VIM VOICE



December 2020

NOTES FROM PAM

Dear Volunteers;

It has been said that "gifts of time and love surely are the basic ingredients of a truly Merry Christmas." The time and love given by our staff and volunteers makes the Bluffton Jasper Volunteers in Medicine a very, very special place. This has been a most challenging year in so many, many ways and once again on behalf of the Board of Directors — I would like to thank you all so much for your gifts of time and talents! Our patients are always most grateful, but especially this year for your love and care. You all have continued to serve — even in the most challenging circumstances! Even though we all might be apart from family and friends, please know I hold each of you in my heart and thank you for everything!

Wishing you a safe and Happy Holiday and a Healthy New Year! — Pam





Looking Back on 2020 Thinking of our BJVIM FAMILY

This year our family has included many new volunteers and staff members. We welcome them and are most grateful for their services.

Jeannie Franchim — Administration George David — Administration Mickey Davis — Administration Karen Smith — Nurse Eileen Silva — Administration Lee McSaveny — Office Manager





Please join me in Remembering our **FRIENDS**

Speical thanks to our many donors and grantors who have given **over \$700,000** this year for our many programs! Indeluded in this money is the donation of Wiliam & Sheryl Magro (above) for the launching of our dental clinic.



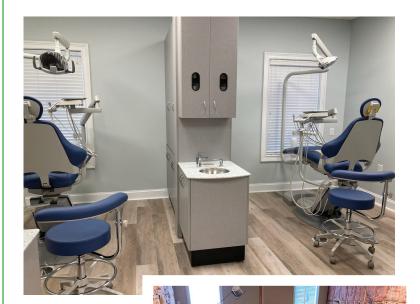
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This is definitely a time of great **HOPE**

With the special care given to our patients by our staff it is our hope that all those in our community in need of medical care will find a medical home at BJVIM.





JOY

This year ... through the efforts of Dennis and the Resource Development Department, the dental clinic moved from a dream to a reality! We still have some additional pieces to be ordered in the new year, but all construction has been completed and the large dental pieces have been installed!

Watch for the ribbon cutting in 2021!!



MEMORIES

2020 has been a year like no other but so much has happened at our clinic ... from our first ever virtual fashion show, to having volunteers work from

home to the implementation of text messaging and telemedicine. While patient visits have decreased somewhat, patient care has continued at a record pace. More patients have enrolled in WelVista than ever before. We have seen an increase in diabetic retinopathy testing. And once again, our Best Chance Network program was in the top ten in the state! There was an increase in grants and donations and collaboration with other agencies continues. All this has been done with the time and talents of our volunteers!









As 2020 comes to an end I wish for a Peaceful 2021 for us all!









