ABOUT ME

I am passionate about creating products that enable us to be better, do more, and go further. I enjoy discovering what customers need and translating that into software that delivers value to their lives.

SUMMARY

- Strengths include relationship building, problem solving, and adaptability
- Generated and prioritized backlogs with user stories and acceptance criteria
- Facilitated common team ceremonies including planning, demos, and retrospectives
- Led agile training for large audiences with varying backgrounds and experience
- Skilled in multiple agile frameworks including Scrum and SAFe
- Experience using Trello, Rally, Jenkins, REST APIs, Java, Maven, and Selenium

EDUCATION

University of Iowa, Des Moines, IA

Master of Business Administration (MBA), December 2015 **Graduated with Distinction**

Marietta College, Marietta, OH

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, December 2008 Minor in Management Graduated Summa Cum Laude

EXPERIENCE Product Manager | July 2018-Present

Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, MI

- Use lean principles to discover customer needs quickly without elaborate solutions
- Distill ideas and features into a backlog of small, valuable work items
- · Guide the team to deliver software frequently while embracing eXtreme Programming (XP) values

Agile Coach | January 2017-July 2018

Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, MI

- Collaboratively defined Ford's framework to achieve better results with agile principles
- Developed and led training for various roles and skill levels to increase their agility
- Built an internal website to share agile best practices and knowledge throughout Ford

Sr. Software Test Engineer | July 2014-January 2017

John Deere Intelligent Solutions Group, Urbandale, IA

- Responsible for end-to-end testing of telematics and web-based solution for tracking agronomic and machine data
- Led customer validation for new features with identified early adopters
- Worked closely with product owners to create user stories and develop acceptance criteria based on feedback

EXPERIENCE IT Analyst | June 2011-July 2014

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John Deere Financial, Johnston, IA

- Created solution for running automated user interface tests (Selenium WebDriver and jUnit) with continuous integration tools (Jenkins)
- Championed customer centric process improvement and training within IT department

IT Associate Technology Analyst | January 2010-June 2011 John Deere Information Systems, East Moline, IL

- Provided on-site and remote application support for John Deere dealers transitioning to a new business system
- Worked directly with dealerships to develop custom Excel reports based on their unique requirements

VOLUNTEER Director | October 2018-Present

Foreshadow Foundation

- Helped launch the Foreshadow Foundation, a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to increasing childhood literacy
- Developed brand and marketing material including social media, website design and content