

In case you are wondering who the favorite teacher is at ASU for students who will one day be genetic counselors, it is this dear lady, Dr. Katherine Brendish! Each year she invites us to present to her students and on October 29, 2024, we again had that privilege. What I love is knowing that instead of telling a parent how sorry they are that their newborn or unborn child has Down syndrome, they will tell them “Congratulations” and truly mean it! I loved seeing how

They genuine they were, but I especially loved how they saw the depth of all those who participated. (Thank you, Eric Gardner, Barb Wilkins, Carol Tingey, Kelly Leavitt, David Johnson and Porter Candland.)

These students take part in a residency at Mayo Clinic where they are taught by amazing genetic counselors and geneticists who work there. I am including a short clip of what Porter Candland said about being my son David’s provider. Enjoy!

Love, Gina Johnson (aka David’s Mom)



“I ill act as though what I do makes a difference.” ~ Ben Franklin

