

Weekly Message Weekly Message



Greetings special friends,
Well, many of us received some much needed rain this weekend even though we were a little 'damp' at the contest going from one building to another. There were no complaints, though! We raised over \$6,000.00 for Kilgore Rangerette scholarships from the **Gussie Nell Davis Dance Classic**. We will likely name our 6th scholarship this year, generated from the contest and *Rangerette Revelations*.



We continue to collect "**Cell Phones for Soldiers**" and remind everyone to bring their old cell phones and accessories to our contests, or organize your own collection by contact the hosts at www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com.

Here are some thoughts for the day:

"There are three ways to get something done: Do it yourself, employ someone, or forbid your kids to do it."

Monta Crane

"I'm extraordinarily patient provided I get my own way in the end."

Margaret Thatcher

"When I was crossing into Gaza, I was asked at the check post whether I was carrying any weapons.

I replied *Oh yes, my prayer books.*" Mother Teresa of Calcutta

"Life is raw material. We are artisans. We can sculpt our existence into something beautiful, or debase it into ugliness.

It's in our hands." Cathy Better

All of us have a creative seed within our soul. That is why many of us have chosen the field of dance or the performing arts. Below is a short, wonderful passage from Martha Graham, that really inspired me today. I hope that it inspires you as well.

Have a wonderful week, and, as always, please *keep in touch!*



Sincerely,

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“There is a vitality, a life force, an energy, a quickening that is translated through you into action. And because there is only one of you in all of time, this expression is unique. And if you block it, it will never exist through any other medium and be lost.

It is not your business to determine how good it is nor how valuable nor how it compares with other expressions.

It is your business to keep the channel open. Whether you choose to take an art class, keep a journal, record your dreams, dance your story, or live each day from your own creative source, above all else, keep the channel open!”

Martha Graham

The creator of Modern Dance

