

American Inspiration

Thoughts for today and every day . . .

“The difficulties, hardships, and trials of life, the obstacles....are positive blessings. They knit the muscles more firmly and teach self-reliance.”

William Matthew



“Tact is rubbing out another’s mistake instead of rubbing it in.”

Farmer’s Almanac



“A man’s conquest of himself dwarfs the ascent of Everest.” Eli J. Schiefer



“If we perceive things not as problems but rather as opportunities for learning, we can experience a sense of joy and well-being when the lessons are learned. We are never presented with lessons until we are ready to learn them.” Gerald G. Japolsky

American Update



We had a fabulous National/International Championship at the University of North Texas with almost 100 teams including 22 college dance teams and two incredible teams from Japan. We were so grateful for safe travels for our teams from Japan and they received multiple standing ovations. Make sure to see the results on our web site at www.DanceADTS.com as well as many fantastic photos on our American Dance/Drill Team Facebook page!

We regret that you did not receive a weekly message last Wednesday. We had a computer failure so were unable to access the database to send the email. We will be sending the American Inspiration through the end of May, then take the summer off as we head to camps.

For directors, we sent the 2011 Summer Camp brochure last week. If you would like to download a copy of the brochure, make sure to visit our web site at www.DanceADTS.com/summercamps.htm

Inspiration of the Week

Moments in Life

- There are moments in life when you miss someone so much that you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them for real!
- When the door of happiness closes, another opens; but often times we look so long at the closed door that we don't see the one, which has been opened for us.
- Don't go for looks; they can deceive. Don't go for wealth; even that fades away. Go for someone who makes you smile, because it takes only a smile to make a dark day seem bright. Find the one that makes your heart smile.
- Dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be, because you have only one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do.
- May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human and enough hope to make you happy.
- The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes along their way.
- The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past; you can't go forward in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches.
- When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so at the end, you're the one who is smiling and everyone around you is crying.
- Don't count the years -- count the memories.....

**Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take;
but by the moments that take our breath away!**

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