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HUNTINGTON AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

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C A L E N D A R

March 6	1:00 p. m.	ANNUAL MEETING--Astronaut Room at the Uptowner
March 16	9:30 a. m.	Finance Workshop--Enslow Park Presbyterian Church Babysitter provided.
April 1 - 2		STATE CONVENTION--CHARLESTON (see bulletin item)
April 6	9:30 a. m.	Study of the Legislature until meeting--Enslow Park Presbyterian Church--babysitter provided.
April 7	7:30 p. m.	Study of the Legislature unit meeting, with Henryetta Hager, 611 - 12th Avenue, Rear

PLEASE BRING THIS BULLETIN TO THE ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 6!

Reservations for the Annual Meeting may be made with Mary Lee Watts or Sharon Nelson and should be in by March 2nd. The luncheon will cost \$2.50, and your 1971-72 dues of \$7.50 may be paid at the meeting. The members will be voting on the budget, officers, by-laws changes, and selection of program. Reports on all these items are in this bulletin.

SPEAKER FOR ANNUAL MEETING

Mr. Joseph Kowalski, a city planner, will be the speaker for our annual meeting. Two years ago Mr. Kowalski presented a program to the League concerning the problems of our area due to poor or lack of planning. At the meeting this year, Mr. Kowalski will discuss planning and how it relates to the Huntington area. In general, there is a lack of public understanding of the total scope of planning. Mr. Kowalski's talk will be directed to helping the League understand various areas for reform.

BOARD RECOMMENDED BY-LAWS CHANGES

Article III, Sec. 2. From "Voting members shall be women citizens of voting age"
To "Voting members shall be women citizens at least 18 years of age."

Article IX, Program, From "Sec. 2. Program. The Program of the League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area shall consist of those local governmental issues chosen for concerted study and action.

Sec. 3. Current Agenda and Continuing Responsibilities. These categories of Program are defined as follows: (a) The Current Agenda shall consist of those local governmental issues as the membership shall choose for sustained attention and concerted action. (b) The Continuing Responsibilities shall consist of positions on local governmental issues to which the League of Women Voters of the Huntington area has given sustained attention and on which it may continue to act."

To "Sec. 2. Program. The Program of the League of Women Voters of the Huntington area shall consist of (a) action to protect the right to vote of every citizen, and (b) those governmental issues chosen for concerted study and action."

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BOARD RECOMMENDED PROGRAM FOR 1971-72

Since there has been a proposed change in the present by-laws which would affect the local program by eliminating the present categories of Current Agenda and Continuing Responsibilities and converting to a so-called single list, we are submitting to the membership one recommended program retaining the present distinction of CA'S and CR'S and another which uses the single list.

Recommendation I

Current Agenda: Study of the Cabell County School System
Study of Comprehensive Planning for Cabell County
Continuing Responsibilities: Support of Council-Manager Government
Support of Redistricting of Precincts
and improved election procedures
Support of improvement of Juvenile Court
procedures and the cooperating agencies.

Recommendation II

- I. Local Government
 - a. Study of the Cabell County School System
 - b. Study of Comprehensive Planning for Cabell County
 - c. Support of Council-Manager Government
- II. Election Procedures
 - a. Support of redistricting of precincts and improved election procedures
- III. Human Resources
 - a. Support of improvement of Juvenile Court procedures and the supporting agencies.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT 1971-72
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE HUNTINGTON AREA

President: Susan Carlson
1st Vice-President: Pat Hartman
Secretary: Sharon Nelson
Directors: (2 year term)
Mary Lee Watts
Joan Bassford
Helen Brown
Director: (1 year term to fill vacancies, Hill and Hartman)
Fonetta Collett
Beth Bauserman
Nominating Committee:
Giovanna Deveny, Chairman
Bea Lingenfelter
Harmony Phillips

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Matthews, Chairman
Harmony Phillips
Mary Lee Watts
Kathleen Kowalski
Nominating Committee

STATE CONVENTION

We urge as many Huntington Leaguers as possible to go to the State Convention. We will be especially fortunate this year to have Mrs. Henson, our National President, with us. Conventions are always more exciting when a national officer attends. Besides enjoying Mrs. Benson's sense of humor, we will broaden our viewpoints on national legislation and on what Leagues are doing all over the United States. Read the last State Voter on the details of Convention and contact Helen Gibbins if you are interested in attending.

TIMES FOR ACTION

Our state lobbyist, Lois Kauffelt, has been sending us many SOS's to write letters to our legislators on League items. If you have not been contacted or would like to write more letters, contact one of the following persons for information on how legislation is progressing:

Pat Hartman	Fair Housing	S48, H589
Helen Gibbins, Jean Dickinson	Judiciary Article Reform	
(The J P System is in part of this reform)		HJR 5
Beth Bauserman	Vocational Education	
Helen Gibbins	Civil Service	S116, H645
Helen Brown	Education	
Keeny Hill, Sue Carlson	Election Laws	H722, H811
Fonetta Collett	Water Use and Water Pollution	
Helen Gibbins, Jean Dickinson	County Organization	SJR 7, HJR1

WELL, IT'S HERE, SO HELP!

Yep! The program on the juvenile court is ready. It's called "If My Child Appears in Court, What Can I Expect?" The program is a lecture demonstrated by slides showing the staff of the Domestic Relations Court, the private office of the judge, and detailed pictures of the Cabell Youth Center. The Porridge Women's Club has already heard the program. Highlawn Presbyterian Church and Nichols Elementary P. T. A. have asked for it.

So, why the call for help?

People are needed to run the slide projector, to read the lectures, or to solicit appointments with P.T.A.'s, churches, civic groups, womens clubs -- or anyone who will listen. We have invested our money and energy into this venture. Let's make it pay. Check with the program director of your organizations to see if a program of this type can be used.

For information, make a call to Beth Bauserman, 522-3052

FINANCE

It's time to think about finances!

All of our projects depend on a successful financial drive. We need money to do the activities we are interested in.

All League members are asked to participate in our once-a-year drive when we call on interested members of our community. A finance worker's training workshop will be held on March 16, at 9:30 a. m. to help members learn how to effectively raise money.

If each one of us is willing to call upon about four people and raise about \$20, we can fulfill our budget. It can be a lot of fun and it is a good way to meet other concerned citizens to tell them about League.

Sue Carlson, Finance Chairman
Bea Lingenfelter, Co-chairman

HUMAN RESOURCES

The national Spotmaster carried an announcement of the new welfare consensus over the weekend of January 29. The essential substance of the position is as follows:

Based on intensive study by league members, it calls for a federal income assistance program which adequately meets the basic needs for food, clothing and shelter.

The League will not urge mandatory work requirements but rather will emphasize realistic financial incentives and counseling opportunities to help individuals get employment.

HUMAN RESOURCES (continued)

The League will stress that programs and services should be as close to the people as possible. It also strongly supports simplified eligibility processes and procedures which preserve the privacy and rights of each recipient.

The League will wage a concentrated campaign in this Congress and in states and communities across the country to achieve its goals.

A call was put in to the national office and we have been told that until federal legislation is passed to meet these goals, state leagues can work to get state programs that meet basic needs.

From Meiko Van Heiningen
State Human Resources Chairman

PROPOSED BUDGET 1971 - 72

<u>A. General Administration</u>	
1. President	\$35.00
2. Board tools and expenses	50.00
3. Administrative Committees	120.00
4. Operating Costs	125.00
<u>B. Delegates, Travel & Affiliations</u>	
1. State Convention	125.00
2. National Convention	300.00
3. Area councils	20.00
<u>3. Program & Activities</u>	
1. Publications (state and national)	37.50
Local bulletin	175.00
2. Program Committees	
a. National & State	125.00
b. Local	250.00
3. Community Services	100.00
4. State and national support	675.00
	<u>\$2137.50</u>

INCOME:

Dues at \$7.50 - 85 members	637.50
Contributions (Financial Drive)	1400.00
From reserves	100.00
	<u>\$ 2137.50</u>