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Dr. Hood receives award

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On Friday, May 17, Thomas Hood, M.D., received the Praeceptor Carissimus Award at the University of Nevada School of Medicine's Hooding Ceremony. This award is given annually to a physician who has been an outstanding mentor and teacher to the school's medical students.

Dr. Hood is one of the most beloved physicians in the state, and has been sharing his skills and medical knowledge with medical students for the past 18 years. He moved to Elko in 1951 and started his practice in general surgery, he was the first board certified surgeon in Northeastern Nevada, and has been a preceptor for students doing their required rural rotations since the medical school was converted to a four-year, degree-granting institution in 1978. He was instrumental in establishing the licensed practical nursing program in Elko, and was a charter member of the School of Medicine History of Medicine Society. Hood is the sixth "Dr. Hood" to practice in Nevada; all are relatives. The first Dr. Hood received the first medical license issued in the state (#1), which is now preserved in the school's medical archives.

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