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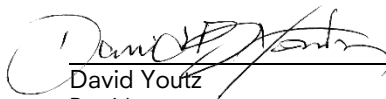
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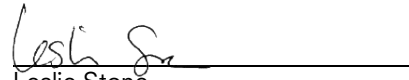
All of us at Yale-China are enormously grateful for and deeply moved by the outpouring of support for the Douglas Murray Fund to establish an education program in Yuanling in Western Hunan Province. We are thrilled to report that the first-year goal of \$50,000 has been surpassed, and we are optimistic that we can raise enough for a second year. In the meantime, we are working with our partners in Hunan to enable our two selected Yale-China Fellows (see their bios attached) to join the Yuanling Number One High School community when conditions allow. If we are unable to send the Fellows to Yuanling by January, all Doug Murray Fund contributions will be restricted for future use to fund Yale-China Fellows when they can once again go to remote locations in Western Hunan.

During last year's pilot program, several Yuanling students competed in the Yale-China Foreign Teachers Speech Contest, and their winning submissions covered topics from tea to Eminem! Here is the link: yalechina.org/speech-contest We are also excited that a Yuanling student was selected for the Yale Young Global Scholars program. We wish we could be welcoming her to New Haven later this summer, but hope that the online learning experience offered instead will be formative for her.

These are just some of the rare experiences and outcomes we hope to foster for Chinese students in the years to come. Of course, the Fellows themselves will benefit tremendously from the opportunity to understand the complexities of China on a personal level that simply is not possible for most Americans. With the Peace Corps now closed down in China, and the Fulbright Program in China and Hong Kong closed by President Trump's recent Executive Order, Yale-China's Fellows Program is one of a very few to sustain the bilateral flow of teachers and students.

Thank you so much again for contributing to Yale-China's special fund in Doug's honor. His personal example and commitment to the transformative potential of educational and cultural exchange is an inspiration to us all.


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Visiting the remaining buildings in Yuanling that were used when Yali High School transferred to this mountain town during World War Two. Pictured here are the inaugural Yuanling fellows Duane Bean and Danila Kabotyanski with local staff of the Wispring Foundation and Yale-China's David Youtz and Andy Junker.



Outside of the classroom, 2019-2020 Pilot Fellow Duane Bean led a popular extracurricular Baking Club in his apartment on the school campus.

Appendix:

Bios of Yale-China Fellows for the Yuanling Pilot Program

Kate Rosenberg



Kate is excited to start her third year as a Yale-China Fellow, this time at Yuanling No. 1 Middle School. Originally from Chappaqua NY, she first came to Yale-China in 2018 after graduating with a B.A. in linguistics and absolutely no knowledge of Mandarin or China. Kate spent a year and a half as an English Teaching Fellow at Xiuning Middle School in Anhui province. In that year and a half, she has been able to learn so much more about Chinese culture and Mandarin than she could have ever imagined, thanks to an incredible community of neighbors, teachers, friends, and students that welcomed her with open arms. While there, in addition to teaching Oral English classes, she had the opportunity to interact with students in informal conversation in the English Library, direct them in an English language musical, mentor a small group of students as they applied to an American summer program, and lead a baking club. She loved watching her students grow over two years, not just in English ability, but in confidence. While her time at Xiuzhong was abruptly cut short due to the global coronavirus pandemic, Kate is grateful that she has been able to stay in touch with her friends and students through messages, video calls, and a Yale-China-wide student speech competition.

Kate is very excited to begin teaching at Yuanling No. 1 Middle School and to help build the foundation there for a thriving partnership like the one she was so lucky to experience in Xiuning.

Tyler Hayward



From El Paso, Texas, Tyler Hayward is currently a master's student pursuing a degree in East Asian Studies at the Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. His primary research focus is the political economy of China, with a particular interest in the intersection between economic and institutional development. He graduated with a B.A. in Economics and Chinese Studies from the University of Houston in 2019, and attended Peking University for the 2017-2018 school year on a Chinese Government Scholarship. During the summer of 2020, Tyler served as a Lead Instructor for the Yale Young Global Scholars – Connect program, and is excited to continue both his academic and his teaching career with the Yale-China Association. Outside of school, Tyler enjoys walking, running, and hiking as it allows him to see the world at a slower pace than he would through the window of a plane, train, or automobile.