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Special points of interest:

- Tuesday Night Steppin and Ballroom class at Garfield's 502
- Get your tickets for the World's Largest Steppin Competition
- Friday After Next every 2nd Friday @ Shaker's

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School's Back in Session

School is back in session. Many have purchased the supplies and clothes their children need and desire to start a fresh school year. However, not on the school supply list, are scholarships to fund higher education.

A great number of companies and organizations have donated monies for scholarships. Whether you are a student looking to advance your education beyond high school or a high school graduate looking to further your education, scholarships are a great way to cushion the rising cost of higher education. In fact, there are many graduate scholarships available for those looking to obtain advanced degrees.

Here is a brief list of available scholarship opportunities. Please pass this informa-

tion on to family members, nieces, nephews, friends with children etc. We must get the word out that money is available.

Student Inventors Scholarships <http://www.invent.org/collegiate>

Coca-Cola Two Year College Scholarships <http://www.coca-colascholars.org/>

Ayn Rand Essay Scholarships <http://www.aynrand.org/contests/>

Brand Essay Competition <http://www.instituteforbrandleadership.org/IBLEssayContest-2002Rules.htm>

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Etiquette Corner - Respecting Diversity in Dance by Cynthia Robinson

We are different in so many ways, yet share the common love of dance and social interaction. Here are some of the areas of diversity that are important to discuss.

Age – People of various age groups populate the dance community. Even more, we all have mixed attitudes about how age affects dance ability

and expectations. What are some of the assumptions you have about older dancers? Younger dancers? Do these assumptions dictate how you interact with other members of the dance community? Better yet, do these assumptions dictate *if* you interact

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Xerox Scholarships for Students [http://www.xerox.com/go/xrx/template/009.jsp?](http://www.xerox.com/go/xrx/template/009.jsp?view=Feature&ed_name=Careers_University_Internships&Xcntry=USA&Xlang=en_US)

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National Assoc. of Black Journalists Scholarships (NABJ) <http://www.nabj.org>

Saul T. Wilson Scholarships (Veterinary) http://www.aphis.usda.gov/career_opportunities/student_programs.shtml

Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund <http://www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org>

FinAid: The Smart Students Guide to Financial Aid scholarships) <http://www.finaid.org/>

Presidential Freedom Scholarships http://www.learnandserve.gov/home/site_map/index.asp

Microsoft Scholarship Program http://www.microsoft.com/college/ss_overview.mspx

Cool Hope Scholarships & Lifetime Credits <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/>

PPI/HOPE/index.html

William Randolph Hearst Endowed Scholarship for Minority Students <http://www.apsanet.org/PS/grants/asp3.cfm>

Guaranteed Scholarships <http://www.guaranteed-scholarships.com/>

BOEING scholarships (some HBCU connects) <http://www.boeing.com/educationrelations/scholarships/>

Jacki Tuckfield Memorial Graduate Business Scholarship (for AA students in South Florida) <http://www.jackituckfield.org/>

Cool Actuarial Scholarships for Minority Students <http://www.beanactuary.org/>

International Students Scholarships & Aid Help <http://www.iefa.org/>

College Board Scholarship Search <http://cbweb10p.collegeboard.org/fundfinder/html/fundfind01.html>

Siemens Westinghouse Competition <http://www.siemens-foundation.org/>

CollegeNet's Scholarship Database <http://mach25.collegenet.com/cgi-bin/M25/index>

Union Sponsored Scholarships and Aid <http://www.aflcio.org>

Federal Scholarships & Aid Gateways 25 Scholarship Gateways from Black Excel <http://www.blackexcel.org/25scholarships.htm>

FAFSA On The Web (Your Key Aid Form & Info) <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

Aid & Resources For Re-Entry Students <http://www.back2college.com/>

Sit Abroad Scholarships (for study around the world) <http://www.sit.edu/studyabroad/scholarships/index.html>

INROADS internships <http://www.inroads.org/>

Cool ScienceNet Scholarship Listing <http://www.sciencenet.emory.edu/undergrad/scholarships.html>

Graduate Fellowships For Minorities Nationwide <http://>

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Help Desk - Apples or Blackberries which fruit is For You? by Peter Robinson

Many people are pondering the pros and cons of purchasing an Blackberry or an iPhone. With so much hype over Apple's iPhone many assume that it's a superior product. However, as 2009's first quarter results came in many people were shocked to see that Blackberry dwarfed the iPhone in sales. Fortune magazine has listed RIM (Blackberry) as the fastest growing company in 2009 with Apple (iPhone) coming in at 39th place.

As this article is being written Blackberry is holding on to 56% of the market. While Apple is growing in market shares it really isn't affecting Blackberry sales. Apple is really cutting in to

the left over market from the other Smartphone manufacturers. More than half the market wants Blackberry.

Surprisingly to some, the features are not all that different. Both offer music, maps, web browsing, social networking, instant messaging, organizers, maps and media players. The iPhone offers a 3 mega-pixel (MP) camera while the Blackberry Touch offers a 3.2MP camera.

So if both Smartphone's offer the similar features why does Blackberry have control over so much of the market? Well this answer is not scientific but I think we should start by looking at a few minor but major

factors. First, Blackberry offers more business applications than the iPhone. Also the Curve (Blackberry's #1 selling product) provides the easier setup than Apple which you have to connect to iTunes and follow an activation process. Another factor is that Blackberry has buttons which gives the customer a familiar feeling of pressing a button rather than a screen. This feature results in less typos compared to the iPhone, where people are found not to be as descriptive as the customers of the Blackberry.

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with other members of the dance community at all? Respect the diverse age groups represented in your community without allowing it to be a barrier to enjoying positive social interaction and great dance partnerships.

Physical Challenges – Physical challenges within dance is common, however can go unnoticed by others. Individuals should not have to disclose medical history in order to have special requests of consideration acknowledged. Some may say 'take it easy on me' or 'not so many turns'. Do not assume that every person who makes requests like this is underestimating their ability. Many people in the dance community have had surgeries, joint replacements, chronic pain, asthma, back injuries, and many more conditions, ailments or limitations. We must respect the wishes of our partners when asked for special consideration. The idea is not to treat our partners as pa-

tients, but to have more patience and respect for the individuals in which we share a dance.

Religious Beliefs – For many, religion leads the way in determining our behavior and habits. Now more than ever there are classes and events offered in church facilities, studios, or other places in which alcohol will not be served and certain kinds of music will not be heard. The fact is, there are people who will not go certain places to learn a dance or have a social night out. It is important to show support to organizations who seek to provide classes and entertainment for this audience. While the majority of events will continue to offer all in adult entertainment, alcohol included, for those who are seeking something different, the community should em-

brace them too by supporting events and classes at a variety of venues.



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One of the most important feature is the Blackberry Curve is known for reception in areas where you cannot get reception with any other phone, Apple has yet to build that reputation. Email handling is also a quality trademark of Blackberry and probably the most important feature next to reception. This is why Blackberry was and has always been considered a business tool. Without getting into too much detail Blackberry pushes email to your phone where iPhone pulls the information from your email account to your phone. This means for Blackberry the work is being done from a server where for Apple the work is being done

from your phone, giving Blackberry the advantage in seamless email management. With Blackberry the email just appears on your phone, where as the iPhone you have to remember to check your email.

Both phones are excellent phones. You will not go wrong with either. However if you have business needs for your phone the Blackberry cannot be beat. Not to mention you have different models of the Blackberry that offers customer's more choices than the iPhone line. Some of the Blackberry products include the Touch, Flip Phone and the classic look of the Curve and Bold. These features are a short list of features which explains why Blackberry owns the market.

Next month we will look beyond the marketing and discover why Windows controls the market over Mac giving you information that will help you decide which product is best for you.

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**Promoting Milwaukee's Social
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MSBU is Milwaukee's premiere, social dance group. Offering Tuesday night dance class for Chicago Style Steppin and Detroit Club Style Ballroom. Workshops are available for groups wanting to bring a social dance to their community or for people trying to brush up on their skills

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**MSBU Would Like To Send a Special Thanks to the Judges for
Milwaukee's Largest Steppin Competition**