

# **A Short History of Stupidity by Phillip W. Weiss**

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<sup>1</sup> Professor Chun is a former adviser to Chairman Mao Tse-tung. In 1971 he was awarded the coveted Golden Panda Award for his nine-volume work proving that the Great Leap Forward was a huge success.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. DeCard wrote this book while an inpatient at the notorious Venderman Institute for Psychosomatic Disorders, Graz, Austria.

<sup>3</sup> Dr. Dunachefsky was special counselor to President Gerald R. Ford. In 1976 he advised the president that Poland was not under Soviet domination. Later on he explained that his advice was not meant to be taken seriously.

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<sup>4</sup> Herr Hafenfelder was a former colonel in the German Wehrmacht. During the war he was stationed in Paris where he was known for his sharp wit, engaging smile, charming personality and expertise in female underwear.

<sup>5</sup> This book won the 2004 Weeping Cheetah Award for Literary Excellence.

<sup>6</sup> Ms. Kiat is also the author of over twenty children's books including *Don't touch me, I'm radioactive*, *Peter the Pumped-up Penguin*, *A Lion is Just a Big Pussy Cat*, *Clarence the Cheerful Crocodile*, *Sandra the Sassy Squid*, *Barry the Bashful Badger*, *Sheldon the Short-tempered Shark* and *Sidney the Sea Sick Sea Lion*.

<sup>7</sup> Herman R. Kopp is the winner of several prizes for outstanding literature including the coveted Silver Mongoose Award and the prestigious Pot Belly Pig Award given every four years by the International Society for Literary Excellence, Iqaluit, Baffin Island, Canada.

<sup>8</sup> Mr. Lesterman served as US ambassador to the Soviet Union from 1957 through 1963. During his tenure as ambassador he urged President Kennedy to nominate Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev for the Nobel Peace Prize and congratulated the Soviet Union for their successful detonation of a fifty-megaton hydrogen bomb.

<sup>9</sup> In 2006 Ms. Levin-Mahoney won the prestigious Golden Ostrich Award for her work in calling attention to the plight of those who think illogically.

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<sup>10</sup> In 2003 all five patients sued Dr. Likowicz and USAIR in federal court for malpractice in a class action suit. The case was later settled out of court for an undisclosed sum of money rumored to be in excess of two hundred million dollars.

<sup>11</sup> Ms. Lohansen is a well-known artist whose work is currently on permanent display at the Kublai Khan Institute, Ulan Bator, Mongolia, where she spent seven months as an inpatient after being admitted for chronic stupidity.

<sup>12</sup> Dr. Lopez-Maron's pioneering report has been translated into twenty-seven languages, including nineteen that are currently extinct. He is also a recipient of the coveted Mussolini Peace Prize.

<sup>13</sup> In 2011 Mr. Manollucci testified before Congress on the plight of persons suffering from stupidity. As a result of his testimony there is currently pending in Congress a constitutional amendment that will make it unconstitutional to deny anyone their rights solely on the basis of stupidity.

<sup>14</sup> The International Confederation of Concerned Academics has designated this book, "the most important scholarly work on the subject of stupidity in the last twenty-five years."

<sup>15</sup> Currently this book is being made into a major motion picture.

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<sup>16</sup> Ms. Pano-Loposcu is a licensed psychotherapist in Moldavia who has lectured throughout the Ukraine and central Asia on the topic of stupidity.

<sup>17</sup> Mr. Polberg is also the Chief Executive Officer for the National Council of Concerned Capitalists and the author of the book *How the Minimum Wage is Destroying the World*.

<sup>18</sup> In 1998 Mr. Polinowsky won the Silver Vulture Award for his personal courage as a stupidity survivor.

<sup>19</sup> During his service in the Rhodesian Army where he served as senior military adviser to Ian Smith, Colonel Reitberg made several controversial statements including the following: "Cigarette smoking is good for your health," "Dogs never bark," "Airplanes fly because they flap their wings," "Babies come from storks," "Santa Claus is real," "The Earth is flat," "Animals can talk," "Age is just a number," "Money can't buy happiness," "Monopoly play money is real," "Nobody ever lies," "Money can't buy influence," "Professional sports is honest," "Life is fair," "Everyone is equal," "The Vietnam War was absolutely necessary," "The Holocaust never happened," "France never surrendered," "Astronauts never landed on the moon," "Joseph Stalin owned stock in General Motors," "Charlie Chaplin and Adolf Hitler were twin brothers," "Poland started World War Two," "The Eiffel Tower is located in London," "The Treaty of Versailles was a brilliant success," "Finance capital is the source of all wealth," "Two wrongs do make a right," and "Never buy something when you can steal it." For his service to his country, Colonel Reitberg was awarded the Rhodesian Freedom Medal for Racial Justice.

<sup>20</sup> Mr. Stavriokis is the winner of the Lenin Prize, the Soviet Peace Prize and the Leonid Brezhnev Medal for Literary Excellence.

<sup>21</sup> Subsequent editions of this encyclopedia have been published in pig-Latin, Visigoth, Etruscan and Egyptian hieroglyphics.

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<sup>22</sup> Dr. Treen is also a Professor of Economics at the Anastasio Somoza School of Business, La Paz, Bolivia, and the author of fourteen books including *Why Dead End Jobs are Good for the Economy, and for the Soul* and *The Economic Theories of Hjalmar Horace Greeley Schacht, three volumes*.

<sup>23</sup> Professor Ungleman's findings are still considered controversial.

<sup>24</sup> Mr. Utalski has appeared on several talk shows where he has discussed his long struggle to overcome the stigma associated with being supercilious.

<sup>25</sup> Yassleman and DeNobelli are also the award-winning authors of the popular cook book: *How to Eat Ice Cream and Chocolate Cake and Never Gain Weight*. Odd Ball Press: Monterey, Mexico, 1999.

<sup>26</sup> This book won First Prize for Literary Excellence at the 2010 International Book Fair, Nuuk, Greenland.

<sup>27</sup> In 2013 the United Kingdom revoked Dr. Zickleman's license to practice medicine on the grounds that his treatment is a fraud. Dr. Zickleman has denied the charge, claiming that his cure for stupidity, which involves therapeutic manipulation of the genitals, is not only clinically sound but extremely popular.



