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CALENDAR

Jan. 5	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at home of Mary Reilly at 281 S. Ridge Road, Lake Forest
Jan. 20	Monday	9:15 a.m.	UNIT MEETING-LAND USE. At the home of Irene Petty, 975 North Inverleith, L.F.
Jan. 21	Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	UNIT MEETING-LAND USE. At the home of Iva MacLean, 780 East Cherokee, L.F.

CRIME STUDY: WHERE WE ARE NOW

The ad hoc committee formed in response to the request of Mayor Aidan Mullett that the League study the court processes in Lake County, and specifically those that are involved with the offenders causing trouble currently in Lake Forest, is composed of Kay O'Connell, President, and Eileen Holmes and Mary Johnson.

This committee reports they are ready to formulate policy, direction, and design for the indicated court study and to prepare a handbook of guidelines for observers. Observers will be League volunteers and will work in pairs on a definite schedule. Many volunteers will be needed, and it is time now, to phone Eileen Holmes (234-8015), to offer one's services for this time-limited, essential community service project.

In their preliminary exploration the committee has visited: L. F. Police Chief Gilbert, State's Attorney Hoogasian and three of his prosecutors, and Chief Judge Van Dusen. Kay O'Connell and Carol Bowman observed one day in court; and then went again to the Prosecutor and to the Judge for interpretation of what they had observed.

As further preparation the committee scheduled an open meeting at Mary Johnson's at which Phyllis Stevenson, Chairman, Lake County Crime Commission, outlined the Lake County Court set-up and actual operating characteristics. The Lake County Crime Commission is a voluntary watch dog group who welcome the participation of League in this area.

Ursula Foreman, President, and three members of the Lake Bluff League came to the meeting. Lake Bluff may join with LFLWV in this study.

LAND USE

"In short a land ethic changes the role of HOMO SAPIENS from conqueror of the land-community to plain member and citizen of it. It implies respect for his fellow-members, and also respect for the community as such." Quoted from Land Use.

Land use decisions in Lake Forest as well as elsewhere, affect us all. Every few months a new land development is proposed which might change the entire complexion of our area. Such planned communities are an efficient way to build, financially and ecologically- but what if the community prefers to remain as it is? And what if a shopping mall or paved parking lot, approved by one town, causes flooding in a town downstream? Who should have responsibility for making such decisions?

A wide range of choices is open to the federal government, states, and localities as they respond to land use problems and issues. The solutions ultimately reached will depend upon political realities and the urgency that citizens assign to land use reform.

Finding the solution will involve sorting out alternative approaches to land use control.

For five years League has been studying and taking consensus on various aspects of land use.

The national League developed a consensus questionnaire divided into Parts, I, II, III, IV, and V, to reflect the results of this study and consensus. Parts I, II, and III, relate to issues on which the State League has already articulated positions derived from the consensus taken in the past five years. (There follows material which will bring you up to date on the Illinois League positions and how they apply to the national positions.)

The questions for study and consensus at the January Unit Meetings comprise Parts IV and V of the questionnaire. They are:

- a) The role of the Federal Government in land use decisions,
- b) How we can reconcile state, local and national interests in national land use decisions.

This consensus is the final step leading to the drawing up of a national League position on LAND USE.

Please read the background material and bring it with you to the Unit Meeting. Don't overlook League publications and the article "NO PASARAN" in the National VOTER for Fall, 1974.

BACKGROUND MATERIAL FOR NATIONAL LAND USE CONSENSUS ON
ROLE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN LAND USE DECISIONS

(Please bring to Unit Meeting on January 20th and 21st)

Illinois Land Use Consensus Position, July, 1974

The LWV of Illinois supports revisions in the tax system to encourage sound land use decisions. The League agrees reliance on the local property tax for support of schools should be reduced. We support replacement of those funds by an increase in the income tax. This will lessen objections to low and moderate income housing and promote sound land use.

The League favors tax incentives for the preservation of open space, flood plains, drainage areas and historical sites. We also support tax incentives which will encourage maintenance and re-habilitation of property. These measures should be designed to strengthen deteriorating city neighborhoods and provide an adequate supply of low and moderate income housing. Assessments should not favor the owner who lets his property deteriorate nor penalize the person who improves his.

The League agrees that the geographic tax base for property tax collection and distribution of revenues should be broadened. We support differential taxation and intergovernmental cooperation for shared services and revenues, thereby reaffirming our support of the dissolution of special districts and the reduction and consolidation of governmental units.

The sales tax redistribution formula should be restructured to reduce fiscal zoning decisions. There should be regional sharing of sales tax. Jurisdictions responsible for supplying governmental services to shopping centers, industrial developments and other complex sources should have a percentage returned to them to cover costs.

Revenues from motor fuel taxes should not be restricted to roads and highways but should also support mass transportation.

In order to protect prime agricultural land from conversion to lesser uses or to intensive development, we support preferential tax assessments and tax incentives.

There should be uniform assessment procedures throughout the state to eliminate the need for a state multiplier. Mandatory statewide standards for assessment should be issued. Assessors should be appointed, not elected, and there should be state qualifying examinations for assessors. The taxpayer should receive full information regarding assessment procedures.

BACKGROUND MATERIAL - Continued

Consensus Positions of LWV of Illinois 1973-75 from
"Where We Stand"

The LWV of Illinois feels that there is a definite need for a comprehensive land use policy for Illinois, the goals of which should provide for orderly growth while preserving the environment and conserving natural resources. The preservation of open space should have a high priority among long use goals, as should availability of land for low and moderate income housing.

The League further believes that the state should establish the long range goals of a comprehensive land use policy, identifying and planning for all critical areas. The state should develop standards and broad guidelines for land use, but local government should make purely local decisions. The state should assist local governments with professional help and should facilitate inter-governmental cooperation, but should have the final authority over key and critical areas within the state.

We would want a state agency with adequate staff and funding to be responsible for forming and implementing land use decisions. At every stage of land use planning there should be opportunity for citizen input. League members recognize that tax revision must take place for the planning and zoning procedures to work best.

The League believes that the state should plan for adequate supplies of low and moderate income housing. Builders of large developments and planned unit developments should be required to provide a percentage of their units for such housing, and some kind of fair share plan should be developed so that every community would have a percentage of such housing. It should not be concentrated in just a few areas of the state. This kind of housing should be subsidized at both the state and federal levels and tax incentives should be provided for builders.

The League thinks it important that this housing be attractive and diversified in design, and the citizens should be able to participate in the planning and in the decisions. There must be an educational program to explain the need and concept of such housing and when necessary, zoning laws should be revised to accommodate development of low and moderate income housing.

Conservation of resources must be the enunciated policy of the state and citizens must be made aware of the role they can plan in preservation. Comprehensive land use planning and citizen education are the two main thrusts to harmonize growth and preservation.

The League favors regional planning and regional planning agencies. The funding should be continuous and mandatory and come from local, regional and state sources.

BACKGROUND MATERIAL - Continued

National land use legislation has been under congressional consideration for over four years, and during the 93rd Congress S. 268 - The Land Use Policy and Planning Assistance Act of 1973 and H.R. 10294 - The Land Use Planning Act of 1973 were introduced. Although defeated, both bills are worth studying for the clues they offer on the possible shape of future legislation.

S. 268 - The general thrust was to provide federal financial assistance to encourage stage planning and control over land use of clearly "more than local concern", not to establish federal planning or zoning. States would have wide latitude in determining how much or what specific land should be controlled and by what methods. For example, these questions would be left to the discretion of each state: Should a state define large scale development to include a subdivision of 20 units or 200? Should a state exercise direct zoning or establish guidelines for localities to follow? Federal review of state land use programs would not focus on the substance but on whether the state is making good faith efforts to develop and implement its program.

To qualify for federal assistance, states would be required to develop within three years a planning process for identifying areas of critical environmental concern, key facilities, large-scale private development, regionally beneficial development, and rural land sales projects. Within five years states would be expected to exercise control over these critical areas and activities of more than local concern, by using either or both of two methods: direct state control or state review of local decisions according to state-established standards. A basic concept of the legislation was that decisions should be made at a level of government where all those affected would have a meaningful opportunity to participate in the decision-making process.

H.R. 10294 was similar to S. 268, but had an additional requirement that a state's planning process must contain explicit substantive criteria to guide land use in areas of critical environmental concern, i.e. value of wetlands for water storage and retention, for wildlife habitats, for food sources, for recreation, for sedimentation control and for shoreland storm protection. It established general policy and required land use plans for federally-owned lands, and required regulations for specially designated areas of critical environmental concern.

The Senate bill differentiated between a state planning process and a state planning program (or implementation). The House bill places both categories under a general "state planning process".

Funding was different in the two bills. S. 268 asked for \$100 million per year to states for 8 fiscal years. H.R. 10294 asked for \$185 million to states over 3 fiscal years, and made no provision for grants for coordination of interstate planning, training or research.

Following are the consensus questions on the Federal Role in Land Use, from which the League's national position will be drawn. Please note that we need only to discuss and answer the questions in Parts IV - Role of the Federal Government in Land Use Decisions and V - Mechanisms to Ensure Full Consideration of State, Local and National Interests in National Land Use Decisions, because the questions in the first three parts are answered in the Illinois Land Use Consensus Positions, as quoted.

I. THE CONCEPT OF PUBLIC INTEREST IN THE USE AND OWNERSHIP OF LAND.

1. Both public and private ownership of land does imply stewardship.
2. Land should be viewed as a finite resource as well as a commodity.
3. It is imperative that citizens have meaningful participation in land use planning and regulation. Government must provide for (a) involvement of citizens in the earliest planning and regulatory stages and throughout the process (b) adequate funding of public information process (c) development of mechanisms to minimize conflict of interest on the part of persons who make land use decisions.

II. NATIONAL LAND USE GOALS.

Please check all of the following land use goals with which your League agrees:

1. Protect public health, welfare, and safety.
2. Protect private property rights and values in accordance with overall consideration of the public health, safety and welfare.
3. Ensure public access to unique recreational areas such as beaches.
4. Maintain and improve the quality of existing urban communities.
5. Restore lands exposed by such activities as surface mining, overgrazing, construction, etc.
6. Relate use of land to its inherent characteristics and carrying capacities.
7. Relate use of land to human needs - social, environmental and economic.
8. Relate the conservation and wise use of energy and other natural resources to land use planning.
9. Develop processes for comprehensive land use planning.
10. Encourage regional planning and decision-making.
11. Promote development of new concepts of community design.
12. Enhance local and state capabilities for land use planning and regulation.
13. Develop a national growth policy.

If there are any goals listed with which you do not agree, please explain why on an additional sheet.

III. ROLE OF GOVERNMENT (NATIONAL, STATE OR LOCAL) IN LAND USE DECISIONS

Should some government level -

1. Develop and provide inventories of land resources and present uses?
2. Develop and provide information on social, environmental and economic needs?
3. Identify and regulate areas of critical concern:
 - (a) fragile or historic lands, where development could result in irreversible damage (such as shorelands of rivers, lakes, and streams; estuaries and bays; rare or valuable ecosystems and geological formations; significant wildlife habitats; unique scenic or historic areas; wetlands; deserts)?
 - (b) renewable resource lands, where development could result in the loss of productivity (such as watershed, aquifers and aquifer recharge areas, significant agricultural and grazing lands, forest lands)?
 - (c) natural hazard lands, where development could endanger life and property (such as floodplains, areas with high seismic or volcanic activity, areas of unstable geologic, ice, or snow formations)?
4. Identify and regulate areas impacted by public investment (such as transportation, energy uses, water and sewer utilities, waste disposal facilities) where siting results in secondard land use demands?
5. Identify and regulate large scale private development (such as industrial parks, subdivisions, new communities, shopping centers, rural land sales and development projects) which may have substantial impact upon the physical, social and economic environment?
6. Determine and provide land development of more than local benefit (such as low and moderate income housing, recreational and open space uses) not provided by private sector?
7. Require environmental, social and economic impact statements on major public and private developments?
8. Exercise the power to regulate the use of land without compensation, where reasonable and necessary, for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare?
9. Acquire land for public use?

All of the above have been answered by the LWV of Illinois positions on Land Use as quoted.

IV. ROLE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN LAND USE DECISIONS

Please check which of the following federal functions you support:

1. Give states and localities financial assistance
2. Give states and localities technical assistance
3. Collect, analyze and disseminate economic, environmental, and social data.

Part IV - Continued

4. Establish criteria for state and local land use planning and regulation.
5. Develop standards for state and local land use planning and regulation
6. Provide financial incentives for states and localities that comply with standards or criteria
7. Impose sanctions on states or localities that do not comply with standards or criteria (such as denial of federal funding)
8. Mediate interstate land use conflicts
9. Broaden use of eminent domain (for such purposes as: land banking, purchase of land for parks and open space, large scale land assembly for new towns or major development, development of low income housing, redevelopment of inner city areas)
10. Review of federally-funded projects by all governmental levels for conformance with a comprehensive land use plan
11. Other (List on additional sheet)

If there are any functions listed with which you do not agree, please explain why on additional sheet.

V. MECHANISMS TO ENSURE FULL CONSIDERATION OF STATE, LOCAL AND NATIONAL INTERESTS IN NATIONAL LAND USE DECISIONS.

- A. Should criteria be developed to identify scope of areas and activities of - (1) multi-state concern, (2) national concern
- B. Should federal land use activities conform to approved state land use programs?

Under what conditions? Use additional sheet if needed.

- C. Should mechanisms for decision-making on land use be developed which would include -
 1. Representation of -
 - a. all levels of government
 - b. all public agencies affected
 - c. all public and private parties affected by a land use decision
 2. An administrative appeals procedure for arbitrating conflicts?
- D. Should the federal government have the power to make preemptive decisions on matters of national interest?

For what kind of land use decisions? (See question III-A, 3-6 for possibilities). Use additional sheet if needed.

From our Publications Chairman, Roseann DeGroot you may obtain these League Publications. (Phone her at 234-8669).

1. HOW SHALL WE PLAN FOR OUR LAND? (LWV US \$.60)
Overview of land use problems in relation to national population and economic growth.
 2. LAND USE AND TAXES (LWV ILL. \$.1.00)
Land use policies with emphases on state and local problems.
 3. LAND USE AT THE STATE LEVEL - THE GROWING EDGE (LWV Ed.Fd.\$1.50)
Explores trends and existing laws in each of the fifty states.
Good Bibliography.
 4. GETTING A NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON LAND USE ISSUES. (LWV US \$.35)
Explicit guidelines for committee work on land use. Bibliography
 5. LAND USE-CAN WE KEEP PUBLIC AND PRIVATE RIGHTS IN BALANCE?
(LWV Ed.Fund \$.17) Includes land use patterns, local state and federal roles in decision making.
 6. GUIDE FOR REACHING AGREEMENT ON LAND USE (LWV US \$.35)
Committee guide for study including background material, techniques, and points to be covered.
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CONSENSUS ON WATERSHED USE (COUNTY ITEM)

Many thanks are offered to Ruth MacChesney, Betty Lou Wilbur, and Mary Ellen Laue for their interesting presentation at OCTOBER UNIT MEETINGS on the regional watershed item. Consensus was:

YES, there should be a regional watershed management plan for Lake County.

County or regional planning authority should have power to enforce minimum standards, but municipalities could have higher standards. There should be overall planning with first decision of approval by local government or municipality. Plans would originate with municipalities to be approved by county or regional planning authority to determine if local plan fits into overall plan.

Ideally, there should be no development of flood plains. Realistically, recreational areas and facilities such as parks or golf courses with minimum paved areas are acceptable. There should be no residential or industrial use of such flood plains, although it could be possible for planned unit developments to build nearby if they respected the flood plain by using it for open areas with lakes, etc. for water retention.

INVITE A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR TO JOIN L.F. LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS.

SCHOOL FINANCE IS FEBRUARY STUDY UNIT

Carol Jordan, Chairman

Can education reduce inequalities in American society?

Would equal monies spent produce equal education?

What constitutes an adequate level of expenditure per pupil?

Should poor districts pay more in property tax to educate their children than wealthier tax based communities?

These questions reflect a major revision of philosophy for education, educators and the public.

Recent court cases have required the states to come to grips with a taxpayers revolt and/or lawsuits filed against the states for not providing equal educational opportunities. In addition, the League has reached a consensus in Land Use studies that reliance on the property tax for support of schools should be reduced.

Illinois has adopted a new state law, HB 1484, providing school districts with two options for computing state aid:

* The Strayer - Haig Formula

* The Resource - Equalizer Formula

Approximately 64% of all schools serving 85% of Illinois students based their state aid claim on the Resource Equalizer. It was designed to increase state aid to 95% of the districts, reduce aid to 5%.

Lake Forest secondary district 115 is at the maximum allowed under the Resource Equalizer law which it felt obligated to take as state aid will increase greatly, but must start rolling back the property tax rates in proportion to the increased state aid received.

The original intent of the law was to enable all districts to attain a reasonable expenditure per pupil. However, it has the effect of leveling down the wealthier (tax based) districts while still requiring the poorer districts to meet a maximum property tax level.

* Strayer-Haig formula guarantees \$520 per student in average daily attendance (ADA) with high school weighted at 1.25 (WADA) and providing a flat grant of \$48/WADA. (Details in study).

* Resource Equalizer formula is based on the concept that the state will assure a given assessed valuation (AV) per student in average daily attendance to support the education of every elementary and secondary pupil. The key variables are the guaranteed per pupil assessed valuation and the maximum operating tax rate.

The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group....an organization of over one hundred Leagues from four different states.... has made a statement of its position before the Illinois Commission on Atomic Energy.

ATOMIC

The LMILG supports legislation regarding site selection, disclosure of all relevant information well before construction dates. It urges more active research on the problem of radio active wastes - into ways of reducing the radio active levels in effluent - better techniques to reduce radio active release during transportation, re-processing and long term storage.

ENERGY

The Group questions the construction of more power plants in the Lake Michigan basin. Northeastern Illinois one of the most populated areas in the country, already has the largest concentration of nuclear power plants in the U.S.

The League opposes any action to limit or circumvent public participation in the decision making stages.(Betty Snyder)

Welcome to a new member:

MEMBERSHIP

TUTHILL, Mrs. Oliver W. (Virginia)
500 King Muir Road 234-1115

The League offers sympathy to member Jan Westerfield, on the death, in December, of her husband, Richard Westerfield.

KNOW YOUR

Roseann DeGroot, Chairman, is to be congratulated for the well-planned, well organized KNOW YOUR TOWN program, presented to newcomers in December. The program won praise for its excellence but the attendance of newcomers was disappointing.

TOWN

President Kay O'Connell, theorized that December is too busy a time to schedule a public meeting and the League will continue to sponsor this worthwhile program but at an autumn date.

FINANCE

DRIVE

The Bulletin wishes to provide a correction, and apologize for misspelling, the well-known name of one of the esteemed contributors to the 1974 Lake Forest League Finance Drive.

The contributor is:
YORE ANSWERING SERVICE

League recommends YORE ANSWERING SERVICE, and the other business supporters whose names were published in the League Lines for November-December, for consideration when you shop.

EUROPE

NEXT

SPRING

The Board of the Illinois League of Women Voters has agreed to sponsor two trips to Europe next spring. The first charter flight will be to Torremolinos, on the Spanish Riviera and the second League charter will be to Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia. The flight to Spain will depart on Sunday, April 13, and the flight for Yugoslavia will leave on Tuesday, May 13. Each trip is for eight days and seven nights and is open to League members and their families. Cost for the spanish trip is \$350.90; and for Dubrovnik, \$438.90. This includes air fares, transfers, tips, hotel rooms, breakfast and dinner.

League is sponsoring the trips both as a service to members and as a State League fund raising effort. In addition to the set package price, each traveler will be asked to make a direct contribution to the LWVILL of \$50.00.

Both of these trips represent outstanding bargains. To learn more contact Leila Coughlan, 2421 Pomona Lane, Wilmette, Illinois 60091. (Phone: 251-6517 or 6425).



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CALENDAR

Feb. 3	Monday	9:15 am	BOARD MEETING at home of Betty Lou Wilbur 985 Hawthorne, Lake Forest.
Feb. 4	Tuesday	9:30 am	QUADRANTS - Chicago. See page two.
Feb. 10	Monday	9:15 am	UNIT MEETING - SCHOOL FINANCE at the home of Sandra Kransdorf, 550 E. Rosemary, L.F.
Feb. 11	Tuesday	9:15 am	UNIT MEETING - SCHOOL FINANCE at the home of Helen Eck, 1 Moffett Road, Lake Bluff.

CRIME STUDY

Two previous Bulletins (November-December and January) contain information about this topic. Current information was supplied by Mary Johnson, member.

It is planned to assign volunteer court watchers in pairs to cover the days of the court calendar. They will be supplied with a form to be filled in describing disposition of the case; action of the states attorneys, etc.

Eileen Holmes is pleased with the number of volunteers already recruited, but hopes for additional names. Phone Eileen (234-8015) to become a watcher.

The committee, Kay O'Connell, Eileen Holmes, Mary Johnson attended court days in January to test out procedures and forms before starting the volunteers on the actual study.

As a matter of policy, the study will cover all cases on the court calendars, not just those involving L.F. related cases; as L.F. League is, of course, concerned about court services in all of the county.

Harry Strouse, Chief Judge, Lake County, has appointed a volunteer, one Mr. Melvin Knisch, to coordinate efforts of the court watchers of all the interested groups. (League, AAUW, and Lake County Crime Commission are currently involved.) Phyllis Peterson, of the Crime Commission is credited with recruiting Mr. Knisch.

Q U A D R A N T S

Sponsored by the State LWV, Quadrants, are four meetings, held at the same time, in the same city, in four different places, about four very different topics; always very interesting.

WHEN: Tuesday, February 4, 1975

9:30 - 3:00

COST: \$2.00 Registration payable at door.

MEETING #1 - PROBATION

- 10:00 Panel of five speakers representing major issues in new probation legislation. First hour-panel: second hour - questions.
- 12:00 LUNCH. Eat out and enjoy yourself.
- 1:00 Consideration of specific bills before General Assembly.

At Auditorium on Level 3, of First National Bank Bldg., on south west corner, Dearborn and Madison. Use second bank of elevators from entrance, go down to L3; follow signs.

MEETING #2 - LAND USE

- 10:00 Review of findings and recommendations of Joint Subcommittee to Study Property Tax, which include abolition of twsnshp assessors.
- 12:00 LUNCH There is a cafeteria in the building.
- 1:00 Joint meeting with Metropolitan Coordinating Committee and the people attending Meeting #3. Matthew Rockwell, head of NIPC, will talk about plans for updating Comprehensive Plan for the six county metropolitan area.

At YWCA, 3rd floor, 37 South Wabash.

MEETING #3 - METROPOLITAN AREA AND HOW THEY AFFECT US

- 10:00 "Water Quality Planning" by Bob Ducharme.
"1995 Transportation Planning" Bill Boyd.
"Housing Plan" Ted Brzyski.
- 12:00 LUNCH - There is a cafeteria.
- 1:00 Joint meeting - See Meeting #2 for full information.

At YWCA, 3rd floor, 37 South Wabash

MEETING #4 - THE EXECUTIVE (in a.m.) and STUDENT RECORD KEEPING (p.m.)

- 9:00 Registration Note; Half hour earlier than other meetings.
- 9:30 THE EXECUTIVE: WHERE IT'S BEEN: WHERE IT IS: WHERE IT'S GOING
Three member panel including professor of Political Science, a politician, and an editor. (Sun Times). Time for questions.
- 11:30 LUNCH There is a restaurant in the building.
- 1:00 FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974, or WHAT DO WE DO with the Buckley Amendment?
Speaker - Leo J. Athas, General Counsel and Director of Legal Services for the OSPI.

At Carson Pirie Scott Auditorium, 1 S. State; 8th floor.

CIVIL LIBERTIES STUDY: A COMMENT
By Irene McMahon

In 1973 the Illinois League's Civil Liberties Committee conducted a survey on privacy and record keeping in law enforcement agencies, schools, banks, hospitals, loan institutions, etc. Information from the 300 interviews throughout the state helped League develop a consensus on record keeping. Last year the Lake Forest Schools gratefully accepted our recommendations for guidelines in keeping school records. Since then, these guidelines have become a federal law.

Before putting these survey papers in the shredding machine an analysis was made of the data obtained in the survey from law enforcement agencies about one particular question to which there seemed to be no consistent answer. The question is:

"Is the information available to persons or organizations outside of your organization?"

1. To private persons or organizations?
To governmental agencies on local, state or federal levels?
What is the procedure for outside organizations or persons to obtain information from your records?
4. Is this information provided on a regular basis?
5. Under what circumstances would you refuse to furnish information to any persons or organizations?"

Of the 62 law enforcement agencies interviewed, 15 said they gave no information to private persons and organizations outside of their organization. The remainder gave information to employers, master name file, newspapers, banks, credit bureaus, attorneys, individuals requesting release of their records, insurance agencies, and to other law enforcement agencies.

Generally, information is given to government agencies on local, state or federal levels. Specifically information is given to welfare agencies state crime commission, recruiting officers, authorities checking on draftees and enlisted men, IRS and other tax bodies, Armed Forces, juvenile law enforcement agencies, such as Rolling Meadows and FBI.

Procedure for outside organizations or persons to obtain information from records varies. A written request on recognized letterhead is required sometimes, or a personal contact, or a telephone call if the person is known. A code is used on youth records. Certain information must have a court order. Applicants may sign for release of records. The information may also be typed or radioed.

Eleven agencies interviewed stated that information from the records was not provided to outside organizations or persons on a regular basis. Others said the FBI was given a monthly report. A daily bulletin for staff and newspapers was mentioned. There were reports given regularly to village boards, FBI, Director of Public Safety. Most information from the records was given on request.

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Discretion was used in refusing information to some persons and organizations. The Illinois Statute was mentioned. In some cases no information was given over the telephone. Juveniles names and names of women who had been raped were protected. Certain information must be given because of the public right to know. It was sometimes determined by the ranking officer on duty as to whether the request for information was legitimate. There was an expressed responsibility to discourage curiosity seekers.

Cordial welcomes to new members;

	GAGE, Mrs. Harry M. (Barbara)	
	1724 Bowling Green Drive.....	295-2582
MEMBERSHIP	HEINRICH, Mrs. David H. (Gladys)	
	370 North Washington Road.....	234-2752
	METZ, Mrs. John R. (Bonnie)	
	1806 Bowling Green Drive.....	234-6448

Edna Hill, Chairman, has sent telegrams to:

	***Senators Percy and Stevenson of support for Trade Bill
ACTION	***State Legislators, asking them to sustain the veto of SB 589. This bill would make unenforceable all existing regulations of the Ill. pollution control bill.

Roseann De Groot (234-8669) lists these publications, relevant to the SCHOOL FINANCE STUDY

	<u>Brief History of School Finance in Illinois</u> (Dept. of State Governmental Relations, 1974. Free
PUBLICATIONS	2. <u>State, Local and Federal Financing for Illinois Public Schools 1974-1975.</u> (Office of Supt. of Public Instruction, rev. 1974 Free
	3. <u>Illinois School Finance</u> Illinois LWV, 1974 \$2.00

HAVE YOU INVITED ANYONE TO VOLUNTEER WITH YOU FOR THE CRIME STUDY?

SCHOOL FINANCE STUDY
Carol Jordan, Chairman

Schools in Lake Forest, face a major financial upheaval. At the February UNIT MEETINGS, the study group will not present an accountant's balance sheet on expenditures and receipts, but will explain the problem in trying to find an equitable solution to equal education along with less reliance on personal property taxes. Some of the terms that will be bandied about are:

ASSESSED VALUATION (AV) The value of all real property and corporate personal property within a taxing district.

EQUALIZED ASSESSED EVALUATION (EVA)

The total value of the real and corporate personal property of a district as determined by assessment and application of multipliers, calculated by the Department of Local Government Affairs in an attempt to equalize all property at 50% of fair cash value.

AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE (ADA)

The average number of students attending school for at least five hours a day. A district may use the previous or current school year's attendance to provide the best six month's ADA figure.

WEIGHTED ADA (WADA)

The average daily attendance for the best six months of the school year with the following weightings;

- Kindergarten pupils and exceptional three and four year old children are weighted..... .50
- Grades 1-8 are weighted.....1.00
- Grades 9-12 are weighted.....1.25

OPERATING TAX RATE

The sum total of the tax rates for the following funds;

- 1) Educational
- 2) Operations, Building and Maintenance
- 3) Fire Prevention and Safety
- 4) Working cash
- 5) Tort immunity (liability insurance)
- 6) Illinois Municipal Retirement
- 7) Junior College tuition

QUALIFYING AMOUNT

The dollar amount obtained by multiplying a district's equalized assessed valuation by qualifying tax rate (set by the General Assembly as the minimum tax rate a district may have extended to qualify for equalization aid). The qualifying tax rate for dual districts with less than 100 WADA is .90%; for other dual districts, it is .84%; and for unit districts, it is 1.08%.

No whimpering out there; anyone who is smart enough to belong to league can learn these meanings

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There is another chance to get the HASTY LADY COOKBOOK published by the Illinois LWV in 1971. Costs \$2.00.

Quick, tasty, recipes for the busy woman, including Super-Jiffy dinners and desserts - (one half hour from start to eating) and "Pre-Pare" or cook aheads for the well organized. An ingredients index helps the last minute cook to work with what she has on hand. All fail-proof recipes contributed by The Illinois League members.

Order from Publications Chairman, Roseann De Groot who answers at 234-8669.

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Mrs. Edward Duker
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Mrs. Edward Buker
234-4509

CALENDAR

March 3	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at home of Betty Lou Wilbur 985 Hawthorne, Lake Forest.
March 17	Monday	9:15 a.m.	UNIT MEETING-SYMPOSIUM - TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT at City Hall Chambers, 220 E. Deerpath, L.F.
March 20	Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Coal and Illinois Environment - at Forum XXX (Ramada Inn), Springfield, Ill. See Jan. Il. Voter
April 21	Monday	10:00 a.m.	ANNUAL MEETING - Luncheon - Speaker Surprise. Details next month.
April 25	Friday		
26	Saturday		STATE CONVENTION at O'Hare Inn

A SYMPOSIUM ON TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENTS

TO EXAMINE TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT PRACTICES AND PROPOSED LEGISLATION

PANEL

State Representative - 32nd Dist.
DANIEL PIERCE (D)

Township Assessor
To be Confirmed

State Representative - 31st Dist.
ADELINE GEOCARIS (R)

City Manager
Gerald Hagman

WHEN: Monday - March 17 - 9:15 a. m.

WHERE: City Hall Chambers - 220 E. Deerpath

GUESTS ARE WELCOME

BRING AN IRISHMAN

UNIT MEETING : TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT

Did you know that the City of Lake Forest is divided into four townships; Shields, Vernon, West Deerfield and Deerfield?

Did you know that there are 84 counties in Illinois under township organization; and 17 counties without township organization?

The 1970 Illinois Constitution provides in Section 5, "Townships may be consolidated or merged and one or more townships may be dissolved or divided, when approved by a referendum in the total area in which township officers are elected."

In Illinois the township has three main functions;

- 1) Construction and maintenance of rural roads, bridges.
- 2) Assessment of property
- 3) General assistance to the needy.

In 1968, the League of Women Voters of Illinois, with the Lake Forest League concurring, took the position that township functions could be assumed by the city and the county at substantially lower cost to the taxpayer.

Does anyone believe that Lake Forest can enjoy equitable property tax administration to support city government and schools under its present division into four different townships?

The SYMPOSIUM on March 17, is planned to reexamine the whole issue with speakers from the State Legislature because the Legislature is debating at the present time bills to change assessment practices.

What unit of assessment responsibility would best serve Lake Forest?

What can be done to promote such change?

Jane Fischbach, Doris McKinven, Molly Heizer, Betty Buker, Beth Teich, Morine Ross, Barbara Gage are helping the Chairman, Eileen Holmes plan the meeting. Call Eileen at 234-8015 if you have questions you want placed on the agenda.

League members can promote understanding of these issues by bringing friends and neighbors to the Symposium.

INVITE A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR TO JOIN THE LEAGUE. CALL LOIS DUGGAN

CONSENSUS - LAND USE (JANUARY UNITS)
Mary Liz Carney

At the two unit meetings of January 20, 21, the League took consensus on "the role of the Federal government in land use decisions", and "Mechanisms to ensure full consideration of state, local and national interests in National Land Use Decisions". These are the two final sections of a lengthy consensus questionnaire sent out by National, and supplement the Illinois positions, developed by previous consensus, which answer the first three sections of the questionnaire.

DO'S We agreed that the Federal government should give states and localities financial and technical assistance; should collect, analyze and disseminate economic, environmental and social data; should establish criteria and develop standards for state and local land use planning and regulation, and should provide financial incentives for states and localities that comply with such standards or criteria; and should impose sanctions such as denial of federal funding for states or localities that do not comply.

The Federal government should mediate interstate land use conflicts and federally funded projects should be reviewed by all governmental levels for conformance with a comprehensive land use plan.

DON'TS Our League is hesitant to see the use of eminent domain broadened, particularly for large scale land assembly for new town or major developments, because this goes beyond what we think should be the role of the Federal government. The states should have responsibility for the land, and the Federal government should act as catalyst and mediator when necessary.

CRITERIA We agreed that criteria should be developed to identify scope of areas and activities or multi-state and national concern, and land use activities should conform to approved state land use programs. Mechanisms for decision making on land use should be developed which would include representation of all levels of government, all public agencies affected, and all public and private parties affected by a land use decision.

There should be an administrative appeals procedure for arbitrating conflicts. The Federal government (with safeguards) should have power to make preemptive decisions.

PREEMPTS The Federal government should have this power to make preemptive decisions on matters of national interest such as for fragile or historic lands where development could result in irreversible damage; estuaries and bays; rare or valuable ecosystems and geological formations; significant wildlife habitats; unique scenic or historic areas; wetlands; deserts.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE - ELECTION AT ANNUAL MEETING IN APRIL

(Names in parentheses have one more year to complete their term)

<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President-Administration</u>
Betty Lou Wilbur 1976	(Marge Paul) 1976
<u>Secretary</u>	<u>Vice President-National</u>
Mary Liz Carney 1977	Roseann DeGroot 1977
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Vice President State-Local</u>
(Rose Shepard) 1976	Irene Hillman 1977

Directors

(Kathy Joosten) 1976	Betty Buker 1977
Sandra Kransdorf 1976	Lois Duggan 1977
Ginger Lesman 1976	Mary Johnson 1977
Betty Snyderacker 1976	Elsie Michael 1977

For Nominating Committee 1976

Eileen Holmes, Chairman
Mary Reilly
Jane Fischbach

Respectfully submitted by Nominating Committee 1975:

Mary Reilly, Chairman	
Eleanor Beidler	Ruth MacChesney
Phyllis Callaway	Lois Watts

Proposed agenda for local study next year;

1. Township Government (Action?)
2. Local court study

By-Laws Change - Article V Officers
Section 1.

"The President shall be elected each year for
a term of one year".

W H O Keeps the membership list current, adding names of new members, removing names of resignees?

Receives the 225 folded copies of the bulletin from the printer each month? 1) Unfolds all 225 copies of each page? 2) Collates the pages? 3) Refolds? 4) Staples? 5) Runs them through the addressograph of individual membership plates? 6) Types out addresses of new members - sometimes fifty of them before plates can be ordered? 7) Affixes stamps? 8) Gets it to the post office?

T W O reliable, efficient, cheerful, friendly, volunteer Leaguers - Cecelia Hagman and Jane Fischbach.

Cecelia and Jane live within two blocks of each other and learned to work together while helping their husbands mail a college alumni newsletter. They began the mailing and membership list duties about a year ago and have mailed each issue since. They managed the tricky issues that coincide with Thanksgiving and the week after Christmas; they even fitted in one new baby (John Fischbach) with no interruption of service. Nice work, Cecelia and Jane.

COURT Mary Johnson announces that the court study is functioning. There is an adequate corps of court watchers (22). The court administrations are cooperative and appreciative.

STUDY They welcome community interest in their daily activities.

BRIDGE Alert to bridge hostesses from Lyn Mathews; Because of different school vacations, there may be a conflict in March with tournament dates. Do set alternate dates that

DATES are mutually satisfying.

Save March 17 for SYMPOSIUM on Township Government.

SITTER Plans are incubating to provide an inexpensive, high quality child care arrangement during the time of two important League meetings;

SERVICE Monday, March 17 Symposium Township Govt.
Monday, April 21 Annual Meeting.

Please phone Marge Paul (295-2487) as soon as you possibly can to let her know if you will be using the service. She needs to have reservations before she reserves caretakers.

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CALENDAR

April 7	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at home of Betty Snyder 1020 East Westleigh, Lake Forest
April 8	Tuesday	6:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	CITY ELECTIONS
April 12	Saturday	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 115 ELECTIONS
April 21	Monday	10:00 a.m.	ANNUAL MEETING - LUNCHEON at Ramada Inn.
April 25	Friday		STATE LWV CONVENTION at O'Hare Inn.
26	Saturday		
27	Sunday		

ANNUAL MEETING

Featuring as speaker
CHIEF JUDGE HARRY D. STROUSE, JR.
Lake County Circuit Court

at Ramada Inn, Highwood, on Monday, the twenty first of April

10:00 a.m. Meeting Elections

12:00 Noon Cocktails - Luncheon

1:00 p.m. Program

For reservations phone
Elsie Michael 234-8858
before April eighteenth

Cost of Luncheon \$5.00
Sorry; Cancelled reservations not refunded

LL April

CAROL JORDAN'S REPORT ON SCHOOL FINANCE CONSENSUS
(unabridged edition)

Oh Hell - my mind boggles at this job. Well, here goes.

Hopefully, the school finance study imparted at least a beginning of understanding to our league. The committee was terrific and felt by the end of long weeks that we were getting it "all together".

The questions dealt with a state wide level of educational opportunity. Bearing in mind recent court cases which may define equal educational opportunity as equal expenditure per pupil and a state function, our league felt that absolute equality would result in mediocrity. We strongly supported equal basic facilities but felt the varying needs of districts throughout the state should be taken into account.

There was absolute agreement opposing full state funding of education. We support a basic grant from the state for every pupil, and, in addition a level of expenditure above the state grant to be chosen by local districts and equalized by state funds so that a comparable local tax effort produces comparable local expenditures, plus a small amount of local leeway.

In Illinois there are two formulas for determining state aid. One sets a low state foundation (grant) level and large local leeway. The other raises the state level and limits local expenditure, equalizing per pupil expenditure. The majority of our members want more local leeway than is granted under the "equalization" formula but realize we will have to make concessions (rolling back our expenditures in District 115 for example) in order to give all children in the state a fair share and also to comply with "less reliance" on the local property tax (a previously supported league position).

Now, this all takes money. The consensus questions also asked how we choose to raise additional funds and, of course, everyone's eyes glaze over at this. We felt we should try to raise local taxes (in order to keep some local control) through other means; i.e. city income tax, vehicle, sales, etc. We did not seem to care for a state property tax (too politically hazardous) and an increase in state income tax left everyone in a state of shock.

School finance will be a major problem for some time to come. We cannot do justice to all of the questions and cannot even say it is resolved. There is continuing legislation being submitted in the Legislature at Springfield.

Please watch newspapers for continuing reports about school finance.

LL April

AN UPDATE ON STATUS OF DISTRICT 115, LAKE FOREST HIGH SCHOOL

Lake Forest High School opted for the "Resource-Equalizer" formula because it will receive progressively more and more state funds, thus dropping your property tax. They felt this is what the tax payer would want. However, they are currently in a financial bind due to:

1. Loss of assessed valuation, mostly due to the inequities of the multiplier system. We were reduced to about 38% of assessed valuation which resulted in a loss of \$10,000,000 in assessed valuation.
2. Higher operating costs and inflation.
3. Resource Equalizer Bill presently prohibits raising the operating tax rates and keeps us from being fully funded from the state until 1980.

At this time a case is going before the state court to rule on a motion to set the multiplier at 42% of assessed valuation (Highland Park case) but probably will not come before the court until 1976.

The financing of this deficit (District 115) for the remainder of this year and the next two years will be accomplished by borrowing to the legal limit. The borrowed money would be obtained through the sale of working cash bonds and paid back over a six year period. The taxpayers will be paying both the principal and interest on these bonds which will result in a tax rate increase of approximately ten cents to twelve cents per year. In addition, the Board will sell life safety bonds in the amount of \$267,000 primarily to maintain the two buildings and reduce the burden on the building fund. The retirement of these bonds over a five year period will result in an increased tax rate of approximately three cents per year. *(Lake Forest High School, Lake Forest Educational Association Bulletin, March 1975).

It behooves all taxpayers to keep themselves abreast of developments. These are local, "close-to-home" decisions.

The School Finance Study was made by the following;

Carol Jordan, Chairman
Phyllis Callaway, Karen Ginter, Cecelia Hageman, John McTavish
Sandra Kransdorf

Carol Jordan offers special thanks to each of them "who deserve a week's rest at a health spa, preferably in a warm climate with no compulsory education."

Welcome to a new member

FRIEDMAN, Mrs. David A. (Florence)
795 East Longwood.....295-1083

ENERGY CONSERVATION CONCURRENCE

LWVEF sponsored an Energy Conservation Conference in Washington, D.C. on November 20-22, 1974. The conference was funded by the Office of Consumer Affairs, Department of Health, Education and Welfare and was attended by a League member from each of the forty eight contiguous states.

Following the conclusion of the formal agenda, League conferees recommended that the Energy Task Force request the national board to consider presenting to local Leagues, for concurrence, a statement on energy which was drawn up by representatives from a number of states and approved in principle by the conferees. The conferees believed that Leagues were ready to move ahead and that this statement reflected member thinking.

The national board at its January meeting considered the statement presented by ETF on behalf of the conferees and approved its presentation to local Leagues for their concurrence:

ENERGY CONSERVATION

Energy conservation must be a part of any national or state energy policy.

Public understanding and cooperation are essential to the success of any program of energy conservation; citizens should be involved in the difficult choices that must be made.

Implementation of energy conservation must

take full account of economic consequences.

distribute costs and hardships as fairly as possible without bearing unduly upon the poor.

give full consideration to the environment.

Wise use of energy resources will

buy time to decide on other long range energy-related policies and programs.

enable Americans to act as responsible citizens of the world community.

The national board in concurring with the statement recognized that such a position would allow the League to act on many important decisions which go beyond current League positions in environmental quality, land use, international relations and human resources.

The Board of Lake Forest League voted on March 3, 1975 its concurrence with this position on energy conservation.

REPORTS ON QUADRANTS

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING Eleanor Beidler

Can you thread your way among the Regional Transportation Planning Board (R.T.P.B.), the Chicago Urban Transit District (C.U.T.D.), the North Suburban Mass Transit District (N.S.M.T.D.), the Regional Transportation Authority (R.T.A.), the Chicago Transit Authority (C.T.A.), the Bi-State Planning Commission, N.I.P.C., and N.I.R.P.C.? And what is (or are) C.A.T.S.?

Matthew Rockwell, head of the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, (N.I.P.C.) described his efforts to get all these agencies and many others to work together, to talk together, sometimes to pool their technical information, and to share the advice of the different experts they may employ. Many of these governmental units have made plans which they hope will benefit Chicago and the counties surrounding it -- plans which might purify the air we all breathe, clean the water we drink, and carry workers to and from their jobs.

Indiana is an important part of this large picture, so the Bi-State Planning Commission and the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (N.I.R.P.C.) must be included. Plans made by urbanized Lake County may conflict with those of agricultural McHenry County. Of course we in Illinois would be glad if the factories in Gary would spout less smoke. Yet we are sad when our sister city must close down her mills and throw thousands of laborers out of work.

How can we cooperate for the greatest good of all? Mr. Rockwell and his cohorts in N.I.P.C. are trying to teach us this. Members of LWV can help by listening with patience and understanding to the problems of our local governments. We must insist that eventually they learn to work together.

In this project we can receive some help from Washington. N.I.P.C. was originally given no power to enforce its decisions. Now, however if a unit of local government wishes to carry out an important but expensive project and must apply to the Federal Government for money in order to do so, the application must be approved by N.I.P.C. Approval might be refused if this local unit has not already learned to cooperate with the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission.

FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT of 1974 Irene McMahon

There have been several amendments to the Act in response to college's objections. Now, colleges need not make available to students the financial records of parents, or confidential letters of recommendation dated before January 1, 1975.

HEW has issued "Rules and Regulations" for compliance with this Act, and is accepting comments from the public on those regulations. A copy may be obtained quickly from; Mr. Thomas S. McFee, Room 5660, Dept. of HEW, 330 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201. Phone: (202) 245-7488.

Generally the regulations spell out school procedures somewhat more specifically, though there is still need for implementation through individual district guidelines. L.F. Elementary and High Schools have moved to adopt some of these guidelines.

LL April

LAND USE Betty Buker

This meeting, concerned solely with the problem of property taxes in Illinois, brought good news; Something is being done about it!

The meeting was rewarding. It provided a clear, coherent, well organized comprehensible presentation of a complex urgent matter that currently affects every Illinois resident.

The property tax is the major source of revenue for local governments and schools....the state subsists on revenue from sales and income taxes....combined these bring \$500 million a year - a mere nothing compared to the property tax.

Since 1973 a Joint Subcommittee of the Legislature has been studying the administration of the property tax in Illinois. Their findings: The system is in chaos!

The Joint Subcommittee is ready to make recommendation to the Legislature.

Their plan for reform includes:

ADMINISTRATION Responsibility to be removed from the Department of Local Government Affairs to a newly created commission of three members; appointed by the governor at intervals staggered so that no governor may appoint more than one member.

ASSESSMENTS Standardized guidelines from the state level for the level of assessment and the quality of assessment. (A gradual increase up to 50% of fair market value state wide. Gradual to provide time necessary to tool up and also to avoid throwing into chaos those localities needing radical change upwards.)

ASSESSORS Objective standards to be set at state level for qualifications and performance of personnel. (Their study found township assessors to be performing more efficiently and independently than County Supervisors who were under closer political bondage. The township assessors association cooperated with study personnel and agreed to the reforms.)

Budgets adequate to attract competent personnel and maintain efficient operations to be provided.

Redistricting into areas of land parcel and population size that will be compatible with a full-time efficiently operating assessor's office.

SUPERVISION Require county assessors who are presently responsible for supervising the townships operations to function adequately; and arrange to protect them from local self-seeking politicians.

LL April

A SYMPOSIUM ON TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT

FRANK PEERS...DANIEL PIERCE...ADELINE GEO-KARIS...GERALD HAGMAN

These are the members of panel who sat in the Council Chamber of the City Hall on Monday, March 17, to explore the question of township government...Kay O'Connell, President, opened the meeting and Eileen Holmes, Chairman, introduced the speakers and moderated.

City Manager, Hagman, projected diagrams on a wall screen to outline the basics of township government.

At an election every four years there are chosen four members of the Board of Auditors; a Township Clerk; Assessor; Supervisor and a Highway Commissioner. Their duties are:

<u>BOARD OF AUDITORS</u>	Do internal audits, prepare the township budget, set salaries.
<u>CLERK</u>	Keeps records and minutes of meetings.
<u>ASSESSOR</u>	Assesses property.
<u>HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER</u>	Maintains rural roads and bridges.

There was a general agreement of the panel on the need to establish standards to enable assessors to make objective, uniform, equitable assessments. There was general agreement favoring a county wide system for handling assessments; a system which could provide for election of assessors in local districts.

There was opinion favoring responsibility at county level for roads and assistance; as well as a vote for local level handling of these functions by Mrs. Geo-Karis.

There was free discussion of the pros and cons of township government; its grass roots level advantages; its cost in relation to service; the complex responsibilities of handling public assistance.

The panel took no stand on the question of abolishing township government. It did stress the importance of the political reality that there is no legislation to provide for the transfer of present township functions to any other governmental entity. A strong lobby of the Association of Township Officials is opposed to abolishing townships and opposes any implementing legislation.

Two communities in Cook County held referendums in recent years to abolish the township; both were defeated.

Townships Assessors Mr. Barry Fitzgerald, (Shields) and Mr. William Pittenger (West Deerfield) volunteered information; and supported township assessors.

Forty persons answered the four questions listed on individual mimeographed sheets at the meeting. The questions and answers;

Who do you think can best handle:	County	Township	Other
1. Rural roads?	35	3	2
2. Assessments?	20	8	12
3. Assistance to needy?	21	9	10

Would it be practical and feasible to eliminate township government in L.F.?

Yes 21

No 7

Other 12

ACTION REPORT

Our League was designated to conduct three legislative interviews; for the national office we interviewed Representative Phillip Crane, and for the state, Representatives Adeline Geo-Karis and John Matijevich.

Each of our Representatives was most co-operative, giving us much time and candid opinions.

Thanks to Kay O'Connell, Lois Duggan, Marge Paul, and Mary Johnson for their help.

Copies of the interviews have been sent to the Lake Bluff and Waukegan Leagues.

We have sent mailgrams to:

Senators Morris
and Berning:

urging support of abolition of proxy voting in Senate committees. Both responded favorably.

Rep. Donald Deuster:

protesting his criticism of Mrs. Betty Ford for her active support of the ERA.

Senators Morris
and Berning:

urging a yes vote on the ERA in this session.

Letters have been sent to each of our state Representatives asking for their continued support of ERA when it comes to a vote this session.

Action Chairman, Edna Hill, has indeed been keeping out of mischief.

LL April

PROPOSED BUDGET LF LWV 1975 - 1976

INCOME

Dues	10 at \$10)	
	160 at \$15)	\$2,500.00
Finance ..	Fund Raising	2,400.00
Interest ..	(on deposits)	<u>75.00</u>
Total		\$4,975.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Presidents Fund	\$ 38.25	Publications	
Board	100.00	State & National	\$ 150.00
Finance	100.00	Local	675.00
Membership-Yr. Bk.	225.00	Meetings and Action	200.00
Public Relations	50.00	Voters Service	150.00
Supplies - Postage	200.00	Pledge; State and Nat'l ..	2,436.75
Delegates	550.00	Committee	30.00
Affiliations	70.00		

Total \$4,975.00

Committee: Rose Shepard, Kay O'Connell, Mary Reilly, Mary Liz Carney,
Betty Lou Wilbur, and Chairman, Isabel Gerlach

HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK

The decision to have a House and Garden Walk for the League's Finance Drive this year, instead of the usual solicitation for funds, was approved by the Board at the March meeting.

The date decided upon was THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th, 1975, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with lunch being served at the Onwentsia Club. SAVE THE DATE.

It was recognized that the massive effort required to make this a success, depended on a total commitment of ALL the Membership and this first request is immediate!

Please call, or better yet, write - giving names, addresses and zip codes of friends who might be interested in receiving an invitation. (All Lake Forest and Lake Bluff League members will automatically receive an invitation.) For obvious reasons there will not be press publicity on location of the fine homes selected and the affair will be by Invitation Only. When you send in your friends names, please be sure to give your own name, so that there can be a reference point for the Invitations Chairman only;

Mrs. Trowbridge Callaway, III (Phyllis)
38 Forest Hills Road
Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044
Tel: 234-4020

DELEGATES

Delegates to the State Convention of the League at O'Hare Inn on Friday, Saturday, Sunday - April 25, 26, 27, are Kay O'Connell, Betty Lou Wilbur, Kathy Joosten, Mary Johnson, Mary Liz Carney, Rose Shepard. Alternates are Marge Paul and Roseann DeGroot.

LMILG

The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group of the League of Women Voters will be working with the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission to start off the three year planning period for the Illinois Coastal Zone Management Program. This will be a citizen participation phase to get input from the public on such matters as public access to the beach, shoreline erosion, lake pollution and land use.

There will be a public meeting sometime in May or early June, possibly on short notice. The Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission will plan the program and provide the speakers. Our job is to get people to attend. Do spread the word now ... to your friends and neighbors ...
Betty Snyderacker

COURT
STUDY

An assistant to the D.A. of Lake County, Ann Regan, spoke to the court watchers group at the home of Mary Johnson, Co-Chairman, on March 10. Ann answered many questions and added much understanding of the actual working of the court system.

The group was especially interested in the speaker as she is the daughter of Genevieve Regan, L.F. League member.

Court personnel are improving their communications with the public in making information about court schedules, changes in schedules, locations more easily available to private citizens by posting this information in public places in the court house.

League is dove tailing its court watching assignments with other L.F. organizations involved in court study; and the study has grown into an ongoing project.

BRIDGE

With three games left to play the bridge tournament lists the top five teams of players;

1	2	3	4	5
S. Hood	E. Holmes	B. Reid	R. Shepard	D. Cummings
L. Mathews	I. Gerlach	L. Watts	M. Gillespie	P. Meyer

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT LIBRARY

Roseann DeGroot, Chairman, has delivered to the Lake Forest Public Library a Reference Volume of state and national publications of the League of Women Voters. This is a loose binder containing all current publications.

This Reference Volume will be kept up to date and duplicate articles may be purchased from the Publications Chairman listed in front of the book.

At present there is included material on: Revenue Sharing, Environment, Foreign Policy, Trade, Government, Housing, Human Resources, Land Use, Schools (including school finance), Voter Service, and Welfare.

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE COUNTY ILLINOIS ISSUES A

CALL TO CONVENTION

Date: Wednesday, May 28, 1975
Place: College of Lake County
Time: 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Hostess: Waukegan League

LEAGUE

LINES

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CALENDAR

May 12 Monday 9:15 am	BOARD MEETINGS at home of Kay O'Connell, 2 N. Ahwahnee Road, L.F.
May 14 Wednesday 8:00 pm	PUBLIC MEETING - COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT- at Council Chambers, City Hall, Deerpath.
May 17 Saturday	REFERENDUM North Shore Sanitary District
May 19 Monday 12:00 noon	ALL MEMBER ANNUAL PICNIC at home of Mary Liz Carney, 277 S. Bluff's Edge Drive
May 28 Wednesday 9:30 am	BIENNIAL COUNCIL - LAKE COUNTY LEAGUE College of Lake County Grayslake

ANNUAL PICNIC * BRIDGE MARATHON * PRIZES

All members are invited to the picnic lunch - annual event at the last meeting of the year - at the home of Mary Liz Carney. It doesn't matter if it rains as the picnic will be indoors in the roomy recreation area at Carney's...No reservations necessary; casual clothes are in order.

The Board of Directors will furnish the luncheon; everyone is welcome and is most cordially invited to attend; to enjoy this chance to get to know new members and old; to enjoy the chatting and companionship for which there isn't time at the programs.

The last bridge game of the marathon will be played in the morning and results of the year's play will be announced at the picnic.

Mary Reilly reports that local businesses have donated prizes; and mentions that we can show our appreciation best by patronizing them. They are:

HAWTHORN-MELODY FARMS

A. W. ZENGELER, CLEANER

JANOWITZ FINE FOODS

GRACE MCGILL, FLORIST

ROBERTSONS

LAKE COUNTY WATERSHED CONSENSUS
March 1975

The Lake County League of Women Voters feels that the Flood plains of Lake County can be best protected if they are not developed. The League supports ordinances and regulations that ban residential, industrial and commercial building on the flood plain, but does not oppose unpaved recreational uses, such as golf courses or parks. Floodway land along streams should be a priority for public acquisition. Consequently, the League supports flood plain land acquisition programs such as the recent Des Plaines flood plain acquisition by the Lake County Forest Preserve District. The League recognizes that compensatory storage does not provide as much protection as not building upon flood plains; yet when a ban on building in the flood plain is not feasible, permitted structures in the flood plain must be accompanied by adequate compensatory storage. The League is concerned about the rights of both the individual property owners and the public as a whole to protection from flooding.

League members feel strongly that there should be a management plan for each watershed, administered on a county level if the watershed is within the county, or on a broader regional basis, if necessary. The structure for administering and enforcing such a plan should be set up by the State of Illinois. Minimum standards should be set and enforced by the State, with local governments setting stricter standards. League members would support county actions that bring all water related problems and planning into coordination with each other. The state should foster and mandate intergovernmental cooperation among local governments in watershed management planning to ensure conformity to the plan. The planning structure must provide for adequate local input and representation. The regional planning group should have some limited authority to ensure compliance with the plan.

The League feels that changes in drainage district laws and procedures are necessary to provide for overall coordination along a stream. The League supports county actions to foster voluntary coordination among drainage districts and supports legislation to modernize drainage districts and make such consolidation possible.

NORTH SHORE

On May 17, 1975 N.S. Sanitary District is scheduling a referendum for an allowable increase in the corporate fund of 18.4¢ per \$100 assessed valuation.

SANITARY DISTRICT

REFERENDUM

The general manager and chief engineer, H. W. Byers wrote asking to present a program at a League meeting; but the May 19th meeting is after the vote; so League members are reminded to look elsewhere for information necessary to vote intelligently in the referendum.

-3- May

From
LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ILLINOIS

April, 1975

CONSENSUS ON SCHOOL FINANCE - ADOPTED APRIL 2, 1975

The League of Women Voters of Illinois supports the Resource Equalizer concept with substantial local leeway and compensatory education weightings for the distribution of state funds for public elementary and secondary education. The League believes such a system will reduce financial disparities between districts and increase equity for students and taxpayers while retaining local control of educational programs and budgetary management. Tax assessment practices must be equalized throughout the state, however, before a resource equalizer can operate equitably.

The League rejected the concept of state assumption of the total cost of public education because of the concerns that it would diminish local control, discourage educational innovation and could lead to mediocrity in educational programs.

The League believes the state should concentrate its efforts on leveling up the financial resources of poorer districts without requiring any district to reduce its per pupil expenditures. Maximum entitlements supported by the state should be reviewed regularly and revised, taking into account: 1) increases in the cost-of-living, 2) professional estimates of the costs of a quality educational program, 3) regional differences in the costs of providing the same or similar services, and 4) ease of access to maximum operating tax rates. The League also supports equalized state aid for pupil transportation and capital facilities.

The League believes the state should increase its support for the total excess costs of all mandated programs, such as special education, and refrain from mandating further programs without funding provisions. Local districts should be held accountable by the state for the expenditures of money for programs that fill special student needs.

To achieve greater equity for taxpayers, the League believes that additional monies for the schools should come, if necessary, from an increase in corporate and personal income tax rates, preferably graduated. Further adjustment in the state revenue system was recommended to eliminate the sales tax on food and drugs. League members strongly reinforced the State Land Use Position calling for uniform assessment procedures and reduced reliance on local property taxes for school support.

April 21, 1975

REPORT TO MEMBERSHIP

Review of Criminal Justice System, Lake County

Last Fall, Mr. Aiden Mullet, Mayor of Lake Forest, asked the Lake Forest League of Women Voters to undertake a review of the Criminal Court System in Lake County. The sharp rise in vandalism in the community had prompted the Mayor's request. After Board discussion, it was agreed that the project be undertaken but that concern about local miscreants be subordinated to the broader concern of county-wide justice.

In preparation for the project your President, Mrs. John O'Connell, Mrs. John Homes and I, Mrs. William Johnson, discussed the problems likely to be encountered with Chief Gilbert of the Lake Forest Police, Mr. Jack Hoogasian, States Attorney for Lake County and the Honorable Warren Van Deusen, Chief Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial District, and the Director of the Citizen's Crime Commission of Lake County, Mrs. Phyllis Stevenson. We decided to organize a Court Watching Project at the County Courthouse in Waukegan.

In January of this year, the League issued a call for Court Watching Volunteers. Thirty six ladies responded, representing both the Lake Forest League of Women Voters and the Lake Forest Branch of the American Association of University Women. The ladies signed up for weekdays during February and March. We covered the courts for a period of twenty-six days, accumulating a total of 156 hours of attendance. Judge Harry D. Strouse, Jr. was, at this time, Chief Judge of the District and he and his staff were helpful in directing our efforts. The volunteers met at three-week intervals during their "watching" to report problems and/or progress. At our last volunteers' meeting, Miss Ann Reagan, daughter of a League member and an Assistant States Attorney for Lake County discussed the effectiveness of the system from the point of view of the prosecutor.

Though our project was but two months in duration and covered only the County Courts in Waukegan, it would seem that our general purposes have been accomplished. We are able now to reach some conclusions as to the workings of the Court System and to report back to Mayor Mullet. With your permission I will use a copy of this report for that purpose. I would recommend that we continue our efforts as Court Watchers, but less intensively. The Citizens' Crime Commission has now organized its Court Watching program, and I have suggested to the Director that Lake Forest will have volunteers available.

Many of you who were involved in this project will remember how confusing and intimidating our first discussions of procedures and behavior in Court were. I remember with pride also that by our second Volunteers meeting that you had become strikingly knowledgeable, both as to procedure and nomenclature. We hope to have served a community need by our undertakings. I know that you have gained personally an important insight into our judicial system as it affects the citizens on a day-to-day basis.

Conclusions:

1. The Criminal Court System in Lake County is generally responsive to the concerns of citizens. The reception afforded the Court watchers by the judges, bailiffs and other Court personnel was immediate and reassuring. The posting of a Court calendar for Traffic and Ordinance Violations is a case in point.
 2. The workload of the Courts is sizable, but being handled with reasonable dispatch particularly when the full compliment of Circuit and Associate Judges is available. We were concerned with the crowding and confusion at the misdemeanor level, particularly since this is the level where most citizens experience their first exposure to the Court System. Language problems, i.e. need for interpreters, particularly Spanish ones, were reported by several of the Court Watchers.
 3. The most frustrating experience for the Watchers and certainly for the many who were involved personally in the hearings, was the use and abuse of the "Continuance" prerogative. Many a full Calendar Call was dissipated within an hour by requests for continuances. A case the community was interested in, involving a Lake Bluff Ordinance Violation and requiring the attendance of a former Lake Forest College faculty member, had been continued seven times by the time our project commenced. The alleged violations had occurred during the summer of 1973. The case was continued another two times during our two month project.
- We appreciate that there is growing concern in the legal profession and judiciary that reform may be forced upon the System.
4. The Assistant States attorneys were generally available to go forward with trials but our experience indicated that in cases involving less serious charges, preparation had been minimal. In the three instances involving Lake Forest or Lake Bluff defendants, the Judge disqualified himself in the first one, the defendant obtained a continuance in the second case, and the attorney representing Lake Bluff was granted a continuance in the third. The failure to bring a case to trial did not seem to be a ploy of the defendant as often as we had been given to believe.
 5. While recognizing that our overview was limited by both time and experience, we were not particularly conscious of the use by the judges of Pre-sentence Reports. When we inquired into this omission, the failure of the local police in forwarding "Rap Sheets" or the prosecuting attorney in presenting the judge the defendant's prior record was given as the reason. It was our conclusion that this area needed greater attention by all parties.
 6. From both the Judicial and Prosecutory branches of the Court System, we received complaints that the preparation of cases by the local police for prosecution was less than sufficient. Since our local delinquents were well represented by counsel generally, deficiency in the acquisition and preparation of evidence was quickly and often successfully challenged.

In addition, it was suggested that our local police were intimidated by the community and had found it extremely difficult to exercise as firm a hand as necessary in dealing with minor offenses.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Barb Johnson, Co-Chairman
Lake Forest League of Women Voters
Criminal Justice Review Committee

Do you want some local control - some influence - over federal action and expenditures in our locality for shoreline maintenance, for lake pollution prevention, for regulation of shoreline land use, for beach access?

A public meeting to discuss the Coastal Zone Management Program has been scheduled for 8:00 pm on Wednesday, May 14, at the City Hall. The time to act is now; not three years from now when the Program will begin to function one way or another. It will be better tailored to local needs, to solutions reasonable to local situations, if local citizens respond now to the invitation to come to a public participation meeting designed to inform citizens of the provisions of the Act and to elicit input from citizens to funnel back to planners.

Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (N I P C), who will have to approve local programs to qualify them for federal funding is the local authority on the Act. N I P C has asked the Lake Michigan Inter League Group of the League of Women Voters to work with them in setting up the public meetings; notifying the public and encouraging attendance.

There will be local meetings in each area. Lake Forest League has arranged this meeting; N I P C will plan the program and provide experts for speakers.

League urges each of its members to plan to come and to tell other family members, neighbors, friends to come. ...Betty Snyder, Chairman, Environmental Quality ...

The Biennial Council of the LWV of Lake County will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 1975 at the College of Lake County in Grayslake.

The Lake County Board which makes the laws that govern us has five women members, all of whom have been invited to speak to the meeting. We hope that Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Ogrin, Mrs. Berliant, Mrs. Sabato, and Mrs. Amendola will be with us that day; that they can tell us how it works to have women chairing the committees, also what each of them has as goals for the Lake County Board, and what are her hopes for its future.

WHEN
9:30 am to 2:00 pm
Wednesday, May 28

WHERE
College of Lake County
19351 West Washington
Grayslake

... Eleanor Beidler, Board Representative, County LWV ...

This meeting is schedule for the second Monday in May in order to allow the new officers and directors an extra week in which to do their home work in planning for the tasks ahead.

All newly elected Board members as well as 1974-1975 members are expected at this meeting.

All who have served during the past year are to furnish a formal typed description of the job responsibilities of their assignment.

All Board members are invited to bring a sandwich to the meeting and to plan to stay after the meeting for lunch to celebrate with Kay O'Connor, the completion of her term as president of Lake Forest League

To no one's surprize the annual meeting occurred as scheduled on April 21st at the Ramada Inn in Highwood.

ANNUAL
MEETING
MINUTIAE
AND
MORE

No hecklers appeared to muddy things up, and a full page agenda of a year's business was completed in a League-like manner ... The budget as previously published in the April Bulletin was adopted unanimously...The slate of officers and board of directors as published in the March Bulletin was elected unanimously and enthusiastically...A small difference of opinion proved that the members were not just rubber stamping the agenda items, when they voted down the Chairman of Township Government's move to up the Township Government item from study to action. "Not ready" said the members "we need more study".

Treasurer Rose Shepard revealed that League has spent \$500 more than current income; a deficit covered by a surplus accumulated in other years (\$2400 remains)...President Kay O'Connell reminded the membership that \$15 annual dues pay our contribution to State and National but not our own local expenses (\$5000 next year); these are paid out of funds from the finance drive, bridge marathon, extra contributions from members ... "Maintain dues at \$15 to keep membership within everyone's financial reach" she advised as heads nodded in agreement ... Later she made known that L.F. League makes a minimal contribution to State and National that both of our neighbors (Lake Bluff and Libertyville) contribute more than Lake Forest. She recommended a "gift" of \$500 be sent to the State LWV for this year. Approved.

Edna Hill was applauded for maintaining a steady stream of letters, telegrams, mailgrams from L.F. League to deserving politicians. She brought vitality to her portfolio - Action. Kay O'Connell, President, in every instance received a reply from the legislator.

Public Relations Chairman, Kathy Joosten, had emphasized the image of LWV as a political organization in her news releases and contacts with the media. She arranged for a subscription to the Bulletin for Mike Pollock, political reporter for the Lake Forester. (Do you read the League Lines, Mike Pollock?)

END OF
ANNUAL
MEETING

In reporting on the progress of ERA, Phyllis Callaway wondered if some of League's thrust should be toward converting citizens; those who are now sending telegrams to legislators to vote NO on ERA. Some legislators are reacting.

The business meeting began at ten in one large room; adjourned at twelve to another room for cocktails and for lunch at round tables in this same room. Elsie Michaels who made the arrangements was complimented for the pleasant set-up and for the excellent menu; tuna fish salad, delicious fresh fruit pieces including ripe honey dew melon.

Judge Strouse began speaking at one and finished promptly at two. Other honored guests were Police Chief Gilbert and City Manager Hagman who saw that his wife had sneaked out and was at the meeting. He didn't catch her with a drink in her hand though.

HOUSE
AND
GARDEN
WALK

Please, please, please, send in a list of names of friends to whom an invitation to League's HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK on September 18, 1975 may be sent. (Include your name).

To

Mrs. Trowbridge Callaway, III Phone
38 Forest Hills Road 234-4020
Lake Bluff, Illinois 60044

For details see last month's League Lines

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SUMMER CALENDAR

August 18, 9:15 a.m.

Board Meeting at home of
Betty Lou Wilbur,
985 Hawthorne, L.F.

September 8

General Meeting
To Be Announced

September 18

House and Garden Walk

REPORT FROM THE STATE CONVENTION

A seven member delegation from the Lake Forest League attended the state convention in May. The meeting proceeded according to a tight schedule and much was covered.

A study of Gun Control was presented as a non-recommended item for next year's agenda and after some close voting the motion carried.

Several motions expressing the Will of the convention were adopted. It was moved that the LWV under the Human Resources position, act to provide equal access to public facilities for the physically handicapped. It was also moved that different kinds of memberships, i.e., family, student, patrons, etc. should be studied with recommendations made at the National Convention. The method of evaluating and reporting Congressional Voting Records came in for some attention and discussion and a motion passed to request the National Board to redesign the system we now use for this.

Gov. Walker made a speech at the Banquet and appointed Ginny Fiester and Donna Schiller to head a committee for promoting the International Women's Year. He also urged the LWV to continue its watchdog role at state congressional committee meetings. This delegate found the convention a tremendous learning experience and I urge as many members as possible to attend future LWV conventions.

Kathy Joosten

Summer '75

ANNUAL PICNIC AND FINAL BRIDGE MARATHON

The Annual Picnic and Bridge Playoffs were held the same day, May 19, and Mary Liz Carney offered her large and beautiful home again for this affair. The weather was lovely and so was the lunch. An old friend of the League, Frances Rubinkham of Libertyville was a welcome guest. The bridge prizes were many and varied and we are including a list of your friendly local businessmen who furnished them.

Helanders
Lake Forest Jewelers
Coutellerie deGeneve
Grace McGill
Janowitz
Camera-Sound

Cat and Fiddle
The Sport Shop
Lake Forest Bootery
Lloyd Hood
Robertsons
Zengeler Cleaners

Hawthorne-Mellody Farms

Eileen Holmes is handling the Bridge Marathon for next year. If you would like to play, please call Eileen at 234-8015 before August 30 to register. She will find a partner for you, if you need one. The first bridge game is on September 29.

NEW

MEMBERS

We have the names of two more new members for you to write in your membership book. They are:

Mrs. Charles D. Jenkins (Melva)
521 College Rd.
L.F. 234-0456

Mrs. Henry M. Wegren (Betty)
51 E. North Avenue
L.F. 234-2443

LEAGUE GOES TO T.V.

At the state convention a new system of communications and publicity was proposed during one of the workshops. Closed circuit T.V. or T.V. taping was shown and our delegates became very excited. Our League could use taping to record meetings, do interviews, film projects, or trade tapes with other Leagues. Once a tape is made it can be shown on any T.V. in anyone's home or anywhere else. The Lake Forest College has agreed to allow us to use some of the equipment they have on hand. Mr. Paul Whiting of the Lake Forest High School will train those who are interested in the use of the equipment. We should get started in September with the training. Anyone who is interested in learning how to use the equipment or otherwise getting involved in this, please call Kathy Joosten, 234-7027, before September.

Summer '75

COASTAL ZONE
MANAGEMENT
MEETING

In her report on the Coastal Zone Management Meeting which we hosted on May 14 at the Council Chambers in Lake Forest, Betty Snyder says, "The Zone Management Program was a good first step in informing the public of the problems concerning Lake Michigan. The attendance was poor but, hopefully, more people will become involved as the program develops and there is better and more publicity about the forthcoming task forces which will be studying these issues: Erosion and New Land, Water Quality, Land Use and Land Use Control, Public Access, Recreation and Marinas and Ports and Industrial Uses. No dates have been received on these studies as yet.

LAKE COUNTY
L W V
CONVENTION

The League of Women Voters of Lake County held its Biennial Convention on May 28 at the College of Lake County in Grayslake.

We adopted two items to be studied over the next two years. The first of these is Land Use in which we expect to examine carefully the proposed Master Plan, the acquisition of land (by the Forest Preserve, by cities and villages, etc.), the growth that is anticipated in our county, and its planning and zoning policies. The second item is the updating of "Know Your County" which was last done in 1967. Since then Illinois has acquired a whole new Constitution.

We voted to continue support of our positions previously adopted on the Watershed, Health Care, and Home Rule.

Mrs. Ellis Fuqua of Waukegan was elected President of the Lake County League. She succeeds Mrs. Robert McClarren of Deerfield who has now become the Vice President. The new Secretary is Mrs. Thomas Carney of Lake Forest. Mrs. John Kaiser of Deerfield continues as Treasurer.

It was interesting to see the new building of the College of Lake County, solidly constructed of brick and with few windows opening through its austere walls. There were no windows at all in the lecture hall where we spent the morning. If our colleges and schools expect to depend entirely on air conditioning and electric lighting, how expensive and difficult might their maintenance become?

Eleanor C. Beidler--Board Repr., County LWV

Summer '75

VOTERS

SERVICE

Our new Voters Service chairman is looking for women who would like to become deputized registrars for new voters. This is a service that we help the Lake County Clerk provide at schools and other public places where new residents and new 18-year olds can go and register to vote. It's Important - So if you have a few hours for training and can be on call to register voters in Lake County, call Flo Friedman at 295-1083.

B R A C E L E T S

bracelets

Rose Shepard has a few ERA bracelets left to sell at \$3.00 each. The fund which the sale of these bracelets provides for is depleted--so please buy them. Who knows--they may become collectors' items one day.

HOUSE
and
GARDEN
WALK

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"biggie"

Have you thought of one more name to add to the list of guests for the House & Garden Walk on September 18?

There is still time to send them to Phyllis, our faithful cardfile computer operator. She especially wants those names of your friends in other communities. Send them to her today with your name also included to:

Mrs. T. Callaway, III
38 Forest Hill Road
Lake Bluff, Ill. 60044 234-4020

Also - If anyone is interested in helping with reservations, please contact Phyllis. It will be a once a week, one morning job from August 12 to September 12.

WE
NEED
HELP

Our two loyal bulletin collators have decided to use their time and talents for League this year in a different manner. Cecilia Hagman and Jane Fischbach have volunteered to plan and present the Know Your Town Meeting this fall. We applaud their continuing interest in League and their desire to go in a different direction. However, we do need someone to put the League Lines together and mail it out - after it comes from the printer. If this is a job you could take over or even help out with, please call Betty Buker at 234-4509 or Marge Paul at 295-2487. It is something you can do at home on your own time.

LEAGUE LINES

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE FOREST

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Mrs. Richard Wilbur
234-1353

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Mrs. James Duggan
234-0016

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Mrs. J. L. Shepard
234-2666

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Mrs. Edward Buker
234-4509

CALENDAR

Sept. 8	Monday	9:15 am	GENERAL MEETING - Workshop on Energy Gorton Community Center
Sept. 18	Thursday	10:00 am	HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK L. F. League Benefit
Oct. 1	Wednesday	9:30 am	FALL REGIONALS - Highland Park
Oct. 5	Sunday	11:00 am 1:00 pm	LEGISLATOR'S BRUNCH at home of Mary Johnson, 971 N. Hawthorne Place.
Oct. 6	Monday	9:15 am	BOARD MEETING at home of Betty Lou Wilbur, 985 Hawthorne Place.

General Meeting

C I T I Z E N ' S W O R K S H O P O N E N E R G Y

at Gorton Community Center, Monday morning, September 8, 1975

9:15 Coffee

9:30 Program

... a very special program prepared and presented by professionals...
to enable citizens to understand the effects of decisions about energy
use and environmental protection...featuring an Energy Environment
Simulator.

Presented by the ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY of the Atomic Energy
Commission which operates under the auspices of the University of
Chicago.

Energy Chairman

Mary Johnson

No admission

Guests welcome

September
1975

President's Letter

Dear Fellow Leaguers,

Now that summer is ending, take time to mark your calendar and save the dates for all the super Lake Forest League of Women Voters meetings and events listed on the next page.

We start September 8 with our General Meeting on ENERGY. This will be a workshop presented by the Argonne National Laboratory in which we, the audience, participate. Our Energy Chairman, Mary Johnson, promises we will learn a lot and have fun doing it.

September 18 is our spectacular House and Garden Walk. The homes are outstanding, and the gardens should be at their autumn loveliest. See you there!

October brings Know Your Town and our Legislative Brunch. These are both good opportunities to invite friends who are new in our area. Even long time residents can learn something new about Lake Forest at our Know Your Town meeting, and our Brunch gives us all a chance to meet and talk with the men and women who pass the laws that govern our lives.

Our study committees will be headed by a splendid group of knowledgeable chairmen: Kay O'Connell, Role of the Executive; Gladys Heinrich, Townships; Carol Jordan, Gun Control; and Ruth MacChesney, Land Use. In addition, Gorton Community Center has asked our League to collect and make available information on services for senior citizens in our area. Virginia Goelzer will head this committee.

We'll all see each other September 8. Until then, enjoy those few remaining days of summer.

Betty Lou Wilkin

P.S. Please do take time to fill out and return to me, the enclosed interest sheet. League offers opportunity for the involvement of every member; rewarding involvement.

We cordially invite your participation - in on going activities or occasional activities -- or in a once a year assignment.

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CALENDAR 1975 - 1976

SEPTEMBER	8	Monday	9:30	A.M.	General Meeting - Gorton Community Center Citizens Workshop on Energy
	18	Thursday until	10:00 4:00	A.M. P.M.	House and Garden Walk
OCTOBER	5	Sunday until	11:00 1:00	A.M. P.M.	Legislative Brunch with Families and our State Legislators
	20	Monday	9:30	A.M.	Know Your Town Meeting City Council Chambers
NOVEMBER	10	Monday	9:15	A.M.	Unit Discussion - Consensus
	11	Tuesday			Role of the Executive
JANUARY	12	Monday	9:15	A.M.	Unit Discussion on
	13	Tuesday			Townships
FEBRUARY	9	Monday	9:15	A.M.	Unit Discussion on
	10				Gun Control Legislation
MARCH	8	Monday	9:15	A.M.	Unit Discussion on
	9	Tuesday			Land Use in Lake County
APRIL	12	Monday	10:00	A.M.	Annual Meeting
MAY	17	Monday	12:00	Noon	Annual Picnic

Unit Meetings on Monday and Tuesday are identical programs.

Be sure to save Sunday, October 5, from 11:00 to 1:00
to meet your legislators.

KEEP

Our Legislator's Brunch of last year was so successful
that it was felt it should be done again.

THIS

It will be at Mary Johnson's again and families and
guests are welcome.

DATE

For reservations - at \$3.00 each - call Elsie Michaels
at 234-8858 before October 3rd.

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WALK ON THE PLASTIC * NO SMOKING * DON'T PARK IN POSTED ZONES

Follow these simple rules and you too can enjoy the Lake Forest League's FIRST HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK. On Thursday, September 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. you can wander through the homes and gardens of six of Lake Forest's loveliest homes. David Adler designed the home and the beautiful gardens of the Richard Bentley's in 1928...Mrs. Richard Lydy's home offers an exciting blend of traditional and contemporary and a ravine!

The Hermon D. Smith home stands on a bluff overlooking Lake Michigan with extensive gardens and interesting interior collections. A country estate, formal gardens and a swimming pool enhance the home of Mrs. William S. Covington, and our own Betty Buker will be on hand to show her contemporary jewel which overlooks a lake.

The cost is a modest \$15.00 for the tour and \$5 extra for those who want to take lunch at the Onwentsia Club. Be sure to return your envelope as soon as possible. If you can't come we will think of you, and regretfully accept a donation.

After all, ladies, where else can you look at six other ladies' homes eat lunch at the country club, and have a fun day. Besides, what else is there to do on a Thursday? (Kathy Joosten - Publicity)

A cordial welcome to our new members;

APPLETON, Mrs. George S. (Betty)
760 Waveland.....234-2474

DOYLE, Mrs. Daniel (Martha)
964 Waveland Road.....295-3835

MEMBERSHIP

KREML, Miss Melanie Ann
14 Alden Lane.....234-9232

PHILLIPS, Mrs. Fred (Freddi)
100 N. Hawthorne Place.....234-2920

Once in a while a mistake is made ... the last issue of League Lines listed Rose Shepard as our Finance Chairman ... it should have been Mary Reilly.

MARY
REILLY

We know that Mary Reilly is Finance Chairman; and most of you know that Mary Reilly is Finance Chairman; we hope no confusions have resulted!

FINANCE

Mary Reilly is hoping that with the House and Garden Walk promising to be a sure success she will be able to rest on her laurels the remainder of this year and next year, too.

September

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1975 REGIONALS

COME ON! JOIN THE GANG GOING TO REGIONALS THIS FALL!

WHO

Everyone. League officers, board members, new Leaguers, seasoned Leaguers, prospective members. Everyone who shares interests in League program and organization.

WHERE

Highland Park - at Congregation Solel, 1301 Clavey Road.

WHEN

Wednesday, October 1st; from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

9:30 - 10:00	Registration
10:15 - 12:15	Workshops
12:15 - 1:15	Lunch
1:15 - 3:00	Panel Discussion - Handgun Control

There will be six workshops dealing with the following topics;

DISCUSSION LEADER TRAINING

Learn the general basics of involving groups in discussion and the specific basics of involving Leaguers in discussion.

FINANCING THE LEAGUE

LWV dues of \$40.00? Close the National Office? The State Office? Who should set League dues? Come and talk about how we raise and spend the "long green" for our National Consensus for February, 1976.

EXECUTIVE POWERS

Learn some know how and show how to help for the consensus this fall.

MEMBERSHIP:

Is it easy to join LWV in your community? Has your League cut out the "deadwood"? (Define deadwood). Is membership increasing because dues are kept low? Is membership decreasing? Are members going back to school? Going to work? Joining other organizations? Involved in other things? Just plain tired and overworked? Is League representative of the community? Let's try to find answers at the Workshop.

PUBLICATIONS

Let's talk about how to use League publications - local, State and National. Come, pick up some tips on how to publish and market local productions.

WHERE WE STAND

Confused about the League's positions? Are new members, or experienced ones, for that matter, unaware of where we stand on corrections, day care, election laws, privacy, assessments, etc.? With the new edition of Where We Stand available at the Regional, come to the Workshop to catch up on the variety, background, and relevance of where the League stands on all eleven State Program items.

PANEL (After Lunch)

The pros and cons of Handgun Control - a loaded question.

September

1975

From Flo Friedman, new Voters Service Chairman, comes a...

MEMORANDUM

It all started on Bastille Day! Five Leaguers were sworn in as Deputy Mobile Registrars in Waukegan on July 14. Three more were sworn in on July 18.

So...in addition to Kay O'Connell and Mary Liz Carney who already were Registrars there are:

Betty Lou Wilbur
Irene Hillman
Mary Johnson
Roseann DeGroot

Ginger Lesman
Sandra Kransdorf
Cecelia Hagman
Flo Friedman

We were no sooner sworn in than we were asked by Grace Mary Stern's Office in Waukegan (County Clerk - in charge of voter registration) to help man the registration booth at the Lake County Fair on July 25.

Next we set up a booth at Lake Forest Day - August 6 - in response to a suggestion to do so, if possible, made at a previous board meeting.

The American Legion welcomed the idea so we were back at it on Aug. 6th.

A total of 60 people; young: old: just moved: never registered before: became eligible to vote as a result of our being in West Park. We also had several people express interest in receiving more information about League of Women Voters.

As Voter Service Chairman, I want to thank personally the registrars for their willingness to help in what we all agree is a basic League function.

Note: I would welcome hearing from more League members who would like to become Mobile Registrars. I will be happy to arrange for you to go to Waukegan to be sworn in. Please call me - Flo Friedman at 295-1083.

Future Activities

The Board of the Lake Forest Newcomer's group welcomed enthusiastically our offer to set up a registration booth at their first luncheon meeting on September 25th. Additionally they asked if we could do the same on the evening of September 27th at their first social of the year - to register the men.

We are happy to oblige. I am hopeful that we can interest some Newcomers in joining the League of Women Voters.

-7- September

Also from Flo Friedman, Voters Service Chairman, this letter ...

grace mary stern

lake county clerk
(312) 689 6660

waukegan, ill.
60085

August 1st, 1975

Dear Registrars:

Thank you so much for your stint at the County Fair. We registered more voters at the Fair this year than ever before--perhaps that means the great fog of apathy is lifting--and we couldn't have done it without you.

Just to show you--we ran out of forms and had to import an emergency supply on Sunday morning--and then ran out again in the afternoon. That will never happen again, and our real apologies are extended to the girls who were working that day and had to turn some people away.

Each year we've learned from the year before. This summer we had our own booth framework (made by Fred Boyd -- deputy clerk -- in his basement!) and altho it was a bit tricky to get in and out of, it gave us a little more class than we've had in the past. And, too, we were able to solve the problem of admission charges for our registrars this year, by sending out the tickets in advance.

Thanx again, friend! See you next year...

Cordially,

Grace Mary Stern

September

LAST CALL FOR BRIDGE MARATHON

League will sponsor a bridge marathon again this fall and winter season. Games will be scheduled once a month in players' homes.

Singles, as well as recruits with partners, are welcome. Members and non-members are all eligible to join the fun.

Call Eileen Holmes at 234-8015

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October 1975
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CALENDAR

Oct.	Wednesday	9:30 am	REGIONAL MEETINGS - Highland Park
Oct. 5	Sunday	11:00 am	LEGISLATOR'S BRUNCH at home of Mary Johnson, 971 Hawthorne Pl.
Oct. 6	Monday	9:15 am	BOARD MEETING at home of Betty Lou Wilbur, 985 Hawthorne Place.
Oct. 20	Monday	9:30 am	KNOW YOUR TOWN FORUM at City Hall

LAKE FOREST LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

cordially invites members, their families, interested guests,
to a

BRUNCH WITH LEGISLATORS

at the home of

Mary Johnson, 971 Hawthorne Place, Lake Forest

Sunday, October 5 .
11:00 am to 1:00 pm

For reservations (\$3.00 each)
Phone Elsie Michael 234-8858
Reservations close Oct. 2nd.

Member Genevieve Regan will be Chairman of the Gun Control study, reports Betty Lou Wilbur, League President.

From Virginia Goelzer who represented League in meeting a request from the Volunteer Bureau for help in assembling information about services and resources available to senior citizens comes a report that the Volunteer Bureau expects to publish a directory of services sometime this fall.

KNOW The League is sponsoring a Know Your Town Forum on Monday, October 20 at 9:30 am in City Hall. The forum is designed to acquaint our new residents with Lake Forest. This is a good opportunity to invite friends who are new in the area. Even long time residents can learn something new about Lake Forest at the meeting. Please mark your calendar.

YOUR Speakers will include the city manager, police chief, fire chief, recreation director, librarian, Gorton Community Center representative, Volunteer Bureau representative, and the president of the Historical Society.

TOWN Mayor Swarthout will open the forum with a short greeting and Betty Lou Wilbur, League President will introduce the panel.

Invitations are now being distributed to newcomers through various channels, and we hope for a fine response.

Cecelia Hagman and Jane Fischbach are Co-Chairmen.

SHIELDS? VERNON? DEERFIELD? WEST DEERFIELD?
Interested in fair real estate tax assessments?
Interested in working on pragmatic local program?

Here's a great opportunity for long time League members to use background and interests developed from serving on other committees in the past, and for newer members to learn more than they ever dreamed possible about local government and their own tax bills.

Become a part of the Township Government Study Committee.
Call Gladys Heinrich at 234-2752.

ENERGY THERE ARE SOME ANSWERS

With a topic that could make one's eyes glaze and attention wander, a very direct, lucid, clear headed speaker did just the opposite at the Citizen's Workshop on Energy, a general League meeting on September 8th.

The program provided a broad perspective on energy problems, and possible solutions, as well as their differing effects on the environment.

America's prosperity and high standard of living were built upon readily available, inexpensive supplies of energy. Our industrial strengths, agricultural bounty, comfortable homes, fast and easy transportation of people and goods - all of these things consume high levels of energy, primarily fossil fuels.

Since fossil fuels are limited, it is clear that we will need to change both our habits of energy use and our sources of energy supply. These changes will require that the American public make a number of important choices. To do this wisely the public must be better informed about the basic factors involved and their interrelationships.

The American public has been barraged with information on this topic - much of it conflicting; much bewildering; all of it chilling.

The Citizen's Workshop brought some light to murky issues from a hopefully trustworthy source, the Energy Research and Development Administration of the federal government.

Members emerged with three ideas clearly in mind;

- 1) The complexities of the energy problem
- 2) The need to take action toward energy conservation
- 3) The need to develop alternative energy sources.

Mary Johnson, Energy Chairman, booked this program through the Argonne National Laboratory which operates under the auspices of the University of Chicago.

HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK

A

STUNNING SUCCESS

The sun shone, the breezes blew, the air sparkled with enough crispness to make fall clothes comfortable and an outing irresistible. The six homes; different, distinctive, appealing, welcomed a steady flow of House Walkers from ten am until four pm with barely a noticeable break for the scheduled luncheon at Onwentsia Club during noontime.

The mood was cheerful; there were no problems for hostesses or guests as the first Lake Forest League Benefit House and Garden Walk took place on Thursday, September 18.

To a handful of hard working chairmen and their team of seventy one individuals who helped as hostesses and committee members and to six home owners go the thanks and appreciation of Lake Forest League for a tremendous effort which achieved a tremendous success.

Two hundred paid tickets would cover expenses ... three hundred would bring a respectable profit...but it would be nice to sell 400...and in the end there were 450 paid admissions!

Look in the November bulletin for a full report from our President.

Meanwhile Roseann DeGroot, Co-Chairman, wishes to receive comments, criticisms, suggestions about the House and Garden Walk which will contribute to an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of the organization and operation of this particular event; and that will relate to an evaluation of the Benefit as an appropriate and worthwhile method of fund raising.

Write her at 970 Northcliffe Way, Lake Forest. (She can't face the telephone yet - maybe NEVER)

YOU ARE NEEDED TO HELP WORK ON OUR LAKE MICHIGAN PROBLEMS

Tomorrow's approach to development and protection of Lake Michigan's shoreland may be directed by a plan now evolving under guidance from state and local officials and citizens. This is the Illinois Coastal Zone Management Program about lines which will control the future complexion of the Lake Michigan shoreland zone - among them the League of Women Voters through their Interleague Group, the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, and the Lake Michigan Federation.

There are five task forces set up to work on some of the more urgent problems relating to Lake Michigan, and to help develop policy. Chairmen have been chosen by the Lake Michigan Federation, and now, citizen input is wanted - in fact, required under this program. Volunteers are needed in all areas. If you are interested in joining a task force, please call one of the following chairmen!

1. Erosion and New Lands

Dr. Bertram Woodland - 922-9410 (Field Museum)

2. Land Use Control

Jean Millin 996-3115

3. Public Access and Recreation

David James HY 3-0533 or 446-5909

4. Ports and Industries

John Bailey 922-2145 or 491-5909

5. Water Quality

Fran Schnadig 835-0536

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL

LAKE MICHIGAN FEDERATION

23 W. JACKSON, CHICAGO 60604

DEPUTY DIRECTOR - RICHARD ROBBINS PHONE 427-5121

-6- October

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF ILLINOIS
67 East Madison St., Chicago 60603

August, 1975

"All the Way with ERA"

A clear majority of Illinois citizens favor passage of the Equal Rights Amendment. Then why are we still at it after nearly four years? Because a massive organizing effort is required. To carry out the needed program of organizing voter support groups for ERA and radio advertising, coupled with ongoing lobbying and education operations is going to cost money--let's face it--a lot of money. But we can't afford anything less, if we plan to win.

To finance a statewide ERA campaign, the Illinois ERA Coalition is initiating a pledge drive. We are calling upon all ERA supporters to go "all the way with ERA" i.e., contribute a set amount--from \$1 to \$?--on a regular monthly basis until, together, we pass ERA in Illinois. Not only will your monthly contribution fund the ERA ratification drive, but in addition it will free us to direct all our time and energies into vitally needed precinct and media work. As little as \$1 per month from thousands of supporters will go a long way towards making the Illinois the thirty-fifth state to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment.

PLEDGE INFORMATION

- Fill out the pledge form below.
- Mail your pledge and first monthly contribution to the Illinois ERA Coalition
606 Post Office Court
Springfield, Illinois 62701
- This pledge is due the last week of every month. (To save on postage, notices will not be mailed out; reminders will be sent on overdue pledges.)
- Your name will be forwarded to your local district coordinator for an informational newsletter.

For further information call (312) 266-1034 (Chicago) and (217) 753-8844 or (217) 546-5924 (Springfield).

I pledge \$_____ per month to support the ERA ratification campaign in Illinois. You can count on my pledge arriving no later than the last week of each month. I promise to continue my monthly commitment until we ratify ERA in Illinois!

(PLEASE PRINT)

(signature)

(date)

Name

Address

Phone _____

DAYS

EVENINGS

City

State

Zip

MAIL TO: Illinois ERA Coalition, 606 Post Office Ct., Springfield, Illinois
62701

FALL REGIONAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, October 1
Place: Highland Park
Time: 9:30 to 3:00

PROGRAM

9:30 - 10:00	Registration
10:15 - 12:15	Workshops on Financing the League, Where We Stand, publications, discussion leader training, Executive Powers and Membership.
12:15 - 1:15	Lunch
1:15 - 3:00	Panel Discussion: The Pros and Cons of Handgun Control

RESERVATIONS

Call Betty Lou Wilbur, President at 234-1353

LOCATION

Congregation Solel 1301 Clavey Road. Take Edens Highway (Route 41) south to Clavey Road. Exit at Clavey; proceed east about one half mile to the Temple, on the north side of Clavey Road.

WHAT IT IS

The Regional Meetings, an annual event sponsored by the State Office, is a pleasantly companionable affair, programmed to inform, enrich, bring up to date and to stimulate.

It offers opportunity for exchange of wisdom and know-how; and offers a peek at some State leaders and at Leaguers from adjoining communities. It attracts many repeaters - a good recommendation.

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CALENDAR

Nov. 3 Monday 9:15 am	BOARD MEETING at home of Mary Liz Carney, 277 S. Bluff's Edge Drive, Lake Forest.
Nov. 10 Monday 9:15 am	UNIT DISCUSSION - Role of the Executive Home of Betty Buker, Highway 60; Willow Lake Farm Road, right fork.
Nov. 11 Tuesday 9:15 am	UNIT DISCUSSION - Role of the Executive Home of Eleanor Beidler, 1050 Walden Road.
Nov. 24 Monday 8:00 pm	MEETING - Lake Michigan. Union Church, L.B.
Dec. 1 Monday 9:15 am	BOARD MEETING at home of Roseann DeGroot, 970 North Cliff Way.

HOUSE WALK - BRIDGE - FINANCE

A cheerful report from finance chairman, Mary Reilly

Oh! What a beautiful morning
Oh! What a beautiful day
Oh! What a healthy treasury
Everything's going o.k.

The House Walk's profits will make up for the funds usually contributed by local merchants solicited by the committee. League still needs contributions from private supporters but will not need to solicit the business community. Does everyone remember that our dues pay only our contribution to State and National LWV; that the finance committee must raise all of the money needed to pay our local costs? Look back to the April bulletin for the budget.

Under Eileen Holmes' good leadership, forty Leaguers and friends began the Bridge Marathon on Monday, September 22. The price committee is already at work with ten items for the May finale.

A warm welcome to these new members of Lake Forest League...

BOURNE, Mrs. Malcolm (June)
1033 Maplewood Road.....234-1033

DOYLE, Mrs. Daniel (Martha)
964 Waveland Avenue.....295-3835

LARDNER, Mrs. Merril T. (Ann)
1015 S. Waveland.....234-1997

LAZARUS, Mrs. Monte (Judy)
1500 N. Western Avenue.....234-6272

MOSELEY, Mrs. W.D. (Jeanette)
497 Rosemary Road.....234-0642

MURRAY, Mrs. John (Grace)
230 S. Sheridan Road.....234-5152

PHILLIPS, Mrs. Fred (Trudie)
1000 N. Hawthorne Place.....234-2920

RYAN, Mrs. Thomas B. (Joeann)
597 Golf Lane.....295-3815

SHIELDS, Mrs. Gerald II (Linda)
985 Melody Road.....234-0257

WINSTON, Mrs. Paul A. (Karen)
305 E. Scott Street.....234-5423

Marge Paul, Vice President, Administration, has a word about the new members she was able to reach by phone.

JUNE BOURNE is a former member of our League who has rejoined.... Coming from Dayton, Ohio, to Lake Forest two years ago is ANN LARDNER, a new Leaguer. She has two boys at Cherokee School....A transfer from Silver Spring, Maryland, JUDY LAZARUS was membership chairman in her former League. She has two children in local schools....And next, JEANETTE MOSELEY, who has lived in Lake Forest eight years, and has three children in public schools. She is French; was educated in France and speaks five languages fluently. She does translating and tutoring in her home....GRACE MURRAY is a long time Lake Forester and a new Leaguer. She is a recent graduate of Barat College; her husband was a city councilman at one time....LINDA SHIELDS moved here from Highwood where she was a school board member for four years....KAREN WINSTON transferred from Lake Bluff where she was a member of the Lake Bluff Caucus for two years and also president of the Knollwood Homeowners Association....

UNIT DISCUSSIONS AND CONSENSUS - A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT
Betty Lou Wilbur

On the second Monday and Tuesday of November there will be opportunity to attend UNIT DISCUSSIONS. The meetings are identical, and are planned for two different days in order to accommodate to individual's schedules and to keep the meetings small and informal.

The topic will be the study of the Executive Branch of government; the Role and Power of the Presidency.

If you are a new League member you may well be wondering what a UNIT DISCUSSION is. In simple terms a "unit" is a group of League members that meets for a specific purpose. Introduced to local Leagues in 1948, the unit system was established to facilitate and encourage the exchange of ideas and opinions on program topics through small discussion groups. A voluntary committee, the study unit, thoroughly explores the issues; and as a panel, summarizes this information at each discussion meeting. Discussion follows, and when appropriate, consensus is taken.

The dictionary defines CONSENSUS as "collective opinion or concord; general agreement or accord". Used as a technique for reaching member agreement, CONSENSUS is a process whereby members participate in a group discussion of an issue. The "CONSENSUS" reached by members through group discussion is not a simple majority, nor is it unanimity, but refers to the overall "sense of the group" as expressed through the exchange of ideas and opinions.

Keep in mind that CONSENSUS is important...because before the League can act on an issue, members must agree in broad terms on what they think about various aspects of the issue. CONSENSUS from each local unit directs the stand that League takes at State and National levels.

To help you listen intelligently, discuss constructively, consense wisely, the study committee has printed in this bulletin the consensus questions and attached a Facts and Issues summary.

It is most important that you read this material before the UNIT DISCUSSION and bring it with you to the meeting.

UNIT DISCUSSION AND CONSENSUS - ROLE OF THE EXECUTIVE
K. O'CONNELL, CHAIRMAN, REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT

To his own question, "Does the executive have too much power?", James J. Kilpatrick (writing in the Chicago Daily News) says "The answer is to elect presidents with some sense of self restraint, and hope for the best".

Should the American public settle for that? Or should there be legal limitations to presidential power?

Even a quick reading of the questions below reveal the importance and the immediacy of the problems inherent in the subject....Congress has before it now bills relating to the powers and limitations of the presidency. Our legislative representatives and our League leaders in Washington must know what we think and desire on these controversial questions.

Come to one of the L.F. League UNITS; come listen, learn, discuss, decide, and vote in our consensus.

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

EVALUATION OF THE ROLE OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH, PHASE I: THE PRESIDENCY

The consensus questions for the evaluation of the role of the executive branch, phase I; the presidency follow. They concern themselves with presidential powers, specifically executive agreements, war powers, emergency powers, and fiscal policy powers and in addition we are asked for member agreement on possible changes in presidential succession and in terms of office.

Please relate your discussion and answers concerning Question I to the following positions:

1. The Representative Government position calls for: ...an open governmental system that is representative, accountable and responsive....
(Documents, LWVUS, Pub. #521, page 18)
2. ...elimination of unnecessary secrecy...between Congress and the Executive Branch....
(Documents, LWVUS, Pub. #521, page 21)

I. DOES YOUR LEAGUE SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ANY CHANGES IN THE PRESIDENTIAL POWERS?

*Consider the following in your discussion:

- Should there be periodic review by Congress and/or the public of legislation granting powers to the Executive.
- Should there be time limits on the exercise of executive powers specified in the legislation.
- Other changes you may suggest.

*Discuss specifically foreign policy powers such as executive agreements and war powers; emergency powers; fiscal policy powers.

*If your League has concentrated its study on one of the other presidential powers, you may include them also.

A. Periodic Review by Congress and/or Public:

Executive Agreements:

War Powers:

Fiscal Policy Powers:

Other Powers:

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS CONTINUED

INSTRUCTIONS FOR QUESTIONS II AND III:
circle Y (yes) if your League supports the idea
circle N (no) if your League opposes the idea
circle U (undecided) if your League discusses but did
not reach agreement
leave blank if your League did not discuss the subject

- II. SHOULD THERE BE CHANGES IN THE SYSTEM OF PRESIDENTIAL SUGGESTIONS? N U
If yes, would you favor:
- (a) special election to fill vacancy in office of Vice President? Y N U
 - (b) special election if vacancies occur in both Presidential and Vice Presidential offices? Y N U
 - (c) special election for both offices when appointed Vice President has succeeded to the Presidency? Y N U
 - (d) selection of all Vice Presidents using 25th amendment procedures? Y N U
 - (e) time limit on Congressional confirmation of Vice Presidential nominees under the 25th amendment? Y N U
 - (f) repeal of 25th amendment? Y N U
 - (g) changes in the Presidential Succession Act? Y N U
 - (h) abolition of office of Vice President? N U
 - (i) election of two or more Vice Presidents? Y N U
 - (j) Other
- III. SHOULD THERE BE CHANGES IN PRESIDENTIAL TERMS OF OFFICE? N U
If yes, would you favor
- (a) repeal of 22nd amendment? Y N U
 - (b) a single term for President? Y N U
 - (c) other

VOTER SERVICE NEWS NOTES
by Flo Friedman
Chairman

1. Apologies for omitting Elizabeth Clarke's name from the list of League Voter Registrars.
 2. Two new Leaguers were sworn in as mobile Registrars this month - Betty Appleton and Martha Doyle.
 3. The New comers kept us busy. Martha Doyle helped me register 36 new residents at the Newcomer's Luncheon on September 25th. On Saturday evening September 27th, Sanra Kransdorf, and Elizabeth Clarke worked furiously to register 50 more newcomers at their first social event of the season.
- Everyone agreed that our being there was a tremendous service and was greatly appreciated. So much so, that we'll be invited back in several months to register more newcomers.

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ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO HELP PLAN THE FUTURE OF LAKE MICHIGAN
Betty Snyder, Chairman, Environmental Quality

On Monday, November 24, 1975, eight P.M. at the Union Church in Lake Bluff, the LWV of Lake Bluff will sponsor a meeting to solicit citizen participation in the formulation of the final state legislative recommendation for the management of the Lake Michigan shoreline under the federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972.

Lake Forest League is responsible for setting up a display prior to the meeting, (Nov. 14th-24th) in the Lake Bluff Library. Pamphlets full of information material will be available there...free.

The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group is assisting the Illinois Coastal Zone Management program in its efforts to reach the public in Cook and Lake Counties to secure citizen input onto the final state legislative recommendation for the management of the shoreline of Lake Michigan under the federal Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972. This Act required public participation in the development of a land use/water management program and public participation in the special informational and idea exchange meetings. Leagues are asked to publicize these meetings and to ask - even urge - the public to attend.

In addition to the Lake Bluff Meeting, our neighbors will meet:

November 11 ... Highland Park
November 13 ... Libertyville

WHERE WE STAND - A REPORT ON THE WORKSHOP - OCTOBER REGIONAL
by Eleanor Beidler

In eight different areas of state government the League of Women Voters of Illinois has taken a firm stand. These positions were explained in some detail by Jan Otwell and Doris Bernstein, both Vice Presidents of the State League, at the Regional in Highland Park on October 1, 1975.

SCHOOL
FINANCE

League believes that the state should concentrate its efforts on increasing the resources of poorer school districts, but that no district should be required to reduce the amount it is now spending on each pupil.

TAX
ASSESSMENT

LMV believes that tax assessors should be appointed, not elected; that property taxes should be assessed over much broader geographical areas than is done now. This might encourage cooperation between different units of local government (school districts, sanitary districts, municipalities). Township government might prove to be unnecessary.

LAND
USE

League believes in a comprehensive land use policy which should provide for orderly growth yet preserve the environment, conserve natural resources, and make some land available for low and moderate income housing. To bring this about, regional planning will be needed; state and locally. Important changes in the tax system will be necessary, too.

WHERE WE STAND - Continued from page six

CHILD
WELFARE

Child Welfare is to be restudied. We shall all be asked whether we support positions long held by the LWV of Cook County. These include family counseling, homemaker, day care, diagnostic and treatment services, and sometimes foster care and small residential facilities. We support the thrust of the Illinois Juvenile Court Act. We want high quality probation services for juveniles, effective delinquency prevention services, services for emotionally disturbed children, and meaningful educational opportunities offered by correctional programs.

ELECTION
LAWS

We plan to study voter registration by mail for Illinois and the subject of primary elections. We believe that a State Board of Elections should be established to supervise and coordinate the election process and to enforce the election laws, both statewide and locally. Since this is a big job, perhaps the members of the board should be given adequate salaries.

LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

We have long studied and supported measures to improve the structure and operation of local government. In Illinois big and little units of local government have mushroomed, an inefficient and costly procedure. Our new State Constitution permits and encourages these separate units to work together and when possible, to merge into a single unit. We believe that township government should be eliminated and its functions transferred to the county or to a municipality.

CORRECTIONS

The study (followed by support) of Improved Correctional Procedures in Illinois was undertaken fairly recently. We believe in the concept of the Illinois bail bond and recognizance statutes. We do not wish to see first offenders, who have committed misdemeanors, kept in jail just because they cannot afford to make bond. For a felony, however, release on recognizance should be granted only after a thorough investigation and evaluation. Trials should come promptly.

PROBATION &
PAROLE

We also support a statewide probation and parole system, qualified personnel, in-service training, certain rights for inmates, and the use of a monitoring citizen's committee.

PRIVACY

The LWV of Illinois has expressed a strong concern for the right of privacy of the individual in the collection, storage, and use of personal information about himself, by governmental and private organizations.

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LEGISLATOR'S BRUNCH

On Sunday, October 5, from 11:00 to 1:00 almost ninety citizens and legislators gathered in the very appealing indoors and outdoors at Johnson's and milled about in informal contact. Later each legislator spoke briefly of his positions; each emphasized his ready ear to input from voters; many spoke of an interest in cutting government costs.

The weather was midwest Indian Summer at its sunny, sparkling, stimulating best. The people responded to the fine weather, the pleasant, hospitable emblece, the especially good food and drink, the interesting concerned conversations. Worth while activities can be so pleasantly experienced when Mary Johnson takes responsibility.

Elsie Michael handled reservations with no problem; her helper was her nice daughter, Mary.

A PLEA

Assistant Treasurer, Genevieve Regan, asks all members to pay dues when the first notice is received. Oversight and delay are very expensive to the League in time and money. The need for follow up notices and continuing record keeping make difficult, time consuming work out of what could be routine. ...Members who have served as treasurer send dues promptly. They know...Should every member have a stint as treasurer?

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CALENDAR

Jan. 5	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at home of Betty Buker, Highway 60; Willow Lake Farm Road.
Jan. 12	Monday	9:15 a.m.	UNIT DISCUSSION- TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT at Mary Beattie's, 145 N. Sheridan Road.
Jan. 13	Tuesday	9:15 a.m.	UNIT DISCUSSION- TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT at Virginia Goelzer's, 915 E. Deerpath.
Jan. 13	Tuesday		Voter Service Workshop- Chicago. For information, call Flo Friedman (29501083).
Feb. 9	Monday		UNIT DISCUSSION - GUN CONTROL
Feb. 10	Tuesday		UNIT DISCUSSION - GUN CONTROL
Feb. 11	Wednesday		QUADRANTS - Chicago

ACTION - A Report from Phyllis Callaway

Exciting things are happening on the national level in ACTION. Beginning with the Fall 1975 Voter, a special mini - Report from the Hill will highlight what is happening to our primary and secondary national action commitments, and what members can do in addition to, or as opposed to, official League action....Page 15 of the Voter also contains a return postcard form on which members can choose one national League program area of interest to them. I hope all of you have returned this form. You will then receive Action Alert notices in that field.

If you would like to be alerted to action calls in other national areas, or on state or local issues, please call me (234-4020) and I'll put your name on our telephone action alert.

January

PUBLICATIONS

An offering by Sandra Kransdorf (234-6435)

A SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE FOR EVERY NEED

A Publications service from the National League office brings the subscriber all new League publications of general interest. General interest means; pamphlets. written for the concerned citizen, not the expert, that give you the facts on the really hot national issues;... "how to" guides to help citizens take a more active and effective part in the political process...plus duplicate copies of materials that lend themselves to display or distribution, information about the League and selected issues of the LWVUS magazine, the National Voter.

It is sent by third class mail five to six times a year, not on a weekly or monthly basis. Subscriptions \$10.00 a year; payment in advance... Send all orders to:

League of Women Voters, 173 M St., N.W.; Washington, D.C. 20036.

LEAGUE ACTION SERVICE

This service includes ACTION ALERT and REPORT FROM THE HILL will keep you up to minute about legislation on issues of League concern. LAS tells you when to act and what lies behind current legislative maneuvers. It gives you the opportunity to express your views on important pending federal legislation before it comes to a vote. A must for concerned constituents everywhere.

For \$7.50: Order full subscriptions which begin in January before March 1.

For \$5.00: After March 1, new League officers can order a part year LAS subscription which begins in June. No full subscriptions accepted after March 1.

If Sandra can be of any additional assistance or if members would like a particular publication, please do not hesitate to phone her at 234-6435.

A UN REPORT from the Winnetka, Northfield, Kenilworth League is available for loan. We have one copy of this excellent report to lend to interested members.

January

ARE OUR TOWNSHIPS "ONE OF THE LAST RITES OF DEMOCRACY"
OR DO THEY MERELY CONTRIBUTE TO ILLINOIS' TAG OF BEING
"THE MOST GOVERNED STATE IN THE UNION"?

This is the political science question we will explore at our Township Units in January. We will have the facts on the background, structure and functions of townships. We will also have information on legislation pertaining to township government in Illinois.

Then we will turn to the local level to pose some more questions. What are the townships of Shields, Deerfield, West Deerfield and Vernon actually doing? How much are they spending? What are they doing with Revenue Sharing? What do township critics say about their performance? We hope to answer these questions and more.

At this point, the problem will revert to you. Paraphrasing the original question, we will ask you: "Do you feel that our township governments are obsolete, inefficient and wasteful of money or are they viable, efficient and economical? We hope you will join us for a spirited exchange of ideas at a Unit on January 12 or 13, 1976.

Gladys Heinrich
Chairman, Township Government

MEMBERSHIP

We wish a happy new year in League to these members who have joined recently. Add their names to your membership book.

CLEMENTS, Mrs. Walter A. (Doris)
1264 Winwood Drive.....234-3094

DANGREMOND, Mrs. E. H. (Marea)
342 Scranton, Lake Bluff.....234-3428

KELLER, Mrs. John M. (Ruth)
145 S. Ridge Road.....295-2294

MONSOR, Mrs. B. A. (Barbara)
23 Negaunee Lane.....295-2793

PEPE, Mrs. S. Ernest (Bertha)
1260 N. Western Avenue; Unit 105.....295-3745

STEPHENS, Mrs. Bernard W. (Patricia)
726 E. Morningside Drive.....234-7947

A change of address for a member newly listed in last month's LL:

DOYLE, Mrs. Daniel (Martha)
206 Warwick.....295-3835

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ILLINOIS COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PUBLIC MEETING

November 24, 1975

A preliminary list of issues and problems in the Illinois Coastal Zone area was presented at the public meeting on November 24th in the Union Church in Lake Bluff. The audience was asked to select priorities in each of eight general areas. These eight areas or "issues" with which ICZM is concerned at present are:

- A. Shoreline Erosion and Property Damages.
- B. Recreational Resources.
- C. Ecological and Environmental Concerns.
- D. Economic Development.
- E. Commercial ports and Navigation.
- F. Aesthetics.
- G. Jurisdictional.
- H. Land Use Compatibility.

There are many "problems" involved within these general issues and it was from these that the priorities were selected. A tally was made at the end of the program.

Because Lake Bluff's shoreline erosion is a very real and familiar problem to its citizens, they are naturally concerned with the control of erosion and are property damages.

Many of the issues and problems were too technical for intelligent responses from a relatively uninformed public.

The program was very well presented by both Peter Wise and Donna Chrisman of the ICZM staff and by Ursula Forman, President of Lake Bluff League of Women Voters. There were fifty or sixty people there - not many of them from Lake Forest. It was a far better meeting than the first public meetings held in both Lake Forest and in Lake Bluff last Spring.

Report provided by Betty Snyder, Chairman, Environmental Quality.

January

REPORT ON "PRESIDENTIAL POWERS" • NOVEMBER UNITS
By Kay O'Connell, Chairman

REPORT FORM

1. DOES YOUR LEAGUE SUPPORT OR OPPOSE ANY CHANGES IN THE PRESIDENTIAL POWERS? (YES)

A. Periodic Review by Congress and/or Public:

Executive Agreements:

In general support the provisions of the Case Act. However, favored strengthening the power of the Senate as offered by the Glenn Bill. Feels strongly that all executive agreements should be reported only to Senate.

War Powers:

Feel that the War Powers Resolution should be amended to state that before acting, the President must seek the counsel of appropriate committees of both the House & the Senate. The size and specifics of these committees (including practical, emergency considerations) would have to be worked out.

Emergency Powers:

Support the provisions of the National Emergencies Act.

Fiscal Policy Powers:

Support the provisions of the Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974. Feel strongly that Congress must legislate within a planned overall budget. Discussion brought out much dissatisfaction with both Executive and Congressional approaches to Budget. Feel that the League guide to this question fails to come to grips with the fundamental questions of Fiscal Policy Powers.

Other Powers:

Not always satisfied with the use of Presidential Pardon powers, but could see no desirable way to change them.

Veto power should remain as is.

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B. Time Limits:

Executive Agreements:

Feel there should be a specific time for review of every Executive Agreement to ascertain whether each agreement is still desirable and effective.

War Powers:

Did not feel any great dissatisfaction with the 60 days (or 90 days if necessary) provisions. Some discussion of the idea that in a Nuclear confrontation no reasonable time would appear to be defineable.

Emergency Powers:

Concur with the provision that no Emergency should be indefinite. Satisfied to test the workability of NEA's two year limitation.

Fiscal Policy Powers:

Not satisfied with specifics in both discussion guides and present laws. Fiscal Policy is an area of major concern, desire more positive suggestions.

Other Powers:

No changes offered.

Other Changes:

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR QUESTIONS II AND III:

Circle Y (yes) if your League supports the idea

Circle N (no) if your League opposes the idea

Circle U (undecided) if your League discussed but
did not reach agreement

Leave blank if your League did not discuss the subject

If you have other suggestions add these under "other" (II (j) and III (c)).

II. SHOULD THERE BE CHANGES IN THE SYSTEM OF PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION? Y N U

If Yes, would you favor

- (a) Special election to fill vacancy in office of Vice President? Y N U
- (b) Special election if vacancies occur in both Presidential and Vice Presidential officer? Y N U
- (c) Special election for both offices when appointed Vice President has succeeded to the Presidency? Y N U
- (d) Selection of All Vice Presidents using 25th amendment procedures: Y N U
- (e) Time limit on Congressional confirmation of Vice Presidential nominees under the 25th amendmant? Y N U
- (f) Repeal of 25th amendment? (STRONG, but not numerous Yes) Y N U
- (g) Changes in the Presidential Succession Act? (Some reservations on Pres. pro tem of Senate being designated) Y N U
- (h) Abolition of office of Vice President? Y N U
- (i) election of two or more Vice Presidents? (Some support for this suggestion) Y N U
- (j) Other

III. SHOULD THERE BE CHANGES IN PRESIDENTIAL TERMS OF OFFICE (STRONGLY split vote) Y N U

If yes, would you favor

- (a) Repeal of 22nd amendmant? (Strongly split - Maj. No) Y N U
- (b) A single term for President?
(6 years) (Strongly split - Maj. No) Y N U
- (c) Other
There were hardly any 'undecided' votes.

January

VOTER SERVICE ACTIVITIES

By Flo Friedman

On Thursday, November 13, our League was asked to "offer a welcome and hospitality to new citizens of Lake County after the ceremony at which they became naturalized citizens of the United States.

We did so gladly.

Thirty three countries were represented at the two morning ceremonies at which a total of 106 people became naturalized citizens - one of the largest groups ever. (Approximately 10,000 citizens were naturalized in the Chicago area every year).

Chief Judge Harry D. Strouse, Jr., presided; the Mayor of Zion, Former Judge Minard Hulse and our own Mary Johnson offered congratulations and welcome to the new citizens. After the ceremonies, Mary Johnson, Betty Buker, Elsie Johnson and I, Flo Friedman helped the new citizens to register to vote and provided them with coffee and cake.

We came away exhilarated and reminded of the fact that our country is truly a melting pot of peoples from all nations. And, above all, our freedoms should not be taken for granted - most particularly, our most precious right and privilege - the right to vote.

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CALENDAR

Feb. 2 Monday	9:15am	BOARD MEETING at home of Rosann DeGroot, 970 Northcliff Way, Lake Forest.
Feb. 6 Friday		TRAINING WORKSHOP for Panel of American Women at Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Illinois. Details on page three.
7 Saturday		
8 Sunday		
Feb. 9 Monday	9:15am	UNIT DISCUSSION - GUN CONTROL at home of Irene Petty, 975 North Inverleith Trace.
Feb. 10 Tuesday	9:15am	UNIT DISCUSSION - GUN CONTROL at home of Lois Duggan, 958 Waveland.
Feb. 11 Wednesday	9:30am	QUADRANTS - Chicago. See page four

MEMBERSHIP An especially warm welcome to a new member who is an attorney serving in the Lake County State's Attorney's office, is a daughter of active member Genevieve Regan; and is the sole new member for February publication;

REGAN, Miss Ann W.
194 East Westminster...Apt. #2...234-2647

VOTER SERVICE Since the last LL went to press, Betty Wegren has become a Deputy Mobile Registrar, reports Chairman Flo Friedman.

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS CONTINUED

- i. mandatory sentences
reasons for your position: _____
- j. additional regulation of handgun dealers
reasons for your position: _____
- k. enforcement of existing laws
reasons for your position: _____
- l. handgun safety education
reasons for your position: _____
- m. other, please explain:
1. If you favor handgun controls:
- a. At which of the following level or levels would you prefer to see legislation:
federal _____
state _____
county _____
local _____
- b. At which level or levels would you support legislation:
federal _____
state _____
county _____
local _____
- c. Would you support legislation applying only to specific area of the state, i.e., Cook County, metropolitan areas, "high-crime" areas, "more populated" areas. etc.?
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PANEL OF AMERICAN WOMEN

The Illinois Humanities Council awarded a grant to the Panel of American Women. For the first time funding from the State has come to the assistance of panelists who for some years have been confronting prejudice by speaking of personal experiences. In February and again in April the Panel, with the support of academic humanists, will conduct workshops to train panelists at Lake Forest Collect. Tuition and accommodations will be provided by the grant.

The workshop dates are:

February 6, 7, 8
April 23, 24, 25

If interested contact Irene McMahon, 155 N. Mayflower Road. Phone is 234-9108

Q U A D R A N T S F O R T H E B I C E N T E N N I A L Y E A R

Wednesday, February 11, 1976 Chicago 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Registration payable at the door: \$2.00
ADVANCE REGISTRATION NECESSARY FOR MEETING #4 ONLY (see Registration form)

Quadrant - (kwo-drant) (Leagueuse) 1. a four-sided meeting offering eloquent elocation from sparkling speakers on multifarious matters of infinite interest. 2. Four meetings held at the same time, in the same city, in four different rooms or buildings, which can sound horribly dull but which are always very interesting.

MEETING #1 CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN THE LEGISLATION PROCESS

Location: The Eleanor Association, 16 North Wabash, 18th Floor
Lunch: There will be a room for brown baggers, or you may eat out.

The purpose of this meeting: to offer education and training for those League members who want to learn some techniques to influence legislation.

The Agenda will include:

Keynote Speech	One of the legislative leadership
How a Bill Becomes a law; and Committees: What is their function?	Administrative Assistant to legislative leader
The Role of the Press	Reporter
Legislative Aides - What do they do?	Legislative Aide
Information on the Lobbying Laws What can we do better?	Panel
	Gloria Craven, Chairman

MEETING #2 HUMAN RESOURCES - THE DREAMS OF THE SIXTIES: THE REALITIES OF THE SEVENTIES

Location: Field Museum of Natural History, Roosevelt Road at Lake Shore Drive
Lunch: Bring a brown bag lunch to eat in the cafeteria or buy a lunch there. See the new exhibit "Man and his Environment."

This meeting will delve into LIBERTY to live where we choose, regardless of race, creed or economic status; JUSTICE in the sharing of America's resources with the handicapped and with migrant workers; EQUALITY in employment and education. How far are we from the top of Martin Luther King's mountain? His sermon was a message of hope to all Americans--victims and dreamers. In 1976 we commemorate the bicentennial of America's birth. The Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution were also messages of hope to all Americans--victims and dreamers. Will we celebrate the keeping of a 200-year-old promise of liberty, justice and equality?

Lyn Alderfer, Chairman

-5- February

ELECTION LAWS IN THE 70's
MEETING #3 REGISTRATION BY MAIL PLUS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Location: Conference Room, League of Women Voters of Illinois
Office, 67 East Madison St., Room 1408
Lunch: Bring a sandwich or order one in so that you can stay
during the lunch hour to discuss your local questions
and problems

Presenting two distinguished members of the League of Women Voters:
Grace Mary Stern, Clerk of Lake County and
Elinor Rohrbach, City Clerk of Des Plaines, Past President Municipal
Clerks of Illinois
A PRO AND CON DISCUSSION OF REGISTRATION BY MAIL
And also presenting
Frank Lunding, Jr., Chairman of the State Board of Elections who will
discuss the present status of the Board and answer your questions.

Marion Meyerson, Chairman

MEETING #4 COAL AND NUCLEAR: ENERGY DILEMMAS FOR ILLINOIS?

Location: Auditorium, Chicago Public Library, Michigan Avenue
at Randolph (come in entrance and go up staircase one
flight)
Lunch: Eat out and enjoy yourself (lunch break at 11:45)

THE CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY DOES NOT PERMIT REGISTRATION FEES TO BE COLLECTED
HERE: SO WE ARE ASKING THOSE WHO PLAN TO ATTEND THIS MEETING TO SEND IN
THEIR FEES IN ADVANCE. SEE FORM BELOW. This registration fee is necessary
to cover costs of speaker's travel, etc.

9:30 a.m. promptly: Many energy "experts" believe that the United States
must become increasingly dependent on coal and nuclear power during the
next twenty years, while other more exotic forms of energy are being developed.
What implications does this have for Illinois--the state which already
produces the largest amount of its power from nuclear fueled plants,
and the state containing the largest reserves of bituminous coal? Can we
solve the problems associated with nuclear energy? What are we going
to do with those radioactive wastes? Can we burn coal and still have clean
air? Can we mine coal and still maintain our leadership role in agricultural
production? These are the kinds of questions we will be asking a
panel of the most knowledgeable people we can find. Come and learn with us.

1:15 p.m.: Representatives from state agencies dealing with energy issues
will be our guests: The Illinois Energy Resources Commission, the Illinois
Commission on Atomic Energy, the Office of the Energy Coordinator, Department
of Business and Economic Development.

Joanna Hoelscher, Chairman

REGISTRATION FORM ENERGY QUADRANT ONLY

February 11, 1976

Mail to: Peggy Bowhay
League of Women Voters of Illinois
67 East Madison St., Chicago 60603

\$2.00 per person advance
registration for Energy
Quadrant only

LWV of _____ Name _____
Address _____ Phone _____

DEERFIELD....SHIELDS....VERNON....WEST DEERFIELD

Township Study committee members, Eleanor Beidler, Betty Wegren and Gladys Heinrich (Chairman) presented a panel on township government at the League Units on January 12 and 13, 1976. Marge Paul led the discussion on both days. The primary object of the meetings was to impart an understanding of the township as a unit of local government and to inform League members about the four townships which extend into the City of Lake Forest.

The topics covered by the participants were:

1. The State League of Women Voters' position and the origin and functions of township government in Illinois.
2. The Constitutional and legislative basis for township organization and functions.
3. The organization and finances of the four townships in Lake Forest.
4. The strong points and weaknesses of township government as a whole and in the four townships dividing Lake Forest.

After the committee presentation, Leaguers in both Units strongly expressed agreement on their dissatisfaction with the dissection of Lake Forest by four townships and the difficulty in keeping informed on township matters. There seemed to be a feeling that while townships may be desirable in rural areas, they are probably an unnecessary layer of government in urban areas such as Lake Forest.

The groups groped for a viable solution to the multifaceted township government problem which has been complicated by the State Legislature's inaction on the means for abolishing townships, and the political and service impact on areas surrounding Lake Forest as well as on the City itself. The Units gravitated towards the conclusion that despite the political difficulties involved, the creation of a township coterminous with the City of Lake Forest may be desirable.

A suggestion was made to request that the County League pursue the subject of townships in Lake County as a study item. Another suggestion was made that the Lake Forest League approach the Lake Bluff, Deerfield and Highland Park Leagues and ask them to study their townships and the effects of the creation of a Lake Forest Township on them. In general, all present indicated that action is required by another level of League, other Leagues, or a branch of Illinois government before the Lake Forest League of Women Voters can continue this study or take action.

LOST IN THE MAIL
A January Crisis

The Bulletin Editor and the Mailer (Betty Buker and Chris Boudrie) experienced the torture of fearing, and finally recognizing that the package containing the January League Lines, long overdue from the printer's in Chicago, was lost in the mails.

The immediate problem of notifying the membership of the UNIT MEETINGS scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, January 12, and 13, was met by the very generous response of eleven Leaguers who, on short notice, agreed to phone 170 active members. Many thanks to these volunteers;

Chris Boudrie, Elsie Michael, Marge Paul, Flow Friedman, Bea Scheutz, Ginger Lesman, Lois Duggan, Morine Ross, Lois Watts, Eleanor Beidler, Mary Reilly

And out of its secret losing places the Post Office Department recovered the package and delivered it routinely, ten days later....What detours or by-ways are there to contain for ten days a first class mailing enroute from downtown Chicago to Lake Forest?...Inquiries convinced the editor there was no effective machinery to locate a non-insured, non-registered piece of first class mail. So the mystery remains.

Meanwhile League has found good friends who will transport with dependability the LL from editor to printer and back to mailer.

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CALENDAR

March	Monday	9:15	BOARD MEETING at home of Ruth MacChesney, 621 College Road, Lake Forest.	
March	8	Monday	9:15	UNIT DISCUSSION - REGISTRATION BY MAIL at Mary Johnson's, 971 Hawthorne Place.
March	9	Tuesday	9:15	UNIT DISCUSSION - REGISTRATION BY MAIL at Ginger Lesman's, 712 Woodlawn.
March	16	Tuesday		PRIMARY ELECTION VOTE!
APRIL	12	Monday		ANNUAL MEETING

REGISTRATION BY MAIL

Mary Ellen Laue is Chairman of the March Unit Discussion Meetings which are devoted to Registration By Mail. This topic has been substituted for the study of Land Use in Lake County which had been scheduled for March but has been set aside until the County League finishes it's study.

ANNUAL MEETING

Betty Lou Wilbur, President, reminds the membership that our annual meeting on April 12 will coincide with Lake Forest League's fiftieth birthday!.... and that special plans are in the making for a very special celebration

March LL

REPORT ON HAND GUN CONTROL STUDY
Genevieve Regan, Chairman

At the Unit Discussions on Hand Gun Control February 9 and 10, the two well attended meetings took completely different routes to reach the same destinations. Chairman, Genevieve Regan introduced her capable, hard working committee; Assistant Chairman, Loretta Roberts, June Bourne, Elizabeth Clarke, John Mc Tavish, Judy Lazarus, Mary Reilly, Joeann Ryan.

Genevieve started off the presentation by introducing Mr. Arthur Walker, Chief Investigator for the office of the State's Attorney. Mr. Walker displayed and discussed various examples of guns and answered questions about them and about other pertinent topics.

The subjects covered by the committee were the Constitution, Foreign Study, Legislation, Surveys and Polls. The presentations were followed by lively discussions led on both days by Kay O'Connell. There were many diverse opinions expressed...the prime items of contention being; the Constitution (right to bear arms) and practicality (support of laws acceptable to the majority).

The final consensus indicated that the majority of Leaguers present do support strong hand gun control at the federal and uniform state levels.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE • ELECTION AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IN APRIL

In compliance with League by-laws the nominating committee hereby notifies the membership that they intend to nominate at the annual meeting in April the following individuals for the consideration of the members;

Vice President 1976-78

Betty Buker

Treasurer 1976-78

Lois Watts

Directors 1976-78

Florence Friedman, Cathy Joosten, Marjorie Paul and Genevieve Regan

Director 1976-77

Gladys Heinrich

(To fill the unexpired term of Betty Buker, nominee for Vice President)

For Nominating Committee 1976-77

Kay O'Connell, Chairman

Cecelia Hagman

John Mc Tavish

Respectfully submitted by the Nominating Committee 1975:

Eileen Holmes, Chairman

Elizabeth Clarke

Jane Fischbach

Mary Reilly

Kay O'Connell

The Board of Directors announces to the membership the continuation next year of Current Agenda and Continuing Local Responsibilities as defined for 1975-76 in the Membership Book.

March LL

L.F. LEAGUE EXPLORES POSSIBILITY OF OFFICE AT GORTON COMMUNITY CENTER
A report by Marge Paul, Chairman, Committee to Investigate

Committee members Buker, Carney, Heinrich, Hennessey, Holmes, Shepard, Wilbur and Paul met on January 26, 1976 to discuss the pros and cons of renting an office at Gorton for the LWV.

The League has been offered the double office now occupied by Community Music Association at a cost of \$50.00 per month - plus phone if one is needed. We considered an offer of space two years ago but declined because of our financial condition at that time. Since then our financial outlook has changed. We have decided to undertake a fund raising activity every two years (tentatively). Our Garden Walk this fall was most successful. We have approached the Woman's Club Board about the possibility of renting to them half of the proposed space and they have agreed to rent half at \$25.00 per month; this would reduce our share to \$25.00.

Space of our own would allow us to have.....

- 1) central storage for our files and other equipment
 - 2) a central mailing address
 - 3) pigeon hole spaces for mail for Officers and Directors
 - 4) a place to serve the Community thru Voters Services - possibly voter registration available at stated times
 - 5) greater Community visibility
 - 6) use of the lounge and other meeting rooms at Gorton, including the auditorium, free of charge, if we can meet their schedules
 - 7) use of the mimeograph and copy machines for the cost of the materials we use
- These machines will provide typical mimeograph copies but cannot duplicate the printed League Lines and Membership Book.

We can finance this venture. What are the other benefits we will reap? I see a really exciting opportunity to better serve our Community and to expand our horizons as a League. If this office can be organized efficiently and responsibly, we can staff it several days a week with volunteer members who are now uninvolved in League work and hopefully we can attract more and more women who have a little time to offer and need to have their interests in League expanded if they are to become really active members.

The Committee recommends that the Board approve the proposal that we rent this office space in Gorton and that we present this proposition to the membership at the Annual Meeting in April.

At their meeting in February the Board of Directors voted to ask the membership, at the Annual Meeting, to approve the rental of the office at Gorton Community Center.

March LL

LEAGUE SUPPORTS HOME RULE FOR LAKE COUNTY
by Elanor Beidler

The Home Rule issue is being placed on the ballot in the March primary. Last June the LWV of Lake County at its Biennial Convention voted to support Home Rule for Lake County. All seven local Leagues sent delegates to this Biennial Convention.

If in the primary the Home Rule issue passes by a majority of those voting on it, there will be a second election the November general election to choose a County Executive at which time Lake County will become a Home Rule County. The County can then become creative and innovative in dealing with its own problems at the county level. In most cases it will no longer be necessary for the County to go to the state legislature for permissive legislation.

Under Home Rule, Lake County would function much like the federal and state governments with a separation of the legislative and the administrative branches and their concurrent checks and balances upon one another.

The County Executive, like the President and the Governor, would head up the administrative branch of county government, executing ordinances and directing all administrative functions. He will preside over County Board Meetings but will not have a vote. He can veto ordinances submitted to him by the County Board, but that veto can be overridden by a 3/5 vote of the County Board. His official appointments are subject to the advice and consent of the County Board.

The County Board, under Home Rule, is freed from much of the cumbersome administrative detail that is now has and can truly act as a policy making body; providing legislation (ordinances) in areas that is has not served in the past, areas such as fire protection, air pollution, mass transportation etc. It can also improve services in existing areas....health care, sanitation, welfare etc. The county need not go to the state to act; it need not barter with down state counties in order to influence the Legislature to enact what may be needed in the way of specialized legislation for our particular area.

The League anticipates that Home Rule will provide better government by reforming county governmental structure. Lake County is the second fastest growing county in the state, and this rapid growth rate will lead to increased demands for services which can more efficiently be provided by a Home Rule county; a county that does not have to turn continually to the state for permissive legislation.

The League does not feel that Home Rule is a deciding factor in affecting our taxes one way or another and, in fact, the taxing power of Home Rule counties would make county officials more visible and responsible to the electorate. Voters should, of course, be especially careful in the selection of a County Executive.

The League is also strongly in favor of the separation of legislative and executive powers that will come about with electing a County Executive. This, in turn, will allow Lake County to become a Home Rule county.

March LL

VOTER SERVICE HAPPENINGS
By Flo Friedman

Weathering morning traffic and snow storm, Mary Liz Carney and I went down-town to League headquarters on Tuesday, January 13, for the "UPSTATE VOTER SERVICE WORKSHIP".

Mary Liz spoke at the first session on "Alternatives to Traditional Candidates Meetings", and told the group of our own successful Legislative Brunches; while Adrienne Foster (Chicago League) described a dinner at the Red Garter - which got good press for their League, but because of the "clubby" atmosphere, people were less disposed to discuss serious issues; and Madeleine Fuqua spoke of the Lake County League's joint project; a Candidate Fair at Lakehurst Shopping Center, which was a success.

The next discussion centered on Voter Guides; their production and distribution. Representatives from the Deerfield, Cook County and Glen Ellyn Leagues gave helpful suggestions on the subject. While duplication of information sometimes exists in the state and local Guides, everyone agreed that the State should continue with its candidate's questionnaires since such valuable information is provided from them.

In the afternoon, June Girard explained the Campaign Disclosure Laws where every financial contribution over \$20 must be reported with the maximum being \$1000 under present law. She pointed out, however that it is not the candidate who is required to bring this information to the public's attention, but rather the responsibility of the County Clerk or the Secretary of State to notify the candidate three days prior to the filing date.

NOTE: All precinct Committeemen can now register people to vote.

This meeting was chaired by Mary Lubertozzi, State Voter Service Chairman

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome a new member;

FOWLER, Mrs. Garvis O. (Mary Ann)
539 E. Briar Lane.....295-2707

Lois Duggan, Membership Chairman, reported the vital statistics for the year 1975; there were 26 new members and 29 resignations.

March LL

BRIDGE MARATHON

With our bridge marathon half way along the leaders are:

Dottie Cummings
Pat Meyers

13,080

Kay O'Connel
Gloria Kearns

13,000

Lyn Mathews
Sue Hood

12,260

Several couples are close behind so slam bids and doubles could quickly change the line up. If scores are mailed in immediately after each session, we will keep you posted on the scores.

Thinking ahead to next year.....we are always looking for new members, but the number of couples included have to be in multiples of four, so call in your reservations to Eileen Holmes (234-8015) and we will be happy to put you on our waiting list. The charge is \$10 per person and the marathon is lots of fun and helps League financing.

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April 5 Monday 9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at Betty Snyder's home, 1020 East Westleigh.
April 12 Monday 10:00 a.m.	ANNUAL MEETING at Harrison House, North Green Bay Road, Lake Bluff.
May 3 Monday	NATIONAL CONVENTION - New York City.
May 10 Monday 9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at home of Kathy Joosten, 1184 North Waukegan Road.
May 17 Monday 12:noon	ANNUAL PICNIC

ANNUAL MEETING - FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Nita Bealle communicates excitement when she lists the format of the Annual Meeting and the Lake Forest League's Fiftieth Birthday Party. "It's going to be fun" she told the Bulletin.

Harrison House has reserved a large pleasant meeting room which can accommodate all of League's members, guests, and any prospective new members for the morning Annual Meeting and the afternoon Program Celebration....Luncheon will be served in a smaller room seating 63 people. Hopefully there will be room for everyone who wants to come for lunch; but do make reservations now....WHEN - NOW - THEN - might be the title for the skits dramatizing the Lake Forest League's experiences, accomplishments; it's surprises and even some "funnies" that mark the years from 1926 to 1976....Already eleven of our honored past presidents have made plans to come, and the committee is hoping that all past presidents will be able to be there....And after the Birthday Celebration there will be the pleasure of a thoughtful, challenging talk by a thoughtful, stimulating, challenging person, Donna Shiller, who is president of the Illinois League of Women Voters, who will speak on the role of the LWV and of women in the future....Members, guests, friends and prospective new members are all cordially invited to the Afternoon Program - Celebration.

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VOTER REGISTRATION BY MAIL - A REPORT ON THE MARCH UNIT DISCUSSIONS
by Mary Ellen Laue, Chairwoman

Lake Forest League held unit meetings in March to discuss voter registration by mail...Participation in presidential elections has decreased from 64% of the voting age population in 1960 to 55% in 1972; while 87% of those citizens who registered did actually vote during that same period...It would seem that in order to get our citizens to the polls some changes in the voter registration process should be examined.

Some use of the mail for registering votes is currently in practice in 33 states including Illinois; while Kentucky, Texas, Minnesota, New Jersey, and Maryland use the mail as a regular means of registration. Maryland and New Jersey have developed the most workable approach in this area and in Maryland the change to mail registration has been so successful that all but two of the twenty four counties had themselves added to the mail registration law.

The Federal Government has at present two main bills pending in Congress that established a Voter Registration Act. (They are Senate Bill 1177 and HR Bill 1686). They are the same with minor exceptions.

Should VRA become law the Federal Government would pay each state which adopts this system for its elections, - thereby avoiding a dual system; -an amount up to thirty per cent of the amount paid for processing the forms for national elections.

The CONSENSUS on mail registration for Illinois; support with qualifications and only after more information becomes available for study as to cost and means of avoiding fraud. Most felt it should supplement the present system of registration in person.

On the federal level, Lake Forest Leaguers opposed setting up a VRA, fearing it would further contribute to the bureaucracy of the federal system and would simply burden the existing state systems by creating a dual system for those states that do not conform and that control of the electoral process should remain with the individual states.

ADDITIONS TO THE NOMINATING SLATE PRINTED IN THE MARCH BULLETIN:
FOR 1976-1978 Vice President; Kathy Joosten Director; Sue Hood

BRIDGE LEADERS AT THE END OF FEBRUARY

Kay O'Connell	Lois Duggan	Isabel Gerlach	Lyn Mathews	D. Cummings
Gloria Kearns	Ginger Lesman	Eileen Holmes	Sue Hood	Pat Meyer
16,600	15,450	15,220	14,470	13,920

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Betty Snyderacker

"Great Lakes Tomorrow" is the new program being developed by the Lake Michigan Federation. It is aimed at providing an independent mechanism for the public to work with the Great Lakes Basin Commission and its constituent agencies in obtaining greater citizen involvement in planning for the region. As this program develops we will keep you informed as many will want to become involved!

Public hearings are being held around the country dealing with the costs and benefits of the National Pollution Control Act Amendments. Environmentalists fear an attack on the water act similar to the current attacks on the clean air act. The US LWV will present testimony.

What is the....

ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL
407 1/2 East Adams Street
Springfield, Illinois 62701

It is a new venture - the development of a first rate citizens environmental lobby made up of a coalition of environmental groups from all corners of Illinois. From an office in Springfield IEC will gather information on Illinois top environmental issues and then use that information to influence the people who write the laws for Illinois.

Among the major goals for 1976 are to achieve legislation which bans the sale of non-refillable beverage containers and which encourages energy conservation; to continue support for the continued development of the Rock Island Trail near Peoria; to protect environmental agencies from legislation which would render them ineffective; and to oppose pork-barrel projects which often destroy natural areas and farmland, such as the supplemental freeway system and most of the large Corps of Engineers plans.

Join IEC! Send \$15.00. Help yourself and the world about you.

PANEL OF AMERICAN WOMEN - SECOND TRAINING WORKSHOP

The Illinois Humanities Council awarded a grant to the Panel of American Women to fund a training workshop. For some years the Panelists have been confronting prejudice by speaking of personal experiences. With the support of academic humanists, the Panel will conduct workshops to train panelists at Lake Forest College. Tuition and accommodations will be provided for by the grant.

The workshop dates are April 23, 24, & 25. If interested contact Irene McMahon, 155 North Mayflower Road, Lake Forest or phone her at (312) 234-4509.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE UNITED STATES - PROGRAM

At the request of the Board of Directors, Eleanor Beidler has taped her accumulated knowledge and understanding of League concerns to prepare a summary of the position taken by LNVUS on the following important issues of our time.

The League of Women Voters of the United States has a broad program which begins with reforms we are striving to make in the field of representative government. Government needs to become more accountable and more responsive to all citizens. In reading and thinking about our program we must not forget that in a democracy almost every bill passed is a compromise between different factions, different points of view.

In our Congress we were happy to see some improvements which we had advocated take place. No longer are committee chairmen chosen only because of the number of years they have served on that committee. More committee meetings have been opened to the public. Now we are pushing for a Constitutional amendment that would give to residents of the District of Columbia a representative in Congress who would have the right to vote. When it is a question of electing the President and Vice President of the United States, we favor a direct vote by the people, abolishing the Electoral College. Our past studies of apportionment have made us feel that both Houses of State Legislatures should be apportioned according to population.

Moving to ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, we believe the Clean Air Act should be strengthened, not weakened, even when the economy is suffering and energy is in short supply. Lowering our standards of environmental protection will not greatly improve the economy or increase employment. The management of water, air, and solid waste, whether by national, state or local governments, is a matter of concern to all Leagues everywhere and all Leagues can study and act as questions of this nature arise.

After studying LAND USE for three years, the League decided that the federal government ought to take the lead in establishing policies, standards, incentives and even sanctions. Land should be managed by states and by local communities. Small and large units of government must coordinate their efforts in this field and citizens should learn to participate effectively. It would be most helpful if in the future the LWV were to initiate and lead a nation wide program to educate our citizens in all the communities where they live.

In INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, the League has long declared that the United States must work toward greater mutual understanding and cooperation between this country and the rest of the world. That we should participate in the United Nations, that we should liberalize trade, and that we should give development assistance to the poorest nations are not just humanitarian concerns, but these policies are in our own long-term national interest. In the past we vociferously supported the League of Nations. Had this position prevailed throughout our country, many historians agree, perhaps there might have been no World War II. Today we continue working to strengthen the United Nations, for problems of global nature require the attention and action of an effective international organization.

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However, we do not believe that it alone is capable of solving all the world's problems. Our citizens and our government must now decide whether the United States should curtail its participation in the United Nations activities because we believe the actions of others are violating its charter. Or should our country remain inside, using all its wit and resources to get the United Nations back on track?

Another vitally important part of International Relations is the field of INTERNATIONAL TRADE. We learned long ago that high tariffs increase prices to the consumer and reduce competition in the marketplace. The League worked hard toward the passage of the Trade Reform Act (1974) which authorized the executive branch to participate in the Tokyo Round of multilateral trade talks. The busy League has also worked tirelessly for improvements in the U.S. programs for aid to developing countries. Military programs have become entangled with humanitarian ones. We declare that development policies should emphasize the quality of life and focus on human needs. These we feel should be completely separate from military aid. We further urge the adoption of international commodity arrangements. These would be short-term supplements to the longer-run efforts which must continue to help developing nations to become self sustaining. It is our firm belief that cooperation with developing nations is in the national interest of the United States. A cartel has succeeded in raising the price of gasoline and other raw materials are similarly threatened. The less wealthy countries confront us with abusive language and threaten the possibility of "wars of redistribution". These ominous signs prove that the industrialized world cannot expect to continue to prosper in peace when most of the world's people live in abject poverty.

We have also a position on CHINA which asks that the U.S. initiate moves to relax tensions between the two countries and to draw the People's Republic of China back into the world community.

In the field of HUMAN RESOURCES, we are trying to help alleviate poverty and all forms of discrimination in the U.S., with equal access to education and jobs, and adequate housing for all. We worked for child care programs and Head Start, man power and job training programs, housing assistance, and reform of the welfare system. An unemployment survey was conducted by many Leagues. We will support extended public service jobs programs, more funding for employment through construction for pollution control, incentives to speed up housing construction, unemployment compensation extension, and other programs. We want to see that the full range of authorized housing subsidy programs is implemented; that plans to meet housing needs are in fact included in applications for community development grants; that strenuous efforts are made to eradicate slums and to rehabilitate communities that might otherwise become uninhabitable, and that equal opportunity requirements are enforced strictly. Planning for the "special needs of Indians", we advocate for them better housing, education and health. We have long given attention to welfare, advocating better legislation for social services and following carefully legislation dealing with eligibility for food stamps.

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Ratification of the EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (E.R.A.) to the Federal Constitution is a high priority campaign, as every League member knows. Illinois is one of the states that has not yet ratified. The League is also working for implementation of regulations that would prohibit sex discrimination in educational institutions that receive federal financial help. These regulations cover admissions, housing, counselling and employment in elementary, secondary and post-secondary schools.

Finally the problem of ENERGY cuts across many overlapping program areas - - Land Use, International relations, Human Resources and Environmental Quality. We have come to realize soberly that ours is a wasteful nation, squandering its resources recklessly - - wasteful of food, of oil, of electricity, of land, of wood, of paper, etc. Individual local Leagues and individual League members must all study what our squandering habit have been, the harm that has resulted, the reforms that are so urgently needed, and how each of us can help to implement them.

A C T I O N

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS SUPPORTS HOUSE BILL 1838

Write your Illinois legislators to support H.B. 1828, a mandatory beer and soft drink container refund measure because it will:

- 1) Reduce the volume of solid wastes and the cost of its collection and disposal.
- 2) Protect our non-renewable resources from depletion and reduce environmentally damaging resource extraction.
- 3) Conserve energy, both that used in making containers and in transporting, as well as collection and disposal.
- 4) Encourage a local bottling industry (since long distance shippers don't like returnable and refillable containers of breakable glass. This has been the experience in Oregon which has similar legislation).
- 5) Protect consumers health because: a) the local water source can be known and regulated. PCB's and other toxic chemicals, plus radiation may be found in many water supplies used for beverages; and b) use of plastic containers would be discouraged. Plastics pose a potentially serious health problem because plastic leaches into the liquid in the containers, and in addition plastics may leach into water and soil from dumps or produce poisonous gasses when burned.
- 6) Save the consumer money. Industry is now spending \$20 million a year to convince consumers to use non-returnable containers and this cost is passed on to the consumer.

In 1972 about 7% of municipal waste consisted of beer and soft drink containers. One in every 4 discarded beer and soft drink containers ends up as litter on the landscape...

A recent U.S. E.P.A. report has estimated an energy savings of 244 billion BTU's if an all returnable system had been in force in 1972 and they project an energy savings of 421 billion BTU's by 1980 from such a system.

1 9 7 6 PRESIDENTIAL FORUMS

A Project of the League of Women Voters Education Fund

Live by Public Broadcasting Service on April 26th and May 24th
Ruth Clusen, Chairwoman

The Forums are an ambitious attempt to organize a thoughtful series of discussions on the major issues facing the country. Lasting about two hours, there will be questions from a panel of authorities as well as from the regional audiences. All the candidates will be gathered together to participate in the discussion.

The FORUMS offer:

- * A new formula for bringing issues, not images to the American Voter
- * An opportunity to do what everyone - from the politicians to the people - has been wanting, i.e., a serious discussion of the issues by the Presidential candidates.
- * National exposure for all the candidates.
- * A place for tough questioning about hard issues.

FEDERALIST PAPERS

LWV Education Fund has received a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to hold six seminars around the country to examine the Federalist Papers' historical and contemporary importance.

Leading scholars, government officials, and journalists will participate in seminars, chaired by League members to provide citizens with background on the origins of the constitution to help them evaluate contemporary Constitutional issues.

Ruth Clusen, President, LWV US said, "The Endowment has given the League the fuel it needs to rekindle interest in both our heritage and the tenets upon which this country was founded. The League is very pleased to be able to offer this invaluable gift to the American public."

POLITICAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATINGS (PAR)

This is the second presidential election year that LWV US has published political accountability ratings (PAR). Be alert to the possibility that the press may interpret the ratings as League indicators of the best presidential timber, despite League disclaimer that League neither supports nor endorses political candidates for office, and that PAR is a tool for helping members determine where Congress stands on some issues of League concern.

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IT'S A BIRTHDAY PARTY

FOR

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE FOREST

MONDAY, APRIL TWELFTH

AT HARRISON HOUSE, NORTH GREEN BAY ROAD, LAKE BLUFF

10:00 a.m. Annual Meeting

12:15 p.m. Luncheon - Reception

1:45 p.m. Program - Celebration

Luncheon reservations \$8.00

Phone Elsie Michael 234-8858

Before April 5th, please.

(Reservations limited)

No reservations needed

For Meeting or Program.

Spacious accommodations

Guest welcome.

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CALENDAR

May 3	Monday	7:30 p.m.	PRESIDENTIAL FORUM - Channel 11 televised live
May 3	Monday		NATIONAL CONVENTION - New York City
May 10	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING - New Board members and Old Board Home of Eileen Holmes, 726 Beverly Place
May 17	Monday	9:15 a.m.	FINALS OF LEAGUE'S BRIDGE MARATHON - at the home of June Bourne, 1033 East Maplewood Road
May 17	Monday	12:30 p.m.	ALL MEMBER ANNUAL PICNIC - at the home of Phoebe Bentley, 1421 North Lake Road

Don't forget to watch the Presidential Forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters' Education Fund on Channel 11, Monday evening, May 3, at 7:30. It will be televised live from the Guild Hall in the Ambassador West Hotel. The theme for the Forum is "Defense, Detente, and Foreign Policy". Elie Abel will be the moderator.

At our Annual Meeting on April 12 the following slate of officers was elected:

Vice President:	Kathy Joosten (Mrs. George C. Joosten)
Vice President:	Betty Buker (Mrs. Edward Buker)
Treasurer:	Lois Watts (Mrs. Arthur L. Watts)
Director (term of 2 years)	Flo Friedman (Mrs. David A. Friedman)
Director (term of 2 years)	Sue Hood (Mrs. Lloyd C. Hood)
Director (term of 2 years)	Marge Paul (Mrs. B. E. Paul)
Director (term of 2 years)	Genevieve Regan (Mrs. R. F. Regan)
Director (term of 1 year)	Gladys Heinrich (Mrs. David M. Heinrich)

The Nominating Committee will consist of Kay O'Connell, Cecelia Hagman, and John McTavish.

May

HANDGUNS TO BE SUGGESTED AT CONVENTION

The irresponsible use of handguns must be controlled declares the League of Women Voters of Illinois which now urges that both federal and state legislation be enacted. This should provide for "restrictive regulation of all handguns and ammunition, enforcement at all levels of government of existing regulations, strict penalties for handgun crimes, and better regulation of handgun dealers". In addition, the League supports handgun registration, comprehensive licensing procedures and a restrictive permit system. Donna Schiller, President of the League of Women Voters of Illinois, made this announcement after a six month study had been conducted by the over 8,500 members in local Leagues throughout the state.

This position will now be taken to the Convention of the League of Women Voters of the United States which will be held in New York City early in May. Betty Buker and Kathy Joosten will be the delegates from Lake Forest. They and other delegates will urge the adoption of this item and that it be added to the National Program even though it is at present a non-recommended item.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REPORT - BETTY SNYDACKER

The Lake Michigan Inter-league Group has taken a position concerning Shoreline Management which has been approved by the four state League of Women Voters boards.

Public participation and input should be a continuous and ongoing process. There should be a steady flow of information developed for wide citizen use.

Certain goals have been emphasized and methods recommended for achieving them. The goals aim at environmental protection of the shoreline - preservation of wild and pristine areas, protection of cultural, historical, and scenic areas, absolute maintenance of high drinking water standards, and provisions for increased recreational opportunities and public access to the shoreline.

If you want to be better informed on Lake Michigan matters, do join the Lake Michigan Federation. Their address is: 55 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Illinois 60604 - Phone (312) 427 - 5121

VOTER SERVICE - FLO FRIEDMAN

Although notices were placed in both the Lake Forester and the News Advertiser, Neither Kathy Joosten nor I received one call to request being driven to the polls on Primary Election Day, March 16. We got good publicity though, thanks to those who were standing by to drive.

In response to a request from one of the members at the last Board meeting, I inquired at Lake Forest High School about registering eighteen-year olds there. Mr. Richard O'Dare, Dean of Students for the East Campus, responded enthusiastically and we arranged to be there on Wednesday, March 24th.

May

My thanks to Elizabeth Clarke, Sandy Kransdorf, and Cecelia Hagman for their help in registering twenty-four new voters. In addition, we showed the students how to use the Voting Machine used here in Illinois. Mr. O'Dare asked that we come back again before summer recess and I told him we'd be happy to do so - probably some time during the last week in May.

The Newcomers Club would also like to have us attend another of their meetings to register new voters.

There will be a meeting of the members of the New Board and those of the Old Board on May 10. They are to meet at the home of Eileen Holmes, 762 Beverly Place, (and not with Kathy Joosten as had been previously scheduled). Will the Old Board members who are not continuing in their present offices please bring their portfolios to hand on to their successors.

Come! All members come to our annual picnic which will be held this year on Monday, May 17th, at 12:30 p.m. (not at noon as announced last month). Phoebe Bentley will be our hostess at 1421 North Lake Road. A pot luck luncheon will be served.

The finals of the League's Bridge Marathon will also take place on May 17th, at 9:15 a.m., at the home of June Bourne, 1033 East Maplewood Road.

Tuesday, May 18, and Wednesday, May 19 - League Days at Jewel

We are experimenting with a new and we hope painless way to raise money. If it is convenient for you to shop at Jewel on either of these days, and if you are willing to help us, put the enclosed card in your purse NOW and mark your calendar. The instructions are on the card and Jewel will refund to our League 5% of all our purchases. Note that you turn the card in with your sales tape after you shop. Eileen Holmes (234-8015) has extra cards if you have a friend who wants to help us, or if you have any questions after you have read the card. THANK YOU!

On June 2 The Emotionally Disturbed Child will be discussed at a meeting to be held on the campus of the University of Chicago. Ms. Naomi Hiatt, Executive Director of the Illinois Commission on Children, will explain a legislative proposal which is to come before the General Assembly and which relates to state programs for the emotionally disturbed child. "Invited are the Directors of the Department of Children and Family Services, Department of Corrections, Department of Mental Health, and Office of Education. Judge Joseph Schneider of the Cook County Circuit Court who has been the judge in several important cases relating to wards of DCFS AND DMH, will also speak. Registration, \$1.50 at the door."

May

OUR LEAGUE HAS A BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Annual Meeting this year celebrated the fiftieth birthday of the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest. An amusing presentation of the history of our League and the history of the nation during the past half century was put together by Mary Liz Carney, Kathy Joosten, and Anita Beall. Those who read the humorous little script were: Phyllis Calloway, Bertha Brown, Eleanor Beidler, Ruth Winter, Pauline Christie, Emily Adamson, Mary Frost, Kay O'Connell, Elizabeth Allen, who came from Indianapolis and Mary Kelly from Denver. Thirteen former presidents of the Lake Forest League stood in a receiving line with Mary Lou Wilbur before we enjoyed a delicious luncheon, including a birthday cake, which had been arranged by Elsie Michael in the spacious surroundings of Harrison House in Lake Bluff.

When the history was concluded, we listened to Donna Schiller, President of the League of Women Voters of Illinois. She gave our League a birthday gift of a gavel inscribed with the dates 1926-1976. Then she spoke about some of the work and the opportunities which the future will bring.

During the summer our League will open an office at Gorton Community Center. How delightful it will be to have our files neatly arranged and easily accessible - - no longer hidden in somebody's basement.

WE ARE HAPPY TO WELCOME THREE NEW MEMBERS!

Barr, Mrs. Charles H. (Ruth)
356 Ahwahnee Lane

Karnicki, Mrs. Alfred (Audrey)
476 Briar Lane

Wisner, Mrs. Paul J. (Carole)
839 East Morningside Drive

and welcome back to a former member:

Frost, Mrs. William Dalrymple (Mary) - -
274 East Vine Avenue

295 - 2823

234 - 7235

234 - 3048

Mrs. Thomas P. Carney
277 S. Bluff's Edge Rd.
Lake Forest, Ill. 60045

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CALENDAR

Sept. 13	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Flo Friedman, 795 E. Longwood
Sept. 20	Monday	11.30 a.m.	GENERAL MEETING for lunch at the Hut at Barat College. Speaker. Call Elsie Michael (234-8858) for reservations.
Sept. 29	Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	REGIONAL at the Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm St., Glenview
Oct. 4	Monday	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Fredi Phillips, 1000 N. Hawthorne Pl.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Leaguers:

I hope all of you have had a wonderful summer and that you are now looking forward to the League year ahead. Summer is sometimes quiet for our League, but not this year. Marge Paul has done an amazing job of organizing and decorating our new office. Flo Friedman, Genevieve Regan, Kathy and George Joosten, and many others arranged our smashing participation in Lake Forest Day with a float in the parade and a booth for voter registration, Presidential Debate petitions, and our own Lake Forest City Plan survey. Eileen Holmes

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and her committee have been hard at work circulating leaf burning ban petitions and getting ready for a mid-September presentation to the Lake Forest City Council. Carol Jordan's committee studying the new Lake Forest City Plan worked all summer and will present the results at our opening meeting, September 20th.

Our other studies will be Biennial Budgeting and Primary Elections done in the November and December Bulletins; a study of Child Welfare chaired by Mary Ellen Laue; a study of the United Nations in February, chaired by Fredi Phillips; and a County study of Land Use in March.

Our Legislators' Brunch will not be held because of their busy schedules during a presidential election year, but we plan another brunch in 1977. In October we will have a presentation on Cities and Urban Crises by the University of Illinois Circle Campus Department of Urban Studies. Our Energy Chairman, Mary Johnson, has arranged a November bus tour of the Proton Accelerator at the Enrico Fermi Laboratory in Batavia, Illinois.

Emphasis from the National and State Leagues this year is on Voters Service and Membership. Our Voters Chairman, Flo Friedman, and her committee have done a wonderful service for our community and plan more voters registration this fall at the High School and at Gorton Center. Sue Hood, our Membership Chairman, reports eight new members and she and her assistant, Eileen Holmes, have plans for new member orientation coffees and a luncheon.

It's certain to be a busy, interesting year. We should learn a great deal and enjoy it as well.

I'll see you on September 20th.

Betty Lou

Come one and all on the 20th and bring your friends. We expect to have a speaker who will describe the growth and development anticipated for Lake Forest. This meeting will interest all residents.

The October 4th Board Meeting will include orientation led by Jean Bradner, our State Orientation Chairman.

Since our Annual Meeting last April some changes have taken place on the Board of the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest:

Vice President (Administration) -- Genevieve Regan (Mrs. R. F.) 234-0797
Director (Term of 2 years -- Patricia Stevens (Mrs. Bernard) 234-7947
Lake Michigan Interleague Representative -- Joyce Tuggle (Mrs. James)
Units Chairman -- Joyce Arnold (Mrs. Robert) 295-2579

REGIONAL MEETING

What in the League program interests YOU particularly -- fights within the United Nations? federal and regional agencies working together to solve some problems in the State of Illinois? Voters Service in

an election year? housing and community development? courtwatching? conflicting points of view about our State's budget? consensus/member agreement? Come, listen, ask questions, and learn at the Regional Meeting on Wednesday, September 29, at the Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm Street, Glenview. Drive west on Glenview Road. Elm Street is three blocks west of Harlem. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. The modest sum of \$4.25 covers lunch and registration. Sitter service is provided for an advance, prepaid reservation (\$3.00 for the day).

REPORTS

VOTERS SERVICE (Flo Friedman): As noted at the Annual Picnic in May, the following Leaguers have been sworn in as Deputy Mobile Registrars: Chris Boudrie, Carol Bowman, Ella Fox, Gladys Heinrich, Ann Lardner, Rose Shepard, and Martha Tuttrup.

At the request of Grace Mary Stern's office, on May 6 Betty Wegren and Elizabeth Clarke helped me staff a Registration booth at the Bicentennial Fair in Grayslake; Ginger Lesman and I registered 23 18-year olds at Lake Forest High School (East Campus) on May 25; and on May 27, Roseann deGroot, Martha Doyle and I registered 7 Newcomers at their luncheon.

Thanks to Ginger, Cecelia Hagman, Mary Johnson, and Sandy Kransdorf for helping to register voters at the Lake County Fair on Saturday, July 31.

For the Lake Forest Day parade Flo and Kathy Joosten set up and decorated a float featuring a booth where Loretta Roberts acted the part of registrar and Kay O'Connell pretended to be registering. The float was capably guided by Genevieve Regan in her gay, red convertible decorated with balloons. Seated in the back were Eleanor Reidler, dressed as a voter of 1926; our President, Betty Lou Wilbur, representing a Voter of 1976; and young Miss Regan wearing a space costume to show that some future voters may live in outer space.

In West Park another decorated booth was officially readied to register residents of Lake County. Chris Boudrie, Betty Lou Wilbur, Martha Tuttrup, Betty Wegren, Ella Fox and Ginger Lesman helped to register the amazing total of 77 voters!

HEALTH SERVICE (Mary Johnson): "A proposed Health Service Area Sub-Council is planned for Lake County (a provision of the National Health Planning and Development Act, P. L. B. 6 41). A public meeting to organize a general membership and to elect Board Members to the Sub-Area Council was held on August 18. Mrs. William B. Johnson has been serving on the Bylaws Committee.

WANTED !! Women who go to stores, banks, and churches in Lake Forest.

The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest will be assisting the North Shore Leagues in compiling a book for the handicapped on places that are accessible to wheel-chair-bound persons, many of whom usually can and do want to be independent.

Here is your chance to perform a worthwhile service while enjoying a day or two on the town. Requirements: one tape measure, one pencil. The survey is not due until late fall. Please call Carol Jordan 295-2674.

THE WORLD IS CHANGING -- How will it affect YOU?

The United Nations was a first rate idea back in 1945. We think it still is today, but the world's problems have changed since then, and so have the U. N.'s methods of dealing with them. We live in an interdependent world and the problems that plague us reflect in our lives, our jobs, and the prices we pay for our consumer goods.

In order to understand better the changes that are taking place, also to help promote peace in an interdependent world, the League will "Re-examine the U.N.'s system ---" (as indicated on the National Program for 1976-78).

Members interested in studying and reviewing the League's position on the U.N., please contact Fredi Phillips, Chairman (234-2920) or Judy Lazarus, Co-Chairman (234-6272).

THE LEAGUE OFFICE at Gorton Community Center has become a reality! With fresh paint, bright curtains, borrowed furniture and one interested husband turned carpenter, it is finally ready for business. Some members have already happily emptied basements and closet shelves of their own special League materials that were too good to throw away and very hard to store. If you have anything that you think could better be stored at the office -- we have room! We are hoping that we shall be able to function with more efficiency in our new central location. We shall be open every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. If you have any free time on those mornings and would like to become more involved with League activities, call Marge Paul, 295-2487 and volunteer.

Any league member interested in serving on the CHILD WELFARE STUDY COMMITTEE - please call Mary Ellen Laue -- 234 - 9474.

LAST CALL FOR BRIDGE MARATHON: League will sponsor a bridge marathon again this fall and winter season. Games will be scheduled once a month in players' homes.

Singles, as well as partnerships, are welcome. Member and non-members are all invited to participate in this fun activity. Call Ginger Lesman at 234 - 3687.

MEMBERSHIP: The Membership Committee is delighted to welcome eight new members this summer. They have been invited, along with prospective members to a luncheon at Betty Buker's on Friday, September 10.

Our next function for new and prospective members will be a coffee on Friday, December 3, with another tentatively scheduled for March. If you have any names for our guest list, please call Sue Hood or Eileen Holmes. We are counting on all of you to speak to your friends and neighbors about League and to let us know of their interest.

The committee wants to thank especially Betty Buker and Flo Friedman for their help in bringing new members into the fold.

Bauer, Mrs. Calvin G. (Kaki); 790 N. Green Bay Road, 234-3585
Englehardt, Mrs. Sheldon (Annette); 1582 Everett Road, 234-0430
Fitzgerald, Mrs. Kathleen, 160 Wildwood, 234-2457
Joosten, Dr. George, 1184 North Waukegan Road, 234-7027
Manocheo, Mrs. D. Nicholas (Nancy), 1040 S. Green Bay Road, 234-2286
Nugent, Mrs. Edward, Jr., (Mary Jane), 925 N. Lake, 234-9585
Regan, Mrs. John P. (Colleen), 152 Wildwood, 234-4796
Tuggle, Mrs. James (Joyce), 737 Beverly Place, 295-2706

Who's Who? -- Kaki Bauer moved here two years ago from Dallas, Texas. She has served on the Presbyterian Church's Day Care Center Board, been a Bible discussion leader, and is now working on the CMA benefit.

Annette Englehardt, who recently came to us from Skokie, worked many years with the Evanston Children's Theatre, helping to bring drama into the public schools there.

Kathleen Fitzgerald, mother of a year old son, is studying for her doctorate in educational administration. From Cleveland, she has worked for HEW in Chicago, concerning civil rights in the schools.

Dr. George Joosten, husband of Kathy, a League Vice President, is a psychiatrist, practicing in Lake Forest and Chicago. His special interest is Japanese history and literature.

Nancy Manocheo lived in Taiwan for two years and traveled around the world with her husband, all while he was in the Navy. She is an artist, whose special love is history.

Mary Jane Nugent, a new member of our League bridge group, is a talented and creative gardener. She has long been active in local elections.

Colleen Regan has lived in Lake Forest for twenty years. She has been an active worker for St. Mary's Church and school, and taught in the CCD program there for seven years.

Joyce Tuggle, who moved here from Oregon, was co-author of a book on travel there. She is our new representative for the Lake Michigan Interleague Group.

LEAGUE TAKES ACTION TO BAN LEAF BURNING IN LAKE FOREST (Eileen Holmes); We have a long held position on Environmental Quality: "Support of a physical environment beneficial to life, including improvement of water and air quality - etc. (see Membership Book - page 4). Furthermore the report of the City staff of September 1973 favors the ban on leaf burning after carefully analyzing the problems of leaf disposal, the costs, brush fires, and the environmental considerations. The City Council in 1973 voted 5 to 4 to lift the ban.

At a special board meeting of August 10 we voted to write a letter to the City Council members stating our position and to give each council member a copy of the enclosed article "Leaf Burning - Harmful or Harmless?" We also voted to start a petition drive to give the residents of Lake Forest a chance to express their opinions. We are finding that about 25% of the people we ask to sign have a health problem - or some member

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of their family has a health problem - connected with leaf burning and they are very grateful to League for taking this action.

Petitions, which are due September 11, have been taken by the following members: Betty Lou Wilbur, Sue Hood, Fredi Phillips, Betty Buker, Lind Shields, Marge Paul, Elsie Michael, Lois Watts, Pat Stephens, Gladys Heinrich, Johnne McTavish, Chris Boudrie, Judy Burns, and Eileen Holmes. There is also a petition on the bulletin Board at the office if you wish to sign and have not been contacted.

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CALENDAR

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| Oct. 4 Monday 9:15 a.m. | BOARD MEETING at the home of Fredi Phillips, 1000 N. Hawthorne Pl. |
| Oct. 18 Monday 10:00 a.m. | GENERAL MEETING at Gorton Community Center. Cities in Urban Crisis. |
| Oct. 19 Tuesday 9:15 a.m.
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tration | PROGRAM CONFERENCE and CANDIDATES MEETING
Sheraton-Oak Brook Motor Inn
Oak Brook, Illinois |
| Oct. 23 Saturday | Newspaper drive by members of C.L.A.W. |
| Nov. 1 Monday 9:15 a.m. | BOARD MEETING at the home of Lois Duggan, 958 Waveland |
| Nov. 2 Tuesday | ELECTION DAY VOTE |
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OPPORTUNITIES

Come to Waukegan on Tuesday, October 12, at 9:00 a.m. to meet the members of the Lake County Board -- men and women whom we elect to govern us, and who spend millions of dollars of tax money each year. The League of Women Voters of Lake County is giving a coffee for the Lake County Board members before their regular board meeting. If you wish free transportation to and from call Eleanor Beidler (234-0502).

Pierre de Vise will be the speaker on October 18 at the Gorton Community Center (10:00 a.m.). This will be the beginning of and the discussion of a unique study and a unique way of doing the two-year study of Cities in Urban Crisis, by combining with other area leagues and working also with the University of Illinois.

P.S. Don't forget Lake Forest is a city, too, with its own special charter.

Jeanne Bradner, our State Board Communicator, will attend our local Board Meeting on October 4th. All Board members are urged to bring their toughest questions to ask Mrs. Bradner. Bring a sandwich, too, as it will be a long meeting.

The Program Conference in Oak Brook on Tuesday October 19, will start with a meeting of the candidate running for state offices: Howlett and Thompson, (for Governor); Hartigan and O'Neal (Lt. Governor); Partee and Scott (Attorney General); Dixon and Harris (Secretary of State); Bakalis and Lindberg (Comptroller).

After lunch, which costs \$7.50, there will be a discussion of "The Illinois Primary Election - OPEN or CLOSED?" by a panel consisting of Senator Dawn Clark Netsch of Chicago; Joseph A. Tecson, Cook County Commissioner; and Dr. Elizabeth Warren, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Loyola University. Registration is at 9:15, adjournment at 3:00 p.m. Reservations and checks are to be sent to the League of Women Voters of Illinois 67 East Madison Street, Chicago, 60603.

On Saturday, October 23rd, members of C.L.A.W. (Clean Land Air and Water) will conduct a drive to collect old newspapers. This is a Lake Forest High School group of fine young people keenly interested in improving the environment. They and their predecessors have been working for several years. Please tie your old newspapers in bundles and set them out on the curb early on the 23rd. If you have any difficulty, please call Mrs. Harry Upton (234-7916), a new member of our League. She is the mother of Brett Upton, President of C.L.A.W. Let's help and encourage these young people in every way we can.

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The Board of Directors of L.F.A., Illinois are working on a drive to acquire 8000 new members, each of whom will contribute \$10.00. Using the \$80,000 thus raised, a very strong drive can be made next spring to pass the Equal Rights Amendment through the Illinois General Assembly. An urgent appeal is being made to the League of Women Voters of Illinois to join in this drive for members, for funds, and for letters to our legislators. Please help!

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Members Service: The big push for the month of October will be to distribute 2500 Voter Guides! I need your help, so please call me, Flo Friedman (295-1083), if you can give an hour or two during the second and third week of October.

Also, remember to Vote Absentee, if you're not going to be in Lake Forest on November 2. To do this you must first obtain an application from City Hall or the Shields Township Supervisor's office. This applies also to any member of your family who is a registered voter and who may be absent at that time. Flo Friedman.

Fredi Phillips is busy forming a committee to re-examine the United Nations in the changing world of today. Some of our members have joined her group and are reading with enthusiasm. Any other members that are interested are welcome to come and study with them. Fredi Phillips.

WANTED Discussion Leaders, Recorders, and Hostesses for Unit Meetings on Child Welfare Study scheduled for January 10th and 11th and United Nations Study scheduled for February 14th and 15th. Please call Joyce Arnold 295-2579.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (Eileen Holmes) Hope you saw the September 16 Lake Forester and the superb job our new Public Relations Director, Pat Stephens did for us. A second letter was sent to the City Council on September 10 along with an authoritative letter from Dr. Daddano, a Lake Forest Allergist, supporting our position. We hope our summary will be helpful to the City Council and are happy to note that the City staff are studying possible solutions. Many thanks to those of you who circulated petitions, and a special thanks to Sue Hood, Melva Jenkins, Chris Boudrie, Rose Shepard, and Carole Wisner for their continued effort.

NEW OFFICE: Do drop in and see our new office at the Gorton Community Center. It is open on Tuesday and Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

MEMBERSHIP (Sue Hood) Our luncheon Sept. 10 for new and prospective members at Betty Buker's home was considered a great success by your committee. Six new members were welcomed into the League and ten prospective members joined that day. Your committee enjoyed entertaining this fine group of women. Many thanks to Betty for her kind hospitality and to Jane Fischback for designing a clever new interest sheet for L.F. League.

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Don't forget our next affair -- a coffee on Dec. 3. Please get names of prospective members to Sue Hood or Eileen Holmes so that they can be invited to future meetings.

New Members -- 9/10/76

BACON, Mrs. Albert (Elva 490 Exeter Place	295-1909
BURROUGHS, Mrs. James (Gail) 46 E. Thomas Place	295-3586
CASTILLO, Mrs. Ray (Jan) 871 Oakwood	295-2664
FRANKE, Mrs. Thomas (Jackie) 1076 Old Barn Lake	234-5155
FULLER, Mrs. Clark (Woody) 667 Morningside	295-2507
MERSHON, Mrs. D.N. (Donna) 91 E. Marion	295-2239
TRUEBLOOD, Mrs. F.H. (Florence) 1260 N. Western	234-4269
TYSON, Mrs. John (Meckie) 96 Little Melody	234-5806
UPTON, Mrs. Harry (Peggy) 390 E. Onwentsia	234-7916
WANZENBERG, Mrs. Philip (Pat) 376 E. Old Elm	295-3297

Elva Bacon is active in the Newcomers Alumni and in United Methodist Women, and has a special interest in UNICEF. She is a grandmother who likes to golf, swim, and play bridge.

Gail Burroughs moved to L.F. from Atlanta a year ago. She has three teen-aged sons, and likes tennis, needlework, and bridge.

Jan Castillo, mother of six, owned her own manufacturing business for five years. She is currently with the Century 21 real estate company.

Jackie Franke, a newcomer from Wilmette, has four children, including three-year-old twins. In her single days she was an airline hostess who traveled extensively abroad.

Woody Fuller came to us from London, England, where she lived for six years. Previous stays abroad with her family included Egypt and Argentina. Not unnaturally, she collects antiques and is very interested in antiquities.

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Donna Mershon is the mother of five children including another of our new members, Pat Wanzenberg. She has traveled throughout the U.S.A. with her family. Her husband serves on Mayor Daley's Arson Committee.

Florence Trueblood is a widow with two married daughters. She is an artist, specializing in abstract watercolors, who has a studio in Gorton.

Meckie Tyson, a former Leaguer from Ridgefield, Conn., is president of a Libertyville elementary school PTO and head of the Newcomers Crafts Group. She likes to play tennis and ski with her family.

Peggy Upton, from Ridgewood, New Jersey, has three teen-aged children. She has always been active in the PTA and enjoys tennis, skiing and needlework.

Pat Wanzenberg, daughter of new member Donna Mershon, moved here in June with her husband and two children. They previously lived in Hong Kong, where her husband was an engineer and are now engrossed in redoing their home.

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Nov. 1 Monday 9:15 a.m.

BOARD MEETING at the home of
Lois Duggan, 958 Waveland

Nov. 2 Tuesday

ELECTION DAY Vote! Polls open
6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Nov. 15 Monday 9:30 a.m.

Visit PROTON ACCELERATOR in
Batavia. Board bus at
Gorton Community Center

OPPORTUNITIES

ENERGY (Mary Johnson): Visit to the Fermilab at Batavia, Illinois. Fermilab, as the Proton Accelerator is popularly known, is a research project in high energy physics. It is operated by Universities Research Association, Inc., a consortium of 52 universities, for the United States Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA). Its purpose is to further the understanding of matter. A cancer research project is one of the practical applications of the research presently underway.

Fermilab is located on 6,800 acres about 30 miles west of Chicago. Environmentally, it is a spectacular combination of local environmental concerns with national energy research. A large portion of the land is developed as a nature conservancy with plantings of prairie grasses and maintenance of cattle and buffalo herds.

A bus will be provided at a per person cost of \$3.50 and a cafeteria luncheon may be purchased at the Fermilab. The bus will be waiting at 9:30 a.m. at the Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road. It will hold only 47 persons, so hurry and call Elsie Michael (234-8858) if you wish to go. We expect

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to return by 2:00 p.m. Please note the change of time from that shown on the back of the yellow booklet of members and programs which you recently received.

VOTER SERVICE (Flo Friedman): A major effort was made throughout October to distribute the Voters Guide before Election Day to as many Lake Forest residents as possible. You've all received a copy which should be read and shared with your family and friends. It is hoped that the contents of the Guide will help clarify the candidates' stands on the important issues in their campaigns.

Note: The Guide can be taken into your polling place.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU (Genevieve Reagan): Five of us from Lake Forest: Betty Lou Wilbur, Pat Stephens, Flo Friedman, Annette Englehardt, and I, attended the Workshop given by Donna Schiller at the state office in Chicago. As is too often the case, the people attending seemed to be the ones least in need of help and this was evident in the two of our members who were called on to participate. Betty Lou and Annette did us proud with their two-minute speeches. We shall be having workshops soon for our own Lake Forest bureau, so contact me (234-0797) if you are interested.

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CITIES IN URBAN CRISIS (Kathy Joosten): A new approach to a new study. On October 7 a meeting was held at Kathy Joosten's to discuss the developing relationship between local leagues and the College of Urban Sciences of the University of Illinois.

Representatives from the Leagues of Lake Bluff, Libertyville, Deerfield, and Highland Park will form a Steering Committee which will examine ideas for a joint study and a furthering of the relationship with the University of Illinois. Martha Tuttrup will chair this study and all interested members are invited to call her (234-9388). Pierre de Vise spoke on October 18 at the Gorton Community Center on Cities in Urban Crisis.

Mr. de Vise, who is working with the leagues' Steering Committee, is currently on the faculty of the College of Urban Sciences at the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle Campus. He also has been a visiting lecturer at a dozen other universities including the Universities of Chicago, Northwestern, De Paul, Loyola, Mundelein, St. Xavier, Iowa, Michigan, Hawaii, and Harvard. His analysis of the causes of the decline of Chicago and other large cities has been reported in Chicago's metropolitan dailies, the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, the Philadelphia Bulletin, Newsweek, and U. S. News and World Reports.

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MEMBERSHIP (Sue Hood): Welcome to the following new members, who joined our league in September:

JENKINS, Mrs. Charles D. (Melva) 521 College Road	234-0456
NORRIS, Mrs. James W. (Joal) 533 Pine	234-5933
SNYDACKER, Dr. Daniel 1020 East Westleigh Road	234-0369
SPENCER, Mrs. David C. (Ellen) 510 Turicum Road	234-0510
SYLVESTER, Mrs. Franklin (Nancy) 922 S. Oak Knoll	234-7651

Our next function is a coffee on Friday, December 3, at 10:00, at the home of Kathy Joosten. Please call Sue Hood or Eileen Holmes with the names of prospective members whom you would like to have invited.

WHAT IS "208" ? Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972 set a goal of the elimination of all pollution discharges into the nation's waterways by 1985. Section 208 of this law provides the framework for a plan with which areas with unusually complex pollution problems such as the urban Chicago area, may achieve this goal.

The six county (Lake, Cook, Will, DuPage, McHenry, and Kane) area-wide plan is being coordinated by Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC). NIPC is backed by a 7.3 million dollar grant from the federal government for this planning process.

Within the next two years an areawide waste treatment management plan is to be developed. This plan must be technically, economically, politically, institutionally, and environmentally acceptable for the region.

Since January the Local Steering Committee of Lake County has concentrated mainly on planning for ways in which to reach the citizens and the governments with the information concerning 208. During this time the committee has also reviewed the results of investigations made by the 208 coordinators in Lake County. These investigations concern establishing the source and extent of pollution going into Lake County's waters. Education in the area of water quality management has been furnished by representatives of NIPC and the Lake County Regional Planning.

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The Drainage Basin Advisory Committee (citizen groups who will help define the water management problems and present solutions) have recently begun their meetings. Anyone who is interested in serving on one of these committees will please contact Barb Getz (Mrs. Dean H. Getz) 945-5849 or 1555 Crabtree Lane, Deerfield.

WHO'S WHO

Melva Jenkins is a former member who has just rejoined the League.

Joal Norris moved here from Detroit a year ago with her husband and four teenagers. Teaching the mentally retarded is a special interest of her's, along with music, and working for the Humane Society.

Dr. Snyder, an ophthalmologist, is the husband of our Betty and the son of a former League president in Kenilworth. He is a long-distance bicycle rider and student of wild flowers. He is particularly concerned about the uses and abuses of nuclear power.

Ellen Spencer is a newcomer from California who was an officer in the Junior League, fund raiser for the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra, and treasurer of the board for a boys' home. Before her two girls were born, she worked in the investment analysis field.

Nancy Sylvester, mother of six, has a lovely soprano voice. She sings professionally at the North Shore Congregation Israel and St. Mary's Church, also with the Chicago Symphony Chorus and our own Community Music Association. Furthermore she teaches at Barat, Woodlands, and Gorton.

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Dec. 4	Sat.	HIGH SCHOOL ELECTION VOTE!
Dec. 6	Mon. 9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Betty Buker, 1640 Mellody Road
Jan. 3	Mon. 9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Lois Watts, 782 Morningside Drive
Jan. 10	Mon. 9:15 a.m.	UNIT STUDY on Child Welfare.
Jan. 11	Tues. 9:15 a.m.	Choose and save one of these dates.

DO AMERICANS REALLY LIKE CHILDREN?

This question can be plausibly answered with both an emphatic yes --- and a disturbing no.

The CHILD WELFARE UNIT MEETING will endeavor to show how, too often and for much too long, our attempts to care for our children have been thwarted by subtle, persistent, and complex social and economic forces.

THE CONSENSUS QUESTION

How can the level of services by state agencies to children and their families be upgraded in the following areas:

- A) Organization of state services
- B) Staffing
- C) Planning
- D) Development of resources
- E) Advocacy

Anyone interested in working on this study please call

Mary Ellen Laue 234-9474

COMING EVENTS IN 1977

January 18	UNITED NATIONS
January 25	STUDY WORKSHOPS
February 14	TWO-PART UNIT MEETINGS
February 15	ON UNITED NATIONS

The League will conduct a Study, as adopted by the 1976 Convention to "Re-examine the U. N. System, with emphasis on relations between developed and developing countries, and their implications for U. S. policy".

WORKSHOPS: The Study divides naturally into two areas:
(1) The major economic issues that have fostered the North-South split at the U. N. (2) The U. S. participation in the U. N., including a look at various proposals for U. N. restructuring.

In order to understand both parts of the Study, the resource committee will present factual information on the following: history of the U. N. and League support; emergence of the Third World at the U. N.; nuclear proliferation; disarmament; human rights; law of the sea; multinationals; financing the U. N.

UNIT MEETINGS: The two-part unit meetings will be devoted to a summary of the Study, member discussion, and your answers to the "consensus questions". In order for the League to take part in the ongoing economic debates, and to influence U.S. decisions, we need answers to difficult and complex questions. Member agreement is necessary if we shift emphasis in our present U. N. positions.

To help you to prepare for the above meetings, the "Consensus Questions" and two copies of "Facts and Issues" will be sent to you early in January. Join us in this exciting Study!

Committee on the U. N. Study

BRIDGE MARATHON

Early leaders in our Bridge Marathon after two rounds of play are:

Jovern Chandler
Woody Fuller
9,150

Eileen Holmes
Isabel Gerlach
6,810

Genevieve Regan
Pat Stephens
6,510

I still have not received checks from all the players. Anyone who has not paid the \$10 charge per person to date, please send it to me as soon as possible. Also, all scores are to be mailed to me immediately after the day's play. Your cooperation in doing this will make it easier for me to keep totals current for future bulletins.

Ginger Lesman, 712 Woodlawn, Lake Forest

Please add these names to your substitute list: Grace Murray (234-5151) and Pat Millett (234-9092)

YOU CAN CALL US AT THE OFFICE NOW!

By the time you receive this bulletin the telephone will have been installed at the League office at Gorton Center. Our number is 234-6061. You can reach someone there on Tuesday and Thursday mornings when the office is open. Those who work there at other times will find that being able to call out while doing their League work at Gorton will be worth much more than the \$1.50 a month it will cost us. (Marge Paul)

FUTURE PROGRAM:

The League of Women Voters is you, and you, and you. Of the many important problems which confront Illinois today, which do you think we ought to study during the winter 1977-78? Let us know your opinions. Call your editor (234-0502). A copy of this bulletin goes right to the office of the League of Women Voters of Illinois.

Our local League will soon be considering our future local program. Let us know your wishes in this area also.

MEMBERSHIP: (Sue Hood) Welcome to the following new members who joined our League in October.

CARTOLANO, Miss Lucille 1786 W. Farm Road	234-9413
VAN TASSEL, Mrs. Karl (Evelyn) Deerpath Inn	234-2280
WALDMAN, Mrs. Seymour (Barbara) 920 N. Hawthorne Place	234-9211
WILSON, Mrs. L. Raycroft (Gerry) 1550 W. Everett	234-7636

WHO'S WHO ---

Lucille Cartolano is Director of Instructional Materials for School District 67. Holder of two Masters degrees, she is President of Sweet Adelines Lake County Chapter, and a world traveler.

Evelyn Van Tassel was a member of League many years ago in Schenectady, N. Y. Grandmother of eight, she is interested in politics and current events. She travels widely with her husband, who is active on the boards of several colleges.

Barbara Waldman was active for many years in the Highland Park League. She is a skilled photographer and enjoys international trips with her husband, who is on the World Business Council.

Gerry Wilson, recent past president of A.A.U.W. for two years, is now in the real estate business. She is active in Woodlands Garden Club, and has three children in local schools.

THE NORTHEASTERN PLANNING COMMISSION

The Northeastern Planning Commission was created by the Illinois General Assembly in 1957. Its function is to help the six northeastern counties of Illinois cope with problems caused by growth. The Commissioners serve without pay and are usually elected officials of local government.

The paid staff consists of professionals in various fields who concern themselves with regional problems such as transportation, clean drinking water, garbage disposal, housing, health care, social services, population forecasting, open space preservation. They do research, prepare reports, and advise local governments. NIPC also helps public and private agencies fulfill requirements for federal grants.

The Commission has no regulatory power, it relies on voluntary participation to carry out its planning. NIPC is supported by money from federal, state and local governments and private contributions (tax-deductible).

NIPC has a main office in downtown Chicago and four suburban area offices, including one in the Lake County Office building in Waukegan.

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- Jan. 3 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of
Lois Watts, 782 Morningside Drive
- Jan. 10 Mon. 9:15 a.m. UNIT STUDY ON CHILD WELFARE: home of
Elizabeth Clarke, 725 Timber Lane
- Jan. 11 Tues. 9:15 a.m. UNIT STUDY ON CHILD WELFARE: home of
Betty Buker, 1640 Melody Road
Choose & save one of these dates
- Jan. 11, Tues. & Jan. 12, Wed. JEWEL DAYS (see notice below)
- Jan. 18 Tues. 8:00 p.m. CITIES/URBAN CRISIS, public library,
494 Laurel Avenue, Highland Park
(see notice below)
- Feb. 7 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of Kathy
Joosten, 1184 N. Waukegan Road
- Feb. 14, Mon. & Feb. 15, Tues. Unit Study on United Nations.
(Save both of these days for the study)

How Does Illinois Care For Its Kids?

Ask twenty different people; you will likely have twenty different answers. What's more, they will all be true - - or false.

There are no easy answers, but there are ways services can be improved and it takes not only good will and wishful

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thinking but an informed shaping of the social forces which provide care for children.

UNIT MEETINGS ON CHILD WELFARE in Illinois will be held on Monday, January 10, at 9:15 at the home of Elizabeth Clarke (see address above) and on Tuesday, January 11, at 9:15 at the home of Betty Buker (address above). Mary Ellen Laue is in charge of the study group and Martha Tuttrup will be the discussion leader. Please join us and let's see if we can upgrade the services of state agencies to our children. (Mary Ellen Laue, Chairman)

JEWEL DAYS: Do your shopping at the Jewel Tea Company in Lake Forest on Tuesday, January 11 or Wednesday, January 12, please! Sign the card attached to the bulletin and hand it in when your purchases are checked out. The Jewel Tea Company will give to the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest 5% of all the money spent and recorded on these cards during these two days. Please help our league to earn money in this manner. If you want to buy any item in case quantity, call Mike ahead of time. (Lois Duggan, Finance Chairman)

ATTENTION: Highland Park will guest MR. CHRISTOPHER COHEN, Chicago Democratic Alderman, as a speaker for the CITIES/URBAN CRISIS Coalition. Mr. Cohen represents the 46th Ward in Chicago, the area known as "Uptown". He will speak on Tuesday, January 18, at 8:00 p.m. at the Highland Park Library, 494 Laurel Avenue.

We are all sorry that Flo Friedman has resigned from our Board. Flo has been a splendid Voters Service Chairman, leading an active and enthusiastic team of workers who have registered many voters, decorated a float for Lake Forest Day, and helped put together and distribute widely the "Voters Guide" - - well known and much appreciated by voters pondering who should be chosen to fill certain offices. All of us are grateful to Flo and are very sad to lose her.

HELP WANTED: I'M looking for an interested, self-starter type to organize and direct an observer corps for our League in Lake Forest. No salary but great remuneration in satisfaction. Perfect position for one who likes to watch proceedings without having to speak. Call me. I can't call you.

Equal opportunity employer. No experience necessary.
(Kathy Joosten, Vice President. 234-7027)

"WHERE WE STAND" is now updated. This pamphlet gives the positions which the League of Women Voters of Illinois supports. The newest ones are included: Election Laws, Handgun Control, and Special Districts. Order your copy from Mildred Kritzmiller, Publications Chairman.

MEMBERSHIP: A coffee for new and prospective members was held December 3 at the home of Kathy Joosten. In spite of snowy weather, four new and ten prospective members attended, plus six League officers and committee members. Following this event, six ladies joined our League.

The next such affair is planned for March. It is thanks to our wonderful committee and all our members, plus good local and national publicity, that the Lake Forest League has added 26 members since the Year Book was published last summer. A list of names and addresses to be added to your book will be sent out after the first of the year. (Sue Hood, Chairman)

Welcome to the new members who have just joined us:

CONROY, Mrs. Robert (B.J.) 1293 Wilson Drive	234-3987
EVERS, Mrs. John III (Carol) 1153 Wilson Drive	234-5368
FASSNACHT, Mrs. John (Abbie) 451 S. Beverly	295-3828
FOUTS, Mrs. James (Mary) 112 E. North Avenue	234-0489
HINCHMAN, Mrs. Ted S. (Betsy) 422 Michigamme Lane	234-6321
KIRKELIE, Mrs. William (Edith) 1916 Bowling Green Drive	234-3744
LOFORTE, Mrs. Anthony (Janet) 1028 Old Mill Road	234-4998

B. J. Conroy, mother of seven children, moved here three years ago from Canada. Her hobbies are tennis, needlepoint, and bowling.

Abbie Fassnacht came to Lake Forest a year ago Wilmington, Del., where she was chairman of a statewide drive for children's agencies. She has also taught history in a crippled children's hospital and served as a member of the Republican State Platform Committee in the 1972 election.

Carol Evers has three children in college. She has been treasurer of the APT, served on the Girl Scout Board of the Moraine Council, and is active in the Deerpath Infant Welfare.

Mary Fouts who has three children, has been active in the Newcomers Club and as a volunteer in local schools.

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Betsy Hinchman, who moved to Lake Forest on December 1, is a transfer from League in Cedar Rapids. She served there as President and in many other capacities. Another volunteer job was in the hospital trauma center. She collects primitive antiques and is interested in local politics.

Edith Kirkelie has been an officer of Junior Women's Clubs in Atlanta and Nashville, where her special field of interest was juvenile delinquency. She enjoys tennis and sailing with her family.

Janet Loforte moved here from England a year ago with her husband and four children. She loves to do brass rubbings and is an active and busy school volunteer.



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- Feb. 7 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of Kathy Joosten, 1184 North Waukegan Rd.
- Feb. 14 Mon. 9:15 a.m. UNIT STUDY ON UNITED NATIONS: PART I
- home of Mary Jane Nugent, 925 N. Lake Rd. (234-9585)
- Feb. 15 Tues. 9:15 a.m. UNIT STUDY ON UNITED NATIONS: Part II
- home of John McTavish, 1433 West Fork Drive (295-1388)

Two unit meetings are scheduled to cover in depth this vast and important subject. Mrs. Joan Neil, the International Relations Chairman from the League's state board, will speak to our group on Nuclear Proliferation and Disarmament at Unit Meeting Part 2, on Tuesday, February 15. Please come to both meetings, Part 1 and Part 2.

- Mar. 7 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of Genevieve Regan, 90 E. Franklin

A FRESH LOOK AT THE UNITED NATIONS (Fredi Phillips, 234-2920)

"Reexamine the U. N. system with emphasis on relations between the developed and developing countries and their implications for U. S. Policy," - the new International Relations study, adopted by the Convention in 1976.

The United Nations, the world's largest mirror, is not the same institution we helped establish in 1945. The changes that have taken place reflect in new international relationships;

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and "interdependence" has now become a well worn word. Many of the disagreements that are taking place at the U. N. are between the industrialized and the Third World countries. The debates generally revolve around the crucial issues of trade and development assistance.

How do Americans view the developing countries? How do we answer some of the basic "whys" and "hows" of U. S. relations with these nations? What U. S. policies should League members support to ensure the implementation of the League's belief that: "long-time requirements for world peace, humanitarian obligations, and long-range national interests demand U. S. policies that help less developed countries reach self-sustaining economic growth?"

The two unit meetings on February 14 and February 15 will parallel the two-part focus of the study:

(1) The economic issues dividing the industrialized developing world. (2) The future U. S. role in the U. N., including proposals and prospects for restructuring the U. N. system.

Members of the resource committee will present brief summaries of their research on the following: Emergence of the Third World; Disarmament; International Law to govern the Oceans; Middle East politics; International codes of behavior for Multinational Corporations; the African crisis; and many other factors that make this a new era of global interdependence. We cannot approach all the various issues that have come up in the U. N. but we can take a look at how the United States is responding to the issues and participating in the United Nations System.

The two copies of "Facts and Issues" enclosed in this bulletin are informational materials for your background reading and will be valuable for your participation in the discussion meetings.

The Consensus-Discussion technique is the League's traditional process for examining and taking a stand on issues. Answers to the following "Consensus Questions" will help form the basis for future action.

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

1. Should the United States increase its efforts to accommodate the economic proposals of the developing nations? If so, would your League wish to expand or refine League positions in the trade or aid area". (Some issues on which you might want to comment are commodity agreements, debt relief, technology transfer, market access, aid, etc.)

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2. Should the United States place conditions on its participation in various bodies of the United Nations system?

3. Among the proposals for changing the United Nations system, are there any that the United States should support as being both desirable and achievable?

4. Would you recommend any changes, deletions, or shifts in emphasis in the present United Nations position of the League?

WE SUGGEST YOU BRING YOUR "FACTS AND ISSUES" AND THE CONSENSUS QUESTIONS TO THESE MEETINGS.

Publicity Chairman, Pat Stephens, asks: Please send any information you would like publicized to me, 726 Morningside Drive, or leave it at the League office at Gorton Community Center. The information should be received at least two to three weeks before you want it to appear.

Sue Hood, Membership Chairman, announces that a coffee for prospective members will be held on Friday, March 4. If you have any suggestions for new members, please call Sue (295-1736) or Eileen Holmes (234-8015).

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Mar. 4	Fri. 10:00 a.m.	COFFEE for prospective members at the home of Mary Liz Carney, 277 S. Bluff's Edge Drive
Mar. 7	Mon. 9:15 a.m.	Board Meeting at the home of Genevieve Regan, 90 E. Franklin
Mar. 9	Wed. 10:00 a.m.	LAKE COUNTY HOUSING PLAN by Mr. Lane Kendig, Director of the Lake County Planning Commission, Blue Room, Gorton Community Center
Mar. 14	9:15 a.m.	LAKE COUNTY LAND USE STUDY at the home of Joyce Arnold, 1210 Turicum Road
Apr. 4	9:15 a.m.	Board Meeting at the home of Mary Johnson, 971 Hawthorne Place

LAND USE LAND USE

Two great opportunities to learn about Land Use in Lake County - and to get some input into how things will go.

March

#1 March 9 at Gorton Community Center. A workshop sponsored by the Cities/Urban Crisis combined committee and featuring Mr. Lane Kendig, Director of Planning for Lake County, who will explain the proposed Lake County Plan and will answer questions.

#2 Then, be sure to attend our meeting on March 15 at 9:15 a.m. when Jean Baenziger and her LWV of Lake County committee (Ruth MacChesney is one of the members) will present their study of the Lake County Plan. We shall take a consensus on how or if it follows League positions.

One leads to the other and both should be very informative to everyone interested in Land Use. Growth, non-growth or controlled growth - and how this can be provided.

LAKE COUNTY LAND USE STUDY

The Lake County Board, in July, 1975, adopted an official Comprehensive Plan for Lake County. This will run to the year 2000. It is intended to provide a basis for rational decisions concerning the physical, economic, and social development of the County--a general indication of how development should occur. The proposals can be altered when necessary.

Three months earlier, at the Convention in May, 1975, the League of Women Voters of Lake County had adopted an item: "Study of Land Use in Lake County--Goals and Priorities. Scope: Study of Proposed Master Plan, Land Acquisition and Growth Policies, Planning and Zoning Policies."

Our National Land Use position, as announced in March, 1975, states: The League of Women Voters of the United States, recognizing that land is a finite resource, not just a commodity, believes that land ownership, whether public or private, implies responsibilities of stewardship.

The justification for land use planning is that development of land often has hidden costs not completely reflected by the market pricing system. While new development may bring benefits by providing new housing and employment opportunities, other costs such as water pollution, traffic congestion or the cost of controlling it, crowded schools or improving schools, are borne by present or future residents.

Some of the tools for implementing land use policies are the police power which is brought to bear by zoning and subdivision regulations, health and building codes, etc. and right of eminent

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domain (often too expensive to be practical). Taxation is another power. Another important tool is the expenditure of public monies to provide or extend services such as water and sewer lines, highways, etc., which can have an immense effect on how land will be developed.

In our program, we will examine the Lake County Comprehensive Plan and its proposals for Lake County.

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Consensus Questions

2. Do you think Lake County should limit growth?
2. Do you support increased density along the corridors in order to preserve open space?
3. Do you support the County's present land acquisition plan?

MEMBERSHIP

If you haven't already filled out the enclosed interest sheet, please do so and return to Sue Hood, 45 Alden Lane. If you want to be more active in League, this is the way to let us know.

In January, we welcomed two new members:

CARPENDER, Mrs. John N. (Barbara)
491 S. Beverly 295-1566

ROGIN, Mrs. Martin (Jackie)
1055 Winwood Drive 295-2443

Jane Carpenter mother of three, is a speaker for the Panel of American Women. She also works part-time in the Children's room at the Libertyville Library, and, quite naturally, likes to read.

Jackie Rogin moved here recently from Glencoe, where she was a substitute teacher in the elementary schools and did recording for the blind. She loves to paint, and is busy re-decorating her home.

Please don't forget our coffee for prospective members on Friday, March 4. Call Sue Hood, 295-1736, with the name of anyone you would like to have invited.

March 3:30 PM

March

LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR - March 22 and 23rd

Here is a wonderful opportunity to become more involved in the legislative process. The Illinois LWV is sponsoring a Legislative Seminar at the Forum XXX in Springfield, beginning at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, March 22, and ending with luncheon on Wednesday, March 23. All leaguers are invited and urged to attend.

The members of the General Assembly will be invited to join the League members attending at a buffet dinner - an excellent change for an informal discussion with your legislators. The General Assembly will be meeting in regular sessions, with committee meetings at regularly scheduled times also, and we will be able to observe both.

Registration is due by March 18, and the fee is \$25.00. This includes the dinner with the legislators, breakfast and the seminar kit. If you are interested in going, please call Elsie Michael (234-8858) so that hotel reservations can be made together and the trip over to Springfield planned.

GARDEN WALK TIME

It is time to prepare for our Biannual fund raising drive which is the League's Garden Walk. As you may remember, this is an event in which the League must participate 100%. The Lake Forest League depends on the monies raised from this event to finance our work for two years. Our last Garden Walk was successful because every member pitched in and worked. This is not a fun day for Leaguers--just for our guests.

Phyllis Callaway, Irene Hillman, Mary Liz Carney, Roseann DeGroot and Mary Reilly are securing the houses for this event.

At this time, we need names of friends for our reservation file and we want to know what job you will do. First come, first served. Right now, we need artists and clerical help. Later on we will have sign-up sheets available for allocated time for hostesses in our houses. The shifts will be two hours each. If we don't hear from you, you can be sure you will hear from us.

Please send names for reservation files and call for work to:

Phyllis Callaway
38 Forest Hills Road
Lake Bluff

234-4020

March

*****At 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 27, the Lake Forest Trust for Historical Preservation will sponsor, with the cooperation of the Historical Society, a slide lecture by Dr. Paul Sprague on "The Character of Lake Forest during Its Period of Pre-eminence: How to Preserve its Ambience." This lecture will be given without charge to the public in the Auditorium of the Gorton Community Center, and should be very interesting to all of us who are interested in Lake Forest and in the effective use of land in our town.*****

CONGRESSIONAL INTERVIEW

The Leagues of Women Voters of the 13th Congressional District were invited to meet with our U.S. Representative, Robert McClory, on Saturday, January 22nd. The undersigned represented the Lake Forest League. The LWVUS (National) had provided us with a set of guidelines on questions to be used in congressional interview and a summary of the subject areas to be covered. These subject areas covered Employment, Water Pollution Control, Foreign Development Aid, Direct Election of the President, Energy, Representation for the District of Columbia, Federal Elections Campaign Act, Human Resources, Cities/Urban Crisis and Land Use.

Congressman McClory discussed his positions on all of the above issues with us. Space prohibits even a condensed statement of his responses but the Committee found Congressman McClory well informed and generally aware of the League's positions.

Mary Barb Johnson
Congressional Interview Committee

THE PRIMARY ELECTION IN ILLINOIS - OPEN OR CLOSED

Consensus questions and background material were sent out with the December League Lines in an attempt to conduct a Consensus study by mail. Perhaps everyone was too busy in December, or perhaps this was just the wrong kind of a study to do by mail, but only seven responses were received. It happened that five preferred the open primary and two the closed, but obviously this is not a large enough number to provide a true consensus, and the Lake Forest League will not be counted when the Illinois Leagues position is formulated.

Because the Presidential Debates must be paid for by individual contributions and not by a Foundation or grant, the National League still owes a fairly large amount for providing this great community service. The Lake Forest League is planning to send some money to the National League, and if you wish to share in this contribution, please send \$1.00 to Lois Watts.

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April, 1977
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CALENDAR

Apr. 4	Mon.	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Mary Johnson, 971 Hawthorne Place
Apr. 9	Sat.		HIGH SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION VOTE! Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Apr. 12	Tues.		LAKE FOREST CITY ELECTION VOTE! Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Apr. 18	Mon.	10:00 a.m.	ANNUAL MEETING LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE FOREST, Deerpath Inn, 255 E. Illinois Road
May 2	Mon.	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Eleanor Beidler, 1050 Walden Road (South end of Mayflower Road)

UPCOMING ELECTIONS

(Voters Service - Chris Boudrie: Mini - Guide for Voters) All citizens are reminded to vote in the City and School Board Elections this spring.

City Election - April 12, 1977 (Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)
Requirements: Citizen of the United States; 18 years of age; Registered to vote; Having lived in Illinois for 6 months; Having lived in your Ward 30 days.

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Where: Ward 1 Lake Forest High School (east campus)
 Ward 2 Barat College, Drake Theater
 Ward 3 Recreation Building, 226 E. South Gate
 Ward 4 Friends Meeting House, 101 West Old Elm Road

Who: Mayor, City Treasurer, City Marshall, City Collector,
 and City Supervisor; one alderman from each ward.

City Wards

Ward 1 (northeast segment) bordered by C.N.W.R.R. and Illinois Road.
Ward 2 (southeast segment) bordered by Illinois Road, C.N.W.R.R. to a point on line with Shields Township line, Green Bay Rd.
Ward 3 (northwest segment) bordered by C.N.W.R.R., Shields Township line, and Kennedy Road (Route 60)
Ward 4 (southwest segment) bordered by Green Bay Road, Shields Township line and Kennedy Road (Route 60)

High School Board (District 115) Election - April 9, 1977 (6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.)

Where: Precinct 1 Lake Forest High School (west campus)
 Precinct 2 Deerpath Junior High
 Precinct 3 Lake Forest High School (east campus)
 Precinct 4 Lake Bluff Junior High
 Precinct 5 Knollwood School

Who: one continuing member elected to a three year term
 one new member elected to a three year term.

Precincts

- 1) west of Rte 41, south of Deerpath to City limit
- 2) east of Rte 41, south of Deerpath to City limit
- 3) north of Deerpath, east and west to City limit
- 4) north of L.F. City limit, east of C.N.W.R.R. freight line
- 5) north of L.F. City limit, west of C.N.W.R.R. freight line

Absentee Voting: City Election - You may apply for absentee ballots by mail until April 7; in person at City Hall until April 11.

School Board Election - You may apply for absentee ballots by mail until April 4; in person at Lake Forest High School Business Office (east campus)

Note: March 18 - last date to file petitions (Chris Boudrie)
 March 22 - last date to withdraw petitions (Voters Service)

April

EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT - TIME TO MOVE FOR RATIFICATION

Section 1: Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.

Section 2: The Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

Section 3: This amendment shall take effect two years after the date of ratification.

The League of Women Voters of the U.S. supports this important amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Time is running out with the deadline for ratification March 22, 1979. Will the State of Illinois go down in history as an opponent of women's rights? Please call Chris Boudrie (295-2451) if you are interested in working for passage of E.R.A.

ANNUAL MEETING

Our League, proud now to be fifty-one years old, will hold its Annual Meeting on April 18th at the Deerpath Inn. We shall assemble at 10:00 a.m., elect new officers, adopt our local program for next year, and hear our department chairmen tell of their many interesting activities. The luncheon will cost \$7.25.

In the afternoon Dr. Paul B. Fischer of the Department of Politics at Lake Forest College will speak to us. Dr. Fischer received his Ph.D in Political Science from the University of Massachusetts. He has done special work in Metropolitan Politics and in Urban Affairs. We are most fortunate to have him as our speaker on Cities/Urban Crisis.

BRIDGE MARATHON

With League bridge well on the way for this year, we really have some super scores - -

Jovern Chandler and
Woody Fuller
15,310

Isabel Gerlach and
Eileen Holmes
14,900

Carol Bowman and
Lorraine Doran
11,900

There also are quite a few couples with over 10,000 points who can easily get into the top three before the season is over if they work on bidding and making those slams. Let's all give the leaders some stiff competition.

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A word to hostesses -- please contact your guests in plenty of time. Have had some complaints of calls being made the weekend before Monday bridge. Your cooperation in this will be much appreciated.

Details on the May bridge and luncheon will be in the next bulletin. (Ginger Lesman)

THE HASTY LADY COOKBOOK

Now available -- for all those persons who do not find joy in cooking everyday -- THE HASTY LADY COOKBOOK. Published by the L.W.V. of Illinois, it includes such palate teasers as: "Senatorial Stew", "All-Day-Meeting Pot Roast", "No time-saving device beats a well-trained 12-year old". A great gift for singles of all ages, bridge prizes, college students, helpful neighbors, busy Leaguers, and everyone who appreciates a culinary quickie, including yourself. Call Millie Kitzmiller, 234-3274, to order your copies or stop by the office and pick some up. AND DON'T FORGET -- the children's Mother's Day gift to Grandma and end of the year gifts for teachers. Price -- only \$2.00.

MEMBERSHIP SUE HOOD

On March 4th your Membership Committee had a coffee at Mary Liz Carney's lovely home. Attending were one new member, fourteen prospects, and ten League members and officers. This resulted in the lucky, for us, number of 13 new members. A special Thank You to Mary Liz Carney, Genevieve Regan, Kathy Joosten, and everyone who helped us that day with orientation. We are greatly indebted to our entire membership for bringing in these super new people.

CHANDLER, Mrs. Grant (Joverne) 525 Douglas	234-5285
FISHPAW, Mrs. K.B. (Ednah) 1290 North Western	234-3921
HENSON, Mrs. Ronald (Karen) 1580 Conway	234-5694
MARSHALL, Mrs. John I., III (Freddie) 80 S. Winston	234-9352
PAPOUSEK, Mrs. Charles (Candy) 77 E. North Avenue	234-8269
PEDERSEN, Mrs. George (Bette Jo) 300 Bluff's Edge	234-4676

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PERKOVICH, Mrs. Robert (Jackie) 1633 Oak Knoll	234-4394
SALZWEDEL, Mrs. Robert (Nancy) 641 Timber	295-3512
SCHULTE, Mrs. Theodore (Jane) 986 Timber	234-3546
SZYMANSKI, Mrs. Edward (Adele) 1260 N. Western	295-1507
VAN GORKUM, Mrs. Jerome (Betty) 908 Ringwood	234-4477
WIECK, Mrs. William (Anne) 440 S. Beverly	295-3396

Who's Who: Jovern Chandler, who came here recently from Los Angeles, is a substitute teacher in Lake Forest primary schools.

Ednah Fishpaw, a new condominium resident from Villa Turicum, is interested in gardening and music.

Karen Hanson, from Fullerton, California, arranges tours for the Newcomers Club and collects antiques.

Freddie Marshall expects her second child imminently. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Winter Club and has been active with the Lake Forest Recreation Department Tennis League.

Candy Papousek has an M.A. in political science and is a former member of the Evanston League.

Jackie Perkovich, interested in international politics, lived for eleven years in Mexico, Spain and Belgium.

Nancy Salzwedel is Newcomers Luncheon Chairman and an officer of the APT Board at Cherokee School.

Jane Schulte, from Los Angeles, is current President of Newcomers.

Adele Szymanski is Chairman of the Illinois Opera Guild Auditions of the Air, a member of the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations, and on the Board of DePaul University.

Betty Van Gorkum is a Trustee of Northwestern University and a member of the Board of Lake Forest College.

Ann Wieck, a move in from Ann Arbor, Michigan, hails from Oregon, where she was an art teacher.

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RUSSILLO, Mrs. Thomas (Janice)
1030 Buena

295-2049

Janice Russillo, a newcomer from Maryland, is Publicity Chairman of the Garden Art Club and active in local ecumenical Bible Study groups.



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CALENDAR

May 9 Mon. 12:30 p.m. ANNUAL PICNIC at the home of Mary Liz Carney,
277 S. Bluff's Edge Drive.

May 23 Mon. 10:00 a.m. BRIDGE MARATHON at the home of Ann Purky,
875 South Ringwood Rd. (off Sheridan Rd.
near Barat College).

HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK : Our League will be having its second House and Garden Walk on Thursday, September 15, again under the able chairmanship of Phyllis Callaway. Six thoughtful homeowners have generously agreed to let their houses be shown. Tickets are sold by invitation only. There will be none available on the day of the walk.

Please think NOW of the friends and relatives to whom you wish invitations sent and please send your lists NOW to Mrs. Trowbridge Callaway, 38 Forest Hills Road, Lake Bluff, 60044. Phone 234-4020. Phyllis hopes to receive ten new names from each of us.

ANNUAL PICNIC: The Lake Forest League's annual picnic will be held this year on May 9, at 12:30 p.m. Again, Mary Liz Carney has very kindly invited us to her home, 277 South Bluff's Edge Drive. (Enter through the extreme eastern end of Westlight Road). All members are cordially invited. We'd particularly like to take this opportunity to meet and welcome our many new members.

BRIDGE MARATHON: (Ginger Lesman): With only match play left before our closing get-together, I am sure the score have never been close.

Eileen Holes &
Isabel Gerlach
21,180

Jovern Chandler
& Woody Fuller
19,180

Sue Hood &
Lyn Matthews
17,770

Carol Bowman &
Lorraine Doran
17,750

Right behind this group are three other couples with scores in the high 16,000's who are certainly a challenge to the leaders and should keep them on their toes.

Thanks to Ann Purky, the final bridge marathon for this year will be held at her home, 875 South Ringwood, at 10:00 a.m., Monday, May 23rd. Coffee and sweet rolls will be served. Please be prompt. After the driveway is filled, you may part on Ringwood. Since space is limited, however, it would be much appreciated if you would try to double up and come together to cut down on the number of cars on the parkway.

MRS. HERMON DUNLAP SMITH: We are saddened by the loss of Ellen Thorne Smith (Mrs. Hermon Dunlap Smith) who died in March. Ellen has been a member of the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest for ever so many years. For our first Garden Walk, she very kindly opened her beautiful home by the lake. Our sympathy goes to her husband, her daughters, her son, and her grandchildren.

MRS. CHARLES PAPOUSEK and MRS. GEORGE PEDERSEN: The editor apologizes to two of our new members, Mrs. Charles Papousek and Mrs. George Pedersen for having incorrectly copied their brief biographies which were so kindly (and accurately) furnished by Sue Hood for the April League Lines. Candy Papousek sells real estate, serves on the executive A.P.T. Board of the high school, and plays volleyball.

Bette Jo Pedersen has an M.A. in political science and is a former member of the League of Women Voters of Evanston.

REPORTS FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING, April 18, 1977

LOCAL PROGRAM ADOPTED FOR 1977 - 1978 (Gladys Heinrich)

A study of the educational program offered by District #67, with attention focused on finance. Action as indicated.

Our study should be updated so that the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest will be prepared to take a position in the event that (either this year or next) School District #67 requests a referendum to approve an increase in the tax rate. Bids are being received for the purchase of \$1,100,000 in working cash fund bonds to meet accumulating deficits.

At the Annual Meeting, we also aproved four support items, previously known as Continuing Responsibilities. These are:

- 1) Continued attention to public education for Lake Forest, including elementary schools, the high schools, and a junior college, with action as indicated.
- 2) Support and continuing review of the Lake Forest Caucus system.
- 3) Support of the Lake Forest Official Plan, with continuing attention to land use and local environmental pollution, zoning, recreation and safety. Action as indicated.
- 4) Planning for publication of the Lake Forest League's "Lake Forest Portrait".

CHILD WELFARE (Mary Ellen Laue)

The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest held its unit meetings on Child Welfare on January 10th and 12th. These meetings were on a state level and committee members were: Mary Ellen Laue, Chairman, Edith Kirkelie, Mary Fouts, Joel Norris, Mary Ellen Benson, and Martha Tuttrup, Discussion Leader. Each committee member took a specific area of the Illinois Child Welfare program and endeavored to explain where our state stands in terms of juvenile delinquency, the emotionally disturbed and the retarded child, the learning dis-able child, the abused child, and the need for more day care centers in Illinois.

The Consensus Question asked: How can the level of services to children and their families be upgraded in terms of administration, staffing, planning, development of resources and advocacy? The general feeling of the members who were present was that there should be a consolidation of state services to prevent overlapping bi-partisan control., thus removing staffing from political patronage and putting it in the hands of professionally trained personnel. It was also felt that there should be more lobbying by adults for children, and that monies appropriated for children should not be channeled to adults.

UNITED NATIONS STUDY (Fred Phillips)

The International Relations item adopted by the 1976 Convention of the League of Women Voters of the U.S. reads as follows:

Promote peace in an interdependent world through cooperation with other nations and the strengthening of international organizations.

Reexamine the U.N. system with emphasis on relations between developed and developing countries and their implications for U.S. policy.

The League has supported the U.N. for over 30 years, favoring U.S. policies to strengthen the U.N. system. The last time we examined the U.N. was in 1962. Since then, the U.N. has vastly changed and its reputation has been under attack. Because the U.N. is the meeting place of the world and reflects world events, it was important that we gain a new understanding of the activities taking place there.

Today, the 31st general assembly has 147 members and is nearly comprehensive of mankind. It is represented by the old power centers of the North (the industrialized countries) and the developing nations of the Third and Fourth worlds, also referred to as the South, in which most of humanity lives. The U.N. has, increasingly in the last decade, reflected the divisions between the "haves" of the North and the "have nots" of the South. In recent years, the call for a New International Economic Order (NIEO), sometimes called the N/S dialogue, has dominated U.N. forums, along with such divisive issues as the Arab-Israeli conflict, and the problems of South Africa. In addition, there has been anguish over human rights, concern for the use of the oceans, and demands for arms control -- all of which are crucial to N/S relations.

Therefore, it was essential that we include in our study sufficient research to cover these issues, along with the changes taking place on the world scene. However, special emphasis was given to the two-part focus of the study: (1) the economic issues dividing the industrialized and the developing world, and (2) the future U.S. role in the U.N. including proposals and prospects for restructuring the U.S. system.

We held 5 workshops during the fall and early winter and 2 unit meetings in February. Since unit meetings are important for member discussion and consensus, and in order to cover this vast subject in depth, it was necessary to hold 2 meetings instead of the usual one. Both meetings had record attendance. Fifty league members actively participated in the discussion and consensus. Nine league members served as resource people and on the U.N. Study committee.

Our study confirmed members' belief that the U.S. is more effective inside the U.N. than outside. We were satisfied with our present trade and aid positions. We agreed that the U.S. should increase its efforts to accommodate the economic proposals of the developing nations with specific attention to commodity agreements and development aid.

As for changes in the present U.N. position of the League, we agreed that the League should amend its position in order to recognize the growing importance of the U.N. in world economics, and that the new League position should place more emphasis on the U.N.'s role in dealing with economic problems, while retaining past concerns for peacekeeping.

Members of the U.N. Study Committee were: Marge Paul, Judy Lazarus, Doris McKinven, Elizabeth Clarke, Kay O'Connell, Cecilia Hagman, Nancy Manoccheo, and Kaki Bauer.

VOTERS SERVICE REPORT (Christine Boudrie)

I became acting Voters Service Chairman this past January, when Flo Friedman resigned to move back to New York. Flo did such a tremendous job as Chairman during the hectic election year of 1976 that I must admit I'm grateful to be starting in a non-election year so I'll have time to adjust to filling her shoes.

A mere listing of Voters Service activities during the past year gives only a slight indication of the energetic woman-hours which went into Voters Service and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Deputy Mobile Registrars who have helped so much -- Carol Bowman, Mary Liz Carney, Elizabeth Clark, Rosann DeGrott, Martha Doyle, Ella Fox, Cecelia Hagman, Gladys Heinrich, Irene Hillman, Mary Johnson, Ginger Lesman, Kay O'Connell, Rose Shepard, Martha Tuttrup, Betty Wegren, and Betty Lou Wilbur.

In August, we staffed a Voters Registration both at Lake Forest Day, a task which we hope will continue to be an annual event. From this booth, we also circulated petitions for the national presidential debates.

Kay O'Connell spoke to students at Woodlands Academy on elections in October and by mid-fall, we were knee-deep in Voters Guides. With the help of the Boy Scouts and Lake Forest College students, we distributed approximately 3500 Voters Guides throughout the community.

In November, we were offering rides to the polls, as we had for the Primary in March.

During the year, our Deputy Mobile Registrars were increased from three to twenty and with their help over 300 new names were added to the voting rolls.

In May, we shall be at Lake Forest High School to register new 18 year old voters. And the summer months, will find us registering voters at the Lake County Fair and Lake Forest Day. I look forward with enthusiasm to an active year ahead and encourage all of you to be a part of Voters Service by helping us to encourage participation in the community and in the electoral process.

EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (Christine Boudrie)

The League of Women Voters of Illinois has made passage of the Equal Rights Amendment its top legislative priority for the 1977 session of the 80th General Assembly. I quote from the Illinois Voter:

"The top priority for the LWVILL in this legislative session is ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. Since 1972, Leagues at all levels in Illinois and throughout the country have helped to coordinate and organize state lobbying efforts in support of ratifications. The Illinois State League Board has determined that ratification of the ERA must continue to be our top priority. This is a crucial year, and we want Illinois to be one of the three remaining states that are necessary for ratification."

Although the membership of the Lake Forest League failed to reach consensus on this issue, those of us who are committed to passage of ERA will work together with the legislative committee of the Lake Forest branch of the American Association of University Women toward ratification. Letters have been sent to our state representatives and senators urging their cooperation and support in passing ERA this session. If passage does not come this session, we will continue to work actively for ratification over the next two years. We have until March, 1979 to make Illinois a part of this historic achievement.

Gladys Heinrich, Action Chairman, reports that ERA is coming up for a vote the second week in May. Please contact your representative!

LAKE COUNTY LAND USE STUDY'S CONSENSUS - League of Women Voters, Lake County:

The League of Women Voters of Lake County believes that there is a definite need for a comprehensive plan for Lake County. Such a plan should provide for orderly growth while protecting the environment and conserving natural resources.

Lake County should plan for growth, taking into account such factors as revised population figures, environmental factors such as soil suitability, existing transportation corridors, and sewage treatment facilities.

The League supports policies which would encourage development in areas having adequate water, sewage treatment facilities, and transportation.

The League believes that intergovernmental cooperation is required to implement the plan.

The League supports growth along the existing transportation corridors. It believes that a variety of housing types should be encouraged, with control of height and density. The corridors should not be developed above their capacity to provide for a healthful living environment. High priority should be given to revitalizing communities which are already established along corridors and which have the services and facilities required to accommodate development.

The League believes that prime agricultural land should be preserved. Increased density along the corridors will relieve the pressure for development of open space. The corridor development plan appears to provide opportunity for growth while preserving open space.

The League supports the acquisition of additional open space by the Lake County Forest Preserve District. The League approves the stated criteria for land acquisition and would urge that they be applied consistently. The County should continue to identify unique natural resources and historically significant sites and buildings for future purchases.

The League of Women Voters of Lake County recognizes that the amount of available open space is steadily decreasing and supports efforts to acquire land previously designated as potential open space or recreational sites. (Jean Baenziger, Chairman, Land Use Study Committee).

OFFICE IN GORTON COMMUNITY CENTER: (Marge Paul and Judy Lazarus)

The League of Women Voters office opened in Gorton Center in September of 1976. With fresh paint, new drapes, and donated furnishings, it is a warm and pleasant place to spend a few hours. We have been able to bring together League materials that were stored in many places in Lake Forest and we have spent many hours sorting and filing this material. The office is used for small meetings and larger rooms in Gorton are used for larger meetings. We have a telephone - an extension of the Gorton line - our number is 234-6061.

The office is staffed on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8 until noon by volunteers and we are always looking for new ones. If you have some free time on Tuesday or Thursday morning, please call us and let us put your name on our standby list. There is a lot going on at Gorton.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (Eileen Holmes)

In August and September of 1976, we attempted to get a local ordinance banning the burning of leaves. This was in accordance with our national and state consensus of 1971 to work for measures to control and reduce air pollution. Two hundred fifty copies of the Illinois Voter article "Leaf Burning - Harmful or Harmless" were distributed. Five hundred signatures were obtained on petitions for a leaf burning ban. Letters were written to the City Council members. The Batelle Lab report, which identifies four gases emitted from burning leaves as strong carcinogens, was presented to the City Council. The letter from Dr. Daddano, a Lake Forest Allergist, pleading for the ban because of the adverse effect on individuals who have chronic respiratory diseases was presented. (All of the above, plus the City Manager's reports of 1973 and 1976 on the cost of leaf disposal programs are on file in the League office.)

The petitions were a time consuming, interesting, but ineffective project; the councilmen opposing the ban rightfully pointed out that just as many signatures could have been obtained to permit leaf burning. The vote on October 4 was 6 to 1 against the ban, despite additional medical evidence from the Lung Association and the American Cancer Society presented at the meeting. They did urge residents to compost their leaves if possible or to bag them and to keep burning to a minimum. Complaints about the air in Lake Forest were filed with the state E.P.A. office and they do have the authority under House Bill 14 to prohibit leaf burning in Lake County if the contaminants in the air are of sufficient quantity to be injurious to human, plant, or animal life.

Committee members: Sue Hood, Betty Low Wilbur, Pat Stephens, Millie Kitzmiller, Rose Shepard, Chris Boudrie, Lois Watts, and others listed in the November Bulletin.

MEMBERSHIP: (Sue Hood)

League membership began the year in April, 1976 at the number of 168. A Membership Committee was formed, following which a luncheon was held in September, as an introduction to prospective members and an orientation for new members. Two coffee followed: one in December, and one in March. Fifty-four new members joined our League this past year, bringing us to a total today of 201. We are proud of these fine people who have joined us and who help to represent the varied areas, ages, and interests of our community.

The Membership Committee has begun a telephone tree to remind all members of meetings. In an effort to keep abreast of changing interests, a new and briefer form was designed and mailed to everyone. The Board and the membership have helped immensely in the

success of this committee. Sue Hood asks all of us to please return the interest sheets to her at 45 Alden Lane, or to bring them to the League picnic on Monday, May 9.

KITZEROW, Mrs. Carl (Betsy) 234-2524
269 Vine Avenue

JANDA, Mrs. Frank (Val) 234-5332
1237 North Burr Oak

Betsy Kitzerow, mother of five, is taking a sculpture class and was formerly a floral designer.

Val, who has four children, has illustrated professionally and now works as an aide in special education at Everett School.

On Tuesday, July 26th, Board members will give a coffee for new members and prospective members, from 9:30 to 11:00.

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June 13 Mon. 9:15 a.m.

BOARD MEETING at the home of Chris
Boudrie, 1030 Old Barn Lane

July 13 Mon.) 9:15 a.m.

July 14 Tues.) to

July 15 Wed.) 12:15 p.m.

ADDRESS AND STAMP ENVELOPES at the
home of Kay O'Connell, 2 North
Ahwahnee Road

July 29 Fri. 10:00 a.m.

COFFEE for NEW AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS
"chez" Betty Buker, 1640 Melody.
Please call Sue Hood if you have a
friend you wish to invite.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS HOUSE WALK

Invitations to the LWV House Walk to be held on Thursday,
September 15th, WILL BE MAILED the first week in August.

All members - please set aside on your calender NOW, one or
all three mornings for addressing, stuffing, and stamping. Monday,
July 18, Tuesday, July 19, and Wednesday, July 20 from 9:15 a.m. to
12:15 p.m. at the home of Kay O'Connell, 2 North Ahwahnee Road.

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If you have any additions to the Invitation List, please send them to Mrs. Stanley Hillman (Irene) 1001 North Hawthorne Place, Lake Forest, or to Mrs. Trowbridge Callaway III (Phyllis) 38 Forest Hills Road, Lake Bluff, 60044, from now through July 1st (sooner is better).

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VOTERS SERVICE (Chris Boudrie): On May 17th Martha Tuttrup and I registered 39 eighteen-year-old voters at the east campus of Lake Forest High School. It was a gratifying experience for both of us to be registrars for these first-time voters.

We expect to assist the County Clerk's Office with a registration drive at the Lake County Fair this summer, and plans are already underway for our Lake Forest Day registration drive on August 3rd. As we have done in past years, our deputy mobile registrars will staff a booth on the fairgrounds to register voters and distribute information about the League. Hope to see you all there!

THE L. W. V. OFFICE can now be reached by telephone. The number (234 - 6061) is listed in the heading of our League Lines. During the summer the office will be open on Thursday mornings.

MEMBERSHIP (Sue Hood): Please call Sue and bring a friend to the Coffee for new and prospective members on Friday, July 29, at Betty Boker's home.

We are happy to welcome three new members:

MENTZINGER, Mrs. Richard (Maryjane) 948 South Green Bay Road	234 - 2139
TEMPLEMAN, Mrs. John (Pat) 751 Morningside Drive	234 - 4099
ZOBEL, Mrs. Robert (Luverne) 433 South Forest Hill	234 - 0472

Who's Who: Maryjane Mentzinger is interested in politics and antiques and works part-time at Lord and Taylor.

Pat Templeman is a former Leaguer from Colt's Neck, New Jersey, where she worked on the "Know Your Town" booklet. Now she is Membership Chairman of Ravinia Infant Welfare.

Luverne Zobel, incoming Secretary of the Newcomers' Club, likes interior decorating and is a school volunteer.

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Sept. 12	Mon.	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING
Sept. 15	Thurs.	10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK
Oct. 3	Mon.	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Betty Buker Highway 60, Willow Lake Farm Road, Right Fork.
Oct. 13	Thurs.		REGIONAL MEETING (LWV of ILL) Evanston (please mark your calendars)

HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK

All who love beautiful homes and attractive gardens, all who love the League of Women Voters and wish it to be financially secure - - - Come! Come to our HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK on Thursday, September 15th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Your relatives and friends are welcome, too, but they must buy their tickets in advance. None will be sold on the fifteenth of September. One ticket, which costs \$17.50, will admit one person to view six lovely homes. Arrangements have very kindly been made for anybody who wishes to lunch at the Onwentsia Club. This will cost \$7.50. Reservations must be made and paid for in advance.

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Six public-spirited families have agreed to let their homes be shown. We are most grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Edward William Nugent, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Edison Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ford.

Our biennial House and Garden Walk is the principal fund-raising event of the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest. All members are expected to buy tickets and to offer their services to make this a happy day and a financial success. We have fun working together. If you have not been assigned a job already, join us by calling Phyllis Callaway (234-4020).

In election years we use some of the money we earn to buy and freely distribute "Voters Guides" which give nonpartisan information on candidates running for state and local offices. We also explain issues which the voters may have to decide at the polls. In addition we help support financially the Leagues of Women Voters of Lake County, of Illinois, and of the United States, enabling them to study ever so many governmental problems, make decisions, and spread information among the elected officials and those who elect them. Last year's Presidential debates between Ford and Carter made the League well known throughout our nation.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Dear Fellow Leaguers:

When your delegates returned from State Convention, we rolled up our sleeves to the elbow. After the Lake County Convention, our sleeves went above the elbow.

Our excellent board is complete and we are all anticipating a busy, exciting year. The "Action Biennium" declared by State Convention is now in full sway with letters, telegrams and phone calls from members and your board to editors, legislators, et al. Any member who has not yet been contacted and wishes to be involved, call our Action Chairman or any one of the Board Members.

Though our summer months were mostly occupied with program planning and scheduling, there was an Orientation Coffee for new and prospective members in July and a Registration Booth on Lake Forest Day in August. Our fantastic House Walk in September will catapult us into the increased activities of the fall and winter months-activities which will include:

- Our Energy Presentation, units and consensus
- E. R. A. Workshops
- Local Study units and resultant consensus
- Follow-up work shops of the successful U. N. study in its wider concept as International Relations
- Interesting and unusual approaches to the Urban Crisis study

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and many others, plus on-going reports from our various representatives in the field - - Lake Michigan Inter-league, Lake County, and up-coming regionals - - all this propelling us into Spring and one of our final meetings - - Dinner with our spouses, guests, and Observer Corps! In your spare time, take a break; call our chairman and play bridge!

See you at Onwentsia at noon on September 15th.

Genevieve Regan

The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group is nobly striving to have the legislatures of Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, and Wisconsin ban the use of phosphates in household detergents throughout these four states. Indiana has already done this and it has been accomplished in Chicago and surrounding regions, but not yet in the whole of Illinois. This Inter-league group, which has studied hard and is presently working hard, now informs us that it has a new member agreement to add to previous ones: "The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group supports action by Federal and State governments and agencies to ban phosphates in household laundry detergents to assist in fulfilling the goals of high water quality for the Great Lakes within the timetables set by the respective regulatory agencies."

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Sept. 12 Mon.	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Genevieve Regan, 90 East Franklin Place, Apt. 203
Sept. 15 Thurs.	10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK
Oct. 3 Mon.	9:15 a.m.	BOARD MEETING at the home of Betty Buker Highway 60, Willow Lake Farm Road, Right Fork.
Oct. 14 Thurs.		REGIONAL MEETING (LWV of ILL.) Evanston
Oct. 17 Mon.		ENERGY (Luncheon & Lecture) Deerpath Inn

Our HOUSE AND GARDEN WALK, on Thursday, September 15th, is the most important event scheduled for this month by the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest. From 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. we and our especially invited friends are privileged to visit the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hensen, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. Edison Dick, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hampden Swift, Mr. and Mrs. James Hoekstra, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ford.

Our Chairman, Phyllis Callaway, and her active committee have already arranged our jobs and working hours. If you have not yet

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received your assignment, please call 234-4020. With help from each and every one of us this day can be enjoyable and profitable. We hope to replenish our rapidly dwindling resources with enough money to cover our expenses without needing another major benefit next year.

L.W.V.U.S. Updates its U.N. Position

In June, 1977, the League of Women Voters of the U.S. reaffirmed and strengthened its support of the United Nations and its specialized agencies as the best existing instruments to promote and strengthen world peace and improve every nation's economic and social health.

This announcement was made after reviewing and compiling the results of the U.N. consensus by Leagues across the country. These Leagues concluded that the U.S. should actively work for international cooperation among nations through the U.N. system and should not place any conditions on its participation except in the most extreme cases such as flagrant violations of the U.N. charter.

The Lake Forest League participated with other Leagues across the nation in a year-long study to update their U.N. position. The review took into account changing perceptions about United States involvement in the U.N. and the shift in emphasis within the United Nations as a result of tension between developing and developed countries on matters of international economics.

The League concluded that current U.N. programs which help the developing countries become economically self sustaining should be strongly supported and, if this economic growth is to become a reality, the United States must take an active leadership in the U.N.

Findings also underlined a need for stronger peacekeeping U.N. should be an important part of U.S. foreign policy.

The League's updated position also stressed:

Support of U.N. efforts to reduce the risk of war, including negotiations on disarmament and control.

Support of increased coordination of the U.N.'s economic and social functions to better handle problems of international cooperation.

Recognition of the value of the U.N. as an important component in U.S. foreign policy making.
(Predi Phillips, U.N. Chairman)

Farlander, Mrs. Jamea (Glenda) 1041 Valle;	234-3269
Fox, Mrs. Donald G. (Karen) 800 Longwood Drive	234-1532
Lataif, Mrs. Louis (Najla) 520 Turicum Road	234-5777
Naimoli, Mrs. V. (Roz) 1551 Tara Lane	234-4678
Sholl, Mrs. Harry (Jean) 810 South Waveland	234-3289
Weymouth, Mrs. Theodore (Joy) 1075 Walden Lane	234-8774
Weiland, Mrs. Albert (Mimi) 1260 N. Western Avenue	234-9325
Williams, Mrs. F. Bennett (Sue) 461 Turicum Road	295-1196
Wilson, Mrs. Thomas (Holly) 1533 West Everett	234-8207
Yardley, Mrs. Stanton (Ginny) 141 Lewis	234-3751

Lou Barlass hails from Minnesota, where she was part owner and officer of an art galley.

Carole Bartram and her husband travel a great deal abroad, due to his job in the oil industry. She is interested in politics and government.

Rosetta Chen is Dean of Women at Lake Forest Academy - Ferry Hall where she also teaches social studies. She and her husband, a nuclear engineer, are parents of a baby boy.

Therese Dieter from Des Moines, Iowa, was finance chairman for League there and a Republican committeewoman.

Glenda Farlander is program chairman of Deerpath Garden Club, active in Girl Scouting, and loves cooking and catering.

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Karen Fox, mother of a new baby boy, worked until recently for American Airlines and is a world traveler.

Ros Naimoli is active in the Deerpath Art League and a volunteer at the Intermediate School.

Mimi Weiland is making a needle point rug, loves to play bridge and travel.

Holly Wilson, a former American Airlines hostess, has worked in an art gallery and for a travel agency since her marriage.

Ginny Yardley, a Lake Bluff native, is program chairman of Newcomers and dabbles in art in her spare time.

The four other members could not be reached at this time. Their biographical sketches will appear in a future bulletin.



Mrs. Thomas P. Carney
277 S. Bluff's Edge Rd.
Lake Forest, Ill. 60045

COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT

The League of Women Voters of the U.S. has announced that the L.W.V. Education Fund has just received a contract from the Office of Coastal Zone Management in the U.S. Department of Commerce to assist state and local Leagues on the federal C.Z.M. Program, with special emphasis on the recently enacted C.Z.M. Act Amendments of 1976. We regard this contract as evidence of C.Z.M.'s awareness of the critical need for on-going public participation in the development of coastal zones as well as their recognition of the valuable contributions which state and local Leagues have made and will continue to make on coastal management issues.

In Springfield, the Illinois Coastal Resources Management Act, House Bill 2118, died in a Senate study committee last session. The bill passed in the House. It is indicated that the bill would probably come up in the fall session. The Coastal Zone bill was endorsed June 13 by the Lake County Board. The only opposition to the endorsement was from Lake Forest and Zion. (Joyce Tuggle: Lake Michigan Inter League Rep.)

LAKE FOREST/LAKE BLUFF SHOPPING DAY AT THE LAMBS

The Lambs, Inc., is a private, non-profit organization which provides a business/training program, residence and activity program for mildly and moderately mentally retarded adults in Libertyville. The seven retail businesses at the Lambs are open to the public year-round and are visited by over 200,00 children and adults annually. During the months of January, February, and March, however, there are not sufficient shoppers to keep these young people working efficiently.

As a Pilot Project, Lake Forest and Lake Bluff are having a community shopping day at The Lambs in an effort to bring new shoppers to The Lambs during the slower winter months. It is hoped that this community shopping day will be duplicated in other communities based on the success of this initial project. October 27 has been selected for the first "Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Shopping Day at the Lambs," and residents of Lake Forest and Lake Bluff are invited to bring their families for a day (or evening) of shopping at The Lambs.

As the League of Women Voters has long been interested in the welfare of children and young persons, we would like to help the fine work of The Lambs, Inc. Freddi Marshall represented us on the committee they drew from many local organizations.

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"You and Your National Government" is an excellent new publication highly recommended for your fall and winter reading says Millie Kitzmiller (Publications Chairman).

Regional Meeting in Evanston on Thursday, October 13. All League members are welcome to attend. Here is your opportunity to meet members of the State Board and discover, if you do not already know, what intelligent, well-informed, interesting, and delightful women they are! Workshops will be held in the morning and repeated in the afternoon, so you can attend two of them in one day if you wish. (The same meetings will be held on other days in more distant cities.)

From the August Board Meeting: Our Communicator from the State Board, Lee Johnson of Deerfield, attended our local Board Meeting in August. It was discovered at that time that several members of our board had been brought to their first League meeting by a friend who happened to be a League member. Have you a new neighbor who might like to be asked to go to a League meeting with you?

Mrs. Solomon Smith and Mrs. Albert D. Farwell: The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest is every so sorry to lose Mrs. Solomon Smith (Babby) and Mrs. Albert D. Farwell (Edith), both of whom have died this year. Longtime residents of Lake Forest, they have been longtime members of the League. Babby served once on our Board. Edith was widely known for her lectures and books on herbs and her gardens. Our sympathy goes to their two families.

Welcome to fourteen new members who joined our League at a pleasant party given by Betty Buker on July 19th.

Barthram, Mrs. Thomas W. (Carole) 333 Warwick Road	234-3291
Chen, Mrs. Brian (Rosetta) Lake Forest Academy Ferry Hall	234-3691
Barlass, Mrs. John (Lou) 454 Beverly	295-3948
Dieter, Mrs. Terese 1260 North Western Avenue	234-9325
Farlander, Mrs. James (Glenda) 1041 Valley	234-3269

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- Oct. 3 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of Betty Buker
Highway 60, Willow Lake Farm Road,
Right Fork.
- Oct. 13 REGIONAL MEETING (LWV of ILL.), Unitarian
Church, 1330 Ridge Avenue, Evanston
- Oct. 17 Mon. 11:30 a.m. ENERGY (LECTURE and Luncheon)
Deerpath Inn
- Oct. 24 Mon. 10:00 a.m. (ERA WORKSHOPS at Gorton Community)
Oct. 25 Tues. 10:00 a.m. (Center)
- Oct. 27 Thurs. 9:00 a.m. Shop and lunch at The LAMBS Inc. in
to 5:00 a.m. Libertyville, (Route 176, near Tollway)
- Nov. 7 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING
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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS -- (Fred Phillips, Chairperson
234-2920)

Last year, the Lake Forest League participated with Leagues throughout the country in a year-long study to update the U.N. position. Details of the new updated position appear in the Summer National Voter.

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During our own study we also touched briefly on the League's aid and trade positions. Now, with the many changes taking place in the world trade picture, it is necessary that we probe further. World Trade is an important and complex subject. Its political problems are difficult to understand. And yet, few issues are more basic to our everyday lives.

At the present time, world trade is taking a drastic new turn. The tilt is toward "commodity agreements" and "orderly marketing" of industrial goods. The change is brought on by pressures on governments of industrial nations to protect workers, industries and communities from trade competition in an era of high unemployment and slow growth. Recently, in the U.S., the domestic textile, electronics and steel industries claimed injury due to imports. This led to an "orderly marketing agreement" in shoes, textiles and color T.V.'s. In the meantime, the U.S. dollar weakened because of a deficit in our balance of payments (we import more than we export, primarily because our imports of oil are skyrocketing). All these changes seem to worry the analysts who follow trends in global economics.

League position has continued over the years to be in favor of a liberal U.S. trade policy. Yet, with a lingering global recession and the protectionist demands, international economists believe that free trade may be in serious trouble. They are concerned that protectionism could jeopardize recovery from the world recession, and continue to hold up economic negotiations between the rich and poor nations--the so-called North/South dialogue.

Therefore, our study plans this year will include:

1. An update of our League Trade position reach in 1973.
2. A Trade update geared to Illinois--this update will try to emphasize the impact of trade and investment on our own community.

The results should be very interesting since Illinois is the nation's #1 exporter and also, one of five jobs in Illinois is directly related to overseas sales and investment.

Members who desire to study and work on these projects, please call 234-2920 or 234-2286.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ERA? (Chris Boudrie, Chairperson)

House and Senate leaders are being urged to call a special session in the fall for consideration of the Equal Rights Amendment. The special session would be concurrent with those already scheduled. A special session would put the spotlight on the Mayor and the Governor and, hopefully, inspire them to round up enough votes for ERA in their respective parties to assure passage in the House. Please take time now to write to the Governor and/or Mayor Bilandic asking them to push for the special session.

Governor James Thompson	Mayor Michael Bilandic
The Executive Mansion	City Hall
Springfield, Illinois 62701	Chicago, Illinois 60602

Catching from the State League Board members their enthusiasm for the Equal Rights Amendment, our Lake Forest League will hold two workshops: one on Monday, October 24, and one on Tuesday, October 25. Please plan to attend both of them, at Gorton Community Center, from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

On Monday, we shall have a speaker, Mary Libertozzi, ERA Chairperson for the League of Women Voters of Illinois, who will tell us what the amendment is all about, how it will affect us, and how the League arrived at its present position of adherent. Tuesday will be a Workshop for ERA supporters.

VOTERS' SERVICE, CECELIA HAGMAN, (Chairperson)

Would you like to become a Deputy Mobile Registrar? We shall have a group of ladies going for instruction as Deputy Mobile Registrars at the Waukegan Courthouse in October. Call Cecelia Hagman at 234-3368 if you want to attend.

This job is an important service to those who live in your community. You can register new voters at the Lake Forest High School and at Lake Forest and Barat College. You can register new people in our community at Lake Forest Day or at Newcomers' meetings. Since this is a democracy, the key to change is at the ballot box. Your ability to give the people of your area access to that change is a very significant one. You can feel great satisfaction in your duties as a registrar.

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HELP WANTED! (Gladys Heinrich, Chairperson School Finance)

A study group is being formed to delve into the educational program and financial problems of Lake Forest's Elementary School District No. 67. Come and join us, so that our League may take a position and be ready to act on a forthcoming referendum. Please call Gladys Heinrich 234-2752.

CHILD WELFARE (Betsy Hinchman, Chairperson)

Plans are almost complete and work is progressing on our new statewide project. The goal is a local Youth Services Directory by October 1. It will include a brief statement about each agency and its function in the appropriate category, i.e., Counseling, Medical Services, Recreation, etc. If necessary, additional information will give intake procedure and requirements.

This is a cooperative effort with the Lake Bluff League and distribution in the two communities will take place in October.

The following Lake Forest Leaguers are conducting interviews: Rose Ann DeGroot, Edith Kirkelie, Millie Kitzmiller, Mary Fouts, Maureen Ross, and Betsy Hinchman.

Of course, we need more help. If you're interested in this vital project, call 234-6321.

CITIES/URBAN CRISIS RESOURCE COMMITTEE
(Bette Jo Pedersen - Chairperson)

A group is now being formed to study Cities/Urban Crisis. All members who wish to learn more about this vitally important topic are urged to contact Bette Jo Pedersen (234-4676).

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE

The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest has a member, Elizabeth Clarke, going to the National International Women's Year Conference in Houston, Texas, November 18-21. If you have any questions, do call Elizabeth Clarke (234-2095).

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THE LAMBS, INC.

Let's all remember to shop at The Lambs, Inc. in Libertyville on Thursday, October 27. They are open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. You may also have lunch there between 11:30 and 2:00.

The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest is proud of and grateful to the hard-working members of the Finance Committee, and especially to Phyllis Callaway, Chairperson of the HOUSE and GARDEN WALK. Her entreaties persuaded six public-spirited citizens to open their houses for us on September 15. She inspired ever so many League members to lay down floor covering or set out "No Parking" signs in the early morning and then to transform themselves into gracious hostesses and ticket receivers. We are happy that, in spite of heavy rain, the event was a financial success.

Our heartfelt thanks go to those who so kindly let us walk through and admire their beautiful homes: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. Edison Dick, Mr. and Mrs. M. Hampden Swift, Mr. and Mrs. James Hoekstra, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Ford.

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CALENDAR

- Nov. 7 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of Millie Kitzmiller, 1565 West Everett Road.
- Nov. 14 Mon. 9:15 a.m. ENERGY - UNIT MEETING at the home of Bette Jo Pedersen, 300 Bluff's Edge Drive
- Nov. 15 Tues. 9:15 a.m. ENERGY - UNIT MEETING at the home of Chris Boudrie, 1030 Old Barn Lane
- Dec. 5 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING at the home of Pat Stephens, 726 East Morningside Drive
- Jan. 16 Mon. CITIES/URBAN CRISIS - UNIT MEETING (all day)
(please mark your calendars)
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ENERGY

Come! Come to the Energy Unit Meetings on November 14 and 15. Energy affects us all, nearly every day of our lives. The League of Women Voters of the United States has assembled a great deal of information on this complex subject. Mary Johnson, (Chairperson) has been busy studying this wealth of facts and theories.

Come, learn, and help us plan for the future well-being of our nation.

ACTION BIENNIUM (Doris McKinven)

This year begins the Action Biennium, a time chosen for concerted attention to the state legislative process. My job will be to let you know when the legislature in Springfield is deliberating and about to act on particular legislation that concerns League-endorsed stands on items chosen for League study. Your Resource Committees will be informing you in detail at Unit meetings about such diverse topics as Election Laws, Child Welfare, School Financing, and other matters.

The last two pages of your yearbook list your legislators on local, state, and national levels. Resolve now that this year you will write that letter, make that phone call. The Action Biennium hopes to help make it easy for League members to implement their belief in participatory democracy.

ACTION BRIEF OF THE MONTH

Did you know that- -

In order for a bill to become law in Illinois it must be read in each house of the General Assembly three times on three different days?

The first reading gives the bill a number and is only by its title.

It then goes to the Committee on the Assignment of Bills, which gives it to the concerned standing committee (23 standing committees in the House of Representatives and 16 in the Senate). This committee decides if the bill is relevant, necessary and how it relates to existing law. Party interests play a part in the screening process. Some bills are allowed to die, others may be amended. Committee meeting times are posted and are open to the public. Citizens may testify. This time before the second reading is the crucial time for citizen input.

The second reading (as the bill has survived the screening process) is before the total membership of the originating house, where both committee amendments and amendments from the floor are voted upon.

The third reading follows the transcribing and typing of the bill and its amendments. Final passage is by roll call and requires approval of a majority of the members elected and serving. The same three-reading process takes place in the other house. Finally the bill goes to the Governor for his action.
(Doris McKinven, Action Chairman)

Sue Williams, 461 Turicum, (295-1196) who has been here a year from Minnesota, is Symphony Relations Chairman for the C. M. A., active in her church choir, and in the Community Chorus.

BRIDGE MARATHON (Ginger Lesman, Chairman. 234-3687)

All bridge players please be sure you make this important change in your list of names. Couple number 12 should be:

June Bourne, 1053 Maplewood, Lake Forest (234-1033)
Rheda Walton, 690 South Ridge Road, Lake Forest (234-1664)

instead of Ella Fox and Beryl Graf who are couple number 21. My apologies for this error.

After the first bridge we already have two outstanding scores - 4250 and 4000. We'll all have to work extra hard next month to catch up.

If you know of anyone who would like to be added to the substitute list, please call Ginger Lesman.

LAKE MICHIGAN INTER-LEAGUE GROUP (Joyce Tuggle Chairman)

The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group is an organization of 104 Leagues of Women Voters in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin -- states which border Lake Michigan and which share common interests and concerns regarding it. Over one half of L.M.I.L.G.'s member Leagues are located in Illinois and near Chicago.

The Lake Michigan Inter-League Group functions primarily under the League of Women Voters of the United States' natural resources programs, projects, and positions. Although this Group might appear unwieldy, it has reached member agreement and acted upon the following items:

- the use of pesticides within the Lake Michigan basin
- the effects of siting power plants along Lake Michigan
- the problems associated with dredging and filling in Lake Michigan waters
- the causes of and possible remedies to shoreline erosion
- criteria for adequate state shoreline management programs
- the need for a ban on high-phosphate household laundry detergents

CITIES/URBAN CRISIS: How does it affect Lake Forest - Lake County?

Mark your calendar today for our January 16 all-day meeting at Gorton Community Center for this LWVUS national agenda study item. We are trying an all-day "brown-bag" lunch (or return after lunch) instead of the usual two-day units. The morning discussion will focus on the historic background of urban decline - suburban sprawl and their effects; the afternoon session will include a close-up view of the current Lake Forest Plan and the Lake County Comprehensive Plan. (Bette Jo Pedersen Chairman)

E R A Travel Boycott (Chris Boudrie, Chairman)

SEE THE U. S. A. — THE E R A WAY

Only 17 months remain in which to get the Equal Rights Amendment passed in the Illinois legislature. Three more states must ratify E R A before March 1979 in order for it to become part of the United States Constitution.

Our League is being asked to participate in a statewide travel and vacation boycott of 15 states which have not yet ratified. This boycott is being co-ordinated by the L. W. V. of Illinois. The states to avoid are: Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Missouri, Nevada, Oklahoma, South Carolina, North Carolina, Mississippi, Utah, and Virginia.

Write to the State Chamber of Commerce in these states and let them know you are avoiding their vacation grounds and why. Names and addresses are available from Chris Boudrie (295-2451)

MEMBERSHIP (Sue Hood, Chairman)

Leftover from a previous bulletin is information about four new members whom we were not able to interview at that time. Also, we apologize to Carole Bartram for misspelling her name.

Who's Who (Continued): Najla Lataif, 520 Turicum, (234-5777), mother of four, is a nurse interested in health care. She has done volunteer work in psychiatry, particularly suicide prevention, in Michigan.

Jean Sholl, 810 S. Waveland, (234-3289), who has a background in retailing, is a charter member of Deerfield League, where she was active in Voters' Service and Election Laws.

Joy Weymouth, 1075 Walden Lane, (234-8774) teaches art and piano and is particularly concerned about erosion of the lake shore.

Two publications have been developed by L.M.I.L.G.: "To Fill or Not to Fill" and "Shoreline Erosion". These have received wide distribution and acceptance. Four separate slide shows have also been prepared. They are readily available and continually used by Leagues, schools, and other community organizations. The topics are: "Formation of the Great Lakes", "Shoreline Erosion," "Shoreline Management," and "Safe Drinking Water Act".

From 1974 - 1977 L.M.I.L.G. helped to bring citizen participation into the Illinois Coastal Zone Management Program (Illinois Department of Water Resources). L.M.I.L.G. member Leagues in Cook and Lake Counties scheduled public meetings for the Illinois Coastal Zone Management staff. Furthermore citizen and agency questions, comments, and reactions were monitored.

During 1977 L.M.I.L.G. has been under contract to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region V, to develop a slide show concerning the effects of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act in our four states. Presentations are being made to state legislative committees, municipal officials, local and county health departments, etc. This slide show is now available for general League use.

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Jan. 9 Mon. 9:15 a.m. BOARD MEETING

Jan. 16 Mon. CITIES/URBAN CRISIS - UNIT MEETING (all day)

RESULTS OF ERA WORKSHOP (Chris Boudrie, ERA Chairperson)

Approximately 70 people attended the first day of our ERA Workshops to hear Mary Lubertozzi, LWV of Illinois ERA Chairperson. The Turnout was gratifying in itself, but we feel a great deal of enthusiasm was demonstrated for ERA by the vast majority of those present.

This enthusiasm carried over to the second day of the Workshop when approximately 40 people came to share their ideas for action. A number of suggestions were made for fundraising and community involvement -- ideas which we hope to implement in the near future. Most importantly, our list of ERA supporters who wish to get involved continues to grow as a result of our Workshops.

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I am grateful to my ERA committee -- Jackie Perkovich, Betty Jo Pedersen, and Judy Lazarus from League; and Kathy Davey, Lorrie Shriver, Karen Crotty, Judy Laing and Eileen Holmes from A.A.U.W. A special thanks to Ann Wieck for her art work.

Our job, however, is not yet finished and with only 16 months until the ratification deadline, there is much to be done. If you want to work for ERA please call me at 295-2451.

ERA Illinois still needs your support. Send \$10.00 to ERA Illinois, 606 Post Office Court, Springfield, Illinois 62701. Finally, we still have plenty of ERA bumper stickers (50¢) and pins (25¢) available and we will order the beautiful ERA necklace (\$5.00) for you in time for Christmas.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS - (Fred Phillips, Chairperson)

The International Relations Committee will present an all-day workshop meeting on International Trade on Monday, February 6, from 9:30 to 2:00 at the Gorton Center.

After many years of study, the national league is convinced that high tariffs and restrictive trade practices add to consumer prices, reduce competition in the marketplace, and cause friction among nations.

In all areas of the United States, businesses as well as consumers are influenced by world trade. Since Illinois is the number one exporting state in the nation, and since one in five jobs is directly related to overseas sales and investment, the focus of our study will be the impact of International Trade on the economy of Illinois, and how it affects our local community. More details about this study will appear in the January bulletin.

SANTA'S SHOPPING-LIST

- A Shetland cardigan from Scotland for Jimmy to be cozy by the fire when he turns down the temp.
- Replacement shoes from Taiwan and St. Louis for Rosalyn, so her feet won't tire on the streets of Washington and the world.
- International dolls for Amy's tree house.
- A Caterpillar tractor from Peoria for brother Billy to keep him on the peanut farm.
- Memories of the Peace Corps for Miss Lillian with a sari from India.

- Flowing togas from Israel and Greece for sister Ruth, the evangelist.
- A Moped from Amsterdam for sister Gloria, the cyclist, to add to her collection of motorcycles.
- "His" and "Hers" towels from Canon, U. S. A. for Chip and Caron for their togetherness; and wool booties for their baby from a Llama of Peru.
- Treats to ring in the New Year: like lingonberries and herring from Scandinavia; cheeses and wines from France, Wisconsin, and California; and to combine with it all, crackers from Ritz and the United Kingdom - with nuts from Georgia.

- GREETINGS - The I. R. Committee wishes to extend to the membership its warmest wishes for a happy holiday, and hopes that you will enjoy all your domestic and imported gifts for Christmas!

Kaki Bauer, Elizabeth Clarke, Therese Dieter, Cecelia Hagman, Mary Johnson, Millie Kitzmiller, Edith Kirkelie, Judy Lazarus, Nancy Manoscho, Mary Jane Nugent, Marge Paul, Fredi Phillips, Jean Sholl, Pat Wanzenberg, Sue Williams.

ACTION BRIEF OF THE MONTH (Doris McKinven, Chairman)

Special Sessions of the Illinois General Assembly usually run concurrently with regular sessions. For example, the regular session time may be 2:00 p.m. and the Special Session 4:00 p.m. of the same day. As of October 24, the Assembly convened in its traditional fall Veto Session, also meeting in Special Session. The legislature does not meet continuously on consecutive days, but rather on days designated on a calendar of sessions set by leaders of both houses. Committee meetings may take place during this period.

When the Governor receives a bill passed by the Assembly, he then has 60 days to act upon it. If he does nothing, the bill automatically becomes law without his signature. If he vetoes the bill, it can still become law if 3/5 of the members of each legislative house vote to override the Governor's veto. The fall Veto Session must consider 182 vetoes, 95 bills returned for changes, and 25 partial vetoes or reduced appropriations. These are out of a total of 1,332 bills sent to the Governor by the spring session.

This Special Session was called by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to deal with election law and with the criminal code. Special Sessions do not consider matters other than those for which they are called, unless a 3/5 majority decides otherwise. Exceptions to this rule are amendments to either the United States or Illinois Constitutions. As this is being written, it is not known if the Equal Rights Amendment, which is on postponed consideration, will be dealt with in this session.

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OBSERVER CORPS (Ellen Spencer, Chairperson)

Since late last Spring a dedicated band of members has been attending quietly and "observing" Lake Forest boards and commissions and to provide background material on local issues. The six boards and their observers are as follows: City Council -- Ellen Spencer; Plan Commission -- Edith Kirkelie; Recreation Board -- Candy Papousek; Zoning Board -- Jean Rasmussen; Library Board -- June Bourne; Board of Education #67 -- Janet Loforte/Judy Lazarus; Board of Education #115 -- Abbie Passnacht.

Expertise is not acquired over night. Time and perspective are required before an observer becomes familiar with the policies and procedures by which her board operates, to say nothing of the history necessary to understand fully the topics being presented. Nevertheless one observer will be attending each of our League board meetings through the spring to summarize her "observations" to this point.

In addition to the observers mentioned earlier, the Corps is composed of an equal number of alternates and a pool of substitutes. If any League member is interested in joining our Corps in any capacity (observer, alternate, or substitute), I urge her/him to call me at 234-0510. This is an excellent opportunity for new residents, particularly, to learn about Lake Forest.

N.B. Observers unanimously agree that all City board meetings are rather sparsely attended by the public. They also feel that these meetings are fascinating if not addictive, the more one attends. So a list of "What, When, and Where" is presented below.

City Council	Council Chambers	(1st Mon at 8:00 p.m.
Plan Commission	Council Chambers	(3rd Sat. at 9:00 p.m.
Recreation Board	Council Chambers	2nd Mon. at 7:45 p.m.
Zoning Board	Council Chambers	3rd Thurs. at 8:00 p.m.
Library Board	Library Garden Room	As Called
Board of Education #67	DPI Multi-Purpose Rm.	Monthly, As Called
Board of Education #115	H.S. East Campus Lib.	Tues. after 1st Mon.
		(1st Mon. at 8:00 p.m.
		(3rd Mon. at 8:00 p.m.

Attend. Bring a friend. You'll be better informed, I guarantee.

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PUBLICATIONS (Millie Kitzmiller, Chairperson, 234-3274)

League publications are now on display, for sale and to order, at the office. This includes the brand-new edition of "Where We Stand", the State publication of League positions, and sample of the most recent National publications.

We have given subscriptions to the League Publication Service to Deerpath Junior High School and Lake Forest High School. This will bring them all National publications of general interest published throughout the year and we're sure will be useful to them. This service is also available to all members for \$10.00 per year. If you are interested, please call me.

Last of all, a special Christmas sale offer. While the supply lasts, the Hasty Lady Cookbook will be on sale for 3 for \$5.00. This is a good chance to stock up for teacher's gifts, bridge prizes, and stocking stuffers for the little cooks in the family. Stop by the office or call me for your copies.

ERA NECKLACES: A limited quantity are available at \$5.00 each. They make ideal Christmas gifts since they are not only attractive but are destined to be collector's items. If you would like to purchase some, call Millie Kitzmiller (234-3274)

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LEAF BURNING (Dan and Betty Snyderacker)

Many of our members are concerned about the leaf burning situation in Lake Forest. We'll need lots of support and help from Leaguers and other members of the community if we decide to attempt another go around on trying to work out solutions. Please call us at 234-0369 if willing to get involved.

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MEMBERSHIP (Sue Hood)

The coffee for prospective members, held October 27th at Joverne Chandler's lovely home, resulted in nine women joining League. Our next coffee is tentatively scheduled for early in February. If in the meantime you have any friends you would like us to contact and bring to meetings, please phone Joverne or Sue Hood, (295-1736)

Many thanks to the members who give us names of prospects, to our officers, who shared their enthusiasm for League, and to Joverne for her hospitality.

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Anyone for evening meetings? It seems that more working women and young mothers are interested in our League. Please call or drop me a line if this means you.

NEW MEMBERS. YEAR BOOK SUPPLEMENT (Nov. 1, 1977)

BENNETT, Mrs. Edward III (Susan) 1414 North Green Bay Road	234-1275
BOLANDER, Mrs. John (Ann) 1040 Oak Knoll	234-0559
FORD, Mrs. Robert (Joyce) 1050 Timber	234-4267
HAVEY, Mary Anne 103 Atteridge	234-9219
JUNKIN, Mrs. Gregory (Michelle) 1340 Wilson	234-9137
LAUER, Mrs. Steven K. (Jill) 761 Linden	234-1720
PHINNEY, Mrs. Frederick (Eleanor) 370 Westminster	234-0297
RASMUSSEN, Mrs. Paul (Jean) 580 North Waukegan	234-5848
ROBINSON, Mrs. Warner (Helen) 501 North Oakwood 1D	234-2033

Who's Who. Susan Bennett, a former elementary school teacher, likes to paint, swim, and cook in her spare time.

Ann Bolander has been in Lake Forest fourteen years and lists sewing, bridge, and bowling among her hobbies.

Joyce Ford, a human rights enthusiast, is also into writing and gardening.

Mary Anne Havey, mother of five, has been in real estate in Lake Forest for six years.

Michelle Junkin, new here from Boca Raton, Florida, enjoys needle-crafts and paddle tennis.

Jill Lauer, mother of a baby, taught elementary school in Highland Park. She is into ERA and scuba diving.

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Eleanor Phinney who has a background in art history and architecture, loves to paint and play tennis.

Jean Rasmussen, a former Wilmette Leaguer, likes to embroider, garden, and play bridge.

Helen Robinson, new here from Glencoe, is interested in politics, swimming, and the arts, especially decorating.

TO: Members of the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest

FROM: Genevieve Regan, President

At our November Board Meeting, it was agreed that the Lake Forest LWV should support the League's national campaign to secure ratification of the ERA by sending \$1,000 to the Illinois League and we think it is important to explain this action to all of our members.

When the delegates to the League's national convention in May, 1972 voted to support the Equal Rights Amendment and to include "equal rights for all, regardless of sex" as part of the League's Human Resources position, the Lake Forest League was among those who felt that there should have been a full study with consensus before action was taken because the ERA was not fully understood. Consequently, we have done little work toward its ratification until very recently.

Because of the League's national campaign to secure ERA ratification and their request that local leagues pledge monetary support, we found it imperative to reevaluate our position. In the last five years there has been a great deal written and said about the ERA and its possible effects, much of it not true and leading to confusion. The league has published In pursuit of equal rights: women in the seventies which has brought together many of the facts and speculations concerning ERA, drawing from some of the very responsible studies which have been made, and it also answers many of the questions which have been raised as to its intent. In Lake Forest we had our workshops and you may also have read Chris Boudrie's article and some letters in the local press.

First of all, it seems to us now that there was very good reason for the delegates' action at the convention since they saw their action as a necessary extension of the League's long-term equal opportunity position. While studying and working toward civil rights for blacks and minorities during the 60s, they had become acutely aware that there were many parallels between the status of women and that of minorities. In the 1940s the national program had included "removal of legal and administrative discriminations against women" and by 1972 the League had become convinced that, while some progress had certainly been made and there were laws on the books giving legal equality to women in many areas, there were still many loop-holes and that these legal rights did not apply equally in every state. The step-by-step approach which the League had sponsored since the 1920s had not brought the desired result in fifty years, and it was time to push for the ERA which would insure equal legal rights for women across the nation. We have to agree that it makes sense - how could the League not be for equal legal rights for women?

By this time we also understand the goal of the ERA and the League's position. This amendment will affirm the nation's promise of equal rights for all before the law. That is all it will do. It does not mean that the courts will interfere in people's private lives, and it does not mean that women are the same as men. It has nothing to do with abortion, homosexual marriages or shared bathrooms - all such misunderstandings having been brought about by extending "equality of rights under the law" to include social and private

relationships. The ERA is intended to break down legal barriers between the sexes in their rights and responsibilities as citizens, not to turn the tables on accepted standards of decency.

The United States Constitution and forty two of the state constitutions are based on English common law where married women have no legal rights. (The eight community property states have constitutions based on Spanish or French law.) Many of the states have amended their constitutions to give women legal equality, but this equality applies only to the state laws in the specific states and women in other states do not have such legal equality. The ERA would guarantee such equality to women across the nation, and this is important. It should have nothing to do with states' rights.

The ERA would not change a woman's right to stay home to run the house and take care of the children, but the truth is that support within a marriage has always been a matter of custom and has never been guaranteed by law - a married woman living with her husband receives only what he chooses to give her. The homemaker's work is now considered of no value legally. This may not matter to those of us who live happily under the system and have not been hurt, but it certainly matters to those whose marriage is dissolved by death or divorce. It involves, among other things, the inheritance of property in the event of death, and the division of marital property and child support obligations in the event of divorce. Under the ERA the homemaker's work could be recognized as contributions to the family welfare - giving this work legal value where the support obligations of each spouse is defined. It has nothing to do with breaking up a family or forcing a woman to get a job.

Refuting each and every statement which has been made against the ERA would take too long for a letter, but the League's publication mentioned above has covered a great many of them, if not all. It, together with several other publications (including a 1972 refutation of the material you recently received in the mail on Senator Ervin's minority report on the ERA and the Yale Law Journal article) are in the League's office in the Gorton Community Center. We invite anyone who has doubts about the ERA and the League's support to visit the office on Tuesday or Thursday mornings to read them. The League's publication is for sale, if you wish to buy it, or you can read it there if you wish.

We hope that the majority of you will agree with the Board that the Lake Forest League should no longer stand aside from the position of Women Voters' position on the ERA, and will join us in working toward its ratification.