

# THE BEACON

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## Employee Success Story

**Jennifer Baker,  
Insurance Forms Analyst**

Jennifer was born in Upstate New York and moved to Virginia in 1991. Jennifer has worked in the Property and Casualty Insurance industry for over 30 years. She has worked in various departments over the years including sales, underwriting, auditing, and product management.

In October 2022, Jennifer decided to take an early retirement from her previous employer where she had worked for 29 years. In December 2022, Jennifer accepted a job as a Forms Analyst with American Family Insurance Company, (a very short retirement).

Several years ago, Jennifer worked on a project, which involved rewriting motorcycle insurance contracts for all 50 states. She was able to get state approval on 12 states with one state taking almost 4 years to obtain state approval.

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## Wisconsin State Park Trivia



Wisconsin was the first state ever to earmark a state park all the way back in 1878. Today, there are 49 WI state parks totaling over 73,000 acres and earning more than 19 million visitors annually.

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## Employee Success Story, Continued

### Family/Hobbies

Jennifer got married in October 2020 and has a 28-year-old son who recently moved to Austin TX, a 21-year-old stepdaughter who attends Elon University, an 18-year-old stepdaughter who just graduated from high school and a stepdog golden retriever named Cider who pretty much just sleeps all day.

Jennifer and her husband just opened an Airbnb in New York (her hometown), and they are currently working on another Airbnb in Virginia, which will be available this summer. In their free time, they enjoy golfing, boating and jet skiing and hope to jet ski on the beautiful Finger Lakes in New York.

When Jennifer officially retires, she plans on buying an airstream and visiting popular US destinations. Her husband wants a 19' airstream but she's holding out for a 33' airstream!

### Fun Fact

About 19 years ago, Jennifer had a hole in one! Most people think it was on a miniature golf course, but it was on a real golf course - par 3 - 117 yards. Jennifer says it was pure luck but still very exciting!



## Reminders

### McGMO Charity Golf Event

Beacon is proud to sponsor the 25th Anniversary McGMO Charity Golf Event on Friday, July 28th at Delbrook Golf Course in Delavan, WI. Proceeds of the event support the patients at the Aurora Cancer Center in western Racine and Walworth counties. If you are interested in learning more about the event or want to register a team, click on the image below:



### Scrum Day 2023

Join us at the Alliant Energy Center for Scrum Day in Madison, WI on Thursday, September 14th. Scrum Day Wisconsin will feature thoughtful discussions and short, interactive training on the Scrum framework. There is no better, more affordable opportunity to learn from Scrum experts and colleagues. Beacon is a Platinum sponsor of this fantastic opportunity. [Register now](#) to secure your seat for the Scrum conference that will leave you buzzing with ideas from fellow practitioners and industry experts!



### PMI Madison/South Central WI Professional Development Day 2023

Where: Monona Terrace, downtown Madison

When: Wednesday, October 4

Why: Awesome speakers! Professional Networking! Fun socializing with your peers! Beacon will once again be a sponsor for this event, and we are proud to support this great organization in our local community.

[Register now!](#)

## Employee Anniversaries

### July

Michael Bauer - 2 years  
Kelly Fellerman - 1 year  
Vinod Kumar Kolli - 2 years  
Kathy Maglio - 6 years  
Michael Saunders - 5 years

### August

Rudolph Daniels - 1 year  
Tyler Erickson - 7 years  
Jahnvi Reddy Katta - 2 years  
Joel Ramirez - 1 year  
Eric Smasal - 5 years  
Jordan Ward - 6 years

### September

Jean Burke - 5 years  
Krishna Dhulipala - 2 years  
Caden Howell - 1 year  
Jeffrey Morrison - 2 years  
Josiah Mouw - 2 years  
Dee Ott - 21 years  
Jonathan Rasmussen - 2 years  
Matt Stangel - 4 years  
Craig Wagner - 6 years

# Best National Parks 2023-2024

## Best U.S. National Parks

***U.S. News & World Report ranked the top 15 national parks, according to the opinions of both travel experts and recent park visitors.***

- Glacier National Park - Montana
- Grand Canyon National Park - Arizona
- Yellowstone National Park - Wyoming, Montana, Idaho
- Yosemite National Park - California
- Zion National Park - Utah
- Grand Teton National Park - Wyoming
- Olympic National Park - Washington
- Arches National Park - Utah
- Bryce Canyon National Park - Utah
- Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park - California
- Rocky Mountain National Park - Colorado
- Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park - Hawai'i
- Crater Lake National Park - Oregon
- Acadia National Park - Maine
- Great Smoky Mountains National Park - Tennessee, North Carolina



# Upcoming Events - Things To Do



# hello Summer



Click the images below for more information on things to do this summer throughout Wisconsin & Nationwide!

## MADISON



## MILWAUKEE



## FOX CITIES



## STATEWIDE



## NATIONWIDE

