Spring Study Group

Alan Plattus, Professor of Architecture and Urbanism, will present a series of lectures titled "New Haven and the 4th Age of the American City." The lectures will be at the New Haven Lawn Club on Wednesdays at 10:30 am, beginning on February 24 and continuing on March 3, March 24, March 31, and April 7. Details and a registration form for the series have been mailed to all current members. As always, you may register at the first lecture.

Lunch and Learn

On Tuesday, March 16, at the Yale Visitor Center, 149 Elm Street at 12:15 pm, Jay Bright, AIA, will speak on "Preservation and Restoration in New Haven, Pleasures and Pitfalls." His talk is designed to complement YUWO's spring study group, "New Haven, the 4th Age of the American City," presented by Alan Plattus, Professor of Architecture at the Yale School of Architecture. Mr. Bright is a graduate of Washington University and the Yale School of Architecture. His interest is in preservation; one of his projects in New Haven is 27 Hillhouse Avenue, presently occupied by Yale's Center for Economic Development.

The talk will begin promptly at 12:15, as the Visitors Center will need the meeting room for its program at 1:45. Bring your bag lunch at noon. Coffee, tea, and cookies will be provided.

Exploring New Haven — West Campus

We found that we can take the nature walk after the morning tour as well as in the afternoon, so that will happen at each tour, but our two buses have only a few seats left. If you would like to join the group, please call Lyn Howe (203.288.1217) or Anne Schenck (203.787.3705)

Directions for WEST CAMPUS, 137 Frontage Road, Orange: Heading south on I-95, take exit 41 (Marsh Hill Rd). At the light at the end of the exit ramp take a left onto Marsh Hill Rd. At the next traffic light, take a left onto the Frontage Road/I-95 northbound entrance ramp. At the fork, stay in the right lane for Frontage Rd., and proceed to the main entrance, West Campus, your right. Check in at the Visitor Center for directions to our bus for the scheduled tour. (See www.yale.edu/westcampus/map.html for an online map.)

Coming in April… Tour the Q-Bridge! (see page 4)

“Traveling the Silk Road”
See page 5 for details
Message from the President and Vice-President

What wonderful YUWO activities are stimulating our minds this winter! Thank you to Sue Addiss and Stephanie Jatlow and members of the team for the February 9 Lunch and Learn with Deputy Dean of the School of Public Health Brian Leaderer. Join Lunch and Learn for the March 16 talk by Jay Bright on architectural preservation in New Haven.

We are looking forward to our spring study group on “New Haven & the Fourth Age of the American City” with Alan Plattus, Professor of Architecture and Urbanism at Yale, beginning Wednesday, February 24 at 10:30 am at the New Haven Lawn Club. Thank you to Letha Sandweiss, Pat Whitestone and the committee for developing another interesting course!

Judy Long and her committee are planning a delicious menu for our Annual Meeting and Scholarship Awards Luncheon at the New Haven Country Club on Wednesday, May 5. We are delighted to have Michael Donoghue, Vice President for West Campus Planning and Program Development, as our speaker. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

We ask you to join us in contributing to the YUWO Scholarship Funds to fulfill the dreams of needy women in the Yale community.

Patty and Barbara

NEW! Writing Workshop

The first meeting of the YUWO memoir and other literary endeavors group will meet on 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. I look forward to meeting with you all! Contact Ina Jaffee (203.288.9810) or by email at inafae1@comcast.net.

March Book Groups

Wednesday, March 3
1:30-3:00 pm Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout
Raejeanne Kier (203.287.2443)

Monday, March 8
2:00-4:00 pm The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery
Irene Smith (203.248.2949)

Tuesday, March 9
1:30–3:00 pm The Post Office Girl, by Stefan Zweig
Lyn Howe (203.288.1217)

Thursday, March 11
9:30 am The Help by Kathryn Stockett
Genevieve Goff (203.208.1357)

Monday, March 15
2:30–4:00 pm The Help by Kathryn Stockett
Ellie Mattson (203.453.4274)
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 — you’ll find programs sponsored by many Yale and community organizations there.]

Art Aficionados will meet at the British Art Center at 12 noon on Wednesday, March 10. [NOTE: This event was originally scheduled for February 10 but rescheduled due to inclement weather.] The new exhibition is "Varieties of Romantic Experience: Drawings from the collection of Charles Ryskamp." Charles Ryskamp has been a noted scholar of art, as well as the former director of both the J.P. Morgan Library and the Frick collection in New York, and an extraordinary collector of drawings of the Romantic period from Britain and Europe. Please call Nancy Ahlstrom (203.865.2028) to reserve your place. We will lunch at Scoozi's after the tour.

And coming in April: On Wednesday, April 14, Art Aficionados will visit the show Eero Saarinen: Shaping the Future, a joint exhibit between the School of Architecture Gallery and the Art Gallery. Look for details in the next newsletter.

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).


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

Luncheon Gourmet members meet on the first Thursday of each month to cook, eat and socialize. Participants share the meal’s expenses and take turns planning the menu, preparing and presenting the luncheon. Discussion of the recipes follows. Members are expected to cook twice and plan once during the course of the year. Dues are $10. If you are a current member or someone who is interested in joining this lively group, 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 faculty artists Kyung Hak Yu, violin, and Elizabeth Parisot, piano, on Friday, March 26, at 8 pm at Sprague Hall. Meet for dinner at 6:30 pm at Clark’s Restaurant, 68 Whitney Avenue. 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).

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**EXPLORING NEW HAVEN in April!**

On Tuesday, April 6 at 1 pm, we have arranged for a tour of the Q-Bridge construction project for a group limited to 30 people. On this tour you must wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes. The Connecticut D.O.T. (ConnDOT) will provide us with hard hats and vests that are required for the site visit.

The meeting place will be the Program Office, at 424 Chapel St. in New Haven. This site is between Hamilton and Wallace Streets, below where I-91 crosses Chapel. Kristin Stiff, Public Information Coordinator, tells us that there is plenty of parking inside the gates at that office, where we will be given an overall presentation of the project.

After the office presentation, we will carpool in a small number of vehicles down to the Long Wharf area, where a representative of ConnDOT will lead us to view the work being done on the Quinnipiac Bridge and the new "fly-over" bridge that will take traffic up into New Haven.

Our tour at the construction site must be limited to 30, for safety reasons. Please call Anne Schenck (203.787.3705) or Lyn Howe (203.288.1217) to sign up for the tour.

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**Membership Additions and Corrections**

*Please note the following additions or corrections to your YUWO membership list.*

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  41 Long View Road, PO Box 578  
  Wading River, NY 11792
- Wilkinson, Virginia  
  339 Audubon Court  
  New Haven, CT 06510
Spring Excursion 2010 – Bus Trip on Thursday, April 15, 2010

Traveling the Silk Road: Ancient Pathway to the Modern World
American Museum of Natural History in New York City

Join us for a visit to this great museum and its special exhibit, Traveling the Silk Road: Ancient Pathway to the Modern World. 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.

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 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:____________________

YUWO Annual Meeting & Scholarship Awards Luncheon

Wednesday, May 5, 2010 – New Haven Country Club

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______________________________