My Dearest Libs,

How time flies! Why, only yesterday I returned to New Haven in the dead of night as picture-postcard snow messed up my hair and made my ears cold. And now its already time for the semester to begin. Fortunately, among the chaos of shopping period, bluebooking, and the sudden influx of assigned readings, there is time for some Liberal fun.

First up on our schedule is the very first YPU Debate of the semester, to be held in SSS 114 at 7:30 this Tuesday. The Union will be debating "Embrace the Responsibility to Protect" with former UN ambassador, Rosemary DiCarlo. Come ask the big questions about international relations, sovereignty, and intervention. Plus, cheer on our very own Madame President, Emaline Kelso!

Let's pack SSS for the first debate! Do you have something to say?

Next up, the Libs get interdisciplinary with our discussion topic "When Should We Reject Science?" Should we censor science that is used to validate oppression? Does the distribution of funds for scientific research contribute to good research? When is science objective, and when is it controlled by profit? Is science effective in advocating for policies we
like, such as environmental regulation? Discussion will be **Wednesday** at **7:30** in an as yet undetermined location. Here is an article arguing that research into the correlation between race and IQ should be banned. Here is an article about science censorship in Canada. And here is an article about how capitalism effects pharmaceutical research.

![Science run amok!](image)

Even if you only made it to a few events last semester - or none! - we'd love to see you this week, or any week.

**TL;DR**

**TUESDAY:**
YPU Debate; 7:30; SSS 114

**WEDNESDAY:**
Discussion; 7:30; Location TBA

**LIB OF THE WEEK**

In an extremely unbiased decision, our first Lib of the Week is me, **Sara McCartney**

![Secretly a Killer Android?](image)

Likes: M&Ms, the Velvet Underground, Philip K Dick, overanalyzing modern films, pockets, feminist action movies, sleeping until 9, muffins for breakfast, nutella lattes, nutella via spoon, cell phones that actually work, Halloween, alternative Christmas music, coffee colored chocolate beans, leisurely walks, toddlers at a distance, nerding out over SF television, the Rocky Horror Picture Show.
Dislikes: Spotify playlists, loooong train rides, sleeping until 10, tall people at concerts, shopping period, the NRA, keeping track of winter gloves, business suits, vigorous hikes, cobwebs, disco, excessively large dogs, commercial breaks, shopping malls

Fun Fact: As a child, I had recurring nightmares about finding robots in my basement

VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK
(In which I self-indulgently share YouTube videos with you, my semi-captive audience)

PATTI SMITH

A poet who moved to New York at the height of its underground art movement (she brushed shoulders with the likes of Warhol, Dali, and Ginsburg), Patti Smith (the love of my life) merged performance art, poetry, and punk rock to create rock'n'roll which, despite her wide influence, still sounds unique. Her ability to see the potential for meaningful artistic expression in the energy of punk earned her unofficial titles like "Godmother of punk" and "Priestess of piss." Her debut album is considered one of the greatest rock albums of all time, and her memoir Just Kids is a heartbreaking classic. For your listening enjoyment: an early performance piece about the exploitation of labor, a raucous reclaiming of the pop/rock narrative of sexual conquest, and a populist anthem she allegedly sang at an Iraq War protest attended by my father

Scientifically yours,

Sara
Lovable Libs,

At long last, our fine city had been graced with snow. I enjoyed the fresh fallen field of white for almost an entire day - until its perfection was trampled by Silliman frosh invading with snowballs and vulgarities. Harrumph. But my mood was brightened by the sight of kids making snow forts and, ya know, being able to venture forth from my room, thanks to the hard work of the plowing crew. This is extra important, because there are many exciting Lib events worth venturing to this week.

First up, LIB DINNER, as is traditional, in the Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30 this Monday. Except this time, we can enjoy the empty space where John Calhoun's portrait used to be.

Sadly, Calhoun still won't be this elegant
After eating, nourish the intellect with the YPU Debate. This MONDAY, the YPU will debate "End ICE Raids" with Aviva Chomsky. Interested in immigrants' rights, the problems with deportation, and the responsibilities of the US government to non-citizens? You're in for an interesting evening. Join us at 7:30 in an uncertain location (I'll let you know).

Is this good immigration policy?

On Wednesday, Lib Discussion takes on a particularly juicy topic: Is pornography inherently disempowering? Discussion will be on WEDNESDAY at 7:30 in another unknown location. Can pornography move beyond the racism, misogyny and trans-misogyny so prevalent in the medium to empower its creators and viewers? What responsibility do the filmmakers and performers have to avoid these prejudices? Can pornography be a political tool? Should sex positivity be a value of the Left? Here is a lengthy but thought-provoking article about the legal regulation of pornography and its use as a tool of queer empowerment. Here is a critique of sex positivity and the privilege associated with it. And here is an overview of the institutionalized racism within the porn industry.

The discussion won't have show girls present, but you should be excited anyway.

After a hard week of seizing the means of production and fighting the patriarchy, we Libs often enjoy relaxing with a good party. To that end, this FRIDAY will be the Marx Jacobs Fashion Week Party. The fun will begin at 10:09 at Durfee D-31. Call Dana Rust at 417-855-9436 to be let in. The dress code, so I'm told, is as follows:

Some sample outfits to consider

**TL;DR**

**Monday:**
Lib Dinner; 5:30; Calhoun Dining Hall
YPU Debate; 7:30; TBA

**Wednesday:**
Lib Discussion; 7:30; TBA

**Friday:**
Marx Jacobs Party; 10:09; Durfee D-31

**LIB OF THE WEEK**
This Week's Lib can be found Chairing all the Socials - that's right, it's the jubilant Julia Ding

Julia and her homey, Pete

Likes: Emma Watson, sweet tea, Chopin’s Fantaisie Impromptu, seeing real snow for the first time, White Russians, iceskating, Cyberchase, people who can sing, journaling, gothic architecture, european history, Burn Notice, amateur physics, Harry Potter, questioning, doodling flowers, MIKA, Coldplay, the sea, sea turtles, thinking that I was a pirate in a past life, marathoning TV shows of questionable quality, Les Miserables, West Side Story, new things, playing with makeup to procrastinate, Border Collies, pandas, videos of pandas, dreams of pandas.

Dislikes: boredom, getting rejected from competitive seminars, running security on rebellious high schoolers who stashed alcohol in the ice room and set off a fire alarm (among other things), non-believers in Global Climate Change, Trump, the last book of the Hunger Games, John Donne, cheap scares in horror movies, college basements that lack a book bindery.
Fun Fact: As a child, Julia befriended a stray neighborhood cat, gave it milk, and read it books.

VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK
(This week, I hype one of my favorite new artists)

COURTNEY BARNETT

Queer Australian lady rocker who writes lyrics like Bob Dylan on truth serum with a rhyming dictionary? Yes, please. Her first full LP, released last year to critical acclaim, topped year-end lists across the internet for turning mundane moments into profound personal reflections, all to grungy guitar riffs. For your listening pleasure: a quiet meditation on, among other things, environmental crises and the Great Barrier Reef; an anti-establishment rocker about office jobs; and a tune about how highways are horrible (beware of graphic cartoon gore in the video).

Both politically and personally yours,
Sara
At last, shopping period is over and schedules are in. One of my professors waited until the very last second to add discussion sections, which sent me running up and down science hill in the wee hours of the morning with a crumpled piece of paper describing my schedule in detail for my (accommodating) adviser to sign, all the while frantically checking my email. Now at last, I can settle down and relax with my exactly 9,582 pages of reading. While I'm sure many of you are in the same boat, I hope we can all find time this week to take a few Liberal study breaks.

Maybe if I nap surrounded by books, it'll be almost like I did my reading

This **MONDAY** for example, join us for the traditional **Lib Dinner**, in **Calhoun Dining Hall** at **5:30**. Monday is also the primaries, so prepare for frantic speculation over the latest exit polls.

**On the menu: Pistachio-colored mush (well, hopefully not)**
Eager for some controversy? **TUESDAY**, the YPU will be debating the contentious topic "Pro-life is pro-women" with Serrin Foster, president of Feminists for Life. Sit with the Libs in the front left of WLH's Sudler Hall at 7:30.

Seeing as you attend university, you're probably interested in higher education. Come join the Yale Political Union and Yale Students for Bernie Sanders as they co-sponsor "The Politics of Higher Education in 2016," a very special panel featuring Cornel West, Adolph Reed, and Elizabeth Carroll. The panel will be held **WEDNESDAY** at **6PM** in **SSS 114**

Come ask all your burning questions

From higher ed to public ed! Immediately after the panel, the Libs will be discussing "Should homeschooling be banned" at **8:15 WEDNESDAY** in an undecided location. What is the purpose of public education? Do parents have the ultimate say over what their children learn or should the state play a role? Should moral education be a required part of public education? Is homeschooling good for kids? Here is an overview of the pros and cons of homeschooling, here is a discussion of the importance of engaging political issues in the classroom, and here is an argument for moral education in schools.

Is public school worth dancing about?

Whew! That's a packed week. Good thing we get to relax with **Lib Game Night** on **FRIDAY**. Head over to **Silliman L-01** at **9PM** and call Ariel at **201-669-2824** to be let in.
Some young Liberals enjoying a classic pastime

TL;DR

**Monday**
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 7:30

**Tuesday**
YPU Debate - Sudler Hall - 7:30

**Wednesday**
"Politics in Higher Ed" Panel - SSS 114 - 6:00
Lib Discussion - TBA - 8:15

**Friday**
Lib Game Night Silliman L-01 - 9PM

LIB OF THE WEEK

This week we celebrate our beloved Lady High Chair, the ebullient Eliza Scruton

Eliza sporting one of her everyday outfits

Likes: terrible movies (bonus points for campy horror movies from the 70’s), comprehensive sex ed, making classical music fans listen to bad electronica, conditioner, surrealist art, Bill Hichert, karaoke, unions, some forms of hipster bullshit, Brad Paisley, donuts, children over 5, MasterChef Jr., tequila on school nights, Time Cube, thanking mr skeltal, striped crop tops, people who are mean about it when they dislike something you like, Patton’s Shetland Chunky Yarn
Biscuit, soap fish, being convinced that C3PO is in love with R2D2, dogs, other things that I forgot to list here
Dislikes: the fact that Mitchell isn’t here this semester, other forms of hipster bullshit, tasteful decorations, when people say they like “all music except for country”, being worse at basketball than six-year-olds, couples who make out in public, the patriarchy, Tinder, chronic debt, crowds, singing along to the radio while driving, cough syrup, prescriptivists, other things that I forgot to list here
Fun fact: Noam Chomsky emailed me back one time.

VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK
(This week: the kind of music communes are made of)
JEFFERSON AIRPLANE

In honor of Paul Kantner, founding member of Jefferson Airplane and latest victim of 2016's rock star massacre, it's a good week to revisit one of the defining bands of the 1960s. The ultimate psychedelic rock band, compatriots of novelist-turned-acid-guru Ken Kesey, and part of the all-star Woodstock line-up, Jefferson Airplane's music captured the starry-eyed, Utopian optimism that defined a decade. For your listening pleasure: a ballad about an alternative to monogamous relationships, an anthem for the Summer of Love, and a musical critique of Nixon's attempts to prevent the influx of marijuana from Mexico

Academically yours,
Sara
Lackadaisical Libs,

What a week of human interactions it has been! Small talk in classes, small talk at parties, small talk in the dining hall. Like many people, it's only a matter of time, in such hideous social circumstances, before I say something stupid. Personally, my go-to is babbling incoherently about *Infinite Jest* or the Velvet Underground. Fortunately, it's Sunday evening, so I can return to my monkish existence of reading for seminars and listening to bad 70s garage rock for a few hours. But if you'd like see me humiliate myself publicly by trying to be a normal human being, be sure to come to Lib events this week!

![This is me. On the right.](image-url)

First off, the Libs shall dine in our friendly neighborhood *Calhoun Dining Hall* at **7PM** this **Monday**. Come tell us about how fun your weekend was, how hellish the coming week will be, and how your existential dread manifests in nightmares about losing your toenails.
On the menu this week: chicken pieces?

Also on MONDAY, the Yale Political Union will be debating “Close NSA Back Doors” with cryptographer Bruce Schneier. The debate will be held at 8PM at Sudler Hall in WLH.

Smile! The NSA is watching.

This Wednesday at 7:30 post-meridian in the Branford-Trumbull Room, the Party of the Liberal shall debate Resolved: Feel the Bush. Jeb Bush's candidacy has been nearly forgotten amid the hoopla of other, more controversial candidates, making Jeb look positively milquetoast. Is he the GOP's best bet to maintain legitimacy? Or should the Republicans go all in on a populist candidate. If you have thoughts on this entirely serious question, or thoughts about shrubbery, or thoughts about beauty standards, be sure to join us. Here is an article about Jeb Bush's chance for a nomination, here is an article about plant rights, and here is an article about changing standards for women's pubic hair.
Is sculpting bushes a violation of their natural rights?

Despite our best efforts, Valentine's Day is here again. Whether you're taken or single, come make the best of it with the Libs at our Valentine Making Hangout! The crafting will be held in Vanderbilt A-21 on Friday at 9:30. Call Julia at 404-545-4626 to be let in.

Romance?

TL;DR

**Monday**
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30
YPU Debate - TBA - 8:00

**Wednesday**
Lib Debate - Branford-Trumbull Room - 7:30

**Friday**
Valentine Making - Vanderbilt A-21 - 9:30

**LIB OF THE WEEK**
This week, we honor our favorite Vice Chair, the delightful and devious David Diaz.
Likes: babies, trios of sisters who sing, neurodiversity, comediennes, goodness, bananas, rodents, laughing to tears, good public schools, the elderly, solidarity, Brazilian music, binge watching television shows, socially-responsible science, soft deadlines, studying the mind, electroswing, chocolate chip pancakes, campaign finance reform, pugs, candy for old people like cherry cough drops and hard caramels, raunchy songs from past generations, post-apocalyptic video games, making playlists.

Dislikes: music snobbery, the temptation of bacon, the dwindling duration of winter, apple skins, clapping on 1 and 3, not knowing anyone at a social gathering, the influence of capitalism on science and art, root beer, that feeling on Sunday night when you realize your weekend wasn’t as productive as you planned, addiction to puzzle games, hard deadlines, imprisonment, having to think of things I don’t like.

Fun Fact: I tried to write a novel in middle school and it didn’t end well.

**VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK**

(This week, a contemporary artist more people should know)

**EZRA FURMAN**

Just another gender-queer, bisexual, Jewish singer-songwriter fusing doo-wop, folk, and rock influences in an eternal quest to make good music. Ezra’s most recent album, "Perpetual Motion People," released last summer, takes on mental illness, gender identity, and urban inequality. Good stuff.

Seriously yours,
Laureate Libs,

Well, my dear friends, it has finally happened. Winter has arrived and it is cold. Very gold. Subzero temperatures, windchill, the whole shebang. And I have had to go out walking in said cold weather as, I imagine, many of you have, to get food, to get a caffeine fix, to attend meetings. Even if you’ve been curled up next to the heater all weekend, you have to go outside for classes (or do you?) so you might as well come warm up with the Libs.

Whadaya mean I have an exam tomorrow?

This might come as a shock to some of you but, on MONDAY, we shall be holding Lib Dinner in Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30. Yum.

This week's menu: The food of the future
On **TUESDAY** at **7:30**, the YPU will be hosting the Gardner White Prize Debate in **Sudler Hall** in WLH. The topic: "Love the sinner, hate the sin." Come talk about morality, punishment, crime, or anything even tangentially related to the topic in a three-minute, low stress speech. Sign up to speak [here](#).

![Can we tempt you to speak?](image)

On **WEDNESDAY**, the Libs will be discussing "**Should the Left embrace celebrity leadership?**" This election season has featured a plethora of candidates who campaign as much, if not more, on personality than issues. On the other hand, it's nothing new for pop culture figures to use their place in the public eye to make a political point. Can the Left use these personalities for good, or do we risk watering down the issues into soundbites and memes. Is it possible to separate the politics of an artist from the art? Is it possible to keep the public self separate from the private self? Come take on these issues and more at **7:30 in the Branford-Trumbull Room**. Here is an article critiquing Caitlyn Jenner's role as the face of the transgender community, [here](#) is a discussion of Bernie Sanders' political revolution, [here](#) is a (very positive) analysis of Beyonce's "Formation" and her role in political discourse, and [here](#) is Bernie Sanders on SNL.

![What happens when political rallies aren't all about the issues?](image)

On **SATURDAY**, the Libs will gather at **Phelps Gate at 11:30** to venture forth and go **ice skating**! Come watch certain Libs (myself included) fall over.
Not sure if it'll be this pretty

**TL; DR**

**Monday:**
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30

**Tuesday:**
YPU Debate - Sudler Hall in WLH - 7:30

**Wednesday:**
Lib Discussion - Branford-Trumbull Room - 7:30

**Saturday**
Ice Skating - Phelps Gate - 11:30

**LIB OF THE WEEK**
This week, somewhat reluctantly on their part, it's Dana Rust

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Likes: Sweet tea, modern and postmodern dance, fluffy dogs, mosh pits, Southern idioms, religious pluralism, eyeliner, ritual action, worker cooperatives, movies and music about roller-discos, Ben Carson, metadata, Policy Clubbes, agrarianism, MS Paint, hermeneutics, the color burgundy, John Cena, overused memes, sour fruit, Franzia, saying 'bougie' a lot

Dislikes: Humidity, historical materialism, barbecue flavor, when people say 'Shar'ia Law', the fact that women's pants don't have pockets, gender abolitionism, Free Will™, idolism, TERFs, astroturf, astroTERFs, Unbuttered popcorn, Blue State Coffee, all the other Sans Serif fonts
VAGUELY POLITICAL ARTIST OF THE WEEK
(Pretty much the coolest artist to ever perform in my hometown)

MESEHLL NDEGEOCELLO

A neo-soul pioneer, funky bassist, and singer-songwriter, Meshell (who, I can attest, puts on one hell of a live show) fuses soul, funk, hip hop, jazz, and Motown influences into a diverse and intelligent body of music. Her lyrics celebrate and glorify oppressed groups of all kinds, and touch personal subjects such as love, sexual agency, and spirituality. For your listening enjoyment a musical depiction of the struggles of urban poverty, a stunning cover of a Marvin Gaye classic with the addition of personal stories, and a groovy love song, perfect for Valentine’s Day.

Humbly yours,
Sara
Latitudinarian Libs,

As I look back on the week gone by, it seems, quite frankly, like it should have been a real bummer. It was cold, I was sick, I was busy. But last week was pretty nice. Yes, because much of my busy-ness was Lib-related, and that I don't mind, but mostly because I finally got the record I ordered in the mail. That shouldn't be a big deal, right. Give Amazon some money and then go find a happy yellow slip in my PO Box, except I ordered said record a month ago, while the record (Blackstar by David Bowie) was very, very sold out, due to the artist's unanticipated and much-publicized death. The moral of my little tale is twofold: 1) music makes things better and 2) preorder, damn it, preorder!

This is what happiness looks like

Happiness can also be found in Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30 on Monday, mostly because Libs will be there eating dinner. We'd like you to be there too.
On Tuesday, the YPU will debate "Resolved: Pursue Nuclear Disarmament" with Gideon Rose starting at 7:30. Join the Libs in the front left of Sudler Hall.

On WEDNESDAY, the Libs will discuss "Should we abolish prisons?" at 7:30 in the Branford-Trumbull Room. This week's topic asks us to consider the purpose of punishment and the chance of rehabilitation. How can we best reform prisons? Is the idea of imprisonment inherently unjust? To what extent should the intent of a crime matter when sentencing? Are the evils of for-profit prisons inherent in a capitalist system? Here is an article about rehabilitation in a Norwegian prison, here is an analysis of the relation between mass incarceration and poverty, here is a (somewhat long) article about mass incarceration and the psychological effects of imprisonment, and here, just for fun, is the case against for-profit prisons, courtesy of a certain senator from Vermont.

On FRIDAY, the Libs will be relaxing with a movie night. Join us in the Saybrook TV Room at 9:30 (Entryway F) to watch one of our Lady High Chair's very favorite films, "The Room." Call David at 856-723-2618 to be let in.
The fun continues on **SATURDAY** with **YPU Trivia Night**! The night begins at **8PM**. Sign up [here](#) if you have a team ready.

**TL; DR**

- **Monday:**
  - Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30
- **Tuesday:**
  - YPU Debate - Sudler Hall - 7:30
- **Wednesday:**
  - Lib Discussion - Branford-Trumbull Room - 7:30
- **Friday:**
  - Movie Night - Saybrook TV Room - 9:30
- **Saturday:**
  - YPU Trivia Night - TBA - 8PM

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**LIB OF THE WEEK**

In honor of his recent triumphant victory at the Gardner White Prize Debate, it's **Mathew Reed Massie**
Likes: Wenzels, adorable little puppies, being prematurely excited for spring, Marx, free stuff, other people’s money, sweet tea, houses in which you’re expected to remove your shoes, Ulysses S. Grant, college hoops, fast food, the left of the possible, delicious candy, B.D.S.M. (Bernie “Dank” Sanders memes)

Dislikes: When Democratic politicians say that “free stuff” is actually Bad, blaming Ralph Nader supporters for the Bush presidency and Iraq War, every U.S. president since 1981, Right to Work laws, “socialism is classist against the rich,” deadlines, that Slovakia is pretty racist, application fees, other fees, not having much food in my fridge right now

Years active: 1995–present

Stance on toothpaste debate: Water comes after toothpaste is applied

VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK
( Hero of my senior year of high school)
LOU REED

Infamous junkie hero of 70s alternative rock, Lou Reed was writing dance songs for a record company when he met violist John Cale and founded the Velvet Underground. The band was a crucial influence on punk and alternative, and eventually became the house band for the Happenings of Andy Warhol, who produced the band’s groundbreaking but commercially unsuccessful first album. After leaving the band in 1970, Reed’s solo career got a jump start from super-fan
and super-star David Bowie, who produced Reed's second solo album, containing the surprise hit "Walk on the Wild Side." From there, Reed embarked on a long, wide-ranging solo career. But he was never more political than on his 80s comeback "New York," which featured songs about urban racial tensions, the AIDS epidemic, and children in poverty.

Criminally yours,
Sara
Loquacious Libs,

I am happy to report that I can breathe through my nose again, after a week and a half of my body being taken over by parasitic mucus. The trick, I have discovered, is to buy Kleenex, at which point I will cease to need them. This reminds me of a theory my mother has. When debating whether or not to roll up her windows on a cloudy summer day, she will conclude that, if she doesn't, it will certainly rain. Only by preparing for rain can she prevent rain. I hope this is true, mostly so I can ponder the existential implications of my mother being able to control the weather with her car.

Rain or shine, Lib dinner will be held in the Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30 on MONDAY. Join us to talk about unions, Super Tuesday, and other, less serious things.
On **TUESDAY**, the YPU will be debating the provocative topic, "American Needs Unions" with Leo Garard. Find us in the front left of **SSS 114 at 7:30**. As you may imagine, many Libs have opinions on this topic and are sure to rock the house with epic speeches.

![Can the Union help a working stiff?](image)

On **WEDNESDAY**, the Libs will be having a very special discussion with our friends in the Federalist Party. At **7:30** in the **Berkeley Mendenhall Room**, we will collectively take on the topic **"Should the state protect privacy?"** What is the purpose of privacy in the modern world? Should there be a difference between private and public spheres of life? Is the security of government surveillance worth the loss of privacy? **Here** is a brief discussion of government surveillance, **here** is a much less brief analysis of what we lose when we give up privacy online, and **here** is a series of columns about whether or not the private lives of politicians should matter to us.

![The discussion will not (to our knowledge) be televised](image)

On **FRIDAY**, the Libs will be having **toasting** at **9PM in the JE Seminar Room**. Come to hear glorious tales of decadence, debauchery, intellectual revelation, and how we all joined the party.
A toast!!

TL; DR

Monday
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30

Tuesday
YPU Debate - SSS 114 - 7:30

Wednesday
Lib/Fed Discussion - Berkeley Mendenhall Room - 7:30

Friday
Toasting - JE Seminar Room - 9:00

LIB OF THE WEEK
Our very own human exclamation point, Kenneth Jackson!

Likes: Jello, trains, Kenneth the page, Portuguese, Lucille, nontrivial automorphisms, army pants and flipflops, Good bad acting, the hungry for power games, Ber(t)(Er)nie, Big bird, Nicki Minaj, Audrey AND Catherine, Hitchcock thrillers, Rio, and a most convenient paradox!

Dislikes: Bad bad acting, when Melkor poisoned the two trees, arguments about power, idolizing of courts, when people steal my thunder, the plague, customs and immigration, fractional linear transformations, and when people definitely have
The folk rock legend (and my cynical father's only hero), was a popular performer through the 1940s, blacklisted in the 1950s, and a major protest singer in the 1960s. Something for everyone then. His songs have been recorded by everyone from Marlene Dietrich to the Byrds. When called before the House Un-American Activities Committee, he refused to plead the Fifth, but cited the First Amendment as he refused to answer their questions. His famous anthems include a labor classic, an anti-war epic he was banned from playing on the Smuther Brothers show during Vietnam, and a folksy tune in which Pete Seeger critiques our lifestyles.

Privately yours,
Sara

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http://mailman.yale.edu/mailman/listinfo/liberal.party.announcements
Lavish Libs!

Yes, my friends, the blue sky has returned, the cold will no longer freeze off your fingers, the sun is shining. It is almost, almost spring break. But before we get to two sweet weeks of sleeping, we have one more week to survive. It is sure to be a week of miserable midterms, petty psets, exhausting essays, and wretched reading. But soon, we will enjoy our well deserved rest, and until then we can distract ourselves with Lib events.

I don't know about you, but I'm worn out. You could even say I'm a husk of my former self.

The lovely Libs will dine in the Calhoun Dining Hall on **MONDAY at 5:30**. We hope to see you there.
On **TUESDAY**, the YPU will hold what is likely to be among the liveliest debates of the semester. At **7:30 in Sudler Hall**, the YPU will take on the contentious topic **"Police are not heroes"** with law professor and prominent Black Panther member Kathleen Cleaver. Interested in racial justice, hero narratives, and police brutality? Be sure to attend.

On **WEDNESDAY**, the Libs will discuss **"Should Yale mandate community service?"** in the Branford-Trumbull Room at **7:30**. What is Yale’s responsibility to the surrounding community? Is mandatory community service coercive? What role does intention have in actions or in charity? [Here](link) is a discussion of government mandated community service in Uganda, [here](link) is an overview of mandatory community service at the high school level, and [here](link) is a critique of charity.
What's the best way to help our communities?

On **THURSDAY**, we will be hosting our first **JBB Forum** of the semester. Join us at the **Morse Fellows Lounge at 6:30** for a conversation with **Michael Denning**, a professor of American Studies here at Yale. Denning's work and writings cover labor movements, Marxism, and cultural history. He was also a founding member of GESO, so come ask him about unions.

Art and revolution? The Libs favorite things!

**TL;DR**

- **MONDAY**
  - Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30
- **TUESDAY**
  - YPU Debate - Sudler Hall - 7:30
- **WEDNESDAY**
  - Lib Discussion - Branford-Trumbull Room - 7:30
- **THURSDAY**
  - JBB - Morse Fellows Lounge - 6:30

**VAGUELY POLITICAL ARTIST OF THE WEEK**
(A new wave classic)

**ELVIS COSTELLO**
Starting with the success of his 1977 debut, "My Aim is True", Costello has been a defining figure in British punk and New Wave. His lyrics, (in)famous for their expansive vocabulary, tackle toxic domestic relationship and the political strife of Thatcher's England. From there, he expanded to other genres of music, with a particular interest in country and folk. For your listening pleasure, the attack on corporate radio that got him banned from SNL, a ballad about war and economic prosperity, and a catchy number about coercing the working class into battle.

LIB OF THE WEEK
This week, our superb senior, Sarah Giovaniello

Likes: Glitter, theme parties, Dostoevsky, chickpeas, lowbrow absurdism, bad pop, Shabbat dinner, hanging out with my mom at IKEA, local politics, my thesis, toast slathered in butter, SWUG island, plaid, making art.
Dislikes: Sequins, Toad's, staying up late, Tolstoy, vegan substitutes for cheese, thinking about the future, lateness/flakiness, national politics, my thesis, when Charles decides to cook a bunch of animal innards for fun, the current geographic location of one Mr. Weldon, white chocolate, leaving all of y'all next year.
Fun fact: This is Sarah's last ever Lib of the Week :(

Voluntarily yours,
Sara

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Lighthearted Libs,

Good morning, Libs - I mean, good evening. Please excuse my slip of the keyboard. I've just been roused from a wonderful two week nap, curled up at home, rising only for the occasional glass of tea or outing to the movies. As relaxing as my hibernation was, it has turned my brain into soggy sponge cake. And, alas, I have been roused not by a beautiful sunrise or the promise of the exciting weeks ahead - though the week promises to be a memorable one - but by the bone-chilling banshee that is my econ exam. But you're not here to hear of my strife; you're here to hear what the Libs have planned for this week.

*Behold, the specter of my exams comes to rouse me from my slumber*

Like Libs? Like dinner? Like Calhoun Dining Hall? (Erm, maybe not that last one…) Join us for Lib Dinner at the traditional time of **MONDAY at 5:30** at good old Calhoun.
On this week’s menu: takeout, pears, and unsymmetrical candles

After dinner, come see if the Libs can keep up their prize debate winning streak at the Party Prize Debate. The debate will be held at 7:30 in LC 102 (also Monday). The topic, intellectually enough, is: “Only the Educated are Free.”

Come show your scholarly side

On SATURDAY, the dearth of Lib events elsewhere in the week will be well compensated for with Dixwell Days. The Lib alumni will make a triumphant return to see old friends and meet the youngsters. We have a full docket of events to celebrate, starting with a discussion of “When should we break the law.” at 2:30 in the Branford-Trumbull Room. Why should we follow unjust laws? What is the role of protest in legitimizing or delegitimizing a state? Where does lawmaking authority come from anyway? Here is Rawls’ classic take on a few of these questions, here is a modern case of environmentalists arguing for a right to break the law, and here is an interesting debate about what happens when laws are declared unjust in hindsight.
Does it take some bad to do some good?

After we've discussed up an appetite, we'll head to Lalibella (176 Temple St) at 6:00 for a delicious dinner. Toasting will follow at 8PM to swap stories and lore. Contact our chair, Eliza Scruton, for more details at 502-410-9133

Gather round for good times

TL;DR

**Monday**
- Lib Dinner – Calhoun Dining Hall – 5:30
- YPU Party Prize Debate – LC 102 – 7:30

**Saturday**
- Lib Discussion – Branford-Trumbull – 2:30
- Lib Dinner – Lalibella – 6:00
- Toasting - TBA - 8:00

**LIB OF THE WEEK**

This week, it's former (and, I'm willing to bet) future member of beard faction, Jeffrey Hendricks
**Likes:** Alexis Gurganious, sparkling water, March, March Madness, House of Cards, Detroit, Bernie Sanders, Birdie Sanders, Scandal, “When We Were Young”, watching election returns, gum, naps, Justin Trudeau, the return of baseball, “Adventure of a Lifetime”, the suspension of failed/failing Presidential campaigns, bowling, 100.9 Classic FM (London), Ben & Jerry’s pints, Garamond, facial hair, 1212

**Dislikes:** Rick Snyder, unflushed toilets, noise/light/excessive heat when sleeping, cloudy days, his bracket, a reply of “Go for it!” when asking to do something, the absence of Mitchell T. Weldon, referring to a voting bloc as a “firewall”

**Fun Fact:** Jeffrey conquered his nail-biting habit at the end of fall semester, but regretfully relapsed during March Madness.

**VAGUELY LIBERAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK**

(They’re coming to New Haven next weekend)

**GOGOL BORDELLO**

Named after a Ukrainian author who promoted Ukrainian culture within Russian society, Gogol Bordello fuse eastern European and Gypsy influences with western punk and infectious stage performances. The multicultural line-up hails from shores as far as Ethiopia and Ecuador. Front man Eugene Hutz fled Ukraine after the Chernobyl meltdown; his
childhood among the rich European culture and his Roma heritage inspires both the multilingual lyrics and unique sound of his music. For your listening pleasure, a punk rock rejection of unjust laws, an anthem of refugee strength, and one hell of a mission statement.

Legally yours,

Sara

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Luminous Libs,

Thanks to the numbering of these emails, I know that we are 10 weeks into the semester (well, 11 if you count spring break. I don’t, seeing as it is little more than a delusional half-dream abandoned somewhere on a highway of horizons. Ahem). That means we are way, way farther in the semester than I ever hoped we would find ourselves. Facing the end of the semester, like facing the end of a Sunday and realizing you spent your weekend hitting the snooze button and rushing off to socialize, book bag strewn carelessly in the corner like abandoned dreams, means facing all of the things you have not yet accomplished. I, for one, have not yet been to the top of SSS, written for a student publication, hiked East Rock, or gone to office hours. Fortunately, by the end of this week, I will have pondered prostitution, discussed ownership, visited New York, and sent out this email. And so, dear reader, can you (well, except for that last part). Also, a special congratulations to Matt Massie and Sarah Giovanniello for earning the Libs third place at the Party Prize Debate! You guys are amazing

Soon to take the plunge into another semester...

Do you plan to eat dinner on MONDAY? I sure hope so! Come eat with the Libs at Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30.
On **TUESDAY**, the Yale Political Union will talk about SEX! Yes, the YPU will debate the catchy topic "Legalize prostitution!" with Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes. Join us in the front left of Sudler Hall at 7:30.

On **WEDNESDAY**, the Libs will discuss, as we love to do, "Do people own what they create?" Where does the right of ownership come from? Can people own ideas in the same way they own a car - and should they? Is ownership of artistic work different from ownership of inventions? To what extent should these creations belong to the public sphere? Here is an article on how knowledge can't work like property, here is, along with plenty of context, an argument for some middle ground, and here are some thoughts on how copyright is bad for art. If you have thoughts, come share them at **7:30 in the Branford-Trumbull Room**.
On **FRIDAY**, the Libs will be venturing forth from the Yale bubble on our annual NEW YORK TRIP! We will be meeting with many super cool folks, exploring a museum, and eating well. Also, David Diaz has promised to serenade us on the train. If you're coming, please reach out to [David to RSVP at david.diaz@yale.edu or 856-723-2618](mailto:david.diaz@yale.edu). We'll meet at **Phelps Gate at 7:30 AM**, so set your alarms, but if you have to come late, that's fine too - just let us know when we can expect you to catch up with us.

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**TL; DR**

**MONDAY**
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30

**TUESDAY**
YPU Debate - Sudler Hall (WLH) - 7:30 PM

**WEDNESDAY**
Lib Discussion - Branford-Trumbul Room - 7:30 PM

**FRIDAY**
New York Trip - Phelps Gate - 7:30 AM

**LIB OF THE WEEK**
(Let's hear it for Joe "Not a Hobo" Haberman!)
A young man full of boundless energy and mirth

Likes: Bridges, Trains, Marx, the District of Columbia, Tolstoy, Dostoevsky, Victor Pelevin, Bernie Sanders, limericks, Howard Zinn, Bulat Okudzhava, socialism, Regina Spektor, Lux Improvitas, Being slightly too loud when I should be quiet and slightly too quiet when I should be loud, blackberry pie, cherry pie, Lenin, Buddhism, Calvin the little boy, saying "yet!" at the end of someone else's sentences, Emma Goldman, well-timed sarcastic comments that are inappropiate to the situation and unappreciated by a substantial portion of whomever I am with, scarves, NATO, squirrels, Wes Anderson, contradictions, Richard Dawkins (for the biology, not the atheism), Former Soviet Republics, man purses, Monty Python, Bulgakov, The West Wing, Cherry Blossoms, walking slowly, Putin (in that he's fascinating), bouncy balls, love, heading west in times of doubt, beans, beer,

Dislikes: People who dislike bridges, boredom, Ayn Rand, Camels, Jingoism, coercion, Milton Friedman, Instagram, Putin (in that he's an authoritarian autocrat), milk, permanence, libertarianism, apathy, pretty much all of Russia's infrastructure, Aristotle, twitter, neocolonialism, people who tell me my limericks have to have a particular meter, conservative counter-revolutions, guns, vodka, lampreys, tradition for tradition's sake, Mensheviks, Henry Kissinger, people who are quick to call other people "bad", Grand Strategy, meat and meat products, that one guy who said that very specific thing to me at the bar with the stuff next to that other place (you know the one I'm talking about),

Fun Fact: While hopping along some stone staircases in the Moscow metro system two summers ago, Joe hurt his toe and has since been unable to bend it in the ways he once could.

VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK
(sometimes known as the Prince of Motown)

MARVIN GAYE
After starting his musical career off by collaborating with some of the original rock and rollers, including Bo Diddley and Chuck Barry, Marvin Gaye characterized the groovy sound of Motown. In addition to catchy love songs and soulful harmonies, Gaye used his music to convey a political message in response to the peace movement, police brutality, and urban poverty. His classics include a call to action, an environmentalist anthem, and a poignant lament of the urban plight.

Creatively yours,
Sara

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Luxurious Libs!

I must say, my dearest Libs, if you were unable to make it to our New York trip you missed a wonderful time. Adventurous Libs got to speak to no less than three fine organizations devoted to Lefty causes. We learned all about the housing crisis in New York, prison reform, and met with several activists who would have been useful in our prison reform discussion the other week - they made a strong case for the abolition of prisons. We also saw a tree wearing a sweater and ate dinner across the street from where legendary punk rock incubator / venue, the CBGB, once stood. It was a New-York-y as it gets. But if you missed out, we understand. You'll just have to compensate by coming to lots of events this week - and wow oh wow do have oodles of events this week.

Almost as many events as Captain Kirk has Tribbles

Kick off the week with our favorite Lib Dinner at **5:30 MONDAY in the Calhoun Dining Hall.** Come hear all the latest vicious rumors, including which Lib isn't actually running for FLL, which major newspaper wants to know who a certain Yale freshman supports for president, which Lib was spotted on a hot date, and which Lib was seen dancing on a table at a co-op party. There will be spaetzle.
On **TUESDAY**, the YPU will debate yet another contentious resolution, "Export American Democracy" with Thomas Donnelly. Come hear all about how America is the best, and also how America is the worst. Join the Libs in the front left of **Sudler Hall in WLH at 7:30.**

On **WEDNESDAY**, the Libs get futuristic when we discuss "Does human enhancement enhance humanity?" Is the body separate from the mind? How do we define selfhood - can contact lenses or bionic hands be part of the self? How has ableism effected the conception of a normal body? Will human enhancement increase inequality? Does enhancement actually make us better? Here is a discussion of how human enhancement might be distributed, here is a more positive depiction of the possibilities for human enhancement, and here is an overview of the debate over genetic alteration of human embryos. We hope you can join us in the **Branford-Trumbull Room at 7:30.**
On **THURSDAY**, the Libs will host Peter Crumlish, the Executive Director of Dwight Hall at a **JBB Forum**. Crumlish, an alum of the Yale Divinity School, has been active in community service within New Haven and New York, as well as serving in the Peace Corps. We are excited to talk to Crumlish about community service and activism, as well as how we as Yale students can be better members of the wider New Haven community. Join us at **6:30 in a super secret place** - so secret we're not even sure where it is yet. Don't worry; I'll let you know on Thursday and it'll be easy to find.

On **FRIDAY**, the YPU is cosponsoring a **Poynter Fellowship talk** with Mara Liasson, political reporter from NPR. (Guys, have I told you how much I love NPR!) Mara Liasson will be speaking about the 2016 election and journalism in general in **Sudler Hall** at **3:00**. If you have your afternoon free, definitely check this out!

Also on **FRIDAY**, the Libs will be holding **Karaoke**! Come sing all the classic Lib tunes, from Bohemian Rhapsody to Sugar We're Goin Down to, of course, 9 to 5 at **10:30** in the **Saybrook TV Room**.
On **SATURDAY**, the YPU will be hosting a **SOCIAL EVENT!** a combination mixer and toasting, I am told. This is a super great chance to meet other interesting folk from the other parties and learn some wider union lore. The event will be held at **8PM at 220 York** and promises to be a really fun time. You can submit your favorite tunes, or troll us with the musical stylings of vacuum cleaner noises, right here!

**TL;DR**

- **MONDAY**
  - Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30
- **TUESDAY**
  - YPU Debate - Sudler Hall - 7:30
- **WEDNESDAY**
  - Lib Discussion - Branford-Trumbull Room - 7:30
- **THURSDAY**
  - JBB Forum - TBA - 6:30
- **FRIDAY**
  - Poynter Fellowship Talk - Sudler Hall - 3:00
  - Lib Karaoke - Saybrook TV Room - 10:30
- **SATURDAY**
  - YPU Social Event - 220 York - 8:00

**LIB OF THE WEEK**

Proud member of almost-cool-Lib faction, **Eleanor Womack!**
Can you guess which one she is?

Likes: americanos, game of thrones, harry potter, the f train, clogs, molé sauce, maroon, pants that are both high-waisted and loose-fitting, courtney barnett, urban planning, broad city, the outdoors, conservation work, dirt in general, zadie smith, the bern, "don't talk to me or my son ever again", richard linklater, community gardens, hgs, Mamouns, escape games

Dislikes: drinks that are too sweet, manspreading, that hillary clinton guest-starred on broad city, when people give others shit for drinking delicious fizzy drinks like kombucha, gentrification, those stupid felt hats with wide brims, the sound of styrofoam, people who don't recycle, bananas, stepping in poop, the 90s, prisons, the fact that "the knitting factory" doesn't sell yarn and is actually a fucking event space or some shit

Fun Fact: eleanor has very small toes; it's a miracle she can walk at all

VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK
(Negatively name-checked in my least-favorite song, Sweet Home Alabama)

NEIL YOUNG

Founding member of pioneering and inventively named 60s rock group, Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, (who later changed to Crosby, Stills, and Nash when he quit), Young is one of the best songwriters of his generation. With haunting melodies and distinctive vocals, Young's tunes were informed by the politics of the time. Young is also an outspoken environmentalist and generally lefty dude. His classics deal with student protests, racism, and inequality.

Humanly yours,
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Legendary Libs!

Have you been outside today? I sure have! And the last couple days, too. At the risk of jinxing things, it would seem that spring has finally, finally arrived, At first, I thought it was snowing again, and was about to be pissed, but then I realized that weird white stuff falling from above was actually pollen. And then I got pollen in my coffee. But what better way to celebrate the arrival of a new season than to orally ingest it?

Pretty much how I feel

On **MONDAY**, we will be having **Lib Dinner**. As usual, the Libs will be noshing at the **Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30**. I've just checked the menu and been promised plantains. Fingers crossed that Yale Dining isn't lying to me again like they were that one time with the muffins that I'm still bitter about.
Calhoun Dining Hall can be so romantic, don’t you think?

Afterwords, the YPU is co-hosting “The Fierce Urgency of Now,” a talk by Dan Etsy about environmental policy. Come to WLH 119 at 7PM to hear all about the Paris climate negotiations, US energy policy, and, possibly, how to save the world.

Is there any hope for nature? Come find out!

On TUESDAY, join us for the last qualling debate of the semester, which means if you’d like to vote in elections, or just want to help the Libs continue to exist institutionally, be sure to show up and sign out. As a bonus, you will get to hear the union and gust Keith Styles debate the resolution “This House Prefers Soup Kitchens to Food Stamps.” The debate will be at 7:30 at LC 102.

Who knows - you could learn something

On WEDNESDAY, the Libs will host our senior discussion, as requested by our beloved Sarah Giovanniello: “Are family
values leftist values?” What role should the family play in shaping individual identity? Should the community or the family be our primary source of identification? Can the definition of family be extended? Here is a brief oral history of feminist communes in 1970s Britain, here is an article making the case that the traditional family was never what we thought it was, and here is a recap of an argument against trying to queer the institution of marriage. Come to Branford-Trumbull Room at 7:30 to discuss families and, of course, to plan the Lib Commune.

Let's talk about children! Children are great

On THURSDAY, we will host the JBB forum rescheduled from last week. Our guest is Peter Crumlish, the Executive Director of Dwight Hall. We’ll be talking about community service, volunteerism, and how to make our communities better in New Haven and beyond. The exact place and time is to be determined but I'll let you know soon.

On SATURDAY, we can put what we learned from Peter in practice at our Service Event. Meet us at Phelps Gate at 10AM to head to Hamden and participate in some community improvement projects. This is an excellent opportunity to interact with some non-Yale folk and find out more about the New Haven community, all while enjoying the beautiful spring (hopefully) and the company of beautiful Libs (definitely).

Come on an adventure with us!

**TL:DR**

**Monday**  
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30  
Environmental Policy Talk - WLH 119 - 7:00

**Tuesday**  
YPU Debate - LC 102 - 7:30

**Wednesday**  
Lib Discussion - Branford-Trumbull Room - 7:30

**Thursday**
Likes: Tangerines, Star Trek, Georgia (the state), cooking videos on Facebook, micro histories, tacos, yelling, tequila, hiding, the room with all the birds in it at the Peabody Museum, blankets, warm drinks when it's super cold, voting, other people voting, Cuba, turtles, Just Kids, reading poetry aloud in the dark, sweet tea, probably any vice you can think of, Stanley Kubrick, infrastructure (especially trains), strange traditions, Catholicism, alliteration, sailboats, Dr. Pepper, Mucho Mango Arizona, the smell of hairspray, when squirrels run really fast, Mozart, blue and white ceramics, ironing tablecloths, Leon Spain, layering, the census, dark chocolate milky ways (but only the mini ones), Howl, umbrellas, and Broad City
Dislikes: Georgia (the state), the ocean, swimming, Paradise Lost, bikers, snakes, the United States government, imperialism, TD's tiny door nobs, when you can't find the show you want to watch online, when you can't find the readings online, when someone already checked out the book you need to read by tomorrow, NEWARK FUCKING AIRPORT, most people in DS (if you are reading this you are probably excluded), voter ID laws, excessive optimism, Bach, quinoa, lemurs, having to pee while driving, doing laundry, racial appropriation, collard greens, unsweet tea, trucks, small dogs, and the patriarchy
Fun Fact: Gabrielle can read Tarot cards and conduct seances. One time she was possessed by an evil spirit in entryway D of TD. (Hey, that's where a certain secretary of the Libs is living next year!)

**VAGUELY POLITICAL MUSICIAN OF THE WEEK**
(My 6th grade hero)

**LAURIE ANDERSON**
Experimental musician and performance artist extraordinaire, Laurie Anderson combines traditional musical elements like violin and her delicate singing voice, with electronic and experimental instruments, including several of her own invention. Her music draws on the personal, the surreal, the literary, and - of course - the political. For your listening perusal, her surprise hit (number 2 on the British charts) on American imperialism, a haunting spoken word piece about the state of modern America using her voice of authority, and a catchy tune about urbanization. On a sentimental note, I listened to almost nothing but Anderson in 6th grade and she was married to another of my heroes and former vaguely political musician of the week Lou Reed, with whom she collaborated on many songs.

Familiarly yours,
Sara

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Loveliest Libs!

I write this, my final Sunday night email, while standing in line for a Bernie Sanders rally. In many ways, this very long line for a very exciting day encapsulates so many of my feelings about this semester. The gates haven't even opened yet and the line has circled around the entirety of old campus! Yalies and New Haven-ites, young and old. It's so inspiring to see so many people excited about a leftist candidate. This year, I've had the privilege of learning more than I thought possible about political thought, activism, and tennis matches involving tigers from the amazing folks in the Libs, who are almost as diverse as this line (we even have an honorary old person or two). And this semester I've had such tremendous fun as your secretary, sharing my dumb stories, making you look at movie pictures, and forcing unwanted YouTube clips upon you - just like I'm having fun standing in this line, soaking up all the excitement. Here's to another year of thinking, learning, and Lib-ing it up. But before we adjourn to a much needed summer vacation, we still have to get through BULLDOG DAYS!

On MONDAY, join us for Lib Dinner in the Calhoun Dining Hall at 5:30. This is an extra special Lib Dinner because we are going to being our prefrosh. You too can introduce / indoctrinate your prefrosh to the Libs over popcorn shrimp.
New friends are best made over food

Afterwards, the Union will debate "Reject Populist Candidates." What a wonderful way to reminisce about the Bernie rally. The debate will be in SSS 114 at 8:00. You should definitely bring your prefrosh to this to!

Who should the government represent anyway?

Afterwards, you've got options folks. You can eat pizza with the Union after the debate (whenever that might be) at WLH 203 or you can hang out a Progressive groups showcase starting at 10:30 in 220 York St, to chat with super cool, progressively minded prefrosh and possible future Libs.

Whadaya mean I have to be in two places at once?

On TUESDAY, we'll start things off with the extracurricular bizarre at the Payne-Whitney Gym. It starts at 1:30 but get there early to help set up if you can! Even if you can only show up for a half hour, you'd be a big help - who knows, you could meet a future Lib or two or five.

Follow that up by joining the Libs in the JE Junior Common Room for our first discussion with the new generation of Libs. We'll be discussing the topic "Should some books be burned?" at 7:30. Is free speech an end in itself or can it do more harm than good? How do we deal with historical and cultural heritages of bigotry and violence? When can
censorship be justified? What role should the government play and what other parties should have a say? Here is a 
discussion of the role of free speech on the left, here is a lengthy analysis of the role of tolerance and oppression in free 
speech, and here is a much less lengthy overview of the arguments for and against making Mein Kampf available in 
Germany.

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Germany.

Words can be a very dangerous thing

On FRIDAY, the Libs will have elections and I will hand over the email-sending duties to someone new. What can I say, 
it's the circle of life (and democracy).

The semester's almost over - there's no point in hiding from it

TL; DR

**MONDAY**
Lib Dinner - Calhoun Dining Hall - 5:30
YPU Debate - SSS 114 - 8:00
Union Pizza Hangout - WLH 203 - Whenever the debate ends
Progressive Groups Showcase - 220 York - 10:30

**TUESDAY**
Extracurricular Bizarre - Payne-Whitney Gym - 1:30
Lib Diussion - JE Junior Common Room - 7:30

**FRIDAY**
Lib elections - It's a Secret - It's a Secret

**LIB OF THE WEEK**
(Our favorite San Franciscan - Ariel Lowery!!)
Likes: Cooking, Star Trek, Yoncé, makeup tutorials, a certain Hockey webcomic, using impromptu dance sessions to procrastinate, sleeping, SAN FRANCISCO, watching the sunset over the ocean, beach bonfires, getting dressed up, glitter!!!!, being in the know about other people's drama, mango sorbet, sisterhood, food with proper ingredient labels, SPACE, Stardust (the movie), being warm, putting too much honey in tea,

Dislikes: undercooked pasta, having drama of my own, washing dishes, getting weird rashes from the dust in theaters, when other people don't do what they're supposed to, Hamilton (no really tho, 100% true, trust me), the smell of mulch, cold weather, early wakeup times, most insects, especially the ones that invade my home, the patriarchy, when yale dining puts almonds in the rice, the light in my common room, anti-vaxxers

Fun fact: Ariel once sprained her toe playing dance dance revolution (Our third toe-related fun fact this semester. Toes are very interesting).

In lieu of the traditional Vaguely Political Musicians of the Week segment, here are some groovy tunes from the Bernie Sanders rally.

Before I sign off for good, I'd like to reiterate how much I've enjoyed being your secretary this semester. And before I try not to act too sappy, the Libs are amazing and I love you all so much! <3 There, now that it's out of my system, I wish you all a studious week, a survivable finals season, and a hella lit summer.

That's all, folks

Berningly yours,
Sara
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