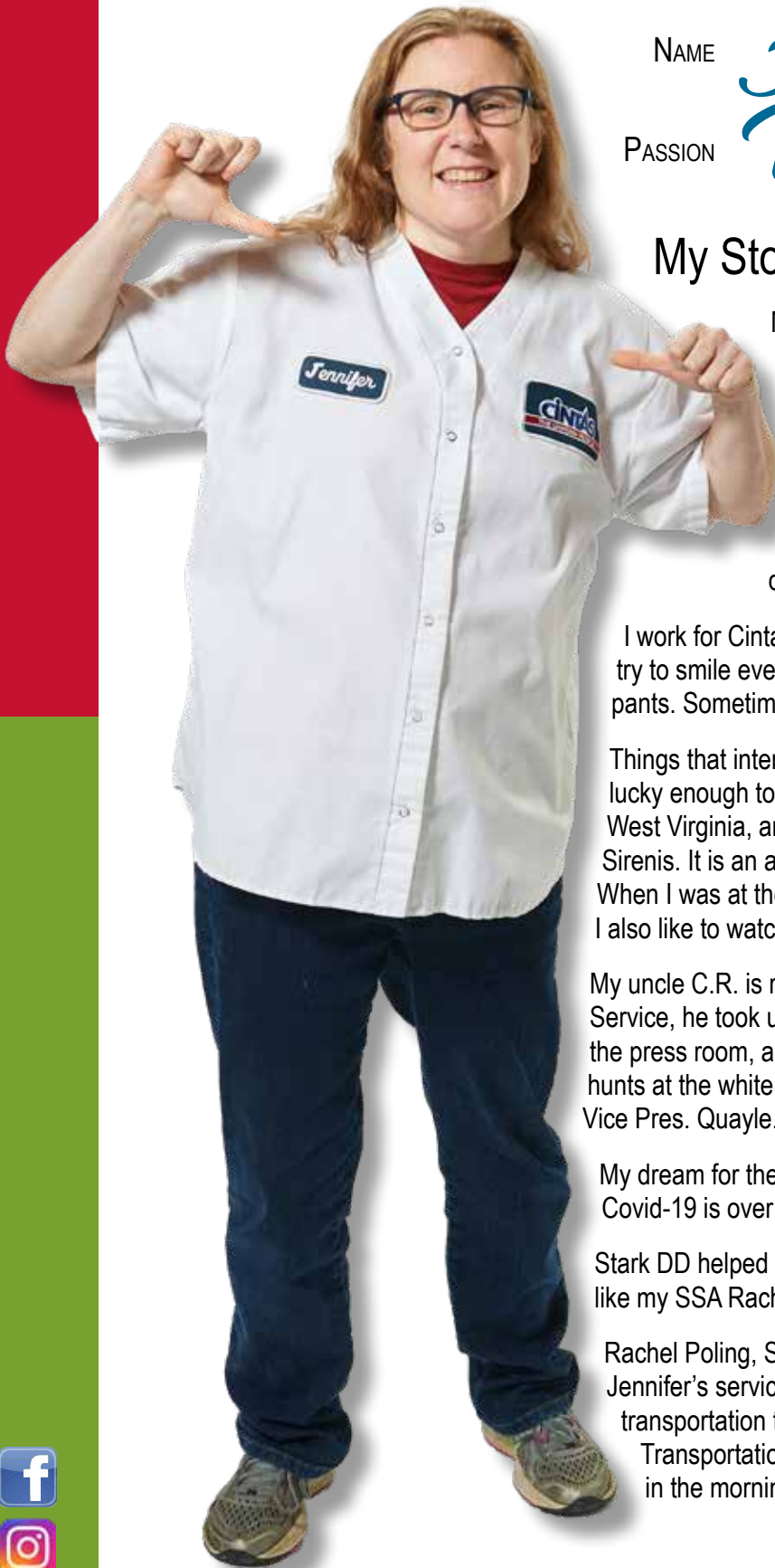


# Know Me



NAME

*Jennifer*

PASSION

*Traveling*

## My Story

My Name is Jennifer Hale and I am 37 years old. I have been chosen as an ambassador by Stark DD. This my story.

My parent's names are Reta and Terry Hale. My parents are both retired. My mom is a retired early childhood teacher and was co-owner of a preschool. My dad is a retire pharmacist. He worked for CVS. I have a younger brother, Alex. He is married to Rachel. They have two dogs, Kit and Yetti.

I work for Cintas and have been there for 11 years. I never call off work and try to smile every day. I do many jobs at Cintas. I hang coats, shirts, and pants. Sometimes I work in shake-out or linen. I like working at Cintas.

Things that interest me are traveling with friends and family. I have been lucky enough to travel to Mexico many times, Alaska, Hawaii, Maryland, West Virginia, and Virginia . My favorite place to go in Mexico is the Grand Sirenis. It is an all- inclusive resort and we usually go with 10-14 people. When I was at the resort I got to swim with the dolphins. That was a lot of fun. I also like to watch the Steelers and Ohio State play football.

My uncle C.R. is retired from the Secret Service. While he was in the Secret Service, he took us through the White House. We got to see the oval office, the press room, and the rose garden. My uncle took us to the Easter egg hunts at the white house. I got to see Presidents Reagan, Clinton, Bush and Vice Pres. Quayle. I got to go to through the FBI building and the treasury dept.

My dream for the future is to continue to work at Cintas and I hope when Covid-19 is over I can travel with my family and friends.

Stark DD helped me to get my job at Cintas. I am incredibly grateful for that. I like my SSA Rachel and job coach Heather.

Rachel Poling, Stark DD Service and Support Administrator, oversees Jennifer's services with Stark DD, using employment support and transportation to her job. "Jen uses the Proline on her own as Non Medical Transportation (NMT) to get her to Cintas as she works extremely early in the morning. She is always on time and never calls off! Jen likes to

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call and update me on how work is going and to let me know that her job coach is visiting her, which she really enjoys,” said Poling. “I have watched Jen grow at work and in communicating with myself and her job coach, Heather Greynolds. I am so proud of her for some of the things she has overcome, including moving out on her own. Jennifer is a prime example of how working hard can help you to meet your goals and lead a very successful, happy life. Jennifer and her family have been wonderful to work with over the last few years.”

Heather Greynolds, workforce consultant for TWI has worked with Jennifer for a year and a half. “I meet with her once a week to discuss any problems she may be having on the job. Jennifer is an extremely hard worker, and she has great relationships with supervisors. She is also a part of the safety committee at Cintas. Jennifer is considered a float of sorts; she goes where she is most needed, so she knows how to do several jobs in the facility, Jennifer’s performance reviews are always off the charts. When they have over time and ask Jen, she always takes it. She is always helping her co-workers. This year Jennifer received an award for her perfect attendance as well as her 10 year picture on the wall,” said Greynolds. “Jennifer loves to travel; it is what she is most passionate about. Due to COVID, she is unable to travel with her family like she normally would this time of year, so she is growing impatient waiting for her life to go back to normal. Jennifer knows what she wants, and she strongly advocates for herself. It has been a pleasure working alongside her and getting to know what a fantastic person she is.”



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