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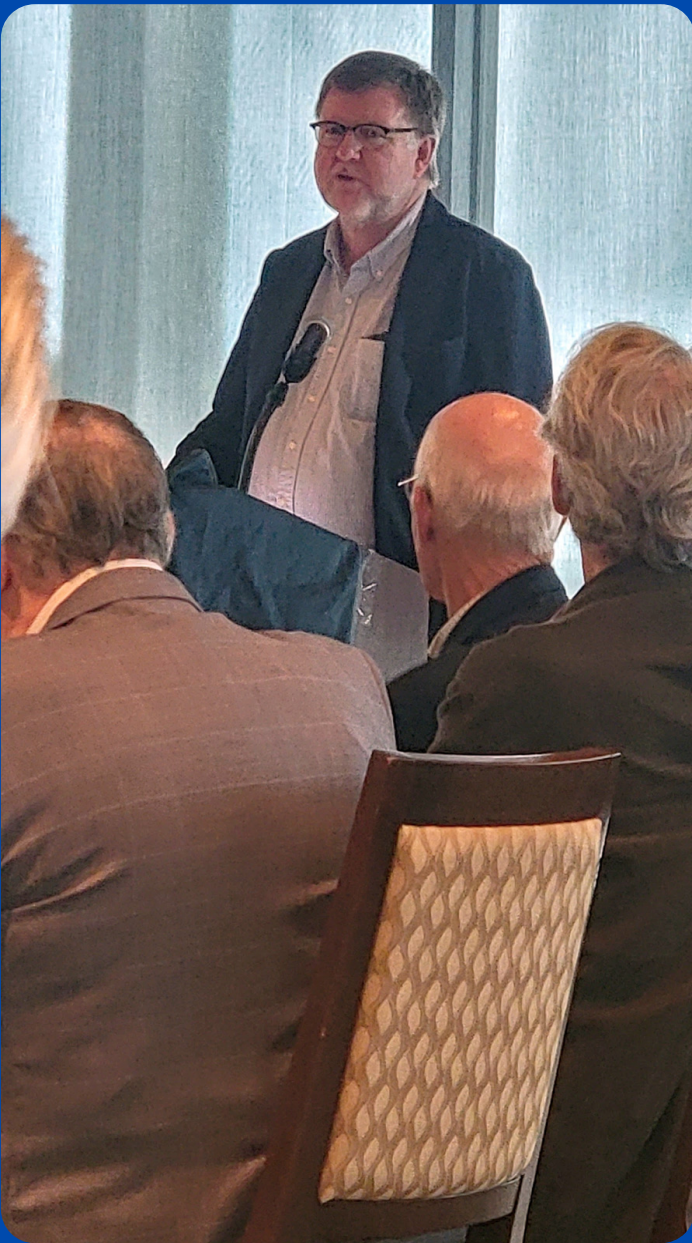
In order to continue to bring in great speakers, plan interesting events and outings, publish a membership directory, and run and maintain our systems, we need your support! Please join or renew your membership in the Yale Club of the Suncoast today! Ctrl-Click [HERE](#) to join or renew. Thank you!

Answer to Last Issue's Trivia Question: Who is this Yale Cutie?

The answer was B., Officer Heidi. Heidi will be 5 this spring, and for the last 4 years has been partnering with Officer Rich Simmons as an official police service dog in the Yale PD. Her sole role is to be a calming, smiling, comforting presence for students, staff, faculty, hospital patients, and the community at large. She also has her own Instagram account with >9K followers! Don't believe us? Ctrl-Click [HERE](#) to join the minions!! How does Handsome Dan get along with this rock star upstart? By all accounts, the two are inseparable!



YCS Event Recap



Our January 9 luncheon featured a most exciting and timely speaker: Elihu Professor of History and Global Affairs, Arne Westad (image left). Prof. Westad joined the Yale faculty in 2019. Born in Norway, he studied history, philosophy, and modern languages at the University of Oslo, followed by graduate studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Travel to China early on whetted his interest in Asian history, stimulating a lifetime scholarly interest in Asian culture, history and contemporary politics. His subsequent research work at the Norwegian Nobel Institute, the London School of Economics, and Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government solidified his standing as a foremost expert in the field with remarkable insights in how we might consider strategic opportunities and threats to our nation in the near future.. His keen insights, and the spirited Q&A session among the full house of rapt listeners, led to an overtime luncheon situation where we all walked away feeling enlightened and educated, as if we had attended a graduate lecture.

Yale Trivia


With which Yale school is this building affiliated?



- A.** Jackson School of Global Affairs at Yale
- B.** Yale School of Architecture
- C.** Yale School of the Environment

See answer in next issue!



Happy New Year!
(from Heidi, the "fa-LAB-ulous
fashionista of Yale"!) 

Increasing Engagement

The Yale Club of the Suncoast wants **YOU!** Whether you are a current member or not, we want to be the place that you can meet up with your Yale friends and make new connections to Yalies you don't yet know. The Tuesday lunches will continue but we would like to know what else might work for you. Cocktails/mixers downtown after work? A theater or other evening outing? A meetup with fellow Yalies at a restaurant? Art exhibits?

Help us be more responsive to your needs! Click [HERE](#) to give us some feedback!

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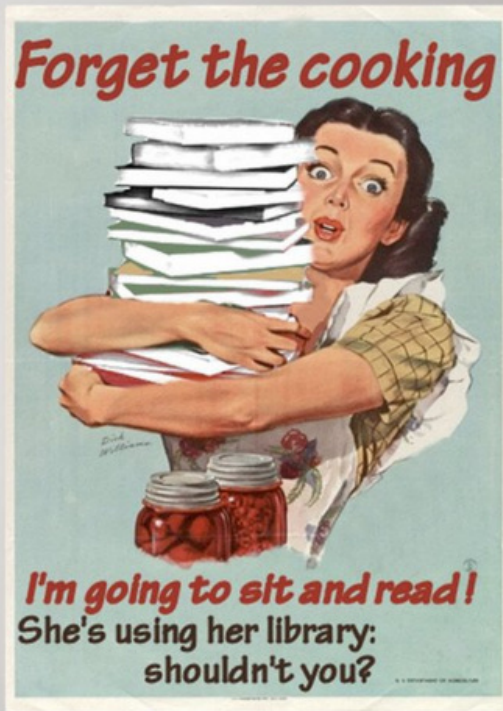
Yale's mega-hit courses:

With 437 students currently enrolled, the most popular course of the term (at Yale) is African American Studies 170: "Sickness and Health in African American History," which approaches the topic of American medicine through the lens of the Black experience. Close behind is Psychology 141: "The Criminal Mind," which enrolled 426 students and offers them a scientific and psychological approach to criminology. The third most popular course of the term, with 373 students, is Economics 116: "Introductory Macroeconomics." This is the second course in the introductory sequence for the popular economics major. Even in crowded lecture halls, students described feeling at home in these popular classes, lauding their engaging professors and relevant course material.

AI is everywhere:

The School of Medicine is set to unveil a new online certificate program in medical software and artificial intelligence.

Scheduled for launch in March 2024 by the medical school's Section of Biomedical Informatics and Data Science at the School of Medicine, the new 16-week program will be titled "Medical Software and Medical Artificial Intelligence" and will be directed by Xenophon Papademetris, a professor of biomedical informatics & data science at the School of Medicine. The certificate program is intended to help educate medical professionals to better engage with the evolving use of technology in the healthcare industry.



All About You

Yalies of the Suncoast, in the last survey, you told us that you love reading and cooking, and that you play lots of word games (especially Wordle!). Spanish is our most spoken second language, though Hebrew, French and Portuguese also made the mix. Now pray tell us more! Should we have word game nights? Cooking demos? A reading club? This section is intended to be fun and sometimes a bit frivolous! We will report on your responses (always anonymously!) in the next issue in this section.

Click [HERE](#) to answer a few more questions about YOU!

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!

- **John and Mabel Ringling Museum of Art Private Tour**

January 24, 2024, 10:00 am, 5401 Bay Shore Rd, Sarasota

YCS will host a private tour of the Ringling's permanent collection on the morning of Wednesday, January 24, 2024, with check in at 10:00 o'clock in the reception center. Bob Hunter will serve as lead docent for our group. Tour registration is \$10 per person. Admission to the museum is free for Museum members or pass holders; otherwise, \$25. Following the tour, we will enjoy lunch in the museum restaurant, ordering/paying individually. Register for tour [HERE](#)



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- **Yale Harvard Princeton Luncheon**

February 9, 2024, 11:30 AM, Michaels on East, 1212 S East Ave.

Harvard Business School Executive Leadership Coach Matt George gives insights from his 30+ year career as CEO and Agent of Change. Mark Victor Hansen, co-founder of Chicken Soup for the Soul, says “Matt George is transforming the world one community at a time. You cannot measure the compassion and drive in this man.” Join us for an informative discussion on driving hope and purposeful change in our communities. Registration for this event closes on 2/5/24 at 3:00 pm. Register now [HERE](#)



- **Feb Club Emeritus!**

February 25, 2024, 3-5 PM, Gecko's Patio, 351 N. Cattlemen Rd. Sarasota

Commemorating 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 miserable month of February, Feb Club Emeritus has taken root around the world, with over 1,000 parties hosted on 5 continents covering every night of the month. No speeches. No fundraising. It's just a party! No charge to attend. Club supplies some appetizers; drinks and additional food bought individually. Please RSVP [HERE](#) so we know how many to expect, thank you!

- **Luncheon with Ingrid “Indy” Burke, PhD, Dean of the School of the Environment**

March 12, 2024, 11:30 AM, Sarasota Yacht Club, 1100 John Ringling Blvd.

Dr. Burke is an ecosystem ecologist whose research has focused on carbon and nitrogen cycling in semi-arid rangeland ecosystems. Her work with graduate students, postdoctoral associates, and colleagues has addressed the influence of land use management, climatic variability, and regional variability on these systems. She teaches in the fields of environmental science, ecosystem ecology, and biogeochemistry. Register for Lunch [HERE](#).



- **Marina Jack II Luxury Yacht Sunset Cruise along Sarasota Bay**

March 24, 2024, 6:30 - 9 PM, 2 Marina Plaza



This wonderful annual dinner cruise, always a favorite outing, includes a sunset cruise around Sarasota Bay on the Marina Jack II luxury yacht, with a buffet dinner including prime rib, grilled salmon, and vegetable medley options. There is a full cash bar which Yalies and their guests have been known to enjoy greatly! This tends to sell out so register early [HERE!](#)