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ORIENTATION ON CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITIES

Can you name our Continuing Responsibilities?

What stand does League take on Home Rule for Washington, D. C. and loyalty-security in government?

What is the future for Constitutional Revision in West Virginia?

These are just a few of the important topics about which our state second vice-president, Mrs. T. D. Kauffelt, will speak, Oct. 25. We will have the opportunity to hear a League member who observed the 1967 state legislature in action.

The meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Fred Weisberg, 819 Park Hills at 7:45. The Weisberg home has the first driveway to the right after crossing the 8th street bridge. If necessary we can park at the Rose Garden.

COME AND BRING A GUEST

During the afternoon Mrs. Kauffelt will meet with Board Members to discuss their portfolios and general board work at the home of Helen Gibbins.

TIME FOR ACTION REPORT

Mrs. James Deveny, Jr., sent letters to Senators Byrd and Randolph and Congressman Hechler reporting on Community Action in Huntington and urging them to support Development of Human Resources programs.

Mrs. D. C. Carlson wrote to our congressmen expressing our League's position on Foreign Aid.

Notice the report in the State Voter for ideas on letter writing, or confer with Giovanna or Sue, both have source material for letter writing.

NEW VENTURES

Joan Bassford is now teaching in Headstart at the First Methodist Church.

Giovanna Deveny is director of Parent Child Center Program planning. This is a new program under Dr. Simpkins of Marshall University.

AID AND TRADE

How do tariff reductions with Japan affect the house wife in West Virginia?

What is the Mekong Delta Project?

What is the "new money"?

For answers to these and other timely questions come to the Aid and Trade Meetings. The first one is Oct. 18 at the Enslow Presbyterian Church. 9:30 to 11:30. Baby sitting provided.

Our meetings will be designed to bring long standing members up to date

and to help the newer members learn about the subject.

If you are interested, but prefer another meeting time, call Sue Carlson, 523-5838.

Jean Moore's home provided the perfect setting for the Citizenship I.Q. quiz presented by Peg Schroeder. From the comments of guests as to the success of this program as being both interesting and informative, many League members might find it a good program to use in some of their other organizations.

Prospective members please note: If you wish to get the National Voter and West Virginia Voter, you receive these free each month after you join the League.

Do you know where to send your membership dues? Send them to:

Mrs. Richard Bannon
2629½ First Avenue
Huntington, W. Va. 25702

DHR MEETING

Dr. Theodore D. Soistman will be the speaker for our Development of Human Resources meeting, Nov. 15, 8:00, in the Campus Christian Center.

Dr. Soistman is an assistant professor of Education at Marshall University. He has participated in the NDEA institutes for advanced study in teaching disadvantaged youth. His talk to us will be titled, "New Trends in Educating the Disadvantaged Pupil". He said he would appreciate having some questions from us ahead of time so he won't cover things we already know and miss those in which we are most interested.

Call Giovanna Deveny, 522-1200, any evening after 7:00, with any questions you would like for Dr. Soistman to cover.

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Wanted: League observers for City Council, County Court, Community Action Neighborhood Meetings, and School Board Meetings.

Attending these meetings is a very important function of League and we are not doing it conscientiously. Those of us who know its importance from experience should tell the doubters and offer to take them to some of the meetings.

Call Helen Gibbins, 736-3287, about which meetings you can attend and your preference of month.

YOUTH SERVICES

As a beginning of our County Study of Youth Services, Beth Bauserman has arranged a meeting with the Cabell County probation officer, D. B. White. Mr. White will talk to us about his work and what his problems are concerning it.

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Mr. White received his B.S. from Byron College Tenn. and is now working on his Masters at Marshall. He has been here 9 years.

Mr. White's office is in room 307 of the County Court House. We will meet Beth outside that room at 11:00, Oct. 26, so we can all go in at one time. Please bring some questions with you or if you cannot come and have something you want to know about his work, send questions to Beth ahead of time.

ELECTION LAWS

Are you keeping up on conflicting suggestions for election reform coming before the Legislative Interim Elective Sub-committee every month? There are lots of them, all different.

Keep track of those you like (or don't like) and bring them to a unit meeting on West Virginia Election Laws and Procedures later on.

C A L E N D A R

- Oct. 18 Aid and Trade Unit - Enslow Presbyterian Church - Baby Sitter provided 9:30 A. M.
- Oct. 25 General Meeting: Orientation on Continuing Responsibilities. 819 Park Hills, Mrs. Fred Weisberg, 7:45 P.M.
- Oct. 26 Youth Services Interview. Room 307, County Court House, 11:00
- Nov. 8 Vocational Education Unit. 818 13th Ave., Mrs. Wylie Dunfee, 9:30 a.m. Consensus to be reached.
- Nov. 15 General Meeting: Development of Human Resources. "New Trends in Educating the Disadvantaged Pupil", Dr. Theodore Soitsment, Marshall University Christian Center. 8:00.
- Nov. 15 Aid and Trade Unit, Same as Oct. 18
- Dec. 13 Aid and Trade Unit, Same as Oct. 18
- Jan. 17 State Election Laws Unit.

PARTICIPATE

Every member should be taking an active part in at least two units every year. We have:

National Items:

- Development of Human Resources
- Water Resources
- Foreign Policy
 - Evaluation of U. S. Relations with the Peoples Republic of China
 - Foreign Economic Policy
 - United Nations

State Items:

- Constitutional Revision CR
- West Virginia Election Laws and Procedures
- Vocational Education

Local Items:

- County Services - Youth Services, this year

You can't expect to get much benefit from anything by being passive, you must be active. All of these units already have leaders but we need to know which units each of you are interested in so we will know who to call on for the extra help that is always needed.

The committees on publicity, finance, publications, membership and the bulletin need people interested in these fields. Typist and people who will make phone calls are always needed.

Call Joan Bassford, 525-7510, to tell her where your interest and talents will fit in best.

VOTER QUIZ

This was used as a combined voter service and election information quiz at our recent membership coffee. We thought it would be interesting for everyone to get a chance to use it at home, on themselves, their husbands, friends, etc.

1. Must I vote a straight ticket if I register as a Democrat or a Republican?
 - a. Primary elections
 - b. General elections.
2. If I'm registered as an Independent, may I vote in a primary election?
3. Is the city-manager elected by the people of Huntington?
4. How many councilmen are there?
5. For an extra point each, name them.
6. Who prepares the city budget?
7. Are the fire chief and police chief appointed by the manager or council?
8. What is the name of the county legislative body?
9. How many members are there?
10. Who is the treasurer of the county?
11. Is the local school board election partisan or non-partisan?
12. Do your school board members receive salaries or other remuneration for their services?
13. Are school board meetings open to the public? City Council? County Court?

The next are True or False about League of Women Voters.
14. If you belong and are active in a political party you are eligible for membership in the League of Women Voters.
15. The League has taken a stand on the following:
 - a. Huntington Council-Manager Government
 - b. Liquor by the drink amendment
 - c. W. Va. State constitutional revision
 - d. Water pollution
 - e. Recognition of Red China
 - f. Self-rule for Washington, D. C.
 - g. Midway airport
 - h. Modernization of Pure Food and Drug Act