive and I am confident that they will serve the American people well from the US District Court bench. I am honored to nominate them today." A hearty Big Red congratulations to Robin!

In October 2011, **Jon Piasecki** was given an American Society of Landscape Architects honor award for a project designed and built as a piece of landscape art. For the construction of an 800-foot-long path, Jon—laboring by himself—"transferred tens of tons of gravel and sand as a setting bed with a wheelbarrow" and "moved nearly 400 tons of stone in the wall and as paving." The ASLA awards jury stated, "This is a vote for poetry and beauty and craft. This will endure. You could give this project to a jury in 100 years and they'll still give it an award. The materials are uncompromising. A beautiful idea carried out with uncompromising craftsmanship." More information on Jon's award-winning effort can be found at www.asla.org/2011awards/022.html. Jon's company is Golden Bough Landscape Architecture in Housatonic, MA. Another alumnus engaged in artistic endeavors is photographer **Stephen Sheffield**, BFA '89. Also in October, Stephen sent word that he had been commissioned by the Island Creek Oyster Bar to produce a 15-ft. x 37-ft. permanent photograph for the wall of their new restaurant in Boston. The final product is a series of panels depicting the company's oyster traps on their farm at Duxbury Bay. A description of the project is online at <http://ow.ly/7byI4>.

Further south, **Chara Haeussler Bohan**, an associate professor of social studies education at Georgia State U., edited a new book released last year, *Clinical Teacher Education: Reflections from an Urban Professional Development School Network*. The book "focuses on how to build a school-university partnership network for clinical teacher education in urban school systems serving culturally and linguistically diverse populations." You can learn more about the book on Amazon. Last but certainly not least, I am happy to pass along news from **Deborah Brown**, who became a friend while she was living in Northern California, though we didn't know each other on the Hill. On October 1, 2011 Debbie married beau Mark Stewart in Santa Fe, NM. Debbie said, "Small ceremony, big fun, and a wonderful week off afterwards in and around Taos." Debbie and Mark make their home in St. Paul, MN. Congratulations to you both and warmest wishes for a wonderful life together!

That's all for this column. To see more names in future issues, sit down at your computer and e-mail an update on your life events as soon as possible to your loyal correspondents. I should also mention that in only a couple of months, we will begin the one-year countdown to our 25th Reunion. Keep a look out for more information on that event in these pages in the coming year. Until next time, I wish you peace. ☐
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