President’s Letter

While spring seems long in coming, we are excited about the second semester study group, which starts on Wednesday, March 27. Jennifer Gross, the Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art at the Yale University Art Gallery, begins the five week series which completes our “tour” of the Yale Art Gallery. If you have not yet registered there are a small number of openings still available.

Enclosed is a registration form for the Annual Meeting and Scholarship Awards Luncheon to be held at the New Haven Lawn Club on Wednesday, May 8. Dr. Jacob Hacker, the Stanley B. Resor Professor of Political Science and the Director of the Institute for Social and Policy Studies at Yale, will present a timely lecture, “Are American Politics Undermining the American Dream?”

We hope you will join us to express our thanks to Jane Levin for her support of YUWO and its mission and to meet this year’s YUWO scholarship recipients. Your generosity to the scholarship program has been inspiring and we ask you to continue to join us in giving to one or more of YUWO’s scholarship funds to enable these extraordinary women to pursue their dreams.

Audrey and Stephanie

Lunch and Learn

On Tuesday, March 19, Jon Purmont, Emeritus Professor at Southern CT State University and President of the West Haven Historical Society will discuss his 2012 biography of Ella Grasso, the first woman in the United States to become a state governor in her own right. Professor Purmont served as executive assistant to Governor Grasso in her second term, and his biography is filled with fascinating details from his personal records and interviews. We will gather at 12:00 p.m. at the Yale Visitor Center at 149 Elm Street.

On Tuesday, April 30, YUWO Lunch and Learn will host Margretta Reed Seashore, MD, Professor of Genetics, of Laboratory Medicine, and of Nursing, and Interim Director of the Biochemical Disease Detection Lab and the Genetics Consulting Group. Dr. Seashore has a special interest in pediatric genetics and inborn errors of metabolism and has been on New York Magazine's annual list of best doctors. We will announce the specific topic of her presentation in the next YUWO Newsletter. As usual, we will gather at 12:00 at the Yale Visitor Center at 149 Elm Street.

April Books

Thursday, April 11 9:30 a.m. The Patriarch: The Remarkable Life and Turbulent Times of Joseph P. Kennedy by David Nasaw. Eleanor Radune (203-483-6528).

Monday, April 8 2:00 p.m. The World Was Never the Same – The Great Courses Series. Irene Smith (203-248-2949).

Tuesday, April 9 2:00 p.m. Buddha in the Attic by Julie Otsuka. Lynn Howe (203-288-1217).

Monday, April 22 2:30 p.m. The Royal Game by Stefan Zweig. Ellie Mattson (203-453-4274).
Activities

**Art Aficionados** - Wednesday April 17 at noon we will meet at the Yale Center for British Art to have a guided tour of the temporary exhibition "Edwardian Opulence". This exhibit covers two floors and addresses the years prior to WWI. Call Anneke Hathaway (203 752-0460).


**Spring Golf Clinic** -- We will be offering a spring golf clinic for YUWO members. The Yale women’s golf team coach has agreed to coach us again this year. It will be held on 4 consecutive Wednesdays in April: April 3, 10, 17, 24 from 2 – 3 pm. She will need a minimum of 3 people to proceed. It will be $100 up front for the 4 clinics OR $30 per clinic drop in. Contact Barbara Kryger (203-288-1515 or brkryger@gmail.com) or Pam Rackliffe (203-488-2667 or prackliffe18@gmail.com) if you are interested. Please let us know by Monday, March 25 if you would like to sign up for the 4 clinics, or if you plan to drop in.

**Walking Group** -- We will have a walk on the Farmington Canal Rail Trail on Tuesday, April 9, beginning at 10:30 AM. Rain date will be April 23, which is also a Tuesday. The meeting place will be the parking at Lock 12 on the trail in Cheshire. We will walk from there to Brooksvale Park in Hamden, and perhaps explore that park a little before returning to our cars at Lock 12. This will be a flat walk on paved surface.

On Thursday, May 9, a more demanding hike is planned for the ridge in Meriden. Please call Lyn Howe for information, or to sign up for the April walk. Phone: 203-606-0370.

**Spring Excursion**

Bus trip to Brooklyn Museum and Botanic Garden on May 15. Details and a signup form are at the end of this newsletter.

**Notes of the Yale Health Plan Representative**

Our topic today was "The Call Center Overview" by Carrie Bemis, the manager of the center. The call center has been working for 6 months to improve their service. They have added 6 new positions making a total of 12 people in the department, and they are available an additional 6 hours a day. The staff has had additional training, because they are now answering calls for all departments. The call center receives 600 calls per day. Fewer people are hanging up before the call is answered. The average speed of answering a call is 1 1/2 minutes. Pediatrics is faster. OB-GYN is longer due to calls being longer and more complicated, but the average length of a call is 3 minutes. The person at the front desk in each department is no longer the one who answers the calls. You can now make one call and make appointments in more than one department. Most calls are about scheduling. -- Betty Ann Levitin

**The Nominating Committee:**
Joan Lagerval -- Chair, Johanna Becker, Mary Jo Warren, Anneke Hathaway, Betsy Barnston.

**Those nominated are:**
Mary Ann Nelson--Recording Secretary, Nancy Rosenbaum--Assistant Treasurer, Peggy Atherton--Membership Chair, Felecia Tencza-- Scholarship Chair, Johanna Becker--Activities Chair, Chaline Johnson—Treasurer.
YUWO STUDY SERIES SPRING 2013
The Collections of the Yale University Art Gallery

There are still a few spaces available for this Study Series, which starts on March 27 and continues on April 3, 10, 17 and 24. All of the speakers are Curators of Art Gallery collections. Lectures are at The New Haven Lawn Club on Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 am. We will start promptly at 10:30 am so come earlier for parking at the Lawn Club. The fee for the series is $60 per person. YUWO members who pay by March 18 will be given first consideration.

Make checks payable to YUWO and mail to
Pat Whitestone, 88 Notch Hill Road #312, North Branford, CT 06471. Phone: 203-483-1351

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YUWO Annual Luncheon and Meeting

May 8, 2013

New Haven Lawn Club

Speaker: Jacob Hacker, PHD
The Stanley B. Resor Professor of Political Science, and Director
The Institute for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University

"Are American Politics Undermining the American Dream?"

The reservation form is enclosed.
ANNUAL MEETING and SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS LUNCHEON

Wednesday, MAY 8, 2012

New Haven Lawn Club
173 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, Connecticut

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The Stanley B. Resor Professor of Political Science
Director of the Institute for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University

Are American Politics Undermining the American Dream?
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Choice of entree: Please check your selection:

CHICKEN with Fig Chorizo French Brioche Toast, glazed onion, Citrus Demi Glaze

FISH: Pepper Seared Salmon, Gingered Jasmine Rice, Sauteed Mushrooms, Scallion Essence

VEGETARIAN: Six Cheese Ravioli, Grilled Vegetables and San Marzano Tomato Sauce

Number of reservations at $30.00 per person

I would Like to Contribute to the Scholarship Fund: ___________ SEPARATE CHECKS PLEASE

Please return reservations by May 1, 2013. Please make checks payable to YUWO and mail to:
Stephanie Jatlow, Post Office Box 1185, Orange, Connecticut 06477

Name:_________________________ Guest Name_________________________

Social Hour 11:15-12:noon, Lunch 12:00 Noon. Questions? Please call Stephanie at 203-389-2044
We travel by chartered bus to the Brooklyn Museum of Art, where we get our combination tickets to the Museum and Botanic Garden. There are FIVE special exhibits at the Museum. They are: *Monumental Works by El Anatsui*, a Nigerian artist who converts found materials into stunning works of art, with over 12 monumental wall sculptures; *American Drawings* with over 100 works from the Museum’s collections; *John Singer Sargent* watercolor exhibit with 93 examples of his work; *Kathe Kollwitz* exhibit with 13 rarely shown prints; and *Workt by Hand*, a show of 35 quilt masterpieces from the Museum’s collections. In addition, the Arts of the America collection is newly reinstalled on the 5th floor, and *The Dinner Party* installation by Judy Chicago on the 4th floor is always on view.

The Botanic Garden has 52 acres with plants from around the world and also their Herb Garden, Shakespeare Garden, Japanese Pond Garden, Lily Pool and the Steinhardt Conservatory with its Bonsai Exhibit, Trail of Evolution, and three habitat pavilions.

We do not have a guided tour in either place. Lunch is on your own, with choices of the Brooklyn Museum Café or the Terrace Cafe at the Botanic Garden.

Cost of $50 includes bus travel, driver’s tip, admission to both Brooklyn Museum and Botanic Garden. *This trip is limited to 52 current YUWOs*. If space is available, friends may be invited.

*Our chartered bus leaves the North Haven commuter lot on Devine Street (Exit 10 off I-91) promptly at 8:00 am and returns about 6:30 pm.*

Mail your check made out to YUWO for $50 and this form to Dolores Gall, 75 Charlton Hill, Hamden, CT 06518 by May 9. For questions, phone Dody Gall 203-288-6590 or e-mail dmgall@aol.com.