

The Silver Knight News

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State Deputy's Message



Brothers,

As my second month as your state deputy nears its conclusion, I am humbled by the excellent progress statewide we have made thus far through the tireless efforts of councils, assemblies, and round tables. I urge all to maintain your steadfast commitment serving as the "strong right arm of the church."

Additionally, please extend your charitable assistance to those who are less fortunate and in dire need.

Furthermore, I strongly urge you to be a steadfast supporter of right-to-life initiatives such as Aid Support After Pregnancy (ASAP).

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*The true meaning of love
one's neighbor is not that
it is a command from God
which we are to fulfill, but
that through it and in it
we meet God.*

Martin Buber

State Deputy's Message

After meeting with Archbishop Thomas, Auxillary Bishop Gordon and Bishop Mueggenborg, all agree that the Nevada Knights of Columbus should continue their outstanding support of seminarians as a top priority.

Nevada councils should "adopt" at least one seminarian through actively communicating positive messages, initiating "Refund Support Vocations Program" (RSVP) sponsorships, and by collaborating with Sir Knight Tom Villardi to promote the "Zeffy" digital sale of Seminarian Raffle Tickets, which will, in turn, replenish the seminary tuition fund.

Together in unity, we continue to build a stronger, more vibrant Knights of Columbus presence throughout Nevada "for the good of the order."

Vivat Jesus

David Clarke
State Deputy



Supreme Chaplain's Monthly Challenge



Each month, Archbishop William Lori – Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus – selects a brief passage from the Gospel reading of one of the Sunday Masses of the month. This month we look at Luke 14:11 the Gospel for Aug 31.

“For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

A human being becomes whole not in virtue of a relation to himself [only] but rather in virtue of an authentic relation to another human being(s).

Martin Buber

One lesson of this parable in Luke’s Gospel is that when you exalt yourself, there’s nowhere to go but down. In the life of a disciple of Christ, we are called to develop the virtue of humility. We are called to self-giving service to others, not self-serving advancement of ourselves. Let us strive not to seek worldly honors in an egotistical spirit, but rather to live as servants to others so that God may exalt us to eternal life.

Challenge by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William E. Lori:

This month, in which we celebrate the feast of Blessed Michael McGivney on Aug. 13, I challenge you to pray each day the Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney or the prayer for his canonization — and take time to reflect on his humility in serving the people of God.

Questions for Reflection:

Do you sometimes struggle with the sin of pride? How can you be at once humble of heart and yet bold in living and proclaiming your faith? What living examples of humble service have you found in your own life?

State Chaplain's Message

Brother Knights,

This has been an incredible week for the Knights of Columbus in the State of Nevada. On Tuesday, August 12, I had the privilege, along with State Deputy David Clark and others to meet Bishop Daniel Mueggenborg in Reno to present a check from the Seminarian Raffle Ticket drive. On Thursday, August 14, SD David Clark, others and I had the opportunity to meet Archbishop George Leo Thomas and Auxiliary Bishop Gregory Gordon in Las Vegas where we also presented a check for the seminarians. I have some exciting news to report. Currently the State of Nevada has 26 men studying to become priests: 9 from the Diocese of Reno and 17 from the Archdiocese of Las Vegas. This is the largest number of seminarians we have ever had. Our prayer and work promoting vocations are working. But we also heard that the Diocese of Reno could have an additional man entering the seminary and Las Vegas could have more than 5. That means that we as Knights must continue supporting our seminarians through the RSVP program and the Seminary Education Fund Raffle ticket drive.

When I was a seminarian the Prince of Peace Council 9899 adopted me. They sent me notes of encouragement throughout the semester, care boxes with goodies: snacks, toiletries, and gift cards. When I was going home on break, the council officers and other members invited me out to lunch or dinner. It really meant a lot to me. What are ways you can support a seminarian? Be creative.

When I spent time with State Deputy David Clark, he mentioned how the Diocese of Reno has a Serra Club. The members adopt a priest. Have you as a council or assembly ever thought about adopting a priest, deacon, bishop or archbishop? Birthday cards, anniversary cards of ordination (you don't need to include money if you can't afford it, but a card and words of encouragement go a long way), lunches, dinners, surprise gifts are just ways you can brighten a man's life who has given to share his life serving the Lord. Be creative. We need to support the men who minister to us and bring Jesus into our lives.

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*Every person born in
this world represents
something new,
something that never
existed before, something
original and unique.*

Martin Buber

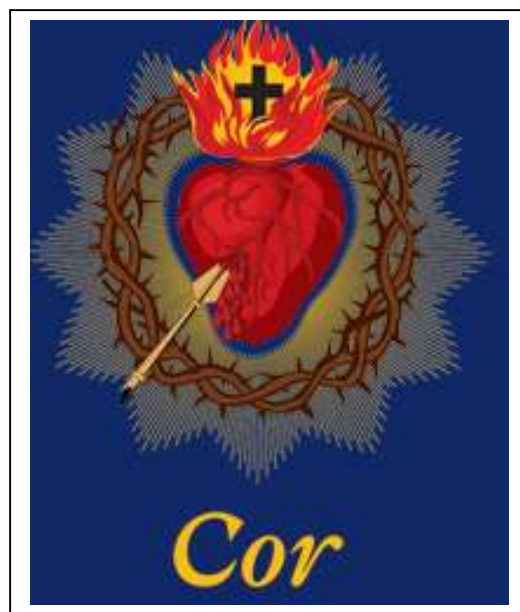
State Chaplain's Message

When we met with Archbishop Thomas, he expressed a deep concern for the members of the Knights of Columbus. He wants to see the Knights better catechized and to grow and be active in their faith. He wants to see a faith component as part of Knights program and agenda. What is your assembly and council doing to help the members grow and practice their Catholic faith?

I mentioned this in my letter last month, but considering our meetings with Bishop Mueggenborg, Bishop Gordon, and Archbishop Thomas, I am going to reissue my challenge as we begin a new fraternal year for every council and assembly to have a component of faith at every meeting. Let's use the resources that the Knights of Columbus have: COR, Faith in Action, Into the Breach, and other great resources to grow in our faith. Let's discuss what we will do during this fraternal year in our meetings.

As we gear up for a busy fall, let us support our seminarians, priest, deacons, and bishops. Let us be Catholic men growing in the knowledge of our faith and sharing it with others. Let us become men in love with the Lord. If we live our faith, learn our faith and put it into practice, we will change our assemblies, councils, and parishes to be beacons that draw men to put their Catholic faith into action. Are we men of faith and action? Are we Knights? Or are we pew potatoes not putting our faith into action or growing and learning about Jesus Christ?

Fr. Steve Hoffer



*When two people relate
to each other
authentically and
humanly, God is the
electricity that surges
between them.*

Martin Buber

Note from State Historian

Welcome Columbian Year 2025-2026 Blessings for a Successful 143rd Supreme Convention August 5 - 7 in Washington, D.C. *Schedule More Exemplifications!*

Council updates are as follows:

- I continue to be in contact with our District Deputies and Grand Knights to make sure each Council has a respective Council Historian, for this new Columbian year and going forward. The Council Historian will assist the State Historian in reaching into the respective Council archives for access to the noteworthy events or activities of the Council and Brother Knights. In some Councils this role will reside with the Grand Knight, due to the size of Council membership. Please be prepared to discuss who is best suited for this position on your Council. As always, this is your chance to tell and record your Council's continuing story!
- In concert with Worthy State David M. Clarke and myself, we recommend Councils setting up a "cloud based" storage system for each Council's records, photos, activity accounting, etc. The continuity of record keeping can then be documented/updated over the continuing "Columbian Year" by the Council Historian.
- Please use my email address: historian@nv-kofo.com to assist in adding any historic documentation, as indicated above, to capture the Nevada State history of our Fraternal Order. I look forward to continuing to collaborate with you, my Brother Knights

*We should stake our whole
existence on our willingness
to explore and experience.*

Martin Buber

Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us!

Remember: The message Blessed Michael McGivney continues to have for us, that we carry on the work he began 143 years ago, when he gathered a group of Catholic men in the basement of St. Mary's Church in New Haven, CT.

Continue to Celebrate Father Michael J. McGivney's "Blessed" status!

History of Father Michael J. McGivney Guild

Guild Inception – 1997

Established by the Knights of Columbus alongside the opening of McGivney's cause for canonization. Dominican Father Gabriel B. O'Donnell was appointed director and postulator.

Purpose and Role:

The Guild promotes devotion to Fr. McGivney, shares information about his life and spirituality, collects reports of favors and miracles attributed to his intercession, circulates relics, and distributes prayer materials such as its prayer card and novena.

Mission and Activities:

- Free Membership: Open to everyone (Knights and non-Knights). Members who now number more than 155,000 receive newsletters, can report favors, and are included in weekly and special Masses for their intentions.
- Newsletter and Prayer offerings: The bimonthly newsletter updates subscribers on the canonization cause. Weekly Masses are celebrated for guild members' intentions, and petitions are offered at special liturgies like Easter and Christmas.
- Connection to Canonization: Venerable Status (2008)- Pope Benedict XVI recognized McGivney's heroic virtue. In May 2020, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to his intercession. He was Beatified on October 31, 2020, in Hartford. The Guild actively supports the ongoing cause toward canonization, which now requires a second verified miracle.

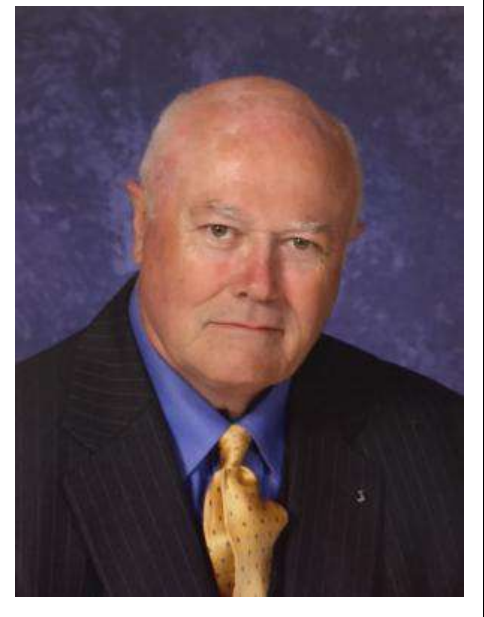
*Human life and humanity
come into being in genuine
encounters.*

Martin Buber

Knight in the Light Submitted By: J. Michael Brady, State Historian

Sir Knight George M. Malone, Jr., PGK

EXPERIENCE: Extensive experience in government, industry and academia with documented success in political/military affairs and business operations with a continued string of professionally recognized national level accomplishments and achievements. Successful Facilities Manager for 3 major installations on Okinawa, Japan supervising facilities closures and new construction, successfully managed a multi-million-dollar budget and successfully worked with Japanese civilian authorities and DoD counterparts to resolve construction issues and complete the project. For over 35 years, have successfully represented, mentored.



*The hope for this hour
depends upon the renewal
of the immediacy of
dialogue among human
beings.*

Martin Buber

and assisted veterans with advice and recommended courses of action to secure their VA benefits

EDUCATION:

- BA degree, University of Portland, Portland, OR
- MA degree, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA
- Certification in International Management and International Business
- Graduate, Marine Corps Command and Staff College
- Graduate, Amphibious Warfare College

USMC OFFICER: Served in all ranks including Lieutenant Colonel. Extensive experience in military/political affairs, infantry and security matters. Commanded Marines in combat as a PLT Commander, 1st PLT, Alpha Company, 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment (1968-69), OIC Marine Detachment, USS Coral Sea CVA-43, Company Commander at OCS Quantico, VA and Company Commander, 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment; Battalion Commander, Weapons Training Battalion, Camp Pendleton, CA; Inspector-Instructor, 2nd Bn, 23rd Marine Regiment; Head, National Marine Corps Command Center, HQMC, Washington, DC As Head, Marine Corps Command Center, provided guidance and recommendations to the Commandant and senior Marines and principal advisors with analysis during crisis and contingency operations in Panama, El Salvador, Honduras, the Philippines, the 1st Gulf War, Haiti and the former Yugoslavia.

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Knight in the Light

Submitted By: J. Michael Brady, State Historian

Appointed to the DoD IG Review Team for Bases and Inspections in the European Command. Recipient of numerous military and civilian awards including the Navy Cross and two awards for the Purple Heart medal.

CIVILIAN CAREER: Surety Bond Underwriter, the St Paul Companies, New York Life Insurance Agent and Certified Life Underwriter Fellow; financial planner and analyst; partner/owner-stock holder, Military Historical Tours, Inc, an international travel tour company for small groups interested in military history.

Member, activist and past president and board member of numerous civic and professional organizations including twice the National Commander, Legion of Valor of the United States; Life Member, Military Order of the Purple Heart; Life member VFW and Life Member American Legion; Life Member, Naval Order of the United States; Life member, Marine Corps League and past Battleborn Detachment Commandant, Reno, NV; National Commander, 1st Battalion, 9th Marines Association. 2014-2016 and Chairman of the Board of Directors; serving on numerous Financial Advisory committees for civic and social organizations.

CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: American Legion Life Member; VFW and Marine Corps League; DAV; Military Order of the World Wars; Patron, St Luke's Institute. Patron of the Vatican Museums; Member and Past Grand Knight, Knights of Columbus; member of the Nevada National Security Forum.

Appointed member and active VA representative for the Northern Nevada Veterans Collation and the DAV, member, Vietnam Veterans of America. Volunteer mentors to residents with the Redding, CA Veterans Home and the Northern Nevada Veterans Home; Legion of Valor delegates to the Nevada Veteran's Legislative Advisory Committee.

INTERNATIONAL HONORS: Knight of Magisterial Grace, Sovereign Military Order of St John of Jerusalem, Rhoads and Order of Malta; Knight Grand Cross, Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher; Knight of Merit, Sacred Military Constantinian Order of St George. Awarded for actions during the Vietnam War – The Navy Cross ,2 Purple Heart medals, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry

*Our relationships live in
the space between us which
is sacred.*

Martin Buber

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Knight in the Light

Submitted By: J. Michael Brady, State Historian



The President of the United States of America takes pleasure in presenting the Navy Cross to Second Lieutenant George M. Malone, Jr. (MCSN: 0-105740), United States Marine Corps Reserve, for extraordinary heroism while serving as a platoon commander with Company A, First Battalion, Ninth Marines, THIRD Marine Division (Reinforced), Fleet Marine Force, in connection with operations against the enemy in the

*There are three principles
in a man's being and life,
the principle of thought,
the principle of speech, and
the principle of action. The
origin of all conflict
between me and my fellow-
men is that I do not say
what I mean and I don't
do what I say.*

Martin Buber

Republic of Vietnam. Early on the afternoon of 22 February 1969, Second Lieutenant Malone's platoon was moving as the lead element in a company-sized patrol north of the A Chau Valley in Quang Tri Province when it came under intense fire from a large North Vietnamese Army force well concealed in a heavily fortified bunker complex and was pinned down. Reacting instantly, Second Lieutenant Malone completely disregarded his own safety as he repeatedly exposed himself to hostile fire while moving among his men to encourage them and maneuver them out of the fire-swept area. Seriously wounded by fragments from an enemy mortar round, he ignored his own painful injuries as he directed the fire of his machine gunners and grenadiers against the North Vietnamese emplacements. Retrieving the radio from his wounded radio operator, he then led a coordinated assault until his platoon was halted by intense enemy crossfire of machine guns and mortar, rocket-propelled grenade, small-arms, and automatic weapons fire from bunkers and sniper positions in trees in the dense jungle canopy. With utter disregard for his own safety, he moved about to the fire-swept area to transfer the casualties to covered positions and to reorganize his squads. Undaunted by the North Vietnamese rounds impacting around him, Second Lieutenant Malone boldly fired his light antitank assault weapon against an enemy bunker and hurled hand grenades as he fearlessly led four Marines on a daring charge against the hostile emplacement. Although he was again wounded and his four companions became casualties, he continued his attack and successfully destroyed the machine gun position, killing six North Vietnamese soldiers. Weakened by his serious injuries and rendered unable to move, he continued to urge his men forward to exploit their advantage and continue the attack. His heroic actions inspired the Marines to such aggressive action in a coordinated company attack that 105 North Vietnamese soldiers were killed and the large bunker complex was destroyed. By his courage, bold initiative, and unwavering devotion to duty, Second Lieutenant Malone upheld the highest traditions of the Marines Corps and the United States Naval Service.

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My Journey of Service as a Knight of Columbus member.

I am a lifelong Catholic, a product of fine Catholic education in Portland, OR. I attended Catholic grade school, Central Catholic High School and graduated from the University of Portland with a BA in Finance. I was a member of Sigma Tau Omega service fraternity. I was commissioned as an officer in the US Marine Corps.

When I was a young boy attending Catholic Mass and events in Portland, I had a great respect for the men of the Knights of Columbus. They were always ready with a helping hand and gave great volunteer service to my Church and community.

I joined the Knights in 1988 while I was stationed in the Washington, DC area. My home parish, St John the Evangelist, started a council, (11171) and I was a Charter Member. I led the Cardinal's Appeal in southern Maryland for 10 years. I went through the chairs and became a Grand Knight. During that time, I led numerous Knight's projects including building an outdoor social pavilion on church grounds, building a much-needed elevator to serve elderly and handicap parishioners, renovating the kitchen, bathroom and church hall, and brought electrical utilities to standards.

I recruited, promoted membership including supporting and becoming a 4th Degree member. I served as a Eucharistic minister for the hospital, care facilities and home visits.

I promoted and served as an active member of civic organizations including the Boy Scouts, service as a Chief Election Judge, attended Knights State and District meetings.

I have been a property owner here in Reno since 2006 and moved here in 2017 when I retired. I am a member of Knights Council 978, St Thomas Aquanis Cathedral. I transferred my 4th Degree membership to Reno, and I look forward to continuing my long years of service to the Knights.

*There is no room for God
in him who is full of
himself.*

Martin Buber

District Deputy Basic Training Class

Supreme's Western Field Team held an online make-up class for district deputies who were unable to attend the regional training sessions last month. Robert Kish, the Territorial Growth Director - West, hosted the class on Sunday August 24 starting at 6:30 p.m. The focus was "District Deputy Duties and Responsibilities." Fifty-five men in six western states attended. Here is overview of the class material.

Part I: What is a District Deputy?

A District Deputy is the vital link between the State Deputy and individual local councils. He is a state officer, but without a vote. He conducts the installation of council officers and has the right to review council financial records, but more than this, he is a role model for Knights in his district. Robert Kish said a District Deputy should "lead, teach, mentor and motivate."

A DD should build trust among the men of his district by creating personal relationships in his councils. This comes from attending their meetings and program events. He should hold council officers accountable and be a resource drawing from his own personal experience and his knowledge of K of C rules and best practices.

Part II: Membership

Regional Growth Director Charles Davlin described how a candidate for membership can go online to KofC.org and click on "Join." Once he enters his information, he will receive a confirmation email. After validating his email address, he is technically a member and his first year's dues are free. His information is then forwarded to a local council in his area and appears as lead under the "Prospect" tab on Officers Online. "Don't use Form 100, guys," Chuck Davlin said, "too many errors. Go online. It's cleaner, faster and easier."

The Regional Growth Director recommended using the Fraternal Planner to set membership goals. He suggested two membership drives in each council every year. "Be sure to coach your pastor on what to say from the pulpit about the Knights during a membership drive," he said. Also remind council members "why they do what they do" -- local programs aid the parish and benefit the wider community. Lastly, use the "Proof of Concept" membership materials to recruit.

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*Real faith means
holding ourselves open to
the unconditional
mystery which we
encounter in every sphere
of our life and which
cannot be comprised in
any formula.*

Martin Buber

District Deputy Basic Training Class

Part III: Programs and Administration

The Order wins more Knights by attraction than by promotion. Men see what they like in a program (pancake breakfast, coats for kids, fish fry, respect life, etc.) --- they see faith in action and they want to be a part of it. A District Deputy should encourage his councils to conduct program events. Programs change people, both the Knight who works in service, but also the program recipient. Chuck Davlin told the story of an Ukrainian widow who received brand new winter coats for her three kids. "She was in tears and so was I," he said.

The administration portion of the training session can be summed up in three words, "Early is easy." A District Deputy should encourage his councils to submit all the appropriate forms on time.

District Deputies are vital to the success of local councils. If a council meets all of its goals for the year, it is eligible for Star Council. Similarly, a district can achieve Star District.

*I think no human being
can give more than this.
Making life possible for
the other, if only for a
moment.*

Martin Buber

Walk the Talk



L to R: Worthy Las Vegas Knights Joe Haun, Jesus Sanchez, Daniel Ramos and Worthy Supreme Growth Leader Pona Magana. "These men are 'walking the talk' regarding 'prospect engagement' and 'inclusive outreach,'" said State Deputy David Clarke.

Knights Mourn Passing of Brother Henry Bruzza



In the beginning was the relationship.

Martin Buber

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Brother Knight Henry Paul "Hank" Bruzza, who died on June 27, 2025. A native of New Jersey, Henry was a dedicated Knight of Columbus for more than 50 years.

A former high school baseball player, Henry was a lifelong sports enthusiast, passionately following the Oakland A's, Raiders, and Golden Knights. He spent many years in the Bay Area before transferring to our council (Our Lady of the Valley Council 10780 in Pahrump, NV) and Assembly from St. Joseph, Husband of Mary Parish in Las Vegas.

Henry is survived by his wife, Val, their children Paul, Mary, Pat, and Chris, and three grandchildren. He will be remembered as a good Catholic gentleman who deeply loved his family and the Lord.

- Deacon Rick Minch

Knights of Columbus Go to Bat for Brotherhood



Thanks to SK Gabe Garzia for another superb outing. Our Council 10780 traveled to Las Vegas on August 1 to watch the Aviators take on the Aces. The trip was made possible by a generous donation from Gabe.

"It was great to get on the town with my fellow Brothers," exclaimed Grand Knight Vern Hee. "Our Chaplain, Father Bruno, and Deacon Rick both joined us. And the council had a blast. In all some 12 knights went down to watch the game."

All real living is meeting.

Martin Buber



VEA Supports Pahrump Knights



*One cannot in the
nature of things
expect a little tree
that has been turned
into a club to put
forth leaves.*

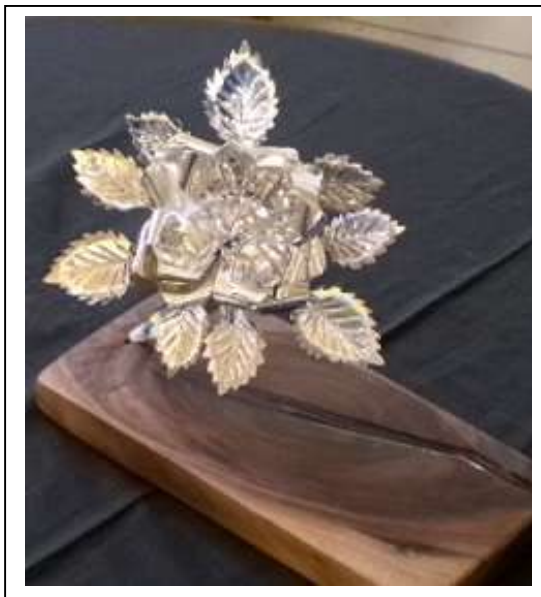
Martin Buber

Valley Electric Association (VEA) was formed in 1965, when four local energy cooperatives (Amargosa Valley Electric Cooperative, Beatty Utility Company, Pahrump Utility Company, and White Mountain Electric Cooperative) decided to join forces, knowing they would be stronger together. VEA's Mission Statement reads "Improving the lives of the people and communities we serve."

To that end, VEA has continued its support for the Knights of Columbus Council 10780's "Love Thy Neighbor" project which is led by Brother Knight Edward Bevilaqua. The project received a \$1,000 donation from VEA in June. The funds will be used to provide hygiene kits, coats for kids, and water to the homeless.

Last year, the Knights received \$2,500 from VEA for the same initiative. "As an organization, we are always looking for new ways to help the less fortunate," said Grand Knight Vern Hee.

The Silver Rose visits St. Rose of Lima



In 1960, the Columbian Squires, a youth organization of the Knights of Columbus Council 2312, decided to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe with an annual relay-run of a rose -- an important part of Juan Diego's vision of the Blessed Mother -- from the International Bridge in Laredo, TX to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico. The first year a natural, fresh rose was chosen

but after a year, it had decomposed. So the Squires of Circle 660 in Monterrey decided to make a rose that would not age and, since silver is a precious metal of Mexico, the rose would be made of silver. Each year, from mid-February through December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

This year "route one" of the Silver Rose relay brought the rose to Nevada during the month of August. On Aug 5, the rose arrived at St. Rose of Lima Parish. Deacon Don Korson and PGK Jody Gunderman led the prayer service and rosary. Many Knights and their families were in attendance. "We are indeed honored and blessed to have the Silver Rose come to our parish," said Grand Knight Mark Froio.

*You should carefully
observe the way toward
which your heart draws
you, then choose this way
with all your strength.*

Martin Buber

Dr. Michael Gangloff - A Knight in Service



You will see SK Michael Gangloff, M.D. every Sunday at St. Rose of Lima Church at the 10:30 Mass. He has been a Eucharistic Minister since he arrived in Reno last year. Michael had a long career as an "interventional radiology surgeon" in Port Saint Lucie, FL. (An "interventional radiology surgeon" uses ultrasounds, CT scans, and MRIs to diagnose and give treatments right where it is needed.) What makes Michael an example for us Knights is his devotion to service and the faith.

*Persons appear by
entering into relation to
other persons.*

Martin Buber

After retiring from practise 14 years ago, he joined the Treasure Coast Hospice Group, where from 2017 to 2024 he completed 1500 hours of service and made more than 2500 patient visits in each of the three counties (Martin, Saint Lucie and Okeechobee) served by the Hospice Group. Currently, as a retired doctor with privileges, he visits and brings communion every week to nearly 100 patients on three floors of Renown Hospital and to six nursing homes where he chats with some of the 50 patients in memory care units.

Back at Holy Family Catholic Church in Port Saint Lucie, FL, Michael was president of the Legion of Mary for three years, a CCD teacher for five years, and a Eucharistic Minister and Lector (Proclaimer). He still found time to visit homebound parishioners, in addition to visiting local hospitals and nursing homes. Michael joined the Knights of Columbus in March of 1972 and became a Fourth Degree Knight in November 2016. He transferred to Council 13842 in May 2025.

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Dr. Michael Gangloff - A Knight in Service

Michael wants to continue his service to the hospital-bound, but he suffers from macular degeneration (a gradual deterioration of light-sensing cells in the tissues at the back of the eye). He can no longer read (he has the "home-bound" communion service memorized) and he no longer drives. He hopes to be able to use Uber to continue his hospital rounds.

Ask Michael about the rosary he prays before Mass each Sunday. He will tell you that one day after finishing his visitation rounds at a hospital in Florida, he went to his car in the hospital parking lot. There a young woman approached him and asked if he was Dr Michael. He said yes. She inquired further, "Are you the one who brings communion to all those patients?" He said yes again. She said "My name is Veronica and the Blessed Mother wanted me to give you this rosary." She handed him a rosary with large grey beads. He looked down for a moment at the cross and large beads, then when he looked up again, Veronica had vanished among the parked cars.

Stop by one Sunday morning before the 10:30 Mass and meet SK Michael Gangloff, M.D. Say hello to a Knight whose ministry is bringing the Love of God and the Body of Christ to the suffering.

*He who loves brings
God and the World
together.*

Martin Buber



New WiFi System for Holy Cross Catholic Church



Ponderosa Council 4928 donated and installed a new state-of-the-art WiFi system at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Sparks on August 22.

The installed system is known as a mesh WiFi system; meaning it has one base station (in the church office) that is wirelessly inter-connected to three satellite WiFi Signal Repeaters, forming a “signal mesh” that covers the entire building of over 8000 square feet. It supports both 2.4 GHz and 5GHz WiFi frequencies for maximum compatibility with both old and new WiFi devices and cell phones, plus the new WiFi 7 standard. It can support up to 200 people/devices being connected at the same time.

Fr. Bobin Babu was very pleased with this donation and installation. He said “we can’t live without Internet.” The new system will help with church classes since many educational video clips are now available only online. It will also help engage the younger generation.

- Anthony Watts, GK

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entering into relation
with other persons.*

Martin Buber

Officers Installed at 3 Reno/Sparks Councils



Worthy District Deputy Thierry Barkley performs the ceremony, while Worthy Brother Mike Caudell stands by to bestow council jewels on new officers for all three participating councils.

On Sunday July 20, at the gracious invitation of Our Lady of the Desert Council 12877, three Reno/Sparks area Councils held a joint installation of officers at Immaculate Conception Church in Sparks. New officers were installed for Ponderosa Council 4928, Our Lady of the Desert Council 12877, and St. Michael The Archangel Council Council 10577. Afterwards, Worthy Brother Ricky Harold hosted a BBQ picnic for all participating councils members at his home.

*The world is not
comprehensible, but it is
embraceable.*

Martin Buber



Ponderosa 4928 FY 2025-2026 officers. Top Left, Trustee Robin Pagni, Grand Knight Anthony Watts, District Deputy and Trustee Thierry Barkley, Warden Dave Schebetta. Chancellor David Jenkins. Bottom Left, Inside Guard Jun Bautista, Treasurer Bryan Recla, Financial Secretary George Minter, Trustee Russ Bernhardt, and Lector John Bell.

Ponderosa Knights “Fan Club” Helps Seniors



Ponderosa Council 4928 of Sparks has once again made a difference in the lives of senior citizens in Washoe County with our annual “Fans for Seniors” drive held in conjunction with the Washoe County Senior Center. The idea is to provide cooling fans during the hot months for seniors who live on a fixed income.

This year, the drive was spearheaded by our Brother Jun Bautista and his wife Cynthia, who so far have delivered 38 fans to the senior center for distribution, saying: “I have made three trips to the Senior Center, and each time I was there, I received enthusiastic appreciation from the Senior Center personnel for the work we do. “

*If anyone tells you that
he loves God and does
not love his fellow-man,
you will know that he is
lying.*

Martin Buber

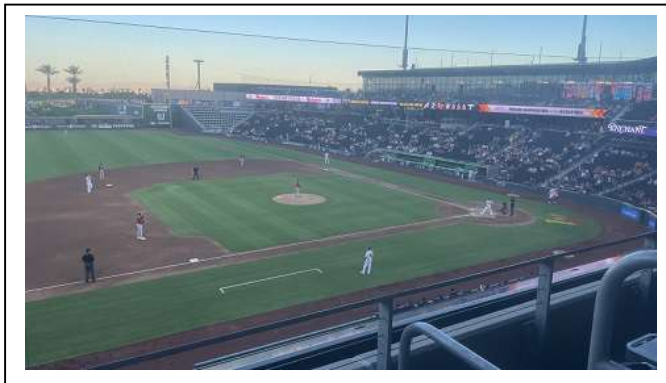
Silver Rose Transfers from Oregon to Nevada



L to R: Chris Erno,
Javier Andrade from
St Augustine
Council 11258 in
Central Point OR
and Pete
Comerford,
Northern Nevada
Silver Rose
coordinator.

This Month's Photos

Council 10780's night at the Aviators Game



L to R: 1st and 2nd Year Trustees Deacon Rick Minch and Al Scarpine.



L to R: FNS John Forcht, and DGK Gary Ward



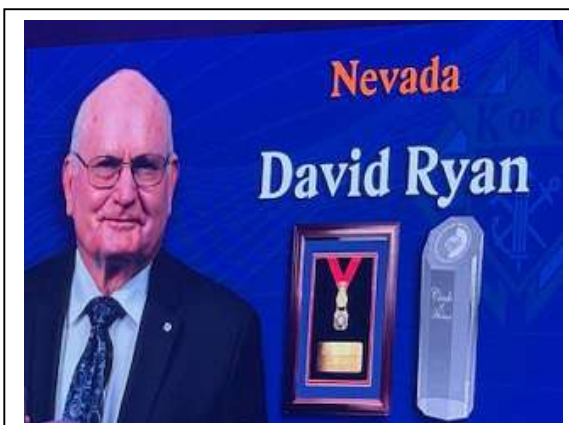
L to R: DGK Gary Ward and SK Gabe Garzia



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Many thanks to Leo Carew III for these photos from the 143rd Supreme Convention held Aug 5-7. Nevada had a strong group of delegates which included our Grand Knight of the Year, Trent Schaffer, newly elected State Warden Gary Bird, State Treasurer J. J. Wilder, State Secretary Leo Carew III, Past State Deputy Dave Ryan, current State Deputy David Clarke, and Supreme Representative Toni Pascua.



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