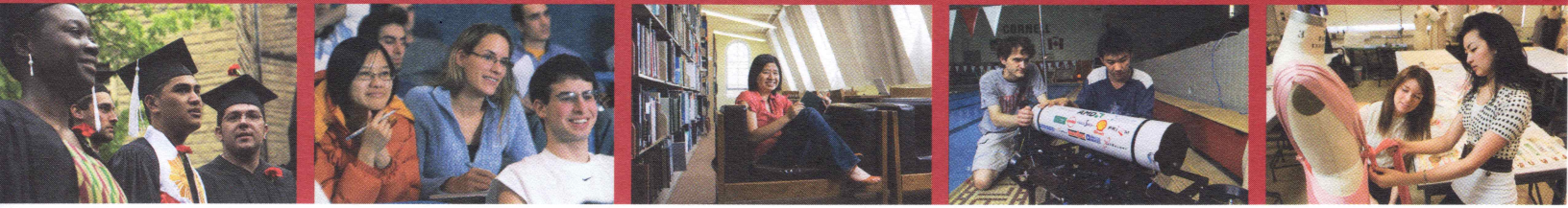


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Dear Class of 1964,

My name is Merritt Cox, and I'm a junior in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, majoring in interdisciplinary studies in agriculture and life sciences. I'm incredibly grateful to be a Tradition Fellow again this year — your support truly makes it possible for me to continue pursuing the work I care about.

This scholarship has allowed me to keep growing both academically and professionally. Over the past year, I've continued building Merritt's Farm Dogs, the small business I founded to breed high-quality Great Pyrenees livestock guardian dogs for the emerging solar grazing market. I've also kept working part-time at Ox Cart Dairy, where I help manage operations across 600 acres and care for calves. These experiences have shaped my goals and given me a clearer sense of the kind of impact I want to make in agriculture.

Outside the classroom, I stayed involved with Alpha Gamma Rho, the Dairy Science Club, Track Club, Running Club, and Bee Club — all communities that have helped me grow and stay connected here at Cornell.

Thank you for believing in students like me. Your generosity supports more than just our education — it supports the work we're passionate about and the future we're building.

With gratitude,  
Merritt Cox

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