

# American Weekly Inspiration

#### Thoughts for today and every day:

"Nothing is as real as a dream. The world can change around you, but your dream will not. Responsibilities need not erase it. Duties need not obscure it. Because the dream is within you, no one can take it away." Tom Clancy, novelist

"Colors fade, temples crumble, empires fall, but wise words endure." Edward Thorndike (1874-1949) psychology researcher and educator

"In the end, the great truth will have been learned, that the quest is greater than what is sought, the effort finer than the prize, the victory cheap and hollow were it not for the rigor of the game." Benjamin Cardozo (1870-1938) jurist

"Most things break, including hearts. The lessons of a life amount not to wisdom but to scar tissue and callus." Wallace Stegner, *The Spectator Bird* 

### American Update:

Fall is truly in the air. The temperatures are falling with the leaves, and the butterflies and hummingbirds are passing through Central Texas on their way to Mexico. I hope you are finding special moments in this beautiful time of year.

For those directors in search of costumes, supplies, services and more, make sure to resource **DanceUSA.com** for information on all businesses in the dance/drill team related field. While there, make sure to find your state or national directors association and make sure to be an active member, as well as attending workshops each year to refresh old ideas into new.

American Dance/Drill Team is proud to sponsor again this year, Rangerette Revelations,

presented by the Kilgore College Rangerettes. These one day dance intensives will introduce high school dancers to the style, technique and choreography of the Rangerettes. There are two locations in Texas. All proceeds benefit Rangerette Scholarships. Learn more about all **One Day Dance Intensives** by visiting our web site and linking under the "365 Dance."

It is so important for your dancers to be physically fit. *24 Hour Fitness*, as well as other fitness gyms, offer discounted rates for your team to work out on a regular basis. Check their web site or your local gym for more information. 24hourfitness.com

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#### Inspiration of the Week:

## **Seasons of Relationships**

People come into your life for a reason, a season, or a life-time. When you figure out which it is, you know exactly what to do.

When someone is in your life for a **REASON**, it is usually to meet a need you have expressed outwardly or inwardly. They have come to assist you through a difficulty, to provide you with guidance and support, to aid you physically, emotionally, or spiritually. They may seem like a godsend, and they are.

They are there for the reason; you need them to be. Then, without any wrong doing on your part or at an inconvenient time, this person will say or do something to bring the relationship to an end. Sometimes they die. Sometimes they walk away. Sometimes they act up or out and force you to take a stand. What we must realize is that our need has been met, our desire fulfilled; their work is done. The prayer you sent up has been answered and it is now time to move on.

When people come into your life for a **SEASON**, it is because your turn has come to share, grow, or learn. They may bring you an experience of peace or make you laugh. They may teach you something you have never done. They usually give you an unbelievable amount of joy. Believe it! It is real! But, only for a season.

**LIFETIME** relationships teach you lifetime lessons; those things you must build upon in order to have a solid emotional foundation. Your job is to accept the lesson, love the person/people (any way); and put what you have learned to use in all other relationships and areas of your life. It is said that love is blind but friendship is clairvoyant.

Thank you for being a part of my life.... author unknown