Time present and time past

Are both perhaps present in time future,

And time future contained in time past.¹

History may be servitude,

History may be freedom.²

Historical events along with present events shape and guide what happens in the future. There is a hope among most historians that in studying the past, writing about it, and creating awareness, events in the future can be improved. One often hears, 'History repeats itself.' With the time that passes, one might think history is in the past and has no relevance today but if history repeats itself that is because people don't follow the lessons of the past. History permeates thoughts and actions; guiding, influencing, and shaping everything we do.

Last year's Editor's Note tells us the title of this journal, Crescat Scientia, means 'may knowledge increase.' One of the purposes of this journal is to allow students an outlet to contribute insight, discernment, and understanding, for everyone's benefit. Hopefully this journal will provide knowledge and an understanding of the past that can help improve the future. My hope for this journal, now and in the future, is to give students at UVSC an outlet to gain a better resume, for whatever future plans they might have. I know students write many research papers, sometimes many different ones in the same semester, and the research ends with turning the paper into a professor. I say use your papers. Submit papers to journals, to conferences, and to anything else that gives you the opportunity-ty. Gain an edge in the competitive market facing you as you go into graduate school or the work force. 'The future belongs to those who prepare for it³ for, 'He who is not ready today will be less so tomorrow.'⁴

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² Ibid., 13.