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66 T ust as I was bracing myself to come out of the cupboard and admit my chocolate passion, I was relieved to learn that I am not a chocoholic, but a chocophilethat's much better! Thank you, Linda Fuller, for assembling this and hundreds of valuable tidbits for chocolate lovers long on the defensive. What is it about the psyche that we have to feel guilty about desiring wonderful things? Do we chocophiles lay guilt trips on you ascetics (who secretly love and maybe eat chocolate too)? No more bad mouthing chocolate! Read about chocolate's nutritive-even curativeproperties and positive personality attributes of chocophiles. Enjoy dozens of wonderfully inventive chocolate confessions of famous and ordinary people. DR. FULLER HAS PUT HER RESEARCH SKILLS TO YUMMY ENDS, NOT ONLY IN GIVING US AN ARSENAL OF CHOCOLATE FACTS. BUT ALSO

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This book is dedicated to my mother-in-law, who claims her love of chocolate began when her mother suggested she always carry it with her, "in case of an emergency."

Those of us who know Helen Smith Fuller claim we love her because she's always there and she's always real, she's a friend and she's a role model—whether for emergencies or for general chocolateering.

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Foreword

"From the Chocolate Bible to the Chocolate Hall of Fame"

In early 1982, while attending an antiquarian book fair in Greenwich Village, I had the occasion to visit Li-Lac's Chocolate Shop—to purchase chocolate, of course. In the front showcase, I noticed several copies of a book stored among an abundance of dark chocolate. The title of the book took me by surprise and I had to look at it, so I asked for a copy. The first thing I noticed was that the book smelled like rich chocolate. Little did I know at that time that this particular book would play an important role in my life, leading me into the world of contemporary chocolate lovers.

This richly scented book was *The Chocolate Bible* by Adrianne Marcus of San Francisco, with a dust jacket designed as a box of chocolates. It was full of all sorts of information, notably a list of chocolate shops from coast to coast. It was a real treat to read. Once I was home and my wife Emily read this *Bible* of chocolate we decided to contact Adrianne and obtain more copies to give as gifts. Through the course of corresponding with her and making plans to visit her in San Francisco that summer, I was introduced to friends of Adrianne's who put together festivals for food lovers and were planning a Chocolate Festival in New York City.

For this first Chocolate Festival in New York, as a guest of the Chocolate Manufacturers Association of America, I put together twenty displays of some of my chocolate graphics collection, representing the nineteenth and early twentieth century in Europe and America. I had been collecting historical prints, labels, posters, and advertising trade cards on or about the cocoa and chocolate industry for three or four years. Always a lover of chocolate, I clearly remember how good the chocolate Easter bunny was each year. When I became involved in the antiquarian book, print, and ephemera

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business, the natural course was to collect a particular favorite subject close to one's special interest. Since that time, I've become very involved with ephemera ("ephemera" are the minor documents of business history or social events which were printed or handwritten, to be normally thrown away once they were used), and I have been building a rather impressive collection of chocolate material. As a result, my collection has been drawn upon to be used for special articles and research, and I was honored to be one of the first inductees into the Chocolate Hall of Fame, back in 1990.

Chocolate Fads, Folklore, & Fantasies is a direct result of my visit to Li-Lac's and the purchase of my Chocolate Bible, when I introduced Eric and Linda Fuller to the topic.

Chocolate has been written about for over 360 years, but never has a culture been as influenced by it as ours has, beginning in the early 1980s, when chocolate in its many forms came to play such a significant role in our everyday lives.

William Frost Mobley Chocolate Historian Schoharie, New York

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