

## CALENDAR

**Feb. 4 NEO**  
**ACLS Provider**  
 7:45 a.m.-3 p.m.  
 Balderas  
 Lau  
 Contact supervisor to register at 4401 or 4402

**Feb. 5 ACLS Provider**  
 8:00 a.m.-Noon  
 Lau  
 Contact supervisor to register at 4401 or 4402

### Basic Mechanical Ventilation – Adult

Rebecca Wills, MA, BA, LRCP, CRT-NPS  
 8:30-10:30 a.m.  
 Skills Lab  
 Limited to 8 attendees  
 Call 4401, 4402 or 4409 to register

**Feb. 11 Beginning Microsoft Word 2007**  
 Agee  
 1-4:30 p.m.  
 Contact Sharon Gollehon at ext. 4404 to register

### Feb. 12 RNES: Therapeutic Assessment and Treatment of Bladder Dysfunction

Cali Carlson, PT, DPT; Courtney Kossow, OTD, OTR/L, C/NDT  
 7:30-8:30 a.m., 10-11 a.m., 1:30-2:30 p.m., 5:30-6:30 p.m., 7:30-8:30 p.m.  
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### Medication Aide Competency

Agee  
 7:30 a.m. or 12:30 p.m.

**Feb. 14 CPR Re-certification**  
 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 5-8 p.m.  
 Agee  
 Call 4401 or 4402 to register

**Feb. 15 Beginning Excel 2007**  
 9 a.m.-Noon  
 Agee  
 Contact Sharon Gollehon at ext. 4404 to register

## Chapel Services

Catholic Mass is offered Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 4 p.m., Wednesday and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and Saturday at 4:30 p.m. The Worship Service is Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Hymn/Music Program is Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

**Feb. 3** Ron Walker  
**Feb. 10** Southern Gospel

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**7 Years**  
 Ibtisam Al-Ameri  
 Magdalena Balderas  
 Jennifer Bausch  
 Timothy Bausch  
 Michelle Benson  
 Thad Buster  
 Michelle Claycomb  
 Amber Davison  
 Kathryn Davison  
 Leah Dawn  
 Bruce DeFord  
 Jamie Dredge  
 Karisa Eggleston  
 William Frazier

**6 Years**  
 Laura Auman  
 Stephanie Bales  
 Bana Barbar  
 Lisa Blecha  
 Jeanne Boller  
 Darla Bomberger  
 Julie Brummer  
 Ronda Buchanan  
 Ronda Buraw  
 Janina Chapin  
 Bob Chase  
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 Diann Gondolfi  
 Katherine Graff  
 Julie Groeteke  
 Telfer Halsey

Rodney Smith  
 Lacey Snyder  
 Shawna Stanczyk  
 Elyse Steinkruger  
 Jaime Swendener  
 Steven Tangen  
 Adam Taylor  
 Paige Teeple  
 Mary S. Turner  
 Matthew Ulmer  
 Nancy Votta  
 Lana Warner  
 Megan Zocholl

**5 Years**  
 Jeanne Boller  
 Darla Bomberger  
 Julie Brummer  
 Ronda Buchanan  
 Ronda Buraw  
 Janina Chapin  
 Bob Chase  
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 Telfer Halsey

Jalaina Handa  
 Liz Helms  
 Angela Hilsabeck  
 Cathy Hobbs  
 Joyce Jaixen  
 Hope Johnson  
 Nicolle Johnson  
 Karen Kehler  
 Carrie Kuta  
 Christie Lebsack  
 Suzanne Lehr  
 Gary Lindahl  
 Jessica Madsne  
 Cole Maranville  
 Teresa McKinney  
 Stacy Miller  
 Melissa Moates  
 Jennifer Monroe  
 Suelynne Morrissey  
 Kimberly Moss  
 Brooke Murtaugh  
 Mark Neeman  
 Susan O'Grady  
 Traci Omer  
 Janice Parker  
 Gretchen Perez  
 Dana Petersen  
 Sheryl Pflug  
 Nathan Philips  
 Erin Pickus  
 Susan Pieschke  
 Kelcy Praeuner  
 Sara Rathje  
 Dustin Reinbold  
 Shirley Richardson  
 Rebekah Ringsmuth  
 Nicholas Rodriguez  
 Nicholas Roth  
 Tami Rudder  
 Maggie Sahele  
 Marin Salisbury  
 Michelle Schmidt  
 Ruth Schuldt  
 Karrie Seeman  
 Davie Shutzer-Hill  
 Colt Sievers  
 Lisa Simmons

Wendy Smith-Johnson  
 Anthony Sobotka  
 Arin Staehr  
 Melissa Starr  
 Antonia Stewart  
 Marty Sullivan  
 Aimee Swanberg  
 Bonnie Tompsett  
 Jessica Trost  
 Mary Turner  
 Monica Vandergrind  
 Melodee Vankekri  
 Patricia Walker  
 Ritchie Wallace  
 Lindsay Watt  
 Elizabeth Wedeking  
 Jennifer West  
 Heith Wilkinson  
 Jennifer Williss  
 Marie Zimmerman

**5 Years**  
 Robin Allgood  
 Bethany Asboe  
 Brittany Baack  
 Samantha Beaubier  
 Patricia Bell  
 Charlie Bills  
 Phyllis Boshae  
 Yekaterina Brichka  
 Daphne Chase  
 Elizabeth Chloupek  
 Tanya Colson  
 Kristen Dragoo  
 Kristyn Essink  
 Joseph Fairbanks  
 Carl Fedon  
 Gary Florentine  
 Barb Funkhouser  
 Melody Gagner  
 Stephanie Gilb  
 Michael Gray  
 Melissa Gulizia  
 Scott Hakel  
 Kim Hamik

Michael Hansen  
 Sarah Hansen  
 Kathryn Harrington  
 Keli Heydt  
 Amanda Iden  
 David Johnson  
 Suvada Karahodzic  
 Jayme Kienholz  
 Corinee Kistler  
 Joni Kraft  
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 Tiffany Lebo  
 Galina Letyayeva  
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## WAY TO GO

Congratulations to the following staff on the **Transitional Care Unit** for providing exceptional customer service. Their names were mentioned on recent customer satisfaction surveys with a rating of "Excellent/Good." Thank you for continuing to go above and beyond to provide outstanding care to the patients we serve.

- Jennifer Bausch
- Dave Kaminski
- Jacqueline Larson
- Doris Lewis
- Kara Merchant
- Kent Wallinga
- Christine Widman

— Paul Nathenson  
 Vice President Community Services  
 and Integrative Health

## Madonna Adaptive Sports & Recreation Bowling Night

Join us the first and third Tuesday of every month at

**Parkway Lanes**  
**2555 South 48th St.**  
**from 6 to 8 p.m.**

**People of all ages and abilities are encouraged to attend.** Participants are responsible for their own transportation. If you require assistance, it will need to be provided by your family member or caretaker. Please ask that they stay with you to enjoy the fun.

Call Rick Haith to register at (402) 413-3722. You must sign up in advance by the Friday before.

Cost to participate: \$5 to bowl (per game), \$3 for shoe rental.

# the INDEPENDENT

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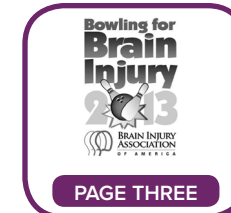
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The Madonna Independent, an employee newsletter of Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, is published every other Friday by the Marketing and Public Relations department. To submit a story idea, news item, announcement or recognition information, contact Tami Rudder, editor, at 402-413-4292 or trudder@madonna.org.

All story ideas, news items, announcements or recognition information must be submitted the Friday before the Independent is printed. Note: The deadline for the next issue is Friday, Feb. 8.

The Independent can be viewed online at [www.Madonna.org](http://www.Madonna.org)

Bowling for brain injury awareness



Madonna's medical recycling program



## Ulmer featured in e-newsletter

Spinal Cord Injury Program Manager Diane Ulmer, OTR/L, was recently featured in *The Mobility Project*, an online resource created especially for people who use wheelchairs and other assistive technology for mobility. Ulmer's comments were included in an article on repetitive use injuries and preventative strategies for individuals with spinal cord injury.



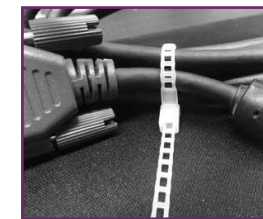
Ulmer notes that a manual wheelchair user averages between 2,000-3,000 strokes daily propelling their wheelchair. The repetitive motion puts a person at greater risk for developing an injury such as tendonitis, carpal tunnel syndrome or impingement.

Read the entire article, *To Propel or Not to Propel*, at [www.Madonna.org](http://www.Madonna.org).

## Workplace safety reminder

Madonna's Employee Safety

initiatives include slip, trip and fall prevention. Workplace injuries can be reduced by taking time to assess an area, but we need your help. Work areas often include patient rooms. When you are entering and exiting a patient's room, check that all slip, trip or fall hazards (especially computer, telephone or bed alarm cords) are secured or out of the way. Velcro ties are available by contacting the Safety Helpline at ext. 4891 or Employee Health and Safety at ext. 4878.



## Rebuilding lives – it's what we do at Madonna

Independence is one thing 72-year-old Pat Dowd won't take for granted anymore. Pat, from Boelus, Neb., recently spent three months at Madonna reclaiming his independence after sustaining a traumatic brain injury.

Pat was preparing to perform a special Native American dance at his daughter's wedding on Sept. 22, 2012. While preparing for the dance, Pat slipped and the blow to his head resulted in a traumatic brain injury.

A blood vessel burst near Pat's brain, causing a clot to form. Doctors at St. Francis Medical Center in Grand Island, Neb., performed a craniotomy, cutting into Pat's skull, to remove the life-threatening mass.

Two weeks later, Pat admitted to Madonna's Long Term Acute Care Hospital for rehabilitation. "I couldn't walk, talk or do anything," said Pat. At Madonna, Pat discovered a caring, specialized brain injury team who helped him recover his strength, skills and relearn how to walk. "You couldn't find any better facility for personnel and equipment," said Pat.

Through a difficult and often painful recovery, Pat, a successful restaurant owner for 25 years, remained positive. "He made tremendous progress and maintained a great sense of humor," said Jessica Virgil, occupational therapist, who helped Pat regain his self-sufficiency.

Pat's determination, coupled with the support of staff and his family, paid off. On Jan. 9, 2013, aided by a walker, Pat proudly navigated the steps to the car waiting to take him home. "Despite the heartache from the accident, I had fun during my recovery."



Pat Dowd spent three months reclaiming his life following a traumatic brain injury. Jessica Virgil, OTR/L, (left) and Pat's daughter, Angie, celebrated when Pat walked out of Madonna independently.

Craig Burris is an experienced rider who enjoys life from the seat of his motorcycle. On Nov. 10, 2012, Craig rode his Harley into the Loess Hills near his hometown of Sioux City, Iowa, when he suddenly lost control of the bike. Craig, who never wore a helmet, sustained a traumatic brain injury and fractured his spinal cord. Surgeons at Mercy Medical Center repaired his spinal cord injury and three weeks later, Craig began to rebuild his life at Madonna.

An electrician by trade, Craig discovered therapy became his full time job. "It's a very complete, intense program," said Craig. "I learned quickly that I had to work hard to get better!" Physical therapy started with the basics of sitting and progressed to walking and maneuvering stairs. "It seems easy, but not when you've had injuries like mine." Sessions on the FES bike and the Proprio improved Craig's strength, aerobic conditioning, gait and balance. Occupational therapists introduced creative ways to restore his daily living skills.

Craig's wife, Linda, and other visitors were soon commenting on the progress they noticed in him. Speech therapists engaged Craig in reading comprehension and card games to challenge his brain. Linda had purchased an iPad for Craig to stay connected and his therapists incorporated the device as part of his therapy. "It played a significant part in my recovery," said Craig.

Eight weeks later, Craig rejoined his wife back home. "The accident was life-changing in many ways," said Craig, who no longer takes things for granted. He's leery of returning to motorcycling and is now an advocate for wearing a helmet. Craig plans to continue healing with outpatient therapy and eventually return to work. "Without this team at Madonna, I wouldn't be going home – the nurses and therapists are top notch," said Craig.



Craig Burris shares a light moment during his iPad training with Suzanne Seberg, MScC-SLP. The iPad was introduced as part of Craig's recovery from a traumatic brain injury.

## Influenza precautions for COPD patients

No one likes being sick; however, complications associated with influenza can be deadly for persons with COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease). The primary fear associated with the flu and COPD is pneumonia. Persons with COPD, whose lungs are already damaged by their disease, are very susceptible to pneumonia and other respiratory infections.

COPD is the third leading killer of Americans. COPD is also the third leading cause of hospital readmissions among Medicare patients, costing approximately \$8,400 per hospital stay. New Medicare initiatives to reduce hospital readmissions offer the opportunity to devote more attention and resources to educate our patients, health care providers, family and friends and the community about COPD.

### Educate early and often

Education empowers those with COPD to manage their disease and maximize their quality of life. Madonna's Pulmonary Program Development committee has established a goal this year to increase services to our patients with COPD and those at risk for developing COPD.

A comprehensive program involving the entire interdisciplinary team is essential for success. In addition to education on lifetime disease management and avoiding exacerbations, the team can provide:

- Therapy to improve exercise tolerance
- Medications to reduce lung inflammation and open and clear airways
- Therapeutic interventions to improve function of the chest wall, chest excursion, lung volume expansion and diaphragm conditioning

### Provide support

Following up with patients after discharge can also increase their compliance with their home treatment plan, and reduce the chances of a hospital readmission. Madonna and Madonna ProActive are co-sponsors of the only Better Breathers Club in Lincoln, Neb. Developed by the American Lung Association, the Better Breathers Club (BBC) is an education-based support group for persons with COPD, those at risk for COPD or other chronic lung disease and their families and caregivers. The BBC meets monthly at ProActive. For more information contact Rebecca Wills (402) 413-3187 or [rwills@madonna.org](mailto:rwills@madonna.org).

## Bowling for brain injury

The Brain Injury Association of Nebraska is

hosting the first statewide fundraiser on **Saturday,**

**March 9.** In conjunction with Brain Injury Awareness Month, teams from Lincoln and Omaha will compete in their respective cities.

The Lincoln teams will bowl from Noon to 2 p.m., at Sun Valley Lanes, 321 Victory Lane. Teams of six will vie for prizes while helping to support the state association. No prior experience necessary—just bring your humor. Teams are invited to be creative with their names and costumes.

Sign up at [www.bowlingforbraininjury.org](http://www.bowlingforbraininjury.org) or contact Dr. Lori Terryberry-Spohr at ext. 3189 for more information. Come join the fun!



## Looking for talent

It's your time to shine in the second annual Madonna's Got Talent Show. The show is scheduled for **March 27, from 4-5 p.m. in the North Commons.**

Each performer will have five minutes to share their talent. For more information, contact Beckie Kimes at ext. 3718 or [bkimes@madonna.org](mailto:bkimes@madonna.org)

**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."**

—Jeremiah 29:11

## Caring for the world through recycling

Used or unneeded medical supplies can be invaluable assets in other countries. Madonna's Mission Effectiveness Committee initiated the Medical Recycling Program in 2008 to respond to appeals for humanitarian aid in developing nations. These donations are far-reaching, most recently contributing to the Haiti relief effort.

Madonna partners with C.R.O.S.S. Ministries of Osceola, Iowa, to provide donations in areas where they can bring immediate benefit. The main recipients have been rehabilitation hospitals in the Ukraine, Republic of Georgia, Malawi and Africa.

"The items we collect from Madonna are so important for those we provide to," said Mike Sitzman, C.R.O.S.S. Ministries volunteer. "The environmental impact is immeasurable in keeping these items out of the landfill."

Medical supplies or equipment in good condition that can be recycled are needed. The program welcomes items such as walkers, canes, mattresses, therapy equipment and wheelchairs. Parts from wheelchairs may also be refurbished.

Blue medical donation barrels are located on each unit of the hospital: LTACH, Acute, Pediatric, TCU and Ventilator Assist/Special Needs.

Remember that unused medications are NOT to be placed in the bins. According to Madonna OD/policies, send unused and opened medication to the Pharmacy.

Jennifer Ruhter, a licensed practical nurse, organizes the hospital's donations and coordinates with C.R.O.S.S. Ministries for pickup. Chandra Lucas, nurse aide and Elizabeth Edwards, radiology supervisor, also assist in collecting donations.

Sitzman uses Madonna's medical recycling program as an example to other facilities who are interested in starting a collection program. "Like any good program, the only way it will work is for people to step up and make it happen," said Sitzman. "To sustain it takes compassion; that is what I see at Madonna."

A special thank you to all employees and members of the community who have donated items to the Medical Recycling Program.



Jennifer Ruhter, LPN, coordinates Madonna's Medical Recycling Program efforts with C.R.O.S.S. Ministries of Osceola, Iowa. This partnership provides humanitarian aid in developing nations.

## Madonna employees celebrate years of service as of December 2012

### 40 Years

Sue Brandl  
Donna Stokes  
**37 Years**  
Marsha Lommel  
**36 Years**  
Betty Rupert  
Starla Schleicher  
**35 Years**  
Frances Bodfield  
Carol Ann Trapp

**34 Years**  
Stavan Starks  
**33 Years**  
Doris Lewis  
**32 Years**  
Sharon Devries  
Jody Luzum

**31 Years**  
Soni Muller  
Deb Oates  
Ruby Plager  
**30 Years**  
Curt Butler  
Mark Hakei  
Kathy Kuehn  
Linda Storz

**29 Years**  
Nova Adams  
Deborah Cole  
Myrna Davis  
**28 Years**  
Connie Bergman  
Janelle Hansen  
Catherine

Hutchison  
Mary Kraus  
Jeannette Quick  
Roger Riss  
Evelyn Rogers  
Bill Stuart  
Kay Wheeler

**27 Years**  
Cheryl Culton  
Chris Emerson  
Mary Goggins  
Sara Hakei  
Carol Jensen  
Deb Opfer  
Sarah Stevicks  
Sandy Stutzman

**26 Years**  
Vicki Davis  
Helen Iromuanya  
Kim Ketterer  
Francine Littrell  
Rose Matulka  
Sherry Olson  
Jeffrey Rowland  
Stacey Schild  
Joan Stollar

**25 Years**  
Sue Allen  
Cindy Franz  
Linda Hippen  
Shari Luehring  
Lana Meyer  
Ruth Morrow  
Susie Newland  
Linda Ohnoutka  
Cheri Towle  
Faye Weckle  
Victor Witkowitz

**24 Years**  
Tracy Bell  
Brenda Florea  
Stephanie Franklin  
Lana Fry  
Denise Gleason  
Nancy Hall  
Cheryl Jurgens  
Karen Powell  
Glori Wolf

**23 Years**  
Cheryl Biram  
Kathy Echtenkamp  
Lisa Radcliffe  
Catherine Sire  
Elaine Smith  
Kathleen Steinmeyer  
Christine Wehrwein

**22 Years**  
Cheri Brinkman  
Nancy Kisling  
Deborah Leggett  
Michelle Niederhaus  
Gary Spring  
Beatrice Thomas  
Michelle Tieszen  
Suzanne Watton

**21 Years**  
Diane Bartels  
Joan Goracke-Kuhl  
Jayne Graeve  
Michelle Henry  
Susan Klanecky  
Judy Leif  
Mary Lu Long  
Mario Menendez  
Cathie Miller  
Jan Muldoon  
James Olson  
Vicki Philippi  
Stephanie Plummer  
Janice Swanson

**20 Years**  
Ruth Dahlberg  
Kent Eichelberger  
Steve Dunse  
Judy Harvey  
David Kaminski  
Jeannette Kiner  
Julie Kiner  
Carol Luedders  
Tammy Meduna

**19 Years**  
Kim Casarez  
Wendy Charlton  
Sharon Duffy  
Sheila Folsom  
Lisa Franklin  
Vicki Gentry  
Travis Groft  
Ann Mulinix  
Aleksandr Nurbabayev  
Michele Ohlmann  
Sally Thompson  
Huong Tran  
Mirinda Vergith  
Kelly Waggoner

**18 Years**  
Wendy Baker  
Scott Bastin  
Tamara Dahlman  
Paul Dongilli  
Sandra Fruhwirth

**17 Years**  
Sarah Alhachami  
Sarah Anderson  
Janet Bauer  
Debbie Bennett  
Cindy Boldt  
Dawny Boutin  
Sherri Cades  
Noelle Crew  
Eileen Crosby  
Christine Darling  
Kristi Felix  
Mary Graff  
Mary Hillebran  
Paula Hoage  
Jennifer Korinek  
Lesia Lucke  
Lou Ann Manske  
Nancy Nathenson  
Annette Reith  
Pam Reynolds  
Cindy Rohlmeier  
Sherri Stanley  
Dan Steinbach  
Ann Stubbendeck  
Nadine Wiley

**16 Years**  
Sally Allamby  
Ulonda Amerson  
Debra Andersen  
Lisa Andersen  
Laurel Baade  
Annette Campbell  
Susan Carrahaer  
Bev Cerny  
Shirley Cruickshank  
Lisa Culbertson  
Marilyn Dongilli  
Gail Finsand  
Robert Herman  
Amy Hobza  
Lynn Ivins  
Jacquelyn Kiritsy  
Paul Krabbenhoft  
Jaime Kubik  
Jacqueline Larson  
Leeann Maul  
Carol Olson  
Marguerite Ragain  
Christine Rezek  
Douglas Sessions  
Sandra Slama  
Teresa Springer  
Michelle

Vallabhbai  
Rebecca Wills  
**15 Years**  
Marie Bullock  
Marla Buresh  
Judy Clementson  
Liz Edwards  
Stacie Fauver  
Jennifer Garner  
Tracy Kalnins  
Beckie Kimes  
Terri Kurtenbach  
Robert Lapour

**14 Years**  
Stephanie Bowman  
Terri Carstenson  
Toni Christensen  
Leah Clarke  
Michelle Daake  
Susan Fager  
Sharon Gollehon  
Salome Griess  
Lynn Hallowell-Gottsleben  
Donna Haney  
Dianne Hines  
Susan Houchens  
Jody Jinright  
Diana Kluthe  
Jeff Kubik  
Angela Kugler  
Brandon Luethke  
Mary Mollner  
Tammy Mousel  
Deborah O'Connor  
Dennis O'Loughlin  
Rocky Peterson  
Maria Pham  
Jim Polk  
Virginia Schweitzer  
Robyn Sejkora  
Theresa Shada  
Gail Shiba  
Ian Thompson  
Susan Tucker  
Bruce Waddington  
Jennifer Weber  
Cinda Zimmer

**13 Years**  
Gau Basford  
Kathleen Bernadt  
Kristine Bogue  
Ryan Burger  
Nanette Codina  
Sharon Cohagan  
Peggy Down  
Mary Dyer  
Mae Dawn Ellis  
Scott Fandrich  
Terasa Farlin  
Mikayla Humm  
Ruth Johnson  
Kristin Kreikemeier  
Carrie Mays  
Clayton Mcllwain  
Joseph Moura  
David Nelson  
Marcia Nuss  
Linda Oltmans  
Jelena Pekez  
Zeljko Pekez  
Mary Sankey  
Peter Smith  
Joan Smyth  
Carrie Stratman  
Lori Terryberry-Spohr  
Rebecca Waldron

**12 Years**  
Kim Mayfield  
Jim Pelton  
Shirley Thompson  
Sharon Tucker  
Sara Washburn  
Wendy Witzki

**11 Years**  
Melissa Macklin  
Jennifer Mason  
Kim Mayfield  
Jim Pelton  
Shirley Thompson  
Sharon Tucker  
Sara Washburn  
Wendy Witzki

**10 Years**  
Melissa Wilson  
Shiela Alemzadeh  
Vicky Amos  
Kelli Anderson  
Cory Behrens  
Charles Burk  
Lisa Burns  
Brent Curry  
Teri Feldman  
Bob Heydon  
Jennifer

Hoebelheinrich  
Bernard Jerkovic  
Deb Kapperman  
Theresa Keesecker  
Karen Kenyon  
Desiree Mauch  
Asmir  
Mehmedbegovic  
Marcia Monk  
Debbie Petschke  
Tracy Schilke  
Tammy Simmons  
Kevin Sommers  
Roberta Steinhauer  
Cheryl Wagoner  
Jill Watson  
Dawn Yanks  
Christine Zach

**9 Years**  
Marilyn Bolte  
Tim Bomberger  
Rodney Bredemeier  
Sandra Brugh  
Maria Canarsky  
Fara Cox  
Bud Curl  
Lisa Decker  
Mary Dickey  
Rachel Donahoe  
Samira Duric  
Carly Ederington  
Julie Francis  
Amy Goldman  
Tracy Goodyear  
Andrea Haffey  
Janis Howlett  
Linda Jordan  
Erin Wolf

**8 Years**  
Misty Nider  
Nancie Ninneman  
Kimberly Parks  
Paula Plowman  
Gwendolyn Podolak  
Michael Rauscher  
Donna Renner  
David Rolfe  
Taunya Schlueter  
Jody Schweitzer  
April Sears  
Sheri Smith  
Angel Swartz  
Andrea Walters  
Sue Wehrwein  
Heather Wemhoff  
Tracy White  
Linda Winter  
Linda Jordan  
Erin Wolf

**7 Years**  
Sue Wehrwein  
Heather Wemhoff  
Tracy White  
Linda Winter  
Linda Jordan  
Erin Wolf

**6 Years**  
Yolanda Alvarado  
Crystal Anderson  
Denise Ashby  
Kimberly Moore  
Lucille Naber  
Kimberly Nelson-Tyrrell  
Colleen Nider  
Dennis Oehlertz  
Sabre Posvar  
Mike Quicke  
Amra Redzic  
Stacy Reichmuth  
Janice Rezac  
Joy Robinson  
Mayra Romero  
Joe Rush  
Tim Schulz  
Jill Smith  
Linda Sullivan  
Jenny Swanson  
Dineen Vlasnik

**5 Years**  
Seth Weiss  
Kari Williams  
**10 Years**  
Kelly Ottersberg  
Terry Bevans  
Jodi Blowers  
Stacey Bratsovsky  
Joni Cather  
Bethany Danek  
April Dinkel  
Brad Doné  
Richard Druke  
Melisse Ebeler  
Patty Eschliman  
Sarah Ethington  
Dellene Friesen  
LaDonna Hardesty  
Victoria Harsh  
Lori Holz  
Michael G. Hughes  
Tami Isaacson  
Linda Jensen  
Ann Kittell  
Cody Kohles  
Jessica Kohn  
Kristin LaPorta  
Tiffany Lut  
Jody Macke  
Carol McNeil  
Corey Mohnike  
Carlene Mueller-Pollard  
Misty Nider  
Nancie Ninneman  
Kimberly Parks  
Paula Plowman  
Gwendolyn Podolak  
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**4 Years**  
Robert Lueke  
Susan Luethke  
Katy Martin  
Kelly Ottersberg  
Daina Podraza  
Elaine Root  
Cindy Schumacher  
Kathy Sievers  
Cathy Smith  
Tonia Sohrweid  
Colleen Spellman  
J. Joe Stelmach  
Jan Ki Sukhram Lukas  
Stephanie Tvrdy  
Diane Ulmer  
Molly Vanatta  
Sadija Vranic  
Jan Vrtiska  
Nina Walters  
Sara Wiew  
Ruthann Wilson  
Carrie Windhorst  
Sara Bills  
Zinaida Bulchenko  
Judith Burnfield  
Kathryn Cogan  
Jennifer Conrad  
Pam Daly  
Lynn Dolezal  
Kathleen Fager  
Ashley Ferguson  
Patricia Gehrig  
Amanda Georges  
Gloria German  
Kimber Green  
Helen Grutel  
Angie Henry  
Karen Hughes  
Rose Hurt  
Sonya Irons  
Jody Jameson-Theye  
Rebecca Jandera  
Patricia Javorsky  
Amy Kotas  
Amy Krannawitter  
April Lieb  
Randy Luebbe  
Mike Munro  
Ashley Myers  
Kelly Myers  
Dilrabo Nasimova  
Christina Nickell  
Joseph Noack  
Travis Northrop  
Annie Ocampo  
Virginia Parks  
Wendy Patchen  
Keyna Rolenc  
Dewey Rupert  
Janelle Smith  
Lona Smith  
Savetrie Sukhram  
Jodee Sun  
Doug Tvrdy  
Carlene Vocke  
Laura Vuko  
Martha Weishahn  
Greg Wenzl  
Julie White  
Todd Winter

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## Employee Focus: Fun factoids about Taunya



**Taunya L. Schlueter RN, BA, CRRN**  
Nurse Therapist, Acute 1 West  
MRH Employee for 11 years

1. I am expecting my first child in April; it's a boy!
2. I enjoy hunting with my husband.
3. I love Coach products!
4. I am assisting Diane Ulmer in a spinal cord injury drug study at Madonna.

I am responsible for my patients' 24/7 nursing care. I also help communicate their needs to the therapy team and physicians. I love that my job challenges me and gives me an opportunity to learn something new every day. I enjoy being able to help my patients in all aspects of their care.