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Illuminating pathways toward opportunity, possibility, wellness and independence.

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World Mental Health Day 2018

The 10th of October each year is the day for global mental health education, awareness and advocacy against stigma and mental health discrimination.

Discussions are held all over the world to help improve services and opportunity to support mental health. In Australia, they celebrate World Mental Health Day while also having a Mental Health Week. Here in Buffalo, Mental Health America President and CEO, Paul Gionfriddo will visit us. He will be here in Buffalo to discuss the current state of mental health in America, the desired state and steps we can take to get there.

World Mental Health Day offers a time out when people can discuss the ways we can change policies that effect mental wellness.

<u>On a personal level, what will you do</u> for World Mental Health Day? What helps your <u>mental well being?</u>

WRITTEN BY: VALERIE DAY



Voter Raffle!

(Collect raffle tickets from Sametra or Amanda at EA for your chance at a Grand Prize!)

How to earn raffle tickets:

- Turn in completed Voter Registration form (Attached) by October 11th
- Turn in completed Application (Attached) for an Absentee Ballot by October 29th
- Get a friend to register to vote and/or apply for an absentee ballot
- Attend Empowerment Academy's Voter Information Classes (taking place this month)
- Bring in your Absentee Ballot to be mailed by Empowerment Academy
- Make a plan with Empowerment Academy to Vote-in-Person on November 6th (if not voting absentee)



Questions? Unsure if you are registered to vote? Or if you are registered at the correct address?

Check your voter registration status, find your polling location, and learn how to remedy voter rights violations, and who the candidates are by calling:

1-866-OUR-VOTE (687-8683)

Important Deadlines:Mail in new registrationby 10/11Change Partyby 10/11Change Addressby 10/16Mail Absentee Applicationby 10/29Mail Absentee Ballotby 11/4



The Connect Galley 1001 Main St. Buffalo, NY 14203 (inside the Conventus building)

This will be our **Closing Event for** "Restoration Stories: Works in Collage" before the 15 original art pieces made by members of our RSI community are taken down in November. Whether you attended the opening last December or if you missed out-Please come see the art, visit with the artists and see how you can get involved!!

"Every artist was first an amateur" -Ralph Waldo Emerson



COME CELEBRATE THE ARTS!



Snacks & Refreshments will be served! For more details or updated information check the Facebook Event on RSI's page or contact Adam Selon @ 716-208-8126

Be on the lookout for our next collaboration with UB Art Galleries! RSI will host Charmaine Wheatley as an "Artist-in-Residence" at the Empowerment Academy and Harbor House Resource Center to complete a series of portraits. Check out more about www.charmainewheatley.com/drawings Charmaine's work at:





Place a checkmark next to those events you would be interested in attending and submit to the Empowerment Academy.

- ______ 10/2 Internet Basics @ Buffalo Library 2pm-3:30pm
- _____ 10/9 Project Homeless Connect @ Buffalo Convention Center 10am-4pm
- _____ 10/10 Mental Health Jeopardy @ EA 10am-11am or 6pm-7pm
- _____ 10/11 RSI Art Works @ UB Connect Gallery 5:30pm-7pm
- ______ 10/16 SilverSneakers Workout @ Buffalo Library 10am-11:30am
- _____ 10/19 Buffalo Historical Museum 10am-12pm
- _____ 10/25 Great Pumpkin Farm 10am-12pm
 - _____ 10/31 Fall Fest Party 10am-12pm
 - _____ 10/31 Monthly Spotlight at Spot Coffee 6pm-8pm

For additional questions or to sign up to attend, please contact Sametra Polkah-Toe at 716-884-5216 Ext 416



10-23

10 October is World Mental Health Day



Decorate your planner for the month Splurge on a new lipstick Call it a night and go to bed early Spend the afternoon with a good book Start a Gratitude journal Spend 10 minutes in the morning meditating Spend an hour in the bookstore Give yourself a facial Paint your toenails a bright color Take a long bubble bath Stay away from social media for a whole day Do stretches at night before going to bed Make a list of your favorite things Get out and get some fresh air Watch your favorite movie Wear your favorite outfit Turn on some music and Dance Get a massage Call your bestie and laugh Buy yourself some flowers Take a nap Color in a coloring book Take pictures of nature Get some exercise Light some candles

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Come Join Us for a Bake Sale!



October 1st-31st Empowerment Academy 327 Elm Street Buffalo NY 14203

Orders may be placed in person or via telephone

*All Proceeds benefit program community integration activities

Happiness is just a state of mind



Developing a Winning Attitude by Tim Malley

Many times people who have a mental illness think that they have to live defeated lives, but this is a myth, because people who have a mental health diagnosis still can live vibrant lives that have a real purpose. That's why it's essential for people who have a mental health diagnosis...to develop a winning attitude in life. Just how does one develop a winning attitude? Well, they utilize positive thinking by telling themselves that they can not only accomplish and achieve anything. Just by believing in themselves, they should tell themselves for example, that there just as good as anyone else and not to listen to negative criticism that discourages and keeps people down in life. Don't listen to these negative and overly critical people listen. Listen instead to people who are going to stick with you and believe in you and encourage vou in life. People, in other words. who radiate a positive attitude. So developing a winning attitude is essential for anyone who has a mental health diagnosis; because it's essential for us with a mental health diagnosis to stop thinking that were already defeated in life, and focus on being a winner. Because that's what we are, is winners. We just have to develop a winning attitude in life, that's all.



Get to know us at our INFORMATION SESSIONS

TUESDAY October 9th @ 1:30pm OR FRIDAY October 26th @ 10:30am

327 Elm Street Corner of Elm and Genesee

HAVING A DISABLITY DOES NOT MEAN YOU CAN'T WORK.

Let our team of vocational specialist's help you get a job and earn money! Our team, comprised of a Job Developer, Job Coaches, Life Coaches, Certified Benefits Advisors, and Rehab Practitioners are eager to help you reach your goals. We offer a range and continuum of vocational rehabilitation services that assist customers to choose, get and maintain competitive employment positions.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

• INTRODUCTION TO THE THREE DIFFERENT EMPLOYMENT SERVICES ACE PROVIDES

We work with ACCES-VR to provide three different services tailored to your needs as well as the Social Security Administration for TICKET TO WORK.

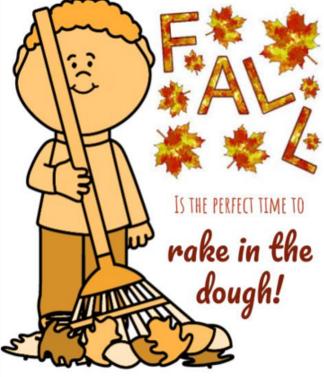
LEARN ABOUT HOW TO GET REGISTERED

ACE will guide you through the process of how to get linked for services to help you with your goal of working!

GET INFORMATION ON OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED BY RSI

For 40 years, Restoration Society, Inc. has been providing services to assist individuals with Mental Illness who reside in Erie County!

SEE WHAT ACE CAN DO FOR F O abou Cha STEM Street, Buffalo, NY 14203 TIG-884-5216



FOR MORE INFORMATION about ACE Employment please contact: Chazarae Hatten - Program Manager chatten@rsiwny.org 884-5216 ext. 410



www.rsiwny.org

and emergencies only	Saturday: 9a-1p Sunday: 9a-1p	*6-8pm: Monthly Spotlight (Spot Coffee)		Hour
community and EA will be closed except for appointments	w ed: ya-yp Thurs:9a-9p Fridav:9a-9n	1-2pm: WRAP Workshop	1-2pm: Brain Teasers/Social Hour	11-12pm: Internet Safety 1-2pm: Brain Teasers/Social
Please Note: *= workshop is held in the	Hours of Operation Mon: 9a-5p Tues: 9a-5p	31. Fall Fest Party! 10am-12pm (EA)	30. 10-11am: Choosing a Provider 11-12pm: Medication Management	29. 10-11am: Where's My Cheese Pt.4
4-8:30pm: Spades Club	6-7pm: Narcan Training	6-7pm: Tenant Rights & Responsibilities		A April of our states of
1-2pm: Social Hour	10am-12pm 1-2pm: Ted Talk Series	1-2pm: Managing Emotions	Violence 1-2pm: Current Events Workshop	11-12pm: Impulse Control 1-2pm: Brain Teasers
26. 10-11am: Fall Craft 11-12pm: Decorate EA for Fall Fest	25. *Great Pumpkin Farm (Free) Clarence, NY	24. MHA Legal Clinic 9a-11a 10-11am: Germ Prevention 11-12pm: Adult Coloring Group	23. 10-11am: Relationships 101 11-12pm: Preventing Interpersonal	22. 10-11am: Where's My Cheese Pt.3
4-8:30pm: Spades Club	6-8pm: Movie Club	6-7pm: Co-Occurring Disorders		(Housing Solutions Workshop)
1-2pm: Social Hour	1-2pm: Ted Talk Series	1-12pm: Managing Chronic Illness	1-2pm: Managing Depressive Symptoms	 11-12pm: Organization skins 12pm: Happy Homes
19. *10-12pm: Buffalo Historical Museum (Free)	18. 10-11am: Building Positive Supports 11 -12pm: Therapeutic Journaling	17. 10-11am: Tips for Emotional Resilience	16. • 10am-11:30am: A Little Means a Lot (Central Library)	15. 10-11am: Where's My Cheese Pt. 2
4-8:30pm: Spades Club	*6-8pm: RSI Stories (UB Connect Gallery)	6-7pm: Mental Health Jeopardy		
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12. 10-11am: Healthy Eating Tips 11-12pm: Exercise on a Budget	11. 10-11am: Managing Addictive Behaviors 11-12om: Healthy Communication	10. World Mental Health Day! 10-11: Mental Health Jeopardy 11-12: Adult Coloring Group	9. Come Join us at Project Homeless Connect! (Buffalo Convention Center)	8. 10-11am: Fall Fun on a Budget 11-12pm: Fall Weather, Fall Health
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10-11am: Positive Affirmations 11-12pm: Creative Writing Prompts		10-12pm: Team Baking (Bake Sale Prep)	10-11am: Talking about Forgiveness 11-12pm: Community Resource	10-11am: Civic Duty (Voting) Education 11-12pm: Anxiety Reduction
< Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday
327 Elm Street, Buffalo NY 14203	orkshops e look below	Empowerment Academy Workshops Open Monday – Friday for hours please look below	Етроу Ореп Моп	October 2018 Tel. 884-5216 Fax 884- 2847

Homework Help Offered every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 3 to 5pm	5 to 7pm on Wednesday's and 1 to 3pm the first and third Saturday of every month are dedicated for personal development meetings with a coach. You can set up an appointment outside of these times if you need.	Meals are FREE!!!! Dinner is served at 5:30pm during the week. On Saturday Lunch is served at 1:00pm. Please be here one hour before to sign up and participate in prepping	31. Happy Halloween!! Halloween Party 5 to 7pm	30. 5pm My Brother's Keeper Dinner Club 6:30pm Game Night bring a friend	29. 4 pm Express yourself {AM} 5pm Dinner and a Movie At the Clubhouse. Come unwind with us!!
27. 9:30am to 12:30pm Clubhouse/UB Community Beautification Cleanup	26. Leaving for Sky Zone at 5:30pm	 25. 4pm Using Tech as a Recovery Resource 5:30pm Let's Talk {*One group for 16-17year olds and one group for 18-23 years old *} 	 24. 4:00pm Guided Meditation/Mindfulness 4:30 pm Life Skills { building a resume} 5: pm My Brother's Keeper Dinner Club 	23. 5:00pm Creative Corner 6:00pm Leave for open swim session at Resource Council of WNY	22. 4 pm Express yourself {AM} 5pm Game Tournament
20. Evergreen Closed Group 9:30am-4:30pm Leaving at 1pm for Blackman Farm Apple Picking	 4:00 pm Guided Meditation Mindfulness 4:30pm Clubhouse Staff/Members Meeting 5:30pm Cookie Baking Night 	18. 5:00pm Homemade Pizza Night and Movie Night	17. Reverse Trick or Treating with E.C.C North Campus SOTA Club	for: 14;30;7m Guided Meditation/Mindfulness 6:00pm Leave for open swim session at Resource Council of WNY	15. 4 pm Express yourself {AM} 5:30 pm Game Night bring a friend
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The Clubhouse October, 2018 66 Englewood Ave, Buffalo, NY 14214 (716)832-2141

> Hours for Ages 16-23; Monday to Friday 3 to 9pm, 1st and 3rd Saturdays 10am to 6pm

Clubhouse Operations to include: Snack Bar, Maintenance Unit, Meal Preparations and, Reception Unit starts daily at 3:30pm



PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT BUFFALO October 9, 2018 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Buffalo Niagara Convention Center

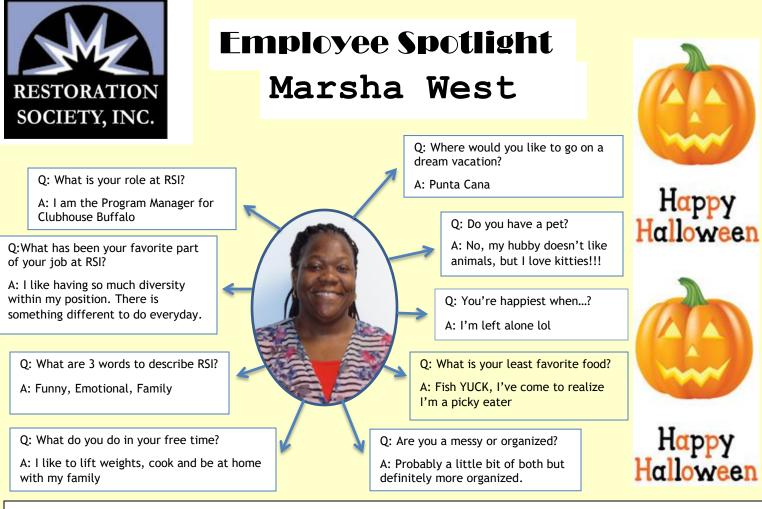


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With this form, you register to vote in elections in New York State. You can also use this form to: • change the name or address on your voter registration • become a member of a political party			Fill out the form below and send it to your county's address on the back of this form, or take this form to the office of your County Board of Elections. Mail or deliver this form at least 25 days before the election you want to vote in. Your county will notify you that you are registered to vote.			We'll try to check your identity before Election Day, through the DMV number (driver's license number or non-driver ID number), or the last four digits of your social security number, which you'll fill in below. If you do not have a DMV or social security number, you may use a valid photo ID, a current utility back totecast paraback comment		
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 I am requesting, in good faith, an absentee ballot due to (check one reason): absence from county or New York City on election day temporary illness or physical disability permanent illness or physical disability duties related to primary care of one or more individuals who are ill or physically disabled detention in jail/prison, awaiting action by a grand jury, or in prison of a crime or offense which was related to prime or more which was related to prime or physically disabled 	trial, awaiting n for a conviction
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Wellness Corner by Sametra Polkah-Toe

Wellness Dimension of the month:

Social - Developing a sense of connection, belonging, and a well-developed support system

Social networks are a big part of our overall mental health. Our social networks are the people in our lives who support us, celebrate our successes and help us deal with problems. There are many different ways we can help each other.

- Some people are good at dealing with feelings. This can help us feel comforted.
- Some people are good at helping out, like babysitting or grocery shopping. This can help us manage day-to-day chores.
- Some people are good at sharing a different point of view. This can help us look at problems more realistically.
- Some people are good at sharing information. This can help us find better solutions.

Most of us have networks of different people. It might include family members, friends, co-workers, classmates, neighbors and other important people.

Here are some tips for building a strong support network:

- Ask for help. Others cannot help you if they do not know what you need.
- Think of new ways to meet people. If you enjoy a particular activity, joining a group or class is a good way to meet others with the same interests.
- Join a support group. This is a good way to find help for a specific problem.
- Let go of bad relationships. Some people in our networks might not support us. It's hard, but sometimes we need to let go of these people.

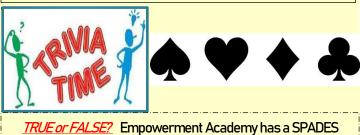
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Club that meets every Friday at 4pm? If you know the answer, email your name and your guess to <u>newsletter@rsiwny.org</u> to be entered into a raffle for a Fall prize!



We're not done yet! RSI Staff and Customers are coming together to make this newsletter the best it can be.

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