



September Newsletter



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OPEN LATE FOR FREE UPGRADING

Starting on September 20th the CAW Action Centre will be open in the evenings on Mondays and Wednesdays to assist our members with upgrading their education around their current schedules. This is a great opportunity to learn in a team work environment to reach your goals of receiving your GED, grade 12 diploma or upgrading your education in preparation for school. Come into the Action Centre and see **Kim Black** from the Literacy Council. She covers math on Monday, english on Wednesday, if you come in on Tuesday or Thursday you can get help with any subject!

Upgrading your education to meet labour market demand is important, a grade 12 diploma or GED equivalent is required by most hiring employers.

Contact the action centre to book your appointment today!!



THE ACTION CENTRE WELCOMES NEW PEER HELPERS

Carolyn is formerly from Lear Corporation and a new graduate from Durham Business College in computer programs. Carolyn is assisting members in the action centre with computer workshops on BUILDING AN EMAIL ADDRESS and INTERNET TECHNIQUES & ATTACHMENTS. Carolyn will be in the action centre every Thursday and looks forward to assisting our members build their confidence using computers to reach their goals. Contact the action centre to book an appointment with Carolyn today

Kelly is formerly from Syncreon who is now a peer in the action centre providing members with information on resources available in the community and the action centre. Kelly has proven to be a valuable member of the team with her outgoing personality and understanding of barriers workers face after facing permanent jobloss

WEDNESDAY EVENING SOCIALS IN THE ACTION CENTRE

Starting Wednesday September 22, the action centre will be hosting evening socials for members looking to get out of the house and meet with friends.

Social networking is a great way to meet new people, discuss employment opportunities or interact with people facing the same barriers after job loss.

The action centre has a kid's playroom for members who would like to bring their children.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Sue for the successful completion of her Food Handling Certification at Durham College. Sue spent time with the peers in the action centre researching her option for a quick process to get back into the workforce. Sue has many transferable skills that will lead her into a career path in the Hospitality Industry preparing healthy nutritious meals for members of the community

Congratulations to Natalie on her recent graduation from Durham Business College with a Diploma in Business Information System. We are proud of Natalie who graduated with high marks and recently secured fulltime employment in an office environment with her new Second Career Education. Great job Natalie you are an inspiration to many people entering retraining programs

Congratulations to Rod Crouter who will be starting at Durham College in September for a Mechanical Engineering Non Destructive program. Rod has been working towards his goal of returning to school with upgrading his education in technical math to meet the standards of College programs to ensure a successful outcome during the two year Second Career program. Rod is pleased the CAW action centre will be open in the evenings for easy access to computers and the internet during his retraining program.

JOB DEVELOPMENT IN THE ACTION CENTRE

Bill is a valuable part of the action centre team assisting members with finding alternative employment that meets their needs. Bill has been successful in assisting many of our members receive interviews and find alternative employment.



We encourage our members to stop into the action centre to meet with Bill to target a return to work action plan to help you get back into the workforce. Members will be able to meet with Bill in the evenings at the action centre on Mondays and Wednesdays starting September 20th. Bill enjoys having members stop into the centre to give him updates about employment opportunities or to target return to work action plans. Contact Bill in the action centre at (905) 432-7205 or email your resume to actioncentreoshawa@gmail.com

SUCCESS MATTERS

Congratulations to Heather who secured fulltime employment, in her field of Community Service Work, after graduating through the Second Career Program. Heather is looking forward to her new career; she has been a volunteer at the action centre and the community for many years. Heather believed she could achieve her goals if she kept a positive outlook towards her future and she is now starting a great new career giving back to the community.

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We also welcome members from PPG/Duplate and any other members from previous Local 222 units