

The League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area

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The LWV is a nonpartisan organization that encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy. Membership in the League is open to women and men of voting age. Annual dues, not tax deductible, are \$45 individual, \$60 for two in one household and \$24 for students. To join, send your check to: Ann Spear, Treasure, 706 Ridgewood Road, Huntington, WV 25701. Check is to be made out to the League of Women Voters of the Huntington Area.

ANNUAL MEETING - MARCH 21

The LWV Huntington's annual meeting is scheduled at 5:30 pm at the Woodlands Retirement Community. Reservations for dinner may be made with Laura Deveny, at Laura.deveny@yahoo.com or 304-697-1340. The cost of the meal is \$8 for non-residents of Woodlands and may be paid to Martha Woodward when you attend the meeting. League members will be stationed in the front entrance meeting area to guide us to the food line and our private dining room. After dinner we will meet in the Hampton Room to hear a presentation on "Our Water; Our Most Precious Resource." Water issues seem to keep "bubbling up" in all kinds of places. How to prevent threats to our waters and protect our drinking water are issues we constantly need to attend to. After the program we will vote on the budget, local program, bylaws change, and officers (2016-18).

SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PLANS

In the aftermath of the 2014 Elk River spill, the WV legislature passed a law that requires West Virginia's water utilities to prepare Source Water Protection Plans. On behalf of the League of Women Voters, Marcia Daoust attended the stakeholders meeting at which American Water Company, Huntington, outlined its draft plan. You may access the information at www.westvirginiaamwater.com.

ELECTIONS CALENDAR

April 7, 7 pm - LWV Candidates meeting with Southside Neighborhood Organization

April 11, 6 pm - LWV Candidates meeting at Woodlands Retirement Community

April 19 - Deadline for Voter Registration

April 24 - Herald-Dispatch Election Voter's Guide

(cooperative venture with the LWV)

April 27-May 7 - Early Voting

May 5 - LWV Candidates meeting with Southside Neighborhood Organization (second meeting)

May 10 - Primary Election

We thank Lois Wallace for mailing the letters to candidates so that they may answer the Herald-Dispatch's questionnaires. The candidates' answers will be published on the H-D's website as soon as they are received. The answers also will be published in the H-D's newspaper Voters Guide on April 24. The LWVUS uses VOTE411.org to disseminate elections information. When you go to the site, you will type in your address to access WV information. The site also includes answers to questions from presidential candidates. It's interesting to find out which candidates did not answer the questions.

PROPOSED LOCAL PROGRAM

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- a. Support improvements in the quality of recreation in the Huntington area.
- b. Support improvements in the quality of education.
- c. Support the council-manager form of government.
- d. Support comprehensive land use planning.
- e. Support the improvement of solid waste management.
- f. Support continuing the funding of the Cabell County Library system by Cabell County taxpayers.

ELECTION PROCEDURES

Support measures to improve the election process. HUMAN RESOURCES

Support improvement of juvenile court procedures and support agencies.

TAXES AND FINANCE

- a. Support funding for parks and recreation in the Huntington area.
- b. Support funding for Volunteer Fire Departments (VFD) by those who are served by the VFDs.

PROPOSED BY-LAWS CHANGE

Substitute for the word President "President or Co-Presidents".

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT (Karen Nance, Chair;

Kim White, Martha Woodward)

Co-Presidents - Marie Redd and Helen Gibbins

1st VP - Martha Woodward

Secretary - Laura Deveny

Directors - Betty Barrett, Beverly Murrell, Rose Riter 2017 Nominating Committee - Karen Nance, Monika Rowe

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS 6128 GIDEON ROAD HUNTINGTON, WV 25705

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

US POSTAGE PAID HUNTINGTON, WV PERMIT 39

NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

PROPOSED BUDGET 2016-17 EXPENDITURES

- A. Operating Costs \$260
- В.
- 1. Maintenance of Equipment \$60
- 2. General Supplies 50
- 3. Meeting Places -150
- 4. Equipment 0
- B. Board and Administration \$270
- 1. President 10
- 2. Secretary -10
- 3. Treasurer 40
- 4. Board Tools & Expenses -10
- 5. Administrative Committees
 - a. Finance 40
 - b. Membership/Meetings -150
 - c. Public Relations 10
- C. Delegates/Travel \$25
- 1. Annual meeting -- 25
- 2. State Convention/Council 0
- 3. National Convention 0
- D. Financial Support for LWVUS & LWVWV \$2021
- 1. WV PMP \$11 & \$5.50 517
- 2. US PMP-\$30 & \$15 1504
- E. Bulletin-\$600
- F. Educational Activities -\$245
- 1. Publications & videos 20
- 2. Program Committees

- a. National 10
- b. State 10
- c. Local 25
- 3. Voters Service-\$180
 - a. Elections 150
 - b.. Outreach 30
- G. Position Support \$30
- 1. Publications LWV Positions \$20

| 2. Action - \$10 | |
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| Total | \$ 3631 |
| ANTICIPATED INCOME | |
| Dues | \$ 2200 |
| Contributions | 500 |
| Interest | 10 |
| Reserves | 921 |
| Total | \$3631 |

BUDGET DEFINITIONS

posters

- B-1,2,3,4 family care, mileage, meals, transportation, copying, postage, publications, long distance, misc
- B-3 thank you notes, dues notices, supplies
- B-5-b membership flyers, refreshments
- D PMP is "per member payment", half price to second member of the same household or a student
- F-1 Public Officials; Guide to Legislature; Election Information; Bill of Rights bookmarks
- F-3b Books donated; Speeches to other organizations;
- Dues \$25-students; \$45-individuals; \$60 household