

# **BYPASSING YALE AND NYU**

Harold Bloom is one of the most brilliant literary scholars alive. Known as the “Keeper of the Canon,” the 72 year-old Jewish atheist has decided to bequeath his priceless library and archives to a small Catholic school in Vermont, St. Michael’s. Why not Yale or NYU where he teaches? Because, he says, “with rare exceptions the universities and colleges in the English-speaking world that have sustained some sense of literature as a matter of powerful cognition and extraordinary aesthetic beauty tend to be the Roman Catholic institutions.” Well said.