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Parish President Proclaims September 2013 As Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month
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Ascension Parish President Tommy Martinez proclaimed the month of September, 2013 as “Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in Ascension Parish.” President Martinez made the proclamation during the Sept. 5 parish council meeting in Donaldsonville. According to the American Cancer Society, 2013 estimates show more than 22,000 women will receive

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a new diagnosis of ovarian cancer and more than 14,000 women will die from the disease. Members of the Geaux Teal group, a regionally based ovarian cancer awareness organization, spoke to the parish council about their efforts in the Baton Rouge region. The group held their Inaugural “Geaux Teal: Ovarian Cancer Walk” this past April on the campus of LSU followed by the 2nd Annual LSU Softball “Strikeout Ovarian Cancer” game. “We are here to support those who are fighting the disease, we are here to honor those who fought the disease and won their battle, and then we are also here to remember those who lost their lives,” said Geaux Teal member Kimberly Myers. Myers introduced member Licia Chaney who lost her 30-year-old daughter Brandi in March, 2012 to ovarian cancer. “I have goosebumps because you back me,” Chaney said. “We’ve done our best to bring awareness because we made a promise to this child that we would bring awareness to women.” For more information about upcoming events, visit the Geaux Teal group on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/geauxteal>. Shown from left to right are: Stacy Paille, Kimberly Myers, Parish President Tommy Martinez, Licia Chaney, Tracy Bourgeois and Robin Bourque .

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