

ALUMNI NEWS

Dear Friends,

Since joining Yale Law School in October 2021, I have been reminded many times of what a profound privilege it is to be a part of this community. Yale Law School alumni are some of the most insightful and dedicated graduates I've ever met,



and your collective commitment to this institution is remarkable. Most recently, our generous graduates have made us national leaders in meeting the full cost of a legal education for students with demonstrated need, thanks to the **Soledad '92 and Robert Hurst Horizon Scholarship Program**. This foundational effort was also supported by David '75 BA, '78 JD and Patricia Nierenberg and Gene '73 and Carol Ludwig, and I know that the impact of this fund will only grow as more alumni contribute to it in the days, months, and years

to come. The recently launched **Joseph C. Tsai Leadership Program** promises that whatever paths our graduates pursue, they will be ready to find innovative ways to use their legal education to create a better future for all. Both of its specialized programs — the **Carol and Gene Ludwig Program in Public Sector Leadership** and the **Michael S. and Alexa B. Chae Initiative in Private Sector Leadership** — speak to the extraordinary ways that the School has for generations prepared leaders in all fields. These initiatives illustrate the tireless drive of our dean, faculty, and graduates to imagine an ever-brighter tomorrow for our community and the world.

Yale Law School continues to thrive thanks to its loyal alumni leaders who have provided guidance and support for generations. Simply put, your hard work and generosity matter. Whether you serve as a member of your reunion committee, the Fund Board, or the YLSA Executive Committee, partner with our admissions team to aid in the recruitment of talented applicants, make a gift, or register for The Courtyard and become a mentor to our students, your partnership with us is the lifeblood of the YLS community, and we are deeply grateful.

I am particularly excited to share our plans with you for the inaugural Yale Law School **All-Volunteer Summit** this coming September. The Summit will be a new opportunity to celebrate our alumni partners, and it will provide our loyal ambassadors, advocates, and donors with an opportunity to hear from Dean Gerken, YLS administrators, and students, and to participate in learning sessions focused on philanthropic advocacy and communicating the School's most pressing priorities.

There is a rich constellation of ways to connect with Yale Law School and I hope you will reach out to us if you are interested in joining the ever-growing ranks of alumni volunteers and donors. In the meantime, thank you again for welcoming me into your remarkable community. I very much look forward to the exciting journey ahead!

Warmly,

Kristen B. Rozansky

Associate Dean, Alumni Engagement and Development

HOUSTON

Houston Reception

On May 10, 2022, the YLSA of Houston hosted a reception at the home of **Keith Ellison '74** and Kathleen Ellison. Houston-area alumni connected with each other and Dean Heather Gerken.



(far left) Leslie Bacon, Dimitri Millas '08, Michael Tayag '21, Lisa Muloma, and host Kathleen Ellison; (near left) Heath LaPray, Travis Torrence '05, Maryann Lio Grahmann '09, and Craig Grahmann

Throughout the year and in cities across the country, alumni gather for events organized by Yale Law School's Office of Alumni Engagement and Development. Here is a sampling of the events that have taken place over the past six months. Events details are posted on our website law.yale.edu/alumni. Please contact the Office of Alumni Engagement and Development if you want to update your contact information, by phone at (203) 432-1690 or by email at alumni.law@yale.edu.

NEW YORK

Reception Held to Launch The Tsai Leadership Program

More than 300 guests attended a reception to celebrate the public launch of The Tsai Leadership Program held on April 5 at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in New York City. The event, hosted by YLSA, included Yale Law School alumni and Alumni Advisory Council members of The Tsai Leadership Program. Dean Heather Gerken welcomed guests to the first major in-person alumni event since the beginning of the pandemic. She shared the purpose of The Tsai Leadership Program and the benefits it provides to students, thanked the staff and faculty who helped launch the program, and introduced guests to the program's founding donors — **Joe '90** and **Clare Tsai**, **Michael '97** and **Alexa Chae**, and **Gene '73** and **Carol Ludwig**. She also shared details of the Hurst Horizon Scholarship Program that will provide full tuition to students whose families come from below the poverty line.



(above left) Jack Weiner '59, Tom Baer '60, Jim Harbison '59, and Steve Mann '60; (above right) Minh Vo '03, Shirley Emehelu '03, Janet Wong '87, and Pearl Yuan-Garg '03; (left) Matthew Anderson, Elina Tetelbaum '10, Basha Rubin '10, Sipoura Barzideh '09, and Aaron Delaney

MIAMI



The South Florida Lawyer

The YLSA of Miami held a discussion and reception on March 23, 2022, hosted by Podhurst Orseck. Two dozen Yale Law School alumni came to network and hear panelists **Roy K. Altman '07**, **Jacqueline Becerra '94**, and **Shaniek M. Maynard '01** discuss "The South Florida Lawyer: Insights from the Bench," with moderator **Rudolph Aragon '79**.

SAN FRANCISCO & D.C.

Diversity Receptions

Two diversity receptions, bringing together alumni and student members of the APALSA, BLSA, LLSA, MENALSA, NALSA, OutLaws, and SALSA affinity groups, were held this spring. On May 31 in San Francisco, the community gathered at Palette and heard remarks from **Goodwin Liu '98**. On June 7, Yale Law School community members in the D.C. area gathered for a reception at 12 Stories; Dean Heather Gerken and Professor **William N. Eskridge Jr. '78** gave remarks to the group.

Executive Committee and Fund Board Meeting

The YLSA Executive Committee and Fund Board held their spring meetings in New York City on April 4 and 5. Sixty members attended the April 4 welcome dinner. On April 5, alumni volunteers engaged with Dean Heather Gerken and then participated in their subcommittee meetings and focus groups. Pictured are members of the Executive Committee and Fund Board with Associate Dean Mike Thompson.

