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YMCA Trunk or Treat event was a huge success

The 6th annual Trunk or Treat was held at the Mansfield YMCA on October 26th from noon to 2 p.m. Art Coordinator Wenn Yockey and Integration Coordinator Dana Endicott took individuals there and had an “Under the Sea” trunk setup. Thank you also to Charmaine Graham from Transportation who provided the van and picked up the individuals in attendance. There was a good time had by all and they went through a lot of candy. Besides candy, there was pumpkin decorating, games, prizes, and food trucks. Thank you to all who made the event a success!



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Highlights from October



National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) Employee Spotlights

Curtis Prelipp has been working at Pizza Hut in Ashland for 6 years. He loves to come in and visit with his coworkers, managers, and job coaches. Curtis is friendly, often joking or laughing, and likes to ask questions about the people who talk to him. When the RNI staff is with Curtis, we often make a game out of folding boxes. Typically he tries to race the clock or timer to see how many boxes he can fold, but sometimes he likes to see how many he can fold during his favorite songs. Keep up the good work, Curtis.



We first met Rowan Woodcock in 2021 when he was a participant in the Summer SLICE program. In addition to learning many life skills in the program, he was eager to teach his classmates all about his favorite bugs! Rowan then deferred his high school graduation to become a Project SEARCH student at Ohio Health Mansfield. Rowan completed three different rotations which gave him the opportunity to explore different jobs at the hospital while getting on the job training. After graduating, Rowan was hired by McDonald's where he cleans the lobby, restocks the condiment stations, and keeps the restrooms tidy. In addition to McDonald's, he has recently joined the RNI E-Cycle team. Rowan is one busy guy, and we have been happy to support him along his journey.



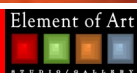
October Employee Anniversaries

Julie Pfahler	10/15/2001	23 Years
Marilyn Kukowski	10/21/2015	9 Years
Ann Glaze	10/10/2017	7 Years
Ron Conaway	10/16/2017	7 Years
Carolina Walker	10/19/2020	4 Years
Evan Davis	10/31/2022	2 Years
David Parks	10/31/2022	2 Years

Congratulations to

Julie Pfahler

THANK YOU for your years
of service to RNI, Inc!



Element of Art Studio/Gallery Schedule of Events

Element of Art is open to the public Monday-Friday 8:30am-3pm. Classes with our contracted artists are currently in session. To schedule a class, give us a call at 419.522.2965, or email gyockey@rniinc.com

Our recurring events/classes are open to the public:

Mixed Media - (Every Monday) \$15/class

Acrylics & Watercolor - (Every Tuesday) \$15/class

Ceramics - (Every Wednesday) \$30 Must attend two classes (building & glazing).

Jewelry - (Every Thursday) \$15/class

Art 101 - (Every Friday) \$15/class

Crawford Custodial crew is staying busy

Mikel and Mitchell Ackerman are doing great cleaning the RNI, Inc. building in Crawford and the FC Bank building in downtown Bucyrus. Mikel and Mitchell are shown here with their Job Coach, Kelci Williams, and cleaning their two locations. The two brothers have been a fixture in and around the Bucyrus area and Mitchell has cleaned the FC Bank for 18 years and Mikel has cleaned at the bank for 8 years. Thank you to Kelci for the awesome photos!!



RNI Bucks issued for the month of October



Danielle Adkins for providing IES supports at EMS, Career Planning-Career Exploration and ADS services. These services led to a relationship with a local radio station and led to a dream job for Cody, helping with sports broadcasts over the radio.

Eva Pickens Thank you for completing production to help keep up with order deadlines! You are appreciated!

Chris Mitchell Thank you for loading files from storage to be transported to E-Cycle for shredding! You are appreciated!

Matt Cole and Ron Conaway Thank you for loading files from storage and transporting to E-Cycle! You are appreciated!

Shane Hutcheson Thank you for being a great team member!!

Heather Gibson Thank you for being a great team member!

Abbie Bays Thank you for picking up the cafe order!! We appreciate you!

Wenn Yockey Thank you for heading up the Trunk or Treat event at the YMCA.

Sequoia Bond and Shannon Ruhl A huge thank you to you both for organizing and putting on the Halloween pizza party at E-Cycle.

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

RNI Safety TOPIC for October is: Fire Prevention Safety Month

TEN TIPS FOR FIRE SAFETY

1

Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas.



2

Test smoke alarms monthly. Replace batteries at least once a year.



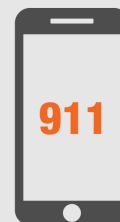
3

Have a family fire escape plan and practice the plan twice a year.



4

If there's a fire in your home, get out, dial 911 and don't go back inside.



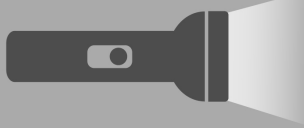
5

Keep matches and lighters out of children's reach.



6

Use flashlights during power outages, not candles.



7

Never leave a burning candle unattended.



8

Turn off space heaters when you leave the room and don't leave them unattended.



9

Only use smoking materials outside.



10

Keep flammable items away from anything that can get hot, such as space heaters.



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RNI, Inc. Friends: 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 11/18/24; we are at:

City Garden Café is at 669 FOLLOWERS, can we get to 800 FOLLOWS? 131 FOLLOWERS to go!

Element of Art Studio/Gallery is at 2,202 FOLLOWERS. Can we get 2,500 FOLLOWS? 298 FOLLOWERS to go!

RNI, Inc. is at 2315 FOLLOWERS, can we get to 2500 FOLLOWS? 185 FOLLOWERS to go!

Trillium Event Center is at 1,168 FOLLOWERS. Can we get to 1,500 FOLLOWS? 332 FOLLOWERS to go!

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 RNI, Inc!



WE ARE HIRING RICHLAND AND CRAWFORD COUNTY LOCATIONS



Locations:

150 East Fourth St. Mansfield, Ohio 44902
1650 E. Southern Ave. Bucyrus, Ohio 44820

Do you want to make a difference in people's lives?

Ready for a Change....Join our Team!

WE ARE HIRING

A listing of open positions can be found at

www.rniinc.com

or by stopping in at one of our locations



Our Mission:

"Empower people with developmental disabilities to live their best life by fostering innovative opportunities through community engagement."

Benefits:

- Flexible Schedules!
- Health, Dental, and Vision (full-time positions)
- Life Insurance (full-time positions)
- Retirement Plan
- Paid Holidays, Vacation and Sick time
- Paid training including First Aid & CPR, Defensive Driving