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About Me

It's good to be back but I have had a few challenges . While in prison I learned a lot about what I can become and have new desires and goals. Overall I really want to live near my daughter who is now 6 years old. I am through trying to take shortcuts, not only am I unwilling to take that risk but am also morally against some of my previous shortcuts. It's too late for me to live in the same house as my ex-wife and our daughter but hopefully I can become someone they are proud to know. After I get back on my feet and can afford some classes, I would like to become a software developer. Through my skills, previous employment, and education you can see I am very interested in computers and while on that path I hope to help pay for college for my daughter.

EMPLOYMENT

Work / Experience History

Jefferson City & Cameron, WI

2000-2003

Temporary Assignments

Store Clerk/Stocker, Library Clerk/Data Entry Clerk, Computer Operator/Data Entry Clerk, Chapel Head Clerk, AM/PM Baker/Store Clerk

State of Wisconsin (Green Bay Correctional Institution); Allouez, Wisconsin

2003-2008

Kitchen Worker

Cleaned the grill, food preparation surfaces, counters, and floors. Met high quality standards for food preparation, service, and safety.

Fair Shake

2008-2012

Website Administrator and Company Information Technician Reply to Common Inquiry, Project Co-conceptualize, Professional Document Creation, Community Outreach, Understand and Correct Technological Hardware/Software

Ebeneezer's Wood-Fired Pizza

1998-2000

Pizza/Line Cook

Cooking Pizza and other Italian Dishes, Prepping, Cleaning



Fair Shake Furnature Recycle

2011-2012

Furnature Mover

On Saturdays, Fair Shake Furnature Recycle gets together in a few groups. One group goes door to door asking if houses have spare furnature. Another group with a truck recieves calls from the first group about houses willing to give furnature and picks the furnature up and donates it to former felon housing groups. I have been working weekends for almost a year moving heavy furnature.

• LaCrosse County Humane Society

2010-2011

Pet washer, walker, trainer

In 2010 I decided to donate some time to find homes for stray animals. I came to the Humane Society to walk dogs, clean dogs and cages, and train dogs. I believe that the more dogs spend quality-time with humans, the better behaved they become and the better chance they have of finding a home.

Skills

• Experience working in a professional kitchen environment. Cooking Soups, Sauces, Roasting Meats, regulate cooling and heating temperatures and times. Speed and project management.

Quick Learning

My previous employment required that I constantly learn new skills as the scope of the project expanded.

Computer

I love working on computers and everything about them. I can install/replace/repair/diognose hardware and software. I can type about 30 words per minute and moderately-thoroughly understand most applications and operating systems.

Website

Building, Maintaining, Updating, Installing Server Software, Moving, Backing Up, Troubleshooting

Bicycle Tinkering

I learned to tune bicycles through YouTube demonstrations. I can now work on Derailleurs, Brakes, Tires, Wheels, Spokes, Shocks, Cranks, Headsets

Special Recognitions

• Employee of the month - Ebeneezer's Pizza (March and April, 2007) See a scanned copy of the award in my Documents section.

EDUCATION



Education History

Self Taught Online Courses - Website Development

2006-2008

HTML, basic PHP, basic MySQL, basic Javascript

Through YouTube videos and online tutorials I taught myself basic webdesign. I now know enough to build websites from scratch that have dynamic pages and dynamic menus. I can create, read, update and delete entries to a database and feed those databases to be viewed comfortably on pages. I can also build websites using static pages or using content management systems like ModX or WordPress.

Self Taught Online Courses - Office Software

2006-2008

Word Processing, Spreadsheets, Presentations, PDF Creation

Through a lot of use and online tutorials I discovered how to professionally use Word Processing software, create Calculating Spreadsheets, present ideas visually and create attractive brochures, handouts or booklets that are easy to print.

• Self Taught Online Courses - Image Editing/Creation 2006-2010

Proficient in editing Vector Images, Layored PNGs, Extracting Elements from finished images, or editing any flat image type.

I have become proficient in nearly all aspects of creating logos, visual elements in websites, sharpening out-of-focus photos and fitting lower quality images for published documents. I have learned to imagine the final image and understand the path through many types of software to achieve the result of the vision.

Self Taught Through Books - Dog Training/Care 2002-2012

House Breaking, Tricks, Bad Behavior Resolutions, Recognizing Illness, Coming up with a life the dog enjoys and so is more agreeable.

I have trained three dogs completely and adjusted training on the nine others I have lived with. I am used to training dogs and resolving negative behavior. I recognize illnesses and can suggest diets and exercise schedules that will benefit the owner's experience with the pet.

• General Equivalency Diploma

2008-2008

Western Technical College

Certification that I have high school level academic skills. See a scanned copy of the certificate in my Documents section.

Training History



Administration

2009-2012

At Fair Shake I was trained to sharpen my written language skills, recognize pertinent information, listen to an individual's issues with company software, and come up with solutions that satisfy my superiors and users alike. I was taught how to listen well and speak on behalf of the organization. More training includes the ability to schedule and supply reports, write member news and reports, and communicate to a large group through email subscribers, social networking, and video creation.

PERSONAL REFERENCES

Pat Sr.

Father

A good judge of my character. My father has been there for me and my daughter through our toughest times. He knows I am a different man now. Contact me for my father's phone number.

John

Friend

He has been my friend my entire life. He can confirm my credibility and and intentions. Contact me for John's phone number.

• Dr. Chris Larson

Neighbor

I did a few odd jobs that Chris needed. She can verify my work ethic and skill. I cleaned her yard, fixed her computers and varnished her deck. Contact me for Chris's email or phone number.

VERIFIED REFERENCES

• Fair Shake Furniture Recycle

Employer

Alex has shown great dedication to our cause. He shows up every Saturday morning at 8 ready to work hard and always lets us know if he can't make it. I would recommend for employment because of how seriously he takes his volunteer work. Alex would make a great addition to any team.

HOBBIES

Self education Hiking

INTERESTS



• Parenting Technology Spanish language History Philosophy

FAVORITE QUOTE

• The richest man is not he who has the most, but he who needs the least.

—Unknown Author