Connections: Standing on the Shoulders of Giants 2010 DSA Address

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What to talk about?

Communications?

If communication is the hallmark of man, then a lack of communication is assuredly his nemesis-Thompson

Education?

Did the golden age of our profession and our Professional Society occur in the 1970s, when research efforts, student enrollments, and society membership peaked, or is the golden age still ahead of us?-Lyon

Wood Science?

We don't make wood, we make wood better-Marra

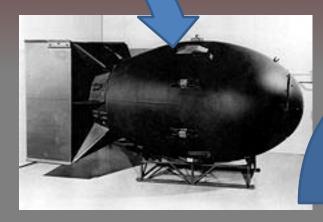


James Burke

British Science Historian Connection, Connections², Connections³, The Day the Universe Changed



Touchstone





Nuclear



Fluyt freigher (1500s)



Lloyd's of London

> Great Northern War (1700– 1721); War of Spanish Succession (1701–1714)



American Revolution (1776)

Archibald Cochrane 9th Earl of Dundonald



Cochrane

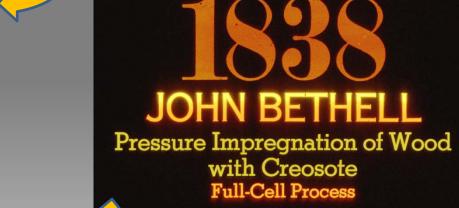
Murdoch











Macintosh

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Charles Schultz Philosophy







1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world.

 Name the last five Wimbledon winners.
Name the last five winners of the Miss Universe contest.

4. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer prize.

5. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actor and actress.

6. Name the last decade's worth of World Cup winners in football (soccer).

How did you do?

QUIZ #2

1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school. 2. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time. 3. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile. 4. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special. 5. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with. 6. Name half a dozen heroes whose stories have inspired you.

Easier?

<u>The people who make a difference in</u> <u>your life</u> <u>are the ones that care</u>.

"Don't worry about the world coming to an end today ... It's already tomorrow in Australia."

Charles Schultz



One shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands

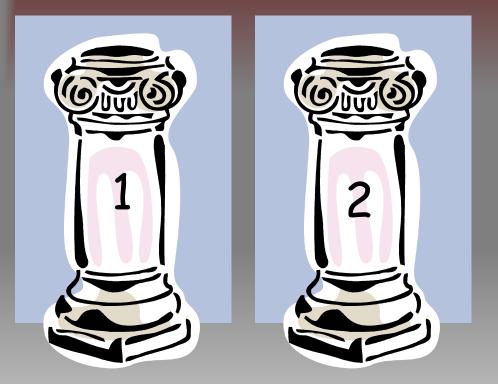


One needs to be able to throw something back!!

#1: What goes around, comes around



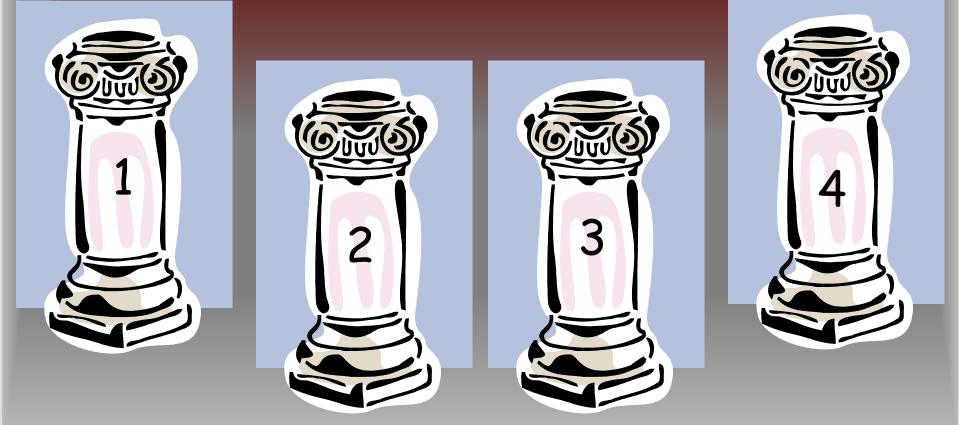
2: Always remember those who serve



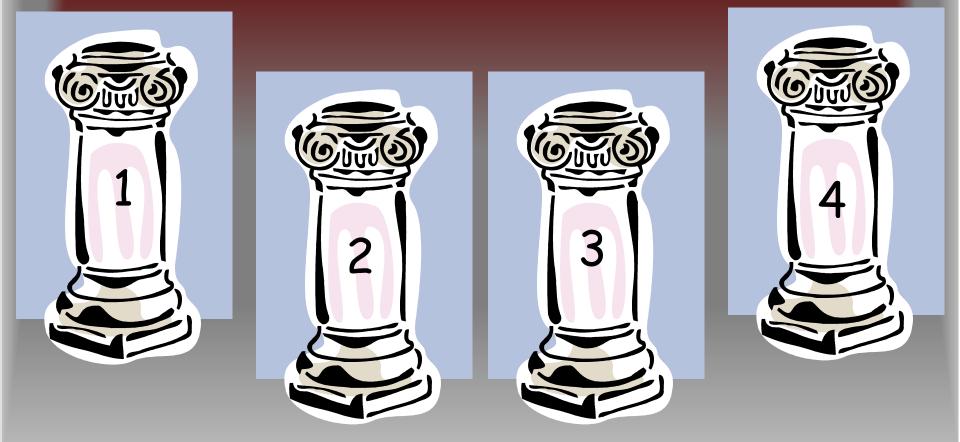
3: Every obstacle presents an opportunity to improve our condition



4: Give when it counts

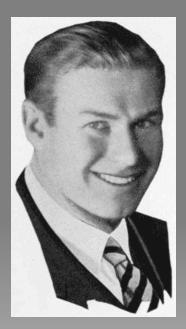


The hardest thing to learn in life is which bridge to cross and which to burn

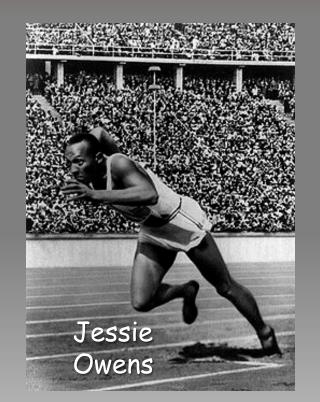


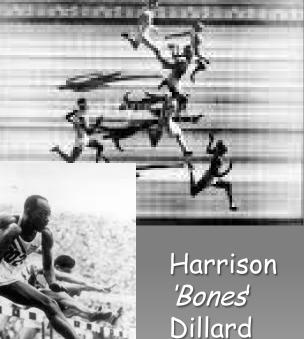


Use your imagination to catch a vision of the person you were meant to be



Charlie Paddock





Advice from a Tree

Stand tall & proud

Sink your roots into the earth

Be content with your natural beauty

Remember your roots

Enjoy the view

Go out on a limb



"Will we in SWST be courageous enough and wise enough to anticipate the assignments that lie ahead for us and to organize ourselves for them in a positive and constructive fashion?

Are we preparing to assume responsibility as materials scientists of the future, who know how wood can best serve the needs of mankind in a world where all materials are scarce?"

Herb Fleischer, 1975

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