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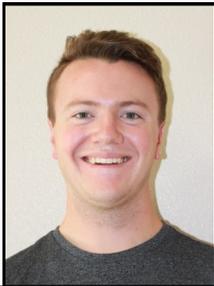
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Garrett Kalt In London To Study For Master's Degree



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KALT**

According to guide-book author and travel TV host Rick Stevens, "London is the L.A., D.C., and N.Y.C. of Britain — a living, breathing, thriving organism... a coral reef of humanity." It is also the location of Garrett Kalt's most recent life adventure

as he begins his studies toward obtaining a Master of Science degree, with emphases in politics and communications, at the London School of Economics (LSE).

The son of parishioners Alan and Kieran Kalt, Garrett with his parents drove to Las Vegas on Mon., Sept. 3, where the family spent two nights before Garrett flew from the gambling and entertainment center of the world to the capital city of England. He expected to spend time exploring his surroundings before starting classes in late September.

In an interview before his departure from Fallon, Garrett reflected on his anticipated experiences abroad.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to embrace new cultures and ways of thinking, while furthering my studies, so I can best serve the communities in which I will live," he said.

It is Garrett's current goal to eventually work for the government in the capacity of, for example, a communications director or an outreach coordinator. His preference is employment at the local or state level where he feels he can develop better connections with the citizens of our nation.

"I believe in the power of public opinion and the desire for government to be closer to the people it is supposed to serve," Garrett added.

After his completion of his studies at LSE Garrett may seek a job in Carson City or Washington, D.C. or even Lon-

don itself.

A 2014 graduate of Churchill County High School, where he served as student government president in his senior year, Garrett graduated magna cum laude from Washington State University at Pullman, earning two degrees: strategic communications and also political science with an emphasis in law. He was also elected in his senior year at WSU as vice president of the student body.

This is Garrett's first trip to London and England although he is no stranger to foreign travel.

In the summer of 2015 he visited Cuba for two weeks as a college "backpack journalist" whose responsibility was writing about the resumption of diplomatic ties between the island and the United States. Then, in March of 2017, he spent 10 days visiting Guatemala where he showcased through photos the work of *Hearts In Motion*, a non-profit organization whose mission, according to the group's website, "is to provide quality medical care and to assist in the development of social programs to improve health, education and welfare of the people we serve in the U.S., Central and South America."

Garrett expressed his gratitude to his family and friends for their past and present encouragement. Always glad to come home to Fallon when he can, he added, "I am (also) thankful for our Catholic community (at St. Patrick's) and the support it provides."

Editor's Note: Since his arrival in London, Garrett emailed the editor with his first impressions of the city.

After five days in London Garrett offered the following observations:

- Concerning the diversity of food and people, Garrett said that, just on the street where he now lives, there are opportunities to sample five different kinds of food from around

the world. "London is globalized, and I'm learning a lot about other ways of life," he stated.

- Garrett enjoyed a "Sunday Roast" with Irish relatives who work just outside of London. The Sunday roast is a traditional British main meal that is typically served on Sunday and consists of roasted meat, roast potato, and accompaniments such as Yorkshire pudding, stuffing, vegetables and gravy.
- Garrett calls the LSE campus "incredible" with many educational resources available and activities in which to get involved.
- Garrett's flatmates (those with whom he shares an apartment) are

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CONGRATULATIONS ON 60 YEARS TOGETHER

Celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary Nancy and Richard Gerten renewed their marriage vows at a special Mass at St. Pat's on Sat., Aug. 18. The service, attended by over 80 people, including family from out of town, was followed by a reception in the hall. Nancy and Richard were married on Aug. 16, 1958, in a Catholic church in Nebraska.

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Wine Tasting Oct. 20

St. Patrick's annual wine tasting event is scheduled for Sat., Oct. 20, beginning at 6 p.m., in the parish hall. Donations of wine (and also raffle prizes) are currently being accepted. A case of six (6) wine bottles of the same flavor is preferred. Cash donations to purchase wine are always welcome. Tickets at \$25 per person, including an engraved wine glass, are available from any parish council member or by stopping at the parish office or at the event's door. For more information call the parish office at 423-2846 or Mary Thomas at 428-2322.



LOOKING BACK—This is a photo of St. Patrick's parish community in 1913—standing in front of the church building located on East Street in those early days.



PARISH ANGEL—Mary Thomas is one of St. Pat's parishioners who, if needed, iron tablecloths and napkins for parish events held in the hall. Thank you ♥, Mary, and the other parish angels who perform this labor intensive task! Mary and Judy Northrup, often with the help of Judy's husband, Mike, can always be counted on to set up tables and chairs and decorate the parish hall for major activities held within.

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from the United Kingdom. One works for the Daily Mail, a major newspaper in London, and the other has a telecommunications job with a large company.

- Garrett lives in an area called Covent Garden which is central to a variety of shops and "is close to nearly everything." The LSE campus "is a quick five minute walk" and the Thames River "is only three minutes away."
- Garrett, with three weeks of free time before LSE classes start Sept. 27, has already had time to explore London and appreciate what the city has to offer. "I've been to a lot of tourist attractions and plan to check out more."

Although sometimes overwhelmed by the newness of living in an unfamiliar environment, Garrett says he is experiencing much self-growth by it all.

Leadership of Joanie's Food Pantry Changes

Beginning Oct. 1 Jeanne Barnes and Nadine Della Bitta will be in charge of the operation of Joanie's Food Pantry. Many sincere thanks ♥ to Georgia Hanifan and Lorraine Melanson for their leadership over the past few years!