

July Hot Topics



Only 2 days left!

Your chance to nominate someone for the 2010 Board nominations is about to end—August 1st is the deadline!

For more information and nominating form go to www.astdtn.org or contact Nancy Collins at 615-872-5396. We want to hear from you.

July, 2009 Newsletter



Having trouble making your budget numbers add up? You're not alone—your employees are too!

OD-SIG Meeting

August 10

Community: A Foundation for Learning & Development

Time: 5:30 – 7:00pm

Location: Lee, Hecht Harrison

One Brentwood Commons, Suite 115

750 Old Hickory Blvd

(Note: just east of the 65/Old Hickory Blvd. exit, next to the Holiday Inn)

The Organization Development Special Interest Group is sponsored by ASTDTN.

A CPLP SIG Group is being formed.

For more information contact Carolyn Rowe at Carolyn.Rowe@aqlife.com

Next Program:

August 20

Training's Best Practice Economic Bailout Plan

Location:

Smith Seckman Reid, Inc.

2995 Sidco Dr.

Register at www.astdtn.org

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Dear ASTD friends,

If you missed last month's networking meeting, you missed some great conversations. Tabletop discussions buzzed with ideas and opinions around professional and personal use of social media such as Linked In and Facebook and their effectiveness in each area. It was a wonderful mix of perspectives from generations, areas of expertise including training, coaching, consulting, and HR, and industries from banking to health care to music. If engaged discussion is music to the ears of a learning professional, then the place was rockin'.

It's this variety of fields and expertise that is one of the strengths of our chapter. Please help us ensure that it continues into the future by recommending individuals for board positions. Networking gives those of us on the board an opportunity to see the potential we have to infuse the board with new perspectives and energy. But, we need your energy to translate potential into action. Nominating someone – or yourself – for a board position allows us an opportunity to talk directly with individuals about the benefits of chapter leadership and the variety of opportunities to do so.

Conversations at the July meeting also buzzed with discussions about increasingly busy calendars and activities. It seems that the sense of uncertainty in the first part of the year is giving way to a sense that there is a light at the end of the tunnel and we should head towards it. All's not right in the world, but it certainly is improving. Hope is in the air.

Our **August 20th** meeting will address that hope with concrete suggestions to help ourselves and our employees face the challenge of financial stress. Dave Ramsey is known as the guru of Financial Peace and has programs that explain the intricacies of budgeting. George Campbell, Sr. Corporate Trainer for Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace Workforce Education Program will provide their options for reducing stress through reducing fear of one's financial future. A good topic for any season – especially for a season of hope.

See you there,

Toby

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