Centennial Highlights

A Celebration of 100 Years of Public Health at Yale
Celebrating Public Health at Yale
An Unforgettable Year!

This past year has been a special one for the Yale School of Public Health, as we celebrated our centennial with a series of lectures, publications, service to the community, social gatherings and even our own cycling team, Centennial Cyclists, to raise money for Smilow Cancer Hospital. The breadth of these events is captured here in *Centennial Highlights: A Celebration of 100 Years of Public Health at Yale*. Our faculty, students, alumni and staff came together to make this an unforgettable year.

The Yale School of Public Health has a rich history upon which to draw and a very promising future. I am convinced that our next century will be filled with the scientific breakthroughs, teaching excellence and community service that marked our first 100 years. Indeed, the Yale School of Public Health is well-positioned to address many of the existing and emerging public health challenges facing the world and to help create a future that is healthier – and more equitable – for all.

A centennial is a special milestone for any organization and ours was no exception. It provided the opportunity to reflect on past accomplishments and current achievements. It was also a time to rededicate ourselves to the important work ahead. As you will see here, we also had a lot of fun and excitement during 2015, and I hope that you had the opportunity to share some of it with us.

Sincerely,

Paul D. Cleary, Ph.D.
Dean, Yale School of Public Health
The Yale School of Public Health’s centennial kickoff party on **January 29** draws a capacity crowd to the historical library at the Yale School of Medicine.

The school’s centennial birthday cake.
A dozen banners commemorating the school’s centennial are hung on lampposts lining College Street and the walkway to the Laboratory of Epidemiology and Public Health in MID-JANUARY.
Dean Paul Cleary presents Jennifer Staple-Clark, founder and CEO of Unite for Sight, with the Yale School of Public Health Centennial Leadership Innovation Award on March 28.

Above The YSPH Centennial Leadership Innovation Award.
Dr. Harold Jaffe, associate director for science at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, delivers the school’s second Milbank Lecture on April 9, discussing the history of HIV/AIDS and comparing the initial response to that epidemic with the more recent public response to the Ebola outbreak. Seven Milbank lectures were held in 2015 to commemorate the school’s centennial.

Dean Paul Cleary leads a panel discussion on the future of public health at the 2015 Yale Healthcare Conference on April 10.
A Healthy Career Choices forum on APRIL 11 drew scores of students and alumni to discuss health-related careers across the globe.
GET INVOLVED
SERVE
MAKE A DIFFERENCE
CELEBRATE

JOIN US! MAY 8 & 9
FOR YSPH CENTENNIAL
DAYS OF SERVICE

Contact Dawn Carroll (dawn.carroll@yale.edu) for more information
More than 100 faculty, staff, alumni and students participated in the Centennial Day of Service in and around New Haven on MAY 8 to improve community health and well-being.
A special 112-page centennial issue of Yale Public Health magazine features scores of original photographs of the school, its research and its community of scientists, staff, alumni and students. It rolled off the presses in MID-MAY.
“We have in our hands the means to close [this] gap in a generation. The question is, what do we have in our hearts?”

–Sir Michael Marmot
A Yale School of Public Health centennial photo exhibit adorned the lengthy concourse between the State Capitol and the Legislative Office Building in Hartford in **JULY AND AUGUST**.

The exhibit included 42 original images of the school, its research, education and training. It traveled to New Haven City Hall in early fall.

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Nearly 325 faculty, students, alumni and staff pose for a schoolwide centennial photo on **August 31** on the lawn of LEPH.

Dr. Lynn Goldman, the Michael and Lori Milken Dean of the Milken Institute School of Public Health at George Washington University, gave a Milbank Lecture on **September 9**. Her talk addressed the health consequences of climate change.
The YSPH-based Centennial Cyclists team is formed to participate in the 2015 Closer to Free ride and benefit Smilow Cancer Hospital.

Members of Centennial Cyclists, including Dean Paul Cleary (center), gather before the ride on September 12.
U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy (center) meets with Yale President Peter Salovey (left) and YSPH Deputy Dean Brian Leaderer on **SEPTEMBER 16** before a Milbank Lecture at the School of Public Health.

Dr. Murthy invokes a “golden age” of public health during his lecture. The four other centennial Milbank Lectures were delivered by Mitchell Gail, senior investigator at the National Institutes of Health; Pia Britto, senior UNICEF adviser; Ana Diez Roux, dean, Drexel University School of Public Health; and George Howard, professor, University of Alabama School of Public Health.
Prominent HIV/AIDS researcher Dr. Anthony Fauci (left) received the second of three C.-E.A. Winslow Medals that were awarded in 2015 as part of the centennial. In his October 23 lecture, he told a large gathering that the end of the HIV/AIDS epidemic is within reach.

“It’s almost inevitable that it will happen.”

– Dr. Anthony Fauci on the end of the HIV/AIDS epidemic
Scores of Yale School of Public Health alumni turned out for the centennial reunion on **OCTOBER 24** to see old friends and attend a spirited discussion on the future of public health led by a panel of YSPH experts (above).
Dr. Judith Rodin, president of The Rockefeller Foundation and former Yale University provost, lectures on November 2 about the connection between human and planetary health. Rodin received the third C.-E.A. Winslow Medal as part of the centennial.

“The connection between the health of our planet and our own is abundantly clear.”

—Dr. Judith Rodin
At the Association of Yale Alumni Assembly on **November 19**, M.P.H. student Hannah Kaneck discusses the health implications of legalized marijuana. Hundreds of Yale alumni from around the world attended the assembly, which included a day-long session dedicated to Yale’s century of contributions to public health.

“I believe that the future of public health is promising and bright and the work that I see here daily continues to fill me with optimism.”

—Dean Paul Cleary
Special thanks to the members of the Yale School of Public Health Centennial Planning Committee, who made all of these events and many others possible.

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