



### ***Birding in the New Science Building***

An in-depth tour of the ornithology lab will begin on **Thursday, March 23**, at 10 am in the new Science Building, 22 Sachus Street. Curator Richard Prum is pleased that YUWO members will share his interest in the bird world. Bring your questions and a snack or lunch. Meet in the first floor lobby. Contact: Anne MacMahon, 772-1643

### ***Music Together***

On **Monday, March 27**, 8:00 p.m. at Sprague Hall music by Shulman, Prokofiev, Bloch, Bax and Bratons will be played by Jesse Levine, viola, and Morey Ritt, piano, in the Faculty Artist Series. We will meet at Naples for supper at 6:45 p.m.

Call Patty Pollard, 481-2766 or Alex Koontz, 483-9629

### ***Art Aficionados***

**Wednesday, March 8**, 12 N at the Yale Art Gallery. One of our favorite docents, John Bett, will give us one of his "personal" tours. His title: "The Story in Painting: Artists' Record of Contemporary Events." Come and be stimulated. Lunch at Soul du Cuba, a chance to try a different cuisine. Call Nancy Ahlstrom, 865-2028, to reserve.



**YUWO**  
**is pleased to announce**  
**a donation of \$50,000**  
**from the**  
***John B. Fenn Fund of the***  
***Community Foundation***  
***of Richmond and***  
***Central Virginia***  
**The gift is intended to**  
**support the Magee Fenn**  
**Scholarship Fund**  
**and was recommended by**  
**Dr. John B. Fenn.**

The YUWO scholarship program began in 1971 after Kay Ross had suggested and promoted such a program. Magee Fenn carried it on.

Mrs. Fenn, with her gentle determination and able leadership, quickly convinced the YUWO Board that women on the Yale staff and wives of employees would be given a chance to resume their education; YUWO would gain a purpose, one that has been maintained to this day. The first YUWO scholarship, of \$100, was presented at the 1972 spring luncheon. In May of 1993, the first of many Magee Fenn Scholarships was awarded.

***For other activities, see p. 3.***

### ***Lunch and Learn***

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 21, 12N to 1:30 pm at Dwight Hall Chapel on Old Campus. Our three speakers will be Kathrine Burdick, Executive Director of Dwight Hall, and Helena Herring ('07) and Amy Wojnarwsky ('07), Co-coordinators of Dwight Hall Student Executive Committee. Their subject will be "Public Service and Social Justice at Yale Today." Perhaps you have already met involved, informed student volunteers or you have wondered about the popular program. This is an opportunity to visit the Chapel and learn. Bring a bag lunch; coffee and cookies will be provided. Contact: Beth Dock, 488-7279

### ***Newcomers***

A luncheon will be held at noon on **Saturday, March 25** at Mory's, the legendary eating club on the Yale campus at 306 York Street. The luncheon, which YUWO hosts each spring for its newest members, has proved to be popular with both the Newcomers and YUWO officers who participate in the event. Invitations will be sent to each Newcomer in March.

To reserve, contact Trudy Bollier at 562-9422 or email her at [jabollier@comcast.net](mailto:jabollier@comcast.net)

### *Message From The President*

I greet you this month feeling very elated by the wonderful gift from Dr. John Fenn to the Magee Fenn Scholarship Fund. I did not know Magee but feel we would have shared values, especially the value of education. I feel inspired by this gift and its implicit faith in YUWO's ability to encourage and support women in their quest to improve their lives by furthering their education.

I hope that this gift will inspire all of us in YUWO to continue—and increase!—our support of the scholarship funds and the careful work of the scholarship committees in finding worthy recipients. YUWO serves our needs well; it is gratifying to know that we also serve the needs of other women in the Yale-New Haven Community.

*Allie*

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### CAROL SIROT

Carol Sirot grew up in New York State. Even in her early years, her love of art and her talent for painting were evident. She earned her BA in art at Smith College and received a teaching fellowship for art at Oberlin College teaching undergraduate courses in design and drawing. During that time, she met Gustave Sirot, a dermatologist on the Yale faculty. After graduation, they married and settled in New Haven. Here, Carol continued taking art courses at Yale as a "special student" while raising a family. Later, many of her color studies were included in Josef Alber's definitive book, *Interaction of Color*.

In 1974, Carol and Gus built their dream house in Guilford to have more space to grow the plants and flowers they loved. The Sirots have two children and three grandsons. Deva followed her father in a career in medicine and Jonathan is in business.

"I am grateful that YUWO exists," Carol said. "When the Faculty Club closed, there was no place for Yale families to come together for fellowship." She and others started gourmet luncheons. Meals were prepared in homes and on campus and an ever widening circle of women explored their passion for food and wine.

When Carol's husband died about 15 years ago, she considered her resources. Inspired by the memories of her mother and Gustave, she decided to dedicate herself to philanthropy. Carol has been especially eager to enable women in midlife, who had not been given a chance, to continue their education. To this end, she established the Gustave and Carol Lynn Sirot Scholarship Fund, an endowed fund. This May at our annual luncheon, we expect once again to witness the awarding of the Gustave and Carol Lynn Sirot Scholarship. YUWO's outreach to aspiring women has become a vital part of its life. Since scholarships were first presented in 1971, 235 women have received them.

Much of Carol's oeuvre is placed in and about their gracious contemporary home, where some of her sculpture dots the landscape. It is obvious that she has many interests here and around the world. Not content to live simply in the past, she keeps her mind on the future. One of her present endeavors is providing funds to allow Hospice in Branford to construct a winding fragrant path to the waterfront for the blind, the handicapped and the registered public. People may use the path to meditate and enjoy the beauty of nature. It will be a five-foot wide path, appropriate for wheelchairs and hospice beds to be wheeled down to the water.

Some of us may be privileged to walk that path. To Carol and her projects we say, "Right on!"

*Manette Adams*

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We welcome two additional members: Else Bower, 95 Kenny Dr., New Haven, CT 06513, 469-6696 and Alison Davie-Lewis, 20 Ridgewood Terr., North Haven, CT 06473, 287-1177  
Correction: Cyvia Scharmatt's email address is now [cyvia@aol.com](mailto:cyvia@aol.com).

## *Activities (continued)*

### **Books in March**

- Wednesday, March 1**, 1:15 p.m., Madam Secretary by Madeleine Albright  
Contact: Leona Nalle, 387-7932
- Monday, March 13**, 2:30-4:00 p.m., An American Tragedy by Theodore Dreiser  
Contact: Ginny Shaw, 481-6176
- Wednesday, March 8**, 9-10:30 p.m., West of Kabul, East of New York, by Tamim Anasory  
Contact: Genevieve Goff, 467-3337
- Monday, March 20**, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Beautiful Swimmers by William Warner  
Contact: Ellie Mattson, 453-4274

### **Golf Clinic**

For the sixth year, we offer a five-week golf clinic at the Yale golf course for all level of players. Starting the last week in **April**, weather permitting, the Yale Mens' golf coach, David Patterson, again will be our teacher. The fee is \$150. Call Marion Kessen, 488-3043

### **Movie Matinees**

on **Thursday, March 9** at 1 pm at the Blackstone Library in Branford, we will show an E.M. Forester novel, "Howards End" (1992). Running 2 hours 20 minutes, it is a story of class conflict in Edwardian England. Starring Anthony Hopkins, Vanessa Redgrave, Emma Thompson and Helena Bonham Carter. Background and discussion with Mara Cunningham.

For information, please call Mara at 772-4007 or email Eva at [evaewing@yahoo.com](mailto:evaewing@yahoo.com)

### **New Haven and Environs**

The exact date of the planned spring tour of the New Haven Terminal has yet to be determined. Those who signed up for the tour will be notified by telephone. Other people who would like an opportunity to join the tour, please telephone Ina and you will be put on the list. Contact: Ina Jaffe, 288-9810

### **Play Readers**

The next Play Readers' gathering will be on **Monday, March 27** at 2:00 pm. Please contact Genevieve Goff at 467-3337 or [gengoff@hotmail.com](mailto:gengoff@hotmail.com) for location and play selection.

**Scrabble** To play Scrabble on **Sunday, March 12**, 2:00 pm, call Inge Ladenbauer, 288-2436

## *Looking Ahead—Save the Day*

**YNNH/YUWO Annual Meeting:** On **April 6**, 6-9 p.m., Dr. Gerald Sanacora, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Yale University of Medicine, will speak on "New Advances in the Treatment of Depression" in the event section of the Hospital Cafeteria. Dr. Sanacora is also affiliated with the Connecticut Medical Health Center. Details will be in the April newsletter.

For a reservation, call Stephanie Jatlow, 389-2044

**Travel Gourmet:** **April 25** Time to get on the road again! This time the restaurant is the destination—the Golden Lamb Buttery in Brooklyn. Really excellent food in an unusual setting in an elegant old barn! We will visit the Prudence Crandall House Museum. Logee's Greenhouse is also an attraction in this areas. Call Nancy Ahlstrom, 865-2028, for reservations and final details.

**Spring Trip, NYC:** **May 18** Plans are made to visit the Portraits of Tantric Siddhas at the Rubin Museum in Chelsea. We will also visit the Goya exhibit at the Frick Museum. More details later.

**Marna Borgstrom**  
**Speaker for the Annual Meeting and Luncheon**  
**May 3, 2006**

On October 1, 2005, Marna Borgstrom became the first woman to be appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the Yale-New Haven Hospital and the Yale New Haven Health System which extends from Rye, New York to Westerly, Rhode Island. She graduated from Yale with an M.P.H. in 1979 and began her management career at the hospital as an administrative fellow, rising to Vice President and Chief Operating Officer in 1993. She, her husband, and two sons live in Guilford. We look forward to hearing about highlights of her career and her vision for the future.

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**YUWO ANNUAL LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM**

**NEW HAVEN COUNTRY CLUB**

Wednesday, May 3, 2006

11:30 am

Choice of entrée (please check)

Petit Filet Mignon, Medium Rare only \_\_\_\_\_ Medallions of Chicken Piccata \_\_\_\_\_  
Poached Filet of Sole, Lemon Sauce \_\_\_\_\_

Number of reservations \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25 per person                      Lunch total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to contribute to the Scholarship Fund. My separate check is \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by Wednesday April 26, 2006

Make checks payable to YUWO and mail to Betsy L. Suatoni  
35 Castle Rock  
Branford, CT 06405

Social hour and registration at 11:30.                      Seating for lunch promptly at 12:00 noon.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name of guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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