
THE SILVER KNIGHT



*“Spearheading Membership and Empowering Mentorship
One Brother Knight at a Time.”*

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A Message from the Desk of the State Deputy

SK Toni Pascua



State Deputy

My Dear Brothers in Christ:

Warmest Greetings for this Easter Season!

Let us go forward in hope as we celebrate and spring our faith into action!

This month will fill up with initiatives, events and a milestone, with the making and staging of the culminating occasion for this fraternal year 2020-2021, celebrating the:

111th Annual Nevada State Council Convention at the scenic Lake Tahoe, NV, on May 14,15 and 16,2021.

Official Hotel: Harveys Lake Tahoe

(Please register and make your room reservations if you haven't done so already).

The Nevada State Council is one of the few and privileged States within the Order to hold an in person, live Convention, in a year after the lockdown. Without a doubt paving a way for our Jurisdiction to rise above the trying moments of the pandemic.

What challenge can we not face, and victories we cannot achieve? That is why we celebrate each and every Knight for his strength, compassion and dedication to making a difference.

When distance becomes far from remote, with no object, the Knights are there to help. Just as this State Convention exemplifies the coming together amid the pandemic with protocols and reviving the energy from within to reach out and be unified as one Band of Brothers and families in Christ.

With optimism to pursue our goals - a new Leader to guide the Order, for the betterment of the fundamental characteristics of our principles - to Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Upcoming Events this April 2021:

- April 1 April Fool's Day/ Maundy Thursday
- April 1-3 Paschal Triduum starts
- April 2 Good Friday
- April 3 Black Saturday (Easter Vigil)
- April 4 Happy Easter (Sunday) Felices Pascuas!
- April 12 Second Monday of the month- SD Meeting with State Officers (6 pm)

April 14	Mass -in Remembrance of the 500th year of Catholicism (Phils.) at Our Lady of Las Vegas (State Chaplain/Celebrant)
April 15	Pre Convention Committee Coordination Meeting with State Officers (6 pm)
April 24	2021 Polar Plunge- at Lake Tahoe (Northern NV Councils in support to Special Olympics, whom we proudly support)
April 26	District Deputies Monthly Meeting with State Deputy

Let us do our share of good works with the enthusiasm of our respective ministries .Our charity work spells evangelization when Knights helping brother Knights, and their families live in this commitment to do the great works of benevolence, is the strength to move with the growth of the Order.

Thank you for your steadfast support as we look to the future, with faith and hope in Christ!

Vivat Jesus!

Leadership Positions

Nevada State Officers 2020 - 2021

State Deputy	Toni F. Pascua
State Chaplain	Rev. Manny Ramirez Guico
State Secretary	Joe Haun
State Treasurer	Meynard Infantado
State Advocate	John Long
State Warden	Tom Villardi
Associate State Chaplain	Rev. Gerald R. Grupczynski, SChr.
Immediate Past State Deputy	Thomas Thorn
State Executive Secretary	Al Cuccinelli

District Deputies / Councils

District 1	Councils 978, 4997, 7322, 16207	Mathew Mareno (7322)
District 2	Councils 4928, 10577, 12877, 14588	Herbert Melendez (4928)
District 3	Councils 4828, 6688, 13897, 13924	Steve Schiwart (4928)
District 4	Councils 4781, 12845, 13842, 13944	Michael Houdyshell (12845)
District 5	Councils 2380, 2511, 2666, 11512	<i>To Be Announced</i>
District 6	Councils 5448, 9437, 9899, 13691	Luis Herrera (9437)
District 7	Councils 1340, 11179, 13754	Charles Reifsnyder (1340)
District 8	Councils 2828, 9102, 13392	Gerry Rockwell (13392)
District 9	Councils 10442, 10780, 14144, 14784	Raymond Foster (10442)
District 10	Councils 3741, 13456, 14820, 15061	Matthew Garnes (13456)
District 11	Councils 7708, 8078, 8282, 12690	Richard Menard (8282)
District 12	Councils 5693, 11029, 12543, 14544	Dennis Murtaugh (14544)

Other Nevada State Officers 2020 - 2021

State Program Director	George Minter
State Vocations Committee Chairman	Ray Pelletier
Webmaster & Communications Director	Kenneth J Sawyer
Special Assistance / Sick and Bereavement Chairman	Roger Watson
State Training Coordinator	Ed Verceles
State College Council Coordinator	Don Cortez
State Young Adult Chairman	Lance Pascua
State Budget Committee Chairman	ST Meynard Infantado
State Disaster Committee Chairman	Jesse Chmielewski
State Public Relations Chairman	Bob Cameron
Health Services Chairman	Dr. Thomas D'Amato
State Historian	J. Michael Brady
State Newsletter Editor	Al Cuccinelli

State “Faith in Action” Program Chair

State Faith in Action Program Chairman Dan St. Pierre

State FAITH “Faith in Action” Programs

State Faith Program Director	Catalino Cabe
State Fr. McGivney Guild Chairman	PSD David Ryan
State Keep Christ in Christmas Committee Chair	Charles P. Reifsnyder
	Marty Bushman, Co-Chair
State Seminary Education Fund Committee Chair	IPSD Thomas Thorn
State Vocations Committee Chairman	Hilarion Cordero Jr
Reno Diocese Holy Family Prayer Committee Chair	Mark B. Foxwell
Holy Family Prayer Committee Chair (Las Vegas)	<i>Vacant</i>

State FAMILY “Faith in Action” Programs

State Family Program Director	Al Pena
State Marian Hour Committee Chairman	Mark B. Foxwell
State Athletic Events Committee Chairman	Daniel Barry
Las Vegas Catholic Citizens Essay/Poster Contest Committee Chairman	Jim Shurtliff
Youth Director	Michael Caudell
State Squires Committee Chairman	George A. Minter
Soccer and Free Throw Chairman	Robert Hartman
Keep Christ in Christmas Program Chair	Digna Pena

State COMMUNITY “Faith in Action” Programs

State Community Program Director	Raymond Brewer
State 365 Club Committee Chairman	PSD Ray Gardea
State Convention Committee Chairman	Ditas Pascua
State Legislative Committee Chairman	Mark B. Foxwell
Council Retention Committee Chairman	Joe Williams
Las Vegas Diocese Military & Veteran Committee Chair	Robert Hartman
Reno Diocese Military & Veteran Committee Chair	Pete Comerford
State Recognition Committee Chairman	Daniel Mathews
State Audit Committee Chairman	IPSD Thomas Thorn
State Round Table Committee Chairman	Charles P. Reifsnyder
State New Council Development Committee Chair	Sammy Dagher

State LIFE “Faith in Action” Programs

State Life Director	John DeBord
State (North) Silver Rose Run Committee Chairman	Steven P. Schiwart
State (South) Silver Rose Run Committee Chairman	Charles P. Reifsnyder
Vegas Culture-of-Life Service Program Director	Michael Gagnon
Reno Culture-of-Life Service Program Director	Mark B. Foxwell
State Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Committee Chairman	John Suchewski
State Special Olympics Committee Chairman	John Suchewski

State Membership Directors / Chairs

State Membership Director	Rev. Manny Ramirez Guico
Online Membership Chairman	Lance Pascua
State Member Retention Committee Chairman	Phil Holquin
State Recruitment Committee Chairman	Ray Troik
State Shining Armor Award Committee Chairman	Dennis Murtaugh
State Council Reactivation Chairman	Tom Howerter
LV Diocese Insurance Promotion Committee Chair	Stephen Melancon
State Ceremonials Director	PSD David Strait
State Council Retention Chairman	Joe Williams
State Hispanic Council Growth Coordinator	<i>Vacant</i>
State Hispanic Development Committee Chairman	
Reno	Herbert Melendez
Las Vegas	Jesus Sanchez
State Filipino Development Coordinator	
Reno	George Michael Alvendia
Las Vegas - South	Pro Edillo
Las Vegas - North	Francis Dayao

Supreme Council Announcements

Patrick Kelly Begins Tenure as Supreme Knight

SK Patrick E Kelly



Supreme Knight

He is the 14th Supreme Knight to lead the Order in its mission of charity, unity and fraternity.

Patrick Kelly has assumed office as the 14th Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus on March 1. He now serves as the chief executive officer and chairman of the board of the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization, with more than 2 million members.

Mr. Kelly's has had a distinguished career in the Knights of Columbus, the military and public service. For more than 25 years, he has a demonstrated track record of service to Church and country, which serves him well in advancing the Knights' mission of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Past Supreme Knight Carl Anderson retired February 28, after more than 20 years of service as Supreme Knight and upon reaching the mandatory retirement age of 70. He leaves a legacy of Christian witness and service to the Catholic Church, to the Knights of Columbus and to communities throughout the world.

Upon his election to the office of supreme knight, Mr. Kelly in his acceptance statement said:

"I am honored, thankful and blessed. I am honored to be called to serve as Supreme Knight. I am thankful to my wife and family, and to my brother Knights for affording me this honor and privilege. I am blessed to have worked beside Supreme Knight Carl Anderson, who has done so much to strengthen the Knights of Columbus and fulfill our mission through acts of love, kindness, compassion and prayer that have helped countless people here at home and around the world. Carl has long been a friend to me, and while I count myself among our many colleagues who will miss his daily collaboration, I know that he will continue to contribute much to the good of the Order as Past Supreme Knight and a member of the board of directors. I wish Carl, his wife Dorian, and the entire Anderson family the very best and thank them for everything they have done in service to the Knights and the Church."

"I look forward to continuing Carl's great work and will strive to guide the Knights of Columbus by the principles of charity, unity and fraternity according to the vision of Blessed Michael McGivney. These principles are as important today as they were almost 140 years ago at our founding. They are a proven path to deepen our Catholic

faith, and build strong families, strong parishes, and strong communities that work together for the common good and recognize the dignity and worth of every human being. I ask for prayers as I endeavor to advance the great history and traditions of the Knights of Columbus in service to the Lord, his Church, our brother Knights and their families, our parishes and our communities.”

State Officers Announcements

State Deputy March 2021 Highlights

SK Toni Pascua



State Deputy

Chrism Mass with Bishop George Leo Thomas



Photo with Bishop George Leo Thomas of Las Vegas Diocese after the Chrism Mass at Shrine of Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Las Vegas

SPECIAL OLYMPIC OF NEVADA POLAR PLUNGE



Knights of Columbus Nevada State Council Polar Plungers
Photo shows (left to right) Rick Sherman- District Master, James Boldrey- Field Agent, SK Tom Bush, Lance Pascua- Online Membership Chairman, Toni Pascua-SD, Dan Berry- Athletic Events Chairman and Meynard Infantado – State Treasurer



KofC Nevada State Council (a proud supporter of Special Olympics) Polar Plungers together with 100 plus from Health Management Systems (HMS), IBEW (Powering Nevada), Nevada Donor Network, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, City of North Las Vegas Police Department, City of Henderson Police Department, Clark County School Police and Nevada Highway Patrol.

Supporting Special Olympics Nevada Athletes

SK Toni Pascua

Toni,

If you wouldn't mind passing on my many thanks to all the Knights who came out and supported our Plunge over the weekend! We hope you enjoyed the event and we look forward to seeing you in Tahoe!

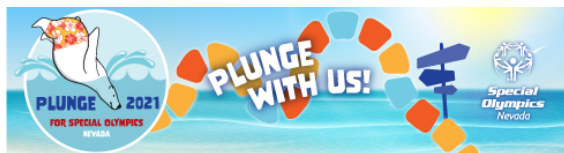
Together we raised enough to support 115 athletes for a full year of competitions!



State Deputy

Best,

Allyce Pierson
Director of Development and LETR
Special Olympics Nevada



Annual Service Program Awards Submissions

SK Toni Pascua



State Deputy

Dear Worthy District Deputies and Grand Knights,

Greetings!

Welcome Easter Season filled with blessings and renewal of our faith!

Our 111th Annual Nevada State Convention will take place at the scenic Lake Tahoe - Harveys Hotel on May 14,15 and 16,2021.

Besides the Convention, there will be a Retreat, Ladies Event/Activities, Hospitality Rooms for socials and fellowship, a time to build friendship and camaraderie with brother Knights and their families with the protocols in place.

We will have our Awards Night on our “State Gala Night” honoring our Past State Deputies on Saturday, May 15, to recognize and award the deserving Councils, Officers and Brother Knights, families who will be recognized for their outstanding programs and had exemplified time, talent, treasure and efforts, at our State Convention.

Categories for the State Service Program Awards are:

- Church
- Family
- Youth
- Community
- Pro-Life
- Council

Forms for all categories can be found on the Uknight interactive website.

A gentle reminder to submit and limit (one) entry per category (service program) that you feel will qualify with the most impact.

All Grand Knights - you are required to submit nominations for “ Family of the Year” and a “Knight of the Year” within your respective Councils only.

All District Deputies - you are responsible for nominating a “Grand Knight of the Year,” within your respective District.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE STATE DEPUTY (on or before APRIL 15,2021).

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In behalf of the State Officers, Directors and Chairmen, Thank You for all your hard work, enthusiasm and here's to all the best for the continued membership growth, support and mentorship now and for the succeeding fraternal year!

Vivat Jesus!

State Chaplain's Message

Father Manny R. Guico



Nevada State Chaplain

My dear Brother Knights:

Greetings of Peace, Joy and Love!

JESUS CHRIST IS TRULY RISEN! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

We are now in the Easter season (Church's liturgical calendar) that will last until the Feast of Pentecost (May 23rd). I encourage Knights and your family members to take part in "the Sacred Paschal Triduum" - 3 days celebrated as ONE - Maundy Thursday (April 1st); Good Friday (April 2nd); and Easter Vigil (April 3rd). Hope and pray that your family celebrated a Blessed & Joyous Easter Sunday (April 4th).

As Parishes & Churches slowly open up, I would encourage Grand Knights to approach your Pastors and dialogue with them what you can do as parishioners and Knights especially on weekend Masses. Also find out if your Council can be permitted to have "in-person meetings". It's not too early to start making plans for future K of C activities. i.e. setting up "Delta recruitment drives", coffee & donuts (if already allowed at parish centers), pancake breakfast etc.

Focus on the "RCIA Elects" who are now known as "Neophytes" - that is they are the "newly baptized, confirmed and fully partake at the Lord's table (made their first holy communion)". They are now in full communion with the Catholic Church. Welcome them and get to know them. ONE TIP & ADVICE - get to know and approach the men (male neophytes) and slowly talk becoming/joining the Knights of Columbus Council. Once again use the online registration where we can still recruit new members using "MCGIVNEY2020" as promotional code until June 30th.

I am looking forward to participating and meeting many of you at the 111th Nevada Council State Council (May 14, 15, 16, 2021) at Harveys Lake Tahoe, Nevada. I'll share with you topics of our "Spiritual Recollection/Reflections" on my May State Chaplain's Message. Let's all get vaccinated.

God bless and Stay safe! Vivat Jesus!

2021 Annual Meeting Memorial Mass Necrology Booklet

SK Al Cuccinelli



Executive Secretary

Worthy Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries,

Our Annual Memorial Mass will be held at our Annual Meeting on Saturday, May 15th, 2021 in remembrance of our Brother Knights who passed on to Eternity after April 1st, 2020.

Please provide the names of deceased members of your Council (including any offices held) beginning April 1st, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

If a brother Knight was not included in last year's Necrology Booklet or in past years, please include his name (including any offices held) and date of passing for recognition this year.

In order to have the Necrology Booklet prepared in time for the Annual Meeting, please submit your names by email to: acuccinelli@me.com or mail to my address at: 2116 Plaza Del Fuentes, Las Vegas, NV 89102.

The deadline to submit your Necrology list is April 15th, 2021. Please use the Excel spreadsheet format that has been distributed to submit the information.

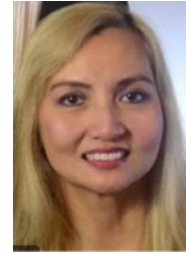
I appreciate your assistance!

Fraternally,

State Directors/Chairs Announcements

111th Annual Nevada State Council Convention Update

Lady Ditas Pascua



2021 Nevada State Council
Convention Chairperson

The Making of The 111th Annual Nevada State Council Convention

Dear Worthy Brother Knights, Ladies and Families:

Warmest greetings for a Happy Easter!

Our 111th Annual Nevada State Council Convention, aptly themed as, “Finding Christ in Charity, Unity and Fraternity,” is just but a few weeks away.

My gratitude to our Committee Leads, State Officers and the State Directors who are working hard on the logistics, from behind the scenes, having numerous coordination meetings to execute every detail ensuring the success of our event.

The making of this Convention was quite 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.

This year’s celebration will be an unconventional one- more of socials, friendship, fellowship and we are looking forward to seeing more Councils, Brother Knights, Ladies and their families. As of this writing, we received an overwhelming response on Rooms that had already been booked.

The pandemic will not hinder us from having our State Convention following safety protocols. Nevada is one of 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.

To help you plan ahead, please go to the Uknight interactive website for more information about the State Convention, registration, forms, Meal reservations, Ladies and family activities , The website can now accept payments for Meals reserved and for pre ordering Convention merchandise as well. Sponsorship for Ads in our State Convention Yearbook is also available through Uknight as well. In behalf of the Nevada State Convention Committee, thank you!

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

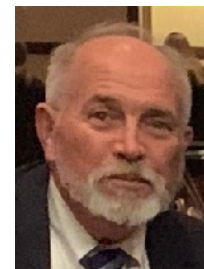
Yours truly,

A Message from the State Program Director

SK George A Minter

Worthy Grand Knights, Worthy District Deputies & all Worthy State Officers,

Thank you for your support of our "Family Of The Month" program. Six Councils filed their selection to Supreme for February.



State Program Director

1. 4928-GK Chuck Goucher; District 2 Herb Melendez
2. 12877-Leo Carew III; District 2 Herb Melendez
3. 7322-GK Michael Chaump; District 1 Matt Mareno
4. 13924-GK Michael O'Brien; District 3 Steve Schiwart
5. 9899-GK Deacon David Walker; District 6 Luis Herrera
6. 14784-Christopher Traver; District 9 Ray Foster

What a great way of saying "Thank You" to that family who supports their Parish and Councils, giving of their Time, Talent & Treasure. My warmest regards and thanks for supporting this great program. And for taking the time to show that you care.

Supreme has picked Council 12877 **Family of The Month, Ramon Alano** for the State of Nevada.

I hope that this update puts a smile on the faces of Dan St.Pierre and Al Pena.

VIVAT JESUS!

A Message from the State Family Program Director

SK Al Pena



State Family
Program Director

ADSERTORIUS- Protecting our Freedom

Let me start with a quote from Senator Claro M. Recto, one of the founders of the Philippine Constitution, who when confronted by a group of roque Senators demanding to change the Constitution responded and said:

“ Those of you who ignore this Constitution will someday find themselves seeking refuge in the very institution they sought to destroy. You are compared to the People of Sodom and Gomorrah, who, after witnessing the destruction of their lost city, look back in retrospect and asked themselves why, what did we do wrong” Still refusing to accept the error of their ways but still seeking God’s help and protection after witnessing the destruction.”

I was reminded of this words when I listened to the speech made by Justice Alito to the Federal Society on November 13, 2020. He spoke of the need to restore our religious liberty and the right to freely live out our faith. He implored all of us, Americans, to be vigilant against the all out attack not only on our religious freedom, but on the entire Constitutional System. He certainly made us consciously aware, that our freedom is being subjugated by some sectors in our society who are using COVID as an excuse to advance their agendas at all cost. Thank goodness to Justice Alito for bringing this up, because **it is so crucial to the protection of our religious freedom to simply ignore.** I hate to wake up one day and realize that the freedom I once enjoyed as a Citizen of this country has been taken away by executive order or legislative fiat using COVID as an excuse.

Vigilant means:

- 1) That ,we must win precedent setting cases on behalf of Americans who have been deprived of their religious freedom, and are languishing in jail because they put God first in their lives.
- 2) That, we oppose assaults on religious freedom in the US Military;
- 3) That, we continue our campaign to protect the life of every unborn child and the Sanctity of Marriage between men and a woman; The Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg established legal doctrine that states “The decision not to have a child is central to a Woman’s life, and to her well-being and dignity. It is her decision she must make for herself”. This was the decision that prevailed in the Roe Vs. Wade.

The question that is begging to be answered is what about the right of the Unborn child ? If the Constitution cannot protect them, if Congress cannot protect them, if the President cannot protect them, then who can protect them? Who can stop this genocide? I believe that when a crime is committed it cannot be corrected by committing another. Many times in the past our Courts were forced to rule on cases especially when clear legislative intent is absent. This is the case when they decided on the fate of 883 thousand American kids in 2019 whose lives were shortened because of this ruling. (Roe Vs.Wade decision). I believe that Congress who represents the people should have the wherewithal to pass a law that should prohibit abortion and stop using Government funds to support abortion. Abortion is the single most cruel and inhumane tragedy of our whole Civilized Society. While it is true that woman have the right to decide what is good for her (Roe Vs. Wade) there are alternatives and if the Government will refer women who are contemplating an abortion to the proper agency we could save more lives rather than spending taxpayers money that does nothing but encourage abortion.



LET US REMAIN FIRM IN DEFENDING OUR RIGHT TO
EXERCISE OUR FREEDOM OF RELIGION AND PROTECT
THE RIGHTS OF THE UNBORN.



LET US STAY VIGILANT IN PROTECTING OUR RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH UNDER THE CONSTITUTION.

4) We should defend laws that are intended to benefit the common good. This brings to mind the case of *Jackson vs. Massachusetts* where the court upheld a mandatory vaccine law in 1905 over the objection of a man who claimed it violated his due process. Justice Alito conceded that he is all in favor of preventing dangerous things from issuing out of Cambridge, Massachusetts and infecting the rest of the world.

5) We, must remain steadfast in our resolve to protect our Constitution and not allow foreign powers to interfere in our election and dictate the course of our future and our children's future.

6) We must protect our Churches and Statues of God and Saints which are symbols of our Faith.

He said that our Constitutional rights have been disfavored and treated as a 2nd class right because of COVID which has become the driving force controlling the social and political fabric of our existence. Our right to free speech and religious freedom is being trampled upon wittingly or unwittingly. The statement made by Justice Alito has a **wide ranging implication and significance, because it goes to the heart of our Constitutional rights as guaranteed by the Bill of Rights under the Constitution.** He also expressed concern about the increasing mandates that are being put in place by executive fiat rather than by legislative process. He cautioned about the vast powers and discretion vested in the Governors of each State in dealing with this National Pandemic. The failure of our Legislature to address the issues involved and to pass legislations to help alleviate the social, economic and financial impact of this problem on our citizens. I share in the concern voiced by Justice Alito about the erosion of our Constitutional freedom and the need to go back to the fundamental doctrine of separation of powers. That Congress is charged with the power to legislate, the

Courts the power to interpret, the Executive the power to execute. In addressing this crisis we often hear about transgressions and abuses occurring between the Executive and Legislative branches of our Government that goes beyond the limits of their Constitutional powers which often ends up in the Court to decide. Our Courts should be allowed to operate independently just like the other branches of Government. This is the spirit and intent of the framers of our constitution and the genius of its founders.

Our constitution was designed to contain very enduring qualities. We must find a way to protect and defend it. We have survived 244 years as a nation. Our Government and institutions have made us the envy of the World. Our System of Government is not perfect by any means, but it has endured through the ages. Our **Laissez Faire** economic system has lifted the living standard of our people. Everybody seeking to find great opportunity to improve themselves and their families are competing to immigrate to our country. They come by the millions attracted by the symbol of the Statue of Liberty and the inscription that says **“Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses, yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore”**; and the vast opportunities that awaits them in the land of milk and honey.

A Message from the Nevada General Agent

Kevin Tuuri, FICF



General Agent

Easter greetings to all my members and your families! As a time of preparation, Lent helped us focus on the sacrifice of Good Friday and the hope of the Resurrection. I hope this season brings you much joy and happiness!

That sense of rebirth that comes with our Easter celebrations also can be noticed in the change in weather. Some daffodils and tulips are poking through the soil, the temperature is creeping upward, and we hope April showers are in store and not that precipitation that has to be shoveled! As I looked around my yard I see much that needs tending to after the winter weather. I've got a few plants to transplant, some clean-up needed around the outside of the house, I see a window that's been cracked...and my "honey do" list is getting longer and longer.

I've found that I'm much more efficient with a list of chores if I write down all that I need to do. Then I go back through my list and rank order them for importance. Sometimes I get to choose the order; sometimes the order is chosen for me. In either event, the best part comes when I get to cross off the chore as being done. Maybe it's the visual of seeing one more item completed...it gives me a sense of accomplishment.

In addition to the outside chores, I have several others that always come at this time of year. I've got windows to wash and other "spring cleaning" in the house. The vehicles could use a good cleaning inside and out and I know there will be some major project to sift through a pile or maybe even a room of things we don't need, don't want, or don't fit anymore.

In keeping with that list theme, put me on the list; up at the top since it relates to your family's financial security. A virtual meeting over the computer is a way for us to meet safely and efficiently. We can discuss your needs, wants and desires. What's changed? Let's make sure nothing stands in the way of reaching your goals. The Order has provided me with a new needs analysis program (either Profiles Professional or NaviPlan) to help you track where you are, where you want to go and how well you're progressing on your financial journey.

Mine is an item you can cross off your list and really feel good about it.

Wishing you Easter joy!

Vivat Jesus!

State Historian Report and April 2021 “Knight in the Light”

SK J Michael Brady



State Historian

Brother Knights

Wishing you a Blessed Easter Celebration!

Updates are as follows:

1. I continue to be in contact with our District Deputy's and Grand Knight's 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 significant events or activities of the Council and Brother Knights. In some Councils this role will reside with the Grand Knight, due to size of Council membership. Please be prepared to discuss who is best suited for this position in your Council. As always, this is your chance to tell and record your Council's continuing story!
2. In concert with our second term Worthy State Deputy Toni F. Pascua 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.
3. To accomplish the infill of Past State Deputy's Biographical information, from 2000 to the current Columbian year: I am continuing to work with resources from Supreme, PSD Ray Gardea and SK Kenneth Sawyer, State Communications Director to collect and archive this information. As mentioned before, we have received Biographical information from all but three PSDs from 2000 to present.

Please use my email address: historian@nv-kofc.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 work with you, my Brothers.

Northern Nevada Inaugural Lenten Retreat “God Sees Your Heart.”

The first **Northern Nevada Knights of Columbus Lenten Retreat** was held on March 20, 2021 at Immaculate Conception Church, Sparks, Nevada. Rev. Fr. Arlon M. Vergara, along with Brother Ed Horodko with “Living the Faith”, the Catholic broadcasting pioneer since 1998, delivered the presentation with interaction from the Knights of Columbus Brothers in attendance.

Fr. Arlon spoke of the life of holiness, service and charitable works as our focus while learning, Improving, and identifying our own needs with truth and courage as we seek guidance from our Lord, Jesus Christ. **Seeds of faith were planted in our fertile souls.**

Fr. Arlon provided a “**spiritual vaccine**”, for our Brother Knights in attendance, in this time of COVID.

Knights of Columbus History Fact:

Continue to Celebrate Father Michael J. McGivney’s new “Blessed” status and pray for his Sainthood!!!

Below are a couple of excerpts of Blessed Michael McGivney’s writings about our Order:

First:

In an August 25, 1883, letter to the editor of The Connecticut Catholic, he wrote, “We are advancing slowly, but surely.”

Eleven Councils would be established by November 1884, when Fr. McGivney was named Pastor of St. Thomas Church in Thomaston, Connecticut. “I have been with you for seven long years, visiting your sick and guiding the steps of your children in the paths in which they should go,” he said in his farewell homily on November 10th. “Wherever I go, the memory of the people of St. Mary’s and their great kindness to me will always be uppermost in my heart.”

Parishioners wept openly in their pews. “Never, it seemed, was a congregation so affected by the parting address of a clergyman as the great audience which filled St. Mary’s yesterday,” The New Haven Evening Register reported. “There was never a more energetic or hardworking young priest stationed in New Haven than he.”

Second:

At his new parish, Fr. McGivney established the 18th KofC Council in April 1885, at a time when Councils were forming at a rate of two per month. In May, he crafted one of the most eloquent of his extant letters, which was a sharp defense of the Order against doubters.

When a priest writing anonymously to The Connecticut Catholic questioned whether the Knights of Columbus was itself just the kind of “secret society” the Church proscribed, Father McGivney sent a tart reply.

“Not only was the Order categorically not a secret society”, he wrote, but: “The constitution and by-laws of the Knights of Columbus contain nothing collusive to the rules of the Church. Although but a few years organized, the Order has effected incalculable good in many households.”

Visit the website: www.michaelmcgivneycenter.org

“Knight in the Light”

Rev. Fr. Arlon M. Vergara, OSA

**Parochial Vicar, Saint Therese Church of the Little Flower,
City of Reno**

**Associate Chaplain, Knights of Columbus, State of Nevada
Friar of Bishop Manogue Assembly 612, Reno, Nevada**

Augustinian Missionary (OSA) proud being a Knight of Columbus.

I hail from a historic town, now presently called Magallanes, Sorsogon, where the first mass in Luzon Philippines in 1569 was held and celebrated by the Augustinian Spanish Friar Alonzo Jimenez, OSA.

I was born on January 7, 1963. My father was a public high school principal, and my mother was a retired elementary school teacher, both deceased. I have five brothers and two sisters. A brother the eldest of eight siblings is also an Augustinian priest who is assigned in Manila. My family's religious upbringing is basically through the deep and strong faith of my grandmother, who relentlessly shared to us her gifts of intense prayer and biblical storytelling? With my family's religious experience, I have allowed myself to commune with God in prayers and generously responded to God in the ministerial priesthood.

I was ordained a priest for the Order of St. Augustine, Province of Santo Nino de Cebu, Philippines on Dec. 7, 1990. I studied and finished Philosophy, Bachelor of Sacred Theology and MA in Theology at the Ecclesiastical Faculty of the University of Santo Tomas, Manila.

Being an Augustinian, I have always been reminded by our Father, St. Augustine, to share the faith through community life, preaching and mission. When I took my solemn profession, I was appointed as the Director of Vocation, my primary task was to recruit and discern with potential candidates for our Order, and at the same time Regent of two departments of the University of San Agustin, Iloilo City. Three years after my ordination, I had the opportunity to work in South Korea from 1993 until December of 2005. It was my prime years as a priest and as a missionary truly living out the spirit of our Father, St. Augustine. It was in the Diocese of Inchon, South Korea that I was assigned in our Seminary, became the Regional Superior. In 2000, for the first time ever, I was appointed by Bishop to take a Korean parish as their pastor of St. Therese Parish, with six out-stationed mission chapels, opening the doors of faith to all Koreans. I believe that the Holy Spirit has been the principal agent of my missionary success. I have been open to God, for Him to use me in His mysterious ways.

When my tour of mission in Korea ended, I was recalled back to the Philippines to teach at the seminary for a year while establishing a new Augustinian mission parish in the southern part of Luzon, in Bagacay, Gubat, Sorsogon. Within two years and a half, through the help of God, I was able to pioneer a parish with almost 10,000 parishioners. Most of the parishioners were below the

poverty line. As a pastor of that parish, I initiated some simple ways to answer their needs and to uplift their living standards a bit. I introduced a weekly feeding program for undernourished children and livelihood programs for indigent families. I was grateful that I was somehow able to help them through the kindness and generosity of heart of some people whom I had been blessed to meet and know.

In 2007, I asked my Provincial Superior to allow me to go on a foreign mission for the second time, this time here in the United States. I was fortunate that I was able to work in the diocese of Richmond, Virginia through various mission commitments. My first intention in coming over to the USA was to recompense the goodness and the missionary zeal of all American Catholic Missionaries who came to minister to my fellow Filipinos and contributed a great deal to the work of evangelization in the Philippines. I am aware that many of them are still actively doing their ministry in some areas in the Philippines.

I was first assigned in the Church of Transfiguration in Fincastle and then at St. John the Evangelist in Newcastle, Virginia. After two years, I was asked to help the parish of St. Bede in Williamsburg. Then the remaining one year and a half I served St. Matthew Parish in Virginia

Beach and then became a pastor in Sacred Heart in Covington until I completed my tour of mission work. I cherished my stay and ministry in those parishes because of the parishioners' firm faith and their openness, welcoming spirit to accept a missionary priest. It was through them that I have known many American Catholics immersed in a multi-faceted culture. It made me realize how indeed in the context of cultural plurality, the gospel of Christ is to be proclaimed and shared. This is the urgent challenge we need to do as baptized Christians, most especially for me as a priest.

Truly, a mission is a journey in which by virtue of our baptism, we are all called to proclaim the Good News in every part of the world. In 2011, I was assigned in Sacramento Diocese to continue my mission. I was assigned to the following parishes, St. Isidore Church, Yuba City, Holy Family Parish, Portola, CA, St. Katherine Drexel Parish, Amador County and the last, Sacred Heart Parish in Alturas, CA. Now, I have found myself in this beautiful diocese of Reno. I have served the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Sparks, Nevada for a year and now presently working at the Holy Spirit Mission Traditional Latin community and St. Therese of Little Flower Church.

I believe that this is how I need to fulfill the solemn mandate of the Lord, "Go, and preach the Gospel." (MK 1:15) I am sent as a missionary sent to proclaim, sent to heal, sent to teach, sent to sanctify, sent to serve, and sent to bring hope. There is no boundary, there is no limit, and there is no difference in culture or race or color, for we are all brothers and sisters in the Lord.

In 2006, I came to the US for sabbatical year and able to meet the Knights when I was in Virginia Beach, Virginia. There I was initiated to the Knights of Columbus from first to fourth degree. Then eventually received my lifetime membership in 2009. I have learned the four principles of the Order, namely, Unity, Charity, Fraternity and Patriotism, which I felt familiar as an Augustinian. I know that I have a deeper connection with those ideals envisioned by Blessed Father Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, and certainly proud to be a member.

My thirty-six years as an Augustinian religious have flourished through the years. This vocation to the religious life specifically in the Order of St. Augustine is a gift of God to be shared wherever I minister and faithfully become a living witness to that noble invitation of Christ, "Come, follow me!" Mt.4:19. The road is not an easy path to follow, for Christ has chosen the hard and difficult road with his cross he carries, no turning back, no re-routing and no shortcuts. I have endured with tenacity, strength and trusting in God's abiding words, "You did not choose me, but I chose you." John 15:16.

I am proud to be an Augustinian and at the same time a member of the Knights of Columbus for these two Orders of men share the same ideals to answer the call to holiness. St. Augustine teaches "Unum" which is oneness of heart and mind intent upon God as clearly expressed in his written Rule. (Rule 1: iii) Charity and fraternity are also in the very core of Augustinian virtues and ideals which St. Augustine exhorts all of us to do in order to establish the City of God here and now. Those ideals are necessary for the building up the community of friends. As we humbly struggle practicing those principles, we come to experience our true fraternity.

My presence is also a call to share the Augustinian charism outside the confines of a community, which may not be an issue against the observance of the community life, but rather a response to the needs of the universal church in her commitment to mission and evangelization. I do believe that both religious and laity must live up to those ideals taught to us by St. Augustine and Blessed Father McGivney which led us create a loving family, community, and a patriotic society as well. Our love for God is next to our love for neighbor and for our country. We are so blessed to be given this beautiful creation of God; thus, we too must be responsive to be a good citizen until we attain the Kingdom of God and gratefully happy to be its citizen, building together the "City of God."

In 2019, I was honored to be appointed as Assistant Chaplain of the State of Nevada and at present the Friar Chaplain of the Fourth Degree Assembly #612 of Northern Nevada. It is my way of recognizing the privilege of having another responsibility, not as a burden but a generous loving response to God. Having been assigned to the many councils around the country as Knights of Columbus chaplain, I believe that my duty is a smile to convey to them that wherever I am assigned I always consider it as my family to build, to support and to guide. Being a member of the Knights of Columbus, is a great honor, a call to serve with commitment. I am truly inspired to imitate the Christian virtues of Blessed Michael McGivney, a humble priest with much love for his people.

By: Fr. Arlon Vergara, OSA

Submitted by: J. Michael Brady, Nevada State Historian

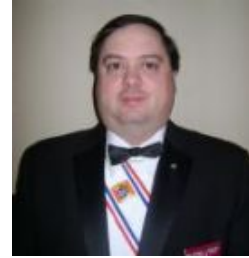
Vivat Jesus!

J. Michael Brady, State Historian

Nevada State Council

Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities “2021 Tootsie Roll Drive”

SK John Suchewski



Special Olympics &
Intellectual Disabilities State
Chairman

- WHAT:** The State of Nevada Knights of Columbus’ Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities “2021 Tootsie Roll Drive”.
- WHERE:** Stores and Churches within the State of Nevada.
- WHEN:** During the month of April and May 2021.

Please also see the State Website for this important information.

<http://uknight.org/StateCouncilSite/links.asp?CN=US&ST=NV>

*Councils with scheduling conflicts may reschedule their drive, as authorized by the state by-laws & standing rules but please keep those dates close to the designated weekend. You must notify the State Chairman of your revised dates in writing.

- WHO:** All Brother Knights, Friends and Families of the Knights of Columbus. All Councils shall coordinate their Tootsie Roll Drives with the State Chairman.
- WHY:** To join with our Brother Knights, nationwide, to support those in our communities who are most in need of assistance.

All Tootsie Roll orders, both North and South, will be placed with me.

John Suchewski, Special Olympics & Intellectual Disabilities State Chairman
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A Reflection from the State Family Program Director

SK Al Pena



State Family
Program Director

EASTER INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGE

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the
Lord;

He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!

Glory! Glory! Hallelujah!

His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch-fires of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps,
His day is marching on.

I have read His fiery gospel writ in rows of burnished steel!

"As ye deal with my condemners, so with you My grace shall deal!

Let the Hero, born of woman, crush the serpent with his heel, "

Since God is marching on.

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;

He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat;

Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him; be jubilant, my feet!

Our God is marching on.

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,

With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me;

As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free!

While God is marching on.



Photo of Union Soldiers in the Watch- fires of a
hundred Circling Camps.

This song was originally a meeting hymn “Oh brothers will you meet us on Canaan’s happy shore.” Then in 1861 Julia Ward Howe , wife of a Government Official wrote a poem for Atlantic monthly. The magazine called it the “Battle Hymn of the Republic”. This became the most important song of the Union. There are a few songs that inspired and sent my emotions soaring to heights that went beyond the reach of my human understanding. To me this song carried a seductive appeal containing a certain quality that captured my imagination and raised my spirits to try to achieve a higher purpose in life. What better purpose is there than to serve and Love God with all of your hearts, all of your mind and all of your soul. I can only imagine seeing the image of God on hundreds of watch fires of Union soldiers huddled together in their camp fires on some wintry night and singing the Battle Hymn of the Republic ready to serve that bigger purpose.

This is what Fr. Michael J. McGivney’s gift to the Knights of Columbus. When he spoke about our unity of purpose, forming a brotherhood of men driven by a common desire to render aide and assistance to the needy and the outcast. When he spoke about patriotism and love of Country, of protecting free speech and religious freedom as protected by the 1st amendment of our US Constitution. This is Fr. McGivney calling us into action to protect the sanctity of marriage between a man and a woman and the sanctity of life by ending abortion the most cruel cut of all.

A Message from the State KCIC Chair

Digna A.Pena



Nevada State KCIC Chair

KCIC KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS



One of the most cherished traditions of our Christian faith is celebrating the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ our Lord. To commemorate this blessed tradition, the Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary sell beautifully crafted Christmas cards that are mementos to members of the Knights of Columbus, their families and friends. This is a way by which we continue to raise awareness of this very important Christian tradition. When you buy these beautiful Christmas cards and send them to your friends and relatives, you are putting smiles on their faces especially those in the senior 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 computer savvy.

Most importantly, 'Keep Christ in Christmas' gives us a chance to spread the message of good tidings and joy to our church community and continue our mission of evangelization among our Catholic brothers 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 this spirit of unity and cooperation that we can continue to promote our faith and encourage others to follow our examples. This coming Christmas season, it is my hope that every Council will rally behind this program so that we can continue to **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS!!!**

A Message from the State Young Adult Chairman

SK Lance Pascua



Nevada Young Adult
Chairman

Hello there, it's Lance Pascua, State Young Adult Outreach Chairman and Online Membership Chairman for The Knights of Columbus!

If you love me, you will keep my commandments." — John 14:15

The Good News: There are a lot of rules in the Bible, but the most important ones to follow are the commandments that God set forth via Moses. If we persist in abiding by those, we can help make our lives and our communities a better place.

A family is the core and most important unit of society. I think Lilo got it right when she said, "Ohana means **family**. **Family** means nobody gets left behind or forgotten."

I belong to a very loving family whose last name- Pascua when translated (from Spanish) to English means Easter.

So, Happy Easter to everyone!

Family is the one of the **most important** and valuable gifts of our **life**. The word "**Family**" itself is so **important** that it means to feel secure with people around you whom you can always count on, whom you can always share your problems, whom you can play with all the time, whom you can freshen up your mood anytime. The love that you can get unconditionally especially from my Mom and Dad and my siblings. I learned to give more than receiving without expecting anything in return, those are some of the values I learned growing up and being grateful for what we have.

I became a member of the Squires at age 10 and back then learned the importance of brothers helping brothers, rose from the ranks until I became Chief Squire in our Council.

Just like my elder brother, as soon as I turned 18 years of age, I joined the Knights of Columbus. It gives us a sense of purpose and fulfillment as you go about living your life with the principles of unity, charity, fraternity and patriotism.

Being a Knight is synonymous to being a part of one big family - my Dad, brother, cousins, Uncles, some of my friends (whom I recruited) are all members.

I learned that each time you are able to reach out and help out a Brother Knight and their family, we make a difference in changing lives and saving lives.

With the current trend of doing office work and school work at home, we can also do our own membership recruitment, using our on demand online new member registration, the more efficient way to recruit more Brother Knights.

Once again, please do your share and invite every eligible Catholic men to join the Knights, make it a habit to ask and introduce it to any of your relatives, neighbors, friend, co workers to be a member of The Knight of Columbus and take advantage of the 24/7 on online recruitment using the code: MCGIVNEY2020 - a promo for the first 12 months complimentary 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>

Thank you for your commitment to recruit, the way to grow the State Council's membership- more of a passion than a commitment.

Spent time more with the people you love! Family, it's all you've got. Treasure them.

Keeping you in my prayers,

Assembly/Council Announcements

Holy Spirit Council 14784 Fish Fry

SK Raymond A Foster



District Deputy

Brothers,

Holy Spirit Council 14784 had their fish fry on March 5th, in the parking lot of Holy Spirit Catholic Church. When it was over they had served over 230 meals with all proceeds earned going to the Church.



Vivat Christo Rey,

The End-of-Life Bill (Assisted Suicide Bill) SB105

Deacon Dave Walker



Grand Knight
Council #9899

The Following pro-life issue is brought to your attention by the Knights of Columbus Prince of Peace Council 9899 Pro-Life Committee:

The 81st (2021) Session of the Nevada Legislature is in session. Already the Senate has filed an End-of-Life Bill (Assisted Suicide Bill) named **AB 351** of interest to Catholics. **Assembly Bill 351**.

AB 351 establishes provisions governing prescribing, dispensing and administering controlled substances designed to **end the life of a patient**.

Sharing Your Opinion with Your Legislators is EASY!!!

Use this website: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Opinions/81st2021/>

Select AB 351 and Enter Your Opinion “In Favor” or “Against.”

The Opinion Poll portion of this site contains constituent (citizens) opinions for the 81st (2021) Session of the Nevada Legislature. Throughout a legislative session, legislators review these opinions to gain perspective on how constituents in their districts feel about legislation. Constituent names addresses and other personal information are NOT made public but are available to legislators so that they will know who is submitting the comment and are able to contact the constituent if they so desire. Only the opinion totals are made publicly available on this site.

Thank you for participating.

**Register your opposition
to this deadly
PHYSICIAN PRESCRIBED SUICIDE
bill at the legislative poll site.**



Scan QR CODE.
Go to **Go to Select a Bill**
Choose AB351
Enter your demo information
Select **OPPOSE**
Say "No on AB351" or some other message.



**USCCB's Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide
(English):**

<https://www.usccb.org/committees/pro-life-activities/top-reasons-oppose-assisted-suicide>

El Comité Pro-Vida de Caballeros de Colón le ha llamado la atención sobre el siguiente tema pródigo:

La 81.^a (2021) Sesión de la Legislatura de Nevada está en sesión.

El Senado ya ha presentado un proyecto de ley sobre el final de la vida (Ley de suicidio asistido) llamado **AB 351** de interés para los católicos. Proyecto de ley del ensamblaje 351.

AB 351 establece disposiciones que rigen la prescripción, dispensación y administración de sustancias controladas diseñadas para acabar con la vida de un paciente.

!!!Compartir su opinión con sus legisladores es fácil!!!

Utilice este sitio web: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Opinions/81st2021/>

Seleccione AB 351 e ingrese su opinión "A favor" o "En contra".

La sección de Encuesta de opinión de este sitio contiene las opiniones de los constituyentes (ciudadanos) de la 81.a sesión (2021) de la Legislatura de Nevada. A lo largo de una sesión legislativa, los legisladores revisan estas opiniones para obtener una perspectiva de cómo se sienten los electores en sus distritos sobre la legislación. Los nombres de los constituyentes, direcciones y otra información personal NO se hacen públicos pero están disponibles para los legisladores para que sepan quién está enviando el comentario y puedan comunicarse con el constituyente si así lo desean. Sólo los totales de opinión se ponen a disposición del público en este sitio.

Gracias por participar.

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**ELIGE
LA VIDA**



USCCB's Principales razones para oponerse al suicidio asistido (español):

<https://www.usccb.org/es/node/25724/principales-razones-para-oponerse-al-suicidio-asistido>

Assembly 3772 Water Drive - PATRIOTISM and CHARITY in action...

SK Rick Houle



Faithful Pilot.
Assembly 3772

Brothers,

For the past three years Las Vegas Knights of Columbus has provided over 40,000 bottles of drinking water (in addition to other various essential items) to the residents of Veterans Village located on Share Village properties. This highly successful Annual Water Drive campaign has earned the respect and admiration of the administrators of the Share Village operation and in September of 2019, founder Arnold Stalk presented Las Vegas Knights of Columbus with a Humanitarian Award ensemble of crystal trophies and plaques.

Because of Covid, there are more down-on-their-luck veterans and homeless than ever before who are needing critical emergency assistance just to get by from day to day in the greater downtown Las Vegas area... And believe me when the hot summer months arrive, bottled drinking water becomes a critical need!

PATRIOTIC
50/50
RAFFLE
LAS VEGAS
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
\$10 Per ticket **OR** **\$40** Pack of **FIVE**
PROCEEDS TO SUPPORT
Veterans Village Annual Water Drive
Chance to WIN \$2,000
(our goal is to sell \$4,000 in tickets)
DRAWING DATE: April 29, 2021
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT
For more info contact Rick Houle
cell: 702-524-1669 • email: hammergrafix@yahoo.com

Covid has severely obstructed all of our councils and assembly's ability to raise money to support all of our worthwhile charity programs, and this is why Fr John Kenny Assembly 3772 is hosting a 50/50 raffle. The goal is to raise at least \$2,000 to pay for a year's supply of bottled water with the other \$2,000 going to a lucky winner!



PLEASE HELP us to help our fellow veterans and homeless...

If you would like to receive tickets or need more information, please contact Faithful Pilot Rick Houle at email: hammergrafix@yahoo.com or call cell# 702-524-1669 (leave a message).

Thank you and God bless.

Vivat Jesus,

Council Knight & Family of the Month Announcements

Council #4928 Recognitions

SK Charles B Goucher

PONDEROSA COUNCIL 4928



Grand Knight

FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2021

MARK LANE FAMILY

As the need to feed the hungry grows, Bro. Mark and Lady Judy Lane are recognized as the Ponderosa Council 4928 Council Family of the Month for their increasing dedication to the Sprouts Farmers Market Initiative by assuming weekly delivery responsibilities of more than 400 lbs. of perishable food on average to various food pantries and missions, and to families known to face food insecurity.



KNIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH 2021**JOHN M. BILKA**

For nearly 8 years, Bro. John Bilka has led the Recycling Aluminum Cans for Scholarships program. It is because of this long-term association that he is often referred to as the “can man.” In truth, it’s not the crushed aluminum that makes him notable, it’s because he is always willing to step up and “can” help out at many Council events ... most recently in the Breakfast with Santa kitchen, the 2,000 Meals-To-Go production line and outside on the grill for the SPD Appreciation Luncheon. In recognition of his on-going support, Ponderosa Council 4928 “can” and does honor him as its Knight of the Month for March.



Council #7322 Recognitions

SK Michael Chaump



Grand Knight

CHRIST THE KING, COUNCIL 7322 FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR FEBRUARY 2021

JUAN P SANDOVAL FAMILY

The Sandoval Family was selected for their continued involvement in our council and parish. Juan is a 3rd Degree Knight. He and his wife are very active in many of our Faith in Action programs. There are also very active with the Spanish masses at St. Albert the Great Church. The Sandoval Family is strong in their faith, very generous with their time and a model of our Catholic family values.

Council #12877 Recognitions

SK Leo V Carew



Grand Knight

SPARKS COUNCIL 12877 FAMILY OF THE MONTH FOR JANUARY 2021

Havey Family

Although this was for a past month; January, I would like to recognize the Havey Family for their dedication and hard work. They volunteer their time, treasure & talent and I'd like to give them a BIG THANK YOU.





Blessed Michael McGivney

Pray for Us