



December Learning Event Twelve Months of Learning: ASTD-OC Holiday Celebration & Networking Event

We started our year networking; we'll finish it networking and with a lively celebration of our volunteers and a traditional "Death by Chocolate" holiday buffet.

Both the learning and structured networking this month will focus on reviewing 2009 and planning for 2010. You'll have an opportunity to review your own progress and learning for the year and at the same time be proactive and plan for next year.

You'll also have an opportunity to review ASTD-OC's progress in 2009 and to participate in its planning for 2010. ASTD's Mission states, "Through exceptional learning and performance, we create a world that works better." Come to the meeting to help yourself and ASTD create a world that works better.

One way we can make the world better is through our community outreach. This year ASTD Orange County is recognizing the "Spark of Love" as our 2009 charity. We are asking each of you and your guests who plan on attending December's event and luncheon to bring at least one new, unwrapped toy or piece of sporting equipment. These gifts will be delivered to a local fire station to distribute to children in Orange County as part of the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this worthy cause.

Additionally, our event is a celebration of the generosity of those who have helped this chapter support the workplace learning and development profession in 2009. Several stars in our organization will be receiving awards; perhaps one has helped you further your career! Stop by and give 'em a pat on the back.



Network into the
Holidays
at the **Death by
Chocolate** buffet!



**Don't forget to bring
your business cards for
structured networking.**

2009-2010 ASTD-OC Events Calendar

For additional details on all ASTD-OC events, please go to our website at www.astdoc.org, and select "Events Calendar."

December 1 thru 8 Online Workshop
ASTD National Workshop: *Creating New Supervisor Training Programs Certificate Program*

Address the unique needs of new leaders in your organization.

New supervisors have unique needs. They are making a critical transition into management, and this change requires developing a number of competencies quickly. This online program will show you how to build a new supervisor training program that facilitates development and addresses the realities of training new supervisors. Visit www.astd.org to receive more info or to register for this event. Remember to include ASTD-OC's CHIP, CH8091, when registering for a National ASTD event.

Wednesday, December 9 11 a.m.
ASTD Free Webcast: *Getting Things Done: The Art of Stress-Free Productivity*

As the speed and volume of change continue to rise, organizations and the individuals within them must change behaviors to surf the changing waves or else be overwhelmed by them. In this one-hour webcast, David Allen will describe the two master keys to personal and organizational productivity and the best practices for implementing and maintaining them amidst the chaos. Visit www.astd.org to receive more info or to register for this event.

Monday, December 14 6–8 p.m.
ASTD-OC Board Meeting

The Board Meeting is open to all ASTD Orange County Members. Contact Anthony Harmetz at President@astdoc.org if you are interested in attending.

Special Thursday Meeting

Thursday, December 17 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Monthly Learning Event

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This will be a bittersweet event, as it will be the final Turnip Rose event at that location. Join us as we close out the year reconnecting with old friends, making new ones, and indulge one more time with the chocolate delights only the Turnip Rose can provide! See page 3 for information on the Holiday Toy Drive at this meeting!

Location: Turnip Rose, 300 South Flower, Orange 92868

Tuesday, January 12 6–8 p.m.
Career Management SIG Meeting

Whether you work inside an organization or for yourself, you're the leader of your life. Finding financial security, job satisfaction, or meaningful work is an ongoing journey, not a destination. As such, you need a

travel (i.e., career) plan that allows for detours and unexpected situations. The Career Management SIG will be focusing on helping you create a self-employment plan. We'll cover topics of interest whether you're currently employed or in career transition.

Location: 2101 North Main Street, Suite E, Santa Ana 92706

Wednesday, January 27, 2010
6–8 p.m.

Monthly Learning Event

Visit www.astdoc.org to receive more info or to register for this event.

Location: Doubletree Club Hotel, 7 Hutton Centre Drive, Santa Ana 92707

January 27 thru 29, 2010
Three-Day Event

ASTD TechKnowledge 2010

Since 2001, ASTD TechKnowledge® has provided attendees with the latest information, best practices, and learning technology resources available. Experienced practitioners—and an EXPO full of leading suppliers—provide tangible results that can be implemented immediately. Visit www.astd.org to receive more info or to register for this event. Remember to provide the ASTD OC Chapter ChIP number, CH8091, when registering for a National ASTD event.

Location: Las Vegas, Nevada



Give 'em the ChIP!

Your ASTD-OC Chapter ChIP is CH8091. When you:

- Register or renew your ASTD National Membership
- Register for any ASTD National Event or Seminar
- Purchase items (books, classes, etc.) from ASTD National

Providing your ChIP will earn ASTD-OC a financial "bonus."

Is Your Training Room Lonely After Hours? Let ASTD-OC Make It Come Alive!

Does your organization have extra meeting space? Do you know of a location suitable for the ASTD-OC chapter to host Delivery Skills Course classes, Total Trainer sessions, low-cost workshops, or other meetings?

We are looking for contact/organization information from anyone who may be interested in hosting. If you are interested or know someone who may be, please contact Janine Collins at (888) 493-7266, Ext. 4677, or jcollins@wescom.org.



Save these dates on your calendar for upcoming ASTD-OC events:

- December 17, "Death by Chocolate"
Holiday Lunch at the Turnip Rose
- January 12, 2010, Career Management
Special Interest Group
- January 27, 2010, Dinner at the
Doubletree Club Hotel

**Online registration is now more secure than
ever with ASTD-OC's Secure Socket Layer
(SSL) Certificate.**

**Both online and printable registration forms
for all events are available at
www.astdoc.org.**

"Spark of Love" Holiday Toy Campaign

For the last 17 years, fire departments throughout Southern California have partnered with ABC's Los Angeles affiliate, Channel 7, to collect toys and sports equipment for underprivileged children during the holiday season in the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive.

All fire stations throughout the counties of Orange, Los Angeles, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura, and other partnering organizations participate in this toy drive campaign and serve as drop-off sites for the public to bring new, unwrapped toys or sports equipment. Through the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive, the spirit of the holiday season will be felt throughout the communities we live in, as well as, in the hearts of less fortunate children. This year, we anticipate the need being greater than ever.

To help support this worthy cause, the Orange County Chapter of ASTD is recognizing the "Spark of Love" as this year's charity at our December monthly learning event. We are asking each member or guest attending December's monthly learning event and luncheon to bring at least one new, unwrapped toy or piece of sporting equipment. These gifts will be delivered to a local fire station and contributed to the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive. All toys collected at Orange County drop-off sites are distributed in the communities of Orange County. Thank you for your generosity in supporting this worthy cause.

What's Your Story?

We generally set aside December's Learning Event to celebrate all our achievements in the past year. And we take special time to acknowledge the efforts of our volunteers.

Have you volunteered in 2009 with ASTD-Orange County? Has it helped you professionally? Personally? How so? Let us know about your 2009 volunteerism and your achievements by contacting Dana Dutiel, VP of Volunteers, at Volunteers@astdoc.org

Return Service Requested



Are you ready for 2010?

Renew your chapter membership now, and save!

The \$80 renewal will open your New Year to countless opportunities, including:

- Twelve monthly learning events (MLEs) at member price
- Special Interest Groups (SIGs) for members only
- Involvement opportunities open only to members
- Mentoring program
- Learn by doing opportunities
- Six planned low-cost workshops

Act fast! Individual Renewal prices return to \$100 on December 17, 2009!

Student early bird renewal of \$45 available until December 15, \$65 thereafter.

But Wait! There's More!

Refer a Friend ... Receive a Free Workshop

For every new member you refer to ASTD Orange County, you will receive one free workshop*. All you have to do is tell all your friends about the benefits of joining ASTD Orange County. When they complete their new member paperwork, tell them to be sure to put your name on the "Referred by" line. The rest will be taken care of for you.

The free workshop is redeemable in 2010, and you must be a member in good standing at the time of redemption.

*Not all workshops in 2010 will be eligible to redeem the free workshop. ASTD-OC has six planned workshops in 2010 that will qualify for redemption. Visit www.astdoc.org for registration details and to renew today!