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# LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Huntington, W. Va.  
February, 1964

Mrs. Rodney G. Schroeder, President  
Mrs. Donald G. Dornbach, Editor

## RESERVE THESE DATES

March 21, 12:30 p.m. -- Annual Meeting  
Hunt Club, Hotel Prichard

April 3 & 4 ---- STATE COUNCIL  
Hotel Frederick, Huntington  
(Watch March Bulletin for all details)

April 20-24, NATIONAL CONVENTION  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

## REAPPORTIONMENT DEVELOPMENTS

Judge Frank Taylor of the 13th Judicial Court recently declared unconstitutional the apportionment of seats in the House of Delegates, (1963 Apportionment Act). However, the rest of the act--senate re-districting, congressional districting, and the provision for 106 members in the House of Delegates--was upheld, along with the clause repealing the apportionment act of 1951.

This case has now gone to the State Supreme Court, and it is hoped that a decision will be handed down soon so that remedial action can be taken before the spring primaries.

Since Judge Taylor's decision was made, the 1964 Legislature passed a bill which provides for the transferring of certificates of candidacy from circuit clerks in the counties to the Secretary of State in Charleston. It is the intention of this bill to clarify the confused situation caused by the February 1st deadline while there is a court case pending which could upset the basis on which legislative candidates filed.

If the supreme court decision concurs with the decision of Judge Taylor, and this decision is handed down after the end of the current session of legislature but before the primaries, the legislators will probably be called into special session to vote on a new reapportionment bill. If a new act creates delegate districts (to conform to the constitution), the legislative candidates who filed before the deadline in their home counties would be considered as having filed for the districts into which their counties will be placed.

The League responded to a "call for action" on a resolution introduced in the House concerning a constitutional amendment or reapportionment to be placed on the ballot, allowing each county at least one delegate in the House.

Seven night letters were sent to all the legislators calling on them to oppose this resolution. It passed in the House, but fortunately, never got out of committee in the Senate.

Mrs. Wm. A. Dickinson  
Constitutional Rev. Chm.

## ANNUAL MEETING TIME AGAIN

The Annual Meeting will be held at the Hunt Club in the Hotel Prichard, Sat., March 21, at 12:30 p.m. Cost of the luncheon will be \$1.95, and Mary Lou Ohl is in charge of arrangements. At the luncheon meeting, board reports, the budget, elections, by-law changes, Nat'l. Study Item reorganization, and agenda will be covered. The membership will be called for reservations. If you are not called, please contact Mary Lou Ohl at 525-8479, prior to March 16.

The Board proposes "Progress Study of Council Manager Government in Huntington", as a recommended local item.

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

We present the following nominees for offices to be filled at the 1964 Annual Meeting, March 21.

2nd V. President Mrs. Fred Weisberg  
Treasurer Mrs. Richard Bannon  
Director, 2 yr. Mrs. Harry Birkhead  
Mrs. Donald Dornbach  
Mrs. Peter Meier

Nominating Comm., 1965  
(Ch.) Mrs. Gerald Phillips  
Mrs. Robert Bishel  
Mrs. E. Henry Broh

Nominating Comm: Mrs. Robert Bishel  
Miss Mary Daniels  
Mrs. Henryetta Hager  
Mrs. Elmer Mook  
Mrs. David Thompson

## PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGE

The Board recommends a change in Art. V; Section 1 to read:

The President, the second Vice-President and the Secretary shall be elected in odd-numbered years. The first Vice-President, and the Treasurer shall be elected in even numbered years.

Nancy Matthews  
By-Laws Committee

## SERIES A SUCCESS .....

January 22, marked the final session in the series, "ABC's of Local Government". Councilman, John Meek was present to bring us up to date on City Council and to answer our questions.

Those assigned to gather information commented, time and again, on the excellent cooperation given them by members of our City Government. A highlight of the sessions was a study, in depth, on "Schools" given by Miss Peggy Jarrett.

Attendance was good; we felt the series a success. Giovanna Deveny

IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, please BUY A SHARE IN FAIR APPORTIONMENT BY SENDING YOUR DONATION TO OUR MRS. HARRY BIRKHEAD, OR TO MRS. H. L. WEHRLE, JR., 854 CHESTER ROAD, CHARLESTON 2.

Huntington

February 3, 1964

Dear Member -

Our financial drive will begin on February 10th. We hope to wind it up in a week. I have again agreed to be chairman although it is going to be a tougher job this year. Last year a great many people increased their gifts because of the City Charter fight. Some gave who had never given before.

Well, the League goes on year in and year out, whether there is a hot local issue or not. and it costs money to run an organization. We have our dues to State and National as well as our local operating expenses.

I want to enroll each one of you as a finance drive worker. I want you to be responsible for at least one donation. This can be a personal one or your husband's - THE EASY WAY! - Or get a donation from someone else - the "THRIFTY" WAY!

If you need any information, call me at 522-1908.

Thank you all,

Ann Birkhead