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# HUNTINGTON AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

February, 1976

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## C A L E N D A R

- Feb. 3 Potpourri: Orientation and Future Program Planning. Diane Coe, 614 South Terrace, 9:15 A. M. (Note change of meeting place and time.) The usual baby sitting service will be provided at Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, Norway Avenue.
- 9-13 Finance Drive Week, Sally Lenke, Chairman, 736-3004.
- 18 Day at the Legislature, Daniel Boone Hotel, Charleston, W. Va. Send check of \$6.00 and reservations to Vivian Phares, 522-8735.
- 24 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:15 A. M. (Note change of time.) Remember: All board meetings are open to all members. It's a good opportunity for new members to learn the details of League work.
- Mar. 2 Revenue Sharing. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:15 A. M.
- 3 Revenue Sharing. Ginna Colburn, 147 Locust Street, 7:30 P. M.
- 13 Annual Meeting. Uptowner Motel. Make reservations and send checks to Vivian Phares.
- 24 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:15 A. M.
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## CORRECTIONS

Please make these changes on your League membership list:

Mary Louise Cantrell should be Mary Lynne Cantrell.

The correct telephone number of Mary Louise Stephens is 736-4962.

The correct telephone number of Ann Rockwell is 525-6404.

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GRAFFITO: If at first you do succeed, try to hide your amazement.

## AMERICAN ISSUES FORUM

Breathes there a League member so blind or so deaf that she/he has not observed the deluge of historical bicentennial programs on TV and radio, articles written in newspapers and magazines, and debates or studies sponsored by various civic groups? These activities are not accidental but are directed by the American Issues Forum, a project developed by the National Endowment of the Humanities and co-sponsored by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration. Its topics are fundamental issues --work, foreign relations, government, land use, human rights, education, the American family, etc. The subjects follow a national calendar but are discussed from a local perspective as well as a national viewpoint. Titles for February through May are "Working in America"; "The Business of America"; "America in the World"; "Growing Up in America"; and "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness".

On a local level, The League of Women Voters is participating in living room dialogues by furnishing speakers, live audiences, and homes. Tentative TV programs for February are:

- Feb. 2 AAUW, at the home of Miss Emma Louise Gillespie, 1642 Sixth Ave., 7:30 P. M.
- 2 or 5 Barboursville Public Library, 7:30 P. M. to 9:00 P. M. WMUL-TV.
- 3 League of Women Voters, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Clayton L. McNearney, 2965 Staunton Road; moderator, Dr. Clair Matz, WMUL-TV.
- 3 Cabell County Library, at the Milton Library and Gallagher Village Library, 7:30 to 9:00 P. M., WMUL-TV.
- 3 Call-in program to panelists from weekly programs on WMUL-TV, sponsored by WOMK-TV13, 8:00 to 9:00 P. M. Viewing audience may phone in questions or comments. If this call-in is successful, monthly programs will follow.
- 4 Welcome Wagon Club, at the home of Mrs. Delma Woosley, 99 Belmont Drive, 10:00 A. M., WMUL-TV.
- 5 Pea Ridge Woman's Club, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Waite, 7 Pembroke Lane, 8:00 P. M., WMUL-TV.
- 5 First National Bank of Ceredo, in the First Nat. Bank of Ceredo Community Meeting Room, 7:00 P. M., WMUL-TV.
- 5 West Huntington Library, 7:30 to 9:00 P. M., WMUL-TV.
- 6 AM, Pam Huff, "Working in America" from a feminine perspective, 9:00 A. M., WSAZ-TV3.

Look inside the "Tri-State Shopper's Guide". The paper is carrying the Course by Newspaper on the American Issues Forum through the courtesy of Mr. Edward Chadwick and is underwritten by the First National Bank of Ceredo.

The nation's bicentennial celebration affords Americans an opportunity to expand their perspectives on the past, present, and future of the American experience. Add your voice. Share your thoughts. Consider. Talk about our rights, our values, our problems. Talk about the way we live.

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Our board feels we need to pay greater attention to members' ideas, gripes and questions about League--why we study the issues we do and whatever other topics you deem useful.

This is a good opportunity for new members to get oriented to League. We will be making a special effort to gear this toward helping new members integrate into League. But it is also a chance for members who have been in League longer to ask questions for information, to make suggestions, to "get it out of your system" or "clear the air".

It may be useful to think of this as an evaluation for self improvement session. We need all the brainpower we can get, so think about it in advance and then attend at Diane Coe's home, 612 South Terrace, 9:15, on February 3.

Barbara Matz, President

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*    FINANCE DRIVE WEEK            *
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*    February 9-13, 1976          *
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The finance drive is our main source of income and, therefore, it is critical that it be successful. We are counting on the cooperation of every League member.

Remember how important this drive is to us--without these funds League cannot function.

--Sally Lewke, Chairman, 736-3004  
 Anita Loch, 736-4036

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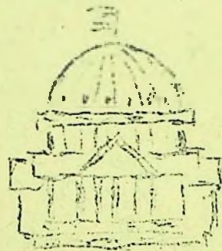
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- DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE  
- Wednesday, February 18, 1976  
- Daniel Boone Hotel and State Capitol  
- \$6:00  
- (includes coffee, lunch and bus)  
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Schedule

Coffee with legislators	8:00 to 10:00 A. M.
Briefing	10:00
Lunch	11:30
Bus for Capitol	12:30 P. M.

Send checks for luncheon reservations and rides to Vivian Phares, 1034 Tenth Avenue, before February 10. If you care to spend Tuesday night with one of the Charleston League members, call Vivian at 522-8735.

Some of the League action priorities for 1976 are a comprehensive civil service bill, majority vote amendment, comprehensive reform of the County Organization Article, campaign financing, a statewide solid waste authority, opposition to any effort to ease air quality standards, reapportionment, adequate funds for EQ commissions, etc.



HEAR HERE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our annual Evening with the Legislators on December 3 was a great success. We were pleased to welcome Chuck Polan, Walter Rollins, Hugh Kincaid, Spike Underwood, Robert Childers and Bob Nelson. We had an unusually animated discussion between the legislators and the League members.

League can be proud of the concise, informative statements presented by the chairpersons of land use, recreation, EQ, West Virginia taxation, election laws, civil service, education, juvenile services. The response from the legislators and the audience was lively; we were able to share concerns and ideas, particularly regarding bills which we hope and/or expect to come before this year's session.

Legislators who take the time to participate on these dialogues should be commended. Leagueurs who turned out surely benefitted. Such frank exchanges of views enhance both sides and are especially useful in getting League ideas before those officials who have the power to do something about our issues.

Barbara Matz, President

## JUVENILE SERVICES

The regional Juvenile Services Committee continues to meet monthly. Great progress is being realized for the betterment of the judicial treatment of juveniles.

The recent announcement that the Ona Foster Home will become a regional detention-treatment facility for girls by July 1976 is a direct result of this committee's efforts. The need for girls to have treatment equal to boys has long been acute.

A Youth Services Bureau is being investigated and possibilities are growing. Agencies have been interviewed and all would support and cooperate with a bureau. Presently students are being interviewed to determine local student needs and interests. Remember, a Youth Services Bureau is mainly a central record-keeping place also offering information, services, and/or referrals.

The Juvenile Service Committee has also helped the community to get a \$20,000 grant for an information and referral service administered by the libraries and Contact.

An emergency shelter for youth and group homes are badly needed in the area and are receiving committee consideration and study. A committee is investigating Department of Welfare standards and funding. It is hoped that a group home can be started soon with the Boy's Clubs taking administrative responsibility.

It is great to see agencies working cooperatively--so much more is being accomplished.

Charlene Boggs, Chairman, Juvenile Services

## CLAIR MATZ AT WINGSPREAD

Clair Matz will be the West Virginia representative to a national League symposium on U. S. relations with the developing nations for League leaders from across the country. It will be held at Wingspread in Racine, Wisconsin, February 2-4, 1976. The symposium will examine the three IR topics--trade, the UN, and development assistance--within the context of changing economic and political relationships and current developments in these fields.

The conference will be designed to stimulate two-way communication and to avoid the "brilliant-lecture-to-passive-audience" format. League participants will be asked to come armed with solid facts--editorials and other comments from community leaders --to provide a cross-section of American impressions of the new international economic order and other points of tension in U. S. relations with the Third World. Early in the conference, the experts will be asked by League participants to respond to the most-often-asked question or the common misunderstandings about U. S. relations with the developing nations. In this way, the League's understanding of grassroots opinion can give valuable feedback to some of those who make the day-to-day decisions that determine the general direction of U. S. policy.

There will be workshops on such substantive issues as trade and investment, the global food system, monetary reform and development aid, plus a community action simulation game and a workshop on how to bring the issues to the local community.

Clair will surely meet the challenge. League is proud that he will represent our state.

OTHER LEAGUE ACTIONS

Lobbying. It's the letter-writing season again. Now that the legislators are in session, League needs people who are willing to write letters to them about League issues. Please volunteer by calling Betty Barrett, 525-5908. She will give you the necessary background.

Housing. Have you seen the League TV spot on equal housing. It has been shown many times on Channel 3 and 13. The Ford Foundation gave the Education Fund of LWVUS a small grant to produce a 30-second TV public service advertisement on equal housing opportunity. The color spot was animated by the Detroit producer, Ted Petok, who also does some work for Sesame Street.

BOOK NOOK

The following League publications may be ordered from the League of Women Voters of the United States or from Mary Mann, our new local publications chairman. The address for LWVUS is 1730 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036.

ENERGY, Papers 1 through 18, No. 552. \$1.00 for the pack of 18 or 15¢ per paper.

GENERAL REVENUE SHARING AND THE STATES, No. 595, \$1.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: STATE LEGISLATORS ON MONITORING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, No. 520, 60¢.

UPDATE INTERNATIONAL: DEVELOPMENT AID: WILL IT BE CAUGHT IN THE CRUNCH?, No. 596, 25¢.

BREAKING INTO BROADCASTING, No. 586, 25¢.

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY ISSUES, No. 574, 25¢.

SO YOU WANT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT RECREATION, No. 580, 25¢.

SO YOU'RE INTERESTED IN YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, No. 584, 25¢.

ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE ON WATER: THE MUNICIPAL CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROGRAM, No. 612, 25¢.

COMMITTEE GUIDE: AN HR SOURCE GUIDE, No. 590, 75¢.

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