



## AUGUST 2019

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SPOTLIGHTAARON  
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Aaron Stafford has been a part of the Carousel Center for more than 4 years. Aaron is a sweet, loving, smart, and interesting young man. He is like a big teddy bear and has a wonderful smile that just lights up his face. Though Aaron is very shy, he is very loving and has come a long way from the beginning to where he is now. He has blossomed in so many different areas; he is engaging in more activities in the community, doing fantastic in his school work such as improving his math skills, and likes to go on walks to say hello to different people every day. We are so happy to have him with us!



## ACTIVITIES\*

Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> – Karaoke  
 Aug. 9<sup>th</sup> – Keystone Safari (\$15.00)  
 Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> – Library  
 Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> – Lunch @ Bears Den Sprinkler  
 Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> – Mall Walking  
 Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup> – August Birthday Party  
 Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> – Canfield Fair (\$5.00)  
 Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> – Ice Cream Social (\$3.00)

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



Tasha P. – 4<sup>th</sup>  
 Glite P. – 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Aaron H. – 17<sup>th</sup>  
 David K. – 25<sup>th</sup>

**August Birthday Party – 23<sup>rd</sup>**

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT UPDATE

July started off with a bang! Our first week was filled with ways to celebrate our country's independence. We had several activities such as 4th of July bingo and learning exercises. We topped it all off with a cookout at Austintown Park! Supported Employment's own Ray Kastello celebrated his own independence as he successfully transitioned out of job coaching. Ray began to work independently at Old Navy in July. Good luck Ray! We know you will represent our company and program with integrity. The celebrating didn't end there though, as we also held a donut party for the Community Kitchen for being this month's winner of our monthly business appreciation celebration. Skip Barone and his many volunteers were one of the first organizations to be a partner of our Supported Employment Program. Our team that goes to Autosoft/VCC had a celebration at Buddy's Café where they ate the "Best Dogs in Town." Keith at Autosoft/VCC has asked us if we could increase visits since the demand of their food pantry has exceeded expectations. We thank them for our additional opportunities they have provided for our team. Supported Employment was involved in several workshop Community Inclusions in between jobs. They've participated with picnics in the park, swimming, and movie Wednesday. Finally, we closed out the month with our annual trip to Pioneer Waterland. The team is now preparing for the dog days of summer in August, and couldn't be more excited for what is ahead!