



The Owatonna Knights of Columbus is actively planning for our Annual Smokin in Steele BBQ and Blues Festival to be held the first weekend of June 2017. This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our event and we would not have achieved this milestone without the generous support of past sponsors like you. We hope you will again consider partnering with us in 2017 in what promises to be a great anniversary celebration.

As in years past, our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Smokin in Steele event will feature activities for young and old alike.

- Professional teams from all across the Midwest will compete in our KCBS sanctioned, MN State BBQ championship, now considered one of the premier BBQ competitions in the Upper Midwest. On Friday night, our Kids Q cook off event features budding young grillers competing for top chef honors.
- Following the 5 K Run and Bike Ride Saturday morning, Fair Square will be alive with people enjoying live music, tasty BBQ and the samplings from over a dozen local amateur teams competing for the coveted People's Choice Award in the Backyard BBQ cook off.
- And once again music lovers will come to enjoy 2 days of outstanding live music from national recording artists in what has been named the **Best Music Festival by Southern MN Magazine**.

Through continuing community support and the efforts of an army of volunteers, Smokin in Steele has become a destination event for Owatonna. Most importantly, our success allows us to give back to our community as the proceeds from this event each year go directly to the Owatonna Area Special Olympics and other local charitable causes supported by the Knights of Columbus.

A Smokin in Steele committee member will be contacting you in the near future to further explain the value of your sponsorship. Visit our website at [www.smokininsteale.com](http://www.smokininsteale.com) to get a complete listing of activities.

We encourage you to keep our event on your schedule and we look forward to serving you at our special anniversary Thursday evening VIP dinner as we kick off the start of summer at Smokin in Steele.

Sincerely,

Dan Wolfe  
Smokin in Steele Committee