Wednesday, May 5, 2010

YUWO Annual Meeting & Scholarship Awards Luncheon

at the New Haven Country Club

Speaker: Michael J. Donoghue

Vice President for West Campus Planning and Program Development, Yale University

G. Evelyn Hutchinson Professor of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

Registration: 11:30 am — Luncheon: 12 noon

See page 5 for menu and reservation form.

“Traveling the Silk Road”

Join YUWO on Thursday, April 15 for a visit to the American Museum of Natural History in New York City for its special exhibit, Traveling the Silk Road: Ancient Pathway to the Modern World. Deadline for signup is April 1. It features life-size resin camels, an Arabian dhow ship and special sections on ancient musical instruments, creating silk, glass blowing, making paper and a night bazaar. You will learn about the cultures of four cities: Xi’an, Turfan, Samarkand and Baghdad.

Our super-saver tickets include museum admission, the Silk Road exhibit, an IMAX film, the planetarium show and the Butterfly Conservatory. Lunch is on your own; there are three different areas at the Museum that serve food. Guests are welcome if space is available. Cost is $65, which includes bus transportation, driver’s tip and Museum Super-Saver tickets See page 5 for details and signup.

Lunch and Learn

On Tuesday, April 20, at the Yale Visitor Center, 149 Elm Street at 12:30 pm, Douglas Kysar, the Joseph M. Field ’55 Professor of Law at Yale Law School, will speak on “Ways Not to Think About Climate Change.” The underwhelming outcome of the Copenhagen climate change summit in December raises a host of questions about the future of environmental lawmaking and, more broadly, the planet. This talk will diagnose how we got to this critical juncture and prescribe ways to think differently—and more hopefully—about global environmental cooperation. Professor Kysar has published extensively on a wide array of environmental law topics. His forthcoming book, Regulating from Nowhere: Environmental Law and the Search for Objectivity, explores limitations of the turn toward risk assessment, cost-benefit analysis, and other elite knowledge structures in the determination of environmental law and policy.

The talk will begin at 12:30 pm. Bring a bag lunch at noon. Coffee, tea, and cookies will be provided. For information, contact Mary Davis (203.481.4483).

Exploring New Haven — Q-Bridge Tour

Reminder: On Tuesday, April 6, we will have a tour of the Q-Bridge construction project. This tour is limited to 30, and begins at the Program Office at 424 Chapel St. at 1 pm. Please call Anne Schenck (203.787.3705) or Lyn Howe (203.288.1217) to go on this tour.
Message from the President and Vice-President

We are excited about the spring study group by Alan Plattus, Professor of Architecture and Urbanism, on “New Haven and the Fourth Age of the American City.” We hope that you have joined us for these outstanding lectures at 10:30 on Wednesdays at the New Haven Lawn Club.

Michael Donoghue, Yale Vice President for West Campus Planning and Program Development, will be speaking with us at our Annual Meeting and Scholarship Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, May 5, at the New Haven Country Club. Judy Long and her committee have planned a delicious menu and festive gathering.

The life stories and impressive goals of our scholarship applicants are so inspiring. Each of them deserves as much support as we can provide. Please join us in giving to one or more of YUWO’s scholarship funds and making it possible for these women to pursue their dreams.

Patty and Barbara

NEW! Writing Workshop

The first meeting of the YUWO memoir and other literary endeavors group will be March 24 at 10 am at the home of Ina Jaffee, 1055 Ridge Rd., Hamden. The group will meet once a month or if desired, more often. The purpose of such a group is to have an established, friendly venue for sharing written materials. Our first meeting will be technically a planning session, but please bring a sample of your writing and be prepared to read it. Our obligation is twofold. At each meeting, a member will read her work and then offers useful commentary to improve the work of others. Memoirs, which have become very popular nowadays, are often of a private nature, and the very act of sharing them is courageous. Thus, in order to give free rein to thoughts, the contents of materials shared must remain within the confines of the group. Contact Ina Jaffee (203.288.9810) or by email at inafael@comcast.net.

Spring Study Group

Alan Plattus, Professor of Architecture and Urbanism, continues his series of lectures titled "New Haven and the 4th Age of the American City" on March 24, March 31 and April 7. The lectures are at the New Haven Lawn Club on Wednesdays at 10:30 am.

April Book Groups

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ACTIVITIES

[Listed below is information for YUWO-sponsored activity groups ONLY. We post information about activities that may be of interest to our members, but which are not official YUWO events, at our website at www.yale.edu/yuwo/opportunities.html.]

Art Aficionados: Bett is Back! On Wednesday, April 14, Art Aficionados is once again privileged to have docent John Bett give us his personal insight into selections from the Yale Art Gallery's fantastic permanent collection of 20th century art. Remembering his past tours, we know we will have an intriguing visit. Meet a little before 12 noon at the entrance to the Art Gallery, 1111 Chapel St. We’ll lunch at Bangkok Gardens afterward. Reserve for the tour and lunch by calling Nancy Ahlstrom (203.865.2028).

Bird Watchers may contact Anne MacMahon (203.772.1643) for information about local bird walks and activities. She will give you information about walks that may be arranged with the local New Haven Park Ranger, or research where you can find bird watching information.

Book Circle offers the opportunity to read approximately eight recently published books for the price of one. Books are circulated, with each member keeping one book at the end of the cycle. Circle members select the books by majority vote from a descriptive list. Cost share is about $25. Contact Nancy Hoskins (203.488.1871) or nancy.hoskins@comcast.net for more information.

The Bridge Group will meet for lunch and duplicate bridge at the New Haven Country Club once a month starting in September. You can bring a non-YUWO partner, but at least one of each couple must be a member of YUWO. Call Britta Chambers (203.453.5813) to join.

Conversation Partners encourages you to become a friend and English language partner with an international student/scholar at Yale. There is no foreign language requirement. Generally, partners meet about once a week. Call Roberta Thornton (203.752.0604).


The Golf Group will begin in April. We meet once a week with the Yale pro to improve our game. Beginners welcome. Five meetings in April and May at the Yale Course; fee to be determined. Call Pam Rackliffe, (203.488.2667), or Marion Kessen (203.488.3043) or email prackliffe@comcast.net for questions or to sign up.

Hiking Group: On Wednesday, April 21, weather permitting, some of the Hiking Group will welcome spring vigorously with a demanding hike up Bald Head. This hike is for experienced walkers who have no difficulty with a hard climb up into the hills. For May, we will offer a different sort of walking experience. Please check the next Newsletter for information on another visit to West Campus, this time to walk on the nature trails there. We may be able to combine the walk with a picnic lunch together afterwards, if the Campus offers a spot for this. Please call for information: Lyn Howe (203.288.1217) or Anne Schenck (203.787.3705).

Italian Conversation meets on Thursday afternoons at Southern Connecticut State University. For more information: Desiree Galassi (203.426.3214) or dgalassi@eathlink.net.

Luncheon Gourmet members meet on the first Thursday of each month to cook, eat and socialize. Contact Happy Thomas (203.393.7239), Marty Sherman (203.605.5773) or Carol Dhawan (203.562.0017).

The Music Together Group will attend a free concert by the Yale Camerata, Glee Club and Yale Symphony Orchestra, of Verdi's Requiem, in Woolsey Hall on Saturday, April 24, at 8 pm. Meet for dinner at 6:30 pm at Clark's Restaurant, 68 Whitney Ave. Call Ileane Tombank (203.288.5363) or Raejeanne Kier (203.287.2443).

Needlers will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 1:30 pm in members’ homes for conversation and light refreshment while working on one’s own project—knitting, crocheting, rug hooking, quilting, embroidery, or mending. Call Betty Ann Levitin (203.488.5862) for information.
**Scrabble:** On the first Sunday of each month beginning October 4, there will be a meeting of the Scrabble group at the home of Inge Ladenbauer-Bellis, 114 Vineyard Road, Hamden. Call or email Inge (203.288.2436) or eichkogel@aol.com, to join.

**Ski Group** will travel to Butternut Basin in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, to enjoy its relaxed atmosphere and $20 for Seniors ticket price. We do not have a definite schedule, as we want to be able to take advantage of good conditions and good weather. If you would like more information and/or to be on the call list, please contact Pam Rackliffe (203.488.2667) or email prackliffe@comcast.net.

**Tennis:** Play intermediate or advanced tennis at Yale’s Indoor Cullman Courts. The group meets weekly for a round-robin on Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 am. There is an hourly shared court fee, as well as a membership fee. Call Carol Dhawan (203.562.0017).

**Travel Gourmet:** Recent spring-like weather makes us want to go traveling. How about a trip to Hartford on Tuesday, March 30? The new Science Center is our destination—an exciting new building right on the river, with loads of spectacular exhibits. We will lunch at the café in the building. There’s the Wadsworth in the afternoon for the hardy. Call Nancy Ahlstrom to reserve (203.865.2028). Car pools will be made up close to the date of the tour.

**More Travel Gourmet:** On Tuesday, April 27, Travel Gourmet will visit the Mill Museum in Willimantic. Housed in two historic, 19th century buildings, it features the Company Store, a recreation of a mill worker’s tenement house, and the ornate Victorian rooms of a mill manager’s mansion. Admission fee is $5. $3.50 for seniors. Following our docent-led tour, we will lunch at the Main Street Café, located in the former post office. To register, call Jacqueline Collimore (203.865.2405). Deadline for reservations is Thursday, April 22. If you register, you will be responsible for the admission fee whether or not you attend.

**EXPLORING NEW HAVEN IN FEBRUARY**

On February 25, a day with cold gusts of winter rain falling heavily, YUWO visited the West Campus at the old Bayer site on I-95. Despite the weather we had a wonderful tour, arranged by Lisa Maloney, the Operations Manager, and conducted by Pat Nolan, administrator at the Campus, with the assistance of Fred Apuzzo who drove our bus.

We were taken by bus around most of the campus, to get an idea of the extent of the place, and see the very handsome buildings from the outside. Then we had an opportunity to walk indoors, from the sumptuous administration building with its very impressive board rooms, down through some of the laboratory space - beautifully appointed and totally empty right now. Mr. Nolan easily made his point that Yale had gotten a tremendous bargain with its purchase, and we came away with thoughts of how these so-far very under-utilized spaces might be used. Some pictured YUWO events taking place on the West Campus—our horizons are broadening!

**Membership Additions and Corrections**

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*New email*
Spring Excursion 2010 – Bus Trip on Thursday, April 15, 2010

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The bus leaves promptly at 8:00 am from the commuter parking lot in North Haven at Devine Street. Take I-91, then Exit 10 and Exit 1, turn left to the lot on the left. Cost is $65, which includes bus transportation, driver’s tip and Museum Super-Saver tickets. Return about 6 pm.

Send your check for $65, made out to YUWO, and this form to Dody Gall, 75 Charlton Hill, Hamden, CT 06518 before April 1. Trip is limited to 34 participants. For information, phone: 203.288.6590 or e-mail: dmgall@aol.com.

NAME: ___________________________________  PHONE: _____________________
ADDRESS: ____________________________________ E-MAIL:_____________________

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Choice of Entrée (please check your selection)

Chicken Piccata, Julienne Vegetables & Wild Rice  ____
Crab Cakes with Lemon Beurre Blanc, Julienne Vegetables & Wild Rice  ____
Israeli Couscous with Almonds & Julienne Vegetables  ____

Number of Reservations ______ @ $25.00 per person. Lunch total $_______
I want to contribute to the Scholarship Fund. My separate check $_______
I cannot attend the luncheon but am contributing to the scholarship fund. $_______

Please return this reservation form and any scholarship contributions you wish to make by April 30, 2010. We regret that no luncheon refunds can be made after May 1.

Make checks payable to YUWO and mail to:

Judy Long
122 Bedford Ave.
Hamden, CT 06517

Social Hour & Registration at 11:30 am. Luncheon at noon. We hope to see you there!

Name___________________________________________________________
Guest Name___________________________________________________