



Community Ties North October 2026 Newsletter



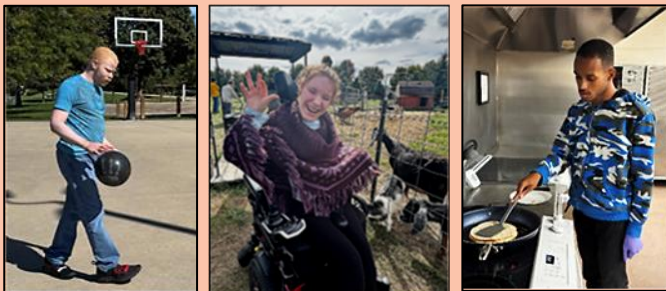
Headlines

September has been a fun month at CTN. We continue to do our volunteer work at McNally House, Hurley Hospital, and Grace Exchange. In addition to that, we enjoyed going to Johnson's Pumpkin Farm, Montrose Orchard, and to the nature trails to see the fall colors. Of course, we've had our share of cider and donuts too.

We made a special trip to see The Moving Wall, a Vietnam Veterans Memorial replica that has been touring the USA since 1984. It was a very touching experience.

Our cooking class has enjoyed making grocery lists, shopping, then preparing treats. We have been learning more American Sign Language and Spanish during our trips to the local libraries.

Aaron, our Service Coordinator, has started a new "Word of the Day" and "Song of the Week" board and we have had fun learning those also.



Meet the Staff



Ellie is an Activity Aide at CTN. Her favorite part of her job is that every day offers something new for both her and our participants. When she is not working, she enjoys spending time with her family and collecting Lego sets. Her favorite people are her parents. She hopes to one day buy an older home and completely renovate and redecorate it. Her bucket list includes traveling to Iceland.

Program Closures

Oct. 16 - Staff Meeting

October Birthday

Richard

Amy

Krystal (staff)

Cherise (staff)

Meet Our Participants



Kenny enjoys video games, counting money and flirting with the ladies. He excels at remembering everyone's birthday. His favorite outings are to museums and to go walking on the nature trails.



Jenifer likes to work on her beads and craft projects. Her outing choice is usually to the library for story-time and ASL class. Her favorite drink is Diet Coke, and she really likes hugs and her babydoll.

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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October 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
All outings are subject to change due to weather, staffing, and what individuals choose to participate in each day. \$ = money is OPTIONAL for this outing \$\$ = money is REQUIRED for this outing, letters will be sent home			1	2
			Grace Exchange Cultivate Coffee & Tea \$ Midland Modern Explorers CTN - Mummy craft	Saginaw Children's Zoo Johnson's Pumpkin Farm \$ Center Courts CTN - Managing stress
5	6	7	8	9
Cardio Drumming in Chesaning Spirit Halloween Bay City antique shops CTN - Math and money skills	Beauty Day - Ulta Barnes & Noble Stepping Stone Falls CTN - Cooking Class (mini no-bake pumpkin pies)	McNally House Elvis Concert 	Grace Exchange Concrete & Craft Craft Market Church of God Aaron's Gifts From Home	Castle Museum Frankenmuth River Place Shops Bridgeport Library/ASL Class CTN - Games & Karaoke
12	13	14	15	16
Montrose Orchards \$ Five Below \$ Fashion Square Mall/walking CTN - Jewelry craft/card games	Cultivate Coffee & Tea \$ Humane Society of Bay County Flint Farmers Market \$ CTN - Ghost craft	McNally House Auburn Park/Fishing Aaron's Gifts From Home CTN - Karaoke	Grace Exchange Center Courts Chippewa Nature Center/ fall colors walk Midland Mall/walking	CTN Closed 
19	20	21	22	23
Center Courts Dow Memorial Library/history Sage Library/ASL CTN - Socialization	Beauty Day - Ulta Delta Pool \$\$ Bridgeport Library/ASL CTN - Mock coffee shop	McNally House Dollar Tree \$ Johnson's Pumpkin Farm \$ CTN - Emotions & feelings	Grace Exchange Concrete & Craft Craft Market Center Courts CTN - Health & Wellness	Church of God Midland Library Birch Run Outlets/walking CTN - Friendship Day
26	27	28	29	30
Kroger/Cooking Class (ants on a log) Frankenmuth Library/Story time Midland Mall/walking CTN - Halloween room & door decorating for contest (Red)	Special outing \$\$ Fashion Square Mall/walking CTN - Communicating emotions CTN - Halloween room & door decorating for contest (Orange)	Halloween Party CTN - Halloween room & door decorating for contest (Green)	Grace Exchange Center Courts Aaron's Gifts From Home CTN - Halloween room & door decorating for contest (Purple)	Painting pumpkins & Halloween Movie Day CTN - Halloween room & door judging and winner announced

Due to life threatening allergies,
CTN is now a Seafood Free Environment.
Please do not send the following items in
lunches or snacks for your participant.

Seafood Free Environment

✗ Fish	✗ Lobster	✗ Squid
✗ Salmon	✗ Shellfish	✗ Scallops
✗ Tuna	✗ Mussels	✗ Fish sauce
✗ Prawns	✗ Oysters	✗ Anchovies
✗ Crab	✗ Crab	✗ Calamari
✗ Shrimp	✗ Lobster	✗ Clams



PLEASE NOTE..



We are requesting your help in returning any clothing that may have come from CTN. Unfortunately, at this time we do not have any clothing for emergency use. Please make sure that your individual has at least one change of clothing at CTN at all times. Also, any donations would be greatly appreciated.



As we get into the cold winter season, it is very important that all individuals come to program dressed appropriately. This includes coats, hats, gloves, scarves, boots, and shoes. Please make sure that all personal clothing items are labeled so we can make sure they return home with the correct individual.



Emergency closure information is broadcasted on WEYI TV25, WJRT TV12, WNEM TV5. The message on the screen should read, "SCCMHA Transportation Closed." You may also dial (989)272-7000 for up-to-date closure information or visit our website www.sccmha.org. Go to "News & Information" and then "Emergency Closure Information."

If a school district is closed, Transportation will not pick up anyone in that area.



As we are concerned for the safety of everyone, especially during inclement weather and bad road conditions, please call (989)272-7208 to let CTN know if your individual is not going to attend program for any reason.