# Yale Club of the Suncoast



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#### **ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 9, 2024**

In addition to the wonderful speaker planned for our April luncheon, the board will be presenting a slate of new board candidates for approval by the voting membership at large. Only current paid-up members of the Yale Club of the Suncoast are eligible to vote. If you are a lapsed member, now is a great time to <u>renew!</u>

## Answer to Last Issue's Trivia Question: Where is this building on campus?

The answer was C., Yale School of the Environment (Formerly Forestry & Environmental Science).
Located at 195 Prospect St., Kroon Hall is Yale's first LEED Platinum certified building and its most energy-efficient one on campus, designed to use



58% less energy than a comparable peer. With its high barrel-vaulted gable ends, simple lines and curved rooftop, Kroon is a "modernish blend of cathedral nave and Connecticut barn". Half of its red oak paneling came from Yale-Myers Forest in northeastern CT and its two courtyards are home to 25 native species.

#### **Upcoming YCS Events**

The Yale Club of the Suncoast has planned a number of educational and social events in the next few months! Please register or respond early to assure adequate room!

Luncheon with Marlon Brown, Sarasota City Manager, April 9, 2024, 11:30 AM
 Sarasota Yacht Club, 1100 John Ringling Blvd.



Mr. Brown is the City Manager for Sarasota. He holds/held numerous certifications in public administration and memberships in many professional/public/civic entities. He also serves on the Board of the United Way Suncoast and chairs the United Way's Community Impact Committee. In his free time, Brown enjoys sports, traveling, exploring Sarasota's diverse recreational, , cultural and culinary offerings and spending time with his family. Mr. Brown will give us a general city update. The discussion may include many ongoing projects including: public art, the bay park, Bobby Jones Golf course, Accolades and others. Purchase a ticket HERE

• Yale Day of Service, Wednesday April 24, 2024, 1:00 pm

All Faiths Food Bank, 8171 Blaikie Ct. Sarasota

Yale Day of Service is the university's annual celebration of service, with Yalies from all over the country banding together each year to give back to their local communities. In all, alumni communities host close to 300 service projects each year. It is a wonderful way to meet other alumni and sometimes pre-frosh in fun and meaningful ways. This



year, as last, We will be e filling backpacks for school children whose main source of nourishment comes from school lunches, and who often go hungry during the summer months. Please dress comfortably and wear closed toed shoes and join in on the fun. To RSVP, please click <u>HERE</u>

• Farewell To Snowbirds Luncheon, May 14, 2024, 11:30 AM

Marina Jack's Restaurant, 2 Marina Plaza, Sarasota

With the departure of our high season members, our Luncheon Speaker Season comes to a close. However, our year-round members are always up for some fun! Come join fellow Yalies and friends for an informal luncheon on the deck at Marina Jack's restaurant for an informal gathering to chat and say farewell to those leaving for the summer, and to come up with terrific ideas of ways to enjoy the sum summertime and celebrate the reduced trafic!!

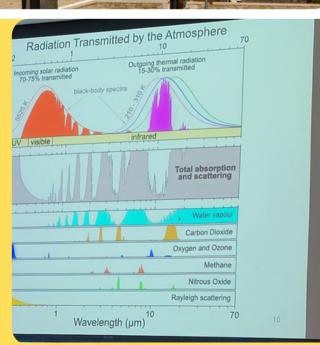
#### **YCS Event Recap**

Ingrid ("Indy") Burke, Dean of the Yale School of the Environment, addressed more than 60 YCS members and their guests at our March 12, 2024 luncheon at the Sarasota Yacht Club.

Equal parts chemistry, geology, atmospheric data and suasion, Indy's enlightening and worrisome presentation employed charts and graphs going back 800,000 years and a good part of the periodic table to make the case for climate change and to posit short, medium and long term expected scenarios on the world at large and on Florida in particular. Most distressing perhaps were maps of Sarasota showing how much of our coastline is at risk of major flooding and erosion as the sea expands, and why and how quickly that will happen if we don't make major changes to CO2 levels in the air and soil.



Fortunately, Dean Burke believes there are still ways to head off the most dire consequences of doing nothing, and she went on to explain the myriad ways in which the Yale School of the Environment is working across all disciplines at Yale to fulfill its mission to study, educate, inform, invest in technologies and train new leadership to tackle this pressing Global need.



On Sunday, February 25, the Yale Club of the Suncoast hosted its annual Feb Club Emeritus Party at Gecko's in Sarasota. This new location worked well for us with the venue prepared and ready with delicious appetizers and our own spot set away from the madding crowds. Over 30 attendees participated, including the Feb Club regulars and several new joiners! With no agenda and the mantra "it's just a party,"

Feb Club Emeritus commemorates the college tradition established in the late 1970s of battling New Haven's winter doldrums by offering a party somewhere on campus every night during the month of February.

The March 24, 2024 YCS Marina Jack II Dinner Cruise established a record with 60 participants! It was a "Sold Out" event! The weather at boarding was a balmy 79 degrees, the Bay was calm and the 60 Blues were joyous. The MJ II's lines were cast off at 7 pm, with all enjoying a upper deck bon voyage our beverages and hearty greetings. After a tour of the Bay, buffet dinner was served - highlighted by salmon. carved pepper corn encrusted roast beef, several side dishes and mountains of cake and key lime pie. Our upper deck bartender continued to be busy throughout the cruise!







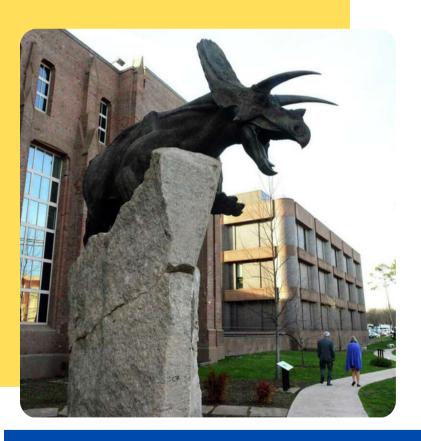
At a requested 20 minute before return to port, "Capt" Brian asked his two archangels (wife Sue and sister Sue) to distribute song sheets, asked Yale songster "veterans" McLane, Schneier and Lannamann to join him in inspiring the assemblage. "The Whiffenpoof Song" and "Bright College Years" filled the upper deck - and quite possibly the entire ship! Thereafter, Jan McClure spontaneously broke out the Cole Porter Eli fight song "Bulldog Bulldog" and the boat rocked into port! What a Very Special Yale Club of the Suncoast Event!

### Seen in the Yale Daily News

yale admits 3.7
percent of
applicants, the
lowest acceptance
rate ever. Of the
57,465 students who
applied to join the
Yale College class of
2028, 2,146 were
offered admission,
with an additional 773
offered a spot on the
wait list.



Yale Basketball History Making Season! After winning the Ivy League Championship on March 16, Yale men's basketball earned their spot in the NCAA Division I tournament, known as The Dance or March Madness. While the Bulldogs faced a disappointing loss to San Diego State University on Sunday night in Spokane, Wash., their thrilling upset against Auburn in



the first round of the tournament marked a historically successful season. "A lot of the world was surprised," Ben Kirsch '27 told the News. "But many of us at Yale knew what this team was capable of." Kirsch expressed his hope that the national attention Yale received following upset could help secure more tournament spots for Ivy League teams in the future. The winner of the Ivy League tournament is granted an automatic spot in the NCAA Tournament - as are winners other Division I conferences. addition, 36 teams are given at-large bids at the discretion of an NCAA selection committee. No Ivy League teams received at-large bids to the men's tournament this year. Princeton, last season's lvy League men's basketball champs, made it all the way to the Sweet Sixteen.

Yale's Peabody Museum reopened March 26 after a four-year transformation and is now free for everyone! Visitors see a stunning 75-foot Brontosaurus hanging from the ceiling in the Burke Hall of Dinosaurs, a collection of extinct sea creatures from millions of years ago in the Ancient Oceans exhibit, and a new exhibit on human evolution and our impact on the planet. The second floor houses Human Culture galleries. This is the place to learn more about Babylon and to see artifacts from civilizations in the Andes, Mesoamerica, and ancient

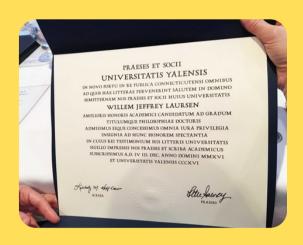
Egypt. "Eternal Cities", a work of modern structural art by Mohamad Hafez, a Syrian-American artist and architect, incollaboration with the Peabody, is here, too. It reflects aspects of the culture of Damascus and the Middle East. And don't forget The History of Science and Technology exhibit, including Yale's history in this area. A must-see on your next trip to New Haven!



#### **Yale Trivia**

Yale awarded its first Ph.D. in 1861.

How many Ph.D.
degrees were
conferred in the
US prior to that
date?



A. FOUR

**B. NONE** 

C. TWO

See answer in next issue!



Answer to the trivia question that opened this newsletter: Google is the top employer of Yalies four years after graduation for the classes of 2013 through 2018, the last period for which there is information.

WE'LL BE BACK NEXT FALL WITH A
WELCOME BACK ISSUE!
HAVE A NICE SUMMER!