

SEPTEMBER 2024

# VIM VOICE



## Welcome Back!

Someone said the summer is over, not sure they looked at the predicted temperatures for the next few weeks! Labor Day is the official end of the summer and with that many of our volunteers will be returning. We look forward to their return!

Volunteers will see we have been busy during the summer months. Most notably we now have a backdoor continuous lock which can be opened with a code. Please check with the front desk for this code. The OPTOS machine has been down for several weeks but thanks to Debbie and Andrew and with help from MUSC and KML Computers we are now up and running. We are in the process of looking to find a computer program that will be helpful in tracking pharmaceutical products. The dental lab has been completed and is up and running. We recently held the second Diabetic Foot Clinic thanks to Dr. Hufford, Liz and Maggie.

BJVIM is on the move!

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# September



## HEALTH UPDATES

We look forward to Dr. Casey's return after recently breaking her leg. She has been "seeing" patients via telemedicine but both staff and patients miss her and look forward to her return mid-September.

Gail had the opportunity to have lunch with Lee last week. Gail said she is looking well and feeling good. Lee has come a long way since this time last year. She has even been able to visit her family in England! Hurray for Lee!!

Dr. Stoller has one more radiation treatment to go. She and her husband Larry have been spending the weekdays in Charleston at MUSC returning on the weekends. I have seen her walking around Rose Hill with her forever bright smile. She is hopeful when she regains strength that she and her husband will relocate to Seattle to be closer to their daughter and son-in-law.

## AUDIT NEWS

We recently completed our annual audit. Special thanks to Donna for all her help. It has been suggested that all financial records need to be housed in a more secure place, and we have begun to scan the records to be housed in the Cloud. Financials need to be kept for 7 years. Thanks to Debbie Fejes, a year's worth of records has been successfully saved already. (although it seems we are reluctant to shred the recorded records!) If you have some time to continue this arduous task, the scanning room is open Monday and Wednesday mornings. You will need a quick tutorial from Andrew and a staple remover to begin! The goal is to have all records scanned by the end of the year.





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## NONPROFIT EXCELLENCE IN MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS (NEMO)

The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry and HIGOL (a consulting firm) have partnered to launch the Nonprofit Excellence in Management Operations (NEMO) program, designed to support high-potential nonprofit organizations in the Lowcountry. Through essential training and consulting, NEMO aims to strengthen non-profit capacities to enhance community impact and revenue.

BJVIM has been selected for the inaugural NEMO program! The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry recognizes BJVIM, volunteers, staff and Board of Directors as being critical to improving the lives of individuals and families across our region to enable us to thrive as one community.

This year long program will include the participation of board members, staff and volunteers. Different topics will be covered including board development, fundraising, donor management, staff organization and marketing.

Once again, thanks to all who make BJVIM so great that we are recognized for our good works!

## RIDGELAND CLINIC

The Ridgeland Clinic is taking on a new look. Channels have been cut into the floor to bring plumbing to the new exam rooms and stud walls are in place!

Wiring the rooms is the next step. Once completed, there will be three new exam rooms, a larger workstation, meeting facilities in the waiting room, a large storage room and an ADA restroom. Once the new area is usable, the wall will be cut through to the current clinic where an exam room will be turned into the pharmacy, and a staffroom with private toilet will be reconfigured. Construction is set to be completed by the end of December.





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## VOLUNTEER MEETING

It's never too early to plan. This year's Annual Volunteer Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 5th at Downtown Deli beginning with registration and a light breakfast at 8:30. We have lots to share. In addition to my annual ice-braker event (which I know you all look forward to) Maggie has suggested a holiday sweater contest! So, begin to design your very PRETTIEST, FUNNIEST or UGLIEST holiday sweater. Prizes will be awarded in each category.



## ITALIAN FESTIVAL

We are selling tickets to the Italian Festival on October 19! See Joe Pantano or Andrew to buy your tickets. Price includes live music and parking. Tickets are \$8.00 with \$4.00 for each ticket we sell coming back to BJVIM!

**Italian Festival**  
 October 19, 2024  
 Honey Horn Location  
 (70 Honey Horn Dr, Hilton Head Island, SC 29926)

- Tickets: \$8.00 - Children 10 and under FREE
- **\*\$4.00 of each ticket sold by BJVIM will be donated back to the clinic**
- 17 Piece Orchestra playing all Italian Music
- Many food booths of local Italian Restaurants
- Silent Auction
- 50/50 Raffles
- Grape Stomping Contest
- Pizza Eating Contest
- Free Parking
- All proceeds go to funding local charities as well as scholarships for local high school students

## DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, November 5th - Election Day - Clinic closed

November 27, 28, 29 - Closed for Thanksgiving

Thursday, December 12th - Annual Volunteer Meeting

Dec. 23 – Jan. 3rd - Closed for Christmas - Staff to return on January 2

Thursday, May 15th, 2025 - Bourbon & Bubbly



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