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Beacon Technologies Quarterly Newsletter

Employee Success Story

***Robin Waters,
Sr. IT Business Analyst - MarTech***

Robin was born and raised in a suburb of Denver, Colorado. She is the oldest of two kids and raised by a single mom. Most of her childhood was spent outdoors, only coming inside when the streetlights went on and barefoot whenever she could be. When she wasn't outside, Robin spent her time in her room listening to music or cozily reading as many books as she could - the library was a favored second home. Post high school graduation, Robin has lived in 6 states, working in many different industries doing various things, the commonality being IT or technology services.

Favorite Project - Robin was between work projects earlier this year and connected with Sr. Beacon Recruiter Tyler Erickson about a position at CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA). Robin started with CLA in April 2024, and she says the position has been a good fit for her because she gets to work with great teams of people, doing things every day that are both challenging and rewarding.

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DID YOU KNOW?

The small town of Oshkosh on Lake Winnebago is famous for its place on the world's airshow circuit. The world's largest meeting of aviators, EAA AirVenture Oshkosh has been held here every summer since 1970. Check out this top-rated Wisconsin tourist attraction July 22 - July 28.

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Family - Robin is the proud mom of a 20-year-old son, Griffin. They, along with her mom, have called Kimberling City, Missouri their home for the past 3 years, moving there after her son graduated high school. Robin lives on a beautiful lake surrounded by forests and the Ozark Mountains. She says sometimes it still doesn't feel real, but it is, and they love it!

Hobbies/Interests - Robin never outgrew her love of being outside, though she does wear shoes more often. The wildlife population outnumbers the people in their subdivision, so they see birds, deer, and other wildlife daily. Robin also still loves a good book, and though she doesn't check out physical books from the library anymore, she's a card-carrying member of more than a handful of different libraries.

Interesting Facts - Robin has often been told that she should write a book as she's seen/done a lot of interesting things. Here are a few of those things:

- She's been featured on the news more than once.
- She's been written about in national publications.
- She has her name on a wall plaque in a mall.
- All of her veins turned black from an allergy to a contrast MRI.
- She currently has a lot of cats!



Robin with her son, Griffin, and her beloved cats



Beacon Buzz

Beacon Acquires SMART Solutions!

We are thrilled to announce that Beacon made the strategic move to acquire SMART Solutions, a 28-year-old IT consulting company known for excellence in staffing in the Madison, WI area. By combining our strengths and resources, we will be able to focus on providing exceptional service and support to our valued clients and creating an abundance of opportunities for our employees. This marks a pivotal moment in Beacon's growth journey and sets the stage for even greater achievements in the future. We extend a warm welcome to our new team members as we officially join forces through our recent acquisition:



Advisor Brent Mitchell



Sr. Account Executive
Alex Gibson



Sr. Account Executive
Mary Jo Solowicz



Sr. Recruiter
Shelley Udell

Employee Anniversaries

July

Kathy Maglio - 7 years
Michael Saunders - 6 years
Michael Bauer - 3 years
Joe Vetta - 1 year
Vinod Kumar Kolli - 3 years
Natasha Martinez - 1 year

August

Mohamed Ibrahim - 1 year
Tyler Erickson - 8 years
Joel Ramirez - 2 years
Kamrul Hassan - 1 year
David Pittner - 1 year
Jordan Ward - 7 years
Mamatha Krishna Poluru - 1 year

September

Jonathan Rasmussen - 3 years
Caden Howell - 2 years
Isjonle Aught - 1 year
Jean Burke - 6 years
Thomas Morley - 6 years
Josiah Mouw - 3 years
Jeffrey Morrison - 3 years
Edward Borlas - 1 year
Rebecca Rosenthal - 9 years
Dee Ott - 22 years



Reminders

Mark your Calendar!



PMI Madison/South Central WI Professional Development Day 2024

Where: Monona Terrace, Madison, WI
When: Wednesday October 2nd
Why: Awesome speakers! Professional Networking! Fun socializing with your peers! Beacon will once again sponsor this event, and we are proud to support this great organization in our local community. [Register now!](#)

Scrum Day 2024

Join us at the Alliant Energy Center for Scrum Day in Madison, WI on Wednesday, October 23rd. Scrum Day Wisconsin will feature workshops and informative talks including Evidence-Based Management, Managing Flow, Product Ownership and more. 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!



Summer in Wisconsin

Beacon Summer Picnic 2024



6 Ocean-Like Beaches on Wisconsin's Great Lakes



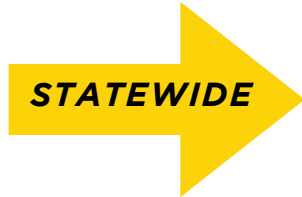
It's summertime! What better way to enjoy Wisconsin's beautiful fresh coasts than to visit six of our most impressive beaches! Check out the full article from [Travel Wisconsin](#).

- [NORTH BEACH - RACINE](#)
- [BIG BAY BEACH AT TOWN PARK - MADELINE ISLAND](#)
- [BRADFORD BEACH - MILWAUKEE](#)
- [SCHOOLHOUSE BEACH - WASHINGTON ISLAND](#)
- [KOHLER-ANDRAE STATE PARK - SHEBOYGAN](#)
- [POINT BEACH STATE FOREST- TWO RIVERS](#)

Upcoming Events - Things To Do



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



50 Best Vacation Spots in the US To Explore in 2024