

The Dakota - Scott Financial Empowerment Collaborative seeks to improve the financial literacy of people in Dakota and Scott Counties through a system of shared resources and information.

Upcoming Events

- **How to Get a Good Job—in a Recession!** - Joanne Meehl, the “Resume Queen” and author of *The Job Search Thesaurus*, will share strategies to find and keep a great job - Tuesday, March 3, 6:30-7:30 PM, Galaxie Library, 14955 Galaxie Avenue, Apple Valley. Call 952-891-7045 or register online at <http://www.co.dakota.mn.us/LeisureRecreation/CountyLibraries/default.htm> for this free program.
- **Basic information on the foreclosure process** will be presented by the Minnesota Attorney General’s Office on Tuesday, March 10, 7-8 PM, at Wentworth Library, 199 E. Wentworth Avenue, West St. Paul.
- **LifeKeys for the Community is a spiritually-based program to help those who are going through a job transition** explore how personality type, values, and passions all work together. For more information and to register, visit www.princeofpeaceonline.org. The event takes place on Friday, February 27, 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM and Saturday February 28 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM at Prince of Peace Church in Burnsville. Cost is \$50 and \$25 for each additional family member. Contact 952-435-8107 for information on scholarships.
- The Federal Reserve Board’s Division of Consumer and Community Affairs is sponsoring a Live Meeting **webinar called *Credit Cards: Past, Present, & Future*** on Wednesday, March 4, from noon to 1:15 PM. The webinar will cover changes in the credit card market over the past 20 years, current trends in consumer research, new regulations that will take effect in 2010, and current tools and information available from the Federal Reserve. Registration is required. Send name, phone number, and email address to Shalyce.L.Fryer@frb.gov Contact Jeanne Hogarth at jeanne.m.hogarth@frb.gov or 202-785-6024 if you have questions.
- Workforce Services will host a **one-day conference for job seekers** at the Shakopee Law Enforcement Center on February 26. Participants can learn about networking skills and labor market trends. Registration will be required as space is limited. Call Helene at 651-554-5908 to reserve a seat.
- **Minnesota 2010 Census** is hiring up to 8,000 temporary employees throughout Minnesota to help with the 2010 census count. [Http://www.mn2010census.org/](http://www.mn2010census.org/) has more information about the project.

Resources

- **Dollar Works 2** is a comprehensive personal financial education curriculum developed by University of Minnesota Extension to strengthen the financial management skills of individuals and families. The curriculum is available for use by service providers and other professionals in programs, classes, and one-on-one settings. Contact [Shirley Anderson-Porisch](mailto:Shirley.Anderson-Porisch@umn.edu) at ander308@umn.edu or 507-337-2812 for more information.
- The National Council for Economic Education (NCEE) has changed its name to the **Council for Economic Education** (<http://www.councilforeconed.org/>). Over the last decade, NCEE has developed comprehensive **K-12 teaching materials, teacher professional development programs, and assessments** in economics, personal finance, and entrepreneurship education. The website contains many free lessons and resources.
- During the week of February 21-28 the **Consortium for Entrepreneurship Education** is sponsoring **National Entrepreneurship Week**, a celebration of American entrepreneurs and the lifelong learning educational opportunities that prepare new business leaders of the future. For more information and resources, visit <http://www.entre-ed.org>.
- **The income and wealth gaps between women-headed households** compared to all other American households is substantial, according to research co-authored by Catherine Montalto, Ohio State University, and Stephen Brobeck, Consumer Federation of America. The **Consumer Federation of America** web site at http://www.consumerfed.org/pdfs/Women_America_Saves_Tele_PR_12-2-08.pdf has more information.



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