

# VOTER

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**AMARILLO LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**

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## What's Happening in the League

By Janette Kelley

### Board Training

We have plans for an exciting meeting at Lou Ann Garrett's home (7000 White Bluff Trail, off the Claude Hwy on the rim of Palo Duro Canyon) on Saturday August 13, 2016. We will start gathering at 10:00 am with coffee and orange juice and the board training will begin at 10:30am. This is mainly for the benefit of "new" board members but we can all learn something new! Lou Ann and I (Janette Kelley) will conduct this activity. We have some printed guidelines to follow and hope to address all questions. At approximately 11:30am we will break for a salad luncheon ) brought by those attending. We have done this in the past and it has been a great time to relax and visit with each other. Next we will do calendar planning. At that time we will try to schedule upcoming events—nothing is written in stone! We will have copies of the school calendar and as much information as can be obtained at that time.

Everyone is invited to join us on that day. Board members have been informed about this date. If you would like to join, please call me—Janette Kelly, 373-0855 (home) or 674-2826 (cell) or Lou Ann 373-8289 (home) or 433-1104 (cell).

### Finance Drive

We are working on a finance drive for later this year. It is important that we get financial support from members and concerned citizens, primarily to help publication of the Voters Guides for the presidential election as well as spring elections. We will need help folding and stuffing envelopes later.

### Voters Guides

**Volunteers will be needed to help distribute the new Voter Guides this fall for the presidential election!**

**Call Norma Brooks  
Home: 355-2353**

## Louise Daniel Luncheon Set for Women's Equality Day

"Women in Banking" will be the focus of the 7th Annual Louise Daniel Women's History Luncheon scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Friday, August 26, 2016 in the Great Hall of Polk Street United Methodist Church, 1401 S. Polk. The date is also Women's Equality Day, which commemorates the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution giving women the right to vote.

Our League is one of the sponsors of this annual event and, in fact, was one of the original founding groups. Several League members serve on the steering committee, including chair Susan Coleman.

Please mark your calendar for August 26 and plan to come learn about Panhandle women who have taken their place in the formerly all-male world of financial institutions. As the time grows closer, all League members should receive an invitation to the luncheon with pertinent reservation information.

Contact Janette Kelley, 373-0855, or Lou Ann Garrett, 373-8289 with any questions.

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## League to hear latest trends and prevention tips on auto theft

The League of Women Voters will hear a program on current trends in auto theft and how to prevent it at a lunch meeting at 11:30AM, Saturday, July 16, 2016, at Johnny Carino's Italian Restaurant, 8400 West I-40. Interested guests are welcome, and attendees will order individually from the menu. Sergeant Steve White from the Potter County Sheriff's office and Sergeant Michael Clatworthy from the Amarillo Police Department will present the program. Both are assigned to the Panhandle Auto Burglary and Theft Unit, which covers the top 16 counties of the Texas Panhandle.

Sylvia Perkins, LWV program vice-president, said residents need to be aware of how automobile thieves are operating and how to keep their cars from being targets. For more information, contact her at (806) 356-9082.

## New Members—Welcome!

Mr. and Mrs. John and Barbara Noah  
Janet Garner  
Benita Guerrero  
Eileen Murphy

We also want to re-welcome Jenny Clark  
whose name was not listed in our membership  
directory.

Please remember membership is everyone's  
job! If you know of a prospective member,  
please call our new membership chair—Susan  
Smith 654-4300.

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### Dues are Due!

*A friendly reminder to send  
membership dues P.O. Box  
19333, Amarillo 79114-1333 if you  
have not already paid.*

Some LWV members mistakenly  
picked up another annual meeting  
workbook. If you did, please return  
your extra copy when it is convenient.  
They cost over \$3 to reproduce.  
Thanks!

## Update on Rose Lee Powell

Former League President, Rose Lee Powell,  
had surgery at BSA last Wednesday, 6th of  
July, to remove the knee replacement that was  
done a year ago. This is either the 7th or 8th  
surgery she has endured on this knee. A vein  
and artery were damaged during the original  
surgery which necessitated so many surgeries.

The surgeon inserted a spacer in place of the  
knee. The spacer has antibiotics on it. All are  
hopeful this and the antibiotics she is taking  
will kill the MRSA infection. When they are  
successful at getting rid of the MRSA the  
surgeon will put in a new knee.

Rose Lee was transferred on Monday from  
BSA to Vibra Hospital at 7501 Wallace Blvd.  
where she will stay for 6 to 8 weeks. She will  
receive antibiotic treatment that can only be  
administered in a hospital.

We all are hopeful that she will have a speedy  
recovery and thank her for her continued  
contribution to the League!

## Annual Meeting

This year's annual meeting was a success!  
Some special non-board members were  
recognized at our annual meeting:

Carolyn Barnett—for faithfully taking care of  
numerous voter registration drives as well as  
naturalization ceremonies.



Alan Abraham—for figuring out, numerous times, how many copies of the Voters Guides go to various locations. Alan is also our “go to guy” when it comes to using our audio equipment.



Maisie Everett —is our telephone chair; this is a very important job! Many times a caller may not be available when it’s time to call so Maisie calls their list.



Laksmiwati Cortes —is chair of refreshments for different events. This is a big responsibility especially for our public forums.



James Hunt—who moderates many forums for the League. James actually goes back years having served in this capacity before leaving the city to work in Austin and Washington D.C. Welcome back, James!