

This poem was written by one of our senior customers who lost his retirement and comes into our *WorkSource Lane* Center every day working with staff on applications. To show his appreciation to staff he wrote the following poem.

## **THE CAREER COUNSELOR**

by John Gill

Job Seeker

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Jobs are rare.  
Cupboards are bare.  
Job seekers despair.  
Few seem to care.

Employers you can trust  
To insist applications must  
Be ever so fine  
And, of course, submitted online.

Computers are the rage  
In this, the information age.  
They really are great  
Unless you have applied for work as of late.

Answering questions galore,  
Providing resume, cover letter, and more  
Can overwhelm and demoralize  
The applicant no matter how he tries.

If Mr. Average relied only on his wit,  
Nary an application would he submit.  
But he finally prevails,  
Because counselor points out key details.

The career counselor knows what  
Each employer looks for.  
And helps the job seeker enter  
Through the front door.