



SANTA BARBARA

YACHT CLUB

Dr. David G. Latta, 1980

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David received his medical degree from Loma Linda Medical School. He arrived in Santa Barbara around 1970. He started an orthopedic surgery practice that lasted thirty years. While in the military, he was assigned to the U.S. Army Hospital in Augsburg, Germany. This location made for easy access to the Austrian Alps and resulted in Dave becoming an accomplished skier, which in turn, led to his involvement with the American ski team. In 1972, David became the team physician for the U.S. Ski Team, serving the athletes for twenty-five years with travel to World Cup races all around the globe. In 1984, he was on the medical staff for the Organizing Committee and medical officer for the Summer Olympic Games held in Los Angeles. David was owner and co-owner of several sailing and motor yachts.