



# Knights In Action

Council 2506 Waconia, MN

June 2022

## Knights Congratulate Father Stan on 30 Year Anniversary

Thank you to all the Knights and volunteers that served over 200 guests who helped make this Memorial Day Picnic special for Fr. Stan as he celebrated his 30th year ordination anniversary! Fr. Stan expresses much gratitude for this joy-filled celebration. Congratulations Fr. Stan from the Knights of Columbus on your first 30 years in the priesthood!



## Waconia Knights Support New Ultrasound Machine for SWOW

The Waconia Knights donated \$2000 in partnership with the Chanhassen Knights and other surrounding KC Councils to support the purchase of a new ultrasound machine for Southwest Options for Women (SWOW). The funds raised through area councils and personal donations will be matched by the Supreme Knights of Columbus to buy the new \$38,000+ ultrasound machine. The new machines 3D technology will have a profoundly positive impact to clients and facilitates texting of high-resolution images to clients to promote the choice of life.



## Congratulations to Hayden Sieve - International Free Throw Champion

The Waconia Knights of Columbus are excited to announce that Hayden Sieve not only won the Minnesota State KC Free Throw Championship, but he was also awarded the **International Free Throw Champion for 12 year old boys**. With thousands of participants, this accomplishment puts Hayden at a level with the best in the world in the KC Free Throw Championship competition. Stay tuned for a formal recognition for Hayden this fall.



## Consecration to the Holy Family - June 4-19

The Waconia Knights, in partnership with St Joseph Catholic Community, launched the Consecration to the Holy Family on June 3-4. To assist families in living out the joy of Christ, families can come together through a [prayer](#) 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 and join us in prayer on Father's Day, June 19th. Contact Rob Christenson 763-232-0571.



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## Knights of the Month – Humble and Kind

Our Knight of the Month is humble and kind. These two virtues defines each interaction he has with fellow Knights, church, and community. He is always there willing to give a helping hand and does so consistently when help is needed most. He’s encouraged his son to become a Knight, joining him on his journey to become a third degree this year. A Catholic father that does good things for the good of others with humility and kindness are just a few of the qualities that make Andy Kleindl our “Knight of the Month”. A big thank you to Andy for your support and many years of service to the Knights, our parish, and community.

## Tootsie Roll Drive a Success Helping God’s Special Children

The Knights held the annual “Tootsie Roll Drive” on May 21-22 raising a total of \$1,273.81 for the Special Olympics and people with intellectual disabilities. Thank you to all the Knights that helped make this a successful event and all those that donated. If you weren’t able to make this event and still would like to help God's special children, please go online to make a donation at <https://www.waconiaknights2506.org/donations.php>. Thank you for your support of the Special Olympics and the Knights of Columbus.

## Officer Election Results and Proposed Changes

The officer election was held at the May general meeting with the results listed below. After reviewing and updating our officer succession plan, proposed changes will be made at the next general meeting and voted on to amend some of the new officer positions. The proposed changes are as follows: Charlie Loegering nominated as Chancellor and Fred Bleedorn nominated as 1 Year Trustee. A vote will be held at the general meeting that reflect these changes.

### 2022-2023 Officer Election Results and Proposed Amended Positions

- Grand Knight.....John Short
- Deputy Grand Knight.....Chuck Walerius
- Chancellor.....Fred Bleedorn (proposed change to Charles Loegering)
- Recording Secretary.....Joe Eiden
- Treasurer.....Open
- Advocate.....Jake Grassel
- Warden.....Chris Carson
- Inside Guard.....Rob Christenson
- Outside Guard.....Nate Matousek
- 3 Year Trustee.....Adam Hughes
- 2 Year Trustee.....Kurt Siebert
- 1 Year Trustee.....Ken Gerding (proposed change to Fred Bleedorn)



## Proposed Bylaw Changes

Knights of Columbus Supreme has created a 'shell' of Standard By-Laws that can be used by all Knights of Columbus Councils. Council 2506 existing By-Laws have been compared to the KofC Supreme 'shell' of standard By-Laws. Included in this newsletter, are two pages that explain the By-Laws that will be updated. Overall, these By-Law Updates will have no impact on the day to day operations of Council 2506. Council 2506 Officers recommend approval of these updates at the June Council 2506 Membership Meeting.

## Next KC Meeting

Our next Officer meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 21st at 6:00 pm followed by the General Member Meeting at 7:00 pm at **Klein Drive Park**. This meeting will include installation of officers for the upcoming fraternal year. Wives are welcome to join this meeting and all of the general meetings through September at Klein Drive Park. Cheese sandwiches will be served along with shared fraternity from our brother Knights. See you then!

## Upcoming Events

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

Officer Installation – June 21<sup>st</sup> Klein Drive Park

KC Family Week and Fun Fest – July 31 – August 7<sup>th</sup> contact Nate Matousek 612-875-2986

The Catholic Man – men's study group – starting September contact John Short 612-281-6215

## KC Calendar Invitations

We're going to try something new with KC Calendaring where you will receive a calendar invitation for upcoming KC meetings and events. You can accept, reject or ignore the invitations. Hopefully this will make it easier for everyone to track upcoming events that use an online calendar. If you don't want to receive the calendar invitations, please send an email to [waconiaknights@gmail.com](mailto:waconiaknights@gmail.com) requesting to be removed from the calendar invitations list. As always please provide your feedback on this program or any other KC programs.



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## Grand Knight Corner – Leading the Domestic Church

“We are in a Post Christian Sate” said bishop Cousins recently at the State KC Convention. Hearing this from the bishop was a shock, knowing it is true reminded me of the importance of the Domestic Church in today’s secular society. The Domestic Church is believing that how you live your faith in your families, parish, and community has a ripple effect that changes the world. The Knights take a leadership role in our council, our families, and our parish in becoming the domestic church. Many resources are available from the Knights of Columbus to help one another lead and build the Domestic Church together through faith, love, and prayer. Please visit the KC Domestic Church Kiosk in the narthex of the church or visit the [Domestic Church Series](#) to learn more and fulfill the vision of bringing faith to our families, church and community.

John Short, Grand Knight

### 2021-2022 Officers

Chaplain.....Father Stan Mader 952-442-2384  
 Grand Knight.....John Short 612-281-6215  
 Deputy Grand Knight..... Chuck Walerius 952-270-4706  
 Chancellor.....Fred Bleedorn 913-220-4667  
 Recording Secretary.....Joe Eiden 612-751-2924  
 Financial Secretary.....Mark Larsen 952-412-8347  
 Treasurer.....Open  
 Lecturer.....Deacon Greg Miller 914-843-7973  
 Advocate.....Jake Grassel 763-443-2589  
 Warden.....Chris Carson 515-554-0919  
 Inside Guard.....Rob Christenson 763-232-0571  
 Outside Guard.....Nate Matousek 612-875-2986  
 3 Year Trustee.....Adam Hughes 612-419-3718  
 2 Year Trustee.....Kurt Siebert 952-250-0201  
 1 Year Trustee.....Ken Gerding 952-442-4357

### Committees

Parish Liaison.....Adam Hughes 612-419-3718  
 Communications.....John Short 612-281-6215  
 Life.....Charlie Loegering 612-670-2752  
 Community.....Adam Hughes 612-419-3718  
 Faith.....John Short 612-281-6215  
 Family.....Chris Carson 515-988-8888  
 Membership.....Ken Gerding 952-442-4357  
 Member Retention..... 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



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## Council 2506 By-Laws - Propose Updates - April 29, 2022

Knights of Columbus Supreme has a By-Laws 'shell' on their database. KofC Supreme recommends that Councils use this 'shell' for their By-Laws. If the Local Council has some By-Laws different and/or in addition to KofC Supreme By-Laws, those By-Laws are typed on a separate sheet of paper and kept with the By-Laws booklets. Local Councils cannot added and/or change any of the By-Laws in the 'shell'.

Comparing current Council 2506 By-Laws to KofC Supreme By-Laws 'shell', there are some differences in the different Articles Section. Council 2506 Officers are asking Council 2506 Membership to approve moving to the KofC Supreme 'shell', understanding the following "notable" differences:

### ARTICLE I

Section 3. Council 2506 = Honorary Members pay \$15.00. Supreme = except honorary members who shall pay the sum of State and Supreme Council per capita charges and levies,. **Council 2506 Officers recommend we keep the \$15.00 in our By-Laws, and would be on a separate sheet of paper.**

### ARTICLE II - Elections

Section 1. Council 2506 = May 15 to June 15 Supreme - May 1 and June 15

Section 2. Council 2506 = (nothing) Supreme - Voting by absentee ballot is prohibited.

### ARTICLE IV - Meetings

Section 1. Council 2506 = "first and third Tuesday each month" Supreme = Monthly council meetings and officers planning meeting shall be held at a date, time and location established by Council.

### ARTICLE VI - Committees

For Section 1, recommend membership update Council 2506 Committee Titles to agree with Supreme, as Supreme has updated their verbiage to current titles as shown in their documentation.

The following Sections are current Council 2506 By-Laws, BUT are 'NOT' mentioned in Supreme's By-Laws 'shell'.

### ARTICLE VII - Funds

#### Building Fund

Section 5. All moneys received on account of initiation fees and five percent (5%) of all moneys received on account of dues shall be deposited in a special fund to be known as the "Building Fund" of this Council, and such funds, together with the interest thereon, shall be maintained for the purpose of providing and maintaining a permanent home for the Council. **Council 2506 Officers recommend the 'Building Fund' be removed from our By-Laws.**

### ARTICLE VIII - Funerals, Etc.



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Section 2. Last part of paragraph: the Memorial Committee shall arrange to have Five Masses said for the repose of the soul of the deceased. **Council 2506 Officers recommend this 'wording' be removed from our By-Laws.**

Section 3. The Council shall receive Holy Communion in a body during the Easter period, at a time and place to be determined by vote of the Council. **Council 2506 Officers recommend this 'wording' be removed from our By-Laws.**

**ADD to Council 2506 By-Laws: Council 2506 shall have a Monthly Mass said for the Deceased Members of Council 2506.**

For all Members Awareness: Following are the 'entries' that would be made to Supreme By-Laws shell, based on the current By-Laws documentation of Council 2506:

## ARTICLE I

Section 2. Initiation Amount = \$10.00

Section 3. Council Dues Amount = \$30.00

Section 4. FS Percent Amount = 10%

## ARTICLE IV - Meetings

Section 1. Council Quorum Number = 6

## ARTICLE VII - Funds

Section 3. Council Maximum Amount = \$500.00

## ARTICLE IX - Miscellaneous

These By-Laws adopted by vote of the Council xx/xx/xxxx

This document was prepared by Fred Bleedorn - Chancellor