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Wednesday's 'Watch Me Work' with Bill Byrne



Bill works as a dishwasher machine operator and is an active Self-Advocate.

Good Morning and welcome to the final week of our National Disability Employment Awareness Month Celebration! Today we highlight and recognize Bill Byrne!

Bill works at SAGE Dining Services in Morris County - a job he's enjoyed for the past six years. Prior to his current employment, Bill worked for 23 years at another business that was also part of the food services industry.

At SAGE, Bill works in the kitchen as a dishwasher machine operator. He says that he loves what he does and especially likes the people that he works with. He has an opportunity to teach others that people with disabilities want to work and can be good at what they do. Bill says that advocacy is an important part of working because it opens doors for others. He said that some employers are hesitant to hire people with disabilities and so it's necessary to advocate in order for businesses to understand that people with I/DD are hardworking and interested in employment.

When Bill is not working, he enjoys bicycle riding in Morristown and participating at the town council meetings and pedestrian safety committees.

Thanks for your continued interest in our National Disability Employment Awareness Month Series and congrats to Barbara, Lisa, George and Bill on their ongoing success in the community!

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President Obama Recognizes NDEAM with Proclamation

Earlier this month, the White House issued a Presidential Proclamation in honor of National Disability Employment Awareness Month 2016. Included in the text the President says:

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"When we diversify our workforce we create opportunities for growth and improvement -- not just for those with disabilities, but for everyone. This month, let us continue striving to forge a future where workplaces are more inclusive and where employees are more accepted for who they are. And because we know that our country does best when everyone gets their fair shot, let us keep working to ensure no one is left behind or unable to pursue their dreams because of a disability."



Read the Proclamation in its entirety by [clicking here](#).

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