A Bibliographic Note on this Bibliography

This is an updated and considerably expanded version of a bibliography that was first published in 1999 as an appendix to the essay "An appreciation of C. West Churchman (with an extensive bibliography from 1938 to 2001)" in the Section "Luminaries of the Systems Approach" of the web site of the International Society for the Systems Sciences (ISSS), under the following original URL (no longer valid): http://www.isss.org/lumCWC.htm. That first online version of 1999 was later (in January 2005) reformatted as a public Wiki page and relocated to http://projects.isss.org/c_west_churchman.

In 2002, the bibliography was first expanded to a complete list of all of Churchman publications known to the author at that time and was made available as a separate publication in the present site. It has been continuously updated since – with a last major revision and extension on 10 April 2006 – and will be further updated whenever the author becomes aware of omissions or errors. Any help in this will be welcome; please use the email link given in the right hand column here or in the "Contact" page of this web site. Thank you.


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27.03.2009
1 A Tribute to C. West Churchman (Introductory Page)

C. West Churchman, my former teacher and mentor at the University of California, Berkeley, is one of the outstanding pioneers of the "systems approach." Find some material about him here, including an extensive bibliography and three tribute articles dedicated to West, in which I tried to appreciate the importance that his thinking (and my experience of working with him during five years) had for my work on critical systems heuristics.

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2 An Appreciation of C. West Churchman

Revised and expanded version of the author's essay "C. West Churchman – 75 years," originally published as a guest editorial to a special issue in honor of Churchman in Systems Practice, Vol. 1, No. 4, 1988, pp. 341-350. Earlier revision were published in 1999 in the Section "Luminaries of the Systems Approach" of the web site of the International Society for the Systems Sciences (ISSS) at http://www.issis.org/lumCWC.htm (relocated to http://projects.isss.org/C_West_Churchman and reformatted as a Wiki page in January 2005), and in the present site in 2002. The present version has been last revised on 26 March 2009.

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7 Picture of the Month: C. West Churchman (1913-2004)

A photographic portrait of my teacher, written shortly after his death, with a short
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