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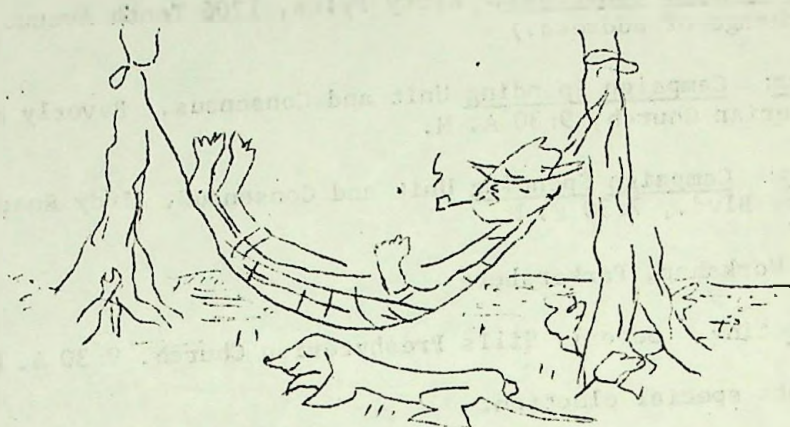
# HUNTINGTON AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

September and October, 1973

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*Wake Up*

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Summer is over! We're off and running into a new League year. Won't you join us? We need all our experienced hands, heads, legs, plus some new ones. We have programs at all stages--just beginning, almost finished, mostly in the middle.

The emphasis this year appears to be on action on items at all three levels of local, state, and national. The reason for a "hurry-up" consensus on campaign financing is the expected lively action in Congress. There will be much talk of land use, trade, environmental quality; and we must be prepared to make our positions known.

This bulletin is going to a number of people we hope will be interested in League. If you feel the need to help shape your community through organized action, League can help you. Why not attend one of our membership coffees and learn more about us?

Betty Barrett, President  
Huntington Area League of Women Voters

C A L E N D A R

- Sept. 18 Membership Coffee. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, Norway Ave. and Green Oak Drive, 9:35 A. M. Parking and babysitter provided.
- 19 Membership Coffee. Betty Barrett, 408 Eleventh Avenue, 7:30 P. M.
- 25 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M. Parking and babysitter provided.
- Oct. 1 Last day for payment of delinquent dues.
- 2 Council-Manager Consensus. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 3 Council-Manager Consensus. Kitty Pyles, 1206 Tenth Avenue, 7:30 P. M. (Note change of address.)
- 16 Congress: Campaign Spending Unit and Consensus. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 17 Congress: Campaign Spending Unit and Consensus. Judy Roach, 1906 Wiltshire Blvd., 7:30 P. M.
- 17 Finance Workshop, Parkersburg
- 23 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- Nov. 6 Amendments special election.
- 6 Timbering Unit
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League welcomes the following new members:

Mrs. Rolla D. Campbell 1030 Thirteenth Ave.	523-5346 25701	Mrs. Robert Emerson (Roberta) 9 Cavalier Drive	522-9108 25701
Mrs. Justine S. Bowen 921 Thirteenth St. 25701	525-9335 529-7551	Mrs. Richard A. Miller 1449 Tenth Ave.	522-1408 25701
Mrs. Mason G. Cyrus (Phyllis) 2940 Staunton Road	523-5588 25702		

Correction: The new address of Kitty Pyles is 1206 Tenth Avenue.

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WORDS LEAGUE WISHES DIDN'T HAVE TO BE PRINTED

Final dues reminders have been mailed. Members still delinquent by October 1, will be dropped, regretfully, but necessarily, so that new membership lists may be compiled.

Lila Thompson, Treasurer

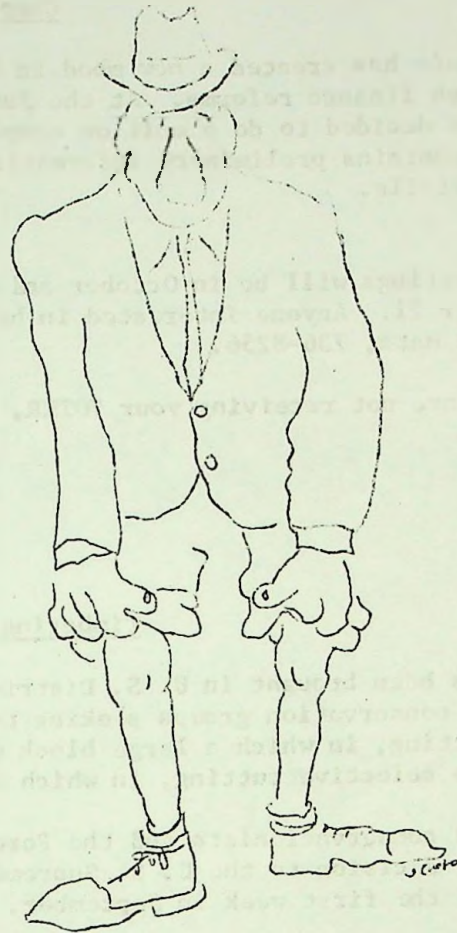


MEMBERSHIP COFFEE  
September 18 & 19, 1973

We don't want you

for your

nice legs!



We want you for your ingenuity, your congeniality, your imagination, your civic interest, your energy, your zeal, and your willingness to try new skills and to learn new facts. League is an organization that attracts such types of people. Come see for yourself at one of the League coffee hours. We have the publications and the organization; what we need is you.

We don't care if your legs aren't pretty; we just want them to be willing.

Membership Coffee  
Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church  
Norway Avenue and Green Oak Drive  
September 18, 1973  
9:30 A. M.

Membership Coffee  
Betty Barrett  
408 Eleventh Avenue  
September 19, 1973  
7:30 P. M.

Note: New members joining League from September 1, 1973 to April 1, 1974, will pay \$8:00, half of the annual dues. The new annual year starts April 1, 1974.

## COMING EVENTS

### Campaign Finance

Watergate has created a new mood in both the public and the Congress to institute campaign finance reforms. At the June council meeting at Washington, the conference decided to do a unit on campaign finance. The June/July issue of the VOTER contains preliminary information. The August/September VOTER will add more details.

Unit meetings will be in October and the deadline for local League reports is November 21. Anyone interested in helping on the study unit should contact Barbara Matz, 736-8256.

If you are not receiving your VOTER, notify Lila Thompson, treasurer.

Barbara Matz, Chairman  
Units on Congress

### Timbering Practices Unit

Suit has been brought in U. S. District Court in Elkins, West Virginia, by several conservation groups seeking to stop the U. S. Forest Service from using clearcutting, in which a large block of land is stripped of all timber, as opposed to selective cutting, in which only trees of specified sizes are cut.

Both the conservationists and the Forest Service have indicated they will appeal any decision to the U. S. Supreme Court. A ruling in the Elkins suit is expected the first week in September.

Other states are awaiting the results of this West Virginia case involving a 76-year-old law before taking action of their own.

Leaguers who are interested in conservation will want to follow developments in this important case as closely as possible.

Joan Mitchell, Chairman  
Timbering Practices

## NEWS FROM THE BOARD

### Solid Waste

Sam Colvin, new Cabell county extension agent, who is very interested in recycling, organized a meeting August 2, attended by people interested in developing recycling in Huntington. Dr. Robert Anderson of the Appalachian Center, Gene Weekley, City Public Works director, and the chairman of the Charleston group demonstrated newspaper pickup for recycling. All agreed recycling glass and paper in Huntington is desirable, both for reducing the burden on the city landfill and for resource recovery. The city does not feel in a position to



## Solid Waste (Continued)

help in any type of pickup at this time because of a shortage of equipment and money. However, it does encourage individual groups to set up organized recycling. Several methods are being investigated. Until something better is devised, we strongly advise individual recycling efforts of any kind. Individuals or groups are willing to develop.

Newspaper can be sold for 50 cents per hundred pounds and corrugated paper (boxes) for \$1.00 per hundred pounds (in bulk, as from stores) at Waste Paper Packing Company, 1751 Seventh Avenue. Glass can be sold for 1 cent a pound, clean, topless, and sorted by color, at Owens-Illinois, Fifth Street, West, and Eighth Avenue, at the main gate, or at Kerr Glass, Altizer.

Such voluntary recycling projects are extremely limited in effectiveness, and we are hopeful that they will be temporary measures until larger scale operations can be carried out on a city-wide basis.

Betty Barrett, President

P. S. A start has been made! A group of twenty-five students, part of a Community Resource Development group Sam Colvin is working with, picked up newspapers September 1, on the "Southside". They hope to make this a regular service until a better alternative is developed.

## International Relations

### Trade:

The national consensus position on international trade was remarkably similar to our local consensus. It is printed on page 20 and 21 of the VOTER, June/July issue.

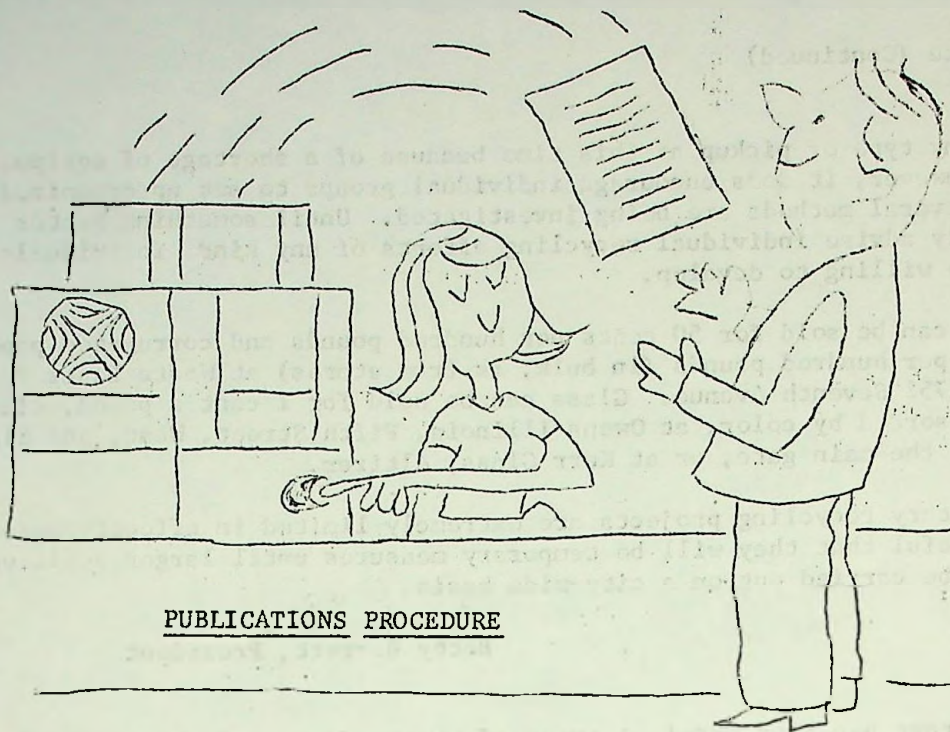
In testimony before the House Ways and Means Committee on May 29, 1973, Mrs. Lucy Wilson Benson opposed the Burke-Hartke bill (HR62) and gave qualified support to the administration-backed Trade Reform Act of 1973 (HR6767). The bill is still pending in committee and doubts are arising whether it will be passed in time to empower the President for the Tokyo trade talks in September. There is speculation that the trade talks may even be postponed if the United States is not prepared to negotiate.

Locally, we have provided Congressman Hechler with a copy of the new trade position and a press release is ready for local distribution to coincide with Washington news of the trade legislation. An evening on "Interface" is being sought to explain our position.

### United Nations:

October 24 is UN Day, the twenty-eighth birthday of the UN. WMUL-TV, Channel 33, will sponsor an hour program that Wednesday evening. WSAZ-TV, Channel 3, also is scheduling an interview on the weekend prior to the day. The observance this year will emphasize the twenty-fifth anniversary of the passage of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, one facet of which stresses women's rights.

Dr. Clair Matz, Chairman  
International Relations



### PUBLICATIONS PROCEDURE

Beginning September 15, all publication orders must be prepaid--no more charge accounts. This will save National the costs of billing, and the new procedure should be more efficient.

Our procedure must change accordingly. Officers and committee chairmen will be asked to order new publications of general interest, or of use in current studies, in larger numbers than usual. These will be for sale at all meetings. Board tools such as committee guides may be ordered as usual through publications chairman, Nadine Wellman. These orders will be taken at Board meetings, with delivery at the next Board meeting, unless special arrangements are made. Ordering monthly and in bulk should ease the burden on the treasurer and make more publications generally available, but will require anticipating needs.

We do ask that small orders for your personal use be sent on a "do-it-yourself" basis, with payment included. There is a form for this purpose in your catalog in the VOTER. Otherwise, ordering procedure is unchanged.

Betty Barrett, President

### BOOK NOOK

Facts & Issues: "The Great American Treasure Hunt", April 1972, No. 105, 25¢. League of Women Voters Education Fund, 1730 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. A "must" for Campaign Finance Unit.

Current Focus: "How Shall We Plan for our Land?", December, 1971, No. 501, 60¢. League of Women Voters Education Fund, etc. Helpful reading for Timbering Unit. Other reading sources are the VOTER, "More", and "Recycle" listed in other issues.



HUNTINGTON LEAGUE OFFICERS

1973-74

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'73-75	1'st Vice-President, Council-Manager Government	Martha Woodward
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'73-74	Units Arrangements	Kitty Pyles
	Finance	*
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\* Positions have not been filled.



## PROGRAM GUIDE

The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan organization, is dedicated to the principals established in the Constitution of the United States. The League works to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

Through its Program the League gives sustained attention to and takes concerted action on issues chosen by the members. Through its Voters Service the League provides nonpartisan factual information on the structure and function of government, political parties, voting procedures, election issues, and candidates.

### NATIONAL PROGRAM 1972-1974

#### ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Support of a physical environment beneficial to life: action to promote wise use of water resources and improvement of water and air quality.

Evaluation of land-use policies and procedures and their relationship to human needs, population trends, and ecological and socioeconomic factors.

#### HUMAN RESOURCES

Support of equal rights for all regardless of race or sex, with recognition of the special needs of American Indians; action to combat poverty and discrimination and to provide equal access to employment, housing and quality education.

Land Use: This item is an integral part of both EQ and HR. See the above for wording.

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Support of policies to promote international cooperation and world peace: action to promote international trade and development efforts, to further normalization of relations with the People's Republic of China and to strengthen the peace-keeping and peacebuilding functions of the United Nations system.

Evaluation of current trade patterns and their impact on the U. S. and world economy.

#### REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

Support of an open governmental system that is representative and responsive:

U. S. Congress--study of and action for responsive legislative processes.

Election of the President--action for election of the president and vice-president of the U. S. by direct national popular vote.

District of Columbia--action for self-government and representation in Congress for citizens of the District of Columbia.

Apportionment--action for apportionment substantially on population of congressional districts and of all elected state and local governmental bodies.

## STATE PROGRAM 1973-75

### ELECTION LAWS

A study of West Virginia election laws and procedures with support of appropriate reforms.

### STATE GOVERNMENT

Support of specific reforms of the West Virginia Legislature.  
Support of revision of the West Virginia Constitution.  
Support of strengthening and extending the civil service system.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

Support of the opportunity for housing for all persons free from discriminatory practices.

### EDUCATION

Support of measures contributing to improved finance and organization.  
Support of the expansion of vocational and technical education programs.

### ENVIRONMENT QUALITY

Evaluation of land use in West Virginia, including timbering and planning.  
Support of strong laws to prevent and abate water pollution, regulate water use, and control surface mining.

### TAXATION AND FINANCE

A study of taxation and finance in West Virginia.

### JUVENILE SERVICES

Juvenile services in West Virginia

## LOCAL PROGRAM 1973-74

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Study of the Cabell county school system.  
Re-evaluation of the council-manager government.  
Support of comprehensive planning.  
Support of improved solid waste management.

### ELECTION PROCEDURES

Support of redistricting of precincts and improved election procedures.

### HUMAN RESOURCES

Support of improvement of juvenile court procedures and supporting agencies.



## LEAGUE PROFILES

In order that League members may be more than names and faces to each other, minibiographies of members will be published from time to time. This issue includes three local presidents, the present one and two past presidents.

### Betty Barrett

Betty was born in Chicago, Illinois, and was graduated from Milwaukee-Downer College, Wisconsin, with a major in occupational therapy. She served the Army OT for a year.

She married Ed Barrett, native of Fairmont, and now vice-president of the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company. They have five children: four boys, 16, 14, 11, and 7 years of age; and one girl, age 5. They lived in Morgantown for twelve years, and have been living in Huntington for six years.

Other interests (many shelved in favor of League work) include Sunday school teaching and other church activities, school, scouts, and all kinds of handcrafts.

### Sue Carlson

Sue has served League in many capacities. She has served the local League as president, foreign policy chairman, finance chairman, and presently, as special projects chairman. On the State Board she has been election laws chairman and is now land use chairman.

Her community activities are many and varied. She is a member of the Huntington Board of Zoning Appeals, the Huntington Historical Society, NOW, and Panel of American Women. She is also on the Executive Board of the West Virginia Planning Association, and state president of Reading Is Fundamental in West Virginia.

She was born in Omaha, Nebraska, grew up in New York State near Kathleen Kowalski and Carolyn Tillack. She received her B. S. from the University of Michigan, and worked with Union Carbide in Charleston, West Virginia, for several years as a medical technologist.

Her husband is D. C. Carlson, employed with Huntington Alloy, and her three girls are ages 11, 9, and 5.

### Helen Gibbins

Another local League past-president is Helen Gibbins. She is now serving State Board as first vice-president and organization and representative government chairman.

Other activities are Camp Fire leader, elder and Sunday school teacher in the Presbyterian church, member of the Panel of American Women, and a member of the County Planning Commission.

Her fun interests are wild flowers, piano, bird watching, and duplicate bridge.

Helen Gibbins (Continued)

She was born in Indiana, and received her B. S. from Purdue University. She has two boys, 18 and 16 years of age, and one girl, 13 years old. Her husband, Neil Gibbins, is a professor in the Department of Education of Marshall University.

#### WHERE THE ACTION IS!

New Babysitter. Since one of our members is owner of Substitute Parents, a childcare service, the Board has decided to use her services. Substitute Parents has recommended Mrs. Russell Blake, 2061 Enslow Avenue to be the League babysitter for the year.

Rides. Need a ride for a League unit meeting? Call Vivian Phares, 522-8735.

Thanks. Carol Elvery extends heartfelt thanks to all League members who participated in the finance drive by soliciting, typing, or whatever. The drive raised \$1602.

Thank you, Carol, for doing a fine job. League still needs a chairman for the 1974 finance drive. Don't let Carol's success scare away any volunteers.

Recognition. League is especially proud of the success of three of its members: Dr. Phyllis Cyrus, in being the first woman mayor of Huntington; Mrs. Justine Bowen, in being elected president of the Huntington Housing Appeals and Advisory Board; and Doris Johnson, in being featured in the "Know Your Neighbor" series of the "Herald Advertiser".

Speakers Bureau. Vivian Phares reports that local clubs are taking advantage of the services offered by our Speakers Bureau. Betty Barrett has already conducted a litter program with the Scouts at Camp Dekanawida; Sue Carlson will talk before the East Huntington Civic League, September 10, on planning; Rotary has invited League to give a program on human rights on September 17; and League will be represented on a Welcome Wagon program.

Timely Readings. Betty Barrett has an extra copy of two publications to lend to interested persons:

"A Free and Responsive Press", Twentieth Century Fund, A Task Force Report, 1973. The writers recommend a new institution, a National News Council, for preserving freedom of the press and improving its performance.

"The Diminishing Barrier: A Report on School Desegregation in Nine Communities", U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, December 72. Covers both northern and southern school systems of various sizes.

The Law of the Too Solid Goof: In any collection of data, that figure which is most obviously correct beyond all need for checking is the mistake.

Corollary: No one to whom you go for help will see it either, but everyone who stops by your desk with unsought advice will see it immediately.

This law is practiced most frequently by the bulletin editor, and she would like some proofreaders to share the blame. How about some label lickens and bulletin staplers as well?