

BULLETIN

This Day in Yale History, 1979

February 20, 1979 / Feminist bookstore has eclectic collection

By Laura Parsky

The flag outside the door reads “books,” but Golden Thread Booksellers is no ordinary New Haven bookstore.

There are shelves labelled fiction, non-fiction, biography, and health, but a closer look reveals that every book is written by a woman. Along with the familiar names of Toni Morrison, Virginia Woolf, and Jane Austen, the store stocks many female authors not recognized by the mainstream literary world.

The small, unpretentious store at 915 State St. teems with colorful and diverse works by women artists. There are posters and Tshirts on the walls, a table display of music by female performers, a glass case full of hand-made jewelry. As its logo states, Golden Thread Booksellers is feminist book store “by, for, and about women.”



TORREY CARROLL — YDN
Allison Cunningham, owner of Golden Thread Booksellers on State Street, runs one of Connecticut’s three feminist bookstores — the shop is supported by a strong feminist community in the city. The store’s name comes from a refrain in a Holly Near song.



Behind the Headline

By Jaeha Jang

When I learned that the Tuesday meeting for Yale’s chapter of the American Association of University Professors was closed to the press, I recognized that I would have to get creative. I wanted to learn about the meeting’s launch of the AAUP’s new academic freedom campaign, and I knew I could not count on interviewing attendees in person. Instead, I sent questions over to Daniel HoSang, the group’s president, and, by the morning of the meeting, also had two phone interviews with panelists scheduled.

Meeting attendees outside of the meeting in WLH 119 was, in fact, difficult. As I awkwardly stood around the hallway, trying to do my English readings on my iPad but repeatedly losing focus, more than a dozen professors leaving the meeting declined to speak with me on the record. Some told me that they were told during the meeting that it was closed to the press, while others said they had to go pick up their kids. All I could do was take a photo of the sign on the door reading, “AAUP YALE Event.”

After the meeting, HoSang arranged for me to speak with some more panelists and organizers. By the end of the night, I was able to piece together why more than a hundred professors showed up for the campaign and how they spent the 90-minute launch meeting.

Read “Academic freedom push begins” on page 1.

CORRECTIONS:
An article published in the Feb. 17 edition misstated Darya Dayanim’s position in the Society for Physics Students. She is the president, not the prize lecture chair.

Puzzles

Puzzle by Ariana Borut '27

ACROSS

- 1 ___ jumping (Winter Olympics event)
- 4 Test episode of a TV show
- 6 Vegan beauty brand owned by Estée Lauder
- 7 Gold, silver or bronze
- 8 Shade of light blue

DOWN

- 1 Vehicles used in luge and skeleton
- 2 Fujifilm competitor
- 3 2026 Winter Olympics host country
- 4 Cooking spray brand
- 5 "___ had enough!"

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