



Dear Friends and Colleagues:

It's summertime but there have been no lazy days for your HMATD board as we have been as busy as bees! Last year, in conjunction with our national association, we changed our name to fit the ever-evolving role of a trainer. Throughout the years, the traditional role of a trainer has developed into what might be considered non-traditional areas.

The HMATD board is developing programming to assist our members with both traditional and non-traditional training roles dealing with workplace learning and talent development. Thank you for supporting us in this transition. To further assist you with enhancing the skills and talents of your staff, we are working to understand your needs so we can offer you the development support you need to succeed. We are making calls and sending email, letters and surveys. By talking with and reaching out to you, we hope to understand what you want in a program or event so that you can tap into your own talents or those of our membership throughout the Capital Region.

We hope to see you at our September workshop titled "Learning in the New Millennium: How Social Learning and Social Technology Are Framing the Discussion," presented by board member Matt Harrington. It promises to be a great start to the 2015-16 programming year. Look for our September workshop, future monthly workshops, networking events and other talent development sessions on our website at [HMATD.org](http://HMATD.org).

Looking forward to a great year of talent development!

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