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NOTES FROM PAM

September - October, 2022



While we are most grateful

that Hurricane Ian did not do any major damage to our area it did disrupt some events. Our Annual Volunteer Meeting was cancelled and has been rescheduled for Friday, December 2 in the reception room at Downtown Deli. This is a new venue for us and we are most appreciative of their willingness to host our event on such short notice and during the holiday season! To those who have already signed up, I hope you will be able to join us. For those of you who had a conflict, I hope this new date will allow you to come. More information to follow about the day's program in the next newsletter.

In addition to the rescheduled volunteer meeting, our monthly Saturday dental clinic had to be cancelled. I hope the organizers of this clinic, the Sea Island Rotary and Access Health, will be able to reschedule for another Saturday in October.

-Pam

The Community of Margaritaville recently invited us to participate in their Volunteer Recruitment Saturday. Thanks

Volunteer Recruitment Saturday. Thanks to Michelle, we were able to have a table at the event. 10 people signed up to attend BJVIM orientations. Those who expressed interest included a nurse, dental hygienist, doctor, dentist and administrative people! Michelle did a great job of recruiting volunteers. Nancy Martin, one of our dental hygienists also was on hand to add information about our dental clinic! Again, thanks to Michelle and Nancy for giving up their Saturday morning to spread the word about BJVIM and ways to volunteer!

Volunteer Meeting Friday December 2nd 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



This year we credentialed 67 doctors, nurses, staff, and board members. Special thanks to Ruth, Dr. Casey, Michelle, and Donna for their help!

October 12th, BJVIM is scheduled to make a presentation to the Bluffton Rotary. The Rotary continue to be one of BJVIM's most loyal supporters!

After almost two years of virtual meetings, Access Health is once again bringing back their in-person meetings!

BJVIM recently was bequeathed a \$50,000.00 donation from the estate of a donor in Beaufort. As always, we never know who is following the good works of our volunteers as we care for those in need.

Pam will be attending the National Association of Free and Charitable Clinic convention virtually this year. The conference will be held on Monday & Tuesday, October 24 & 25.

The town of Bluffton has asked us to participate in their Halloween Event to be held on Friday, October 28th in Frazier Park. We are looking for volunteers to help design a Halloween car trunk or a table. Please let Pam know if you are interested by October 10th.



There is still time to purchase tickets for "Dinner on the Wild Side" to be held at Legacy Oaks in Ridgeland on Friday November 4th from 5:30 -8:30. Board member, Danny Henderson has been working hard to bring back our in-person fundraising event in Ridgeland. Many of you will remember that Frankie Denmark has catered many of our Ridgeland events. With dishes to include catfish stew, shrimp gumbo, venison sliders, and assorted wild sausage, Frankie will once again not disappoint us! Local musical legend, Shannon Tanner will provide his special entertainment. Tickets are \$150.00 per person or a table of 8 for \$1,000.00, Tickets may be purchased from Dennis and the Resource Development department.



We would like to thank you all for the beautiful flowers, cards and kind words of support given to us recently. Your kindness has made the death of our dear son Drew a little more bearable. Drew was a great supporter of the clinic and the wonderful work you all do. He also enjoyed attending our Bourbon & Bubbly events where he got to know many of our volunteers. Your thoughtfulness will long be remembered.

- Pam & Dennis



Dr. LeeIrving, October 7
Becky Kuper, October 19
Raquel Solano & Joe Pantano, October 24
Debbie Myhre, October 28
Michelle Wallace, November 1
Dr. Melinda Harper, November 3
Peggy Pantano, November 9
Donna Rhodes, November 19
Bill Campbell & Lea Higgins, November 23
Kathy Cooper, November 24
Rosalie Bernick, November 29
Dr. Helene Stoller, November 30



We once again we have the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Italian Heritage Festival on Saturday, October 22. For each ticket sold we receive \$4.00 . If you would like to purchase tickets please see Pam.



Welcome to our new volunteers: Deborah Taylor who will soon be working at the Ridgeland Front Desk and our new Dentist, Dr. Don Cooper. We are happy to have you on board!



See the fun volunteer opportunity in *This and That* on page 2 of this newsletter!



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