

Yale-China

REVIEW

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Welcome

From the Executive Director



In June, we joined colleagues at New Asia College to commemorate 50 years of shared endeavor in the fields of education and cultural exchange. Featuring academic panels, symposia, and cultural outings, the celebration was a chance to take stock of a wonderful partnership.

This October in Changsha, we honored an even older milestone: the 90th anniversary of the founding of Xiangya School of Medicine by the Yale-China Association and the Yuqun Society of Hunan in 1914. The event highlighted the collaborative nature of another unique and historic partnership for Yale-China.

As with our own centennial celebration in

2001, these events were more than simply occasions for revelry and good cheer. More importantly, they mark the fruits of the partnerships that our predecessors established with their Chinese colleagues to achieve shared goals. And, at their deepest level, they signify what our former Executive Secretary, Sidney Lovett, called “our common faith that we are co-builders of a kinder and more peaceful world order, in which folly and moral ignorance will be supplanted by reason, and inhuman suspicion and hate be overcome by love.” Thank you for your support of this inspiring vision.

—Nancy E. Chapman

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Jana Sikdar encourages an Adventure-Ship camper.

YALE-CHINA INTERNS COMPLETE THEIR SUMMER OF SERVICE

Ten Yale students spent their summer in China in Yale-China's Service Internship Program. Since 1998, Yale-China's internship program has placed 65 Yale students during the summer in fields including HIV/AIDS care, environmental science, non-profit management, and education.

"Living in Asia and working at a Hong Kong-run organization exposed me to the subtle cultural differences between East and West that are often overlooked by visitors," says Kaitlyn Trigger, who worked at the think tank Civic Exchange. Kaitlyn co-authored an article on human rights in China with Civic Exchange Director Christine Loh that will be published by the British Council.

While Kaitlyn was in downtown Hong Kong, two Yale-China interns were having quite a different experience in the same city. Jana Sikdar and David Zax found themselves working in the cramped container offices that are home to Adventure-Ship, a charity that gives disabled youths the chance to experience life at sea. Both students worked on projects for a new ship

which will be the world's first sailing vessel that is fully accessible by wheelchair. Jana created a PR kit for the ship's launch, while David wrote its operations manual.

Meanwhile, five Yale-China interns were in the mainland. One, Patricia Moon, was at an experimental preschool in Beijing. She had been in the city for a semester studying, but found working in Beijing was entirely different from being a student.

"This was not the Beijing I had come to know in the previous months, studying Chinese language at Tsinghua University. This Beijing consisted of moving across town, meeting a whole new set of people, and transitioning from student life to working life," Patricia says. "What I first saw as leaving the familiar, however, later became an opportunity to enter into a new community."

Two others were in Kunming, co-teaching English with undergraduates from Sun Yat-sen University. A third, worked in Guizhou with the Zigen Foundation, which works in poverty alleviation.

Besides these internships, Yale-China also has a Service Internship Exchange, which pairs Yale students



Ik Ekunwe listens to Chinese students in Kunming.

with students from New Asia College for a cross-cultural comparison of non-profit work in New Haven and Hong Kong. The students divide their time between the two cities, spending half the summer in each.

Reviews from all of the students have been great. As David Zax writes, "Looking back on the experience, I have two related thoughts. 'I was in China!' I'll say to myself, and then: 'I want to go back.'"

YALE-CHINA ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF INFECTION CONTROL MANUAL

Yale-China has completed a Chinese-language infection control manual that will be distributed in China by the National Nursing Center of China in Beijing. It will also be available to Chinese health care workers in the U.S. from our offices in New Haven and on the Yale-China website.

The English version of the manual was recently developed by the Office of Environmental Health and Safety at Yale University to serve as a guideline for all health care workers to minimize the spread of infectious agents when handling patients and materials.

Translation and adaptation of the manual into Chinese was initiated by Yale-China following last year's SARS outbreak, with the intention of providing standard infection containment and prevention procedures to Chinese health care workers.

Yale-China obtained permission from the Yale-New Haven Hospital to produce a Chinese version of the manual.

"As we swam to the shore and the sun set behind the Huan and behind the green hills on a cluster of outlying islands, I understood why the Chinese phrase for landscape was literally 'mountain water'—and I felt most powerfully that I was being treated to an experience like none I ever expected to have, and like none that I might ever have again."

—Yale Junior **David Zax**, on his experiences as a Yale-China Service Intern at Adventure-Ship, a Hong Kong charity dedicated to improving the self-confidence of disabled and disadvantaged youth through adventure-based sea training. David spent his summer researching and writing an operations manual for a new ship that will be christened this fall.



Leading Yale-China

The warmth of the reunion in Hong Kong was the perfect time to honor the leadership of Yale-China's trustees. We bid a fond farewell to David A. Jones, Jr., who shares highlights from his tenure, and welcome Terrill E. Lautz, who looks ahead.

Yale-China's progress and challenges

Chairing Yale-China's board for six years has been exciting, productive and challenging—certainly for me, and I hope for the organization as a whole.

During this period, we identified as strategic challenges, the rapid pace of change in China and China's growing sophistication, responding in a host of ways to new needs and opportunities. We organized the training of more than 30,000 nurses to combat and treat AIDS, drawing on our competence, understanding of China, and relationships to address a need when others could or would not. We delivered scholarships to hundreds of needy Chinese students, again drawing on our understanding of a new need in China—the sudden emergence of tuition as a requirement to attend college—as well as our administrative competence and relationships. And, we pioneered service internships, sending Yale undergraduates to China to work side-by-side with their Chinese counterparts.

At the same time, our oldest continuing activity, the Teaching Fellowship Program, trained thousands of Chinese students in English and, in the words of one of our Chinese colleagues at the Yali Middle School, “deepened their world view.” We also nearly doubled our endowment through a combination of Centennial Campaign gifts, prudent management of costs, and sound investment disciplines.

As I finish my term as Chair, I see three big challenges for the Association: supporting and financing organizational growth, working with Yale University to explore new partnerships, and remaining creative and nimble in the face of China's rapid change and development.

I believe Yale-China has contributed to making our world a little better than we found it. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity I was given to serve.

—David A. Jones, Jr., outgoing board Chair

Spirit, shared values, and new growth

I am deeply honored to succeed David Jones as Chair of Yale-China's board of trustees, and look forward to working with Nancy Chapman, the staff, the board and the membership to help sustain Yale-China's vital work.

The Yale-China spirit, *Yali jingshen*, was very much in evidence this summer when many alumni, trustees and staff converged on Hong Kong to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the partnership between Yale-China and New Asia College. The warmth and generosity of our Chinese hosts was a wonderful reminder that everything we do as an organization is based on shared values, mutual respect and cooperation with others. At a time when the need for



From left, Terrill Lautz, Yale-China board Chair, Nancy Chapman, executive director, and David Jones, outgoing Chair.

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Clockwise from above left, former and current Teaching Fellows gather to exchange stories; Elizabeth Stoner and Kelley Loper on the boat on Sai Kung; the next generation of Yale-China Fellows; a sign announcing the event; David Westendorff and Mary Gwen Wheeler during a break from the opening symposium "New Asia/ Yale-China: Past, Present and Future".

Hong Kong

Over 100 friends
50 years of a



Above: Mark Sheldon leads a tour of the New Asia campus; Yale-China Legal Education Fellow Pamela Phan asks a question during the symposium, "Hong Kong After the 1997 Handover".



From left, R. Kent Guy, Chris Cordell, Timothy Liang, Salina Ferguson, and Charles Blatchford at the celebration's closing banquet held at the Hong Kong Bankers Club. At right, Drake Pike, Terry Yip, Thomas Doyle in front of Friendship Lodge, the home of Yale-China Teaching Fellows at The Chinese University of Hong Kong.



Hong Kong: A Golden Celebration

Members of Yale-China and New Asia College gathered on June 17-19 to mark a partnership that has touched thousands of Americans and Chinese.



Clockwise from left, the participants in front of Hung Shing Temple in Kau Sai Chau; Ming Thompson, Diana Lin, David Auerbach, Anna Kaye, and Garth Sheldon take a boat from Sai Kung on one of the event's excursions; Trustees Timothy Liang and Martha Finn Brooks chat between sessions; politicians and journalists discuss Hong Kong since the 1997 Handover; Nancy Chapman and Henry N.C. Wong, Head of New Asia College, toast the next 50 years.



Our Community



David A. Jones, Jr., and Ambrose Yeo-Chi King after receiving the Yale-China Award in Hong Kong.

YALE-CHINA HONORS TWO WITH DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

David A. Jones, Jr. and Dr. Ambrose Yeo-Chi King were awarded the Yale-China Award for distinguished service at the Yale-China/New Asia College 50th Anniversary celebration in Hong Kong this June.

The Yale-China board of trustees honors two individuals, one Chinese and one American, who have made extraordinary contributions over the years to the Association's work.

David has been a long-time Yale-China trustee and retired as Chair of the board in June. He began his 25-year association with Yale-China as a graduating Yale student and one of the first Bachelors to return to teach in Changsha in 1980. As Chair, he encouraged creativity, innovation, and sound management of the organization while providing energetic leadership of Yale-China's successful centennial capital campaign.

Ambrose, who stepped down as Vice Chancellor of The Chinese University of Hong Kong this year, previously served as Head of New Asia College. He is a distinguished scholar of Chinese society and culture and is deeply committed to the ideals of international education. Yale-China has been the grateful beneficiary of Ambrose's generosity and wisdom across three decades.

NEW TRUSTEES

Deborah S. Davis is Professor of Sociology at Yale University specializing in contemporary Chinese society. Her publications have analyzed the politics of the Cultural Revolution, Chinese family life, social welfare, occupational mobility and the urban consumer revolution. She received an M.A. in East Asian Studies from Harvard and a Ph.D. in sociology from Boston University. She has also taught at Chung Chi College (now part of CUHK) in Hong Kong and Tunghai University in Taiwan.



James V. Feinerman is the James M. Morita Professor of Asian Legal Studies at Georgetown University Law Center. He is Associate Dean of International & Graduate Programs and Director of Asian Law & Policy Studies. A Yale-China Bachelor in Hong Kong from 1971 to 1973, he received his Ph.D. in East Asian Languages and Literatures from Yale and his J.D. from Harvard, both in 1979. He has served as Chair of the Asian Law Forum of the Association for Asian Studies, Editor-in-Chief of the American Bar Association's China Law Reporter, and Chair of the Committee on Legal Education Exchange with China.



NEW STAFF AT YALE-CHINA

Hongping Tian serves in the newly created role of Health Program Officer in New Haven. She will oversee Yale-China's HIV/AIDS training programs for Chinese health care workers, the Chia Fellowship



Program, and publication of the *Yale-China Health Journal*, while developing new health-related programs. Hongping holds an M.P.H. from the Harvard School of Public Health, where she focused on international health, as well as a Ph.D. in microbiology and molecular genetics from Harvard Medical School and a B.S. from Marlboro College (Marlboro, Vermont). She is a native of Kunming, Yunnan province, in southwestern China.

2004 CHIA FELLOWS

The 2004-2005 Chia Fellows arrived in New Haven in September. **SHI Huafang** is a senior R.N. in obstetrics at the second Xiangya Hospital, Central South University in Changsha. She holds an M.S. in medicine from Xi'an Jiaotong University. She is conducting her project, "Hepatitis B Knowledge, Attitudes and Practice of Prevention among Pregnant Women with Hepatitis B Virus Infection," under the guidance of Yale School of Nursing associate professor Heather Reynolds.

ZENG Hui is a lecturer at the Nursing College of Central South University in Changsha. She received an M.S. in Nursing Science from Chiang Mai University in Thailand and has lectured on Psychology of Nursing, Fundamentals of Nursing, and Medical Nursing at Central South University. She is pursuing a Ph.D. in clinical psychology there. In New Haven, she is working under the guidance of Yale School of Nursing lecturer Kristoper Fennie to develop a project entitled, "The Effects of Health Education on Stress of Clients with Hepatitis B."

international understanding has never been greater, the Hong Kong reunion was an inspiring tribute to the Yale-China Association's accomplishments—and to the many dedicated people who make the work possible.

This is an exciting time for the Association. China's galloping development and Yale University's growing involvement with China are opening up new opportu-

nities for education and service. Through internships, teaching fellowships, and programs in fields such as nursing and law, Yale-China has a great deal to contribute to the U.S.-China relationship.

—Terrill E. Lautz, Yale-China board Chair

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Yale-China Teaching Fellows at their August orientation in Hong Kong, where they spent a week working on teacher preparation and Chinese cultural issues.

NEW HUMANITIES POSITION IN GUANGZHOU BROADENS YALE-CHINA TEACHING FELLOWSHIP

In September, Yale-China started a new English Teaching Fellow position at Sun Yat-sen University (SYU). Fellow Seiji Shirane is teaching a year-long “Academic English” course that will improve the English skills of 75 SYU students of history, anthropology, Chinese language and literature, and philosophy. Humanities students need English to participate internationally in their fields by taking full advantage of resources in English, attending international conferences, writing for academic publications, and pursuing further studies abroad. Yale-China will add another Fellow to join Seiji next fall, so that in the future there will be two Fellows returning each fall to the SYU School of Humanities. Generous support for these two new positions is provided by the Lingnan Foundation.

PUBLIC HEALTH FOCUS OF ANNUAL JOURNAL

The latest issue of *The Yale-China Health Journal*, due to be published by November, features an article by Wang Shaoguang, Professor of Political Science at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. In it, Professor Wang discusses the current state of the Chinese health system, highlighting existing and emerging problems that open doors to infectious disease outbreaks such as SARS. This issue of the health journal also highlights research projects conducted by previous Chia Fellows on hepatitis, HIV/AIDS infection, hypertension in the elderly, and mosquito-borne viruses.

The *Journal*, which was created as a service to help the community of international health workers and others interested in China's health care challenges stay up to date on rapid developments in the field, is available for \$5.00 from the New Haven office and is on our website.

<http://www.yalechina.org/publications/healthjournal/index.html>

IN MEMORIAM

Yale-China mourns the loss this year of these members of our extended family:

Melville Chapin • William J. Cheng
 Louis B. Dean • Ross I. Dixon
 Sidney Lovett Eaton • Ralph W. Halsey
 John Hartley • LIU Ming
 J. Irwin Miller • Charles H. Siegel

Calendar

- October 15-16** Chia Fellowship Conference
Xiangya School of Medicine 90th Anniversary
Changsha, China
- October 27** Informational Teahouse for Teaching Fellowship
Luce Hall, Yale campus, 5:30 p.m.
- November 11-13** Photography Exhibit of Service Interns' Work
Saybrook and Branford colleges, Yale campus

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Above: The Forbidden City in Beijing. On the front cover: Tents set up in Qinghai Province for the Naddam Horse Festival. Inset photo: A woman in traditional Tibetan dress.



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