

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS  
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Board of Supervisors

BOARD AGENDA # \*A-5

Urgent  Routine

AGENDA DATE April 24, 2012

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES  NO   
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES  NO

SUBJECT:

Approval of a Commendation for Dr. William Griffiths, MD Upon Receiving the 2012 John Darroch Memorial Award from the Stanislaus Medical Society

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Commend Dr. William Griffiths, MD Upon Receiving the 2012 John Darroch Memorial Award from the Stanislaus Medical Society.

Contact person: Christine Ferraro Tallman, Clerk of the Board Telephone: 525-4494

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2012-182

On motion of Supervisor Withdraw Seconded by Supervisor Monteith

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Chiesa, Withdraw, Monteith, De Martini and Chairman O'Brien

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None


1)  Approved as recommended

2)  Denied

3)  Approved as amended

4)  Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.



# Stanislaus Medical Society

ESTABLISHED 1910

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

2012 APR 16 A 11:08



PETER BRODERICK, M.D.  
PRESIDENT

JOANNE CHIPPONERI  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AMARJIT DHALIWAL, M.D.  
PRESIDENT-ELECT

RICARDO B. YOUNG M.D.  
SECRETARY

ALAN YATES, M.D.  
TREASURER

April 10, 2012

County Supervisor & Chairman Bill O'Brien  
1010 Tenth Street #6500  
Modesto CA 95354

Dear County Supervisor & Chairman O'Brien:

The Stanislaus Medical Society is proud to announce this year's recipient of the *John Darroch Memorial Award* (outstanding physician award) – **William Griffiths, MD**. Dr. Griffiths' specialty is Gastroenterology and he has practiced in Modesto since 1979. Through the years, he demonstrated an exceptional work ethic with multiple achievements that benefited his patients, his students, his colleagues and the community. His curriculum vitae illustrates the depth of his commitment to medicine.

We would like to request a resolution or letter of recognition for Dr. William Griffiths to be presented to him at our upcoming Annual Membership meeting scheduled for Thursday May 24, 2012 at the Del Rio Country Club in Modesto. The event will begin at 6:00 PM. Please let us know if you or your representative will be able to attend and be available to make the presentation for Dr. Griffiths. If you or your representative is not able to attend, our current President, Peter Broderick, MD will be honored to read and present any special recognition.

Attached is a copy of Dr. Griffiths' Curriculum Vitae and recent Medical Society news article announcing his selection as this year's Outstanding Physician. Please accept our gratitude for your help. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Joanne Chipponeri  
Chief Executive Officer

JAC/ly  
Enc.

# Stanislaus Medical Society

## Happy Doctors' Day



### John Darroch Memorial Award

2012

### William J. Griffiths M.D.

The Board of Directors of the Stanislaus Medical Society takes immeasurable pleasure in announcing WILLIAM J. GRIFFITHS, M.D. as the 2012 recipient of the *John Darroch Memorial Award* for the Physician of the Year. Dr. Griffiths began his medical practice in Modesto in 1979 and joined McHenry Medical Group (*Greater Modesto Medical Surgical Associates*) in 1980 where he continues to practice today.

Dr. Griffiths is dedicated to the excellence of the medical profession. He has chaired the Institution Review Board of Doctors Medical Center since 1980 and he has chaired the Stanislaus Medical Society Medical Review Advisory Committee since 1982. Each committee ensures that the appropriate medical care is provided to patients. As an advocate of quality medical care, Dr. Griffiths is well known to express his opinion and to make sure that the standard of medical care is kept. He has held many leadership roles. He has been Chief of Staff of Doctors Medical Center, President of the Stanislaus Medical Society and Medical Director of Valley IPA. He has set a standard to which all physicians can aspire.

Like all exceptional medical leaders, Dr. Griffiths has conducted many humanitarian undertakings. He has traveled to foreign countries to assist in setting up medical clinics, teaching and assisting foreign physicians and delivering medical care in underserved areas. During a Hepatitis C epidemic in Russia, he single-handedly organized and established a program to immunize Russian physicians, develop a clean needle program, arrange grant money for interferon and started precautionary measures system to prevent future outbreaks.

His staff speaks fondly of him and says that he is always respectfully and conscientious of his patients. His colleagues describe Dr. Griffiths as a connoisseur of life enjoying hunting, fishing, traveling and an avid student of knowledge and experience.

Congratulations Dr. Griffiths. Your colleagues have recognized your hard work and your professional life has been an example of successful and meaningful service to others.