

RNI Chatter



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RNI, Inc. enjoyed ARC day at Cedar Point

The RNI, Inc. crew had a great day at Cedar Point celebrating The Arc of Ohio Day 2023 held annually at the park. Integration Coordinator Carolina had a great time with Wendi, Jacob, David, and Jesse. Carolina said everyone had an AMAZING time! Thank you to ARC of Ohio for the complimentary tickets as well.



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Crestline Schools takes a tour of RNI, Inc. facilities

Dorcas Schreck, Intervention Specialist at Crestline, recently toured several facilities at RNI, Inc. Her class visited and toured the woodshop at 985 West Longview Avenue, the Element of Art Studio/ Gallery and concluded at City Garden Cafe, where they also ate lunch. Her class has a program where they fix lunches and sell them periodically which is one reason they were interested in seeing how the café operates!



Here are a few RNI, Inc. Community Employment Spotlights features this month



Jason Runkle has worked at Wendy's in Willard since June of 2018. He takes great pride in keeping the dining room sparkling clean for all guests to enjoy. He has recently learned how to make salads and restock a variety of items. His favorite items to stock are the dipping sauces. His goal is to keep learning new skills at his job so he can be a Shift Leader someday. Congratulations on your 5 years of employment at Wendy's!



Mark Kelley has worked at Deer Ridge Golf Course for more than 10 years. He does a variety of jobs including cleaning the carts and golf balls when the weather is nice. In the off season, Mark helps with maintenance and cleaning in the restaurant. Mark has been married to his wife for almost 3 years and he has a very active life. Mark loves bowling and participating in Special Olympics Golf. Mark is friendly and enjoys having coffee with his friends at McDonalds. Keep up the great work Mark. Your team at RNI, Inc. are so proud of you!



Kati Hayes is a recent graduate from the Project Search program at OhioHealth for the school year 2022-2023. She is the first of her graduating classmates to get a job. She has recently started working at Kroger and is a Courtesy Clerk. She said her favorite part of her job is seeing her former teachers when they are shopping. While in school, Kati was a member of the National Honor Society. She is interested in horticulture and working with flowers.

Congratulations on your first job, Kati!

RNI Bucks issued in the month of May



We would like to take a moment to THANK all of employees that received RNI BUCKS during the month of May '23:

Chase Shupp and Darlene Loughery - Both volunteered to work on the Memorial Day holiday weekend!

Sadie Kyler - Sherri wanted to thank you for making her a new attendance chart for her use everyday!

Troy Gilliland - Participated on the DODD Innovation Series and Networking Tuesdays panels to discuss Gabby's transition from school to community employment and adulthood .

JUNE 2023 Employee Anniversaries

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| John Westbrook | 06/02/1994 | 29 Years |
| Kim Thompson | 06/26/1995 | 28 Years |
| Jenny Echelberger | 06/13/1996 | 27 Years |
| Amanda South | 06/12/1997 | 26 Years |
| Ann Ahlers-Cole | 06/03/2002 | 21 Years |
| Shelby Thompson | 06/21/2012 | 11 Years |
| Shayla Snelling | 06/21/2013 | 10 Years |
| Cynthia Russell | 06/15/2016 | 7 Years |
| Kevyn Morehead | 06/12/2017 | 6 Years |
| Debra Holiday | 06/29/2021 | 2 Years |
| Chris Mitchell | 06/29/2021 | 2 Years |
| Alecia Howell | 06/01/2022 | 1 Year |

Congratulations
 John, Kim, Jenny,
 Amanda and Ann
 THANK YOU all for your
 years of service!



Element of Art Studio/Gallery Updates

Element of Art is open to the public Monday-Friday 9am-4pm and Saturdays 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.

Join us for our recurring events in June: Mondays - Mixed Media, Tuesdays - Acrylics & Watercolor, Wednesdays - Ceramics (2 classes needed), Thursdays - Jewelry, and Fridays - Art 101. Our classes are open for the public to join every day of the week. Walk-in or call ahead!

\$30 for two sessions of Ceramics (Building + Glazing days).

\$15 for any other class (per session)

Studio Saturdays (every Saturday from 11a - 2pm)! Participants will meet each week in our studio space to connect and explore drawing techniques led by our Art Coordinator, Wenn Yockey. From stick figure drawing to more advanced techniques, all levels of drawing experience, age, and ability are welcome! Materials will be provided and space is limited to 10 participants.



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

RNI Safety TOPIC of the Month: Heat Related Illnesses

| HEAT-RELATED ILLNESSES | |
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| WHAT TO LOOK FOR | WHAT TO DO |
| HEAT STROKE | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High body temperature (103°F or higher) • Hot, red, dry, or damp skin • Fast, strong pulse • Headache • Dizziness • Nausea • Confusion • Losing consciousness (passing out) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Call 911 right away-heat stroke is a medical emergency • Move the person to a cooler place • Help lower the person's temperature with cool cloths or a cool bath • Do not give the person anything to drink |
| HEAT EXHAUSTION | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavy sweating • Cold, pale, and clammy skin • Fast, weak pulse • Nausea or vomiting • Muscle cramps • Tiredness or weakness • Dizziness • Headache • Fainting (passing out) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move to a cool place • Loosen your clothes • Put cool, wet cloths on your body or take a cool bath • Sip water <p>Get medical help right away if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You are throwing up • Your symptoms get worse • Your symptoms last longer than 1 hour |
| HEAT CRAMPS | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavy sweating during intense exercise • Muscle pain or spasms | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop physical activity and move to a cool place • Drink water or a sports drink • Wait for cramps to go away before you do any more physical activity <p>Get medical help right away if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cramps last longer than 1 hour • You're on a low-sodium diet • You have heart problems |
| SUNBURN | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Painful, red, and warm skin • Blisters on the skin | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay out of the sun until your sunburn heals • Put cool cloths on sunburned areas or take a cool bath • Put moisturizing lotion on sunburned areas • Do not break blisters |
| HEAT RASH | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Red clusters of small blisters that look like pimples on the skin (usually on the neck, chest, groin, or in elbow creases) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stay in a cool, dry place • Keep the rash dry • Use powder (like baby powder) to soothe the rash |



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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 06/06/23; we are at:

City Garden Café is at 467 LIKES, can we get to 500 LIKES, 33 LIKES to go ??

Element of Art Studio/Gallery is at 1,891 LIKES, can we get 2000 LIKES, 109 LIKES to go ??

Richland Newhope Industries is at 1,991 LIKES, can we get to 2000 LIKES, 9 LIKES to go ??

Trillium Event Center is at 953 FOLLOWS, can we get to 1000 FOLLOWS, 47 FOLLOWS 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 Richland Newhope Industries, Inc!



Lori Barker works with Melinda W. on her site words



Here is a great photo of LSA Lori Barker working with Melinda W. on her site words. Thank you Lori for the great work with Melinda W.!

June Board Member Spotlight: Joanne Mudra

This month's Board Member spotlight is Joanne Mudra. Merris Welge and I have the honor of being the longest serving members of the RNI board. My background is in Environmental Education. I taught 4th graders in Richland County about the 3 R's of reduce, reuse and recycle. I was also and adjunct Professor for Ashland University where I taught teachers lessons to use with their students to teach about recycling and Solid Waste issues. I'm widowed with 2 sons and 4 granddaughters that I'm very proud of.

A co-worker of mine recommended me for the board. Her was a board member and was moving away from the area. He knew that I have a son with learning disabilities who was served by the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation after he graduated from high school, so I appreciated the services they provide. It has been my honor to serve on the board of an organization that does so much for individuals in our community.



Here are a few RNI, Inc. Community Spotlights for the month

RNI, Inc. visited a number of great places in the area over the last month. Take a look at some of the moments that were captured on their visit to Gorman Nature Center, Richland Carousel Park, bowling at Lex Lanes, workouts at the YMCA, the cemetery to visit a family members gravesite, Bucyrus Backpack program and lunches around town. The staff was busy in May!

