



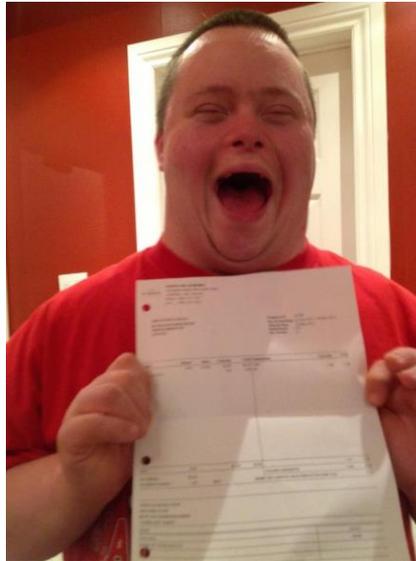
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MY JOB BY RYAN GRANT

I work at the Aurora Leisure Complex on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. I take the bus by myself. At work I clean the stationary bikes, the rowing machines, treadmills, spin bikes and the black mats. I also sweep the floor. I work with Wayne and Diana. My favourite thing at work is talking to the gym members. I've made a lot of friends. I'm proud and happy because I get paid!



Ryan's first pay cheque!

MARY AT MAGNA BY MARY HABERER

I started working at Magna in February. I am a dishwasher attendant. I collect all the dirty dishes and put them in the dishwasher. Now I also go around the building and tidy up and restock the kitchenettes. I enjoy working with my supervisors Lori, Terri and Chris. They are very nice and they help me learn a lot about my jobs. I feel lucky because I get a free lunch when I'm working. I feel proud about my job because I am getting more work experience and I am so excited to get a big pay cheque!



Mary with her boss Lori.

MY PLACEMENT AT ABLE BY KATRINA FERNANDES

I go to school at Humber College and will be graduating from the Social Service Worker program in April. I have been doing my placement at Able since December. During my time at Able I have had the opportunity to work both one on one and in a group with participants during literacy and at the gym. I have gone on job visits with the facilitators which were very exciting as I got to see the work that each person is capable of and how much they enjoy their work in the community. I will be ending my placement at Able at the end of April and will be going to Algoma University in Sault Ste. Marie in the fall for their Bachelor of Social Work program.



Katrina and Jamie doing literacy.

MY LIFE STORY PROJECT BY GEMMA KIDD

I have been working on a project about my life with our volunteer Pat Murphy. I did a power point slide show with her. I think it turned out great.

I loved making my story. I went back in my past to when I was a baby until now. It was so much fun making it together.

I loved working with Pat so much. I had so much fun with her. My family helped me by answering questions about me. My mom and dad, my brother, his girlfriend and my sister all helped. I had to email my sister and she emailed me back.

My favorite part was looking back in time. I think I looked so cute. I did not know that when my brother first saw me when I was born he kissed me.

I loved this project so much. I would do it again.

I am looking forward to showing it to Pat's class at Sacred Heart High School. I can't wait to share it with my family. They will love it so much even my brother and his girlfriend and my sister.



Gemma and Pat working on her project.

FAREWELL ANDREW BY JAMIE DEMPSTER

I met Andrew when I was a little girl in kindergarten. He came to my birthday party and he was in one of my home videos. I've known him for about twenty years! I liked talking to Andrew at lunchtime. My friends and I are going to miss Andrew a lot. He gave all his friends a yellow rose for friendship before he left. The rose was beautiful. Andrew Hughes is a funny guy. I was happy when he was at the ABLE Network. Good bye and good luck Andrew!

GOODBYE FRIENDS BY ANDREW HUGHES

I started at the Able Network in 2008. It was so much fun coming here. I liked going to the gym and doing yoga, I also liked working in the Clothes Closet with Vivienne Arkeveld right from day one. I will miss working with Jean at Sunrise. I hope to keep volunteering at the Welcome Table. Goodbye friends. I hope to see you again soon.



Andrew at the gym.

ON THE CALENDAR THIS MONTH

April 01 - Easter Monday

April 09 - Kirstene's Birthday



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