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Association opens local human resource development office

The B.C. Human Resources Management Association is B.C.'s largest HR association and is a community dedicated to advancing professional practices that enhance organizational performance.

B.C. has six HRMA regions, including the Central Interior, which includes Kamloops. It is one of the most vibrant and active.

B.C. HRMA programs and services are offered to people working in all areas of human-resources management in B.C. However, these activities may also be of interest to managers, business owners, students or other professionals who work with, or manage, staff on a regular basis.

B.C. HRMA events are always open to non-members in Kamloops and include regular educational workshops, round-table discussions, social events, a successful mentoring program and other networking opportunities.

To reflect the growth in the organization, B.C. HRMA opened its first regional Interior office in October to serve Kamloops and other areas outside of coastal Vancouver. Tim Read is the new member-relations manager running the Kelowna-

based office. Read will be assisting the local 10-member advisory council that handles the planning and implementation of events for the region. The council is chaired by Shannon Joly of Kamloops.

B.C. HRMA members are encouraged to participate on the advisory council or volunteer for specific events. Advisory council members put their organizational and public-speaking skills to good use and in turn gain a broader perspective on the profession.

People interested in the growth of HR practice in the Central Interior will find their time well spent. If you would like to know more about volunteering your expertise or serving on the advisory council, see contact details below.



B.C. HRMA COMING EVENTS:

- ◆ Nov. 27, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, Feb. 12 — HR Book Club, Cowboy Coffee, 229 Victoria St.
- ◆ Dec. 6 — Annual social, Bistro 326, 326 Victoria St.
- ◆ Jan. 31 — Change Management Roundtable, location TBA



Heading up the Central Interior Region of the BC HRMA are, from left, CHRP candidate Galadriel Jolly, vice-chairwoman; CHRP Shannon Joly, chairwoman; and CHRP Jennifer Howatt, past chairwoman.

- ◆ February (date TBA) — labour relations workshop

Times, locations and costs (where applicable) can be found at www.bchrma.org. Click *Professional Development & Events*, then *View Calendar*, for *Central Interior*. For more information, contact Tim Read at tread@bchrma.com or call toll free to 888-763-3199. □