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THE YALE CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS; UPSON REELECTED PRESIDENT FOR NEW YEAR

The Yale Club held its annual meeting on December 10 last year with forty members in attendance. Rev. Fred Johnson '56MDiv. opened the meeting with a prayer. President Terry Upson presided over a review of past year activities and new events for 1999 were brought to the members attention. The following were elected Trustees for the coming year:

Kenneth Abernathy '58 JD	Scott Herstin '69
Dr. Richard Bennett '52	George Isbell '46
Robert Bennett '44	Rev. Fred Johnson '56MDiv
E. B. Broadbent '47E	Thomas Jones '40S
Kenneth Bruce '53E	J. Thomas Mackelfresh '51
James Carthaus '62	Bernard Peck '36, '39LLB
Torrey Foster '56	Connie Sartorio, W'44MDiv
Arnold Garfinkel '62MA	Dr. Herbert Sleeper - Faculty
Rev. Edwin Gault '54MDiv	W. Terrell Upson '60
Robert Hattemer '53E	Robert Varnum, Jr. '64
	Robert E. Wenzel '53E

Trustees Emeriti

Charles Bush '34
Charles M. O'Hearn '24S, '53MAH

Election as Trustee is not just an honor and acknowledgment of regard within the Club. Trustees are expected to attend all or most functions and to be active in the planning and orchestration of Club events. If you are interested in becoming a Trustee, please advise any of the above Trustees.

The Trustees elected the following officers for calendar 1999:

Terry Upson '60	President
Bob Wenzel '53E	President-Elect, V.P. - Membership
Bob Bennett '44	V.P. Endowment
Torrey Foster '56	V. P. - AYA Rep
Arnold Garfinkel '62MA	V.P. - Activities
Tom Mackelfresh '51	V.P. - Alumni Schools
Bob Varnum '64	V.P. - Ft. Myers
Tom Jones '40S	Secretary
Jim Carthaus '62	Treasurer

The Trustees further discussed the possible activities for the coming year, including speakers from Yale, The Whiffenpoofs, and the continuation of the traditional Porter Goss Luncheon and Football Luncheon with a presentation by coach Jack Siedlecki.



Dick Bennett, Bob Bennett, Bob Hattemer, Arnold Garfinkel and Terry Upson

The Club Honors Past Presidents With Trophy Bowl Presentation

Eleven past Presidents of The Club were honored at the Annual Meeting with their names inscribed on the *Past Presidents Bowl*. The Executive Committee of The Club decided at a recent meeting to honor past presidents for their service and contributions to the alumni of the area. A beautiful pewter bowl was purchased and name tags attached with dates of service. Individual miniature trophies were given to six living past Presidents: Robert Hattemer '53E (1989), Robert Bennett '44 (1990-1992), Kenneth Bruce '53E (1994), Arnold Garfinkel '62MA (1995-1996) Richard Bennett '52 (1997), and Terry Upson '60 (1998).

REMINDER

Our Monthly Drop-In Luncheons are now held at The Vineyards Country Club - 400 Vineyards Blvd. Great food and delightful surroundings! For more info, call:

Arnold Garfinkel 649-5308

The **Tropical Bulldog** is published 3 times a year if the editors can find enough material, true or imagined, to bring to its readers attention. Articles are gratefully accepted (No Fee).

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Contributing Editors: Bob Wenzel '53E, Tom Mackelfresh '51, Pete Broadbent '47E

INAUGURAL ISSUE OF *TROPICAL BULLDOG*; NEWSLETTER IN PLANNING FOR LONG TIME

The Yale Club of Southwest Florida reaches new high with the publication of its inaugural issue of *THE TROPICAL BULLDOG*. The newsletter has been considered and discussed in executive sessions for many years, but only recently has it been considered a viable activity. No doubt the availability computer programs has made the publication possible.

Its First Managing Editor, Torrey Foster '56, says that this type of communication with alumni has been on his mind for several years, but only recently has he found time to design the "tabloid", with editorial help from his staff. It is planned to start with three issues, Winter, Spring and Fall. It is hoped that alumni will contribute articles and ideas to the newsletter and keep its editors apprised of current events involving alumni. Comments and letters to the editors are appreciated.

State Street Global Sponsors Lecture On Collectibles by Skinner of Boston

Noted Boston Firm Attracts Sizeable Gathering at The Collier Athletic Club on January 24th.

Skinner Inc. of Boston, the fourth largest auctioneer and appraiser in the U.S., presented a lecture to assembled Yale alumni and their guests on *Buying and Selling at Auction*. Skinner holds over 60 auctions annually, and Skinner specialists appear regularly on public television's **Antiques Road Show**. The Yale event was graciously sponsored by State Street Global Advisors, a unit of State Street Bank and the proceeds from ticket sales are earmarked for the Club's Endowment Fund.

Elizabeth Coxe, Director of Trusts & Estates, of Skinner, opened the presentation with an overview of her firm which offers a complete range of appraisal services for individuals, banks, estate executors, institutions and businesses worldwide.

Her associate, Gloria Lieberman, Vice President and an expert on jewelry, gave a slide presentation on a variety of art objects and their estimated value and what was actually paid at auction. After the formal part of the program, she willingly examined some jewelry objects and other pieces brought by alumni and estimated their value at auction. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the lecture and the cocktails and large buffet of hors d'oeuvres.

George Lange, Managing Director of State Street Global Advisors operations in Naples, said "We are delighted to have joined with Yale for this most interesting lecture and have the opportunity to assist Yale in growing its scholarship program." Many thanks to State Street!



MEDICAL SCHOOL PROFESSOR IS GUEST SPEAKER AT LUNCHEON

Dr. Linda Bartoshuk speaks on A Sense of Taste

The February drop-in luncheon presented Dr. Linda Bartoshuk, one of the world's leading authorities on taste buds and their effect on personal health. A group of over fifty alumni and friends were fascinated with the fast paced presentation and slide show of the difference between "super tasters" and "others".

In the School of Medicine, Dr. Bartoshuk and her students work with patients who suffer taste loss or taste phantom (akin to the experience of phantom limbs) and also have developed a technique that uses capsaicin from chili peppers to provide relief from oral pain. In addition to this clinical research, she studies the genetic variation that causes people to inhabit different taste worlds.

Dr. Bartoshuk had the assembled group participate in her research by filling out a demographic form with taste preferences and tasting a sweet candy and a PROP, a chemically coated piece of paper sour to the taste. It was a thoroughly engaging luncheon on a subject not generally well known by the alumni or even the academic researchers. Less than a third of those assembled were identified as "supertasters" by the test. (Even some Yalies are not known as having super taste!)

THE WHIFFENPOOFS ARE COMING

Monday March 8th

Vineyards Country Club

Send in your reservations - NOW!

TRUSTEE PROFILE

Charles M. O'Hearn '24S, '53MAH

By Pete Broadbent '47E

Charlie graduated from Yale in 1924, majoring in Administrative Engineering. He earned nine varsity letters in football, hockey and baseball and captained the hockey and baseball teams. In 1922 Charlie kicked a fifty-two yard drop kick, the longest in the country and the longest field goal kicked in the Yale Bowl. It has not been beaten in seventy-five years.

Charlie's primary business career was on Wall Street where he spent twenty-two years and became a partner with the investment firm of Scudder, Stevens & Clark. In 1952 Charlie was persuaded by his love for Yale to leave Wall Street and become Assistant to the President of Yale in charge of fund raising. He retired in 1970, has wintered in Naples since then, and became a Florida resident in 1991.

He was married in 1928 to Virginia Curtis. They shared sixty-six years together before her death in 1994. They have three children, all of whom live in Florida: Ginger, who is married to Peter Broadbent '47E, Peggy Denby who is widowed, and Mike O'Hearn '57 who is married to Sherry Kossick.

12 HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS FROM AREA APPLY TO YALE

*By Tom Mackelfresh '51 – V.P. & Chairman,
Alumni Schools Committee*

The year 1998-1999 has been another active one for the Alumni Schools Committee. The school year began with College Nights in both Naples and Ft. Myers. In the course of 2 hours the Committee talked to about 50 students and had about another fifty more take home some literature. The greatest benefit from these events is it gives some exposure to the general community of students, parents, and counselors about Yale University. In turn, the Club may find some students that it should follow up with the college counselor, as was the case in one applicant from Naples.

In addition to College Night the ASC members are assigned one or more public or private high schools. They usually visit with Juniors and spend a class period telling them what Yale is all about. We are meeting with some success as we have eight (8) students each from Naples and Ft. Myers who have applied to Yale's class of 2003. In Naples five applicants are from the Community School, two from Naples High, and one from Barron Collier. In Ft. Myers, three applicants are

from the Canterbury School, four from Ft. Myers High and one from Cypress Lakes.

My task has been made easy by my staff of alumni who have donated their time and talents to school visits and most importantly to applicant interviews. My main assistant is Bob Varnum '64 in Ft. Myers. Bob is assisted by Lara Kunkler '91 and Michael Reilly '89. My chief assistant in Naples has been George Isbell '46 who now is in the process of relocating to Mount Dora, Florida. He has been a faithful and willing helper in all the ASC activities, and he and his wife, Joan, will be greatly missed. George Wiley '57 will be filling in for him.



Santa Claus and his *Bulldog Helpers*

CHRISTMAS PARTY SPONSORED BY U.S. TRUST COMPANY

Santa Claus appears to the delight of the guests.

U.S. Trust Company, long a sponsor of events benefiting educational opportunities, hosted the second annual Yale Club Christmas Party. The proceeds of \$1,000 benefit The Club's Scholarship Fund. Close to ninety guests of The Club enjoyed the marvelous food provided by Wynn's Catering and the beautiful Christmas setting of U. S. Trust's meeting room. A string trio played music appropriate for the season.

Santa Claus recognizes the importance of paying a visit to Yalies and their friends, and, thus, he arrived for his second annual visit to the assembled crowd. To everyone's delight he read a "specially written" version of "Twas the Night Before Christmas", which acknowledged all the revelry that Yalies indulge in on special occasions.

The Yale Club is most appreciative and grateful for the generosity of U. S. Trust Company in hosting the event.

Membership Directory Slated for Publication Early March

By Bob Wenzel '53E, V.P. Membership

The Yale Club of Southwest Florida 1999 Membership Directory is now at the printers and should be in the mail soon. The New Directory with over 180 members included is expected to be even more informative than previous ones. It will include e-mail addresses and FAX numbers given on the Dues and Directory Form. It is hoped that the handwritings have been interpreted correctly. In addition to some new graphics, there is included an *In Memoriam* listing of deceased alumni. Since the information we have is limited, we would appreciate any corrections and additions of names and dates you can provide. You will note that the underwriter of the Directory is the same as last year, **State Street Global Advisors**. We are most grateful for their assistance. Any funds we can save assist in building our Endowment Fund. Thank you SSGA!

1999 SPRING ACTIVITIES UPDATE

March 8 Mon **The Whiffenpoofs Dinner Concert**
Vineyards Country Club

March 11 Thu **Regular Monthly Luncheon & Speaker**; Prof. John Gaddis, Yale History Department: *Cold War Secrets Revealed*
Vineyards Country Club

March 12 Fri **Ft. Myers - Cocktails** with Prof. John Gaddis: *Cold War Secrets Revealed*; Northern Trust Company

March 18 Thu **Annual Football Coach Luncheon**; Jack Siedlecki
Windstar Country Club

March 22 Mon **Annual Porter Goss Luncheon**
Vineyards Country Club

April 8 Thu **Regular Monthly Luncheon**
Vineyards Country Club

April 9 Fri **Annual Ivy League Picnic**
Naples Beach Hotel

May 13 Thu **Regular Monthly Luncheon**
Vineyards Country Club

June 10 Thu **Regular Monthly Luncheon**
Vineyards Country Club

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