

**GUIDELINES FOR ARCHBISHOP  
BERGAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
HONORARY KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND  
TABLE**

In order to honor those people who have shown outstanding dedication to the continuation of Catholic education at Archbishop Bergan Catholic School, we established the Knights of the Round Table and the Honorary Bergan Knight Awards.

These awards will be given annually during Catholic Schools Week. The Honorary Bergan Knight will be selected from past and present members of the Knights of the Round Table.

These selections are based on the following criteria:

1. Nominee supports the philosophy, goals, and objectives of Archbishop Bergan Catholic School.
2. Nominee may be (has been) a professional employee or volunteer, or a nonprofessional employee or volunteer, or a significant contributor to the educational mission of Archbishop Bergan Catholic School.
3. Nominee must give (has given) evidence of superior talent, skill, or competency which contributes (has contributed) in an outstanding way to the quality of educational opportunity at Archbishop Bergan Catholic School.
4. Nominee has rendered service to Catholic education such as:
  - a. Committee Work
  - b. Volunteer
  - c. Support Organizations
  - d. Substantial Financial Support
  - e. Outstanding Employee Service

**NOMINATION PROCEDURE**

All nominations must be submitted to the Principal of Archbishop Bergan Catholic. Nominations will be accepted from anyone. Nominations will be called for through the St. Patrick's Parish Bulletin. Organizations (Faculty/Staff, Bergan Board of Education, Parish Council) will be solicited for nominations.

Deadline for nominations will be the Monday in January before Catholic Schools Week.

Previous recipients are listed below:  
**KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE:**

- \* Denotes Knight of the Year
- 1986 Mary Mahlberg\*
  - 1987 Mae Morrissey \*
  - 1987 Loretta Vance
  - 1987 Gerhold Concrete Products
  - 1987 Lorraine Kallhoff
  - 1988 Gary Schmidt\*
  - 1988 Don Emanuel
  - 1988 Margaret (Muzzy) Barton
  - 1989 Neil Feser \* 1995
  - 1989 Richard Vance
  - 1989 John Tharp
  - 1989 Jan Ortmeier\*
  - 1990 Joe Vojtech\*
  - 1990 Leona Kasel
  - 1990 Sandra Wiebold
  - 1990 Dorothy Cajka
  - 1991 Tom Stover
  - 1991 Sr. Elizabeth Ruskamp\* 1994
  - 1991 Fr. Charles Swanson\*
  - 1991 Joe Cajka
  - 1991 Jerry Mahlberg
  - 1991 Robert Vance, Sr.
  - 1992 Pete Dahlhauser \* 1993
  - 1992 Harvey Hunke\*
  - 1992 Rita Stieren
  - 1992 Bob Warner
  - 1992 Joe Wojtkiewicz
  - 1993 Walter Day
  - 1993 Richard Foxhoven 1999\*

1993 John E. Gibney  
1993 Carol Slupe  
1993 Dianne Vyhldal  
1994 Sr. Elizabeth Ruskamp\*  
1994 Steve Kneifl  
1994 Patricia Kassmeier  
1994 Robert Hegemann  
1994 Betty Feldhaus 2000\*  
1994 Renee Bittner  
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\* Denotes Knight of the Year

1995 Kitty Micek  
1995 Elaine Moore  
1995 Paige Beard  
1995 Walt Shacklett  
1995 Jay Berry  
1995 Lawrence & Etta Emanuel  
1995 JoAnn Kassmeier  
1996 Randy Eikmeier\*  
1996 John Blide  
1996 Dan Mueller  
1996 Marilyn Austin  
1996 Juanita Henderson  
1996 Mary Baum  
1997 Don Evert\*  
1997 Bob Brown  
1997 Renee Brown  
1997 Ranae Rogers  
1997 Fr. Frank Lordemann  
1997 Marie Peatrowsky  
1997 Sue Wewel  
1998 Msgr. John Flynn\*  
1998 Kory Miller  
1998 Deanne Wieneke & Gene Wieneke  
1998 Paul Meister & Lee Meister  
1998 Jim Feldhaus  
1998 Marilyn Olson  
1998 Vic Henry  
1999 Amy Brandert  
1999 Lloyd Brooks  
1999 Larry Kreikemeier  
1999 Shirley Kreikemeier  
1999 Rob Kreikemeier  
1999 Marci McElroy

1999 Jean Muller  
1999 Judy Nelson  
1999 Carol Schmidt  
2000 – Charlie & Mary Lou Diers  
2000 Betty Feldhaus\*  
2000 Nancy Knoell  
2000 Joanne Leriger  
2000 Steve Narans  
2000 Jacqueline Roumph  
2000 Darlene Saeger  
2000 – Gene & Peg Steffensmeier  
2000 Cindy Uhlik  
2001 Diane Vyhldal\*  
2001 Jeanne Boesch  
2001 Michelle Emanuel  
2001 Mike Emanuel  
2001 Nick Herrman  
2001 Fr. Owen Korte  
2001 Kathy Molle  
2001 Julie O'Hanlon  
2001 Sherry Thompson  
2001 Toni Vering  
2001 Sue Wilczynski  
2002 Judi Boggy  
2002 Amy Brandert  
2002 Mary Coday  
2002 Tom Coday  
2002 Jerry Delaney  
2002 Allan Kassmeier  
2002 Steve Kneiff\*  
2002 Helen Krause  
2002 Larry Moore  
2002 Jeff Rump  
2002 Debbie Rump  
2003 Brad Anderson & Sue Anderson  
2003 Tom Brown\*  
2003 Tom Kimminau  
2003 Lisa Leatherbury  
2003 Jan Stieren  
2004 Dan Boesch  
2004 Katherine Griffen\*  
2004 Doreen Kaspar  
2004 Diana Meiergerd  
2004 Brad Porter & Mary Porter  
2004 Andree Towey & Don Towey

2005 Ron Beacom  
2005 Kate Hurst & Marcus Hurst  
2005 Beth Johns & Jeff Johns  
2005 Allan Kassmeier\*  
2005 Diane Swanson & Scott Swanson  
2005 Jim Wewel & Jodi Wewel  
2005 Dan Wiesen & Kathy Wiesen  
2006 – Dottie Anderson  
2006 – Jeanne Boesch\*  
2006 – Monte Brown & Jenise Brown  
2006 – Roger Goree & Rita Goree  
2006 – Micky Jacobs  
2006 – Sue Kassmeier  
2006 – Roger Ortmeier  
2006 – Lynnette Sellon  
2006 – Jeff Wilmes & Beth Wilmes  
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\* Denotes Knight of the Year

2007 – Brad Anderson\*  
2007 – Rick Leonard  
2007 – Gary & Sandy Liekhus  
2007 – Todd & Judy Miles  
2007 – Shannon Morrissey  
2007 – Chris Rainforth  
2007 – Chris & Lynne Walz  
2008 – Ruth & Marlin Binnebose  
2008 – Karie & Lyle Boggs  
2008 – Duane Johnson  
2008 – Knights of Columbus  
2008 – Melinda Madsen  
2008 – James Meiergerd  
2008 – Chris Paulson  
2008 – Lynnette Sellon\*  
2009 – Julie Diers  
2009 – Jeff Engel  
2009 – Mary Glowacki  
2009 – Elaine Moore\*  
2009 – Jane Rasmussen  
2009 – Les & Koni Shallberg  
2009 – Matt & Julie Sleister  
2009 – Pat Wendt  
2010 – Tim Burger  
2010 – Ronda Burger  
2010 – Bill Ekeler

2010 – Heather Ekeler  
2010 – Terry Kempf  
2010 – Fr. Owen Korte\*  
2010 – Jan Leslie  
2010 – Kim Mruz  
2010 – Scott Painter  
2011 – Kurt Bottorff  
2011 – Christy Conrad  
2011 – Mike & Kim Dieckmann  
2011 – Mary Beth Hilbers  
2011 – Micky Jacobs\*  
2011 – Joe Uhlik  
2014 – Fr. Dave Belt\*  
2014 – Ryan Bojanski  
2014 – Sue Engel  
2014 – T. J. Folkers  
2014 – Jeremy Karmann  
2014 – Fr. James Keiter\*  
2014 – Phil Lutz  
2014 – Don Ortmeier  
2014 – Kerri Pentel  
2014 – Bill Vobejda  
2014 – Joan Vobejda  
2015 – Larry & Pat Fisher  
2015 – Karl Fryklind  
2015 – Dave Mendlik  
2015 – Joan Tainter  
2015 – Dennis & Jacque Witthuhn  
2015 – Joe Wojtkiewicz\*  
2016 – MaryLynne Bolden  
2016 – John Prauner  
2016 – Curtis Marolf  
2016 – Lori McIntyre  
2016 – Tabitha Sheets  
2016 – Wendy Kerkaert  
2016 – Marcus & Kate Hurst\*  
2017 – Becky Dahlhauser  
2017 – Angie Kempf  
2017 – Terry Kempf  
2017 – Chris Janke  
2017 – Kris Janke  
2017 – Jessica Koenig  
2017 – Seth Mruz  
2017 – Shalynn O’Neill  
2017 – Kristi Sendgraff

2017 – Paul Sendgraff  
2017 – Charlie & Mary Lou Diers\*  
2018 – Steve Gossett  
2018 – Jill Gossett  
2018 – Gene Kassmeier  
2018 – Misti Wolf  
2018 – Jeremy Murman  
2018 – Matt Mueller  
2018 – Therese Hoyle  
2018 – Bonnie Nebuda  
2018 – Les & Koni Shallberg\*  
2019 – Karl Fryklind  
2019 – Andrea Ridder  
2019 – Rich Roeder  
2019 – Wyatt Morse  
2019 – Dave & Mary Shrader  
2019 – Jeff & Beth Wilmes\*  
2020 – Tad Dinkins  
2020 – Chris Kabes  
2020 – Karen Kortan  
2020 – Jennifer Powers  
2020 – Rich Ray  
2020 – Lyle & Karie Boggs\*  
2021 – Brock Rogers  
2021 – Deb Kingston  
2021 – Pat Brannen  
2021 – Fr. Walter Nolte  
2021 – Doug Moore  
2021 – Jim & Kim Peitzmeier  
2021 – Papa Trucking & Grading  
2021 – Knights of Columbus #1497\*  
2022 – Nate Pribnow  
2022 – Brenda Kohl  
2022 – Dan & Cheryl Koenig  
2022 – Nichole Owsley  
2022 – Cindy Nielsen  
2022 – Terry & Janice Nosal  
2022 – Jake Herre  
2022 – Lynn Dinkins  
2022 – Chris Rainforth\*

### **2022 Knights of the Roundtable Award Winners**

#### **Nate Pribnow...**

Nate is the epitome of what a staff member at Bergan Catholic should be. A phenomenal

classroom educator, a successful coach in athletics and a selfless individual that gives countless hours to our school. Nate has spent the past twelve years as a Math & Science instructor and a Football, Girls Basketball and Track & Field coach inspiring the students at Bergan Middle/High School to be the best that they can be. His example of giving his time and talent in forming young people is truly what we are attempting to instill into our students at Bergan.

#### **Brenda Kohl...**

Raising additional funds outside of the school budget is an important part of supporting a parochial school. Brenda has taken on this responsibility in vigorously operating and driving the success of our annual seed & plant sales. Thousands of dollars have been raised to support the mission of Bergan Catholic because of the efforts of Brenda, Jessica Marsh, Therese Hoyle & Scott Painter. Thanks to volunteers like Brenda, we are able to continue to offer a private, Catholic education to the youth of the Fremont area. Thank you Brenda Kohl for your valuable service to Bergan.

#### **Cindy Nielsen...**

Cindy is a graduate of Bergan High School that made the decision to return to our school as a teaching staff member in 2012. She taught at Bergan Elementary until last year when she decided to retire. Her dedication to Bergan did not stop there as she has continued giving time to Bergan weekly by assisting our current teachers in the classroom as a support position at Bergan Elementary. Cindy can be seen often continuing to work with students, completing various projects and giving her time to assist teachers at Bergan Elementary.

#### **Terry & Janice Nosal...**

Community Partnerships are an important relationship that Bergan Catholic has with the Fremont Community. The relationship that

Terry & Janice have developed with Archbishop Bergan Catholic through their business Gringo's Cantina & Restaurant is extraordinary. Through support of financially assisting the Knight event, Bergan Fund, Booster Club & a Community Partnership, the Nosal's have left an example of giving for others to follow. Whether it is providing meals for teachers, promoting Bergan through Billboard Advertisements or simply being positive supporters of Bergan activities, Terry & Janice Nosal represent what being a Knight of the Roundtable is all about.

#### **Lynn Dinkins...**

For the past 4 years, Lynn Dinkins has served as a second grade teacher at Bergan Elementary School. Lynn takes on the job of helping each student reach their full potential all with a loving heart and gentle response. Lynn is one of the staff members that is the first to step up and offer her service to her fellow colleagues anytime they need anything. If you drive by Bergan Elementary late at night or on the weekends you are bound to see her vehicle in the parking lot as she puts a tremendous amount of time to making sure she is giving everything possible to help her students be successful. Always doing what is best for our students, Bergan is a better place because of Lynn Dinkins.

#### **Cheryl & Dan Koenig...**

For the past nine years this couple has volunteered their time in the concession stand at Bergan Activities assisting Elaine Moore whenever needed. This is not their first encounter in supporting Bergan Catholic though. Since 1988, Dan & Cheryl Koenig have been supporting Bergan Catholic & Saint Patrick Parish sharing their time, talent & treasure. After putting their four sons through school at Bergan they returned in a voluntary capacity and Cheryl has even become employed in the Elementary Kitchen this year as well. A quiet example of sharing your gifts

with God, they have continued to support Bergan Catholic for the past thirty-four years.

#### **Jake Herre...**

Jake is an example of an alumnus that continues to give back to his alma mater. Whether it is through his volunteer efforts as the Booster Club President or assisting the youth by coaching in the Shamrock Wrestling Club, Jake is an example of quietly giving back time and talents by being present and impactful. Last year Jake even spent time interning in the Advancement Office in order to help make a difference for Bergan Catholic. His model of service to others is exactly what we at Bergan are trying to instill in our graduates.

#### **Nichole Owsley...**

Recently Archbishop Bergan Catholic School was in a difficult spot financially. With the efforts of Bonnie Nebuda & Nichole Owsley we have been able to climb out of a dire financial circumstance that could have proven difficult for the school to recover from. Serving as the Director of Stewardship & Annual Funds, Nichole has been able to assist the school in securing the necessary financial funds needed to help Bergan continue its mission. Always looking for new and exciting ways to support the school, Nichole bring fresh ideas and collaborative based approach in ensuring that Bergan experiences financial stability.

#### **2022 Honorary Knight of the Year Award Winner...**

##### **Chris Rainforth**

Each year we evaluate the past Honorary Knights of the Roundtable Award winners and choose the Honorary Bergan Knight of the Year award winner.

For the past 22 years, this individual has poured his heart and soul into making Archbishop Bergan Catholic School as successful as it can be. He has spent

countless hours teaching, coaching and administrating over the Bergan Activities program to help it experience excellence. Whether it is handing discipline at Bergan Middle/High School, supporting our coaches, setting up for an activity, contacting officials and opposing teams, he does it all with a great sense of professionalism. Under his leadership for the past 12 years Bergan Catholic teams have been NSAA State Runner Ups 9 times and won 5 State Championships. Our school has also won 6 All Sports Trophies under his watch. He is a role model for young people to emulate as a man of great faith. He spends a portion of his day instructing the senior class in Theology as well. Bergan is proud to announce the 2022 Honorary Bergan Knight of the Year... Mr. Chris Rainforth.

**Thank you to all of the Bergan Family  
for helping us make Archbishop Bergan  
Catholic School the best that it can be.  
GO KNIGHTS!**