

Thomas S. Dolan, Distinguished Nevadan Nominee

It is my honor and privilege to nominate Mr. Thomas S. Dolan as a Distinguished Nevadan. Tom followed his older brother from their home in California to attend the University of Nevada, Reno. He graduated in 1972 with a Bachelor of Science in Social Psychology. He never looked back and has made Reno his home ever since. As the youngest of eight children his beginnings were humble in his large, Catholic family. His first job was a gas station attendant in Redlands, California where he was raised after the family moved from his birthplace in Albert Lee, Minnesota. During his years at UNR he worked in a local restaurant as a dishwasher, pantry man, chef's assistant and as a bellman at a hotel on the graveyard shift. His friendship with classmate Don Weir, Jr. led to his start in the automobile dealership business. Don's father, Don Weir, Sr. hired Tom in 1975 and for the next 49 years Tom worked diligently and honorably from employee to current owner of seven franchised dealerships. A hallmark of Tom's business personality is to treat each customer as 'Family' and his moniker for all his dealerships is "Get in and join the family".

As Tom's success grew, he quietly also began his lifelong philanthropic giving. His giving is vast and numerous, and some highlights of his career success and charities are:

1990 Founding member and fellow creator of CAREChest which is a free, critical health resource designed to fill insurance gaps for underserved populations

1991 Muscular Dystrophy Association Man of the Year 22-year board member

1999 TIME Magazine Dealer of the Year

2010 Catholic Charities Commendation

2013 Sparks Sertoma Service to Mankind Award

2019 American Heart and Stroke Association Heart Ball Gold Honoree

2019 Catholic Charities Plates to Ease Poverty Humanitarian Award

Lifelong Wolfpack Booster

Please see his bio for a more complete list.

Although I have not known Tom personally over the years, I certainly have known him by his dealership advertising and by his philanthropic reputation. Tom does not seek the limelight, nor does he need to be the center of attention. He prefers to give generously and FROM HIS HEART! As successful as he is, he considers his two sons, daughter and four grandchildren as his greatest accomplishments. His bio says it best! "His family is his why. He enjoys spending his free time vacationing and spending time with his kids and four grandkids". Thomas S. Dolan is very deserving of this honor!

TOM DOLAN

EDUCATION

University of Nevada Reno

Majored in Social Psychology
with a Minor in Social Welfare
and Corrections
Jan 1972

Redlands High School
1967

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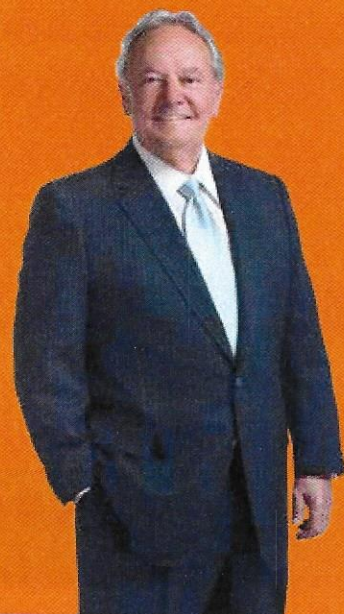
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TOM DOLAN BIO

Thomas S. Dolan was born in Albert Lea, Minnesota and is the youngest of eight children. In 1969, he settled in Reno, Nevada and graduated from the University of Nevada, Reno in 1972. His career in the automotive industry began at Reno Dodge working for Don Weir Sr. and selling cars alongside his former college roommate and friend, Don Weir Jr.

He learned early on in his career that he needed to think big and look toward the future. This mindset helped him advanced quickly in the business. From 1975-1982, Tom moved from Sales to Finance Manager to Sales Manager and then to General Manager at Carson City Dodge-Chrysler and Reno Dodge. In 1982, he moved on to Reno Toyota, where he became the General Manager and Vice President, eventually purchasing the dealership and becoming the owner of Reno Toyota, which is now known as Dolan Toyota. Under Tom's leadership, Dolan Toyota has expanded and evolved into the Dolan Auto Group.

Tom has always made it a priority to treat every customer and employee like family. Thus, the motto "Get in and join the family" was coined to describe Dolan Auto Group's unique culture of family and community.

He is the father of three adult children, Ryan, Danielle and Brady. Tom is proud to say that his children are hardworking, wonderful individuals that give back to the community they all call home. His family is his why. He enjoys spending his free time vacationing and spending time with his kids and four grandkids.

ACCOLADES

- DRTDA Member 1982-2012
- University of Nevada, Reno Commendation,
University in its pursuit of Academic Excellence 1987
- CAREChest founding member and fellow creator 1990
- MDA Man of the year 1991
- Toyota Pacesetter Club Market Leader in Car and Truck Sales 1991
- DRTDA President 1998-2002
- TIME Magazine Dealer of the Year 1999
- Toyota 30 Years of Service - Presented by Toyota Motor Sales 2004
- Catholic Charities Commendation 2010
- Service to Mankind Award - Presented by Sparks Sertoma 2013
- Hope Award from the Northern Nevada MS Society 2014
- People's Choice Award, Associated General Contractors of America 2015
- Heart of Gold Honoree - American Heart and Stroke
Association Heart Ball 2019
- Plates to Ease Poverty Humanitarian Award from Catholic Charities 2019

UNITED STATES SENATE AWARDS

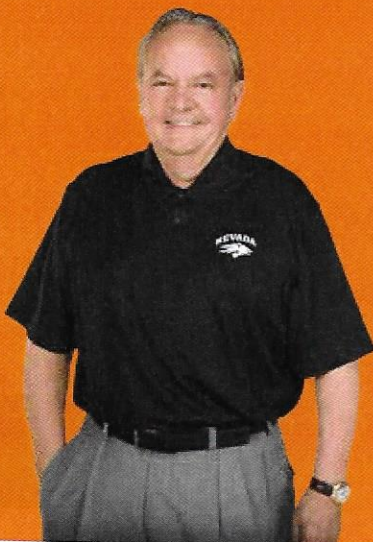
- Certificate of Senatorial Recognition 2013 Service to mankind Award by Sparks Sertoma to Tom Dolan
- Certificate of Commendation presented to Tom Dolan-Introduction into the Junior Achievement of Northern Nevada Business Leaders Hall of Fame 2012
- Certificate of Commendation presented to Tom Dolan in appreciation of his many charitable efforts and numerous contributions to the community 2013
- Congressional Recognition awarded to Tom Dolan in honor of receiving the 2013 Service to Mankind Award from Sparks Sertoma.
- Certificate of Commendation presented to The Dolan Family in commemoration of being honored for your contributions to the local community at the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Southern California and Nevada 2014 Dinner of Champions
- Certificate of Commendation presented to Tom Dolan and Reno Toyota Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada Human Services Network 2011 Board Member of the Year

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

- Northern Nevada Toyota Dealers formally known as Toyota Dealer Advertising for the State of Nevada. Assisted Bob Carter, President of Toyota Motor Sales, Inc. with the split of northern and southern Nevada forming Northern Nevada Toyota Dealers.
Served on board for 18 years and served as President for 12 years.
- Nevada Franchised Dealers Association (NFADA) formerly known as Washoe County New Car Dealers Association
Served on board 1986 - 1998 also as President - 4 - 3yr terms
- National Auto Dealers Association (NADA).
Served as Nevada State Representative from 1998 - 2010
- Nevada Automotive Network Safety Insurance Group (NANSIG). Tom is acting on the board as the Treasurer currently.
Founded and served on board from 2012 - present.

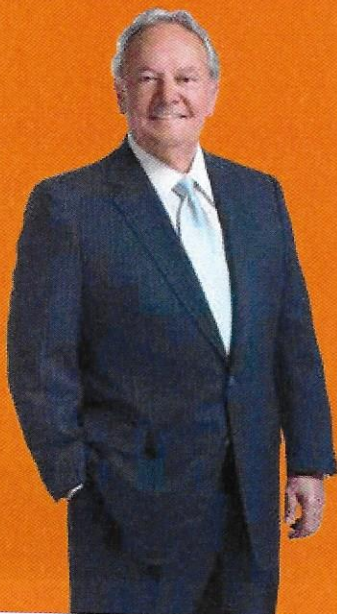
CHARITABLE BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

- Northern Nevada MDA - served on board 22 years. Also received Man of the Year
- CAREChest of Northern Nevada - Founding member and currently serves on board since inception 29 years
- Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada - currently serves on board 20 years



EMPLOYMENT

- **Gowlands Super Service Station** 1963 - 1969
Redlands, CA. Gas attendant.
- **The Bundox Restaurant** 1969 - 1972
Reno, NV. Started as dishwasher, pantry man, chefs assistant and busboy.
- **State of Nevada Juvenile Parole** 1969 - 1971
Reno, NV. Served an internship in place of college credits as a parole officer.
- **Jessie Beck Riverside Hotel** 1971
Reno, NV. Bellmen graveyard shift
- **College Life Insurance Co / Prudential Health Insurance** 1972 - 1975
Reno, NV. Insurance Sales
- **Don Weir's Carson City Dodge** 1975
Reno, NV. Detail/service department. Promoted to Sales.
- **Don Weir's Carson City Dodge** 1975-1978
Reno, NV. Detail/service department. Promoted to Sales, Finance Manager and Sales Manager. General Manager
- **Don Weir's Tahoe Dodge Datsun** 1978-1979
Reno, NV. General Manager
- **Don Weir's Reno Dodge** 1979-1982
Reno, NV. General Manager
- **Reno Toyota, Inc.** 1982
Reno, NV. General Manager. President/Owner
- **Western Motors, Inc. Reno Mazda. Kia** 1989
Reno, NV. President/Owner
- **Acquired Lexus Franchise** 1990
Reno, NV. President/Owner
- **Acquired Reno Self Storage, LLC.** 2009
Reno, NV. President/Owner
- **Founded TSD Rental Properties, LLC** 2010
Reno, NV. President/Owner
- **Acquired Lee Bros. Leasing** 2018
Reno, NV. Owner
- **Acquired Don Weir's Reno Dodge Ram Fiat** 2019
Reno, NV. President/Owner
- **Acquired Fernley Motors** 2019
Reno, NV. President/Owner



DOLAN AUTO GROUP

Dolan Auto Group has been family-owned and operated for nearly four decades. Over the years, it has become the largest automotive group in the region. The company is comprised of seven award-winning dealerships: Dolan Toyota, Dolan Lexus, Dolan Mazda, Dolan Kia, Lee Brothers Leasing, Dolan Dodge RAM Fiat and Dolan Fernley Chrysler Jeep Dodge RAM.

Together, Tom Dolan and his sons Ryan and Brady have built more than just a company that sells cars. They have created a family that is dedicated to making a difference in the community. From creating and sustaining community partnerships to supporting children’s education, giving back to the community is at the core of everything that Dolan Auto Group does. This has led the company to receive numerous awards and accolades for their charitable giving and exceptional business practices.

DOLAN AUTO GROUP ACCOLADES

- Lexus Elite *1991-Present*
- Toyota Motor Credit Corporation Ambassador Award *1996, 2006*
- “Standard of Excellence” Product Quality Award Reno Toyota *2007, 2008*
- Toyota Certified Used Vehicles Leaders of Excellence Top Volume Award *2008*
- Toyota President’s Award *2010, 2011, 2013 & 2015*
- Best Place to Work *2016, 2017 & 2018*
- Toyota Best in Town Finalist *2016, 2017 & 2018*
- Reader’s Choice Best in Business
- Most Philanthropic: Community Give-Back *2017*
- Most Philanthropic Business from Northern Nevada Business Weekly *2018*
- Best of Winner
- from Reno News and Review *2018*
- Partner in Education *2018*
- “Friends of Education” Award from Nevada State Education Association *2019*
- Passion for Philanthropy
- By Northern Nevada Business View *2019*

