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Dean of Yale College Opens Lecture Series

Peter Salovey, Dean of Yale College, was the first lecturer at the Club's lecture series for the benefit of its endowment fund. The event is graciously underwritten by the Northern Trust Company and took place on February 7, 2007 at the bank's community room.

Peter Salovey is a graduate of Stanford University and received his PhD degree from Yale where he is the Chris Argyris Professor of Psychology and Dean of Yale College since 2004. Having been on the Yale campus for over 26 years, he is the author of many books and recipient of numerous awards. As Dean, he is the chief administrator of Yale College, and is a member of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. His position entitles him to chair and be on a variety of committees, including Chair of the Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid Policy and the Term and Tenure Appointments Committee. In addition to his scholastic endeavors, he is a bass player in the Blue Grass Band at Yale.

Upon taking the job in 2004 when Dean Brodhead left for Duke, Dean Salovey felt his goals were to continue to get the results that Brodhead had started, much like the "domino effect". He pointed out that Yale received last year 19,400 applications for admission, and the university will accept about 10% with a matriculation rate of 70% of those accepted. He discussed the early action policy, and while there is some controversy about it, Yale will stick with it for another year on a nonbinding basis. It was felt that a binding early action decision by students is not good, especially for scholarship students who are looking for the best possible financial aid package.

The Report on Yale College Education which was prepared in 2003 had 8 goals to each of which Salovey referred briefly. The first was improving science education by improving



Sam Cooley '53 and Dean Salovey

Science Hill and the science curriculum. That is underway with the addition of new buildings for the sciences and requiring students to take some science courses.

Secondly, the curriculum is also highlighting courses which require some kind of quantitative analysis. The third goal deals with improving writing courses across all the subjects in Yale College.

Yale College wishes to increase the international experience of its students. Every student must do something international during his/her Yale experience. Yale will pay the cost for 350 students up to approximately \$5,000 for those students in financial need. Salovey highlighted Yale's joint effort with Peking University where 24 Yale students room with a similar number of Chinese students.

The Freshmen now have opportunities for special seminars with 15 students at unique locations around the campus, such as the art museum. The sixth goal is somewhat similar with a student practitioner of the arts to have the opportunity to share with an experi-

enced faculty member.

Foreign languages are now more available to the students, with the most popular not being French or Spanish, but Mandarin and Arabic. And finally, there is a continued strong interest in student life with over 350 extracurricular activities.

In closing his formal remarks Salovey pointed out that there are now only 9 buildings left from those that existed before 1900, and that 75% of the buildings on campus have been renovated. Also he could not help but point out that both the men's basketball and hockey teams have a good chance at Ivy League titles.

There followed a question and answer period which brought out some interesting information. One question related to whether the present audience who graduated many years ago and are very patriotic in its views would fit into Yale today. Salovey felt that what is important at Yale is that students see the struggle of ideas in a civil way. He felt that tolerance exists at Yale.

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Alumni Schools Committee Works Hard to Recruit Students

By Tom Mackelfresh '53

This year we had 20 local students apply for admission to Yale for the class of 2011. There were no students accepted for "early action". We had some new schools represented such as Palmetto Ridge High School, Evangelical Christian Academy of Cape Coral and Ida Baker High School of Cape Coral. All interviews were to be submitted to the Admissions Department no later than February 15, 2007. In fact the staff in New Haven is now reading the applications as the volume is enormous approaching 20,000. All decisions for admissions in the regular pool will be sent out on April 1, 2007.

I wish to thank all the alumni who have done interviews and performed other duties such as the College Night in Collier County. Later in the spring there will be another opportunity to help with the Yale Book Awards and their presentations. It is a great way for us to get some local promotion for Yale and to make contacts with school administrators and guidance personnel.

We had some very fine applicants, and we remain ever hopeful that some will be offered admission to Yale.



Adelaide Spanton Initiates Luncheons for Widows

Yale Club Trustee Adelaide Spanton, widow of William F. Spanton, '39, 42 LLB, has started a program of gathering Yale Club widow members together for lunch. The first event was held at her home in Pelican Bay and was attended by seven widow club members. According to Adelaide, they enjoyed their camaraderie together and are planning future events. If you have an interest, Adelaide would like to hear from you (592-5852).

Trustee Profile



Richard Molloy '94MPPM

Richard Molloy is the VP of Membership of the Yale Club of SW Florida. A 1994 graduate of the Yale School of Management, he is currently the principal and co-founder of Florida Gulfshore Capital, a Naples-based investment company focused on early stage venture and small to mid-market private equity opportunities. He serves on the board of a number of early stage companies, including Pasteuria Bioscience (an agricultural biotechnology company), Lehigh Technologies (a manufacturer of industrial polymers), and EmergingMed (a patient focused provider of clinical trial matching services).

A UK citizen, Richard came to the US in 1992 to attend SOM. Prior to this he served as a Captain in the British Army, first as a troop commander in a Commando Engineer Unit and then with a unit attached to the US Defense Mapping Agency in Washington, D.C. He traveled extensively, traveling to numerous exotic locations including, among other places, Norway (in the winter) the Falkland Islands (again, in the winter!), Hong Kong, Ascension Island, Cyprus and Diego Garcia. His undergraduate degree is in Civil Engineering.

Richard moved to Naples in 1999 with his wife Katie Sproul, also a Yale SOM graduate. They moved here from New York where he was a principal at Booz Allen & Hamilton, a global management consulting company. They have two young children who occupy most of their non-work time.

*Next Yale Club
Widows World Luncheon*

April 7th

*The Club at Pelican Bay
12:00 PM*

Ivy League Hosts Rep. Connie Mack

Luncheon presentation was a follow-up to former luncheons presented by The Yale Club with Rep. Porter Goss

On February 21, 2007 The Ivy League Schools led by Harvard and chaired by John Sorey held a luncheon at The Club at Pelican Bay to hear Representative Connie Mack's report on the state of the Congress. The event was most patriotic with an opening color guard of Collier County deputy sheriffs, the audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and the solo singing of the National Anthem by a deputy sheriff.

John Sorey introduced Rep. Mack who is in his second term as a congressman from this area. Mack is a graduate of the University of Florida which Sorey observed is the "Harvard" of the South.

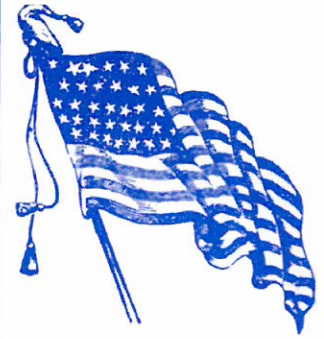
Mack opened his remarks by noting that he was focusing on local issues important to southwest Florida. He said in reference to an I 75 expansion that Florida was primarily a donor to the federal transportation fund and that only 84 -87 cents was returned to Florida for every dollar sent to Washington. He said that he was able to get it moved to 94%, about 81 million dollars. He said that we should start seeing construction for an additional two lanes on I 75 in about two months.

Secondly, Mack discussed the importance of water in our area with rather little being accomplished for our benefit at the federal level. His third issue was the federal budget and he said that as a member of the finance committee controlled by Democrats he voted against the current proposed budget.

Mack then turned to foreign policy issues. He said that the administration does "have a plan for victory". However, the rules of engagement have changed. With reference to Venezuela he was uncomplimentary of President Chavez who he said was no longer a democratic president having stripped the citizens of their rights. He noted Chavez' disdain for the United States and his permissiveness in permitting drug trafficking.

In response to Q & A he commented on illegal immigration, pointing out that employers need help in identifying illegal aliens. He feels the problem is the current group of illegal workers who number between 12 and 15 million and would be difficult to remove from our country. Mack is in favor of increased border protection and bringing in workers legally who will do the work that others won't do.

Finally he answered a question about a possible national catastrophic fund, commenting that he favors local programs.



*U.S. Representative
Connie Mack*



Welcome Back Party Highlights



Hosts Robin and Tom Wheeler '58 with Sam '53 and Trig Cooley



Charlie '49E and Joan Brookes



Bob Wenzel '53E, Jim Carthaus '62, Dick Harris '54 and Bob Todd, Jr. '54



Georgie Foster and Doris Mackelfresh



Georgie and Torrey Foster '56



George Gould '51 and Pete Broadbent '47E



Peter Kapetan '45WE and Alan Horton '65



Jon Hamill '60, Jenne and Jay Gelinas, and Nancy Hamill



Helen Kapetan and Adelaide Spanton

Welcome Back Party Continued



Ken Bruce '53E and Tom Mackelfresh '51



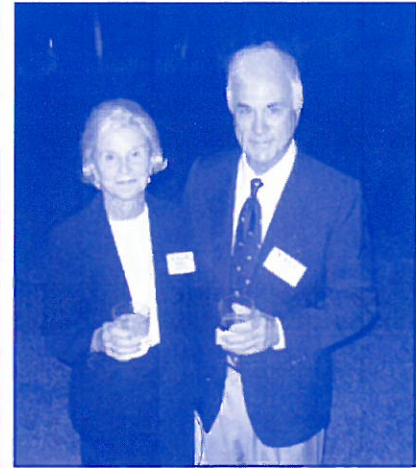
Jeri and Bob Bush with Georgie Foster



Arlynn Upson, Jan Sleeper and Terry Upson '60



Barie '68M.Arch. and Christina Fez-Barrington



Jim '50 and Shirley Hullverson

Yale v. Harvard



*Torrey Foster '56 and
Dick Bennett '52*



*Ken Bruce '53 with Bob '53E and Barb
Hattermer*



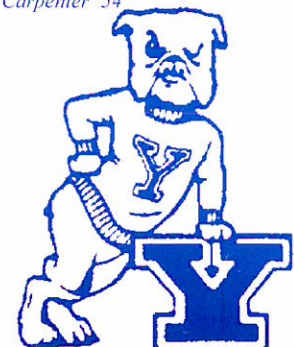
Joan and Bill Carpenter '54



Dick '52 and Bertha Bennett



Pete '47E and Ginger Broadbent



Football Coach Siedlecki Highlights Championship 2006 Season

By Dick Bennett '52



Coach Jack Siedlecki

Our March club luncheon was very special because our football coach Jack Siedlecki visited us and showed video highlights of the championship 2006 season. Also in attendance was Jack Fraser (a Williams graduate) and father of John Fraser, the current quarterback and wide receiver coach for the Yale football team.

Yale along with Princeton was co-champion of the Ivy League because according to Jack "we won the close ones." Yale was picked preseason to finish 5th in the league, but proved the forecasters wrong. The team won 7 games in a row prior to the loss to Princeton. All the games, including the loss to Princeton, were last minute scores. Forty-three thousand fans attended the Princeton game at the Yale Bowl, a modern record. In its final game, The Bulldogs defeated Harvard by 3 touchdowns, the most lopsided victory since 1960 (Yale 34 - Harvard 13).

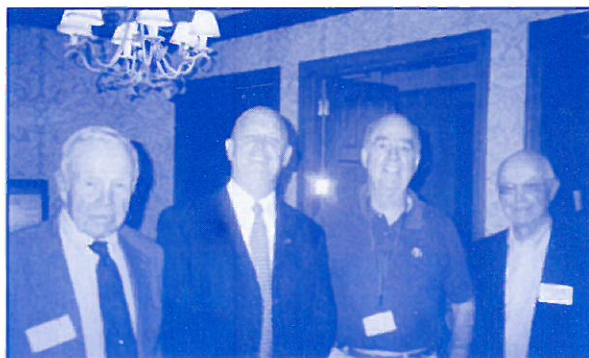
Next season Yale will have 12 offensive starters returning for 11 spots. Our quarterback Polhemus will be a senior and our outstanding running back Mike McLeod will be a junior. Mike rushed 297 times in 2006 (about 30 times a game) and had 7 consecutive 100 yards or more games. Both kickers are returning. Also, Matt Kelleher, the outstanding player in Connecticut in 2005 and a quarterback will return. Matt hurt his back in a summer accident the previous summer. Coach Siedlecki thinks Yale will be picked preseason #1 in the Ivy League.

Yale coaches contacted 14,500 kids and received feedback from 8,000. After SAT's were available the list was cut to 700 on August 1st and to 225 by November 1st. The coaches visited 45 kids whose lowest SAT's were above 1,200 and in the top 10% of their classes. The final acceptance was 29 compared to 2006 when Yale received 31 commitments. Two recruits are very fast: a safety and a wide receiver. Yale attrition rate (leaving the football team) is 3.2%, Princeton under 10% and Harvard is 10% plus. Nationally the number is 70%.

Next year's non-conference games are Georgetown, Holy Cross, and Lehigh.

After fielding numerous questions the coach and several club members left for some warm golf and dinner. It was 2° in New Haven when the coach left, an all time low for the month of March.

GO BULLDOGS!



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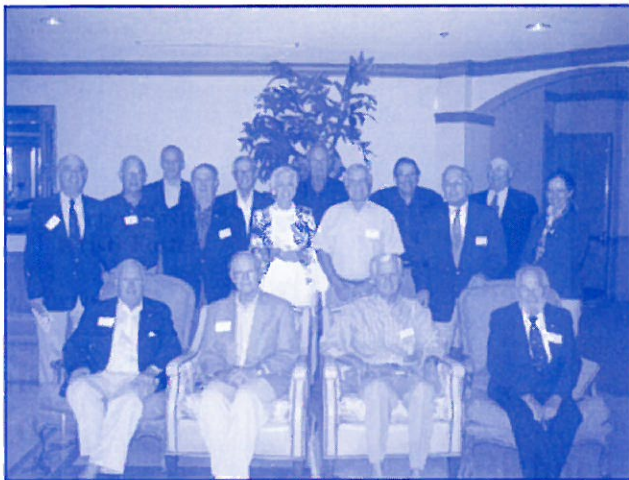
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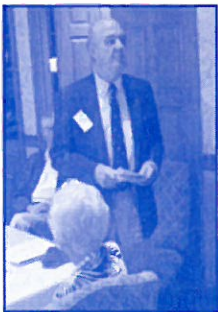
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Fall Meeting of Members



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Meeting Attendees



Barie Fez-Barrington '68M.Arch., Ted Gault '54M.Div., Sam Cooley '53 and Sally Shepard



Jay Gelinas

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The size of Yale College is a very current issue. While it has not been decided by the administration or corporation board, it is likely that 2 new residential colleges will be built at Yale to accommodate the increased demand for more students. But it was pointed out by Salovey that the study includes what this means for increased faculty and other services.

Yale is 9th in Ivy League and peer tuition costs. It costs \$60 thousand per student and the average financial package covers only one-half the cost of the Yale education.

The audience enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres following the Dean's presentation which were the courtesy of Northern Trust.

Golf Tips From An ELI Teaching Pro

By Vanessa MacKinnon '95

From 1992 through 1995, I was a member of the Yale Women's Golf Team. Since graduating in 1995, I have become a certified fitness instructor and a PGA/LPGA teaching professional. One of the best golf tips I can give most golfers is that getting your body in better shape for golf will help you get better results out of your golf lessons. However, there are certain misconceptions about physical conditioning for golf that are preventing golfers from following this advice. Three of these are:

Myth 1: It is not needed. Fact: Physical conditioning can help golfers of all ages achieve lower scores and reduce the possibility of injury. Its popularity has grown exponentially over the last decade on both the PGA and LPGA tours.

Myth 2: I am already fit because I walk every day. Fact: Golf requires a blend of four important elements: strength, flexibility, balance, and endurance. We need balance to keep control of our bodies and consequently our club. Flexibility is the key to more distance through a wider arc and bigger turn. Core strength is particularly important to help prevent back injuries, and endurance will keep you from getting tired and losing focus on the back nine.

Myth 3: I'm too old. Fact: It is never too late to start. Positive improvements can be made even into your eighties.

I am currently teaching at the Naples Golf Academy at Hibiscus and Mirror Lakes in Lehigh Acres. You may reach me through my website at www.betterfitgolf.com or by e-mail at golfbabe@pga.com.

2006 - 2007 SEASON ACTIVITIES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CHAIR</u>
Nov. 6, 2006	Welcome Back Party	Tom and Robin Wheeler's Home	Tom Wheeler
Nov. 9, 2006	Annual Meeting of Members	The Club at Pelican Bay	Sam Cooley
Nov. 18, 2006	Yale v. Harvard Football Broadcast	Naples Beach Hotel	Bob Hattemer
Dec. 13, 2006	Holiday Party	U.S. Trust	Terry Upson
Jan 11, 2007	Frank & Sue Moore - Denali Bird Slide Show at Monthly Luncheon	The Club at Pelican Bay	Jay Gelines
Jan 17, 2007	Collier Car Collection Tour & Cocktail Party	Collier Car Collection Museum	Don Williams
Feb. 6, 2007	HYP Financial Seminar	Northern Trust	Sam Cooley
Feb. 27, 2007	Lecture Series - Peter Salovey, Dean of Yale College	Northern Trust	
Mar. 8, 2007	Jack Siedlecki, Yale Football Coach	The Club at Pelican Bay	Pete Broadbent
Mar. 29, 2007	Lecture Series - Minh Loung, Yale Ass't Dir. Int'l Security Studies	Northern Trust Community Room	Sam Cooley
Apr. 1, 2007	Ivy League Picnic	Naples Beach Hotel	Torrey Foster
Apr. 5, 2007	Naples Dinner Theater - <i>Showboat</i>	Naples Dinner Theater	Dick Bennett
Apr. 12, 2007	Semi-annual Meeting of Trustees	The Club at Pelican Bay	Sam Cooley

Naples Monthly Luncheons on the 2nd Thursday of the month at The Club at Pelican Bay.
 Reservations are mandatory by the preceding Tuesday - No exceptions.
 Please call Jeri Bush (348-9476) or e-mail: jhbush47@comcast.net

Ft. Myers Monthly Luncheons on the 4th Thursday of the month at the Royal Palm Yacht Club
 Call Ted Gault for reservations (481-9631)

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