

Karrie Ozyuk

Age: 38
Occupation: Owner of Lucky Brake Bicycles in Crystal Lake and certified master BG Fit technician
Residence: Crystal Lake
Hometown: McHenry
Family: Single
Education: Specialized Bicycle Components University, 2004 to present; Park Tool Certified Bicycle Mechanic; and STU – SRAM Technical University
Favorite McHenry County restaurant? Kyoto Steak and Sushi Bar in Crystal Lake
Favorite book? "The Power of Kindness: The Unexpected Benefits of Leading a Compassionate Life" by Piero Ferrucci
First job? At 14 years of age, I worked at Don's Dairy Frost in McHenry. As a cashier we took food orders, made delicious ice cream treats and delivered great service. This job took me clear through high school, and I loved every minute of it.
One word that describes you? Unconventional



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Karrie Ozyuk is the owner of Lucky Brake Bicycles in Crystal Lake.

ride called "Women & Wine Ride Bikes."

I also enjoy shopping at our local businesses.

How do you give back to the community, and what drives your service?

Volunteering for community events such as Lakeside Fest, Night Owl Bike Ride and CASA of McHenry County, which are fun, passionate organizations that provide great support to enhance our community.

What is something you have never done but want to do some day?

Take an African safari and attend New York Fashion Week.

What is the best career advice you have received?

"Don't ever get too comfortable"

or take your success for granted," from Ted Fist.

Which CEO would you most like to spend the day with and why?

Donald Trump – he has the best hair!

Nominator's comment:

"Karrie is an awe-inspiring person for many reasons. One of the main reasons I have nominated Karrie is because of her passion," said Katie Bobrow, a longtime friend and employee. "She is one of the most strong-minded people I know, and she uses this for bettering her business and her community. Some would say that Karrie tends to spread herself too thin. She is always involved with an event or charity of some sort, or she is traveling the country bettering her knowledge of the cycling industry and continuing her education in all things bicycle related. However, I know that if you asked Karrie, she would say that this is exactly the way she wants it and would not choose to live her life any differently."

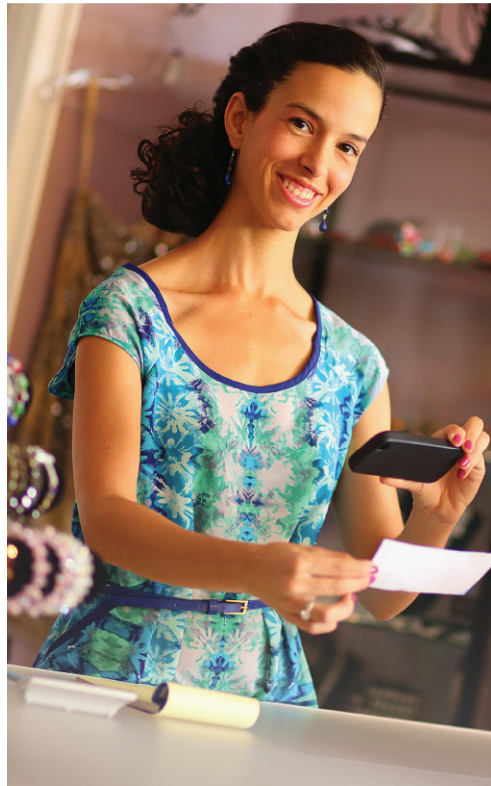
What is your job and what makes you good at it?

Understanding my customer's specific needs and accommodating them is my best skill. Working with bicycles requires diverse knowledge of a product that requires passion and hands-on experience. With the constant innovation of such a great machine – the bicycle

– owners and technicians need a life full of continuing education to be successful.

What accomplishments, and innovations are you most proud of this year?

We developed a successful beginner group ride that has spawned into a "ladies only" group



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