



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 1013

# THE VOCAL KNIGHT

GRAND KNIGHTS MESSAGE

OCTOBER 7, 2010

Brian and Molly grew up in Mankato, and they both attended Mankato-Area Catholic Schools. Brian was raised in the tradition of the Knights of Columbus and joined while in college at St. John's University. He and Molly married and have six children--Gabrielle 7 years old, Nathaniel 5-1/2, Lucia 4-1/2, Lukas 3, Sadie 18 months, and their newest addition, Samuel, born on July 22, 2010.

This past summer was an especially difficult one for the Willaerts. On July 14, Brian was riding his bicycle to work when a driver opened up his door and sent him sprawling. He broke his collarbone in three places and had to be convinced to seek medical care.

On Wednesday, July 21, Lukas went to Saint Marys Hospital to have his tonsils and adenoids removed because he was having difficult time breathing while he slept.

Then, early the next morning Molly started experiencing some complications and was rushed to the hospital. While Molly's mother and aunt watched the kids, Brian picked up Luke at the hospital, took him home and then rushed back to Molly's side. It was soon discovered that Molly had Vasa Previa, a blood condition where the baby could bleed out in a matter of seconds. If Molly were to go into labor, the baby's chances of survival were only 5%. After dinner in her hospital room, Molly began to hemorrhage because the blood vessel to the baby ruptured. An emergency C-section was performed and Samuel was born at 6:41 p.m., nine weeks before his due date weighing 4 lbs. 4 oz. Samuel lost half of his blood and needed an emergency transfusion. He was transported down the hall to the NICU, and spent many weeks there hooked up to machines to help him breathe.

There have been numerous trips to the hospital at all hours to feed and care for Samuel in addition to the normally hectic schedule one can imagine with other five children as well. Samuel came home, finally, a couple of weeks ago and is doing about as well as can be expected, but there will still be struggles as he continues to grow.

I'm telling you this because Brian, who is a member of our Council, would not. Throughout all of this, Brian has

maintained a calmness and demeanor that truly demonstrate his tremendous faith. His smile has never wavered, and despite his painful shoulder and Molly's stressful labor, they continue to care for their children in an extraordinary way. Their story is inspirational, and I for one consider myself truly blessed to know them.

Molly's mother is planning a Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction to benefit Molly and Brian on Saturday, October 17 at St. Joseph the Worker in Mankato from 4-7 p.m. I realize that this is a bit far away, but if there are some folks who would like to attend perhaps we can arrange a car pool. Please pray for our Brother Sir Knight Brian and his family; and next time you see him, shake his hand (gently) and let him know that you are thinking about him.

The best thing about the Knights of Columbus is the opportunity to get to know so many exemplary men and women like Molly and Brian. It is an honor to serve you as your Grand Knight, and I hope to meet more of you at our monthly meetings which are held every second Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the O'Day Room following our 7 p.m. Rosary in the Sanctuary. I hope to see you on October 11.

Vivat Jesus,

**Mark Zangs,**  
**Grand Knight of Council 1013**

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## Knights of Columbus Blood Assurance Group

- by SK Mark A. Zangs, Olmsted County K of C Blood Assurance Group Representative



Mayo Clinic Blood Donor Center invites you to join the team and donate blood!

Every six minutes, a patient at Mayo Clinic needs a transfusion of blood or blood products. A simple blood donation can save the life of a child with leukemia, restore the strength of a cancer patient or provide a critical transfusion to an accident victim. There is no substitute for this life-saving gift, so our patients rely upon the caring spirit of blood donors like you.

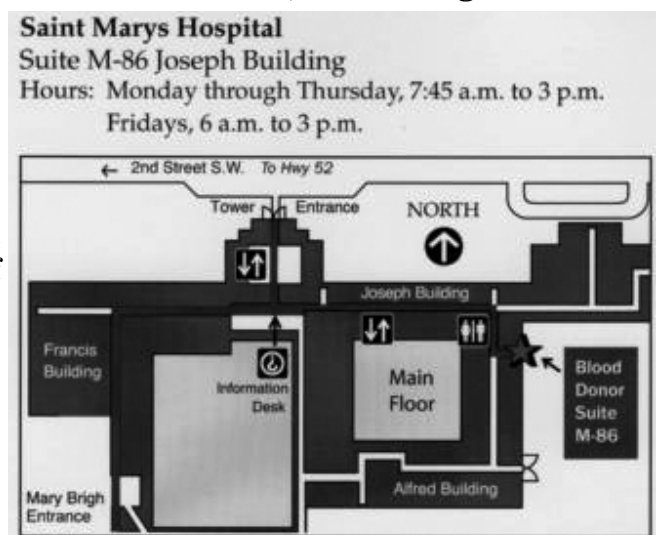
In 2006, the Knights of Columbus of Olmsted County joined the **Mayo Clinic Blood Assurance Group Program** ([www.mayoclinic.org/donate-blood-rst](http://www.mayoclinic.org/donate-blood-rst)). All Knights of Columbus members belonging to the seven councils in Olmsted County are eligible to receive the benefits of belonging to this group, regardless of whether you can donate blood or not. Together we can help meet the community's needs and lower your costs if you ever need blood.

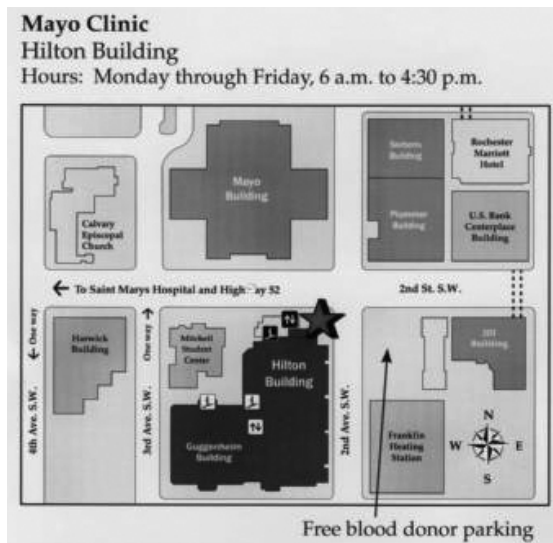
When a group such as the Knights of Columbus participates in the Blood Assurance Program, the Mayo Clinic Blood Donor Center waives the processing fees not covered by insurance for banked blood products, (red blood cells, fresh frozen plasma, platelets and cryoprecipitate). **This benefit applies to all donating and non-donating members, employees and their families, as defined by the Internal Revenue Service that belong to a K of C council in Olmsted County!** If you ever need to receive blood from a non-Mayo facility, you must produce proof of receiving blood to receive reimbursement.

If you have received a blood transfusion and qualify for reimbursement, or if you have any questions, please contact our Mayo Clinic Blood Donor Center Recruitment Coordinator, **Sean Hong at 507-284-9831** or the Mayo Clinic Donor Services at 507-284-4475 to submit your claim. More information is also available on the Mayo Clinic Blood Donor Services web site at: [www.mayoclinic.org/donate-blood-rst](http://www.mayoclinic.org/donate-blood-rst).

Remember, when you donate blood, you must designate that you are doing so for the Knights of Columbus Blood Assurance Group (**Group Code: KOC**) at the time of your donation so that we can get credit for it. There is no need to specify your specific council number as we are all covered under the same account to avoid confusion.

There are two locations where you may donate blood:





**Your voluntary donation of blood or blood products is a beautiful way of serving our community by demonstrating the first degree of our Order – Charity.** Donating your blood not only benefits your brother Knights, but also patients at the Mayo Clinic that need it.

### Comments for the Good of the Order

Please pray for these intentions:

- = For the intentions of the Holy Father and all the intentions of all of the masses throughout the world
- = For the United States of America and all of her allies.
- = For the American Soldier, current and past, especially for the souls who offered the ultimate sacrifice for our freedoms
- = For an increase in the priesthood and religious life especially here in the Winona Diocese
- = For peace, grace, justice and good will in the world
- = For the victims of the recent flooding Minnesota and all other victims of calamity
- = For the Brian and Molly Willaert Family who are experiencing stressful times
- = For Kay Boege who is experiencing severe pain
- = For Linda Koehler who has been diagnosed with Lymphoma
- = For Albert Zangs who has Alzheimer's disease. He is a brother Knight and father of Mark Zangs
- = For Brother Knight William Brook's father, who also has Alzheimer's disease.
- = For Brother Knight Richard Siglow's father, who is ill.
- = For all of the Knights of Columbus and their families
- = For an end to abortion and an appreciation of human life

## Remaining 2010 Calendar of Events

### Oct. 2010

- 02 Marathon No other information provided at this time  
03 Doughnut Sunday Regular Mass times, contact Mike Wolter to help  
03 Latin Mass @ St. Bridget's 3:30 pm Rosary  
in Simpson 4:00 pm Mass – Contact: Dr. Hagler  
05 Interfaith Habitat for Eastwood Road S.E. St. John's scheduled  
Humanities Build Council 1013 to help?  
09 State Soccer Challenge No other information provided at this time  
11 COLUMBUS DAY IN 14 HUNDRED AND 92 . . .  
11 \*Rosary/1013 Meeting 7:00 pm Rosary in the Sanctuary  
\*for area flood victims 7:30-8:30 p.m. Meeting in the O'Day Room  
17 Spaghetti Dinner & Silent 4-7:00 p.m. St. Joseph the Worker in Mankato  
Auction Proceeds benefit the Willaert Family of Rochester  
20 District Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the O'Day Room  
21 Rose Sale Money/Tickets Due Contact: Steve Freese  
21 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting 6:00 p.m. Social/6:30 pm dinner/meeting after  
McCarthy Hall/St. Francis Church Basement  
22-23 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification Holiday Inn, Owatonna, MN  
25 1013 Officer's Meeting 7-8:00 p.m. in the O'Day Room  
31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREAT

### Nov. 2010

- 01 ALL SAINT'S DAY PRAY FOR LOST SOULS  
02 Get-Out-And-Vote Provide rides for voters  
03 1st Degree at St. John's 6:30 pm call/7:00 pm Degree 1013 TEAM!  
*In the O'Day Room*  
07 Doughnut Sunday Regular Mass times, contact Mike Wolter to help  
08 \*Rosary/1013 Meeting 7:00 pm Rosary in the Sanctuary  
\*for All Souls 7:30-8:30 pm Meeting in the O'Day Room  
12-14 Fall Classic – State Special Help on Sunday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:30 pm  
Olympics Bowling Tourney Need 40 volunteers from District  
13 Youth Conference Pax Christi – KC to provide security  
16 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting 6:00 pm Social/6:30 pm dinner/meeting after  
McCarthy Hall/St. Francis Church Basement  
25 THANKSGIVING DAY HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
29 1013 Officer's Meeting 7-8:00 pm in the O'Day Room

### Dec. 2010

- Mid-Year Report Due! Officers  
3-5 Midwinter Meeting No other information provided at this time  
5 Doughnut Sunday Regular Mass times, contact Mike Wolter to help  
13 Rosary/1013 Meeting 7:00 pm Rosary in the Sanctuary  
CHRISTMAS PARTY 7:30-8:30 pm Meeting in the O'Day Room  
15 1st Degree at Resurrection 6:30 pm call/7:00 pm Degree 13027 TEAM!  
21 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assembly Meeting 6:00 pm Social/6:30 pm dinner  
CHRISTMAS PARTY MICHAEL'S RESTAURANT  
25 MERRY CHRISTMAS GOD BLESS US – EVERY ONE!  
27 1013 Officer's Meeting 7-8:00 pm in the O'Day Room  
31 NEW YEAR'S EVE DEDICATE A TOAST TO ABSENT FRIENDS!

## **The Vocal Knight**

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#### Submissions

All submissions for next month's Vocal Knight must be received by the last Wednesday of the month for publication.

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