

Connecting youth with employers in Kings County

by Stella Shepard

The objective of the **2010 Kings County Trades Expo and Job Fair** was to provide youth with employment and career opportunity awareness of trades and technology. The expo also provided youth with an awareness of employment and career opportunities in other sectors.

Employers spoke with potential employees and other exhibitors provided post-secondary educational information. As well, sector councils and associations provided information about their industries.

“There were **36** recruiters and about **400** jobs available,” says event organizer **Shannon Keenan** of **Harmony Training Center** in Souris.

“The event provided youth with labour market information and job opportunities that will allow them to build futures for themselves in Kings County.”

The project was funded in part by the Government of Canada.

Five businesses provided details about job possibilities:

Bayshore Home Health



Nadine Leger-MacKinnon, Client Service Coordinator.

They offer services to individuals of all ages with a wide range of health conditions and personal needs. **Resident Care Workers, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Homemakers** deliver home support, personal care and nursing services.

“We employ about **12** Homemakers and Resident Care Workers in the Kings County area,” says **Nadine**. “We continually hire staff to meet the needs of our clients.”

For more information, contact **Nadine Leger-MacKinnon** at **892-7355**. Visit www.bayshore.ca



Atlantic Aqua Farms Partnership

They have been growing and processing **Canadian Cove** brand mussels for the North American market for more than **20** years. The Orwell Cove production location employs **50** people year-



Josie Jackson, Human Resources Manager.

round. The mussel growing operation, **United Mussel Farms** in Eastern PEI, employs an additional **50** people seasonally.

“We are offering full-time and part-time positions year-round at our mussel processing facility, and also seasonal positions at our mussel growing operation,” says **Josie**. “We are willing to train. There are also a few positions available for summer students.”

Positions at the processing plant include **baggers, mussel strippers, graders, and production workers**. At United Mussel Farms, the positions available are for **boat crews**.

There are opportunities for promotions within the company to supervisory and management positions.

For more information, contact **Josie Jackson** at **651-2563** or e-mail josie@canadiancove.pe.ca. Visit www.canadiancove.com



Chew Chew Café



Pat and Tim Bray, Owners.

This is a new eating establishment located at the **Plough the Waves Center** in Wood Islands. **Pat** and **Tim** recently moved to PEI from western Canada. **Tim** is the chef and manager.

About **10** positions will be available, including **supervisors, cooks and servers**. Supervisory positions need prior experience. Training will be provided to all others.

“We are offering full-time and part-time work to students and non-students,” says **Tim**. “When hiring, we look for people who are friendly, outgoing and can provide good customer service.”

“The café will operate May through November this year.”

For more information, contact **Tim** or **Pat Bray** at **962-3594**.



PEI Seafood Processors Association



Judith MacQueen, Employment Officer.

This is a non-profit organization that provides training and marketing support within the industry.

Seafood processing plants Island-wide are hiring for the following positions: **production line workers, maintenance workers, forklift operators, and class 4 or 3 engineers** with ammonia and refrigeration experience. They are also seeking candidates for supervisory and quality control positions.

“There are more than **600** positions available in the Kings County area,” says **Judith**. “Training is available for anyone seeking production line worker positions.”

For more information, contact **Judith MacQueen** at **629-1392**. Visit www.peispa.com



Island Traffic Control



Lowell Jones, Office Administrator and Paul Bernard, Field Manager/ Dispatcher.

This is an Island-owned company. “We continually hire **traffic control flaggers** across PEI,” says **Lowell**. “We’ve hired **12** full-time employees since acquiring the company in January 2010.”

“About **30 to 40** flagging positions will be available in the Kings County area May through February. Flaggers work about **40** hours weekly, depending on the contractors. We will also be hiring about **30 to 40 general street cleaning labourers** for seasonal employment.”

For more information, contact **Lowell Jones** or **Paul Bernard** at **940-9252**.



