



MAY 2019

## MAY SPOTLIGHT

### SUSAN HUNT

Susan has been a part of the Carousel / RaeArc family for 6 months and has blended into the family very well! She has become a part of our Supported Employment class and Community Inclusion program. Susan loves to get her hair done and is always talking about shopping. There is never a dull moment when Susan is around; she has no filter and will tell you just how it is. Her favorite things to do are karaoke, bowling, fishing, and going out to eat!



## ACTIVITIES\*

May 2<sup>nd</sup> – White House Fruit Farm \$3.00  
 May 8<sup>th</sup> – Lunch at Austintown Park  
 May 10<sup>th</sup> – Rogers Flea-Market \$3.00  
 May 16<sup>th</sup> – Jungle Terry \$5.00  
 May 17<sup>th</sup> – Scrappers Game \$7.00  
 May 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mill Creek Park for Lunch  
 May 24<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day Cookout \$8.00  
 May 30<sup>th</sup> – Austintown Park Kite Flying

\*This is not a full list of activities. Full calendars will still be distributed monthly!



Richard Brenizer – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Erika Spitler – 11<sup>th</sup>  
**May Birthday Party – 24<sup>th</sup>**

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT UPDATE

The Supported Employment Team had a very exciting April. We celebrated Easter with an egg coloring party that featured singing, dancing, the Easter Bunny, and games galore! We also celebrated several birthdays with our “Birthday Club”, and Wedgewood Lanes was our “Business Appreciation” winner. Celebrating Wedgewood Lanes was a bittersweet moment for both Supported Employment and The Carousel Center, as they are friends to RaeArc Industries and they have decided after many years in business to close. We wish them well with all their future endeavors. On a positive note, Ray Castello, who is one of our Supported Employment team members, was offered and accepted a job in facilities with Old Navy. Finally, we couldn’t close the month without talking about our class. We successfully made 100 “Blessing” bags for the homeless, which will be distributed May 3rd at the Rescue Mission in Youngstown. Our Special Topics Class was very vigilant in all aspects of their project. Their full participation was received in obtaining donations, the purchasing of goods and setting up an assembly line to make our final product. Their effort was even featured in an article with our local Town Crier newspaper. Next month, we will give an update on the distribution of our bags and all the other success we plan to celebrate.

## CAROUSEL CENTER II

Great news! We have acquired all of the building permits needed to open up the Carousel Center II! We now have to finish constructing the handicap accessible bathroom, as well as installing the fire alarms. Once this is done, we will be officially ready to open! You can check out our progress on Facebook – we will be adding photos and updates as we go and giving details about our grand opening! Don’t forget about our store! Spring is here, which means it is the perfect time to get yourself a comfy T-Shirt!



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