

FAMILY of the YEAR



Entry Form

Jurisdiction: Indiana

Date: 02/14/2017

Instructions

Local Councils: To enter your "Family of the Year" into state/provincial competition, complete this form and forward it to the state deputy. Additional paper may be used if space allocated is not sufficient. Photographs, news clippings, letters of commendation or other special exhibits may be included. **Note: individual jurisdictions set their own deadlines for state/provincial competitions, so watch for deadline dates or contact the state deputy.**

State Council: Select **one** entry to honor as state/provincial "Family of the Year." Submit that entry form, with the state deputy's signature and all collateral material, to the Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Services by **June** for consideration in the International "Family of the Year" competition.

A. Personal Data

Member's Name: Brett Striegel



Number

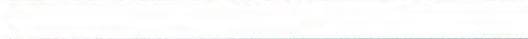
Wife's Name: Paula

Children/Ages:



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Home Address: [Redacted]

Home Telephone: [Redacted]

Business Telephone: [Redacted]

Parish: St Thomas More

Pastor: Rev Francis Joseph Kalapurackal

Address: [Redacted]

Telephone: [Redacted]

B. Knights of Columbus Data

Family nominated by Council 7431

(Number)

in Mooresville IN

(Location)

For how many years has husband/father been a member of the Knights of Columbus?

14 years

Positions (offices/program directorships/chairmanships/committee assignments) held:

Warden, Recorder, Treasurer, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, Trustee
Membership director, Special Olympics Ambassador, Family Chairman, Chairman of annual Fish Fry
Church Board officer for 4 years.
YMCA board of directors for 3 years
Monthly Social chairman and Cook for 4 years.
Monthly Breakfast chairman and cook for 4 years

Explain the entire family's involvement within the Knights of Columbus:

STM annual Applefest Festival cooking, parking, security, setup, tear down
3rd Sunday of the month breakfast, shopping, cooking, cleaning
Halloween Hike passing out candy to children
Tootsie Roll Drive
Old Settlers Parade, local parade in the fall, prior to our food tent at the local park. Food tent worker for 3 days each year.
Server, Eucharistic Minister, usher, church door ambassador

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C. Family Involvement

Explain the entire family's involvement within the Church:

Kids are servers and video display for Mass. Eucharistic Minister, Adoration Chapel, ushers.



Explain the entire family's involvement within the community:

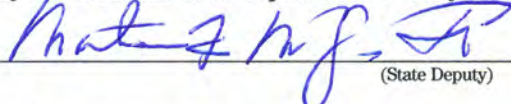
Brett: EMS, EMS 4 Wheel Drive, Southwest Indy fire department, teacher volunteer, volunteer Lifeline pilot
Paula: teacher at grade school
Ethan: Boy Scouts, Order of the Arrow, Life Scout, school activities with food drive
Ashli: Band, Track, MHS Cheer, and Choir

Explain why this family was chosen as the "model" family in your jurisdiction. Why does this family deserve the distinction of being named "Knights of Columbus Family of the Year"?

Listed above are short descriptions and items. When the Striegel family is seen in church, they have some assigned tasks, but the beauty is their versatility in picking up nearly any task and completing it. They are a family at church to serve, participate, each in their own way but all together as a family.
When the church has festivals, cookouts, parade; if you see one Striegel, you will see them all. Brett has Ethan by his side. Paula has Ashli. They have to share Isabel. The Striegel family will be at most church socials. They don't walk in and sit, they ask what can be done; and if you don't give them an assignment, they will take it upon themselves to help.
Besides the church, they are an active community family. School activities with a Striegel will involve the family there to cheer on their child and all the children.

For State Council Use Only:

This family has been chosen state/provincial "Family of the Year."

Attest: 
(State Deputy)

NOTE: Submit winning entry to Supreme Council Department of Fraternal Services, 1 Columbus Plaza, New Haven, CT 06510-3326.
All entries must reach the Supreme Council office by June 10 to qualify.

February 20, 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

I am highly recommending Brett Striegel and his family for the Knights of Columbus "Family of the Year" award. Brett and his wife Paula have been members of St. Thomas More Catholic Church since 2001. They have 3 children who all are active in various church programs. Brett is an EMS in the community, works with the Southwest Indy fire department, a teacher volunteer and volunteer Lifeline pilot. His wife is an elementary teacher, and his children outside of church are involved in scouts, school activities, food drives, band, track cheerleading and choir.

Brett has been an active member of the Knights of Columbus for 14 years. He has held many offices from Warden to Grand Knight. Brett served on the parish Council at St. Thomas More for 4 years, the YMCA board of directors for 3 years, Monthly social chairman and cook for 4 years and the monthly breakfast chairman and cook for 4 years. Brett is currently a Eucharistic Minister, Usher, church door ambassador, and is an active participant in our Adoration Chapel. His children are altar servers, they run the video display for Mass, and assist their parents in tasks that need to be done.

Brett and his family have volunteered many years and have put in many hours at our annual parish applefest: cooking, parking, security, setup, and tear down, just to name a few. Brett has also volunteered many hours to the Mooresville Community. Some of his activities include assisting at the Halloween Hike passing out candy, volunteering many hours at the Mooresville Old Settlers Fair (a 3 day event), participating in their parade and helping in the K of C food tent.

When the Striegel family is seen at church or in the community, they are always together, participating and working together. If you see one Striegel, you will see them all at almost every church activity and social.

The Striegel family is a hard working and dedicated family to church and community.

Sincerely,

Fr. Francis Joseph Kalapurackal, Administrator
St. Thomas More Catholic Church

February 27, 2017

Re: Brett Striegel Family

To whom it may concern:

My name is Maureen Shea and I am Coordinator of Music and Liturgy at St. Thomas More in Mooresville. I have known Brett and Paula since they came in 2001. I have enjoyed watching their family grow.

Brett is very active in Knights of Columbus and is always ready to help where there's a need. He is also an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. The whole family serves as ushers frequently and are projectionists at least once a week. The children have been/ are altar servers, lectors and singers.

The whole family is very giving and selfless. There's nothing I could ask of them that they wouldn't do if possible. The children are very sensitive, caring and responsible, which I believe comes from their parents.

We are extremely blessed to have the Striegel family here at St. Thomas More!

Sincerely,

Maureen Shea