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As we enter into the month of April, it is important to remember that officer nominations will soon be upon us. In May, your Council will nominate Knights for new officer positions for the 2018 - 2019 Columbian Year. The following is an excerpt from a letter sent to our Council Membership from our DGK Bernie Iwasczyszyn, that I think is a worthwhile read.

Now is the time to carefully focus on the membership and identify Brothers who have the **skills, knowledge and willingness** to fulfil an Officer's position in your Council.

It is important that those elected as Officers in your Council are the best available for that particular position. Oftentimes Knights are nominated to fill positions without serious thought given to what the responsibilities of the position actually are.

It is extremely important that all positions are filled by those who are prepared to do their part to ensure the success of the Council.

The same holds true for Directors of Service Programs and Committees. These positions allow for smoother operation from recruitment and retention through to youth projects and more. Keep in mind that if there are only a few people juggling many tasks at a council, things begin to fall through the cracks. The more active Directors that you have, the more likely you will succeed.

Effective thought and planning into these nominations will lead to the strengthening of your Council through involvement and growth.

Vivat Jesus,

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Message from the State Deputy

"Effectively sharing Christ love with our Brother Knights, their families and the Parishes we serve"

This year marks my twenty-fourth anniversary of joining the Knights of Columbus and I've been reflecting on some of the remarkable ways God has been at work in my life. Below is what Archbishop Cordileone had to say recently about our faith:

Humanae Vitae is not easy to live out, but it will lead couples to the most happiness and therefore must be taught in a way that is winsome and effective, without shying away from the suffering involved.

"The worst thing we can do ... is to soften or downplay the hard parts of our faith, those teachings where we encounter the most resistance or hostility in our culture. How could we do such a thing if we are convinced that this is true and for the true good of all people?"

"We leaders in the Church do a grave disservice to our people by giving them excuses for taking the easy way out, such as misleading them with the false idea of what conscience means or failing to assist them in forming their consciences correctly. Much to people's surprise, it is actually the hard way out that is the most effective evangelizing strategy."

"Rather than offering excuses for fleeing the cross, what we need are creative new ideas to help people understand the wisdom and beauty of God's design."

My point of this is that our job as Knights is to not only help the widows and orphans of Brother Knights, have service projects and support parish and the clergy but it is also to help all Catholic men to be better Catholic men and in this to evangelize and renew the faith of the faithless or luke warm believers.

With that in mind when vetting for council, district or state positions a firm belief in the Catholic faith and the works of our Order is critical. Remember that a manager plans, organizes, assigns and follows up while a leader influences, motivates, and encourages. If the proposed officer/director/chairman doesn't have the mentioned abilities/skills you should probably look elsewhere. If in your council there is a lack of men with these talents start training men now to develop these abilities to be your future leaders.



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Message from the State Deputy (continued)

Nevada is working on a new project right now and we need your help. When a man hasn't paid his dues, wishes to withdraw or is disengaged please have your retention committee ask them the following questions:

- 1) What did you want from the Knights of Columbus when you joined (or now)?
- 2) What are your hopes for the future of the Knights of Columbus?
- 3) What could we do to make the Knights more engaging for you?
- 4) What can the Councils do to make meetings, events or both better attended and engaging?
- 5) What can we do to better prepare and help the councils to succeed and be vibrant?

Question for you is what can the State Council (Officers, Chairmen, and Directors) do to make meetings, events or both better attended and help Districts or Councils?

Try this on the members that attend your April meeting and send your answers to your Retention Chairman, the State Retention Chairman and me by the end of April 2018. The answers could be as brief as a sentence, or as much as 300 words. I appreciate your input and look forward to your suggestions.

Vivat Jesus,

Thomas J. Thorn - State Deputy Nevada State Council

Nevada State Council Officers 2017 - 2018

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
Administrative Assistant:	SK Michael Caster

Nevada State Council Directors 2017 - 2018

Ceremonials Director:	SK David Strait
Church Director:	SK Hilarion Cordero Jr.
Community Director:	SK Romeo Panon
Council Director:	SK Gerry Rockwell
Family Director:	SK Edgardo Infantado
Membership Director:	SK Raymond Troik
Program Director:	SK Joseph Cerame
Youth Director:	SK Michael Caudell
Hispanic Director:	SK Elvis Herrera
Filipino Director:	SK Meynard Infantado

Nevada State Council Chairs 2017 - 2018

Shining Armor Chair:	SK Dennis Murtaugh	Fr. McGivney Guild Chair:	PSD Ramiro Gardea
Soccer/Basketball Events Chair:	SK Robert Hartman	Legislative Liaison:	SK Mark Foxwell
Disaster Chair:	SK Charles Baker	Marian Hour Chair (Reno):	SK Mark Foxwell
Communications Chair:	SK Mark Foxwell	Membership Retention Chair:	SK Thomas Ball
Vocations Chair:	SK Hilarion Cordero Jr	Pro-Life Couple (Reno):	SK Mark Foxwell
Special Olympic Chair	SK John Suchewski	Pro-Life Couple (Las Vegas):	SK Gerald Holinski
Free Throw Contest Chair:	SK Michael Caudell	Insurance Promotion Chair:	SK Stephen Melancon
Youth Chairman:	SK Michael Caudell	Seminary Edu. Fund Chair:	IPSD Gregory Sprigg
Council Retention Chair:	SK Thomas Ball	New Council Development Chair:	SK Edmundo Verceles
Squires Chair:	SK George Minter	Public Relations Chair:	SK Frank Fuchs
Intellectual Disabilities Chair .:	SK John Suchewski	Awards/ Reports Forms Chair:	SK Joseph Cerame
365 Club:	PSD Ramiro Gardea	Round Table Chair:	DD Charles Reifsnyder
Athletic Events:	SK Robert Hartman	Health Services Chair:	Dr. John DiGrazia
Substance Abuse Poster:	Bro Jim Shurtliff	Catholic Citizen Essay Chair:	SK Jim Conner



Tony Stephenson FDD, PGK Knights at the Aces Coordinator



Knights at the Aces

For those who haven't heard, it's time again to start making reservations for our annual 4th of July game. This year's game features the Reno Aces vs the Sacramento River Cats, with game time at 6:30, and there will be Fireworks after the game. If you didn't know, the Aces Fireworks are now Reno's only Fireworks show. There's still the one in Sparks, but when you're at the game, it's just a lot more fun. And, we can usually see the Sparks show as well!

One really important change to note is that after several years, the ticket price has increased to \$16 per seat. However, we will still have the same great seats (that's the shady side, sections 101 and 102), and all the amenities we've come to enjoy will still be available. After last year's turnout, I increased our reservations to 350 seats. I'm optimistic! OK, seriously, for all the late requests I get, we can make this easily if we just get everyone to make their reservations on time.

One of the questions I'm always asked is "who can go?" Well, this is an open event for all our Brothers, their friends, family, Pastors, Priests, Deacons, and all religious, as well as our fellow parishioners and whomever else we want to invite. For those of you who are new to this, or haven't participated in the past, this is a social event, so we want to keep this "open". You can use this event to reward your Alter Servers, show our religious how much you appreciate them by buying their tickets, and even help your Council recruit new members by showing them our "fun" side.

As in the past, I'm asking all Grand Knights to either chair this or assign someone who is interested, as I need to have just one point of contact per Council. It's really helpful if the Council can coordinate all reservations from their members and send me just one check per group, as most of you already have been doing. And a really big thanks for that! Nothing like going to the bank with a giant wad of cash, and having the teller raise an eyebrow. Once your contacts are set, have them e-mail me, and I will give them the details (ending ticket sales, how group seating is organized, etc.)

Worthy DD's, if you could help your Councils with this, it would be great. By now, we have many folks who have attended past games and know what's going on, but, please check with your Councils to be sure things are getting started. If there is any questions, please contact me and I'll get the answers.

To all my Brothers, I do this for you. It's a little work for something that has grown, and I hope keeps growing the longer we do this. It's a lot of fun, we get to see each other socially without having to assign someone to bring a dish or help cleanup, and, the Aces have played great every year we've attended. Even if you're not a real dedicated baseball fan, this one game is worth going to. Vivat Jesus, and looking forward to the game!

Tony Stephenson tonyg_s@sbcglobal.net 775-246-1789





Promotional Material for Nevada for Supreme

I am reaching out to get items to give out at the Supreme convention as we are having a hospitality room this coming convention. I expected 1,000 to 1,500 visitors during the 3 hours event. In the 24 years I have been a Knight in Nevada this is the first time we will host a Supreme hospitality room that I am aware of. It is international and has representatives from every state as well.

I am looking for items from UNLV and UNR as well as the Reno/Sparks and Las Vegas convention and visitor's authorities. I hope that we get some Nevada wine, beer and spirits makers to donate Nevada made products and information on their companies to hand out as well.

Since this is our first adventure into hosting a hospitality room we would like to make a great impression. I would like Supreme to consider a Nevada Supreme convention but we need to show we can handle a hospitality room before hosting 2,500 people for a Supreme convention.

I have request that Worthy District Deputy George Minter be the Hospitality Room Chairman and I would appreciate any help and donations to this project.

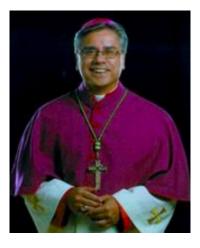
Thank you.

Vivat Jesus,

Tom



Most Reverend Randolph R. Calvo Bishop of Reno



The Bishop's Rally For Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts

Catholic Committee for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Diocese of Reno

Since 1923, when the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council commended Scouting as a fruitful activity for the order, councils have molded young boys through the Scouting program. Some Knights of Columbus Councils have recently been sponsoring Girl Scout Troops to promote the same youth ministry goals as in the Boy Scout Program. Since late 2015, the Knights of Columbus has encouraged local councils to support their Scout units through their local parish youth activities ministry. This required many changes to the registration of the Scout units.

Catholic Committee for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Diocese of Reno

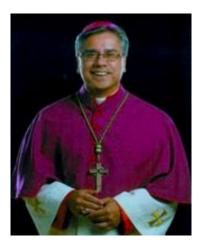
The Catholic Committee for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts is a church committee of concerned Catholic lay people and clergy who see as their mission the constructive use of the programs of the Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts USA, and Camp Fire Boys and Girls as a viable form of youth ministry with the Catholic youth of the Diocese. The Committee which is advisory to the organizations, seeks to sustain and strengthen the relationship between the organizations and the Catholic Church in Northern Nevada. The Committee promotes the use of Religious Emblems, Personal Spiritual Development, Retreats and other activities which are available. The Committee also provides (organizational) support to units chartered or sponsored by Catholic organizations.

The Catholic Church, Girls Scouts of the USA, Camp Fire, and The Boy Scouts of America

Belief in God and acknowledgment of one's responsibility to God are values inherent in both the Girl Scout Promise and the Camp Fire Oath. As time and change have surfaced new challenges, these values, so dominant in the organizations whose Catholic membership we serve, remain true to the philosophies of their founders. The opportunities presented by these challenges call upon us to continue to work diligently for the spiritual development of the Catholic youth in these viable avenues of youth ministry—Girl Scouts and Camp Fire Youth.



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Catholic Committee for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts Diocese of Reno NEVADA AREA COUNCIL BSA

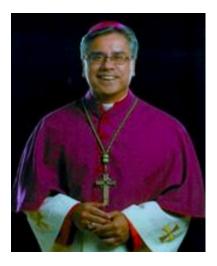
<u>UNIT</u>	CHARTER PARTNER	PARISHES	<u>CITY</u>
Troop 14	Knights of Columbus #4928 17) Ponderosa Charities Knights of Columbus #4928 17) Ponderosa Charities	Holy Cross Holy Cross	Sparks Sparks
Troop 16	 Knights of Columbus #4781 St. Teresa of Avila Parish Knights of Columbus #4781 St. Teresa of Avila Parish 	St. Teresa of Avila St. Teresa of Avila	Carson City Carson City
Pack 494 Troop 494	St. Robert Bellarmine Parish St. Robert Bellarmine Parish	St. Robert Bellarmine St. Robert Bellarmine	Fernley Fernley
Troop 7322	6) St. Albert the Great Parish	St. Albert the Great St. Albert the Great	Reno Reno
Crew 7322		St. Albert the Great	Reno

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE SIERRA NEVADA COUNCIL GSUSA

<u>UNIT</u>	SPONSORING PARTNER	PARISH	<u>CITY</u>
Troop 89	St. Albert the Great Parish	St. Albert the Great	Reno



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The Bishop's Rally For Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts (continued)

Boy Scout Emblem Recipients

Light of Christ En	<u>nblem</u>		
Spencer Schmitt	Pack 7322	St. Albert the Great	24 May 2016
Joel Bengoa	Pack 223	St. Paul (Winnemucca)	13 February 2017
<u>Parvuli Dei Embl</u>	<u>em</u>		
John Williamson	Pack 154	Our Lady of the Snows	15 May 2017
Daniel D'Annunzio	Pack 80	St Michael (Stead)	10 October 2017
Ad Altare Dei Em	<u>nblem</u>		
Gabriel Velazquez	Troop 88	St. Albert the Great	20 January 2017
Nathaniel Schmitt	Troop 14	St. Albert the Great	20 January 2017
Daniel Taylor	Troop 33	St. Gall	28 January 2018
Connor Taylor	Troop 33	St. Gall	28 January 2018
Pope Pius XII Em	<u>blem</u>		
Nathaniel Schmitt	Troop 10	St. Albert the Great	26 February 2018

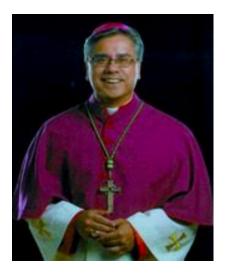
Adult Emblem Recipients

Bronze Pelican Christina Davis Paige Wadleigh

Youth Minister Diocese of Reno Pack 14 Holy Cross



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The Bishop's Rally For **Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts** (continued)

BSA Eagle Scout Rank Awards

Catholic Boy Scouts and Boy Scouts of Catholic Units

PARISH

NAME

UNIT

DATE of EAGLE RANK

Jakob Andrew Dzyak Troop 16 13 September 2015 Daniel Robert Tooker Troop 33 24 October 2015 Marcos Jofree Duran Troop 223 24 October 2015 Ryan Alexander Lucky Troop 16 27 December 2015 Jonah Michael Gilles O'Connor Troop 33 16 February 2016 Andrew Michael Outland Troop 14 24 May 2016 Noah Wade Long Crew 7322 26 May 2016 Nicholas John Bowler Crew 64 31 May 2016 Frederick T. Allen Troop 16 31 May 2016 Nathaniel Victors Troop 7322 23 August 2016 Johnathon Curatolo Troop 154 20 September 2016 Timothy Mitchell Shurtliff Troop 1776 22 November 2016 Scott Hugh Plimpton Troop 890 5 Decemer 2016 Jacob Anthony Bond Troop 14 14 March 2017 **Ryan Anthony Grinnell** Troop 14 28 March 2017 Pravan Edward Landry Troop 7322 12 July 2017 **Nicholas Edward Milam** Troop 14 25 July 2017 Lance Lance Turnham Troop 1776 5 September 2017 Benjamin Taylor Plimpton Troop 890

CATHOLIC CHARTER PARTNER

EAGLE PALMS EARNED

Knights of Columbus #4781

St. Teresa of Avila

Bronze St. Paul (Winnemucca)

St. Teresa of Avila Knights of Columbus #4781

St. Gall (Gardnerville)

Knights of Columbus #4928

St. Albert the Great Knights of Columbus #7322

St. Teresa of Avila

Bronze St. Teresa of Avila Knights of Columbus #4781

St. Albert the Great Knights of Columbus #7322 Silver **Our Lady of Snows**

St. Patrick (Fallon)

St. John the Baptist (Lovelock)

Knights of Columbus #4928 Gold

Knights of Columbus #4928

St. Albert the Great St. Albert the Great Parish

Knights of Columbus #4928

St. Patrick (Fallon)

St. John the Baptist (Lovelock)

14 September 2017



SK Raymond Foster Council 10442 Grand Knight



United Blood Services "Thank you, St. Joseph Husband of Mary Catholic Church"

I want to thank you again for your support of the lifesaving efforts hosted at St. Joseph Husband of Mary. I know it proved a bit difficult for you to coordinate the sign ups and church availability, but I am also glad that Fr. Marc was able to meet with us impromptu at the blood drive and discuss ideas on how to reach out to more parishioners.

- We had 15 participants at the last blood drive
- 1 first time donor
- And no deferrals, meaning that everyone who came was able to give blood!!
- 14 donors gave whole blood and
- 1 donor gave red blood cells

For a total of 15 successful donors and a total of 16 blood donations collected!! With your support and encouragement, we will be able to impact the lives of up to 45 hospital patients and their families!!

As you and I already communicated, our next blood drive at SJHOM will be held in conjunction with Coffee and Donuts sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on **Sunday**, **June 24**, **2018 from 8:30am to 1:30pm**.

I have confirmed the details on our calendar and as we get closer will communicate to get you the paperwork to get started in signing donors up after Masses.

Thank you for all you do!! I am grateful for you and the brother Knights for your continued support.

Have a Blessed Lent and Easter!! I am sure I'll see you sometime in church.

We'll stay in touch!!

Laüra P. Alvarado Donor Recruitment Representative United Blood Services

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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
*Retention Committee Contacts those through June to collect p		•
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



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6:00 AM – 7:00 AM. A Continental Breakfast was shared by all, thanks to the culinary skills of our Brother Knights of Las Vegas Council 2828.

7:00 AM - 7:25 AM. Opening Prayer and Rosary was led by our State Associate Chaplain Father Gerry Grupczynski. The meeting was called to order by Nevada State Deputy Thomas Thorn at 7:25 AM with the request to the State Warden Joe Haun, to have the District Deputies verify that all attendees were in possession of a current membership card and reported the same back to the State Deputy.

7:30 AM - 7:32 AM. The Pledge of Alliances was led by the State Warden. During a short audio problem, the attendees were shown a short video of our Supreme Knight Carl Anderson's message to the State Deputies Mid- Year Meeting in Washington DC. The audio problem was solved, and the agenda was reestablished.

7:33 AM – 7:40 AM The State Secretary Vic Edwards was requested by the State Deputy to call the official roll of the State Officers, District Deputies, Grand Knights. At the completion of the Roll Call it was determined that there was a total of ten (10) Knights officially excused. It was also acknowledged by the State Secretary an update of District Deputy 10 Dennis Murtaugh condition. also, during this time, the State Advocate Thierry Barkley explained the latest State Mileage and per diem information; There has been a minor change to the calculation of the amount due to a change in the internal revenue service rate. Essentially based on a 70% current mileage per mile, it comes out to .3745. The per diem allowance is \$50 per day for each actual business day.

7:40 AM – 8:00 AM. During this time our State Deputy gave his opening welcome to all here for the training and a recap of where we are this year remarks concerning the goals of the State Council and how much has been accomplished during this past six months. At the end of the State Deputy's opening remarks he received an ovation from the attendees. The next agenda item was Associate State Chaplin Father Gerry remarks on the fraternal inspiration of the knights and how he started and came up thru the degrees of our order, Father Gerry further expounded on how proud he was of the council at Our Lady of Las Vegas and how they have become a vital part of the Parish Ministry. A very inspirational story was told by Father Gerry where he alluded to the fact of how uneasy some of his parishioners were during the weeks after the Las Vegas Shootings with their children waking to the parish school alone. The Las Vegas Metro Police Department was asked and could not provide any additional patrolmen, but the Knights stepped up walked the children to school providing the parents with a much-needed sense of security. At this time the State Deputy introduced the dignitaries that was in attendance: From the Las Vegas area our State Warden Joe Hanh, from the Reno/Sparks area State Advocate Thierry Barkley, from Las Vegas State Treasurer Toni Pascua, from Henderson State Secretary Vic Edwards.

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Other dignitaries receiving introduction was General Insurance Agent Brother Joe Melancon, Supreme Hispanic Director Brother Marty Yzaguirre, State Administrative Assistant Michael Caster who is also the Grand Knight of Council 15061. Also, we have our District Master Brother David Ryan. Our Special Olympics and Intellectually Disabled Campaign Chairman Brother John Suchewski. Brother Mario Santana and Brother Steve Schiwart Las Vegas / Reno co- chairman for the Silver Rose Program. State Membership Director Ray Troik and State Program Director Joe Cerame. Field Agents TJ May all the way from Northern Nevada District Deputies and Grand Knights.

8:00 AM - 8:13 AM. State Membership Director Ray Troik gave the State Membership Review and thanked the District Deputies and Grand Knights and all attendees on the great turn around the State Membership Recruitment effort has taken over these past six-month period, always keeping in mind or goal of a total state membership total of six thousand (6000) knights, by the end of the Columbian Year 2017-2018.

8:13 AM - 8:18 AM. State Soccer Chairman Robert Hartman gave a very in-depth report discussing the pass years success with the Free Throw / Soccer Campaign and our successes in the Coat for Kids Program. Brother Hartman ask the membership to stand for appearance sake how many had children in the parishes participate. He then asks the question why we only have four councils supporting the soccer challenge.

8:18 AM – 8:33 AM. State Deputy reported that Brother Thierry just got approval of our revised and restated by-laws for 2017 (they are on the state website). Those are the official state by-laws. Those are the only official by-laws. If you have an old copy somewhere in a drawer, please don't refer to them. Look at the one that is online. Same with directories, Brother Michael set up a directory in Google. It's a Google Document. He updates it. It's the most current directory we have, please use it. I still get people sending me stuff at my home in Las Vegas, I haven't lived there in five years. Please use the online version and with no further delay I'd like to present Father Gerry to give you a few words: Thank you Brother most of you don't know who I am, I was recently ask to become the Associate State Chaplain this past year, so I have a little disadvantage, I don't know a lot about the Knights. You know priest are known usually by their first or their last name. There are names like, Father Beven and Father Chankoski those names. Most people know me by my first name because they don't know how to say my last name. And because it's one of these big horrible looking Polish, long last names. If you saw it in print you would probably run, but I'll give you a little bit of a lesson, because the first time when I meet a lot of people, I always try to explain how my last name is pronounced, and if you ever see it in print then you won't be so upset because you can process it. Really, it's a Polish name but it's adds up to three English words. The first is like a group of people everyone in the group has a chin and ski.



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My father taught me this when I was growing up and he would explain to people how to pronounce our last name. Just think of a group of Romans with long chins on skis, and you would remember, and you'd be surprised how many people I meet, ten, twenty years ago that come up to me they remember how to say my last name Group-chin-ski. When I was growing up I didn't know about the Knights of Columbus, my Uncle Harold was a Knight and Fourth Degree and I was impressed when he was in his plumes and that other gear he use to wear. Other than that, I didn't have much contact with the Knights of Columbus until I actually moved here to Las Vegas in 2008. I began at St. Anthony Parish. The Knights were always involved in so many things and that's where I really had my first encounter with the Knights of Columbus and seeing exactly what they do and I was very impressed.

With that and they would ask many times, "You should become a Knight", "You should become a Knight" and I always kept putting it off, putting it off, till I finally observed and saw what they were doing. I finally said, "I can belong to an organization like this". Not long after becoming a Knight I was transferred from St. Anthony Parrish to Our Lady of Las Vegas in 2011. It was there that I became acquainted with St. Jude Council 9102. At that time through the council was not very active, it wasn't very much alive, it was just a few members that really nobody in the Parish knew they existed, or they knew they existed but didn't see them doing anything.

So one of the things that I told them I said "You guys got to get out there and be visible to people to let them know that you're here that you're not just a bunch of old guys that get together once a month and complain about things or just have a couple of beers or whatever at the meetings nobody is interested in that. People want to see that you are alive and you're doing things out there in the community, it will really make a big difference. And then slowly but surely that began to happen. And the Knights of Columbus Council 9102 came alive and began to grow by leaps and bounds. People now see who the Knights of Columbus are and it's really drawing people in. I'm very thankful to be a part of the Knights of Columbus now and especially our council at Our Lady of Las Vegas. The Parish is very proud of the things they are doing, and I can always count on them to help in whatever situation.

8:50 AM - 9:00 AM BREAK

9:00 AM - 9:20 AM The State Deputy called the meeting back to order and gave a very indepth report on The State Deputies Supreme Workshop conducted in Washington DC discussing all the new programs and how to regenerate older programs to be more successful.



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9:20 AM – 9:26 AM The State Retention Chairman Brother Tom Ball gave a very informative report on successful Initiatives' on Engaging Members in the Council. Various discussions were generated on executing procedures to increase membership retention at the council level.

9:26 AM – 9:32 AM State Membership Director Ray Troik gave a report on Second Half Membership Preview.

9:32 AM – 9:47 AM The State Programs Director Joe Cerame gave a very in-depth report on Building the Domestic Church Program Requirements. An individual council participation in the program and efforts to get the whole parish involved.

9:47 AM –10:00 AM District Deputies George Minter and Meynard Infantado reported on District Deputy follow-up on requirements on Retention, Membership and Form Reporting. The Report was well received by all the attendees.

10:00 AM - 10:06 AM The Las Vegas Hispanic Coordinator Carlos Sandervol spoke on Hispanic Development in Las Vegas Councils, in the short time this effort for development in this area, we have seen much success.

10:06 AM- 10:12 AM The Las Vegas Area Filipino Coordinator Meynard Infantado reported on Filipino Development in Las Vegas Councils.

10:12 AM – 10:22 AM Newly appointed Activities Chairman Tony Stephenson proposed new ideals on activities that councils can do to get more family and members in events like Knights out at the ball park involvement, on such different activity that has worked very well for the councils that participate is the Reno Air Races and Knights Out at The Baseball Park, have found out that family gathering are great for bring the family and our members closer together.

10:22 AM – 10:30 AM State Special Olympics and Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Chairman Brother John Suchewski gave an update on rules that will cover this year's Special Olympics. Brother Suchewski also gave a very in-depth report on this year's Tootsie Roll Drive and council participation.

10:30 AM - 10:37 AM State Silver Rose Co-Chairmen Marino Santana Las Vegas Diocese and Steve Schiwart Reno Diocese reported on this year's coming event and explained the complete program and the improvement that have been implemented to allow complete statewide coverage.



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10:37 AM – 10:47 AM The State Deputy spoke of the Supreme Councils involvement and outreach on the plight of our Persecuted Christens in the Middle East and The State Councils involvement with the State Secretary reaching out to the local Saint Barbara Chaldean Church and he further thanked the Nevada Councils who aided in donating funds to Saint Barbara's to aid in the repair of their church that was set on fire and ransacked on October 6, 2017.

10:47 AM - 11:20 AM State Membership Director Ray Troik reported on available membership incentives and awards and the retirements to qualify and receive. Brother Ray also gave a very interesting talk on membership recruitment and ways to be successful in your endeavors. Brother Ray went on to relate experiences as an example he used a parish priest as an example in this exchange. Many parishes have a parish director but when things get so tangled up in October because of all the programs going on in the parish careful coordination on recruitment efforts can still be successful.

11:20 AM – 11:30 AM New Council Development Chairman Ed Verceles reported on the status of development in the Nevada jurisdiction status.

11:30 AM – 11:45 AM State Roundtable Chairman Charles Reifsnyder gave a very positive report on Nevada reaching its goal on pending State Roundtable status.

11:45 AM – 12.00 AM State Retention Chairman Tom Ball reported on using effective Member Management Engagement and Retention.

12:00 PM – 12:25 PM PSD David Strait enlighten the attendees on Ceremonials / Protocol and gave information on the conferring officers assigned to the State.

12:25 PM – 12:27 PM The meeting of business was put on hold, for lunch prayer was given by State Associate Chaplain Father Gerry.

12:27 PM - 1:05 PM A working lunch took place and the topic was Membership. Videos were shown and discussed.

1:05 PM - 1:15 PM Meeting was called back to order by the State Deputy and introduced David Ryan the District Master for the Fourth Degree of Nevada. District Master gave many encouraging remarks concerning the State effort in support of the Fourth Degree.

1:15 PM – 1:25 PM Associate State Disaster Chairman Brother Bob Hartman gave a report on the overall preparedness and recent responsive to state emergencies.

1:25 PM – 1:45 PM The Ultra Sound Initiative and Walk for Life was covered by the State Deputy due to the absence of both chairman.



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1:45 PM – 2:10 PM The Seminary Education Fund, 365 Club and McGivney Guild was all covered by Chairman Ray Gardea. PSD Gardea gave out new information on the increased allowance recently approved for the 365 Club. McGivney Guild Membership Forms and Information was made available to all attendee and they were encouraged to sign up family members to the Guild. Seminary Education Fund was briefly covered on when the tickets would be available to all the councils.

2:10 PM - 2:35 PM The State Advocate Brother Thierry Barkley covered the following topic in his area of responsibility. IRS 990 Training and the requirements for council to stay on top of this requirement. State By- Laws Submission. And the Youth Protection Compliance Program.

2:35 PM – 2:50 PM State Program Director Brother Cerame gave out a wealth of information concerning State Council and State District Requirements.

2:52 PM -2:55PM Supreme Director Marty Yzaquirre was asked to address the attendees. He encouraged the projects that he has been working on the state to stay positive and continue.

2:55 PM – 3:00 PM 2018 State Convention and location was discussed.

3:00 PM - 3:15 PM The State Deputy ask the State Officers to come forward and to speak on their intentions for the coming year of 2018. All Officers made the commitment to seek office in the following year.

3:17 PM - 3:20 PM Closing prayer was given by the Associate State Chaplin Father Gerry.





Trip to World Meetings of Families in Ireland

In response to the Holy Father's exhortation to strengthen the domestic church and in accordance with the Order's strong commitment to families, the Supreme Knight announced at the Midyear Meeting of State Deputies a lottery incentive for 10 couples to attend the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland with all expenses paid.

Here's how it works: beginning Dec. 1, 2017, every time a Knight recruits a new member into the Order through June 30, 2018, his name will go into a drawing. On July 1, 2018, a total of 10 names will be drawn at random.

If you are a winner, we will notify you and your wife immediately, so you can plan this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to interact with families from all over the world. When you return, you can become a beacon of light for other families in your council, community, and state.





State Membership Report

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Daily Progress Report

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP-INSURANCE PROGRESS REPORT 03-02-2018

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1340	Ely	103	7	0	0	0	3	20	-17	0.00	3	0	0	0	3	3	0	0.00
2380	Battle Mountain	51	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0.00
2511	Elko	166	11	0	0	0	3	0	3	27.27	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	25.00
2666	Winnemucca	102	7	0	0	0	2	0	2	28.57	3	0	0	0	3	0	3	100.00
2828	Las Vegas	161	11	0	0	0	1	3	-2	0.00	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	0.00
3741	Henderson	131	8	0	0	0	3	0	3	37.50	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0.00
4781	Carson City	139	9	0	0	0	3	6	-3	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	3	-3	0.00
4828	Fallon	120	8	0	0	0	1	0	1	12.50	3	0	0	0	3	0	3	100.00
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5693	Las Vegas	236	16	0	0	0	1	0	1	6.25	6	0	0	0	2	2	0	0.00			
6688	Yerington	44	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00			
7322	Reno	237	15	0	0	0	8	13	-5	0.00	6	0	0	0	3	6	-3	0.00			
7708	Las Vegas	120	7	0	0	0	2	0	2	28.57	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00			
8078	Boulder City	89	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	2	-2	0.00			
8282	Las Vegas	210	14	0	0	0	6	0	6	42.86	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00			
9102	Las Vegas	216	14	0	0	0	18	1	17	121.43	5	0	0	0	7	3	4	80.00			
9437	Las Vegas	66	4	0	0	0	10	0	10	250.00	3	0	0	0	2	0	2	66.67			
9899	Las Vegas	61	4	0	0	0	14	0	14	350.00	3	0	0	0	2	0	2	66.67			
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11174	Lovelock	23	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
11179	Overton	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
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12543	Las Vegas	115	8	0	0	0	4	0	4	50.00	3	0	0	0	2	0	2	66.67	
12690	Laughlin	67	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	1	-1	0.00	
12845	Gardnerville	131	9	0	0	0	0	6	-6	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
12877	Sparks	122	8	0	0	0	16	3	13	162.50	3	0	0	0	5	3	2	66.67	
13392	Las Vegas	152	11	0	0	0	9	0	9	81.82	4	0	0	0	16	0	16	400.00	
13456	Henderson	340	22	0	0	0	17	1	16	72.73	8	0	0	0	1	3	-2	0.00	
13691	Las Vegas	30	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
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13897	Femley	48	4	0	0	0	4	0	4	100.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
13924	Dayton	70	5	0	0	0	3	0	3	60.00	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	0.00
13944	Incline Village	116	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	3	-3	0.00
14144	Las Vegas	121	8	1	0	1	11	0	11	137.50	3	1	0	1	5	1	4	133.33
14544	Las Vegas	185	13	0	0	0	14	1	13	100.00	4	0	0	0	3	2	1	25.00
14588	Reno	61	4	0	0	0	3	0	3	75.00	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	33.33
14784	Las Vegas	76	5	0	0	0	6	1	5	100.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
14820	Las Vegas	70	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
15061	Las Vegas	54	4	0	0	0	1	11	-10	0.00	3	0	0	0	6	3	3	100.00
15790	Las Vegas	19	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
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SK Tom Villardi Grand Knight

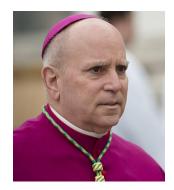


St. Jude, Council 9102 Spring Car Show





His Excellency, The Most Reverend Samuel Joseph Aquila Archbishop of Denver



"Into the Breach Conference"

Archbishop Charles Chaput recently underscored this point in a talk he gave at the "Into the Breach Conference" in Phoenix. He said,

"A man's actions and words change only when his heart changes for the better. And his heart only changes for the better when he discovers something to believe in that transforms and gives meaning to his life; something that directs all of his reasoning and desires."

That something is really someone, Jesus Christ, who reveals the eternal love of the Father for every human being. The God-Man Jesus, when he is encountered, changes everything in a person's life. It is God and God alone who satisfies the longing for an eternal, lasting purpose that each of us has in his heart. Only he can move us beyond our fallen human nature and help us grow in the virtues of purity, self-control and sacrifice for the good of others....

...May God give all men and women the courage to seek his forgiveness and healing, so that we can become a virtuous and holy people!

Archbishop Aquila March 7, 2018

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SK Tom Villardi Grand Knight



St. Jude, Council 9102 March Council Meeting



In attendance were Associate State Chaplain Rev Gerald Grupczynski (center) and District Deputy and Meynard Infantado (center right). There were 40+ members in attendance that evening. The Council collected donations for the 365 Fund, the Seminary Education Fund Raffle and the Community Outreach program.



SK Thomas Thorn State Deputy



2018 Knights of Columbus Nevada State Convention Elko, NV

Dates:

Host Council:

Convention Chairmen:

Jim Conner: Raymond Langer:

Convention Location:

Activities & Meals Location:

Saturday's Meetings & Lunch:

May 4 - 6, 2018

#2511

Jim Conner, Raymond Langer

775-934-4742 775-340-0073

St. Joseph's Parish 986 Highland Drive

St. Joseph's Parish

Elko Convention Center 700 Moren Way

Friday, May 4th 2018

4:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Registration/Welcome Party St, Josephs Parish Columbus Hall 986 Highland Drive

Saturday May 5th 2018

6:00 AM - 7:20 AM

7:30 AM - 7:50 AM

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Breakfast St. Josephs Parish Mater Dei Hall 986 Highland Drive

Holy Rosary

Meetings Elko Convention Center 700 Moren Way

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2018 Knights of Columbus Nevada State Convention Elko, NV

Saturday May 5th 2018 (continued)

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Lunch Elko Convention Center 700 Moren Way
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Meetings Elko Convention Center 700 Moren Way
4:45 PM	Arrive for Mass St. Josephs Parish 986 Highland Drive
5:00 PM	Mass
6:30 PM	Banquet St. Josephs Parish Mater Dei Hall 986 Highland Drive
Sund	lay May 5 th 2018
6:00 AM – 7:30 AM	Breakfast St. Josephs Parish 986 Highland Drive
7:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Meetings St. Josephs Parish 986 Highland Drive
12:00 PM	Meeting Adjourns
Things to see while you are in H	Elko: check out:
www.exploreelko.com	www.elkonevada.com



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2018 Knights of Columbus Nevada State Convention Elko, NV

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Nevada State Council 2018 Convention May 4th -6th 2018, Elko, Nevada St. Josephs Parish

Meal Reservation Form

Name:	Wife:
Council:	Council No.:
Address:	

Phone: (____) _____ E-Mail: ____

Event Cost Number (How Many) Total
Attendee Registration
Includes all meals \$40.00 per X_____=

Total Amount Enclosed:

_ Date: ____

Signature:

Make Checks Payable To: Knights of Columbus Nevada State Council

> <u>Mail payment and this completed form to:</u> State Secretary Vic Edwards 518 Grimsby Ave. Henderson, NV 89014

Saturdays Meeting and Lunch will be held at the Elko Convention Center all other Activities and Meals will be at St. Josephs Parish

RESERVATIONS DEADLINE - April 25, 2018.

Upcoming Degree Events

Date	Host Council	Location	Times	Contact
4/7/18	Ponderosa Council 4928	Holy Cross Catholic Church 5650 Vista Boulevard Sparks NV 89436	2nd Degree – 8:00AM 3rd Degree – 9:50AM	DD George A. Minter kocgaminter44@gmail.com
4/7/18	Markich Hall at St. Bridget Parish		4th Degree – 10:30AM	SK Edmundo Verceles edverceles@att.net
7/28/18	Sierras Madre Council 4781 & District 4	Corpus Christi Catholic Church 3597 N. Sunridge Dr., Carson City, Nevada 89705	2nd Degree – 8:00AM 3rd Degree – 9:30AM	DD John E. Debord (775) 813.6842 johnedebord@gmail.com

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Upcoming State Events

Dates	DD Training / Council Training	Mid-Year Organizational	State Convention	
2018				
5/4 - 5/6			St. Joseph's- Elko	
7/7-7/8	Our Lady of Las Vegas- Las Vegas			
July	District Deputies will schedule District training sessions for their councils in July			
12/1		Immaculate Conception – Sparks, NV		
2019				
5/3 - 5/5			St. Patrick's- Fallon	
7/6-7/7	Immaculate Conception- Sparks			
July	District Deputies will schedule District training sessions for their councils in July			
12/7		St. Patrick's- Tonopah		
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5/1 - 5/3			Our Lady of Las Vegas	
July	District Deputies will schedule District training sessions for their councils in July			
7/11-7/12	St. James the Apostle- Las Vegas			
12/5		Our Lady of Snows- Reno		
2021				
4/24 - 4/25			Harvey's Lake Tahoe- Stateline	
July	District Deputies will schedule District training sessions for their councils in July			
7/10-7/11	St. Rose de Lima			
12/4		St. Peter the Apostle- Las Vegas		

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A Knight to Remember – Anthony Martinez



Anthony Martinez, 77 years consecutive service to the Knights of Columbus.

Brother Anthony Martinez was born November 11, 1921 in Pagosa Springs Colorado, moved to Northern California in 1925 where he attended Long Valley School, outside of Doyle CA. He mentioned that the local kids rode their horses to school and there was a corral behind the school.

In 1929, the Martinez family moved to Reno Nevada where his father worked for the Western Pacific Railroad. Tony Martinez graduated from Reno High School in 1940 and attended the University of Nevada in Reno where he pledged to the Signa Nu Fraternity.



On May 1st, 1940, Brother Tony also joined the Knights of Columbus Council 987 at St Thomas Cathedral and has remained a member in good standing for 77 years. In response to the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7th, 1941, Brother Tony and several of his buddies went to the US Army Recruiting office and applied for Aviation Cadet Training. He eventually went to his flight school in 1943 where he received his 2nd Lt Commission as a pilot. Brother Tony eventually spent 32 years in the Army Air Corps and the US Air Force, serving all over the world. His most memorable assignments included Army of Occupation in Germany from 1946-1949, witnessing the Nuremburg Nazi trials in 1946, the Berlin Air Lift from 1948-1949, March AFB, CA flying C-47 transports in 1953, and flying high altitude reconnaissance from March AFB CA with the RB-57D Aircraft.

He also had the pleasure of a private audience with Pope Pius at the Vatican in Rome in 1948. Humbling is his description of the experience. In 1960, Brother Tony retired the RB-57 aircraft and started flying the new U-2 Spy plane. He spent five years in that aircraft, flying Cold War missions over Russia and watching over the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962. On 1 March 1974, Brother Tony retired from the Air Force with the grade of Colonel after 32 years of satisfactory service. After the service, Tony was a partner in an insurance business until 1986. During the 80's, he was active in the Knights of Columbus where he was the Grand Knight of Council 4997 at Our Lady of Snows. In 1982, he was the Faithful Navigator of Bishop Manogue Assy 612 in Reno. He moved to Portola CA and formed a Round Table at Holy Family Parish in Portola CA with the help of Council 7322 in Reno. He worked on the Board of Directors of the Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative until 2005 when he took a well-deserved retirement.

He has lived in Sparks NV since 2012 where he attends Holy Cross Catholic Community. At 96 years young, he is still active in Ponderosa Council 4928 and we are blessed to have Brother Tony Martinez in our Council and our Parish.

GK Steve Schiwart Ponderosa Council 4928