

# American Inspiration

## Thoughts for today and every day . . .



✓“Dollars do better when they are connected to sense.” Earl Riney

✓“The joy of life comes from our encounters with new experiences, and hence there is no greater joy than to have an endlessly changing horizon, for each day to have a new and different sun.”  
Alexander Supertramp

✓“I see each person who comes into my life as an opportunity to learn something about human nature, and myself. Each person has a lesson to teach me. I try to learn.” Holly Archer

✓“The will to win, the desire to succeed, the urge to reach your full potential . . . these are the keys that will unlock the door to personal excellence.” Eddie Robinson



## American Update

November and December are busy months for American. We have the SMU Football Extravaganza this Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, at Ford Stadium in Dallas, with over 100 dancers. Thanksgiving week there are hundreds of dancers from Spirit of America that will be in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade™. On November 29<sup>th</sup>, we will have almost 100 dancers in the Salado Christmas Parade to kick off the Christmas season. On December 1<sup>st</sup>, we have over 300 dancers that will be featured at the Brazos Valley Bowl at Kyle Field on the Texas A&M campus. The last week in December and into January 2013, we have dancers that will join Spirit of America for the London New Years Parade in England along with the hundreds of dancers that will be featured at halftime of the Capital One Bowl in Orlando, Florida, on January 1<sup>st</sup>. It is certainly a time for celebration and excitement! Learn more about our **Special Events** on our web site ([DanceADTS.com/specialevents.htm](http://DanceADTS.com/specialevents.htm))



## Inspiration of the Week

### Spare Change

By John C. Maxwell “*The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership*”

A leader's history of successes and failures makes a big difference in their credibility. It's a little like earning and spending pocket change. Each time you make a good leadership decision, it puts change

into your pocket. Each time you make a poor decision, you have to give some of your change to the people.

All leaders have a certain amount of change in their pockets when they start in a new position. From then on, they either build up their change or pay it out. Bad decisions cost them until they run out of change. It doesn't matter whether the blunders were big or small, when you're out of change, you're out as a leader.

Leaders who keep making good decisions and recording wins build up change. If they make huge blunders, they still have plenty of change left over, because they still have the trust of their people.

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