

Free Clinic Honors Volunteers in Annual Award Recognition Reception

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The Free Clinic honored its volunteers in an appreciation reception and seven people received special "Volunteer of the Year" awards for their long-term involvement, leadership and activism.

Daniel R. Kelly, MD, received "Medical Volunteer of the Year." Michael Barry, MD, a physician volunteer at the Radford Satellite of the Free Clinic, was recognized with the "Satellite Volunteer of the Year." William Armour, DDS, received the "Dental Volunteer of the Year" award. George Fetko, RPh, received the "Pharmacy Volunteer of the Year" award. Sally Linares, RN, a retired nurse, was honored with the "Nursing Volunteer of the Year" award for 7-loyal years of service as the referral specialist.

Margot Thompson, a 17-year volunteer of the Free Clinic, was honored with the "Administrative Volunteer of the Year" award. Zach Slagel of Blacksburg and current Board President of the Free Clinic was presented with the "Board Member of the Year" award.

"These honorees are representative of the 400 plus volunteers who are steadfastly dedicated to the Free Clinic's mission," states Amy Forsyth-Stephens, former Executive Director. "Our agency has only 13 paid staff. Yet each month, because of our wonderful crew of volunteers, we provide 600 medical visits, arrange 400 lab procedures and 150 specialty appointments, service 160 dental patients, and fill 2,000 prescriptions."