



Annual Meeting

Nearly 300 persons attended this year's Annual Meeting and Installation Dinner of the Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society and Alliance, on January 12 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

The Golden Stethoscope Award, the Society's highest honor, was presented to William G. Bush, MD, who grew up in Sacramento and in 1963 began a practice here in internal medicine, cardiology and nephrology. He became known for his extensive involvement in community service through the Rotary Club, and was active on numerous health-related boards.

John Chuck, MD, received the Medical Honor Award for his contribution to the community's health as founder and CEO of Serotonin Surge Charities. In 1998 he and friends formed the charity as an all-volunteer public benefit 501(c)3 non-profit organization, to raise money for health care-related charities. More than \$500,000 has been raised for student scholarship programs, clinics that serve the uninsured and underinsured, and for breast cancer research.

The Medical Community Service Award went to medical students who volunteer at the U. C. Davis Student-Run Clinics, for their significant contributions to the health of underserved populations. The five clinics are Clinica Tepati, Imani Clinic at Oak Park, Joan Viteri Memorial Clinic, Paul Hom Asian Clinic and the Shifa Community Clinic.

Marla Bommer received the Dedicated County Alliance Member Award, and Ann Parsons was presented the Dorothy Dozier Helping Hands Award

Bill Sandberg was recognized for his 20th Anniversary as Executive Director of the Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society.

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