

### **Megan's Full-Time Job**

"Everyone comes in just a little bit shy. Megan didn't. She came in, excelled at every aspect of training and was very motivated to learn," beamed Larry Millard, Commercial Catering Manager, remembering Megan's first day in the LilyWorks Commercial Services Training program for adults with disabilities.

At the state-of-the-art commercial kitchen, Megan's training included preparing daily lunches for the workforce cafeteria and servicing the banquet and catering center. She learned food preparation, presentation, execution and customer service skills—hands-on training that prepared her for employment in the foodservice and hospitality industries. At the end of her 90 day training period, she was ready for a job.

Bob Glowacki, CEO, explains the need for such a program. "There are about 86,000 jobs that are unfilled in the state of Wisconsin but there are many people who—like Megan—are willing and excited to work. It can take us up to six months to find one individual a job. Our participants obviously have challenges so it takes a little while to find the right employer that has the culture that's ready to take someone in who needs a little more help and is accepting of their differences."

Megan enjoyed her time at LilyWorks. "It was a nice experience. I felt really good that I accomplished something," she said.



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Soon after completing her training, Megan began a full-time job in foodservice with the Waukesha School District.

"My typical day I prep, serve the students, wipe the tables, and setup and break down the line. It's exciting," Megan explains.

Easterseals works with United Way of Greater Milwaukee and Waukesha County who places adults with disabilities in the LilyWorks training program.

Shannon Reed, United Way Income Portfolio Manager, added, "What I love about my job at United Way is that we get to connect great organizations like Easterseals to great people like Megan so she can work in the real world. One of the most important things about Megan getting a job is there's dignity. By individuals giving to the Community Fund we can have that next Megan that will become a change agent in her community."

Megan is a United Way success story. She learned marketable employment skills at LilyWorks and is excited about her new job and the independence it gives her.

**Easterseals is proud United Way partner.**  
**Consider donating to United Way's Community Fund during their 2016 fundraising campaign.**

# A Message From Our CEO



Easterseals' new and expanded purpose is to change the way the world defines and views disabilities. But do you know why we say "taking on disability together" underneath our logo?

For me, the focus of that line is the word **together**. Easterseals is a companion on life's journey from the first steps to the last. It gives us a unique perspective in seeing all the high and the low points on that journey.

A diagnosis of autism or other disability can leave a family lost and unsure of what to do next. We work together with family, friends and the person living with a disability to find goals and outcomes that matter to them. Our caring staff provides services and supports that profoundly improve daily life.

We work together with our communities. Easterseals was founded nearly 100 years ago by Edgar "Daddy" Allen who was inspired to help children living with the effects of polio and other physical disabilities. He rallied local Rotary Clubs to give generously to support these children and also to advocate with government for community-based services to support their families in Ohio. Easterseals continues that tradition of bringing our partners to the table, not only to materially support the mission, but open new avenues and discussions to advance the independence of people living with disabilities.

We work together nationally to make a greater impact by offering innovative services advocating for the rights and opportunities of the one in five Americans living with disabilities.

Together is not exclusive. We invite you to join our team as a staff member, leader and supporter. Easterseals is a place where **together**, you and I can make a profound difference in the lives of people living with disabilities.

Taking on disability together,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Glowacki".

Bob Glowacki, CEO  
Easterseals Southeast Wisconsin

## Help Us Help More People Find Jobs!

**Did you know that 10.7% of people with disabilities are unemployed compared to 5.1% of people without disabilities?**

Donate today to help provide more work opportunities through our community employment programs for adults with disabilities, military and veterans, and individuals with mental health challenges.

***Your generous gift of \$75 will help provide one hour of supportive employment services so these individuals get and keep employment.***



Join Us at the Easterseals Gala

# A Celebration of Children

Thursday, November 3, 2016

Marriott Milwaukee West

W231N1600 Corporate Ct., Waukesha

5:30-9:00pm



Presented by

The Schaus Family Fund of the Greater Milwaukee Foundation

Honorary Chair Brian Dorow

Emcee Toya Washington, WISN-12

*Support local children and families!*

Join us for an evening of dining, music, raffles and a silent auction while we raise money to support our local Children's Services:

Safe Babies Healthy Families  
Birth to Three Early Intervention  
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## Meet The New Face of Disability



## Live Learn Work Play Act



## Together, we can change the way the world defines disabilities!

Easterseals unveiled “The New Face of Disability” at our brand renaissance launch party at ManpowerGroup Headquarters in Milwaukee.

The new look is in the form of a brighter logo, a new spin on our established name and a refined brand voice. The rebranding responds to the evolution of disability in the 21st century—a cause that affects us all and goes beyond the physical to include invisible, emotional, social and educational challenges.

As Easterseals has expanded to meet new needs in communities, public awareness has become fragmented. The new brand addresses these important shifts by bringing clarity to the crucial

services Easterseals provides to people throughout their lives. Easterseals core goal remains unchanged—being a vital resource for people living with disabilities and for veterans, caregivers and families.

Thank you to everyone who made this exciting event a success, especially ManpowerGroup, MKE Marketing, Beer Capitol Distributing Co., LoDuca Bros., CBS-58 and PACQ Inc.

Together, we can take on the stigma, inequality and challenges that the community faces so individuals can achieve their personal goals.

## “Almost Done!”

Your generous support helped us successfully launch our LilyWorks Catering & Conference Center in Waukesha to provide hands-on training and jobs for adults with disabilities.

We have placed more than 80 individuals in community employment and served large and small organizations as a conference and banquet center and caterer.

We need your help to ensure that our participants and those that follow will continue to receive training in a state-of-the-art building and be ready for their first job! We have an exciting opportunity to reach our remaining goal of \$250,000. An anonymous donor has given \$30,000 as a match challenge! Your dollars will have double the impact!

**Please consider a gift today to reach our match challenge and impact individuals with disabilities far beyond the walls of the Training Center and into the future!**



## Battle of the Badges “The Fight for Autism” is a knockout!

With the help of the community and countless supporters, Mt. Pleasant Police Officer James Kelley and his wife, Lisa, hosted the third annual Battle of the Badges. Law enforcement and firefighters battled it out in the boxing ring with all proceeds going to local autism services and awareness!



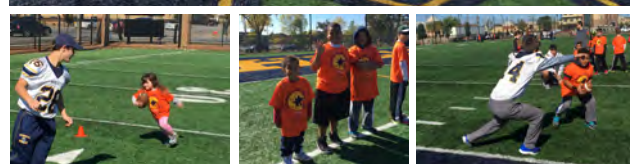
## Welcome Natalie Glumm!

Natalie has joined us as vice president of community engagement after 25 years in the manufacturing and nonprofit sectors. Her nonprofit experience includes Carroll University, the Arizona State University Foundation, and the United Performing Arts (UPAF) working with major gifts, planned giving, events, annual campaigns, and development. She looks forward to meeting our participants, donors and sponsors. Feel free to contact her at [natalieglumm@eastersealswise.com](mailto:natalieglumm@eastersealswise.com).

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## Football Clinic for Autism

Thank you to the coaching staff and players at Marquette University High School for leading us at this popular sports clinic. Kids were taught basic football drills and teamwork. Special thanks to the Green Bay Packers Foundation for sponsoring this camp.



## Quaker Steak Cruise-In Gift

Thank you to Quaker Steak and Lube, New Berlin, for their very generous donation to our Safe Babies Healthy Families program! Throughout the summer, they collected donations at the Cruise-In Thursday classic car events, totaling a \$4,612 donation to help prevent child abuse, neglect and poverty.



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- Excited to learn
- Friendly, polite and easygoing
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### **Employment Desires:**

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- Dishwashing and sanitizing
- Structured environment
- Repetitive tasks a plus
- 10-20 hours a week
- Located in Waukesha/Pewaukee area