

JUNE 2024

VIM VOICE



Summer Days!

As we enter the “Dog Days of Summer” our clinic does not slow down. As the summer season begins, we see frequent changes in the medical and administrative schedules as both staff and volunteers go on vacation. Many times, at the last minute a schedule will change so please look at the sign-up genius schedules. Sometimes we will send out emails looking for help. I know you are all busy, but please fill in when you can!

The BCN Program will see many of their staff out for the summer, they are in the process of training new volunteers to help keep the program going. WelVista is also training new volunteers and are always looking for more help especially on Mondays when we do Patient Intake. Louise Poulin will now be taking over the volunteer recruitment program. Special thanks to Shelley Martin who has been handling this for over 7 years including the past two years from Greenville!

Please be safe as you travel this summer. For those of you who go North, we will anxiously await your return and ask that you hurry back!

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BOURBON & BUBBLY UPDATE

Nothing stops Bourbon & Bubbly not even torrential rains and water filled potholes!! May 9th was an evening of fun, fellowship, and fundraising despite the weather conditions. 231 supporters attended the 7th annual Bourbon & Bubbly. New this year was a virtual fundraiser and “Corks for the Cause” in addition to the live auction and Fund-A-Need. After expense we project a total Of \$110,000.00 raised! A very special thank you to Andrew for all his hard work and the B&B Event Committee Members Dan Wood, Lawrence Taylor, Jim Evans, Luke Healey, Kristen Bush, and Bill Campbell (all Board Members). Of course nothing could ever be accomplished without our very special BJVIM Volunteers & Staff; Carol Giorello, Debbie Myhre, Lynn Stanley, Maggie Taylor, Raquel Solano, Analia Perez, Vickie & Bill Anderson, Linda Wolff, Terry Rowe, Donna Rhodes, Cathy Cooper, and Kate Mace! Be on the lookout for the 2025 date!

We also have some silent auction items that are still available for volunteers/staff only! These items will be sold on a first come, first served basis. See Andrew to purchase or with any questions

- Burnt Church Mixology class for up to 10 - \$250 (\$700 value)
- Cigar Humidor, Cigars, and Lighter - \$250 (\$600 value)
- Berkeley Hall Golf Foursome - \$350 (\$1100 value)
- Wexford Golf Foursome - \$350 (\$1000 value)
- Hewitt Oaks Four Course meal for 8 with wine - \$750 (\$3,000 value)
- Port Royal Sound Foundation Animal Meet and Greet - \$50 (\$150 value)
- Shrimp Boat Picture and Pontoon Boat Ride for 4 - \$150 (\$550 value)
- PULSEology fitness center 6 month membership - \$250 (\$400 value)
- 4 StretchZone Stretches - \$75 (\$200 value)
- Fraum Center for Restorative Health Facial - \$150 (\$350 value)
- Fraum Center for Restorative Health Rejuvenation Treatments - \$150 (\$450 value)
- Beach Bag - \$75 (\$200 value)





APRIL AND MAY EVENT UPDATES

Lowcountry Legal Aid Volunteers held a Lunch & Learn for the staff on services they can provide for our patients.

Grant presentations made to the Lavine Foundation, 100 Women Who Care-Margaritaville and Women in Philanthropy.

Grant Donations were received from Friends of Callawassie and Subaru of Hilton Head.

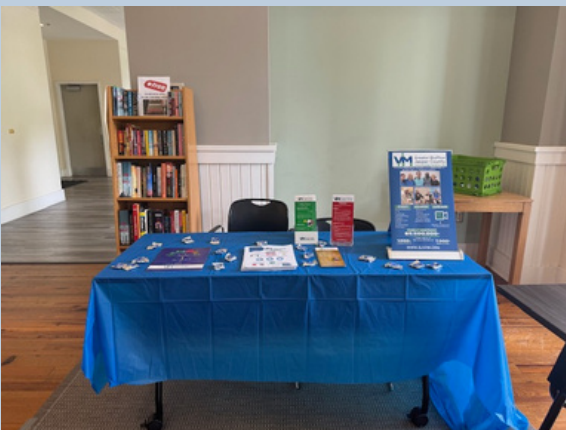
Pam & Maggie attended an all-day workshop on Diversity & Inclusion. Information from this training will be discussed at our annual Volunteer Meeting in December.

MAY 16 WAS MENTAL HEALTH DAY

Staff and volunteers dressed in green, the color to commemorate Mental Health Month. The clinic participated in a fund-raising event and was challenged to raise \$100.00. We raised \$116.00 and an anonymous donor matched the raised amount, BJVM presented the Mental Health America -Island house with a check for \$250.00! Thanks to all who donated!



VOLUNTEER NEWS



Always on the lookout for new volunteers, Maggie participated in a Non-Profit Recruitment event at Bluffton Library, and Gail Temple and Liz Hewitt attended the Spring Event at Margaritaville. These events are in addition to the monthly Volunteer Orientations at the Bluffton clinic. Currently we have two new doctors that will begin in June/July and two new nurses.



OUR MAGRO DENTAL CLINIC IS EXPANDING

The dental clinic now offers denture services to their patients. We take the molds and then a local lab makes the denture. Soon we will have our very own lab station to prepare the molds more efficiently. Smiles say it all, don't you think!



FRIDAY, JUNE 14 PARTY IN THE PARK 4:30 -9PM!

We have been asked to participate in the Bluffton Event at the Oyster factory. Last year the event was in August. Many of you participated under extremely hot conditions. This year we are helping on Friday, June 14th. We need volunteers to collect money, distribute tickets and dispense beer and soft drinks.

Despite the hot weather last year, we all had a fun time. If you can help on the 14th, please sign up with Maggie. We need 14 people to help. If we have more than 14 people we can work in shifts. This is a great way to give back to our community for their support and make a little money too!





VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK RECAP!

April 22 was volunteer appreciation week and we celebrated our amazing volunteers in style! Maggie organized fun themes for each day of the week with giveaways and great snacks for all to enjoy! We are so very thankful for all our wonderful volunteers and thank you to Maggie for organizing a great week of celebration!



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