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* CALENDAR * * * * *

SEPTEMBER

Monday 8th 7:00pm

Huntington League Board Meeting, Home of Carol Stroud, 133 Woodland Dr.

Monday 15th 7:00pm

"DISPOSAL OF OUR SOLID WASTE", public program with speakers Sam Colvin and Mayor Bob Nelson. Enslow Park Presbyterian Church, corner Enslow Blvd. & Washington Blvd.

Thursday 25th 11:45am

Meeting of Candidates for WV Legislature, sponsored by the Community Services Roundtable. Huntington Woman's Club, 1201 Huntington Ave.

OCTOBER

Monday 6th

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE For Nov. Elections.

Monday 6th 7:00pm

Huntington League Board Meeting, place TBA-

Monday 20th 7:00pm

"The World Court", public program with speaker Dr. Clair Matz. Place TBA.

Action supporting policies to reduce the nonessential part of the waste stream, recover its nonreducible portion, then ensure safe disposal of the remainder.

The city of Huntington must make decisions concerning its landfill in the near future. The present landfill's life expectancy is short. Which is the best method for disposing of our solid waste: to extend our landfill's life, develop a new one, or participate in a tri-state resource recovery project? Whichever project is chosen will be expensive.

Garbage is not a "glamorous" subject, but it must be dealt with. Sam Colvin, Director of the WV Resource Recovery - Solid Waste Authority, and Mayor Robert Nelson (or a representative) will speak on this important subject at the League's first meeting this Fall.

In this <u>Bulletin</u> is an article by Sam Colvin explaining resource recovery. (see p. 2)

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Garbage Decisions

The garbage and trash generated in the Huntington area will eventually be placed in a landfill if legally disposed. There is no question about that.

However, two questions remain. Which landfill(s) will receive the wastes? Will the wastes be processed before going to the landfill?

Resource recovery is the general phrase to describe one type of waste processing. Resource recovery means both materials recovery and energy recovery.

Energy recovery is being considered by Tri-state officials. Studies indicate mass burning of wastes to produce steam and/or electricity may be appropriate for the Huntington area.

Garbage trucks are weighed before entering an energy recovery facility. The trucks go completely inside the building prior to dumping the loads of garbage into a pit or receiving area. The wastes are placed in a furnace and burned at high temperatures.

The heat produced by the burning is most frequently used to make steam. The steam can pass through turbines to generate electricity.

After the heat has been recovered, the combustion air passes through pollution control equipment before being released through a stack.

The ash left after burning is pushed from the furnace. Water is used to cool the ash and then filtered into a wastewater treatment system. The ash is conveyed to containers or trucks for transport to a residue landfill.

Some items such as large appliances and bedsprings are separated prior to combustion and are also transported to the residue landfill for disposal.

The wastes from the Huntington area will, by law, have to be disposed in some form in a landfill. Which landfill and whether to process the wastes through an energy recovery plant are the decisions facing local officials and citizens.

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VOTERS SERVICE

Frances Huddleston, Voters Service Chairperson, is responsible for the enclosed Public Officials flyer. She has distributed them in the libraries and offices in the court house. We are told that there are many requests for this publication.

The Huntington League plans to reconstitute its Speakers Bureau to be available to explain the six Constitutional Amendments and two local ballot issues which will come before the voters in the November election. Please contact Helen Gibbins, 736-3287, if you wish to schedule a League Speaker this Fall.

We would like to schedule a voter registration day before the Oct. 6 deadline. Call Helen Gibbins if you wish to help.

Call Frances Huddleston, 736-4452, **if** you have ideas for candidates' questions. We hope to work with the public media on **se**veral "get-to-know-the-candidates" projects.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Nancy Taylor reports on the following action taken by the Huntington IR Committee and the Huntington League:

- # Letters to Congress in opposition to Contra Aid.
- # Letters to urge oppositon to Star Wars (SDI).
- # Phoned Representative Nick Rahall to urge co-sponsorship of the Mouroules-Fazio Amendment to FY 1987 Defense Authorization Bill (to freeze SDI funding).
- # Letter to the Editor on Star Wars.
- # Distributed Copies of "Space Age Defense" publication.

To keep up-to-date on IR issues at **th**e national level and to learn what action you can take, call the League ACTION LINE, on weekends, at 202-269-0218 (not toll-free, but of nominal cost).

EXPERIENCE IN WASHINGTON

An "Experience in Washington" intermship program is available from March 16 - April 10, 1987. Two League members, selected from the nation at large, will participate. Each intern will receive \$2,300 and round-trip transportation costs to Washington, D.C. Contact Helen Gibbins, 736-3287, if you are interested in applying.

A NOTE ON HOUSEHOLD MEMBERSHIPS

For those of you who reside in the **sa**me household with another League member and have joined under the "household membership" discount: One of you will be designated the full PMP (Per Member Payment) member and one of you will be designated the half PMP member. The National Voter will be addressed to the full PMP member.

WELCOME TO A NEW LEAGUE IN WY!!

We congratulate the members of the Jefferson County, WV, League on achieving full, official League status. Welcome to our newest local League in West Virginia!

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!!!

Please add these names to your membership list:

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COMMUNITY SERVICES ROUNDTABLE CANDEDATES' MEETING

Local candidates for the WV Legislature have been invited to answer questions at the september meeting of the Community Services Roundtable (CSR). Helen Gibbins will moderate the meeting. League members, and others, who wish to attend may make reservations with the Information and Referral Service, \$29-2600, by September 18. The candidates' meeting will be held \$eptember 25 at the Huntington Woman's Club and includes luncheon. Cost is \$6.50.

The CSR represents 150 human \mathbf{se} rvice agencies and organizations in the Cabell and Wayne County areas.



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