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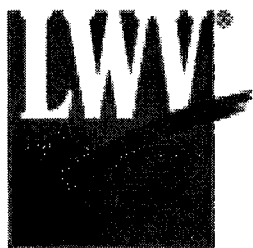
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# THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS® OF HUNTINGTON



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**SPECIAL  
COLLECTIONS**

## ANNUAL MEETING 2008

### PROPOSED LOCAL SUPPORT OF ISSUES LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- a. Support of improvements in the quality of recreation in the Huntington area.
- b. Support of the improvement in the quality of education in the Cabell County School system.
- c. Support of the council-manager form of government.
- d. Support of comprehensive land use planning.
- e. Support of the improvement of solid waste management

### ELECTION PROCEDURES

Support of measures to improve the election process.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

Support of improvement of juvenile court procedures and support agencies.

### TAXES AND FINANCE

- a. Support of funding for parks and recreation in the Huntington/Cabell area.
- b. Support of funding for Volunteer Fire Departments (VFD) by those who are served by the VFDs.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee for the Huntington Area League of Women Voters offers the following slate for election during the Annual Meeting on March 17, 2008.

President: Helen Gibbins

1<sup>st</sup> V.P.: Martha Woodward

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President for one year: Julie Damewood

Secretary: Portia Warner

Nominating Committee: Marcia Daoust and one position to be determined

Elected Directors: Elinore Taylor, Doris Johnson and one position to be determined

Respectfully submitted, Patricia Keller, Marie Redd, Helen Brown

Holdover officers:

Treasurer: Ann Speer

Elected Directors: Krista Conway Mary Anderson, and Giovanna Deveny

## PROPOSED BUDGET 2008-09

### EXPENDITURES

<b>A. OPERATING COSTS</b>			
1. Maintenance of Equipment	\$60		
2. General Supplies	80		
3. Meeting Places	70		
4. Equipment	0	210	
<b>B. Board and Administration</b>			
1. President	10		
2. Secretary	10		
3. Treasurer	80		
4. Board Tools & Expenses	25		
5. Administrative Committees			
a. Finance	45		
b. Membership/Meetings	90		
c. Public Relations	15	275	
<b>C. Delegates/Travel</b>			
1. Annual meeting	25		
2. State Convention/Council	0		
3. National Convention	0	25	
<b>D. Financial Support for LWVUS &amp; LWVWV</b>			
1. LWVWV PMP- \$11 & \$5.50	665.50		
2. LWVUS PMP-\$28 &\$14	1694.00		
	2359.50		
<b>E. Bulletin</b>	650	650	
<b>F. Educational Activities</b>			
1. Publications	100		
2. Summer Fun	200		
3. Program Committees			
a. National	10		
b. State	10		
c. Local	25		
4. Voters Service			
a. Elections	150		
b. Other Public Service	10	505	
<b>G. Position Support</b>			
1. Publications of LWV Positions	10		
2. Action Activities	10	20	
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$4044.50</b>
<b>ANTICIPATED INCOME</b>			
Dues (\$24, \$40, and \$55)	2520		
Contributions	600		
Summer Fun Grant	0		
Interest	15		
Reserves	909.50		
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$4044.50</b>

## EXPLANATION

B-1 family care, mileage, meals, misc.  
B-3 Thank you notes, dues notices, supplies  
B-4 Transportation, family care, Xeroxing, postage, publications, long distance, misc.  
B-5-B Membership flyers, refreshments  
D- PMP is "per member payment", half price to second member of the same household or a student  
F-1 Public Officials Guide to Legislature Election Information  
F-4-b Books donated; Speeches to other organizations  
Dues - \$24-students; \$40-individuals, \$55-household

## ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 17

The League's annual meeting is scheduled for March 17, 6 pm at the Ponderosa Restaurant, Rte 60 East of Huntington. We welcome guests.

Dr. Simon Perry, Political Science teacher at Marshall University, will be the featured speaker. The title of his speech is "Can We Predict the '08 Election?" He will analyze the issues of the 2004 election and how they will play a role in 2008. Dr. Perry's speech will give us the opportunity to hear some different perspectives about the election and discuss these ideas.

After the speech we will elect officers, adopt our 2008-09 budget and program, and discuss possibilities for projects in the upcoming year.

Here is an explanation of the League's term "Program". Through the years League members have studied issues and through the consensus process developed positions on these issues at the local, state, and national levels. Each year we give our members the opportunity to readopt or drop these issues. We can also adopt a new study but none have been suggested this year. Many of our issues have been on the books for years. One example is the council-manager form of government which we've updated several times. We've had many opportunities to state to the city council our support position of the council-manager form of government.

## LEARNING THROUGH LISTENING

Susan Hubbard brought to our attention an organization, RFB&D Learning Through Listening. "Anyone with a documented disability - including a visual impairment, learning or other physical disability that makes reading difficult or impossible - is eligible to use RFB&D audiobooks." Find out more from its website, [www.rfb.org](http://www.rfb.org), or 800-221-4792.

WV is a nonpartisan organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

Membership in the League is open to women and men of voting age. Annual dues, not tax deductible, are \$40 individual, \$55 for two in one household and \$24 for students.

To join, send your check to: Ann Spear,  
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## CALENDAR



March 17, 6 p.m. Ponderosa, Annual Meeting, Dr. Simon Perry, speaker

March 26, Candidates meeting for Mayor, Huntington High School

April 8, 6:30 p.m. Woodlands, Candidates Meeting for Mayor, Circuit Court Judge District 3, and Board of Education

April 17, 7 p.m. Jr. League Community Center, Candidates meeting for Board of Education

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dr. Bruce and Ann Ratcliff

## CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT 2008

In memory of Bernice Steirn the Huntington League donated *Choosing the President 2008* to high schools and libraries in Cabell County. The book is comprehensive in its coverage of the 2008 election. It includes all of the major steps in the election process and suggests what to look for during debates, how to evaluate media coverage and ads, where to find useful information, and more. The book may be ordered at the national League's online store, [www.lwv.org/store](http://www.lwv.org/store)

## ELECTION INFORMATION

April 22 - deadline to register to vote

April 23 - May 10 - early voting

[www.herald-dispatch.com](http://www.herald-dispatch.com) - surveys on candidates and election procedures.

[www.VOTE411.org](http://www.VOTE411.org) - the League of Women Voters website on candidates and election information.

[www.factcheck.org](http://www.factcheck.org) - checks the accuracy of political ads and allegations.

[www.cabellcountyclerk.org](http://www.cabellcountyclerk.org) - Cabell County's election information

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