

JOB CLUBS AND NETWORKING MEETINGS, Northwest Suburbs 6/1/10

The purpose of Job Clubs and Networking meetings is to help you be as successful as possible in your search for a new position. Attending these groups supports your efforts by offering you informative speakers and concrete information that will enable you to identify and secure the right position in the shortest time possible. If one group does not fit you, try another. **AGENDA:** These meetings are usually casual dress. Bring 20 résumés with you to hand out (Résumés should be printed on copy paper and printed on both sides). You will normally sit at tables and rotate from table to table, giving everyone an opportunity to have a face-to-face conversation with one another that will lead to contacts and job leads. This is where you give your 2 minute Elevator Speech and describe what you are looking for. Most clubs have e-mail lists to send additional information and Job Boards - Sign up for these. Many companies list their job openings with these groups, as well as some recruiters. We suggest you contact the group to verify dates and meeting times.

St. Hubert's Job & Networking Group: 729 Grand Canyon St., Hoffman Estates, IL. Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month @ 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. E-mail: www.sainthubert.org, Bob Podgorski. (847)885-7700. **No Fee** This group also has seminars on weekends - check website for time and place.

On the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 PM, there is a "How to Network" Workshop for the First Timer
Be sure to sign up for the E-Mail Job Board when you sign in at St. Hubert's.

Barrington Career Center: 600 Hart Rd, Suite 275, Barrington, IL 60010. Meetings every Tuesday 10:00 am to noon. Ph. (847)304-4157, www.barringtoncareercenter.com. Also on Thursday at 10 am, International Networking - open to all who are looking to work for an international company. **Note this group charges a fee.**

LDS: 4951 Indiana Ave. Suite 400. Lisle, IL. Contact Ms. Sally Morrison at (630)487-2181 for information about **2 Day Interview Course. No Fee.** The LDS program is also presented by St. Francis de Sales Ministry Center, 135 S. Buesching, Lake Zurich IL. Call (847)438-6622 for information. **No Fee**

Executive Network of Chicago (ENG): For Senior positions over \$100K. Arlington Heights Library, 500 N. Dunton Ave., Arlington Heights, IL. For info call (847)392-0100. Meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each month. **Note this group charges a fee.**

Gray Hair Management: For Management. & Senior positions over \$75K. Networking Meeting - Call Scott Kane (847)940-2800 or go to www.grayhairmanagement.com. They have a good e-mail program with job leads and bulletin board for questions on company info and job seeking questions. **Note this group charges a one-time lifetime fee.**

Career Resource Center: 40 East Old Mill Road, Suite 105 Grove Cultural Campus, Lake Forest, IL 60045. The entrance is at the back of the Music School Building. Director - Jan Leahy (847)295-5626, www.careerresourcecenter.org. Networking meetings every Tuesday at 7 pm. **Note this group charges an annual fee.**

Holy Family Catholic Church: 2515 W. Palatine Rd, Inverness, IL 60067, (847)359-0042. Meetings on Saturdays at 7:30 am.

Job Club held at Schaumburg Township Office: One Illinois Blvd, Hoffman Estates, IL. For date and time, contact Val Profit at (847)884-0030.

Lisle Township Job Club: Lisle Library, 777 Front St., Lisle, IL. (630)968-1880 x 249. Meets on Fridays at 10 am - 12:30 pm.

St. Matthew's Job Search Ministry: 1005 E. Schaumburg Rd., Schaumburg, IL 60194, Monthly workshops are held over 3 days. For more information contact Greg Harnyak at greg1408@sbcglobal.net. **No Fee**

The Pay-It-FORWARD Networking Group: Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month from 7:00 pm at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 200 N. Plum Grove, Palatine, IL. Phone: (847) 359-1549. Contact David Krull.

Career Stimulus Program Networking: Harper College Wojcik Conference Center, 1200 Algonquin Rd, Palatine, IL. Monthly 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. Call (847)925-6438 for dates and information. First program is free. Fee: \$85/yr. No fee if WIA participant.

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More Job Clubs / Support Groups and Associations. CALL FOR INFORMATION.

Food Networking Group: Food manufacturing or distribution industries. Supervisors to VP, including Sales and Marketing. Monthly meetings in Oak Brook Terrace. E-mail Pam Shields at pashields2002@yahoo.com for dates and times.

CPG (Consumer Products Group): Monthly Networking Meetings. Network with other in-transition consumer products executives with CP backgrounds. Meet at the Schaumburg Public Library, 130 S Roselle Rd. Schaumburg, IL. South Rasmussen Room 9:30 am to 2 pm. Please e-mail Joe Nagle at naglejc@aol.com for the next meeting date. ***No Fee***

ChemPharma® Chicago Chapter: Meetings of technical executives in the Chemical, Life Sciences, Pharmaceutical and allied industries, www.chempharma.net. The group meets monthly at 7:30 am on the 2nd Saturday in Wheaton, IL 60187. For meeting information, call (847)716-0507.

MFG (Manufacturing Pros Networking Group): Lombard Bible Church, 111 S. Park Ave, Lombard, IL 60148. Call Juan Chapa at (630)272-8023 or e-mail: mfgpros@att.net. Meetings are on last Tuesday of each month 6:30 pm. The group is composed of Mfg Mgt, QA, HR, Material Control, Procurement, Supply Chain, Distribution, Warehousing, Design, Industrial & Mfg, Production Planning, & Facilities & Maintenance.

IT Sales & Support Professionals Networking Group: Meets at Dominick's Food Cafeteria, 1293 E. Higgins Rd., Schaumburg, IL First Monday of every month at 7 pm. Contact: wvandyne@earthlink.net.

The Finance Leaders Association: Meets monthly, peer-to-peer networking. For info E-mail: Len Green at hollingconsult@aol.com for dates.

Chicago Training North Networking: Meeting at McDonalds, 2227 NW Hwy. Barrington, IL every Tuesday 12:30 pm. Dedicated to the Training Industry.

Business Networking Chicago: BNC hosts 7 special interest groups (SIG's) including Entrepreneurship, Health Care, HR, International, IT, Sales and Marketing, and Venture Capital. Most groups meet monthly over lunch at 12:00 pm. To RSVP and sign up for any group and/or find additional information, click on **Upcoming Events** or on the BNC EventCalendar <http://www.bnchicago.org>.

Human Resources Oak Brook Group: 1 Lincoln Center, 18 West Butterfield Road, Superior Bank Building, Suite 1160, Oak Brook Terrace, IL 60181, (630)761-6761. Contact: Dick Hill at dhill@parksite.com. Meets twice a month, focusing on HR.

FENG Financial Executive Networking Group Meets in Rosemont: Web site: <http://www.thefeng.org/>. For more info contact John Kirkeide at jkirkeide@atgaudits.com or (847)615-8104.

CPA Networking Group: Full details are on the www.ICPAS.org web site under Communities: Chapters, North Shore, Programs. COMPLUS Web site: www.complusgrp.com. The Member Group: www.TheMemberGroup.com or e-mail: AHollan700@aol.com.

Operations & Supply Chain Networking: Meets on 1st and 3rd Monday 10 am to 12 noon, Drake Beam Morin Offices, 1901 Butterfield Rd. Suite 400, Downers Grove, IL 60515 (SW corner of -I355 and Butterfield Rd.).

Chicago Training Network Midwest: Meets at Panera Bread, 1191 E Ogden Ave Naperville, IL 60563. Third Tuesday at 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. Contact Steve Gawron for info (630)548-5070 or e-mail at sgawron@core.com.

Information Technology Knowledge Network (ITKN): Meets 4th Wednesday 7 am to 10 am Mission Hills Country Club, 1700 Mission Hills Dr, Northbrook, IL 60062. Contact Dick Hughey at Dhughey@ibscorp.com.

These are just a few have the Job Clubs and Support groups in the area. For addition groups, check on the web using a search engine like Google or Ask, or Yahoo and search on Job Clubs, or Career Centers, or Job Networking Groups. Also check out www.Chicagojobs.org under Networking Fee based and Non Fee based. College Alumni Clubs and College placement offices can help in job search. Also Industry Associations have web sites with job posting or employment information. A good web site for job search is www.indeed.com. This site lists jobs from most of the major job posting sites. It allows you to search based on location, job title, and keywords and you can set up an e-mail notification when new jobs are posted. It also lists how long the job has been posted.