

Hello brothers and sisters in SHRM!

SHRM is a tremendous resource for HR professionals and there is added value when multiply that value by affiliating with a local SHRM chapter, such as Apple Valley Human Resources Association.

Located in Wenatchee, we're a short drive from Ellensburg and a two-hour excursion from the beautiful Okanogan Highlands or Yakima Valley.

There's no cost to affiliate with AVHRA and we can offer you professional and personal development programs, resources and services that can broaden your skills, grow your career and make you more valuable to your organization.

There are fun reasons to join AVHRA, too! We are hosting two Membership events in 2015 and invite you to join us.

May 14 "Don't Gamble on Your Benefits" - an evening of games, networking, food, fun and prizes. Our sponsors (Aetna, Premera Blue Cross and Alliant Employee Benefits) are hosting game tables.

The party begins at 5 pm at Pybus Public Market, 3 North Worthen Street - if you haven't been to this new Wenatchee venue, it's a great opportunity to see for yourself what all the talk is about! Be sure to bring your business cards for awesome raffle drawings.

July 15 "Baseball with the Applesox" – free family fun at Paul Thomas Field in Wenatchee. First pitch is at 7:05 pm against Kelowna. We're providing up to 4 admission tickets and a \$5.00 gift card to use at the concession stand. Additional tickets available at the door. Join the fun and support our local AppleSox!

You can also attend an upcoming program to meet and network with other professionals. We offer informative and relevant half or full-day programs at reasonable prices. Here's a list of upcoming programs that are sure to add value to you and your organization (full details on our <u>website</u>).

- April 29, 2015, 8:00 am Noon (3 HRCI/SHRM-CP credits) BENEFITS COMPLIANCE/ACA AND WORKPLACE WELLNESS
- August 13, 2015, Noon 4:30 pm (3 HRCI/SHRM-CP credits) FMLA/ADA and other Leave Laws with Chandra Hatfield, Esq
- September 18, October 2, 23 and November 6, 2015 4 full days EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP SERIES
- December 10, 2015, 8:00 am Noon (4 HRCI/SHRM-CP credits pending) ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT LAW UPDATE
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Register or RSVP today for any of the upcoming events here: <u>http://avhra.shrm.org/events</u>.

We are a strong group of dedicated HR professionals that have a passion for everything HR. AVHRA was recognized in 2014 with the Pinnacle Award, Gold Excel/SHAPE Award, Membership Superstar Status, and the Chapter Leadership Award. We would be honored if you would consider joining our chapter as we serve the community and the needs of the HR profession.

To take advantage of AVHRA benefits, complete this online <u>form</u> and don't hesitate to call if you have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you!

Warm regards.

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