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Yale cuts cited for bakery closure

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After 15 years serving sweet treats in New Haven, a beloved Whitney Avenue dessert shop on Saturday marked its closure — which its owner partly attributed to a drop in standing orders with Yale due to budget cuts.

At a Saturday afternoon party, loyal customers, friends and owner Katalina "Kathy" Riegelmann celebrated the legacy of Katalina's Bakery, which has been a neighborhood fixture for Yale students and New Haven locals since its opening in 2011. The bakery will be open until Wednesday.

"I'm going to be really sad, because I just think she's amazing. Kathy has just been one of the parts of this community, Louise Umutoni GRD '29 said in an interview at the closing party. "I have only been here for a really short time, but she feels like such a constant presence that not having her here is going to be really weird."

After Yale began making budget cuts in the summer of 2025 in anticipation of an endowment tax hike, Katalina's lost a key source of revenue, which Riegelmann said "devastated" her.

"I lost a lot of standing orders with Yale. I had a standing order with the School of Management," Riegelmann said. "I supplied their cafe. It was a daily,

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The stalled committee on slavery

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In March 2025, Frank Snowden and Roderick Ferguson were irate that progress on confronting Yale's ties to slavery had stalled. The professors, both members of Yale's Committee on Addressing the Legacy of Slavery, said the committee had barely met in the year since its creation.

Yale President Peter Salovey had apologized for the University's role in slavery and promised "meaningful action" in a message to the Yale community in February 2024. One of those actions was establishing the Committee on Addressing the Legacy of Slavery and appointing Vice President for University Life Kimberly Goff-Crews '83 LAW '86 as committee chair. A year after the committee's creation, Snowden and Ferguson wrote to Salovey's successor, Maurie McInnis, and Goff-Crews to demand action.

"In the course of nearly an entire academic year since mid-2024, the CALS committee has never been called – even once – to a meeting," Snowden and Ferguson wrote in a March 2025 letter reviewed by the News. "Rather than reckoning with the history and legacy of slavery, this inaction risks continuing that legacy."

Now, more than two years after Salovey promised action, the committee has not published a report, and the University has not publicly mentioned any of its nine recommendations in connection with the committee. The proposals, obtained by the News, include a $200 million center for investment in childhood education, a museum of Yale's history and ties to slavery in Woodbridge Hall and a search for descendants of those enslaved by Yale's earliest trustees and donors.

Goff-Crews has sent the group periodic updates about their rec-

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Bay Area office is weighed

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Yale is considering an office in San Francisco to help connect students with work opportunities, University President Maurie McInnis said in an interview last week.

In a conversation recorded on a Yale livestream before a Family Weekend event earlier this month, McInnis and Yale College Dean Pericles Lewis privately discussed rumors about an expansion into San Francisco, and Lewis said he told a group of parents the University "might offer a few classes." In her interview, McInnis flatly rejected that Yale will establish a satellite campus in the city.

"Yale has no plans to have a campus in San Francisco," McInnis said. "Yale has not yet considered offering classes in San Francisco. We have considered looking at office space so that we can do a better job of connecting our students with internship and or career opportunities."

In the Family Weekend conversation, Lewis said that during a Parents Leadership Council talk, he was asked whether Yale would

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Yale hounds Harvard in 3-2 win



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Under the lights of Reese Stadium, the Yale Bulldogs (3–6–2, 1–1–2 Ivy) secured their first conference win against the Harvard Crimson (3–6–2, 2–2–0 Ivy) in a 3-2 nailbiter on Saturday night.

As Yale welcomed back generations of former players to New Haven for alumni weekend, the Bulldogs stunned the Crimson to pick up their first win against their biggest rival since 2023, and the first home win between the two teams since 2019. Four of the game's five goals were scored in the last 15 minutes of the match, which also marked Yale's first Ivy League victory of the season.

"Playing Harvard at home is already a special occasion, but having so many alumni back and such a great crowd behind us made it even better," center-back Andrew Myerson '27 wrote in an email to the News. "You could really feel the energy and support throughout the game. It means a lot to represent Yale in front of the guys who helped build this program, and being able to celebrate a big win with them afterward made the night even more memorable."

The Bulldogs hit the gas and drew first blood. In the 23rd minute, Danny Grumann '30 sent the ball through the box to Sven Meacham '28, who rocketed a header past the goalkeeper to give Yale a 1-0 lead, setting the tone for the remainder of the game.

The Bulldog defense held it together through the rest of the first half, as both teams headed to the locker rooms with the Elis dominating.

Yale continued to control the pace until the 76th minute, when Harvard's Ben Kelly netted the equalizer, bringing the score to 1-1.

But the Bulldogs refused to let their lead slip away. Four minutes later, Nathan Harmon '29 crossed the ball from the right side of the field to the left post to David Leidl '30. Leidl then sent it to Owen Bull '28, who scored a volley to restore Yale's lead.

It looked as though Yale would be able to hold on, with the Crimson now trailing them 2-1. But Harvard's Dylan Tellado made his way into the

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'No Kings' returns with focus on voting

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Bearing signs, American flags and umbrellas with "VOTE" written on them, over 100 protesters gathered on the New Haven Green on Saturday afternoon for a "No Kings" rally that was meant to focus on a non-partisan, get-out-the-vote message but instead picked up some anti-Trump energy.

The gathering was part of the fourth nationwide round of the "No Kings" rallies, which have previously focused on opposing President Donald Trump's agenda. Organizers intended the event to have a non-partisan focus on early voting, and some attendees manned voting information tables. Others used signs, songs and, in some cases, their dogs' outfits to criticize the Trump administration. The event also involved an impromptu march and an unscheduled appearance from Rep. Rosa DeLauro.

"People want to see things change, they want folks to come out to vote and they want to see a very big victory in defeating Donald Trump on November third," DeLauro said in an interview.

Maggie Marcarelli, a member of the steering committee for Greater New Haven Indivisible, said that the group, which is the local branch of the national progressive group Indivisible, organized the event to promote early voting. Attendees handed out flyers with voting information and wrote postcards encouraging others to vote.

But others came expecting a political protest, like Mary Pala-

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Rosetint Community Theatre, a local theater company, is celebrating its origins with a quirky production of Rocky Horror Picture Show.

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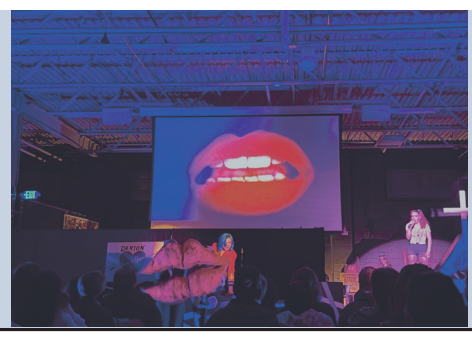

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