



# LADIES AUXILIARY PAW PRINT EXPRESS



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## **Calendar of Events**

January 8-10, 2010  
District Deputy Meeting  
Chateau-Bloomington

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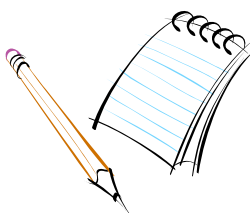
April 30-May 2, 2010  
Knights of Columbus  
State Convention  
Ladies Luncheon  
Ladies Mini-Convention  
Hotel Pere Marquette-  
Peoria



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## AURORA LADIES OF COLUMBUS #736

The Aurora Ladies of Columbus has been in existence for many years. It was founded in 1903 with the Ladies of Columbus forming their Auxiliary in 1912 (150 strong). They raised funds for scholarships to Madonna High School, donations to the Newman Fund, St. Vincent's Orphanage in Freeport and the John F. Kennedy School for retarded children. They enjoyed serving the Knights' dinners, had rummage sales and worked on "Ditty bags" for the Red Cross. They also had many social events. Our auxiliary has dwindled down through the years, as times have changed and we have lost most of these wonderful women. We now have a small nucleus of ladies who are still active and support the Knights and the needs of the community. Our main fundraiser, for the past 18 years has been our Annual Luncheon Card Party. We've had various style shows, quilt show, fashions from the past, etc. In recent years, we have joined the Oswego Ladies of Columbus #7247 in sponsoring this very successful event. It has become very popular in our area.

Maureen Flinn, Co-President

## WELCOME NEW AUXILIARIES!

**Mater Christi #14284  
Chicago**  
Carmen Rizzo, President

**St. Ansgar #14435-  
Hanover Park**  
Penny Klama, President

**St. Liborius #14562-  
Steger**  
Sue Mazur, President



## FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Ladies Night Out  
Social & 50/50 Drawing

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Ice Cream Social  
Free Will Offering for  
Charity

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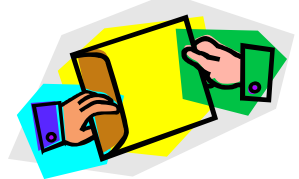
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Thank you Presidents!  
(for your articles)

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Chairlady

Auxiliary News



TRI-CITY COUNCIL #1098

The Ladies Auxiliary is located in Granite City, which is about 20 miles east across the Mississippi River of St. Louis, Missouri. Presently, the auxiliary has 120 members. We meet every third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M., except for July and December, in the Ladies Auxiliary Room of the K of C Hall in Granite City.

Any female over the age of 18 and who are wives, mothers, daughters and widows of members of Tri-City Council #1098 may be eligible for membership.

The auxiliary hosts two big Fundraisers during the year. First, in the Fall, is the Annual Craft Fair. In the Spring is the Annual Rummage/Flea Market. The monies raised will be dispensed to local charities and the Seminarians and Novices that are being sponsored by the auxiliary.

Of course, the ladies assist the Knights in the Annual Tootsie Roll Drive, Bingo, and Annual Special Olympics Dinner/Dance. The auxiliary takes pride with assisting and supporting the Knights of their Council's endeavors. The auxiliary assists with the Annual Halloween Children Party, Christmas Party and Easter Egg Hunt.

Presently, the auxiliary sponsors 3 local Seminarians and 1 Novice. In January, a financial collection is made by the ladies plus some of the monies from the fundraisers will be dispensed to the Religious in study, and the balance is divided among local charities.

The Ladies Auxiliary has adopted a Wake Procedure for a deceased member of the auxiliary. Upon notification of a deceased member, the family is contacted and with their permission, the ladies honor the deceased at her wake. The Ladies Auxiliary proceeds with Hot Line Calls with notification of such. The ladies meet at the Funeral Home or Church and a black ribbon band is placed over their name badge. The ladies then process respectfully single file toward the casket. At this time, the President will lay a single rose either in the casket or a nearby table. The Auxiliary Banner is in presence by the casket, draped with a Black Ribbon Bow, the ladies face the audience; words are then spoken about the deceased. When everyone is finished with their final words, the women all turn and face the casket and the Memorare is recited. The ladies then exit one by one giving respect to family members. Since this procedure has been incorporated, it has been used twice with very good response from the families.



This year is a very special year for the Auxiliary. It is the 25th Anniversary of establishing the Charter in July 1984! The ladies were treated to a Tea Party. Finger foods, special fancy desserts, entertainment were enjoyed by all. The Charter members who were present, received a gift of an angel necklace. The Ladies Auxiliary would not be as it is today if it were not for the Charter members, and their dedication to create a Ladies Auxiliary.

Nancy Diak, President

COLLINSVILLE #1712

Our first meeting to begin a new year will be in August. The first fundraiser will be selling cheesecake at the Italian Street Fest (a two-day festival in downtown Collinsville.)

In November we sell raffle tickets for Christmas baskets at the K of C Fish Fry's on Fridays.

A Wine and Cheese Social is on our calendar for October to promote membership, and there will be a Christmas dinner in place of our December meeting.

Our organization had pledged \$5,000 over the next three years to the We Must We Can, We Will Capital Campaign for our St. Peter & Paul Parish. We send monthly contributions to ABL Pregnancy Center, Adopt-A-Platoon and H.I.S. Kids have benefited the past several years. Last year we began Adopt A Classroom at St. Peter & St. Paul School with a \$100 donation to each class.

The new Father McGivney Catholic High School is being built in this area, the first in the US named after Fr. McGivney. We're hoping other organizations will join us in this fundraising effort.

For more info:

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Groundbreaking is scheduled for 2010 and first class to begin 2011.

Carol Wolters, President



Auxiliary News



HARRISBURG MADONNA  
COUNCIL #3936

The Ladies Auxiliary is a relatively small group of ladies, but we are growing. Harrisburg is located in southeastern southern Illinois. The Ladies and Knights work together on many projects—the biggest is our Lenten Fish Fry. We prepare 200 carry outs alone. Working together as a team, we have been able to accomplish much. We are striving to increase our numbers. This Fall we are having a postcard drive where each auxiliary member will send a personal invitation to the ladies in the parish. It is our hope to get more women of all ages involved. With our share of the proceeds from the Fish Fry's we are able to help many groups, including locally and Diocesan wide. SARC, an organization that helps Mentally Challenged Adults, benefits from the Knights' golf tournament at which we sponsor a hole. The ladies then prepare a breakfast for the organization in the Fall to recognize the efforts of those who help in the community. Throughout the year, we provide clerical help and funds to Helping Hands, a ministerial alliance organization, that helps indigent people. A new undertaking which is proving very worthwhile is Caring for Kids which is a brown bag ministry begun by the local Methodist ladies to provide a snack over the weekend to low income school age children. At Christmas we help our Veterans at the Marion VA Hospital and provide money for Shop With A Cop. One of our Knights is a police officer. After one of our Knight's became ill at Mass, we felt a need to provide a defibrillator for St. Mary Church. Throughout the year our ladies provide funeral dinners. Besides community based projects the

ladies also help with many Diocesan projects: Catholic Social Services, CYO, and the Newman Center at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. The Ladies Auxiliary of Harrisburg works with various Christian groups to accomplish a team effort for our fellow man.

Patricia Watson, President

GOOD SHEPHERD #5573

Our auxiliary was started in 1995 and has a current membership of 45. Monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at the Knights' House. We do not meet during the summer months of June, July, August and December.

One of our most successful fundraising events has been our bi-annual used book sale held in June. It is a two day event held in the gym at St. Mary Immaculate Parish. Gently used hard and soft cover books are generously donated by our members and the parishioners of our parish. The books can be Fiction, Non-Fiction, Religious, How to Do It, Self-Improvement or Cooking.

This year we had a baby shower for Birthright. Our members got together for several work sessions to make fleece baby blankets which we donated, along with new baby items to Birthright. Birthright is located in Joliet and is an organization that helps mothers in need.

Each year, we coordinate the donation and sale of desserts, as well as run the Duck Pond game for children, at the Councils' Annual Fish Fry's.

We, also, provide on-going support for the many Knight's Council sponsored events throughout the year.

Arlene Kunst, President

MATER CHRISTI #14284

We came, we saw, we conquered, and so ends the beginning of our first term with the Ladies Auxiliary 2008-2009. I have been very fortunate to have a great set of officers. They compliment each other and all goals were accomplished due to dedicated ladies. We have joined hands in worship at a member's home, had readings, discussions and shared a meal.

At one program we handed out ice cream floats along with 1950's background music. We were thanked and were told that the last time they had ice cream was two years ago. Our membership has warm hearts that will welcome them back.

In May we joined hands with the Knights in the poppy sales for our brave Veterans, and showed our support. We met old neighbors and friends.

We helped in the neighboring parish carnival fundraiser.

We had two rummage sales, working together with the Knights. Many ladies came as early as 6 am for set-up and stayed past 3 pm for the cleanup. Others could only stay for a few hours, but their help was greatly appreciated. The sale was a great success with the help of God, the donors, the volunteers, and the customers.

From our membership drive we now have a total of 20 members. We, the ladies need to keep up with our helping hands for others. The officer's job will be to nurture the love and caring in our hearts to all members.

October—Blood Drive  
December-Family Christmas Party

Carmen Rizzo, President



# WHAT WORKS -TEAM WORK

## LET'S GROW AS A TEAM!

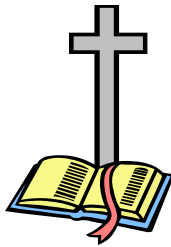


### A VOLUNTEER'S PRAYER

"I thank Thee, Lord as a volunteer  
 For the chance to serve another year.  
 And to give of myself in some small way,  
 To those not blessed as I each day.

My thanks for health of mind and soul,  
 To aid me ever toward my goal.

For eyes to see the good in all,  
 A hand to extend before a fall.  
 For legs to go where the need is great,  
 Learning to love—forgetting to hate.  
 For ears to hear and heart to care,  
 When someone's cross is hard to bear.  
 A smile to show my affection true,  
 With energy aplenty—the task to do.  
 All I ask, Dear Lord, if I may,  
 Is to serve you better day by day."



### KNIGHT'S TRIVIA

NEADBR—Who is this?

ERABON—Who is this?

FRELORDE—Who is this?

WHAT IS THE STATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOTTO?

WHAT IS THE STATE LADIES AUXILIARY MOTTO?



### BROWNIE GRAHAM SQUARES

- 2 cups Graham Cracker crumbs (24 graham crackers)
- 1 can Eagle Brand Sweetened Milk (condensed)
- 1/2 c. chopped pecans
- 1 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 t. vanilla

Mix crackers and cinnamon. Add other ingredients and mix well. **It will be tough to stir.** Spoon mixture with wooden spoon into ungreased pan. 8 x 8. **DO NOT BEAT!**

Bake 375 degrees for 15 minutes. Cool on rack and sprinkle with powdered sugar on top while warm. Cut in 1" square pieces.

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### BROWNIES

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup flour
- 4 eggs
- 1 lg. can Hershey's syrup
- 1/2 c. nuts, 1 stick margarine

Bake 25-30 minutes—350 degrees 9 x 13 pan

Frosting:

- 1 1/2 cup sugar
- 6 T. margarine (melted)
- 6 T. milk

Boil 30 sec.—then add 1/2 c. chocolate chips

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