

American Inspiration

Thoughts for today and every day . . .

“We create the world in which we live; if that world becomes unfit for human life, it is because we tire of our responsibility.” Cyril Connolly

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“The trick of living is to slip on and off the planet with the least fuss you can muster. I’m not a professional philanthropist, and I’m not running for sainthood. I just happen to think that in life we need to be a little like the farmer who puts back into the soil what he takes out.” Paul Newman

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“Real difficulties can be overcome; it is only the imaginary ones that are unconquerable.” Theodore N. Vail

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“Resentment is an extremely bitter diet, and eventually poisonous. I have no desire to make my own toxins.” Neil Kinnock

American Update

I pray that everyone had a great Easter weekend with family and friends and that you took time to remember the reason for the season. It is a time that reminds us that we have a fresh start in life each day because of the ultimate sacrifice that was made for us.

The change in the season, with the wildflowers blooming here in Central Texas also reminds us that summer camps are just around the corner. We have three fantastic camps for dance officers this summer that are located in top 4 Diamond hotels and resorts, including the Hilton Bella Harbor on Lake Ray Hubbard, just east of Dallas, in June. We also have an officer camp at beautiful Moody Gardens in Galveston that is in late June, as well as a fantastic officer camp at the Crown Plaza Riverwalk in San Antonio in early August. This also gives you different time frames during the summer so that there is a camp that will be just right for you and your officers. The Hilton Bella Harbor and Moody Gardens camps also offer a great curriculum to train your social officers with workshops, seminars and a routine just for them! Learn more about our Dance Officer and Social Officer Camps on our web site (www.DanceADTS.com).

Inspiration of the Week

The Paradox

The paradox of our time in history is that we have
taller buildings, but shorter tempers;
wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints;
we spend more, but have less;
we buy more, but enjoy it less.

We have bigger houses and smaller families;
more conveniences, but less time;
we have more degrees, but less sense;
more knowledge, but less judgment;
more experts, but more problems;
more medicine, but less wellness.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.
We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.
We learned how to make a living, but not a life;
We've added years to life, not life to years.

We've been all the way to the moon and back,
but have trouble crossing the street to meet the new neighbor.
We've conquered outer space, but not inner space;
we've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul;
we've split the atom, but not our prejudice;
we have higher incomes, but lower morals;
we've become long on quantity, but short on quality.

These are the times of tall men, and short character;
steep profits, and shallow relationships.

These are the times of world peace, but domestic warfare;
more leisure, but less fun;
more kinds of food, but less nutrition.
These are the days of two incomes, but more divorce;
of fancier houses, but broken homes.

It is a time when there is much in the show window
and nothing in the stockroom;
A time when technology can bring this letter to you,
and a time when you can choose either
to make a difference or just hit delete.

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