

# The Nurse's Headliner

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## Message from Your President *Peggy Roberts*

LVNAT IS DESPERATELY SEEKING OFFICERS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS: First Vice President, Secretary, three Board of Directors, and five Nominating Committee members.

In 1949 when Mrs. C.F. Reeder, Mrs. Fred Graham, and Mrs. Lena Mayfield started working to get this Association going, they did not start out to see it fold.

What if WE didn't have this Association?

1. Hospital Nurse Staffing: Hospitals would not be required to establish a nurse staffing committee of the hospital which reports directly to the hospital governing board.
2. Patient Advocacy Protections: There would be fewer protections for nurses when advocating for patients; no right to request safe harbor or peer review; no protection when you refuse to engage in conduct believed to violate your duty to the patients; no protections when reporting concerns about the patient care within the facility or to accrediting agencies, or reporting other professionals for unsafe care; no protections from getting a bad employment reference when you refuse to engage in conduct believed to not be in the patients best interest; no protections when advising other nurses about these protections; and the identity of nurses reporting physicians to the Texas Medical Board would not be confidential and no increased fines for retaliation.
3. Safe Patient Handling and Workplace Safety: Minimizing manual lifting. Addressing violence in the workplace.
4. Nursing Shortage: Special funding for more nursing schools.
5. Disciplinary Options for the BON: BON would not have the option of imposing a non-disciplinary corrective action on nurses for minor violations of the Nurse Practice Act.
6. Culture of Safety: The nursing regulatory and disciplinary system would be less focused on promoting cultures of safety and more focused on assigning individual blame.
7. Nursing Peer Review: There would be no peer review.
8. Peer Assistance: There would be no peer assistance.
9. Unified Regulation of Nursing: RN's and LVN's would not have the same patient advocacy protections.

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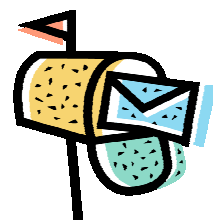


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### Membership Renewal Dues

Please mail your membership fee to:  
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## LVNAT Board of Directors

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## Welcome

On behalf of the LVNAT membership, President Peggy Roberts wishes to extend a warm welcome to all our new members: Sara J. Elias-Walker, Barbara A. Lane, Joyce Layland, Miriam Lizette Magana, Stacy Masiero, Angela Poley, and Audra Yahner.

### Licensed Vocational Nurses Association of Texas Fall Convention Hotel Information

Wingate Inn & Suites Williamson Conference Center  
 1209 North IH 35, Exit 253 \* Round Rock, Texas 78664

- **Rates: \$97.75 Single/Double + State Tax and Sale Tax**
- Reservations by individuals ~ Call 512-341-7000
- Method of Payment—Guest Pays Own
- Tax information—hotel occupancy in Austin is 13%, city/state
- When calling please refer to the group name of LVNAT Fall Convention.

Reservations can be made by calling 512-341-7000  
 To guarantee room rates at the group rate,  
 Reservations must be made by **October 15, 2015.**

Cancellation of guest rooms must occur no later than 72 hours prior to arrival  
 or 1 night's deposit and tax will be charged.

### HELP NEEDED

**Bag Stuffers** are needed for the Fall Convention. Donations may be brought to the hotel on Wednesday evening, October 28, 2015, examples: pens, pencils, coupons, etc.

**Door Prizes** also are needed. It is suggested that each member bring 5 prizes that has a minimum value of \$5.00 and do not include food items.

# LVNAT Candidates

**First Vice President:**

**Secretary:**

**Board of Directors:** Marjorie Hyder

**Nominating Committee:**

## Board of Directors

### **MARJORIE HYDER**

**Division Offices Held:** Have not held any offices in my division. Attended the division approximately from 1991-2015 (24 years). I have never been asked to hold an office in all those years. I have just supported my division.

**LVNAT Offices Held:** Held no offices.

**Place of Employment:** Lewisville Medical Center Emergency Room—on floors 1970-

Denton State School 10 years

16 years Psychiatric Hospital—Wisconsin

Private Duty 8 years

Walmart 35 1/2 years

**Awards and Honors:** Nurse of the Year,

**Education:** High School

LVN School

Cosmetology

License: LVN License

**Other:** US Army 6 1/2 years military hospital Ft. Sam Burn Unit; 2 years Hidalgo, Germany; 2 years Ft. Sill, OK. 1967 left Army and moved to Plano. 1970 moved to Lewisville. Could not use my license here. Retook program in Denton. Passed state boards.

**Statement of Platform:** I am willing to take board of directors office if I will be considered of my experiences. I will do my best to uphold all requirements necessary of office to include, attend meetings, and whatever else required of me.

## Reminders

We need candidates for Nurse of the Year, Scholarship, Scrapbook, Yearbook, and Newsletter. Please get your applications turned in by the deadline which is October 1st.

We need help with getting new and old members to join the Association. Please help the First Vice President in accomplishing this.

We are needing the divisions and committees to start turning in their reports to be included in the newsletter.

We need people to donate items for the Live Auction that will be held during the Convention.

## Division 8 San Antonio

We are trying to hold meetings every month again. We meet on the second Saturday of the month from 2-4pm. This last meeting was held on Saturday August 8, 2015. Our speaker was Callie Davis-Carr, Social Worker and she spoke on how to handle stress. I think we all enjoyed her and we really needed this. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2015, and our subject will be on immunizations. This will be interesting.

Peggy Roberts, President

President's remarks continued:

10. Licensure Mobility: Texas would not belong to the Nurse Licensure Compact.

11. Regulation of Nursing Education: BON would have less authority over nursing education.

12. Nurse TITLE Protection: Use of title nurse would not be limited to RN's and LVN's.

13. Personal Protection: Health information and criminal history the nurses provide the BON would not be kept confidential.

These are some of the things our Association does for us. We are an advocate for each other and to our group. We have an attorney to help us with any of our questions, or when we are in need of help. We as a group can go to the Legislature to fight for what we need. We have great avenues for education, and for receiving our CNE's. This is a great opportunity to network with other LVN's around the state of Texas. We all have a lot to share, so lets put our thinking caps on and nominate someone you think who will do a good job as one of the officers. It might even be you!!!!

Tammy Wolff and I were invited to the Career Fair at Galen College of Nursing on August 5, 2015. We had a lot of students interested in joining, but no one joined that day. I sent out 20 invitations to schools to our last meeting and passed out about 10 other invitations. We had two new students come and they joined. They seem very enthusiastic. We are aiming at trying to speak to the students during their course of study on organizations.



## Diamond Healthcare Services

### We Provide:

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Blessed are the  
Nurses ...  
for they help us heal  
through love and care.

*Dear Lord,  
Please help me to have  
Eyes that see the source of ill,  
Hands with the touch that heals,  
Ears that hear the cry of pain,  
A voice that comforts,  
A heart that feels.*

From—

**Thelma Davis,**

LVNAT Advisor

LVNAT 2005

**Licensed Vocational Nurses Association of Texas  
Annual Convention**

*“LVNAT continues to strengthen our group voices, through stronger education, commitment, and accomplishment.”*

**THURSDAY,  
OCTOBER 29, 2015**

8:00 a.m.—12:00 Noon	Board of Director's Meeting		<b>Coordination</b>
9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Registration		<b>Meteorologist “Preparing for Hazardous Weather”</b>
12:00 Noon—1:00 p.m.	Lunch on Your Own	5:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.	Leadership Council Meeting
1:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m.	<b>Speaker, Robin Dillard, RN</b> <b>“Elder Mistreatment”</b>	6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.	Committee Meetings (in own rooms)
2:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.	Break		
3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.	<b>Paul Yura, Warning</b>		

**FRIDAY,  
OCTOBER 30, 2015**

8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m.	Call to Convention,	12:00 noon—1:30 p.m.	Lunch on Your Own / Exhibits
8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.	Live Auction		
8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.	<b>Speaker, Wonda Walker, RCP “Tracheostomy Care for Adults/Pediatrics “</b>	1:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m.	<b>Speaker, Ken Smith, MD “Pain Management”</b>
		3:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.	Break
10:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.	Break and Exhibits	4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.	Annual Business Meeting
10:30 a.m.—12:00 noon	<b>Open</b>	7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.	Annual Award Banquet

**SATURDAY,  
OCTOBER 31, 2015**

9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.	<b>Speaker, Betty Sims, “The Future of the LVN”</b>
11:30 a.m.	Post-Convention Board Meeting

**Note:**  
If you plan to attend, remember to bring your jacket or sweater.  
We can not regulate the room temperature.

**Tickets for Sale**

Check with your Division President or Board Members for tickets  
 Potpourri Tickets—\$1.00 each  
 Scholarship Tickets—\$2.00 each

# Licensed Vocational Nurses Association of Texas Fall Convention 2015 Registration Form

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Division # or LVN School \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first meeting? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**Convention Alert !!!**

**It's a Package Deal!**

**Deal—\$110.00, Members; \$120.00, Non-Members**

**When you Pre-Register**

Convention Registration Includes: Educational Sessions \* Refreshments \* Breaks \* Door Prizes\*  
Banquet Tickets \* Hospitality Night \* And More

**Pre-Registration Deadline: October 17, 2015**

LVN Member—\$110.00  
LVN Non Member—\$120.00

**Friday, October 30, 2015**

SVN Instructor—\$25.00  
SVN Student—\$15.00  
One Day Member—\$55.00

**Registration After October 17, 2015**

LVN Member—\$120.00  
LVN Non Member—\$130.00

**Friday, October 30, 2015**

SVN Instructor—\$25.00  
SVN Student—\$15.00  
One Day Non-Member—\$65.00

Banquet Tickets—\$25.00 each

**Payment Information**

Registration Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total Amount Due** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Method:  
 Check: Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Money Order/Cashier Check

**Registration Refund Policy:** Full registration fees must be returned with this form. Cancellations will be refunded, less 50% for administration fee, if LVNAT is notified in writing by October 17, 2015. **No cancellations will be accepted by telephone after October 17, 2015.**

**Mail Registration and Payment to:**

LVNAT Headquarters  
P.O. Box 143415  
Austin, Texas 78714-3415

• **There will be a \$35.00 charge for all returned checks.**

(S.D.) I have special dietary requirements.

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## ***ANNOUNCEMENT: ATTENTION ALL DIVISIONS***

### **WANTED: LVNAT Competitions 2015**

1. Your Division Newsletter
2. Your Scrapbook
3. Yearbook
4. Names for Scholarship Recipients
5. Names for Nurse of the Year

**Your presence is required.**

**All entries must be received by October 1, 2015**

Please submit your names to Committee Chairpersons or to LVNAT Headquarters

#### **Scholarship Chairs**

Frances Musquiz      Emma Radcliff  
515 Overhill Dr.      1002 Kelsey Ct.  
Arlington, TX 75044      Forney, TX 75126

#### **Awards Chair**

Thelma Washington  
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