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Employee Success Story

Bruce Schellinger, Software Engineer

Bruce started his programming career on an Apple //e, long before Apple had the market share and brand recognition it enjoys today. Bruce graduated from Carroll College in Waukesha, now Carroll University, where he won best computer science project for his video game 'Frantic Freddy Frog' an adaptation of 'Frogger'. Bruce has spent much of his career programming in the 'C' language and its derivatives (C#/Java) and in the medical space where he has worked on bone densitometry equipment, an ECG management system, cath lab software, and a remote patient management system.

Early in Bruce's career, he had the opportunity to meet some of the world's top cardiologists at places like Cleveland Clinic, Mayo Clinic, and Kaiser Permanente, as part of having an engineering presence during high profile installs. Bruce enjoys meeting and working with end users and designing awesome user interfaces. Bruce began consulting a couple years ago with Beacon and is having an exciting time with his current contract working alongside many great people and cutting-edge technology.

Bruce Schellinger, Software Engineer



What is Wisconsin's Oldest City?



Green Bay! Green Bay can be traced back to French North American Explorer Jean Nicolet who was the first known European to discover Lake Michigan and what is now the state of Wisconsin back in 1634. The second oldest city in Wisconsin is Prairie du Chien.

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Refer A Friend

We increased our Employee Referral Bonus amount to \$1500! Contact your Recruiter or Account Manager with your referral, and we'll pay you once that person is hired!

Take Advantage of Beacon's **Education Reimbursement Benefit**

Beacon will reimburse employees up to \$2,500 per year for education related to their job at Beacon. All education and training requests must be preapproved by the HR Director. Beacon requires employees to pay back the amount if the employee does not stay with Beacon for one full year after receipt of payment. For more information, contact your Account Manager, Recruiter or Kristen Suttle-Ebert.

Mark Your Calendar

Beacon will have an employee picnic this summer at the Beacon Madison office location. More details coming soon!

Employee Success Story, Continued

Favorite Project

One of Bruce's favorite projects was working with a small team (4 engineers) at Honeywell where he helped create an FDA 510k cleared, Android-based cellular remote patient monitoring device. Using Java for the first time in his career, Bruce created the patient user interface/experience and developed the Bluetooth communications to gather blood oximetry, blood pressure, and weight from different peripheral providers like Nonin, A&D, and Welch Allyn.

Family/Hobbies

Bruce and his wife Kerry have 2 children, a daughter, Madison, who is a sophomore at UW Madison and a son, Drew, who is a junior at Slinger High School. The family also has a crazy and beautiful golden retriever named Kona: she is almost 2.

In the summer, Bruce and his family enjoy spending time on the lakes, surfing behind his brother's boat and jet skiing. Bruce also enjoys grilling steaks, ribs, and pork shoulders on his many Weber grills. In the winter, Bruce and his son along with family and friends enjoy off-trail snowmobiling in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

April

James Baho - 4 years Jared Boyle - 1 year Sean Collett - 3 years Krista Fandek - 1 year

Joseph Bagley - 1 year David Gauerke - 4 years John Lison - 5 years Thomas Morley - 7 years Rahim Pothuganti - 1 year

Employee Anniversaries

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Carl Galka - 17 years Mukarram Mukhtar - 3 years Ravi Kiran Paradesi - 1 year Kelsey Price - 6 years Vondrea Salter-Kirkland - 1 year Deborah Storczer - 1 year

June

Julie Lyons - 1 year John Mercuro - 1 year Keegan O'Brien - 5 years Eric Oelhafen - 4 years Brady Potaczek - 5 years John Stillwell - 1 year Kristen Suttle-Ebert - 18 years

Spring Cleaning - 6 Easy Tips

Don't get stuck in the winter blues! Spring forward with these 6 easy spring-cleaning tips from <u>TheSpruce.com</u>.

Clean Room by Room

Approaching your house room by room is the most effective way to deep clean it. Create cleaning checklists for each room to help you get organized and to remind you of the areas that need extra attention. Feel free to skip the areas that have been cleaned recently and focus on the parts of your home that were largely neglected over the winter.

Organize and Clear the Clutter

One of the biggest parts of spring cleaning is often getting rid of clutter. A systematic four-step approach can be helpful for this. Identify problem areas, analyze reasons for the clutter, determine solutions, and implement them. Sorting your belongings into four categories—trash, give away, store, or put away — can also be effective as you go through the spring-cleaning process. Move the clutter out as soon as possible, whether it's bringing a donation box to a charity or planning a yard sale.

Get the Household Involved

Make spring cleaning a household endeavor. Even young children can be excellent helpers. Assign ageappropriate chores, so everyone feels included. Try throwing on some music as you all clean or establishing a household reward as an incentive to get the work done.

Tackle the Seasonal Chores

Many chores need to be done seasonally, especially in preparation for warmer weather. So incorporate them into your spring-cleaning routine to get them out of the way early. For instance, tackle outdoor chores, such as cleaning the grill, patio, and outsides of windows, as soon as the weather warms up. Also, store winter clothing, bedding, decor, and other items. And pull out your spring items to give your home a refreshed look.

Keep Cleaning Products to a Minimum

If you need to shop for new cleaning products for spring cleaning, keep your items to a minimum. Myriad cleaning supplies can create unnecessary clutter, and you probably don't need all of them to keep your home fresh and clean. Opt for a good all-purpose cleaner and microfiber cloths. Those items will cover the majority of surfaces in your home. Then, purchase other specialty cleaning supplies only as needed.

Establish New Cleaning Habits

A thorough spring cleaning that covers the whole house is a great opportunity to establish ongoing cleaning habits, which can make the next spring cleaning even easier. For instance, don't try to do all of your spring cleaning in one day or even one weekend. Instead, tackle items on your spring-cleaning to-do list for just 15 minutes each day. That will help to get you in the habit of tidying up for 10 to 15 minutes per day even after you're done with your spring-cleaning tasks.







Upcoming Events - Things To Do



Spring has sprung! Click the images below for more information on things to do throughout Wisconsin & Nationwide!

