

Read My Libs

Welcome to the weekly emails from the Liberal Party! Hopefully your summers were filled with adventures and happiness. I am overjoyed to be the secretary for the semester and am looking forward to the coming year! Now, down to the events of the week.

We will be having our first **Lib Dinner** this **Monday August 26th** at **5:30 PM**. Come join us at **Yorksides** for good food, merriment, and great company.

You cannot be as happy as this panda gnawing on this bamboo.

On **Wednesday August 28th** at **10:30 PM**, join us for **Bluebooking** in **Saybrook K51**. Not know what to take? Want to know the best classes to take? Already have your schedule planned out for the rest of the year (and next year)? Come anyhow!

Wait, what classes do I need to take?

Lib Discussion will be on **Thursday August 29th** at **7:30 PM** in the **Pierson Common Room**. The **Libs** will discuss: **Does charity reinforce oppression?** Does charity create dependence or does it provide a necessary 'band-aid'? Does charity reinforce the domination of the rich? Is government redistribution preferred to private charities? Can charity be truly altruistic or are they more often self-serving?

Doesn't this face make you feel all happy inside?

And for the end of the week, join us for **Happy Hour** at **9 PM** on **Saturday August 31st** in **Saybrook K21**. Relax after the 'first' week of classes, celebrate Labor Day Weekend, meet new people, drink some booze (or not). Come by for some fun!

Did someone say PARTY?!

Contact Catherine Holland at catherine.holland@yale.edu or [\(309\) 212-7426](tel:(309)212-7426) to get let in to the events.

tl;dr

Monday - 5:30 PM Lib Dinner at Yorkside

Wednesday - 10:30 PM Bluebooking at Saybrook K51

Thursday - 7:30 PM Discussion: Does charity reinforce oppression? at Pierson Common Room

Saturday - 9 PM Happy Hour at Saybrook K21

Cheers,

Sequoia Leuba

Secretary of the Liberal Party

P.S. Lib of the Week will be starting up again. It's nice to recognize faces. Send me a picture, interests, dislikes, and a fun fact!

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This week, the Libs will have a full schedule of events, and we would love to see you there! So onward!

On **Tuesday September 3rd**, the Libs will have **Lib Dinner** in the back of **Silliman Dining Hall** at **5 PM**. Munch on some food (perhaps wraps?), talk with interesting people, and basically have some great fun!

Eat your fruits and vegetables!

Following dinner, join us as we attend the **Yale Political Union debate** at **7 PM** in **SSS 114** on **Resolved: Redistribution is Theft** with **Herman Cain**. What do we owe society as we become increasingly successful? Are taxes stealing from our own hard-earned money? Contact Aia Sarycheva the Floor Leader of the Left at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu if you are interested in speaking. The Libs will be sitting in the very traditional front left of the room.

I may make this face when he is talking...

At **7:30 PM** this **Thursday September 5th**, the Libs will have their weekly **Discussion** talking about **"Should we blow the whistle?"** in the **Pierson Common Room**. Does it serve a public good for classified information to remain secret? Is total transparency preferable or even possible? What are the personal responsibilities behind leaking classified information? Come by to discuss these areas and more!

Snowden? How about snow leopards?

And at the end of the week, come by for **Happy Hour** this **Friday September 6th** at **10 PM** at **Location TBA**. Relax, kick back, drink a bit, and meet new people!

I cannot tell if the dog is tired from the eggnog or just always looks like that.

tl;dr

Tuesday - 5 PM Lib Dinner at Silliman Dining Hall; 7 PM YPU Debate Resolved: Redistribution is Theft with Herman Cain at SSS 114

Thursday - Lib Discussion: Should we blow the whistle? at 7:30 PM in the Pierson Common Room

Friday - Happy Hour at 10 PM at Location TBA

And for the first **Lib of the Week**, we have **Nate Rein**!

Interests: Russian literature, kayaking, skiing, molecular biology, having a good laugh, It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia, having a good cry, falafel, snapbacks, Milwaukee, Brie.

Dislikes: How I Met Your Mother, waiting in line, Holden Caulfield, jelly donuts, immortality

Fun Fact: Nate would be one of the super rich trust fund kids at Yale if his family did not run afoul of Kaiser Wilhelm before WWI.

Keep sending me your interests, dislikes, and a fun fact for **Lib** of the Week!

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Sequoia Leuba
Secretary of the Liberal Party

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On **Monday September 9th** at **5:30 PM**, the Libs will have their weekly **Lib Dinner** in the **Silliman Dining Hall** in the back to the left. Come eat, talk, and socialize with the Libs!

Don't bite off more than you can chew!

On **Tuesday September 10th**, come by the **Yale Political Union Debate** with **Gayatri Spivak**, a postcolonial theorist and professor at Columbia University, on **Resolved: Liberalism is Imperialism** in **LC 102** at **7:45 PM**. Should there be an enforcer of international norms? Are western values normatively correct and should we propagate them? The Libs will be sitting in the front left of the room. Contact Aia Sarycheva the Floor Leader of the Left at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu if you are interested in speaking.

You know what they say about carrying a big stick...

Join the Libs on **Thursday September 12th** in the **Pierson Common Room** at **7:30 PM** for **Lib Discussion** on "Should we seek to eliminate our guilty pleasures?" How do we compromise between the way we live and our political ideals? How do we face our own hypocrisy? Come for a personal and fascinating discussion!

What do you mean I should stop watching Gossip Girl?

This week we also have the [Jonathan Brewster Bingham Forum](#) on "[Solutions to Global Inequality: Beyond the UN Millennium Development Goals](#)" with [Professor Thomas Pogge](#) on [Friday September 13th](#) at [12:15 PM](#) in the [Saybrook Branford Room](#). Professor Thomas Pogge is the Leitner Professor of Philosophy and International Affairs and Director of the Global Justice Program at Yale. As well as publishing extensively on global justice and equality, he seeks to develop solutions to some of today's gravest moral challenges, particularly global poverty. Professor Pogge will speak on the contemporary causes of global poverty and inequality, the United Nation's Millennium Development Goals, their failure, and their potential successors. Contact Francisco at francisco.diez@yale.edu with any questions.

And on [Saturday September 14th](#) at [9 PM](#), join the [Libs](#) for [Games Night](#) at [Location TBA](#). Come for the friendly competition, people, and drinks!

Your move, Ron Weasley.

tl;dr

Monday - [Lib](#) Dinner, Silliman Dining Hall, 5:30 PM

Tuesday - YPU Debate, Gayatri Spivak, Resolved: Liberalism is Imperialism, LC 102 at 7:45 PM

Thursday - [Lib](#) Discussion, "Should we seek to eliminate our guilty pleasures?" in Pierson Common Room at 7:30 PM

Friday - Jonathan Brewster Bingham Forum on "Solutions to Global Inequality: Beyond the UN Millennium Development Goals" with Professor Thomas Pogge at 12:15 PM in the Saybrook Branford Room

Saturday - Games Night at 9 PM at Location TBA

And for [Lib of the Week](#), we have [Francisco Diez](#)!

Likes: G.A. Cohen, The Pink Tide, Simón Bolívar, FC Barcelona, hiking, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Spangled Cotingas, skinny ties, Radiohead

Dislikes: Robert Nozick, F.A. Hayek, Real Madrid, Libertarianism, Fascism, Libertarian Fascism, skinny ties, Nickelback

Fun Fact: [Francisco](#) once met the Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, on a train in Tottenham.

Keep sending me your interests, dislikes, and a fun fact for [Lib](#) of the Week!

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[Sequoia Leuba](#)
Secretary of the Liberal Party

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Join us **Monday September 16th** in the **Silliman Dining Hall** at **5:30 PM** for the highly traditional **Lib Dinner**. We will be sitting in the back left. Talk, eat, and catch up with the **Libs!**

What? I'm listening to **my** mom and eating **my** vegetables!

On **Tuesday September 17th** in **LC 102** at **7:30 PM**, join the **Libs** as we go to the **Yale Political Union Debate** on **Resolved: Democratic Freedoms Do Not Imply Relativism** with **Professor Robert Kane**, a Distinguished Professor of Philosophy at the University of Texas at Austin. Does living in a pluralistic society imply that you need to tolerate or respect every point of view? What is the value of engaging in opinions different than our own? Can there ever be an objectively right answer? Contact Aia Sarycheva, the Floor Leader of the Left, at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu if you are interested in speaking. The **Libs** will be sitting in the front left of the room.

No! I'm right! Quit barking!

Come to the **Pierson Common Room** on **Thursday September 19th** at **7:30 PM** for **Lib Discussion** on "**Should assisted suicide be legal?**" Do we have autonomy over our own bodies? Is it the government's job to protect life? Do we have a 'right to die'? Come discuss policy, bioethics, and more!

And here's a picture of baby penguins! SO CUTE.

And to end the week, on **Saturday September 21st**, join us for an **Adventure to Wooster Square!** Meet the **Libs** at **Phelps Gate** at **5 PM** on our outing to Pepe's and Wooster Square. Eat pizza and chat with great people!

And maybe even find some of the missing squirrels!

Cheers,
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Secretary of the Liberal Party

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Join the Libs **Monday September 23rd** in the **Silliman Dining Hall** at **5:30 PM** for **Lib Dinner**. Eat, mingle, and talk with the Libs! Look for us in the back left of the Silliman Dining Hall.

Have you ever seen anyone as happy as him eating pasta?

On **Tuesday September 24th**, the Libs will join the **Yale Political Union** at the *unconventional* time of **6:30 PM** for **Freshman Prize Debate** on **Resolved: Responsibility Ends at Our Borders**. What responsibilities do we have to our nation? Is there a connection that transcends the groups we are a part of, whether automatically or by choice? Why do nations become isolationist? Freshman are highly encouraged to participate, and could win cash prizes or Union membership!

You ought to speak at YPU!

And on **Thursday September 26th** at **7:30 PM** in the **Pierson Common Room**, join the **Libs** for **Lib Discussion** on "**Should voting be mandatory?**" How do we get election results that reflect the wishes of the entire population? Do we have a duty to vote? Does it make sense for everyone to be able to vote? Come discuss these question and more!

Whiskers for PRESIDENT!

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Join the Libs on **Monday September 30th** at **5:30 PM** in the **Silliman Dining Hall** for **Lib Dinner**. Eat, talk (perhaps about a certain finale), and catch up after the weekend. Look for us in the back left of the dining hall!

My grass! Give it back!

On **Tuesday October 1st**, come by **LC 102** as the Libs join the **Yale Political Union Debate** on **Resolved: Repeal the Contraception Mandate** with **Dr. R. R. Reno**, a Catholic theologian and editor of *First Things*. To what extent should we protect our First Amendment liberties? Is religion above the law? How much control should the church have over the state? Contact Aia Sarycheva, the Floor Leader of the Left at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu if you are interested in speaking. Don't forget to sign in (and out) with the Liberal Party!

Also, congrats to Kar Jin Ong for winning 1st Place and Matthew Massie for winning Honorable Mention in the Freshman Prize Debate!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Come by on **Thursday October 3rd** to **Lib Discussion** in **Location TBA** at **7:30 PM** on the **correctly worded "Why do we value sports?"** What do we gain from participating in sports? What social value do sports serve? Why are international sporting events such a big deal? Discuss these questions and more! Contact Catherine at [\(309\)212-7426](tel:3092127426) to be let in.

Even elephants like soccer!

And on **Saturday October 5th**, first join us for our **Picnic at East Rock**. Meet the **Libs** at **11 AM** at **Phelps Gate** to go on our Fall Picnic and walk over to East Rock! Don't forget to wear tennis shoes!

BYO kittens.

And then that night, join the **Libs** for **Happy Hour** in **Saybrook K51** at **10 PM**. Be merry and socialize!

Fall is coming!

And our **Lib** of the Week (which is finally returning!) is **Sarah Giovanniello!**

Likes: Soviet propaganda, stickers, omelets, selfies, smashing the kyriarchy, Orange is the New Black, 1950s dresses, coffee oreo ice cream, piercings, pop music, gender activism, polyglots, female rappers, pretending to be French, Docs, walking barefoot, really fat babies, the Progressive era, artichokes, Buffy the Vampire Slayer, snazzy old ladies, bow ties.

Dislikes: HUAC, Eminem, salmon colored pants, sweet potatoes, mansplainers, Crocs, wearing pants indoors, sports, the tyranny of Yale Dining, Teen Mom, the nonprofit industrial complex, institutionalized oppression, business casual, bow ties.

Fun Fact: When she was an awkward thirteen year old, Sarah was in a movie with Meryl Streep. Like legit though.

Keep sending me your Lib of the Week with likes, dislikes, and a fun fact!

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On **Monday October 7th** in the **Silliman Dining Hall** at **5:30 PM**, join the Libs for **Lib Dinner**. Catch up over the weekend, talk to everyone, and eat! We will be sitting in the back left of the dining hall.

Which one do you like better? Red or green grapes?

Join the Libs as we go to the **Yale Political Union Student Debate** on **Resolved: Yale Should Implement A Core Curriculum** on **Tuesday October 8th** in **LC 102** at **7:30 PM**. What is the value of a liberal arts education? Should we share a common education experience? Who should decide what we need to study? Sign in (and out) with the Liberal Party! We will be sitting in the front left of the room. If interested in speaking, contact Aia Sarycheva at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu and Jake Romanow at jake.romanow@yale.edu.

Resolved: Have "Playing with Kittens" be part of the Core Curriculum.

Come to the **Pierson Common Room** this **Thursday October 10th** at **7:30 PM** for **Lib Discussion** on **"When should we break the law?"** Do victimless crimes exist? What makes a law unjust? When is civil disobedience necessary? Discuss your vision of justice and more!

Clearly this dog loves costumes.

On **Friday October 11th** at **12:30 PM** in **Location TBA**, join us in a **Jonathan Brewster Bingham Forum** on **Access to Early Childhood Education** with **All Our Kin** co-founders **Jessica Sager and Janna Wagner**. Jessica Sager and Janna Wagner co-founded All Our Kin, a grassroots organization based in New Haven that works on early childhood education focusing on training, supporting, and sustaining child care providers. They will talk about the importance of early childhood education, whether we should aim for a unified or individually tailored education, and how to overcome the barriers of access to children with working mothers or from low-income families. Come for what is sure to be a fascinating talk!

But Mommy, why do I have to go to school?!

And on **Saturday October 12th** at **8:30 PM** in **Saybrook K21**, join the **Libs** for **Inauguration Inebriation!** Hang out with the **Libs** before the campus-wide Inauguration Party on Old Campus. Refreshments will be served.

And you might even see some of the **Libs** dancing!

And for **Lib of the Week**, we have **Adrian Lo!**

He asks that you compare and contrast his long lists. Also, this picture counts as his fun fact!

Likes: Nutella, Jacques Lacan, Colleen, France, Haitian Revolution, Penguins, Opposable Thumbs, Musée d'Orsay, Diplomacy (the board game), Vinegar, Coffee, Lluís Domènech i Montaner, Albert Camus, Simon & Garfunkel, Beer, Joan Miró's *Constellations*, Manchester United, Goya's *Black Paintings*, The Beatles, Walter Benjamin, Le Corbusier, Mondrian, Pu'er Tea, Atticus's Aztec Brownies, Zou Wouki, Jazz, **Reading**, Marseille, Rainer Maria Rilke, Brutalism, Bach's Counterpoints, Aimé Césaire, Picasso's *Guernica*, Freedom of Speech, Ancient Greece, Alexander Calder, Avignon, Theater, Paul Klee, Avant-garde Cinema, Slavoj Žižek, Modernism

Dislikes: Grand Strategy, Ducks (well, really just Alfalfa), Pussy Putin (*sic*) and Sochi 2014, Hobbes the Little Tiger, Damien Hirst, Spinach, Technocrats, Chelsea F.C., Tea Party, Gentrification, Writing, The Western Can(n)on, Liverpool F.C., Global Affairs, MoMA's \$25 entrance fee, Qatar 2022, STEM, Franco, Bloomberg's Police State, Françafrique, Jean-Paul Sartre, Manchester City, Religions, Aristocracy, Chinese Cultural Revolution, Goldman Sachs, Borders, Hollywood, Roman Empire, Clarence Thomas, Popular Culture, Ounces, Zionism, Fahrenheit, Greek Life, Applications, Edmund Burke, Saudi Arabia's Driving Ban, Punk Rock, 'Foot'ball played with hands and an egg, Guns, Silvio Berlusconi, Golden Dawn, NSA

Fun Fact: See picture above.

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Come by the **Silliman Dining Hall** this **Monday October 14th** at **5:30 PM** for **Lib Dinner**. Eat, talk about the weekend (we all have stories), and spend time with the **Libs**. We will be sitting in the back left of the dining hall.

What? Am I not supposed to be eating these flowers?

On **Tuesday October 15th** at **7:30 PM** in the **unconventional** **Sudler Hall (WLH 201)**, join the **Libs** as we attend the **Yale Political Union Debate** on **Resolved: The American Political Process is Corrupt** with **Professor Lawrence Lessig** from Harvard and the founder of Creative Commons. What factors contribute to corruption in the political process? How does corruption change the behavior and our trust of political figures? What would the political process look like without corruption? Join us in the front left of the room, and do not forget to sign in (and out) as this is the last debate before mid-term. Also, you can buy your YPU membership!

And even though corruption is everywhere, Scout loves America.

Join the Libs in Lib Discussion on "Should Yalies be involved in local politics?" on Thursday October 17th in the Pierson Common Room at 7:30 PM. Are Yalies residents of New Haven? What are our responsibilities to the communities around us? Should we support causes in New Haven politics? Should we vote in local elections? Join us as we debate about what our presence should be in this upcoming local election.

Are you going to campaign for Missy?

On **Friday October 18th** in the **Yale Law School Auditorium** from **6:30-8:30 PM**, we will be joining the YPU again, because **Stephen Colbert (!)** is coming for casual talk and a question and answer event! There may be some Daft Punk or political satire, and it is going to be awesome. If you buy your YPU membership before the event, you'll be entered into a lottery for dinner with Colbert!

Who wouldn't want a kitten in each hand?

And on **Saturday October 19th** at **9 PM** in **Location TBA**, join the **Libs** for **Toasting!** It is a **Lib** tradition that one should never miss. It is one of **my** favorite events of the year, and be sure to keep your night open!

No, toasting will not be like this.

And for **Lib** of the Week, we have **Nick Eckenwiler!**

See how many other **Libs** you can find in the picture!

Likes: Liverpool Football Club, whoever Manchester United are playing, the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem, DC, public transit, James Turell, George Orwell, eigenvalues, Bertrand Russell, Metro North, Amtrak, New Haven, xkcd, impressionism, Xabi Alonso, Brendan Rodgers, Lupe Fiasco, [this picture](#), Arsenal's 8-year trophy drought, measuring success by European Cups, "AGUEROOOOO!!", anything Mario Balotelli does off the field, Bayern Munich 7-0 Barcelona, [this picture](#), David Moyes as Manchester United manager.

Dislikes: Manchester United, people who think Lionel Messi is the greatest ever footballer, everybody applying to consulting/iBanking jobs and making me feel like I should have several interviews lined up by now, Chelsea Football Club, Roman Abramovic, the Qatar-hosted 2022 World Cup, the Brazil-hosted 2014 World Cup and the Rio de Janeiro-hosted 2016 Summer Olympics, physics envy, Continental philosophy, people who pronounce "leisure" as "leh-zhur", people who pronounce "mature" as "ma-toor", Florentino Perez, Margaret Thatcher, Clarence Thomas, Sheikh Mansour, Barcelona's and Munich's inability to beat a clearly inferior Chelsea team two years ago.

Fun fact: Was quarantined in China during the summer of 2009 for about a week, because they thought I'd been exposed to swine flu.

Keep sending me your Lib of the Week with likes, dislikes, and a fun fact!

Cheers,
Sequoia Leuba
Secretary of the Liberal Party

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Come by the **Silliman Dining Hall** tomorrow **Monday October 21st** at **5:30 PM** for **Lib Dinner**. Talk with the **Libs** about your interesting weekends, awesome plans for Fall Break, and eat food!

Since it's Fall Break, it's perfectly reasonable for someone to have a story involving goats after. Hint hint.

AND HAVE AN AWESOME **FALL BREAK**! Relax, catch up on sleep, and we will see y'all after break!

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This **Monday October 28th**, come by the **Silliman Dining Hall** at **5:30 PM** for **Lib Dinner**. Talk about your fascinating Fall Breaks, eat food, and hang out with some awesome people! See y'all there!

What is this? Why is my face on my food?

On the unconventional day of **Wednesday October 30th**, the **Libs** will be joining the **Yale Political Union Debate** on "**Resolved: Open the Borders**" with **Pramila Jayapal**, a human rights activist advocate and OneAmerica founder. It will be at **7:30 PM** in **LC 102**. What does it mean to be a citizen? Should we have obligations to promoting an open border and what are they? What political structure would support an open border? If interested in speaking, contact Aia Sarycheva the Floor Leader of the Left at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu.

Are you sure you won't let me in?

Come by the **Pierson Common Room** on **Thursday October 31st** at **7:30 PM** for our **Joke Debate** on "**Resolved: The Libs Have Been Wrong All Along.**" What have you been wrong about? What have your friends been wrong about? You have been wrong about everything?! Come to poke fun at friends and yourself!

Mr. High Chair, I have been wrong all along. Turns out, I *am* adorable.

On **Saturday October 2nd**, join the **Libs** for **Get Out the Vote**. We will be trying to increase voter turnout from **2-5 PM**. Meet the **Libs** at **1:50 PM** at the **High Street Gate**. Come this very important weekend, as elections are November 5th.

Props to anyone who comes dressed like this!

In addition on **October 2nd**, come by **Location TBA** at **9 PM** for **Tricks and Drinks**. Join us in celebration of Halloween and in going to Inferno after. Don't forget to come in **costume!** There may be a prize for best costume!

Looks like he had too much honey...

And for **Lib of the Week**, we have **Catherine Holland!**

Catherine taming whatever that creature is called.

Likes: Cats and Classical Music...bubble baths are nice too especially if you are **reading** Latin in them.

Dislikes: Christmas, Snuggies, Disney

Fun Fact: Catherine used to ride a unicycle in a circus.

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Sequoia Leuba
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P.S. Per request of certain person in the party, I will include one last thing. http://25.media.tumblr.com/tumblr_mahfvX0He1r2gqh6o1_500.gif

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Join the Libs on Monday November 4th for Lib Dinner at 5:30 PM in the Silliman Dining Hall. Come eat, talk about Hallo-weekend, and tell me all of your stories! We will be sitting in the back left of the dining hall.

Jack was seriously questioning whether Jasper knew how to eat a strawberry.

After dinner, the Libs will join the Yale Political Union for this week's debate on Resolved: Loose Lips Sink Ships with Kenneth Wainstein, the former Homeland Security Advisor to President George W. Bush in LC 102 at 7:30 PM. What duty does a citizen have to his or her country? When is censorship justified? Who should determine what should be kept from a country's citizen? Come debate these questions and more! If interested in speaking, contact Aia Sarycheva at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu.

Please don't sink my ship!

On **Thursday November 7th**, come by the **Pierson Common Room** at **7:30 PM** for **Lib Discussion** on "**When Should Politicians Respond to Public Opinion?**" What defines public opinion? What makes the public right in certain scenarios? Is the system inherently flawed? Discuss these and more! Call or text Catherine at [309-212-7426](tel:309-212-7426) to be let in!

Spoiler alert: The answer is open your eyes or the door.

And on **Friday November 8th**, the **Libs** will be going on the semesterly **NY Trip**! Meet famous people! Eat great food! Hang out with the **Libs** in New York! See Sarah's email or contact her for more details at sarah.giovanniello@yale.edu. Do not forget to RSVP, as this trip you do not want to miss!

That is the face of someone who is excited to spend all day with great friends!

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Are you this cute or this happy eating ice-cream?

And after dinner, join us as we join the **Yale Political Union Debate** on **Resolved: The Era of Big Government is Over** with **Danilo Petranovich**, a political science lecturer at Yale University in **LC 102** at **7:30 PM**. What programs should the state try to implement? What makes big government different from small government? How should a government address differing interests in the society? If interested in speaking, contact the Floor Leader of the Left Aia Sarycheva at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu.

Painting Piglets!

On **Thursday November 14th** in the **Pierson Common Room** at **7:30 PM**, join the **Libs** for **Lib Discussion** on "**Should Our Friends Share Our Politics?**" Should we choose our friendships based on politics? Do politics reveal values? Should we pursue romantic relationships with people who have different political views? Discuss these questions and more!

In case you haven't recognized by now, this email is devoted to baby pigs.

On **Friday November 15th** at **9:30 PM**, join the **Libs** in the **Saybrook-Branford Room** for **Toasting!** A time-honored tradition, it is a must-go event.

These piglets understand how adorable friendship can be!

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Whiskers was not amused at the photographer interrupting her dinner with her pictures.

On **Tuesday November 19th**, we will be attending the **Yale Political Union Debate** on **Resolved: Restore the Voting Rights Act** with **Linda Greenhouse**, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and Joseph M. Goldstein Senior Fellow at Yale Law School, in **LC 102** at **7:30 PM**. What is the best way to protect the rights of voters? Should we police certain geographic areas? Have the times changed? If interested in speaking, contact Aia Sarycheva, the Floor Leader of the Left, at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu.

Won't you protect the right to vote for all?

And on **Thursday November 21st**, come by the **Pierson Common Room** at **7:30 PM** for **Lib Discussion** on "**When should we experiment on animals?**" What concerns should we have about animal testing? Do we have a right to test on animals? What rights (if any) do animals have? Explore this ethical and moral debate!

I do not think this is the type of animal testing we are talking about.

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Come by the **Silliman Dining Hall** this **Monday December 2nd** at **5:30 PM** for the last **Lib Dinner** of the semester! Eat food, enjoy each others company, and talk about your Thanksgiving Break! We will be sitting in the back left of the dining hall.

This looked like me after Thanksgiving dinner!

After dinner, join us as we attend the **Yale Political Union debate** on **Resolved: Reject Yale's Achievement Ethos** with **David Brooks**, a political and cultural commentator and *New York Times* columnist, in **LC 102** at **7:30 PM**. Do we have a responsibility to make the most of our talents? Why is the achievement ethos a good thing? Is there something about going to Yale that implores us to work harder? Come for the last debate of the semester! If interested in speaking, contact Aia Sarycheva, the Floor Leader of the Left, at aia.sarycheva@yale.edu.

And you see here, this is why we must make the most of our talent of being adorable.

We will end this semester with our last **Lib Discussion** on "Should All Countries Be Held To The Same Environmental Standards?" this **Thursday December 5th** at **7:30 PM** in the **Pierson Common Room**. Is it fair to hold all countries to the same standards? Should we be more accommodating for less prosperous countries? Contemplate these questions and more at discussion!

Look at his ears!

And for the last **Lib of the Week**, we have me, **Sequoia Leuba**!

I wore this dress the first time I spoke at YPU debate!

See: <http://tinyurl.com/qx6c26w>

Likes: Gossip Girl, Gilmore Girls, Girls, Matchbox Twenty, My Neighbor Totoro, glow in the dark stars, sleep, Jane Austen, Anthropologie, electron microscopy, biology, golf, cute baby animals, chocolate, feminism, orchids, sunflowers, public health, adventures, staying up all night, hummingbirds, hot chocolate, sunsets, shoes, butterflies, and dresses

Dislikes: mornings, spiders, blood, heights, smoking, aspartame, diet-anything, alarm clocks, the cold/winter (except for right after it snows), peanut butter, ill-fitting tights, anger, frizzy hair, football, kale, working out, taking off/landing in airplanes, phones out at meals, roses, Snapchat, organic chemistry

Fun Fact: Sequoia is the only (reasonably common) name that has every vowel in it.

It has been an honor being Secretary this semester, and I have loved every moment. I wish you all the best this coming finals/holiday season!

Cheers,
Sequoia Leuba
Secretary of the Liberal Party