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Las Vegas, Nevada — The Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors of Nevada (PHCC of Nevada) Education Foundation held graduation ceremonies for seven apprentices from its state-approved 4-year program and announced the winners of the annual Apprentice Competition.

All of the graduating apprentices have taken and passed the journeyman exam.

The graduating journeyman plumbers are: Don Eisenhauer, Alliance Mechanical; Ryan Espinoza; Ken Hastings and Don Johnson, Universal Plumbing; Edwin Rivas; Larry Sierra, HTA Plumbing; and Sean Thomasson, The Plumber.

The winner of the annual competition was Justin Keeler of Done Right Plumbing. A close second was Lucas Malone of Madera Mechanical who finished just 2.5 points out of 400 behind Justin. The first place finisher gets to go to the national competition in New Orleans, but this year, because of the closeness of the finish, both the first and second place finishers will get to go.

The instructors for the four years of the apprentice program were also honored. They are: first year David Kerzetski of Universal Plumbing, second year Jamie Hughes with J&S Mechanical, third year Brian Kozminski, and fourth year Al Garcia.

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The PHCC of Nevada is a trade association representing open shop plumbing contractors and companies that serve the Nevada plumbing industry. Our mission and dedication is to the promotion, advancement, education and training of the industry for the protection of our environment and the health, safety and comfort of the community. The PHCC of Nevada Education Foundation oversees both the apprentice program and management education for the plumbing industry in Nevada.

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Photo Caption:

From left are Robert Flores, Interstate Plumbing, chair of the Joint Apprenticeship Training Council, Don Eisenhauer, Alliance Mechanical, Ken Hastings and Don Johnson, Universal Plumbing, Edwin Rivas, Larry Sierra, HTA Plumbing, and Sean Thomasson, The Plumber. Not pictured is Ryan Espinoza.