

The Heritage Of An ASTD Member

Today's member of ASTD has a real heritage. The pioneer might describe it as 'like finding a bird's nest on the ground.'

Those wonderful men who fixed it, cleared a lot of brush, big trees and stones from the field; they even did some planting. They had heart, courage, foresight, and faith. They gathered some fruit too. They marked the route and fixed it so that we can now go straight to the big cities of thought in our profession.

They have made it understandable that the training director has a distinct place and purposeful assignment. Their recorded interchanges of thinking with each other on all phases of training in the human organizations in which we work, simplifies and clarifies the beginning and end of our present day assignments.

They have told us that we are the principal part of our own difficulties, and that our sincere search for help and improvement must begin in the service of our associates and of each other.

It is my expectancy that the membership of today will merit similar commendations by those who follow us.

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