MORNING LECTURE

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by Laura McCrystal

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by Anthony Holloway

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He said that by looking at how Roosevelt acted during the early years of his actions, there could be some insight into the present. “I think it’s too simple to say history repeats itself,” Shesol said. “It is remarkable how we are today grappling with some of the same questions as they had in the 1930s.”

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NEWS

Fausnacht Fund supports 'Macbeth' performance

The Fausnacht Fund supports the annual performance of "Macbeth" by Chautauqua Theater Company. The fund was established by the Fausnachts, longtime season ticket holders for the Cleveland Play House and the Great Lakes Theater Festival. Their daughters, Janine and Robert Frosch, contributed $100,000 in 2006 through gifts to the permanent endowment fund of the Chautauqua Foundation to support the lecture and education programs of Chautauqua Institution.

The Fausnacht Fund is a Christian gift to their parents. If you would be interested in discussing the possibility of establishing an endowment to support the theater or another aspect of Chautauqua Institution, please contact Karen Blozie, director of gift planning, at (716) 357-6244, or e-mail her at kblozie@ciweb.org.

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Pete Repace and dogs at the Chautauqua Police Department featured behind the Colonnade Building at 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, August 26, 2010.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE GROUNDS

The Fierce Radiance of Abigail Adams by Susan Ference

EJLCC hosts Brown Bag discussion

The Menlo Park native will be featuring his trip to Guatemala at this week's EJLCC Brown Bag discussion. The presentation will be at 1:15 p.m. today at the Athenaeum Hotel at 315 E. Third Street. The event is free and open to the public. 

Submit information to Priscilla in the editorial office. Please provide name, space for announcements of Institution-related organizations. If a meeting is scheduled, include the time, place of meeting and a contact person's name with phone number. Deadline is 1 p.m. four days before publication.

CLSC events today

• The second week of CLSC Brown Bag lunch and book review will be at 12:30 p.m. today in the Ballroom at the Athenaeum Hotel. "The Common Sense of Natural Right" by Ralph Waldo Emerson will be reviewed by Sarah Coffey.

• At Thursday's 11:15 a.m. Chautauqua Speaks series presentation at the Athenaeum, Jim Butler, the son-in-law of Senator Robert C. Byrd, will discuss "Uncle Sam's" role in the world from the perspective of his father, who chaired the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The event is free and open to the public.

• Tune in to WJTN News Talk 1240 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. Friday. Greg Marzoni, Chautauqua County Legislator for District 10, will be the guest.

• BTG sponsors Bat Chat today for 20 vintage chairs, hand-painted by local artists. Tickets are available at the Strohl Art Center gallery shop, and proceeds will support scholarships for art students.

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Peterson said the center makes a point of diversifying its portfolio so that governing bodies have multiple avenues for addressing climate issues, much like a stock portfolio and portfolio “eggs in different baskets,” he said.

When Peterson worked at the White House, he became acutely aware of the bottom-up way in which environmental policy works. Policy changes seemed to be adhered to more effectively when they moved bottom-up, from local communities and state governments, and then to the federal government as opposed to top-down, which is the direction in which legislation in Washington may not be entirely supported by governments locally.

The most effective policy changes, he observed, are usually either sparked by a catastrophe or a grassroots movement when “folks back home want it to be done.”

Peterson said he has noticed that environmental policy changes made at the local and state levels have an incredible influence on federal policy.

He cited one example as the state of California, which adopted a change in automobile standards that subsequently “led to massive reductions in petroleum use and carbon dioxide emissions” when 15 other states and the federal government adopted California’s new regulations.

Although the center’s tendency to talk about problems is “enormously high standard of ethical and moral order that governs all actions,” he said. But if action isn’t “magic,” but requires “victims determine the way this person sees the world, the way this person relates to other people and the way the person even establishes a reality of a person’s life.”

Peterson said society has the tendency to throw problems out of environmental problems, “we know a lot more than we think we do.”

Peterson emphasized that there are nine incredible numbers of solutions to the problems society faces, environmental and otherwise. The key is recognizing the problems, making plans and taking action, he said.

Through dialogue, Bodhi said he thinks people of all different religions can not only make up our minds to do it, but we can do it. They are fulfilling and make us feel alive. That is the essence of a person’s life.”

Today, Bodhi will explain to workers some of the major points of his Buddhist religious tradition, especially those which are extremely high standard of ethical and moral order that governs all actions,” he said. “I would say that a person’s religious convictions define the way this person sees the world, the way this person relates to other people, and therefore it is crucial to admit, respect, and appreciate all religious beliefs because beliefs indicate each individual’s perspective.

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Peter Gunter

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Dear Editor:

My grandfather was a German Jew who escaped to America only to later join my army and fight against his own nation. He spoke thousands and shouted — demanded — for Civil Rights and the rights of women. With courage and sacrifice, my grandfather and many others like him, put a new world in order. I am a 15-year-old Chautauqua — world-traveled and educated in multi-cultural, multi-lingual, and intercultural thought, but still very much aware of a heritage that once led ordinary, comfortable, and often successful lives to call to protect the inalienable, nationalistically comprehendible American ideal about which Ken Burns spoke so truly.

I arrived at Chautauqua already starkly aware of the overwhelming crosses threatening our American ideal. These weeks have only made more real the truth that America can fall. I have been faced with the crises facing education, scientific inquiry, energy, and religious tolerance, I only omit many other real and dynamite interrelated crises. To say that America is wandering in the Wilderness would be too generous — wandering in an active search for something better. We are lost, and we have run out of manna.

I was at the Amphitheater Wednesday night and listened to our own educated and engaged gathering, of individuals equally cognizant of these issues, I wondered if the enlightenment discussions of these weeks have actually motivated in each of us a response to this necessary call to action or if we will risk becoming now only more informed bystanders.

There is no American model — there never has been and there never will be. The Jeffersons, Lincolns, Kings, and even Obamas of our rich and remarkable history all created a great American momentum, but I do not provide the permanent direction necessary to stay our course. The responsibility of creating change and making progress is the people’s and only the people’s. The responsibility of correct- ing our mistakes — at returning our capsize to ship an upward and forward moving tack — is the people’s, and only the people’s.

The burdens of these American crises — of the crisis that America could fall — falls on me generation. It is unforget- teful. Even to today’s most ambitious and cynically minded youth, many of us are to succeed this generation, Very few of us could ever withstand with our grandparents’ help. Like a child in the deep end of a pool, we must get out, stand alone, and tell our children to keep us from falling to sink and strike from form beneath, but by step, by breath, and with swimming technique.

Please do not let this upset us more immediately. Rathi- er, have inspired and committed to say, to this American promise, even if it means changing daily routines and sacri- ficing certain comforts. While my generation has the ambition and idealism necessary to solve many great problems, your generation has been the time of greatest idealism possible. I implore you to begin, the neighbors to take up this call of civic engagement.

I am not alone, I am not young, I am not old, for my children and my grandchildren when they ask what we did to preserve for them the freedoms and opportunities once afforded to us.

Alexander Peters
Private Labels Class of 2010
Second generation of a sweepery Chautauqua family

Letters to the Editor

Lecture attendees receive energy booklet

Dear Editor:

During Week Eight’s exploration of “Powering the Future,” many attending the evening lectures may wonder where the energy that powers our world comes from, and what we will have of these energy sources to sustain our current standard of living.

Chautauquans attending this morning’s lecture featuring Thomas Petersen, president and CEO of the Center for Climate Strategies, will receive a special booklet published by the National Academies of Sci- ences titled “What You Need to Know About Energy.” The 30-page booklet is part of a se- ries created to update citizens on topics related to science, en- ergy, and more.

“ What You Need to Know About Energy” focuses on the sources and uses of energy in our world today, issues of supply and demand, ways to improve energy efficiency and emerging technologies.

The booklet strives to answer critical questions such as whether we will have enough affordable energy in the future and what we will do to inform ourselves.

According to the booklet, “Progress is visible in nearly every sector of the economy, a result of independent techn- ological breakthroughs, dis- cerned research, government mandates and incentives, con- sumer education or a combi- nation of these elements.”

Here, we can see that the future is a complex issue that affects us individually and as a na- tion. The booklet, drawing from the National Research Council, is intended to provide a “bas- ic toolkit of such con- cepts” to use in navigating the claims made during the national and international debate that grows more in- tense every day.

Doe to a limited supply, attendees are asked to take one booklet per household.

Karen Dakin
324 Forest Ave.

Dear Editor:

I was dismayed by Randi Weingarten, president of the American Federation of Teachers, who spoke on Aug. 5 as part of “Excellence in Public Education” Week. She made disparaging remarks about another speaker who had spoken earlier in the week. It is clear to me that she has never spoken once, and she specifically named the previous speaker. He, of course, was unable to respond to her remarks.

I have been attending Chautauqua lectures for 20 years and do not recall each discourteous utterance taking place on any Chau- taquan podium. Shame on her! Ms. Weingarten apparently did not know that courtesy and a difference of opinion are wel- comed and, indeed, cherished by the Chautauquans audience.

Karen Dakin
324 Forest Ave.
Dagher: America should build wind-power centers along Atlantic coast
d by Karen S. Kastner
Staff writer

Dagher told the crowd at Tuesday's morning lecture that financier T. Boone Pickens' farm in Central Florida, while the right approach in church-based pursuit of wind power, was not of wind power but of energy independence.

Dagher, Bath Iron Works professor of structural engineering at the University of Maine, is promoting the nation's Atlantic coast as America's wind energy that would result if the Penobscot project off Nantucket Sound were approved, those who testified last summer, Dagher said, proved "stronger than steel." Observing that steel is "completely stable," the audience laughed when Dagher pointed out that the tubes are inexpensive, too. "Metal prices skyrocketed just as speakers were saying that steel was 'stronger than steel.'" Dagher said that if the Penobscot project was approved, it would create jobs through infrastructure development in the states of Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Delaware, and Maryland, which is producing what he has dubbed "a bridge in a backpack.

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Q: Are you working on any projects related to offshore wind energy?
A: Yes, we are working on several projects related to offshore wind energy. We've been asked to help in the development of the first offshore wind farms in the United States. We're looking at ways to reduce costs and improve the performance of these turbines.

Q: What kind of materials are you using for the construction of these offshore wind farms?
A: We're using a combination of traditional materials, such as steel and concrete, and new materials, such as composite materials. Composite materials are very strong and lightweight, which makes them ideal for offshore wind farms.

Q: What are the benefits of using composite materials in offshore wind farms?
A: There are several benefits to using composite materials in offshore wind farms. They are lightweight, which reduces the amount of material needed for the construction of the towers. They are also very strong, which makes them resistant to the harsh conditions of the ocean.

Q: Are you planning to build any test facilities for these composite materials?
A: Yes, we are planning to build a test facility to test the performance of these composite materials under real-world conditions. This will help us to ensure that the materials are suitable for use in offshore wind farms.

Q: How are you addressing the issue of corrosion in offshore wind farms?
A: We're using advanced coatings and protective systems to prevent corrosion of the turbine blades and other components. We're also using composite materials that are resistant to corrosion.

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Q: Are you working on any other projects related to renewable energy?
A: Yes, we are working on several other projects related to renewable energy, including solar energy and geothermal energy. We're exploring new technologies and materials to improve the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of these energy sources.

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A: Yes, we are planning to build a test facility to test the performance of these solar energy projects. This will help us to ensure that the technology is suitable for use in real-world conditions.

Q: Are you working on any projects related to nanotechnology?
A: Yes, we are working on several projects related to nanotechnology. We're exploring new materials and technologies that could be used in a variety of applications, including renewable energy, water treatment, and medical devices.

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Q: Are you working on any other projects related to science and technology?
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A: Yes, we are planning to build a test facility to test the performance of these science and technology projects. This will help us to ensure that the technology is suitable for use in real-world conditions.
Eck: We need to guard and keep America’s religious promise

by Elizabeth Lundblad

Staff writer

Many metaphors have been used to describe the United States of America, including a melting pot, a stew, a salad bowl and a patchwork quilt. This blend of heritage manifests itself through the representations of the world’s religions.

“Public issues about religion are more and more contentious and we need much more education about the religious traditions of the world and our own country,” said Diana Eck, founder and director of the Pluralism Project and Monday Interfaith Lecturer.

Religion is a subject that generates commitment, controversy and, very often, confusion, she said. Americans need to know more about religion in the world regardless of their own faith tradition, she added.

“The very word ‘diverse’ is a down-right hostile to religion, but this is a time when we don’t need to enter into these discussions and think about the currents of faith in our world.” Eck said.

Eck cited President Barack Obama’s inaugural address, from which she derived her lecture title, “America’s Patchwork Religion in a Multi-religious Democracy.”

In his address, Obama spoke of America’s “patchwork heritage.” He said, “We are a nation of Christians and Muslims, Jews and Hindus and non-believers. We are a blend of heritage and culture, drawn from everywhere and everywhere.”

While that is an achievement for America, Eck said it is also a challenge. Muslims, Hindus, Jews and Christians in the United States are engaged in the difficult experiences of thriving with their deepest differences.

“Here in the U.S., the free exercise of religion has long been part of our Constitu- tion. It is a great freedom,” she said. “Freedom of conscience, freedom of expression, freedom from antipathy. People were free to believe or not to believe, all of this was wrapped up in the Bill of Rights that has continued to be the bulwark of religion that has been over these years a great United States as we have made our way through the turbulent waters of change over the last couple of centuries.”

The language of the First Amendment is clear: “Congress shall make no ex- cepting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.” Those are simple and revolutionary words, Eck said. This is America’s religious promise and we need to perpetually guard it and make good on it, she added.

Guarding and keeping that promise has not been an easy task, and in America’s history there are chapters of great difficulty in religious freedom, Eck said.

“We need to be able to tell this story and to mean it. The Pilgrims and the Puritans who established communities in what they called the new world wanted to be free to practice their own religious faith,” she said. “But history reminds us they did not, for the most part, consider the native peoples they encountered here as people of another religious way of life at all, but as heathens who had no religions.”

As decades passed and more settlers made their ways to the shores of New England, America’s Puritan and Pilgrim ancestors did not create widely tolerant communities, she said.

This summer, Eck added, is turning out to be one of those difficult chapters. Most controversial of all is the Islamic community cen- ter scheduled to be built in lower Manhattan, about two blocks away from the World Trade Center.

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From copy machine to Bratton stage

by Kelly Petryszyn
Staff writer

Chautauqua Theater company administration intern Annie Brennen started out her summer making copies, distributing posters and selling CTC merchandise. It was good experience for a 15-year-old high school student, but the entire summer, she was itching to get out of the office and into the rehearsal room.

Then one day, CTC General Manager Robert Che-linsky came into the office where she works and asked, “Could you come see me in my office later?” Brennen said she was immediately scared. Then he added, “It will make you happy. By the way, how long are you here this summer?” She was instantly curious. She went into his office and Chelinsky delivered the news that she would be cast as the gentlewoman in “Macbeth.”

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