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## REUNION ULTREYA

Saturday, Dec. 1st  
Resurrection Lutheran Church  
8625 E. Tanque Verde Rd.

12:00pm—4pm      Servant School  
5:00pm              Church Service with Christmas  
                                 music in the Sanctuary  
6:00pm              Potluck and Silent Auction

### Outreach Event

Bring children's books and school supplies to be  
donated to Navajo Lutheran Mission School chil-  
dren. See page 6 for more information.

**DON'T MISS OUR BIGGEST FUND-  
RAISER OF THE YEAR!!**  
**SALVdC's 4th Annual Silent Auction**  
and reunion ultreya

**Team for TIROSH Weekend # 14 is now being  
formed:**

**If God calls you to serve our youth on this week-  
end, please prayerfully consider saying "yes".**

From the Editors:

If you have a story you'd like to see in this newsletter please email it to us for review.  
The next newsletter will not be until mid March so the deadline is February 29, 2008.  
Thank you, Barry and Jennifer Noyce

Email us @: [benjmn\\_01@msn.com](mailto:benjmn_01@msn.com) (There is an underscore in there)

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**SEND CHRISTMAS  
WISHES TO LARRY  
PAXTON!!** He'd love to  
hear from you! His 'snail  
mail' address is:

c/o Evanjelicke Lyceum  
Vuanovska 2  
851 02 Bratislava  
The Slovak Republic  
or by e-mail:  
[wildcatlarry@gmail.com](mailto:wildcatlarry@gmail.com)

### Servant School

Will be given starting at  
12:00 pm on December 1

Please contact:

**Michael Eckelbarger**  
**834-2163**

Remember, Servant School is  
required to serve on team or  
to be a sponsor.



# From Secretariat



**Please pray...**  
 for the team formation and planning of  
**Southern Arizona Lutheran Tirosh**  
**#14**  
 Also pray for those who will be participating.  
 Only God knows their names.

## Your 2007

### Lay Director

Sue Jensen

### Assistant Lay Director

Michael Eckelbarger

### Treasurer

Linda Kress

### Secretary

Dorothy McLean

### Spiritual Director

Pastor Tom Duhon

### Three Day

Steve MacLellan

### Palanca

Joe Smothers

### SALT

Jim Kress

### Pre-VIA de CRISTO

Virginia Reyer

### Post-VIA de CRISTO

Laura Eskridge

### Communication

Barry and Jennifer Noyce

## **Giftcard** **Fundraiser**

- You must get the card from a VdC representative

- Gift Cards have an initial value of \$5.00. You only need one card.
- You can recharge the Gift Card at any time. The card can be recharged at any register in the store or at the Customer Service Center for any denomination between \$5 and \$500. You can use cash or a credit/debit card to recharge the Gift Card.
- When you make a purchase using the Gift Card, the balance remaining on the Gift Card will be printed at the bottom of the register receipt
- If the magnetic strip on the back of the card will not work and the card number cannot be keyed in at the register, contact the Fry's Consumer Services Department (1-800-828-5235) and you will be issued another card for the balance that is on the original card
- Recharges to the card need to be done before the cashier starts to ring up the order, so that your purchases go towards supporting VdC

Gift Cards are like cash; if they are lost or stolen, they will not be replaced

All well and good but where do we get our money from?  
**5% of everything you spend using that card comes back to Via de Cristo.**

## Did you know?

*Via de Cristo is funded solely by the generosity of its community. If each household in our current community donated \$10 per year, our weekends would be fully funded?*

*If the Lord is calling you to make a tax deductible gift, you may send it in the envelope provided to:*

**Southern Arizona Lutheran  
 Via de Cristo, P.O. Box  
 18349, Tucson, Arizona,  
 85731-8349**

## FYI - - Info & Address Changes

**You can change your address or delete your name from the mailing list on the VDC web page at:**

**[http://www.soazviadecristo.org/viadecristo/db\\_update.html](http://www.soazviadecristo.org/viadecristo/db_update.html)**

## CONTACT US:

Due to an increased amount of spam, our email addresses have been eliminated from the newsletter and the website. If you'd like to contact us, go to the website and click on the word "email" under the respective member of secretariat that you wish to contact.

~Thank you

# From Secretariat

*We would like to welcome our new pilgrims...*

## WELCOME SALVdC #23 Men and #24 Women to our community!!!

<u>Name</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Church</u>
Drew Eckert	Tanque Verde	Sandra Destefano	Resurrection
Dennis Eskridge	Our Saviour's	Kristyn Eckert	Tanque Verde
Brad Flora	Lord of Grace	Annie Horner	Community of Hope
Louis Liss	Community of Hope	Kristena Johnson	Streams in the Desert
Monty Montelongo	Lord of Grace	Beverly Kercheval	Resurrection
Bill Wardle	Streams in the Desert	Suzanne Larson	Mount Zion
Mark Wheeler	Tanque Verde	Kathy McSwain	Tanque Verde
Bill Witt	Lord of Grace	Caroline Montelongo	Lord of Grace
		Kaye Oberg	Streams in the Desert
		Shelley Richardson	Community of Hope
		Barb Wardle	Streams in the Desert
		Ginny Wheeler	Tanque Verde
		Donna Witt	Lord of Grace

## Men's and Women's Team Members

### Spiritual Director

Kim Taylor - Head Spiritual Director  
 Dan Valasakos - Spiritual Director

### Spiritual Director

Pastor Tom Dunham - Head Spiritual Director  
 Pastor Susanne Havlic - Spiritual Director

### Head Cook

Dave Strong

### Co-Cook

Dave Mathews  
 Bob Warner

### Cooks

Curt Balko  
 Art Byl  
 Robert Compton  
 Mike Eckelbarger  
 Todd Van Haren  
 Darrell Higman  
 Tim Murphy  
 Doug Pearson  
 Joe Smothers  
 Mike Stein

### Rector

Richard Krohn

### Co-Rectors

Dave Beauchamp  
 Jere Hill  
 Keith Ostrander

### Worship/Music Leader

Kees Jongsma

### Rollistas

Scotty Gulbrandsen  
 Ralph Jensen  
 Jim Meissner  
 Peter Pomonis  
 Scott Wooster

### Community Leader

Jim Stevenson

### Head Cook

Nancy Taylor

### Co-Cooks

Pat Hyland  
 Holly Henderson  
 Debi Powers

### Cooks

Laurie Altamirano  
 Ellen Beck  
 Cathy Lindsey  
 Mary Murphy  
 Jennifer Noyce  
 Dee Solis  
 Judy Strong  
 Sandie Wooster

### Rectora

Betty Whaples

### Co-Rectoras

Mary Lou Leedale  
 Barb McNaughton  
 Lynda Reeves

### Worship/Music Leader

Rhonda Warner

### Rollistas

Kathy DeVinney  
 Jane Dunfee  
 Laura Eskridge  
 Diane Hoelter  
 Jan Kremer  
 Amy Ostrander  
 Cindy Ostrander  
 Bev Pruden  
 Virginia Reymer  
 Gale Wamego  
 Vivian Wilsdon  
 DeRose Yuhuru-Ohana

### Community Leader

Marilyn Shipp

# Our VDC Community News



## ATTENTION CRAFTERS!!!

THIS SATURDAY NIGHT!!!

DECEMBER 1, 2007

SOUTHERN ARIZONA LUTHERAN VIA DE CRISTO 4TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION AND REUNION ULTREYA

ALL TALENTED PEOPLE OF  
VDC ARE NEEDED!!

SEE THE INFO ON THE NEXT PAGE  
TO SEE HOW YOU CAN HELP WITH  
OUR LARGEST FUND RAISER OF  
THE YEAR!

### Parish Representatives

#### American

Pastor Kim Taylor (acting rep)

#### Church of the King

Virginia Reymer  
(Also the Tirosh rep)

#### Community of Hope

David & Ruth Mathews  
(Sydney Corbett is the Tirosh

#### Dove of Peace

Darla Petering & Sandy Ahlers  
(Marci Hill is the Tirosh rep)

#### Faith (Tucson)

Dale & Jane Schlak

#### Lord of Grace

Richard Krohn  
(Also the Tirosh rep)

#### Mount Zion

Rhonda & Bob Warner  
(Also the Tirosh reps)

#### Our Saviour's

Laura Eskridge

#### Resurrection

Michael Eckelbarger  
(Also the Tirosh reps)

#### Streams in the Desert

Scotty Gulbrandson  
(Sandy Holm are Tirosh reps)

#### Tanque Verde

Joanna Jongsma

#### Trinity Lutheran

Nancy Taylor  
(Also the Tirosh rep)



# Our VDC Community News

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## THE 4TH ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION AND REUNION ULTREYA

The Via de Cristo Secretariat requests your participation in an auction. We are soliciting any and all of you to submit a piece of your art /craft work or services for silent auction at the December 1st Reunion Ultreya to be held at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Get your creative juices flowing and share your God-given talents at the largest Ultreya of the year!

Bidding at the auction will begin with a minimum amount that you will suggest as appropriate for your project, so be sure to mark a 'beginning bid' price on your item to help us with the bidding process.

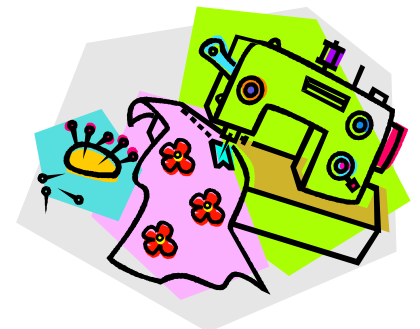
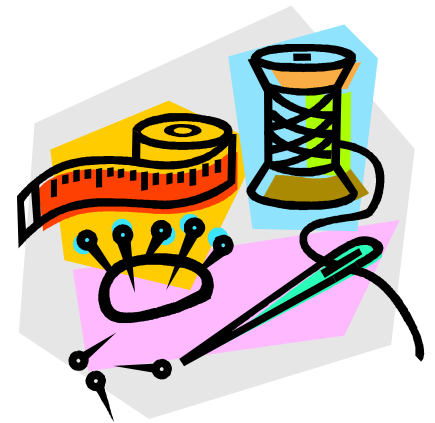
Thank you all in advance for your help.  
If you have any questions, contact:

Here are some ideas to get you started...

Basket Making  
Beading  
Candle Making  
Card Making  
Carving  
Christmas Ornaments  
Clock Making  
Cross Stitch  
Crocheting  
Drawing  
Embroidery  
Glass Art  
Glass Etching  
Glass Painting  
Knitting  
Macramé  
Metal Working  
Mosaics

Painting  
Photography  
Pottery  
Quilting Sculpture  
Sewing  
Soap Making  
Stained Glass Art  
Stamping  
Weaving  
Wood Crafts  
Wood Burning  
Wooden Toys

You can also donate:  
Services (house cleaning, landscaping, handy-work, auto repair, etc.) Baked Goods, Time Shares, Tickets for upcoming events, and the list goes on and on...



# Apostolic Action

## Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission

### Mission Statement

*The Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission, in partnership with the Navajo People and rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, is a community seeking to meet the educational, health, social and spiritual needs of the*



### Mailing Address

Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission  
P.O. Box 354, Hwy 191  
One Mission Lane  
Rock Point, AZ 86545-0354

### Phone:

Voice: (928) 659-4201  
Fax: (928) 659-4255

### On the web at:

<http://www.nelm.org>

### In addition to the "Three Rs"--

**reading, writing, and arithmetic--students at the Mission School receive spiritual guidance rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Each Wednesday, the students gather together in the House of Prayer Lutheran Church for prayer, song, and fellowship. Through the generous support and donations of Christians of all denominations, the Mission School is able to provide children with educational opportunities that complement the classroom curriculum. Over the course of the school year, church groups and individuals visit the Mission campus and offer music education and art classes.**

**NELM is an IRS 501(c)(3) Organization. Thrivent members can have their gifts matched through Thrivent's [Giving Plus](#) program. Include the form from Thrivent**

### Food Pantry

Many of our churches have food pantries that are always in need of non-perishable food.

If your church doesn't have one, call around to find one that does or you can contribute to the Community Food Bank Of Tucson.

They can be contacted at <http://communityfoodbank.org>

or  
622-0525



# A Little Humor

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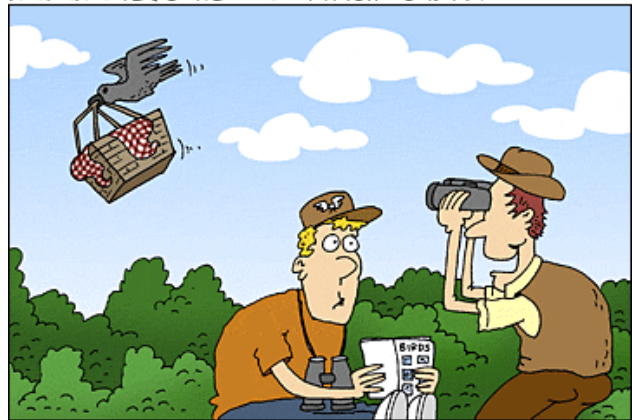


Thanks to Mikel Rice 11-02-2007

"MAN", HE THOUGHT ... "SURE HAS BEEN A WHILE SINCE OUR LAST BAPTISM"

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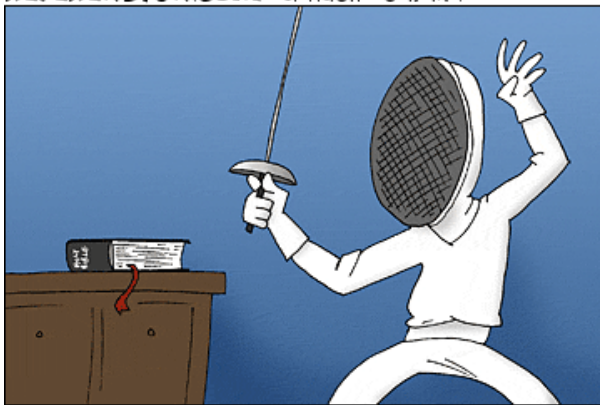
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Thanks to Dad Hengeveld (See 1Kings 17:4) 10-08-2007

GADZOOKS! I'VE SPOTTED THE ELUSIVE ELIJAH-RAVEN

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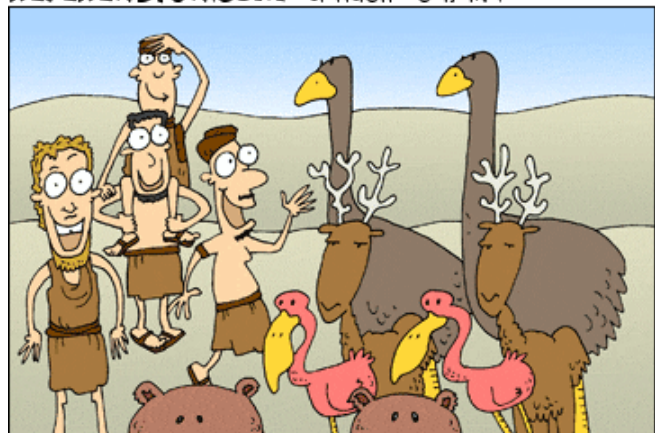


Thanks to Joshua Zambrano (See Hebrews 4:12) 11-12-2007

ZACH WAS INTERESTED IN READING THE BIBLE, BUT WASN'T TAKING ANY CHANCES WITH THE RUMORS OF ITS DOUBLE-EDGED

SWOOD POTENTIAL

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(See Genesis 6-8) 11-14-2007

YO, WHAT'R WE MISSIN'? ... IS THERE A CELEB OR SOMETHING?

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Thanks to Mikel Rice 11-09-2007

THAT WAS 40 MINUTES OF 'FINGERNAILS ON A BLACKBOARD' ... COMING UP AT THE TOP OF THE HOUR, 30 MINUTES OF 'WHINING CHILDREN'



EVERY DAY I COME HERE AND PRAY FOR A SIGN, BUT I'M STARTING TO THINK THAT I'M NEVER GOING TO GET ONE

10-22-2007