

# VIM VOICE



**April 2020**

MARCH PATIENT VISITS:

Bluffton: 155

Ridgeland: 34



## NOTES FROM PAM

### Dear Volunteers,

This newsletter is dedicated to all the BJVIM 100+ strong volunteers who serve the needs of our uninsured patients in Greater Bluffton & Jasper County. BJVIM is truly a volunteer clinic with 16 departments, 14 of which are managed by volunteers. With your continued commitment in 2019, our volunteers helped to provide 5,500 patient medical visits, 3,161 lab tests, 111 mental health visits, 431 off site diagnostic tests, 208 referred dental visits and from our pharmacy filled 7,212 prescriptions! Over 10,000 volunteer hours were logged in. What an amazing group of people, on behalf of myself and the BJVIM Board of Directors **THANK YOU!**

- Pam

### COVID-19

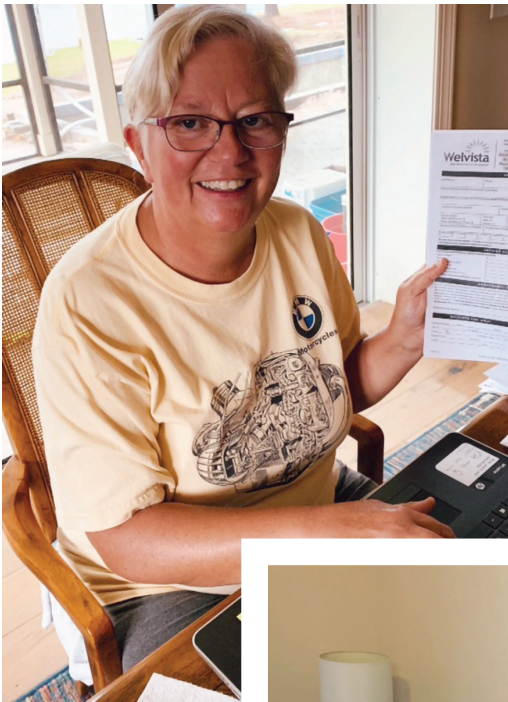
As the country changes so does our clinic. On March 6th, with guidance from Dr. Casey and Ruth, we issued procedures for BJVIM as we dealt with the COVID-19 virus, these policies were amended

on March 9th and 16th when we finally closed both clinics. For the next few days many volunteers came to the Bluffton clinic to help with filling prescriptions, answering the phones, and completing WelVista applications. On March 23rd we made the decision that only staff would continue to come into the clinic to work. Since that time Ruth continues to come into the clinic on Mondays and Wednesdays to fill prescriptions. Dr. Casey also comes in on Mondays and Wednesdays to make phone consultations and Dennis is continuing to look

for operational funds. Thanks to many who are now working from home, we are still completing WelVista applications—thanks to Lynn and Kelsey. Carrie is working in Practice Fusion to identify our mental health and critical care patients. Donna is working with donor relations. Gail is updating patient renewal applications. Terry is sending out patient referrals. Suzanne is contacting patients via text messaging. And the Board conducted its first ever ZOOM meeting!! So as you see...we are trying to adapt to our new “normal.”



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**Lynn**



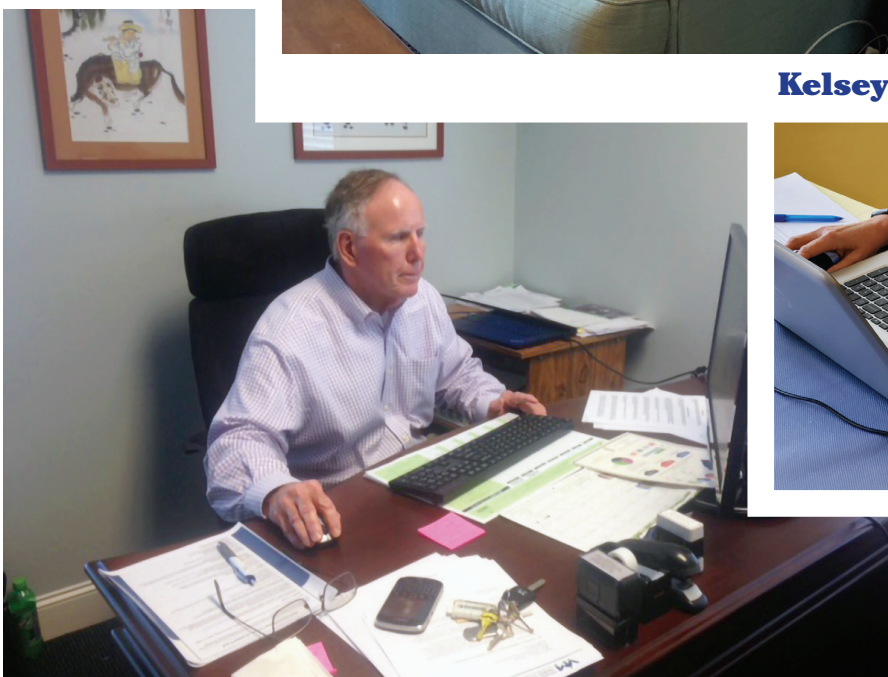
**Ruth**



**Kelsey**



**Carrie**



**Dennis**



## An Update on our Dental Project



In December, we received a very special donation from Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Magro to begin a dental program. Since that time we have met with dental supply companies and Joe

Fraser of Fraser Construction who will eventually renovate the back two bathrooms into our new dental/hygiene clinic. This program has the full endorsement of Dr. Casey who is very eager to begin a dental hygiene program. The plans have been reviewed by a number of dentists and fortunately for us we have a volunteer, Linda Wolfe, who has experience with dental clinics and has made some recommendations. On April 8th we submitted a grant to Delta Dental for \$100,000 which combined with the Magro donation will allow us to begin our project. We should hear about this grant sometime in May. Recently Dr. Mar Dusek and Dr. Christopher Deleon donated two dental chairs and waiting room furniture in addition to a piece of dental equipment to us! Our dream is quickly becoming a reality. I will keep you informed of our progress!



**Dr. Christopher Deleon &  
Dr. Mark Dusek**



## Gifts Come in Many Sizes and Shapes!

A member of our Bluffton community who recently died has left us a \$11,000 donation! This money will be used for patient services including laboratory fees, patient imaging needs and referrals. This was an amazing gift given to us in this time of need.



Jane, a friend of the clinic has made face masks for us! These facemask are being distributed to our patients when they pick up the prescription refills on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



## Spring Fling

While we are currently unsure of our Spring Fling event (now rescheduled for May 28th), we are still selling raffle tickets for a Louis Vuitton Handbag valued at \$1,400. Tickets are \$25/each and there are only 200 tickets to be sold ... so chances are GREAT that you could be the lucky winner! Just call the clinic to purchase your ticket!



**As the weeks progress** we are finding a need to call our patients a little more just to check in. If you are interested in calling patients, please let me know. I can help give you instructions on how to block your personal number when making calls.

CPM Credit Union, one of our regular sponsors just sent me this information. If you or anyone you know is interested, please forward this information.

Stay safe, hope we are together again soon!

# Lifeline Program



For a limited time, CPM has a number of special offers for those affected by COVID-19.

## Special Offers Available\*

- Lifeline Loan Assistance  
> Rate is **3.99% APR**
- Penalty-Free CD Withdrawals
- Free Skip a Pay options
- Loan Extensions up to 90 days
- Budgeting Tools  
> Free Greenpath Hotline - 877.337.3399
- Fee Waivers for transfers and phone payments

[cpmfed.com](http://cpmfed.com)

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\*APR - Annual Percentage Rate. APR for military personnel may be higher due to ancillary product sales. Loan subject to credit approval and underwriting standards. Loan will be a personal loan and may have limitations including amount to be borrowed. May be used for expenses incurred due to prolonged illness, business interruptions or closures due to COVID-19. Documentation may be required. Funds cannot be used to refinance or consolidate existing loans currently financed with CPM. Deferred payments up to 90 days. Interest continues to accrue from the date of disbursement. A loan amount of \$15,000.00 for 60 months at 3.99% APR would be a payment of \$277.00 per month with 60 days no payment. One lifeline loan per member. Offer expires June 30, 2020. Fee waivers will apply to Overdraft Protection Transfer, early Christmas Club withdrawal, Skip a Pay and payment by phone. Membership rules and restrictions apply. Terms and conditions subject to change without notice. **Federally insured by NCUA.**

