

My Tea and Conversation with Trump A Flight of Fancy

By Cynthia Marek Lundeen

You may have heard that the Trump presidential campaign is sponsoring contests in which the winner will have the opportunity to have dinner with Mr. Trump or coffee with his daughter Ivanka, at which time the winner may offer his or her ideas with respect to the campaign and the future of the U.S.

With the number of people entering the contest, calculations indicate the chances of winning to be slight, thus I decided to imagine what I might say if ever I had the opportunity to sit down to a relaxing tea with Mr. Trump and discuss some of the essential components of leadership.

First and foremost, I would note that there are enough disasters which occur naturally, such as floods, tornados, tsunamis, disease et cetera, therefore humans should endeavor not to create more by fighting with each other and a leader should promote genial relations among all nations.

“So long as mankind shall continue to lavish more praise upon its destroyers than upon its benefactors, war shall remain the chief pursuit of ambitious minds” wrote the English historian Edward Gibbons (1734-1794) in his respected work The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire.

Whether a war has been won or lost may seem obvious; quantifying what tragedies may have been avoided in times of peace, and therefore how much praise to lavish on a benefactor, may seem less so. Yet remembering that Winston Churchill most strenuously believed that WWII could have been avoided and afterwards wrote in The Gathering Storm of his suggestion that the war be called “The Unnecessary War.”

There never was a war more easy to stop ... 'gives us insight into the enormity of not only tragedy which must be avoided, but of human energy, intellect and spirit which can be put to more productive and joyous purpose.

I would also like to tell Mr. Trump about The



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City Club of Cleveland, one of the oldest free speech forums in the U.S., with the uncommon feature of un-screened, unscripted questions being asked of the speakers directly by audience members. With the U.S. being so divided in opinion at this time, forums such as this provide an opportunity for people with diverse view-

points to come together in mutual respect, even if they disagree and can serve as a model for the nation. Recently, one such forum was held on a beautiful day in Public Square where people of all ages gathered, including children on a school field trip.

Another issue which I would like to discuss with Mr. Trump which has been a source of controversy is the tone of the campaign. This appears to have given rise to what is now referred to as “Secret Trump Supporters,” i.e., those who agree with his positions but prefer a more cordial tone. Having spoken to a number of such supporters, many have expressed the viewpoint that a cordial tone will not compromise the strength of the message, but rather will facilitate conversations with others, and will result in the need for less fundraising, which has the added benefit of demonstrating that ideas, not money, are the best influence in a democratic election.

Perhaps Mr. Trump is already listening to these supporters, as it appears that his new campaign manager, Kellyanne Conway promotes a focus on message delivered in a thoughtful manner. I don't know Ms. Conway, but hope that she will guide and advise the campaign as in the words of The Earl of Lytton (1831-1891) who wrote: “It is a wonderful advantage to a man, in every pursuit or avocation, to secure an adviser in a sensible woman. In woman there is at once a suitable delicacy of tact, and a plain soundness of judgment, which are rarely combined to an equal degree in a man. A woman, if she be really your friend, will have a sensitive regard for your character, honor, repute. She will seldom counsel you to do a shabby thing, for a woman friend always desires to be proud of you.”

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The politics of America is becoming the talk of the planet



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The politics of America is becoming the talk of the planet. With China, Russia, and several countries are supporting, (and some say illegally influencing), Donald Trump for the presidency of the United States Of America. Why would competitors and old opponents of the U.S.A. support a person called, “idiotic”, “a clown”, and other disparaging words by our oldest supporters? We have on one hand a woman who has worked for political control of this government for most of her life and on the other a man who has

worked only for himself throughout his long and checkered career. He has received the support of racist, anti-American groups and individuals while

paying off those who have accused him of discrimination, fraud, and



multiple cases of bankruptcy. This man is telling everyone that he is a great businessman when he openly brags about being, “the king of bankruptcy”. His opponent is no innocent, being responsible for several errors in judgment and policy that Has hurt this nation, its people and its reputation. She is not truthful, but she is a politician, an occupation defined as, ‘one who is skillful at using power’. Her opponent is not.

He appears to only excel at tearing people, religions, races, and businesses down, (witness his fear laden address right here in Cleveland at the Republican National Convention or the Hate and fear filled adds subsequent to that address). Would he be the leader our country needs to move into the future or would he be the type of leader needed to move our country backwards, (which is part of his national- ‘make America great again’ champagne)? Only America can say-only America can decide. A wise man once said, “You get the government you deserve”. The American people will say what they deserve this election year-they will also say what vision guides the destiny of a people.

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President Barack Obama with Dr. Woods, Mick Tate III, & humble-g

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Place: Lakewood Park, The Kiwanis Open Pavilion-East (Blue tables) 湖木公園

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