



# Knights In Action

Council 2506 Waconia, MN

May 2024

## Faith, Family, & Baseball with Dick Bremer Held May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Former MN Twins announcer, Dick Bremer, spoke at the KC “Faith, Family, and Baseball” luncheon on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. About 100+ people heard Dick share stories of his baseball broadcasting career and faith lessons he learned along the way. Thanks to Dick and especially Father Stan who helped make the connection and arrangements for Dick to speak at the event. Also, a big **THANK YOU** to all who helped with this special KC event. See photos and the video of Dick’s talk on the KC website at [www.waconiaknights2506.org](http://www.waconiaknights2506.org).



## Klein Drive Park is Open

Klein Drive Park is open! The Knights opened the park and the facilities for the season (May 1st - Oct 1st). Opportunities to rent the park for your events may be found on our website: <https://www.waconiaknights2506.org> Contact Adam Hughes 612-419-3718

## Knights Scholarship – Open for Applications - Due June 1st

The Waconia Knights of Columbus is accepting applications from those students entering their freshman year of college in 2024 and whose father or grandfather is a member in good standing in council 2506. To apply, students must complete the Knights of Columbus Council 2506 Application for College Tuition Scholarship by June 1. The application is available online at the Waconia Knights website [www.waconiaknights2506.org](http://www.waconiaknights2506.org) or can be picked up in the St Joseph STEM School office. Please submit completed applications by email to [waconiaknights@gmail.com](mailto:waconiaknights@gmail.com). The Knights believe that service in the parish and community are very important in shaping Christian values and will be a key element of successful applicants.

## Next KC Meeting

Our next Officer meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm followed by the General Member Meeting at 7:00 pm at Klein Drive Park. The Officer Election for fraternal year 2024 – 2025 will be held at this meeting. See the slate of nominated officers in this newsletter. Snacks and beverages will be served along with shared fraternity from our brother Knights.



# Knights In Action

Council 2506 Waconia, MN

May 2024

## Council 2506 achieves K C State awards

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, Grand Knight Chuck Walerius and Brother Knight and Past State Deputy Joe Konrardy, along with District Deputy John Short, attended the 2024 Knights of Columbus State Convention in Brainerd Minnesota. At the convention during the awards luncheon, Council 2506 received three major awards.

The first one was 1<sup>st</sup> Place for the Faith in Action category for our Catholic Man Program where we are currently going through the “Into the Breach” Series. This program idea will now move on to the International Competition with Supreme.



The second award was for Outstanding Overall Program in the State, which is given each year to the council with the best all-around event programming. It was an honor receiving this award in recognition of the hard work of our council during the past year. The Third award was an award for the best PR event brochure in the State. Our respect for Life Event sign designed by Past grand Knight John Short was submitted and won the award.

Thanks to everyone for their involvement in all council programs as the awards are results of the efforts and hard work of the entire council. It is a great honor for Council 2506 for sure!

## Knight of the Month – Helping in Many Ways

On behalf of council 2506, I want to extend our sincerest gratitude to our Knight of the Month **Marv Rademacher**. Marv’s commitment to ensuring the success of our fish fries has not gone unnoticed, and we are incredibly grateful for his efforts. Marv would be there every Thursday afternoon at 2:00 PM for the start of prep work, including setting the fish out for thawing, and would stay until all work was done late in the afternoon. He would also be one of the first ones to show up on Friday morning around 6:00 AM to collect the thawed fish to make ready for the evening’s fry. And then, Marv would again be one of the first ones to arrive for the start of the fish fry later in the day. His willingness to lend a hand, his positive attitude, and his tireless work ethic have truly made a difference in the success of our fish fries. Whether it was helping with setup, cooking, serving, or cleanup, his presence and hard work were invaluable. Once again, thank you, Marv, for all that you do.



## Grand Knight Corner – Grateful for our Mothers

The Knights of Columbus are leading the Novena (prayer) for Life which concludes on Mother's Day. We are grateful for all our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, and expectant mothers who care for our children. Your love, guidance, and support have shaped us into the people we are today. Your sacrifices and your dedication to your families is a true inspiration.

As Knights of Columbus, we are committed to supporting and honoring the dignity of every human life, and we recognize the invaluable role that mothers play in this mission. We vow to continue to work to build a culture that values and uplifts motherhood and to support you in all your efforts. On Mother's Day, we honor and celebrate you. May God bless you and grant you the strength, joy, and peace that you deserve.

### Happy Mother's Day!

"As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you" Isaiah 66:13

Chuck Walerius, Grand Knight

## Consecration to the Holy Family - June 8-16

Families today face many struggles, both through cultural pressure and through the personal struggles that accompany family life. Despite these struggles families have great capacity for love and joy, a joy that is strengthened through the peace and truth found in Christ. To assist families in living out this joy of Christ, Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori has composed a [prayer](#) through which families may come together to consecrate themselves under the protection of the Holy Family. We invite every family of our parish to engage in the Consecration to the Holy Family June 8-16. Contact John Short 612-281-6215

## Upcoming Events

Below is a list of the upcoming KC events in May - June. See final details for these events in upcoming newsletters and on the Waconia Knights website.

**Eucharistic Pilgrimage** – May 17-18 Bemidji, contact **John Short** 612-281-6215

**Election of Officers** – May 21st 7:00 pm Klein Drive Park

**KC Scholarship Applications Due** – June 1<sup>st</sup> contact **Chuck Walerius** 952-270-4706

**Consecration to the Holy Family** – June 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, contact **Nick Kehtel** 218-393-2805

**The Catholic Man** – First Wednesday of each month 7:00 PM Klein Dr. Park – **ALL WELCOME!**

**Respect Life Picnic** – August 4<sup>th</sup> at Klein Drive Park – Coordinator **John Short**



# Knights In Action

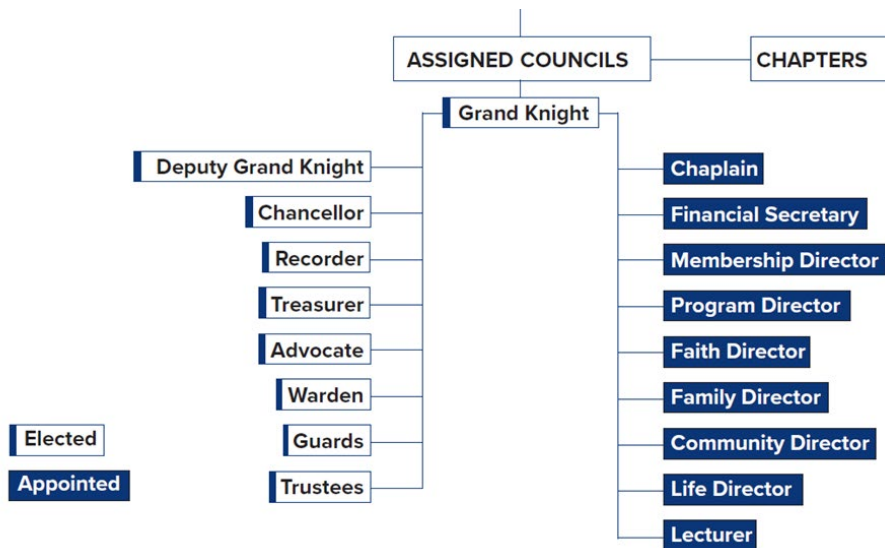
Council 2506 Waconia, MN

May 2024

## Council #2506 Slate of Officer Candidates – 2024-2025

Please submit any additional candidates to [waconiaknights@gmail.com](mailto:waconiaknights@gmail.com)

|   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Grand Knight.....Chuck Walerius           | Warden.....Greg Fruhwirth       |
| Deputy Grand Knight.....Charlie Loegering | Inside Guard.....James Vettel   |
| Chancellor.....Nick Kehtel                | Outside Guard.....Nate Matousek |
| Recording Secretary.....Joe Eiden         | 3 Year Trustee.....John Short   |
| Treasurer.....Josh Bovee                  | 2 Year Trustee.....Adam Hughes  |
| Advocate.....Fred Bleedorn                | 1 year Trustee.....Kurt Siebert |



Unless there are any new nominations, the Officers listed above will be voted on using White Ballott.

### 2023-2024 Officers

Chaplain.....Father Stan Mader 952-442-2384  
 Grand Knight..... Chuck Walerius 952-270-4706  
 Deputy Grand Knight... Charlie Loegering 612-670-2752  
 Chancellor.....Nick Kehtel 218-393-2805  
 Recording Secretary.....Joe Eiden 612-751-2924  
 Financial Secretary.....Chris Parker 651-226-2835  
 Treasurer.....Josh Bovee 612-298-0732  
 Lecturer.....Deacon Greg Miller 914-843-7973  
 Advocate.....Fred Bleedorn 913-220-4667  
 Warden.....Greg Fruhwirth 970-556-5510  
 Inside Guard.....James Vettel 612-619-7741  
 Outside Guard.....Nate Matousek 612-875-2986  
 3 Year Trustee.....John Short 612-281-6215  
 2 Year Trustee.....Adam Hughes 612-419-3718  
 1 Year Trustee.....Kurt Siebert 952-250-0201

### Committees

Program Director..Charlie Loegering 612-670-2752  
 Life.....Charlie Loegering 612-670-2752  
 Community.....Adam Hughes 612-419-3718  
 Faith.....Nick Kehtel 218-393-2805  
 Family.....Matt Turek 952-454-4617  
 Membership.....John Short 612-281-6215  
 Church Liaison.....James Vettel 612-619-7741  
 Communications.....John Short 612-281-6215

### KLEIN DRIVE PARK

Available to rent May 1st through Oct 1st  
 - Shelter - Electricity - Soft Ball Field  
 - Volleyball - Bathrooms - Full Kitchen  
 Rental Contact: Adam Hughes 612-419-3718  
 Winter boat storage: Roger Buesgens 952-442-2527