



The Best Kept Secret in CAMBRIA COUNTY...

Pennsylvania **CareerLink**

Your One Stop for Employment, Education, and Training

Meet 2 of the Secrets of Our Success—



DEB & BOB



This is Deb Nicholson, a workforce research analyst for the Center for Workforce Information and Analysis. After serving for many years as a local labor market analyst, her role has shifted in the past few years to more workforce research projects. She has been working on various projects aimed at improving opportunities for the workforce in Pennsylvania. Deb also continues to assist workforce development partners, employers, and jobseekers with their labor market information needs and participates on the business services team of the PA CareerLink-Cambria County. She is involved with creating various labor market products, with an emphasis on continual improvement of the information available to the customer. In her spare time, Deb likes to travel, especially to any place that's warm with white-sand beaches and clear, blue waters. A life-long Pirates fan, she often travels to Pittsburgh throughout the summer to catch some games and most recently enjoyed watching Freddy Sanchez win the NL Batting Title.

This is Bob Chunta, Admissions Counselor for the Job Corps program. Bob has been employed by Dynamic Educational Systems, Inc. (DESI) since December of 2001. DESI is contracted by the Department of Labor to do the outreach and admissions in Pennsylvania for the Job Corps Program. Job Corps is a federally funded program for 16-24 year olds. The program helps youth finish their education, if they need to do so. The program also teaches them a specific job trade or assists them by helping them obtain a college education at specific centers. All of the services are at no cost to the student. Bob works out of the PA CareerLink-Cambria County office, but travels to 12 other CareerLinks throughout Central Pennsylvania to recruit students for the program. When not working, Bob enjoys spending time with his family: his wife Kristy, 5-year-old son Mitchell, and newborn daughter Julia. Bob also likes watching and attending sporting events especially college football. Bob's favorite team to cheer on is the Florida State Seminoles.

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It's Not a Secret Anymore... Read What Some Customers Have to Say...

I really appreciated all the help you gave me. You were very helpful.

--Claudia, St. Michael, PA

This place is a blessing! Thank you! (Comment made after attending our annual mature worker job fair)

--Scott, Johnstown, PA

I appreciate all that you have done for me. Thank you for the great attitude and professionalism that you have displayed each and every day.

--Walter, Johnstown, PA

Our Area Youth

Since the youth of this area are the future, please meet one outstanding youth, Cayla Jones. Cayla participated in the PA CareerLink-Cambria County's Summer Youth program for two summers. She graduated from Johnstown High School in June of 2006. She now attends the University of Pittsburgh's main campus and her major is Athletic Training. Cayla has accomplished many goals during her time in the program. During the Summer Youth Program, she began working at a local gym, Fitness Weights and Aerobics (FWA). While working at FWA, Cayla designed a program to encourage young kids to get fit. The program was designed with the idea of making fitness fun. She geared the program for children ages six and older and when she started the program she had ten participants sign up for her classes. These classes are still held at FWA every Friday and Saturday. Cayla developed the entire program, including the curriculum, the pay scale, the scheduling, and the advertising. Cayla continues to attend Pitt and will continue to work at FWA during her breaks. Cayla is pictured above with one of the trainers at FWA, Donnie Roebuck.



Donnie Roebuck and Cayla Jones at Fitness Weights and Aerobics (FWA)

Of the PA CareerLink's Success

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you have a success story that you would like to submit, please email it to Jacki at jtrexler@goodwilljohnstown.org. If your story is selected to be in the next edition of our newsletter, you will receive a current edition of *Johnstown Magazine*.

Check Out These Upcoming Events at PA CareerLink - Cambria County!

We are offering **computer classes at no cost!!!** The classes include **Basic Computer Literacy, Microsoft Word, and Microsoft Excel**
For dates and details, call **Abby or Karen at (814) 533-2493 ext. 221**

"Impact of a Positive Attitude" (1/18/07 and 2/15/07) *"Harassment in the Workplace"* (2/2/07)
"Public Speaking" (2/20/07) and *"Employment Laws for Supervisors"* (3/20/07)

All workshops being presented at the PA CareerLink. Call (814) 533-2493 ext. 221 for more details and to sign up!

Check our Calendar of Events on our website: www.pacareerlink.state.pa.us, for up-to-date workshop information!

Also, be sure to log on to our local website at www.cambriacareerlink.org.

Please note: the PA CareerLink-Cambria County will be closed on the following dates
January 1, January 15, February 19

Another Secret of Our Success---Participating in Community Events
November, the PA CareerLink-Cambria County participated in Johnstown's Annual Holiday Parade for the first time. It was a wonderful event. Staff members, including Amy Noon, Deb Keiper, Heather Newcomer, Jacki Trexler, Karen Reynolds, Karen Sellers, Maria Stroschio, Nancy Peck, Terry O'Neil, and many of their families took part in the parade by building the float, walking in the parade, and passing out candy to all the children that lined the streets. Eileen Bohensky utilized her talents to "dress" our penguin in a beautiful PA CareerLink scarf that she hand made. We hope to see you all at next year's annual holiday parade!



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Equal Opportunity Programs. Auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities.
To sign up for any of these events, or if you have questions regarding PA CareerLink services, please call:
(814) 533-2493 ext. 221 (to speak with the PA CareerLink Service Assistant), TDD (814) 535-6698.

Visit us on the web at www.pacareerlink.state.pa.us.
We are located in downtown, Johnstown at 200 Lincoln Street.
Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.