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Leaders in organized dentistry recognized

DENVER, Colo. — On Thursday, May 20, 2004 the Metropolitan Denver Dental Society (MDDS) honored local dentists who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in the dental profession. The MDDS Volunteer of the Year, Chairman of the Year and the Honus Maximus awards were presented to the following dentists at a special ceremony held during the MDDS Annual Meeting held at Rolling Hills Country Club in Golden.

Dr. Paul W. Bottone, a Greenwood Village-based general practitioner, received the **2004 MDDS Volunteer of the Year Award** for his efforts on behalf of organized dentistry. He is founder and chairman of the Colorado Dental Association's School Nutrition Ad Hoc Taskforce. Dr. Bottone is an active member of several MDDS committees and is president of the Colorado Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped.

Dr. Scott D. Smith, a pediatric dentist practicing in both Centennial and Denver, received the **2004 MDDS Chairman of the Year Award** for his efforts as chair of the MDDS Community Access to Care Committee and for his leadership in the development of the nationally recognized MDDS-sponsored Domestic Violence Dental Care Program.

Dr. Rhett L. Murray, an Aurora-based general practitioner, received the **2004 Honus Maximus Award**, honoring individuals who have contributed to the advancement of the

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Metropolitan Denver Dental Society, the profession of dentistry, or to major improvements in the oral health of the community. Dr. Murray is treasurer of the Colorado Dental Association and past-president of MDDS.

The Metropolitan Denver Dental Society is a 107-year-old organization committed to improving the standard of dental care for the Denver community. The Society, a component of the American Dental Association, acts as the unified voice to advance public awareness and dental education for the benefit of its members and the public.

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