Yankee Steve's Column

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Gossip

Who gossips with you will gossip of you. Irish proverb

The best known talk show hosts featured on late night television are not my kind of people. I like to hang with people that can inform and teach me.

Let me add this, I tend to avoid people who get off on ridicule and gossip. People like that are Lilliputians, hateful, and in most cases untrustworthy. Jimmy Kimmel may be an idiot, who French kisses men on television, but more importantly, he is not someone that you should confide in because he deals in dirt.

Only a fool would confide in a gossip and all three talk show hosts, Jay Leno, David Letterman and Kimmel, make their living by dealing in gossip. Their humor is based on it; they seem to like to score a cheap laugh at someone's expenses. They find out another's weaknesses and then they seem to enjoy pushing people's faces in the mud.

Now I have really insulted these guys by saying that if they knew the worst about a person they would tell. Call me a leftist, but please never say that I cannot have your confidence! That would hurt me.

I can easily refute the charge of being a leftist. For example, I only have to suggest that the Republican Party send around a petition asking Senator Lisa Murkowski of Alaska to leave the Party. She is the only Republican senator who voted in favor of the nomination to the 9th Circuit Court of Goodwin Liu, the most radical, anti-Constitutionalist in America, an Obama nominee who sits to the left of Chairman Mao.

Proving that I do not sit on the left is easy enough. On the other hand to gain the reputation that I am good at keeping secrets will take considerable time. I will have to show you over time that I do not gossip.

We have given Leno, Letterman, and Kimmel long trial runs. The verdict is in; they are gossips.

I am certain that if wanted to learn something about history, political science, economics, or theology, I would not consult anyone of these guys. If this smutty triumvirate were to pool their SAT scores into one student, he would be denied entrance into a strip mall college.

Leno, Letterman, and Kimmel could I presume tell me where you should dine when visiting New York City or Los Angeles, but that would be the full extent of their usefulness.

Leno, who is not by any stretch of the imagination erudite, makes fun of home-schoolers.

Someone should tell him that home-schooled students score high on college entrance exams than other high school graduates. Maybe someone will let him in on a well known fact which has somehow escaped his attention; many of the founders of America were home-schooled.

Have you noticed that when Leno interviews people on the street (the type that do not know that George Washington was our first president, etc.) that they seem to have been handpicked? What does that tell you about Leno other than that he needs to put people down in order to build himself up? Formerly I worked in a school system. In the same day I would supervise both pupils who were far above average and those of lesser intelligence. I noticed that it was the below average kids who did the bullying.

No one has to tell Leno that he is not in the same league with U.S. House Representative Michele Bachmann [R-MN], a favorite target of his, and I'm certain that it irks him. He takes aim at the conservative politician because once upon a time someone demeaned him when he flunked out of Sesame Street.

Bachmann irks someone else, too, who like Leno has no academic credentials. When Eleanor Clift of *Newsweek* appears on the television's "McLaughlin Group," she just about boils over whenever Bachmann's name is mentioned. This is no doubt due to the fact that Bachmann is the epitome of a successful working woman who does not hide her patriotism or her Christianity. The left hates both of those positions.

Bachmann is so annoying; she is well educated, highly intelligent, an efficient organizer, and wouldn't you know it she is easy on the eyes, a pretty woman who could easily fit into the chair behind the Oval Office desk. It's no secret that Hillary Clinton couldn't.

If we have to be governed by political correctness when choosing a president, which is why we elected an African-American man in 2008, why not make Bachmann our first woman president?

That does not mean of course that the women on the left will come out to her inauguration. They only compliment their own kind, a climate control activist like Barbara Boxer or the war profiteer Dianne Feinstein.

Clift can say that she broke out of the typing pool at *Newsweek*. That is an accomplishment, but Bachmann makes the news while Clift reports it. Oh, how irksome!

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