

# American Inspiration

Thoughts for today and every day . . .

“Whether it is the best of times, or worst of times, it is the only time we have got.”  
Art Buchwald

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“There is a fuse for almost everything.” George Washington Carver

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“Shame is like everything else; live with it for long enough, and it becomes part of the  
furniture.” Salman Rushdie

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“One of the greatest things about life is not so much where we stand as what direction  
we are going.” Author unknown

## American Update

We have been working to update our Education Support page with many new articles and references that will help each dance team director, officer or member with planning ahead for the summer and into the new school year. Make sure to visit our web site and see some of the new articles posted there. We will continue to add more each week. [DanceADTS.com/educationsupport.htm](http://DanceADTS.com/educationsupport.htm)

It is that time of year when you have your new team and ready to order new dancewear, makeup, bags, plan fundraisers, plan trips, etc. Remember our business friends in the industry that have had a long reputation of offering quality products and services: **Curtain Call Costumes, Biogime International, Tote Unlimited, Happy Feet Boots, Doughmaker\$, Inc., ATS Tours and Travel.** They will all be ready to serve your team's needs this season!

## Inspiration of the Week

You Are A Marvel

Each second we live is a new and unique moment of the universe, a moment that will never be again . . . And what do we teach our children? We teach them that two and two make four, and that Paris is the capital of France.

When will we also teach them what they are?

We should say to each of them: Do you know what you are? You are a marvel. You are unique. In all the years that have passed, there has never been another child like you. Your legs, your arms, your clever fingers, the way you move.

You may become a Shakespeare, a Michaelangelo, a Beethoven. You have the capacity for anything. Yes, you are a marvel. And when you grow up, can you then harm another who is, like you, a marvel?

You must work - we must all work - to make the world worthy of its children.

By Pablo Casals

from Chicken Soup for the Soul

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