## **NEWSLETTER** January 2023

2022 was a year of change for SBMF! In late November we moved to our new facility on Douglas Road. It was a bittersweet transition. Leaving our location on North Lafayette and the history associated was challenging, but we think the move is a symbol of growth for the new SBMF! We are now centralized on one floor in a beautiful new building. Our pathologists can more easily collaborate with our Histology Department, our Blood products are drawn on one side of our building and walked to the other side of the building for processing and our support departments are centrally located so that any assistance our technical departments need is easily accessible. These changes will improve our efficiencies and will allow us to continue the quality of service you have come to expect.

Also bittersweet for us is the retirement of Dr. Joyce Simpson. Though we are sad to see her step down from her leadership position at SBMF, we are thrilled for her to start the new (and warmer) chapter in her life. Dr. Simpson has served as the President of SBMF since 2015 and has practiced Pathology in the Michiana community since 1996. As of now, she plans to continue practicing Pathology on a limited basis. We are thrilled she will continue to be a part of SBMF.



Pathology Services

Timothy Travis has been named the new President of SBMF and joined us in November. Tim previously served as Vice Chair for Finance & Administration/Executive Director for the University of Louisville/UofL Health (Pathology and Lab Medicine) in Louisville, KY. With this appointment, Tim brings a wealth of business and clinical experience and education to SBMF. We are excited to have Tim lead our organization as we continue to navigate the challenges facing medicine today.

Dr. Nita Gerig will serve as SBMF's Chief Medical Officer. An expert Pathologist, Dr. Gerig has served our community since 1996 and currently operates as the Laboratory Medical Director for Memorial Hospital, Elkhart General Hospital and Beacon Granger Hospital. A native of Michiana, Dr. Gerig is committed to continuing the legacy of SBMF's top quality pathology services for the physicians and patients we serve.

Although 2022 was a busy year, we look forward to the challenges of 2023! We are grateful to have you as our community partner and by our side as we continue this journey.

