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Diagnosis date: April 2008

What was your first symptom? I am left handed and realized I could not write.

How does MS affect your daily life? For the most part, it does not. I do experience headaches and body aches occasionally.

Why is Bike MS or the Ohio Buckeye Chapter important to you? Bike MS is important to me because I want to bring more awareness to this disease.

How has the National MS Society helped you, or how have you been involved with the Society? I attend MS seminars in my area whenever they are offered. I am also a patient advocate so I am asked to speak at some of these events. I am enrolled in the access program through Biogen Idec which allows me to receive my medication at no cost.

What is your message to the riders? My message to riders is simply thank you. Thank you for realizing the important role you play in bringing more awareness to this disease.

Favorite movie: Jackson 5: An American Dream

Favorite musician: Beyonce

Hobbies/pastimes: My hobbies consist of singing, shopping and spending quality time with family and friends.

What is something most people don't know about you? I secretly love horses, but I have never ridden one and would love to.

Who is your hero? My heroes are everyday men and women who do extraordinary things, but don't seek recognition. Those are stay-at-home moms, teachers, those who work in non-profit. My heroes are people with disabilities, who turn their disability into ability.

Identifier: I would like my identifier to be a music note. Riders can include the tag line "When words fail, music speaks."