



## Love, Marriage, and Independence in East Providence, RI

### Quote of the Month

*"Disability is a matter of perception. If you can do just one thing well, you're needed by someone."*

- **Martina Navratilova**

### Media of the Month



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*This month's Trusted Source is a New York Times Documentary by video journalist Kassie Bracken. It follows Lori Sousa and Peter Maxmean on one of the most significant and meaningful days of their lives - their wedding day. Lori and Peter, who both have intellectual disabilities, met and fell in love in a sheltered workshop called TTP - Training Through Placement. Since then, TTP has been shut down for violating the constitutional rights of the people it claimed to serve, and Lori and Peter have gained independence with the support of one another. You can read an accompanying article by columnist Dan Barry [here](#).*

### Three Reasons Why This is Worth Watching

1. Kassie Bracken's video is a wonderful example of how documentary can be used to *tell* a story, rather than to report on one.
2. Bracken and Barry relate the difficulties and injustices Lori and Peter faced at TTP with dignity.

There is so much exciting and well produced disability media available today. The challenge comes in knowing where to find it, what to pick and how to use it.

For our valued customers and friends, we are providing a monthly media recommendation that you can use in your trainings, classrooms, and share with your networks.

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3. The joys and complications of their lives together and their marriage are approached objectively and respectfully - not overly sentimentalized or sensationalized.

We hope you find this Media and Disability information useful. If you know of media that you think should be featured in our newsletter, feel free to let us know!

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