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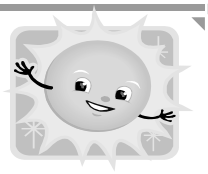
Seeking Outstanding Older Workers from Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and New York for National Award! Nominees must be 65 or older, working 20 hrs per week and have significant community involvement. Nominations are due by May 31, 2006. For more information contact Michelle White at 800-562-2776 x232 or visit www.experienceworks.org.

Shining Star

Chemung County, NY- Some say "age is nothing but a number" and at 83 Patricia Owen is proving this statement true. After losing her husband she realized she needed to re-enter the workforce to increase her income. Patricia has also dealt with significant health conditions resulting from arthritis. She has had a series of knee and hip replacement surgeries. Additionally, her lack of transportation made her job search difficult. She was limited to applying for jobs within a short distance from her house. Patricia joined Experience Works and trained at the Chemung County Historical Society, which was conveniently close to home. As a receptionist, her responsibilities included answering the phone, data entry, and assisting with bulk mailings. While training, she had her second hip replacement surgery and took some time off to recover. She enthusiastically returned to her training assignment when she was well. Patricia continued her job search and found a great secretarial permanent job opportunity at a church close to home. She quickly applied for the position and was offered the part-time job in February 2006. This position provides her an increase in salary and she is learning new computer skills. At the church she answers the phone, distributes the mail, and helps develop a weekly bulletin and monthly newsletter. She is excited about finding the right opportunity and will continue to prove that "age is nothing but a number."

Look Who's Hiring:



CVS, Hartford, CT
Walmart Super Center, Albion, NY
Great Escape, Lake George, NY
Youth Council of New Hampshire, Nashua, NH
Walmart, New Hampshire (statewide)
Apex Healthcare Services, Springfield, MA

Look Who's Been Hired in Your Community:

Maria Jimenez, Hartford County, CT
Patricia Pardy, Madison County, NY
Sandy O'Keefe, Warren County, NY
Anthony Pepiciello, Hampshire County, MA
Diane Woods, Rockingham County, NH
Frederick Widmayer, Grafton County, NH

Helpful Job Search and Interview Tips:

- Take advantage of your job club opportunity. This is great way to practice your interview skills and develop your resume.
- Stay positive. Baby boomers are reaching the age of 60 at the rate of one every seven seconds. Employers will be seeking employees with your "Experience."
- During an interview stress your willingness to learn and tell employers that your maturity is an asset as it helps with problem-solving situations.

Experience Works is a national, nonprofit organization that provides training and employment services to older workers. The Northeast Regional office operates in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York. Contact Experience Works at 1-800-562-2776 or visit www.experienceworks.org