

alumni news

Yale Law School alumni have been gathering around the country. Here is a sampling of the get-togethers that have taken place over the past six months.

WASHINGTON, DC



From the Civil War to Civil Rights

ON NOVEMBER 18, ALUMNI from the Washington, DC area gathered to see the groundbreaking Philip Glass opera, *Appomattox*. Alumni were treated to a backstage tour before the show, a champagne toast during intermission, and a discussion after the show facilitated by **Jeffrey Cunard '80**. During the talkback, **John Fabian Witt '99**, Allen H. Duffy Class of 1960 Professor of Law, provided context and insight regarding the opera's first half (taking place in 1865) and **Paul M. Smith '79** spoke about the historical context of the opera's second half, set in 1965.

CONNECTICUT



Love & Money at the Westport Country Playhouse

ALUMNI AND GUESTS GATHERED ON AUGUST 8 for an evening at the Westport Country Playhouse. WCP's artistic director Mark Lamos spoke at the pre-show reception hosted by Barbara and **John Streicker '67**, and alumni enjoyed a performance of *Love & Money* by A.R. Gurney.

DC



Dinner with William Eskridge, Jr. '78 and Sonia Sotomayor '79

MORE THAN 300 YALE LAW SCHOOL alumni, current, and admitted students, and their guests gathered for the Annual Dinner at The National Press Club on June 17. **Bill Eskridge, Jr. '78**, John A. Garver Professor of Jurisprudence, gave a wonderful update on the School, including details about faculty retirements, promotions, and hires. The evening concluded with brief remarks by U.S. Supreme Court Justice **Sonia Sotomayor '79**, who also spent time talking with alumni and answering questions.

OHIO



Ohio and the Constitution: A Buckeye-State View of Presidents without Mandates

ALUMNI WELCOMED Sterling Professor of Law **Akhil Amar '84** on September 21. Hosted by Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, Professor Amar engaged in a wide ranging discussion on constitutional issues, including religious accommodation, slavery, jury selection, the exclusionary rule, same-sex marriage, women's suffrage, religious tests for office, the presidential oath and—Ohio being the political epicenter of the United States—the Electoral College.



NEW YORK CITY



Christie's Auction House

ON NOVEMBER 14, YLS ALUMNI from the New York City area gathered at Christie's Auction House for a preview of Christie's American paintings and sculpture fall sale. The discussion was led by specialists from Christie's department of American paintings and sculpture, assisted by Véronique Chagnon-Burke, the academic director at Christie's Education.



2nd Annual YLS Hamptons Summer Cocktail Party

THE YLS HAMPTONS SUMMER COCKTAIL PARTY took place at the home of **Arthur Malman '68** and his daughter, **Jessica Malman Phillips '01**, in East Hampton on August 1. The Hamptons group celebrated another year together and had a great turnout of alumni, current and admitted students, and their guests. Be on the lookout for an announcement on the Office of Alumni Affairs webpage about next year's event.



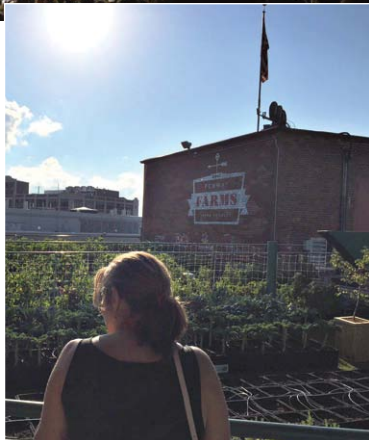
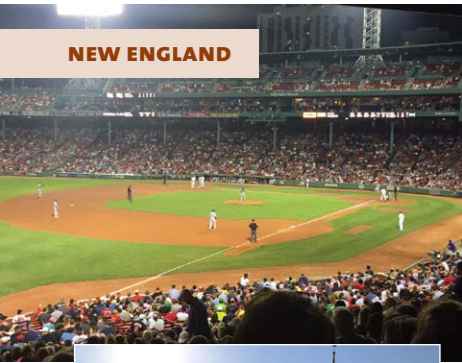
Vicki Cundiff '80 and Laurence Sorkin '67



Annual Spring Luncheon

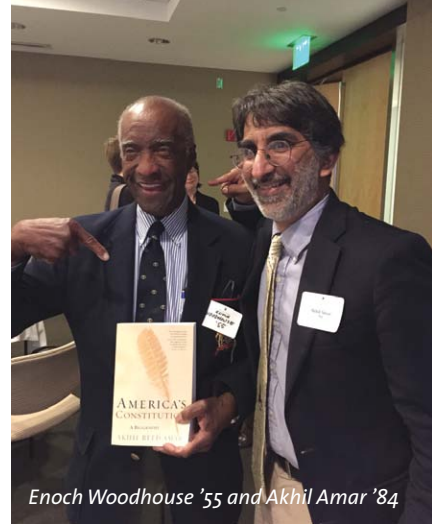
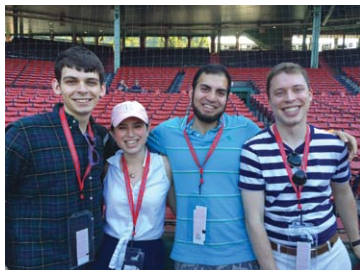
A RECORD NUMBER OF NYC ALUMNI, admitted and current students, and their guests gathered at the Yale Club on June 5, where **Anthony Kronman '75**, Sterling Professor of Law and former dean, gave an update on the Law School. **Oona Hathaway '97**, Gerard C. and Bernice Latrobe Smith Professor of International Law, followed with a talk on "The Laws of War: From Grotius to ISIS," in which she traced and compared rules of warfare in the seventeenth century to those in present day.

NEW ENGLAND



Red Sox vs. Royals

ON AUGUST 20, alumni, current students, and admitted students gathered with family and friends at Boston's Fenway Park. The evening began with a tour of the historic ballpark, where attendees watched the Red Sox warm up and heard stories about Fenway's various owners and players, from Babe Ruth to Ted Williams. After noshing on Fenway favorites—everything from traditional burgers and franks to kale salad grown in Fenway's own rooftop garden—it was game time. The Red Sox delighted their fans with a 4-1 win over the Kansas City Royals.



Enoch Woodhouse '55 and Akhil Amar '84

Supreme Court Review with Akhil Amar '84

MORE THAN 30 BOSTON AREA ALUMNI, friends, current students, and newly admitted students gathered on June 17 at Foley Hoag LLP for a reception, followed by a talk from Sterling Professor of Law **Akhil Amar '84** about the current Supreme Court term and the Constitution. Professor Amar's thought-provoking talk connected the Constitution's history and text to hot-button cases now before the Court.

PENJERDEL



Martha's Vineyard Summer Cocktail Party

SOME 50 ALUMS GATHERED at the home of **Glenn '76** and Lyn **Reiter** for the 12th annual YLS Martha's Vineyard Summer Cocktail Party. Classmates reconnected, new family members were introduced, and YLS locals had the chance to catch up with one another. Pilot **Bob Herbst '72** followed the temporary rules in place to enter the MV airspace due to President Obama's presence on the Island. **John '04** and **Dixie Noonan '03** came all the way from San Francisco with two children in tow. Thanks go to **Arnold Zack '56**, **Pat Taylor '71**, and **John Firestone '85** for organizing the event.



8th Annual Garden Party

SEPTEMBER 20 WAS THE DATE OF another wonderful PenJerDel annual Garden Party. YLS graduates and their guests gathered in the garden at the home of **Bob Price '61** and heard a passionate talk by **Phoebe Haddon '85 LL.M.**, Chancellor of Rutgers University, who described the educational challenges facing Rutgers and other educational institutions.



Constitutional Law Breakfasts: Supreme Court Watchers

ON JUNE 29 IN NEW YORK AND JUNE 30 IN WASHINGTON, DC, alumni and their guests enjoyed a dynamic breakfast panel discussion of the Supreme Court's Term, with approximately 100 participants at each event. **Linda Greenhouse '78** *msl*, the Knight Distinguished Journalist-in-Residence and Joseph Goldstein Lecturer, moderated both panel discussions.

The New York event was hosted by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom in their Manhattan office, with panelists **Boris Bershteyn '04**, partner, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, New York, NY; Andrew J. Pincus, partner, Mayer Brown, Washington, D.C. and visiting clinical lecturer in law; **Paul M. Smith '79**, partner, Jenner & Block, Washington, D.C.; and **Kenji Yoshino '96**, Chief Justice Earl Warren Professor of Constitutional Law, NYU Law School.

In Washington, DC, Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP hosted the event, which included panelists **Beth S. Brinkmann '85**, deputy assistant attorney general, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, Washington, DC; **Martin Lederman '88**, associate professor, Georgetown University Law Center; Andrew J. Pincus, partner, Mayer Brown, Washington, DC and visiting clinical lecturer in law; and **Paul M. Smith '79**, partner, Jenner & Block, Washington, DC.



NEW YORK AND DC

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ILLINOIS



Brett August '77

Jay S. Readey '04 JD/MBA
(center)

The Presidential Leadership Scholars and the 'Innovation Houses Project'

YLS AND SOM ALUMNI WERE joined by current and admitted students of both schools on June 24 at the Chicago Yacht Club at Monroe Harbor. **Jay S. Readey '04** *JD/MBA* discussed his experience as a Presidential Leadership Scholar and the details of his personal leadership project, "Innovation Houses." The Chicago group enjoyed refreshments overlooking Monroe Harbor and the opportunity to learn about Jay's initiative to repurpose vacant houses to revitalize communities where young adults live and work.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA



John Fabian Witt '99

8th Annual Tobin Brunch

ALUMNI GATHERED at the Caltech Athenaeum for the annual brunch hosted by **Christine Adams '94** and Jim Asperger, in memory of **Stanley Tobin '58**. This year's keynote speaker was **John Fabian Witt '99**, Allen H. Duffy Class of 1960 Professor of Law, who gave a talk on his book, *Lincoln's Code: The Laws of War in American History* followed by a Q&A session.

"Out of the Blue" Recent Alumni Happy Hours

THE OFFICE OF Alumni Affairs continued the new tradition of hosting informal happy hours for recent alumni. This summer in California, the Bay Area saw two groups gather to discuss the development of their careers and interests.



San Francisco