



**A Word From Our President:**

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I understand that I missed a wonderful Fall workshop presented by Dr. David Goetsch, on *Business in the Year 2008: Doing More with Less*. David's handouts are available to our members and may be placed on our chapter web site. The HRCI recertification credits would have helped with my recertification towards my PHR. A special thanks to Becky Spence, Past President, for obtaining the HRCI approval.

Are you looking forward to learning about the exciting programs and ideas that have been implemented at the members businesses? The October "Roundtable" should be a wonderful networking opportunity. I normally learn as much from networking as I do from a speaker or presentation and can't wait to hear your bright ideas. I hope that each of you plan to attend and bring one example of a training or HR program. Let's see, if we have 30 members attend, then I could leave with 30 programs or ideas! Fantastic!

Meredith Allred, President Elect and Nominations Committee Chair, and her committee provided a great slate of officers for next year. The election went well and we have a new team selected to lead our chapter. Officers for 2009 will be installed at the November meeting.

April Adams, President Elect for 2010, and Karen Siczka, Vice President of Technology for 2009, will be attending the National ASTD Chapter Leaders Conference in Arlington, VA at the end of October. I'm certain that they will return with wonderful ideas to keep our chapter on track and moving in the right direction.

I hope that you will place all of our upcoming meeting dates on your calendars and plan to join each month as we continue our learning journey.

**2008 Board of Directors**

Joyce Szilvasy	President
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<i>Vacant</i>	Vice President of Programs
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Pam Walters	NWF State College Liaison

**Upcoming Meetings:**

**October 14th**

Subject: Best Practices Round Table  
Facilitator: Chapter Members  
Location: OWC/Bldg K, Gallery

**November 18th (Note: 3rd Tuesday)**

Subject: Ready to Work Program  
Facilitator: Jobs Plus  
Location: OWC/Bldg K, Gallery

**December 9th (Note: Board Members Only)**

Subject: Board Planning Meeting  
Facilitator: Meredith Allred  
Location: Crestview Jobs Plus

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"Managers, supervisors, and team leaders must be consistent and exemplary role models of your organization's work ethic expectations."

—Dr. David L. Goetsch



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