

St Pius X Council 10762 Newsletter



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

GK Dutch Steenbakker

April 2015

My worthy brother Knights,

As we approach Easter, it is normal for us to reflect on the meaning of what Jesus did for us and how as Knights of Columbus it impacts how we view the philosophy of our great organization.

What brought everything together for me, was our recent guest speaker, Andrew Schot, a survivor from the horrors of the holocaust. If you were one of those lucky ones who had the honor of listening to this gentle, self effacing, and forgiving man, you will understand, in part, the lessons imparted by Jesus through the manner in which He faced His detractors and how He faced the horrors perpetuated upon Him which led to His ultimate death upon the cross.

Andrew Schot is no Jesus, nor does he portray Him. He is a mere, mortal man, like all of us, who at age 9 had to face the reality of being treated by fellow human beings as a non human, someone not even worthy of the consideration we give to our animals. By age 13, he was in a Nazi labor camp. But even with all the horrors that he saw and experienced, he survived and was able to forgive those who perpetrated these evils upon him and his family.

He learned the lessons of the crucifixion of Jesus the hard way and was able to apply them in his daily life and his



interactions with everyone, thereby making him an example of true humanity for all of us to hold up as our goal.

What I now see, through Andrew Schot, is that Jesus gave us a gift by teaching us lessons of Humility, Strength, Survival, Hope, Morality, Rebirth and Forgiveness, which is the real humanity and mark of a true human being. As Knights of Columbus, it would do us all well to emulate this gift in our daily lives.

We are a brotherhood dedicated to being the moral right arm of our Church. Although, like brothers we might disagree with each other, we need to remember that the greater good lies in helping all humanity with Humility, Strength, Survival, Hope, Morality, Rebirth and Forgiveness in the united strength of our common bond.

Vicky and I wish you and your family a wonderful Easter as you celebrate the rebirth of Christ, your great and wonderful Catholic Church and your membership in the Knights of Columbus.

Vivat Jesus.

Emmanuel M. "Dutch" Steenbakker
Grand Knight

Meeting / Event	Date	Time	Location
Council Breakfast	1st Wednesday of every month	9:30 AM after morning Mass	Biscuits Café, 7026 E. Broadway, south side of Gaslight parking lot
1st Degree or Degree Team Practice (Candidates report at 7:00 P.M.)	1st Thursday of every month (No 1st degree April 2)	7:30 P.M.	Hopi Room - St Pius
Business Meeting	2nd Thursday of every month	7:30 P.M.	Hopi Room - St Pius
Officer Meeting Business Meeting	4th Thursday of every month	6:30 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	Kino Room - St Pius Hopi Room - St Pius
Council Family Potluck Social	5th Thursday of the month	6:00 P.M. 9:00 P.M.	Tanque Verde Room - St Pius



Where did 2014 go? It seems like it was summer yesterday and Easter was last week.

I hope you and your family had a great finish to 2014. Now, the first quarter of 2015 is flying by.

Hopefully, you've established a few goals for this year. I've learned a great tip regarding resolutions. First, write them down. It's not too late if you haven't already done this. Commit your goals to paper and post it someplace you will see it often. Writing down a goal is the first step towards achieving it. It may not make sense at first, but I'm sure you have heard stories of the success this simple task can bring. Whether your goal is to exercise more, give more to charity, read more or watch less television, you're more likely to accomplish it if you write it down.

Second, resolve to have an expert look at your finances. I recommend that you have a team of experts help you, and I would love to be the first you sit with. Let's schedule some time to meet together, and I, your professional Knights of Columbus insurance agent, will provide an "insurance check-up" (at no cost!) that will evaluate any gaps in your family's life insurance protection. Now might be the perfect time to fill those gaps, not later. Keep in mind that unlike many other products, you don't just need money to obtain life insurance; you also need good health, and no one knows when your health could change.

Did I mention my check-up is free of charge? When was the last time you received something for free that could provide value to you and your family for generations? Call me today.

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Birthdays

- Gerald M Hennelly 0408
- Richard A Johnson..... 0412
- Robert T Brandt 0415
- John J Winger..... 0418
- Thomas E Fetsko..... 0421
- Henry R Knoepfle..... 0426
- Donald G Nelson..... 0426
- Ronald E Gall 0427
- Thomas L Anton..... 0429
- Michael A Losada..... 0430

RECOGNIZING YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE

20 Years

Roland E. Durocher

15 Years

Ryszard W. Kupinski



Ron Blanchard is pictured with GK Steenbakker who received the Arizona State Council Charity Raffle Achievement Award last year. Ron is charged with striving for the same recognition this year - get your tickets now!

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Knight and Family of the Month

Many of you are active within our council and provide your services without any need for recognition for the work you do. It is a noble and selfless act to work for the good of our community and you should be recognized.

The officers need input from those of you that witness these works to recognize those individuals and families that provide their time, resources and talent for the betterment of our church and community.

If you witness something worthy of recognition, please visit our website at www.kofctucson.org and scroll down until you see the option to make a nomination (see picture below). You will need your membership number to log into the secure section of the site to make your nomination.

Your help in recognizing our members and their families will be greatly appreciated by all.

Fun for the Whole Family!

Learn to Square Dance! Great exercise, socialize and keep those mental juices flowing!

Classes start June 4, 6:30 PM at the Tanque Verde Lutheran Church, 8625 East Tanque Verde Road.

The first lesson is \$5.00. Call Carol Dohrmann (520) 850-8057 for more information.

These classes are not affiliated with St Pius nor associated with any other denomination, but don't be surprised if you come across some parishioners when you are dancing!



ARIZONA STATE COUNCIL
Knights of Columbus
ANNUAL DRAWING TO SUPPORT LOCAL CHARITIES
Saturday, May 16, 2015

1st Prize: \$10,000;
2nd Prize: \$7,000; 3rd Prize: \$5,000; 4th Prize: \$3,000
5th Prize - \$2,000 7th Prize - \$500 9th Prize - \$500
6th Prize - \$1,000 8th Prize - \$500 10th Prize - \$500
NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

DONATION: \$5 per ticket, \$20 for 5 tickets, \$100 for 30 tickets

Arizona State Raffle

Each of you should have received your State Raffle tickets in the mail. Please consider purchasing the tickets yourself and have a chance at winning these outstanding cash prizes or sell them to your friends or family.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

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Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary meeting in March included a wonderful presentation on Fr Kino's early years before coming to America. John Carhuff was very interesting and informative.

Our thanks to the Knight's for giving us their Donut table March 22nd for our Spring Bake Sale. It went very well with good participation from many of our Ladies.

We still need volunteers to help at the Flea Market in April on the 24th and 25th. We will make plans for our annual Tea at the April Auxiliary meeting.

Thanks to all the Ladies who have helped with the Lenten Dinners.

Nora Mrazik, President



ANDREW SCHOT

Our Council was honored to host Mr. Andrew Schot, as our guest speaker to commemorate National Holocaust Remembrance Month.

Andrew Schot was born on February 12, 1931 in Leeuwarden, Friesland, Netherlands to a Jewish father and a Dutch gentile woman. Under Nazi rules, since he had 3 Jewish grandparents, he was considered Jewish. In 1940, when he was 9 years old, Germany invaded the Netherlands. At about that time, he and his family moved to Amsterdam, where he lived near and went to school with Ann Franck and her sister. For about 4 years he was able to evade capture by the Nazis, first in Amsterdam surviving on garbage and hiding out in a bombed out building, and later in Friesland, blending in with farm workers, sleeping on haystacks in the open or in barns, and living off of the land. He was captured at age 13 after being shot by a Nazi soldier and sent to a Nazi labor camp just across the Dutch border in Germany. The camp was liberated by British troops in the fall of 1945. He was reunited with his mother and sister and in 1950 was able to come to America. There he was drafted into the U.S. army where he served an honorable career, met his wife and had his children. He now goes and talks, especially at schools around the country, about what he had experienced. He ends all his talks with the message; we as humans, need to forgive each other and no matter what our race, ethnicity, nationality or sex try to get along with each other. It is a message of hope, strength, survival and forgiveness.



The approximately 35 Knights, wives and members of the Ladies Auxiliary who attended, were enthralled by our speaker and enjoyed pizza, desserts and refreshments. We will have Mr. Schot speak again next year, hopefully to the entire Parish.



Prayer INTENTIONS

A Prayer for Healing...

Dear God,
we place our worries in Your hands.
We place our sick in Your care
and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to health
again.
Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge Your holy
will and know that whatever You do,
You do for the love of us. Amen.

Linda Jo Grell
Bob Grell
Neil Lemme
Ed Marsh

Special Olympics

On Saturday, March 28th, 10 volunteers from St Pius X KofC and family members volunteered at the 2015 Coronado Area Special Olympics Track and Field event, which is the largest event of the year. It was a very special day for all of us as we were able to see some familiar faces (Jason our favorite donut customer and Cole Smith of our council) from St Pius participate in the events themselves and to see their faces when they saw us there ready to congratulate them. Words or even pictures can not adequately express the feeling you get when you see the faces and excitement at these events. To be a future part of these Special Olympics look for upcoming announcements and volunteer for what will be an "Experience of a Lifetime". You won't regret it!!!!

Fred Falgiano
St Pius X KOC
Special Olympics
Coordinator

Getting ready!!!





April

Apr 1 - Council Social Breakfast

Apr 5 - Easter - NO Community Breakfast

Apr 11 - 2nd & 3rd Degrees Green Valley

Apr 12 - Easter Fiesta

Apr 18 & 19 - Organ Donor Saturday/Sunday

Apr 24 - Flea Market Setup

Apr 25 - Flea Market

Annual Flea Market - St. Pius X Gym and West parking lot
Contact Joe Keaney or Grant Pieper to rent space and for
additional information. 5 AM - 1 PM

- Space - \$10.00 outside; \$15.00 inside
- Donations welcome! Please bring your items to the office
- We will assist as necessary
- ALL are welcome to buy or sell
- Food and open seating areas available
- K o C Members will be available to assist in setup
- We do all advertising (newspaper, bulletin, signs)
- We collect all unsold items
- NO Clothes, Christmas items or furniture please

Apr 30 - Social/Pot Luck

May

May 3 - Community Breakfast and Blood Drive

May 6 - Council Social Breakfast

May 9 - Religious Appreciation Dinner

May 10 - Mothers Day

May 15 - 17 - Arizona State Convention

**May 25 - Memorial Day – Masses at Holy Hope
and Our Lady of the Desert**

May 30 & 31 - Wheelchair Drive



VISIT OUR WEBSITE!!

www.kofctucson.org



Karate Classes

For more information please
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Be sure to visit
www.kofctucson.org
for up-to-date information,
pictures, contacts and
highlights of upcoming events!

