

The Silver Knight

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Message from the Editor

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In this month's newsletter, we have an updated Major Degree Schedule, along with a revised State Events Schedule.

The State Director and Chairman section has been completed for this year's term. You'll notice that we have a few positions that remain unfilled:

- Young Adult Development Chairman
- Soccer Challenge Chairman

Please contact Worthy State Deputy, Tom Thorn, if you have an interest.

Please also remember that we continue to seek newsworthy articles, photos or notices of upcoming events. The Knight to Remember section is very worthwhile and we would like to see more Brothers recognized. Your fellow Brothers do find this interesting.

Vivat Jesus,

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Message from the State Deputy



Dear Brothers,

I am reaching out to you to ask that we all take Carl Anderson's statement to heart and realize that "If we can't meet young Catholic men where they are, they will go somewhere else." In many cases we can transfer a Brother to another council or to online membership or something to avoid a man being a Knight for 10 years and being dropped and then 5 years later joining again and now his Honorary Life clock of 25 consecutive years starts again. Not to mention that the Knights in America and the Church in America are losing members and it is reasonable to think it is because we collectively have not engaged them. It is time to think outside the box and see what we can do with the support of Bishop Thomas and Bishop Calvo and the clergy to help Nevada become a bastion of Catholic life. The Knights of Columbus is in perfect position to reach out to all 286,000 Catholic men in Nevada. If we can just bring in 10% of those men imagine how much we will be able to better support our families, each other, our parishes, the clergy, the community with 28,600 Brother Knights.

Our new Faith in Action program goal is for "men to **lead their family in service – not leave their family for service.**" Without a quality faith filled family programs prospective members will not be interested in joining your councils. We have the new programs of:

*Spiritual Reflection Program / Holy Hour / Sacramental Gifts
Helping Hands / Family Prayer Night / Good Friday Family
Promotion / Mass for People with Special Needs / Pregnancy Center
Support / Novena for Life*

Our State Team is ready to help with programs, membership recruitment and retention, communication, press releases, council issues and advice from our State Advocate on Safe Environment and council Form 990 tax and exempt status reinstatement guidance. I am still looking for a man to take upon himself the mantle of College Council Coordinator for UNLV and a Young Adult Development Chairman. If you know someone that might be a good for these positions, please let me know.



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Message from the State Deputy (continued)

The Supreme convention is coming up in early August and the plan has changed to the inaugural Nevada hospitality room being just Nevada as the others were unable to participate at this time. Our delegation to the Supreme convention now stands at 14 and should be a very good event for the Nevada Knights.

Brothers we are trying to **“Know Before They Go”** with the council retention teams (after they have tried to engage the men and retain them) finding out why members that are behind in their dues don't want to pay/stay-

Is it because:

- They are not engaged with the council?
- They do not feel there is value for their money?
- The dislike or are in a fight with someone (or many) in the council?
- They actual are having financial difficulties?

One reason among many for this is we cannot fix what we do not know. It is the responsible thing to take at least enough time to find out what the issue is before letting a man get away from the Knights and possibly the Church. When you drop only the quota for the year you allow your councils to have a chance to achieve awards and possibly get their Star Council incentive. Councils should combine this with an active and healthy recruiting program and then your council with vibrant and faith filled programs should get parish men wanting to join. I was told by a Grand Knight in a council that is doing this that some men thinking of leaving have come back to the council as active Brother Knights because of what they saw.

The District Deputies Orientation was earlier this month and those that were able to attend hopefully are full of information on training, programs, recruiting, retention and will be soon, if not already, sharing that knowledge with your councils. We have 13 men that I believe will serve Nevada very well this fraternal year. After Mass at Our Lady of Las Vegas we had the installation of State Officers and District Deputies. This was followed by a banquet at the Main Street Station that was well attended. The District Deputies have or are staffing their Districts and if you are asked to be a member of the District staff please give it serious consideration as these men (like all Brother Knights) will need help. Your councils should all be scheduled for the council leadership orientation with the District Deputy of your District. If your is not please contact the District Deputy for your council so you can work together to get it done.



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Message from the State Deputy (continued)

Our Hispanic and Filipino Development and District Management Teams are ready to kick this year off to a great start and I am certainly looking forward to better serving some Catholic men we haven't reach in the past.

If your council would like any help in online membership, ethnic development/issues, college council questions, young adult development, programs, recruiting or retention please reach out to the Chairmen or your District Deputy, they are there to help. If you have issues or questions that you feel aren't answered or resolved contact me and we will see if between us all we can get a good resolution – but talk to the Chairman, District Deputy or other appropriate leaders first as we do not want to go around the organization structure. Remember the advice of the Dalai Lama when working with your Brothers that “To be aware of a single shortcoming within oneself is more useful than to be aware of a thousand in somebody else.”

Thank you and Vivat Jesus,

Thomas J. Thorn - State Deputy

Nevada State Council

Nevada State Council Officers 2018 - 2019

State Deputy:	SK Thomas Thorn
State Chaplain:	SK Rev. Tom Fransiscus, C. Ss. R
Associate State Chaplain:	Rev. Gerald Grupczynski
State Secretary:	SK Victor Edwards
State Treasurer:	SK Antonio Pascua
State Advocate:	SK Thierry Barkley
State Warden:	SK Joe Haun
Immediate Past State Deputy:	SK Gregory Sprigg
State Exec. Secretary:	SK Meynard Infantado

Nevada State Council Directors 2018 - 2019

State Ceremonials Director	David W Strait - PSD
State Church Director	SK Hilarion G Cordero, Jr
State Community Director	SK Romeo T Panon
State Family Director	SK Edgardo G Infantado
State Council Director	SK Gerry A Rockwell
State Membership Director	SK Raymond A Troik
State Program Director	SK Tom Villardi
State Youth Director	SK Michael Caudell
Hispanic Director LV	SK Carlos Sandoval
Hispanic Director Reno	SK Elvis G. Herrera
Filipino Director	SK Meynard A Infantado

Nevada State Council Chairs 2018- 2019

Shining Armor Award Chair	SK Dennis J Murtaugh	State Council Retention Chair	SK Thomas S Ball
State Disaster Chair	SK Charles E Baker	State Communications Chair	SK Mark B Foxwell
Vocations Chair	SK Hilarion G Cordero, Jr	Special Olympic Chair	SK John E Suchewski
Free Throw Contest Chairman	SK Michael Caudell	365 Club	Ramiro Gardea - PSD
Council Reactivation	SK Meynard A Infantado	State Squires Chairman	SK George A Minter
Intellectual Disabilities	SK John E Suchewski	Health Services Chairman	Dr. John C DiGrazia
Athletic Events Chair	SK Daniel Barry	Round Table Chairman	SK Charles P Reifsnnyder
Substance Abuse Poster	Jim E. Shurtliff	Awards/ Report Forms Chair	SK Tom Villardi
Fr. McGivney Guild Chairman	Ramiro Gardea – PSD	Public Relations Chairman	SK Luis Herrera
Legislative Liaison	SK Mark B Foxwell	Marian Hour Chair (Reno)	SK Mark B Foxwell
Membership Retention Chair	SK Thomas S Ball	Insurance Promotion Chair	SK Stephen F Melancon
Seminary Ed. Fund Chair	Greg Sprigg – IPSD	New Council Devel. Chair	SK Edmundo C Verceles
Culture of Life Chair Couple	SK Mark B Foxwell (Reno)	Young Adult Devel. Chair	OPEN
Culture of Life Chair Couple	SK Gerald A Holinski (LV)	Newsletter/Bulletin Editor	SK Albert Cuccinelli
Soccer Challenge/Basketball	OPEN	Catholic Citizens Essay	SK James A Conner
Free Throw Chair	SK Michael Caudell		



2018 – 2019 Districts and District Deputies Diocese of Reno

District	District Deputy	Member #	Council #	Council name	
1	John Long	04027833	4997	Msgr. Patrick J. Connors	District # 1 John D. Long (Rose) 2941 Sace Ridge Dr. Reno, NV 89509 (775) 827-8707 Cell (775) 232-9877 renopatents@aol.com
			7322	Christ the King	
			16207	University of Nevada	
2	George Minter	03783955	978	Nevada	District # 2 George Minter (Joyce) 5151 Komatite Ct. Sparks, NV 89436 (775) 626-5474 kocgminter44@gmail.com
			4928	Ponderosa	
			10577	St. Michaels the Archangel	
			12877	Our Lady of the Desert	
3	Gary Butori	04371221	4828	Fallon	District #3 Gary Butori (Rita) 2200 Harrigan Road Fallon, NV 89406 (775) 217-0307 garybutori@gmail.com
			6688	St. Pope John Paul the Great	
			11174	St. John the Baptist (Lovelock - Suspended)	
			13897	St. Robert Bellarmine	
			13924	St. Ann of the Comstock	
4	John DeBord	02700651	4781	Sierras Madre	District # 4 John E. DeBord (Patty) 13305 S. Hills Dr. Reno, NV 89511 (775) 813-6842 johndebord@gmail.com
			12845	Immaculate Heart of Mary (Gardnerville)	
			13842	St. John Vianney	
			13944	Our Lady Queen of Peace	
5	Ty Whitman	04665133	2511	Elko	District # 5 Ty S. Whitman 3825 Flintlock Dr. Winnemucca, NV 89445 Tel: (775) 304-8799 ty.whitman@yahoo.com
			2666	Winnemucca	
			11512	St. Thomas Aquinas (Wells)	
			Pending	Spring Creek	
6	Herbert Melendez	4131659	2380	Battle Mountain	District # 6 Herbert Melendez 2327 Dodge Dr. Sparks, NV 89436 Tel: (775) herbertmelendez@aol.com
			14588	St. Theres of the Little Flower	
			Pending	St. Teresa of Avila	
			Pending	St. Peter Canisius	



2018 – 2019 Districts and District Deputies Diocese of Las Vegas

District	District Deputy	Member #	Council #	Council name		
7	Charles Reifsnnyder	04307620			District # 7 Charles Reifsnnyder (Suzanne) PO Box 175 Pioche, NV 89043-0175 Tel: (775) 962-5668 Cell: (775) 962-1384 Email: syoteman@tcturbonet.com	
			1340	Sacred Heart		
			11179	Overton (Suspended)		
			13754	Mesquite		
8	Joe Williams	03996345	2828	Las Vegas	District # 8 Joe Williams Email: joewilliams24680@hotmail.com	
			9102	St. Jude		
			13392	San Lorenzo Ruiz		
			pending	St. John Neumann		
9	Vince Gorski	04611391	10442	St. Joseph HOM	District # 9 Vince Gorski (Vickie) 7618 Good Fortune Court Las Vegas, NV 89139 Tel: (702) 837-5-57 Cell: (702) 569-8192 Email: THEGMAN0520@yahoo.com	
			10780	Our Lady of the Valley		
			14144	Christ the King (LV)		
			14784	Holy Spirit		
10	Daniel St. Pierre	04692449	3741	Rosary	District # 10 Daniel St. Pierre (Nicole) 481 Mountain Heights Ct. Henderson, NV 89052 (702) 280-1009 stpierre88@yahoo.com	
			13456	St. Francis of Assisi		
			14820	St. Sharbel (Suspended)		
			15061	UNLV		
			15790	Council of the Archangel (Suspended)		
11	Robert Bass	3069484	7708	Holy Family	District # 11 Robert Bass 4549 El Carnal Way Las Vegas, NV 89121 bbtbrain@yahoo.com	
			8078	St. Andrew		
			8282	St. Viator		
			12690	St. John the Baptist Mission		
12	Dennis Murtaugh	04414120	5693	Fr. Francisco Garces	District # 12 Dennis Murtaugh (Deborah) 9414 Quiet Valley Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89149-0155 Tel: (702) 396-7406; Cell (702)371-4222 e3jarhead@gmail.com	
			11029	Mother Seton		
			12543	Holy Apostles		
			14544	St. Anthony of Padua		
13	Jesus Sanchez	4961343	5448	St. Pope John XXIII	District # 13 Jesus Sanchez 2239 Webster St. North Las Vegas, NV 89030 Tel: 702-755-0474 chuy sanz81@gmail.com	
			9437	St. Anne		
			9899	Prince of Peace		
			13691	St. Theresa deCalcutta (Suspended)		



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



District Deputy 2018 Orientation Recap

Worthy Brothers,

This is a recap of the District Deputy Organizational Meeting:

Summary – On Friday evening Julie and I were blessed to have the opportunity to have dinner with Bishop Thomas and Fr. Ron Zanoni to present the seminarian support check. The new Bishop has some very wonderful plans and the Knights need to be there to support his efforts. See our State Facebook Page for articles posted about the new Bishop and pictures from the meeting. While due to unforeseen occurrences in the lives of some District Deputies and Chairmen the attendance was not as high as I would have expected (100%) There were those that send their District Warden (thank you) and are following the intended plan for when they cannot attend. To the other District Deputies – get a Warden. The training was intended to break the same old thing routine and get the District Deputies ready to train their council leadership. Supreme has implemented major changes as has the State and therefore it is critical that the District Deputies know what is going on so that both they and their councils will not be lost in the coming year. It has been said that in the past men were not attending because it is the same stuff being repeated, I assure you this is no longer the case. The installation of the District Deputies, State Associate Chaplain and the State Officers was a wonderful experience after Mass in the Church at Our Lady of Las Vegas. The banquet that followed at the Main Street Station was the prime rib and scampi buffet which was well attended and delicious.

Communication – Nevada has been improving the communication in the state and is looking for ways to better reach the council members. There has been a loss of connectedness between the members and the Order, State and Supreme. We have a good email system for the council leaders, a directory, a state website, Facebook page and monthly newsletter but still there is a disconnect with many council members as to what the Knights as a District, State and Order do. It is our goal to make sure we provide the best opportunity for the Catholic men in Nevada to know what we are doing and to share it in the community with press releases, news coverage and other techniques so that the community knows the good works, faith enrichment programs and support for men trying to be better men and Catholics that we offer.

Programs – There is a template for making all your council programs into a book with pictures and summary information and contact information for prospective members, new members and existing members so that it is easy to pick events-programs to participate in. This can also be shared in PDF form on your council website (in the state website under your council) or in the monthly newsletter. Our new State Program Director Tom Villardi is looking forward to reaching out to your councils to tell you the story of why a man becomes disengaged and how to turn the same man into an active Knight when he is ready.



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State Deputy



District Deputy 2018 Orientation Recap (continued)

Retention – We need to clarify the message we have been sending to our members from where is our money? Why don't you do the programs we want? And that type of messages into what we really mean – We care about you our Brother in the Faith and haven't seen you for a while. Is there something that we can do that will inspire you to participate? Is there a problem at work or home that we may be able to help with or at least pray for you about? We really want you to be a part of the Knights and if that means just reading the newsletters monthly and coming to events went you can, that is great. If you will pay the current dues so that we have funds to operate we would appreciate it and if there is a problem we want to work with you to resolve it. If you are able to pay back dues great, we will use that "found" money to cover others who aren't convinced yet that the Knights is a worthwhile nonprofit that benefit millions of people around the world up to and including all parishes that have active councils in. You make a difference in that and we want you to know all your dues and donations of time, money or both makes.

Membership – We have an obligation to invite all eligible Catholic men to join us, not just those like us or who we like but all of them. It is up to us to reach out to young and old, different ethnic groups, different cultures and include those who made mistakes and are trying (like us) to live a good Catholic life and restore their life to the place God has called them to. It is up to us to reach all council members with the message that God doesn't just want some of his sheep and we don't just want some practical Catholic men. The Knights want all Catholic men to live better lives with the support, guidance and love of their fellow Knights. Even those who choose not to join us need to be invited and informed of who the Knights are and what we do. To this end we will start using press releases and submitting more articles not just to Catholic publications but to the newspaper, television and internet so that people will know us by our love through the programs and our actions. The fourth degree has some outstanding programs in addition to all the many programs of the councils. These should be highlighted so that men want to be Knights.



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State Deputy



District Deputy 2018 Orientation Recap (continued)

We should however, be knowledgeable enough to be able to accurately tell them about us. There is much incorrect information shared about us and often by our members who have out dated or just plain wrong information. Please work to make sure our men know us. Use videos, Lecturers, webinars and whatever means work for your councils to get all our Brothers up to speed on who we are. Remind councils that the submission of Form 100's to suspend members should only happen between July 1 and November 25 (because you want Supreme to process before December 1) because we are practicing unity as a State and the membership/retention process is such that we have a united plan, we should all be on the same page. As far as we could tell from the District Deputy meeting there is no advantage to dropping men in the December to June period but there are certainly disadvantages. Of course, this is after the retention team has determined if the reason they are not engaged (not paying). It is probably one of the following reasons:

- They moved
- They do not feel engaged by the council
- They do not feel there is any value for their money
- They dislike or are fighting with someone in the council or parish
- They actual are having financial difficulties

Know the answer will be our new **KNOW BEFORE THEY GO** plan.

Organization of the Nevada State Council – The Nevada State Knights of Columbus governing structure is as follows:

I have added this as there seemed to be some confusion as to the structure. The program Chairmen fall under the State Program Chairman Tom Villardi.

The District and Council Retention Chairman and team are under Retention Chairman Thomas Ball (who should be on the same line as the State Officers and Membership Chairman).

The District and Council Membership Chairmen and teams fall under the guidance of the State Membership Director Ray Troik. The other Development Chairmen like Hispanic Development, Filipino Development, Young Adult (21-40) Development, Military Council Development and College Council Development are all under the State membership Director.



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



District Deputy 2018 Orientation Recap (continued)

The Assemblies and Color Corp of the Fourth Degree are under the direction of the District Master.

Hopefully this recap of the District Deputy Orientation along with the attached files and video link will help your Districts and Councils in them to operate as a cohesive group to bring Nevada to a place where we can be an example to other jurisdictions to become there best.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me and I will help or find the correct person to help you with the issue you present.

Thank you. Vivat Jesus,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T.J. Thorn'.

Thomas J. Thorn
State Deputy
Nevada State Council



SK George A. Minter
District Deputy



District 2 2018 - 2019 Q1 Report

District Deputy's Thoughts

“With a good conscience our only sure reward, with history the final judge of our deeds, let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking His blessing and His help, but knowing that here on earth God’s work must truly be our own”

- John F. Kennedy (KofC), 35th President of the United States.

“Individual commitment to a group effort, that is what makes a team work...It is essential to understand that battles are primarily won in the hearts of men”

- Vince Lombardi (KofC), Head Coach of the Green Bay Packers, Super Bowl Champions I and II

Looking Back: For those that have missed it and for those who should know: District Two (2) achieved Double-Star Status with 280% Of Membership Goal and 170% of Insurance Quota. The Councils fulfilling the membership and insurance quotas are: The Archangel 10577-Triple Star, Our Lady of The Desert 12877-Double Star, Ponderosa 4928-Single Star. The newest Council in our District is The Nevada Council 978 (*which is actually the oldest Council in Nevada*) fulfilled the membership quota and earned The Founders Award. Congratulations to ALL!

Going Forward: Since you all had such great success, last Fraternal Year, the State Council expects you to double-down and do it again...and Supreme has given you your new quotas...oh, so stop your sniffing and get to work!...Hahaha. Brothers, please remember that this is a Process and not an Event...so, One step at a time!

Council Fundraising: Three Councils have multiple annual fundraising activities starting in August and running through November? WOW! Hopefully the Archangel Council 10577 can provide much needed assistance, make some money for themselves, as these 3 Councils have some slots open and needs Knights to volunteer. I’ll do my best to get as much information as I can into the Activity Schedule. I’ve been to all of your July Council meetings, but may still not know or have everything, which you are going to be up to. As Grand Knight Ed Lantis said, we’ll get together, socialize, have fun and tell each other lies. Anyway, you’ve got to love this guy! I do already.



SK George A. Minter
District Deputy



District 2 2018 - 2019 Q1 Report Activity Schedule

AUGUST		
2nd	Council 978: Installation Of Officers	6:00 PM @ St. Thomas Cathedral-Righini Hall; Pot-luck Dinner after Contact GK Ed Lantis
2nd	Council 10577 Officers' Meeting Council Meeting	Saint Michaels Parish in Stead 6:00 PM Contact GK Tom De'Anunzio 7:00 PM Contact GK Tom De'Anunzio
4th-12th	Council 12877	Hot August Nights Parking of Trailers & Rigs; Contact GK Roger Pechacek Or Chairman FS Bill Sousa
5th-16th	Supreme Convention Baltimore, Maryland	DD George Minter is attending as a Nevada Delegate & Hospitality Host
6th	Father Art Herkowski Squires Circle 5686 Meeting	Holy Cross Parish St. Joseph Hall 6:30 PM Pizza & 7:00 PM Meeting
7th	Council 12877	Immaculate Conception Parish Faith Formation Building 7:00 PM Officers Meeting
7th	Council 4928	Holy Cross Parish; St. Joseph Hall 7:00 PM Council Meeting
9th	Bishop Manogue Assembly 612	6:00 For Eats & Drinks 7:00 Assembly Meeting Denny's/Nugget Avenue
12th	Council 978	Saint Thomas Cathedral ***Father Chuck & Father Lucio Contact: GK Ed Lantis
14th	Council 12877	Rosary @ 6:00 PM: Parish Chapel 7:00 PM Council Meeting Faith Formation Building
16th	Council 978	St. Thomas Cathedral; Righini Hall 7:00 Council Meeting
16th	Council 4928	Holy Cross Parish; St. Joseph Hall 6:30 PM Officer Meeting
19th	Council 978	Council Picnic & for more good natured lies, Contact GK Ed Lantis
21th	Council 12877	Immaculate Conception Parish Faith Formation Building 7:00 PM: 1 st Degree Exemplification
24th	Council 978	6:30 to 9:00 PM--Little Flower Parish: Wine-Tasting & Auction Fundraiser \$25.00/person
8/29th to 9/3th	Council 4928	Best In The West, Nugget Rib Cook- Off (2 shifts:10am-3pm & 3pm-9pm) Contact: George Minter
8/31 Arrival for Set-up varies By Council	Game Time: 6 PM Council 12877 Council 978 Council 4928	1 st Game: UNR vs Portland State South End Concession Stand Beer Port/?Other Beer Port
SEPTEMBER		



SK George A. Minter
District Deputy



District 2 2018 - 2019 Q1 Report

Activity Schedule (continued)

3rd Labor Day	Council 4928	Best In The West, Nugget Rib Cook-Off ENDS
4th	Council 4928	Holy Cross Parish St. Joseph Hall 7:00 PM Council Meeting
4th	Council 12877	Immaculate Conception Parish Faith Formation Building 7:00 PM Officers Meeting
6th	Council 978	St. Thomas Cathedral; Righini Hall 7:00 Council Meeting
6th	Council 10577 Officers' Meeting Council Meeting	Saint Michaels Parish in Stead 6:00 PM Contact GK Tom De'Anunzio 7:00 PM Contact GK Tom De'Anunzio
7th to 9th	Council 978	Reno: Great Ballon Races 2 AM to 8AM; Parking GK Ed Lantis or Chair Brian Saeman
10th	Father Art Herkowski Squires Circle 5686 Meeting	Holy Cross Parish St. Joseph Hall 6:30 PM Pizza & 7:00 PM Meeting
11th	Council 12877	Rosary @ 6:00 PM: Parish Chapel 7:00 PM Council Meeting Faith Formation Building
12th to 16th	Council 12877 Council 978 Council 4928	Reno Air Races (R.A.R.A.) @ Stead, NV Parking, Gate, Coolers
13th	Bishop Manogue Assembly 612	6:00 For Eats & Drinks 7:00 Assembly Meeting Denny's/Nugget Avenue
8/15 Arrival for Set-up varies By Council	Game Time: 4 PM Council 12877 Council 978 Council 4928	2nd Game: UNR vs Oregon State South End Concession Stand Beer Port/?Other Beer Port
16th	Council 12877, Council 978, Council 4928	Reno Air Races (R.A.R.A.) ENDS
18th	Council 12877	Immaculate Conception Parish Faith Formation Building 7:00 PM: 1st Degree Exemplification
20th	Council 978	St. Thomas Cathedral; Righini Hall 7:00 Council Meeting
20th	Council 4928	Holy Cross Parish; St. Joseph Hall 6:30 PM Officer Meeting

Hopefully, we all survived September! WOW, a Month.

VIVAT JESUS!

George A. Minter, DD2 626-5474



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



Diocese of Reno Diaconate Formation Program

Friday July 13, 2018

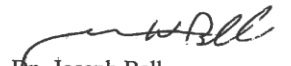
Thomas J. Thorn
Nevada State Deputy
11765 Terra Linda Way
Spanish Springs, NV 89441

Dear Worthy State Deputy Thorn,
I am writing to thank you for the donation of \$500.00 from the Nevada State Council to the Diocese of Reno Diaconate Formation Program.

Your gift will help the formation of future servant leaders in Liturgy, Word, and Charity for the Diocese.

I appreciate your generosity and support.

Vivat Jesus,


Fr. Joseph Bell
290 South Arlington Avenue
Reno, NV 89501-1713



Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest

SK James A Conner
Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Chairman



All councils and assemblies are encouraged to sponsor the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest at schools in their communities. The contest is open to all Catholic students — in public, private or parochial schools — in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 during the current school year, and is a creative way to encourage young people to become citizens who are firmly grounded in their faith. The contest opens the doors of young minds, enabling the entrants to be creative, thoughtful and introspective in their work.

"Through his Incarnation, the Lord has united himself forever with suffering humanity — not as an abstraction, but throughout history with each suffering person. Jesus is already at the peripheries. The question for us is whether He will be there alone or whether His disciples will be there with Him." – Supreme Knight Carl Anderson



SK James A Conner
Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Chairman



Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest (continued)

2018-2019 Essay Contest Theme: How does your family keep its Catholic Faith in Action?

Catholics are called to joyfully and enthusiastically live the faith. In a world of increasing noise and activity and so much self-interest, it can feel impossible to focus on what is most important: our families, our communities, our faith. Our Catholic faith is the starting point of all our actions. Just as Jesus challenged his disciples: “As the Father has sent me, so I send you” (Jn 20:21), our families must constantly rise to Christ’s challenge. In ways both large and small, He sends us. How have we answered the call to put our faith into action?

In an essay of 500 – 750 words, reflect on how your family puts its Catholic Faith in Action, every day. This could be through daily prayers as a family, volunteering to help the less fortunate in your community, or even just reminding each other of what they mean to us.

First place winners will receive a check for \$300, and two runners-up for each grade level will receive \$100, awarded by Knights of Columbus Supreme Council.

Action Steps

Eligibility – The Knights of Columbus Essay Contest is open to all Catholic students — in public, private or parochial schools — in grades 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 during the current school year.

Timetable

August: Councils, assemblies order Knights of Columbus Essay Contest Kits from the Supreme Council Office. August/September: Councils, assemblies contact schools to secure cooperation. At this time the date, place and means of recognizing winners should be determined.

September: Students write essays. Essays should be submitted to judges by September 30.

October: Judges review essays for council level.

November: Judges review essays for regional and or state level.

December: State champion essays submitted to Supreme for international judging by December 15

[The Essay Contest council participation form \(#4216\)](#) for the council level should be filled out and sent to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Mission by January 30.

January: International Essay Contest Winners announced by the Supreme Council Office



Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest (continued)

Guidelines

- Essays must reflect the assigned theme and topic, and be submitted by the published deadline.
- Essays must be the student's original work.
- Essays must be typed on 8 ½" X 11" paper, one sided, double spaced, with one-inch margins.
- Essays must be between 500 and 750 words long.
- The student's name should appear only on the official Knights of Columbus Essay Contest entry form which should be stapled to the essay.
- All entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus and will not be returned.

Sponsoring Organization – The Knights of Columbus Essay Contest is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The official responsible for the contest is the grand knight of the sponsoring council, or faithful navigator of the sponsoring assembly.

Awards – Certificates for first, second and third place winners, and certificates of participation for all entrants, are included in the essay contest kit.

Additional certificates are available from the Supreme Council office free of charge. It is recommended that councils consider monetary awards in the range of \$100 to \$250 in the form of savings bonds or cash to first place winners. It is also recommended that a special certificate or plaque be given to the school of the champion of each division. The school could then place the award in its trophy case or otherwise display it in the school.

For further information Contact Jim Conner, State Chairman, 775-738-7991 or 775-934-4742 or email jimconner@outlook.com please email me and let me know your Council is Participating.

SK James A Conner

Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Chairman





Nevada State Council

4th Degree Notice

4th Degree Exemplification Notice



SEPTEMBER 15, 2018 FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

SCHEDULE:

10:30	Comptrollers Meeting Turn in all Form 4's
11:00 - 11:30	Registration of Candidates
11:40	Master Preparation of Candidates (all candidates must be in anti-chamber by this time)
12:00	Exemplification Starts
4:30	Mass at Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church 2050 Alta Dr Las Vegas, NV 89107
6:00	No-Host Cocktails at Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church Hall
7:00	Dinner

LOCATION:

Exemplification and Banquet: Our Lady of Las Vegas Catholic Church
3050 Alta Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89107

Honoree: Bishop Joseph A. Pepe

Candidates must be in proper attire: Tuxedo, Black, Dark Blue or Charcoal Gray suit with white dress shirt, and tie, no button-down collars or French cuffs. **(No sport coats or colored shirts).**

Sir Knights accompanying candidates may wear their tuxedo with social baldric or a suit with social baldric as outlined above for candidates. **ANY CANDIDATES OR SIR KNIGHTS NOT IN PROPER ATTIRE WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE EXEMPLIFICATION!**

All Form 4's, along with a \$70.00 check made out to the "Master of the 4th Degree" for exemplification fee should be completed and received by the appropriate Assembly Comptroller no later than Tuesday, September 11, 2018. **Comptrollers: Turn all Form 4's into the Master at the 10:30 a.m. meeting with payment, by Assembly Check. Assembly is responsible for payment of Exemplification Fee's for their candidates to the Master.**

Guests of candidates attending the dinner need to fill out the dinner reservation form. **Checks for the cost for guests and others attending the dinner need to be made out to "Knights of Columbus Assembly 2820".** Contact Sir Knight Martin Dobey 9429 Valley Hills Las Vegas, NV 89134 Cell: 702-592-4021 Bus: 702-877-2500 Email: martindobey@gmail.com.



Nevada State Council
4th Degree Notice

4th Degree Exemplification Notice (continued)



SEPTEMBER 15, 2018 FOURTH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

BANQUET RESERVATION FORM

Sir Knights, Family Members, or Guests attending the dinner the cost is \$30.00 per person prior to September 11, 2018. After September 11, 2018 and prior to September 14, 2018 \$45.00. No reservations will be accepted after September 14th.

All Knights regardless of degree are invited to attend the Banquet. Fourth Degree members will be in Fourth Degree attire, non-4th degree members is coat and tie.

Name: _____

Assembly #: _____ Council #: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-Mail: _____

Guest Name: _____

Banquet Number Guests Attending _____ X \$30.00 = \$ _____

Note: Candidate's meal is paid for by the Master as part of the fee, any candidate guests are the responsibility of the candidate. If candidates are not attending the Banquet they still must pay the \$70.00 fee in full as required by supreme.

Banquet and table reservations need to be mailed or emailed to Martin Dobej, 9429 Valley Hills Las Vegas, NV 89134, Cell: 702-592-4021, Bus: 702-877-2500, Email: martindobej@gmail.com
Make Checks for banquet payable to "Knights of Columbus Assembly 2820".

Knights of Columbus
Nevada District
8740 Castle View Ave
Las Vegas, Nevada 89139



Nevada State Council
4th Degree Notice

4th Degree Exemplification Notice (continued)



SOUVENIR PROGRAM SPONSOR OR ADVERTISEMENT AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned, representing myself/my company/my organization do hereby agree to purchase advertising space in the K of C Nevada District Exemplification Souvenir Program which will be published for the Exemplification of the 4th Degree to be held on September 15, 2018 Our Lady of Las Vegas 3050 Alta Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89107.

An advertisement will be printed in the Souvenir Program according to place, size and shape. All ads must be in PDF and JPEG file and payment in full must be received by September 5, 2018, to guarantee the printing. No advertisement for insurance or financial services will only be accepted expect from K of C field agents.

Advertisement Size: Souvenir Program is 8 ½" X 11" Portrait in Full Color (Please check one)

<u>Ad Sizes</u>	<u>Costs</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Back Cover (full size)	\$150.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Back Cover (full size)	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Inside Front Cover (full size)	\$125.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page Inside	\$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ½ Page Inside	\$ 50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> ¼ Page Inside	\$ 25.00

Sponsor/Advertiser: _____

Address _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Contact Person: _____ Tel: _____

Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____ Date: _____

Please fill out this form and return it with a check made out to: Master of the 4th Degree at 8740 Castle View Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89129. All ads must be print ready and received no later than September 5, 2018 by Email to: dmvr1946@aol.com



4th Degree Exemplification Notice for Clergy

There will be a 4th degree team practice with Exemplification of Clergy and those Brother Knights who cannot make the Saturday Exemplification, on Thursday, September 13th at Our Lady of Las Vegas, Bevan Hall. Show up for candidates will be 6:00 p.m. with the exemplification starting at 6:30.



Nevada State Council
4th Degree Notice



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



Supreme Family of the Month for Nevada June 2018

Congratulation Brother Kenneth Chipman and family from Council 14144 who are the Supreme June 2018 Family of the of Month for Nevada.



SK Ken Chipman

Thank you to the 5 Councils that thought their Council Family of the Month was worthy of submitting to Supreme for consideration. The councils were:

- Council 2380 Battle Mountain
- Council 10442 St. Joseph Husband of Mary
- Council 13754 Mesquite
- Council 14144 Christ the King (Las Vegas)
- Council 14784 Holy Spirit

Thank you.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



Newly Design Open Enrollment Microsite Launched

Supreme is happy to announce that we have redesigned the Open Enrollment Microsite, which hopefully will make it easier to navigate and more user friendly.

The address is: kofc.org/trainingmicrosite

Please contact the Supreme call center at 203-752-4270 Ext. 3 or email fraternaltraining@kofc.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Open Enrollment Instructions

Attention: All Knights visiting the Open Enrollment site for the first time must **Sign Up and Register**.

1. Click **Sign Up** (Gray button at the bottom of the screen).
2. In the Registration Screen type your information into required fields.
3. **Important Notes:**
 - a. In the Suffix field enter your **Membership** number.
 - b. Type your number after the "MEM_".
 - c. Exemple1: MEM_1234567.

(A maximum of 7 characters can be typed).
4. Type your **Membership** number into the **Password** field.
5. Re-type the same Membership number into the Confirm Password field.
6. In the Time Zone field select "GMT 0500 Eastern Time (USA & Canada)".
- "Knights" will auto-fill the Security Keyword field (If it is missing type "Knights" into the field).
8. Click on "**SIGN UP**".

Note: The next time you access the system type the following into the fields.

- a. Username = Your email address.
- b. Password = Membership number.

For further assistance, please contact the Fraternal Mission Dept.
Phone - 203-752-4270 opt#3 Email-FraternalTraining@KofC.org

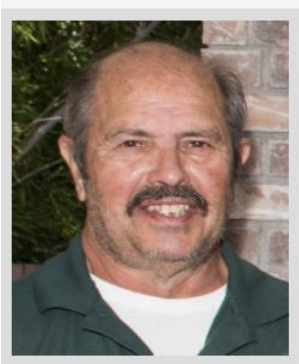
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PASSWORD

[Forgot Password?](#)



SK Tom Villardi
State Programs Director



Message from the Nevada State Programs Director

My name is Tom Villardi and I am the new Programs Director for the State of Nevada.

I join the Knights of Columbus St Jude Council 9102 in November 2014 after a Pancake Breakfast at Our Lady of Las Vegas Church.

By the end of my first year I became a 4th Degree and had become the Deputy Grand Knight. We made Star Council that year and it was the first time in quite a while that we had done so. The following year I graduated to Grand Knight and we reached Double Star Council. Every year we made more progress with programs and members. We started new programs, like feeding the less fortunate on Monday nights and an Annual Car Show, and it breathed life into our council. We got new members with new ideas and different specialties. We started helping out around the church more with ushering, security for the children's mass and even landscaping. Our annual Christmas Party was expanded and last year we had over 300 people. This has made us very visible in our church and community, which in turn helps bring in new members.

My goal for the upcoming Columbian year is to help councils become more visible in their church and community. I would like to visit with any council that will have me, and we can discuss current programs and ideas for new programs. Becoming Star Council & receiving the Columbian Award are possible, and I want to help you achieve it.



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



Nevada 2017-18 Circle of Honor

Please accept my congratulations on achieving COH status for your jurisdiction. As you know, COH is one of the highest honors that a jurisdiction can achieve. COH jurisdictions set a standard of excellence for the Order. This achievement is the result of the collective efforts of your fine team. Please congratulate everyone on the Nevada team for me.

I look forward to seeing you in Baltimore next month!

*Mark McMullen
SVP - Membership and Fraternal Mission
Knights of Columbus*

Thank you, Brothers, for all the fantastic work you did for faith, charity and the unity to work together to make Nevada united in our efforts. Looking forward to a great year to come and working with each other, our Bishops and Clergy to be the go to organization in support of our Priest and parishes.

Let's ask every eligible Catholic man to join us and let make sure that every existing member is engaged or ask them what we are failing to do to interest them in the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom



UNLV College Council
Council 15061



**Fr. Daniel Rolland, O.P.
25th Anniversary Celebration**

***25th anniversary celebration of
ordination for Fr. Daniel Rolland, O.P.***

Friday, Sept. 14, 2018

at

St. Viator Catholic Church

2461 E. Flamingo Rd.

Las Vegas, NV 89121

Fr. Daniel will celebrate Mass at 6:00 p.m.

***There will be a fundraising dinner
afterward from 7:00 to 9:00***

***Buy your tickets on line or make a
donation.***

25thpriesthood.auction-bid.org

***All proceeds go to the building fund for
the Newman Center church!!!***

Call with questions 702-736-0887



Fr. Joseph O'Callahan S.J.

Assembly #2820



Exploring the Call to Holiness



Men's Retreat Exploring the Call to Holiness

A retreat based on the Apostolic exhortation
"GAUDETE ET EXSULTATE"
by Pope Francis on the
Call to Holiness in Today's World

Learn how men discover and pursue holiness
in their lives and receive and give support
to those around them.

Saturday, August 11, 2018 9AM - 3PM

Led by Fr. Daniel Rolland, O.P.

Retreat Cost \$25.00 and will include lunch.
\$20 of fee will benefit the UNLV Newman's Center Building Fund

The retreat will be held in the St. Joseph Husband of Mary Hall,
and is open to all Catholic men.

Sign up by contacting Ken Sawyer at
ken.j.sawyer@cox.net By Wednesday August 8th
Make Checks Payable to "Knights of Columbus Assembly 2820",
the Retreat Sponsor, and Mail to Ken Sawyer at
4404 Rosebank Cir LV, NV 89108



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



Nevada Jurisdiction Calendar Year Invoicing Guidelines and Council Per Capita Amortization

Annual Due's Invoice mailed to Member	Date	Per Capita Amortization @ \$14/Member
Council FS Mails Annual Due's Invoice to Member	12/15/17	100% or \$14
2nd (Reminder) Notice mailed to Member	1/15/18	92% or \$12.88
<i>*Retention Committee Contacts those in Arrear between February through June to collect past due money's</i>		
Knight Alert or GK Personalized Letter Mailed	5/1/18	50% or \$7
Notice of Intent to Retain Member	5/15/18	50% or \$7
Suspension of Member occurs by filing a Form 100 with the Supreme Department of Fraternal Services	7/15/18	33% or \$4.62
Last day to file Form 100 with Supreme	9/30/18	17% or \$2.38



SK Thomas Thorn
State Deputy



Recommended Faith in Action Programs 2018/2019 Fraternal Year

FAITH	COMMUNITY
RSVP	Coats for Kids
Into the Breach	Global Wheelchair Mission
Marian Icon Prayer Program	Habitat for Humanity
Building the Domestic Church Kiosk	Disaster Preparedness
Rosary Program	Free Throw Championship
Spiritual Reflection Program New	Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest
Holy Hour New	Soccer Challenge
Sacramental Gifts New	Helping Hands New
FAMILY	LIFE
Food for Families	Marches for Life
Family of the Month/Year	Special Olympics
Keep Christ in Christmas (Posada, Poster Contest, etc.)	Ultrasound Program
Family Fully Alive	Christian Refugee Relief
Family Week	Silver Rose
Consecration to the Holy Family	Mass for People with Special Needs New
Family Prayer Night New	Pregnancy Center Support New
Good Friday Family Promotion New	Novena for Life New



SK George A. Minter
District Deputy



2018 Brother Barnabas - Sister Carmen

Worthy Squires, Brother Knights, Ladies, and Fraternal Services,

The attachments are Form 279 and supporting documentation from Fr. Art Herkowski Circle 5686 for the Brother Barnabas Award submission. This is the 5th consecutive year of Circle 5686 participation in the KofC Food for Families program and the total collected and donated to Sister Carmen's Food Pantry was the largest ever at 1500 pounds. Squires a job very well done.

ESTO DIGNUS! & VIVAT JESUS!

George A. Minter
Circle Chief Counselor
775-626-5474



SK George A. Minter
District Deputy



2018 Brother Barnabas - Sister Carmen (continued)



Sisters of the Holy Family
5539 Quail Manor Ct. Apt. 48
Reno, Nevada 89511

RENO, NV 895
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Mr. George Minter Knight
Sand Squirrel
5151 Komolite Ct.
Sparks, Nevada
89436

J.M.F.
Dear George, Parishioners and
"Squirrels"
I want to thank you with all my heart
for all the wonderful donations of all
the foods brought for our parish.
Your kindness is greatly appreciated.
If it were not for persons like yourself,
very little would be done to reach out to
others, who have no one else to help them.
I ask God to bless you for your
love, generosity in responding to needs, and to
take care of our brothers and sisters.
You are in my prayers and I will
Sister M. Carmen Leca



SK Bernie Iwasczysyn
Council 9102
Grand Knight



Council 9102 Knights at Work at OLLV



PARISH NEWS

THANK YOU

to the
KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
for Cleaning the Solar Panels
and
Upgrading the Planters in
Front of the Pieta!



SK Bernie Iwasczynyn
Council 9102
Grand Knight



Pancake Breakfast & Blood Drive

THE KNIGHTS' CORNER UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 29 Corporate Mass | 10am
- August 12 Pancake Breakfast & Blood Drive**
After 8am & 10am Masses in the Gym
Adults: \$7 | Children 5-12yrs: \$4
Blood Donors EAT FREE!
Regular or Blueberry Pancakes,
Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Hash Browns
& Fellowship!

*Schedule your appointment to **GIVE BLOOD** at
www.bloodhero.com and enter sponsor code: **KOFC9102**
or contact **Walter Ghirlando** at **702-497-8003** for assistance*

- August 14 Monthly Business Meeting
McFarland Room | 6:30pm
- August 26 Coffee & Donuts for Parishioners**
8am, 10am & 12pm Masses

JOIN US as we answer the call of Charity by
"Loving Your Neighbor"

Interested in becoming a Knight? Contact Bernie at:
702-445-3113, email at sgmberniei@gmail.com.

Follow us on FaceBook.com/[kofc9102](https://www.facebook.com/kofc9102) or
KofCknights.org/councilsite/index.asp?CNO=9102

Upcoming Degree Events

Knights of Columbus

Major Degree Schedule
July 2018-June 2019

Nevada State Council
7/30/18

Date	Event	Location	Comment	Host District	2nd Degree Team	3rd Degree C.O.	Teams	Honorees	Other Degree Honoree	3rd Degree Honoree
August 25, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Reno	Saturday	1			Labuda			
September 1, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Las Vegas	Saturday	8			Dube			
September 15, 2018	4th Degree	Las Vegas	Saturday		Doran					
September 22, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Reno	Saturday	2			Labuda			
October 13, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Las Vegas	Saturday	11			West			
October 13, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Sparks	Saturday	1			Labuda			
October 20, 2018	4th Degree	Reno	Saturday							
November 10, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Elko	Saturday	5	Composite		Strait			
November 11, 2018	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Ely	Sunday	7	Composite		West			
January 1, 2019	New year		Tuesday							
January 19, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Las Vegas	Saturday	9			Dube			
January 26, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Fallon	Saturday	3			Labuda			
February 3, 2019	Superbowl		Sunday							
February 9, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Mesquite	Saturday	7	Composite		West			
March 6, 2019	Ash Wednesday		Wednesday							
March 9, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Gardnerville	Saturday	4	Reno		Labuda			
April 8, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Henderson	Saturday	10			Strait			
April 21, 2019	Easter		Sunday							
May 11, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Las Vegas	Saturday	12			Dube			
May 18, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Sparks	Saturday	2			Labuda			
June 25, 2019	2nd & 3rd Degrees	Las Vegas	Saturday	8			West			
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Upcoming State Events

NEVADA STATE COUNCIL - FUTURE MEETING VENUES

Dates	District Deputy Orientation	District Grand Knight training	Mid-Year Organizational	State Convention
2018				
5/4 - 5/6/18				St. Joseph's- Elko
7/7/18- 7/8/18	Our Lady of Las Vegas- Las Vegas	District 6 training Ely District 7 training Las Vegas District 8 training Las Vegas District 9 training Henderson District 10 training Las Vegas District 11 training Boulder City		
		District 1 training Reno District 2 training Sparks District 3 training Fallon District 4 training Reno or Indine District 5 training Winnemucca or Elko		
12/08/18			Immaculate Conception Catholic Church - Sparks, NV	
2019				
5/3 - 5/5/19				St. Patrick's- Fallon
7/6/19-7/7/19	Immaculate Conception- Sparks	District 6 training Ely District 7 training Las Vegas District 8 training Las Vegas District 9 training Henderson District 10 training Las Vegas District 11 training Boulder City		
		District 1 training Reno District 2 training Sparks District 3 training Fallon District 4 training Reno or Indine District 5 training Winnemucca or Elko		
12/07/19			St. Patricks- Tonopah	
2020				
5/1 - 5/3/20				Our Lady of Las Vegas
7/11/20 -7/12/20	St. James the Apostle- Las Vegas			
12/05/20			Our Lady of Snows- Reno	
2021				
4/24 - 4/28/21				Harvey's Lake Tahoe- Stateline
7/10/21 - 7/11/2021	St. Rose of Lima- Reno			
12/04/21			St. Peter the Apostle- Las Vegas	
2022				
4/30 - 5/1/22				Las Vegas
7/8/2022 -7/10/22	Las Vegas			
12/03/22			Reno	

Dates and Venues subject to change

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