Memorable Presentations....celebrating the achievement

Creating the Moment

A recognition presentation can be a formal, organized affair in front of a large group, a more informal gathering of a small work-group, or even a one-on-one personal presentation. Whatever the case, some simple steps can help make the moment more memorable for the employee, while sharing a motivational message with the group.

Preparation and Practice

Preparation doesn't mean long hours spent agonizing over speech writing. A review of the basic steps of preparation following a simple outline of presentation content is all you will need for an effective presentation.

The Basics

- 1. Remember the primary goal to provide meaningful recognition for individual achievement while inspiring your team to meet their potential.
- 2. Utilize your event checklist for simple preparation for conducting an effective recognition ceremony.
- 3. Include specific accomplishments and personal information in your comments.
- 4. Sincerity and enthusiasm are key to the presentation.
- 5. Relax and enjoy the celebration!

The Event Checklist

- Determine when and where you will make the presentation.
- Determine who will participate, and pass along invitations if necessary.
- □ Prepare your comments including some pertinent information about the recipient utilizing the Recipient Info Card below.
- □ Ensure any material(s) including award if applicable is prepared for the presentation.

Presentation Outline

- 1. Welcome recipient and other attendees.
- 2. Announce the purpose of the presentation. Reference the value of the recipient and what they mean to the organization.
- 3. Invite the recipient to step forward, and share some pertinent information about the employee from the Recipient Info Card below.
- 4. Briefly touch on the employee's current responsibilities and role in the organization.
- 5. Share specific info on why the employee is being honoured.
- 6. Present the award or other presentation material(s) if applicable.
- 7. Thank the recipient for their contributions.
- 8. If appropriate, invite the recipient to say a few words.
- 9. Thank the recipient again, and end the ceremony by thanking everyone for attending.

Recipient Info Card

Recipient Preferred Name:	_Title:
Responsibilities:	
Past Work History with Organization:	
Award (ie service recognition, retirement, etc.):	
Applicable Date (ie. Anniversary date)	Presentation Date:
Specific Contributions and Accomplishments:	
Special Notes:	