



Nevada State Council

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Annual Reports - State Officers

State Deputy

SK Toni Pascua



State Deputy

My Dear Brothers in Christ,
Greetings to everyone and hope that you and your family are doing well and in good spirits as we are still battling the pandemic!

My second year tenure/journey started on May 2nd at our very 1st Hybrid (Virtual and In Person) State Convention that was held in Las Vegas. It was a novel, brief but concise way of deliberating a meeting revolving around mandates to social distancing.

The power theme for this fraternal year 2020-2021 was a follow through from my first year's 2019-2020 mantra ("Spearheading Membership, One Brother Knight At A Time") and it evolved to "Spearheading Membership and Empowering Mentorship One Brother at a Time". As self explanatory- with emphasis on building the membership, delegation of authority and training protégées to step up to the next level.

A few weeks after, had the State Officers, District Deputies, Directors, Chairmen and Grand Knights Planning Meeting and discussed our strategies on how to help our needy brothers and their families during this tough time, when all else were closed, and only the essentials (means and ways) are barely in operations.

On June 15, 2020 we had our District Deputies and Grand Knights training again in the form of a Hybrid Meeting via Goto Meeting (with the option of an in person and/or virtual set up. We had a good attendance as most complied.

On June, 2020 visited several Council Meetings here in Las Vegas. Together with the other Southern Nevada State Officers, we delivered the check amounting to \$28,400.00 to Pam Caylor, Director of First Choice Pregnancy Center for purchase of new Ultrasound Machine for their facility. We are a proud supporter of this pro-life, charitable institution.

During the month August, we participated at the 138th Supreme Convention (broadcasted from the Supreme Office at New Haven, CT) virtually together with our State Chaplain Father Manny Guico and our State Officers both from Reno and Las Vegas Diocese. I continuously participated at several councils activities and recruitment drives.

During the Las Vegas Diocese Seminarian Sending Forth Mass that was held at the Christ the King Church, Las Vegas we presented the Seminary Education Funds Proceeds.

We were able to recruit our 6,000 State Council member at Christ the King Church, Las Vegas with the help our State Chaplain Father Manny. This was a record-breaking task as we were trying to

achieve it in so many years, trying to keep up with the current intake as well as to shatter our own 6,000th membership goal.

Last September, Nevada State Council together with St Jude Council 9102 hosted a well attended In Person Degree Exemplification at Our Lady of Las Vegas.

October 2020 together with Lady Ditas Pascua, we traveled and visited our Councils in Ely, Battle Mountain, Winnemucca and Reno Area. Also, made a courtesy visit to Bishop Randolph Calvo of Reno Diocese and presented the check for the Seminary Education Funds and discussed how we as Knights can help the Diocese during this tough times of COVID 19 Pandemic.

I also delivered the check amounting to \$900.50 to Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada from our Christopher Funds. Participated at 40 days of Life Mass at Immaculate Conception Church in Sparks.

On October 24th, attended the 4th Degree Provincial Meeting in Ontario, California, where Nevada State Council donated a check amounting to \$500.00 to California State Council K of C for the victims of the devastating California Fire.

On 30th of October, participated at the Mass for Blessed Michael McGivney at Holy Spirit, Las Vegas and on the following day, together with the other Southern Nevada State Officers, District Deputies and Chairmen witness the live TV broadcast of Mass at Hartford, Connecticut for Blessed Michael McGivney.

November -State Chaplain Father Manny Guico and yours truly together with New York State Council State Chaplain and State Deputy was invited by Supreme Office to share with other Jurisdictions at the Virtual State Deputies Mid Year Meeting to impart our ideas for a Successful Membership recruitment.

Before the month ended, we paid a visit to Fernley and Incline Village Council and did my command center of the monthly Hybrid District Deputies Monthly Meeting at Immaculate Concepcion Church in Sparks and discussed how we can make grow our State Council in Membership, retention and successful council programs.

On December, held our Mid Year Meeting still on Hybrid with social Distancing and protocols. Participated at several Simbang Gabi mass celebrations both in person and virtually.

Nevada State Council reached the 100% quota in membership and 1st in the Order. With this accomplishment, we had received several commendation letters from Knights of Columbus Supreme Office congratulating our State and Leaders.

January 23rd, 2021, for the second time, State Council together with District #8, District # 9 and St Jude Council 9102 hosted a in Person Exemplification in honor of Bishop George Leo Thomas of Las Vegas Diocese with at least 30 plus candidates. Instead of celebrating my Birthday on this day, I decided to host this Exemplification to commemorate this day.

On February and March, our State Council continuously lead the membership recruitment intake of the Order. While the restriction started to ease down, we traveled more and visited local Councils and communicate how we can help them and give pointers in communicating with Parish Pastors. March 27th, together with Southern Nevada State Officers and leaders, we participated at the Polar Plunge sponsored by the Special Olympics Nevada, at their Fundraising Event in Henderson.

On April 24th, together with Lady Ditas and 100's of participants from Northern Nevada, we dared to plunge the cold Lake Tahoe beach, in support the Special Olympics Nevada Fundraising Event. April and May was a very busy month, back to back with the Lenten and Easter Season, as well as navigating with the ever dynamic protocols and restrictions- making most limited resources and discerning or reluctant people to attend the convention- we dared to plan and prepare for our live, in person attendance for our 111th Nevada State Convention that will be held in South Lake Tahoe (May 14-16,2021). This was a bold move where at least some others would've just held it virtually for this year.

Whereas these past couple of years was indeed - the first year in glory for the most part and the second term was evolving through a Global Pandemic, battling the Covid-19. We witnessed closures, hiatus of business, the loss of livelihood/jobs or lack thereof, the loss of lives of friends, families or people we love and care about.

But in spite of this hurdle, we had proven that Nevada State Council is tough, being strong, stronger and strongest as we can be as Knights of Columbus State Leader, in membership recruitment, intake, and growth, we remain!

Thank you very much for all your unending support!

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STATE DEPUTY'S 2020-2021 HIGHLIGHTS



1st Hybrid State Convention



Check donation to Catholic Workers of Las Vegas



Monthly Hybrid District Deputies Meeting



\$28,400.00 Donation for First Choice Pregnancy Cntr



40 Days for Life Mass at Immaculate Conception Church, Sparks, NV



\$900.50 donation to Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada

State Chaplain

Father Manny R. Guico



State Chaplain

When SK Toni Pascua became Nevada's State Deputy, he immediately called and asked me to serve as the State Chaplain which I wholeheartedly accepted. Prior to this position (for 12 years). I had been the Chaplain of Council #2828 in Las Vegas, Nevada. I had no inkling or any guidance regarding the tasks & responsibilities of the State Chaplain. I've known & met past State Chaplains but was not knowledgeable or cognizant of the Job Description. Hopefully by writing & submitting this report, my successor will be aware of its parameters & the mission of the State Chaplain.

1. State Chaplain becomes the "liaison or contact person" with ecclesiastical authorities, i.e. the TWO ORDINARIES: 1. Bishop of the Diocese of Reno (Northern Nevada), Most Reverend Randolph Calvo; 2. Bishop of the Diocese of Las Vegas (Southern Nevada), Most Reverend George Leo Thomas. He also acts as the link and bridge to coordinate with the Clergy especially the Chaplains of local councils, Pastors, Administrators, retired Priests, Religious men & women, Permanent Deacons.
2. Ministry of Presence: Show up and attend State Officers Meetings - monthly meetings with DD's (District Deputies); Mid-Year Organizational Meeting; Nevada Council Annual Convention; and if held - attend the Supreme Convention (attended in August 2019 held in Minneapolis, Minnesota). Presence of the State Chaplain and/or any Chaplain at Council meetings sends a strong message that Knights can work hand in hand with their Priests.
3. Role of the State Chaplain is to give "Spiritual Reflections & Inputs" by implementing the K of C's "Faith in Action" program. Monthly State Chaplain's Message is published on Silver Knight; Weekly Sunday Scripture reading Reflections are presented and shared via email to all Nevada Knights. Invite their Chaplains to give 10-15 minutes Spiritual Reflections at Council meetings.
4. Due to Pandemic & virus, State Deputy Toni Pascua assigned & designated State Chaplain as Membership Director. I learned that this position is very important for the good of the order. We need to emphasize the TWO "R's" - Recruitment of new members & Retention of struggling (inactive) members". During the two years we achieved & reached our goal of
5. "6,000 members in the State of Nevada" - a goal that we have not accomplished for the past 10-12 years. Each member should be encouraged to recruit one new member annually. Imagine if this happens - Nevada will have 6,000 new members every year. Every Council is capable of recruiting one new member every month. If we can implement these two goals, we will be the "powerhouse of recruitment". Recruiting new members is made easy & simple by using online registration apps and taking advantage of the "recruitment PROMO established by Supreme". Yet we need Knights to approach and invite Catholic male parishioners to become members of

the Knights of Columbus. Secret is - invite the men "to come and see" the mission of the Knights. Focus on recruiting younger members (ages 40's - 50's).

6. We encourage Grand Knights, his Deputy and Financial Secretaries to weigh evidence and make follow ups prior to dropping any registered Knights. Unpaid annual membership dues should NOT be the only criterion for removal or suspension. Find out if financial problems are due to many factors (i.e.unemployed, loss of job, sickness, virus related family problems etc). Implement the motto "Leave no neighbor (knight member) behind".
7. Schedule and Conduct "ANNUAL CLERGY APPRECIATION DINNER' on both Diocese of Las Vegas & Reno - invite the Bishops and as many Clergy to attend. In Las Vegas, this dinner is held in October.

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State Secretary

SK Joe Alvin Haun



State Secretary

This has been a challenging year, but the State Council found solutions and overcame many of the obstacles. For the second year, the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year was heavily impacted by the pandemic. But with creatively solutions, the State discovered new ways to recruit new members and offer programs with limited interaction with our Parishes and communities. Strong leadership and a wiliness to work together as a team has placed the Nevada Jurisdiction at the top of the Supreme Council Leader Board.

This Fraternal starting with the end of the last State Convention held virtually. Although a creative solution, the State Council left the meeting feeling that we could do better. After the virtual State Convention, the State went to finish the Fraternal Year 2019-2020 meeting our goals in Recruiting, and exceeding our Goal for Star Councils.

Immediately after finishing the Fraternal Year the State Officers focused on the new Fraternal Year 2020-2021. As one the team's focus was to build on the previous year's successes and to do more. The State Deputy's theme for new Fraternal Year 2020-2021 was "Spearheading Membership and Empowering Mentorship One Brother at a Time". This plan was implemented at the District Deputy and Grand Knight Hybrid Training in July 2021. The meeting site was in Las Vegas were the local District Deputies and Grand Knights attended (they had to comply with Social-Distancing and the wearing of face mask).

In addition, the State Treasurer Meynard and myself implemented a new task management online software to reduce time in issuing checks and making deposits. We fully enacted the ASANA program to manage the State's financial tasks between the State Secretary and the State Treasurer. The online program allows each State officer to assign tasks and deadlines. The program reduced time in processing and reduced misplaced or even lost task assignments. This was most noticeable in the processing the 365 Fund. Once the PSD Ray Gardea and the 365 Fund committee approved a 365 Fund request and emailed the State Secretary, the State Secretary would issue a Voucher and the Treasurer would print and mail out the payments within one week. PSD Ray was then notified that the payment was mailed. This turn around line was maintained throughout the year. This new process helped to regain confidence in the program.

Other ongoing programs that were first implemented several years ago were text messaging and the State Officer email system. This continuous communication from the State Deputy and the other State Officers has keep the entire well aware of all activities occurring within the State's Jurisdiction.

Some of the key State Secretary activities through the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year were as follows:

- June, 2020 meeting with the State Deputy to implement the new Fraternal Year programs and Goals. With the State Deputy and the other State Officers, delivered a check in the amount of \$28,400.00 to Pam Caylor, Director of First Choice Pregnancy Center for purchase of new Ultrasound Machine for their facility.
- July 2020, participated in the hybrid District Deputy and Grand Knight Training
- In August 2020, participated at the virtual 138th Supreme Convention (broadcasted from the Supreme Office at New Haven, CT) with Father Manny Guico and the State Officers. The State Officers in Las Vegas meet at Christ the King Catholic Church in Las Vegas to view the Convention.
- In September, Nevada State Council together with St Jude Council 9102 hosted an In Person Degree Exemplification at Our Lady of Las Vegas.
- In October and November, participated at the Mass for Blessed Michael McGivney at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Las Vegas and on the following day, together with the other Southern Nevada State Officers, District Deputies and Chairmen watched the live TV broadcast of Blessed Michael McGivney Mass at St Mary's Catholic Church in Hartford, Connecticut. Also attended the Las Vegas Diocese Seminarian Sending Forth Mass that was held at the Christ the King Church, Las Vegas, and the State presented the Seminary Education Funds Proceeds.
- In December 2021, along with the other State Officers held a hybrid Mid-Year Meeting. And by the end of the month Nevada reach 100% of our State's Intake Quota, a major achievement; especially during a pandemic.
- In January 2021, I was assigned Acting District Deputy for District 5. This District consist of Councils in Winnemucca, Battle Mountain, Elko, and Wells, Nevada. I spoke monthly via telephone with the Grand Knights from each of these councils. Due to the pandemic all four Councils have not been able to meet in person in the first half of the Fraternal Year. In January 2021, I was able to meet in-person with the Trustee's of the Council in Winnemucca, but due to a Snow Storm was not able to meet with any of the councils in Battle Mountain or Elko.
- On January 23rd, 2021, for the second time, State Council together with District #8, District # 9 and St Jude Council 9102 hosted a in Person Exemplification in honor of Bishop George Leo Thomas of Las Vegas Diocese with at least 30 plus candidates.
- Participated in the monthly end of the month District Deputy Meetings where we discussed each District's progress and the Council's status. These meetings were well received by the District Deputies.
- Throughout the Fraternal Year I participated at several councils' activities and recruitment drives.

- In February and March, involved with membership recruiting throughout the State, and Nevada continued to lead the Order in membership recruitment intake. As the State's Pandemic restrictions were lowered begin traveling and visiting more local Councils. At every meeting stressed more on how we can help the church return and the need to recruit.
- In April and May, my attention turned toward the State Convention on May 14-16, 2021. Since the State Council is host for this convention, my workload significantly increased. Working with the State Treasurer we created numerous spreadsheets to handle the Shirt and Mask Orders, the Convention Shirt Orders, the Meals Reservation Orders, Lake Tahoe Cruise Reservations, the Delegate Credentials, and the Delegates Per Diem payments. Also actively involved with the Convention committee.

The Nevada State Council Officers have all exceeded their office roles and responsibilities. You might say that the pandemic brought the best out of us. Or you might say that the State had the right officers at the right time. I think that we cared about the Order in the State of Nevada and ask for God's guidance and support to guide us through what could have been a horrendous year. Through all of us working together in not only support and guidance, but also positive creative ideas and "Can-Do" attitudes, we were able to overcome the pandemic and raise to the top of the Order. I thank all of my Brother Knights and their families for what they have done this Fraternal Year. We could have never done it without you.

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State Treasurer

SK Meynard A Infantado



State Treasurer

Worthy State Deputy,

As State Treasurer, it's been a pleasure working with you and fellow State Officers. A very challenging year for Nevada State Council because of pandemic but nonetheless, we were able to execute our duties and command responsibilities for the good of the order.

- As State Treasurer, one of my duties is make sure that our KofC books and bank accounts are balanced and reconciled each month. Bank Statements and Reconciliation reports are compiled and stored in Google Drive for easy access of Audit Team and appropriate brothers in case they need it.
- We have made initiative to issue checks on target and on time. State Secretary receives transactions and creates vouchers after review. He then forwards the voucher and sends it to me for deposit or disbursement.
- Our bank accounts for Seminary, General Account, Charity and 365 have increased dramatically. We have added check and balance by using different software to track of our income and expenses. We use another Accounting software called Quickbooks Intuit for our financial transactions and it works great! The system that WIPSD Tom Thorn has created has been producing great and positive results.
- Our 365 Club Program is working as design by our founding fathers. During this period, we were able to expedite the turnaround process of issuing checks.
- We have added more personnel to our Audit and Budget Committees. This includes SK Dan Berry, WGK Raul, Brother Nestor and SK Al Pena. Our meeting with Audit Chairman Tom Gurgui went well. We discussed budgets and income for current and next year and gather some recommendation from the team. Audit has been performed with no major irregularities. Taxes have been filed to IRS by MBL Consulting firm.
- During the course of time, we sent checks to Special Olympics and Law Enforcement Training and Rehab. Happy to be part of the Special Olympics Plunge event that was held here in Las Vegas.

Donation of \$200.00 to Fr. John McShane



Donation to First Choice Pregnancy Center



Supreme Convention 2020



Budget Committee Report

SK Meynard A Infantado

Worthy State Deputy,

The Budget Committee works hand in hand with the Audit team. As Chairman of Budget Committee, my goal is to balance the budget, and present it to State Deputy in charge. The State Deputy gives the final say on whether that budget is approved or not. It was last year, when we learned the Chairman of Budget will be the State Treasurer automatically.



State Treasurer

Last April 17th, we set up a virtual meeting with Audit Chairman Tom Gurgui who resides in Reno, Nevada. A budget proposal was discussed to make sure income/expense ratio is proportional. We looked into Quickbooks to see the difference between Actual vs Budget last year and this year. In this way, we can determine whether there's a need to add or if budget cuts are needed.

With the assistance of WSD Toni Pascua, we were able to form an Audit Team composed of Chairman Tom Gurgui, DGK Al Pena, SK Daniel Barry and WGK Raul Abejuela. On the Budget team, we have SK Nestor Tan and me.

The budget for 2021-2022 has been approved and Council per capita will remain the same.

For 365 Budget, Audit team acknowledges that the state officers have done an excellent job of revising the operating procedures for the 365 Club in the last two years. They recommend that the state officers be acknowledged for their excellent work here and hope that councils once again feel confident in the effectiveness of the 365 Club and support it accordingly.

Thank you and God bless!

State Advocate

SK John D Long, Esquire



State Advocate

Dear WSD Toni Pascua,

This has been my second year for the present position, and I thank all State Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights and many brother knights for their support and patience during execution of my duties.

PROTECTING GOD’S CHILDREN (PGC) North and SAFE ENVIRONMENT (SE) South: Across the board in the area of child abuse, insurers are beginning to report a **TSUNAMI** of lawsuits being filed against **ALL** religious organizations, churches, youth organizations and organizations that have access to children. It is more important than ever that we move our knights into and through these diocesan child safety programs. Council and State officers and other members mandated by Supreme to take the Knights child protection program also need to go through the Knights training as well. These child protection programs arm our participating brothers with detection knowledge and reporting capability that allows them to be the “boots on the ground” AWACS (Airborne Warning and Control System) for all knights, parish, church and beyond events. Our participating brothers in going about their activities will have the knowledge and skills to be aware, look out, and watch over our children. As knights, fathers, grandfathers, uncles, brothers, cousins we owe our young to watch over them and give them the “herd protection” that these children deserve. The PGC/SE programs are like vaccine programs (herd immunity) provide a “Safety in Numbers”. This is the safety that the Knights can give to our youth. If a council has any concerns regarding the PGC/SE programs or regarding child safety issues, the respective council **should contact me directly and immediately.**

INSURANCE: I have continued to review the insurance coverage documents used to secure the necessary liability insurance that the Nevada State Council provides for Knight state-wide activities. I have provided assistance in matters of insurance coverage and litigation regarding our insurance. If a council has any concerns regarding the insurance coverage for their activities, the respective council should have their District Deputy contact me.

GAMING: In the past I have helped several councils properly interact with the Nevada Gaming Board when hosting gaming events. It is very important that if any council is putting forth BINGO games, raffles, card tournaments, lotteries or ANY other forms of activities that can even remotely look like a game of chance that said council has to be **in complete compliance** with the Nevada gaming rules and regulations as overseen by the Nevada Gaming Board. The absolutely the last thing you want to have appear at such events is the guns and badges people of the Nevada Gaming Board show up and shut down your event.

Let me assure you that any thought of being just a small council activity, parish BINGO, or alike will surely not attract the attention or come under auspices of the Nevada Gaming Board is a wrong

assumption. The Nevada Gaming Board can and will come down on such activities and YOU like an *old building*. The Nevada Gaming Board has shut down Las Vegas nursing home BINGO games for giving out simple toiletries as winnings for the failure to properly report such activities to the Nevada Gaming Board.

DO not mess around on this area by expecting forgiveness because you are a small religious charitable entity, you will not get any.

TAX Issues: IRS form 990 need to be filed by the council. For the vast majority of the councils, they can file the electronic postcard 990-N return (simply stating they have \$50,000.00 or less in annual gross receipts) every year by the 15th day of the 5th month after the close of your council fiscal year (e.g., Columbian or business year depending on the council's accounting practices.)

If your council owns a non-for-profit company or otherwise has non-for-profit company formed by the council make sure that you have PROPER access to SOUND financial/tax advice (READ: get a certified public accountant that is well-versed in non-for-profit tax law and stick to that person like glue). Neither I, the State Council or Supreme Council can help you if you get into IRS trouble with such non-for-profit entities. There is a reason why Supreme Council is wanting to move such council investments in such entities into Knights of Columbus investment vehicles.

Sincerely,

State Warden

SK Tom Villardi



State Warden

Worthy State Officers, State Directors, State Chairman, District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Worthy Brothers,

First, let me say that it has been an honor and a privilege serving as the Nevada State Warden for 2020 thru 2021. Thank you to our State Deputy Toni Pascua and the other state officers for making this past very difficult year a lot more productive than we could have imagined in this situation.

The beginning of my time in office was not an easy one. Ending up in the VA Hospital for nine weeks with COVID would not have been on my to do list, but as my wife says, God had more for me to do, so against some predictions from a couple of my doctors, I survived. After some time to gain my strength back, I jumped back into the work at hand.

On December 5th I hosted a virtual midyear meeting at my office and was really pleased to be back in action with my brother Knights. Afterwards we did an inventory of all the states assets to make sure we were ready for the year ahead.

I had been the State Membership director before I got sick but of course unable to perform the job during my illness. But as I grew in strength, I picked up the pace and went to several other councils to help them with recruiting. I have recruited several new members myself for my council 9102 which will result in them being a double star for this past year.

November 2020 COVID hit our parish and our Priest and parish office staff all tested positive. I, as the head usher and a trusted friend to our Priest were given the task of taking care of the church and helping the visiting Priests. I recruited both Knights and assigned the various duties needed to be done before, during and after each mass. Everything went smoothly and Father Gerry repeatedly thanks the council for all their services to the church and the community.

January, Our Lady of Las Vegas hosted the Requiem Mass for all our brother Knights that passed away the year before. It was open to all that wanted to acknowledge someone they lost and my wife cried, grateful I was not on that list. I was instrumental in making this happen with the office staff because I knew so many had died without a loved one by their side and this was a way to honor them.

Mid-February we put together a formation degree held at Our Lady of Las Vegas. It was presided over by Bishop Thomas and Father Gerry. Our formation team was congratulated for their professionalism and 35 new members received their second and third degrees. I continue to monitor the new memberships sent to me by Supreme and encourage the new member to take the step and do the formation online if a live one is not available.

February also brought the season of Lent. Council 9102 in conjunction with the Women's Guild of OLLV created a drive thru fish fry. Our council had always done 7 weeks of Lenten suppers but this year we had a dilemma with "social distancing" and not being able to use the halls for dining in at the parish center. I had attended other councils drive thru fish fries prior to Lent and convinced the council we could do this, so along with the support for our ladies we were able to make this happen.

March marks the time the Women's Guild collect diapers to donate to Catholic Charities but once again we are not living in what is norm for us. The year before the collection was 90,000 diapers but with the church having its restrictions on attendance and the fear for some people during this illness this was not normal times. This time they recruited us to help in the collection and distribution and together we donated 30,000 diapers and various amounts of baby wipes and formula to Catholic Charities.

April is the Tootsie Roll Drive and Brother John, the chairman, and I went from council to council distributing them. I know that with help of our priest Father Gerry, our collection was very good. Seminarian Raffle is another project I took on. Initially we printed 40,000 tickets but recently I had to have an addition 10,000 printed. I kept in constant contact with all the Grand Knights, north and south and our raffle ticket sales have really gone up.

During all these months I have continued in the monthly virtual district deputy meetings and state officer meetings. I have attended a live formation degree at Immaculate Conception Church in Sparks, and another locally just this last week here in Las Vegas. I have also had the opportunity to help with disputes other councils were having with their church or with each other. I have continued to support Veteran's Village along with brother Rick Houle by delivering water monthly.

Along with our Worthy State Secretary I have been reaching out to each council for delegates to attend the 2021 Convention and we have had a great success of 71 delegates going to attend. My wife and I have been very active in the preparation for the convention, and we are looking forward to Lake Tahoe.

In conclusion, I want to thank all my brother Knights especially our Worthy State Deputy as well as the other state officers and thank you to my council 9102 for all your prayers. I would not have made it if not for you and my family.

Vivat Jesus!

State Executive Secretary

SK Al Cuccinelli



Executive Secretary

Brother Knights,

Throughout this Fraternal Year I have had the pleasure and honor of serving our State Deputy Toni Pascua and the State Officers. During the course of the year, we have been successful in establishing goals and meeting these objectives.

Listed below are highlights of my duties and responsibilities during this year.

Communication and Meetings

- 1.Circulation and distribution of State Chaplain's communications
- 2.Communication to District Deputies, Directors, Chairmen, Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries of ongoing events, exemplifications, etc.

Reports and Projects

- 1.Editor and distributed Silver Knight Newsletter on a monthly basis
- 2.Created and maintained Nevada State Directory
- 3.Coordination of the Nevada Requiem Mass – OLLV - January 6, 2021
- 4.Facilitation of the Nevada Gaming Board Approval for the 2020-2021 Seminarian Education Raffle

Activities

- 1.Meetings with State Deputy, State Council Officers and Regional Development Director
- 2.Monthly District Deputy Meetings
- 3.Supreme Annual Convention (virtually)
- 4.Mid-year Convention (virtually)
- 5.Council Exemplifications
- 6.State Convention Status and Planning Meetings

The accomplishments of the State Team this year has been nothing short of astounding, especially when considering the pandemic and the lockdowns that we had to endure. Our State Deputy Toni Pascua, State Chaplain Fr. Manny Guico and State Warden Tom Villardi have not let this stand in the way of our recruiting efforts, and we have led the Knights of Columbus worldwide numerous times this year in membership goal targets, truly a remarkable endeavor. Our State leaders have consistently worked as a cohesive unit to meet the goals and objectives of the State and the Order. It has been my honor to serve them during this year and I am looking forward to achieving even greater milestones with the new State Leadership this coming year.

Vivat Jesus!

Annual Reports - District Deputies

District #1

SK Matthew P Mareno



District Deputy
District #1

District 1 is made up of the following Councils:

- Nevada State Council 978, Nevada's oldest council, supports St. Thomas Aquinas Cathedral Parish in Reno.
- Msgr. Patrick J Connors Council 4997 supports Our Lady of the Snows Parish in Reno.
- Christ the King Council 7322 supports St. Albert the Great Parish in Reno and provides additional support to Holy Family Parish in Portola, CA, Holy Rosary Mission Parish in Loyalton, CA and St. John the Evangelist Parish in Quincy, CA with a roundtable council.
- University of Nevada Council 16207, Nevada's youngest council, supports Our Lady of Wisdom parish in Reno.

The COVID year was one of many challenges and opportunities for the councils in District 1. To begin the year, parishes had just opened up to allowing 50 people to attend their masses with additional steps of 25%, 35% and 50% of capacity as the year progressed and the anticipated removal of restrictions in June. Throughout this process, the knights of District 1 at their respective parishes were leaned on for support with all aspects of mass that were impacted. Many fundraisers and events were not possible in their traditional forms and District 1 did a good job of adapting to the times. All councils in this district are expected to achieve at least the Founders and Columbian awards this year and we should have representation from all at the State Convention where we look forward to hosting you in our hospitality suite. More information on the achievements of each council can be found in their sections to follow.

Council 978

Nevada State Council 978 focused their efforts on checking in on their brothers and fundraisers and events as allowed by their pastor. They were able to continue holding business meetings virtually to start and in a hybrid manner as the year went on. Upon their shift to virtual meetings and the height of lockdown, Grand Knight, Dan Dexter formulated a plan to reach out and check in on all the brother knights belonging to the council. These check-ins served as a distraction or release from the stress, fear and loneliness that came about due to COVID social isolation and truly exemplified the reason Blessed Michael McGivney founded the Knights in the first place. The major fundraisers held by council 978 did not happen, but they were still able to donate to their worthy causes including a sizeable donation to the Marvin Picollo school for people with special needs aged three to twenty-two, three scholarships for students attending Bishop Manogue Catholic High School and a donation to El Padrecito Ministries supporting the evangelization of underprivileged youth in Guadalupe, California. They again had several key members of the council pass away over the course of the last year and provided support to those family members who survived them. They were able to finance their charitable doings with funds raised in prior years and turnover sales which were allowed to resume in a safe manner over the course of the year.

Council 4997

Monsignor Patrick J Connors Council 4997 continued their great work with the parish of Our Lady of the Snows in Reno and were able to safely hold many events and fundraisers over the course of the year. In the beginning of the fraternal year, this council determined that it would be possible to hold in-person meetings with the sign-off from their pastor and was able to continue that throughout the year. Their bi-monthly bingo continued safely as a good revenue stream to support their charitable causes. Thanks to the inspiration from some councils in the Las Vegas area, they were able to pivot to a curbside fish fry during lent that proved to be well received by parishioners and raise additional funds for the council. This council also was able to host their first parish golf tournament this year and hopes to add it to their lineup of annual fundraisers. They maintained a busy schedule with bi-weekly food distribution with Catholic Charities, blood drives, sanitization of the church and parish center, moving services for a parishioner who had their house burn down, the donation of a lit marquee sign for the parish center, the 5th Sunday Rosary program, a Rosary Novena for the family of PSD Jim Kelly, participation in the 40 Days for Life campaign and the hosting of a reciting of the Stations of the Cross during Lent.

Council 7322

A tough year for all presented many opportunities for the brother knights of Christ the King council 7322 to step up and help out those in need. COVID forced the council out of their chambers for meetings as the school children needed additional classroom space which was happily provided. One of the most active members of the parish and PGK Chris Welsh succumbed to lung cancer and the brother knights jumped in to fill the void left behind. Two notable programs that were picked up were the RCIA program and That Man is You. When the principal of the school announced her resignation, a brother knight was there to step in and guide the school through a very difficult time. Another brother knight stepped into the parish operations manager role, further cementing the support of the parish by the Knights. The main fundraiser for the year was their memorial golf tournament, which was well supported by the parish community, but they were also able to host two parish breakfasts which marked an exciting step towards normalcy for the people of the parish. Normally, council 7322 hosts a Turkey Bingo fundraiser each year, but this year they thought outside the box and transitioned to a raffle event which was a success. The council participated in many service programs including the last Sunday Rosary, divine mercy chaplet and mass, hosting of the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent, the procession of the cross on Good Friday, a respect life adoration and mass in lieu of sending a bus to the march for life, the campaign to support people with intellectual disabilities, numerous blood drives, two scholarships to students attending Bishop Manogue Catholic High School, support of Scouting BSA with car judging and participation in the pinewood derby, Knight and family of the month recognition and the donation of a statue of Saint Joseph for the sanctuary. The council was able to grow through the pandemic and expects to qualify for star council this year.

Council 16207

If any council was best prepared to weather the storm of virtual meetings and clever solutions, it was the University of Nevada Council 16207 in their support of Our Lady of Wisdom Newman Center and the local community. Most of the members in this council are students who are very

open to virtual meetings and don't require much direction on that front. Any other year the planning of fundraisers would be tough, and this year proved even more difficult. Many members were providing their support from other cities as the school suggested that students not return to campus following Thanksgiving. Council 16207 did their part this year by continuing their diaper drive, bi-weekly rosaries, recording Father Nathan's homilies each week and posting them to the parish social media channels in lieu of mass each week, doing an exterior cleanup of the church and Newman Center, recording and performing in the living stations of the cross, monthly food preparation for Catholic Charities and their support of parish retreats.

District #2

SK Herbert A Melendez



District Deputy
District #2

Dear Brother Knights,

The peace of the Risen Christ be we all of us as we face these difficult times.

First of all, I want to thank our WSD Toni Pascua for trusting me to continue leading District 2. We started the fraternal year in the middle of worst pandemic and with so many restrictions that we were so limited on training an any onboarding we needed to do.

We started the fraternal year with some realignments, council 2380 was removed from district two and realign back to district 4, this was a logistic moved that made sense because of the geographical location.

One of my goals during the fraternal year was to maintain continuity and give the council a sense of fraternity and belonging in a time when we were forced to stay away from each other.

We started the fraternal year with two new Grand Knights. Brother Leo Carew took the reins at Immaculate conception in Sparks and Brother Mike North was elected Grand Knight at Saint Michael in Stead. We got to work immediately, we started with the installation of officers at Immaculate Conception in Sparks, the week after we installed the officers of 4928 at Holy Cross in Sparks and two weeks later, we held a ceremony where officers at Saint Michaels were installed.

After the installation of officers, I thought it was important to make sure we could continue to meet and let all the members know we were still active. Council 4928 opted to meet virtually via internet meetings. Immaculate conception opted to have in person meetings, following all State and local mandates as well as CDC guidelines the council had met regularly and continued to serve their pastor, the parish and the community. Saint Michael also decided to meet in person as it fit was the council direction.

I attended as many meetings as I possible could, and all of these three councils showed the same common factor, their willingness to work despite all of the obstacles they were facing during this pandemic. Council 4928 started a new program, by teaming up with Sprouts, a local supermarket, they were able to collect and deliver food to families in need in the area, they also host an appreciation lunch for first responders and continued to push first Friday adoration. Council 12877 reach out to their pastor and asked what they could do to serve the parish, they started a clean-up project as well as an ushering program, one of the highlights for the district was a mass celebrated by bishop Calvo in honor of Father McGivney.

One of the biggest challenges we have, and we will need to work on, is the rebuilding of council 14588. Little Flower church has a new pastor, Father Paul McCollum and Father Arlon Vergara want and need an active council, as the pandemic starts to wind down, we need to focus on rebuilding the council and lighting the Knights of Columbus fire there.

This has been a remarkable yet challenging year with the widespread of Corona Virus in 2020, the shutdown of our business and churches has disrupted our way of living and our form of life, yet the knights of Columbus have found a way to continue going, because we know we are doing the work of God and we are here to support our church and our pastors.

I want to finish my report by extending my gratitude to all of you brothers in Christ for your hard work and dedication to the kingdom of God and for the brotherhood that you have giving me this past year.

Yours truly,

District #3

SK Steven P Schiwart



District Deputy
District #3

Greetings Brother Knights and State Convention Delegates,

God bless you and your families and may God's Grace keep you safe in these troubled times.

I would like to thank our State Deputy Toni Pascua and DD2 Herbert Melendez for offering me the District #3 position. I was honored to accept the position for 2020-2021.

District #3 consists of Councils 4828 in Fallon NV, 6688 in Yerington/Smith Valley NV, 13879 in Fernley NV and 13924 in Dayton NV

Fallon Council 4828, at St Patrick's Church in Fallon has remained active throughout the last year even though they have not been able to hold any meetings at the Church. Special thanks to PGK Matt Louie for holding their council and the 4th degree meetings at his cabinet shop. It was a dusty but allowed the Brother Knights to enjoy a little fellowship during these trying times. I had the pleasure of attending their Officers Installation in July last year.

St. John Paul II the Great Council 6688 splits their time between Holy Family church in Yerington NV, Our Lady of Perpetual Help at Hawthorne NV, and St John the Baptist Mission in Smith Valley NV. God bless them for the work they do while juggling these three churches. As with all the other Councils in the District, 6688 had issues holding meetings during the Covid year, though they remained productive while completing Gods work at their respective communities.

St. Robert Bellarmine Council 13897, at St Robert Bellarmine Church in Fernley NV has had a busy year while maintaining the CDC guidelines. They hold their meetings in the foyer of the Church and have not missed any meetings this last year. St Robert Council is regularly active in their community supporting the food pantry in the church, doing their outreach and providing support to their pastor. I had the pleasure of attending their officer's installation in August last year and look forward to presenting their Star (maybe Double) this next year. Thank you all for the outstanding work this last year.

St. Ann of the Comstock Council 13924, at St. Ann's Church in Dayton NV is a small, mighty group of dedicated Knights, who with their families do an excellent job in and around their church and community. I have asked for their support moving furniture and other household goods to support their upcoming rummage sale. No matter what I have asked for, 13924 has provided outstanding support above and beyond what was expected. I also had the pleasure of attending their officers installation last year and look forward to doing the same this next year.

Being the first year District Deputy for this exceptional group of Knights has been my honor and pleasure. Taking on an assignment like this can be difficult but is always rewarding. I would also like to thank Past DD Pete Comerford as well as the NV State Officers for their support and guidance. God Bless all of you and your families, stay safe in your travels and during the next year.

Thank you

District #4

SK Michael Houdyshell

Worthy Delegates,

This year has presented many challenges for all the councils in District #4. The Bishop of Reno has placed restriction as well as the Governor and the CDC. The councils in district four have worked with their priests and parishes to continue their good works of charity and membership growth. The councils all have plans for charitable activities as the restrictions are rescinded.



District Deputy
District #4

Activities for:

- Council 4781 St. Teresa, Carson City

Cash donations to Bishop Manogue HS, Three 8th grade graduates Carson city, Leave No Neighbor Behind campaign, Meals on wheels Carson City, St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Teresa Parish.

Promoted Pro life license plate initiative, Conducted stations of the cross for lent, Conducted a recruitment drive for 40 days for life Campaign. Promoted Rosary for Marriage, helped with ashes on Ash Wednesday, Provided Honor Guard for Holy Thursday Minister Recommissioning Mass. They are meeting in person at the church.

- Council 12845 St Gall, Gardnerville

This council has been busy helping the church and community. Brother Knights have been helping take temps and seat parishioners as usher and greeters for mass. Been helping weekly with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. They hold a monthly food drive for the community food closet. The Knights also lead the charge for divine Mercy Sunday with a great attendance. They gave the new priest \$5000.00 for moving expenses, built a fence at the rectory, and helped move furniture for Father. Several of the Brother Knights help move two retired priests into a new home. They have been planning to start bingo, their major fund raiser in august. They are having a golf tournament that is a large fund raiser the first weekend in May. They have been meeting in person.

- Council 13842 St Rose, Reno

This council has been meeting outside in the parking lot and has now moved to inside meetings. They have been teamed up with the ushers. They also did stations of the cross for Lent. They are focused on seminarian ticket sale and having great success. They are now working on fund raising ideas when covid restrictions are lifted.

- Council 13944 St Francis, Incline Village

These brothers do a weekly food drive feeding between 75 and 100 families. They have started do some home deliveries for the home bound. This council was active in the 40 days for Life prayer vigils in Reno. They assist with Adoration on a weekly basis. The brothers lead the Stations of the cross during lent. They were meeting out in the church parking lot and now indoor meetings.

All these councils have good leadership and will continue to grow. They are in the planning stages for the coming new fraternal year. It has been great to meet all these great brothers in my first year as DD. I look forward to an even greater next year.

District #5

SK Joe Alvin Haun



State Secretary & Acting
District #5 District Deputy

The District has done fairly well this Fraternal Year. This Annual Report describes the current condition of the District and the Councils participation within the District for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year.

District 5 consist of four Councils: 2380, 2511, 2666, and 11512. Council 2380, Battle Mountain Council, is located at St John Bosco Parish in Battle Mountain, Nevada. Council 2511, Elko Council, is located at St Joseph's Church in Elko, Nevada. Council 2666, Winnemucca Council, is located in St. Paul's Church in Winnemucca, Nevada. And Council 11512, St Thomas Aquinas Council, is located in St Thomas Aquinas Church in Wells, Nevada. All four Councils lie along the I-80 corridor (aka Cowboy Territory) in Northeast Nevada.

Due to the pandemic, for the major part of the Fraternal Year, most meetings and communication between the District Deputy and the Council's Grand Knights has been through virtual meetings and telephone conversations. The Councils have not been able to meet in person until this month. This limited access to the Church and its facilities have significantly reduced the Councils abilities to provide programs on the church property and within the local communities. Never the less, the Councils have kept in close contact with their membership, and have assisted Brother Knights and the Parish when possible.

Summarizing the District Deputies activities with the Councils.

From July 2020 to December 2020, the District did not have an appointed District Deputy. The State's leadership made efforts to find and train a District Deputy, but no suitable District Deputy candidate was identified. The State leadership provided support to the District's councils and filled in were possible. Due to no appointed District Deputy, all four Councils were slow to start the Fraternal Year.

In January, the State Deputy appointed as Acting District Deputy for District 5 the State Secretary, Joe Alvin Haun. His first initiative was to determine the status of all four Councils. After a careful review of the Supreme Reports available on the Supreme website, it was determined that all of the Councils were behind in submitting all of the Supreme required Forms and Surveys, and Audits. The Acting District Deputy then contacted each Council Grand Knight and gave instructions on how to complete the Forms, Survey, and Audit. Within in a month all four Councils had submitted their Forms 185, 365, 1765, and Audits, and paid their State's Per Capita. District 5 was the first District in Nevada to have all of its Councils to pay their State's Per Capita this Fraternal Year. Three of the Councils (2380, 2511, and 2666) were able to assign Council Members to the Safe Environment Program. Since there are only two active council members in Wells, Nevada, Council 11512 was not

able to complete this Form 365. However, Council 11512 was able to complete their Council Audit and submitted Audit Form to the State Deputy.

Acting District Deputy State Secretary Joe Alvin Haun attend Council virtual meetings in February, March, and April 2021. In March, the Acting District Deputy sit-up a meeting with the Council officers in Winnemucca, Battle Mountain, and Elko. Due to a major Snow Storm, the Acting District Deputy was not able to reach Battle Mountain or Elko and the meetings were canceled. The Acting District Deputy was able to attend Mass in Winnemucca and afterwards meet with the Council's Trustees.

The Acting District Deputy also attended all monthly District Deputy meetings with the State Council. In the monthly meetings, the Acting District Deputy, reported on the Status of the District and the Councils. In April and May, Councils 2380, 2511, and 2666 were slowly recovering from the pandemic as the Nevada State Governor Sisolak and Bishop Calvo of the Reno Dioceses gradually lifted restrictions on the church and the Parishes. Most of these Councils are now returning to in-person Council General Business Meetings.

Council 11512 in Wells, Nevada is completely inactive. The council has been nearly inactive for the past several years; the pandemic has only exacerbated the situation. At the end of April 2021 the Grand Knight and Financial Secretary meet and closed the Council's bank account, and turn over the books and property to another Knight. There are only two possible solutions for this Council: a massive membership drive as soon as possible or to merge the council with the Council in Elko, Nevada (approximately 50 miles to the west). Either in the remainder of this Fraternal Year or in the next Fraternal Year with a newly appointed District Deputy or Acting District Deputy, a final solution is needed.

Although Council 11512 is nearly inactive. I think that an active and local District Deputy and Parish Priest can revitalize the Council. The District Deputy will need to work with Parish Priest, the members of the Parish, and the two remaining active members to build-up the Council. If this is not accomplished, then the Elko Council should absorb the Council in Wells, Nevada.

Nevada District 5 is capable of performing well again. The pandemic has made it difficult for the Councils to provide programs and recruit new members. However, I especially have confidence that the three main Councils are more than willing to re-establish their roles in their Parishes. If they are actively in the parish, they will begin recruiting new members once again.

Through all of the Councils working together in not only support and guidance, but also positive creative ideas and "Can-Do" attitudes, the District is capable of overcome the pandemic and regaining their confidence within the District and the Nevada jurisdiction. I thank all of my Brother Knights and their families within the District for what they have done this difficult and unusual Fraternal Year. None of us could have ever provided the remarkable gifts and talents within our Parishes and Communities without each other and answered prayers.

Vivat Jesus!

District #6

SK Luis F Herrera

District Deputy
District #6

Worthy Officials of the State of Nevada:

These are the most outstanding issues of the councils under my charge.

We had with great success our first exemplification of 1, 2 and 3 grades in Spanish, openly and with the participation of our families, under the shelter of the host WGK Deacon Dave, at the PoP Hall, with the assistance of Father Rolando and the senior state officials.

Council# 9437 St Anne

Although it has been a difficult year for COVID-19, our council has not stopped participating in the limited activities that our parish has allowed. It has been supported with activities selling food for fundraising, the traditional sale of taco fish to take away was carried out during Lent, we have served as ushers in almost all the masses of the year in English, because that is where our priests do not have the support of parishioners. The sale of coffee with donuts to take away after the morning masses on Sunday was maintained as much as possible. Most of the monthly council meetings were held. 2 exemplifications were carried out in Spanish. A donation of \$ 1,000 was made to Father Miguel in support of the decrease in collections due to the pandemic.

Although this council is registered in English, most of the activities and meetings are held in Spanish.

I acknowledge and thank your WGK Carlos for his enthusiasm and support throughout the year.

Council #5448 St Christopher

Also due to the pandemic, most of the meetings and activities took place outdoors. I want to acknowledge our young WGK Kevin from this council because with his performance he gives us a good example of courage and determination, which has managed to keep the group together and has earned the respect and support of most of our members of his council even though they are older than him.

They have participated in most of the activities of the temple, especially of Ushers and in obtaining funds in support of the economic crisis caused by the pandemic. Most of the monthly meetings were held elsewhere, due to the pandemic.

Although this council is registered in Spanish, most of the activities and meetings are held in English.

Council #9899 Prince of Peace:

It has been our flagship council due to the great commitment and leadership of our WGK Deacon David Walker, whom we nominated as GK of the year. My respect, admiration and support to this excellent WGK Deacon Dave for his great commitment and outstanding performance.

Every month we participated in the Family of the Month. Our FOM is selected and entered with Supreme and announced in the parish bulletin.

In July 2020 - Donated \$ 700.00 to Father Rolando, pastor of Prince of Peace to help offset the financial loss of decreased offerings during COVID-19.

In September 2020 Tootsie Roll Sales - Fund raiser for people with mental disabilities. 2nd and 3rd weekend of the month. Before and after every Mass. Also \$ 1,346.84 funds went to charity divided equally between the Blind Center and Down Syndrome of Southern Nevada.

In October 2020- 9899 joined Brother Knights and fellow Catholics around the world in a Novena for the Cause of Life beginning on Sunday, Oct. 4, and ending on Monday, Oct. 12. Also ran running narratives in the parish bulletin every Sunday explaining of Faithful Citizenship in English and Spanish. We too Co-sponsored and advertised America Needs Fatima rosary crusade at Prince of Peace. 103rd Anniversary of the miracle of the Sun. 2-2- Public Square Rosary Rally. 40 people showed with 6 knights from 9899.

In November 2020-Weekend of 7th and 8th - Pulpit talks and sponsored signing of petition at all Masses for Initiative Petition - Statewide Statutory Measure S-04-2020 to amend NRS 442.255 Protect Our Girls. Petition to get legislative action to make enforceable the already passed law the make mandatory the informing of parents when a girl under age 18 requests an abortion before the abortion is performed. Also Opened a fund raising page for KofC Coats for Kids and made a \$ 60 Donation. As of 11/6 donations totaled \$ 700.00. With Supreme matching total doubles. <https://donate.kofccharities.org/team/330639>

On December 1st 2020 - Keep Christ in Christmas. Distributed 200 "The Story of Christmas" bilingual coloring books to PoP First Communion Faith Formation classes.

On January 12th 2021- Donated \$ 360 to local AA Homeless Shelter through social worker and parishioner Bathsheba Maalouf. The monies and prayers helped get a 52-year old woman alcoholic off the streets and cleaned up and in to the AA Program. Also Virtual March for Life.

GK personally invited 93 members and their families, ministers at Prince of Peace Parish and Catholics in local parishes to be Pro-Life by watching the virtual march on EWTN, YouTube Facebook or the March for Life website. At least 25 participated virtually.

On February 4th 2021 - From January 9th to February 24th ran the Family Fully Alive program. Handed out booklets, posters on the board, made announcements.

On March 12th 2021 - Stations of the Cross led by GK Deacon Dave and Brs. Larry Miranda and Jose Torres. Appx / 60 parishioners attended. Also 9899'a first Walk for Life at Prince of Peace Church. Well received. Processed around the parking lot. Used the Choose Life KofC posters; Guide to Praying the Rosary brochures and Consecration to the Holy Family material.

On April 2, 2021 - Good Friday Family Promotion: Used the Good Friday posters and the Christian Refugee Relief Prayer Cards during the Good Friday English and Spanish liturgies. Many people stopped and looked at the posters and picked up the cards. (Columbian Award SP-7). Also Completed the online Holy Family Rosary Novena led by Nevada State Family Director SK AL S. Pena and 5 other brothers throughout the State of Nevada. We also made Tootsie Roll Drive at all ten English and Spanish Masses. Grossed \$ 2,199.32. Total of 95 volunteer hours.

Although this council is registered in Spanish, most of the activities and meetings are held in English.

General Information Highlighted:

I also inform you that in the case of my three active councils the general concern is the same in the matter of former active members who no longer participate in each parish. As they are councils of recent reactivation, it was carried out with all active members and the necessary support has not been received to terminate all the previous ones, which has caused not only the discomfort of our current members but also the loss due to desertion of some due to this problem. Hopefully this matter can take turns who can solve it before losing more members.

I consider that although in these councils under my charge they are predominantly Hispanic, we have had very little response from my Hispanic brothers, and I think in the first place because some lazy, somewhat jealous and selfish, which requires prudent and considerate leadership, which it is not easy. I also think that these councils have not been believed to their potential because they are young between 20 and 50 years old and the vast majority still work full time, which makes it impossible for them to actively participate and even attend meetings.

I have received correspondence of collections from Council# 13691, of which no one informed me, nor did I deliver, nor do I know where it is or what its situation is.

District #7

SK Charles P Reifsnyder



District Deputy
District #7

District 7 Councils are back to regular in-person monthly meetings and socials working with their Chaplains to comply with Diocesan restrictions for participation. The Councils within District 7 have been heavily involved in effort to assure success of their respective parishes over the past Fraternal Year during the heavy restrictions placed upon attendance at Mass. Council 13754, La Virgin de Guadalupe, was active in recording and making all Masses available online for the parishioners who could not get into the church due to the participation restrictions.

Council 1340, at the time of this submission, has scheduled an Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity that will include sufficient candidates to meet its recruitment goal, but will not address the three who were dropped with the involvement of the State Retention Chairman, it will also advance current members who have yet to attain their third degree. Council 11179 will have no recruitment again this year and remain an inactive council, but the District is accountable to recruit 12 new members for the Council in Logandale. Council 13754, La Virgin de Guadalupe, has advised that they are holding on their current candidates until they are ready to present the exemplification from memory as they feel that the online, taped or read ceremonies are not well accepted by new members.

The insurance status of the Councils toward their awards is currently unknown, however, the program levels supported by both 1340 and 13754 are sufficient to earn the Colombian Award, neither Council or District 7 are expected to achieve the Star Council or Star District Award solely due to neither council being fully compliant with their safe environment training requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

District #8

SK Gerry A Rockwell



District Deputy
District #8

Worthy State Deputy,

It is an honor to be a District Deputy and I am very excited to work with State Officers, GKs, Chairmen and my fellow District Deputies. Thank you for all your support and hard work! I am looking forward to work with State again in the next fraternal year.

Council 9102

- We did Fish Fry during lent and it turned out really good. Fr. Gerry has been supportive of the Knights but they have a lot of work to do.
- One the good things they have done for the church is the maintenance assistance which includes lawn mowing, fixing sprinklers and gardening.
- The Knights has assisted in kids' safety during the time they get off from the school to the church. They protection is very important since they don't have limited security guards there.
- The Knights celebrated the 500th year anniversary of Christianity in the Philippines. The mass held at Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church. The Knights were the ushers and they did check the temperature of parishioners.
- They Tootsie Roll drive is still ongoing and so far, it is going well.

Council 13392

- Fr. Faustino refused to be a member of the Knights of Columbus for some reasons. He had bad experience during his tenure as a priest in Texas.
- They expect not to get Star Council this year. Their reasoning is pandemic.
- Brothers assisted in Pasyon during Lent where there was prayer novena.
- One of the good things that the council did was the Fish Fry. The collection was donated to Fr. Faustino.
- Simbang Gabi was held and Knights assisted in ushering, choir and lecturing.
- The council collected items to be donated to the poor. GK Mariano, DGK Eric and State Treasurer Meynard distributed the clothes and food to the homeless during Christmas season.
- They are doing daily Holy Family Prayer Group and Novena for brothers who died of covid.

Council 2828

- They support Joan of Arc Church in general. They used to do Pancake breakfast every month but got halted because for the pandemic
- GK Brian Bien is very supportive of Fr. John McShane on his Feed the Homeless drive.

Thank you and God Bless!

District #9

SK Raymond A Foster



**District Deputy
District #9**

Worthy State Deputy, Worthy State Secretary Greetings,

This is a brief summary of my activities from March 16th, 2020 to March 15th, 2021.

In the months of March and April and in height of the pandemic lock down and Churches were closed except for masses many were being held online and normal Council in person events, i.e. fund raisers various drives had been canceled I made myself available via phone, text, and E-mail to my Councils encouraging that they also stay in contact with their members and assisting the parishioners of their church following State & CDC procedures.

I informed Councils about the Faith in Action programs available to help them how to stay active regardless of restrictions of the lock down and to attend the Webinars available.

I attended online meetings whenever possible or if I was attending another Council meeting if I couldn't attend I contacted the GK from that Council by phone or e-mail or text and addressed their needs or questions and what was going on in their councils important information was passed to each GK of each council regarding the new award requirements and the reduction of Supreme per capita and Catholic advertising also encouraging councils to use E-Membership whenever possible and that the \$30.00 registration fee had been waived.

I attended every State Officer / District Deputy meeting in 2020 to learn of new events and important information that needed to be shared with my Councils.

In the Months of May, June & July I followed up with each council to ensure that they were filling their audits and completing their 365 and 1728 & SP-7 forms in a timely manner also informing each Council about having their Directors and Chairmen to get compliant with the safe environment program. A District organizational meeting was also held in July via phone conference.

I attended each of my Council meetings online to perform Officer Installations using the new Online Installation of Officers Guide from Supreme I also attended the first online Year End meeting including councils from District 9.

I attended and assisted with the live membership drives held at Christ the King in August and September in October I assisted with the Member ship drives at St. Joseph Husband of Mary Also in October I attended the Beautification of the Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney mass celebrated at Holy Spirit Catholic Church including assisting with a member ship drive that had been held at Holy Spirit earlier.

In November I attended online meetings held by my Councils and encouraged all Councils to attend the Fraternal Benefits Seminars explaining that attending these Seminars would count in one of the Faith in Action categories I attended a live business meeting held at Our Lady of the Valley in Nye County

I attended a live Business meeting for Holy Spirit Council and awarded the immediate Past GK Gregg Turley who was in his residence in Maine and was online during the meeting and his Council their 6 Star Council Award for 2019-2020 in November I also attended Council 10442 Keep Christ In Christmas Button Drive at St. Joseph Husband of Mary in the Plaza that month.

In December I assisted with Holy Spirit Councils first no contact fish fry that was held in the parking lot at Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

I attended the online Mid Year meeting that was held at the Worthy Warden's office.

In January 2021 I attended a live formation degree held at Our Lady of Las Vegas.

In February I assisted Christ the King Council 14144 with their no contact fish fry and I assisted this council with their second fish fry

In March I assisted with Holy Spirit Council's Lenten no contact Fish Fry I was able to attend the Business meeting for Council 10780 in Nye County where I awarded GK Niel Rholeder and his Council the Columbian and Founders award for 2019-2020 Also I attended a live business meeting for Christ the King Council 14144

Assisted with Christ the King Council's third no contact Fish Fry In April I attended Christ the King Council 14144 live Business meeting where GK Al Wagner and his Council were awarded the Columbian and Founders award from 2019-2020.

I assisted with St. Joseph Husband of Mary Council's Tootsie Roll drive.

This is my report for the periods asked, DD#9

District #10

SK Matthew J Garnes

Worthy Delegates,

Here is District 10's year in review:

I started my tenure as District Deputy during the covid pandemic so I was unable to attend last years convention and training. The year proved to be challenging for all of us but all the councils in my district did a fantastic job of holding online meetings as well as in person meetings as much as restrictions and guidelines allowed. We all faced this new challenge together and looking to the future we will continue to meet any challenge that comes our way. As things continue to open up we will work to integrate the programs and events we were unable to conduct during the pandemic. I look forward to a fantastic year working with the councils in my district.



District Deputy
District #10

Council observations below:

Rosary Council #3741

For the year 2020-2021, almost all of their activities were canceled due to the pandemic. Under the continued leadership of GK Anthony Sperduti, they always met through virtual meetings which they will continue to conduct moving forward even as they move towards all meetings being in person meetings. They have done an amazing job of recruiting new members and will continue to recruit new members moving forward. They will also be increasing live activities/fund raisers etc. in and around St Peter the Apostle Church.

Sharbel Council #14820

They are in their 3rd year since it's reactivation. Through the leadership of GK Raul Abejuela and the continued support of their pastor Fr. Nadim they have been a very visible presence in and around St Sharbel Church. Even during the pandemic they held meetings and successfully organized several fundraisers and events. They are extremely motivated and excited to continue to grow as a council moving forward.

Council #13456

Unable to conduct any in person meetings due to the pandemic this council did a fantastic job of holding virtual Zoom meetings and did not miss a single meeting this past year. The council continued to conduct charitable events and fundraisers for several organizations around the valley and even ran all the booths for the last Nascar event which was a great success for the council. Under the leadership of GK Tim Cronin I am confident this council will continue to be a powerhouse moving forward.

This past year was very challenging for me as District Deputy with my extreme workload running my business, family obligations and learning the role of District Deputy mainly virtually but with the

support of our worthy delegates and former DD Dan St Pierre, I feel I have come a long way since last year. It is my plan to continue on as District Deputy for the next year and it is my hope that I can be an effective leader for the councils that I serve.

This concludes my report.

Vivat Jesus ,

District #11

SK Richard C Menard

Greetings from District #11 which encompasses Council 7708 (Holy Family in Las Vegas); 8078 (St. Andrew in Boulder City); 8282 (St. Viator in Las Vegas) and 12690 (St. John the Baptist in Laughlin).



District Deputy
District #11

It has been the most trying Fraternal year in the Knights of Columbus due to the ongoing pandemic that we have experienced since March 2020. It has been the most challenging for me as a District Deputy (a position I have served for five years in two State Jurisdictions).

The Fraternal year opened with a District Deputy meeting on June 29, 2020 with State Council advising the awards that Councils in District #11 are to receive for the 2019-2020 Fraternal year. Council 7708 was the recipient of Star Council; Council 8078, the Columbian Award; Council 8282 the Founders and Columbian Awards and Council 12690 the McGivney Award.

I was delighted to present these awards to the Councils at a face to face with Council members or the Council Grand Knights.

On July 25th, the State Organizational meeting took place doe DD's, GK's and FS's via teleconference. All goals were laid out. Membership of 6,000 members and 110% of Supremes' goal of new members. Online membership was stressed and to have Councils work as a team to push Membership. Leave No Neighbor Behind program was covered to assist parishes and organizations that can support the needy during this pandemic. The categories for Star Council were adjusted for this Fraternal year with Supreme attempting to make it easier for Council to attain this award and the Columbian, Founders and McGivney awards.

Attended the monthly DD meeting with State Officers and provided updates on status of Councils and were able to provide information to Councils on a monthly basis. An installation of Officers for all Councils took place on August 19.

Holy Family Council 7708 has had many issue holding meetings either virtual or face to face due to parish restrictions and technological challenges as well as the aged members in their Council. They were able to have their first face to face meeting on March 6, 2021. Due to COVID 19 restrictions, the Council was only able to have 12 members in attendance. They were working with State to support a seminarian in the RSVP program. Future meetings are to take place face to face at Holy Family's parish center.

St. Andrew Council 8078 has met virtually every month except in August due to technical difficulties. The Council has experienced many difficulties with attendance at these virtual meetings. The planned soccer and Free Throw challenges did not take place due to the restrictions placed on the Council by the City of Boulder City. A non-event Fundraiser took place for the Council to raise

funds for meeting their State per capita. It was successful And the Council was able to meet their financial obligations. The Council's annual Barbecue is planned for May 4 at Hemenway Park.

Council 8282 has the most active of the Councils in District #11, although they continue to meet virtually due to parish restrictions. They have still been active at the parish in the Leave No Neighbor Behind by holding food drives during this Fraternal year. They have provided support to Catholic Worker, the Safe Nest and Catholic Charities. Future food drives were on the schedule with participation from St. Viator parish on April 17 and June 12 for St. Therese Mission and the Safe Nest, respectively. The Council participated in two NASCAR weekends to fundraise. Both were successful, and the Council has been asked to participate in future races.

Council 8282 also ran a fireworks booth the week of 4th of July at the Galleria Mall in Henderson for the first time and had a successful week. A future one is planned for the week of June 28th this year. The Council also provided financial contributions through their Charity Fund. The Council provided \$5000 to St. Viator parish, with another \$5000 planned for May. Donations of \$500 each were provided to Special Olympics of NV; Catholic Charities Community Meals; Catholic Charities Meals on Wheels; First Choice Pregnancy Center; Women's Resource Med Center and Living Grace Homes. In addition, donations of \$1000 were provided to New Vista and Down Syndrome. The Council is supporting seminarian Simon Tran in the RSVP program. The Council also participated in the 40 Days for Life program at the abortion clinic on E. Sahara on March 13. The Council was fortunate to have the picture on the local 40 Days for Life website. The Council recruited a new member who took his degrees in January. A new online member is being contacted to join the Council and take his Degrees this Fraternal year. The Council did participate in the Insurance seminars online presented by the Tuuri Agency to qualify for the Founder's Award.

St. John the Baptist Council 12690 has had a difficult Fraternal year. They have had Officers meeting, but only one face to face Council meeting due to church meeting restrictions and their lack of technology running virtual meetings. They held a face-to-face Council meeting at the American Legion hall in February and announced contributions to the following charities: Ultrasound Initiative - \$1000; Supreme Charities for \$300; Food for Families for \$1000 and St. Jude Ranch for \$300. A \$300 donation for St. Therese Mission was also approved. They also committed \$500 to the RSVP program in support of a seminarian.

The Council will now be meeting at their new parish hall commencing April 19. They hope to be more active now that restrictions are being lifted.

I hope to have continually active Councils for the remaining months of the Fraternal Year as we attempt to close on a positive note.

Fraternally,

Annual Reports - State Directors/Chairs

4th Degree Report

SK Rick Sherman

Worthy State Officers, DD's, Insurance Agents, Sir Knights and Brother Knights,



NV District Master

Greetings from our Supreme Master, Dennis Stoddard.

Patriotism is the pinnacle of our Order. That is patriotism not only for our flag and country but also patriotism in supporting our Pope, bishops, priests, deacons, and laypersons. The Patriotic Degree or Fourth Degree goes hand in hand with the first three degrees. To be called a Sir Knight is not just a title but is an honor that every Knight should strive to attain.

2020 was a tumultuous year for the Knights of Columbus and for the Fourth Degree of our Order. With the pandemic wreaking havoc across the world, we saw more of our Sir Knights of the Fourth Degree perish from the disease than we could replace. We finished calendar year 2019 with almost 200 Color Corp Call Outs throughout the state. Calendar year 2020 we barely made 50. For the first time in my memory, we did not support our Bishops in Holy Week during Easter and did not participate in Midnight Mass. Gone were the parades, special events, flag presentations at ball games, and leading the parade at the Special Olympics in Reno (we did it virtually with Color Corp from both Reno and Las Vegas performing independently) among other events.

2021 started the same way but looks very encouraging for the second half of the year. We will be able to get our Color Corps for both Reno and Las Vegas out in public as the Visible Arm of the Knights of Columbus.

Many of our veteran programs suffered in 2020 but will be returning full force in 2021 including our Memorial Day weekend American flag planting, parades, flag retirement ceremonies, and Wreaths Across America. We were honored when Assembly 2820 received the Supreme "To Be a Patriot Award" for Fraternal Year 2019 - 2020 for their work bringing recumbent bicycles to disabled veterans in the Las Vegas Diocese.

Many of our Assemblies throughout the Nevada District work with Veterans groups bringing personal supplies, non-perishable foods, and pallets of bottled water.

For those of you who are not Fourth Degree members of your local Assembly I encourage you to join soon. It is as easy as the Formation Degrees. Every two months there is one hosted virtually in our province including one this weekend while we are here at our 111th State Convention.

Vivat Jesus!

State Program Director

SK George A. Minter



State Program Director

Worthy State Officers, State Chaplain(s) and State Directors,

First, I'd like to congratulate the Nevada State Council and those subordinate Councils, who through their membership drives has Nevada ranked **Number One**, in accomplishing membership quota status in the "**Circle of Honor**". From the start of this Fraternal Year, Nevada has maintained #1 (One) throughout all seventy-five jurisdictions and that's ten months in a row! **Thank you, Father Manny and all of your helpers.** As of today, Nevada is at 190% of Quota, a remarkable achievement in any given year, but this past year has not been "any given year", as Councils have had to meet and overcome the challenges of the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Now I turn my attention to our programs. This is what SD Toni hired me to do, way back in July '20. Communication remains as a major issue, like a plague, we continue to struggle to improve and solve this beast. My best estimate is that we have 15% proactive participation. I'd like to interject that our **State Executive Secretary, Al Cuccinelli** and our **State Webmaster Ken Sawyer** have been excellent in their duties of getting the WORD out, the State Silver Knight newsletter is very well done, the Website has been upgraded, my compliments to these Brother Knights for a job very well done. Straight from Supreme's playbook, I sent out a Chain of Command blueprint and other documents, this should have been viewed and used as a "how to". To date, my gratitude goes to **Faith in Action Director Dan St. Pierre, Family Director Al Pena and Life Director John DeBord** for their many insightful articles and submissions. They too did their part in attempting to "Inspire to Action".

Some Councils, following the State Council's lead, held bi-monthly **ZOOM** meetings, then combo meetings, **Email blasts, Phone Tree** utilization, **Mailings**, etc. They embraced "Leave No Neighbor Behind" and where best to start then with your own Council Knights, RIGHT? Furthermore, these Councils successfully pulled off some major Faith, Community, Family and Life events. But other Councils **felt** that their membership would not embrace or support a different way of doing business. Was it Covid, that is to blame or something else?

The Program results, very much reflect what the membership results do, complete opposites on the spectrum, **Polarized results**. Councils carrying the heavy load, a few in the middle and others doing &/or reporting little or nothing.

The **Coats for Kids** program does demonstrate a successful program. Supreme offered for the first time, a Matching Program, where a Council purchase one case and Supreme matches with a free case. Then SD Toni Pascua agreed that the State Council would SWEETEN the deal and provide a free case for a minimum of a 5 case order. In the Las Vegas Diocese, **WDD Ray Foster** assisted by merging several Councils together, my **congratulations and gratitude** to the District

and the Councils who participated and made it work. **Ponderosa Council** purchased 5 cases, plus 1 case from State and Supreme's match of 6, provided 12 cases (144 coats) to distribute through the Truckee Meadows Boys and Girls Club. They got these to the kids, just in time, as winter hit early in late November. Since this was a first time event, SD Toni and I decided that I would chair this Community event. I believe that we did just fine.

The **Family of the Month** program struggles along. Five Councils participate regularly, they are 4928, 7322, 9899, 13456, 13924, with 12877 and 10442 sort of hit or miss. So seven (7) out of 45 listed Councils, counting maybe 35 or 36 active Councils, would be 20% at best and could be as low as 14%...How many of you believe that's SUCCESS? Did you know that we have 12 District Deputies assigned to 45 Councils, but only 6 of these District Deputies have their own home Council participating! Did you know that we have Five State elected Officers and Eight listed in total per State Bylaws? But only 3 of these State Officers have their own home council participating.

Did you ever ask yourself, Why did I join the Knights Of Columbus? How many did it: to pay annual dues?...because my dad was a Knight?...I wanted to be with the In-crowd?...to get away from my nagging wife?...drink a beer with the guys? Or maybe your decision was somewhat like mine...I wanted to be a better Catholic man and the Knights would give me that structure AND I wanted to give back some of the blessings which I have received AND have maybe just one person remember me fondly, as a Knight. "It is not in Words but Deeds"...not in what I have failed to do, but in what I have done!

This may upset some who read it. That is not my intent. What I have reported, is based on what I have compiled based on fact. The best compliment that I ever received was when I was a District Deputy and it was from a Grand Knight who said to me, "George, you don't tell us what we want to hear, you tell us what we NEED to hear" and "Then you teach and show us the **How To**".

VIVAT JESUS!

Blessed Father McGivney Guild Chairman

PSD David M. Ryan



**Vice Supreme Master &
Blessed Fr. McGivney
Guild Chairman**

The Roman process of investigation into his life and holiness is nearing completion, and the investigation into another reported miracle is progressing. The Guild plays an important role in making Father McGivney better known and spreading the word about his powerful intercession.

The Father McGivney Guild membership is now more than 177,000 but with almost two million members in the Knights it should be much larger. Many Knights think the Guild is open only to members in the Knights. This is not true, any Catholic can join the Guild. My wife is a member, is yours and if not why? Currently there are 6000 plus Knights in Nevada but only a total of 1590 Guild Members. This number should be closer to 12,000 if you include your wife's name when you sign up or you can add her by going to: (fathermcgivney.org). If you are not a member you can sign both of you up at once by following the above link and adding your wife's name when you join.

Another way to spread the word about Blessed Father Michael J McGivney is to post a notice in your parish bulletins detailing his life and asking members of the Parish to join the Guild. The best part it is free to join. This notice might just get to people thinking about joining the Knights.

The Spiritual heritage of Blessed Father McGivney is his precious gift to the Knights of Columbus. We owe it to him and the church to share his gift with those we meet and with whom we work.

God Bless

Faith in Action Chairman

SK Daniel C St Pierre



Faith in Action Program Chair

Worthy State Officers and Council Delegates,

It is my pleasure to file the first-ever annual report from Nevada’s first-ever Faith in Action Chairman.

We all know this year has been challenging with COVID lockdowns and nervousness about spreading the virus. This has made council activity planning difficult but has provided a unique opportunity for me to attempt to sort through the Faith in Action Programs for those that can be done in a physically distant or virtual format. As a review, I sent out monthly emails to the Grand Knights (who provided addresses) with hints on activities relevant to current events or the Church calendar. The topics on a monthly basis were:

<p><u>Aug 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family of the Month (Family) • Rosary (Faith) 	<p><u>Nov 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Wheelchair Mission (Community) • Pregnancy Center Support (Life) 	<p><u>Feb 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Friday Family Promotion (Family) • Holy Hour (Faith)
<p><u>Sep 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coats for Kids (Community) • Ultrasound (Life) 	<p><u>Dec 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consecration to the Holy Family (Family) • Into the Breach (Faith) 	<p><u>Mar 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Novena for Life (Life) • Hockey Challenge (Community)
<p><u>Oct 2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Prayer Night (Family) • RSVP (Faith) 	<p><u>Jan 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March for Life (Life) • Helping Hands (Community) 	<p><u>Apr 2021</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Week (Family) • Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Hour (Faith)

Note: I do intend to send out activity pushes in May-July.

In addition to these monthly emails, I made Faith in Action presentations for training/informational purposes at the July Grand Knights’ organizational meetings and the December Mid-Year Meeting. I was also privileged to attend two regional program director meetings hosted by Supreme.

To conclude this report, I would like to leave you all with the following thought. Please take some time to dig into the Faith in Action programs and resources. There was a lot of thought put into creating them. I truly believe that an aggressive Faith in Action program within your council will build everyone’s faith life and increase your membership in the process.

Vivat Jesus,

State Historian

SK J Michael Brady



State Historian

1. Monthly communications, through the Silver Knight publications, for the District Deputy's, Grand Knights and Council Historians to collect and archive the respective Councils historic records and for delivery to a Drop Box and subsequently loaded on the Nevada State's KofC Internet Cloud based storage portal. This is an ongoing effort with the Councils. Better connectivity expected in the 2021-2022 Columbian Year.
2. The collection of Past State Deputy's Biographical information from 2000 to the current Columbian Year is still in process and with assistance from SK Ray Gardea, SK Ken Sawyer and Vivianlea Solek, Supreme Archivist. Only two of the Worthy Past State Deputy biographical reports are outstanding to date.
3. The Knight in the Light for this Columbian year have been as follows: August 2020 – SK David W. Strait, PSD; September 2020 – SK David M. Ryan, PSD; October 2020 – SK Bruce C. Jarzen, PSD; November 2020 – SK Thomas J. Thorn, PSD; December 2020 – Fr. Manuel Ramirez Guico; January 2021 - Fr. John B. Shane; February 2021 – SK Howard A. Richner; March 2021 – Deacon David Walker; April 2021 – Fr. Arlon Vergara; May 2021 – SK Anthony Martinez; June 2021 - SK Paul Dendary, PSD.
4. The Mid-Year 2020-2021 Historian's report was given in a virtual setting.

Announcement: Worthy District Deputies and State Officers: Please send me names and contact information of Brother Knights that you would recommend for the "Knight in the Light" honor for our monthly "Silver Knight" newsletter publication.

Respectfully submitted,

State Pro Life Director

SK John E. DeBord

Worthy State Officers, State Directors, State Chairman, District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Worthy Brothers:



State Pro Life Director

I volunteered to take the Right to Life position for Northern Nevada starting in the 2021 Fraternal Year. Michael Gagnon volunteered for the Southern Nevada Right to Life position.

The Nevada Right to Life, Dr. Steve Brown, and myself among others, collected signatures for the “Protect Our Girls” after Masses in September and October 2020 and wanted to get 100000 signatures before 10 November, 2020 in Northern Nevada. Since 1985, Nevada’s abortion law has included parental notification requirements for a minor girl to get an abortion, but due to a court ruling, it was never enforced, and Nevada legislators failed to fix this loophole for years. We wanted to get the required signatures to force the Legislature to act. We didn’t get the required 100,000 signatures because of COVID and the shutdown of people attending Mass, but for now, this issue has been put on hold in the Legislature. As we all know, 2020 was a Presidential Election and President Trump campaigned in Carson City. We collected signatures there as well. Many people were open in supporting our efforts.

Because of COVID in 2020, there were restrictions that affected the overall Right to Life functions and activities....i.e...the Reno buses for the Diocese were cancelled for the annual Walk for Life in San Francisco in January of 2020. There are usually at least 5 buses representing the Diocese. The buses should be up and running next January for the 2022 Walk of Life. The Walk did go on and I did physically go to San Francisco. I went to a Right to Life Mass at Saint Mary’s Cathedral in SF with Mass being said by Archbishop Cordileone, but because of a torn meniscus, could not do “The Walk.”

I sent out emails to all Councils in Northern Nevada and started a 9 Day Right to Life Novena from the U.S. Bishops Council Website from 21 January- 29 January in conjunction with the March for Life in DC and the Walk for Life in San Francisco.

Starting in February of this year, we started saying the monthly Right to Life Rosary and we are hoping all Northern Nevada parishes will respond. I need your help in passing the word in saying the monthly Rosary. It goes on the 4th Thursday of the Month at 1900. It only takes about 25 minutes. All are welcome!

We are blessed to have Drew Dillingham from Supreme (Program Manager for Life) supporting our efforts across the Country. We have had 4 meetings with Drew in the last year, and Drew so far and he has passed a lot of good information on what is going on at Supreme in relation to Life and what other States are doing.

There is much to be done in this new fraternal year, and I have only scratched the surface. Here are a few things:

1. We need a new Right to Life Director in the South. Mike Gagnon had to resign so I need a good man in the South who will work with me.
2. I want to start a quarterly newsletter and want to send it out to all our Councils in Nevada and let the Brothers know what is happening.
3. There should be a "Right to Life" Rep in every Council. The Grand Knight should appoint a Brother, or take over the position himself.
4. How are we "Evangelizing" within the Councils? Within the Community?
5. I want to have an annual 24 hour "Day of Adoration" for the unborn in Nevada. Adoration is huge, and offering up our petitions to Our Lord is critical in defeating this scourge.
6. Kudos to the Council in Mesquite who erected the Right to Life Statue. St. Rose in Reno is the other Council that has a statue erected to the Unborn. We are planning on erecting the Madonna della Strada Statue at Bishop Manogue Catholic High School next Spring. How about Bishop Gorman possibly doing something similar?

In summary, because of COVID Restrictions, 2020 was a very challenging year, but we were also blessed to bring Zoom into our homes and community, and because of it, we were able to bring communication to a new level within the State and accomplish things that were not possible before. We look to improve on our Pro Life vision and activities for the Fraternal year 2021. Blessings on all the Brothers.....**VIVAT JESUS!!!**

Respectfully,

State Family Director

SK Al Pena



State Family
Program Director

When I took the position as the State Family Director, the 1st thing I did was to send a letter to all the Grand Knights of our State Council copy furnished our WSD asking them to consider the Supreme recommended Family Programs indicated and explained below. The advent of **COVID turned all of our lives upside down.** We have seen lay-offs, home foreclosures, business closings, people catching the disease and worst of all death. Whether or not our old way of life will return to normal is still left to be seen. This much I know - **things have changed and we have to change with it.**

What **COVID did is it also opened the door for us to look for other ways to get our jobs done. It challenged us to adapt to an ever changing and life threatening conditions in our environment.** More people in our communities are terrified and going to bed hungry specially older people. More are getting sick. More are losing their homes. More are getting laid-off from their jobs. To top it all, our Churches are under attack. **We were challenged** to do more, notwithstanding the risk of catching the disease and **to defend our faith and our freedom to worship.**

As members of the **Knights of Columbus, we were faced with two choices: A) To sit still, watch, and wait for things to take care of itself, or (2) To do something by helping those in need and make a difference in our Lives, Church and Community.** Some of our Councils in Nevada took the bull by the horn and started to bring their vans and asked for donations of food and beverages from members of their parish community and passers-by, and delivered them to charitable organizations in need. **You would say now “that is new ! “ Knights of St. Viator did it. Knights of Christ the King did it, Knights of Holy Spirit did it.** I know other Councils are doing it, too. We just have not heard from them. All they have to do is submit Form SP7 and let us know what their council is doing.

It also gave us the opportunity to learn to put computer technology into better use. We learned to hold our meetings, pray the Rosary on line and most important of all is to get the rare opportunity to build a domestic church. Families, fathers, mothers, sisters and brothers found themselves huddled together because there is no school or school is done on-line and parents also had to do their jobs at home and on-line. **They have more time to talk about family values, to pray as a family and read the scriptures.**

At the pain of being redundant, I wish to reiterate the **Supreme Recommended Family Programs that I brought to your attention earlier.** These programs fit well with your new learned/rediscovered technology:

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- A. **Food for Families** - Our goal is to ensure that as few as possible go to bed hungry. If you find an old neighbor, friend, brother, sister who is going hungry because they are afraid to go to the store to buy food and other basic necessities, we can try and help them.
 - B. **Family of the Month** - Easiest one to do yet, we are only getting a handful out of 42 Councils. There are perhaps many Families in your council deserving of this honor. All we have to do is find them. Tell us something about them. Introduce them to us and let us celebrate and emulate the virtues that your chosen Family of the Month exemplifies.
 - C. **Keep Christ in Christmas** - Promote the true spirit and meaning of Christmas in our homes, parishes, schools and communities. Please spend sometime and start planning how your Councils will celebrate Christmas this year. Christmas or breakfast with Santa is perhaps not practical, but to hold a drawing contest among your religious education kids is achievable.. Right? The winner will be submitted to the State. The ultimate winner will be used to create KCIC pins to be handed out to your parishioners around Christmas time.
 - D. **Family Fully Alive** - Inculcating family values and putting them to work. Good question to ask family members: What are Family values? What are the components of building a Domestic church?
 - E. **Family Week** - Each council to dedicate a special week of the year for their Parish to recognize the vital importance of families.
 - F. **Consecration to the Holy Family** - Consecration to the Holy Family seeks to strengthen families and revitalize our parishes.
 - G. **Family Prayer Night** - Prayer Night is an opportunity for children to be exposed to regular people living their faith in a casual setting.
 - H. **Good Friday Family Promotion** - Councils will encourage participation in Good Friday Services through a promotional campaign to educate their parish in the vital importance of Good Friday in our lives.

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS IN YOUR PLANNING, DESIGN AN ACTION PLAN AND EXECUTE.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACTIVITIES

1. We planned a 9-week Novena to prepare us for the Holy Week season and enjoined every member of the Knights of Columbus to join. This begun on March 3 and concluded on April 7, 2021.
2. Wrote several articles to encourage other Councils to include the Supreme recommended family programs in their planning for the coming Columbian year. I have attended the District Deputies meeting with the State Officers and listened to the progress reports their Councils in their jurisdiction and honestly I can say we have made very little progress. In the nomination for Knight of the month and Family of the month alone, still only 7-10 of our 42 Councils in Nevada are submitting them. I picked this one because it is the easiest to do.
3. Our Council hosted a face to face exemplification of newly recruited members.
4. I personally recruited 24 new members. Our council has the most number of new recruits. Thanks to Fr. Manny and the rest of the members of my Membership committee for which I serve as Membership Director.
5. Attended the 2nd exemplification of 1st degree candidates held at Our Lady of Las Vegas Attended by Bishop George Leo Thomas.
6. Attended meeting of the State Council as Family Director and continued to stay in touch with our Council Officers to inform us of how they are continuing to do their planned activities despite COVID and the attendant meeting restrictions imposed by the Government.

State Community Director

SK Ray Brewer



State Community Director

Worthy State Deputy Toni Pascua,

In the first degree of the Order, we learn about the importance of charity — to our brother Knights, church and community. With every council across the state adjusting to the new normal because of the global pandemic, we placed great emphasis on charity during this fraternal year and “leaving no brother behind.”

While the pandemic limited our community outreach — we couldn’t serve at Catholic Charities, for instance, because it was closed to volunteers because of coronavirus — it strengthened our work at our individual parishes.

The acts of charity reported to the State council were many. Here’s a sample:

- Brother Knights went shopping for elderly members of the parish, helping those vulnerable residents remain safe during the pandemic.
- Brother Knights helped coordinate vaccine appointments for churchgoers.
- Brother Knights made cash donations to needy council members. Councils supported struggling churches with donations.
- Brother Knights organized and led virtual prayer services.
- Brother Knights volunteered on Sundays to help check-in churchgoers in for mass, which included a COVID well-check. They also helped clean the church after services.
- Brother Knights continued their outreach with seminarians through donations, cards and phone calls.

In closing, the most significant occurrence of the fraternal won’t be documented on a form with Supreme or recorded in a report to a program director. It is what we, men of strong faith and guided by Mary, do every day: We loved our neighbor.

State 365 Program Chair

SK Ray Gardea



State 365 Program
Chairman

Worthy State Deputy and Brother Knights,

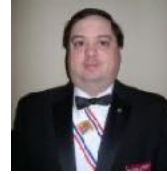
The Nevada State 365 Club Program continued to assist Brother Knights & families who required financial assistance. This past Fraternal Year saw an exceptional need due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. During Fraternal Year 2020-2021 the program was able to provide \$6,747 worth of monetary assistance for Brother Knights/Families in need during this difficult year. More importantly, we were able to substantially cut the turnaround time for creating vouchers and sending out checks for payments. With strong support from our State Deputy, State Secretary & State Treasurer we averaged 3 to 5 days to process a request. In one emergency instance we processed and approved a request within a 24-hour time frame.

All funds to support the 365 Club Program are generated by voluntary donations from Councils, Brother Knights/Families within the Nevada Jurisdiction. Funds are collected at the Annual Nevada State Convention; our goal is to attain 100% participation from all Nevada State Councils. My personal thanks to all those within the Knights of Columbus in Nevada who help & continue to make this a successful & much needed State program.

Vivat Jesus,

State Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities and Special Olympics Chair

SK John E Suchewski



Campaign for People with
Intellectual Disabilities
and Special Olympics
Chairman

Greetings Brother Knights!

I hope all is well with you, your family and friends! It's been trying times since the outbreak of COVID-19. We all were affected one way or another during the pandemic. Some of our love ones are survivors of the illness.

While others were blessed not contracting it. Still, some of our love ones have succumb to it and whom we dearly miss. Please continue praying for the souls our love ones that the Lord, our Father, has called home.

I do not have a final report for the 2020 "Intellectual Disabilities Drive." October 2020 was normally the time we would begin the drive. As most of you already know, we postponed the drive to April and May 2021. So, the 2020 "Intellectual Disabilities Drive" is still on going and therefore, no report. A complete report will be submitted at the 2021 Mid-Year Meeting!

I would like to thank the councils that was able to participate in the current 2020 "Intellectual Disabilities Drive" during the pandemic. I know there were obstacles to overcome to make it successful. I am already hearing great things from some of the councils!

I would like to acknowledge the councils that were not able to participate in the program. When I approach the state officers about postponing the drive until April and May 2021, we acknowledge there were still communities and that includes the Catholic Church communities, in our state were in different phases of the COVID-19 protocol. Therefore, some of these protocols would prevented the local councils from participating in the drive. I know in your council's heart that you wanted participate in the program based on our discussions. There is no ill will for any councils that was not able to participate this year! You all have done great works in the past and I know you will be ready when we kick off the 2021 "Intellectual Disabilities Drive" in October! Now is a great time to start preparing for it!

Congratulations to those councils, that even though they could not participate in the drive this year, they still went ahead and sent monetary donations to support intellectual disabilities programs in their community! Thank you and I know the people in those programs were grateful for your support!

I would ask each member to go to www.sonv.org to sign up to receive email notifications of upcoming events throughout our state supporting Special Olympics Nevada. You will receive advance notices for future fun fundraising programs like bowling, taking the plunge, and new this

year, the very popular duck races (no, they did not use real ducks and paint numbers them)! You will have the opportunity to support SONV in your local community!

Brothers, I can never say thank you enough for all the great corporal works and financial donations that you contributed to support Special Olympics Nevada and all the other intellectual disabilities programs throughout the year! Each council makes a difference! Each individual Knight does make a difference in our communities!

God Bless!

State Soccer Challenge & Basketball Free Throw Chairman

SK Robert J Hartman



Soccer Challenge &
Basketball Free Throw
Chairman

Worthy State Deputy,

This year, due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, only one Council, Saint Andrew Co. 8078 in Boulder City reported holding a contest. There was only one contestant. No other councils reported holding a contest.

This year, Council 8078 made arrangements to conduct a Basketball Free Throw Contest, four times. All were cancelled by the city, citing the COVID-19 Pandemic. No other councils reported holding a contest.

Hopefully, this coming year things will loosen up to where we can resume both of these important youth activities. Let us all pray for end to this Pandemic. Let us hope we can hold these and other activities as before.

Vivat Jesus,

New Council Development Committee Chair

SK Bassam Dagher

New Council
Development Committee.
Chairman

Worthy State Deputy, State Officers and Brother Knights,

I was honored to be appointed by our SD as the chairman of a new council development for the fiscal year 20/21, and our goal was to open four new council in the State of Nevada, I worked closely with our SD Brother Toni and Father Manny establishing communications with our priests in some of the churches but due to COVID we were not able to meet in person with most of them.

On the other hand our target still in place to establish some new council and we all praying and hopping this coming year will be better for all of us by getting back to our normal life and be able to meet in person and go to our churches as we used to do before COVID.

Vivat Jesus,

Nevada General Agent

Kevin Tuuri, FICF



General Agent

This year, despite the pandemic, despite the lockdowns, and despite the panic that led to a near-total shutdown in the spring, the Knights of Columbus set sales records:

The Order now has more than \$121 billion of life insurance in force, manages over \$28 billion in assets, and - just last year alone - paid out nearly \$750 million in benefits to members and policyholders in dividends and death claims.

We have also seen more of you than ever before. Technology has allowed us to connect easily and more quickly. Fraternal Benefit Nights have, for the most part, gone virtual and drawn crowds that would've been hard to match in person. Knights in Nevada have had two fantastic virtual benefit events; Tom Hegna presentation last November, and Joel Jordan's presentation in February. Based on the comments from members who attended these virtual events, we will continue to offer these valuable events to our membership.

How does this happen in the midst of a world-wide pandemic?

First: our brothers want to secure their families future. **Second:** our brothers trust us. And **third:** Our brothers know what we stand for.

They know they need to plan for their retirement and safeguard their families' future.

They know we're one of the most financially secure life insurers in North America.

Members know that by relying on the Knights for their families protection, they can get the same great and competitively-priced products that they can get anywhere, but that the special satisfaction of knowing where that money goes is something they can only get with us.

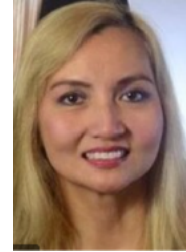
Regarding our products, we continue to expand our portfolio to ensure that the Knights can provide financial solutions that meet our members' needs. Earlier this year, we began the process of rolling out a full suite of mutual funds, which will be available to members in Nevada as of July. Members will soon be able to take advantage of the same Catholic investment strategy that the Supreme Council uses and have the comfort of knowing that their money is being managed in a way that is consistent with their values. Our funds will be offered both to Knights of Columbus members and families, as well as the broader Catholic community.

On behalf of the Tuuri Agency, congratulations to the Nevada Jurisdiction on a stellar year of council growth and charitable service. We look forward to a continued partnership with our councils as we continue to support our membership, their families, and our communities this next fraternal year.

Vivat Jesus!

State Convention Chairperson

Lady Ditas Pascua



2021 Nevada State Council
Convention Chairperson

The Making of The 111th Annual Nevada State Council Convention

Warmest Greetings from your State Convention Committee Chairperson!

It is indeed an honor to have been appointed to head the 111th Annual Nevada State Council Convention with our Convention Committee members that we formed, at the Hilton in Lake Las Vegas last February 2021.

Our State Convention will be at the scenic Lake Tahoe.
Official hotel site: Harveys Hotel Lake Tahoe, Stateline, NV- on May 14,15 and 16, 2021.

Perhaps planning a State Convention was not a priority amid the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic at the outset, we couldn't had predicted for this unprecedented move and animosity of this global uncertainties.

The making of this Convention posed a challenge conceptualizing together logistics, and ideas with barely 3.5 months of preparation in pandemic mode (discerning if we would push through at first) though we adopted a head on approach to make sound decisions rather than the wait and see aspect of the mandates.

This month was set with multiple and hard deadlines to be met to allow enough time to judge entries for the various State recognition and awards as well as to prepare for the many Convention details/ activities that we are putting and orchestrating all together.

As Covid-19 vaccines became more accessible and mandates loosened up, this pandemic will not hinder us from having our State Convention following safety protocols. Nevada is one amongst the privileged few to host an in person, live State Convention in the US and the Order, albeit most will only have a virtual State Convention.

However, full planning and preparation progressed as the date got nearer our event- something that we all look forward to after almost a year of the closures and lock down restrictions.

We have lined up sessions to put our faith into action, through a Recollection/Prayer (by our State Chaplain), we will also have the Adoration Room, Holy Rosary, a Necrology/Memorial Mass (in memory of our deceased Brother Knights).

This will be an "unconventional" Convention, family centered, incorporating more fun, fellowship, camaraderie, participation and socials through Hospitality Suite hours and Banquet themed events.

Our State Convention's power theme/concept exemplifies the quest for answers in this pandemic trending with the Knights' principles of Brotherhood "Finding Christ in Charity, Unity and Fraternity."

The color scheme will be dark sea blue, yellow, red and white. Our theme song to fit the Convention is : "I Still Haven't Found What Am Looking For" by U2".

During the Knights' Convention, the Ladies and families will have a fun activity on Saturday after breakfast, for a scenic Lake Tahoe Cruise via MS Dixie II at the Zephyr Cove, South Lake Tahoe.

A Souvenir Sponsorship Booklet fundraiser was launched and completed. Half the proceeds go to Bahay Pari (chosen beneficiary of our WSC Fr. Manny) and the other half will help defray Convention giveaways and other costs. The booklet features full color, glossy pages of a souvenir program highlighting inspiring messages from hierarchy and leadership, and advertisements of sponsors (Councils, family and business ads).

Knights Business Sessions based on Agenda will go as usual and on the last day, culminating in the Election of the New State Deputy and his State Officers. Good luck to all our Brothers running for office.

We will also have :

- Convention tote bag filled with giveaways (for the Delegates and Alternates)
- Hospitality Suites for Fellowship/Socials- in between sessions and activities
- Welcome dinner (State Deputy Reception)- the 80's Disco event (and Recognition awards night) dress up to the theme and DJ hosted celebration dubbed as "A K/night to Remember- It's A Celebration" (by: Shalamar and Kool and the Gang)
- Gala Night Dinner- in honor of Past State Deputies, a Formal Event - with awards and recognitions (inspired by an academy theme, and a DJ/ MC to entertain)
- Knights Got Talent- surprise numbers
- Open Dance Floor (Dancing shoes not provided)!

On behalf of the State Conventions Committee, Thank you for all those who registered for their Credentials and made plans for the trip, get there safe, be ready to celebrate with us and have some fun- it'll be a once in a lifetime experience!

My heartfelt gratitude to our Committee Leads, State Officers and the State Directors who had worked hard on the logistics, from behind the scenes, having numerous coordination meetings to execute every detail for the success of our events.

Congratulations to Worthy State Deputy Toni Pascua and his State Officers, for putting Nevada on top of the leader board, in terms of membership intake and for being the Champion of the Membership Madness Recruitment Award- Western Territory!

We are excited to see and welcome you soon in South Lake Tahoe!

Very truly yours sister in Christ,



Photo shows the State Officers and State Conventions Committee on their first Coordination Meeting at Lake Las Vegas, February, 2021.



State Officers and Committee (and their spouses) in prayer with State Chaplain at Lake Las Vegas Planning Session

Photo shows, (l-r) Mrs. Becky Lopez, wife of WRGD Ray Lopez, Supreme RGD, Ditas Pascua, WSS Joe Haun, WST Meynard Infantado, Mrs. Carlene Cuccinelli, WSES Al Cuccinelli, WSC Fr Manny Guico, and Mrs. Maria Haun.

State Young Adult Outreach Chairman and Online Membership Chairman

Lance Pascua



State Young Adult
Outreach Chair & Online
Membership Chair

My Dear Brother Knights:

Pleasant Greetings and hope you are thriving well as society has now opened up to a vibrant model!

Do everything with kindness and let your compassionate heart be a testament to Christ's love - LP

Remember to help thy brothers and neighbors especially with the principles of the Knights- Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

Helping to inspire the youth, and Brother Knights by being a regular monthly contributor to my corner, in our publication - The Silver Knight Newsletter.

For two years now and counting, it is such an honor to be a part of the Knights of Columbus - it helped me to develop confidence to build friendship and camaraderie within our church and communities to provide opportunities for the positive development of young people.

As one of the young men In the Council, and the State Council, am also both the State Young Adult Outreach Chairman and Online Membership Chairman - hereunder are some highlights for this fraternal year 2020-2021.

Year 2020 for my second term paved new opportunities in raising awareness for the Youth (eligible Catholic Men 18 years and above) to join and be a part of our Nevada State Council. Was able to introduce and be an advocate to online recruitment mostly to my batch and colleagues who in turn was able to mentor this to other prospects.

Was able to help a brother Knight friend fight Depression, by accompanying him at his lowest point, and therapy to overcome it with the help of his family and relatives.

Joined some virtual and in person celebration throughout the year, was able to do some recruitment leading to do at least 25 new Brother Knights and counting with the use of online membership and took advantage of family and friends of friends because there was no church and lesser activities. We connected through social media and by using the phone to contacts and do recruitment when feasible.

As always, make it a habit to recruit - it is our moral obligation, not a chore, to bring in new members. Each time I go to work or around my social circle, it's second nature to ask a prospect to become a Knight.

My advocacy is online recruitment - making the membership grow is one of the ways to build the organization, not by counting members but by making every member count.

Take advantage of the 24/7 on online recruitment promo code: MCGIVNEY2020 - for the first 12 months complimentary (free) membership (regularly \$30.00/ year). This offer has been extended until June 30,2021.

Access our 24/7 on demand online membership registration link- <https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html>

It is every brother Knight's responsibility and moral to recruit.

Thank you for your over all support during my two year and remaining duration of my term!

Good luck to us all for our forthcoming 111th Nevada State Convention and to the new set of State Officers!

Keeping you in my prayers!



One of the fun activities, participated with the NV State Officers Team in the Polar Plunge last March, to support The Special Olympics (whom we are a proud Sponsor).



Actively recruiting new members to join, using Online recruitment.



Photo taken during the Mid Year Meeting 2020 (Dec. 05- hybrid) with the State Officers with yours truly (standing 5th from left)

Vivat Jesus!

Keep Christ in Christmas Chairperson

Digna A.Pena



Nevada State KCIC Chair

One of the most cherished tradition of our Christian faith is celebrating the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ our lord. To commemorate this blessed tradition, the Ladies Auxiliary sells beautifully crafted Christmas cards that are keepsake mementos to members of the Knights of Columbus, their families and friends. This is a ways by which we continue to raise awareness of this very important Christian tradition. The profits from the sale of the Christmas cards goes to the State Council. More importantly when you buy this beautiful Christmas cards and send them to your friends and relatives, you are putting smiles on their faces especially those living in the senior's living facilities. To them, it is not just a Christmas card, it is a gift of love. Unlike most of us who are familiar with the use of computers and technology, most seniors don't have access to computers or may not be as familiar with their use.



Another reason is it gives us a chance to spread the message of good tidings and joy to our Parish Community and continue our mission of promoting evangelization among our Catholic bothers and sisters. It also encourages us to fully participate in the celebration of Christmas by attending masses, reading the Gospel, welcoming Christ in our homes and joining in our church activities and celebrations.

Our task in Keeping Christ in Christmas is to continue our mission of evangelization in hopes that we could encourage all our Knights of Columbus Councils in the whole State of Nevada to support this program. This can be a good fund raising source for some Council especially during this pandemic because the council can buy the Christmas Cards at a discount and sell it for a small profit to them. It is in the spirit of unity and cooperation that we can continue to promote our faith and encourage others to follow our examples.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND GOALS FOR 2021

About two (2) years ago today, when my husband and I attended the last State Convention in Sparks, Nevada, Our State Deputy Toni Pascua asked me to talk to all the delegates to tell them about our KCIC Program. even brought a display of the beautiful Christmas cards so they can see it and appreciate its quality. I told them that this is a project of the Knights of Columbus and that the State Council will get some benefit from the proceeds of the sale.

Some delegates expressed some interest and actually have placed some orders. Others have filled out some order forms and/or have given me their contact information. I subsequently sent them a letter together with an order form. A few turned into orders. Our Council bought one complete set and sold it to our friends and Church parishioners and made a profit for our council. Our Council members were very happy knowing that we made some money.

This year, as The KCIC Chair, I received a letter from KCIC about the roll-out of a new campaign. I asked the office of the State Deputy to ask them to give me the names and contact information of all the Grand Knights of the 42 Councils in our State. I immediately sent them a letter informing of this new opportunity to make money for their councils during this pandemic. I went back to my list of people who have purchased Christmas cards the previous year and gave them a call. Very few have responded and placed the order.

I wrote this article which was published in our monthly newsletter to continue to encourage our Councils to patronize this very worthwhile project and at the same time make some money during this pandemic at Christ the King. Our Ladies Auxiliary raised \$300 net from selling this Christmas cards. This only tells you that when the members of your council are motivated, nothing can stop them.

I wrote letters to all the Council Grand Knights to ask them to take the opportunity to profit during this pandemic by buying and selling this Christmas cards. I even made several phone calls to them. Only 3 of the 42 councils responded. I told them they are missing out on the opportunity.

Now that we can finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. Businesses are slowly coming back to life. Our councils are looking forward to resuming their normal activities and I would urge the Grand Knights to take a look at our beautiful Christmas cards and continue to Keep Christ in Christmas. Please don't be bothered by the suggestion that Christmas cards are becoming obsolete because of the Internet. A lot of old people living in senior centers will be very happy to get them. They want to know that you are thinking of them on Christmas. Remember your old cousin, aunt or uncle who are living in places where there are no internets or computers. Sending them this beautiful cards will show them that you care.

Annual Reports - Grand Knights

Battle Mountain Council #2380

Deacon Dennis Cahill

Council #2380

2020-2021 Fraternal Activities

Council members clean snow and ice from church sidewalks and parking areas when needed.

Council members-maintained church lawns and grounds throughout the year.

Council awarded two \$500 scholarships to parish member students.

Contributed \$500 to parish Deacon Candidate expenses.

Council members contribute time and materials for church maintenance and to home maintenance of elderly and needy community members.

Council members serve as readers, eucharistic ministers, choir members and visit the home-bound and long-term care residents.

Cut fresh trees for Christmas. Donate trees as needed for Church activities and elderly throughout the community. Remainder are sold with proceeds going to support scholarship fund. Involve Confirmation students in gathering and distribution of trees.

Contribute funds and assistance to Alter Society in distribution of food baskets to needy at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Las Vegas Council #2828SK Brian Bien

Grand Knight
Council #2828

Worthy State Deputy,

Please accept below Council 2828 annual report. On behalf of our Council members, thank you for your support and guidance during your term.

Church Activities:

1. Served as parish ushers, Lectors and Eucharist Ministers.
2. Participated in parish fundraising for St. Joan of Arc.
2. Volunteered to teach CCD and RCIA at Nellis AFB.

Council Activities:

1. Supported the Special Olympics of Nevada through the Tootsie Roll Drive, and Polar Plunge event. Contributed to "365 fund" as well as seminary fund.
2. Hosted virtual monthly "Acoustic Knights" gathering of song and fellowship.
3. Conducted membership drives at Nellis AFB and St. Joan of Arc.
4. Delivered 156 "Coats for Kids" to J E Manch Elementary School.

Family Activities:

1. Organized "Leave no neighbor behind" program.

Community Activities:

1. Supported St. Benedict Lebre weekly homeless ministry.
2. Supported St. Therese Center

Culture of Life Activities:

1. Supported annual "Walk for Life".
2. Voted

Rosary Council #3741

SK Anthony J. Sperduti

Grand Knight
Council #3741

During our 2020-2021 Fraternal Year, Rosary Council #3741 out of St. Peter the Apostle in Henderson, Nevada has focused on bringing in new memberships of younger men from the ages of early 20s to 30s along with bridging the older permanent members of our council to a charitable and volunteerism that we have not had in a long time. We saw a resurgence of Knights helping each other through Welfare Checks during the pandemic and service to Catholic organizations throughout the valley.

By promoting better numbers of Knights to volunteer at our parish and around the community, we can grow as an organization and fulfill the needs of our parish and that of the priest, Fr. Samuel Martinez. We also spent this Fraternal Year trying to be a Star Council for back-to-back years as we earned Double Star Council for 2019-2020. During this pandemic that effected the entire world, we have been very busy in helping the parish and surrounding community especially during the holidays.

This Fraternal Year we have continued leading the way in our Pro-Life Prayer Mission with our monthly Prayer Service at the Tomb of the Unborn Child on the property of St. Peter the Apostle. We meet every third Saturday before the pandemic and started back up in February 2021 as protocols have loosened up. We average about 4 to 5 Knights at the prayer service.

Lastly, this Fraternal Year, we have supported the pastor of St. Peter the Apostle more than we have been able to for many years. We worked hard at helping Fr. Samuel Martinez with every thing he has asked from us. We have Rosary Council embers at every Mass taking temperatures, getting people to sanitize hands and seating them safely as the CDC, State of Nevada, and Diocese of Las Vegas has issued in their protocols.

Church Activities

- Eucharistic Adoration: This has begun again at the parish on Fridays so the Rosary Council has members throughout the day from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. helping.
- Good Friday Fish Fry which benefitted both the Knights of Columbus and the parish raising \$525+ for both entities.
- Ushering/Welcoming and leading the protocols issued by CDC, State of Nevada, and Diocese of Las Vegas.
- The Knights of Columbus and many of the wives are actively participating in the Mass throughout the week. At Daily Mass we have two Sacristans and on weekend Masses there are Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers/Welcomers, who serve the community/congregation at all the Masses.

Council Activities

- We did not have an installation of officers for the Rosary Council due to the pandemic. We never stopped meeting as we did virtual meeting monthly and when we returned to in-person meetings we still have a virtual presence for those members to view online, take part in voting, and other aspects of the monthly business meeting.
- Knight of the Month & Knight Family of the Month: are announced at the meetings monthly. Volunteerism and donations are a huge aspect in choosing those members.
- We raised money in October during our pandemic through the Tootsie Roll Drive.
- Seminarian Education Fund Raffle tickets sold over \$900 worth by Rosary Council for the year 2021.
- Welfare Checks on Brothers and their families while shopping for them, taking care of home for those is rehab, and feeding them with donations.

Youth Activities

Because of the pandemic no meetings with children/students took place, so we did not take part in any activities like past years.

Community Activities

- Fed needy families for Thanksgiving: 12 families in total
- Fed needy families and Living Grace Homes at Christmas: 35 people total
- Purchased gifts for needy families, Living Grace Homes mom's & children, and 25 at-risk high school students: 75 in total
- Fundraiser: Tootsie Roll Drive \$1300+
- Ultrasound donation \$250
- Coats For Kids donation: \$150
- Socks, hats, gloves homeless winter donation: 15 pkgs socks, 30 hand knitted hats/gloves
- Welfare Checks for out elderly brothers and their family members.

IN CONCLUSION

Rosary Council #3741 never totally stopped helping the church or community during the pandemic. We made sure our most at-risk members were checked in on and stayed home. We stopped for a couple families in need with the council. We raised funds for the needy and fed the needy as God calls us to do in the Corporal Works of Mercy.

Fallon Council #4828SK Ted Balash

Grand Knight
Council #4828

I have had the honor, pride and respect, for my Brother Knights of Fallon Council 4828, to represent them and their families during this unique and challenging year. Together we have had a successful year of charity, unity and fraternity. Although we had to make some tough decisions and modifications to our "normal routines" due to the mandates, restrictions and limits caused by the Pandemic and enacted by the Nevada Governor, Bishop Calvo, and the Parish Office, we were able to provide support for our priests, and deacons, our parish and diocese and our local community, and most assuredly for our Brother Knights and fellow Catholics within Nevada and the USA. All of this was made possible by the hard work, dedication and support of the members of Council 4828 and their families. It has truly been an honor and pleasure to be an integral part of this outstanding fraternity as Grans Knight for the Fraternal year 2020-2021.

Monthly Activity

- Regular Council Business Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Meetings start at 7:30pm. When First Degree Exemplifications are conducted, the start time is 6:30pm and the Regular meeting follows. Meetings are attended by 15 -25 Officers/Members and last 45 minutes to one hour. We schedule First Degree Exemplification Ceremonies before the second business meetings of the month as needed and we also conduct First Degree Exemplification Ceremonies for the Fernley Council 13897, because they do not have a First-Degree Team. Following adjournment of the meetings there is a social time whereby members enjoy friendly camaraderie and a soda or "adult beverage" with snacks. The first challenge for the Council came as the Officers were to be installed by the District Deputy. Our Regular Meeting Room in the St Patrick's Church Hall was closed by the Parish Office because social distancing could not be maintained. I was able to arrange to have the Installation of Officers be conducted at the Fallon Elks Lodge hall where social distancing, hand sanitization and face masking could be maintained. A Council Thank You letter was sent to the Officers and Members of the Fallon Elks Lodge. The next Challenge was to find a location where the Council could conduct meetings safely and in accordance with the various Pandemic Mandates/Restrictions being imposed daily and weekly. Fortunately, the Council was able to find an alternate meeting place thanks to Past Grand Knight Matt Louie who offered the large warehouse facility at his place of business. The Council met at that alternate facility until, after discussions with the Parish Council, Father Quijano, and the Parish Office, they reopened the Church Hall February 17, 2021 and we able to assure compliance with the changed restrictions and assure the Parish that we would wear masks, sanitize and maintain Social Distancing throughout the meeting and at all time in the hall.
- Our Council sponsors a Living Rosary for Live Service at St Patrick's Parish on the first Saturday of each month. The purpose of these special and important services is to provide an opportunity for our brother Knights and members of St Patrick's Parish to join together and pray for an end to abortion and for the protection of life at all stages.

- The Council participates in the Knight of the Month and Family of the Month. Two of the Nominations for Family of the Month have been selected as the Winning entries (September 2020 & January 2021) for the Northern Nevada Jurisdiction.

Other Recurring Events

- Our Council hosts what is called Corporate Communion, during the 8: 00 am Mass on the 5th Saturday of each month that has 5 Saturdays. We reserve a few Pews at the front of the Church, where Brother Knights and families can sit together. Brother Knights wear their distinctive Green Shirts or Jackets One of our Brothers also leads the Rosary before Mass and delivers the announcements and the 1st and 2nd Readings.
- The Council sponsors three Blood Drives during the year-November, February and June. Brother Anthony Cordova and his wife have been our coordinators for these important community events. They coordinate with the Parish office to reserve the Parish Hall and insure that all safety requirements were observed at all times. They make the arrangements with the United Blood Services personnel, conduct the advertising for the drives, contact our members and families, contact previous donors and set up appointment times. The three drives this year have collected in excess of 41 units of blood at each event and that has the potential so save more than 77 lives – or do the math -that 231 people in our Community that could be potentially saved from death due to the action of our Council.

Monthly Activities

July 2020

- Our Installation of Officers Ceremony and Dinner was held at the Fallon Elks Lodge where the Masking, Social Distancing and Sanitization could be maintained since the Parish Hall was not available/closed.
- The Council electronically submitted our Annual Service Program Personnel Report to the Supreme Council.
- The Council Submitted our annual 990 tax form to the IRS.
- The Council's Trustees, Grand Knight, Treasurer, and Financial Secretary completed the semi-annual Council Audit for the January 1st and June 30th, 2020 period, and submitted it to the State and Supreme Councils.

August 2020

- Council Members completed On-Line Training -specifically the Safe Environment Training that is required.
- Council Members participated in the preparation and serving of the meals to Fallon residents at the Daily Bread meal served at Epworth Church.
- Past Grand Knight Gary Butori has received Scholarship Applications and is ready to evaluate and award \$500 Scholarships to Catholic High School winners. Grand Knight and several Council Officers attended the On-Line Webinar "Planning for Success" conducted on August 27.

September 2020

- The Council supported the transit of the Silver Rose. Past Grand Knight Matt Louie volunteered to meet in Tonopah and pick up the Silver Rose for transfer to on its way to Mexico. Our Council conducted the Our Lady of Guadalupe Silver Rose Ceremony following the September 19 Council Meeting for our Members and Families. Silver Rose traveled 1647 Miles in Nevada and was viewed by over 500 people. This was the Rose inscribed by Pope Francis.
- Council entered our float in the Labor Day Parade and Council members decorated the float, dressed in their Green Shirts and distributed candy to children along the parade route .



Council Members attended a Steak Social to get together with all of the Council Members and Families at Laura Mills Park. Phone Call List was activated to insure contact with every member.

October 2020

- Brother Tom Lukas conducted the Saturday AM Rosary outside at the front of the church because of the size of the crowd and Pandemic seating restrictions inside.
- FS Jim Shurtliff lead a group of Council Members to put up the large Rosary Beads near the Statue of Mary.
- A retreat was attended by 15 Council Members in Oregon and they also cut 5 cords of wood that will be sold to raise funds for our Charitable activities.
- District Deputy Steve Schiwart attend our Council Meeting and reminded us about the 40 days for Life being celebrated on 4 Saturdays in November; reminded us about our membership quota goals; reviewed the Coats for Kids Drive and handed out Flyers, and also thanked all of our Knights for attending and their hard work.
- Field Agent Joe Melancon reminded us of fraternal benefits and especially noted the statewide program with speaker Tom Hagen scheduled for November 9th.

November 2020

- Our Council held our annual Memorial Mass for our Deceased Brother Knights and members of our parish. This special event was chaired, by Past Grand Knight Marty Maffi. It consists of reading the names of the deceased members of our Council in the order of their death, accompanied with the ringing of the bell and a pause between each name while Battle Hymn of the Republic is played softly in the background by Brother John Grainer's wife. The 4th Degree Color Guard was also there and announce the deceased Sir Knights names after the Council Members names are read.

- Deputy Grand Knight Marlon Clark organized a food collection drive to collect food in baskets that were placed near the entry doors at each Mass and at the Office doors during the week. Food that was donated then was delivered to the Fallon Daily Bread meals established at the Epworth Church.
- As Grand Knight I attended the Mass for Deceased Sir Knight Roland Encarnacion and presented The Resolution of Condolence to the Family. There were also 7 other Brother Knights present although there was limited seating.
- As Grand Knight I attended the On-Line Webinar on Nov 24 - Cultivating Parish Success: Investing in Key Relationships.

December 2020

- Council presented the Rosary for Life at the Mass on the first Saturday of December.
- As Grand Knight I attended the On-Line Nevada State Council Mid-Year Organizational Meeting on Saturday December 5th.
- Grand Knight ordered Father McGivney Prayer Cards and Council Members passed the cards out at every Mass so that Parishioners could pray for the Canonization of Blessed Father McGivney and through his intersession, ask for the Granting of their favor that is made at the end of the prayer.
- The Council forwarded annual Billing Notices, 365 Club donation requests, Fraternal Survey Worksheets, Seminarian Raffle Ticket Booklets, a member information form, and a cover letter to all members of the Council.
- On Friday, December 4, 2020 Grand Knight and Past Grand Knight John Matarazza carried our Boxes of Coats for Kids to the Fallon Youth Club and met with Youth Club Director, Shannon Goodrich. Shannon had the children assembled by the various age groups and Jacket sizes. The Jackets were handed to each of the Boys and Girls and pictures were taken and the event was written up in The Fallon Post. I am including the Newspaper write up and two pictures:

Features

Fallon Youth Club children receive new coats for Christmas



Photos provided by The Fallon Youth Club

By Leanna Lehman

It was a few weeks before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring – not even a mouse. However, there was quite a bit of stirring at the Fallon Youth Club on Friday, December 4th, when the Knights of Columbus (KOC) delivered sacks full of new, warm winter coats to local children.

According to Fallon Youth Club director Shannon Goodrich, the generous members of the Knights of Columbus provided 36 new coats to Youth Club children, both boys and girls, ranging from 2nd to 8th grade. Coordinated by Grand Knight Tedd Balash and chapter members, the coats were purchased and distributed as part of their Coats for Kids project. The American-Canadian project began in 2009 with the KOC reporting that they have distributed over 500,000 winter coats to children in need since that time.

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OPEN ENROLLMENT WINDOW FOR GRADES K-12 FALL 2021
 DEC 7, 2020 - FEB 18, 2021

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5 PM FEBRUARY 18TH
 LOTTERY WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 19, 2021

January 2021

- Grand Knight announced that there will be a Beatification Mass@ 6:00pm for Father McGivney on Friday January 22 at Immaculate Conception in Reno with Rosary at 5:00pm.
- Saturday January 9 at 8:00am a group of Council Members gathered at the Parish Church and cleaned the Northwest Corner of the property of the vegetation that had grown during the winter and leveled the grounds. A Fraternal Programs Report Form 10784 has been submitted to record the event.
- Grand Knight developed a flyer consisting of the "Do More -Be More" poster combined with the K of C Online Membership Form and the resultant was enclosed within the Church Bulletin for the Month of January Masses to Recruit New Members. This package was also included in the announcements at each Mass.

February 2021

- The Council's Trustees, Grand Knight, Treasurer, and Financial Secretary completed the semiannual Council Audit for the period July 1st and December 31st, 2020 and submitted to the Supreme and State Councils.
- Council Knights and family members attended the Holy Family Hour of Prayer Service just before the regular Ash Wednesday evening Mass.
- Council Members attended the Parish's weekly Stations of The Cross on each Friday of Lent.
- The Council will fund 20 Wreaths Across America in a joint effort with the 4 Degree Assembly.
- After lengthy discussions with the Parish Office, Father Toni, and the Parish Council we have once again been granted access to the Parish Hall to conduct our Council and Assembly Monthly meetings. All members must wear masks, socially distance and sanitizing of all areas will be accomplished before and after all meetings.

March 2021

- Council Members have developed the Master Plan for the Landscaping Project on the west side of the Parish Property. A total of \$6,500.00 has been allotted for the renovation with \$3,000.00 funded by the Council.
- Council Member Anthony Cordova and his wife and the wife & daughter of deceased member Dr Vazz coordinated our Council sponsored Blood Drive on March 13 - 41 units of Blood were collected from Council Members and community donors. This effort has the potential of saving some 77 lives in northern Nevada.
- Our Council had 15 Members gather to perform maintenance around the HVAC Units. The old fencing was removed, the areas were cleaned of the dirt and leaf refuse, and new fencing was erected. All labor and materials were donated by the Council Members.
- Grand Knight attended the Fraternal Training Webinar conducted by Ken White and covered the Columbian Award details that required for obtaining the Award.

April 2021

- Grand Knight sent the SP-7 Columbian Award application Forms to Supreme and copies to State Deputy Pascua, State District Deputy Schiwart and State Executive Secretary Cuccinelli.
- Council has sent the forms listing Delegates and Alternates to the Annual Nevada State Convention to be held in Lake Tahoe.

- Grand Knight has sent the Family of the Year and Knight of the Year Entry Forms to State Council.
- The Council First Degree Team will conduct the First Degree Exemplification Ceremony prior to our April 17th Council Meeting. We will welcome three, possibly a fourth, new Members to the Fallon Council.

May 2021

- The Council will hold our Nomination of Officers at our first Council Meeting of the month and subsequent Election of Officers will then be held during our first meeting in June.
- Over the Memorial Day weekend, special Knights of Columbus Flags and American Flags will be placed on the graves of deceased Council brethren buried in the local cemetery. Every year, members of our Council, meet at the Churchill County Cemetery and Pray the Rosary together as we place the flags on the graves of our deceased Brother Knights.

June 2021

- The Council will hold our Election of Officers at the first meeting of the Month -June 2nd.

In closing, I would say this has been a uniquely challenging year that has been both rewarding and successful for our Council 4828. The restrictions that were established by the Nevada Governor, Bishop Calvo, Father Toni and the Parish, forced us to rethink many of our "routines" from the previous years. Events like our Monthly Pancake Breakfasts in the Parish Hall had to be indefinitely postponed; our Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner canceled this year; we even had to find alternate facilities to conduct our meetings. Yet, these same restrictions allowed us to create ways to assist our Priest and Parish that allowed completion of many other projects and events that could be accomplished without jeopardizing the health and welfare of our members. It would be impossible to list all of the countless activities and donated time and talent provided by our Council Brother Knights. The above listings provide only a portion of the actual fraternal and charitable contributions that our members and families provide to our Council. It has been my honor to serve as our Council's Grand Knight and I am so thankful for the support that all of the Council Members have given during this year. I am a better person because of the Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism provided me by my fellow Brother Knights and I thank them for giving me the opportunity to serve them.

Ponderosa Council #4928

SK Chuck Goucher

Grand Knight
Council #4928

The coronavirus pandemic has had profound impact on how the council has had to operate this fraternal year. The virus effected the way we conducted our meetings, our finances, and council events.

Conducting Meetings: All council and officer planning meetings have been conducted virtually online, utilizing the Zoom platform. Member participation was down by about half of what in person meetings were prior to the coronavirus.

Financial Status: The council historically relied on outside fund-raising events such as Nugget Best in the west Rib Cook off, Reno Air Races, and UNR Football to fund many of our charitable activities and events. The council planned for the loss of fund-raising events prior to the end of the last fraternal year and start this fraternal year with about \$15,000.00 in our account. This was an increase from previous years. This increase along with Supreme assessment savings and generous member donations have allowed us to continue many of our charitable and community events. We will have a strong reserve to start the next fraternal year.

Membership Status/Recruiting: The Council will not meet its membership goals for this fraternal year. This was due to a drop in membership through resignations, the retention process, and not being able to conduct recruiting drives this year.

Faith in Action: The council is positioned to achieve the Columbian and Founders Awards this fraternal year.

Faith Programs Completed: RSVP (2 seminarians), State Seminary Raffle, Spiritual Reflection (retreat) First Friday Mass and Adoration Holy Hour, Lenten Stations of the Cross and Sacramental Gifts.

Family Programs Completed: Family of the Month/Year, Food for Families, Family Stations of the Cross, and scholarship and financial aid programs.

Community Programs Completed: Coats for Kids, Sparks Pd Appreciation Luncheon, Boys and Girls Club Breakfast with Santa, and Boys & Girls Club holiday meals preparation.

Life Programs Completed: 40 days for Life program, Silver Rose, Novena for Life, and Casa De Vida support.

Leave No Neighbor Behind: The council continues to contact all its members through phone, email, or personal letter to check on their welfare and assist knights and parishioners in need. Help to feed the hungry in the community and donate blood through community blood drives.

Vivat Jesus!

Father Francisco Garces Council #5693

SK Daniel Macias

Grand Knight
Council #5693

Worthy State Deputy, State Officers, State Council members, and Brother Knights,

This year was a unique time, not just for all Americans, but for all of humanity. There is no question the pandemic changed our lives, and as Knights we had to adapt and overcome. That is how the Knights have continued to thrive through the decades.

Our council, like many others, had to overcome a plethora of issues. I was elected to guide this council in the midst of chaos, fear, and uncertainty. Navigating through various restrictions and roadblocks made it especially challenging to the council. We had to think outside the box and change the way we conducted activities, not just within our council, but within our personal, professional, and spiritual capacities.

Like any organization, we first needed to make sure our members were well because without our members, the council would cease to exist. We conducted an operation to call all our members and inquire about their well-being. Many of the members are elderly, so we wanted to make sure if they were in need of something, we could find a way to assist them.

Secondly, we needed to focus on our parish. Since the governor declared a state of emergency and ceased all gatherings, the parish was forced to close the doors and was unable to deliver vital services to the community. People stayed home to stay safe, and a side effect was that there were nominal donations to the parish. Expenses became due and there was a plea for help from the Pastor. Our council stepped up and donated \$500 to help pay for the parish expenses. While this amount may seem trifling, our council is struggling financially. We had been unable to conduct activities to acquire funding, and it wasn't until the end of 2020 that we were finally allowed to conduct fund-raising activities.

Thirdly, we focused on the parishioners. We had to come up with a way to engage the public and show them that we were still there for them. We came up with a safe program to engage the youth for a video-game tournament at the height of the pandemic. All participants were given rosaries. Our council organized and donated boxes of food for needy families (see pictures attached). We even acquired face-masks with the Knights logo to sell toward the end of 2020 to help people stay safe from the virus.

All these activities were a great addition to the most important task our members perform, which is serving our Lord at the various masses through the thick and thin. I cannot begin to thank them enough for all the work they have put in. It is through all our examples and activities that we will inspire future generations to join the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus!



St. John Paul II the Great Council #6688

SK John Walter

Grand Knight
Council #6688

John Walter continued for a third year as Grand Knight for the 2020-2021 Fraternal Year. We serve Holy Family Church in Yerington. St. John the Baptist Catholic Mission in Smith Valley and Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Hawthorne are our two Round Tables. Fr. Jesus Ballesteros gives our Council lots of encouragement and is able to be present in most meetings. We help Fr. Jesus with any request as needed. The Knights participate as Greeters, Lecturers, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Precious Blood and with the building and grounds maintenance and Music Ministry. Our District Deputy, Steve Schiwart has been very helpful and supportive this past year.

Council 6688 programs and events for the year include helping organize the First Friday Adoration and First Friday Rosary and lead the Divine Mercy Chaplet before every Mass at St. John Mission. We continue with the 5th Sunday Rosary, lead one week of The Stations of the Cross during Lent at both Holy Family and St. John Mission. Every month we offer a Mass intention for Brother Knights, families or parishioners. We place a yearly add in a local publication for Keep Christ in Christmas. Our council donated \$500.00 in memory of our Brother Knight, Floyd Justus, who past away this year, to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, one of our Round Table churches. We purchased 250 Mathew Kelly books "I Heard God Laugh" for a book give away at all masses at all three churches. The donations received paid for the books.

We have in the past held a few Pancake Breakfasts and an annual Yard Sale to raise a few funds for the year but due to Covid we have not had any fundraisers this fraternal year.

We continue to struggle with filling key positions in the Council with the few members we have (40) and the fewer who participate. I have worked to update all membership information and am working to contact all non-active members.

This concludes my report.

Vivat Jesus

Christ the King Council #7322

SK Michael Chaump

Grand Knight
Council #7322

Worthy State Deputy,

Our Council, like many others, were faced with the challenges of Covid-19. However, we never gave up on our charitable mission to help our church and community as we navigated the shut down of most activities.

I am please to report the following:

Faith Programs

- Rosary Program - The rosary program was held the last Sunday of the month. In some cases we held the Rosary outdoors due to restriction with Covid-19.
- Building the Domestic Church Kiosk
- RSVP Donation \$500
- Spiritual Reflection Program - 24 Hour Adoration during holy week.

Family Programs

- Family and Knight of the Month
- Bishop Manogue Catholic High School Scholarship Program - Two \$1,000 scholarships were granted.
- Turkey Bingo Raffle 2020 - Due to Covid-19 our annual Turkey Bingo, generally held in person, was held as a raffle. 25 families received turkeys. 240 raffle tickets were sold for a total of \$975.
- Family Prayer Night - Family prayer cards were distributed to our parishioners after mass.

Community Programs

- Tootsie Roll Drive - Received approximately \$1000 in donations.
- Quarterly Parish Blood Drive
- Youth Scouting Support - Provided financial support to the scouts.
- The Annual KofC Memorial Golf Tournament - We were fortunate to hold our golf tournament in August 2020. This was our biggest in person fundraiser of the Fraternal Year with net proceeds of approximately \$8,000.

Life Programs

- Pregnancy Center Support - We provided a donation of \$1,000 to the Pregnancy Center due to the cancelation of their annual fundraiser.
- Novena for Life was primarily online. As was the 40 days for Life.
- Monthly Pro-Life Rosary - We prayed the rosary in front of the local abortion clinic the first Saturday of each month.

In Conclusion

Christ the King Council 7322 remained busy. In April 2020, we moved our Council meetings to an online platform. In March 2021, we resumed limited in-person meetings with the online option available to members not comfortable meeting in-person.

Our year-over-year donations were down by 50 percent due to the Covid-19 restriction and shut downs. However, we were still able to make the following notable donations:

- St Albert Catholic School - \$4,200
- CSA - \$2,000
- Bishop Manogue Catholic High School Scholarship - \$2,000
- Crisis Pregnancy Center - \$1,000
- Archdiocese for Military Services USA/Military Chaplain Program - \$500
- RSVP - \$500
- Scouting Support - \$320
- Casa da Vida - \$250

We are planning a busy year ahead as the restrictions across our State are lifting and our community is getting vaccinated.

Respectfully submitted,

Saint Andrew Council #8078SK Robert J. Hartman

**Grand Knight
Council #8078**

Worthy State Deputy,

With the advent of the COVID-19 Pandemic, many of our activities evaporated. We have been holding monthly meetings via the Go-To-Meeting application. Even at that, attendance is very low. We continue to publish a monthly bulletin, and do Well Checks on sick and distressed Brother Knights.

Our monthly food drives at Saint Andrew's has been curtailed as has our Extended Liturgy aka: Coffee & Doughnut Socials after Mass has been suspended. Fund raisers are virtually gone. We had to get creative in so many ways. One was a Non-Event Dinner in which we sent a letter out to our membership asking them to donate to the council what ever they would normally spend on a dinner out in town. The response was overwhelming. We took in just over \$1,500.

For the Bishop's Seminary Fund Raffle, because we could not sell the tickets in the normal fashion, we mailed the tickets out to the membership. This worked out very well.

On April 25, we held the first Blood Drive we were permitted to do since the start of the current Pandemic. We collected 12 units of life saving Blood.

On May 1, we sponsored a Car Parade in Boulder City, to raise awareness of Cystic Fibrosis. They were able to accomplish their goal and raise some funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Until happier times my Brothers, Adapt, be Patient and Pray.

Fraternally,

Our Lady of the Valley Council #10780

SK Niel T. Rohleder

Grand Knight
Council #10780

Our Lady of the Valley is located in Pahrump, which is about 60 miles west of Las Vegas. As with other Councils throughout the Order, this last year has been extremely challenging for our fund raising efforts. Though we had begun the year with an ambitious number of goals, we were not able to see as many of them come to fruition as we had hoped. To the level possible, we were able to continue with some of the activities below:

Faith Activities

We continue to offer our full support to our pastor, Father Henry Salditos, whenever requested, and have continued to have an outstanding great relationship with him and his office staff. It was our Council and its members who were instrumental in assisting with the reopening for masses after the closures early in the year. The Council members served in person at positions such as ushers, church cleaners, Eucharistic ministers, and temperature takers.

Just as importantly, for those unable to attend in person during the closures caused by the pandemic, the Council developed a Parish YouTube Channel, purchased a computer system, a video/audio equipment, required sound/recording equipment, and networking equipment to offer streaming of the Mass to the Web. Additionally, they provided complete support to actively stream all of the parish's masses, memorials, and events to the web, and to the outbuildings within the parish campus used for added seating capacity.

In addition to funding the costs of streaming our masses, the Council funded and completed numerous facility improvements in the church's Parish Hall including additional upgrades to LED Lighting, and exterior security and ambiance lighting.

The Council initiated a Parish "Wall of Remembrance" program whereby, upon the death of a parish member, a cross is made and hung in a special place in the church until All Souls Day of every year. During the Mass on that day, the individual's cross is given to a family representative as a memorial to them from the Knights of Columbus in a touching ceremony.

We sponsored the Stations of the Cross for the Parish and presented them to the congregation during Lent for spiritual enrichment.

We continued to provide Seminarian Support both in the form of the Seminarian Raffle, as well as providing financial support as we sponsor a Seminarian. Additionally, several of the deceased Knights in our Council provided new Seminarians with a beautiful, gold plated, memorial Chalice as part of our Memorial Chalice Program.

Family Activities

The Council supported the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest and other aspects of the KCIC initiative to promote family inclusiveness.

Members of the Council provided both financial support as well as operational support for the technology needs of the parish's Faith Formation program. This included new computers, monitors, and a variety of displays to be used to educate both the youth and adult students of our faith.

Community Activities

The Council participated in the Knight of Columbus Coats for Kids Program, bringing smiles to dozens of children in our community with much needed warm winter clothing.

Knights and Ladies sponsor, organize and provide the work force for our parish's Monthly Senior Luncheon held in conjunction with the Mass for the Sick on the first Wednesday of every Month.

As part of the Parish's Food Pantry Program and other Covid-related food donation/distribution programs, the Council members assisted with providing funding and physical support for sustenance needed by those families and community members in need.

The Council was able to hold 5 Drive Thru Fish Fry events, in spite of the Covid restriction involving the sale of food. The funds from these events were used to help defray some of the costs associated with ongoing bills still being received by the parish, without the corresponding weekly collections from the weekly offertory proceeds.

Life Activities

The Council has adopted First Choice Pregnancy Center in Pahrump as a local organization it continues to financially support it with semiannual donations.

The Council participated in the Annual Tootsie Roll Drive and provided financial support to Special Olympics in Nye County.

Mother Seton Council #11029

SK Bob B. Sotelo

Grand Knight
Council #11029

In November 2020, I was asked to take over as Grand Knight of Mother Seton Council. At that time the council had been inactive.

Church Activities:

- Many Brothers served as Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, and Lectors.
- Responded to numerous calls for volunteer help, as needed, by the parish and the parish school.
- Continued to coordinate a Rosary Circle wherein parishioners agree to say a decade of the Rosary each week for an identified intention. (Through video conferencing)

Council Activities:

- Due to Covid the council was inactive for the 1st half of the year.
- We did sale “Keep Christ in Christmas” buttons during the week of Advent.
- Meetings were held through video conferencing.

Family Activities:

- Due to Covid, the council was inactive.

Community Activities:

- Due to Covid, the council was inactive.
- Sold Seminarian Fund raffle tickets.

Youth Activities:

- Supported our Columbian Squires Circle.

Our Lady of the Desert Council #12877

SK Leo Carey III

Grand Knight
Council #12877

Council 12877 Activities Fraternal Year 2020-2021

Summer clean up at Immaculate Conception
Council Officer Installation
Hosted Silver Rose at all Masses
Hosted Pastoral Conference
Awarded 2 scholarships to Gracie Allen and Carson Isip
Celebrated Father Beda's 30 Years as a Priest
Recognized 2 65 Year Brother Knights
Participated in 2 "40 Days for Life"
Recognized Veterans on Veterans Day Mass
Novena for Walk for Life
Blessed Father McGivney Mass with Holy Reverend Bishop Randolph Calvo
Two live Formation Degree Ceremonies
Celebrated Santo Nino with Holy Reverend Bishop Randolph Calvo
Supplied lunch for Youth Retreat
Took part in 2 Fraternal Benefits Nights/Days
Lenten Retreat with Father Arlon Vergara
Cook lunch at Retreat at IC
Set up confessionals, cooked dinner for 15 Priests at Reconciliation Services
Return of Saint Patrick's Day Dinner and Party for 150+ people
Turnovers
Walk to Mary
Mother's Day Brunch
Tootsie Roll Drive
Seminarian Raffle Ticket Sales
At every Mass, provided ushering services, lector services and singing in Choir

St. Francis of Assisi Council #13456

SK Tim Cronin

**Grand Knight
Council #13456**

Introduction

During the 2020-2021 Columbian year, Council 13456 focused building upon the successes of the 2019-2020 Fraternal Year. Additional progress was made to strengthen our relationship with St. Francis of Assisi Parish leadership with involvement of family and friends, encouraged always. Council 13456 maintained all its major programs and listed below is a summary of our activities in support of the Faith in Action program.

Faith**RSVP**

Council 13456 participated in the Refund Support Vocations Program (RSVP) providing eight \$50 gift cards totaling \$400.00 and a \$500.00 gift to our Seminarians.

God's Miracle in The Desert

Council 13456 will donate at least \$3000.00 to St Francis of Assisi Parish Church for the "God's Miracle in the Desert" Building Fund.

Annual Church Festival

The Annual Parish Festival was postponed due to the pandemic the council is looking into possibly donating our supply budget for the festival to the church if the festival is not held at all by June 1st.

Hospitality

After mass hospitality was also a pandemic casualty

Annual Seminarian Fund Raiser

Still looking for a creative way to support the seminarians during the pandemic.

Stations of the Cross Supper

Due to the Covid-19 situation, Stations of the Cross meals were cancelled but Members did participate is reading the stations during the service as always.

Additional

Members of Council 13456 and the Ladies Auxiliary assist St. Francis of Assisi Parish weekly as Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Lectors, Sacristans and Educators.

Family

Food Drive

- Members of Council 13456 sponsor a monthly food drive to benefit Catholic Charities and the St. Therese Center. This was suspended due to COVID restrictions, but many members still donated directly to the food banks.
- Council 13456 has nominated a “Family of the Year” and submitted the application to Nevada State Council for consideration.
- Council 13456 started a ‘Leave no Member behind’ initiative for members and families to ensure needs are met and support is given as required of members during medical issues, loss etc.

Community

Members of Council 13456 donate significant time and money each month to:

- Catholic Charities
- Catholic Worker
- Habitat for Humanity
- Poverello House
- Three Square

Members of Council 13456 also donated time to these singular events:

- Blue Star Mothers
- Henderson Senior Center - Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners
- Wreaths Across America

Life

- Council 13456 is looking for a venue outside of the church to sell tootsie rolls to support special Olympics.
- Council 13456 annual Andy Pohl Fun Run was cancelled due to Covid.

Specific Council Activities

- Council 13456 held its first fireworks sale fundraiser from June 28th to July 4th 2020. A bit over \$8,000 was raised.
- Installation of Officers was held at St. Francis of Assisi Parish on Saturday Oct 10th (later than usual due to COVID).
- Nearly 30 Knights participated in our spring 2021 NASCAR initiatives.

This are the largest fundraisers for Council 13456. There was only one race the Columbian year due to COVIS. Approximately 30 council members participated volunteering about 100 hours for preparation and about 600 hours for set up and staffing on race weekends.

- Golf outings for council members are held just about every month during the Columbian year.
- A Knight of the Month and Family of the Month were recognized each month in the 2020 – 2021.
- Certificates are given to awardees during the monthly Business Meeting.

General Council Activities

- Council 13456 continued its Rosary Program Virtually every other Wednesday evening at 7PM.
- Council 13456 continues to sponsor a Columbian Squires Circle.
- St. Francis of Assisi Council 13456 continues to support the 365 Club of Nevada State Council.
- Council 13456 continues to support the Legacy Quasi-Endowment Fund.
- Council 13456 works closely with the Ladies Auxiliary to support St. Francis of Assisi Parish.

Conclusion

Council 13456 continues to be an active participant in Parish and Community activities. We will not qualify for any Supreme Council awards in the 2020 – 2021 Columbian Year but remain one of the strongest Councils in the State of Nevada.

St Ann of the Comstock Council #13924

SK Michael P O'Brien

Grand Knight
Council #13924

Church Activities:

1. Served as parish ushers, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.
2. Participated in parish fundraisers, ministry functions and the annual rummage sale.
3. Maintained church facilities and grounds.
4. Removed snow from parking and walkways during winter storms.
5. Graded primary road approach to the church.
6. Conducted weekly Bible study.

Council Activities:

1. Maintained a Roundtable at St. Mary in the Mountains.
2. Supported the Special Olympics of Nevada through the Tootsie Roll Drive
3. Assisted brothers and parishioners with moving and repair projects.

Family Activities:

1. Supplied Thanksgiving baskets to needy parish families.
2. Selected and presented Knights of Columbus Family of the Month Awards.

Community Activities:

1. Provided Easter baskets for the clients of Eagle Valley Children's Home.
2. Supplied monthly Bingo prizes for Carson Rehab Center.
3. Created and delivered individualized Christmas packages for over 60 residents at Carson Rehab Center.
4. Supported the Life Choice Center in Carson City.

Youth Activities:

1. Supplied rosaries to all First Communion and Confirmation candidates.
2. Created service hour opportunities for Confirmation candidates.

Culture of Life Activities:

Assisted the Religious Education Director with financial support and three Knights as teachers of Confirmation classes.

Christ the King Council #14144

SK Al Wagner

Grand Knight
Council #14144

We started out the year slow due to COVID issues. Even with these restrictions we initiated a membership drive that lasted from July to October. With the help of our State Chaplain Fr Manny and our Deputy Grand Knight Al Pena, we had 31 candidates receive their degree in person in September. We continued to contact the e-member within 24 hours of signing up and the Financial Secretary Pablo Payumo and the Deputy Grand Knight were able to get them to the degree either online or in person. As a result, we ended up with 58 new members so far. We fully expect to have at least 15 new members by June 30, 2021. We continued the food for families' project. Each week we have two pickup trucks, and two cars load up food from Trader Joes and replenish the mana cupboard. We participated in the Coats for Kids project with Holy Spirit and delivered coats to the kids in need. With the restrictions on attending mass the council provided enough volunteers to assist with the check in process. These include the to live streaming locations on campus. The volunteers did the temperature check, sign in and weekly tithing collection baskets at the door. We paid for a vocation's kiosk in the gathering space. The council pays for the promotional materials for priest vocations. The fish fry during lent was a little restrictive. We setup the fish fry on a walk through/drive through basis. We also extended the hours to serve those attending the stations of the cross on Fridays. Overall, this was successful considering the challenges presented. We are currently assisting the Priest with selling Vegas Golden Knights hats after the masses.

Now that the COVID restrictions are being lifted I fully expect the council to do great things this year. The fifty-eight new members have given the council more energy and enthusiasm to continue to serve our Parish and the community even more.

Holy Spirit Council #14784

SK Christopher Traver

Grand Knight
Council #14784

Council 14784 List of Activities

Online Rosary: During the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic due to government restrictions many activities had to be cancelled, and this hindered our faith and fraternal activities. Our council started having a weekly rosary online. This was helpful because we could pray with our fellow brother knights and families to help protect us from the virus, and for it end. This was also a good way of keeping in contact with our brother knights to find out if they needed anything. We also prayed the rosary for fellow knights and family members who were sick with COVID, and unfortunately for those who passed away. During all soul's day, we did the rosary online for our deceased knights and family members. Many of our brother knights verbalized how praying the rosary helped them during this difficult time by praying for their recovery from illness or death of a loved one.

Online Rosary with Our Brother Knights in El Paso Texas: Last year our former Financial Secretary Phil Holguin saw on the news that several religious statues were vandalized at churches in El Paso Texas. Phil reached to our brother knights there and asked them if they wanted to join us in an online rosary as a show of support. There were over 60 knights and their families from Texas and Nevada that joined us, and this rosary was also attended by our Worthy State Deputy Toni Pascua and other state officials from Nevada and Texas. Our Brother Knights from El Paso expressed their deepest gratitude for helping support them during their difficult time.

Handing out Palms from Palms Sunday: Last year Father Bill asked the Knights of Columbus if we could handout the palms from Palm Sunday last June because due to COVID-19 restrictions the church was closed or at limited capacity. Council 14784 handed out the palms to people who drove up to receive them. Father Bill, the parish staff, and the parishioners we thankful to the knights for doing this.

Assisting Holy Spirt Outreach Program: In December, the outreach program at Holy Spirit asked if we could adopt family in need to help make their Christmas a little brighter. Our council helped a single mother of three daughters ages 15-7 YOA. Their mother was in an abusive relationship and had just moved into a shelter for battered women. We were given their wish-list of items they would like. Our members stepped up and bought toys, clothes, skateboard, and gift cards to make sure they had a merry Christmas. The outreach program reported the family was so happy with the gifts and thanked the Knights for all that we did for them.

Father McGivney Beatification Mass: To celebrate the beatification of our founder Father Michael J McGivney. Our council asked Father Bill if we could have a mass to celebrate this honor that was

bestowed on Father McGivney. We had a beautiful mass that was celebrated by Father Bill, and that mass was attended by other councils in Southern Nevada, and state officials from the Knights.

Phone Tree: As part of Leave No Neighbor Behind our council led by Chancellor Andre McCoy and other knights who volunteered to help. They reached out to our brother knights on a weekly basis via phone, email, and text to see how they were doing and if they or their family needed anything, this was a success because many of our older knights had to stay home because of the pandemic, and by this doing we were able to help if they needed anything from store, or just wanted someone to talk to.

Fish fry: Earlier this year Father Bill approached the Knights to ask for help. Due to COVID-19 there were restrictions on the number of people who could attend mass, and for quite some time only 35 people were allowed at mass. This had a negative impact on the cash flow of our Parish, and Father Bill was worried that we might have to cut the hours or layoff parish staff members. After several discussions, we decided to have a drive-thru fish-fry. We had our first one in January of 2021, **and it was a huge success! On the first we raised over \$1,900.00, that we gave to the parish. In total, we gave the parish over \$4,000.00, from the sales of our fish-fry.** Father Bill, the parishioners, parish staff, and our we were happy with the outcome. We were able to help the church from having to lay off staff, the parishioners verbalized how much they enjoyed the fish and were able to go out for a meal in a safe environment. Most import of all was how our brother knights enjoyed being together after not being able to see each other for almost a year.

Assist with Christmas Eve Parking: The knights were asked by the church to assist with parking for the Christmas Eve. We had 10 knights who volunteered their time to help, and we made sure that traffic flowed smoothly. Father Bill was again very appreciative to the knights.

Assist with First Communion Parking: The director of CCD program at Holy Spirt called on the Knights to see if we could assist with parking for the first communion morning mass because there was a sporting event going at Bishop Gorman High school, and there was a concern that parking would difficult. This responded we told people where they could park, and there were no issues with parking. The parish was again appreciative for all the knights do.

St. Sharbel Council #14820SK Raul Abejuela

Grand Knight
Council #14820

Dear Worthy State Deputy, Toni Pascua,

Year 2020 – 2021 was and is still a challenging year for our council. But we managed to come up with activities that are in line with the objectives and goals of the Knights of Columbus. First, we wanted to be visible at our Church. The Knights are serving as Ushers during Masses, provide security during Masses and very much involve in the choir and weekend Masses. And I am also serving as a Deacon. We have some members of Knights undergo briefings with the Metro Police regarding issues of security.

The Knights also served as a buffer during those tense moments when there was confusion as to the attendance of Masses. Good job guys...There was no Lebanese American Festival last year, but we manage to have a successful Coats of Kids drive and we donated those coats collected to the Women Center of Las Vegas in November. And we spearheaded the daily Simbang Gabi during the Christmas Season.

This year, we are looking to actively participating in the Lebanese American Festival in the month of October. Aside from our monthly meetings, we are continually doing the recruitment of members. Of course, we will continue the daily Simbang Gabi during the Christmas.

Now, that Las Vegas and the Governor had eased the restrictions on the public congregating, we will look at putting more charitable projects and activities that in line with the goals and objectives of the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus....

Sincerely in Christ

Report of the Audit

Report of the Audit of the NV State Council for FY2021

Nevada State

Audit Committee

Brother Knights,

On behalf of the NV State Audit Committee, attached is a report of the findings of the audit of the NV State Council for fiscal year 2021. The audit was completed on April 17, 2021.

The committee's work was made easier by the efforts of the NV State Officers:

- Toni Pascua, State Deputy
- Joe Haun, State Secretary
- Meynard Infantado, State Treasurer
- Tom Villardi, State Warden
- Nestor Tan, Budget Committee

The primary scope of our effort was to audit state funds to determine if the Per Capita assessments are adequate and appropriate. We also review the financials and related controls and procedures to ensure that they safeguard the NV State Council's assets. Here are our findings.

The state financial statements are prepared in accordance with standard accounting procedures and present fairly in all material respects the solvency and well-being of the Nevada State Council. Our committee examined income and expenses through March 31, 2021 and reconciled their financials to the corresponding bank statements. This included all five bank accounts for the periods Feb 29, 2020 and March 31, 2021. Subsequent cash flow analysis confirmed the integrity of all statements and accounts.

After reviewing the financials and the NV State Council's proposed FY2022 Budget, the state officers and Audit Committee members mutually decided to hold the present Per Capita rate at \$15 (consistent with the prior two years) to maintain a balanced budget.

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, it was suggested and agreed that the state officers and Audit Committee would reconvene in approximately six months to assess how FY2021 ended and how the first quarter of FY2022 progressed to determine if any updates to the FY2022 Budget are appropriate.

Finally, the Audit Committee acknowledges that the state officers have done an exceptional job of revising the operating procedures of the 365 Club in the last two years. We recommend that the state officers be recognized for their excellent work here. We encourage all councils to feel confident in the effectiveness of the 365 Club and support it financially.

On behalf of the Audit Committee, it has been a pleasure to serve with these dedicated professionals in accounting, ethics and compliance to the order's financial status and reputation.

Sincerely,

The NV State Audit Committee:

Tom Gurgui
PGK and Financial Secretary
St. John Vianney, Council #13842

Al Pena
State Family Director and DGK
Christ the King, Council #14144

Raul Abejuela
Grand Knight
St. Sharbel, Council #14820

Daniel Barry
State Athletic Events Chairman and Trustee
St. Jude, Council #9102

Convention Resolutions and State Advocate Report on Resolutions

State Resolution #1

Nevada State Council

State Resolution #1
2020-2021

NEVADA STATE COUNCIL
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



To amend the State By-Laws to include State Treasurer as an automatic delegate to the Supreme Convention

- **WHEREAS:** State recognizes the need for State Treasurer to be present in the Supreme Convention as he manages and oversees financial affairs of the State that includes expenses, cash flows, budgets and costs for the State during Supreme Convention. Currently, in our State By-Laws, only the Immediate Past State Deputy, State Deputy and State Secretary are sent automatically; the other two Delegates and Alternates are voted upon during State Convention.
- **WHEREAS:** State Treasurer shall assist the State Deputy and State Secretary in financial planning, and would lessen their work load during Supreme Convention.
- **THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED** that the Nevada State Council seeks to add to the provision that the State Treasurer be included as automatic delegate to the Supreme Convention. The Treasurer

Submitted by State Officers

/Toni Pascua/
Antonio Pascua
NV State Deputy

State Resolution #2

Nevada State Council

State Resolution #2
2020-2021

NEVADA STATE COUNCIL
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Resolution to approve disbursement from the Nevada State Council funds as held by Knights of Columbus Charities USA, Inc.'s Christopher Fund

- **WHEREAS:** the Nevada State Council, Knights of Columbus has invested funds with Christopher Fund, Knights of Columbus Charities USA, Inc. in the amount of TWELVE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS and SIXTEEN CENTS (\$12,756.16USD.) Under the terms of the Christopher Fund, Supreme Council has matched the amount of Nevada State Council investment in the amount of an additional investment of TWELVE THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS and SIXTEEN CENTS (\$12,756.16 USD) for a total combined investment of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED and TWELVE DOLLARS and THIRTY-SIX CENTS (\$25,512.36 USD).
- **WHEREAS:** for the period of January 1-December 31, 2020, The Nevada State Council's Christopher Fund account has provided a 2020 investment earnings rate of 2.20% with earnings benefit of SEVEN THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED, FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS and FIFTY-TWO CENTS (\$7,357.52 USD).
- **WHEREAS:** under the terms of the Christopher Fund, The Knights of Columbus Charities USA, INC. has requested Nevada State Council to authorize per resolution a disbursement of the said 2020 earnings benefit.
- **WHEREAS:** it is well known due to the current pandemic (COVID-19), the following charitable organizations were rendered financially struggling and can use Nevada Knights of Columbus help: Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, First Choice Pregnancy Center (Las Vegas) (e.g., ultrasound repair); American Wheelchair Mission; and Catholic Workers of Las Vegas
- **THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** it is hereby authorized that SIX THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS and NO CENTS (\$6,500.00) of the SEVEN THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED, FIFTY-SEVEN DOLLARS and FIFTY-TWO CENTS (\$7,357.52 USD) of the said 2020

Investment Earnings of for the Nevada State Council's Christopher Fund Account be released to the following entities in the following amounts:

1. Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada - \$2,000.00
2. First Choice Pregnancy Center (Las Vegas) - \$1,000.00
3. American Wheelchair Mission - \$1,500.00
4. Catholic Workers of Las Vegas - \$2,000.00

Submitted by Nevada State Council Officers

/Toni Pascua/
Antonio Pascua
NV State Deputy

State Resolution #3

Nevada State Council

State Resolution #3
2020-2021

NEVADA STATE COUNCIL
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Resolution of the Nevada State Knights of Columbus to Express their Appreciation to his Holiness Pope Francis and others.

WHEREAS, His Holiness Pope Francis continues to lead the Catholic Church during these times of great stress and uncertainty, to further inspire us to follow our faith and in particular the example and teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ;

WHEREAS, the Bishop of Reno Diocese, the Most Reverend Rudolph Calvo and the Bishop of Las Vegas Diocese, The Most Reverend George Thomas have consistently shown their support for the Knights Of Columbus;

WHEREAS, the Priests, who as Knights themselves, as Chaplains of the various Councils throughout the State of Nevada or both, who tirelessly help the Knight of Columbus, continuously demonstrate show their strong support of the Knights of Columbus and provide their guidance to the Knights of Columbus;

WHEREAS, other Priests, Nuns, and Catholic workers who have undertaken the burden to support, promote, and the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and provide great works of our Faith;

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement, Firefighters, Medical Providers and other First Responders who have tirelessly and fearless exposed themselves to danger every day during the trying times of this Covid pandemic to promote and ensure our safety, sometimes at great cost to themselves;

WHEREAS, the United States Military, the Nevada State Guard in particular, who consistently go into harm's way on all of our behalf in being a global presence in the time of dangerous unrest and threat to our personal well-being;

WHEREAS our Wives and other Significant Betters, our Families, without whose support, and encouragement, the Knights would not exist as one of, if not the foremost, Catholic Fraternal Order in the world and further would not be able to carry the Knights' mission "In the Support of Others".

NOW THEREFORE. LET BE IT RESOLVED AND BE WELL KNOWN, that the members of the Nevada State Knights of Columbus as assembled in person for the 2021 Annual Nevada State Convention and on behalf of other Knights not so present, express their profound and sincere appreciation, gratitude and further renew their filial devotion to His Holiness Pope Francis, the Bishop of Rome; and further express their profound and sincere appreciation and gratitude for the Bishop of Reno Diocese, the Most Reverend Rudolph Calvo, the Bishop of Las Vegas Diocese; The Most Reverend George Thomas; the Priests, who as Knights themselves or as Chaplains of the various Councils throughout the State of Nevada; other Priests, Nuns, and Catholic workers, Law Enforcement, Firefighters, Medical Providers and other First Responders, the United States Military, the Nevada State Guard in particular, and our Wives and other Significant Betters, our Families.

Submitted by Nevada State Council Officers

/Toni Pascua/
Antonio Pascua
Worthy State Deputy

State Advocate Report on Resolutions

SK John D Long, Esquire

May 16, 2021
Knights of Columbus

NEVADA STATE ANNUAL MEETING AT LAKE TAHOE



State Advocate

STATE ADVOCATE REPORT ON SLATE OF PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 1:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AMENDING THE NEVADA STATE COUNCIL BY-LAWS TO ALLOW THE ELECTED STATE TREASURER TO BE AN PREFERRED (AUTOMATIC) DELEGATE TO THE SUPREME CONVENTION.

This is a Nevada State Council submitted resolution requesting amendment to Nevada State Council By-Laws Article IX Elections, Section 1, to provide that the State Treasurer be included as preferred or automatic delegate to the Supreme Convention. Further, the amendment shall further order that the Treasurer

This resolution should be adopted.

Resolution 2:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A DISBURSEMENT OF NEVADA STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTOPHER FUND'S 2020 EARNINGS BENEFIT.

This is a Nevada State Council submitted resolution requesting disbursements relating to 2020 earnings benefit of (\$7,357.52 USD) Nevada State Council's Christopher Fund investment, the total amount of disbursement to authorized in the amount of \$6,500.00 is to be released to the following entities in the following amounts:

1. Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada - \$2,000.00,
2. First Choice Pregnancy Center (Las Vegas) - \$1,000.00,
3. American Wheelchair Mission - \$1,500.00, and
4. Catholic Workers of Las Vegas - \$2,000.00.

This resolution should be adopted.

No other resolutions were submitted by the Nevada Knights of Columbus Councils outside of the TWO (2) above resolutions as put forth by the Nevada State Council.

Respectfully submitted:

/John D. Long, Esq./
John D. Long, Esq.
Worthy State Advocate
Nevada State Council
Knights of Columbus
Nevada State Bar Member 9107

Resolution of Support

State Deputy - Haun



Knights of Columbus
Fr. Francisco Garces Council 5693
Las Vegas, Nevada

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

- WHEREAS:** Father Francisco Garces Council #5693, held a General Council Meeting on Monday, February 1, 2021, and
- WHEREAS:** Brother Joe Alvin Haun has served the Knights of Columbus Nevada State Council as State Membership for the Columbian years 2015 – 2017, and as the State Warden for the Columbian Year 2017 – 2019, and as the Acting District Deputy for District 5 for the Columbian Year 2021, and as the State Secretary for the Columbian Year 2019 – 2021, and
- WHEREAS:** Brother Joe Alvin Haun has served his council, his assembly, and the State of Nevada in the following offices:
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| Advocate, Council #5693 | 2010 – 2011 |
| Chancellor, Council #5693 | 2011 – 2013 |
| Grand Knight, Council #5693 | 2013 – 2015 |
| Trustee, Council #5693 | 2015 – 2017 |
| Faithful Inner Sentinel, Assembly #0611 | 2011 – 2012 |
| Faithful Outer Sentinel, Assembly #0611 | 2012 – 2014 |
| Faithful Capitan, Assembly #0611 | 2014 – 2015 |
| Faithful Navigator, Assembly #0611 | 2015 – 2018 |
| Faithful Admiral, Assembly #0611 | 2018 – 2021 |
- WHEREAS:** He received the Star Council Award, Columbian Award, and Father McGivney Award when serving as Grand Knight, and Star Assembly Award and two Patriotic Service Awards serving as Faithful Navigator, and
- WHEREAS:** Father Francisco Garces Council #5693 earned six State Service Program Awards when he served as Grand Knight, including a Pro-Life program that he instituted and has served as ongoing chairman. In addition, he was a certified member of the Council's First Degree Team as Deputy Grand Knight. He was a certified member of the District 12 Second Degree Team as Sound Man. He was a certified member of the Nevada State Council Third Degree Team as Sound and Video man. In addition, he is a certified member of the Sierra Juniper District Fourth Degree Team as Sound and Audio Man. Furthermore, he



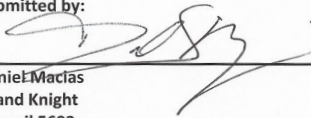
Knights of Columbus
Fr. Francisco Garces Council 5693
Las Vegas, Nevada

regularly serves the church in many capacities at St. Francis de Sales Roman Catholic Church Parish as Usher and Eucharist Minister for the Parish's Sunday Masses and the previously with the El Jen Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center.

WHEREAS: He has performed his duties faithfully and in a competent manner. He has won the regard, respect, and favor of members of the clergy, many brother knights and their families. Moreover, he exemplifies the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternalism, and Patriotism.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:
Father Francisco Garces Council #5693 presents Brother Knight, Joe Alvin Haun as a candidate for the office of State Deputy of the Nevada State Council for the Columbian Year, 2021 – 2021.

Submitted by:



Daniel Macias
Grand Knight
Council 5693

cc. District Deputies
State Deputy
State Secretary
State Advocate

State Deputy - Villardi



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ST. JUDE, COUNCIL NO. 9102
3050 ALTA DRIVE
LAS VEGAS, NV 89107

Resolution of Support

- Whereas:** Our Lady of Las Vegas Saint Jude Council 9102 officers held a meeting on March 28, 2021 and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi has served the Knights of Columbus since November 10, 2014 and achieved his Fourth Degree on April 9, 2016 and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi has previously served as Grand Knight (2016 – 2018), Deputy Grand Knight (2015-2016), Trustee (2014-2015) and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi received the Grand Knight of the Year for the State of Nevada for 2016 – 2017, Nevada Knight of the Year 2017 – 2018, Nevada Family of Year 2019 – 2020 and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi led his council to a Star Council in 2016 – 2017 and a Double Star Council in 2017 – 2018 and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi initiated the afterschool food handout at Doris Reed Elementary School with Three-Square and a weekly feed the homeless downtown with Father McShane and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi became an Honor Guard serving at the Supreme Convention in Baltimore in 2018 and the Supreme Convention in Minneapolis in 2019 and has marched along with his brother Knights in many local parades and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi has worked closely with Our Lady of Las Vegas Parrish and Father Gerry, the Parish Priest, as Head Usher for all masses. Additionally, Tom Villardi has led the Council to serve the parish as gardeners, tree trimmers, pew cleaners, solar panel cleaners and all-around handymen and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi, as Membership Director, coaches other councils to gain the respect and admiration of their priest as he has done with Father Gerry and supplies the tools to help them with their recruiting of new members and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi is currently serving as Nevada State Warden and State Membership Director since 2019 winning the Award of Inner Circle 2019 – 2020 for the State of Nevada and
- Whereas:** Brother Tom Villardi has performed his duties faithfully in a competent manner and earned the regard, respect and favor of many brother Knight and their families and exemplifies the principals of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: Our Lady of Las Vegas Saint Jude Council 9102 present **Brother Tom Villardi** as a candidate of the Office of State Deputy for the Nevada State Council for Columbian year 2021-2022.

SK Joe M Suarez Jr.
Grand Knight

Council Seal

Kirk A Niemand
Recorder

State Treasurer - Infantado



Knights of Columbus
 San Lorenzo Ruiz Council 13392
 Las Vegas Nevada

Resolution of Support

WHEREAS: **San Lorenzo Ruiz Council 13392, held a council meeting on Sunday, Feb. 28th of 2021.**

WHEREAS: **Brother Meynard Infantado is currently serving the State of Nevada as Treasurer.**

WHEREAS: **Brother Meynard Infantado served the Knights of Columbus Nevada State Council as Executive Secretary for the Columbian Year 2018-2019. He served as District Deputy from 2015 to 2018**

WHEREAS: **Brother Meynard Infantado has also served his council, his assembly, and the State of Nevada in the following offices:**

Inside Guard, Council #13392	2005 - 2006
Chancellor, Council #13392	2006 - 2008
Grand Knight, Council #13392	2008 - 2010
Trustee, Council #13392	2010 - 2014
Trustee, Assembly #3556	2014 - 2020
State Reactivation Chairman	2017 - 2018
State Filipino Membership Coordinator	2017 - 2018
State Online Membership Board	2018 - 2019

WHEREAS: **He received the District Deputy of the Year Award for Columbian Year 2016-2017**

WHEREAS: **His district received the Star District Awards for (3) consecutive years for the 3-year term that he served as District Deputy under WPSD Greg Sprigg and WIPSD Tom Thorn.**

WHEREAS: **As State Reactivation Chairman, his team was responsible for reactivating St. Anne, Prince of Peace and St. Sharbel councils. Monsignor Greg Gordon and Brother Meynard has a good relationship that started during those challenging reactivation days at St. Anne's Catholic Church. At Prince of Peace, Fr. Rolando Rivera and Deacon Dave gave him the tools necessary to reactivate Prince of Peace council.**



Resolution of Support Continued

WHEREAS: **Brother Meynard is also the current Budget Chairman for the State of Nevada**

WHEREAS: **As the current State Treasurer, he works closely with WSD Toni Pascua and State Officers in handling financial transactions. He reconciles bank statements against Quickbooks every month end. He also assists in state administrative duties, programs, personnel and meeting planning.**

WHEREAS: **In 2008, he assisted council growth in Membership and Insurance Programs when he became the Grand Knight for two years. He worked closely with Fr. Jesse Cortes and Fr. Frank Yncierto as his spiritual guide during those difficult days.**

WHEREAS: **He continues to serve at St. Bridget and Prince of Peace Catholic churches as lay minister and usher; while serving also at Prince of Peace as a choir member. He supports Fr. John McShane in his Feed the Homeless project and Pro-Life events. He participates in Holy Family group activities. He has won the regard, respect, and favor of members of the clergy, many brother knights and their families.
He exemplifies the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.**

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

San Lorenzo Ruiz Council #13392 presents Brother Knight, Meynard Infantado as a candidate for the office of State Treasurer (also a potential candidate for State Secretary) of the Nevada State Council for the Columbian Year, 2021-2022.

Signed

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mariano Santana", is written over a horizontal line.

SK Mariano Santana
Grand Knight
Council 13392

CC. District Deputies

State Warden - St. Pierre



Knights of Columbus

St Francis of Assisi Council 13456
Henderson, Nevada

Resolution of Support:

- WHEREAS:** St Francis of Assisi Council 13456 held a meeting on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother Daniel C. St Pierre joined the Knights of Columbus on January 28, 2010, achieving his 2nd Degree on March 30, 2010, 3rd Degree on June 12, 2010 and 4th Degree on October 23, 2010 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre held the offices of Recorder, Chancellor and Deputy Grand Knight for Fr. Ryder Council 9407 in Alexandria, Virginia for Columbian Years 2010-2013 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre held the offices of Recorder from 2014-2016, Grand Knight from 2016-2018, and Trustee from 2020-Present for St Francis of Assisi Council 13456 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre received the Star Council Award for Columbian Year 2017-2018 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre served the State of Nevada as the District Deputy #10 for Columbian Years 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre was awarded Star District for Columbian Year 2019-2020 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre was named as State of Nevada District Deputy of the Year for Columbian Year 2019-2020 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre is currently serving as the Nevada State Council Faith in Action Coordinator since July 01, 2020 and,
 - WHEREAS:** Brother St Pierre has performed his duties faithfully in a competent manner and has earned the regard, respect and favor of many brother Knights and their families and exemplifies the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism,
- THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** St Francis of Assisi Council 13456 presents Brother **Daniel C. St Pierre** as a candidate for the Office of State Warden for the Nevada State Council for Columbian Year 2021-2022.


SK Timothy Cronin
Grand Knight

Council Seal


SK Matthew J. Garnes
Recorder

State Advocate - Long



*Knights of Columbus
Christ the King Council 7322
St. Albert the Great Parish
Reno, Nevada*

March 9, 2021

Resolution of Support Submitted by and Approved by Council 7322

WHEREAS: Christ the King Council 7322 held a regular Business Meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 and sets forth that:

Brother and Nevada Worthy State Advocate *John D. Long, Esq.* has served in the Knights of Columbus since 2005; and,

Brother John D. Long, Esq. is currently serving his second year as the Nevada State Council's State Advocate; and,

Brother and Nevada State Advocate John D. Long, Esq. has previously served as District Deputy of Nevada District One and as Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight and Grand Knight for Msg Patrick J Connors, Council 4997; and,

Brother and Nevada Worthy State Advocate John D. Long, Esq. is currently an attorney licensed to practice in the States of Nevada, California, Illinois, Massachusetts and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, is currently in good standing with the aforementioned Bars and Office and is very qualified for the position of State Advocate for the Knights of Columbus Nevada State Council; and

Brother John D. Long, Esq. has performed his duties faithfully and in a competent manner and has earned the regard, respect and favor of many brother Knights and his parish, family and exemplifies the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Christ the King Council 7322 presents Brother *JOHN D. LONG, Esq.* as a Candidate for the Office of *STATE ADVOCATE* for the Nevada State Council Columbian Year 2021-2022.

Knight of Columbus Council 7322

GRAND KNIGHT

Michael Chaump
Michael Chaump

RECORDER

Robert Lacebal
Robert Lacebal



Blessed Michael McGivney

Pray for Us