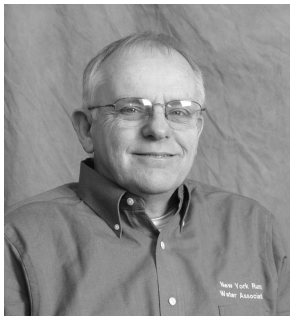


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WHY am I doing this?



The little person you see in the picture below has recently celebrated his first birthday. He is in the process of getting teeth, learning to walk and all the other good things that come with growing up. With time, education and training, he will be able to take care of himself and provide for others.

Now he has to depend on others to help him. Each day he learns different things, helping him become more independent. One day he will go to school to learn what will provide him with the tools to live life. Readin', writin', rithmatic', and all the other skills he will acquire and use. However, right now he needs our help to get through his day. All the little people need help to get through their days. A little help can have wonderful benefits for all. So the next time you



ask yourself why am I doing this job. I get abused and bad mouthed. Nobody appreciates me or what I do everyday. I provide potable drinking water and then clean the wastes before returning it to the hydrogeological cycle. All they want to do is complain about things. Nobody likes me. If you need a reason to keep doing the very best you know how, well the kids depend on us to give it our best shot. Do you need any other reason than to do it for the little people, because in the end, they are what it is all about.

Why is this young man's picture in my article, because he is my grandson and I cannot tell you, without writing volumes, how proud I am of him and his parents. I told my daughter shortly after he was born, "through the years you have given me a lot of nice presents, but he is the best." Those of you who are grandparents can relate, and if your time has not yet come, you really have something to look forward to. Somehow or other, grandchildren do not have any flaws. They are just perfect. No matter what they do, it's always right. A special note to the guys, don't ever tell grandma anything bad about the grandchildren. She will blame it on you. It's your fault, but again grandchildren never do anything wrong.

So remember the next time you start thinking about asking yourself that question of "Why am I doing this". Well just think about the little people who depend on us to provide. What else do you need to know. Nuff said: See ya: Mike 💧