Sue Darby

[sue@sue-a-darby.com](mailto:sue@sue-a-darby.com)

Sue looks at and analyzes your data to help determine where processes could be improved.   
**Summary**

Sue Darby is a WordPress Manager & Site Developer who works with a variety of small businesses specializing in a variety of industries to setup and maintain your WordPress site. Sue knows that your website is an important gateway to showcasing your goods or services. She understands that your site is one of your most powerful branding and marketing tools.

Sue has installed WordPress, managed and ensured updates and security for multiple sites and currently has openings for more sites. Additionally she has developed multiple static sites as well in 20+ years of being online.

Sue is a trained & certified MS Office Master and is well versed in many software packages and programming languages.

Sue holds a Bachelors in Bachelors Business Management & Information Technology, Bachelors Business Management Practice & Office Applications from Charter College

**Experience**

**Senior Services Technician** at State of Alaska

February 2014 - Present (3 years 2 months)

I pull data reports and track where applications are and how the process can be further streamlined or adjusted for efficiencies

* Compile business policies and procedures into searchable staff manual including diagrams to improve clarity
* Explain new technical tools in software and the benefits to a process to increase efficiency by 50-75%
* Use of the unit’s SharePoint intranet to create tracking tools for better time management
* SharePoint tools became the template for reports generated in new division-wide database
* Team leadership for up to 7 Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and Mature Alaskans Seeking Skills Training participants, teaching all aspects of clerical duties including application processing to archiving
* Division & Unit Administrator and subject matter expert for SharePoint sites and tools
* 200 cubic feet of files sent to archiving (over 5000 files) including data input and correctly categorizing according to record retention schedule
* Research purchase of date and bates stamping machine along with facilitating necessary maintenance
* Coordinate efforts for mass mailings and record requests including letters, envelopes, and additional staff to complete the tasks on a strict schedule and maintaining confidentiality and HIPAA
* Program in VB.net, edit and maintain complex checklist system for daily use
* Create and maintain UMLs of internal processes
* Provide detailed technical assistance to certified and non-certified providers and members of the public
* Resourceful, self-sufficient problem solver often solving problems that are only partially in circle of responsibilities
* Update and maintain secure PDF files for Certification Application (46 forms total)
* Problem solves on the "go" often coming up with unconventional ideas for final or temporary solutions

Webmistress at iA3

October 2015 - Present (1 year 6 months)

* iA3 is a service that gives you access to information and analytics about any automated systems you may have; anywhere, anytime. I am currently involved with the website, social media, Wikipedia and marketing efforts.

**Business Consultant** at Alaska Office Specialists

October 2008 - Present (8 years 6 months)

* Alaska Office Specialists is a service-based business offering the services of technical writing, business writing, grant writing, document template creation, report writing with graphs and charts. Hosting, setup and maintenance of WordPress based sites, social media management.

[visit www.alaskaos.com](http://www.alaskaos.com/) for more information.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| * Virtual Assistant Services such as: Writing * Blog writing Article Writing Content Writing Editing Business writing Creative writing * Excel data entry Access Databases * Power Point Presentations * Process Diagramming UML Diagramming * Business Process Consulting and design Organization charts * Social Media and Email Services | * Email Management Multiple Inboxes * E-mail responses to customer inquiries Escalate only as needed * Email management, sorting mail, tags * Email marketing campaigns with MailChimp * Website Management Website Content Management WordPress * Install WordPress * Install InfiniteWP for multiple sites Configurations and setup of themes and plugins Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest etc. * Technology Coaching |

**Owner, Designer, Web Master** at Sue's Tiny Costumes

September 1995 - Present (21 years 7 months)

* Manage small business including product development, class development, web design & maintenance, marketing & budget
* Write technically detailed, illustrated instructions for processes & doll patterns
* Distance Education Teacher for pattern drafting classes
* Research & write business, marketing, & merchandising plans
* Project management including task management, goals, timelines and GANTT Charts
* Set project goals, determine risks, prepare contingency plan, & time line for achievement
* Collect & analyze data on customers to identify potential markets
* Web site design & maintenance of hand coded websites
* Install & maintain WordPress sites
* Proficient in white hat SEO techniques
* Track keywords, visitors & other analytical data for each site
* Troubleshoot hosting issues

**Office Assistant II** at State of Alaska, Division of Senior & Disabilities, Provider Certification & Compliance

May 2008 - February 2014 (5 years 10 months)

Transitioned to the Senior Services Technician as my work as an Office Assistant II became more complex than the Office Assistant II position allows.

* Ability to understand, analyze, apply, & explain complex program statutes, regulations, policies, & procedures
* Communicates effectively with both technical & non-technical users
* Adjust workflow to complete critical tasks in a timely manner
* Develop specific process for processing archival & offsite storage of files
* Policy & procedure development
* Maintain records of files & version controls
* Write technically detailed, illustrated instructions for processes
* Master Certified Office 2003, SharePoint (site owner)
* Visio, Star UML, Project,
* Organizing training sessions; materials gathering, staff/location coordination, equipment setup
* Train additional staff on various processes & assign tasks overseeing accuracy

**Career Development Mentor & Computer Instructor** at Nine Star Education & Employment Services

April 2006 - April 2008 (2 years 1 month)

* Organized training sessions; materials gathering, staff/location coordination, equipment setup
* Developed class curriculum
* Taught computer classes to adults
* Taught goal setting workshops
* Developed basic computer classes or work one on one with students to develop skills
* Answered student questions about various software applications
* Aided students in preparation for the Microsoft Office Specialist exams
* Assessed clients for barriers & brainstorm ways to overcome them
* Drafted & edited resumes, cover letters & other business correspondence
* Conferred with clients to determine what program will be most helpful
* Conducted job-matching to find good fit between clients & hiring companies
* Directed clients to appropriate resources & assists clients in their use of outside assistance



**Projects**

* **Professional Curriculum Vitae** January 1994 to Present Members: Sue Darby

Website which showcases skills in web development, marketing, technical writing, programming languages, software, project planning and management as well as further details about work history.

* **Application Tracking System with SharePoint** April 2015 to Present Members: Sue Darby

Created an interim data tracking system using SharePoint to measure the time frames for processing applications. The current in house database does not have this function and the new system is not completed yet. I trained co-workers in use of various views and troubleshoot system as necessary as site admin.

System is used for generating reports on where applications and changes are in the processes. This system is being used as inspiration and a guide for building a new report within the new database system going live in 2017.

* **Habilitation Homes Project** May 2010 to December 2015 Members: Sue Darby

Provider Certification has a number of different providers and even sub-contracted providers of services for those with disabilities. The sub-contractors while important were not found in the internal database and thus no one knew where the clients were being served.

As a brainstorm about this issue I asked management and then IT why we could not connect these contracted homes to the provider oversight agency within the database in a similar fashion to another provider type.

The ongoing project to add contracted providers to the current DS3 database system was born. It is enabling the Provider Certification & Compliance Reviewers to conduct on site visits to ensure health and welfare of clients in habilitation settings thus maintaining compliance with Federal regulations and statutes under the Home & Community Based Waiver Program.

In addition to the initial entry and connections for each contracted home, maintenance for each record is conducted as the host agency is recertified. Additionally, reports have been created to track and more easily see which homes contract with each agency or agencies. This ensures there is less fraud and Medicaid abuse.

* **Electronic Folder Organization** March 2014 to Present Members: Sue Darby

Develop a standardized electronic folder system to organize notices, scanned applications and other documentation required for provider certification and compliance. Setup folders, migrate information with IT assistance to new folder system and ensure remainder of unit complies with new standards training and providing assistance and guidance as needed.

* **Archives** May 2008 to Present Members: Sue Darby

As the division subject matter expert I have had a hand in the development of the SharePoint Site that tracks all the files that are sent to Archives or Off Site Storage. Working closely with the techs I helped find and fix bugs in an older system for calculating retention times, update the form to match the required form for Archiving and work as an administrator of the site adding new team members to the site.

Recently there has been a complete change of Administrative staff responsible for part of the process and I was asked to step in to help train them in what the division has done in the last several years. I am also part of a team that is determining the fate of the site as the division moves towards a new database system.

Gather, categorize, folder, label and enter into a spreadsheet or database thousands of files dating back to 1996 and prepare for archiving. Oversee volunteer efforts for data entry and correctly calculate the disposition date before submitting for pick up. Recall files for records requests or other litigation as needed. Over 160 cubic feet of data has been sent off site for storage or archiving.

Previously the Archive SharePoint site, built in SharePoint 2007 and converted to 2010 was not computing retention times correctly. I took the lead to work with the SharePoint Developers to update and improve the system. In the process working closely to test and deploy fixes and becoming a site admin for the test and production sites due to my knack for finding the problems or suggesting where the issue might be within the code.

As of October 11, 2016 I just finished the 153rd box of archiving for a total of 5,157 files that I or team mates have entered. I have 6 boxes left that are not in the system... yet.

* **Self-Published Author** June 2001 to Present Members: Sue Darby

I have had a love of dolls all my life as well as a love of sewing. I combined these loves with a talent for pattern making and wrote not just one book on pattern making for dolls but another for drafting in miniature as well. The two books were a handcrafted and illustrated technical writing achievement that now reside in the Library of Congress as of June of 2001.

Based on the books I took them from print to digital format before it was popular to have electronic books. I also used text based chat rooms to teach classes to individuals all over the world.

**Education**

**Charter College**

Bachelors/Associates, Business Management Practice & Office Applications, 2006 - 2009

Activities and Societies: Dean's List, Alpha Beta Kappa, Alpha Gamma Sigma

**OSTraining & Udemy**

Technology, Tech, Personal & Professional Development, 2016

**Free Code Camp**

Full Stack Web Development Certification, Computer Software Engineering, 2016 - 2017

**Solano Community College** Certificate, Fashion Design, 1995 - 1997

**GNC Web Creations** Online Search Engine Optimization Class SEO, 2002 - 2020

Activities and Societies: Actively participate in online forum and group discussions on business and building websites.

**Fairfield High Diploma**, 1992 - 1994

Activities and Societies: Scarlet Brigade Marching Band Future Farmers of America

**Certifications**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Microsoft Office Master Microsoft | March 2009 |
| MSOS: Microsoft Word 2003 Microsoft | March 2007 |
| MSOS: Microsoft Excel 2003 Microsoft | September 2007 |
| MSOS: Microsoft Access 2003 Microsoft | November 2007 |
| MSOS: Microsoft PowerPoint 2003 Microsoft | October 2007 |
| MSOE: Microsoft Word 2003 Expert Microsoft | November 2007 |
| MSOE: Microsoft Excel 2003 Expert Microsoft | March 2009 |
| Try Git Code School Try Git Code School | December 2016 |

**Courses**

Bachelors/Associates, Business Management Practice & Office Applications

Charter College

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| * Technical Writing | * Project Management |
| * Statistics | * Research Methodologies |
| * Advanced Web Development | * Visual Basic.NET |
| * Operations Management | * Marketing |

.................................................................................................................................................................

**Office Assistant II**

State of Alaska, Division of Senior & Disabilities, Provider Certification & Compliance

* Archiving Basics State of Alaska
* Introduction to Share Point with Lab State of Alaska Introduction to Supervisor Training State of Alaska Basic Care Coordination Training for QA State of Alaska
* Introduction to Office 2007 State of Alaska

**Senior Services Technician**

State of Alaska

* COGNOS
* HIPAA Security 2008-2014 State of Alaska

**Independent Coursework**

* Introductory JavaScript PHP
* HTML 5 CSS
* Basics of Scrum, Agile and Project Delivery MYSQL
* Web design

**Skills & Expertise**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| * Technical Writing | * WordPress | * Analysis | * Data Analysis |
| * Web Development | * Business Analysis | * Business Process Design | * Process Improvement |
| * Problem Solving | * Training | * HTML | * CSS |
| * Project Management | * Documentation | * Project Planning | * Strategic Planning |
| * Databases | * Content Management | * Writing | * Management |
| * Editing | * Research | * Time Management | * Troubleshooting |
| * Microsoft Office | * Social Media Marketing | * Quality Assurance | * Human Resources |
| * SEO | * Marketing | * Web Design | * SharePoint |
| * Customer Service | * Social Media | * Event Planning | * Marketing Strategy |
| * Event Management | * Visio | * Organizational Development | * Policy |
| * Business Development | * Mentoring | * Access | * Marketing Communications |
| * Team Building | * Social Networking | * Leadership | * Nonprofits |
| * Software Documentation | * Dreamweaver |  |  |

**Publications**

**Pattern Making for Dolls**

Copyright June 1, 2001

Authors: Sue Darby

Step-by-step guide to drafting for small dolls and fashion dolls. Fully illustrated and explained in detail how easy it is to measure and draft patterns "by the numbers" for dolls as small as 8" tall up to 46" tall. Originally self-published in hard copy and now available as an e-book.

**Pattern Drafting for Miniatures**

Copyright June 1, 2001

Authors: Sue Darby

[Library of Congress http://lccn.loc.gov/2004540327](http://lccn.loc.gov/2004540327)

**Pattern Consultant**

International Doll Magazine

June 2005

Authors: Sue Darby

Multiple articles in bi-monthly doll magazine including Little Bo Peep, Wedding Gown and "Dirty Dancing" inspired dresses for several dolls

**Published Patterns**

Dolls In Miniature

June 1, 2004

Authors: Sue Darby

Pattern for miniature smocked baby dress for 1/12 scale doll.

**Interests**

About Sue: <http://www.sue-a-darby.com/about.html>

Technical Writing, Web Master, Marketing, Business Owner, Photography, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Perl, Visual Basic, Product Design & Development, Document Design, & Formatting, Streamline Administrative Processes, Database Improvements, Data Tracking, Report Processes, Project Management, Task Management, Goals, Budgets, Timelines, GANTT Charts, Master Certified MS Office 2003, MS Office 95-2010, MS Project, MS Visio, MS SharePoint 2007-2010, OneNote, Adobe Pro X & XI, Adobe DC, Corel Draw Suite, UML. Visio,

**Honors and Awards**

* Alpha Beta Kappa Honors Society, Charter College, Anchorage, AK May 2009
* Life Honors Society for 3.85 GPA
* Dean’s List, Charter College, Anchorage, AK

Every semester for high GPA

* Microsoft Office 2003 Master, Nine Star Education & Employment Services, Anchorage, AK Microsoft April 2009

Completed 6 tests for Microsoft office which high passing scores. 2 years of AmeriCorps service as a computer instructor but did not seek Master Instructor despite being eligible for it.

**Languages**

French (Elementary proficiency)

Volunteer Experience

**Volunteer at AmeriCorps**

April 2006 - April 2008