

RNI Chatter



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RNI, Inc. to partner with the CCBDD to operate Trillium Event Center

The Crawford County Board of Developmental Disabilities (CCBDD) is continuing an already established partnership with RNI, Inc. at the Trillium Event Center as they will begin operations. This partnership began on January 1, 2018 as RNI provided staff support to the Trillium Event Center which serves as a training site to support individuals with developmental disabilities to gain meaningful work experience. Individuals with developmental disabilities work to complete set up, tear down, clean up, custodial services, kitchen prep, among other tasks as they learn job skills which help them make decisions about their future career. The facility is equipped with cutting edge audio-visual equipment that includes big screen TVs, sound systems, internet access and Wi-Fi. We have a portable dance floor up to 21' by 21'. Our dining room set up consists of round tables that seat from 250-280. We also provide rectangular tables for different configurations. There are three meeting rooms that can seat up to 30 people. We have a beautiful outdoor courtyard for photo shoots and wedding ceremonies. RNI, Inc. has hired Event Coordinator Ariaiah Clow and Job Coach Shaynie Kleinhoffer and with the assistance of the RNI Crawford Community Employment team will operate the facility.

October 2019 Calendar of Events at RNI, Inc.

10/02	Workers Council Meeting Crawford 10:15 AM Crawford Co. location
10/04	First Friday at the Element of Art with live music ~ 5pm-8pm
10/04	RNI Pay Day
10/8	Community Connections @ Apple Hill Orchard 5pm ~7pm
10/14	CLOSED—No programs In—Service Day for all Staff 8am~4pm
10/16	Aktion Club Meeting 1:30 PM-4th Street location
10/18	RNI Pay Day
10/28	People's First Meeting 1:30 PM-4th Street Location
10/31	Workers' Council 9:30 AM—4th Street location

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Crawford Integration Department busy in September

The Crawford Social Integration department has been busy with the changing season. During the month of September they have tried some new things, done some seasonal things and had a lot of fun! A few of our adventures include: chair yoga at YMCA, fishing trips, trips to orchards, attending our last HOOFit of the season, hikes and picnics, WWII POW Camp speaker, Positive Aging Expo, Trivia at COA, concerts, and a trip to Iron Chef. The Acts of Kindness Group also worked on making cards for Homecare Matters to pass out to people receiving Hospice care.



Pictured in the top left photo is Social Integration Coordinator in Crawford Jill Burling and a few pictures from her outings this month.

Self-advocacy group recently formed in Crawford County

Local day providers, Nancy from Clearwater COG and some past self-advocacy staff were invited to plan a county wide self-advocacy group. These planning meeting started at the beginning of 2019. The first official meeting occurred in May and officers were elected in June. RNI, Inc. holds 4 of the 5 elected offices. Charlie Dierksheide, President, Austin Shope, Vice-President, Kim Clady, Treasurer and Gary Poffenbaugh, Sergeant at Arms. At the meeting in May the group adopted the name "Chargers for Change." Currently the group is working on fundraising events to support future opportunities. They meet the 3rd Monday of every month at the Trillium Event Center from 10 am– 11am.

Richland Integration Department has fun on recumbent bicycles

Jackie Steele, Integration Coordinator–Richland and Nellie had a wonderful time together on the bike trail in Butler. They set the seat so the bike would fit her, she was excited to wear the helmet for safety. Then on her ride she received lots of high fives and laughs. Like a book at the library you can get a recumbent bike loaned to you, adult tricycles and bikes also available at the Butler, Mansfield and Lexington libraries.





October Employee Anniversaries

Julie Pfahler	10/15/2019	18 Years	Ron Conaway Jr.	10/16/2019	2 Years
Judith Greanya	10/01/2019	18 Years	Jacob Windsor	10/17/2019	1 Year
Jillea Burling	10/01/2019	18 Years	Ashley Myers	10/03/2019	1 Year
Gary Wiggins	10/18/2019	12 Years	Dashaun Belle	10/01/2019	1 Year
Diane Ousley	10/25/2019	12 Years			
Melody Mays	10/28/2019	4 Years			
Marilyn Kukowski	10/21/2019	4 Years			
Molly Richard	10/17/2019	3 Years			
Alice Youngblood	10/01/2019	2 Years			
Samantha McGuire	10/04/2019	2 Years			
Jennifer Gray	10/09/2019	2 Years			
Ann Glaze (2nd time around)	10/10/2019	2 Years			



Congratulations

**and thank you for
your years of service!**

Element of Art



STUDIO / GALLERY

Element of Art—Class Schedule for October



Acrylic Painting class with Sarah Stickney (Community Welcome) Cost is \$20 per class which includes instruction and materials needed. Classes will be held on **Mondays** from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Classes dates will be **October 7th, 21st, and 28th**.

Ceramics Class with Suzanne Madden - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$35 per class for instruction, firing and materials. Class will be held **Tuesdays** from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Class dates will be **October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th**.

Photography Class with Sarah Stickney - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$20 per class for instruction and developing. Class will be held **Tuesdays** from 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Class dates will be **October 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th**.

Jewelry Class with Madison Lang - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$15 per class for instruction and materials. Class will be held **Wednesdays** from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Class dates will be **October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th**.

Mixed Media Class with Diane Googins - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$15 per class for instruction and materials. Classes will be held **Wednesday Evenings** from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. Class dates will be **October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th**.

Expressive Illustrative Class with Madison Lang - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$15 per class for instruction and materials. Class will be held **Wednesdays** from 10:30 am – 1:30 pm. Class dates will be **October 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st**.

Clay Mask (2nd half of workshop) with Noah Evans - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$35 for the workshop, instruction, firing and materials. Workshop will be held **Thursday evening** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Class date will be **October 10th**.

Fall Tree Painting Workshop with Noah Evans - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$25 for the workshop, instruction and materials. Workshop will be held **Thursday evening** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Class dates will be **October 17th**.

Bob Ross Party with Suzanne Madden and Sarah Stickney - (Community Welcome) Cost is \$15 per class for instruction and materials. Class will be held **Thursday evening** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Class date will be **October 24th**.



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RNI, Inc. Team: Let's increase our presence on Social Media and increase our LIKES on Facebook. LIKE and SHARE us on Facebook to invite your friends to LIKE us too. UPDATED 09/26/19; we are at:

City Garden Café is at 293 LIKES, can we get to 500 LIKES, 207 LIKES to go ??

Element of Art Studio/Gallery is at 1,669 LIKES, can we get 2000 LIKES, 331 LIKES to go ??

Richland Newhope Industries is at 1,443 LIKES, can we get to 2000 LIKES, 557 LIKES to go ??

Trillium Event Center is at 515 LIKES, can we get to 1000 LIKES, 485 LIKES to go ??

Please help us 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 !!



Band Shirt Day held at all RNI locations on September 18th

The RNI A-Team sponsored wear your Favorite Band Shirt Day on Wednesday September 18th at all RNI locations. There were many photos submitted to the Chatter from the 4th Street, Longview Avenue and Crawford locations. Take a look at the photos !!



Individuals visit the World's Greatest Fair in Bellville

Social Integration Coordinator, Jeanetta Porter snapped these photos of Jeanne Sisinger when they recently visited the World's Fair in Bellville. Jeanne is a dolphin painted on her face in the photos below. All of the staff and individuals had a great time and look forward to attending the fairs each summer.



Crawford County Chargers and the staff met for a fun game of softball

STAFF VS CHARGERS GAME was held on Thursday, September 12th at 5:30 pm. They also had their Annual get together afterwards. This year they served pizza and everyone brought desserts and many other treats. Special Olympics supplied the cups, plates, napkins and pop. A great time was had by all. Please enjoy a few of the photos from the evening.

