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My Story:

- Hometown: La Crosse, WI
- Married to Tony, I have 2 girls Kinzie (21), Gwen (19)
- Works as a Nurse Midwife at Mayo Clinic Health System

JDRF Connections: My daughter Gwen and all the AMAZING people we have met on our T1D journey!!!!

JDRF Rides: 13

JDRF Ride Leader: 11th season coaching!

Ride to Cure Journey: We became involved with JDRF as soon as Gwen received her Rufus bear when she was diagnosed in 2007. We started with our first JDRF walk, then small gatherings. I learned about the Ride to Cure through the JDRF website and thought, hmmm....maybe someday.

Well, someday wasn't far off. I was out for a nice morning run when all of a sudden I heard crazy whoops and hollers coming around the corner. The whoops and hollers were coming from JDRF riders starting off the first Ride to Cure in La Crosse! I just stood on the sidewalk and sobbed as all the riders headed across the bridge. I will never forget. That moment was the first of many JDRF goosebump moments....

No hesitating after that, next thing I knew I was signed up for the next Ride to Cure and recruited my husband. We had started our JDRF La Crosse Advisory Board that year as well. The year after that I found myself leading and soon found ourselves knee deep with love from our JDRF family.



Favorite Ride: Each ride! I honestly feel that each ride has been "the best one yet!" Ok, except maybe 2020's Ride to Cure.

Although, 2020's ride was not all that bad. It was the first time since our first Ride to Cure in 2011 that my husband and I got to ride our 100 miles together!

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