# NATIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK 2024

Half a century ago, a presidential proclamation called on the nation to support efforts to improve emergency medical care across the country. It also established the first national EMS Week, a tradition we proudly continue today.

Much has changed since 1974, yet there is still much we can learn from those trailblazing clinicians who helped EMS evolve into the sophisticated branch of medicine it is today. Their dedication, commitment and sacrifice inspire us to take bold steps of our own, to continue to seek out ways to better serve our patients and our communities.

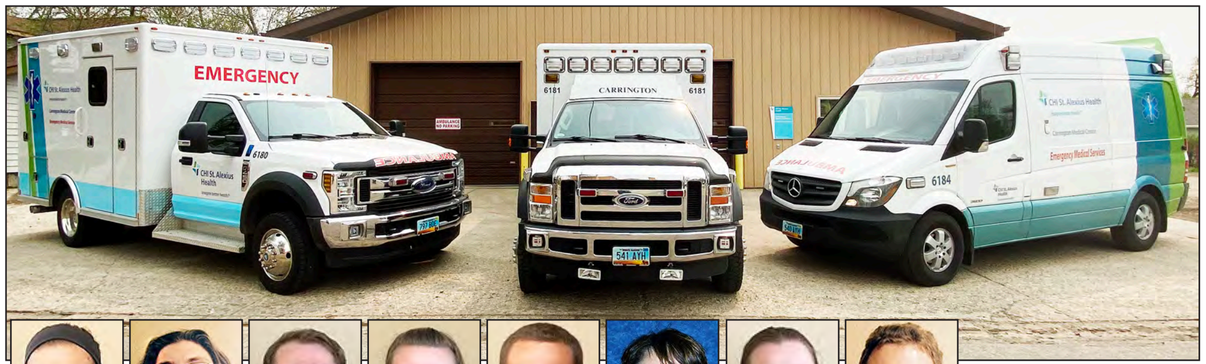
This year, we celebrate EMS Week by honoring our past—by taking a pause to recognize the contributions of each generation, the people who dreamed that we could save more lives and have less suffering, and then found ways to make it happen.

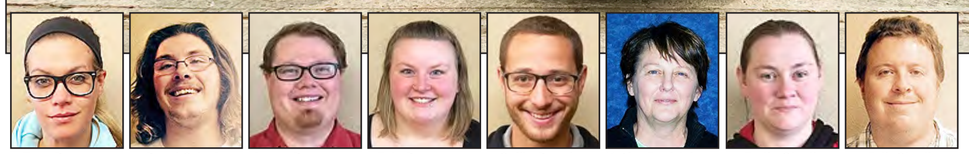
EMS Week is never just about the past, however. It's also about inspiring the EMS clinicians just starting out and the young people who haven't even discovered EMS yet. It's about learning from the challenges and building on the successes of the last five decades. It's about forging our future—a future in which the next generation has the tools they need to deliver compassionate care and alleviate suffering in communities everywhere.

50TH ANNIVERSARY EMS WEEK May 19-25, 2024

***Honoring Our Past. Forging Our Future.***

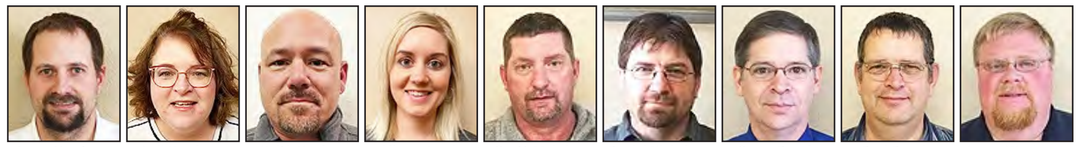
## CARRINGTON AMBULANCE



Tova Bergeron, Daryl Crispin, Aaron Devereaux, Erin Devereaux, Collin Douglas, Kathy Fredrickson, Emily Gjovik, Erik Gjovik

**NOT PICTURED:**
**Mark Meyer**
**Jessica Dudymott**



Jason Hovdenes, Jodi Hovdenes, Keith Hughes, Allyssa Lewis, Scott Mehring, Daniel Nickelson, Corey Pepple, Paul Pepple, Larry Weninger

YEARS OF SERVICE

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|---|---|
| Jason Hovdenes, PRN Driver | 24 years |
| Jodi Hovdenes, RN/Driver | 17 years |
| Larry Weninger, PRN Driver | 15 years |
| Kathy Fredrickson, PRN Driver | 13 years |
| Emily Gjovik, FT EMT | 9 years |
| Daniel Nickelson, PRN EMT | 9 years |
| Corey Pepple, PRN Transfer Driver | 9 years |
| Erik Gjovik, PRN Driver | 8.5 years |
| Paul Pepple, FT EMT | 8.5 years |
| Daryl Crispin, PRN Paramedic | 8 years |
| Aaron Devereaux, PRN Paramedic | 6 years |
| Erin Devereaux, PRN EMT | 5.5 years |
| Scott Mehring, PRN Driver | 5 years |
| Tova Bergeron, FT Paramedic | 2 years |
| Collin Douglas, FT EMT-Advanced | 2 years |
| Allyssa Lewis, FT Paramedic | 2 years |
| Keith Hughes, FT Paramedic | 1 year |
| Jessica Dudymott, FT EMT | <1 year |
| Mark Meyer, Manager/Paramedic | <1 year |

FT - Full-time PT - Part-time PRN - Per request as needed

## BOWDON AMBULANCE

YEARS OF SERVICE

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|---|---|
| Cheryl Flick, EMT | 35 years |
| Mary Hoff, EMT/Personnel | 33 years |
| Londa Neumiller, EMT | 33 years |
| Doug Hoff, EMT | 23 years |
| Kristen Jones, EMT | 20 years |
| Bob Martin, Driver | 17 years |
| Phillip Hoff, EMT | 14-15 years |
| Kim Neumiller, EMT | 14 years |
| Cara Wagner, Driver/Personnel | 14 years |
| Lindsay Widicker, EMT | 14 years |
| Josy Rue, MD, Medical Director | 14 years |
| Trevor Larson, EMR | 13 years |
| Dale Peaslee, Driver | 10-12 years |
| Brian Miller, EMT | 8 years |
| Darliss Huss, Driver | 7 years |
| Toni Yow, Driver | 7 years |
| Terry Morrow, EMT | 6 years |
| Rocky Peterson, RN | 6 years |
| Curtis Wiesz, EMT | 3 years |

Members of the Bowdon Ambulance Service are, front row (L-R): **Kristen Jones, Kim Neumiller, Cara Wagner, Lindsay Widicker, Darliss Huss, Mary Hoff, Philip Hoff, Dale Peaslee** and **Terry Morrow.** Back row: **Bob Martin, Toni Yow, Cheryl Flick, Rick Suckut** (retired), **Doug Hoff** and **Brian Miller.** Not pictured: Londa Neumiller, Josy Rue, Trevor Larson, Rocky Peterson and Curtis Weisz.

Left: Bowdon Ambulance Service was named the Service of the Year for 2022 by the North Dakota EMS Association (NDEMSA).

## McHENRY AMBULANCE

YEARS OF SERVICE

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| Jerome Short | 1981 (43 years) | Tracy Stangeland | 2010 (14 years) |
| David Briss | 1986 (38 years) | Daren Eli | 2016 (8 years) |
| Sue Bakko | 1991-2004, 2015 (22 years) | Valerie Eli | 2016 (8 years) |
| | | Jay Kulsrud | 2018 (6 years) |
| Sharon Eversvik | 2002 (22 years) | Lauren Staton | 2019 (5 years) |
| Katie Black | 2010 (14 years) | Jordan Kapelle | 2023 (1 year) |
| Laura Kulsrud | 2010 (14 years) | Jakenda Short | 2023 (1 year) |

Left: Members of the McHenry Ambulance Service are, front row (L-R): **Valerie Eli, Katie Black, Sharon Eversvik, Lauren Staton, Tracy Stangeland, Kalissa Syverson** (no longer on roster) and **Sue Bakko.** Back row: **Daren Eli, David Briss, Jerome Short, Laura Kulsrud** and **Jay Kulsrud.** Not pictured: Jordan Kapelle and Jakenda Short.

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