

# The Cutting Edge

We are halfway through 2019 and the number of surgeries we have provided is slightly up from last year. From January through May, we changed the lives of 46 patients through outpatient procedures and 17 different surgeons performed those surgeries. Thank you to **Dr. Matthew Bailey, Dr. Sarah Borders, Dr. Ron Burgess, Dr. William Cavatassi, Dr. Jeff Covell, Dr. David Cowen, Dr. David Crain, Dr. John Draus, Dr. Johannes Evans, Dr. Terrence Grimm, Dr. Tad Hughes, Dr. Paul Kearney, Dr. Mike Lynch, Dr. Andy Moore, Dr. Michael Moore, Dr. Greg Osetinsky, and Dr. Gabriel Phillips.** Even with a conservative estimate of the market cost of each surgery, these physicians and everyone involved on each case have provided approximately \$450,000 in medical care completely free of charge. That's amazing!

Thanks to each and every one of you who make this unique program such a success!

Gratefully,

Amanda Ferguson,  
Executive Director

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## Volunteer of the Month



June's Volunteer of the Month is **Kristi Lynch, BSN, CRNA**, who began volunteering with Surgery on Sunday in early 2018. Kristi is from Morehead, KY and has lived there all of her life. She graduated from Morehead State University in 1994 with a BSN degree and finished anesthesia school in 2009 with the Trover Foundation, Murray State University. She is currently employed with Commonwealth Anesthesia.

Kristi has been married for five years to Jim Lynch, a general/bariatric surgeon who works in Morehead. Jim has three children, Kate, Josh, and Cameron, and she has one, Holly. They also have three dogs, Ginger, Cocoa, and Tinker Bell, and two rabbits, Joey and Windy.

They live on about 100 acres in Rowan County and love hiking, and riding their UTV on the property. Kristi loves wildlife and has several feeders placed around the property as well as several game cameras. She says she enjoys seeing the wildlife come and have a snack.

Kristi says her favorite thing about Surgery on Sunday "has to be the patients." She has met "some of the most appreciative, happy adults and children" and says "going to SOS is always such a pleasure because the volunteers want to be there. There are so many smiling faces. All of the volunteers are happy to see each other and always eager to help." Kristi is "thankful to be a part of something so meaningful' and we are appreciative of her work. Thank you, Kristi!

## Patient Testimonial

The following was shared by a patient from our May surgery day:

*I was not aware that this program existed until a few weeks ago. I needed a cyst removed from my eyebrow and it was going to cost around \$2,000. I had no idea what to expect with Surgery on Sunday but it could not have been a better experience. Surgery is never pleasant but each volunteer there that morning made my day so much better. Everyone - from the gentleman that opened the door, the ladies at the front desk, the chaplain, the nurses, the surgeon - everyone was so kind and welcoming. I am so grateful to each of them and the time they give to make this program possible.*



*It has been a huge blessing to me. I truly have never had a better medical experience. Thank you all so very, very much!*

No wonder our volunteers regularly say one of their favorite things about Surgery on Sunday is the appreciative patients!

## Looking Ahead



We look forward to our first surgery day, July 21, in the new UK HealthCare facility and thank everyone who is helping to work out the details. Thanks also to all the volunteers who showed up to help with the Lexington Surgery Center's move down the street. The building looks great!

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