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HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

FEBRUARY 1968

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C A L E N D A R

Feb.	13	Training Coffee for Finance Callers. 10:00, Mrs. Kenneth Keeiker, 404 6th Ave.
Feb.	15	Absentee Voting. 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Wylie Dunfee, 610 13th Ave. Bring anyone who is interested.
Feb.	18	Jay Rockefeller will be speaking at the Unitarian Fellowship, 1638 Charleston Ave. at 11:00. He will speak on the conflicts between West Virginia communities and institutions of higher learning. Everyone is invited.
Feb.	19	FINANCE DRIVE
March	9	Annual Meeting. Gateway Motel, 6007 US Rt. 60 East. 1:00. Reservations will be taken by the telephone committee when they call on the first of the month.
March	13	Absentee Voting. 1:00 to 3:00, Mrs. Mary E. Sumner 1390 Upland Road.
April	5-6	State Council. Logan, West Virginia

CHINA

A new program of slides on China is now available for clubs and schools. This has been developed by the National Board and has already been given to various groups by members of the China Study. It gives a brief history of China and raises questions for discussion. If you belong to a club or know of a church group or school class that would like such a program, contact Sue Carlson, 523-5838.

THE SUBJECT IS MONEY

League needs it! So far, 62% OF MEMBERS are helping in the Finance Drive. IF YOU ARE not -- send money. IF YOUR HUSBAND is a contributor, please send us his contribution, so workers are free to visit others. ANY QUESTIONS? Call 525-9555. Kathleen Kowalski, Finance Chairman.

NON-PARTISAN POLICY

The Local League Handbook published by the National Board states that "the members of any League Board do not engage in any partisan political activity during their term of League leadership".

At the February Board meeting the local board specifically defined some additions to the national policy as to what board members are allowed to do.

1. The president or Voter's Service chairman may not attend any partisan meetings. Their husbands may contribute to a political party as long as his name isn't used publicly.

2. The rest of the board members may not serve if their husbands names are used publicly for a party or a candidate.

They may not work at the polls except in non-partisan elections.

They may attend partisan meetings to listen but not to endorse a party or a candidate.

Their older children may participate in partisan politics as long as they do not use their mother's name.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

There has been some confusion in our local League pertaining to why our board supported publicly the ordinance for the Human Rights Commission. This is an explanation of our action.

From 1964-1966 one of the items on the National Program was the study of Development of Human Resources. Our local League had a long and excellent study of this item during this period of time. The national consensus in 1966 was "Support of policies and programs in the United States to provide for all persons equality of opportunity for education and employment."

In November 1967, after the first reading of the Human Rights Commission ordinance in the City Council meeting, I wrote to our National Board to see if we, in Huntington, could support the ordinance under our Development of Human Resources item. I received a reply from a national officer that this was indeed a valid item to support under DHR. I then gave a statement to the press supporting the ordinance.

As you all know, there were enough names on the petition for a referendum of the ordinance.

I am planning to testify at the February 12 City Council meeting in support of their keeping the interim Human Rights Commission.

There will be a general membership meeting in March to explain in detail the history of Huntington's Commission and what such commissions in general are doing in the United States. At this time we will also plan a campaign to inform the voters about the ordinance.

Helen Gibbins, President

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We offer the following names for nomination for the year 1968-69:

2 Vice Pres. Mrs. Joseph A. Kowalski
Treasurer Mrs. Richard A. Baanon

Directors
2 year terms Mrs. D. C. Carlson
Mrs. Lon C. Hill
Mrs. John D. Austin

Nominating
Committee Mrs. Rodney Schroeder
Chairman
Miss Mae Newman
Mrs. Fred Weisberg

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. G. R. Phillips, Chairman
Miss Mary Daniel
Mrs. Robert Levy
Mrs. Wylie Dunfee
Mrs. D. C. Carlson

BY-LAWS CHANGE

At the March Annual Meeting the membership will have the opportunity to vote on the following by-laws change: Add to Article VI Financial Administration, Sec. 2 Dues. Dues of new members received by the Treasurer from Sept. to Dec. shall be \$4.00

READ

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New Publications:

ON CHINA

Facts and Issues

Mainland China Under Communist Rule	.25
Mainland China: US Policy Choices	.15
Chinese Representation at the UN	.15

ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Rights of "Another Nation"	.20
Jobs and Hard Cash	.15

Publications catalog available FREE on request.

Nancy Matthews 325-3872

ABSENTEE VOTING

On March 13, Mary E. Sumner and Eleanor Taylor will present a study on the interesting subject of Absentee Voting in West Virginia. As you are aware this has been one of the areas frequently mentioned in regard to practices of voting in W. Va. Come and find out about the new Legislation recently passed in regard to absentee voting and the counting of same.

GREAT DECISIONS

"Great Decisions", a lecture discussion program series, is being held at the Campus Christian Center Coffee House this year. These all begin at 9:00p.m. on Friday nights. Several League members have been to these series in previous years and found them to be excellent. Everyone has been invited and League husbands and wives are planning to make a special effort to attend the Feb. 16 meeting, since China is one of our National Items for study.

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| Feb. 16 | Upheaval in Communist China | Dr. Francis K. Aldred, Associate Professor of History |
| Feb. 23 | The Other War in Viet Nam | Col. Henry Bowden, Professor of Military Science |
| March 1 | American Power and Foreign Policy | Professor J. Melvin Miller, Assistant Professor of Political Science |

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TIME FOR ACTIONS

During the 1968 State Legislature the State League sent the local Leagues the following Time for Actions. The Huntington League responded accordingly:

1. Local League letters were sent to our local legislators and to each member of the Board of Public Works urging them to support an increase in the budget for Property Reappraisals so that subsurface property appraisals may be continued.
2. Letters and telegrams were sent to our legislators urging them to support a strong water pollution bill.
3. Telegrams were sent to committee members in the Senate and the House to urge them to vote for a Constitutional Convention Bill to be submitted to the floors of the Senate and the House. Also a local official of each of the following organizations, AAUW, AFL-CIO, Classroom Teachers Association, the League of Municipalities, and the local committee for Constitutional Convention, was contacted to urge their organizations to write to their legislators in support of Constitutional Convention.

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NATIONAL PROGRAM

The February National VOTER will include the Proposed National Program for 1968-70. The local board recommended a study of "Housing" be added to Development of Human Resources.

HUNTINGTON LEAGUE BUDGET

Budget year April 1968 to March 1969

League of Women Voters of W. Va.

EXPENDITURES

	Current Budget 1967 to 1968	Proposed for 1968 to 1969
A. <u>General Administration</u>		
1. President	\$ 10.00	\$ 25.00
2. Administrative Committees		
a. Finance	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
b. Membership and Meetings	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00
c. Public Relations	-0-	\$ 5.00
3. Operating costs		
a. General supplies (Sec.-Treas.)	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
b. Postage	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
c. Telephone and telegraph	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
B. <u>Delegates, Travel, and Affiliations</u>		
1. State Convention (Council)	\$100.00	\$100.00
2. National Convention	-0-	\$400.00
3. Workshops and regional meetings	-0-	\$ 50.00
4. Local (Inter-Club Council)	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00
C. <u>Program and Activities</u>		
1. Publications, net costs only		
a. State-national	\$ 25.00	-0-
b. Local	-0-	\$100.00
c. Monthly bulletin, supplies & postage	\$ 97.00	\$ 90.00
2. Program committees		
a. National	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
b. State	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00
c. Local	\$100.00	\$ 10.00
3. Voters Service	\$ 65.00	\$100.00
4. Support for state and national services	\$525.00	\$525.00
Total	\$1,025.00	\$1,493.00

INCOME

1. Dues (70 members \$7.50)	\$525.00	\$525.00
2. Contributions		
Members	\$135.00	\$150.00
Nonmembers	\$365.00	\$650.00
3. From Reserves	-0-	\$168.00
Total	\$1,025.00	\$1,493.00

Please bring this with you to the Annual Meeting, March 9, at the Gateway Motel at 1:00.