



Community Ties North April 2026 Newsletter



Headlines

March has been a fun month of activities. Warmer weather is starting to make it possible for us to be outdoors. We had a scavenger hunt in Frankenmuth and Fishing Class will begin next week.

This month we made our first visit to Comic Con in Midland and found our first Little Free Library in St Charles. We also popped popcorn for the Hurley Children's Hospital, visited the art museum at SVSU, exercised with Cardio Drumming in Chesaning, and played instruments at Guitar Center. We have started to practice our Pom Pom routine with CTS and we plan to perform it for our peers once it is perfected.

Everyone enjoyed their choice of activities at CTN including Cooking Class, money management lessons, video games, arts & crafts, diamond art, Culture Day, jewelry making, and March Madness basketball games.



Program Closures

Friday, April 3 – Good Friday
Friday, April 17 – Staff Meeting

Meet Our Participants



Robert enjoys volunteering at Grace Exchange to hang and sort clothing and going to Hurley to make popcorn. He also likes to buy a treat from the CTN store and sing along with Barney videos.



Erin loves going on outings, especially to the Humane Society to pet the cats and to do artwork at the Vista Center. She also enjoys working with T-bolts and her favorite food is ice cream.



April Birthdays



Peter W

Jake H

Melissa (staff)



Meet the Staff

Essence works as an Activity Aide and her favorite part of her job is seeing the sweet side of the people that we work with. Her college major is Psychology, and she hopes to become a psychologist or therapist. When not working, she enjoys dancing, painting, binge watching shows, and doing anything adventurous in the outdoors. Her favorite saying is "It's better out than in, I'd always say" by Shrek. Her mother is her hero and inspiration. She hopes to be able to travel the world.

Contact Us

As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to contact us. We would love to help!

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Outings are subject to change due to weather, staffing, and what individuals choose to participate in each day.

If there is an outing that requires money, we will send a note home.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	Good Friday 3
		Bay City Mall - Easter display Cultivate Coffee & Tea McNally House CTN - Easter craft	AM - Easter egg hunt PM - Barnes & Noble PM - Grace Exchange PM - Ulta Beauty PM - CTN - Easter craft	SCCMHA & CTN Closed 
6	7	8	9	10
Cardio Drumming in Chesaning ASL at Bridgeport Library Center Courts Grocery Shop / Cooking Class	Vista Center - Art project Flint Farmers Market Midland Tridge CTN - Spring crafts	Bead Haven - Frankenmuth Midland Mall - walking McNally House CTN - Post Office craft	Thrive on Thursday Goodwill Grace Exchange CTN - Painting	Frankenmuth Wickson Library Bronner's Christmas Wonderland Dollar Tree CTN - Family Tree craft
13	14	15	16	17
Media Reload Cultivate Coffee & Tea ASL at Midland Dow Library CTN - Post Office craft	Birch Run antique stores Center Courts Five Below CTN - Hygiene Day	Studio 23/The Arts Center Frankenmuth River Place Shops McNally House CTN - Rock painting	Hurley - Miracle Poppers Grace Exchange Saginaw Children's Zoo CTN - Backyard games	CTN Closed 
20	21	22	23	24
Center Courts Sephora - makeovers Bay County Animal Shelter CTN - Jewelry making class	Coy's Comics Humane Society of Bay County Hobby Lobby CTN - Rock painting	Midland antique stores ASL at Bridgeport Library McNally House CTN - Money management	Thrive on Thursday Bowling Grace Exchange CTN - Post office activity	Cultivate Coffee & Tea Church of God Goodwill Grocery Shop / Cooking Class
27	28	29	30	
Cultivate Coffee & Tea ASL at Bridgeport Library Ringwood Forest CTN - Friendship Day craft	Center Courts Midland Tridge Fashion Square Mall Fun Spot CTN - Piñata craft	Modern Explorers Guild Spaulding Park Pom Poms with CTS McNally House CTN - Culture Day	Hurley - Miracle Poppers Fishing Class Grace Exchange CTN - Cinco de Mayo craft	