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STAYING CONNECTED

The purpose of this e-mail is to help keep you connected with alumni of the ELA program. We'll also include some leadership ideas to ponder as you continue to develop your leadership skills, along with details for the current year capstone program.

Do you remember the people from your ELA class? A list of the past participants is posted on the ELA Discussion Board accessible through <http://www.emergingleadersalliance.org/training.aspx>. In most cases, your username is your last name, and the password is "ela".

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

Let us know how things have progressed in your professional life. Have you changed jobs? Were you able to practice what you learned at ELA? Have you attended any additional leadership training sessions? Do you have any good leadership ideas to pass along to other ELA alumni?

This is just a sample of the news and updates we would like you to share! Send your remarks to ela@tms.org or one of the [society contacts](#). We will include selected comments and ideas in a later alumni e-mail communication.

SURVEY

In a few weeks you will receive an invitation to participate in a brief survey that asks about your experiences with the ELA and what changes, if any, it has made in your work. The goal of this survey is to help us make this an even more effective program for future participants. The survey will be completely confidential, and the results will be aggregated for reporting. The feedback you share, both positive and negative, will help make the ELA stronger.

ELA DISCUSSION BOARD

Online preparatory modules were added as a new feature on the ELA Discussion Board in 2009. Graduates of the 2008 ELA training program can also access these modules. Click on the folder for Pre-meeting Resources, and then click on the Capstone Program Web Learning Module. You will not be able to take the test at the end of the module, but you can read through each section to learn more about leadership topics on Diversity, Critical Thinking, Ethics, Communications, and Risk Management. ELA Capstone 2008 and 2009 alumni may check the discussion board for a new leadership topic that will be added this fall.

2010 ELA CAPSTONE PROGRAM

Dates and locations have been set for the 2010 ELA Capstone Program.

November 4–6, 2010 November 30–December 2, 2010

Denver, CO, USA Amsterdam, Holland

If you are in proximity of either of these locations on the opening day, we invite you to attend the welcoming reception. This is an ideal opportunity to make contacts with the new attendees, visit with society staff, and meet the presenters. More details are available at <http://www.emergingleadersalliance.org/training.aspx> to help you plan accordingly.

Help us promote this year's program! If you know of someone from your company or organization who would benefit from attending the leadership training this year, please connect one of the [society contacts](#).

Sponsorship opportunities are available. For firms that would like to align with and support this worthwhile program, you may support the program by sponsoring an event. Please browse the sponsorship form available online at <http://www.emergingleadersalliance.org/pdfs/sponsorship2010.pdf>.