

# RNI Chatter



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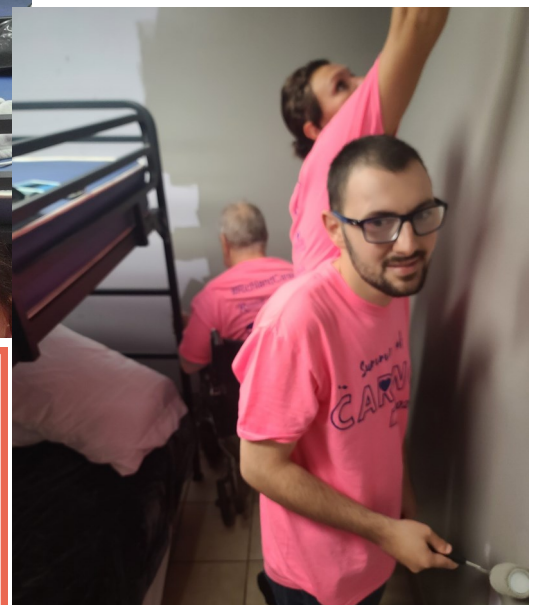
## RNI, Inc. volunteers with Summer of Caring 2024

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Dale, Gina, Jordan, and Support Specialists Angie Dawson and Tara Elliott spent a couple of days volunteering at Wayfinders in Mansfield. They had projects they could choose from and the group chose to do some with painting. This was part of the Summer of Caring 2024 program that gathers volunteers from area businesses and organization to volunteer to complete service projects in the Mansfield area. Wayfinders was grateful for the team completing a bathroom, a bedroom and a large common area for the men downstairs.

Wayfinders was formerly known as Harmony House, which opened in March of 1990 through the efforts of the Mansfield-Richland-Morrow Total Operations Against Poverty program to serve the homeless of Richland and surrounding counties. Over the past 18 years of operation, Harmony House has assisted thousands of homeless men, women and children with food, shelter, clothing and case management assistance. Strong community support helps keep services for the homeless ongoing. Thank you Dale, Gina, Jordan, Angie and Tara for volunteering your time.

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## RNI, Inc. visits Alpaca Meadows

Heith, Heather and Daniel went with Support Specialist Heather Gibson to Alpaca Meadows recently. They had a picnic in a field full of alpacas and one llama, and then got to pet and visit with them. The group learned a lot about what it takes to care for them, and all of the things that are made with the fibers from their coat. Heather was asking a lot of questions and learned that they had just gotten sheared recently. They saw a new baby (baby alpacas are called crias) that was born a couple of weeks prior to their visit. Alpaca Meadows is owned by Matt and Julie Petty. They have been raising alpacas in Mansfield, Ohio, since 2002. They visited an alpaca farm, thought it looked like something they would enjoy, then they fell in love with alpacas! Thank you for sharing your pasture full of such beautiful animals with our individuals.



## Trips to Clearfork Reservoir and Apple Hill Orchard

Chris, Jordan and Alice went on an outing to Clearfork Reservoir and hiked nearly 3 miles on the Stoller Road trail. They learned about lots of plants, flowers, trees, fungi and butterflies. While they were hiking, they talked about the many jobs that are available at the reservoir. When the group was finished, they drove over to picnic area #2 to eat their packed lunches. Chris filled a grocery bag up of all the litter that was laying around the shore. Great Job Chris! The groups final destination was Apple Hill Orchard to grab a snack. Chris and Jordan chose 2 apple donuts each, but Alice chose a healthier option of an apple and tomato. Thank you to Support Specialist Heather Gibson for a wonderful outing with the individuals.



## Karaoke with Document Imaging



## August Employee Anniversaries

<b>Michelle Briggs</b>	<b>08/28/2006</b>	<b>18 Years</b>
<b>Jessica Daugherty</b>	<b>08/12/2016</b>	<b>8 Years</b>
<b>Matt Cole</b>	<b>08/06/2018</b>	<b>6 Years</b>
<b>Kennedy Cline</b>	<b>08/26/2019</b>	<b>5 Years</b>
<b>Jennifer Hord</b>	<b>08/26/2019</b>	<b>5 Years</b>
<b>Maggie Dean</b>	<b>08/16/2021</b>	<b>3 Years</b>
<b>Louie Bauer</b>	<b>08/10/2023</b>	<b>1 Year</b>
<b>Nicole Huber</b>	<b>08/24/2023</b>	<b>1 Year</b>



**Element of Art** *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](mailto: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

## RNI, Inc. held its Annual Picnic 2024

The 2024 RNI Picnic for the people we serve was a huge success. Thank you to the Mansfield Fire Department for showing off their trucks and equipment. Thank you also to the staff and many volunteers who came out to help serve, run games to make sure everyone had a great time



**RNI Bucks issued for the month of August**

Maggie Dean(2) from Kevyn for all the help she has been giving with the custodial staff in Crawford and the building of a fireplace for use/renting at Trillium.

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

***RNI Safety TOPIC for August is: Slips, Trips and Falls***

# Preventing Slips, Trips & Falls

Clean all spills immediately. Mark spills and wet areas with warning signs and barricades.



Remove obstacles from walkways and always keep them free of clutter.



Cover cords and cables that cross walkways.



Keep working areas and walkways well lit. Replace burned-out light bulbs and faulty switches.



Secure mats, rugs, and carpets that do not lay flat by tacking or taping them down.



Spread grease-absorbent compound on oily surfaces.



Always close file cabinet or storage drawers.



Never carry or push loads that block your vision.



Cover all floor openings or protect them with guard rails.



Visit us on the Web at [rniinc.com](http://rniinc.com)

## RNI, Inc.

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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 9/18/24; we are at:

City Garden Café is at 603 FOLLOWS, can we get to 750 FOLLOWS, 147 FOLLOWS to go?

Element of Art Studio/Gallery is at 2195 FOLLOWS, can we get 2500 FOLLOWS, 305 FOLLOWS to go?

RNI, Inc. is at 2300 FOLLOWS, can we get to 2500 FOLLOWS, 200 FOLLOWS to go?

Trillium Event Center is at 1138 FOLLOWS, can we get to 1500 FOLLOWS, 362 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 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

**Our Mission:**

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

**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](http://www.rniinc.com)**

**or by stopping in at one of our locations**

**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

