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Reno Sparks Chamber Announces its 2010 Board of Directors

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For Immediate Release - Reno, NV (1-14-2010) – The Reno Sparks Chamber of Commerce, Northern Nevada’s largest business organization, today introduced its 2010 Board of Directors at the organization’s annual Chair’s Luncheon.

Mary Simmons will be the chair of the Chamber in 2010. Her priorities as chair include advocating policies conducive to job creation; helping business leaders see opportunities in the face of challenges; and providing education on business topics including energy conservation.

Simmons is Vice President of External Affairs for NV Energy. Since joining the company, she has held a number of executive positions. She is a native Nevadan, a graduate of the University of Nevada Reno, and a Certified Public Accountant.

The Chamber’s 10-member Executive Committee for the year includes:

- Mary Simmons (NV Energy)
- Bruce Gescheider (Moana Nursery & Florist)
- Ralph Hartmann (Hartmann & Associates, Inc.)
- Randy Brown (AT&T)
- Doug Kurkul (Reno Sparks Chamber of Commerce)
- Suzanne Shepherd (Sparks Florist)
- Larry Hunt (Bayer Properties)
- Tom Clark (Holland & Hart)
- Tania Violette (First Independent Bank)

- Grant Sims (CB Richard Ellis)

Also serving on the Board of Directors are: Sallie Haws (Haws Corporation); Tim Ruffin (Colliers International); Audrey Damonte (IGT); Stephen Ascuaga – (John Ascuaga’s Nugget); Jim Miller (Renown Health); Mike Uboldi (Saint Mary’s Regional Medical Center); Jim Hunting (Sierra Pacific Federal Credit Union); Marie Murgolo-Poore (TMCC); Gina Brooks (The Glenn Group); Lisa Ruggerio (LR2 Consulting); Arne Hoel (Swift Communications); Sean French (Wells Fargo Bank); Bill Newberg (Grove-Madsen Industries); Tim Kretzschmar (Q&D Construction); Tim Ruffin (Colliers International); Leo Ramos (CNS Media); Daryl Drake (Daryl E. Drake Commercial Real Estate Services); Stephani Foust (Young Professionals Network); Joe Mayer (Airport Authority Liaison); Russ Romine (EDAWN Liaison); Linda Carney (Diplomats Liaison); Roberta Ross (RSCVA Liaison); and Jennifer Capurro (Realtor Liaison).

Board member photos are available at: <http://www.renosparkschamber.org/board.htm>

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