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# Reno shines after father's death

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Just one day after celebrated former head coach Tony Reno died, his son Dante Reno '28 led Team 153 to a second-half comeback to cap off an emotional day at the Yale Bowl.

Prior to kickoff at noon on Saturday, the Bulldogs played a tribute video honoring their former head coach — who stepped down from his role in February, citing

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TONY RENO, 1974-2026

## *Coach took Yale to national stage*


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Tony Reno, a former Yale football head coach who led the Bulldogs to five Ivy League titles and the first playoff run in school history, died on Friday. He was 52.

Born in Oxford, Mass., Reno attended Oxford High School and played football for Worcester State University before graduating in 1997. After returning to his alma mater for a master's degree in health education while coaching their football team, he embarked on his coaching journey, making his first stop at Yale as an assistant in

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# YCC passes statement condemning Lewis

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After an effort to soften the document's language failed, the Yale College Council Senate approved a public statement on Sunday imploring the University not to reappoint Yale College Dean Pericles Lewis.

Senators decided last Sunday to table voting on the original document, which was sponsored by several student groups and asked the University to reconsider appointing Lewis to a second term, claiming that he had failed to support low-income students. The amended statement, which failed on Sunday, characterized student complaints about Lewis' leadership as critiques that the University should take into account and omitted the phrase "statement of NO CONFIDENCE."

"This amended statement condemns all the results of Pericles Lewis and the Yale College administration's cuts with the same force," said Kyler Parker '29, the senate speaker. "It just doesn't jump to a conclusion that he should be removed because of that, because some senators were sharing that there might not be enough information to make that judgement."

Despite Parker's assertions, the original, non-tempered statement was passed.

Lewis said in a Monday interview with the News that he plans to visit the YCC Senate meeting on Sunday. He said he has not yet chosen a particular topic that he will address, but plans to speak with Parker and decide on an agenda.

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# Athlete majors skew toward social science

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Nearly half of varsity athletes in the classes of 2027 and 2028 have declared majors in economics or political science, compared to about one in seven of their non-athlete peers, according to a News analysis.

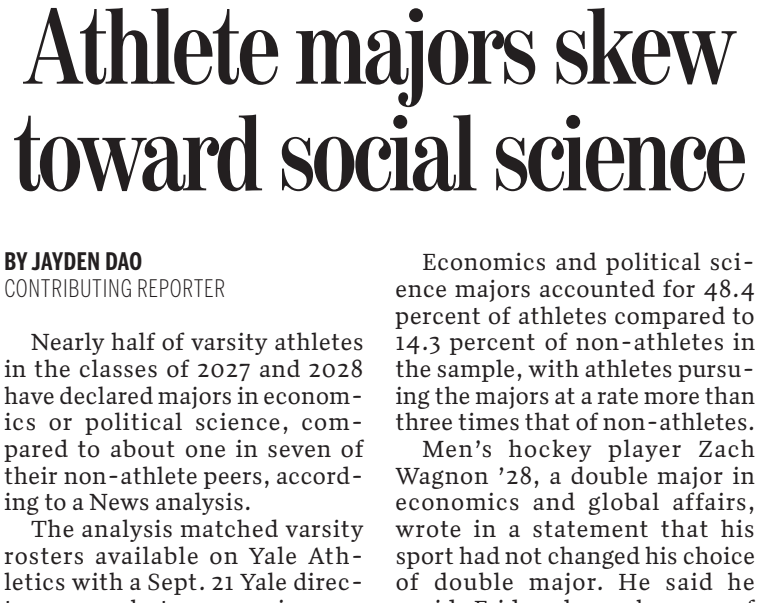
The analysis matched varsity rosters available on Yale Athletics with a Sept. 21 Yale directory snapshot, comparing 372 athletes and 2,621 non-athletes with declared majors listed. Each student was counted once, and the comparison group excludes identified current athletes. Student-athletes interviewed by the News said their athletic schedules can affect their course choices but do not prohibit them from majoring in their preferred subject.

Economics and political science majors accounted for 48.4 percent of athletes compared to 14.3 percent of non-athletes in the sample, with athletes pursuing the majors at a rate more than three times that of non-athletes.

Men's hockey player Zach Wagnon '28, a double major in economics and global affairs, wrote in a statement that his sport had not changed his choice of double major. He said he avoids Friday classes because of games and courses meeting after 3:30 p.m. because of practices and lifting.

"I know if I wanted to do something like biology, I would not be able to because lots of the classes and labs conflict with my hockey schedule," Wagnon wrote, though he credited coaches and

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# Beinecke rally slams Trump negotiations


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Around 300 students, faculty and alumni gathered on Beinecke Plaza on Friday afternoon to demand that Yale cease negotiations with the Trump administration over a federal investigation alleging racial discrimination in the University's admissions practices.

In May, the Department of Justice published a letter of findings claiming that the Yale School of Medicine illegally favored Black and Hispanic applicants over their Asian or white counterparts. As negotiations to settle the investigation continue, the crowd on Friday slammed President Donald Trump as untrustworthy and the investigation as a weaponization of law while weaving in demands to open up Yale's trustee elections to the students, faculty, staff and alumni.

The protesters, under the motto, "Democratize Yale," marched from the New Haven Green to Beinecke Plaza, where they convened with Sen. Richard Blumenthal LAW '73, Rep. Rosa DeLauro and Mayor Justin Elicker, who had spoken in a press conference outside of Yale Law School to denounce Yale's negotiations.

"Yale is a leader in America, which makes its potential appeasement all the more despicable," Blumenthal said. "Yale should know that appeasement is not a strategy, that acquiescing to a bully just emboldens and encourages him. And here, the 'him' is Donald Trump."

In an interview with the News, Blumenthal disputed the idea that the Trump administration is too powerful to take on, pointing to court wins that shot down

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# Foreign donor disclosure blocked

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The Department of Education cannot reveal the names of Yale and other American universities' international donors, according to a temporary restraining order from a federal judge.

On Thursday, a federal judge in Washington, D.C., blocked the Trump administration's efforts to publish donor's identities after the Association of American Universities — a group of 71 research universities including Yale — filed a last-minute lawsuit a day before the government was set to publicize the donors. This week, Yale, in its own capacity, joined other universities in support of the association's lawsuit, according to University spokesperson Karen Peart.

The Education Department cited national security concerns about foreign funding as the rationale for publishing donors' names. The association argued in the lawsuit that the government had committed to safeguarding the donors' anonymity. Yale President Maurie McInnis is on the association's board.

In her ruling, the federal judge sided with the universities and issued a temporary restraining order barring the release of the

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## Inside The News

The New Haven Pride Center hosted its annual block party on Saturday. The center reopened, debt free, in April after shutting down in February.

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