

HONORARY DEGREES COMMITTEE 2015-16

CORPORATION MEMBERS

Maureen C. Chiquet '85 B.A. (CHAIR)



Maureen Chiquet is the global chief executive officer of Chanel, overseeing and coordinating activities worldwide and developing the organization's Active & Conscious Leadership initiative. Joining the company in 2003, Ms. Chiquet was named president of Chanel, Inc., in the United States in 2004, and became the company's first global CEO in 2007. Ms. Chiquet began her career at L'Oreal Paris in 1985. In 1988 she joined Gap, and in 1994 was recruited to help launch Old Navy. Over eight years, she advanced to executive vice president, growing the brand from 35 to 850 stores, before becoming president of Banana Republic in 2002. She has been recognized among Fortune's "International Power 50", Forbes' "100 Most Powerful Women", The Wall Street Journal's "50 Women to Watch" and Glamour Magazine's Women of the Year.

She currently sits on the board of directors of children's clothing company Peek... Aren't You Curious and the board of trustees of the New York Academy of Art. She also serves as a Trustee to the Yale Corporation and on the University Council Committee on Reputation, and is a member of Yale University's President's Council on International Activities.

Margaret H. Marshall '76 J.D., '12 LL.D.



Margaret H. Marshall is a retired chief justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts. She is presently senior counsel at Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP in Boston and a senior research fellow and lecturer at Harvard Law School. Born in South Africa, she earned a B.A. from the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg and a master's degree in education from Harvard University. After graduating from Yale Law School, she practiced law for sixteen years and was a partner in the Boston firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart. She served as vice president and general counsel of Harvard from 1992 until 1996, when she was appointed to the Supreme Judicial Court. Chief Justice Marshall, who became a U.S. citizen in 1978, served as president of the United States Conference of Chief Justices and is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts

and Sciences. She is the recipient of many honorary degrees and other professional awards, including the Yale Law School Alumni Award of Merit in 2006 and an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Yale in 2012. She has been a member of the Yale Law School Association Executive Committee since 1991. Chief Justice Marshall was elected Alumni Fellow in 2004 and served on the Corporation until 2010. She was appointed Successor Trustee in 2012, and Senior Fellow in 2013.

Eve Hart Rice '73 B.A.



Eve Hart Rice is an author, artist, psychiatrist, and co-president and treasurer of the Rice Family Foundation. Dr. Rice, a member of the first coeducational freshman class of Yale College, spent twelve years as a freelance author and artist of children's books, writing and/or illustrating some eighteen titles for HarperCollins, Macmillan, and other publishers after earning her B.A. She subsequently earned an M.D. from Mount Sinai School of Medicine and completed a residency in psychiatry at Cornell University. She then served as a staff psychiatrist, an inpatient unit chief, outpatient pharmacologist, and clinical assistant professor of psychiatry at Weill Cornell Medical College. Her philanthropic work has focused on grant-making in the arts, education, health, and the environment. This has included efforts at Yale to help build an urban studies program, foster

public service careers for women, support collections at the University Art Gallery and libraries, and promote international research experiences for students. Dr. Rice served on the University Council from 1998 until 2014 and was its president from 2011 to 2014. She was awarded the Yale Medal in 2009 and helped found YaleWomen, an AYA shared interest group for all alumnae. She was elected Alumni Fellow in 2015.

Kevin P. Ryan '85 B.A.



Kevin P. Ryan is one of the leading Internet entrepreneurs in New York, having founded and is Chairman of several businesses, including Business Insider, MongoDB, GILT and Zola. Combined, these companies have raised more than \$500 million in venture capital funding and currently employ almost 2,000 people. Previously, Kevin helped build DoubleClick from 1996 to 2005, first as President and later as CEO. He led DoubleClick's growth from a 20-person startup to a publicly traded global leader with over 1,500 employees. In 2013, Kevin was named one of "The 100 Most Influential New Yorkers of the Past 25 Years" by the Observer. Aside from his professional responsibilities, Kevin serves on the board of Yale Corporation and Human Rights Watch, is Vice Chairman of The Partnership for New York City, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. He previously served on the boards of INSEAD, the Direct Marketing Association, The Ad Council, HotJobs and the advisory board of Doctors Without Borders. He holds a B.A. from Yale University and an M.B.A. from INSEAD.

ALUMNI MEMBERS

William Schwalbe '84 B.A.



Will Schwalbe is the author of *The New York Times* Bestseller *The End of Your Life Book Club*. It was published in October 2012 by Knopf, and has been sold for translation into nine languages. It was a #1 Indie Next Pick, a Barnes and Noble "Discover Great New Writers" selection, and is #4 on Amazon's Top Ten Books of 2012. In 2008, Mr. Schwalbe founded Cookstr.com, which aggregates recipes from many of the world's major publishers. It powers recipe search for companies and organizations including the AARP, Bravo Television, Kaiser Permanente, and American Media. He served as CEO from inception until March 2011 and is currently chairman of its board. After graduating from Yale in 1984 with a B.A. degree summa cum laude in Classical Civilization, Mr. Schwalbe went to Hong Kong where he wrote for publications including *The New York Times* and *The South China Morning Post*. Subsequently, he held positions as Senior Vice President and Editor in Chief first of William Morrow and Company, where he worked from 1987 to 1997, and then of Hyperion Books, from 1997 to 2008. Authors he has published include David Halberstam, Nigella Lawson, Mitch Albom, Nikki Giovanni, Jamie Oliver, Rev. Peter J. Gomes, and Chris Anderson (THE LONG TAIL). He founded Hyperion East, the only imprint of a major trade publisher devoted to Asian literature in translation. He is also the co-author, with David Shipley, of *SEND: Why People Email So Badly and How to Do It Better* (Knopf 2007). Mr. Schwalbe is on the boards of Yale University Press and the Kingsborough Community College Foundation. He serves on the Hellman Hammett Committee, which gives awards to writers who have suffered persecution because of their writing. He was chair of the International Freedom to Publish Committee of the Association of American Publishers and was twice named a judge for the National Endowment for the Arts Literature Panel.

Laura R. Walker '87 M.B.A.



Laura R. Walker is President and CEO of New York Public Radio, the largest public radio station group in the nation. An independent and innovative nonprofit dedicated to providing high quality journalism, music and digital products, New York Public Radio reaches an audience of 14 million monthly. Walker leads New York Public Radio during a period of dramatic growth and innovation. Under her leadership, New York Public Radio's audience has grown from 1 million to 16 million, more than \$100 million in campaigns has been raised for long term investment, and as NeimanLab's Ken Doctor describes it, WNYC is on "innovation overdrive." She has established New York Public Radio as a place that produces award-winning enterprise journalism, nurtures today's most creative talent, and creates innovative products that bring the best of public radio to listeners everywhere. The organization has been honored with 7 George Foster Peabody Awards in the last decade and

produces some of public radio's most popular programming including *Radiolab*, *The Takeaway*, *Freakonomics Radio*, *On the Media*, *New Tech City* and *Death, Sex & Money*. These programs are heard on more than 500 stations nationwide, and through podcasts and other digital products. New York Public Radio owns and operates eight public radio stations, including WNYC and WQXR, the most-listened-to public radio station and the most-listened-to classical station in America, respectively. It also operates The Jerome L. Greene Performance Space, a 120 seat state-of-the-art venue which is home to more than 150 events each year. She began her professional career as a print journalist and then a producer at National Public Radio, where she received a Peabody Award for Broadcast Excellence. In 1983, she joined the staff of Carnegie Hall, where she launched the award-winning series *AT&T Presents Carnegie Hall Tonight*. In 1987, she joined the Sesame Workshop (formerly Children's Television Workshop). She was the Vice President of Development at Sesame and led the cross-departmental team that established the cable television channel Noggin. During the course of her career, she also worked at the Boston Consulting Group and Eurasia Press, where she wrote the organization's first guide to China. In addition to the New York Public Radio Board of Trustees, she sits on the boards of The Tribune Media Company, Saint Ann's School, The Women's Forum, Inc., Yale Center for Customer Insights and The Eagle Picher Trust. She is the Chair of the Station Resource Group. Ms. Walker holds an MBA from the Yale School of Management and a B.A. in History, magna cum laude, from Wesleyan University where she was an Olin Scholar.

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

Tom A. Bernstein '74 B.A., '77 J.D.

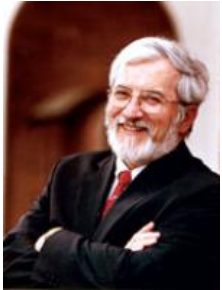


Tom A. Bernstein is President and Co-Founder of Chelsea Piers, L.P., formed in 1992, to develop and operate the Chelsea Piers Sports and Entertainment Complex, a 30-acre waterfront sports village located between 17th and 23rd Streets along Manhattan's Hudson River. He is also Co-Chairman of Chelsea Piers Connecticut, a 450,000 square foot sports facility, which opened in Stamford, Connecticut in July 2012. Mr. Bernstein was one of the two principals of Silver Screen Management, Inc., and the affiliated Silver Screen companies, which from 1983 to 1998 financed 75 films with the Walt Disney Company, including such box office successes as "Beauty and the Beast," "Pretty Women" and "The Little Mermaid." From 1989 to 1998, Mr. Bernstein was one of the principal owners of the Texas Rangers Baseball Club with the ownership group led by George W. Bush. Mr. Bernstein has been actively involved in a number of pro bono activities. In September of 2010, Mr. Bernstein was appointed Chairman of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C by President Obama, where he has served as a Council Member, member of the Executive Committee and as Chair of the Committee on Conscience since his appointment by President Bush in 2002. In January 2010, Mr. Bernstein was appointed Chair of the Board of Directors of the Fund for Cities of Service, formed by Mayor Michael Bloomberg. Mr. Bernstein also serves as Chair of the Partnership for Public Service, Vice-Chair of Human Rights First and is a member of the Board and Executive Committee of the Center for Civil and Human Rights in Atlanta, GA. Mr. Bernstein is also a member of the Board of Directors of several other non-profit organizations, including WNYC Radio (New York's public radio stations), The Fresh Air Fund and City Year New York. From 1978 to 1983, Bernstein was an attorney with the entertainment department of the law firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York. He served as a law clerk from 1977-1978 for the Honorable Jack B. Weinstein in Federal District Court in New York. Mr. Bernstein is a graduate of Yale College ('74) and Yale Law School ('77), where he was an editor of the Yale Law Journal. Mr. Bernstein serves as a member of the Yale University Council. They are the parents of three teenage children, the oldest of whom, Sam, is a member of the Yale College Class of 2014.

FACULTY

Harold W. Attridge

Sterling Professor of Divinity



Harold W. Attridge, dean of Yale Divinity School from 2002 to 2012, has made scholarly contributions to New Testament exegesis and to the study of Hellenistic Judaism and the history of the early Church. His publications include *Essays on John and Hebrews*, *Hebrews: A Commentary on the Epistle to the Hebrews*, *First-Century Cynicism in the Epistles of Heraclitus*, *The Interpretation of Biblical History in the Antiquitates Judaicae of Flavius Josephus*, *Nag Hammadi Codex I: The Jung Codex*, and *The Acts of Thomas*, as well as numerous book chapters and articles in scholarly journals. He has edited twelve books, most recently, with Dale Martin and Jurgen Zangenberg, *Religion, Ethnicity and Identity in Ancient Galilee*; and *The Religion and Science Debate: Why Does It Continue?* Professor Attridge is the general editor of the *HarperCollins Study Bible Revised Edition* (2006). He has been an editorial board member of *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*, *Harvard Theological Review*, *Journal of Biblical Literature*, *Novum Testamentum*, and the *Hermeneia* commentary series. He has been active in the Society of Biblical Literature and served as president of the society in 2001. Professor Attridge is a fellow of Saybrook College.

Nicholas Christakis

Sol Goldman Family Professor of Social & Natural Science; Professor of Internal Med., General Medicine; Co-Director, Yale Institute for Network Science



Nicholas A. Christakis, MD, PhD, MPH, is a sociologist and physician who conducts research in the areas of social networks and biosocial science. He directs the [Human Nature Lab](#). His current research is mainly focused on two topics: (1) the social, mathematical, and biological rules governing how social networks form (“connection”), and (2) the social and biological implications of how they operate to influence thoughts, feelings, and behaviors (“contagion”).

His lab uses both observational and experimental methods to study these phenomena, exploiting techniques from sociology, computer science, biosocial science, demography, statistics, behavior genetics, evolutionary biology, epidemiology, and other fields. To the extent that diverse phenomena can spread within networks in intelligible ways, there are important policy implications since such spread can be exploited to improve the health or other desirable properties of groups (such as cooperation or innovation). Hence, current work in the lab involves conducting field experiments: some work involves the use of large-scale, online network experiments; other work involves large-scale randomized controlled trials in the developing world where networks are painstakingly mapped. Finally, some work in the lab examines the biological determinants and consequences of social interactions and related phenomena, with a particular emphasis on the genetic origins and evolutionary implications of social networks. The author of several books and over 150 articles, Christakis was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences in 2006 and was made a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2010.

Richard P. Lifton

Sterling Professor of Genetics; Chair, Genetics; Professor, Internal Medicine, Nephrology; Investigator Howard Hughes Med Institute



Richard Lifton is Chairman and Sterling Professor of Genetics at Yale University, and Investigator of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. He also directs the Yale Center for Human Genetics and Genomics. He received his B.A. from Dartmouth, M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Stanford, and trained in medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard prior to moving to Yale in 1993. Dr. Lifton's laboratory has used human genetics and genomics to identify causes of heart, kidney, and bone disease. By investigating thousands of families from around the world, his group has identified more than 25 human disease genes. These include key genes and pathways that are critical to the risk of heart attack, hypertension, osteoporosis, and stroke. These studies have provided new diagnostic and therapeutic approaches to these diseases, which affect more than one billion people worldwide. Dr. Lifton also chairs the Scientific

Advisory Board of Merck, the Medical Physiology Section of the National Academy of Sciences, and the NIH Advisory Committee for Large Scale Genomic Sequencing. He serves on the Council of the Institute of Medicine, the Scientific Advisory Boards of The Simons Foundation Autism Project, and The Gallo Foundation of the University of California, San Francisco. His honors include election to the National Academy of Sciences and the Institute of Medicine as well as the highest scientific awards of the American Heart Association, the International Society of Hypertension, and the International Society of Nephrology; he is also the recipient of the 2008 Wiley Prize in Biomedical Sciences. Dr. Richard Lifton received a B.A. from Dartmouth College and an M.D. and Ph.D. from Stanford University.

Sekhar Tatikonda

Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering & Statistics, Yale School of Engineering & Applied Sciences



Sekhar Tatikonda is currently a faculty in the Department of Electrical Engineering at Yale University, with courtesy appointments in Applied Mathematics, Computer Science, and Statistics. He received his BS, MS, and PhD in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences at the University of California, Berkeley. He joined Yale in 2002. He works broadly in the areas of communications, networking, and machine learning. In particular he is interested in issues of coordination, cooperation,

computation and learning in distributed and networked systems. He is a founding member of the new Yale Institute for Network Science, a multidisciplinary effort to advance the study of social, biological and physical networks. He is dedicated to both undergraduate and graduate teaching. He was awarded the inaugural Ackerman Award for Teaching and Mentoring for having a positive impact on students and contributing to the educational mission of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences and Yale.