

## Partners with Joni and Friends

In 1967 Joni Eareckson Tada was injured in a diving accident at 17 years old, leaving her in a quadriplegic state with minimal use of her hands. After two years of rehabilitation, Joni re-entered the community with new skills and a fresh determination to help others in similar situations.



Pictured, director of Joni and Friends, **Pam Baldwin** and northwest manager for Arion Care Solutions LLC, **Sonia Dykhuizen**.

Joni and Friends began in 1979 at Joni's house as she and her friends responded to the many questions and needs pouring in from families affected by disability that read Joni's books or had seen the movie of her life. From the beginning, Joni, her staff, and volunteers devoted their energies to developing services which would help

## Monthly Shout Out: **Dianne Scott**



Contact Sonia at [sdykhuizen@arioncaresolutions.com](mailto:sdykhuizen@arioncaresolutions.com) to nominate your favorite provider. Recipient will receive a \$50 gift card.

We are so blessed to have **Dianne Scott** as Carlien's caregiver. She started working with our family in August 2010 and immediately there was a bond between her and Carlien. Carlien is looking forward to seeing Dianne every day and she is a happy and content child.....as long as Dianne is nearby! It is wonderful to hear our quiet, withdrawn daughter laugh out loud when she sees or interacts with Dianne. With endless patience, Dianne will feed and change Carlien, read her stories, play with her, teach her not to throw her sippy cup, walk with her. And it is all done with genuine and heartfelt affection. We are so lucky to have someone that is willing to sacrifice her own family life, so that our angel can be happy, well taken care of and above all, loved!

Botha Family

## More on Joni and Friends

meet the spiritual and practical needs of people with disabilities and their families, including Family Retreats, the distribution of wheelchairs and Bibles worldwide to people affected by disability, and church training at local and national disability ministry conferences. Joni and Friends continues to reach out around the world to people and families affected by disability.

Joni and Friends has a Kids Korner found at <http://www.joniandfriends.org/kids-corner/> where kids can play games, learn songs, watch videos, and much more. Check it out! Arion Care Solutions is excited to partner with Joni and Friends to assist with habilitation, respite, and attendant care training for special needs ministries in the church. For more information about Joni and Friends, visit the website at [www.joniandfriends.org](http://www.joniandfriends.org)

Contact director, Pam Baldwin at 623 236 4877 or email [pbaldwin@joniandfriends.org](mailto:pbaldwin@joniandfriends.org).

## Expanding Therapy Services



**Rebecca Brandon** is one of the newest members to join Arion Care Solutions LLC management team. As Therapy Services Manager she will be working with **Roxann VanAlstine** to expand Arion's speech, physical and occupational therapy services valley-wide. So, if you know a

Speech/Language Pathologist, Physical or Occupational Therapist, or Therapy Assistant (SLPA's, PTA's and COTA's) that loves to make a difference in people's lives, who is dedicated to providing quality therapy services, and wants the freedom and flexibility of community based service, please encourage them to contact Rebecca at [rbrandon@arioncaresolutions.com](mailto:rbrandon@arioncaresolutions.com).