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HALIFAX REGIONAL HONORS DR. BISSRAM

Dr. Ganesh Bissram is still the same gracious man in retirement as he was while practicing medicine in Roanoke Rapids for 29 years.

He was the first orthopedic surgeon on the active medical staff at Halifax Regional. “I feel privileged and gratified in being able to provide orthopedic services in the community,” he says. “I also have made some lasting friendships in the community.”

Dr. Bissram was honored at a reception recently for his service to the medical community and specifically Halifax Regional.

While he will remain in the community, life will not be the same. “I miss my patients and thank the physicians for their friendships and support and also my patients who have placed their confidence in me by allowing me to take care of them,” he says.

“I thank the hospital administrators, past and present, and the dedicated employees of Halifax Regional for creating a “state of the art” facility that the people of the Roanoke Valley should be proud of,” he adds.

Dr. Bissram says he has mixed feelings about retirement. “I liked working very much and will miss it,” he says. “But now I will have time to do certain things that I was unable to do while working.”

He wants to go deep sea fishing, travel, tend to his garden and yard work and spend time with his grandchildren. He and Kamla, also retired as an office manager and x-ray technician, have been married 37 years.

They have three children and three grandchildren.

Ravindra is an engineer living in Greensboro. He and his wife have a five year old daughter, Tori. Satisha also is an engineer and lives in Raleigh. She and her husband have a two month old son, Dash Matthew. Melisha is a Nephrologist living in Yorktown, Virginia. She and her husband have a one year old daughter, Sophia.

As he looks back over 29 years, Dr. Bissram says medicine has made tremendous advancements, resulting in improved diagnosis and treatment of patients. “Part of this is a result of advancement in technology,” he says. “There also is improvement in medical education and better access to medical knowledge.”

In the Roanoke Valley, “healthcare has improved significantly,” he says, “resulting in more medical knowledge being available to the patient, more services and more diagnostic and treatment options.”

“Dr. Bissram has made a significant contribution to healthcare services in the Roanoke Valley,” said Will Mahone, president of Halifax Regional. “We are grateful for his many years of service.

“Our community is better off for his having been among us.”

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