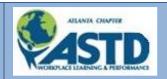
# The Latest News from

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As the leaves change color, consider putting volunteer work on your to-do list!

Got news? Submit your news to share with our group.

# **CONFERENCE CALL HIGHLIGHTS**

### October 15, 2010

✓ Cecil Fricano gave an update of upcoming volunteer projects with Habitat for Humanity Atlanta with a computer education class for homeowners scheduled for November 6<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>. We need help with these projects! If you want to get involved, email Cecil. More information below.

Don't forget to join us for the next conference call scheduled for Friday, November 19, 9 -9:30 am. Toll-free dial-in number: (888) 295-6951, Conference code: 7851936107

## **ACTIVITIES, PROJECTS & EVENTS - THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!**

#### We need volunteers for the Habitat for Humanity Atlanta computer education classes:

- Email 30 minutes (need Volunteer to create docs)
- Special Computer topics (need Volunteers to create reference materials)

Several folks have suggested we get together and review the materials in person – it's probably a good idea for us to connect before the first session. Here are some available dates – please respond back to all with your availability:

- TUES 10/26 around 6pm
- WEDS 10/27 around 6 pm
- THURS 10/28 around pm
- SAT 10/30 morning/afternoon
- TUES 11/2 around 6pm

If you want to get involved, email Cecil. as soon as possible.

#### **ASTD Food Drive**

**Want to participate in the Food Drive?** Bring non-perishable food items to any ASTD gathering whether it's a SIG/GIG or Chapter meeting so your contribution can be included in our overall count. Donations will be then brought to the next chapter meeting. After each Chapter meeting, an assigned person from the Community Involvement committee will take the donations to the ACFB.

We will keep you updated via the ASTD website and ongoing Chapter meetings throughout the remainder of the year with our progress against our goal.

**Mark your calendars!** On December 9, 2010, ASTD Chapter members will participate in a volunteer event at the ACFB. See how the donated food is distributed through the product rescue center. Not only does the center distribute food during the holidays but all year long. Plan to join us on this day of service. For more Information, contact <u>Susan Johnson</u>.

View all ASTD Greater Atlanta volunteer opportunities on the new and improved ASTD Chapter website.

# RESOURCES, LINKS & ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Can shorter e-mails make you more productive? Sometimes an e-mail that short can be counter-productive. http://gigaom.com/collaboration/shorter-email-productivity-help-or-hoax/

The ability to motivate one's team and organization is one of the most important skill you must possess in today's business climate. Read 5 ways to be a motivational leader.

http://www.jongordon.com/blog/2010/10/18/motivation/

Training Magazine e-newsletter issue gives access to the latest news and best practices. http://www.trainingmag.com/content/subscribe-free-e-newsletters

The Power and Potential of Social Networks: how to use social connections with intent http://gmj.gallup.com/content/143486/Power-Potential-Social-Networks.aspx

Have a resource or article to share? Group members are welcome to submit their links.

### POSTSCRIPT!

Don't forget to join our **ASTD Community Involvement** <u>LinkedIn group</u>, a subgroup of ASTD Greater Atlanta to view the latest news from the group, post your news, and keep up with the conversation.

We need reporters! Attending an ASTD SIG or GIG event? Let your group members know what happened and get them interested in participating. <u>Submit</u> a brief update of the event to be included in a future newsletter. Attending a volunteer event? Share your pictures and give us a <u>brief update</u> to be included in a future newsletter. Share your excitement!

**Call for your submissions.** Would you like to submit an article, whitepaper, event, or information to be included in the twice-monthly ASTD Atlanta Chapter E-Blast? Email <u>Karen Sieczka</u> for more information on submission guidelines or to submit your items.

Group members are welcome to submit news, articles, and information for distribution in the group news at any time!

### "SEE" YOU NEXT MONTH!