REFLECTIONS BY VICE PRESIDENTS

Don't ever forget that you're a citizen of this world, and there are things you can do to lift the human spirit, things that are easy, things that are free, things that you can do every day. Civility, respect, kindness, character.

-Clayton M. Abernathy

Tell me what you think and then tell me what the really smart person in the room who disagrees with you thinks.

-Mackenzie Allen

You're going to fall down, but the world doesn't care how many times you fall down, as long as it's one fewer than the numbers of times you get back up.

-Eric Baker

Stupid people surround themselves with smart people. Smart people surround themselves with smart people who disagree with them.

-Fred Collier

When I feel that something is going well, everything in my life is good and the things in my life that aren't good are completely manageable. If it's not going well, Miss America could be standing there in a swimsuit handing me a Nobel Prize and I wouldn't be happy about it.

-Arthur Crandall

If you close your eyes, you can imagine the hackers sitting in a room, combing through the documents to find the ones that will draw the most blood. And in a room next door are American journalists doing the same thing. As demented and criminal as it is, at least the hackers are doing it for a cause.

The press is doing it for a nickel.

-James Denning

Decisions are made by those who show up. Don't ever forget that you're a citizen of this world.

-Hamilton Delbacher

If you feel that strongly about something, you have an obligation to try and change my mind.

-George Granger

Trying to guess what the (mass) audience wants and then trying to satisfy that is usually a bad recipe for getting something good.

-Alvin Hammond

Only criminals and adulterers should have to hide who they are.

-William "Bill" Haney

Develop your own compass, and trust it. Take risks, dare to fail, remember the first person through the wall always gets hurt.

-Laine Billings Hanson

I'm a registered Republican. I only seem liberal because I believe that hurricanes are caused by high barometric pressure and not gay marriage.

-Mitchell Hayworth

A hero would die for his country, but he'd much rather live for it.

-Preston Holmes

It seems to me that more and more we've come to expect less and less from each other, and I think that should change.

-Robert "Robby" Jackson

I don't believe there are two sides to every argument. I think the facts are the center. And watching the news abandon the facts in favor of 'fairness' is what's troubling to me.

-Lee Alexander James

Never argue with a drunk or a fool.

-Warren Keaton

Government should be a place where people can come together, and no one gets left behind. No one...gets left behind. An instrument of good.

-Robert Kinsey

People who don't know anything tend to make up fake rules, the real rules being considerably more difficult to learn.

-Frederick James Madigan

Elite is not a bad word, it's an aspirational one. *-John Mallory*

Conflict, when used as a device, makes for good television and bad journalism.

-Walter McKenna

I'm not interested in the difference between good and bad, I'm interested in the differences between good and great.

-Geoff Mitchell

When I was a kid, I wanted to be an actor. I was acting in all the school plays. I went to school for acting. I was really sure that that's what I wanted to do.

-William Harvard Oaks

Honestly, I don't try to guess at what most people want. I don't think I'd guess right.

-Mark Ross

I've never met anyone who has said, "My goal is to make America mediocre." That's a kind of hard-right conservative fallacy.

-Calvin Samson

There is order and even great beauty in what looks like total chaos. If we look closely enough at the randomness around us, patterns will start to emerge.

-Dan Sullivan

As long as you keep one foot in the real world while the other foot's in a fairy tale, that fairy tale is going to seem kind of attainable.

-Adam Taft

The rules of drama are very much separate from the properties of life. I think that's especially true of Shakespeare.

-Michael Warner

I am all for everyone having a voice, I just don't think everyone has earned the microphone. And that's what the Internet has done.

-William Walden