

# AMERICAN INSPIRATION

## THOUGHTS FOR TODAY AND EVERY DAY . . .



√“GRACE FILLS EMPTY SPACES, BUT IT CAN ONLY ENTER WHERE THERE IS A VOID TO RECEIVE IT, AND IT IS GRACE ITSELF WHICH MAKES THIS VOID.” SIMONE WEIL

√“COURAGE IS THE POWER TO LET GO OF THE FAMILIAR.” RAYMOND LINDQUIST

√“THE BEST GIFTS ARE TIED WITH HEARTSTRINGS.” AUTHOR UNKNOWN

√“NEVER PICK A QUARREL, EVEN WHEN IT’S RIPE.” AUTHOR UNKNOWN



## AMERICAN UPDATE

We hope your week is full of many blessings! We are excited to hear from ESP Productions, that organize the halftime for the Capital One Bowl for our All Americans, that they are partnering with Warner Brothers Productions for the 2013 halftime! The title of the show is “Cartoon Classics” and will feature many of your favorite cartoon characters and music from those shows. The music, costumes and colorful formations are sure to make this show a favorite for performers, stadium audience, and millions of viewers on television. The Capital One Bowl halftime show is consistently hailed as the most spectacular production of all the major college bowl games. Teams, officers and individuals can earn an invitation to perform on January 1, 2013, at one of our 2012 competitions or summer camps!

We also offer invitations to the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade™ at our competitions and camps. Make sure to register early, if you are eligible, as the trip can fill and registration will be cut off as soon as all spots are filled. This is a performance of a lifetime in NYC on Thanksgiving Day!

Teams and individuals attending summer camp with American are also invited to perform at our SMU Extravaganza in late September. It is a great opportunity to perform at an NCAA football game at an affordable price. Watch for more information on our Special Events page on our web site!



## INSPIRATION OF THE WEEK

### A Creed

By Christian D. Larson

To be so strong that nothing can disturb our peace of mind; to talk health, happiness, and prosperity; to make your friends feel that there is something in them; to look on the sunny side of everything; to think only of the best; to be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own; to forget the mistakes of the past and profit by them; to wear a cheerful countenance and give a smile to everyone you meet; to be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

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