

SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT MENSA CHRONICLE

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If you or someone you know would like to be a speaker at our monthly dinner, please contact Jim Mizera at 203-522-1959 or Jmizera@hotmail.com. The dinner is held the third Saturday of the month.



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SCHEDULE OF CHAPTER EVENTS - OCTOBER

Friday, October 14, 7:00 pm

Danbury Dinner - Southern Connecticut and Connecticut/Western Massachusetts Joint Dinner

at a new venue, The Pasta Garden, 174 Federal Rd, Brookfield CT 06804 (restaurant phone: (203) 775-0426). Interested M's should contact Ward Mazzucco at 203-744-1929, ext 25, wjm@danburylaw.com or Rev. Bill Loring at 203-794-1389, fr.bill@comcast.net for more info on location and/or reservations.

Saturday, October 15, 6:15 pm

Monthly Dinner

Topic: East and West: Do East Asians and Westerners Perceive Differently? The Putnam House Restaurant, 12 Depot Place, Bethel (downtown - across from old railroad station), CT 06801 (theputnamhouse.com)

Dress is casual. We will try meeting in the bar before dinners to encourage people to meet everyone. Dinner will be held on the 2nd Floor Seelye Room. Before the presentation, we will enjoy dinner. Dinner Menu 1 – a vegetarian option is included on the menu.) There is parking in the rear of the restaurant and in the nearby Old Railroad Station lot.

Contact Jim Mizera at jmizera@hotmail.com or (203) 522-1959 for reservations or info. Reservations are encouraged but not required. In case of severe weather, please call to confirm that the event is going on as scheduled.

Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 pm

POST ROAD Dinner

Red Bean Sushi, 1711 Post Road East, Westport, CT 06880. Contact Jim Mizera at jmizera@hotmail.com or (203) 522-1959 for reservations or info.

CONNECTICUT AND WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER UPCOMING EVENTS

This is not a complete listing WE - Weekly Event, ME - Monthly Event, YE - Yearly Event CT & W. Mass Calendar Editor Gisela Rodriguez, 860-888-9867, email: lilith@beadylittleskies.com.

OCTOBER

Saturday, OCTOBER 1, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

A Day At The Races!

Location: Lime Rock Park Racetrack, Lime Rock CT. Hosts: Mike Yost (GNYM), Tom Thomas (C&WM)

The Bruce Grohe Memorial SIG invites you to the beautiful Lime Rock Park race track to enjoy a day of SCCA Sports Car racing. Join That Nice Tom Thomas and the Surprisingly Gentle Mike Yost, sit on a grass hillside watching a variety of sports cars negotiate Lime Rocks twisty, challenging circuit. Last year we had a great turnout, and a fun time was had by all. Feast on whatever you bring (and what you might care to buy from the not-too-overpriced concession stands) and enjoy autumn in New England. Dress in layers, expect anything from sunny and warm to cool and damp; the races run rain or shine.

Meet us on the Infield Spectator Area overlooking the Esses. Look for yellow balloons. BYO lawn chairs or blankets, picnic food and drink. No pets and No Glass Bottles (track rules, not ours). Admission is reasonable, 15 dollars at the gate, 10 dollars advance purchase from the track's website, Children under 12 Free. (Yes, this is a Family Friendly Event.)

Lime Rock is located in northwestern Connecticut, and getting there on the scenic roads of the area is part of the fun. For more information, including directions and how to order tickets visit their website:

<http://www.limerock.com/> or you can call them at 1-800-RACE-LRP

For details about this event, or to RSVP, email mike@mikeyost.com, or call his mobile 917-603-0410, or find me on facebook.

6, 13, 20, 27 Thursdays 6:30 pm

Scrabble

The word-loving Mensans (are there any other kind?) and non-Mensans gather to play Scrabble at Panera Bread Restaurant at Bishop's Corner, 2542 Albany Ave., West Hartford. For more info contact Lois Cappellano 413-567-4702

7 Friday 5:30 pm

Happy Hour in Wallingford

(ME, 1st Fridays) Ann Polanski (contact her at 203-269-4565 or cell 860-817-9910 or ann.polanski@comcast.net) at The Old Dublin, 171 Quinnipiac Street, Wallingford, CT 06492, 203-949-8022, www.theolddublin.com

From Route 15: Take exit 64 toward Wallingford/ Downtown, Sharp right at Quinnipiac Street, At 0.3 miles turn left to stay on Quinnipiac Street. The Old Dublin will be on the left about 0.3 miles from where you turned left

From I-91: Take I-91 to exit 13 Turn right at end of exit onto South Colony Road. At about 0.2 miles, turn left onto Quinnipiac Street (Wallingford center, just before the gazebo). The Old Dublin will be on your right within about two blocks.

8 Saturday 10:00 am

Mensa Admissions Testing

C&WM Mensa now holds regular testing in Newington, CT on the second Saturday of every month. Please preregister to attend by contacting the testing Proctor Coordinator, David B. Collier at Testing@CWM.US.Mensa.org for more details, including directions. In addition to the regular testing, additional tests will be made available around the region as candidate interest requires. To register for testing updates, go to <http://www.us.mensa.org/directtesting> and provide an email address. You can also save time at the site by paying for your testing session online at www.us.mensa.org/testingvoucher.

12 Wednesday 5:30 pm

Happy Hour in Branford

(ME, 2nd Wednesday) at Donovan's Reef 1212 Main Street, Branford CT. www.donovans-reef.com has a small map, and here are some directions with distances - from I-95 take exit

54/Cedar Street. Go south on Cedar Street crossing Rt. 1/Boston Post Road for about 0.5 mi. to Rose Street. Take a left on Rose and go 0.25 mi. to a driveway on the right where you will enter the parking lot for a number of businesses in a complex known as Lockworks Square. Drive part way through the lot and look for Donovan's Reef on the left. Locals can also enter Lockworks Square from the Ivy Street side just off of Main Street. The lounge is on the left inside.

I usually have a table reservation and will likely have an "M" sign visible. We start around 5:30. There are free daily bar goodies along with a comprehensive menu. Donovan's: 203-488-5573. We have a great time talking about anything and everything. Hope to see you there! Questions? Contact Mike Wilson at 203-481-2858 or MahoutMike@aol.com

14 Friday 6:30 pm

Diner Dinner

(semimonthly, 2nd and 4th Fridays) at Olympia Diner, Rte 5, Newington, just north of the Berlin town line and North East Utilities. Menu ranges from toasted cheese sandwich to steak and fish dinners. Basic bar menu available, no happy hour prices, but the food is good and very reasonable. Questions? For info, contact Howard Brender at 860-635-5673 or howiebren@aol.com
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15 Saturday 10:00 am

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16 Sunday 1:00 pm

Film discussion

Reversal of Fortune, is a gripping true story which tracks the sensational trials of Claus von

Bülow, of German-Danish nobility. He (a British-educated lawyer) was accused of attempting to murder his wife, Sunny von Bülow (see Wikipedia for more), by administering an insulin overdose. For years in the 80s, the story and three trials were hot news - a soap opera with class linking names of the crème de la crème of American high society and celebrity late comers to the ranks of the super-rich. It involved critical evidence (a black bag, syringes, and insulin), medical complexity, crime scene technology - and the persistent curiosity of Sunny's maid, who had once worked for the family of Adolph Krupp, the Nazi armament maker. It was also a study of the American criminal justice system.

Cinema a la Carte event sequence: 1) meet, greet, eat 2) view the film 3) discuss it and select the next one

Hosted by Margaret M. at her home in Hamden, CT (one mile +/- north of New Haven line). BYOB and a dish to share. \$1 kitty. Ample off-street parking; park anywhere. RSVP Margaret M. at maramaunder@juno.com.

22 Saturday 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Ride the Essex Steam Train

(www.essexsteamtrain) as a group on October 22nd. Let's meet at the station in plenty of time to board the the 11 o'clock train to Deep River, where we meet the riverboat Becky Thatcher for a voyage up the Connecticut River to Goodspeed Opera House and back. We re-board the train to return to Essex Station in time for a late lunch, either at ECYC or a local restaurant of your choice. Tickets are \$26 for adults and \$17 for children under 12. There is a family fare of \$80 for a combination of 2 adults and up to 6 kids, so use this opportunity to look great to your grands and friends. There are also Senior rates. If we have more than 20 reservations a week in advance, they'll give us our own car or section, and a group discount. Or, if the weather is nice, we can sit on an open car so as to better admire the scenery. I hope that with climate change, the leaves will not turn as early as they did when I was young. Look for the yellow balloons! Contact Ann Fitzgerald at annelly@comcast.net or 860-388-1893 to RSVP now.

23 Sunday 12:00 - 5:00 pm

Oktoberfest at the Alderman's

This is the 4th Oktoberfest at our condo and the 23rd in this series. Bring a side dish to share for lunch. Call 860 228 2678 for menu coordination. We prefer not to have shoes in the house, so bring slippers or house socks.

Directions from Hartford: Route 2 East to exit 13(Rt 66 (get your kicks)]. Turn left onto 66 for about 6 miles. Go straight through 2 traffic lights and the commercial district. Take the first left onto Loveland Rd. and then the second left onto Buttonwood. We are the first house on the right. Park on the street or across the street at the clubhouse.

28 Friday 5:00 pm

Fourth Friday Happy Hour

Hamden, CT We're moving the happy hour back to the Playwright in Hamden - better happy hour snacks. www.playwrightirishpub.com. Come on down and join us this month, we'd love to see ya. Contact Gail Trowbridge 203-877-4472 or gail_trowbridge@yahoo.com

28 Friday 6:30 pm

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UPCOMING EVENT

Friday December 16 6pm-10:00pm

SAVE THE DATE!!!

C&WM Mensa Holiday Party

(YE) at the Pitkin Community Center, 30 Greenfield Street, Wethersfield, CT 06109 (860) 721-2950 <http://wethersfieldct.com/town-services/services-and-info/parks-and-recreation/directions#pitkin>

Free food and fun for all Mensans and their guests. Helpers welcome, too, for decorations, shopping, setup, cleanup, etc. Contact the ExComm for details.

REGIONAL GATHERINGS

Herndon, Virginia, Fri. - Sun., April 20-22, 2012

Mensa Mind Games 2012

Game manufacturers enter their newest products in pursuit of the Mensa Select seal of proof that the most avid game-players in the country have judged their games to be the best.

Held at the Hyatt Dulles, 2300 Dulles Corner Blvd., Herndon, VA 20171; 888/421-1442. Recently renovated, the all-suite hotel offers a taste of luxury just minutes from Dulles International Airport. It is also just 40 minutes from Amtrak Union Station (estimated taxi fare: \$60) and approximately 25 minutes from the West Falls Church and Vienna Metrorail stations. The hotel offers complimentary shuttle service to and from the airport as well as Reston Town Center.

Herndon offers an ideal locale for exploring the nation's capital or historic sites both in Virginia and Washington, D.C.

Nearby attractions

Manassas (Bull Run) Civil War historic battlefields
 Historic Leesburg and Middleburg
 George Mason University
 Shenandoah National Park
 The National Zoo
 Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum
 Mount Vernon
 Gunston Hall Plantation
 Luray Caverns
 Northern Virginia Wineries

... to play

Registration rates for judges:

May 1 through July 31: \$75

Aug. 1 through Dec. 31, 2011: \$85

Jan. 1, 2012, through March 25, 2012: \$90

Register online at

<http://mindgames.us.mensa.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Register2>

Local boy makes good.

Southern Connecticut Mensa member Donald Bobowick has been issued a United States Patent. The patent is for a vertical axis wind turbine design.

Vertical axis wind turbines have some advantages over the horizontal axis style we see most often. A few of those advantages are:

- Vertical axis wind turbines are bird friendly
- Respond to lower wind speeds
- Have the torsional benefits of a long drive shaft
- The generator or pump they are powering can be placed at ground level for easy servicing.

The one major disadvantage to vertical axis wind turbines is that they move in the wrong direction (into the wind) for half their rotation. This newly patented design handles that disadvantage. While scalable to large installations, this wind turbine will be ideal for homes, farms and small businesses.

FROM THE REGIONAL VICE CHAIRMAN**ANDREW HEFFERNAN****RVC CHAT**

October is Mensa Brilliant. A time for all Mensans to share their brilliance with the world. In your Mensa Bulletin, you will find more information and some coupons to share with your friends and family. During the month of October, those who present this coupon can save 15 dollars off the price of testing or prior evidence evaluation. AND participating in Brilliant events can bring rewards for your local group too. Like extra cash for events, t-shirts and fame. Well, maybe not fame. In addition, you can visit Mensa on Youtube (www.youtube.com/americanmensa) and see some brilliant videos. I challenge you to make your own Brilliant video. Let's see you and your M friends being your wonderful selves.

I recently attended the American Mensa Board meeting in Dallas - Fort Worth and it reminded me of one very important fact - communication is not always natural - sometimes it needs to be initiated. When I think of an idea, or a problem for a long time (days, weeks, months), I re-run many of the same thoughts over and over to the point that they become second nature. Then, when I finally try to communicate a solution with a peer they look at me like I am crazy. Why? Because they have not been with me on my journey of learning the solution. And all of my unspoken thoughts are ... well, unspoken. This used to be very frustrating for me. It affected my work, my personal life, and relationships. I expected everyone to "see" the beauty of my ideas. And I felt it was a waste of my time to backtrack and show everyone why I was right.

But then I realized that everyone else was not the problem. I was. I learned to share my problems, describe the pieces clearly as I saw, and then share with others my thoughts and assumptions. Not only did others value being part of the solution process, but it brought their ideas together with mine. I'm smart, but with my friends, co-workers, family and fellow M's beside me... We're Brilliant.

Come visit me at an upcoming Regional Gathering in the area. Connecticut and Western Mass, MensAutumn - September 30th. Boston Mensa, Wicked Good - October 28th. New Hampshire, Granite Gathering - February 17th. Surprise visits can happen at any time!! To keep up to date join the Region 1 Mensa Facebook group. <http://goo.gl/Vuxx9>

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GOOD WINE CHEAP**(AND GOOD FOOD TO GO WITH IT)***by John Grover*

The wine for this month is the 2009 Friuliano from Bastianich Viticoltori Friulani. Friulano is one of the primary grape varieties grown in the Friuli Region of Northeast Italy. Friuli is so far to the northeast of Italy that it is almost in Slovenia in the old Yugoslavia (A source of no small amount of historical tension). And, yes the Bastianich name should be familiar to American foodies because this wine is produced by Lidia's son Joe.

This white wine starts with a nose of peach and flowers. It then moves to a rather luscious taste combining peach, pear and citrus. It has just enough acid and mineral taste to fill the tongue for a clean finish. It is pleasantly smooth but has enough character to provide a nice counter point to the traditional Chesapeake Bay spice blend used in the recipe below. This is a very nice food wine and is sold for between \$11 and \$15 a bottle.

PLANTATION SHRIMP AND RICE SALAD

(originally published in the "Lady and Son's Savannah Country Cookbook", by Paula Deen, 1997; and available on the Food Network website. The Lady and Son's Restaurant in Savannah, Georgia is definitely worth the trip; but you can't be afraid of a few calories.)

Ingredients

2 lbs shrimp, cleaned and de-veined
 1 tbsp shrimp seasoning (recommend Old Bay)
 1 cup rice
 1/2 cup chopped onion
 1/2 cup chopped green olives
 black pepper
 1 cup mayonnaise

Boil shrimp in water, enough to cover, with shrimp seasoning just until pink (important not to overcook). Drain shrimp and reserve the shrimp boil water. Chop shrimp into bite-size chunks, put on paper towels; set aside to cool.

In the reserved water, boil the rice according to package instructions until tender, drain and set aside.

Add the onion, olives, and black pepper, to taste, to the rice. Then stir in the mayonnaise. Add the cooled, dry shrimp last. Toss and serve. This dish can easily be cut in half for a couple of aging empty nesters.

I hope that you will contact me with your comments and favorite wines at jgrover@berk.com. I will be happy to share them with the broader Mensa group.

John Grover is a member of Mensa of Northeastern New York. He lives with his wife Sharon in the Hudson Valley of New York.

TRAVEL BLOG*by Bill Sawatzki***Chapter One: Van Trip**

Where to start. Lewis Carroll told niece Alice to begin at the beginning and go on till you come to the end; then stop. The protagonist in the movie Memento only knows the present. The present is where we are stuck living our lives and from where I am writing this blog.

It seems my blog has begun. I was pulling Tehachapi on CA 58 in my 16 year old work van when I began to note the open hooded rigs upside the road. The valley floor had registered 102 degrees but modern car drivers don't even need to dim the AC in these conditions, shoulder occupiers excepted. Wasn't until the next morning, between Bishop and Hawthorne on State 6 that my alternator started giving me the high sign.

The last time I was on these roads alone was circa 1966 in an air cooled Corvair. Turning on the heater drew heat from the engine while raising the drivers right foot temperature well above, then current, POW torture standards. The sides of the highways, then, were well littered with hood steaming 50s cars and trucks. That trip may have been the last time I saw the desert water bags, all Winsletty, on the prow of long hooded Fords.

The adventure part of adventure is not knowing what is on the other side of the next hill. My blue van had not been driven over 3,000 miles per year for the last five years. My trip preparation included taking the construction tools out and putting in one of those, as seen on TV, air filled mattresses. Also had the oil changed. I was pretty sure that these preparations would guarantee adventure.

Just yesterday, or so it seems, my wife of 42 years died. Shortly after that damnable experience Woody Allen's "Midnight in Paris" debuted. Bonnie and I, not so long ago, spent five weeks ensconced in the third arrondissement.

The images on the screen, street for street and turn for turn, as 'Hemingway' could have said in the movie "rang true." I was glad I saw the movie. Upon leaving the theater I realized that the last movie I had gone to alone was 'Georgy Girl' in 1966 starring Lynn Redgrave. I am not counting 'Apocalypse Now,' there were other reasons I saw that alone.

Being as "there is a reason for everything" I pulled into the Napa auto parts in Hawthorne and the nice guy metered the alternator and showed the reason the alternator light was flashing was that the alternator was going out. "Can't get it replaced here today, Sonny. I supply all the mechanics in town and they are all slammed." I'm not sure if I remember the 'Sonny' part correctly since the nice guy was about my son's age. "You can make it to Fallon and you should be able to get it fixed there." If I had those words back I would own about 35 extra words.

Next Blog Chapter: The Fallon Women of Nevada

If you would like, follow my blog at bsawatzki.blogspot.com

WORD CHECK

Define these words. Check your answers at right.

- 1. obviate -
- 2. offal -
- 3. oleaginous -
- 4. olfactory
- 5. calumny -
- 6. canter -
- 7. chary -
- 8. colloquy -
- 9. threnody -
- 10. timorous -
- 11. towheaded -
- 12. troika -

ANSWERS:

1. obviate - to make unnecessary; get rid of.

2. offal - refuse, garbage, waste.

3. oleaginous - oily; unctuous.

4. olfactory - pertaining to the sense of smell.

5. calumny - malicious misrepresentation.

6. canter - slow gallop.

7. chary - cautiously watchful; suspicious.

8. colloquy - 1. a conversation. 2. a discussion, conference.

9. threnody - a song of lamentation; a dirge.

10. timorous - timid, fearful.

11. towheaded - having whitish or tousled hair; having hair like tow, coarse broken flax.

12. troika - a group of three related persons or things.

PUZZLES & QUESTIONS

(Answers may be in next month's Chronicle.)

1. Give some examples of intelligent laziness.
2. About how many calories per hour do you burn while sleeping?
While watching TV?
3. Name some important companies that were founded in the 1970s.
4. What is the world's largest nomadic tribe?
5. Why did Ernest Hemingway commit suicide?
6. What is the biggest trade union in the world?
7. How can people improve their memory?
8. When was the first Kentucky Derby run?
9. What is the difference between comedy and farce?
10. What is the population of Canada? Of Mexico?

PUZZLES & QUESTIONS ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLES:

2. About how long does a bluejay live?
A: A bluejay lives for about 7 years. One bluejay in captivity lived 26 years and three months.
4. When was the Clock Tower of Britain's House of Parliament, which houses the Big Ben clock and bell, built?
A: It was designed by Augustus Pugin and built in 1858. It stands 316 ft. (93.3 m.) tall and is the world's largest four-faced clock. The bell in the tower weighs 16 tons.
6. How many giant stone statues are there on Easter Island (off the Chilean coast)? How tall are they?
A: There are 887 giant statues on Easter Island. They average about 13 ft. (4 m.) tall and weigh 14 tons each.
8. What is the average annual revenue of McDonalds restaurants in the U.S? Starbucks? Dunkin Donuts?
A: The average McDonalds in the U.S has a revenue of about \$1.73 million. The average Dunkin Donuts store in the U.S. had sales of about \$866,042 last year. Starbuck's cafes average more than \$1 million in sales.
10. When was the first traffic stop sign put up?
A: The first stop sign was put up in Detroit in 1814.
12. Who was Mt. Rushmore named after?
A: It was named after Charles E. Rushmore (1857 - 1931), a New York mining lawyer. One day in 1885, Rushmore was in the Pine Camp, South Dakota area with William W. Challis, a prospector and guide. As they neared a great granite peak, Rushmore turned to Challis and asked its name. It had none, so Challis jokingly replied that they would call it Rushmore. The United States Board of Geographic Names recognized the name in 1930.

The South Dakota state historian Jonah Leroy "Duane" Robinson (1856 - 1946) thought of the idea of a sculpture for famous historical figures to promote tourism in the Black Hills of South Dakota in 1923. In 1925, Rushmore donated \$5,000 towards sculptor Gutzon Borglum's sculpture of the heads of the four presidents on the mountain - George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, and Theodore Roosevelt. They stand 60 feet (18.3 m.) high. Borglum and 400 workers began the work in 1927. He died in 1941, and his son Lincoln took over and finished the project.

NOTED & QUOTED

Think.

- IBM slogan

Imagine.

- Apple slogan

There is strong shadow where there is much light. - Goethe, (1749 - 1832), German poet, novelist, and dramatist, *Götz von Berlichingen, Act I* (1773)

History develops, art stands still.

- E.M. (Edward Morgan) Forster, (1879 - 1970), English novelist, *Aspects of the Novel* (1927)

They talk of the dignity of work. The dignity is in leisure.

- Herman Melville, (1819 - 1891)

Work is for cowards.

- U.J. Puckett, (1911 - 1992), U.S. professional billiards player, pool hustler

The average man's a coward. - Mark Twain, (1835 - 1910), *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* (1884)

Man does not strive after happiness; only the Englishman does that. - Friedrich Nietzsche, (1844 - 1900), *Twilight of the Idols*, (1889)

There are few things humans are more dedicated to than unhappiness.

- Alain de Botton, (1969 -), Swiss writer, *How Proust Can Change Your Life* (1997)

After all, it takes keen eyesight and nimble feet to sense just where the brink ends and the precipice begins. - Joachim Remak, (1920 - 2001), German-American professor of history

People do not mind being wicked, but they object to being made ridiculous.

- Moliere, (1622 - 1673), French dramatist

Bull markets are born on pessimism, grow on skepticism, mature on optimism, and die on euphoria. - John Templeton, (1912 - 2008), American and British stock investor, philanthropist

All I do is write their names on the lineup card and let them play. It's not a tough job. I haven't misspelled one name yet.

- Harvey Kuenn, (1930 - 1988), U.S. baseball player, coach, manager

Kids are always chasing rainbows, but baseball is a world where you can catch them.

- Johnny Vander Meer, (1914 - 1997), major league baseball pitcher 1937 - 1951

If there were dreams to sell, what would you buy?

- Thomas Lovell Beddoes, (1803 - 1849), English poet, dramatist, and physician

Conscience is what tells you that instinct is wrong. - Anonymous

Ignorance is the mother of admiration.

- George Chapman, (1559 ? - 1634), English dramatist, translator, and poet

Nothing is more intolerable than a wealthy woman.

- Juvenal, (60 ? - 140 ?), Roman poet

Nothing ever goes away.

- Barry Commoner, (1917 -), U.S. ecologist, professor

With the past, I have nothing to do; nor with the future. I live now.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson, (1803 - 1882)

A proletarian dictatorship is never proletarian.

- Will Durant, (1885 - 1981), U.S. historian

The chief obstacle to the progress of the human race is the human race.

- Don Marquis, (1878 - 1939), U.S. journalist and humorist

A house is a machine for living in.

- Le Corbusier, (1887 - 1965), Swiss-Franco architect

The student who does not "appreciate" fine art will learn none of its meaning from the vicarious raptures of a teacher.

- Mark van Doren, (1894 - 1972), U.S. poet, literary critic

When Mr. Wilbur calls his play *Halfway to Hell*, he under-estimates the distance.

- Brooks Atkinson, (1894 - 1984), drama critic

Autobiography is probably the most respectable form of lying.

- Humphrey Carpenter, (1945 - 2005), English biographer, writer, radio broadcaster

Calmness cannot be acquired of itself and by itself; it must come as the culmination of a series of virtues.

- William George Jordan, (1864 - 1928), U.S. editor, essayist, *The Majesty of Calmness, Individual Problems and Possibilities, Chapter 1*

In great matters men try to show themselves to their best advantage; in small matters they show themselves as they are.

- Nicolas Chamfort, (1741 - 1794), French epigrammist

As our character deteriorates, so does our taste.

- Baron Duc de La Rochefoucauld, (1613 - 1680), French epigrammatist

Life begins when a person first realizes how soon it ends.

- Marcelene Cox, (1919 -)

We will be known forever by the tracks we leave. - Dakota Indian Proverb

Hell is the place where one has ceased to hope.

- A. J. (Archibald Joseph) Cronin, (1896 - 1981), Scottish physician, novelist

Viper will eat viper, and it would serve them both right!

- Fyodor Dostoevsky, (1821 - 1881)

It was no great tragedy being Judy Garland's daughter. I had tremendously interesting childhood years - except they had little to do with being a child.

- Liza Minelli, (1946 -)

If you describe things as better than they are, you are considered to be a romantic; if you describe things as worse than they are, you will be called a realist; and if you describe things exactly as they are, you will be thought of as a satirist.

- Quentin Crisp, (1908 - 1999), English writer, actor, and raconteur

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