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What was your best idea ever?

www.GiantMenorah.com. Every Jewish home should have one. Now I just have to figure out how to finance and market it.

What's your biggest perk? My office is 2 miles from home. I can go home for lunch, attend my daughters' school events or run home for a tie if a surprise meeting pops up.

What was your very first job? I sold hot dogs at Yankee Stadium in 1973 when I was 16 years old. It was my first job and still, to this day, my best job. Being a stadium vendor was the next best thing to being a batboy.

What advice would you give to someone entering your profession? Don't! Go back to school and study something useful and where there are jobs, like engineering, information technology or nursing.

What do you regard as the lowest depth of misery? I have a 13-year-old daughter . . . who I love very dearly. But need I say any more?

Who are your heroes in real life? I have to agree with John Lennon on this one: "A working-class hero is something to be."

What is your motto? "Mediocre people are always at their best." It's a quote by the late British writer Somerset Maugham.