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Message from Your President *Peggy Roberts*

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Here we are in the year of 2014, a New Year, a new start, a new beginning for our Association. We as an Association really have to take a good look at ourselves. We are the backbone of the nursing profession. We are here to stay! Twenty years ago, we were told they were going to do away with the LVN. Eventually there would be no need for the LVN. I am still here and so are many of you. They are also finding out there is a great need for the LVN.

In the fall of 1949 a few Practical Nurses from the state of Texas gathered to discuss forming an organization that would represent Texas. After many hours of hard work and labor the foundation was laid and the building of LVNAT began.

On May 3, 1954 Mrs. C.F. Reeder, Mrs. Fred Graham, and Mrs. Lena Mayfield who were citizens of the state of Texas signed into effect the Charter for the Licensed Vocational Nurses Association of Texas. This effort was approved of and filed in the office of the Secretary of State in Austin, Texas on May 4, 1951. Shortly after four divisions formed.

So you see ladies and gentlemen, are we going to just sit and do nothing? If these ladies could start an organization together with just a few people, and membership was climbing, then why can't we?

People ask what do you do? What will it do for me? How much does it cost? I don't have time. I have an answer for each one of these.

1. What do we do?
 - A. State Conventions
 - B. Election of State Officers
 - C. Banquets
 - D. Networking
 - E. Monthly meetings
 - F. Parties
2. What will it do for me?
 - A. Advocacy (power to represent the interest of the LVN)
 - B. Educate
3. How much does it cost?
 - A. \$50 per year
4. I don't have time.
 - A. This is your bread and butter.

In closing, officers, and members lets have a good year, let us all work together and work on membership. Let us build our membership back strong.

Happy New Year! From your President Peggy Roberts

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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 for the year 2013: Bernadette Bailey, Sylvia R. Keppta, and Larry C. Nicholson.

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.

Cookbooks

I am requesting recipes from all members to make a new cookbook for the Association. I am wanting to make an updated cookbook as I figure we have learned new recipes or even found new ones. I would like to receive the recipes no later than by Convention of this year.

LVNAT Division Reports

Division 6 Galveston

Division 82 Fort Worth

Division 8 San Antonio

Division 9 Houston

Division 8 San Antonio

Good news Division 8, we are going to start back with our monthly meetings. Our first meeting will be a social meet and greet meeting. It will be on March 8, 2014 from 2:00pm-5:00pm. All LVN's, GVN's, SVN's, Supporters, Instructors and guests invited. It will be held at 9175 Wind Terrace San Antonio, Texas 78239. For directions call 210-833-2768.

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Division 6 Galveston

Up to date summary of monthly meetings:

Division 6 monthly meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at Rosenberg Library from 4pm-5:30pm on the 2nd floor in the McCullough Room. We have had a total of 7 meetings and will have a meeting on October 31st to give a summary of the convention. Due to the upcoming holidays, there will be no meetings in the months of November and December. On September 27th, we had a Let's Get Together Again Reunion Luncheon/Meeting at Landry's in Galveston. Letters were sent out to all members, active and inactive. We plan to do the same in December to try and encourage more interest in coming back to the organization.

We have a total of 6 faithful members, in which we are all involved in community activities and church ministries. Our President keeps in touch with the LVN Instructor at Galveston College to try and keep them informed of how important the organization will be to them in the future. We focus our meetings on getting members back and involved in the local and state level, speakers for CE's, involving supportive members, keeping in touch with our sick and shut in members, discuss ways and means in keeping our organization growing and to keep encouraging one another.

President: Lula Price
Secretary: Joyce Payne

Career Fair at Austin Community College

Emma Radcliff, Frances Musquiz and I attended the career fair on December 4, 2013. It was a huge success! The students were very enthusiastic and are wanting to get a division going in Austin. The instructors are looking forward to LVNAT coming back this year.

Peggy Roberts

LVNAT Divisions

We still need members who are willing to start divisions in the following areas around the state: Division 1—Austin, Round Rock, Baylor, Pflugerville, Georgetown; Division 4—Dallas, Forney, Lancaster; Division 10—Waco; Division 17—Giddings, Thornville, Ledbetter; Division 18—Lubbock, Amarillo, Odessa, Idalou; Division 25—Irving; Division 26—San Angelo; Division 45—McAllen, Alamo, Hutto, Rio Grande City, Linn, San Juan, Mission, Edinburg, Elsa, Weslaco, Donna, Sullivan City; Division 57—Brenham; Division 84—North Richland Hills. Tammy Wolff and I will come and help get the division up and going.

In the following four divisions, to include: Division 8—San Antonio, Fredericksburg, Poteet, Windcrest, Boerne, Helotes, Hondo, Seguin, Elmendorf, Converse; Division 6—Galveston, Hitchcock, La Margue; Division 9—Houston, Rosharon, Missouri City, Santa Fe; Division 82—Fort Worth, Grand Prairie, Arlington, Joshua, Lewisville, Benbrook, Carrollton, Plano, Southlake, Burleson, Hurst, Weatherford, Lewisville, Crowley, Mansfield, Bedford, Gradbury, Stafford, Cleburn; needs more members, students, supportive members, instructors and would like to regain the support of our inactive members.

Be a Go-Getter and recruit more members. To earn a silver pin, recruit three active members. To earn a gold pin, recruit two more (a total of five) active members. The pin says "I'm a Go-Getter".

LVNAT Committee Reports

Membership Report

Active:	32
Retired:	24
Provisional:	11
Institutional:	2
Supportive:	3
Total:	72 members

Continuing Education Report

November:	7
December:	2
January:	11
Total:	20 classes

Nominating Committee Report

Everyone please start thinking about who would like to run for the following officers up for election this year and who you would like to vote for:

- President
- Second Vice President
- Treasurer
- Five Nominating Committee Members
- Two Board of Directors

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***ANNOUNCEMENT:
ATTENTION ALL DIVISIONS***

WANTED: LVNAT Competitions 2014

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

All entries must be received by October 1, 2014

Please submit your names to Committee Chairpersons or to LVNAT Headquarters

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