Important YUWO Dates
February 23 & March 23 – New Film Series
March 13 & 27 – Needlers Meetings
March 15 – YUWO Scholarship Application deadline
March 18 – Scrabble Group meets
March 27 & April 4, 11, 18, 25 – Spring Golf Clinic
April 3 – New Haven Land Trust Tour
April 4, 11, 18, 25, & May 2 – Spring Lecture Series on “Group Connection and Identity”
April 7 – New Members’ Luncheon at Mory’s

YUWO Annual Meeting & Scholarship Awards Luncheon
Wednesday, May 9
New Haven Lawn Club
Speaker
Asha Rangappa of the Yale Law School.

Lunch & Learn Returns!
Tuesday, April 10 at 12:00 noon
Yale Visitor Center
149 Elm Street

Paul Freedman,
Chester D. Tripp Professor of History, will speak about his recent book,
The Ten Restaurants That Changed America.

President’s Letter to the YUWO Community
Dear YUWO Members: This winter has been particularly gray and gloomy. However, there are several bright spots on the YUWO horizon. One is that Beverly Gage, who was last May’s Annual Luncheon Speaker, has recently published a book, The Day Wall Street Exploded, which was featured on the February 13th edition of NPR’s American Experience. Ms. Gage was also author of the First Words column in the New York Times Sunday Magazine of February 18, 2018.

A second bright spot is that Asha Rangappa will be our featured speaker at this May’s Annual Meeting and Scholarship Luncheon. Asha is director of admissions and a senior lecturer at the Jackson Institute for Global Affairs at Yale. She is a former associate dean at Yale Law School and a former special agent for the FBI.

A third bright spot on the YUWO horizon is our upcoming bus trip to The Mount, in Lenox, MA. The Mount is the home of the great American novelist Edith Wharton. The house as well as the gardens are said to be gorgeous! In addition, we are looking forward to Lunch & Learn, touring New Haven, and the Spring Lecture Series. Please join us!

Stephanie and Annemarie
YUWO Monthly Book Groups

Second Monday Afternoon at 2:00 pm:

March 12 – *The Island at the Center of the World: the Epic Story of Dutch Manhattan and the Forgotten Colony That Shaped America* by Russell Shorto

Contact Pat Goldstein (203-535-0734) or patgoldst@gmail.com

Third Monday Afternoon at 2:00 pm:

March 19 – *Dark Money* by Jane Mayer

Contact Patty Pollard (203-668-6019) or pollpatty@yahoo.com

Second Tuesday Afternoon at 2:00 pm:

March 13 – *Killers of the Flower Moon: the Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann

Contact Lyn Howe (203-606-0370) or lyn.howe66@gmail.com

Second Thursday Morning at 9:30 am:

March 8 – *Turtles All the Way Down* by John Green (at Genevieve Goff’s home)

Contact Audrey DeFronzo at 203-230-0592 or amdct1103@sbcglobal.net

Scrabble Group News for Scrabble Fans

Louise FitzSimons, Scrabble Group Coordinator, is happy to report that the Scrabble Group’s next meeting will be on **Sunday, March 18 at 2:00 pm**. Thereafter, the Group will meet on the third Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm. For further information, contact Louise at 203-530-4671 or cavanchmm@gmail.com

Needlers Invite You to Join Them

Needlers will meet on **Tuesday, March 13 at 1:30 pm** at Betsy Rosenthal’s house in Hamden. We will meet again on **Tuesday, March 27 at 1:30 pm** at Kirsti Langbein’s house in Woodbridge. If you’d like to join us and aren’t on the Needlers’ email list, please contact Dinny Wakerley for information and directions.

As always, you are invited to bring your projects, or mending, or to come just for the conversation! Everyone is welcome. Please contact Dinny at 203-624-9343 or dinnyw999@gmail.com with any questions.

Corrections to your YUWO Membership List

Catherine Cox has a new email address: ccox202@frontier.com
Faye Cramer has a new email: fayecramer@icloud.com
Patty Pollard has a new phone number: 203-668-6019
Pam Rackliffe’s correct email is: prackliffe18@gmail.com
YUWO Spring 2018 Lecture Series

Group Connection and Identity

This series of lectures will explore the relationship between our sense of identity and the groups we inhabit throughout our lives. How do the groups we belong to, whether assigned or chosen, affect how we see ourselves, how we see the world, and how others see us?

All five Wednesday lectures will begin at 10:30 am and will take place at
Yale’s West Campus Conference Center.

The series fee is $65.

Wednesday, April 4 – Karen Wynn, Professor of Psychology, Director of the Infant Cognition Center at Yale

“Development of Morality and Bigotry in Babies”

Wednesday, April 11 – Yarrow Dunham, Assistant Professor of Psychology and Cognitive Science and the Director of the Social Cognitive Development Lab at Yale

“Children's Thinking About Social Groups and Their Social Status”

Wednesday, April 18 – Riché Barnes, Dean of Pierson College at Yale

“The Role of the Village in Black Mothering”

Wednesday, April 25 – Margaret Clark, John M. Musser Professor of Psychology at Yale

“How Communal Relational Context (or Lack Thereof) Shapes Emotional Lives”

Wednesday, May 2 – Becca Levy, Professor of Public Health (Social and Behavioral Sciences) and Psychology at Yale

“How Positive and Negative Age Stereotypes Affect the Health of Older Individuals”

To sign up for the Lecture Series, please use the Registration Form at the end of this Newsletter. Directions to the Yale West Campus are in this issue.

Spring Golf Clinic

The Yale women’s golf coach, Chawwadee Rompothong, along with Barbara Kryger and Pam Rackliffe, invite you to the YUWO Spring Golf Clinic. The first session will be inside Payne Whitney Gym on Tuesday, March 27 at 11:00 am. Ensuing sessions will be on Wednesdays in April (weather permitting) at the Yale course. The charge is $25.00 per session / pay as you go. All levels are welcome.

For questions or to sign up, please contact: Barbara Kryger at 203-288-1515 or bkryger@gmail.com; or, Pam Rackliffe at 203-488-2667 or prackliffe18@gmail.com
Please Join us for the “Not Perfect, Temporary, Art Film Group”

The first meeting of this new film group will be on **Friday, February 23 at 1:00 pm** at the Willoughby Wallace Library, 146 Thimble Island Road in Stony Creek, Branford. We will view the film *Maudie*. We will meet again on **Friday, March 23 at 1:00 pm** to view a film chosen in February by the group.

This group is open to everyone. There is no rsvp and no charge for the films but a small donation to the Friends of the Library would be appreciated. Parking at the Library is limited; parking on the street is allowed. For questions or to sign up, contact Pam Rackliffe at 203-488-2667 or prackliffe18@gmail.com

Please welcome our speaker Asha Rangappa to the YUWO Annual Meeting Luncheon!

Asha Rangappa—a wonderful speaker often seen on evening news programs—is the director of admissions and a senior lecturer at the Jackson Institute for Global Affairs at Yale, where she teaches National Security Law and related courses. Asha graduated from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University in 1996, and from Yale Law School in 2000.

In between, she was a Fulbright Scholar in Bogota, Colombia, where she studied Colombian constitutional reform and its impact on U.S. drug policy in the region. Following law school Asha served as a law clerk for the Honorable Juan R. Torruella, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

She then joined the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a Special Agent, engaged in counterintelligence investigations in New York City from 2002 until 2005. Prior to joining Jackson, Asha was Associate Dean at Yale Law School.

More Information About YUWO Scholarships

After last month’s article about YUWO scholarships, we had several inquiries about 1) which institution Kelly Fusco is attending, and 2) how YUWO scholarships are paid out.

1. **What university is Kelly attending?** Kelly has been attending the University of Hartford. In addition, she submitted documentation to the University of Hartford for work-related studies at Yale and was successful in obtaining credit for them.

2. **How are YUWO scholarship funds paid out?** YUWO scholarship recipients receive no tuition funds directly. Our program requires that institutions submit official invoices to us, which – after confirmation – are paid to the institution itself.

Applicants for YUWO scholarships are required to provide detailed financial records confirming their eligibility. Awards are given only to those who still have unmet financial needs, after all other sources of income have been exhausted.

YUWO’s support for scholarships is in recognition of the high value placed on continuing education, and recognition of the many obstacles women face when deciding to commit to completing their degrees. The majority of women returning to school while still in the workplace need assistance to close the gap that would otherwise prohibit them from staying on their chosen academic path.

It is this spirit of support that inspired the founders of the YUWO Scholarship Program, and which motivates us to continue it today. Application deadline for the 2018 - 2019 academic year is March 15, 2018. See the YUWO website ([www.campuspress.yale.edu/yuwo](http://www.campuspress.yale.edu/yuwo)) for details.
Join Us for a Bus Tour to The Mount in Lenox, Massachusetts.

We invite you to join the YUWO Spring 2018 Bus Tour to Edith Wharton’s beautiful home The Mount on Thursday, June 7th to enjoy the house, the gardens, and your YUWO friends. This tour is open to all YUWO members and their guests. The tour fee is $75 per person.

Edith Wharton (née Edith Newbold Jones, 1862 - 1937), American novelist, short story writer, and designer, was born into the world at a time when women were discouraged from achieving anything beyond a proper marriage. Wharton broke through these strictures to become one of America’s greatest writers, creating tales about the lives and morals of the late nineteenth century, an era of decline and faded wealth. Author of *The Age of Innocence*, *Ethan Frome*, and *The House of Mirth*, she wrote over 40 books in 40 years, including authoritative works on architecture, gardens, interior design, and travel. She was the first woman awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. She was also awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters from Yale University and full membership in the American Academy of Arts and Letters. The Edith Wharton Collection, estimated to contain 50,000 items, now resides in Yale’s Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library. It consists of manuscripts, letters, photographs, and miscellaneous personal papers.

Edith Wharton and her husband Teddy built The Mount on 113 acres in the hills of western Massachusetts. The entire estate was designed as a work of art, after European traditions adapted for the American landscape. The classically inspired Main House, elegant Georgian Revival Stable, formal Gardens and sculpted Landscape represent Edith Wharton’s architectural and landscape designs.

We will meet and board the bus at the commuter parking lot at Exit 10 (Devine Street) on I-91 in North Haven at 8:30 am on Thursday, June 7th. This lot is opposite the Yale-New Haven Hospital Medical Center. Estimated time of travel is 2 hours. We will leave The Mount at 3:00 pm, arriving back in New Haven at 5:00 pm.

Our plan is to tour the house and then have lunch, which is included in the price of admission and is served on an outdoor patio. After lunch, we’ll tour the wonderful gardens and surrounding area. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

To sign up for this Tour, please use the Registration Form found on the last page of this issue. As you sign up for the Tour, please also sign up for your choice of luncheon sandwich, listed below:

The Mount’s Group Buffet Menu for 2018 is catered by the Red Lion Inn of Stockbridge, MA and offers four choices of pre-ordered luncheon sandwiches:

1. **Roasted Turkey** with Berleberg cheese, sliced apple, and baby arugula on Wheatberry bread;
2. **Traditional Chicken Salad** with sliced grapes and romaine lettuce on Wheatberry bread;
3. **Roast Beef** with cheddar cheese, lettuce, and creamy horseradish sauce on Wheatberry bread;
4. **Veggie Wrap** with roasted red pepper, hummus, avocado, carrots, and romaine in a veggie wrap.

Sandwiches are served halved, accompanied by a Mixed Green Salad, Kettle Cooked Potato Chips, and Brownies. The Mount provides iced tea, lemonade, water, and coffee at no additional cost. Wine and beer are available for purchase. With advance notice, they will attempt to accommodate dietary restrictions. The Mount does not prepare any food on site.
Touring New Haven Will Visit the New Haven Land Trust

458 Grand Avenue, Unit 111, New Haven. Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 11:00 am

Get a jump on Spring with an introduction to the inspiring work of the New Haven Land Trust! Join us to hear Executive Director Justin Elicker tell us about their community gardens, environmental education, neighborhood strengthening, land preservation accomplishments, and hopes for the future. Our own Anne Schenck serves on the Land Trust Board.

After Justin’s talk in their offices at 458 Grand Avenue, Unit 111, we’ll drive over to Grand Acres for a tour of their premier community garden on the corner of Grand Avenue and Perkins Street.

This tour is limited to 20 people only. Please sign up with Emly McDiarmid at emmcdiarmid@gmail.com

Members New to YUWO are Invited for Lunch at Mory’s

Mary Jane Miller, chair of New Members, has invited all new members to a New Members Luncheon at Mory’s (306 York Street, New Haven) on Saturday, April 7 at 12:00 noon. This luncheon is a gift from YUWO to all members who joined YUWO for the first time this academic year. If you did not receive an invitation, please contact Mary Jane at mjmill@computerdesign.net or at 203-281-6919. She’d love to hear from you! And if you did receive an invitation, she’d also love to hear whether you can attend.

YUWO Membership News

Adrian Sterling, Membership Chair, hopes that you are enjoying this year’s activities and would like to explain that for the next academic year, June 1, 2018 to May 31, 2019, YUWO will ask for dues earlier than usual. We are hoping that all dues will be paid by September 15. Please continue to tell your friends about YUWO and encourage them to join. YUWO now welcomes as members those women who are friends of Yale, in addition to those women who have Yale connections.

We welcome to YUWO, Bernadina Wilcox, 17 Old Oak Court, Southington, CT 06489. Her phone is 714-749-8998 and her email is bernadinawilcox@gmail.com Please add her to you Membership List. In addition, we welcome returning member Cecle Adler, 88 Notch Hill Road, #156, North Branford, CT 06471.

Driving Directions to the Yale West Campus

**Coming from the South** – If you are coming from the south (New York), take I-95 north and get off at exit 41 (Marsh Hill Road). At the end of the ramp, go straight through the light. This is West Campus Drive and the I-95 northbound entrance ramp. Stay in the right lane, bear right at the fork, and follow the signs for the Conference Center, which is toward the rear of the West Campus.

**Coming from the North** – If you are coming from the North (Hartford/New Haven), take I-95 south. Get off at exit 41 (Marsh Hill Road). At the light at the end of the exit ramp take a left onto Marsh Hill Road. At the next traffic light, take a left onto the West Campus Drive/I-95 northbound entrance ramp. Stay in the right lane, bear right at the fork, and follow the signs for the Conference Center, which is toward the rear of the West Campus.

**GPS Users:** For directions, enter: 100 West Campus Drive, Orange, CT.
Registration Form for the YUWO Spring Lecture Series

This course is open to all, YUWO members as well as non-members. The fee is $65.00 per person for the series. Unfortunately, we cannot accept registrations for single lectures.

For further registration information, email Judy Miller at j.miller@snet.net

Please print your Name, Address, Phone, & Email:

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Please make your check for $65 payable to YUWO and mail to:

   Sandra Greer, 38 Fernwood Road, Hamden, CT 06517

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Registration Form for the YUWO Bus Tour to The Mount

This trip is open to all YUWO members and their guests. The fee is $75.00 per person for transportation, lunch, tour of the house and gardens of Edith Wharton’s home The Mount in Lenox, Massachusetts.

For further registration information, contact Stephanie Jatlow at 203-389-2044 or sjatlow@netscape.net

Please print your Name, Address, Phone, & Email:

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Please circle your luncheon choice:

1. Roast Turkey Sandwich   2. Chicken Salad Sandwich   3. Roast Beef Sandwich   4. Veggie Wrap

Please make your check for $75 payable to YUWO and mail to:

   Stephanie Jatlow at 617 Saddle Ridge Road, Orange, CT 06477.
Looking for something interesting to do?

Join your YUWO friends for Lunch & Learn in April,

for the Spring Lecture Series, the Golf Clinic,

for the Annual Meeting and Scholarship Luncheon,

and finally for the bus trip to The Mount!