



# *Ladies Auxiliaries*

## *"Helping Knights Help Others"*

The objectives of the Knights of Columbus Missouri State Ladies Auxiliaries shall be:

- 1. To assist in promoting the welfare of the Missouri State Council of the Knights of Columbus.**
- 2. To promote charitable activities.**
- 3. To promote sociability among the members.**

The Ladies function as the "*Strong Right Arm*" of the Missouri Knights of Columbus to exemplify the motto "Saving Lives, Changing Lives". The Ladies Auxiliaries help to promote spiritual and social well-being for the Knights, Ladies, and their families. They also provide opportunities to form friendships and serve Christ by aiding our Churches, communities, and each other.

One goal for the Missouri State Ladies Auxiliaries Chairpersons is to start new Auxiliaries. When a new Council or Assembly is formed this can be a great opportunity to start an Auxiliary. There may be Councils that are well established and are now considering a Ladies Auxiliary to help with their parish needs. Please consider either opportunity and start an Auxiliary for your Council today.

Here are just a few of the benefits and some information about our Ladies. Across the State we have 98 Auxiliaries with 3,114 members. At the 2017 State Convention these numbers were collected and tabulated:

**Volunteer Hours: 187,813**  
**Total Donations: \$228,086**

Another goal is to keep the existing Ladies Auxiliaries active and informed through Area Meetings and State Convention. If you are a Council or Assembly with an existing Ladies Auxiliary, please reach out to your Ladies Auxiliary President and make sure you are working together whenever possible. Please encourage your Auxiliaries to attend the Area Meetings, these are held during the fall. These meetings are the time when Presidents and their board members have a chance to talk with other Auxiliaries in their areas. This is also an opportunity for them to learn, share and receive information and guidelines concerning State programs and forms.

District Deputies, Grand Knights, and Faithful Navigators, please remember to include the Ladies in your semi-annual District Deputy meetings. The Ladies depend on you to bring information back from State meetings that are not distributed at the State Convention, such as the State Directory, Program Manuals, awards, certificates and any new State programs or initiatives. Please also reach out to the Ladies Auxiliaries to see if you can assist with any functions or if they can help you. Do not forget they are great social planners and a recruitment tool for your Councils and Assemblies.

Linda and I would like to Thank everyone for your assistance this past year. Congratulations to all the new Auxiliary Council and Assembly Officers, State Officers, State Directors, Council Officers and District Deputies. We look forward to working with ALL of you this fraternal year and seeing you at the Area Meetings this fall.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please email or call any time.

God Bless,

**Chris and Linda Teel**

Missouri State Ladies Auxiliary Chairpersons

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# Guidelines for Starting an Auxiliary

1. Contact your Missouri State Council Ladies Auxiliary Chairpersons. They will help you with an exploratory meeting between District Deputy, Grand Knight of the Council and ladies interested in starting a Ladies Auxiliary. Discussion at the meeting will be information to acquaint the ladies with the service programs of the local Parish Council, the Missouri State Council programs, and the structure for the Auxiliary. The Council membership roster can be used so that a list of prospective members can be created for contacting future members.
2. Following the exploratory meeting, invites and personal contact should be directed to those considered eligible to attend a formational meeting. At this meeting, the objectives of the Ladies Auxiliary will be presented and the Knights of Columbus State Auxiliary By-Laws reviewed. Discussions for the start-up can include election of officers, meeting dates/times, yearly dues and goals of your Auxiliary.
3. All Knights of Columbus Councils wishing to start a Ladies Auxiliary and further wants to be affiliated with the Knights of Columbus Missouri State Council must present an application for Charter to the Missouri State Council Ladies Auxiliary Chairpersons. The charter application must be presented with a legible list of Charter members. Upon approval by the State Deputy, the Auxiliary will be issued a Charter.
4. Ladies considered for membership shall be one of the following: 1) A wife of a Knight in good standing; 2) A mother of Knight in good standing; 3) A daughter (18 years or older) of a Knight in good standing or 4) A member of a Religious Order, in good standing with their Order. Applications for membership must be submitted to the affiliate Council, Knights of Columbus Financial Secretary for approval.
5. Charter members are those whose names have been submitted with the charter application and who have made a commitment by paying their entrance fee.
6. Immediately upon the election of officers, the Presidents name, address and phone number will be submitted to the State Ladies Auxiliary Chairpersons with the Charter application.
7. The Auxiliary will need to have a minimum of **ten (10)** ladies signed up as Auxiliary members before submitting the Charter application for approval.

## OPERATIONS

1. To the Officers, learn the interests and abilities of all your members. Keep in mind their time and talents to benefit the Auxiliaries goals. Be open to all members when appointing chairpersons on program activities. Consider a mentor to coach the new members with Knights of Columbus Supreme and State programs. When filling committee appointments, consider co-chairpersons to work in new ideas with the established programs.
2. Auxiliary meetings can be held at your parish hall, with approval from parish staff. Meetings should be organized, run orderly, held to a time limit, have State Chairmen visit and discuss their program and promote social time. Maintain the meeting start time for each meeting and follow through in a business-like manner. Meeting agenda outlines are listed on the last page of the State Ladies Auxiliary By-Laws. **ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER** are the preferred guidelines that need to be followed when conducting the meeting.
3. Installation of Auxiliary officers can be an open affair for family members to attend. You may want to schedule the installation of officers in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Officers that is conducted by the local District Deputy.
4. Give members a reason to belong. This can be emphasized through the Knights of Columbus programs in Church, Charity, Youth and Community activities.
5. Maintain a Christian attitude in all your undertakings as an Auxiliary for the Missouri Knights of Columbus.
6. Keep our Worthy State Deputy, Joe Rosenthal's motto in mind this fraternal year: "Saving Lives, Changing Lives".



## Area Meeting Schedule for 2017-2018

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Area 1</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017 12-2 pm          Pope John Paul XXIII Council #5586          Jan Stella, President          St. Sabina Parish Gym          700 Trevis          Belton, Mo. 64102          816-318-0754</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Area 2</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, Oct. 11, 2017 11am-1pm          Boonville Council #1061          Dawn Kuster, President          St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church          322 Seventh Street          Boonville, MO 65233          660-441-1891</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Area 3</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday, Oct. 22, 2017 Time - TBA          Desoto Council #903          Kathy Lubbers, President          Immaculate Conception Parish Hall          7240 Anna Ave.          Maplewood MO 63143          314-304-3754</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Area 4</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Date - TBA, Time - TBA          St. Ann's Springfield Council #698          Sarah Pittman, President          K of C Hall #698          2340 W. Grand          Springfield, MO 65807          417-866-0841</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Area 5</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday, October 1, 2017 1-3 pm          DeSmet Council #742          Sue Morton, President          St. Matthias Parish Center          796 Buckley Road          St. Louis, MO 63125          314-606-1343</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Area 6</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Date - TBA, Time - TBA          Ste Genevieve Council Ladies Aux #1037          Brenda Stuppy, President          Ste Genevieve KC Hall          600 Market St          Ste Genevieve, MO 63670          573-883-0015</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Date and times marked TBA will be          announced to the area when they are          made available</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lunch is served at the start of the meeting.          Meeting should not be more than 2 hours.          Attending your Area Meeting is mandatory for          receiving Outstanding Auxiliary Award.          We encourage everyone from your Auxiliary to          attend. And don't forget to ask your Grand          Knight and District Deputy to attend.</p>