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Thoughts from the President

Though you will find announcements below for the upcoming Summer Outing and Dinner and the Strategic Planning Survey, each is worthy of additional comment. The Summer Outing is indeed a very special event, and it is so for a variety of reasons, including, of course, those noted below. I find it of value and a singular event for another reason. More than other events during the course of the year, it provides and encourages Yale alumni, parents and friends to come together as a community, one that exists but not experienced to this extent. I invite you to join us for this special day.

While the Summer Outing is significant, in part, as an event bringing us together, we look to the Strategic Planning Survey to do so in another way. As many of you know, we are asking alumni, parents and friends throughout the region to share with us their vision for the future of YAANW, for how best to serve you and the various communities in which we live, and for the ways we connect with Yale. We have already enjoyed a good response, but ask those who haven't yet had a chance to respond to do so (please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KMGWRQ6>).

Sincerely,
Bob Weisenfeld, '71
President, YAANW

SUMMER OUTING!!!

YAANW's annual calendar of events would be incomplete without the YAANW Summer Outing and Dinner. This year's event is of special interest for a number of reasons -- It helps us continue our celebration of YAANW's 130th anniversary; it continues our series on environmental sustainability; and it presents Sir Peter Crane, Dean, the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies. I hope you can join us for this special event:

DATE: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2013**
PLACE: **THE SOMERSET COUNTRY CLUB**
1416 Dodd Road
Mendota Heights, Minnesota 55118
(651) 457-1416

GOLF: Beginning at **1:30 p.m.** (cost TBD)
(Optional) call Jim Steiner for reservations (612) 667-6539

TENNIS: Beginning at **4:00 p.m.** (cost TBD)
(Optional) call Ted Weyerhauser for reservations (651) 228-0152

REUNION REPORTS: All undergraduate and graduate classes ending in "3" and "5"
Call Malcolm McDonald (651) 387-7050

COCKTAILS: **6:00 P.M.** (cash bar)
DINNER: **7:00 p.m.** (cost \$62 per person)
PROGRAM: **8:00 p.m.**

I. Presentation
Sir Peter Crane
Dean, the Yale School Of Forestry & Environmental Studies

II Reunion Reports. Send To Malcolm McDonald,
malcolmmcdonald@comcast.net if you cannot be present.

SINGING OLD YALE SONGS AROUND THE PIANO: **Don Leavenworth**, '52, on the piano

Registration and checks prior to the event: Lawrence D. Schuster, 255 Pinehurst Bldg, 4999 France Ave. S., Edina 55410, (952) 920-8386, ldschustermdphd@aol.com.

YAANW Survey

Thanks to all who have completed the survey. If you have not yet done so, please take a few minutes to fill it out: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/KMGWRQ6>

Yale Alumni Book Club

Book: The Blind Assassin by Margaret Atwood
When: **Sunday, August 18, 6:30 p.m.**
Where: TBD

e-mail: jan.kleinman@gmail.com.

Yale Alumni Knitting Group

When: **August 18, 2:00-4:00 PM**

Where: Northfield Yarn, 314 Division St., Northfield, MN 55057

Preferred but Optional RSVP to: Cynthia Gilbertson at cfgilbertson@mac.com or 507.645.4327

The group meets at the creative fiber-crafts store of Yale alumna Cynthia Gilbertson, called Northfield Yarn, in Northfield, MN. Join other alumni and friends, experienced or otherwise, who share an interest in fiber-crafts. Interested persons are welcome at any time.

People Serving People

The next day of service at People Serving People (PSP) is **August 24 at 11:30 am**. YAANW has a small group volunteering to serve meals at PSP -- <http://www.peopleservingpeople.org/> -- once a month, on the 4th Saturday at lunchtime (11:30 to 1:00). If you are interested in joining us, please contact Ron Goldser at rgoldser@hotmail.com.

In addition, PSP offers tutoring opportunities with children. We have not yet started this aspect of our developing relationship with PSP, but would like to. Let us know if you are interested (contact Ron Goldser at rgoldser@hotmail.com)

French Table

When: **September 10, 5:30 p.m.** Vincent, a restaurant, 1100 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis
Once a month, fellow Francophiles meet for a fun evening of talk. All levels of French are encouraged and welcome.

RSVP to Ron Goldser at rgoldser@hotmail.com.

Incoming Yale students

Yale has admitted 19 students to the class of 2017 from the region that YAANW serves. We had a wonderful opportunity to meet 11 of them, and their parents, at a brunch hosted by Senator Amy Klobuchar ('82) on Saturday, June 29. The energy and enthusiasm of the students were remarkable, and fun to share.

If you want to join the team interviewing prospective students, contact Malcolm McDonald at malcolmmcdonald@comcast.net

Technology

We hope to broadcast meetings and programs via online software in the near future. If you have experience with this technology, let us know. rgoldser@htomail.com

Twin Cities Alumni Network (TCAN)

<http://www.twincitiesalumninetwork.org/index.php?m=3&y=2013>

Join alumni from other local alumni clubs at various events hosted by their clubs. (Amherst, Brown, Chicago, Columbia, Cornell, Duke, Harvard, Johns Hopkins, Michigan, MIT, Northwestern, NYU, Penn, Princeton, Smith, Stanford, Virginia, Wharton, Williams, Yale, Interclub and IvyLife.)

Event: TCAN Bowling Event

Date: **Wednesday, August 21, 2013**

Time: 5:00 -9:00 p.m.

Location: Pinstripes, 3849 Gallagher Drive, Edina

Sponsored by: Harvard, Penn and Columbia Clubs

Cost: \$20, submit via Paypal to dan_rutman@alumni.penn.edu or send check to Dan Rutman, Penn Club MN, 6728 Rosemary Lane, Edina 55439

RSVP: Adelya Akhatova, Cornell Club Adelya.akhatova@gmail.com

Contact us: adelya.akhatova@gmail.com

Details:

Join us for our second annual bowling night at Pinstripes! We'll have appetizers starting at 5:00 and the bowling starts at 5:30. Shoes, socks, food, and bowling are included for \$20.