



Knights of Columbus Council 7243

Serving St. George Parish and the Local Community

FOURTH QUARTER 2023 NEWSLETTER

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE

Brother Knights of Pope John Paul I Council 7243

Another year has passed and we are already through the month of January. In this new year we should ask ourselves, "Why did we join the Knights of Columbus?" Was it for the title? Was it because our friend talked us into it? Was it to help the Knights in their mission of Charity, Unity and Fraternity?

My mission is to be a better Grand Knight. But I cannot do it alone. I need your help. You can help by volunteering every now and then to help with the different projects we have. This will help you grow spiritually, and you will be living up to the mission of the Knights of Columbus.

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month in Classroom 3 at the church. I would appreciate seeing you there and getting to know you.

I wish you all a Blessed New Year.

Vivat Jesus,

GK Robert Stewart

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HOPE WOMEN'S CENTER DONATION

Council 7243 recently donated \$8,647.18 to the Hope Women's Center of Apache Junction. The monies were 100 percent of the proceeds from a baby bottle fundraiser to support its Pro-Life Programs, including Aid and Support After Pregnancy. Over 550 empty baby bottles were distributed by the Knights of Columbus to parishioners at St. George over a recent two-week period and returned with the parishioners' donations.



Presenting the \$8,647.18 check to Linda Rinzel - Hope Women's Center - are Trustee Larry Gill, Pro-Life Chairman Joseph Yarina and Deacon Paul Rokosz.



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WEB SITE UPDATE



Pope John Paul I Council 7243

Knights of Columbus Catholic Fraternal Organization located in Apache Junction, Arizona

HOMEPAGE

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DONATIONS



Council 7243 Blog

Doug Hughes continues to do an outstanding job as Webmaster for our council web site. (See the above screen capture.) It can be accessed by going to www.kofc7243.org.

Doug continues to add functionality to the menu list of items (e.g., see the ONLINE STORE button.) He has added a Blog section where items of current interest are available for viewing. You can sign up for email alerts when new items are posted.

Please send your constructive comments to Doug so he can filter them into future updates—Doug Hughes <papadhughes@gmail.com>. We need lots of pictures as the current version has very few.

2023 KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER ENTRIES



There were five categories for poster submittals: Kindergarten, Grades 1 & 2, Grades 3 & 4, Grades 5 & 6 and Grades 7 & 8. Posters were on display in the Social Hall for several weeks so parishioners could enjoy the talents and creativity of the youth of our parish. A group of judges from the Knights selected winners for each category. The winner in each category was awarded a \$25 Amazon gift card. Winners were: Kindergarten, Augustine McAtee; Grades 1 & 2, Ella Jolla; Grades 3 & 4, Jase Streck; Grades 5 & 6, Cedd Kahiga; and Grades 7 & 8, Lauren McAtee.



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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS AND PROCESSION TUESDAY DECEMBER 12, 2023



Sir Knights Lyle Schunk, Matt Campbell, Armindo Castelhana, Dave Hanf, Doug Hughes, John Czerwinski, Bob Stewart and Roman Flores assemble prior to the mass with SK and Rev. Msgr. Pinti.



Rev. Msgr. Pinti leads the rosary and procession with the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe on an elevated platform led by Color Corp Commander Czerwinski and carried by Honor Guard Members Castelhana, Hanf, Hughes and Stewart, with SKs Schunk and Campbell following.

19th ANNUAL SHOW YOUR RIDE CAR SHOW

This year's Car Show, the 19th annual, was held the first Saturday in October and was very successful financially. We had 95 cars registered. Gross receipts were \$4,470, with expenses of \$1,607, resulting in a net of \$2,863. Our target was \$2,000, which in the past we were only able to achieve with some matching donations from the council. A motion was made and seconded at the October council meeting to increase the donation to the Boys and Girls Club to \$3,000.



Commemorative Car Show T-Shirt



Awards presented to winners of various categories.



Knights of Columbus Council 7243 Grand Knight Bob Stewart and Financial Secretary Doug Hughes Present Check for \$3,000 to Angie Davis, Boys and Girls Club Superstition Branch Manager, Reflecting Proceeds from the 19th Annual "Show Your Ride" Car Show Hosted by St. George Roman Catholic Parish.



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PHOTOS OF SOME ENTRANTS FROM THIS YEAR'S SHOW





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Some of those who helped make this year's car show a success, from left to right, and front to back: Row 1 - Brandon Clark, Jim Lutz, Steve Ezyk, Jim Tracy, Armindo Castelhana, John Hennessey; Row 2 - Sheri Amatucci, Bill Amatucci, Doug Hughes; Row 3 - John Czerwinski, Bob Stewart, Roman Flores, Matt Campbell, Conrad Gorney, Don Martens, Larry Beckwith. Not shown, Joe Lorden.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| a. Council Meeting | January 15 th |
| b. Spaghetti Dinner | February 2 nd |
| c. Charity Chip Sales | February 3 rd and 4 th |
| d. Our Lady of the Desert Guild Tea | February 12 th |
| e. Blood Drive | February 19 th |
| f. Lenten Soup and Bread | February 23 rd |
| g. K of C State Raffle Ticket Sales | March 2&3, 9&10, 16&17 |

VETERAN'S DAY PARADE ASSEMBLY 2943/ COUNCIL 7243 ATTENDEES NOVEMBER 11, 2023



Attendees, left to right: Larry Gill, Doug Hughes, Armindo Castelhana, Don Martens, John Czerwinski, John Bubnick and Matt Campbell

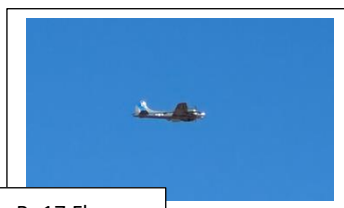


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F-35 Flyover



B-17 Flyover

FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS

To follow-up, contact Grand Knight Bob Stewart or Program Director Doug Hughes.

FAITH IN ACTION PROGRAMS

Please list your preferences for those Faith in Action programs you would be interested in volunteering at or attending.

FAITH	FAMILY	COMMUNITY	LIFE
<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed for Faith Formation	<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed to Strengthen Families	<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed for Community Service	<input type="checkbox"/> General Interest in Programs Designed to Create a Culture of Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Into the Breach	<input type="checkbox"/> Family of the Month	<input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> Christian Refugee Relief
<input type="checkbox"/> Pilgrim Icon Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Keep Christ in Christmas	<input type="checkbox"/> Free Throw Championship	<input type="checkbox"/> Silver Rose
<input type="checkbox"/> Build the Domestic Church Kiosk	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Fully Alive	<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Challenge	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy Center Support
<input type="checkbox"/> Rosary	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Week	<input type="checkbox"/> Helping Hands	<input type="checkbox"/> Aid & Support After Pregnancy (ASAP)
<input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Reflection	<input type="checkbox"/> Consecration to the Holy Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest	<input type="checkbox"/> Novena for Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Holy Hour	<input type="checkbox"/> Family Prayer Night	<input type="checkbox"/> Coats for Kids	<input type="checkbox"/> Mass for People with Special Needs
<input type="checkbox"/> Sacramental Gifts	<input type="checkbox"/> Good Friday Family Promotion	<input type="checkbox"/> Global Wheelchair Mission	<input type="checkbox"/> March for Life
<input type="checkbox"/> Refund Support Vacations Program (RSVP)	<input type="checkbox"/> Food for Families	<input type="checkbox"/> Habitat for Humanity	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Olympics
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Ultrasound
			<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

ADDITIONAL CAR SHOW PHOTOS



Attendees line up for complimentary hot dogs, snacks and much appreciated cold water.



Registration table.



Food servers.