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**Job Transition groups host guest speakers and offer group discussions on topics related to job search, an opportunity to network for job leads and the chance to gain support from other job seekers. Please share the list with Out Placement Firms, Recruitment Firms, Temporary employment firms, Churches, Work Force Centers and all individuals seeking employment so they can choose a group that meets their needs at a convenient location.**

| <b><u>Group</u></b>                                                                 | <b><u>Location</u></b>                                                                                                                                | <b><u>Meeting Time</u></b>                                                                                                            | <b><u>Format or Specialization</u></b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b><u>Contact</u></b>                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| <b><u>ANDOVER</u></b><br>Job Transition Network                                     | Constance Free Church.<br>16150 Crosstown Blvd<br>N.W. Andover Mn                                                                                     | Monday nites 7 to 9 PM.                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | 763-434-5995                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b><u>ANOKA</u></b><br>Mt Olive Networking Group                                    | Mt Olive Lutheran Church<br>700 Western Street, Anoka,<br>MN                                                                                          | 9:30 Wednesday mornings,<br>upstairs in the Choir room.<br>Help desk is located as you<br>come in the front door.                     | Format is Open, review new members, what type of employment everyone is looking for that attends the meetings. New issues-COBRA, unemployment-we are not experts, but have experienced. Open to discuss new programs and new ideas. Support of job seekers and support for those who want to come in and discuss loss of jobs with others-emotional support as well. | Nina Gribble<br><a href="mailto:nina.gribble@gmail.com">nina.gribble@gmail.com</a>                                                                                                            |
| <b><u>BAYPORT</u></b><br>Valley Networking Group                                    | Bethlehem Lutheran Church<br>490 4th St N Bayport, MN<br>55003                                                                                        | 2nd Monday of each month<br>7pm-9pm                                                                                                   | Non-denominational group offering speakers and networking                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 651-439-3450<br><a href="mailto:angel@bethlehemstar.org">angel@bethlehemstar.org</a><br><a href="http://www.bethlehemstar.org">www.bethlehemstar.org</a>                                      |
| <b><u>BLAINE</u></b><br>The Networking Group                                        | Work Force Center<br>1201 89 <sup>th</sup> Ave. NE<br>Suite 220                                                                                       | Mondays 1:00-2:30<br>Tuesdays 1:00-2:30<br>Wednesdays 1:00-2:30                                                                       | networking contacts, occasional speaker, job leads on <a href="http://www.minnesotaworks.net">www.minnesotaworks.net</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 763-783-4800<br><a href="http://www.positivelymn.com">http://www.positivelymn.com</a>                                                                                                         |
| Veterans Job Club                                                                   | Work Force Center<br>1201 89 <sup>th</sup> Ave. NE<br>Suite 220                                                                                       | Tuesday<br>9:00 AM – 11:00 AM                                                                                                         | <b><u>Veterans Only</u></b><br>Special Job Search Topics Each Week<br>Varied Speakers<br>Networking opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 763-783-4800<br><a href="http://www.positivelymn.com">http://www.positivelymn.com</a>                                                                                                         |
| <b><u>BLOOMINGTON</u></b><br>Sales & Marketing Professionals Network, Inc. (SMPnet) | Oak Grove Presbyterian Church 2200 Old Shakopee Road<br>(Intersection of Old Shakopee and Penn)<br><a href="http://www.oakgrv.org">www.oakgrv.org</a> | every-other-Saturday<br>9:00 AM<br>(Jan 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Jan 17 <sup>th</sup> , Jan 31 <sup>th</sup> ,<br>Feb 28 <sup>th</sup> etc.) | Networking<br>Specializing in Sales & Marketing<br>Executives' networking support<br>\$50.00 per/year<br>\$30 per ½ year<br>Subgroup networking groups, too                                                                                                                                                                                                          | George Burr 612-669-0455<br>Email:<br><a href="mailto:gburr@localmarketmedia.com">gburr@localmarketmedia.com</a><br><br>Group Web site:<br><a href="http://www.SMPnet.org">www.SMPnet.org</a> |

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| FEI/FENG
Financial Executives
International (FEI) –
Financial Executives
Networking Group
(FENG) | Lee Hecht Harrison
International Plaza – Suite
505
7900 International Drive
Bloomington, MN 55425 | Last Thursday of the month
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
Under ‘Chapters – Meeting
Announcements’ for
complete details
Also publish bi-weekly
listing of senior finance
opportunities from on-line,
recruiters and FEI/FENG
Members. | Networking and support for financial
executive’s members of FEI and FENG.
FEI membership has reduced fee for finance
executives in transition – holds monthly
meetings for networking, professional
development and guest speakers
FENG membership is free – must have
sponsor to join. Holds joint Career Service
meeting with FEI. | Mark Richards
richards_mj@msn.com
612-859-8869
Please contact for membership
information
For schedules of events/locations,
please visit the Minneapolis
chapter at
www.thefeng.org |
| Minnesota Manufacturing
Network | | Tuesdays 9 am to 11am
(2 nd and 4th Tuesday of the
month) | Networking. Comprised primarily of
Minneapolis / St. Paul based professionals
with at least ten years of manufacturing
experience in a leadership role. | Meetings by invitation only
LinkedIn Group is OPEN to SR
Mfg. Experience. <i>No recruiters.</i> |
| Minnesota WorkForce
Center
Hennepin South | 4220 West Old Shakopee Rd
#100
Bloomington | First and Third Friday
9:30-11:30 | General support and networkng | facilitated by Lee Shumate
952-346-4028
www.positivelymn.com/hennepinsouth |
| Health Care Professionals
Networking group | Minnesota WorkForce
Center
Hennepin South
4220 West Old Shakopee Rd
#100
Bloomington | First and 3 rd Tuesdays, also
9:30-11:30 | Designed for people wanting to explore new
or non-traditional health care fields | facilitated by Susan Speetzen
952-346-4028
www.positivelymn.com/hennepinsouth |
| Starbucks | | Wednesday | Networking
Specializing on Sales & Marketing | By Invitation Only |
| Career Networking Group
The Minnesota Chapter of
the Project Management
Institute – (PMI-MN) | Hilton,
34th Ave & American Blvd
East, Bloomington, MN. | 3 rd Monday of each month
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm
(check the website) | Networking
speakers
workshops
for Project Managers | www.pmi-mn.org
CareerNet page
careernetworking@pmi-mn.org
651-917-6246 |
| <u>BROOKLYN PARK</u>
Job Club
HIRED & DEED | Work Force Center –
(Hennepin North)
7115 Northland Terrace
Suite 100
Brooklyn Park, MN 55428 | Every Monday
10:00 – 11:30 PM
Call for information | Pre-registration required
Brooklyn Park, 763-536-6016
Special Job Search Topics Each Week
Varied Speakers
Networking opportunities | For information please call
763-536-6000
www.positivelymn.com
www.hired.org
Nancy Buysse & Al Miller |

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| NHCC Job Support Network                              | North Hennepin Community College 7411 85th Avenue North Brooklyn Park, MN 55445                | Meets every-other week on Wednesdays at 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Room: CBT 132<br><br>Beginning May 5, we will be holding our Job Support Network meetings in ES-01            | Initiative for students and others affected by job loss, transition and unemployment<br>Chance to connect with and support one another<br>Opportunity to learn about specific employment topics let us know what topics you'd most like to see highlighted<br>Start with group check-in/sharing<br>Focus the majority of the time on a specific employment topic<br><br>Employment topic facilitated by campus or community volunteer/guest speaker | Gretchen Rixie<br>Director of Student & Workforce Support <a href="mailto:grixie@nhcc.edu">grixie@nhcc.edu</a><br>763-493-0501<br>Kathryn Quam<br>Workforce Liaison<br><a href="mailto:kquam@nhcc.edu">kquam@nhcc.edu</a><br>763-488-0475<br>Sue Smith Counselor<br><a href="mailto:ssmith@nhcc.edu">ssmith@nhcc.edu</a><br>763-424-0710 |
| Faith Based Job Search                                | Living Word Christian Center<br>9201 75th Ave N<br>Brooklyn Park, MN 55428                     | first and third Fridays of each month from 7:30-9am at the Living Word Christian Center Room SG2.<br>To get to Room SG2 go to the western-most end of the new corridor | Our Faith Based Job Search Leaders show you how to combine the Word with real-world job hunting skills. Topics: Driving out Fear, Resume Writing, Internet Search, Interview Process, God's Plan for You, and more. This 6-session course is free and open to the community.                                                                                                                                                                        | <a href="http://www.FaithBasedJobSearch.com">www.FaithBasedJobSearch.com</a><br><a href="mailto:info@faithbasedjobsearch.com">info@faithbasedjobsearch.com</a><br>763-315-7000                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Veterans Job Club</b>                              | Work Force Center<br>7115 Northland Terrace<br>Suite 100<br>Brooklyn Park, MN 55428            | Fridays<br>9:00 – 11:00<br>Sign up at the front desk                                                                                                                   | <b><u>Veterans Only</u></b><br>Special Job Search Topics Each Week<br>Varied Speakers<br>Networking opportunities                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | For information please call<br>Mark Mann<br>763-536-6073<br><a href="http://www.positivelymn.com">www.positivelymn.com</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b><u>BURNSVILLE</u></b><br>The Job Connections Group | Prince of Peace Christian Life Center<br>Rooms 200 - 202<br>200 E. Nicollet Blvd.              | Tuesday<br>6:30 – 8:15 PM                                                                                                                                              | Sponsored by Prince of Peace and Shepherd of the Valley Churches<br>Networking, speakers addressing job search skills and small group discussion/support                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 952-898-9388<br><a href="http://www.princeofpeaceonline.org/jcg">www.princeofpeaceonline.org/jcg</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Networking Job Club                                   | Minnesota WorkForce Center - Dakota County<br>2900 County Road 42 West<br>Burnsville, MN 55337 | Every Wednesday<br>9am to 11am<br>Suite 140                                                                                                                            | Usually speakers, presentations or topics for the first hour,<br>Networking for the second hour.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Mike Lang<br>952-895-7600<br><a href="mailto:michael.lang@state.mn.us">michael.lang@state.mn.us</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Veterans Networking Job Club                          | Minnesota WorkForce Center - Dakota County<br>2900 County Road 42 West<br>Burnsville, MN 55337 | Every Monday<br>10 am to 12 noon<br>Suite 140                                                                                                                          | Usually speakers, presentations or topics for the first hour, Networking for the second hour                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Harry Ostendorf<br>952-895-7656<br><a href="mailto:harry.ostendorf@state.mn.us">harry.ostendorf@state.mn.us</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| <u>CHANHASSEN</u>
St Hubert's Catholic
Community | 8201 Main Street | 2 nd and 4th Tuesday 7:00 –
8:45 pm. | The JTSG is designed to provide spiritual, physiological, and moral support for people that are going through job transition. | George Davisson
952 443 0010
George_Davisson@Yahoo.com |
| Westwood Job Transition
Group | Westwood Community
Church in Room #116
3121 Westwood Drive,
Chanhassen, MN 55331 | 5:30PM-7:00PM
on the 1st and 3rd
Monday of every Month | Networking, prayer, speakers, networking
contacts | Matt Beck
952-457-8866,
matthewpbeck@yahoo.com
www.westwoodcc.org |
| <u>COLUMBIA HEIGHTS</u>
Going Forward Job Club | Puerta Vallarta Mexican
restaurant
3800 Central Ave, Columbia
Heights | last Monday of the month
from 6p-8p | . Presented in conjunction with Women Achieving New Directions, a program of Resource. The group is for both adult men & women job seekers. Dinner is provided, and we can provide child care, if needed. It's free, but if you need childcare, you must RSVP | 763-788-9009 |
| <u>Coon Rapids</u>
North Metro Job
Networking Group | Church of The Epiphany
1900 - 111th Avenue NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Room 709-711 | Tuesday evenings 6:30 -
8:30 P.M. | NMJNG is a non-denominational group open to all persons. A positive evening that begins and ends with prayer. We offer Speakers from time to time, networking, current job leads, ongoing job search strategies. One-on-one work with Dick White on resume work, interviewing techniques and managing career transitions; Join other jobs seekers to share and be informed. | Richard White
richardwhite01@msn.com
Church Office 763-755-1020 |
| Surviving Unemployment
Life Challenges | The Church of Epiphany
1900-111th Avenue
Coon Rapids, MN 55433 | Mondays
6:30pm to 8:00pm | Non-denominational group open to all. Group offers emotional support, information, and resources that address housing issues, health, finances, and much more. A place to receive support and information, know they are not alone, gives people hope and strength to effectively continue their job search | Mary Maness
mmaness4@yahoo.com
Church Office 763-755-1020 |
| <u>CRYSTAL</u>
Minnesota Management
Society | Various locations | 3 to 4 times a year, call or
e-mail for location & time | Networking and speakers | Brian Thomas
bsthomas@bitstream.net
952 544 9464 |
| <u>EAGAN</u>
Easter Job Transitions
Group | Easter Lutheran Church
4200 Pilot Knob Road •
Eagan, MN 55122
Pilot Knob at Diffley Road | Every Tuesday at
7:30-9:00 AM
New presentation by
professional recruiter
1st Tuesday of each month | Intended to inspire job seekers, refine job seeking skills, and celebrate successes. Topics change each week. Guest speakers, discussion groups, videos, networking opportunities. | catherine@arbez.com
www.easterjobs.org
651-452-3680 |

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| <b><u>EDEN PRAIRIE</u></b><br>St. Andrew Lutheran Church    | 13600 Technology Drive<br>Eden Prairie                                                             | Wednesday<br>11:30 AM – 1:30 PM                                                                                   | Networking                                                                                                                                                                                           | 952-937-2776<br><a href="http://www.standrewlu.org/">http://www.standrewlu.org/</a>                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Job Transition Support Group                                | St. Andrew Lutheran<br>13600 Technology Drive                                                      | Monday<br>7:00 – 9:00 PM                                                                                          | Networking, Speakers & Small Group                                                                                                                                                                   | <a href="http://groups.yahoo.com/group/JITSG">http://groups.yahoo.com/group/JITSG</a><br><a href="mailto:JITSG@yahoo.com">JITSG@yahoo.com</a>                                                                                                                      |
| ITNetworkers @<br>St. Andrew Lutheran                       | St. Andrew Lutheran<br>13600 Technology Drive                                                      | Wednesday<br>10:00 AM – 11:00 AM                                                                                  | Speakers, small group discussions for all Techies                                                                                                                                                    | <a href="http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ITNetworkers">groups.yahoo.com/group/ITNetworkers</a><br><a href="mailto:ITGroup_Minnesota@yahoo.com">ITGroup_Minnesota@yahoo.com</a>                                                                                       |
| Crossroads Career Network                                   | Grace Church of Eden Prairie<br>9301 Eden Prairie Road<br>Eden Prairie, MN 55347                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month<br>7:30AM - 9:30AM<br>Divine Grind (Cafeteria- to the right inside Door 4)  | Expert Speakers and varied career search topics, facilitated and informal networking, prayer and support. Small groups available.                                                                    | Dave Sparkman<br><a href="mailto:david_sparkman@uhc.com">david_sparkman@uhc.com</a><br><a href="http://www.ccnatgrace.com">www.ccnatgrace.com</a><br>(see the "Upcoming Events" tab for any changes)                                                               |
| 201" Workshops                                              | Grace Church of Eden Prairie<br>9301 Eden Prairie Road<br>Eden Prairie, MN 55347                   | 3rd Thursday evening of each month<br>6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.<br>Room M209<br>2nd floor up the stairs- enter Door 4 | In Depth/Hands On "201" Workshops:<br>We meet monthly at Grace Church for further questions and answers, and "roll up our sleeves" to review in greater depth the career search topic for the month. | <a href="http://www.ccnatgrace.com">www.ccnatgrace.com</a><br>(see the "Upcoming Events" tab for any changes)                                                                                                                                                      |
| Networking Support Group for Sales & Marketing Individuals: | Grace Church of Eden Prairie<br>9301 Eden Prairie Road<br>Eden Prairie, MN 55347                   | Thursday mornings, 8:00 - 10:00 a.m., at Grace Church, except for the 1st Thursday of the month                   | Meets at 9:00 a.m. on the first Thursday                                                                                                                                                             | Contact Wes Tang @ 952-949-0035 for further information<br><a href="http://www.ccnatgrace.com">www.ccnatgrace.com</a><br>(see the "Upcoming Events" tab for any changes)                                                                                           |
| " Back Together" Careers Class                              | Eden Prairie Assembly<br>16591 duck lake trail<br>eden prairie, mn 55346<br>(EPAG Fellowship Hall) | 9-11am – 2 & 4 <sup>TH</sup> Thursdays                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Church: 952.934.2327<br><a href="http://www.epassembly.org/index.html">www.epassembly.org/index.html</a><br>Ron Conroy<br><a href="mailto:ron@conroyconsult.com">ron@conroyconsult.com</a> .                                                                       |
| Wooddale Job Transition Support Group                       | Wooddale Church<br>6630 Shady Oak Road                                                             | Monday<br>7:15 AM                                                                                                 | Networking, Accountability, Encouragement, and Prayer Support<br>Job Search Process Workshop                                                                                                         | Lonny J. Gulden<br><a href="mailto:lonny@chiefconnectionsofficer.com">lonny@chiefconnectionsofficer.com</a><br>Wooddale Church, 952-944-6300<br><a href="http://www.wooddale.org">www.wooddale.org</a><br><a href="mailto:jtsg@wooddale.org">jtsg@wooddale.org</a> |
| <b><u>EDINA</u></b><br>C-Group                              |                                                                                                    | Every 3 weeks<br>9:00 AM – 11:00 AM                                                                               | CEOs, COOs, & Senior VPs<br><b><u>By invitation or referral</u></b><br>Introductions, networking, & assistance                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

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| Christ in Career support | Christ Presbyterian Church
6901 Normandale Road
Room 316 | 1 st & 3 rd . –Saturday
8:30 AM – 10:30 AM | Job Support Workshop | 952-920-8515 |
| Minneapolis Job Support Workshop | Christ Presbyterian Church
6901 Normandale Road
Room 107 | Tuesday 6:30 PM
Professionals
\$3.00 donation | Job Support Workshop for Managers,
Professionals and Others | JOHN WETZEL
JOHN.WETZEL@RIGHT.COM
Web Site: www.mjsw.org
Phone: 612-720-6532
Hotline: 952-826-7011 |
| TECHNICAL FORUM | Christ Presbyterian Church
6901 Normandale Road
Room 107 | Fridays 10:00 to 12:00 | First there will be an introduction to the group, a brief _check about what each participant has been doing in her/his job search since the last meeting and then an opportunity to discuss issues in job search.
2. Large Group Presentations. Participants will present to the group actual activities / accomplishments from a past job using the white board or a computer projector much as one might do in an interview, handling questions and suggestions. Thus participants will be keeping up their technical skills and seeing and hearing how other people present technical information.
3. Small Group - Triads. In this segment, there will be three roles within the group: interviewer, interviewee and observer. After a few questions, the roles will be rotated. (30 minutes). | Stan Brown at 952-943-0718 |
| MSJW Women's Network | Christ Presbyterian Church
6901 Normandale Road
Room 20 on the lower level,
next to the elevator). | 2 nd Thursday 6:30 p.m. | Focuses on career/life skills development and job search with special emphasis on challenges that women face. We pursue topics and speakers to appeal to both employed women and women in transition. The meetings aim to provide opportunities to share knowledge, experiences and lessons learned in an open and supportive environment. | www.MJSW.org
hotline at (952) 826-7011
M.E.G. Roy
612-554-6229 |

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| MSP HR<br>Networking group                                                                | Edina, MN (Location varies)                                                      | Every Tuesday<br>9:00-10:30 AM<br>Meeting is from<br>9:00-10:00am<br>Open Networking<br>10:00-10:30am | Human Resource professionals and Human<br>Resource professionals in career transition<br>Speakers every other week<br>Open networking, knowledge sharing, job<br>leads, etc. | Rich Kenny<br>612-860-1116<br><a href="mailto:richardakenny@yahoo.com">richardakenny@yahoo.com</a><br>LinkedIn Group (MSP HR)<br><a href="http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2614450&amp;trk=myg_ugrp_ovr">www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2614450&amp;trk=myg_ugrp_ovr</a> |
| Saint Stephen's Job<br>Search Support Group                                               | Saint Stephen's Episcopal<br>Church<br>4439 W. 50th Street<br>Edina, MN 55424    | Thursday evenings from<br>7:00 PM to 8:30 PM<br>in the library                                        | Support, encouragement, and networking for<br>job seekers                                                                                                                    | Len Slade and John Barrow<br><a href="mailto:jobsupport@ststephens.com">jobsupport@ststephens.com</a><br><a href="http://www.ststephens.com/jobsupport">www.ststephens.com/jobsupport</a><br>952-920-0595                                                               |
| <u>SAMS net</u>                                                                           |                                                                                  | Wednesday                                                                                             | Networking<br>Specializing on Sales & Marketing                                                                                                                              | <b>By Invitation Only</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| S & D I/T Subgroup                                                                        | Pentagon Park<br>4620 West 77 <sup>th</sup> Street<br>lower level conference     | 2nd Tuesday each Month<br>7:00 AM to 9:00 AM                                                          | Individual commercial – 30 seconds to 2<br>minutes Networking & speakers                                                                                                     | Phillip Brooks<br>651-470-1257<br><a href="mailto:philbrooks@comcast.net">philbrooks@comcast.net</a>                                                                                                                                                                    |
| S & D Supply Chain<br>Transportation and<br>Logistics Subgroup                            | 12100 Singletree Lane,<br>Eden Prairie, MN                                       | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month<br>8:00-9:30 AM                                                | Individual commercial – 30 seconds to 2<br>minutes Networking & speakers                                                                                                     | Nancy Norman,<br><a href="mailto:nnorman@sellsbrothers.com">nnorman@sellsbrothers.com</a><br>Dan Feder<br><a href="mailto:dan@kinderco.net">dan@kinderco.net</a>                                                                                                        |
| <b><u>GOLDEN VALLEY</u></b><br><u>Smilin' &amp; Dialin'</u>                               |                                                                                  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday bi-Month<br>6:30 AM to 10:00 AM                                               | Networking                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>By invitation only</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Jobs 4 Us                                                                                 | Hastings United Methodist<br>Church, 615 W 15th St,<br>Hastings MN 55033         | Meets every Monday<br>evening from 6:30 to 8:00<br>PM                                                 | This is a faith-based support group offering a<br>time of devotions, prayer, along<br>with practical tips and help                                                           | Contact is Dan Alsdurf<br>480-2116                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b><u>HOPKINS</u></b><br>Minneapolis<br>Toastmasters Career<br>Enhancement / Transition   | Hopkins Area Family<br>Resource Center<br>915 Main street<br>Hopkins, MN 55343   | Thursday 6:45-7:45 PM<br>Call for information                                                         | Job skills & Speaking Aids                                                                                                                                                   | David Alrowitz at 952-939-9749<br><a href="http://www.geocities.com/jim_4004/Toastmasters.html">www.geocities.com/jim_4004/Toastmasters.html</a>                                                                                                                        |
| <b><u>INVER GROVE</u></b><br><b><u>HEIGHTS</u></b><br>Inverhills Work<br>Connection Group | Inverhills Church<br>8265 Babcock Trail East<br>Inver Grove Heights, MN<br>55077 | 7:00pm to 8:30pm<br>on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup><br>Tuesday of every month              | Faith-based, Encouragement, Prayer Support,<br>Networking, Special speakers                                                                                                  | 651 451-3796<br><a href="http://www.inverhillschurch.org">www.inverhillschurch.org</a><br>Paul Weisenburger<br><a href="mailto:pncw@usfamily.net">pncw@usfamily.net</a>                                                                                                 |

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| Job Connections Support Group | Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 7600 Cahill Ave. E., Inver Grove Heights, MN 55076 | 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month beginning at 9:30 a.m. | The JCSG is for anyone at any level who is seeking employment. Each session will include a different aspect of the job search to review and discuss. Also included will be a plethora of information you will want to have at your disposal, as well as providing a wonderful networking and peer supportive environment | Tom Alcorn
651-245-1988
tralcorn4@aol.com
Church 651-451-6225
www.goodshepherdigh.com |
| <u>Lakeville</u>
Career Connections
Avodah Services | Hosanna! Lutheran
9660 163rd St West
Lakeville, MN 55044
952-435-3332 | 1st and 3rd Tuesday
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Room 8
1 On 1 Meetings room 2
Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 pm | Prayer focus with Networking and support
Biblical Workplace values
Job placement
Non-profit | Howie Nelson
952-892-6344
howienelson@charter.net
www.hosannalc.org
www.avodahservices.org |
| <u>MAPLE GROVE</u>
Job Transition Support Group | Maple Grove Evangelical Free Church
8585 Rice Lake Road
Maple Grove, MN 55369 | 1 st and 3 rd Thursdays
afternoons
1:00 - 2:30pm
Location: Kidzone | Faith-based, Encouragement, Prayer Support, Networking, Special speakers | Becky Peterson
Director of Women's and Care Ministries
763-420-6485 x 105
beckyp@mgefc.org
www.mgefc.org |
| <u>MEDINA</u>
Holy Name of Jesus Church | 155 County Rd. 24
Wayzata/Medina Area | 1 st . Thursday
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Emmaus Room | Networking Introductions & then either a speaker, panel discussion, or open networking also sends out jobs from various groups and recruiters - no need to come to meeting if just want the jobs emailed to you | Cheryl Alexander
763-416-4570
cherylalexander@comcast.net
Bill Corrigan
wcorrig@comcast.net |
| <u>MINNEAPOLIS</u>
Basilica Employment Ministry | Basilica of St. Mary
17th and Hennepin Avenues,
Minneapolis | Monthly Workshops & Individual meetings as scheduled | One-on-one work with Janet Grove (ministry leader) and volunteer coaches; Assistance networking, locating postings, resume work, managing career transitions; Monthly workshops on job seeking topics. | Janet Grove
612 - 317 - 3508
E-mail: jgrove@mary.org |
| Career Coffee House | Career Crossroads
2736 Lyndale Avenue So
Suite 212, Minneapolis | Beginning Saturday,
November 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m | Meetings will include check-in/updates, networking and tips/skill building Cost is \$10 per person for a 6 week series of meetings | e-mailing Career Crossroads at
vicki@careercrossroads.us |

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| Hand Up Job Club                                                        | Emerge Community Development headquarters, 1101 W. Broadway Ave. Suite 200; Mpls., MN 55401<br>Corner of Emerson Ave. N & Broadway | bi-weekly Mon-Wed., 9am-11am w/9-noon Tue-Wed                                                                | Registration consists of attending an info session the Mon. prior to Job Club week, from 9am-10:15am at headquarters.<br>Format: Help with internet navigation of job searching, dress, resumes, cover letters, thank you cards, mock interviews, application completion, elevator speeches, and answering difficult questions in a supportive environment | Charmanique Cox, 612.787.3776<br>Lynn Daniels, 612.787.3773                                                       |
| Hennepin Church Job Transition Group                                    | Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church, 510 Groveland Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55403                                               | We meet on the first and third Monday of each month<br>7:00 to 8:30pm                                        | We are targeted to people who live or work downtown, but everyone is welcome. We are a Roundtable Support Group. You will be given the opportunity share an update on your job search, practice your "elevator speech" about why someone should hire you and offer your support to the other attendees                                                     | <a href="http://www.hennepinchurch.org">www.hennepinchurch.org</a>                                                |
| Lutheran Social Service- Training and Education Center                  | Lutheran Social Service- 2400 Park Ave. Minneapolis, MN 55404                                                                      | Open lab 9-4:30 Monday, Thursday & Friday<br>1-4:30 Wednesday<br>Computer Classes Tuesdays at 9am and 1pm    | Format or specialization: Open computer lab for job searching. We provide assistance in resumes, cover letters, and applications.<br>Training in computer skills, employability skills and specific job skills                                                                                                                                             | Channa Ring 612-879-5286<br><a href="mailto:Channa.Ring@lssmn.org">Channa.Ring@lssmn.org</a>                      |
| Medical Device Job Transition Group                                     | Southview Seventh Day Adventist Church<br>5750 S. Wentworth Ave<br>SW corner of Wentworth & 58th St<br>Minneapolis                 | 1st Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm<br><b>"Please email for invitation / industry experience required"</b> | The mission of the Medical Device Job Group is to give medical device job seekers (engineering, quality, regulatory, purchasing, sales and marketing etc.) an opportunity to discuss issues relevant to their particular job search while meeting others in the industry.                                                                                  | <a href="mailto:medicaldevicejobgroup@hotmail.com">medicaldevicejobgroup@hotmail.com</a>                          |
| <a href="#">East Side Neighborhood Services</a>                         | 1700 Second St. NE                                                                                                                 | 9 – 10 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Audrey Harris-Blount<br>612-787 - 4051                                                                            |
| Pillsbury Neighborhood Services<br><a href="#">Mpls. Residents only</a> | Brian Coyle Community Center<br>420 S. 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave.                                                                       | Call for meetings<br>M-F 7:30 – 9:30 PM                                                                      | Orientation / must Preregister                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 612 - 338 - 3808<br>to Pre-Register                                                                               |
| TWIN CITY EMPLOYMENT COLLABORATIVE                                      | 430 First Avenue North<br>Suite 620<br>Minneapolis, MN 55401                                                                       | second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. at the Sabes JCC                            | There are speakers the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. The goals of the group are to provide support, networking and advice about job search skills.                                                                                                                                                                                             | Ardis Wexler,<br>Program Coordinator,<br>952-417-2117<br><a href="mailto:awexler@jvsmn.org">awexler@jvsmn.org</a> |

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| <u>WAND, Women Achieving New Directions</u> | 3200 Penn Ave. N.,
Minneapolis | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., Thursday | Services primarily for single, working mothers; however, single, working fathers also welcome | Anie Umoeka, 651-752-8500
or 651-752-8554 |
| Medical Suds | Medtech, Biotech &
Life science professionals | Meets Quarterly on
Thursday evening at
various locations | Education, seminars, & networking
For Medtech, Biotech and Life Science
Professionals | <u>www.medsuds.com</u>
Matt Noah
952-934-5424 |
| Net Suds | IT & High Tech
Professionals | Meets quarterly at various
locations | Education, seminars, & networking
For IT and High-tech professionals | <u>www.netsuds.com</u>
Matt Noah
952-934-5424 |
| MISRC
Research Seminars | Carlson School of Business
– Univ. of Minnesota
campus | Monthly during academic
year – call for information | | Seminars for IT professionals |
| <u>Employment Transitions,</u> | Westminster Presbyterian
Church
12 St. and Marquette Ave.,
Minneapolis | Sat. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
Bates Room | | Ken Huskins
<u>krh321@gmail.com</u>
Claudia Kapitan, 612-332-3421
<u>www.ewestminster.org</u> |
| <u>MINNETONKA</u>
Job Transition and
Support Group | JVS - Suite 300
13100 Wayzata Boulevard,
Minnetonka | 2nd and 4th Tuesday's
10-11:30 am | Job search skills, networking, speakers,
individual check-in time and support | Leah Temkin, Career Development
Program Manager 952.417.2108
<u>ltemkin@jvsmn.org</u>
<u>www.jvsmn.org</u> |
| <u>NORTH ST. PAUL</u>
Work Force Center | 2098 E. 11 th Ave.
North St. Paul | Thursday
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM | Speakers, networking, current job leads,
ongoing job search strategies and
encouragement on you journey to the next
job. Coping mechanisms and ideas. Join other
jobs seekers to share and be informed. | <u>Michael Ellison</u>
651-770-4491
<u>www.positivelymn.com</u>
651-779-5666 |
| North East Work Search
Group | North Haven Church, 2240
15th Ave East,
North St. Paul, MN 55109 | 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at
6:15 PM - Room 102 | Networking, job skill
development, and
Encouragement. | Richard Brunkow,
651-235-3092
<u>richardbrunkow@msn.com</u> |
| <u>PLYMOUTH</u>
Network 24/7 | Messiah United Methodist
Church
17805 County Road 6
Plymouth, MN 55447 | 2nd Tuesday of the Month,
7:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. | Open Networking, Speaker, Table
Networking
Pre-registration appreciated, but not required | Jean Paulsen-Lepley,
<u>jplepley@comcast.net</u>
612-840-7869 |

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| Plymouth Covenant Career Transition Support Group                            | Plymouth Covenant Church<br>4300 Vicksburg Lane,<br>Plymouth, MN 55446               | Call for a no obligation appointment.                                                                         | One-on-one support to clarify and provide personal help relative to Career Transition. Go to website for list of individuals and special interests association with Career Transition -                                                                                                                                | Pastor Dan Johnson<br>763-559-4300<br><a href="http://www.plymouthcovenant.org">www.plymouthcovenant.org</a><br><a href="mailto:office@plymouthcovenant.org">office@plymouthcovenant.org</a>                    |
| Wayzata Evangelical Free Church                                              | 705 County Rd. 101 N.                                                                | 1st Tuesday of the month from 7-9 PM                                                                          | Focuses on spiritual needs of individuals in transition Prayer support for job seekers. Offers mentoring and sharing of job leads                                                                                                                                                                                      | Pastor Carroll, 763-473-9463<br><a href="mailto:carroll.miller@wayzatafree.org">carroll.miller@wayzatafree.org</a><br>Jim Villars<br><a href="mailto:Job.Trans.WEFC@Comcast.net">Job.Trans.WEFC@Comcast.net</a> |
| <b><u>SAVAGE</u></b><br><a href="#">Bridgepath</a> Support Group & Workshops | Bridgewood Church<br>6201 W. 135th St<br>Savage, MN.                                 | Support group currently on hiatus                                                                             | John is still willing to help on an individual need.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | John Whitmore<br>952-830-1420 ext 227                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b><u>SHOREVIEW</u></b><br>SOAR for Jobs                                     | St. Odilia's Catholic Community<br>3495 Victoria St. North                           | 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup><br>MONDAYS of the Month<br><br>7-9pm                                      | The St. Odilia's Job Transition Support Group is a non-denominational group open to all persons. The group coaches people to take control of their future and achieve a successful job transition. To accomplish this, the group offers seminars with guest speakers, mentorship, training, fellowship and networking. | Call 651-484-6681<br>Or See Our Web Site<br><a href="http://www.soar4jobs.org">www.soar4jobs.org</a><br><a href="http://www.stodilia.org">www.stodilia.org</a>                                                  |
| <b><u>ST. LOUIS PARK</u></b><br>AITP – Association of Informational Prof.    | Northwest Chapter AITP<br>Doubletree Hotel<br>1500 Park Place Blvd.                  | Meeting 5:15 p.m<br>Dinner: 5:30 p.m<br>Program: 6:30 to 8 p.m                                                | 1 <sup>st</sup> . Thursday<br>September through May                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 612-751-2138<br><a href="http://www.nwaitp.org">www.nwaitp.org</a><br><a href="mailto:Info@nwaitp.org">Info@nwaitp.org</a>                                                                                      |
| Women In Transition                                                          | Lennox Community Center<br>6715 Minnetonka Blvd,<br>#212<br>St. Louis Park, MN 55426 | <b>Day Workshops:</b><br>Tues / Thurs, 9am–3:30 pm<br><b>Job Skills Workshops:</b><br>Mondays, 6:00 – 8:00 pm | Available to all Women regardless of work experience, education or income level. Job search seminars held weekly.<br><a href="http://eac-mn.org/womensprog.shtml">eac-mn.org/womensprog.shtml</a>                                                                                                                      | Dina Stender<br><a href="http://eac-mn.org/womensprog.shtml">eac-mn.org/womensprog.shtml</a><br><a href="mailto:dstender@resource-mn.org">dstender@resource-mn.org</a><br>612-752-8444                          |
| Starbuck Networking Group                                                    | Starbuck coffee shop<br>highway 55 & Winnetka<br>in the strip mall                   | 1 – 2 p.m.,<br>Alternate Thursdays                                                                            | Informal meetings but we share ideas, job leads, & contacts through e-mail. The group is very helpful, and made of many IT leaders, managers, some business people & recruiters.                                                                                                                                       | Youssef Haddad<br><a href="mailto:y_haddad@yahoo.com">y_haddad@yahoo.com</a><br>cell (612) 791-5544                                                                                                             |

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| 7 degrees creativ | St. Georges Episcopal Church
5224 Minnetonka Boulevard
St. Louis Park, MN 55416 | Fridays at 11-1:00 pm | Networking and Support group for Creative Professionals | www.StGeorgesOnline.org
info@7degreecreativ.com
www.SaintG.org
952-926-1646 |
| Transition Group for Creatives | St. George's Episcopal Church
5224 Minnetonka Boulevard
St. Louis Park, MN 55416 | Fridays, 11-1, not affiliated with the church | | John Hegerman 612-669-7365 |
| ST. PAUL
Women Venture | 2324 University Ave. West | 3rd Tuesday from 9:30 – 11:30 AM
4 th Thursday from 6:30 – 8:30 PM | Set goals and develop new ideas and leads for your job search. Network with others to create new contacts and create solid support systems as you make that career transition first time free, then \$35 per meeting | Call First
651-646-3808
www.womenventure.org |
| Coffee Hour
Jobs In Transition | Quality Career Services
2515 Wabash Ave
Suite LL1 St. Paul | Mondays
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM | Weekly speakers, on Job Search Topics, excellent networking opportunities, No Fees, One Stop Transition Center | 651-647-9322
www.qualitycareerservices.org/networking.htm
directorqcs@qualitycareerservices.org |
| UU Networkers
Job/Career Transition & Support | Unity Church-Unitarian
732 Holly Avenue
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55104 | Meets in the library upstairs
Every Monday morning
9:30 to 11:30 | check-in on prior week's job seeking activities, people mention agenda items. Occasional presentations | Wendy Frieze
wendyfrieze@mac.com |
| Veterans Center | 2480 University Ave. | Open to Veterans | Job assistance or Individual Counsel no groups/meetings | 651-644-4022
Job search help |
| Veterans Job Club | Work Force Center
540 Fairview Ave N
St Paul, 55104 | Monday s
9:00 – 11:00
Sign up at the front desk | <u>Veterans Only</u>
Special Job Search Topics Each Week
Varied Speakers
Networking opportunities | For info call 651 642 0363
Neal Krenz
651 642 0735
www.positivelymn.com |
| The Big Net Job Seekers | St. John The Evangelist Church, 60 N. Kent, St. Paul 55104 | Thur. 4 pm | Meet weekly to share support & knowledge. Occasional evening seminars on job search topics | Claire Eckley"
cgeckley@juno.com
www.TheBigNet.net
651-228-1172 |
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| <b><u>WEST ST. PAUL</u></b><br>Dakota County Northern<br>Service Center | 1 Mendota Road West, #170<br>West St. Paul 55118                                                                                   | Monday 1:30 – 3:30 PM                                                                     | A speaker the first hour<br>and networking the second hour                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | WorkForce Center<br>Terri Pieper<br>#651-554-5955                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b><u>WAYZATA</u></b><br>Face2Face Job Search<br>Networking             | Unitarian Universalist<br>Church of Minnetonka<br>605 Rice Street Wayzata,<br>MN 55391<br>(5 minutes from 494/394/12)              | first and third Thursday<br>of each month,<br>9am – noon                                  | A mix of seminar material, helpful<br>networking, and speakers, each meeting of<br>Face2Face is designed to serve professionals<br>in the metro area who want the latest methods<br>on job search in a tough economy.<br>Networking Clusters include Sales and<br>Marketing, Finance, Product, Project,<br>Program Management, Fundraising/Non-<br>profits, HR/Training, Operations and General<br>Management, Finance, Engineering,<br>Software/IT, Under-40, Executive Forum,<br>and others as needed. | Joanne Meehl<br>612-807-0258<br><a href="http://www.face2.net">www.face2.net</a>                                                                                                                                  |
| New Day Career<br>Connection                                            | Wayzata Community<br>Church<br>125 E Wayzata Blvd<br>Wayzata, MN 55391                                                             | 3rd Tuesday of each Month<br>from 7-9 am                                                  | Speaker, networking and small group<br>discussions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Christine Smith<br>612-710-3388<br><a href="mailto:c.smith@nextstone.netnet">c.smith@nextstone.netnet</a><br><a href="http://wayzatacommunitychurch.org/">wayzatacommunitychurch.org/</a>                         |
| Breakfast Connections:<br>Education for Careers in<br>Transition        | Morgan Stanley Smith<br>Barney - Wayzata Branch,<br>445 East Lake Street,<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room,<br>Wayzata, MN | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month<br>September through May                           | Networking, Key Note Speakers on relevant<br>topics, Workshop/Small Group Breakout,<br>more Networking .<br>Complimentary continental breakfast and<br>coffee bar.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Sarah Curfman - Financial<br>Advisor, Financial<br>Specialist<br><a href="mailto:Sarah.a.curfman@smithbarney.com">Sarah.a.curfman@smithbarney.com</a><br>Email to RSVP or call<br>Christine Heine at 952 475 4380 |
| <b><u>WOODBURY</u></b><br>Career Transition<br>Connection               | Woodbury Lutheran<br>7380 Afton Road<br>Woodbury                                                                                   | Meet 2 <sup>nd</sup> . & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday<br>7:00 PM - 8:30 PM<br>Except holidays | Christian aspect of strength and guidance<br>through prayer. Guest speakers on relevant<br>topics, mentoring & networking                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Tom Colosimo<br>651-739-5144<br><a href="http://www.woodburylutheran.org">www.woodburylutheran.org</a>                                                                                                            |

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