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Trustees Hold Spring Meeting

Seventeen Trustees met on April 10th at the Collier Athletic Club for their semi-annual meeting to review the Club's operations and make plans for future events. President Foster '56 presided over an extensive agenda. In reviewing the Club's activities since the annual meeting in December, he pointed out that two significant events took place, the HYP Annual Dinner Dance in February for the benefit of each club's scholarship fund and a dinner at the Collier Athletic Club followed by a concert by the Tokyo String Quartet (Quartet in residence at Yale) at the Barron Collier High School. In addition, the Porter Goss luncheon drew 220 people at the Naples Beach Hotel and the Ivy League Picnic had 244 attendees.

A Treasurer's report was presented by Foster. As of March 31, 2003, the Operating Account had a balance of \$15,709, and the Endowment Fund balance was \$59,117. The Club is in sound financial condition. In due course some operating funds will be transferred to the Endowment Fund.

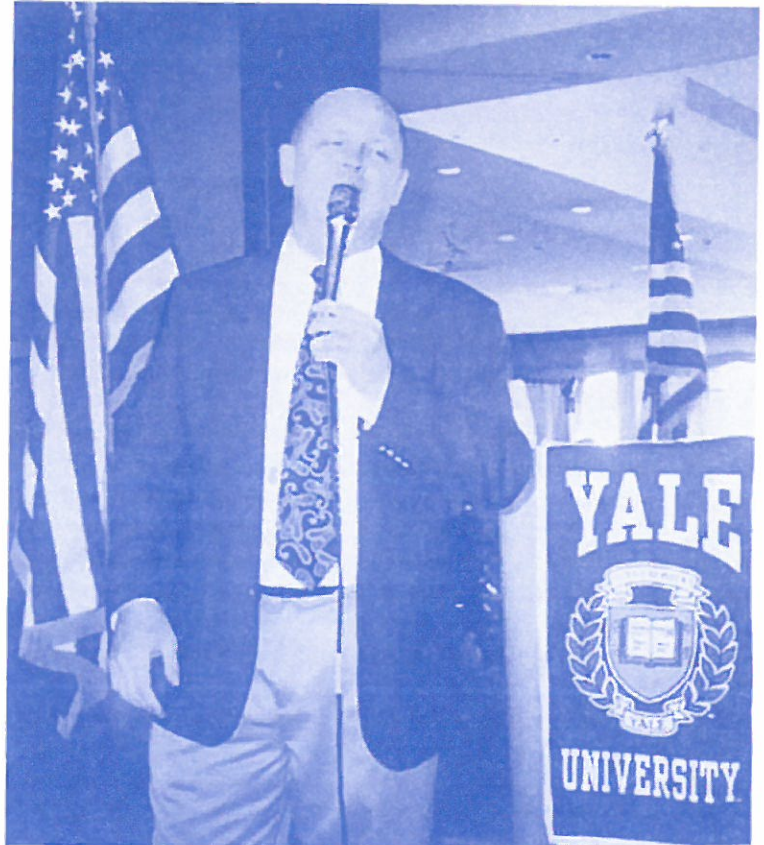
Bob Bennett '44 reported on the upcoming activities, which are listed elsewhere in this issue, and Trustees volunteered to chair various events.

Tom Wheeler '58 reported on a survey taken of the membership concerning the Club's activities. The results show continued interest in the Club's current activities with strong interest in speaker programs.

Ted Gault '54 MDiv discussed the activities being held in Ft. Myers, with monthly speaker luncheons on the last Thursday of the month.

Scott Herstin '69 reported that the membership is currently 186, about the same as last year. The Membership Committee is looking into ways to recruit additional members.

In the area of new business, the Trustees decided to hire a bookkeeper and authorized Foster to engage Madlyn's Secretarial Service. The Trustees adopted amendments to the by-laws renaming the Scholarship Committee to Endowment Committee and permitting notice of Trustee meetings (other than the annual meeting) to be given by e-mail. The Trustees approved a scholarship contribution to the University in the amount of \$3,000 and a budget for the year. Finally the Trustees approved a change in the Club's fiscal year to October 1 through September 30 and a change in the date of the annual meeting of the Club to November.



Football Coach Jack Siedlecki

Coach Siedlecki Returns for Annual Football Update

Football Coach Jack Siedlecki returned to Naples on March 13th for his annual visit and presentation on the state of varsity football at Yale. Over thirty members of the Yale Club met at the Vineyards Country Club for lunch and the usual extraordinary game-by-game video which highlighted the successes of the 2002 football season.

Jack pointed out that the "skill guys" are returning next year, that is the quarterbacks (Alvin Cowen and Jack Mioz), tailbacks (Robert Carr and Dave Knox) and tight end Nate Lawrie.

In terms of recruiting, the football staff contacted over 11,000 kids and reviewed 2,000 videos in order to get a class of 30 players. A lot of efforts were placed on encouraging linemen to come to Yale. Several outstanding players local to the New Haven area will matriculate, including Ed McCarthy whose dad and uncle played at Yale.

Jack was optimistic that the 2003 season would be successful for Yale.

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Yale Admits 2 Seniors from Our Area

Yale University admitted two senior high school students from our area, Justin Ankney from Ft. Myers High School and Michael Chow from Cypress Lakes High School. Justin has decided to matriculate to Yale. In addition to being a good student, he is an excellent baseball player.

Our Alumni Schools Committee interviewed twenty-one students who had applied to Yale. According to Tom Mackelfresh '51, "this was an exceptionally competitive year." Many applicants were considered excellent candidates.

Starting in the fall semester, there will be seven students at Yale from our area. In the class of 2004, Marcello Mullings and Eric Rubenstein, in the class of 2006, Jeremy Davis, Alina Nevins, Stephen Rawl and Giovanni Casanova, and in the Class of 2007, Justin Ankney.

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Trustee Profile



Robert W. Hattermer '53 E

Bob Hattermer was born and raised in Easton, Pennsylvania. He went to Phillips Academy, Andover for 4 years where he enjoyed close relationships with both faculty and classmates. After graduating in 1949, he attended Yale University. A member of Silliman College, he received his degree in Industrial Administration, paying off his senior year by running the food concession at the Yale Bowl during the football season.

Upon graduation, he joined Proctor and Gamble in New York City, but was soon drafted into the army. He was assigned to Ft. Huachuca, Arizona where his company reopened the base as the western headquarters for the Signal Corp.

After his service, he joined the sales training program at Armstrong Cork Company in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Following training, he was assigned to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania where he met his future wife, Barbara and her two children Elaine and Guy. Marrying the three of them, he moved his new family to St. Louis where Greg and Beth were born.

In 1971, he decided on a career change to real-estate sales and moved to Naples. He has thoroughly enjoyed more than 30 years of finding the right home for his clientele. In 1972 he became secretary-treasurer of the Yale Club, a job he held until 1989 when he became president.

Over the years, he has been on every committee of the Naples Area Board of Realtors, 1990 Realtor-Associate of the year, Director 1989-91, and Florida Association Director 1991. He ran the blood bank for 30 years and this year received the NABOR "Humanitarian Award" for his volunteerism.

Bob's community activities have included President of the First Presbyterian Church Board of Deacons, YMCA boat auction committee, Yale student interviewer, Gulfshore Rotary President 1982, Naples Civic Association Board of Directors, Republican Committeeman District 6 1984-92, and the Moorings Property Owners Association Board of Directors.

His hobby is tennis and he plays regularly on a Pelican Bay team.

Report on AYA Assembly LXII

By Terry Upson '60



Assembly LXII began at 9:30 a.m., April 25th with a short report by AYA Chair Philip Boyle '71 on the history and mission of the AYA. Immediately following the report, Chairman Boyle introduced the eleven candidates standing for election to the AYA Board of Governors. Delegates were asked to vote for seven candidates prior to the conclusion of the assembly on April 26th.

Next came a Yale Clubs meeting, presided over by Nory Babbitt of the AYA, to introduce the club officers toolbox which is now an integral part of the AYA website. The toolbox which uses an ADOBE Acrobat Reader contains a number of documents and other resources to assist in organizing and sustaining effective clubs and associations. These range from services such as speakers programs and book awards to communication tools, finances, membership, and club organization and structure. All delegates were encouraged to view this function on the AYA website.

Immediately following the Yale Clubs meeting, delegates attended informal luncheon sessions with university administrators to learn various aspects of the University's operations. The session which I attended covered Yale's sponsored research volume for the year ending June 30, 2002. Sponsors consisted almost entirely of federal governmental agencies of which the National Institutes of Health and the National Science Foundation were the major contributors. Total sponsored research for the period was \$314,390,000. The School of Medicine was the primary beneficiary of these grants.

At 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25, Martin Cobern '74 Ph.D. opened Assembly LXII on Engineering and Applied Science in Service to Society in the Davies Auditorium in the Becton Engineering and Applied Science Center. The first topical session on "What is Engineering? Why Engineering at Yale?" began with a plenary featuring two distinguished members of the Yale community: Dean Paul Fleury of the Faculty of Engineering and Provost Susan Hockfield, William Edward Gilbert Professor of Neurobiology and the first scientist in Yale's history to serve as provost. Dean Fleury proclaimed that this is the beginning of a new era for Yale Engineering. Undergraduate enrollment is increasing, top faculty has been recruited and retained, external recognition is significant, and industry interactions are expanding. Provost Hockfield provided her perspective on the University's increased emphasis on science and engineering and its strategic implications for Yale's future. Following the Provost, four undergraduates briefly described how they see engineering as part of the Yale education.

The afternoon ended with a "fair" of booths featuring engineering departments and programs which allowed delegates to meet faculty and students working in biomedical, chemical, electrical, environmental, mechanical engineering, and applied physics.

That evening, delegates attended a reception followed by the Yale Medal Dinner at the University Commons. The reception was co-sponsored by the Yale Science and Engineering Association. This year's medal recipients were Grant D. Esterling '51, '54 LLB, Joseph C Fox '38, Rafael Porrata-Doria '77 JD, Donald F. Scharf '55 and John B. Stevens '37. A Yale Philharmonia Concert in Woolsey Hall followed the dinner.

At 8:15 on Saturday morning, President Richard C. Levin '74 Ph.D. addressed the group in the Davies Auditorium on topics ranging from Engineering and Applied Science at Yale to an update on university affairs. Of special interest were his comments on the recommendations of the Broadhead Committee to Revise the Yale College Curriculum. These include: teaching of engineering courses in a manner which serves the needs of liberal arts majors; clarity of writing skills; mastery of at least one foreign language; possible requirement that every Yale college student spend at least one summer abroad (Yale to find the resources to fund this); and improvement in the quality of the freshman advisory function.

At the conclusion of the President's remarks, delegates were divided into small tour groups and spent the remainder of the morning viewing teaching and research laboratories as well as projects and demonstrations by students and faculty. The tour concluded with a visit to the new Cedar Street Building which houses the world's finest facilities for medical imaging research, a fundamental element in Yale's Biomedical Engineering Program.

From 12:30 to 2:00 p.m., the Annual Community Service Fellowship Luncheon was held at the University Commons. The luncheon provided an opportunity for alumni to honor the thirty-seven outstanding students who are this year fulfilling Yale's ongoing commitment to community service in 37 states and several foreign countries.

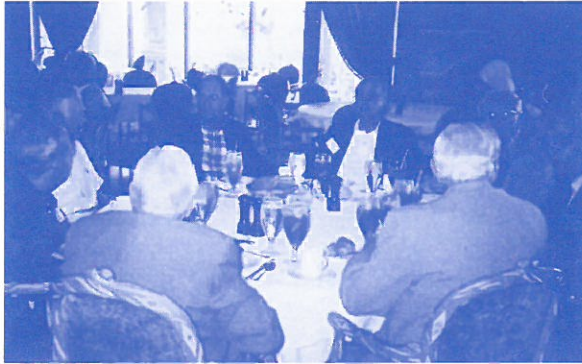
The final session of the assembly consisted of a town hall meeting followed by remarks by Dean Paul Fleury. At the town hall meeting, a panel of Yale faculty shared their approaches to teaching technology to non-science majors as well as responding to delegates' questions. Panelists included Professor Robert Grober, Director of Undergraduate Studies for Applied Physics; Professor Roman Kuc, Director of Educational Affairs for the Faculty of Engineering; Professor Maril Reed, Applied Engineering and Science, and Professor Mark Saltzman Goizueta, Chair Biomedical Engineering. Dean Fleury concluded the session with a review of the day's events and his vision for the future of Engineering and Technology at Yale which encompasses an expanded role for this function at all levels.

Following the Assembly, Chair Martin Cobern formally closed Assembly LXII.

SEEN AT YALE CLUB ACTIVITIES...



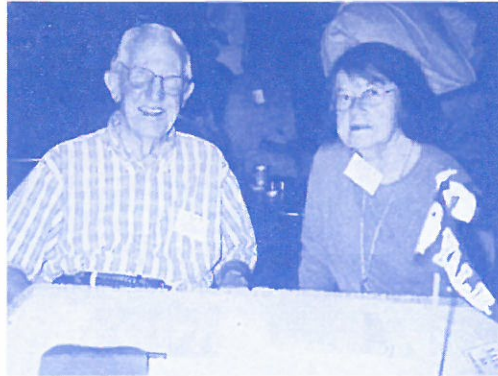
Pete Broadbent '47 E



Yale Football Fans

Coach Siedlecki Luncheon

Ivy League Picnic



John Helmsderfer '43 and Carol Hunt



Georgie Foster, Sam Cooley '53, and Bette Aymar



A group of "Yalies"



Tom '58 and Robin Wheeler



Bob Hatterer '53, Ted Gault '54, Don Williams '53, and Herb Sleeper



Herb Sleeper, Ken Abernathy '58 JD, Frank Moore '55, and Tom Wheeler '58

Trustees Meeting

Thanks for Your Survey Responses

By Tom Wheeler '58

Earlier this spring, a questionnaire was mailed to all members seeking input on the type of activities the Club should pursue. We wanted to be certain the comparatively large number of options we provide reflect the interests and preferences of our members. Around 50 responses were returned, and we thank you for your participation.

The questionnaire was divided into two broad categories: *Current Activities* and *Possible Offerings*. These were further broken down into questions seeking three possible answers: *Definitely Attend*, *Might Attend* and *Not Attend*.

Under *Current Activities, Definitely Attend* the winners were: Whiffenpoofs concert, Glee Club concert, Porter Goss luncheon, Welcome Back party, and Holiday party; *Current Activities, Might Attend*: financial seminar, Y-H football game, Ivy League picnic; and *Current Activities, Not Attend*: HYP Dinner Dance, HYP Golf, and Holiday Party.

Under *Possible Offerings, Definitely Attend*, the winners were: famous Yale alumni speakers, Yale professors, local speakers, musical/theatrical events and cultural/museum local tours; *Possible Offerings, Might Attend*: cultural/museum day tours outside Naples, sunset boat cruise; *Possible Offerings, Not Attend*: All cultural/ museum tours and the sunset boat cruise.

For meeting time preferences, luncheons were the huge winner.

A detailed analysis of the survey indicated a preference for only Yale Club events, continuing our current activities, and for new offerings, our members wanted speaker programs. The Trustees will make every effort to reflect the members interests and the board prepares the Club's activities for the coming season.

Charitable Beneficiary Program For Senior Yale Club Members

By Bob Bennett '44

Recently, with the guidance of Naples attorney Joe Cox of Cox and Nicci, the Yale Club has undertaken a special program for members 78 to 90 years old. The program provides significant benefits to members' heirs or beneficiaries and charities, leaving a minimum of 10% to our Yale Club Endowment Fund.

Already five of our senior members, including myself, have entered the program which takes advantage of the current difference in interest rates between annuity payouts and loans. The insured members are completely isolated from any liability.

If this program sounds intriguing, you fit the criteria of "senior," and you can pass a reasonable physical exam, call me at (239) 290-2331 and I will tell you why I signed up. You really should look into it!



Foster Attends Speaker Luncheon in Sarasota

Professor Charles Hill speaks on the "Age of Terror" at the Yale Club of the Suncoast in Sarasota

President Foster '56 attended a speaker luncheon sponsored by the Yale Club of the Suncoast in Sarasota on May 7th. Charles Hill was the noted speaker. He is the International Studies Distinguished Fellow at Yale, and is remembered by many Yale Club members as one of the principal presenters at the Redpath Seminar last year.

His remarks were titled "What is Happening in the World in the Age of Terror". Hill pointed out that the international system in the way the world works is changing very dramatically. He suggested that the traditional system of the "state" as the entity in international cooperation, the use of international organizations such as the UN, the building of international law, professional military and diplomatic services, and agreed norms of conduct by secular states have to some extent lost their validity. The "Cold War" negated the international system, and the UN has been abused in the '90s. Treaties agreed to in the '90s are flawed, and state security has not been developed.

Hill recited a number of terrorist activities to point out that terrorism started in the 1970s, and it was not foreseen because governments were thinking in political terms, not security. He noted that the terrorist attacks in the '90s were religion-based, citing the embassy bombings, assassination of Sadat, and the attack on the U.S.S. Cole among others.

Today, the assault on the international system is by the Islamists who are taking advantage of territory the state has lost and who bitterly oppose every aspect of the international system. He considers it revolutionary ideology.

Hill places the adversaries into three categories. The first is Al Qaeda; the next is gangs who have taken over states, i. e. Iraq and North Korea, and finally, weak states in the Middle East, such as Saudi Arabia.

The war on terrorism is fought on several fronts, but mostly by the military, by the police, and by diplomacy.

Hill suggested some solutions. First, strengthen weak states, such as Colombia. He strongly recommended using the institutions of the international system such as the UN and NATO. And finally there must be attention to the "norms" of international relations, such as furthering women's rights. Hill's parting statement was that the United States has a first class military and a third class foreign service.



2003-2004 SEASON ACTIVITIES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CHAIR</u>
November 2003	Welcome Back Party	TBA	Terry Upson
November 13, 2003	Annual Meeting of Members	TBA	Torrey Foster
November 22, 2003	"The Game" TV Broadcast	Spectator's Sports Bar	Ken Abernathy
December 2003	Holiday Party	U.S. Trust Company	Scott Herstin
January 2004	HYP Financial Seminar	Bessemer Trust – Naples Beach Hotel	Bob Bennett
February 2004	Speaker Series	Northern Trust Company	Tom Wheeler
February 10, 2004	HYP Dinner Dance	Vineyards Country Club	Torrey Foster
March 2004	Porter Goss Luncheon	TBA	Bob Bennett/Terry Upson
March 2004	Coach Siedlecki Luncheon	TBA	Pete Broadbent
March 2004	Speaker Series	TBA	Tom Wheeler
April 2004	Ivy League Picnic	Vineyards Country Club	John Helmsderfer

*Naples Monthly Luncheons on the 2nd Thursday of the month at the Collier Athletic Club Palm Room
Call Bob Bennett at 352-0219 to advise of attendance*

*Ft. Myers Monthly Luncheons on the 4th Thursday of the month at the Royal Palm Yacht Club
Call Ted Gault at 591-1690 for reservations*

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