



HELLO AGAIN SHRM-MEMPHIS MEMBERS!

It's time to finalize plans for our board transition which means elections are just around the corner. **If you're interested in serving on the SHRM-Memphis board please contact:** Mario.Musarra@stjude.org. Personally, growing my professional HR skills and network have been my greatest rewards for serving on the board. Although finding the time to volunteer is a challenge, it's a simple matter of arranging priorities without losing focus. I encourage you to consider stepping up to play a leadership role with SHRM-Memphis. The people you work with are fun, smart, passionate, professional and dedicated. Oh, and they're some of the nicest people you'll ever meet.

Our monthly programs continue to appeal to more members. Monthly meeting attendance is averaging 111 members, up from 87 last year. Membership continues growing to now 765 chapter members, easily keeping us the largest chapter in Tennessee and the tri-state area. Our website now gets over 1,500 hits per week with each person spending about 15 minutes in the site! We'd also like to thank you all for your cooperation in switching to an all credit card payment system for meeting payment.

This September will be a cooler, morning meeting on HR strategy, October will be our joint SHRM/ASTD meeting, November will be a special diversity presentation, and December will be our annual holiday social. Both September and October meetings are HRCI certified for 1 hour recertification credit each. We hope you'll be able to join us each month for these revealing and valuable learning opportunities! Check our website (www.shrm-memphis.org) for details!

The **2007 Tennessee State HR conference** will be held September 26-28 in Chattanooga. Registration plus exhibitor information and more may be found at www.shrmchattanooga.com. We encourage you to attend this extraordinary event. **Then plan ahead for the 2008 Tennessee State HR Conference being held October 1-3 right here in Memphis!**

A big congratulations goes out to our newly certified chapter members who joined us at the August meeting! More information about PHR/SPHR/GPHR certification and learning resources can be found on our website.

Jennifer Baker – SPHR Dayton Rinehart – SPHR Vanessa Burns – SPHR

It's after hours, so time to relax with a little Long Train Runnin'. Keep your suggestions coming. Your board enjoys hearing from you about ideas or suggestions to best meet your professional HR needs!

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2007 President, SHRM-Memphis