

A Word From Our President:

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I hope that you did not miss Karen Sieczkas' presentation in June. She is one of our newer, energized members, and founder of *Growing Great Ideas Training*. We learned how to super-size our employees by the means of career planning and talent management. Karen reminded us that our best employees are the first to leave if we do not take care of them by providing them the tools and resources needed to realize their full potential.

The full text version of her report is available at www.GrowingGreatIdeas.com.



Karen Sieczka—June 10, 2008

Please take a few minutes from your busy schedules and complete the **2008 Member Survey**. It is very important for your board members to have your feedback as well as your ideas for new programs and suggestions for improvement. Tasha Gunn, VP of Membership emailed the survey to the members on June 20, 2008. You may complete the survey via email or mail. We need your responses by our next meeting date, July 8, 2008. You may also turn in your survey at our next meeting. We will conduct a special drawing for the members who complete their surveys on time. The prize will be a \$30.00 gift card! Don't miss out on this opportunity!

The revised **By-Laws** will be emailed to each member in July. Copies were placed on the tables during the June meeting for a preview of the recommended changes. The changes are minimal and allow the chapter to evolve and grow. Please give me a call if you have any questions or suggestions. We need your vote to accept the revisions so that we can continue to conduct the business of the organization and prepare the next year's candidates for office.

We have a fantastic meeting planned for **July 8, 2008**. The new location, Community Life Center of First Methodist Church, is a one-time move for us and we will be having a delicious BBQ meal catered. I am so excited about our speaker, I have heard that he is a wonderful presenter from several sources but have not had the opportunity to meet Dr. David Schjott, OWC. I hope to see you at the July meeting.

Finally I am asking you to think about making a larger commitment to your chapter. We are seeking **volunteers to serve on the board for 2009**. Yes! You can do it! We meet once a month following the chapter meeting for about an hour. Most of our work goes on behind the scenes via email and phone calls. We have one big strategy meeting in December to map out our plans for the upcoming year and then we get in gear and go. Please consider one of the leadership roles in your ASTD organization.

"The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." — B.B. King

Meeting Schedule:

July 8th

Coaching: Learners, The Internal Consultant—
Facilitator: Dr. David Schjott
Location: Youth Theater, Community Life Center
FUMC

August 12th

Subject/Facilitator: TBD
Location: OWC/Bldg K, Gallery

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