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November 2013

President: Bob Weisenfeld, '71  
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## **Thoughts from the President**

### **AN AWARD OF NOTE! AND THANK YOU!**

The Yale Alumni Association of the Northwest has just won the Yale Board of Governor's Excellence Award as the best club of mid-size cities in the country "for its superior accomplishments in creating events, programs, and best practices"!

This is an extraordinary affirmation of what, how and for whom we do what we do. And it is special recognition of you – YAANW alumni, parents and friends – for contributing as you have and for making this award possible. Thank you!

Sincerely,  
Bob Weisenfeld, '71  
President, YAANW

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## **DO YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROMOTE THROUGH YAANW?**

To continue our now nationally recognized tradition of superior accomplishments, please send us your thoughts on any events you would like to open to the Yale community. For more information, contact Ron Goldser at [rgoldser@hotmail.com](mailto:rgoldser@hotmail.com)

**HAVE YOU MADE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO YAANW THIS YEAR?** Send it to:  
YAANW c/o Nick Johnson, Treasurer, 1818 Kenwood Parkway, Minneapolis, MN 55405

## **Yale Annual Meeting and Alumni Panel**

When: Wednesday, **November 20, 12:00 noon**

Where: Minneapolis Club

Panelists will include Conley Brooks, Jr., '68, Frank Fairman, '79, and Jim Steiner, '82. More details to follow in upcoming emails

Cost: \$35

Reservations: Please reserve by November 18 by calling Larry Schuster at 952-920-8386

### **THE GAME: Yale Bulldogs vs Harvard Crimson**

When: **Saturday, November 23, 11:00 am**

Where: Joe Senser's, Bloomington, MN (494 and France)

Cost: TBD

Yes, it is that time of the year again. Come cheer for Yale and bring all of your paraphernalia for this event, co-sponsored with the Harvard Club.

### **Environmental Sustainability Series**

Please join us for the next presentation of the Environmental Sustainability Series, a talk by Ford Runge (Yale parent), who will speak on "Meeting Future Food Demands Without Carbon Compromise." Look for more details in upcoming e-mails.

When: Wednesday, December 4, 6 p.m.

Where: TBD

Cost: TBD

### **Yale Alumni Knitting Group**

When: **Sunday November 10 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm**  
**Sunday, December 8, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm**

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

Preferred but Optional RSVP to: Cynthia Gilbertson at [cfgilbertson@mac.com](mailto: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.

## **Yale Alumni Book Club**

Book: Open Secrets: Stories by Alice Munro

When: **Sunday, November 17 6:30 pm.**

Where: Ann Cohen  
1831 Ashland Avenue, St. Paul.  
651 645-2753

## **People Serving People**

The next day of service at People Serving People (PSP) is **November 23 at 11:30 am.** YAANW has a small group volunteering to serve meals at PSP -- <http://www.peopleservingpeople.org/> -- once a month, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday at lunchtime (11:30 to 1:00). If you are interested in joining us, please contact Ron Goldser at [rgoldser@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:rgoldser@hotmail.com)).

## **French Table**

When: **December 3, 5:30 p.m.**

**Where:** 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](mailto:rgoldser@hotmail.com).

## **Yale Book Award**

Do you have a favorite high school in the YAANW territory? Each year, YAANW honors a top student at many high schools with the YAANW book award. If you are interested in sponsoring a book at your favorite high school, or want to present the award this spring, contact Ron Goldser at [rgoldser@hotmail.com](mailto:rgoldser@hotmail.com).

## **Global Scholars Program**

The Yale Young Global Scholars Program is a very selective leadership-development program for high school students from around the world. The program is designed to bring together students with the talent, drive, energy, and ideas to make meaningful impacts as young leaders, even before they begin university studies.

The program offers three intensive, interdisciplinary summer pre-collegiate experiences for 2014: *Science, Policy, and Innovation; Politics, Law, and Economics; and Studies in*

*Grand Strategy.* While the academic themes of the sessions are different, participants in each complete similarly structured tasks and learning modules. All three sessions give high school student leaders opportunities to recognize and understand contemporary global issues, strategize responses, and develop innovative solutions while learning from renowned practitioners and Yale faculty members in a range of fields. Application due February 20, 2014. Need-based financial aid is available.

For more information, visit <http://globalscholars.yale.edu/>.

### **Alumni Schools Committee**

Wanted!

Able bodied alumni from any Yale school willing to interview prospective Yale College students.

Need - expect over 400 applicants from all parts of Minnesota, western Wisconsin and along the Dakota and Iowa borders.

Experience- gained from doing.

Time commitment - typically up to four applicants per year, occasionally five per interviewer, or the number you would like!

Please email -

[malcolmmcdonald@comcast.net](mailto:malcolmmcdonald@comcast.net)

or call 651.387.7050

Minneapolis and western Twin City suburbs - Tony Leung

Saint Paul and eastern suburbs, outstate and western Wisconsin - Malcolm McDonald

Southeastern Minnesota – John Tliburt

### **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.)

### **Upcoming Events Include:**

### **Tour/Presentation at University of Minnesota's Medical Device Center on Thursday, November 14**

All Ivy/TCAN alumni are invited to the new state-of-the-art medical device facility at the University of Minnesota! We'll start with dinner, tours and socializing, then the director of the Medical Device Center, Arthur Erdman, will lead a discussion on the med tech industry. **Date: Thursday, November 14, 2013**Time:

5:00pm - 6:30pm: Tours, Food & Socializing

6:30pm - 7:15pm: Talk from Arthur Erdman, PhD, Director of the MDCLocation: 420 Delaware Street SE, G217 Mayo Building, Minneapolis, MN 55455

Directions to the MDC can be found here:

<http://www.mdc.umn.edu/connect/location.html>\*\*\*

Dinner: University of MN's box-lunches

Cost: \$15, includes tour, dinner and presentation

RSVP Please RSVP to Lindsay Godin ([LMGodin@gmail.com](mailto:LMGodin@gmail.com)) as soon as possible.

We are limited to 70.

Payment Options: After you RSVP to Lindsay please:

a.) Submit \$15 via Paypal to [drutman89@gsb.columbia.edu](mailto:drutman89@gsb.columbia.edu) or

b.) Send check to Dan Rutman, Penn Club MN, 6728 Rosemary Lane, Edina MN 55439  
(please make check payable to Dan Rutman and write "Alumni Event" in memo).