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# HUNTINGTON AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

November, 1973

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## C A L E N D A R

- Nov. 6 ELECTION ON AMENDMENTS. Call-In Service, Carol Elvery, Chairman, Ch. 13.
- 6 Timbering: Forest Practices, 1973. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, Norway Ave. and Green Oak Drive, 9:30 A. M. Baby sitter and parking provided.
7. Timbering: Forest Practices, 1973. Henryetta Hager, 611 Twelfth Avenue, Rear, 7:30 P. M.
- 13 "Mass Media and Our Culture", Sue Bowen. A. A. U. W., hostess. Huntington Womens Club, 7:30 P. M.
- 14 Land Use Seminar, Morgantown, W. Va. See Sue Carlson.
- 20 Timbering Consensus. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 20 Timbering Consensus. Mary Daniel, 609 Twelfth Avenue, Rear, 7:30 P. M. Note change of date.
- 27 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 30 Evening with the Legislators. Mrs. Ruth Sullivan, 101 Richmond Street, Guyandotte, 8:00 P. M. (Next to the Ohio River flood wall.)
- Dec. 4 "Where Do We Go From Here?". Comprehensive Planning for League. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 5 "Where Do We Go From Here?". Comprehensive Planning for League. Martha Woodward, 1802 Wiltshire Blvd., 7:30 P. M.
- 11 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 P. M.
- Jan. 8 Education: Cabell County Schools. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 9 Education: Cabell County Schools. Carolyn Tillack, 214 Eleventh Avenue, West, 7:30 P. M.

(Calendar, Continued)

- 9 Legislature begins.
- 22 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 23 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools. (Place to be announced.)
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League welcomes the following new members:

Mrs. K. E. McIntyre (Michaela) 562 N. Inwood Dr.            25701    523-8812	Mrs. Carolyn Jefferson 24 Steiner Blvd. Barboursville, W. Va.    25504    736-3608
Mrs. John H. McMillan (Carolyn) 102 Eleventh Ave.            25701    697-4700	Mrs. Donald D. Chezik (Kathryn) 29 Hamill Rd.                    25701    522-4830
Mrs. John Moboyed (Lavella) 2874 Roseneath Rd.            25705    522-8113	Mrs. Nichola V. Cusick Rt. 4, Box 3368                    25701    429-2469
Mrs. Ethel Louise St. Clair 304 Eleventh Ave.            25701	Mrs. Thomas Norton (Frances) 5946 Wilson Park                25705    736-9967

Note: The new address of Mrs. Frank (Marjorie) Altizer is 1340 Thirteenth St. 25701

A TRY FOR A MORE REPRESENTATIVE CONSENSUS  
Campaign Financing

The National Council has directed that there be a simple and fast process for reaching agreement on campaign financing. The goal is to have a larger and more responsive base for consensus-taking. This requires larger membership participation.

To help fulfill the goal, League is asking members to tear off the back page of the August/September VOTER, mark the consensus questions, (even though you were not able to attend the unit meeting), and mail it to Barbara Matz, 101 Cheyenne Trail, Ona, West Virginia 25545, before October 23, 1973.

Of course, you are expected to read the June/July VOTER, the August/September VOTER, the state publication, Campaign Financing, or other pertinent material for background. An uninformed consensus has little value.

BOOK NOOK

Forest Practices, 1973, League of Women Voters of West Virginia, Inc., \$1:00.  
Order from Joan Mitchell, 529-4905.

Facts & Issues: "The Water You Drink: How Safe is It?", The League of Women Voters of the United States, 1730 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036, No. 246, 25¢.



Definitions, Continued

The Multiple-Use-Sustained Yield Act provides that decisions be made with consideration being given to the relative values of the various resources, and not necessarily the combination of uses that will give the greatest dollar return or the greatest unit output.

--Joan Mitchell, Timbering Chairman

Y'all come. Y'all come. Y'all come. Y'all come.

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m	101 Richmond Street, Guyandotte	m
e	(Next to Ohio River flood wall)	e
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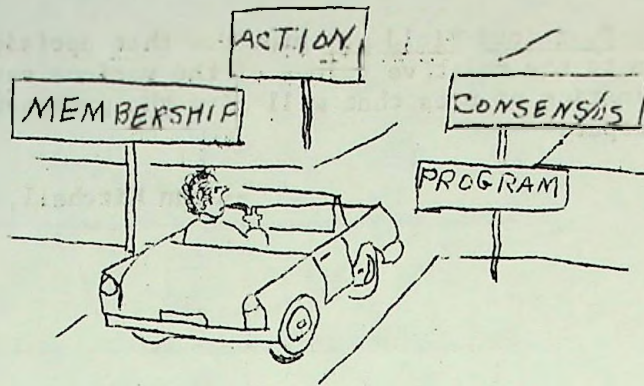
Here's the opportunity to hear and be heard from the people who are there! Evening with the legislators is our most pleasant way of lobbying. League will be emphasizing judicial reform, improved funding for existing air and water pollution controls, improved solid waste management, election law reform, and educational improvements. We will review our positions on state items and exchange views on how these items can be turned into effective legislation. The evening will be the highlight of our season.

Share the fun! Get a babysitter and bring your husband. He deserves a night out.

PROGRAM

STUDY

ACTION



WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?  
League Comprehensive Planning  
December 4 & 5, 1973

Every year is a crossroads. Every year League must pause for direction. Where do we go from here? What should League do that it has never done before? What should League do better?

How do we increase member participation in study and consensus? How do we handle an increase in program items and action goals? Should we adopt some of the alternatives presented in the June/July VOTER? Should we cut back on program? How can we lobby more effectively?

League needs to hear from all of you, especially you who usually do not attend unit meetings. League needs to "let its hair down" for a comprehensive planning session from national programs to local TV programs. If you have ever said, "I wish League would do more.", this is your chance to talk. League program is only as good as the members make it. If you want to know more about a League position, this is your chance to ask--or your chance to tell of a pet project--or a pet peeve.

Please make an extra effort to be at one of the December 4 or 5 meetings. Bring your latest VOTER on programming.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Special Election on Amendments to the West Virginia Constitution

League will continue the Call-In Service, with the cooperation of WHTN-TV 13, during the special election, November 6, on four amendments to the West Virginia constitution listed briefly below:

1. VIETNAM VETERANS BONUS: Requires West Virginia Legislature to appropriate or borrow money to pay bonus to West Virginia Vietnam veterans, or their survivors.
2. BETTER HIGHWAYS: Authorizes the sale of bonds up to \$500,000,000 for bridge replacement, and highway construction and improvement.



## Special Election, Continued

3. **HOMESTEAD AND TAXATION EXEMPTION:** Raises the amount of money and personal property an owner may keep if his home is sold for debts. Exempts the first \$5000 of the assessed value of a house owned and occupied by people 65 or older from property tax.
4. **SHERIFF'S SUCCESSION:** Permits sheriffs to serve all or part of two terms.

Carol Elvery, Voter Service chairman, will explain the amendments on Noon News, WHTN-TV 13, each day from October 29 through November 2. Lois Kauffelt will also appear on AM, WSAZ-TV 3, sometime during the week of October 29.

League will have flyers to explain the amendments. If you would like to distribute some to your church and other clubs or work with the call-in service committee, talk with Carol Elvery, 453-2758.

### Water Facts

Safe drinking water for every person in the U. S.--you probably assume that is a reality. Unfortunately, it is not. In 1969, 56% of 969 public waterworks surveyed has physical deficiencies; 51% failed to disinfect their water; 16% exceeded one or more mandatory limits in federal drinking water standards. Of the 50 million people using individual water sources, 40% of these sources are polluted.

Federal standards for drinking water were established in 1914, and EPA began in 1970 to upgrade these standards. However, only drinking water on interstate carriers is required to meet federal bacteriological standards and be so certified--leaving 40,000 systems requiring no certification. Fourteen states have adopted the federal FWS as their own; 1 state has adopted stricter standards and 7 have adopted FWS with modifications. These standards are revised in response to new insights by health specialists. They are set at levels that--according to present knowledge--should produce no immediate effects and only minimum effects after lifetime exposure. Legislation is being proposed to make federal FWS mandatory for all public systems and establish enforcement and public information through state and local authorities.

These standards are being revised now to require a "bacterial plate count" which will measure the bacterial population in drinking water. Limits for 18 specific chemicals are included in present FWS, but as 500 new chemicals are introduced in industrial waste every year, these standards will be changed with a definite limit on mercury. Physical quality of water--color, odor and taste--should be acceptable also; and if it is not, may be a sign of improperly treated water.

If you suspect "improperly treated water", however, don't rush to the bottled water counter at the supermarket. As of 1971, only 8 states had minimum standards for bottled water.

Read Water Facts next month to learn about water treatment and how government should assist in this process.

--Fonetta Collett, Chairman  
Environmental Quality

## LEAGUE LINGO

### Program

The League Program is a means of carrying on the League purpose. The Program contains Study Items and Support Items. Study Items are items on which research and investigations are being made and no consensus has yet been reached. Support Items are subjects on which consensus has been reached and are now ready for action in the form of lobbying or educating the public.

National is looking for ways to make the program-making process better--for ways to help members think creatively and hardheadedly about future program, with as many members participating as possible. The June/July VOTER about program and program management was designed with this in mind. It gives a capsule account of what present program emphases are, how we arrived at this form of this program and what the developing edges of existing program seem to be. It also suggests some possibilities for restructuring program.

Certain criteria are helpful in choosing topics:

1. Is it a problem that can be solved through government?
2. Will the topic provide for League action?
3. Is it worthwhile?
4. Does it come within the principles of the LWV, i.e., nonpartisan, etc.?
5. Does the program look forward to future problems?
6. Will it motivate members?
7. Does it fit in with the rest of the program? Is it balanced?

Now is the time for Huntington League members to discuss and suggest topics for a good program. In January, League president, Betty Barrett will be sending National our suggestions for the national program. In March League will be deciding upon local program. Start now to work up interest for your pet problem.

Program-making is a democratic procedure. To adopt a national program, individual League members suggest topics to the local League board. The local board forwards the suggestions to the national board. The national board proposes a program based on the suggestions received, and the proposed program is sent back to the local Leagues for discussion and consideration. The final adoption of a program is made at the national convention.

This is the time in the program-making process when members have the opportunity to truly direct where the "League is going to be and what it is going to do". In order to make direction easy and accurate, please fill out the following forms and mail them to Betty Barrett, 408 Eleventh Avenue, Huntington, West Virginia, 25701. She will mail the results to the national board before January 6, 1974. At the March meeting, the national board formulates the proposed program, based on tabulation of all reports. The proposed program 1974-76 (with explanations and a list of not-recommended subjects) will be sent to local and state Leagues by March 25. The 1974-76 national program will be adopted at the May 6-10 national convention to be held at San Francisco.



Fill out form and return to Betty Barrett, 408 Eleventh Ave., Huntington, West Virginia, 25701, before December 6, 1973.

NATIONAL PROGRAM (1972-1974)

Check under the appropriate heading for each:

- |   | <u>Drop</u> | <u>Retain As Is</u> | <u>Change</u><br>further<br>study | <u>Emphasis</u><br>action<br>priority |
|---|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY                            |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| a. Solid waste management                           |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| b. Air quality                                      |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| c. Water resources                                  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| 2. LAND USE   |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| 3. HUMAN RESOURCES                                  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| a. Women  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| b. American Indians                                 |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| c. Education  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| d. Employment                                       |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| e. Housing  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| f. Welfare  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| 4. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS                          |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| a. Development (aid)                                |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| b. Trade  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| c. China  |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| d. United Nations                                   |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| 5. REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT                        |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| a. Campaign financing                               |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| b. U. S. Congress                                   |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| c. Election of the President<br>(Electoral College) |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| d. District of Columbia                             |             |                     |                                   |                                       |
| e. Apportionment                                    |             |                     |                                   |                                       |

COMMENTS: Specify and explain your suggestions.

LIST NEW ISSUE(S) SUGGESTED FOR STUDY. For each, indicate problem to be solved scope and focus of proposed study, and reasons for recommendation.



## LEAGUE PROFILES

### Nadine Wellman

Nadine Wellman, chairman of League's publications, is a native of Huntington. She received her A. B. degree from Morgan State College, Baltimore, Maryland, and has taught English at Douglas High and Enslow Junior High.

She is a member of Young Chapel A. M. E., A. A. U. W., and Retired Teachers. Music and bridge are her hobbies.

### Carol Elvery

Carol has moved about a bit. She was born in Fargo, North Dakota, reared in Miami, Florida, and lived in Jackson, Alabama, before moving to Huntington.

Her husband, Dudley J. Elvery, is minister of Kenova Presbyterian Church. Together, they are coordinators for the Fourth Congressional District for Common Cause. They have two preschoolers.

Carol's ten years experience as a nurse highly qualifies her for her positions as director of education for the Childbirth Association of Greater Huntington Area and the Family Planning and Well Baby Clinic of Wayne County.

She has served League as a member of the Solid Waste Committee, the chairman of the Finance Drive Committee, and as the present chairman for Voter Service.

For her spare time she enjoys sewing, cooking, reading, camping, and living in the outdoors generally.

### Martha Woodward

Before Martha, a native of Marietta, Georgia, joined the Huntington League, she belonged to the Bryan-College Station League, Bryan, Texas. For them she served as chairman of the China study. For the Huntington League, she has served as chairman for the Planning Committee and is now serving as first vice-president and chairman of the Council-Manager Unit.

Before marrying David R. Woodward, professor of history at Marshall University, Martha taught English literature at Marshall University and, previously, at Wisconsin State, Superior, Wisconsin.

She has one fifteen-month old child.

Other interests include work at the Huntington Galleries, A. A. U. W., Faculty Wives, and chairmanship of the Human Relations Commission. For relaxation she likes needlework and similar handicrafts.

WHERE THE ACTION IS!

Public Relations: An active T. V. schedule reflects an active League program. Kathleen Kowalski, Public Relations chairman, arranged the following T. V. and radio programs:

Oct. 10	AM,WSAZ-TV3, 9 A. M., Martha Woodward, Council Manager
Same week	Noon News, WHTN-TV13, Martha Woodward, Council Manager
Oct. 23	AM,WSAZ-TV3, 9 A. M., Barbara Matz, Campaign Financing
Same week	Noon News, WHTN-TV13, Barbara Matz, Campaign Financing
Oct. 21	Interface, WGNT radio, 7 P. M., Clair Matz, United Nations
Oct. 21	Newsmaker, WHTN-TV13, 10:30 P. M., Clair Matz, United Nations
Oct. 24	AM,WSAZ-TV3, 9 A. M., Clair Matz, United Nations
Oct. 24	WMUL-TV33, time unknown, Clair Matz, United Nations
Oct. 29-Nov. 2	Noon News, WHTN-TV13, Carol Elvery, Constitutional Amendments
Week of Oct. 29	AM,WSAZ-TV3, 9 A. M., Lois Kauffelt, Amendments
Week of Nov. 12	AM,WSAZ-TV3, 9 A. M., Timbering
Week of Nov. 12	Noon News, WHTN-TV13, Timbering

Finance Chairman: Charlene Boggs has been appointed finance chairman.

Education Unit: Helen Brown needs information on how the P. T. A. organizations in Cabell county raise money and for what they spend it. She would like reports from schools of all financial levels--rich, poor, and average. She can be reached at telephone 525-2735.

Correction: Ann Ferguson called to correct an error appearing in the September-October bulletin. She said her organization, Substitute Parents, did not provide the babysitter for League. She tried and she tried, but she could not find one. We are glad to have Harriet Blake as our sitter by whatever route she comes.

Ann furnishes a good service to Huntington. The "Herald-Dispatch" thinks so, too. Did you read the article about Ann in the August 24 edition?

Recognition: Barbara Yonteck, League member, was also interviewed by the "Herald-Dispatch", in regard to changing concepts in the church concerning women.

Action: Pat Hartman will be a good representative for League when she speaks to the Cabell County P. T. A. Council, January 7, 1974. She will discuss ways in which local schools are affected by state issues.