

### **RICHLAND NEWHOPE INDUSTRIES, INC.**

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### **Highlights from September**

A great time was had by all during several fall events this month. A group spent the day at Kingwood Center Gardens. They had fun touring the Kingwood Hall mansion, seeing all of the beautiful flowers and fall displays, walking through the greenhouse, and taking lots of pictures. They also learned about the many jobs that are available at Kingwood Center Gardens. Josh was also able to enjoy the warm summer like weather at Liberty Park while eating his lunch and working on a craft.



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### **RCBDD** Charities Golf Outing held at Deer Ridge Golf Club

Jackie Steele and BJ Brown attended the 23rd Annual Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities Charities Golf Outing on Friday, September 8th at Deer Ridge Golf Course. There were a number of golfers and RNI, Inc. fielded a team that included Sean Laird and Levi Markham. A great time was had by all!



## **RNI** Chatter

## October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM)



Louie Bauer has recently been hired by RNI, Inc. to fill a spot on the second shift custodial team. Louie joins Scott Love, who has worked at RNI, Inc. for more than 6 years, to keep the building cleaned up and ready for everyone who works there. Together the guys make a great team and work diligently to complete their tasks. We sure appreciate them taking care of all the things that happen behind the scenes daily.

Recently, Cory Shuster was able to participate in a luncheon to honor Tim Alcorn, play-by-play announcer of the Cleveland Cavaliers. The event was hosted by 106.7 WRGM ESPN Mansfield and gave Cory, a HUGE Cavs fan, the opportunity to spend some time one on one with Tim and ask questions about the upcoming season. Cory even won a pair of tickets to watch the Cavs take on the Detroit Pistons plus a swag bag of Cleveland Cavaliers items. In addition to cheering on the Cavs, Cory works for Executive Management Services and provides custodial services at several area businesses. The RNI, Inc. Community Employment department was thrilled for Cory to attend this event because his love and support of the Cleveland Cavaliers is always apparent. Enjoy the game, Cory! We can't wait to hear about it!





Curtis Prelipp has worked at the Claremont Avenue Pizza Hut for over 5 years. He spends his shift folding pizza boxes so the kitchen is stocked up when they need them. Curtis loves coming into work to visit with his coworkers and joke around. He always has a story to tell and dozens of questions to ask. Curtis is friendly, well liked, and very social. He enjoys spending time with his family, his dog, and talking to his girlfriend. Curtis is looking forward to celebrating his 30th birthday and wants to visit a park near Bowling Green where visitors can feed and pet deer. Happy Birthday Curtis! Well done maintaining your job for more than 5 years now!

Patrick Arnold is quickly approaching his 2-year employment anniversary at Fed-Ex Ground. Patrick loves the physical nature of his job where he spends his early morning hours unloading semi-trucks. Rumor has it, Patrick likes to show his arm muscles off after a hard day at work. Patrick has made a lot of friends at Fed-Ex and is well liked by supervisors and coworkers. When Patrick isn't working, he enjoys playing video games like Grand Theft Auto online and dressing up as a cowboy. When listening to music, he listens to country and rock. Patrick is a football enthusiast who cheers for the Buckeyes and the Steelers.





Diane Chacey is training to be a back-up receptionist for the RNI, Inc. front desk. Diane is working with a job coach to learn the skills needed to be successful in this position. If you speak with her when you call in or see Diane at the front desk, wish her great success in her new position!

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#### **Employee Anniversaries** OCTOBER 2023 Years **Judy Greanya** 10/01/2001 22 **Congratulations** Julie Pfahler 22 Years 10/15/2001 Marilyn Kukowski Years 10/21/2015 8 Judy and Julie Ann Glaze Years 10/10/2017 6 **Ron Conaway** 10/16/2017 Years 6 **Jacob Windsor** 10/17/2018 Years HANK YOU for Mark Russell 10/15/2019 4 Years your years of **Carolina Walker** 10/19/2020 Years 10/31/2022 **Evan Davis 1** Year Service at RNI, Inc.! **David Parks** 10/31/2022 Year Element of Art **Element of Art Studio/Gallery Schedule**

Element of Art is open to the public Monday-Friday 8:30am-3pm and every other Saturday from 10am-3pm. Classes with our contracted artists are currently in session. For sales orders or questions about our public programming, reach out to us on social media, give us a call at 419.522.2965, or email gyockey@rniinc.com.

#### Schedule and Classes for the month of OCTOBER and NOVEMBER:

<u>\*\*\* Studio Saturdays</u> \*\*\* Every other Saturday from 11am-2pm. Bring a craft from home to work on in our collaborative studio space or work on one of our free monthly crafts. October dates: 10/21 and November dates: 11/4 & 11/18

#### Yarn Painting Workshop | Oct. 26th from 6-9pm

Join us at Element of Art for a cozy evening of autumn lofi music and yarn painting! Using glue and yarn you'll create a colorful and cozy Yarn Painting just in time to show your friends and family during the Thanksgiving holidays!

#### First Friday @EOA | Nov 3rd from 5-7pm

Featuring live musical performances by local artist Alexandria Belden, light hors d'oeuvres catered by the City Garden Cafe, and a meet and greet with some of our artists. Doors open at 4:45pm, we can't wait to see you there!

#### Our Recurring Events/Classes are open to the public:

<u>Mixed Media</u> - (Every Monday) \$15 <u>Acrylics & Watercolor</u> - (Every Tuesday) \$15 <u>Ceramics</u> - (Every Wednesday) \$30 Must attend two classes (building & glazing). <u>Jewelry</u> - (Every Thursday) \$15 <u>Art 101</u> - (Every Friday) \$15 Classes with our contracted artists are currently in session. For sales orders or questions about our public programing, reach out to us on social media, call 419.522.2965, or email gyockey@rniinc.com.

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**SAFETY starts with S, but begins with YOU...** 

**RNI Safety TOPIC for October: Fire Safety Month** 

# Fire Prevention and Safety Tips



### Beware of fire hazards.

Cooking, heating, electrical outlets, cigarettes, and candles are common fire hazards.

### Check fire alarms.

Test smoke alarms every month. Replace the batteries every year.

#### Know what to do.

Create a fire escape plan with exit points for every room in your home.

#### **Conduct a fire drill.**

Practice your fire escape plan. Know how to stop, drop, and roll.

### Ask for help.

Know who to call in case of a fire. Stay calm and give them your address with landmarks.

### Fire prevention starts with you!

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RNI, Inc. Team: Let's increase our presence on social media and increase our LIKES on Facebook. LIKE or FOLLOW or SHARE us on Facebook to invite your friends to LIKE us too. UPDATED 10/16/23; we are at:

City Garden Café is at 492 LIKES, can we get to 500 LIKES, 8 LIKES to go ??

Element of Art Studio/Gallery is at 1,949 LIKES, can we get 2000 LIKES, 51 LIKES to go ??

Richland Newhope Industries is at 2020 LIKES, can we get to 2500 LIKES, 480 LIKES to go ??

Trillium Event Center is at 1032 FOLLOWS, can we get to 1500 FOLLOWS, 468 FOLLOWS to go ??

Visit us on the Web at rniinc.com

<u>Help us</u> increase our social media exposure by liking and sharing our four (4) Facebook pages. City Garden Café, Element of Art Studio/Gallery, Trillium Event Center and Richland Newhope Industries, Inc!



## **RNI, Inc. Crawford completes some fall baking**

Support Specialist Shelly Schifer got RNI, Inc. Crawford into the fall spirit by baking pumpkin cookies and decorating them. They were happy to share their masterpieces with everyone in the building. Great job by everyone and it looks like they had a great time!!



We would like to take a moment to THANK all of employees that received RNI BUCKS during the month of September 2023:

Chuck Jeffries- Cleaning and organizing the warehouse in preparation for inventory.

Kim Thompson- For always jumping in to help out with bus patrol when subs are needed.

Shelby Thompson- For always jumping in to help out with bus patrol when subs are needed.

John Westbrook- For always jumping in to help out with bus patrol when subs are needed.

Jenny Echelberger- For covering an annual meeting at the last minute.

Jenny Echelberger- Thank you for all of the work you did getting the new area ready for the ADS/Voc group in Craw-ford!

Shelly Schifer- Thank you for all of the work you did getting the new area ready for the ADS/Voc group in Crawford! Jill Boyd- Thank you for all of the work you did getting the new area ready for the ADS/Voc group in Crawford!

THANK YOU for the nominations and the employees for going above and beyond in your position!!