

## **BUSY 2014 ELECTION SEASON FOR OKLAHOMA LEAGUES**

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ALL OF THE LOCAL LEAGUES IN OKLAHOMA DID OUTSTANDING WORK THIS ELECTION SEASON.



**Bartlesville League Candidate Forum**

Volunteers registered voters, set up numerous candidate forums, provided both online and printed voter guides and did whatever was needed to make sure voters had what they needed to go vote on election day.



#### **Preparing for the Gubernatorial Debate at OSU Stillwater**

Leagues registered hundreds of voters and helped them find their polling places. Volunteers answered questions about early voting, absentee voting, and which candidates and state questions would be on the ballot.

The state League entered information about all statewide races on [Vote411](#) to provide voters throughout the state with online election information. Several local Leagues provided printed voter guides in addition to promoting Vote411 to local voters.

**The League of Women Voters of Oklahoma** was a sponsoring partner with OETA (the Oklahoma Television Authority) and Oklahoma State University to present three televised debates this year. Two of the debates were broadcast statewide by OETA. The gubernatorial debate — the only one held this year— was broadcast from the Stillwater campus of Oklahoma State University on October 2. The Tulsa campus was the site for OETA's broadcast of the debate between candidates for Superintendent of Public Instruction on October 28. The third debate, between U.S. Senate candidates Connie Johnson, and shown over the CSPAN network, was held on October 7.

**Bartlesville League** volunteers registered voters at multiple locations, held two candidate forums, with good coverage from the Bartlesville Examiner Enterprise, and prepared a voters guide insert that went to all Examiner Enterprise subscribers. The Bartlesville League also moderated forums and did vote-counting for the Delaware Tribal Elections.

**The League of Women Voters of Lawton** hosted a candidate forum, held on October 30 in City Council chambers, for all candidates for City Council and Judicial elections. The event was covered by the Lawton Constitution. Members passed out information about the League of Women Voters and about voting, including use of Vote411.

**Norman League** members held a candidate forum on October 7 for all candidates running for Oklahoma House Districts 20, 45 and 46. Their League had sponsored a community forum in September, titled "The Future of Norman." Both events were well-attended.

Members of the **Stillwater League** hosted two statewide candidates' debates: the Oklahoma gubernatorial debate broadcast live by OETA from Oklahoma State University on October 2nd, and on October 7, volunteers worked with Dr. Brandon Lenoir of OSU to host a debate between U.S. Senate candidates Connie Johnson and James Lankford, which was shown on CSPAN video. The Stillwater League also hosted a Payne County assessors forum for candidates Ted Smith and James Cowan on October 21, and they did a great job of getting Stillwater residents informed about the Vote411 online voters guide.

The **League of Women Voters of Tulsa** volunteers were busy hosting many forums and debates. Several were held in cooperation with other organizations, including a forum Tulsa District Attorney runoff election in August, and judicial forums in October and November. Tulsa League volunteers acted as timers and question screeners for the debate and gave out voter information at the event.



**Tulsa League members giving out voter guide at OETA/OSU/LWVOK Superintendents' Debate**