QUOTE OF THE WEEK

THIS WEEK'S THEME: FREEDOM

"I have never thought, for my part, that man's freedom consists in his being able to do whatever he wills, but that he should not, by any human power, be forced to do what is against his will."

Jean-Jacques Rousseau¹

"The strange thing that is granted to a human being is to have the choice, the freedom."

Søren Kierkegaard²

"Freedom is not the arbitrary power to act at will, but the ability to act rationally." **Rudolf Virchow**³ "Belief in a bigger and better future is one of the most powerful enemies of contemporary freedom."

Aldous Huxley⁴

"It's probably not just by chance that I'm alone. It would be very hard for a man to live with me, unless he's terribly strong. And if he's stronger than I, I'm the one who can't live with him. ... I'm neither smart nor stupid, but I don't think I'm a run-of-the-mill person. I've been in business without being a businesswoman, I've loved without being a woman made only for love. The two men I've loved, I think, will remember me, on earth or in heaven, because men always remember a woman who caused them concern and uneasiness. I've done my best, in regard to people and to life, without precepts, but with a taste for justice."

Coco Chanel⁵

"A concept is a brick. It can be used to build a courthouse of reason. Or it can be thrown through the window."

Gilles Deleuze, A Thousand Plateaus: Capitalism and Schizophrenia⁶

"We were the people who were not in the papers. We lived in the blank white spaces at the edges of print. It gave us more freedom. We lived in the gaps between the stories."

Margaret Atwood, The Handmaid's Tale⁷

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