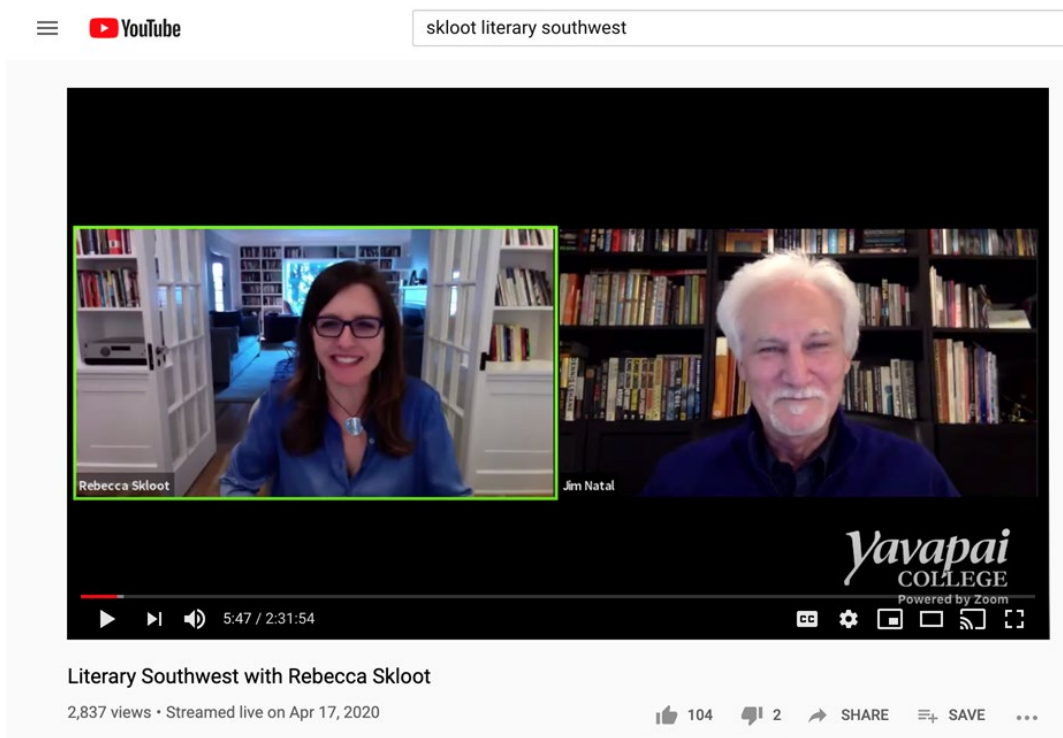


## May 2020 College Highlights

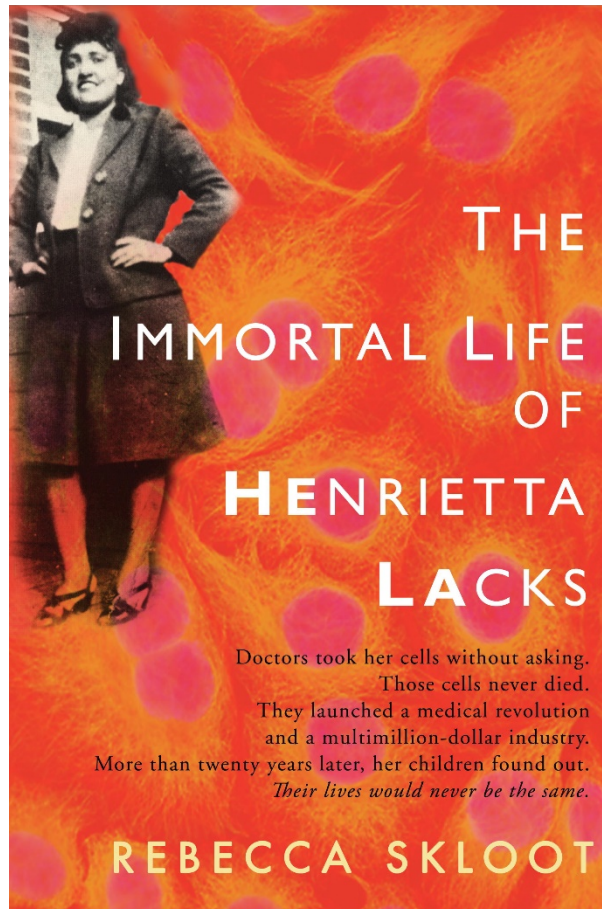
### School of Arts and Humanities

- **Nicole Dean**, an English Department faculty member, presented her paper "Daddy's Damsel: Fathers, Daughters, and Redemption for American Masculinity" on February 23 at the 2020 Far West Popular Culture Association Conference in Las Vegas, NV.
- **Jim Natal**, Director of the Literary Southwest, reports the series moved online for its April 2020 event—the first time in its 11-year history that the series was offered in live stream format. Presented in conjunction with the Yavapai College Riders Read program, the event featured Rebecca Skloot, author of the mega-bestseller *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, which was chosen as the College's inaugural common reads selection. This timely event, presented both via Zoom (for students and faculty on all three Yavapai College campuses) and free on YouTube, has garnered more than 3,000 views and extended The Literary Southwest's reach nationally and internationally. The previous attendance record for a live in-person event was 350, set at the February 2020 Literary Southwest program with Western mystery writer Craig Johnson.



The image is a screenshot of a YouTube video player. At the top, the YouTube logo is visible on the left, and a search bar contains the text "skloot literary southwest". The video content shows a Zoom meeting with two participants: Rebecca Skloot on the left and Jim Natal on the right. Rebecca Skloot is wearing glasses and a blue shirt, and Jim Natal is an older man with white hair and a beard, wearing a dark blue shirt. The background for both is a bookshelf. At the bottom of the video player, the Yavapai College logo is displayed, along with the text "Powered by Zoom". The video progress bar shows 5:47 / 2:31:54. Below the video player, the title "Literary Southwest with Rebecca Skloot" is visible, along with the view count "2,837 views" and the date "Streamed live on Apr 17, 2020". On the right side, there are icons for likes (104), comments (2), share, save, and a menu icon.

AUTHOR REBECCA SKLOOT



## School of Business and Computer Systems

- In February, prior to the COVID-19 virus outbreak, **Greg Tomsho**, Program Director and **Matthew Sanderlin**, Associate Professor, said the Computer Networking Technology Department's recently developed Cybersecurity program drew a standing room only crowd at the annual CNT Dual Enrollment Information Session held for Bradshaw Mountain High School. 130 students and parents gathered at the Prescott Valley Library to learn about the computer networking and cybersecurity certificate programs offered to high school students through Yavapai College's CNT department. Prospective students of the program and their parents learned about the excellent training opportunity that can lead to jobs, industry certifications, and college certificates in the growing fields of networking and cybersecurity.



- **Vikki Bentz**, Accounting Professor, reports **Adam M. England**, current YC accounting student, has successfully completed all three national Enrolled Agent Exams, allowing him to practice as an Enrolled Agent before the IRS. Adam was one of the first group of students who completed the pilot offering of ACC 240, IRS Enrolled Agent Review last fall, and is the first student who has successfully completed the certification exams.

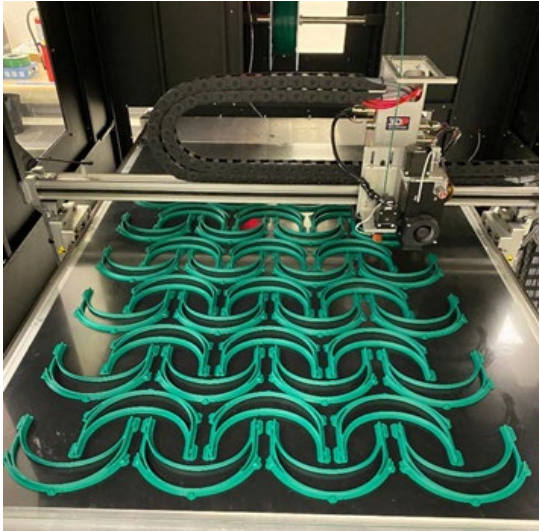
Enrolled Agent (EA) tax professionals are highly recognized by the industry and consumers based on their level of expertise and knowledge of tax law and regulations. Like attorneys and certified public accountants, enrolled agents are unrestricted in which taxpayers they can represent and what types of tax matters they can handle. EAs are also the only tax professional licensed to practice and represent clients in all 50 states.

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## School of Career and Technical Education

- **John Morgan**, Dean for Career and Tech Education, reports our Aerospace Science program has its 3D printers printing face shields for frontline health care workers. The YC Foundation generously purchased the plastic shields to make this happen and as of this week, 220 shields have been printed. Our faculty have also recalibrated our large 3D printer that will increase the printing capacity significantly in the coming days. Over 880 hours of printing has occurred so far. We appreciate the innovative work our faculty and staff are doing to fill this tremendous need in our community. We thank the Foundation for providing the materials.



- **Curt Freeman**, Carpentry Instructor, came to the rescue of **Karen Yeager**, CBT110 student, who got some hands-on experience despite not having face-to-face classes. Enjoy this short YouTube video Karen made to show how Curt saved her hundreds of dollars in home repair by doing the job herself!

<https://youtu.be/xPNt6l6oIM8>



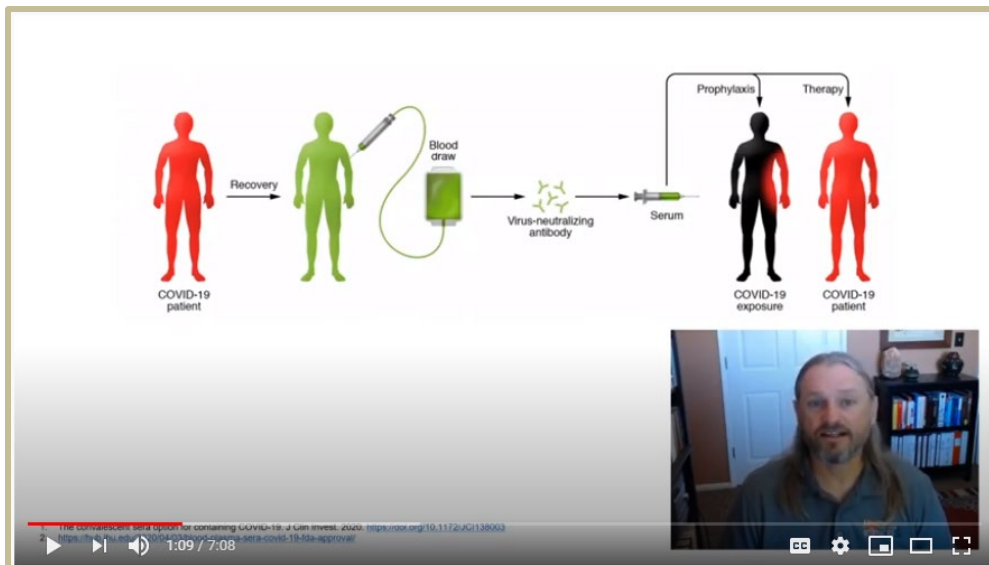
## School of Health and Wellness

- **Nancy Bowers**, Associate Dean for the Yavapai College Prescott Valley Center and Program Director for Allied Health, said the Allied Health Department supplied Yavapai Regional Medical Center (YRMC) and Verde Valley Medical Center (VVMC) with gloves, gowns, masks, hand sanitizer, and disposable stethoscopes to help ease the shortages being experienced by healthcare workers. This was a donation on behalf of Yavapai College to meet a crucial need in the fight against the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

## School of Science and Engineering

- **Matt Percy**, Biology Professor, explains COVID-19 in a new video series on YouTube. Professor Percy earned his doctorate in Molecular/Cellular Biology from the Center for Infectious Disease and Vaccinology at Arizona State University in 2006. He teaches Biology at the Verde Valley Campus. Dr. Percy's video series addresses The following topics:
  - The Biology of the Coronavirus,
  - Potential treatments that are being tested now or are on the horizon, and how they function, and
  - The current state of the pandemic.

He presents information in a clear, logical way by breaking down each topic and using graphics to support his explanations.



So far, three videos in the series have been completed:

### **Video #1: COVID-19 Biology**

This video describes how coronavirus enters our cells and once inside—how it takes over the normal function of those cells to replicate itself into millions of copies.

<https://youtu.be/nXeZExV4rcI>

### **Video #2: How Do Vaccines Work?**

This video covers how a virus enters the body, how vaccines teach the immune system to recognize and fight the bacteria without the person becoming ill, and three

techniques used to develop vaccines: attenuated, inactivated, and subunit.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KU4I7FNiLXA>

### Video #3: Blood Sera Antibody Treatment for COVID-19

This video focuses on a potential treatment for coronavirus that was just approved by the Food and Drug Administration and started clinical trials at Johns Hopkins University. Antibodies from the blood of people who have already recovered from the virus can be used to treat other people who are currently sick or who have been exposed to the virus but aren't yet sick. <https://youtu.be/1Qj6k0lyb5c>

Check for Professor Percy's series updates on the YC COVID-19 Response Center webpage here: <https://www.yc.edu/v6/college-police/covid-19/>.

## Office of Instructional Support

### Verde Campus Library

- YC prospects from Mingus Union High School toured the Verde Campus Library in February, prior to the COVID-19 virus outbreak.
- Verde Campus Library Manager Sophia Zarifis-Russell spoke at the March meeting of the SVVAR-Sedona Verde Valley Association of Realtors. She shared information about the library, wine center, and OLLI.

### Prescott Campus Library



**Yavapai College Library**

Here is our 2nd picture submission!  
\*\*Book Recreation Photo Challenge\*\*  
Pose with a book you love then recreate the cover using things around the house. Send the photo to us through messenger or post in the comments.  
Get Creative! #yavapaicollege #yclibraryphotochallenge  
#yavapaicollegelibrary #stayathomefun

**Viper's Tangle**  
FRANÇOIS MAURIAC

**Book Cover Recreation Photo Challenge!**  
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# CURBSIDE PICKUP!

AVAILABLE AT:  
Prescott Campus Library  
Verde Valley Campus Library



Monday - Friday  
Noon - 4 p.m.

\*All materials  
have been  
quarantined  
for 72+ hours



For more information please visit us at:  
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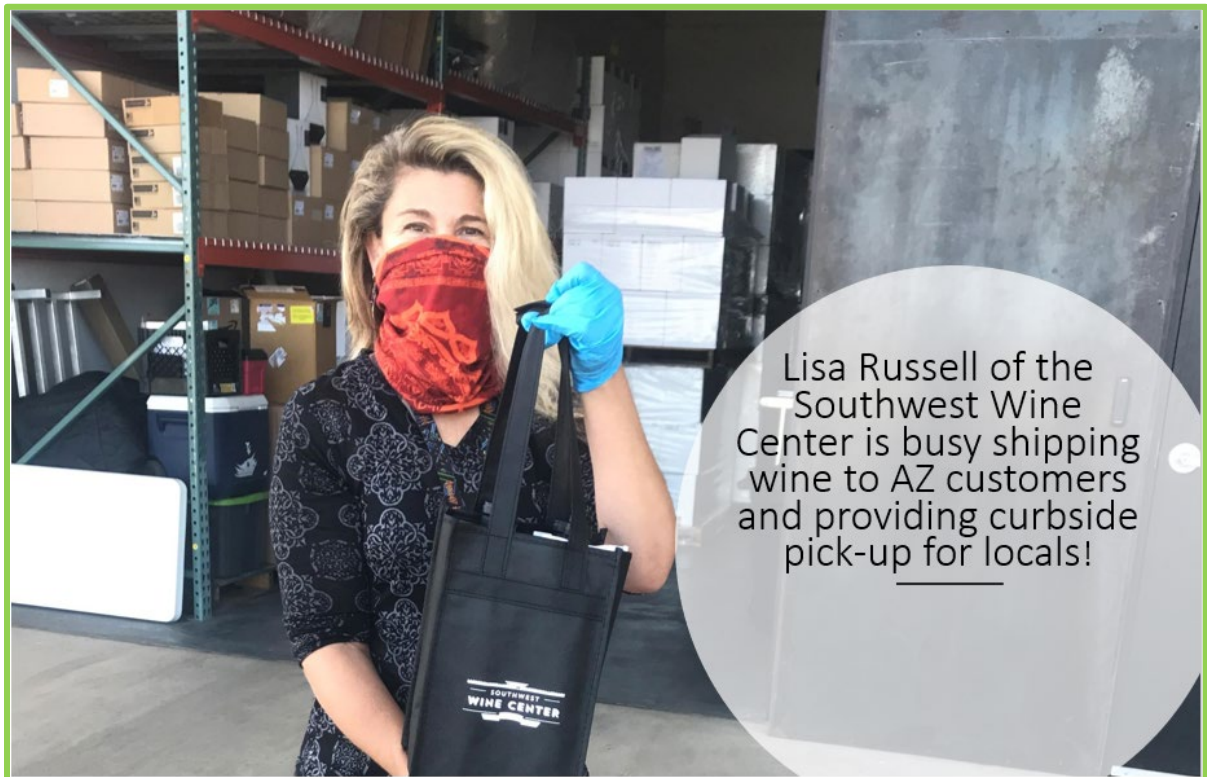
## Sedona / Verde Valley Campus

- **Michael Pierce**, Director of the YC Viticulture and Enology Programs, and **Lisa Russell**, Tasting Room Manager, had to figure out new ways to connect to the Wine Club supporters and the Verde Valley Community when the COVID-19 pandemic forced the closure of the Southwest Wine Center recently. They now offer on-site curbside pick-up and shipping within the state of student-made wines!

The Southwest Wine Center releases new student-made wines two times per year to its 200+ member Wine Club in addition to offering award-winning wines from the tasting menu. Luckily, the Southwest Wine Center had already established the ability to ship wines within Arizona before the campus was shutdown. **Michael Pierce** said, “We had already anticipated the need to provide additional services to our members. We didn’t know how fortuitous our timing would be in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The decision to add curbside pick-up has helped the Southwest Wine Center stay in business during this challenging time.”

Safety protocols were put into place including scheduling curbside pick-up appointments one-at-a-time, maintaining a safe distance, and wearing face masks and gloves while packing shipments and during curbside pick-up. **Lisa Russell**, who manages the shipping and curbside pick-ups said, “We are currently delivering the 2020 Spring Wine Club release to our members in a way that is both simple and safe. We are also shipping wines to anyone living in Arizona.”

Ordering wine from the Southwest Wine Center is fast and easy. Simply go to the current online tasting menu at <https://www.southwestwinecenter.com/wine-shipping/>. Or, call Lisa at 928-634-6566 or email her at [lisa.russell@yc.edu](mailto:lisa.russell@yc.edu).



- **Linda Shook**, OLLI Director for the Sedona Center and Verde Valley Campus, says the Community Forum is back by popular demand, but this time it's online. Yavapai College's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) had to close its spring and summer classes when the COVID-19 pandemic hit Arizona. This was especially important since OLLI members are over 50 years old and they represent one of the hardest hit age groups by the Coronavirus.

The Sedona Community Forum was the brainchild of **Dr. Paul Friedman**, OLLI member and facilitator, who started the weekly gatherings ten years ago to create conversation and discussion about events occurring in Sedona.

When OLLI temporarily ceased face to face gatherings, **Dr. Friedman** contacted **Linda Shook** to propose offering an online version of the forum. Shook agreed. She said, “We aren't seeking to duplicate what can be done through other media outlets. Instead, our aim is to offer a “backstage” view of what our guests are doing and deciding during this period—to put our audience in the leaders' shoes as they go about their work during this pandemic.”



The initial program, held on Wednesday April 15, 2020, featured Sedona Mayor, Sandy Moriarty and City Manager, Justin Clifton. The plan is to invite guests from the Verde Valley Medical Center, Sedona Police and Fire Chiefs, Sedona Superintendent of Schools, Yavapai College Dean for Verde Valley campuses, representative from the Sedona Food Bank and the Sedona Community Center, Sedona's Chamber of Commerce, and the local director of the 2020 U.S. Census, among others. She said, "We want to help inform Sedona residents and reassure them that our community is still functioning well."

Co-hosted by **Friedman** and **Shook**, the Sedona Community Forum will be held on Wednesdays, from 12: 30 to 1:30 p.m. OLLI members and Sedona friends can connect via Zoom, the online communications technology. Each session will be recorded and made available to the community on OLLI's web site <https://www.yc.edu/v6/olli-sedona-verde/> and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olli.sedona.verdevalley/>.



YAVAPAI COLLEGE STAFF ASSOCIATION

**Mission:**

- We are the voice of the Yavapai College staff
- We strive to enhance the workplace for the YC staff
- We promote professional development

◆ SUPPORT

◆ COLLABORATION

◆ COMMUNICATION

◆ INFLUENCE

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**A Message from your YCSA President**

Wherever you are reading this edition of the newsletter, I hope you and your families are safe and healthy during this unfortunate season in our lives.

When I started 2020, turning my house into the “Anderson Institute of Education” was definitely not on my to do list. We have turned the front room into a classroom and study hall, the dining room into a Zoom room, the entry way into music appreciation, and I have taken over the home office for work. PE is scheduled at 3pm in the garage, and the cafeteria (kitchen) closes at 9:00pm. My family has been resilient during these times and I am very grateful.

Resilience is the capacity to recover quickly from difficulties. If there is one thing I have noticed about Yavapai College employees, it is how resilient they are. Overnight, this college worked together to turn our institution into an online community, for both our students and employees. By no means was this an easy task. I am so impressed with everything I witnessed to keep this college and many of its programs going.

Please remember to practice “Radical Self-Awareness” during this time. It is very easy to work all day, to not step away from our computers and the projects we are working on. It is important to recharge ourselves. Please take time throughout the day to engage in non-work related conversations and unplug for five minutes.

Multiple communication platforms have been created to help keep YC staff connected during this time. If you are a Facebook follower, please consider joining YC Family Connection. Thank you to Jenn Zimmerman for creating this group. Another platform is on Microsoft Teams - look for YCSA (YC Staff). This is open for all YC Staff to join. Let’s stay in touch wherever you are working!

Please stay safe and I hope to see you all soon.

Katherine Anderson  
YCSA President



**Fall Convocation YC Way Awards**

It’s YC Way Award nomination time! All YC employees – faculty, staff, and administration – all are eligible. Please [click here](#) to visit the YCSA Employee Recognition webpage and nominate a colleague you feel exemplifies one of the three YC Way pillars: relationship excellence, service excellence and learning excellence. Nominations will be accepted until July 1, with recipients to be announced at Fall Convocation.

**Years of Service & Achievement Celebration**

Due to recent events, the Years of Service and Achievement Celebration event originally planned for April 2020, will now be transformed into a digital slideshow. This digital event will highlight employees who have reached their 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 year milestones, along with staff who are retiring, and those who have received educational certificates and degrees this past year. This slideshow will be made available to employees via Dicksoup, YouTube, and the YCSA webpage. Look for more information to be available soon.



**Upcoming Events**

- APRIL 27 Fall Registration Begins (degree-seeking students only)
- MAY 4 Fall Registration Begins (personal interest)
- MAY 8 Spring Semester Ends
- MAY 11-AUG 8 Summer Work Hours Change (all offices closed on Fridays)
- MAY 25 Memorial Day Holiday (all offices closed)
- JUNE 1 Summer Semester Begins
- JULY 2 4th of July Holiday Observed (no classes, all offices closed)
- JULY 27 Summer Semester Ends

## STAYING CONNECTED

Let's all try to stay connected during this period while we are apart. [Click here](#) to join and follow the "YC Family Connection" Facebook group started and maintained by Jenn Zimmerman. She will be adding fresh new topics and posts regularly. Thanks Jenn for keeping us connected!



Enjoy some fun pics of fellow employees working from home!



### *An Open Letter to the AMAZING YC IT Department,*

How many ways can we say THANK YOU?!? I really don't know enough languages to say thanks in all of them, however you folks deserve every single bit of praise that we poor users of the YC technology can possibly offer.

Without you, and all of your hard work, we would not be able to serve our students and continue providing them with a first class education here at Yavapai College. Without your expertise and abilities to swiftly provide access to all things online, we would have ground to a screeching halt. Without your support, our professors and staff would have been unable to do what we love best, help our students achieve their goals!

Thank you to everyone who holds any title that relates to IT for our wonderful college. Without you, we could not do this.

From a most appreciative YC Staff!!!

**Don't forget - Participate NOW!**

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**Why is the census important for college students, staff and faculty:**

1. Many loans or grants received are influenced by count of students
2. Determines congressional representation
3. Informs decisions of federal funding that will impact community
4. Your information is safe and protected from sharing

## YCSA Certificates of Appreciation

### RECENT CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

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Zach Vannoy

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YC Recruitment Team  
Zach Wigle

Celebrate the hard work and dedication of your fellow staff! It doesn't take long and a simple "I appreciate you!" might brighten someone's day.



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