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A Bulletin of Career, Educational, & Re-entry Information & Opportunities for RPCVs

HOT Resources

The following resources can help you learn about careers and how they relate to your interests:

The *2000-02 Occupational Outlook Handbook* includes information about the tasks, earnings, working conditions, education and training requirements, and employment prospects for more than 250 occupations. The handbook is available at many libraries and online at <www.bls.gov/ocohome.htm>.

The *Occupational Outlook Quarterly* also is available in libraries and online at <www.bls.gov/opub/ooq/ooqhome.htm>.

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) publishes information about starting a business. Small Business Development Centers throughout the country offer training for owners of small business, and associations affiliated with the SBA provide free business counseling and mentoring. To request information, call 800-827-5722 or visit SBA online at <www.sba.gov>.

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Returned Volunteer Services
Phone: (202) 692-1430 or
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From Hobby to Career: Transforming Your Pastime Into a Profession

by Olivia Crosby

Editor's Note: The following excerpt focuses on how your hobby could kindle the spark for a new career. The original article appeared in the fall 2001 edition of the Occupational Outlook Quarterly, published by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The entire article is available online as a PDF file at <stats.bls.gov/opub/ooq/2001/Fall/art01.pdf>.

Finding a job centered on a hobby often takes creative thinking, but it can be done. Many jobs use hobbyists' expertise. Here are a few of the common ways in which favorite bailiwicks become wagemorthy.

Selling what you do or make.

Many people earn money selling their activity or its results. You can do this by working in an established business or by starting your own enterprise. If you start your own business, be ready for entrepreneurial tasks, including accounting, market research, and employee management. And arm yourself for success by writing a business plan describing your target customers, your projected income and expenses, and your startup costs, among other things. You will need to research and follow zoning, income tax, and sales tax laws and register your business with your state and county governments.

Teaching the hobby. Another option is to teach others about the pastime you like. You might teach at a school, either as an elementary, high school, or university instructor, or as

an enrichment teacher in a community center or college. Many hobby supply stores also have opportunities for teachers. Music stores and fabric stores, for example, often pay experts to teach customers new skills.

Selling or promoting hobby equipment. Most hobbies require supplies—potting soil, birdseed, guitar picks, and other equipment. Workers sell those supplies and advise customers on which to choose and how to use them. Some companies also hire enthusiasts part time to promote hobby equipment at trade shows and competitions.

To find an occupation related to your hobby interests, first decide which hobby-related skills you enjoy most. Occupations that use favorite abilities are probably the ones that suit you best.

Repairing hobby equipment.

From bicycle shops to violin repair studios, many businesses keep hobby equipment in working order. And being skilled in the hobby is usually a prerequisite for store workers.

Hobby communications. Your expertise could turn into a writing or visual arts career. Many hobbies have trade magazines written for aficionados. These magazines need article writ-

ers and editors. Magazines also need photographs and illustrations, which they may buy from stock suppliers. Specialty areas, such as food photography and wildlife illustration, also require skilled artists. Other visual arts opportunities include videography, such as filming people performing a sport.

Hobby organizations. Some hobbyists have associations to promote their activities and share ideas. Workers in these organizations keep membership lists, arrange meetings, coordinate education programs, and promote the group's ideas. Finding paid jobs in these organizations is difficult because many hobby associations are small or are managed by volunteers. But a few paid jobs exist, and workers who have them are at the forefront of their hobbies' developments.

From Pastimes to Occupations

Even if you don't have a job centered on a particular hobby, you can still use your interests to find a career. Hobbies provide information about the skills you like using—skills that can be applied to several occupations.

To find an occupation related to your hobby interests, first decide which hobby-related skills you enjoy most. Occupations that use favorite abilities are probably the ones that suit you best. Dental technicians, for example, use sculpting and color-

PUBLIC SECTOR

CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVE • Ames, IA

Position open at Iowa State University for a Peace Corps Campus Representative beginning fall semester 2002. This is a C-based half time graduate assistantship. Requirements: The applicant must be a returned Peace Corps Volunteer able to maintain regular office hours. For more information, please call Jane Edwards, Program Coordinator, Study Abroad Center, 6 Hamilton Hall Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa 50011-1182; Phone: (515) 294-6792; Fax: (515) 294-8263; E-mail: jedwards@iastate.edu; or David Belina, Regional Manager, Minneapolis Regional Peace Corps office; Phone: (800)-424-8580, option 1, extension 230.

CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVE • Eugene, OR

Part-time position available at the U. of Oregon starting 9/13/02 for the 2002-03 academic year. Duties: designs and implements Peace Corps recruitment campaigns; conducts information sessions, class talks, walk-in office hours, and interviews; maintains effective working relationship with Seattle Regional Office and West Cascade RPCVs. Qualifications: RPCV enrolled full-time in a UO graduate program; strong oral and written communication skills; initiative and ability to work independently; organizes tasks and manages time effectively; relates well to people of diverse backgrounds. Benefits: Salary, full tuition waiver, partial fees, insurance. Send letter and résumé by 7/15/02 to: Dr. Lawrence Smith, Career Center, University of Oregon, PO Box 3257, Eugene, OR 97403-0257.

INSTRUCTORS • San Bernardino, CA

Positions available with Orange County Department of Education. Duties: live with, supervise, and teach fifth grade students at residential science schools located in the San Bernardino Mountains. Qualifications: education experience with children; BA/BS/GED. For an application, call (909) 389-0820 or apply over the Web site at <www.insidetheoutdoors.org>.

ADMIN. ASSISTANT • Washington, DC

Position available (FP-7/FP-6) in Returned Volunteer Services at the Peace Corps. Duties: responsible for a variety of administrative/clerical duties; handles database entry of Hotline job announcements; coordinates Career Center operations, including opening and closing on daily basis; handles phone and e-mail inquiries on many topics; maintains RVS portions of agency Web site and Intranet; prepares documents for signature; prepares receiving reports and purchase orders; coordinates special mailings. Qualifications: U.S. citizen; at least one year of specialize experience performing administrative work; computer literacy; able to work independently; written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills; experience with databases. For more information on the vacancy or on how to apply, call 800-424-8580, ext. 1200, or visit: <www.peacecorps.gov/employment/vacancies/djobs/index.cfm>.

SYSTEMS ANALYST • Washington, D.C

Position available with the National Park Service's Natural Resource Information Division to serve at the national level as a systems manager. Duties: helps plan, implement, and manage data integration and provides technical management of several service wide information systems. Apply on the OPM Web site: <www.usajobs.opm.gov> reference number CH-SM-2-133486.

PRIVATE SECTOR

*WILDERNESS INSTRUCTORS • Various

Positions available with Hurricane Island Outward Bound School in Florida, Maine, and Maryland. Duties in Maine and MD: instruct students ages 14 to 72 in sailing, sea kayaking, canoeing, backpacking, hiking, and climbing from mid-May through mid-Sept. Duties in Florida: teach technical skills focusing on personal and team growth through facilitated challenging experiences for adjudicated and at-risk youth. Qualifications: experience in Outward Bound or outdoor programs, preferably expedition-based; technical outdoor skills; standard First Aid and CPR. For more information, please contact: Human Resources, Hurricane Island Outward Bound School, 75 Mechanic Street, Rockland, ME, 04841; phone: (207) 594-1401, ext. 388; e-mail: <employment@hurricaneisland.org>; Web site: <www.hurricaneisland.org>.

SPECIALIST • Stevens Point, WI

Position available with Wisconsin K-12 Energy Education Program (KEEP) as a renewable energy education specialist. Duties: develops, implements, and evaluates renewable energy education events and teaching support materials. Qualifications: excellent communication skills; ability to work collaboratively or independently; background in renewable energy; environmental science or education; bachelor's required; master's preferred. Salary commensurate with experience. Send letter of interest (no e-mail), résumé, transcripts, two letters of reference, and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of two additional references to: Jennie Lane, Director, KEEP, WCEE, LRC, UWSP, Stevens Point, WI 54481; For a full position description, contact: Jennie Lane (715) 346-4770; e-mail: <energy@uwsp.edu>.

PROGRAM OFFICER • Washington, DC

Position available with the Initiative for Social Action and Renewal in Eurasia (ISAR). Duties: manages and provides oversight and direction to Central Asia and Azerbaijan programs; works with regional directors to ensure responsive and sustainable program efforts in the regions; integrates these programs with other regional programs; successfully fundraises; also works on long-term plans and public relations. Qualifications: BA in related field (MA preferred); three to five years of experience in FSU; management/fundraising experience; fluent Russian; strong communication skills; willingness to travel. Please send résumé and cover letter to: Kate Watters, 1601 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 301, Washington, DC 20009; fax: (202) 667-3291; e-mail: <kwatters@isar.org>; Web site: <www.isar.org>.

VARIOUS • Rifle, CO

Positions available with Rocky Mountain Native Plants, a native plant propagation/installation company. Positions include: assistant grower, distribution coordinator, sales assistant, and installation field supervisor. Qualifications: Spanish speaking and experience with plants helpful. Please contact Rocky Mountain Native Plants, 3780 Silt Mesa Rd. Rifle, CO 81650; phone: (970) 625-4769; e-mail: <native@rnmnativeplants.com>; Web site: <www.rmnativeplants.com>.

OUTDOOR CREW LEADERS • Minnesota

Positions available with the Minnesota Conservation Corps, a summer conservation work program. Duties: supervise and lead teams of six to eight high school aged youth in work, education, and recreational components; work on conservation projects in remote wilderness settings and other Minnesota public lands. Qualifications: conservation, outdoor, and camping experience; ability to lead, counsel, and motivate youth. Salary: up to \$360/week with room and board. AmeriCorps Educational Scholarship available. Program runs 6/4-8/13. Contact: Greg Hall, phone: (651) 296-9165; e-mail: <greg.hall@dnr.state.mn.us>; Web site: <www.dnr.state.mn.us/mcc/summerstaff>.

APPRENTICES • Hustontown, PA

Family vegetable farm seeking person or couple with some farm experience, mechanical aptitude, and strong work ethic, interested in learning vegetable production for long-term employment in management of one of Pennsylvania's best direct-market organic farms. Excellent salary/benefits and housing. For information, contact: Jim Crawford, New Morning Farm, Hustontown, PA 17229; phone: (814) 448-3904; fax: (814) 448-2333; e-mail: <moiec@hotmail.com>.

SENIOR PROGRAM MGR • Arlington, VA

Position available with Association for Enterprise Opportunity (AEO). Duties: project management and development of standards and accreditation for the microenterprise industry as well as other AEO initiatives. Qualifications: three years of direct U.S. microenterprise practitioner experience; experience in rural and urban training and lending programs; proven ability to raise funds; computer proficiency; BS/BA, masters a plus. Send résumé with a detailed letter of interest to: Bill Edwards, Executive Director, AEO, 1601 N. Kent Street, Suite 1101, Arlington, VA 22209. phone: (703) 841-7760; fax: (703) 841-7748; e-mail: <bedwards@assoceo.org>; Web site: <www.microenterpriseworks.org>.

COORDINATOR • Philadelphia, PA

Positions available with Big Brothers Big Sisters Association of Philadelphia. Duties: supports and monitors Volunteer-Child Friendships in mentoring program; assesses appropriateness of volunteers and children to participate in program; facilitates meetings; maintains case records. Qualifications: BA/BS. Send résumé to: BBBS Assoc., 2037 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, PA 19103; fax (215) 557-6230.

VARIOUS • NW USA

Northwest Youth Corps offers seven residential YouthCorps programs serving over 600 teens annually. Programs are field based with conservation corps work crews completing projects throughout Oregon, Washington, Central Idaho, and Northern California. Northwest Youth Corps Positions available: Conservation Crew Leader (seasonal, full-time \$70-\$80/day), Program Coordinator (full-time annual agreement, \$23K) Program Manager (full-time permanent, \$27-\$32K) For each position description and application information, please visit our Web site at <www.nwyouthcorps.org> or e-mail Ethan Nelson at <work@nwyouthcorps.org> with cover letter and résumé.

PROGRAMS FELLOW • Washington, DC

Fellow position to work either at Population Reference Bureau (PRB) or USAID to help with the collection of data, data analysis, the production and distribution of population and health materials for policymakers in developing countries, and assist with other policy and information activities. Qualifications: must have at least a B.A. or B.S. by June 2002; experience overseas and language skills (particularly French, Spanish, or Arabic) are highly desirable. Salary: \$28K. Send cover letter, résumé, and two letters of recommendation to: IP Fellowships, attn: Margaret Blabey, Population Reference Bureau, 1875 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 520, Washington, DC 20009; phone (202) 939-5438; fax (202) 328-3937; e-mail: <mblabey@prb.org>.

SR. PROJECT MANAGER • Washington, DC

Position available with the American Society of Civil Engineers. Duties: implements and maintains systems evaluation projects in: storm water technology/erosion and sediment control; water and wastewater; and alternative materials; manages and develops the Environmental Technology Evaluation Center. Qualifications: master's in environmental/civil engineering; PE preferred; five to seven years engineering experience managing government and private-sector funded programs in wastewater, storm water, and/or water resources; ecological engineering a strong plus. Please send/ fax résumé and cover letter w/salary requirements to: ASCE, Attn: HR/MLT, 1801 Alexander Bell Drive, Reston, VA 20191, fax: (703) 295-6337, e-mail: <jobbox@asce.org>.

OUTREACH WORKERS • NJ

Positions available with Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers, Inc., in Hammonton and Salem. Duties: provide comprehensive outreach, screenings, and education at migrant farm worker labor camps. Qualifications: fluent in Spanish (Creole a plus), valid driver's license, desire to advocate for farm workers. Preferred experience: outreach, health education, farm workers and immigrants. Salary commensurate with experience. Send résumé and cover note to: Amanda L. Rives, Health Education and Migrant Outreach Coordinator, (609) 567-0200 x133; e-mail: <amandarives@hotmail.com>.

BUSINESS ASSOCIATE • Washington, DC

Position available with SUSTAIN, an international nonprofit organization working with health and nutrition issues. Duties: sets and oversees administrative operations of the organization; assists executive director with business, fundraising and program development initiatives; creates and edits communications and materials on organization achievements and projects. Qualifications: BS/BA in a business discipline; three to five years administrative experience; proven communication skills; strong organizational skills. Salary: \$35-\$38K. Send cover letter and résumé to: SUSTAIN, Attn: Adrienne Swenda, 1050 Connecticut Ave., NW, 10th FL, Washington, DC 20036; phone: (202) 457-0166; fax (202) 659-9243; or e-mail <aswenda@sustaintech.org>; Web site: <www.sustaintech.org>.

TEAM LEADER • Charleston, SC

Positions available with AmeriCorps NCCC, a residential, team based program for National and Community service. Focus areas: environment, education, public safety, unmet human needs. Duties: serve as role model, lead 11-14 members ages 18-24, implement multiple responsibilities. 11 month commitment provides room and board, \$12.5K living allowance, limited health care, and education award of \$4,725. Please contact: Lauren Jenner (843) 743-8600, ext 3018, e-mail: <Ljenner@cns.gov>; or contact: Corporation for National and Community Service, (800) 731-0002.

COORDINATOR • Arlington, VA

Position available with AHC, an affordable housing corporation, as a resident services coordinator. Duties: coordinates educational programs, such as computer classes and community-building activities for children, youth, and adults. Qualifications: desire and ability to work with all ages; ability to interact with diverse population; understanding of computers as an aid for growth; Spanish language skills preferred; must be organized, energetic, flexible, and able to work independently. Salary range: \$28-\$32K. Send cover letter and résumé to: <ndo@ahcinc.org>.

DIRECTOR • Washington, DC

Position available with American Bar Association/ Central and East European and Eurasian Law Initiative for outreach/marketing. Duties: creates, launches, and manages new and existing marketing, communications, and some fundraising activities; develops and manages vehicles to reach them, such as brand strategy, print and electronic materials, alumni events, media/press strategy, "road shows," and partnerships with Law Firms and Law Schools. Qualifications: leadership, creativity, and strong interpersonal and management skills required; seven to 10 years in professional marketing/ communication with proven results; some fundraising skills, a mix of private and public sector experience and familiarity with the geographic region. E-mail only cover letter and résumé to: <jfigetakis@yahoo.com>.

PROGRAM ASSOCIATE • Chicago, IL

Position available with United Neighborhood Organization, the city's largest Latino community-based organization. Duties: assists in developing strategies that support its community-based programs; develops and maintains new programs; writes and submits grants; works closely to coordinate, maintain, and enhance community-based programs implemented in Chicago area Hispanic neighborhoods. Qualifications: excellent writing and research skills; strong knowledge of office computer software and Internet; ability to perform on deadline; attention to detail; good people skills; Spanish a plus. Please send cover letter and résumé to: United Neighborhood Organization, c/o Development Associate, 954 W. Washington Blvd., 3rd Fl., Chicago, IL 60607; fax (312) 432-0077; e-mail: <ahernandez@uno-online.org>

ASSISTANT • Medford, OR

Position available as range land conservation assistant with the Environmental Careers Organization. The Ashland Resource Area of this agency is implementing the new Grazing Standards and Guidelines. Duties: collects and analyzes data; assisting in writing plans and NEPA (National Environmental Protection Act) documents as part of ecosystem based management; assists with rangeland improvement development and maintenance; supervises compliance for livestock leases. Qualifications: BS/MS within past three years in rangeland management, botany, watershed management, or related natural resources field; general knowledge of plants and livestock. Please request full job description from: Meagan Cocke, Internship Program, phone: (206) 625-1750; fax: (206) 625-9246; e-mail: <meaganc@eco.org>; Web site: <www.eco.org>.

ANALYST • Washington, DC

Position available with the USAID Development Information Services in communications. Duties: provides writing, editing, overall publications, and communications support to the project. Qualifications: Web development, graphics, and desktop publishing skills; familiarity with international development preferred. Send résumé and cover letter (reference posKV2000pc) to: AED/HR, 1825 Connecticut Ave., NW, Washington, DC, 20009; fax: (202) 884-8413; e-mail: <employ@aed.org>; Web site: <www.aed.org>.

FIELD INSTRUCTOR • Loa, UT

Position available at Aspen Achievement Academy. Duties: works with two other instructors at year-round wilderness therapy program; works with a therapist on a team of three instructors and six to nine students; teaches outdoor living, primitive skills, high school curriculum, and assists with the therapeutic process. Qualifications: BA/BS or equivalent life experience; experience with outdoor living and/or adolescents; WFR/WEMT and one-year commitment preferred. Salary: \$90/day to start, \$150/day for senior instructors. Send résumé to: Hansel Halverson, P.O. Box 400, Loa, UT 84747; phone: (435) 836-2472; e-mail: <FieldDept@theaspenacademy.com>.

ASST. DIRECTOR • San Jacinto Mtns., CA
Position available as assistant outdoor education director with Pathfinder Ranch Outdoor Education School. Duties: assists with programming of the outdoor education school and administrative and managerial tasks; teaches educational and recreational classes; assists with the direction and supervision of staff and clients; develops and improves educational materials; develops lesson plans; schedule staff during program schedules. Qualifications: college degree in related field; supervisory, administrative, and leadership skills and experience; experience in outdoor education; current First Aid, CPR, life guarding and drivers license. Send résumé and application (found on Web site) to: Julie Lancaster, 35510 Pathfinder Rd. #104 Mountain Center, CA 92561; phone: (909) 659-2455; fax: (909) 659-0351; e-mail: <oedirector@pathfinderranch.com> <www.pathfinderranch.com>

TEACHERS • US South

Teaching positions available through Southern Teachers Agency for public and private schools, especially in small, rural districts. Duties: involve typical classroom assignments in all K-12 academic areas. Qualifications: bachelor's degree; teacher certification preferred, but not required. Salary: \$25K and up. Send résumé to: Southern Teachers Agency, 7 Elliewood Ave., Suite 2A, Charlottesville, VA 22903-2603; phone: (434) 295-9122; fax: (434) 295-6448; Web site: <www.southernteachers.com>.

OFFICE MANAGER • Washington, DC

Part-time position available with the DC Preservation League. Duties: manages all aspects of the office's administrative functions, which encompass support for fundraising projects, correspondence, media relations, accounts payable, and mailings. Qualifications: good organizational and telephone skills; experience with MS office programs and use of the Internet; acquaintance with FileMaker Pro, QuickBooks and Web site maintenance. Please send résumé and letter of interest to: President, DC Preservation League, 1815 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 200, DC 20006; phone: (202) 955-5616; e-mail: <dcpreserv@aol.com>.

HOT! OPPORTUNITIES

***CONFERENCE • Washington, DC**

The Global Health Council will hold its 29th Annual Conference, Global Health in Times of Crisis, from 5/28/02-5/31/02. Conference highlights include pre-conference workshops, Congressional luncheon and Hill visits, plenary and panel sessions featuring world-renowned global health experts, poster and round-table sessions, and an evening awards banquet. In addition, Career Connection offers registered job seekers the opportunity to explore job openings in global health. Recruiters from numerous international health organizations will conduct on-site interviews. Several career-oriented sessions are scheduled. Volunteers contributing at least 10 hours of service receive discounted conference registration. Visit the Global Health Council Web site at <www.globalhealth.org> for more information and easy online registration. Please pre-register by 5/10/02.

PEACE CORPS FELLOWS/USA



UNIVERSITY OF OREGON • Eugene, OR

The University of Oregon's Resource Assistance for Rural Environments (RARE) Program is accepting applications for 2002-03. Application deadline is June 14th with positions beginning October 2002. Gain experience in leadership, project management, group facilitation, grant writing, time management, volunteer management, citizen involvement, community/economic development, land-use planning, education and outreach, and technical writing. Benefits: \$1,250/monthly, health insurance and, after one year of service, participants are eligible to receive an educational award of \$4,725. Program and application information available at: <darkwing.uoregon.edu/~rare/>. For more information, e-mail <rare@darkwing.uoregon.edu> or call (541) 346-2879.

Fellows/USA works with more than 30 universities that offer financial assistance to RPCVs who wish to attend graduate school in a multitude of subject areas. Through internships, RPCVs work in under-served U.S. communities. Find out more at <www.peacecorps.gov/fellows>, call 800-424-8580, ext. 1440, or write to <fellows@peacecorps.gov>.

VARIOUS • Annapolis, MD

Positions available with Chesapeake Bay Foundation on Clagett Farm. With help from the Capital Area Food Bank, CBF raises organic vegetables and distributes half of its produce to low-income communities. Compensation is \$6.25 per hour. For more details, call (301) 627-4662; Web site: <www.clagettfarm.org> or <www.cbf.org/jobs>.

VARIOUS • Long Beach, CA

Positions available with the Children's Clinic. Openings include Development Director, Project Coordinator, and Registered Nurse. For information on these positions, please contact: Jane Watson, The Children's Clinic, 2801 Atlantic Ave., Long Beach, Ca. 90801; fax: (562) 933-0415; e-mail: <JWatson@memorialcare.org>.

***VARIOUS • Connecticut**

Positions available with Great Hollow Wilderness School, an outdoor leadership program that facilitates change through experiential learning. Duties: instructors are responsible for the safety and learning of participants during backpacking, high ropes courses and caving on courses 1-14 days in length. Commitment: May 19 - September 1st; Salary: \$280-\$300 per week plus room and board. Contact Ali Sadiq: GHWS, 225 Route 37, New Fairfield, CT 06812; phone: (203) 746-5852; e-mail: <awright@mail.wesleyan.edu>.

GREAT VALLEY FELLOW • California

The Great Valley Fellows Program is an 11-month experience-based program for professionals aspiring to positions of leadership in public service. Each Great Valley Fellow will complete a series of four consecutive five-week apprenticeships as well as participate in a training program. The University of California will offer academic credit for each Great Valley Fellow. The deadline for Round I is April 5, 2002 and the deadline for Round II is May 24, 2002. For more information, please contact: Great Valley Fellows Program c/o The Great Valley Center 911 13th Street Modesto, CA 95354; phone: (209) 522-5103; e-mail: <gvfellows@greatvalley.org>; Web site: <www.greatvalley.org/gvfellows>.

ASSOCIATE • Washington, DC

Position available as training and conference associate with Land Trust Alliance. Duties: provides registration and problem solving for regional and national training and conferences. Qualifications: BA/BS degree or three to four years relevant professional experience with a nonprofit organization; high proficiency with standard office software (Microsoft Office Suite) and efficient use of the Internet; willingness and ability to travel as required; valid driver's license; physical ability to pick up and move a 30-pound box or piece of furniture. Please send cover letter and résumé to: Land Trust Alliance, 1331 H Street, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20005; Web site: <www.lta.org/resources/ltajobs.htm>.

SPECIALIST • Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Position available as junior irrigation/drainage specialist with PA Government Services, an international consulting firm. Duties: assists senior program managers to implement a water resources and drainage project in Central Asia; writes proposals; liaises with local, national, and international staff; evaluates project. Qualifications: BS/BA in related field; fluency in Russian preferred; strong organizational skills; at least two years of prior experience on an irrigation project, preferably in Central Asia. Deadline: 3/27/02. Send cover letter and résumé to: PA Government Services, reference job code: JRIRPC031102, Attn: Janelle Thompson; Fax: (202)442-2594; E-mail: <resumes1@paconsulting.com>.

VARIOUS • Alexandria, VA

Multiple positions available at the Campagna Center, a nonprofit organization serving children and families. Group leaders, senior group leaders, site director. Phone: (703) 549-0111; Fax résumé: (703) 549-1082.

INTERNATIONAL

COUNTRY DIRECTOR • Macedonia

Position available with the Institute for Sustainable Communities. Duties: directs all aspects of the program; supervises Macedonian staff; manage \$5.2 m budget; liaisons with donors, partners and headquarters staff. Qualifications: five years senior project management experience; diplomacy, team-orientation and cultural sensitivity; excellent written, interpersonal and oral communications skills; experience in NGO support, development and fundraising; community-based, multi-stakeholder decision-making and planning; public policy development; outreach and participation; civil society programs; overseas experience and relevant advanced degree. Send résumé, salary history, and requirements by 3/31/02 to: "Macedonia Country Director Search" via fax: (802) 229-2919; e-mail: <isc@iscvt.org>; Web site: <www.iscvt.org>.

GROUP LEADERS • Worldwide

Positions available with The Experiment in International Living. Duties: ensure participant safety and welfare; facilitate learning experience; encourage personal growth; administer budget and program logistics with international partners. Qualifications: bachelor's degree or equivalent; in-country experience; cross-cultural skills; language competency; some experience working with high school students; organizational skills. Benefits: transportation, health insurance, and training are covered, as are in-country costs; \$100 per week honorarium for new leaders. Contact: Carla Fantini, EIL Kipling Road, P.O. Box 676, Brattleboro, VT 05302; phone: 800-345-2929; e-mail: <carla.fantini@worldlearning.org>; Web site: <www.usexperiment.org>.

PROJECT MANAGER • Sumatra, Indonesia

Position available with Mercy Corps International. Duties: implements the Soy Milk and Vitadele (complementary food) projects under agreements with ACDI/VOCA and USDA; coordinates with local partners to develop and implement the complementary nutritional and health education project through local health posts; oversees the distribution of soy milk to schoolchildren through local partner agencies; manages of the Sumatra branch's operation and staff. Qualifications: BA/S or equivalent in a relevant field; five years experience in nutrition, food processing and distribution; three years international field experience with nutrition education, financial and inventory tracking and management systems; demonstrated skill with managing and reporting commodities. Please apply online at <www.mercycorps.org>.

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ist skills to mold dentures and paint them to look realistic.

Identifying other interests is another important step because most occupations require many different types of skills. Coupling an interest in people with an interest in sports, for example, could lead to a job as a recreational therapist. Or if you enjoy science as well as pet care, a job as a veterinarian or biologist might agree with you.

Following are several common hobbies and a few of the occupations related to them. To find out how closely the occupations match your interests and what other types of skills are required, consider researching at the library and talking to people already on the job.

Animal care. Occupations focused on hands-on animal care include groomer, kennel assistant, and farmer. For people who enjoy science, veterinarian and veterinarian technician are some other hands-on options. To help animals without giving direct care, your options range widely, from pet-supply store worker to biological scientist. And if you like observing and teaching pets, you might like human-centered occupations—such as psychologist or teacher—that use some similar skills.

Arts and crafts. Many occupations have an artistic element. Some focus on design and drawing, such as industrial designer, desktop publisher, and advertising manager. Others—including engineer, terrazzo worker, and science technician—use designing and building skills. And for artistic types who like working with people, options include cosmetology, floral design, and art therapy.

Computers. There are many computer-focused occupations, and any one might be a good match for a computer hobbyist. For example, if you like putting together computer systems and choosing the best components and software, consider work as a systems analyst. Solving computer glitches and answering people's computer questions are the realm of help desk technicians and technical writers. Computer engineer and repairer are among the options for hardware tinkers. And professional programmers, webmasters, computer scientists, or database analysts may have used their problemsolving and logic skills as amateur software makers.

Cooking. For those who like cooking, epicurean employment abounds. Some options include chef, cook, and restaurant manager. But a penchant for combining ingredients also is helpful to food scientists, chemists, and chemical engineers, some of whom design and test food additives. A cooking hobby might signal an additional interest in hospitality. Entertaining guests is central to many workers' jobs, including hotel managers and some public relations workers.

Fixing things. People who like making repairs and tinkering with machines have many

occupational options, including automotive repair, electrical work, and plumbing. In a few occupations, such as general maintenance worker, hobby-related repair skills are sometimes the only requirement for a job. Workers in some occupations—engineer and science technician, for example—design machines as well as fix them.

Gardening. Occupations associated with gardening include landscape workers, biologists, and farmers. But these are only a few among many. Combining design skills with botanical ones, landscape architects choose and arrange plants in parks and yards. And an interest in mixing gardening chemicals and checking the soil could lead to a job as a conservation scientist or chemist.

Music. Musically inclined people might contemplate familiarly melodious occupations such as musician, radio announcer, and music teacher. But related careers include music therapist, recreation worker and facilities manager, and musical instrument repairer.

Reading and writing. Reading-centered jobs include those of librarians, editors, and college professors. A love of reading also meshes well with research careers, such as biological and physical scientists and social scientist. And writers have jobs ranging from news reporter to technical writer to public relations specialist; other wordsmiths use their abilities in medical transcription and court-reporting.

Sports. Although sports enthusiasts enjoy the physical fitness aspect of their jobs, they also might like focusing on others' physical well-being or on using their strategic skills. Some obvious sports-related choices include dancer, physical therapist, and coach and sports instructor. But consider the physical skills of construction workers and police officers, the coaching tasks of general managers or human resource specialists, and the strategic planning of lawyers, management analysts, and salesworkers.

Theater. Occupations directly related to theater include actor, director, and set designer. But many other occupations use dramatic skill, including radio announcer, teacher, writer, and editor. And business occupations of all sorts—from accountant to financial manager—play a role in making performances a success.

Resources Beyond Hobbies

Learn more about how your interests relate to careers by visiting a career or guidance counselor. You might take a career interest inventory to see how the activities you like compare with those preferred by workers in different types of jobs. And because interests are only part of choosing a career, counselors also might discuss your other job-related characteristics, including work and volunteer experiences, favorite classes and projects, hopes for future earnings, and educational plans. Many career guidance books also can help you learn about careers and how they relate to your interests.

VARIOUS • Africa, Asia, and E. Mediterranean
Consultants needed for 12-week volunteer health positions available with The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in collaboration with the World Health Organization and UNICEF beginning in mid May and mid Sept. One-week training required in Atlanta prior to departure. Duties: participate in three-month short-term consultations to assist with polio eradication and/or measles control in selected countries; work at the district level along with national counterpart. Work focuses on disease surveillance and/or assisting with planning, monitoring, evaluating National Immunizations Days. Other activities may include routine EPI integrated surveillance, house-to-house immunizations, case-investigation, and follow-up. Benefits: training, per diem, and travel expenses (no salary). Qualifications: graduate degree or licensure in a health field and at least three years of work experience; or at least five years of relevant work experience. Please e-mail CV and three references to <NIPSTOPteam@cdc.gov>; Web site: <www.cdc.gov/nip/global>.

ENGLISH TEACHER • Lanzhou, China
Position available with Children's Palace. Duties: teaches English to children. Duties: work 30 hours per week, including weekends and sometimes evenings. Qualifications: experience teaching children and English as a foreign language; one-year commitment. Salary: \$350 per month and paid housing. For more information, contact Dave Washburn at (952) 928-4860, ext. 12; e-mail: <david@childrensheartlink.org>.

PROJECT MANAGER • Jilin, China
Position available with the Rainbow Children's Fund, a national nonprofit organization dedicated to caring for children without guardians. Duties: manages grant proposals; replies to inquiries on the projects; manages field office. Benefits: round trip airfare, \$300 per month, paid housing, annual one-month paid vacation with round trip airfare to the USA, and health care in China. Please send your résumé including two or three references to: Sam, <Jilin5@hotmail.com>.

VARIOUS • Pago Pago, American Samoa
Position available with South Pacific Academy, a small private Pre-K-12th grade school. Current openings include computer/media teacher-systems administrator and MS/HS Spanish teacher. Qualifications: BS/BA in education preferred; strong classroom management skills; plans and teaches lessons. Salary range: \$12-15K. Please send cover letter and résumé to: SPA, Attn: Ms. Hayward, P.O. Box 520, Pago Pago, AS 96799; phone (684) 699-9845; or e-mail: <mthayward@yahoo.com>.

VARIOUS • Various
Positions available with Habitat for Humanity International. Current openings include: National Director, Democratic Republic of the Congo; Affiliate Developer, Russia; Program Director, Europe and Central Asia; Volunteer Coordinator, Poland. Please visit <www.habitat.org> for details and application instructions or write <IPP@hfhi.org>.

COLLEGE INSTRUCTORS • Marshall Islands
Positions available with College of the Marshall Islands Kwajalein Campus in English, social sciences, science, mathematics, and education. Qualifications: BA/BS acceptable, master's preferred. experience with ESL students. Salary range: \$18-22K. Send cover letter and résumé to: CMI Kwaj Recruitment, P.O. Box 5750, Ebeye, MH 96970; e-mail: <tebged@hotmail.com>

TRIP LEADERS • Various
Positions available with Where There Be Dragons, an educational travel organization that brings American students to developing Asian countries to live and study on programs in East Asia, British Columbia, Mexico. Duties: work with a team to guide small groups; set up home stays and service projects; teach language, history, culture, and development assessment techniques; facilitate in-country logistics and safety. Qualifications: strong language ability, enthusiasm, and experience working with young people, understanding for the region, and in-country contacts; WFR or WEMT a plus. Send résumé and cover letter to: Miki Fire, Assistant Program Coordinator, phone: (800) 982-9203; e-mail: <miki@earthnet.net>; Web site: <www.wheretherebedragons.com>.

COORDINATOR • Odessa, Ukraine
Position available with Project Harmony, a Vermont-based NGO. Qualifications: U.S. citizenship; fluent English/Russian/Ukrainian; ability to travel extensively throughout Ukraine for program promotions, consultations, interviews, and participant orientations; good interpersonal skills; creative; university degree; public-speaking skills; and flexibility; two to three years' overseas experience strongly preferred. Please send cover letter and résumé to: <erin@ph.kiev.ua>.

DIRECTOR • Baku, Azerbaijan
Position available with Mercy Corps International as civil society program director. Duties: manages the USAID-funded program in Azerbaijan, including supervising staff, guiding operations, tracking grant performance and progress, liaising with key actors in the public and private sectors, and representing the program to donors, partners and Mercy Corps headquarters. Qualifications: MA/S or equivalent in a social science or management and seven to 10 years of field experience in international relief and development; coalition building, advocacy, and lobbying, sustainability strategies and policy reform; financial management; five years of senior field management experience; experience with civil society, media, and policy reform in the Caucasus. Please apply online at <www.mercycorps.org>.

INSTRUCTORS • San Bernardino, CA
Position available with Orange County Department of Education. Duties: live with, supervise, and teach 5th-grade students at residential science schools. Qualifications: education experience with children; Diploma/GED. Earn \$428/wk plus room and board. For an application, call (909) 389-0820 or apply over the Web site at <www.insidetheoutdoors.org>.

UNIVERSITY OF DENVER • Denver, CO
The Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS) at the University of Denver offers several globally oriented Master's degrees for RPCVs. Students can choose from degrees in Development, Human Rights, NGO Management, International Studies, and Global Finance. RPCVs may receive up to 15 academic credits (a \$7152 value) for their Peace Corps experience. Additionally, GSIS has earmarked four scholarships specifically for RPCVs. For additional information, please contact: GSIS Admissions Office, phone: 877-474-7236; e-mail: <gsisadm@du.edu>; Web site: <www.du.edu/gsis>.

GEORGE WASHINGTON • Washington, DC
Full tuition awards are available for students interested in a master's degree in curriculum and instruction with a concentration in bilingual special education. The full-time, 45-credit hour program starts this summer. Upon completion of the program, students will be eligible for certification in ESL, special education, and/or bilingual special education. To receive an application packet and more information, please contact: Dr. Amy Mazur, phone: (202) 994-1511; e-mail: <amazur@gwu.edu>

***ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY • Seattle, WA**
AUS offers a Master of Arts degree in the environment and community for professionals in environmental or community development fields with organizations, businesses, or public agencies. The program provides a unique focus on the relationships between the natural environment and human communities by emphasizing social science perspectives and natural science literacy. Two options for regional, national, and international students: 1. Seattle Weekend Option that meets in Seattle for one weekend each month over two years; 2. Limited-Residency Option that meets for two-week intensives, three times over two years. Contact Dr. Jonathan Scherch via phone: (206) 268-4710; e-mail: <schersch@antiochsea.edu>; Web site: <www.antiochsea.edu/ec>.

ESL INSTRUCTORS • Wheaton, MD
Positions available with the Gilchrist Center. Duties: Plan and teach basic, entry-level English as a second language to adult students; teach conversational/grammar. Classes meet twice per week on Tuesday and Thurs. evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. Contact: Sharon Knapik, Cultural Ambassador Volunteer Program; phone: (240) 777-4953; e-mail: <sharon.knapik@co.mo.md.us>; Web site: <www.gilchristcenter.org>.

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***ENV. OPPORTUNITIES • Worldwide**
Positions available with World Wildlife Fund. WWF seeks dynamic, results-oriented individuals to join multicultural team of committed professionals in the following positions: human resources assistant and program officer. For more information, please visit the Web site: <www.worldwildlife.org>.



AGRICULTURAL INTERNS • Floyd, VA

Positions available at diverse organic farm to learn market gardening and sustainable living skills. Duties: greenhouse seedling production; composting; vegetable, herb, and edible mushroom cultivation; seed saving; hay making; animal husbandry; carpentry; food preservation; sales/marketing outreach. April-November. Trailer, food, and basic expenses plus instruction for 25-30 hrs/week. Car preferred though not essential. Contact: Tenley Weaver or Dennis Dove, Full Circle Farm, 320 Fork Drive, NE, Floyd, VA 24091; phone: (540) 745-3182.

HOST FAMILIES • Nationwide

Make a difference in a young person's life by hosting a foreign exchange student. Students are available from Russia and all of the New Independent States, Germany, Argentina, Hungary, Brazil, and many more. This is a great opportunity to share our rich American culture with a young ambassador. Host families must provide a loving home, meals, and emotional support. All students speak English and come with medical insurance. All students are between 15 and 18 years of age and will attend the local high school in the host family's community. If you are interested in learning more about this educational opportunity contact: Dawna, phone: 800-637-0217; e-mail: <dawna@azmail.net>.

ASSOCIATES • Naples, FL

Positions available through The Conservancy of SW Florida: For the Naples Nature Center: environmental policy, land acquisition, Museum of Natural History, summer day camp, school programs, and wildlife rehabilitation clinic. For the Briggs Nature Center: environmental interpreters. These positions are available on a rotating basis. Applicants must be at least a junior in college or graduates with a background in biology, conservation, wildlife, research, teaching, elementary education, environmental education/science, marine, or related fields. Call (941) 403-4213 for information. Request an application from: Sharon Truluck, Human Resources Director, The Conservancy of Southwest Florida, 1450 Merrihue Drive, Naples, FL 34102; e-mail <HumanResources@Conservancy.org>.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS • Crozet, VA

Positions available with Innisfree Village, a life-sharing community of adults with mental disabilities, nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Seeking volunteers from around the world to share their lives and join in the community for a minimum stay of one year. Members live together in family-style homes, working during the day in the weavery, woodshop, bakery, and gardens. Each volunteer has his/her own room, two days off a week, food and lodging, medical insurance, \$215/month, and 15 paid vacation days at \$40 /day. Please contact: Nancy Chappell, Innisfree Village, 5505 Walnut Level Rd., Crozet, VA 22932; phone: (434)823-5400; e-mail: <innisfreevillage@prodigy.net>.

Crisis Corps Recruiting Short-Term Volunteers

Mauritania Post Flooding Assistance

Woodless construction volunteers for The Red Crescent to assist in housing reconstruction from recent flooding (solid construction/woodless construction and training experience and strong French language skills are required).

Africa HIV/AIDS Assignments

The following assignments require previous African work experience and a six-month commitment. Additional qualifications listed. Start date is as soon as possible.

Kenya

1. Laboratory blood safety volunteer for Family Health International (three years of experience as lab manager or technologist and experience setting up quality assurance programs); 2. Blood donor recruitment volunteer for Family Health International (health degree and two years of social marketing or community mobilization experience with a public health department or agency)

Malawi

Youth and AIDS technical advisor for local NGO, MAWO (experience living in remote village setting and life skills or behavior change training required).

Due to mail delivery difficulties, Crisis Corps requests that applications and résumés be faxed to (202) 692-2 251 or e-mailed to <crisiscorps@peacecorps.gov>. An application and additional position information can be downloaded from the Crisis Corps Web site at: <www.peacecorps.gov/rpcv/crisiscorps>; or call 800-424-8580, ext. 2250.

THE PEACE CORPS CELEBRATES ANOTHER YEAR!



On March 1, 2002, more than 6,000 RPCVs shared their overseas experiences with 500,000 students in the United States. Peace Corps Day 2002 served as an excellent opportunity for students, neighbors, and colleagues throughout the United States to benefit from the experiences of RPCVs. Thank you for your participation in Peace Corps Day 2002! Your continued commitment to the Peace Corps' third goal has made Peace Corps Day 2002 another successful and meaningful celebration.

Another Opportunity to Celebrate . . .

Mark your calendars for the National Peace Corps Association (NPCA) 40th Anniversary Conference, "The Peace Corps Family: Bringing the World Together," to be held on June 20-23, 2002, in Washington, D.C. For more information, consult the NPCA Web site at <www.rpcv.org> or phone (202) 293-7728. Plan to join thousands of RPCVs and celebrate 41 years of service this summer.

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ORGANIC FARM • Chambersburg, PA

Positions available as interns with Fulton Farm/Wilson College. Duties: hands-on seeding, watering, weeding, harvesting, packing, and marketing of different crops. Responsibilities will increase with length of stay. Training includes hands-on work and instruction, plus field walks, suggested reading, individual projects, visits to other farms. Qualifications: strong interest in learning sustainable agriculture; land ethic; ability to perform physical labor and work outside under all conditions; experience with gardening/farming a plus. Contact Matt Steiman, 1015 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg PA 17201; phone: (717) 709 1995; e-mail: <msteiman@wilson.edu>.

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CREWMEMBER • Washington State

Positions available with the Washington Conservation Corps. Duties: train young adults dedicated to protecting and enhancing the natural resources of Washington State. After one year of service, members receive a college award of \$4,725 for future education or to pay off existing student loans. This position pays min. wage (\$6.90/hour). Six-month awards available. For an application, please contact: Karen Daniels, phone: (360) 407-7248; e-mail: <kdan461@ecy.wa.gov>.

March Career Event

Career Opportunities In Consulting

Joseph Rio, Business Development Manager for the Latin America and the Caribbean Division at Chemonics International, will share his ideas to identify consulting opportunities. He will focus on setting goals and planning strategically to target consulting firms in Washington, D.C.

When and Where:

March 21, 2002

12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Paul D. Coverdell Peace Corps Headquarters
1111 20th St. NW

Shriver Conference Room A
Washington, DC 20526

For more information, please contact Elvira May, RVS, at (202) 692-1445.



Seeking Suggestions

If you have article ideas or would like to see a particular career topic covered in the Hotline, please send suggestions to the following e-mail address: hotline@peacecorps.gov. Thanks!

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