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FEBRUARY 1988

Huntington Area League of Women Voters

WHAT'S NEXT

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MARCH 5 Election: Uniform School Funding Amendment VOTE!!!
MARCH 5 & 6 LWV Presidential Debates, CNN 5-6 PM WATCH!!!
MARCH 7 Board Meeting (Open) 11:30 AM Bring your lunch
Beth Bauserman's, 616 South Terrace WELCOME!!!

ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 26

Place:
University
Holiday Inn

Time:
10 AM Business
Noon Luncheon

Speaker:
Becky Cain

Cost:
\$7.00

Reservations:
Monica Woodruff,
525-0620

Saturday, March 26 will be the date of the Huntington League's annual meeting. We are honored to welcome Becky Cain, past state president and a nominee to the national board, as our speaker after the luncheon.

There are not enough complimentary adjectives to describe Becky. During her administration as state president she enhanced the League's impact on many different issues, especially in the fields of environmental quality and education, and the League's role in Voters Service at the state level. She chaired a number of state committees and at present is serving as the campaign coordinator for Citizens for Progress Through Education. Recently Common Cause honored Becky as one of the three outstanding citizens of the state and recipient of a Common Cause Public Service Award.

The annual meeting will be held at the University Holiday Inn, with the business meeting at 10:00 am and the luncheon at noon. Members will adopt a program including the governmental areas we will support or study, elect 1988-89 officers, and adopt the 1988-89 budget. (See Proposed Program, Nominations, and Proposed Budget). Annual dues (\$25 per member or \$37.50 for two members in the same household) may be paid at this meeting.

Please make reservations with Monica Woodruff, 525-0620, by Wednesday, March 23. The luncheon will cost \$7.00. Guests are welcome.

NOMINATIONS

PROPOSED BUDGET - APRIL 1, 1988 TO APRIL 1, 1989

1988 Nominating Committee
(Martha Woodward, Chair; Betty Barrett, Nancy Taylor) Report:

President Susan Hubbard
1st V.P. Susan Ray
Secretary Beth Bauserman

2 Year Term Directors:

Mary Robson
Frances Huddleston
Michele Pancake
Nancy Taylor

1 Year Term Director:

Bette Bishop

1989 Nominating Committee:

Charlene Boggs, Chair
Sidney Einstein

Continuing on the board will be Virginia Hensley, Lila Thompson, Dorothy Fisher, and Carol Stroud.

PROGRAM

Proposed Local Program 1988-89

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

Support of improvement in the quality of recreation in the Huntington Area

Support of improvement in the quality of education in the Cabell County School System

Support of the council-manager form of government

Support of comprehensive planning

Support of solid waste management

ELECTION PROCEDURES: Support of measures to improve the election process

HUMAN RESOURCES:

Study of the quality and accessibility of children's daycare in the Huntington Area.

Support of improvement of juvenile court procedures and support agencies.

EXPENDITURES:

A. Operating Costs			
1. Maintenance of equipment	\$	50.00	
2. General supplies		150.00	
3. Meeting place - church		50.00	\$ 250.00
B. Board and Administration			
1. President	\$	100.00	
2. Secretary		10.00	
3. Treasurer		35.00	
4. Board tools and expenses		175.00	
5. Administrative Committees			
a. Finance		75.00	
b. Membership/Units		70.00	
c. Public Relations		10.00	\$ 475.00
C. Delegates/Travel			
1. State Council (3 delegates)	\$	175.00	
2. Annual Meeting		25.00	
3. Other Meetings		50.00	
4. National Convention		700.00	\$ 950.00
D. Financial Support for the League			
1. State per member payment of \$8.00	\$	608.00	
2. National per member payment at \$14.00		1,064.00	\$1,672.00
E. Bulletin	\$	550.00	\$ 550.00
F. Educational Activities			
1. Publications	\$	150.00	
2. Program Committees			
a. National		25.00	
b. State		25.00	
c. Local		25.00	
3. Voters Service		100.00	\$ 325.00
G. Position Support			
1. Publications on League positions	\$	25.00	
2. Action Activities			
a. National		25.00	
b. State		25.00	
c. Local		25.00	\$ 100.00
			TOTAL
			\$4,322.00

ANTICIPATED INCOME

Dues (85 at \$25.00 - 1/2 for second League member in household)	\$2,000.00	
Contributions	1,500.00	
Earned Interest	150.00	
Publications	25.00	
From Reserves to balance budget	647.00	\$4,322.00

Explanation B-1 Baby sitting, mileage, meals, miscellaneous.

B-3 Dues notices; notices to National and State offices re new members and drops.

B-4 Transportation, baby sitting, publications, xeroxing, postage, long distance, misc

C-3 Members going to relevant meetings.

F-1 Recreation, Public Officials, Guide to the Legislature, Election Information.



WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON?

Nancy Taylor and Helen Gibbins registered over 90 new voters at the vocational center. The event was well promoted by personnel at the center. The League provided a listing of offices and issues which will be on the ballot. The Center would like League members to return to show the voting process. Because the League owns a voting device, we can conduct a mock election. If anyone would like to help with this project, call Nancy Taylor, 522-3361.

Have you seen the new VOTE posters, produced by the state board?

Judy Dumke, Marcia Daoust, and Helen Gibbins developed questions to go along with the ORSANCO video. We loaned the video to the school system so that the video can be copied. The video shows the Ohio River--its assets, uses, and problems--and is appropriate for short programs.

Helen Gibbins spoke on "how to lobby" to a support group at Family Services and to a church women's group at Crossroads United Methodist Church.

Dianne Bady appeared on WOWK's Newsmaker show along with Roy Mundy, manager of the water company. They discussed information from the League's water survey and the Huntington Water Company's programs to protect drinking water.

The League spoke at the February Board of Education meeting in support of the Uniform School Funding Amendment. Previously Susan Ray had written all of the board members asking for their support for the amendment. The Board did agree to provide factual information about the amendment for public distribution. Susan gave a speech on the amendment at the Women's Center. She developed the "one-pager" (included in this bulletin) to be available in public places. The League permits others to duplicate the "one pager" and the fuller explanation. An explanation of the amendment has been sent to several organizations and churches with the hopes that they will use it in their newsletters. Press releases have also been sent to the media concerning absentee voting for the amendment election.

Mary Robson took voter registration cards and a League produced handout on registration to the Community Services Roundtable luncheon. She promoted post card registration of employees in the agencies, when there is a notary available. The registration handout is available for duplicating by calling Helen Gibbins, 736-3287. Post cards may be obtained in the Voter Registration Office in the courthouse, Monday through Friday until 4:30.

NEW STUDY PROPOSED FOR LOCAL LEAGUE. Legislation has been introduced in Congress to provide improvements in children's daycare across the nation. Daycare has also become an important component of reformation of welfare programs. A state daycare alliance is being formed with local alliances being the next step. There is a need for good data at the local level. Many problems are associated with day care, such as affordability, hours convenient for parents working hours, after school care, employer-based facilities, and salaries of daycare workers. The League can help in providing needed information to the community as well as suggesting new ways to solve daycare problems.

5 Good Reasons to Join A League That Never Won A World Series!

1 Be a leader. People need to know more about the controversial issues of the day and about how government works. As a member of the *League of Women Voters*, you can be part of the process.

2 Make a difference on things that count. From women's rights to energy policy, from tax reform to arms control, you will be informed and involved when the *League* takes a stand.

3 Change your city for the better. Important decisions affecting your children's education, the water you drink and the roads you drive are made in your home town every day. The *League* injects the citizens' perspective in local problem solving.

4 Hone your skills. Take on public speaking, communications and management challenges as you interact with officials in your community, state and Washington, DC.

5 Pick your major. The *League* offers a range of experiences from voter registration to lobbying. Whatever level of involvement you choose, there's a vital role for you to play in the *League*.

Take A Stand!
THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

To join, mail this with your dues check (\$25 individual, \$37.50 for 2 in household) to:
Huntington L&V
2739 Washington Blvd.
Huntington, WV 25705

Name _____
Street Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Telephone # _____

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Donna Withrow
2742 Orchard Ave. W.
25704

ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE

April 1. It's convenient to pay at the annual meeting.

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SCHOOL FUNDING AMENDMENT

What you can do:

- * Read page about this important election (inside this Bulletin)
- * Pass it on to a friend, or post it on bulletin board where you work or shop

VOTE SATURDAY, MARCH 5

League of Women Voters

HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

YEAR IN REVIEW 1987-88

ACTION

Supported the Uniform School Funding Amendment (TV and radio interviews, prepared flyer for the public and for other organizations' newsletters, speeches, letters-to-the-editor, telephone tree)

Supported the County Reorganization Amendment (prepared background information for legislators and Chamber of Commerce)

Supported a WV Ground Water Policy (prepared background information and sent it to potential supporters)

Supported a school bond issue for Cabell County

Supported E-911 for Cabell County (worked with Chamber of Commerce)

Opposed 1988 legislative changes of the Huntington area park board

Supported US upholding the ABM treaty, extending moratorium on anti-satellite weapons testing, the INF treaty, opposition to Contra aid, and reduced funding for Star Wars; wrote LWVUS and LWVWV urging support for Crisis Control Centers (centers were approved at Geneva negotiations)

VOTERS SERVICE (see Publications)

Registered members of Newcomers Club, students at the vocational center, and individuals; prepared information for Community Services Roundtable so that employees can be registered at work; sent voter registration information to the public media

Distributed VOTE posters

Working on candidates questionnaires/newspaper, candidates meetings, and election flyer on excess levies and delegates to the national conventions

PUBLICATIONS (publications distributed through libraries and C of C)

Guide to the Legislature

A Directory of Public Officials and Personnel

Explanation of the Uniform School Funding Amendment

Informational sheets on the Barboursville and Milton elections

"Summer Fun", distributed through the schools

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Provided to the schools an ORSANCO video, League prepared questions, and League prepared list of agencies involved in water resources

Drinking Water Survey; interviews on TV concerning water resources

Provided a book list on national security to the public library. Library ordered a number of the books and arranged a display (visiting scholars commended the library) List sent to public schools and MU teachers

Represented the League on WV's "Children's Project" and the national conference on Volunteers in Probation

Judged for the Science Fair and WV Honors Academy

Field trip to the new adolescent center for emotionally disturbed

Trip to the West Virginia legislature

MEETINGS

Dr. Clair Matz, observations on his trip to Nicaragua

Sharon Winkler-Serena, DHS, Meeting Basic Human Needs

Consensus on Annexation Laws in West Virginia

Consensus on Meeting Basic Human Needs

Presentation of state legislative platform to our legislators

Karen Lukens, Uniform School Funding Amendment

CALENDAR

- September 20 Clair Matz - "Strengthening the Blue Helmets" - Monday
7:30 pm, Enslow Park Presbyterian Church
- October 27 Forum on "Realistic Approaches to Local Financing" Wednesday,
1 - 3:30 pm, Junior League Community Center

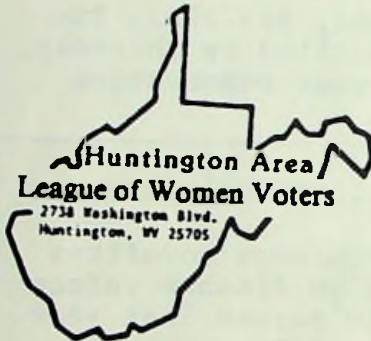
SEPTEMBER 20 MEETING

Clair Matz, Political Science Department at Marshall University, (and long time League member) will speak about the United Nations' peacekeeping forces at the League's September 20 meeting. Many new UN developments lead to questions on the UN's ability to meet worldwide peacekeeping demands.

League members always feel that they are better informed about international relations after hearing Clair Matz speak. Invite your spouse, friends, and prospective members to the meeting. They will not be disappointed.

OCTOBER FORUM

The October 27 forum on "Realistic Approaches to Local Finance" will be cosponsored by the League, the Chamber of Commerce, and several statewide organizations. The forum is designed to explore both the dimensions of the problems of adequate local government funding and the prospects for workable solutions. Please call Helen Gibbins, 736-3287, if you can assist with registration.



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