

October Newsletter



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From the Desk of the CEO:

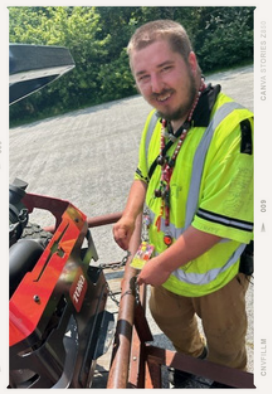
October was certainly a FUN month at RT. Several employees attended the Fall OPRA Conference & their 50 year anniversary gala. We had all kinds of festivities around Halloween to include trick or treating, door decorations, pumpkin decorating contests, Creepy Carry-Ins, a haunted house and a party! Employees participated in a book club read as well as prepared for a Murder Mystery that kicks off in November. Never a dull moment around RT.

On another note, we move into November to celebrate our 50th Birthday Party on November 7th at RT from 4p-7p. This celebration for the people that receive our services, the employees who make these supports happen and the community for continuing to partner with us to not only provide meaningful lives but to employ people as well. We are beyond appreciative of our 50 years and look forward to the next 50!

Stop in. Everyone is welcome to celebrate our wonderful milestone.

Ashley Brocius

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EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT

Troy Main Street

Voc Hab has partnered with Troy Main Street for 2+ years. The group volunteers every Wednesday and assists the local non-profit organization with delivering maps to businesses around the square, watering flowers, and has even helped put up signs. They also help businesses as needed from folding boxes to pulling weeds. Whatever task is needed, the group doesn't hesitate to assist. Troy Main Street always makes the group feel welcome and shows them respect and kindness.

Denae Detrick with Troy Main Street shared, "The RT group that we get to spend time with every Wednesday brings us so much joy. They are always so eager to help us in any way possible. We love our RT group!"

Troy Main Street allows the group to learn numerous employability skills with the various tasks they complete. It's an excellent site for persons served to build their skills and strengthen communication. We're grateful for Troy Main Street and their willingness to allow us to be a part of helping the square thrive.



Amanda, Employment Discovery Specialist: "I am able to further my experience with individuals and expand my future in social work. I love working with people and seeing them happy is my goal."

Heather, Community Engagement Specialist:
"This is my place! I love working with the individuals, enriching their lives, as it enriches mine!"



≡ Welcome ≡

October in ADS was Spooktacular

Our Adult Day Services makes several trips to Foy's each year to get ready for the Halloween season. It is a favorite and always requested! Person served and staff enjoyed looking at all the Halloween decorations and taking spooky pictures!

We also had a blast at our Annual Halloween Bash, complete with costumes, Ghost Bowling, Axe Throwing, Bingo, Eyeball Relay Races, Trick-or-Treating, Haunted House, dancing and a pizza lunch!



National Disability Employment Awareness Month

Sydney is completing Work Based Learning with an Informational interview of Detectives Jason Kizer and Robbie Evans of the Urbana PD. We are so grateful that they took the time to share their experiences and inspire a student who dreams of becoming an investigator.



We have a new contract w/ Stull Woodworks on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Nathan and Robert are working there on Tuesdays through Group Employment Support. This service helps prepare people with developmental disabilities for employment.

Nathan was excited to use that big electric floor sweeper. When the owner showed us how to use it Nate was on it before he could even turn it back off.



"What I love most about my job is helping people find their way in life. Seeing the spark people get when they find a career that makes them excited for the future, or when they finally master that skill that they once thought to be intimidating. Even though this job can be stressful at times, the people we work with are truly special and make it all worthwhile." - Kaila, Employment Discovery Specialist

Happy Birthday!

Save the date
Celebrating
50
years of RT

November 7, 2024 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

RT is celebrating 50 years of service to people with disabilities in Miami and neighboring counties. Our journey began in 1974 as a sheltered workshop for adults with developmental disabilities, providing employment opportunities.

Today we support school-aged students through aging adults with disabilities gain and maintain employment in the community as well as promote community inclusion.

Join us for a fun event at RT on November 7th from 4p-7p to celebrate our many years of making positive impacts on people's lives.

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This Calls For a Celebration!

Wendy Vonderhuevel was nominated and chosen as the Outstanding DSP of the Year in District 2 and recognized at the Fall 2024 OPRA Conference in Columbus, Ohio. Here is what Wendy's leadership had to say about her: "Wendy is a pillar of our organization. She embodies all our core values including safety, collaboration, camaraderie, growth, integrity, excellence and innovation. Wendy is a model employee that you don't come across often! She is meticulous in her planning and execution of activities for the people we serve. Her performance is exemplary. Wendy's adaptability and willingness to take on new challenges have significantly contributed to our team's overall performance and success. Her exceptional performance not only shows results but also inspires others to strive for excellence.

Recently in an email received from a caregiver, they shared positive feedback with us about Wendy and the intentional person-centered approach she takes with their loved one. They focused on her detailed care, compassion and attention she gives to their loved one and all others that she works with. They ended the email with #TeamWendy.

This is a perfect illustration of the Amazing and humble person that Wendy is. Her drive for constant improvement is contagious. No matter the situation, she rises to the occasion! Thank you for your unwavering dedication and inspiring the team to be the best they can. It doesn't go unnoticed."



Left to Right: Pete Moore, CEO of OPRA, Wendy Vonderhuevel, Community Engagement Specialist of RT, Adam Guinther, Board President of OPRA

Congratulations to our winners - Michelle & Paul!



Michelle, Community Engagement Specialist



Paul, Driver

Extra Mile Winners 2nd Quarter Extra Mile Drawing



October is Ergonomic awareness month. Maintain a lean forward stance on proper lifting techniques and taking proper breaks to stand up when doing computer work. Remember safety doesn't happen by accident.

Bob Knife, Facilities Supervisor

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Why work for RT?

- Fulfilling Career - make a difference in someone's life.
- Each day is different.
- People genuinely care about you!
- Fun atmosphere
- Chances to win prizes during activities (PTO, meals, & gift cards).

Employee Testimony



Adam, Community
Engagement Specialist

"I love working for RT because no day is ever the same, we serve **INCREDIBLE** people! RT is by far the best place I've ever worked!"