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Reno resident wins med school awards

Lynne Williams, medical school information
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On Friday, May 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Pioneer Theater, Reno resident **Laura Nelson Watkins** will receive a Dean's Award at the University of Nevada School of Medicine's Hooding Ceremony. Mrs. Watkins will be recognized for her devotion to Nevada's medical students, lending emotional support and showing a sincere interest in their careers, as well as providing generous scholarship funding to support their medical education.

In 1990, she endowed the Nelson/Watkins Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of Ed Nelson and Jack Watkins, and she has been generously adding to the fund each year since then. One recipient, fourth-year student Patricia A. Beenfeldt, wrote to thank her. "It is reassuring to know that the burden of expenses for this last year will be somewhat alleviated by kind and generous individuals willing to help students. Your kindness will always be remembered."

During the Hooding Ceremony, graduating medical students receive their academic hoods and recite the Hippocratic Oath, which formally inducts them into the medical profession.

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