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CDAC NEWSLETTER

Create a Smile, Change a Life

A Summary of Clinic Operations

October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023

- ◆ Staff - Dental services delivered by 2 dentists and 3 hygienists
- ◆ Volunteers - 5 reception volunteers and Dr. Scott Martyna
- ◆ Clinic is open on average - 5 days per week
- ◆ Value of services provided—\$869,972 (increase of \$73,041)
- ◆ Value of services at no cost to patient - \$489, 234 (increase of \$68,040)
- ◆ Patient visits - 3251 (increase of 271)

Major Financial Supporters of the Year

Armstrong Spallumcheen Healthcare Auxiliary
Army, Navy, Airforce Vets – Unit 5 & Ladies Auxiliary - Unit 5
BC Dental Association
Coldstream Women's Institute
Foord Family Foundation
Greg & Wendy Adams
Jane Lister
Jean & Kenneth Finch
Knights of Columbus Saint Theresa Council 12202
Laurie Clark & Rodney Wills
Nancy & Kendall Kurbis
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 25
The Vernon Book Volunteers Society
United Way BC
Vernon Lions Club
Victor Lepp

We gratefully acknowledge the financial support of the Province of BC

SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendars for Friday, February 16th, 2024, as CDAC proudly presents "The Power of Music" featuring Betty Anne Northup and Marty Edwards, backed by the 9-piece Crossfire Rhythm & Horns. Event will be at the Vernon & District Performing Arts Centre and tickets are only \$35, available through Ticketseller Box Office, at www.ticketseller.ca or by phone (250)549-7469. Tickets make a great Christmas stocking stuffer!

Ways you can help

You can help CDAC financially by dropping off your Butcher Boys and Nature's Fare receipts at the clinic. CDAC is a member of the Armstrong Regional Cooperative and all fuel purchases at Co-Op stations in Vernon, Armstrong & Salmon Arm, as well as purchases at Co-Op Liquor Stores in Kelowna & Vernon Qualify for a year-end rebate. Our membership number is **13312**.

CDAC Staff & Volunteers

Our Board of Directors is very grateful to this team of experienced professionals and dedicated volunteers who demonstrate their commitment to the community and those we serve.



Joyce
Volunteer



JoAn
Reception



Deborah
Volunteer



Donna
Volunteer



Sher
CDA



Pat
Volunteer



Dr Scott Martyna
Volunteer Oral
Surgeon



Dr. Carmel Hopkins
Dentist



Loris
CDA



Renata
RDH



Trish
CDA



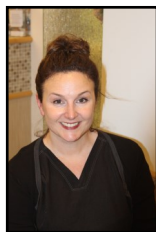
Karen
Clinic Manager



Carmen
RDH



Harpreet
Reception/
Sterilization



Carrie
RDH



Dr. Dirk van der Meer
Dentist



Rylee
Reception



Rachel
Reception

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

The last year has been filled with exciting changes at the clinic, and our team continues to grow!

In the latter part of our last fiscal year, with a small amount of funding from the United Way, we successfully piloted our Emergency Care Clinic. This was designed to close the gaps and meet the needs of our community's most vulnerable residents by providing more accessible care. By working in partnership with a variety of community partners, we have been able to improve access and care for those who traditionally have struggled with attending dental appointments.

From February until June, we were fortunate to have Dr. Lucy Leon join us and serve as our primary dentist for the Emergency Care Clinic before she headed off to begin her studies in Orthodontics. In late June Dr. Min Cho joined us to continue work on the Emergency Care Clinic, before fulfilling her plans of purchasing a local dental practice here in Vernon. In September a new hygienist, Carrie, joined us on a part-time basis, allowing us to increase our capacity in that area. In October Dr. Dirk van der Meer joined us and will be working two days per week, allowing us to continue the Emergency Care Clinic as well as welcoming new patients into the clinic.

In June we welcomed our new part-time receptionist Harpreet, who in addition to handling reception duties is also training as our sterilization tech. In October we welcomed Rylee as our full-time receptionist, and in November Rachel joined as an additional part time receptionist.

Thank you to all our donors and supporters who provide us with the resources to continue this work in our community!