

Glad stuff

January 2, 1996

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Sacred Heart University  
5151 Park Ave.  
Fairfield, Conn. 06430-1000

Dear Ms. Abbott:

As agreed, I am attaching is the title and brief description of my proposed talk. As a broad introduction to the topic of the seminar, it would probably fit best the first day. Let me know what you think.

As far as dates are concerned, mid and late July are still fairly open, but the calendar gets filled up fast so please let me know (or give me some specific alternatives) for the day of my talk as soon as possible.

I am also enclosing information you may need in any announcement or publicity.

I look forward to hearing from you;

Sincerely yours,

George Gerbner, Professor and Dean Emeritus  
The Annenberg School for Communication  
University of Pennsylvania  
Director, the Cultural Indicators Project  
Founder and Chair, the Cultural Environment Movement

## TELLING ALL THE STORIES

Who tells most of the stories most of the time to most of the children today? No longer home or community. No longer parents, schools, or church. In many parts of the world not even the native country. Our children are born into a highly centralized media-dominated cultural environment whose storytellers have little to tell but a great deal to sell.

This has far-reaching consequences for the way children are socialized, how they learn, and what they learn. By the time they reach school, children are integrated into a television world driven by markets, whose characteristics and consequences will be discussed. What is the role of parents, teachers and other professional, and citizens in this historically new situation? Suggestions will be made about action in the home, the school, and on the cultural front.

2/14/00

Hello Dr. Gerbner,

And Happy New Year! I hope you have been well. I've been getting good responses to my funding requests for the conference on media and children that I wrote to you about in December, and I'm fairly confident it's going to be able to take place. I have secured several partial sponsors, and I expect to have more information about several others within a week, which should put us over the top. I didn't want to wait too long, though, to get back in touch with you about your availability on specific dates. Right now, the ideal date for us to hold the conference would be Saturday, October 28th. Is that a possibility for you? The second choices would be either October 21st or November 4th, both Saturdays as well.

As I've tentatively planned it, the presentations will start sometime around 9 a.m. and run until 5:45. I'm planning to schedule a total of 7 speakers, each of whom would make one 45-minute presentation followed by a 10-15 minute break for questions or leg-stretching. There will be a one-hour lunch break, a final panel discussion, and a cocktail/buffet reception at the conclusion of the conference. It would be perfect if you could spend the whole day with us, but if your schedule is too tight we can certainly try to work around it.

Please let me know how this sounds to you. I look forward to hearing from you!

Becky Abbott  
Quinnipiac College  
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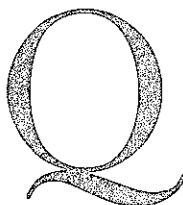
I just wanted to update you about the date for the conference. It's looking pretty definitely like October 21st (Saturday) is going to be the date for the event. When we spoke on the phone I believe you said that day was open. If you can pencil October 21st in, that would be great.

I'll get back to you soon with more details.

Best wishes,

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April 21, 2000

QUINNIPIAC COLLEGE

Dr. George Gerbner  
234 Golf View Rd.  
Ardmore, PA 19003

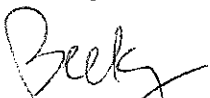
Dear Dr. Gerbner:

I write to confirm our invitation to you to be a speaker at the conference Media, Children and Culture which will take place on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000 at Quinnipiac College in Hamden, CT. We will provide a \$2500 honorarium for your presentation, as well transportation and lodging expenses. I have enclosed a description of the conference including a list of the other conference presenters for your information. Official conference brochures will be ready for mailing before the end of May.

You have asked if it would be possible to travel and attend the conference all in one day, and I have found a couple of possibilities. The best choices are listed below; *next page*  
travel on American will let you spend the most time at the conference, but has a longer layover on the return trip. Travel on United would be more efficient travel-wise, but the   
return flight would leave Hartford at 7:20 p.m., meaning you'd have to leave the conference by 6 p.m., missing the final reception. However, if you could stay over Saturday night, you could take a direct flight on US Airways from Philadelphia at 7 a.m. on Saturday and arrive in Hartford at 8 a.m., getting you to the conference by 9 a.m. or shortly thereafter. You could then return on Sunday, either leaving at 7:30 a.m. and arriving in Philadelphia at 8:30 a.m., or leaving 11:36 a.m. and arriving in Philadelphia at 12:36. Please let me know which of these alternatives you would prefer.

We are all very excited about the conference and expect strong interest and good attendance. Your participation is a very significant part of the event for which we are most pleased and grateful. If you have any further questions about the conference, travel, or anything else, I will be happy to be of assistance.

All my best wishes to you,

  
Becky Abbott

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E-mail: Rebecca.Abbott@quinnipiac.edu

# QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY

August 7, 2000

George Gerbner  
234 Golf View Road  
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Dear George,

Here are your airline tickets for travel to the Conference on Media Children and Culture on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Your itinerary is as follows:

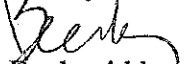
Leave Philadelphia Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at **7:15 a.m.** on United flight 7261,  
Arrive Washington D.C at 8:18 a.m.;  
then  
Leave Washington, D.C. at **9:10 a.m.** on United flight 1966,  
Arrive in Hartford at 10:26 a.m.

Someone will meet you at Bradley International Airport in Hartford to bring you to the conference.

After the conference you'll leave from Hartford at 7:20 p.m. and connect through Washington, D.C. on a 9:40 p.m. flight to Philadelphia.

It was nice talking with you the other day. I'm looking forward to seeing you again in October.

All my best until then,

  
Becky Abbott  
203-281-5047

To: Rebecca Abbott <Rebecca.Abbott@quinnipiac.edu>  
From: George Gerbner <ggerbner@nimbus.temple.edu>  
Subject: Train schedule  
Cc:  
Bcc: Henry Kroll <JeanKroll@aol.com>

X-Attachments:

Dear Dr. Abbott:

Would this train schedule not be preferable to flying? It's both cheaper and more convenient than hustling to and from airport. Please let me know what you think. gg

There is 6:55 AM train daily from PHIL. 30th St. to New Haven.

One train service. Arrives at New Haven at 10:14 am. It is part of new ACELA service. Fare is \$46.00 one way COACH.

Regular trains leave every two hours NEW HAVEN is REQUIRED STOP on ALL WASHINGTON to BOSTON "Northeast Direct" Trains. Regular Service is about 3 hours 45 minutes because of 20 minute stop at Penn. Station in NY to off load and board Boston bound passenger. Here's AMTRAK website:  
<http://www.amtrak.org>  
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*will be waiting for me*

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Date: Tue, 17 Oct 2000 08:30:56 -0700  
 From: "wgskroll@igc.org" <wgskroll@igc.org>  
 Reply-To: wgskroll@igc.org  
 Organization: Cultural Environment Movement  
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 To: George Gerbner <ggerbner@nimbus.ocis.temple.edu>  
 Subject: Re: Train Schedule Screen  
 Status:

George....Looking at the <http://www.amtrak.com> website for their schedule to New Haven from Phila. 30th St. there are direct trains approximately every two hours in frequency on the main line from Washington DC to Boston. Travel time is about 3 hours 30 minutes which includes about 20 minutes stop in NYC's Penn. Station. Train fare varies from \$46.00 to \$60.00 one way. You can obtain a Senior Discount. Taxicabs from the New Haven depot to Quinpiac College take from 15 to 20 minutes depending on campus site for the meeting.

Meanwhile, I am checking with Travel Agency here for the best feasible and affordable travel from Phila. to San Fran. for the Oct. 28 Telecom Challenge Planning session. I will keep you apprised on what they advise later today.

Best for now.

Henry

George Gerbner wrote:

> Henry: This is what I got. Could you correct and re-send? George.

> <http://reservations.amtrak.com/novus/process-form>

> Bad request

> Your browser sent a query this server could not understand.

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*Handwritten notes:*  
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 Conf # 6:58-10:12  
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 Conf # 09E293  
 203 582 8200

To: Tom and Kathie Gerbner <tgerbner@ComCAT.COM>  
From: George Gerbner <ggerbner@nimbus.temple.edu>  
Subject: Itineraries  
Cc:  
Bcc:

X-Attachments:

Hi - this is FYI re an engagement at Quinnipiac U in Conn, Oct. 21, and our meeting that night.

On Saturday, Oct. 21, you pick up Ilona about 6:00 pm. . I will be arriving at 30th street station about 6:42 and proceed by taxi to Meijing restaurant, Delaware ave on waterfront, in the back of the Dave & Busters building (walk back on right side to the bldg, take elevator to 2nd floor).

If any problems, I will call you on car phone, 610 368 3773 and/or Kathie's pager 610 663 0002. Hope to see you at Meijing as soon as I can get there. g

Here is my all-day schedule:

Sat, Oct. 21. Amtrak (ACELA Service) leave 30th street station at 6:55 a.m., arrive New Haven at 10:14 a.m. (RT confirmation No. 09 E 293. Will be met at station to go to Hamden, Conn. to Quinnipiac University. Speak at conference on Media, Children, and Culture. at 1:30 pm. Return from New Haven by Amtrak (ACELA Service) departing at 3:35 pm, arrive in Phila at 6:42 .

Later trips:

Sun., Oct. 22 Leave Phila by TWA #399 at 9:00 A.M. ARR. LA 1:52 PM. for a Screen Actors Guild press conference. Return Monday

Mon. Oct 23 TWA 100 lv LA 3:15 pm, arr Phila (via St. Louis) at 12:32 a.m.

At the end of that week,

Sat., Oct 28 Leave Phila at 6:15 a.m. arr. San Francisco at 10:45 a.m. Go to Unitarian-Universalist conference for keynote speech. Dinner with Henry and Jean Kroll. Stay overnight at Oasis Inn, S.F.

Sun. Oct. 29 Leave S.F. at 8:35 a.m.. Arr. Phila at 5:45 pm.

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From: George Gerbner <ggerbner@nimbus.temple.edu>  
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>> Date: Thu, 19 Oct 2000 22:43:20 +0100  
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