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| Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday |
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| <p><b>Job Search Resource Centre Hours:</b><br/> <b>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday &amp; Friday: 9am—4pm</b><br/> <b>Wednesday: 9am—7pm</b></p>   |  | <p>1</p> <p>Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</p>   | <p>2</p> <p> Interview Series (pt.1): 1-3pm</p> <p>Speak English Café<br/>6-8pm (43 Queen St. S.) </p> | 3   | 4        |
| <p>6  <b>Computer Basics Course (grp.1)</b><br/>Starts 9am-12pm</p> <p>Strategic Job Searching Series: <i>Finding the Right Work Environment</i>, 2:00-3:30pm </p> | 7  | <p>8  <b>Registered Disability Savings Plan Information Session</b> 1pm-2pm</p> <p>Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</p> | <p>9  Interview Series (pt.2): 1-3pm</p> <p>Speak English Café<br/>6-8pm (43 Queen St. S.) </p>        | 10  | 11       |
| <p>13 Strategic Job Searching Series: <i>Online Resources</i>, 2:00-3:30pm </p>   | <p>14  <b>MS Word 2007 Course Starts</b> 9am-11:30am</p> <p>Self-Help Alliance Drop-in 2pm-3pm </p> | <p>15</p> <p>Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</p>  | <p>16  Interview Series (pt.1): 1-3pm</p> <p>Speak English Café<br/>6-8pm (43 Queen St. S.) </p>      | 17  | 18       |
| <p>20</p> <p><b>Closed Family Day</b></p>  | <p>21  <b>BarterWorks Discussion</b>, 4:30pm (43 Queen St. S.)</p>  | <p>22</p> <p>Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</p>  | <p>23  Interview Series (pt.2): 1-3pm</p> <p>Speak English Café<br/>6-8pm (43 Queen St. S.) </p>   | 24  | 25       |
| <p>27 Strategic Job Searching Series: <i>Networking Skills</i>, 2:00-3:30pm </p>  | <p>28  <b>Computer Basics Course (grp.2)</b><br/>Starts 2pm-4pm</p>   | <p>29</p> <p>Job Search Resource Centre open to 7pm</p>  | <p><b>Workshops take place at 58 Queen St. S., unless otherwise indicated.</b></p>   | <p><b>See back of this sheet for workshop descriptions.</b></p> |          |

- **BarterWorks:** Want to learn more about K-W's local community based trading system drop in to an **Office Hours** at 58 Queen St. S.; Tuesdays from 10am-4pm, please call for an appointment. For more information contact Greg at 743-1151 ext. 139.

◆ **BarterWorks Discussion:** Want to learn more about how KW's community trading system can support the local economy. Join us on the third Tuesday of the month (February 21) for a conversation on local currency and how to make the most of a BarterWorks membership. Held at 43 Queen St. S. Please RSVP to Greg at 743-1151 ext. 139.


◆ **Community Market Day:** Come support local artists and the local economy on Saturday, February 25 from 11am-3pm at 43 Queen St. S.


- **Interview Series:** Learn the formula for success in interviews. Held Thursdays from 1pm-3pm at 58 Queen St. S.  

**Workshop Dates:** February 2(pt.1), 9 (pt.2), 16 (pt.1), and 23 (pt.2). Call Lizzy at 519-743-1151 ext. 252.

• **Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) - Information**

! **Session:** The RDSP is a long-term savings plan to help Canadians with disabilities and their families save for the future. The RDSP is delivered by Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). You should consider opening an RDSP if you have a long-term disability and are under the age of 60, a Canadian resident with a social insurance number, eligible for the Disability Tax Credit (Disability Amount), and are looking for a long-term savings plan. This session will be held on Wednesday, February 8 from 1pm-2pm at 58 Queen St. S.

- **Self Help Alliance Drop-in:** Enhance your employment opportunities by gaining insights into supports that will improve your quality of life. This workshop will be held on the second Tuesday of each month; February 14, from 2-3pm at 58 Queen St. S.

 • **Speak English Café:** Practice speaking English in an informal, café setting. Held Thursdays from 6pm-8pm at 43 Queen St. S. in cooperation with MCRS. Call Julia at 519-743-1151 ext. 114.

 • **Strategic Job Searching Series:** This four-part series offers sessions on Mondays from 2-3:30pm at 58 Queen St. S.

- ◆ **Feb 6: Finding the Right Work Environment:** Call Imran at 519-743-1151 ext. 163.
- ◆ **Feb 13: Online Resources:** Call Sonya at 519-743-1151 ext. 125.
- ◆ **Feb. 27: Networking Skills:** Call Karolina at 519-743-1151 ext. 162.

- **Waterloo Region ASSETS+ Project (WRAP):** Are you interested in training to start or improve your small business? Develop your business plan by attending a WRAP course. Training includes business technical assistance, mentorship/networking, and a micro-loans program. Sessions start in January, April and September. Held in cooperation with MEDA. Call Greg: 519-743-1151 ext. 139, or email Bob: wrap@theworkingcentre.org.



- **Job Search Resource Centre open until 7:00pm on Wednesdays**

- **Computer Classes:** Call Emily at 519-743-1151 ext. 236 to register for these classes:



- ◆ **Computer Basics (grp. 1)** – Starts February 6. Runs Mondays from 9am-12pm for 6 weeks.
- ◆ **Computer Basics (grp. 2)** – Starts February 28. Runs Tuesdays from 2pm-4pm and Wednesdays from 1-4pm, for 3 weeks.
- ◆ **MS Word 2007** – Starts February 14. Runs Tuesdays 9-11:30am and Thursdays 1-4 pm for 5 weeks.

- **Self-Directed Computer Courses:** We offer a wide range of online tutorial courses. Learn at your own pace; also possible to work towards Microsoft certifications. Call Emily at 519-743-1151 ext. 236.
- **Free Income Tax Clinics:** We are offering appointments support to help you complete your income tax return. Our volunteers are trained by Canada Revenue agency, we are able to assist eligible taxpayers who have low income, and simple tax situations. If you are interested please provide your name and contact information to 519-743-1151 ext. 101.

- **Immigration Law Clinic:** Anyone interested in this clinic should check in at the front desk, and bring all your immigration letters and paperwork with you. **Clinic Times:** Thursdays, February 2 and 16 from 1:30pm-4pm. Call Kirsten at 519-576-5941.

- **Targeted Initiative for Older Workers:** Are you 50 or older and looking for work? See our website for more information: [www.theworkingcentre.org/tiow](http://www.theworkingcentre.org/tiow) and call 519-594-0113 to register for an Information Session.

- **Queen Street Commons Café:** Coffee, Culture, and Community at 43 Queen Street South. Offers a natural, vegetarian menu, community events, and a unique gift shop. **Café Hours:** Monday to Friday from 8:30am-9pm, and Saturdays from 10am-4pm. Call 519-749-9177 ext. 227.



- ◆ **Open Jam Sessions:** Held on the 2nd Friday of each month, come out and share your music with others in an open format jam session! Come to play, come to listen... Call Julia at 519-749-9177.

◆ **Film Screenings**

△ **Dollars and Sense Movie and Discussion Night—7pm on Wed., Feb. 1** Film: "Crime of the Canadian Banking System".

△ **Cinema Politica—7pm, on Wed. Feb. 8.** Film: "Marx Reloaded"

△ **What Does Democracy Mean to You? Movie and Discussion Night—7pm on Wed. Feb. 15:** co-organized by the Nonviolence Festival, Occupy Waterloo Region and Fair-Vote Canada. Film: "Democracy in the New Millennium"

△ **Mapuche Solidarity film screenings—6pm on Wed. Feb 29** – hosted by WPIRG – Films: "the Rebirth of Lemun" and "With Claudia in our Hearts"

- ◆ **Music Night Every Friday!** Join us every Friday Night at the Queen Street Commons for some diverse music, special dinners, snacks and treats, fun drinks, games, and more! Stay tuned to our website for more details on the musical guests are they are announced.

△ **Feb. 3, 7-9pm:** Starlight Steel Drum Band

△ **Feb. 10, 7-9pm:** Open Jam Session

△ **Feb. 17, 7-9pm:** Artist TBD

△ **Feb. 24, 7-9pm:** Artist TBD

- **Worth a Second Look Furniture & Housewares:** Worth a Second Look is a thrift shop that provides the community with very low-cost used furniture and assorted houseware items. The store is located at 97 Victoria St. N. **Hours:** Monday to Friday from 9am-5pm, and Saturdays from 9am-4pm. We welcome donations of gently used goods during open hours. For more information, call 519-569-7566.

