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The Nevada Prayer Breakfast is a gathering of citizens — as well as civic, business, and community leaders — who wish to pray on behalf of our State and bring the spiritual resources of the community together to bear on issues that face Nevadans. Although members of the community may believe differently in their approach to the Divine, we gather at the Nevada Prayer Breakfast as equals. Together, we devote our energies to the good of the State of Nevada. Together, we pray.

The Nevada Clergy Association is a non-profit interfaith network of religious and spiritual leaders in Nevada. Programs include the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Service, the interfaith Nevada Prayer Breakfast, the Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve Service, and the biannual Interfaith Clergy Luncheon.

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The Nevada Clergy Association

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NEVADA PRAYER BREAKFAST

Keynote Address by Dr. Anthony Slonim,
President and CEO of Renown Health

Welcome by Oscar Delgado, Vice Mayor of Reno

Tuesday, May 12, 2015 – 7:00 AM
Atlantis Casino, Resort & Spa
Reno, Nevada

Cherie Jamason



Cherie Jamason has been at the helm of the Food Bank of Northern Nevada since 1988. During that time, FBNN grew from a small grass-roots food assistance program serving Washoe County to a nationally recognized anti-hunger organization, providing services throughout the state of Nevada.

Under Cherie's leadership, FBNN has been widely recognized for its integrity, accountability and excellence in non-profit management, and for the creation of community partnerships to serve the needs of children. Her food bank is currently in the top 10% of food banks nationally and has pioneered the development of innovative programs which have captured the imagination of the national network, becoming recognized as the expert on hunger issues in Nevada by state policy and decision makers, local municipalities, human service organizations and the media.

Cherie was instrumental in creating Nevada's first State Food Security Plan in which food security was named as one of the core functions of the state's government for the first time. She has also been a driving force behind the new Bridges to a Thriving Nevada, an initiative which takes on poverty, one of hunger's most damaging root causes. Cherie has been the recipient of local and national awards and recognitions for her work on hunger and child nutrition issues, most recently the 2014 Unite4: Humanity Inspiration Award, the 2014 John Van Hengel Leadership Award by Feeding America. Cherie was recognized as a Distinguished Nevadan by the University of Nevada in 2010. Under her leadership, FBNN was recognized as the 2013 Food Bank Member of the Year. In 2014, Ms. Jamason was appointed by Senator Harry Reid to the ten-member National Hunger Commission.

Col. Charles "Chuck" Fulkerson

As an Army Ranger, Chuck served two combat tours in Viet Nam and three tours in Germany, earning two Legions of Merit, two Bronze Stars and the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry. He also earned the Nevada Distinguished Service Medal and the National Guard Bureau's Eagle Award for Outstanding Service. But his most prized honor was the G.I.'s Officer Award, an award bestowed on him by his peers. Chuck also inducted into the UNR ROTC Hall of Fame.

Regarding our veteran's as America's heroes, Chuck co-founded the Spouse House in Reno in 1991, which became the Veterans Guest House, opening with 4 beds in 1994. The facility was rebuilt in 2004 and again in 2012. The Guest House provides overnight lodging for veterans and their families who receive medical care at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, as well as for veterans who receive long term outpatient care.

Chuck was appointed to the Nevada Veterans Service Commission by Governor Miller in 2000 and reappointed by Governor Guinn. He fiercely advocated for better health care and services for veterans, overseeing the construction of the Southern Nevada Veterans Home.

In 2006, the University of Nevada Board of Regents named him a Distinguished Nevadan – a humanitarian who always put others before himself. He received The Four Chaplains' Legion of Honor Humanitarian Award, a national award given in recognition of a lifetime commitment to selfless service and societal advancement that has demonstrably affected the quality of life in the community, state or nation, service without regard to faith or race.

Over 500 people attended his memorial on Nov. 1, 2014, filling the hangar at the Stead Army Aviation Facility, to honor a dedicated man, veteran, father, grandfather, and loving husband.



Northern Nevada HOPES

HOPES is a non-profit community health center dedicated to building a healthier community by providing coordinated care and support for individual and family wellness. They provide discounted services on a sliding fee scale, providing primary care, chronic disease management, behavioral health counseling, case management, nutrition counseling, on-site pharmacy, transportation, HIV and hepatitis C, and community outreach and education. In 1997 they began as a comprehensive HIV care center and expanded in 2012 to a primary medical care center. HOPES relies on continued support and generosity to provide affordable, quality healthcare to the community: 92% of every dollar goes directly to patient care. HOPES develops programs based on the unmet needs within the community, focusing on helping medically underserved groups such as seniors, the uninsured and underinsured, and people experiencing homelessness. After months of planning, HOPES is now embarking on the construction of a new three-story, 37,400 sq. ft. medical facility in downtown Reno.



PROGRAM

Call to Assemble: "Sounding of the Shofar" – *Rabbi ElizaBeth Beyer, Temple Beth Or*

Call to Prayer: "Agnus Dei" by Ivo Antognini – *Piu Mosso Choir
Damonte Ranch High School, Jennifer Tibben, Conductor*

Opening Remarks: The Rt. Rev. Sean Savoy, *Emcee
Chancellor, Int'l. Community of Christ & Chair, NPB Committee*

Posting of the Colors & the Pledge of Allegiance:
Boy Scouts of America, Troop 445 – *Foothill Ward (LDS Church)*

Welcome: Oscar Delgado, *Vice Mayor, City of Reno*

Invocation: The Rev. Shelley Fisher, *Reno Buddhist Center*

Presentation of the Community Service Award & Tribute:
to Toni de Salvo. *(posthumously)*
Tintabulations Handbell Ensemble, *Barb Walsh, Director*

- Breakfast Served -

NCA President's Address: The Rt. Rev. Gene Savoy, Jr.,
Bishop, Int'l. Community of Christ

Presentation of the Vision Awards:

to **Cherie Jamason**, *President & CEO, Food Bank of Northern Nevada*
Presenter: *Rabbi Ethan Bair, Temple Sinai*

to **Col. Charles "Chuck" Fulkerson** *(posthumously)*
Presenter: *The Rev. Matthew Fisher, Reno Buddhist Center*

to **Northern Nevada HOPES**
Presenter: *The Rt. Rev. Sean Savoy, Int'l. Community of Christ*

Keynote Address: Dr. Anthony Slonim, *President & CEO, Renown Health*

Expressions of Faith:
Nevada Gay Men's Chorus, "Steal Away" *(Traditional Spiritual)*, *Ted Owens, Director*
Brian Melendez, Paiute American Indian Spirituality Scholar
Sabrina Alcasas, Taoist practitioner
Rita Sloan, *Life, Peace & Justice Commission, Roman Catholic Diocese of Reno*
Muryum Sulahria, *Youth Member, Northern Nevada Muslim Community*

Special Announcement: Interfaith Spiritual Center at Renown
Patricia Meidell, *Director of Public Relations, LDS Church, Reno Stake*,
the Rt. Rev. Sean Savoy, *Int'l. Community of Christ*, Chaplain Brent Hoy-Bianchi,
Renown Regional Medical Center

Benediction: Rajan Zed, *President, Universal Society of Hinduism*

"Make Them Hear You" from "Ragtime" – Nevada Gay Men's Chorus
"America the Beautiful" – NGMC leads the Assembly
(Please refer to the lyrics provided.)