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Job Descriptions

Job Title:

New sites to check out

A new job search site that offers free job postings for employers and job seekers is: www.UnitedWeWork.org The site was featured in the Business section of the Chicago Tribune. It is free to employers until the end of the year and does not plan to compete with CareerBuilder, Monster, etc.

Overheard on WGN radio is a site that offers discounts for healthcare. It appears to be useful for individuals or families without employer coverage but does cost money.

www.medicalpricing.com

Do you need a Networking or Job Club?

[Link Here](#) Look in the right hand column

Can you define **Giganomics** - it is a newly coined term for someone who holds down several "gigs" to pay the bills.

Citizens Utility Board (CUB) has a link to review your cell phone plan to see if you could save yourself some money -

[Link here](#)

If you know of other job clubs that may be added to our list [email us](#).

Are you all a "Twitter" on the social media job hunt?

We discussed using [LinkedIn](#) for your job search, but what about [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#)? Find some pros and cons about using these two social media tools while your job search progresses.

[Read the whole article](#)



Quote of the Day

"The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." -- B.B. King

Quebracho \$14.64 ph*

These workers are involved in leather manufacturing. Quebracho is the name of several species of South American trees with a very hard, durable timber. In Spanish, the word quebracho means "axe-breaker." These trees provide tannin, which is used for tanning animal hides into leather.

*Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics (June 2005 data) *National Average Salary*

Workshops

Job Club - DeKalb
Mondays 9AM

Moving Forward - Reintegration

Elgin
Aug 25 Sep 8
1:30PM
N. Aurora
Sept 21
1:30PM

Sorting It Out

Elgin
Sept 3 & 17
1:30PM
N. Aurora
Aug 27 Sept 10
9AM

Presentation of Services

Elgin
Mon & Thur
1:30PM
N. Aurora
Mon - 1:30PM
Thurs - 10AM

About KCDEE

The Kane County Department of Employment & Education (KCDEE) administers Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title 1B/Trade Adjustment Assistance Act services for local Workforce Investment Area 5, and provides the tools that enhance your ability to find a new career for adults,

Training for Tomorrow

Incumbent Worker Training

Focused on ensuring that businesses can compete in a global marketplace by helping them attain a highly qualified workforce, the River Valley Workforce Investment Board is committed to enhancing our local economy.



Recently, the WIB (in cooperation with KCDEE) launched Training for Tomorrow (T42), a workforce training program designed to protect the jobs of current employees while at the same time growing jobs that will be needed in the long term.

T42 is targeted at industries that will be the job providers of the future and whose current employees need their skills upgraded to be able to compete in a changing marketplace. [Read more](#)

10 Tips for "mature" job seekers

Forbes magazine (on-line) offers 10 tips for older job seekers in photo array. You can also link to the full article. [Link Here](#)

Elevate America

through October 31

Microsoft Elevate America, which runs now through October 31, 2009, is a major public-private partnership between Microsoft and the State of Illinois to provide up to 51,000 vouchers to Illinoisans for free online technology training and certification. The program provides an opportunity for individuals at all skill levels to enhance information technology skills needed to compete for the jobs of today and tomorrow. Whether you have basic computer skills, are proficient with Microsoft Office software or are a Technical Professional, you can take advantage of online courses to learn new skills which can give you a competitive edge and help you get the job you want. Click here to learn more about Elevate America on the [Illinois workNet portal](#).



If you are already working with a KCDEE Employment and Training Representative, give them a call, they have more information for you.

Stay in Touch!

Your Employment and Training Rep wants to stay in touch.

[Give them a call to touch base!](#)

They would like to hear from you once a month

dislocated workers and youth in Kane, DeKalb, and Kendall counties in Illinois.



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Net Work

The Networking Wisdom of Dale Carnegie in Five Easy Bullet Points.

Smile: This is such a simple, basic rule, yet people just don't think about it.

Ask a question: Joining a group engaged in conversation can be awkward. The best way to do so is to pose a question to the group after getting the gist of the conversation.

Listen: If you can get people to discuss their experiences and opinions-and listen with sincere interest-you can have a great conversation with someone without having to say much at all.

Business cards: Always have them handy. They're an effective way for you to leave your name behind so that people remember who you are.

Say the person's name: People like to hear their own name. Doing so makes the other person feel more comfortable, like you really know him and he knows you.

The value of networking is immeasurable.

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