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*The League of Women Voters of Lake Forest
cordially invites all members and spouses
to a wine and cheese reception
for our national and state officials
on Sunday, February 26th ... 2:30 to 5:00 p.m.
at the home of Molly and Ned Heizer
261 Bluff's Edge Drive
R.S.V.P. Linda Liles.....295-3444*

CANDIDATES' FORUM . . . CANDIDATES' FORUM . . . CANDIDATES FORUM

Since several citizens have filed independently as candidates in the Lake Forest city election, the Lake Forest League is doing what the League does - sponsoring a Candidates' Forum where all of the candidates can present themselves to the public. Do come to the Forum, and then be sure to vote.

LAKE FOREST CANDIDATES' FORUM - February 29 - 7:30 P.M.

GORTON COMMUNITY CENTER AUDITORIUM

PRESIDENT'S LETTER .

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Dear Leaguers:

How nice it was to have eighteen members of the LWVLF at our local program planning meeting on Monday, January 9 - even though it was a snowy, slippery day. So much time was spent in discussing our local program that we never did have time for the national program planning. So, if you missed the January 9 meeting, you will still have a chance to contribute suggestions for national program on February 6. An opinion sheet is included with this bulletin to mail in to our Gorton office if you cannot come. Otherwise, please read your Winter "Voter" and bring it with you to Gorton at 10:15 on February 6 to review suggested national program items.

I hope you like our updated calendar for the rest of our League year. Please post this sheet and mark the dates on your calendar. As you can see, the Marital Law committee is meeting often, as well as the Great Decisions group. You are welcome at these meetings. Abbie Fassnacht is the Marital Law study chairman, and Lorrie Schriver is the Great Decisions chairman for this LWV and AAUW group. We hope that these dates will be helpful in planning your activities for the rest of the winter and spring!

My sincere thanks to Molly Heizer for agreeing to host a social occasion for all of our elected officials (State and National) members and spouses invited, on Sunday, February 26. Don't miss it! Linda Illes will be taking reservations. See invitation in this bulletin.

Hope to see you all on February 6 for our National Program Planning session in the 1861 Room at Gorton.

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Don't miss either of our big programs in February:

The wine and cheese reception on February 26 is a wonderful opportunity to meet all of the people who represent you on the state and national level - do join us! Mary Liz Carney and Bette Jo Pedersen have offered the use of their driveways for parking:

277 Bluff's Edge (next house south)
300 Bluff's Edge (west side of street)

And the Candidates' Forum on Wednesday, February 29 at 7:30 P.M. will give you the chance to hear and see both the Caucus Candidates and the Independents present their views. Do come, and then be sure to vote in the election on March 20. If you are going to be away, you can apply for your absentee ballot at City Hall at any time until the middle of March.

LWVLF CALENDAR FOR 1984 (January through May)

JANUARY 26 Thurs. 10:00 Marital Law Mtg.- Call Abbie Fassnacht

26 Thurs. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg. - Lorrie Schriver

FEBRUARY 1 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg. - A. Rutigliano

6 Mon. 9:15 am - Regular Board Meeting - Gorton

10:15 am - National Program Planning session

6-7-8 - JEWEL DAYS

9 Thurs. - First day to apply for absentee ballot

14 Tues. 10:00 am - Marital Law Mtg. - Call Abbie Fassnacht

15 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg. - Abbie Fassnacht

21 Tues. - Last day to register

23 Thurs. - Primary Debate in Manchester, N.H.

26 -Sun. - 2:30-5:00 pm - WINE AND CHEESE RECEPTION FOR
PUBLIC OFFICIALS

28 Tues. - 10:00 am - Marital Law Mtg. - Colleen Regan

29 Wed. - 7:30 pm LOCAL CANDIDATES' FORUM

MARCH	APRIL
4 Sun. 7:00 pm - LWVIL Primary Forum	2 Mon. 9:30 am - Regular Board Meeting
4-10 National Women's Week	3-4 Legislative Spinnery-Springfield
5 Mon. 9:30 am - Regular Board Meeting	4 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg.
6 Tues. 10:00 am - Marital Law Meeting	5 Thurs. Primary Debate - Pittsburgh
7 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg.	18 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg.
11 Sun. Primary Debate - Atlanta	30 Mon. 10:00 am - ANNUAL MEETING
13 Tues. 10:00 am - Marital Law Meeting	
15 -Thurs. - Last day for receipt of absentee ballot app. by Co.Clerk	
19 Mon. 9:45 am - MARITAL LAW GENERAL MEETING WITH CONSENSUS = Window Room at Gorton	
20 Tues. 6 am - 7 pm - GENERAL PRIMARY AND CITY ELECTIONS	
21 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg.	
MAY	JUNE
2 Wed. 1:00 pm - Great Decisions Mtg..	9:30 am. - New/ Old Board Meeting
2 Wed. Primary Debates - Dallas	
7 Mon. Final Marathon Bridge Game	
13-17 LWVUS National Convention	

All meetings are open to the public. Consult the current issue of LEAGUE LINES for location. All general and unit meetings are open to the public. Members welcome at all board meetings.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE NEW BOARD ROOM, 1000 N. 10TH ST., SUITE 100, DALLAS, TEXAS 75201 (at the intersection of N. 10th and Elm Sts.) and place, Annual Meeting date, April Board Meeting).

**MARITAL LAW
STUDY**

The study committee on this fascinating and important subject of Illinois Laws as they relate to marriage has been meeting regularly, and will be meeting right up to March 19 - the date of our consensus meeting on this year's focus - marital property systems and the implications for the rights and responsibilities of spouses in an ongoing marriage. Legislation affecting the financial consequences of the death of a spouse will also be examined.

A Financial Knowledge Questionnaire is included with this bulletin for you to complete for your own information. You might be surprised at your own responses (or lack of ability to respond) - this will give us all an opportunity to get together some of this important information. This is the sort of thing we all know we should know and keep available, but often put off until later. This questionnaire, in general, will be discussed at the consensus meeting, also.

This may very well be one of the most important League studies any of us have made. Understanding how we are or could be affected by Illinois law, coming to consensus on any changes we think should be made to protect our rights, and learning to deal with things some of us know little about - all are very important.

Mark your calendars now - March 19 at Gorton Community Center. The consensus questions will be included with our March bulletin, and we hope you will bring them with you on March 19 - along with the enclosed questionnaire.

The committee consists of Abbie Fassnacht, Chairman, Betty Buker, Bette Jo Pedersen, Colleen Regan, Anita Rutigliano, Beth Napoli, and Holly Wilson. The remaining meetings are set for Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., January 26, February 14 and 28, March 6 and 13. You can still join the committee, if you wish, or can attend any of the meetings. Just call Abbie (295-3828) or any of the committee members to find out where the meetings are being held.

CONSENSUS MEETING - Monday, March 9 - 9:45 a.m.
Window Room - Gorton Community Center

ACTION Please write Congressman John Porter to commend him for signing on as sponsor of HB 3400 which represents a workable strategy for controlling acid rain. Please urge him to support the Ottinger Amendment to increase the sulphur dioxide reduction targets of 2 million tons.

Also, be sure to thank Mr. Porter for voting "yes" for the ERA in November. The amendment is expected to come up again in February under regular house rules; i.e., unlimited debate and amendments. A vote for an amendment to the ERA Amendment is a vote against ERA.

MEMBERSHIP We are pleased to report that we have three new members. Please welcome:

HALBERT, Mrs. Peter (Jill) - 394 Ravine Park Drive. 234-4241

Jill moved to Lake Forest with her husband and two children, 15 and 17, from Spilling N.J. (near Princeton). She joined the League in 1969 and was President of Montgomery-Princeton League. She has held many positions during her years of League membership and the latest was as President of the Somerset County League. Jill enjoys tennis and she has recently taken a job as sales representative for a publishing company.

MAZUR, Mrs. Charmaine - 570 Beverly Place - 234-8615

Charmaine has lived in Lake Forest for over ten years, and has one son who is a student at Northwestern. She works as a trader's assistant in Bannockburn and is a student at the National College of Education. She joined the League because she wants to keep informed on community affairs.

RIMEK, Mrs. Nathan (Jan) - 1460 Edgewood - 295-5875

Jan was born in Providence, R.I. and grew up in Boylston, Mass. Attended American College in Paris and graduated from Geo. Washington U. with a degree in international politics. Has worked in investment banking field, currently working with Midwest Advisory Council. Very interested in national defense policy - has majored in European Diplomatic History and Soviet Studies. Her husband is with Sidley & Austin in Chicago and she has two stepsons.

We very much regret that the Membership Book (Addenda) gives an incorrect telephone number for one of our new members, Helen Loving. The correct number is 234-6638. Please correct. Sorry, Helen.

CALLING COMMITTEE Thanks to Betty Buker, Chairman of the Calling Committee, for organizing our telephone callers, and thanks to our callers: Pat Bina, Pauline Christie, Norma Bedell, Barbara Waldman, Molly Heizer, Julie Shackelford, Ginny Tuthill, Colleen Regan, Rose Shepherd, Beth Napoli and Anita Rutigliano. They are responsible for getting such a nice representation to the Program Planning session on January 9.

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FINANCIAL KNOWLEDGE QUESTIONNAIRE

1) Employment benefits

- If you work, what deductions are made from your paycheck and for what benefit?
- What medical and retirement benefits do you have?
- If you are married, do you know where your spouse works?
- How much does s/he earn, gross and net?
- How often is s/he paid?
- What deductions are made from his/her paycheck and for what benefit?
- What medical and retirement benefits does s/he have?
- Are any of these benefits assigned to you?

2) Taxes

- Do you know the location of last year's tax return?
- Did you file a joint return?
- Are you aware of your liability when you sign a joint tax return?

3) Wills

- Do you have a will? Does your spouse have a will?
- Where are the will(s) located?
- Have the wills been reviewed within the last 5 years and changed, if necessary, to reflect altered circumstances?
- If either of you do not have a will, do you know how the State of Illinois will divide your property in the event of death?
- If you have minor children, who will take care of them and your estate in the event that both of you die at the same time?

4) Life Insurance

- Do you or your spouse have life insurance? with what company?
- Is it "term" or "whole life"?
- What is the face amount of each policy?
- Who owns each policy?
- Who is the beneficiary? Are there any contingent beneficiaries?
- Where is the policy located?
- What is the number of the policy?

5) Automobiles

- Who holds title to the car(s) in your family?
- Where are the title papers?
- Do you have car insurance? with what company?
- Do you know: where the insurance policy is kept?
the amount of coverage and deductible?
what is covered?

6) Real Property

- Do you or your spouse own any real estate?
- In whose name is/are the title(s)?
- Where are the deeds located?
- Do you know the difference between joint tenancy and tenancy in common?
- How much is your monthly mortgage payment?
- Does the mortgage payment include taxes and insurance?
- Who holds the mortgage?
- What is the interest rate on your mortgage?
- What is the approximate equity value in your home?

7) Homeowner's Insurance

- Do you have homeowner's insurance?
- Do you have a list of your household property and its approximate value?

8) Investments

- Do you or your spouse own: stocks? bonds? certificates of deposit?
- How is the title listed?
- What bank or broker handled the transaction?
- Do either of you have a checking account?
- Is interest paid on it?
- Do either of you have a savings account?
- What is the interest rate on it?
- Do either of you have a money market account?
- What is the name of the fund?
- Do you know how to make a deposit? a withdrawal?
- What is the interest rate on it?
- Do you or your spouse own an IRA?
- Who is the beneficiary?

9) Expenses

- Do you know your average monthly income and expenditures?

10) Credit

- Which are the stores and banks where you and your spouse have credit accounts?
- Do you have a list of the credit cards and the account numbers for each?
- In whose name is each credit card?
- Do you know the difference between a joint account and a user account?
- What is the current amount outstanding on each of your accounts?

11) Documents

- Do you know the location of the birth certificates for your family?
your marriage license?
- What is your Social Security number? your husband's number?
- Do you or your spouse have a safety deposit box?
- Where is it located?

**VOTER
SERVICE**

This will clarify the letter our Voter Registrars recently received from the County Clerk's office.

You are an active mobile registrar in the Lake Forest League, your name has been sent to Waukegan and will be put on the computer so that it will not be necessary for you to go to Waukegan before registering voters at any of our scheduled voter registration drives. We will continue to operate as we have in the past. However, when a date for registering voters is set up two weeks prior to such registration, the names of the those registrars who will conduct such registration must be given exactly - no substitutions can be made.

Since this is an election year, voter registration will be an important league activity. Anyone who is not a deputized registrar and would be interested in becoming one, should call Bea Schuetz at 234-4577, and a convenient time will be set up either in Lake Forest or in Waukegan for them to be sworn in.

Maryjane Mentzinger, Voter Service Ch.

**INCOME
ASSISTANCE**

Paula DuBourdisu and Jane Orth are doing a survey requested by the State League on income assistance. The purpose of the survey is to learn about what is happening to poor people in our local area, and to share this information with the State League. General assistance, medical services, and day care were important issues recently in the Illinois Legislature, and will be again. The federal role in helping the poor and unemployed promises to be a crucial issue in presidential and congressional races in 1984. Such issues become more meaningful when you can relate them to your local community.

**ANNUAL
MEETING**

Yes, it is coming up!! Mary Liz Carney has offered to have the annual meeting at her house this year, so mark your calendars - Monday, April 30.

Nominating Committee: Millie Kitzmiller, Chairman, Betty Buker, Betty Snyderacker, Lorrie Schriver and Sue Gnospelius. They will be meeting very soon and are interested in receiving suggestions from the membership for the Officers and Board for 1984-85. Please call any of the committee with your suggestions.

Budget Committee: Susie Warter, Chairman, Kay O'Connell, Judy Wilson, ex-officio, and Bea Schuetz, ex-officio.

By-Laws: Nancy Bolton and Jane Fischbach have agreed to review our By-Laws to see if any changes should be made.

NATIONAL PROGRAM PLANNING PREDISCUSSION QUESTIONNAIRE

YOUR OPINION COUNTS

We would like to see you at a National Program-making Discussion Meeting on February 4, 1984 at 12:15 in the 1201 room - Gorton.

PLEASE COME!

In preparation for our League's discussions on national program making, we would like to have your preliminary suggestions before the above date.

Please refer to the Fall 1983 National VOTER, which contains the national board's 1984-86 Suggested Program.

Considerations to keep in mind when making your suggestions are: member interest, timeliness and manageability of program at all levels of the League. This informal survey is being conducted by all Leagues, and the results will be shared with you.

YOUR NAME _____ Mail to Bea Schuetz, President
LWV of Lake Forest
400 Illinois Road
Lake Forest, IL. 60045

Here are my suggestions:

____ I favor re adoption of national program positions on Government, International Relations, Natural Resources and Social Policy.

____ I want to change the current positions as follows: _____

____ I want a new National Security study about _____

____ I would rather have a new study of _____

____ I do not want any new study.

* PLEASE SEND YOUR SUGGESTIONS EVEN IF YOU WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND A MEETING

PUBLICATIONS

outstanding national publications have
just been announced. We have copies on the office,
but if you would like to have a copy of your own,
call Blanche Johnston, 234-1969.

teenth Amendment LWVF #425

\$1.75 - \$1.25 for members.

is presents the latest research findings and poll data on
important questions such as "What is the 'women's vote?'," and
"Is the 'gender gap' real?" It describes women's past voting
patterns and focuses on the ways in which women in the 1980s
differ from men in their political preferences and voting decisions.
It covers the facts and issues on women's electoral participation
what were presented at the LWVF's 1983 Conference on the Women's
Vote and summarizes other research as well.

U.S. National Security: Facts and Assumptions LWVF #538

\$2.25 - \$1.50 for members

This is the report of the LWVF's 1983 Conference on National
Security that focuses on issues of U.S. foreign and military policy,
defense spending, and arms control and provides a background for
developing citizen education programs. It also discusses facts
and assumptions a citizen must consider in evaluating
military policy and defense spending in the 1980s and presents
citizens' attitudes on the U.S. role in the world.

The National Pre-treatment Program: An Important Link to Clean Water and a Cleaner Environment in Your Community LWVF #644

35¢ - 20¢ for members

This useful question-and-answer pamphlet explains the national
wastewater pretreatment program and the process for developing
pretreatment programs to protect water quality in local
communities. Information on citizen involvement in developing
such programs is also available.

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LAKE FOREST PORTRAIT

And don't forget our own publication. We still have
some which have been brought up to date as far as
voting information is concerned - and that is
about all that had become dated. A good map and
some beautiful drawings by local artists are included. They
make a great small gift for a new neighbor.

The cost is \$2.00, and you may pick one up at any LWV meeting,
or call Blanche Johnston (234-1969) to buy one. We would also
appreciate your help in thinking of people who would like to
buy the Portrait, and places where we can sell them. Also,
Colleen Regan has graciously consented to help us update the
rest of the Portraits by doing 75 of them. Any other volunteers?

A. R. H. S. CONF. STATEMENT OF SITTING

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as a long-term goal, the league supports the total elimination of weapons.

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The degree of women voters' beliefs that arms control be evaluated in terms of the following factors:

...the terms should be mutually beneficial and the security and interests should be adequately protected. ...necessarily require equality in numbers. ...weapons but a relative balance to total capabilities.

Verifiability	party should be able to test	and de-
compliance with the terms of the agreement, whether	and de-	scribe
analysis (satellite), seismic sensors and electronic	and de-	scribe
inspection. The latter barriers it is extremely	and de-	scribe
compliance, recognizing	and de-	scribe
Equity and verifiability	critical in efforts to limit	reduce
Quantities of	withhold	and spread of
UNEP/WHO		

Confidence in military intelligence efforts to protect the political or social interests of the United States is vital in such circumstances.

Environmental: The quality of the earth's environment should be protected and the effects of weapons testing or use. Environmental protection has significant in negotiations to prohibit the possession of chemical, biological and radiological weapons and to limit the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Continuity: Negotiations should build on past agreements and future negotiations whenever feasible. Innovative thinking and new approaches should, however, be encouraged when appropriate.

Ints Control Objectives

League support of arms control measures includes action on negotiations and agreements

The major supports of the focus on nuclear warheads are ballistic missiles, conventional missiles and weapons of mass destruction.

The League advocates 1 on the Soviet proliferation weapons to inhibit transfers of nuclear technology or such as the or out to another to a geographic

The regime's pursuit of _____ on the issue _____ use of weapons may lead to existing weapons or _____ not yet developed.

exchange of information or notification in order to avoid the risk of escalation. Other League-suppressures to reduce tension create a climate of trust among nations.

The League supports efforts to inhibit the development of a strong, independent labor movement.

weeders. These constraints are selective or comprehensive application.

FINANCE

THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU - THANK YOU -
to all of our members who have made generous donations
to the League for our fiscal year, beginning April 1,
1983 - January, 1984. We so appreciate your donations
and hope that any of the rest of you who wish to
give will write your check soon. As you know, all of our \$25.00
dues goes to National and State LWV. The more donations we receive,
the less time we will have to spend in fund raising projects.

Contributors this year are:

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Easy Money - JEWEL DAYS

Start making your list for extra groceries, and shop on
our Lake Forest LWV Jewel Days - February 6, 7 and 8 - Monday
Tuesday and Wednesday. We receive a donation of 5% of our gross
amount spent for groceries from Jewel.

This is an easy way to add money to our treasury.

And - sometime before the Annual Meeting the end of April (maybe
next month) you will be called and asked to buy or sell chances
for our third annual raffle, the drawing for which will be at the
annual meeting. The chances will remain \$1.00 each - the prize
is a gourmet dinner which anyone would enjoy. We hope you will
respond positively and help us make a considerable amount of our
operating expenses. Mary Ann Fowler is chairman and you will be
advised of the details in our March bulletin.



DEBATE
PLANS

The League of Women Voters of Illinois is sponsoring
a Primary Forum for candidates for the nomination of
the Democratic Party for United States Senator on

*****: Sunday, March 4, 1984 at 7:00 P.M.
at Westin O'Hare Hotel
6100 River Road - Rosemont

Roland Burris, Philip Rock, Alex Seith and Paul Simon will
appear - a wine and appetizer reception will follow.
Registration will be at 6:30 P.M., Program at 7:00 and the
reception at 8:30. The ticket charge is \$2.00 for debate only,
and \$7.00 for debate and reception.

This is a wonderful opportunity to see and hear what these
candidates have to say, and you are all invited to attend.
Just send your check and reservation to the LWV of Illinois,
using the blank at the bottom of this page.

The State League plans to announce arrangements for a similar
forum for Charles Percy and Tom Corcoran, candidates for the
Republican nomination, in the near future. You can call the
State League office (236-0315) if you are interested in attending
such forum but have not received further information.

The LWVUS presidential forums are shown on the calendar on
Page 3 - make a note on your calendar so you won't miss them.
The State League has reminded the National League that Illinois
would be a great location for one of the debates before the
general election.

Because these debates are quite costly, the National League is
asking again for contributions, either to the LWV for lobbying
and political action, or a tax-deductible gift to the Education
Fund for educational efforts only. Any contribution will be
greatly appreciated.

RESERVATION DEADLINES: Friday, February 24 for Mailback tickets
Wednesday, February 29 for tickets to be
picked up at Registration Table.

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OBSERVERS Our long-time League Member, Marie Spiel, has offered to observe the High School Board. How about some volunteers for some of the other Boards?

HANDGUN CONTROL League members are invited to attend the Fifth Annual Lincoln Day Dinner sponsored by the Ill. Citizens for Handgun Control. It will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Palmer House in Chicago in Thursday, February 9, 1984 at 7:00 p.m. Following the dinner there will be a panel discussion on "How Handgun Control Can and Does Work in the United States and Canada". The cost is \$40 per person. For more information, call 641-5578.

Membership in the League of Women Voters is open to any U.S. citizen of voting age. Dues in the Lake Forest League are \$25.00 per year. Anyone wishing to join can send a check for that amount, payable to the LWV of Lake Forest, to Sue Gnospellus, Membership Chairman, 400 E. Illinois Road, Lake Forest, Illinois, 60045.



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CALENDAR

MARCH 4 Sun. 7:00 PM - LWVIL Primary Forum

4-10 - National Women's Week

5 Mon. 9:30 AM - Regular Board Meeting at Gorton

7 Wed. 1:00 PM - Great Decisions Meeting - South Africa

9 Fri. 7:30 PM - LWVIL Reception for Republican Candidates

11 Sun. National Primary Debate - Atlanta

15 Thurs. - Last day for receipt of absentee ballot
application by County Clerk

* 19 Mon. 9:30 AM - MARITAL LAW GENERAL MEETING - CONSENSUS
Window Room at Gorton Community Center

20 Tues. 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM - GENERAL PRIMARY AND CITY
ELECTIONS - VOTE

21 Wed. 1:00 PM - Great Decisions Meeting

* See Page 2 for details.

IMPORTANT!! ELECTION DAY - TUESDAY, MARCH 20.

BE SURE TO VOTE. If you are going to be away on that
day, you may vote at City Hall from February 28 until
March 19. Monday through Friday, 9-5.

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Dear Leaguers:

What is CONSENSUS? Why do we do it? Two questions often asked by new and old members.

CONSENSUS in the League means agreement among a substantial number of members, representatives of the membership as a whole, reached after sustained study and group discussion. It is not just a simple majority, nor is it necessarily unanimity. Decisions in the League are based on membership participation and discussion. After careful, objective study, a position, or consensus, is reached. This consensus is the final member opinion which evolves during the study process. All opinions are welcome. In consensus areas of agreement evolve as opinions crystallize. A recorder notes the number present and the opinions expressed, including areas of agreement or disagreement, minority views and their strength, and areas in which the group was undecided or lacking information. Consensus formulates Positions which express the League's point of view regarding an issue and form of basis for League action.

On March 19 our League will participate in the Marital Property Law Study. I urge you to attend this meeting. (details are below). Consensus is difficult to define and difficult to reach, but it is the source of League strength. Your opinion does make a difference. I hope to see you at this meeting.

Meanwhile, we will have the local Candidates' Forum on Wednesday, February 29 for all aldermanic and mayoral candidates at 7:30 P. M. at Gorton Community Center. This forum is open to the public as are all of our meetings. You are encouraged to bring your neighbors and friends. See you there.

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MARITAL LAW
STUDY AND
CONSENSUS

March 19 (Monday) in the Window Room at the Gorton Community Center we will hold one of our most important meetings this year - study and consensus on Illinois laws as they relate to marriage - specifically on marital property systems and the implications for the rights and responsibilities of spouses in an ongoing marriage.

Coffee will be served at 9:00 A.M. and the presentation will begin promptly at 9:30. The members' discussion will begin at 11:00 and will be following by consensus at 12:00. The meeting should end at 12:30. Lois Ryan, an Attorney at Law with a special interest in family law, will be present to clarify positions.

DON'T MISS IT!

CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

I. What role, if any, should Illinois law play in addressing the economic aspects of an ongoing marriage? Explain.

II. How should Illinois laws treat.

A. marriage contracts?

Should a marital property act allow a couple to make a legally enforceable 1) pre-nuptial contract?
2) post-nuptial contract?

B. the classification of property in marriage?

1. What should be the ownership of property acquired during marriage?
 - a. Property should belong to the spouse whose earnings are directly responsible for its acquisition.
 - b. Property should belong to both spouses equally.
 - c. Property should belong to spouses unequally in some ratio reflecting the monetary and non-monetary contributions of each.
 - d. Other.
2. How should separate property be treated in marriage?
 - a. Each spouse should retain as separate property any property brought to the marriage or inherited during it.
 - b. All separate property should become the property of both spouses.
 - c. Other.
3. How should the income from separate property be treated in marriage?
 - a. It should belong to the spouse who owns the separate property.
 - b. It should become the marital property of both spouses.
 - c. Other.
4. How should changes in the value of separate property be treated?
 - a. They should belong to the spouse who owns the separate property.
 - b. They should become the marital property of both spouses.
 - c. Changes due to the personal effort of a spouse during marriage should become the marital property of both spouses; natural changes should remain separate property.
 - d. Other.

C. the management and control of property in marriage?

Who should manage and control marital property?

- a. Each spouse manages/controls any property held in his/her own name.
- b. Either spouse alone may manage/control all marital property but the consent of both is required to encumber or transfer real property.
- c. Both spouses manage and control all marital property.
- d. The higher wage earner manages and controls.
- e. The husband manages and controls.
- f. The wife manages and controls.
- g. Other.

D. employee benefits and pensions?

Should the written consent of both spouses be required in order to select benefit options and/or waive survivor benefits?

E. health insurance coverage?

Should access to existing group health insurance rates and coverage be available to a spouse in the event of death, divorce, or retirement?

F. pre-nuptial debts?

Which types of property should be used to satisfy a debt incurred by one spouse before marriage?

- a. The separate property of that spouse.
- b. The wages, income, and separate property of that spouse.
- c. All property, except the separate property, of the other spouse.
- d. All property, including the separate property, of the other spouse.
- e. One-half of all marital property.

G. credit/debt during marriage?

1. Which types of property should be the basis for granting credit to a spouse?

- a. The wages, income, and separate property of the applicant.
- b. The wages, income, and separate property of the applicant and his/her spouse.
- c. All property, except separate property of the applicant's spouse.
- d. One half of all marital property.
- e. Other.

2. What types of property should be liable for the debts of a spouse.

- a. The wages, income, and separate property of the incurring spouse.
- b. The wages, income, and separate property of both spouses.
- c. All property except separate property of the non-incurring spouse.
- d. One-half of all marital property.

H. support obligation during marriage?

1. Should each spouse have a mutual obligation to support the other spouse and their dependent children?

2. Which types of property should be used to satisfy support obligations?

- a. Marital property.
- b. Separate property of one spouse.
- c. All property.
- d. Other.

MEMBERSHIP

We are pleased to report that three new members have joined the Lake Forest League. Please welcome:

CLITES, MRS. JAMES E., Jr. (Winifred Ann)
1172 Timber Lane 295-7743

Ann Clites has lived in Lake Forest for one year, having come here from Highland Park. Her husband is a retired army officer who now works in advertising. Ann works part-time in art retailing, and is also working with the Republican Women's Club on a voter survey. She is interested in local government and local issues.

O'CONNELL, MRS. DANIEL F. (Mary M.)
2 North Ahwahnee Road, 295-1482

Mary is a Lake Forest girl who married Danny O'Connell (long time member Kay O'Connell's son) a few years ago and has two little children 2½ years and 5 months. She joined the League because she wants to be informed politically and finds the League programs interesting.

HOOGASIAN, MRS. JACK (Claudia Aho)
760 N. Burton Drive 295-5695

Claudia is an Attorney-at-Law who practices in Waukegan, specializing in dissolution and probate law, and is married to the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court. They have four children, ranging in age from 12 to 17, and joined the League because of her interest in its studies and programs.

RAFFLE Did you receive your 20 raffle tickets?

Please do sell them to your friends, neighbors and associates - your bridge groups, at meetings and at parties. The prize is appealing - everyone would enjoy a gourmet meal at LeFrancs in Wheeling - the cost is reasonable - only \$1.00 a chance, and if we do well on this easy kind of fund drive, we will not have to conduct a real fund drive or raise the dues - neither of which we want to do.

So - we hope you will do all you can to sell your 20 tickets (and call Mary Ann Fowler for more!), then come to the Annual Meeting on Monday, April 30 and see who wins the big prize and the three surprises. Remember - your entire dues go to State and National. We can spend only what we get from the raffle, Jewel Days and contributions.

CONWAY FARMS: DECISION BY THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD

The Lake County Board, at its meeting on February 14, 1984, considered the Conway Farms rezoning request. The property is approximately 233 acres north of Route 60 and east of the Tri-State Tollway from Estate to Office and Research. Twenty-two of the twenty-four Board members were present; absent were Helen Belmont Amendola (District 1) and Al Knox (6).

Priscilla Richardson, who chairs the Planning, Zoning, and Building Committee, reported on the recommendation by the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning, Zoning, and Building Committee to approve the rezoning request. Richardson pointed out that this area is classified as suburban under the Lake County Framework Plan; in deference to Lake Forest, the area south of Route 60 was classified as countryside. Further, it has not been zoned as agriculture for fifteen years. Although Lake Forest and Mettawa had filed objections, neither the ZBA nor the P&B Committee found rezoning to be in serious conflict with the County's Plan. Development, which will take place over 18 years, will be closely scrutinized by the County.

Deloris Axelrod (1) expressed her three concerns: 1) there has been no assurance from IDOT that highway improvements at the Toll Road/Route 60 interchange and on Route 60 will be made; 2) the source of water supply is unresolved and a larger allocation may be needed; and 3) there is a feeling of antagonism between the County and Lake Forest. Axelrod moved to defer the rezoning request vote until these three objections are satisfied. The motion, which was seconded by Donald Strenger (1), failed in a voice vote.

Also speaking against the proposal were Mike Graham (5) who did not find OR an appropriate use of the area and Donald Strenger (1) who expressed the view that the land should be annexed by Lake Forest and that Lake Forest and the owners could work out a compromise on the number of acres committed to OR use north of Route 60. Speaking for the proposal were Leopold (1), Pekol (2), Serdar (2), Payne (3), Labelle (3), Fields (4), Neal (3), Balen (2), Rostron (3), Depke (5), Dolan (5), and Nixon (2). Proponents stated that the zoning change complies with the County's Framework Plan and the Economic Development Plan.

The resolution passed (19-3) with only Axelrod, Strenger, and Graham casting the dissenting votes.

*The LNWLP Resource Committee on Conway Farms will continue to follow this important issue as the City of Lake Forest determines its next step. The purpose of League involvement in Conway Farms is to promote the informed participation of residents. All members are encouraged to take opportunities which occur in conversations to urge Lake Forest residents to contact their aldermen and mayor with their views on what the City's next step should be.

***** SUGGESTED LOCAL PROGRAM *****

At the January board meeting League members were asked to join our members in a local program-making discussion. The Local Program Committee (Sue Christensen, Paula DuBourdieu, and Barbara Johnson) then met to formulate a suggested local program for the next League year. The committee's recommendations were then presented at the February board meeting. Now the membership is being asked for its input before the March 6th board meeting. If you have any opinions to express, please call Sue Christensen at 234-6043 before March 6th.

- ① Continued study of youth problems in Lake Forest, and related services - including support of CROYA (Committee Representing Our Young Adults).

Recommendation: Retain this item. The committee suggests a study to determine if CROYA is meeting its objectives.

Comment: There was much interest and discussion on CROYA's goals and effectiveness when this item was discussed at the January meeting. It was indicated then that members would like to have this study for next year.

- ② Support of and continued attention to public education in Lake Forest, including elementary schools and the high school. Focus on problems of declining enrollment and disposition of school buildings.

Recommendation: Drop this item.

Comment: There does not appear to be any interest in retaining this item at this time.

- ③ Support of the Lake Forest Comprehensive Plan with continuing attention to land use, local environmental pollution, zoning, recreation and safety.

Recommendation: Retain this item. The committee suggests a study of the impact of leaf burning on our environment.

Comment: This is an issue on which members expressed an interest and a willingness to spend time and effort.

Recommendation: The committee suggests a study of the housing needs of retirees and "empty-nesters".

Comment: There was much interest in this topic. It was pointed out that many retirees and "empty-nesters" would like to sell their homes and find in Lake Forest more suitable housing for their changing life styles. This study would include the variety of housing needs and the needed zoning.

Recommendation: The committee suggests a study of traffic and parking in Lake Forest.

Comment: Traffic management affects public safety, community ambience, neighborhood development, business growth, and residential property values.

This study would examine the city traffic program, focusing on how it is administered, constraints from the State, and how new traffic loads are accommodated or discovered. It would identify traffic management improvements recently implemented, under consideration, and those which are planned.

Traffic management improvements are subject to many different types of approval. The study would examine the controls sought by the city staff, the State, business owners and residents with an eye toward de-mystifying this process which affects our economic and social life in Lake Forest.

- ④ Continued attention to the Lake Forest caucus system.

Recommendation: Retain this item.

Comment: The discussion at the January meeting indicated that members wish to retain this item.

- ⑤ Continued attention to the future of Fort Sheridan.

Recommendation: Drop this item.

Comment: Since the future of Fort Sheridan is no longer in doubt, it is felt that this item is unnecessary at this time.

GREAT A Great Decisions Meeting on South Africa will be
DECISIONS held at the home of Bea Irminger, 1 W. Onwentsia Road,
 on March 7, (Wednesday) at 1:00 P.M. All are welcome -
 Just call Bea at 234-1928, or Lorrie Schriver - 295-2468.

The League of Women Voters of Wilmette invites you to join them on Sunday, March 4 from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M. at the Terra Museum of American Art, Central Park & Central Street in Evanston for wine and hors'doeuvres, and to enjoy "WOMAN" - an exhibition of 80 paintings by American artists from John S. Copley to Andy Warhol depicting women over the past 230 years.

Send \$10 per person for a reservation to LWV of Wilmette, c/o Clarice Stetter, 1040 Elmwood, Wilmette 60091, or call 256-0670.

LEGISLATIVE
SEMINAR

On April 3-4 League members from throughout the State will trek to Springfield for the Legislative Seminar - always an exciting and stimulating trip. All legislators are invited to join League members at a Legislative Breakfast on Wednesday, and Governor Thompson has been invited to speak. On Tuesday there will be a program on lobbying, Leaguers will visit the Capitol to see the legislators in action and to lobby if you wish, and will be invited to a Reception at the Governor's Mansion. For those who have not visited Springfield before, there will be an opportunity for an Orientation to the Capitol.

Cost is \$25 per person, and includes lunch on April 3 and the breakfast for legislators and League members on April 4. Deadline is March 26, 1984.

Everyone who has ever made this annual trip came back enthusiastic and stimulated, so do call Bea Schuetz if you want to visit with your legislators in Springfield and see what goes on. Information about hotels, etc. is available in the office. Several Lake Forest members will be going, so call Bea if you would like to join them.

LAKE
COUNTY
LEAGUE

The Lake County League has updated and republished its booklet "This is Lake County, Illinois", and is distributing it throughout the county to public officials, libraries and schools. It is free of charge, thanks to the financial help of the Kemper Insurance Company, and is available to anyone who wants one - as long as the supply lasts.

If you would like to have a copy, you may call Jane Orth or Mary Liz Carney, or you can pick one up in the Gorton office.

The Lake County League has completed the State League's survey of the Lake County Jail, and a comprehensive statement will be forthcoming from the state on jail conditions throughout Illinois. It appears that the County monitoring of the jail and its problems is as much needed now as it was when adopted nearly three years ago.

The Chicago Tribune will again publish the League's Voters Guide in October before the General Election, and the Lake County League is responsible for the questions asked those candidates who will be elected in Lake County.

VOTER As you know, our League has been involved in
REGISTRATION Voter Registration of new voters for a number
 years and have registered a good many
 Art Fair, on Lake Forest Day, at Newcomer,
 and at various meetings of our own.

We will continue as we have in the past since our deputy registrars will be on the county computer (with passage of P.A. 83-1059 effective on July 1, 1984 there will be a good many more registrars enlisted by the county and new requirements have been set up) but another law passed quietly and unexpectedly last year (P.A. 83-258) which requires persons wishing to register to vote to produce two pieces of identification - at least one of which contains a current address. This will undoubtedly cause some problems until people get used to operating under the law, but we hope that this will not take too long. Just be aware of this requirement so that you can advise any new voter.

Merit selection of judges has been a high priority for the LWV of Illinois since the 1970 Constitutional Convention, and they have worked for passage of a merit selection amendment. Thus far the legislature has failed to pass a resolution to place the issue on the ballot.

In November, Senators Netsch and Kustra introduced Senate Joint Resolution Constitutional Amendment 73 (SJA CA 73) which would place this issue on the November, 1984 ballot for a statewide referendum if it is approved by both houses of the legislature by May 4, 1984.

ACTION: Write your legislators, asking them to approve this resolution.

ACTION NEEDED ON FEDERAL LEGISLATION -- -- --

Support SR 1812, the Metzenbaum Long-Term Unemployed Assistance Act. Please contact your Senator to stress the need for jobs legislation in 1984. Under this bill jobs creation would be targeted to the long-term unemployed and would include soft public works jobs which are most accessible to women and minorities.

Support HR 3482, the Fish/Edwards Fair Housing Bill, which would establish enforcement mechanisms to carry out the intent of the 1968 Fair Housing Act. Contact your Representatives and ask him to be a co-sponsor.

CANDIDATE
FORUMS



On Sunday, March 4 at 7:00 P.M. there will be a

PRIMARY FORUM FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE NOMINATION OF
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Registration Deadlines: Friday, February 24 for Mailback tickets
Wednesday, February 29 for tickets to be
picked up at registration desk.

On Friday, March 9, at 9:30 P.M. there will be a

PRIMARY FORUM FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE NOMINATION OF THE
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE MEETING

The Cook County Criminal Justice Committee invites all interested Leaguers and friends to a meeting in the League Conference Room (14th Floor, 67 E. Madison St.) on Thursday, March 15 from 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM. The cost is 50¢.

Speakers will be Bobbie Huskey, Exec. Dir. of PACT, Inc., who will discuss the Community Corrections Act to be introduced in the legislature this spring; and Michael Mahoney, Exec. Dir. of John Howard Association, who will discuss the work release program in Cook County.

PUBLICATIONS

The National League has recently published an excellent booklet - The Women's Vote: Beyond the Nineteenth Amendment (#425, \$1.25 for members).

It tells about women's voting patterns over the years, about issues and opinions making up the gender gap, and about what scholars aid about the women's vote at the June 1983 LWVF Conference on the Women's Vote.

A copy will be in the office (now Room #214) but if you would like to have a copy, please call Blanch Johnston (234-1969).



LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE FOREST NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT--1984

The Nominating Committee has selected the following slate of candidates for election at the 1984 Annual Meeting of the Lake Forest League of Women Voters:

To be elected for one year to fill uncompleted terms expiring in 1985

President	Paula DuBourdieu
Vice President	Eleanor Beidler
Secretary	Jan Eimar
Directors (3)	Mary Liz Carney Blanche Johnston Kay O'Connell

To be elected for two year terms expiring in 1986

Vice Presidents (2)	Jill Lauer Bea Schuetz
Treasurer	Jill Halbert
Directors (4)	Molly Heizer Linda Illes Jane Orth Barbara Waldman

To be elected to the Nominating Committee--term expiring in 1985

Lori Shriver, Chairman
Sue Gnospelius
Millie Kitzmiller

It is the recommendation of the Nominating Committee that, during the coming year, the board should pursue the possibility of merging with the Lake Bluff League of Women Voters.

Respectfully submitted,

Millie Kitzmiller, Chairman
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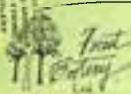
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ALL MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE FOREST, ILLINOIS
are cordially invited to attend
THE ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON
on Monday, April 30, 1984
at the home of
Mary Liz Carney, 277 S. Bluff's Edge Drive, Lake Forest, Illinois

PROGRAM

10:00 a.m. -----Coffee
10:30 a.m. -----Business Meeting
12:00 Noon -----Cocktails
12:30 p.m. -----Luncheon

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RESERVATION CUT-OFF DATE -APRIL 25

Dear Leaguers:

It's that time again! The annual meeting gives the LNWLF the opportunity to elect officers, adopt local program, adopt a budget, and consider and vote on proposed bylaws amendments. The enclosed white packet gives you all the information about what will be voted on at this most important meeting of the year. Be sure to be there on Monday, April 30 at 11:00 A.M. at Mary Liz Carney's - 277 S. Bluff's Edge Dr. Your invitation is on the front page of this bulletin.

Don't forget the drawing for the dinner at Le Francais and the prize for the member selling the most raffle tickets. My sincere thanks to Mary Ann Fowler for setting up the raffle so beautifully.

At this meeting we will also be reviewing the activities of the past year which have been most interesting, and this includes one of our most recent affairs - the wine and cheese reception for our elected state and national officials. A big thank-you to Molly and Ned Heizer for hosting this get-together for members and spouses at their lovely home. Congressman Porter, Senator Barkhausen, Representative Frederick and Representative Peterson seemed to enjoy this informal gathering which we hope to repeat next year. Thanks to Linda Illes for handling the details.

Our Local Candidates' Forum was a resounding success, thanks to the committee headed by Paula Du Bourdieu and consisting of Jane Orth, Sue Christensen and Bette Jo Pedersen. About 175 citizens were present to hear our candidates for Mayor and City Council advise us of their plans and concerns. Betty Ann Moore from the Lake Bluff League was our excellent moderator.

Thanks to Abbie Fassnacht and her committee for their great consensus meeting on marital law which was held on March 19. We were sorry there were not more members present, but the ice storm probably made it the worst day of the year. We had about 18 people taking consensus.

This letter has run on too long already, but I must add a special thanks to all the committee chairmen who prepare us for the annual meeting. They are: Susie Warter, Budget Chair; Sue Christensen, Local Program; Millie Kitzmiller, Nominations; Nancy Bolton, Bylaws, and to Mary Liz Carney who is our hostess.

See you on April 30.

Bea

YOUR DUES ARE DUE !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dues of \$25.00 are now being collected for the period April 1, 1984 through March 31, 1985, and your prompt payment will greatly assist the Board in planning the new League year. If you are hesitating about paying your dues for another year, please hesitate no longer! WE NEED YOU!

If you are concerned because you just "don't have time for League, please think about it one more time. Even if the only time you have to donate to the League is the time it takes you to write your check, that's fine. Keep in touch during a busy period through the League Lines, and join us in a more active way when you can. Our impact is in our numbers, and we need YOU in our numbers to make our opinions count.

To those who have already paid your dues, THANK YOU!

Did you know that not one dollar of your dues remains with our local League? The entire amount goes to the National and State Leagues in per-member payments. So, in order to survive we must raise 100% of the money we budget each year. We do this through League Line ads, Jewel Days, donations, Marathon bridge, and our annual raffle - and all are important.

We want your dues, of course, and we also hope that you will sell and/or buy the raffle tickets which were sent to you last month. If each member of our League were responsible for \$20 worth of raffle tickets, we would raise over \$2,000!! Incidentally, there is a nice prize for the member who sells the most tickets, as well as great prizes for the ones who buy the lucky tickets- so we hope you will do all you can to make this fund raising effort a real success. It is quite an easy way to raise money.

The recent Jewel Days netted us \$39.13 - not a tremendous amount but an absolutely painless way to contribute to the League. Many thanks to Jane Orth for her work in organizing it.

And, of course, any contribution over and above the annual dues is greatly appreciated. You may remember that a donation of \$25.00 or more made to the LWV of Illinois Education Fund is tax-deductible and may be used to cover one-fourth of the LWVIL per member payment.

And, while we are on the subject of money - the bulletin ads bought by our local merchants help support our League, so it would be a real contribution if you help support these merchants and let them know that you saw their ads in the League Lines.

SEE YOU AT THE ANNUAL MEETING!

Don't forget to get the stubs and money in for the raffle tickets - the drawing will be on April 30, following luncheon. It will be fun and exciting to see who wins.

COUNTY During the fall of 1984 and early 1984 Leagues
JAIL throughout Illinois participated in the LWVIL Jail
SURVEY Survey. It was designed to help League members become more familiar with the strengths and weaknesses of their own county jail and well as to give local Leagues a better idea of the kinds of alternatives that would be most appropriate for offenders in their communities, and to provide the state League with a picture of county jails statewide.

Leagues visited 28 out of the 98 Illinois county jails and the survey consisted of approximately 105 questions. While many of the questions were to be answered by interviewing the jail administrator or other staff member, some questions required the team to make personal observations and judgments.

A very interesting report has been issued by the State League and, while it is too long to include with the bulletin, it is available for perusal at the League office, or by calling Bea Schuetz. A few items of interest concerning the Lake County Jail are listed below, and some comparison is shown between jails - although the county population and size of jails is very different.

	County Popula.	Crime Rate	Jail Pop.	Jail Capacity	Pretrial Detainees	Serving Sentences
Lake	427,574	49.62	105	121	74	23
Kane	290,320	56.05	113	102	86	24
DuPage	643,793	37.66	187	310	72	15
St.Clair	260,447	44.26	192	244	146	3

The team that surveyed the Lake County Jail was made up of Joyce O'Keefe from Highland Park (State Criminal Justice Chair), Monica Radtke from Libertyville and Ruth Henderson of Waukegan. Except for the table, it is impossible to find any facts in the state report which refer only to Lake County Jail since the jails were grouped by size and this one is considered one of the larger jails (100-400 beds). Survey teams generally rated the condition of cells in these jails much lower than those in smaller jails. Winnebago County Jail and Madison County Jail were given high marks, but ratings for the rest ranged from "adequate" to "barely humane". Cleanliness was not a problem in any of the smaller jails, it was an issue in at least half of these jails, and only one was found to have adequate lighting in the cells. Conditions in the women's cells mirrored the conditions of the other cells. Educational programs are limited or non-existent, and measures for preventing suicide do not increase in sophistication with the size of the jail. Only three of these jails report that they have adequate space for separating various categories of offenders.

Since the jail is used for pretrial sentencing much more than for serving sentences, the population varies, but the team felt that it is greatly overcrowded and that it would benefit from a better trained, more professional staff.

LEGISLATIVE
SEMINAR



Final call for all members wishing to attend the Legislative Seminar in Springfield on April 3-4. This is always a stimulating experience - everyone who has ever gone has found it to be most worthwhile.

Governor Thompson will speak at the Legislative Breakfast on Wednesday, and all legislators have been invited to this breakfast. If you plan to attend, a personal invitation from you will be an added enticement, although many things are going on in Springfield that morning which may pull some legislators away. See March "League Lines" for other details.

Bea Schuetz will be driving over on Tuesday morning and there will be room in her car - call her.

GREAT
DECISIONS

The next three meetings promise to be extremely interesting because of the subjects and the guests who are being invited, and all League members are welcome. Just call the respective hostess and come along.

Because of spring vacations, etc., the dates are somewhat different than were previously announced, but as of today they are as follows

- April 11 Wed. 1:00 p.m. - Home of Mary Liz Carney, 277 Bluff's Edge Drive, (234-7624) on Saudi-Arabia
- April 25 Wed. 1:00 p.m. - Home of Bea Irminger, 1 W. Onwentsia Rd. (234-1928) International Debt Crisis
- May 2 Wed. 1:00 p.m. - Home of Betty Buker- 1640 W. Melody Rd. (234-4509) on China

LAKE COUNTY LWV
INTERIM COUNCIL

The Interim Convention will meet at the home of Mary Liz Carney, 277 S. Bluff's Edge Dr., Lake Forest at 9:30 a.m. on May 2, 1984.

The Voting Delegates will be members of the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of Lake County, and all presidents of local leagues in Lake County (or their alternates). The business will consist of adoption of a budget for 1984-85, election of a secretary to complete the second year of a two-year term, and three directors. The business meeting will be followed by luncheon and a speaker.

ACTION

CLEAN WATER A major effort is needed NOW if Congress is to pass the good Clean Water Bills that have been drafted in both Houses. Opponents have mounted a massive campaign to delay them, and if floor votes are postponed past the spring, these votes bills will be relegated to the back-ground by election year and Congressional budget concerns.

What You Can Do: Write to Senator Charles Percy and urge him to pressure Senate leadership to bring S. 431 to a floor vote immediately. The Senate committee's compromise provision on nonpoint source pollution, introduced as a bill, S 2006, will be offered as an amendment to S 431 and the League also supports this amendment, but opposes Sen. Symms amendment which would delay and reduce the control of toxics, and Sen. Wallop's amendment to the Clean Water Act (Sec. 404, which protects wetlands) so that it would not affect water diversion projects in the West.

EARLY PROJECTION OF ELECTION RESULTS The LWV has endorsed resolutions offered by Rep. Al Swift (D WA) chairman of the Election Task Force of the House Administration Comm., and by Rep. Don Edwards (D CA) chairman of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Civil and

Constitutional Rights, which call upon the broadcast media to refrain voluntarily from projecting presidential election results or making election-day predictions in presidential elections until all the polls throughout the U.S. have closed, and calls upon the news media to adopt guidelines to assure that data from exit polls are not used to project election results before the polls close. The League believes that the right to exercise one's vote is a precious right and it should not be interfered with or abrogated.

What You Can Do: Write to your representatives and urge them of the League's support of these measures, and urge them to cosponsor the above resolutions.



The League is committed to congressional passage and ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment, and will advocate expanded employment opportunities for women. These two approaches to achieving equality will include legislative, education and legal activities. A major publication dealing with the ERA is in the process of being researched and published by the LWVUS.

What You Can Do: Write to Senator Percy and urge him to cosponsor S 1812, the Long Term Unemployment Assistance Act introduced by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D OH). Tell him that we need legislation that will include soft public work jobs that are most accessible to women and minorities, in addition to the more traditional public works jobs. Emphasize that the current recovery is no recovery for women heads-of-households, youth, minorities and the long-term unemployed.

REPORT by Beth Teich, reader Child Welfare area, on Tour of Arden Shore taken with Peg Mathias (Child welfare and Juvenile Justice Chairman of State Board)

On February 23 I toured Arden Shore with the State LMV Child Welfare group. Arden Shore is located on Sheridan Road in Lake Bluff. It started out as a fresh air camp, and gradually evolved to become a residential facility designed to help emotionally disturbed young people. The Arden Shore facility can accommodate 50 young people living on campus. They also staff a group home in North Chicago and provide staff for a group home for girls in Highland Park. At the present time there are 37 living on campus, 9 in the boys' group home in N. Chicago and 5 in the girls' group home in Highland Park.

Movement from the Lake Bluff campus to the group home in North Chicago occurs after the successful completion of the program at Arden Shore, for in many cases the young person does not have a home to return to.

ArdenShore is the "last chance" before jail, or St. Charles. We were told that though follow-up is difficult, they feel from the studies that have been done that they have a 70% success rate. Students come from the greater Chicago area and JCFPS is their largest source of referrals with about 40% of their students being wards of the state. School districts also refer students to them, as do juvenile probation departments and other Social Service Agencies.

Once a young person has been referred to Arden Shore, a battery of psychological tests is done. The behavior modification process is facilitated through a group environment. The intake worker and director decide who join which group, depending on the composition of each group at that period of time. The group shares their life experiences with the new individual. Treatment goes on 24 hours a day, sometimes in a structured manner, other times unstructured.

Classes are held on campus with the exception of Gym and Vocation Education, which take place at L.F. High School. Though LFHS facilities are used, the Arden Shore students are not "mainstreamed" into the student body there. Arden Shore feels that each group goes through four stages of evolution:

- 1) case situation out
- 2) limit testing
- 3) polarization of values; some buy into new values, other hold onto old ones
- 4) formation of positive peer culture.

In the process, constant attempts are made to enhance the individual's self-confidence. Arden Shore provides volunteers to Grove School and other organizations in the community to facilitate an individual's feelings of self-worth. All of the students have problems with authority figures and dealing with anger. Both the staff and the group members help the individual to deal with these as well as with

individual problems. Arden Shore students range in age from 13-17 years with most of them 14, 15 and 16 years of age. Arden Shore is not equipped to deal with the following types of people:

- a) those who are psychotic
- b) those 12 years or under
- c) those with an I.Q. of less than 70

Including the two group homes for which they provide staff, Arden Shore staff totals 50. The education staff of 18 is separate as they are funded by the North Suburban Special Education District. A team approach is used and each cottage (group) has a team leader and three child-care workers. A large part of the program is the involvement of the child's family so that they can be able to deal effectively with their child with he/she is back in the home environment.

The program cost runs \$62-63/day with the referring agency's making up 65% of Arden Shore's budget. The rest must be raised by their Board and the 13 support groups.

LNVUS
NATIONAL
CONVENTION

New opportunities and challenges face the League of Women Voters as preparations are made for its exciting biennial national decision-making meeting. The national convention, the sovereign body of the League, is a representative body composed of delegates from all local Leagues, Inter-League Organizations, and state Leagues, plus the national board.

The 1984 National Convention will meet in Detroit, Michigan (Super City USA) at the Westin Hotel, on May 13-17, and Paula du Bordieu will be the Lake Forest League's delegate.

ARMS CONTROL

On Dec. 8, 1983 the League adopted a national position in support of arms control measures to reduce the risk of war, which included a freeze on the testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons that is bilateral, mutually verifiable, and intended to be followed by reductions in nuclear weapons. Even though freeze resolutions are not expected to be brought to the floor this year you should let your MC know that the League believes that a freeze is an appropriate means to achieve qualitative limits on the arms race, provided it meets the specific criteria.



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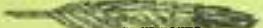
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CALENDAR

- APRIL 2 Mon. 9:30 A.M. - Regular Board Meeting
- 3-4 Legislative Seminar - Springfield
5. Thurs. Primary Debate - Pittsburgh
- 11 Wed. 1:00 P.M. - Great Decisions Meeting on Saudi-Arabia
at home of Mary Liz Carney
- 25 Wed. 1:00 P.M. - Great Decisions Meeting on International
Debt Crisis - Home of Bea Irminger
- 30 Mon. 10:00 A.M. - ANNUAL MEETING at home of Mary Liz
Carney,
- MAY 2 Wed. 1:00 P.M. - Great Decisions Meeting on China at
home of Betty Buker

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Voters is open to any U.S. citizen
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CALENDAR

- APRIL 30 Mon. 10:00 A.M. - ANNUAL MEETING at home of Mary
Liz Carney, 277 S. Bluff's Edge Dr.
- MAY 2 Wed. 1:00 P.M. - Great Decisions Meeting on China
at home of Betty Buker
- 2 Wed. 9:30 A.M. - Lake County LNW Interim Council
- 11 Fri. 11:30 A.M. - "Domestic Violence: It's A Crime!"
5:00 P.M. Seminar at College of Lake County
(See Page 3)
- 13-17 - LNWUS National Convention in
Detroit, Michigan - Westin Hotel
- JUNE 5 Tues. 11:00 A.M. - Old Board/New Board Meeting



Here's what's ahead

Have You Paid Your Dues?

Just a reminder to those who may have forgotten. All members' dues are now based on an April anniversary date. Do stay with us - we need you!

If you have questions, call Judy Wilson, 234-8235.

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

PRESIDENT'S LETTER . . . PRESIDENT' LETTER

Dear Leaguers:

This is going to be a big thank-you letter to all you Board Members and off-board chairmen and members who have helped make the 1993-84 LWVLF year such a success.

First of all I would like to thank Judy Wilson, who has been Treasurer, Finance Chair, and sounding board for me this past year. Besides that, she has been part of the ongoing committee of observers of the Conway Farms situation. I would also like to thank Sue Christensen, Local Program Chair, for her participation as Conway Farms observer, and for her wonderful calligraphy which has produced our lovely invitations and posters this year. As the third person on this committee, Paula DuBourdieu was an enthusiastic addition, but most of all I thank Paula for being our most competent Recording Secretary and for chairing our Candidates' Forum.

My heartfelt thanks to Mary Liz Carney for getting out all of those League Lines in the fastest time possible. They have kept us all informed. I am especially pleased that Sue Gnospeilius joined the Board in midyear as our Membership Chairman and took right over. I was sorry that Bonnie Shepherd had to resign as Membership Chair in September, but thank her for putting together the membership book and for organizing the opening luncheon.

I can see that this is getting too long already, but to continue. Thank-you to Abbie Passnacht for chairing the Marital Law Study so well, and to Lornie Shriver for chairing Great Decisions, to Bette Jo Bedersen for National Security expertise and for organizing our NATO night, to Blanche Johnston for being our Publications Chairman and for helping collate the bulletin, to Eleanor Beidler for continuing attention to Natural Resources and for always being there when we needed her, to Jane Orth for overseeing Water Quality and for keeping us abreast of what is happening in the Lake Michigan ILO. I am sorry that Barbara Beacham had to resign from the Board on March 5 because of her involvement with the Caucus election activities (as required by our Non-Partisan Political Policy for Action Chairs) as she was a great asset to the Board. And last but not least on the Board, I thank Elva Bacon who has done such a wonderful job with publicity this year.

Mary Jane Nugent was great as our Bridge Marathon Chairman, and I thank her for handling it so competently. Mary Ann Fowler is in the midst of being our Raffle Chairman, and I thank her for taking this on. Also, thank you to Millie Kitzmiller, Nominating Committee Chair; Susie Warter, Budget Committee Chair; Nancy Bolton, By-Laws Chair; Beth Teich, Child Welfare Reader; and Linda Illes, Reader of Hazardous Waste material and to all the rest of you who made this year go. And finally, my best wishes to Paula DuBourdier and her new board.

Sincerely,

April 18, 1984

Bea

Domestic Violence: It's A Crime!

May 11, 1984 College of Lake County



The purpose of this conference is to bring together law enforcement officials, prosecutors, judges and domestic violence workers from Lake and neighboring counties, to offer a comprehensive look at domestic violence as it pertains to the criminal justice system and to inform and discuss successful criminal justice policies for handling domestic violence cases.

Ill. State Rep. Virginia Fiester Frederick has written urging us to attend this very important conference on May 11.

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| 11:30 | Registration |
| 12:00-12:45 | Lunch |
| 12:45-1:00 | Welcome: Chief Judge Hoogasian,
19th Judicial Circuit, Lake County, IL |
| 1:00-1:10 | Introductions: Barbara Richardson,
Lake County, IL Coroner |
| 1:10-1:30 | Domestic Violence: Fiction and Fact
Tornie Flink-Larsen, Executive Director,
A Safe Place |
| 1:30-2:00 | Movie: A Family Affair |
| 2:00-2:45 | Keynote Address: "Arrest, the Best Deterrent to
Domestic Violence"
Reuben M. Greenberg, Chief of Police,
Charleston, South Carolina |
| 2:45-3:00 | Break |
| 3:00-3:30 | Prosecution, Enforcement and Alternative
Dispositions: Julie Hamos, Assistant State's
Attorney, Cook County, IL |
| 3:30-4:00 | A Judicial Interpretation: Judge Lewis V. Morgan,
18th Judicial Circuit, DuPage County, IL |
| 4:00-4:45 | Panel Discussion: Innovative and Effective
Approaches to Handling Domestic Violence
Cases |
| 4:45-5:00 | Our Challenge: Barbara Richardson |

She writes: "Due to the present interest of a small group of women in Lake Co., we have interested influential law enforcement people to participate in the Conference which is a big step forward in dealing with the whole issue of domestic violence. Although I know this is not an active part of your League program, currently, as women it is important that we support the seminar on May 11."

If you would like to join Paula DuBourdieu in attending this conference, please call her at 295-2489.

REGISTRATION FORM

Fee \$15.00, Lunch included (tax deductible).

Please make checks payable to: Domestic Violence Conference.

Detach the completed registration form and mail with payment to:

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Name

If applicable:

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Please indicate if
you'll be joining us for lunch. Yes _____ No _____

Registration deadline—May 4, 1984

HAZARDOUS WASTE The LNW within the eleven eligible midwestern states (which includes Illinois) supports the proposed Midwest Low-level Radioactive Waste Compact while raising eight concerns that should be addressed. The proposed compact provides a framework for the cooperative management and sound disposal of low-level waste (LLW) generated by the affected states. The compact should establish a process designed to ensure safe management and disposal of regional LLW in a manner which protects public health and the environment.

The League recognizes that the Midwest Compact is not a perfect document but is the product of a difficult negotiation process. The compromises it contains were made to meet state concerns and were based on available information. Changes may be proposed which would not unduly delay full ratification and implementation, but would provide for a safer, more effective means of achieving environmentally sound management and disposal of LLW.

Among the eight concerns are the lack of public participation opportunities on all levels of the decision-making process; permitting the Compact Commission to fund R & D on LLW Management technology, while recognizing that the lead responsibility rests with the federal government; providing that the Compact Commission aggressively pursue waste reducing policies; providing that management of LLW be accomplished in an environmentally sound manner taking into account economic and social impacts and with the aim of minimizing shallow land burial; clarifying the process by which a host state is selected with consideration for establishment of incentives to host state(s); clarifying the inconsistencies in the compact provisions whereby a state may withdraw from a compact; providing a uniform system of liability that is equitable and adequate to ensure that sufficient funds will be available for clean-up and compensation during operation and after closure.

From Marilyn B. Reeves, Natural Resources Coordinator, LNWUS.

PUBLICATIONS Two new LNWUS publications are now available. CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT is a complete guide to understanding the Presidential election process and provides an unbiased, nonpartisan perspective that goes beneath the political surface to let you see - and understand - how America elects a president. The process happens every four years, but few of us clearly understand how and why it happens as it does. CHOOSING THE PRESIDENT tells you in plain language. Pub. #420, 112 pp., illus; \$3.00 for members.

PICK A CANDIDATE is an easy-to-use voters' guide for 1984 and can help you assess candidates, their issues and tactics. Pub. #259. (Call Blanche Johnston, 234-1969)

ACTION

Prompt legislative action is needed to overturn the recent Supreme Court decision in the case of Grove City College vs. Bell. This decision substantially narrows the application of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 which prohibit sex discrimination in any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance. The League of Women Voters is responding to this decision by working with legislators and other concerned organizations to draft legislation which would clarify Congress's intent in passing this law. We are also concerned about the implication of the Grove City decision on other civil rights laws. The 1984 session of Congress will be a short one and it is essential that legislation passes both House and Senate before Congress adjourned this fall.

What You Should Do: Write or call your representatives and senators to urge their support for these bills that will be introduced to clarify Congress's intent that Title IX, Title VI, Sec. 504 and the Age Discrimination Act be applied broadly to prohibit discrimination in an entire institution or entity receiving federal funds. Such legislation will not expand on existing laws, but will be confined to specific word changes and new definitions, and it is crucial that such bill pass without any substantive amendments which would alter or change any one of these laws. The purpose of this legislation is to clarify congressional intent and return Title IX, Title VI, Sec. 504 and the Age Discrimination Act to the scope and coverage originally intended by Congress. The League will be supporting this comprehensive, four-statute approach and will not support any attempt to amend only one or two of the statutes, since this would leave the other laws unclarified.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Our heartiest congratulations to Mary Barb Johnson who has just been elected to the City Council.

Mary is the second woman, and also the second LWV member, to be elected to the Council - both firsts belonging to Ill. State Representative Virginia Flester Frederick. We are proud of you both!

IN MEMORIAM

Rather belatedly, we report the death of Eleanor Beidler's husband and of Mary Jane Nugent's mother. Our sincere sympathy to the families of both.

SOLID On Thursday night, April 12, the Solid Waste Advisory
WASTE Committee (SWAC) held one of a series of public meetings
at the Lake Forest City Hall. These public meetings are
intended to bring together municipal, township, industrial
and citizens' groups to learn about an issue that involves all of
the citizens in Lake County - although few of us really think
about what happens to our garbage except that it be taken away.

"What Are We Going To Do With All That Garbage?" was a question
studied by all Illinois Leagues about ten years ago, and again
by the Lake County Leagues in 1981, and the question is still with
us and becoming more critical all the time. The basic problem is
that we are running out of landfill space and for some reason no
one seems to want a landfill in his or her back yard - even if it
is going to become a place to ski in about 20 years. Landfilling
has been the only way to dispose of garbage in Lake County, and
is the cheapest, but even that is becoming more expensive as the
trash must be taken farther away to a more hospitable site - if
such a site can be found.

The alternatives are more expensive up front, but a resource
recovery system will produce some financial benefits in the form
of steam or electricity from the burning of garbage, and this
energy can be sold. The revenues can be used to retire the debt
and within 15 years of start-up they are expected to exceed the
cost. Such a facility is not practical in a small area because
it needs a regular and extensive waste stream to allow it to
operate efficiently, and of course the cost is too large for a
single municipality (except Chicago) to handle. The only practical
way to operate such a facility and to pay for it is on a regional
basis, and the county is the most logical body to develop it.

The Lake County Board approved a Lake County Solid Waste Management
Plan in April, 1984 and at the present time SWAC is holding public
meetings throughout the county to let people know where we stand,
what the problem is, the possible solutions, and the cost. The
Lake County LNWV Committee that developed and conducted our League
study in 1981 have been considered experts on the subject and have
given testimony at a number of hearings and, incidentally, the
League study and consensus were used as background when the
County was working toward the Management Plan.

SWAC, with professional consultants, has studied alternative
plans and has developed a preferred waste disposal system consisting
of a mass burn incinerator with transfer stations, and recycling
and landfilling for noncombustibles. The criteria were economic
feasibility, environmental soundness, county wide operation, and
as a long term solution. It has ranked the remaining waste disposal
system alternatives in order of priority for possible future
consideration, has identified potential users of electricity and
steam generated by the mass burn incinerator, and has identified
markets in Chicago region for recycled materials.

By Mary Liz Carney

REPORT ON INTERIM COUNCIL AND LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR 1984
by Paula DuBourdieu

INTERIM COUNCIL. Delegates from approximately 50 Leagues joined together in Springfield on April 3 to transact the business of the State League, including adoption of the LWVIL and Education Fund budgets. In addition to approval of the Treasurer's Reports and Budget Committee recommendations, delegates participated in a discussion of the Chicago World's Fair action proposed by the Chicago LWV. The State Board told delegates that 33 leagues responded to the State Board's request for direction and were unanimous in permission for the Chicago League to act on a local level, but did not unanimously support permission for them to act at state level. Because the State Board felt that the level of local league interest is low and that a committee cannot be mobilized to act prior to the April 30 deadline, the Board moved not to move a study, and to grant permission to the Chicago League to act on a local level and on a state level with certain conditions: testimony at the state level must be pre-approved and, since there is no State position, the financing of the Fair cannot be addressed in testimony at the state level.

Delegates learned that three new provisional Leagues are expected to form soon in Alexander-Pulaski Counties, Boone County, and nearby Round Lake.

The State Board Development Committee reported that efforts to increase corporate contributions to the League have succeeded in increasing these donations by 28%, individual contributions 48%, and non-tax deductible contributions increased 460%. The Board reported that 28 local leagues used Education Fund accounts for community education projects last year.

The Rockford League was commended for its action on the Byron nuclear power plant and for its increase in membership, greater than any other League this year.

LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR. After a preliminary discussion on how to lobby, Leaguers separated to tour the capitol, attend hearings and lobby individual legislators. At a breakfast meeting with our legislators Gov. Thompson addressed the League and expressed his appreciation for the League's assistance with his last tax package. Gov. Thompson expressed concern over the widening trade gap, the increase in the prime rate, and the "still too strong" U.S. dollar. He supported the President's call for a large "downpayment" on the Federal deficit. He reported that retail sales are up, employment is increasing, manufacturing jobs are coming back and that service jobs are growing but cautioned that the state economy is in transition and is volatile.

On school funding, Gov. Thompson said that, although he is not happy with his proposed funding for primary and secondary education, he is also unhappy with the policies that create the need for large funding. He said that "in order to increase the funding, our General Assembly must first find the money and then face up to the educational establishment of Illinois there are some nagging questions that must

be settled" and that he did not expect that the General Assembly would - especially in this election year.

Gov. Thompson noted that he proposed setting aside $\frac{1}{4}$ billion dollars in new programmatic money over the next three years in return for action on reform, and maintained that "there is no capacity in . . . Illinois to solve individual school district problems." "We need to upgrade teaching and learning ... to succeed, we must move on all fronts at once."

Thompson expressed hope that adjustments can be made to the Public Assistance grants in Illinois in 1986 or sooner, and noted that substantial changes in voting laws have been made, and that the fines for hazardous waste dumping have been increased to \$500/day. He noted that the decision to join the Midwest compact or to risk the importation of waste from other states must be made this year and opined that Illinois should discriminate among those producers who recycle hazardous waste, those who treat it, and those who landfill/dump it. He also reported that the State is about to start a pilot program in Chicago for the homeless, due to the overwhelming severity of the problem.

League members also attended a workshop on Criminal Justice, at which recent improvements in the Juvenile Justice Program, probation and alternatives to incarceration, Class X felony determinate sentencing, and in the Department of Corrections. Among the most interesting speakers, Michael Lane, Director of the Dept. of Corrections, spoke candidly about the direction of the prison system. Mr Lane told Leaguers:

- ..A violent crime occurs every 25 seconds.
- ..The authorities estimate the violent crime report rate as 5:1.
- ..The chances of becoming victim to violent crime are higher than those of auto accident or divorce.
- ..The U.S. incarceration rate is 154/100,000 population.
- .. .4 million people are ~~in the~~ in prison, jail or on probation in the U.S.
- ..Less than 3% of all government money is spent on Civil and Criminal Justice (22% is spent on Social Security).
- ..There are more prisons/jails in the U.S. than colleges or universities.
- ..The Ill. Dept. of Corrections spends nearly \$1 million/day.
- ..The construction cost per adult prison bed in Ill. is approximately \$40,000 (\$80,000 after financing).
- ..The cost to maintain an adult in prison is \$15-20,000/year.
- There are 16,000 adults in Ill. prisons and the number is increasing by approximately 58 people/week.

TESTIMONY BEFORE THE ILLINOIS JUDICIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

April 3, 1984

The League of Women Voters of Illinois appreciates this opportunity to speak to you on the subject of alternatives to incarceration. Over the past three years, the League has studied Illinois' sentencing laws and alternatives incarceration. Given the high cost of prison and the ineffectiveness of incarceration in reducing recidivism, the League has concluded that the use of alternatives to incarceration should be increased and that state funds should emphasize alternatives rather than building more prisons.

Although violent offenders convicted of murder or Class X crimes should go to prison, there are many non-violent property offenders who are appropriate candidates for alternative programs. Almost half of the offenders admitted to the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) in the first six months of 1983 were property offenders. The League believes that many of these offenders could be placed in community programs, making room in the state institutions for those posing a real threat to society.

What kind of alternatives are we talking about? In Illinois, probation is the underlying element of most alternatives. Public service employment, restitution, and work-release are usually given as a condition of probation. Consequently, a strong probation system is essential. Last spring, the League surveyed the probation departments in 18 counties. We found that caseloads of probation officers varied from approximately 65 in Kane County to 467 shared by two officers in Macon County. In addition, we found that the resources available ranged from over 400 agencies in DuPage County to virtually none in counties like Morgan and Macon. It is no wonder that judges in some counties hesitate to sentence felons to probation under these circumstances. HB 2317, which the Legislature passed last fall, should provide a remedy for some of these problems. By setting caseload standards, supplementing the salaries of probation officers, and creating intensive supervision programs in targeted counties, the quality of probation statewide should be improved. However, HB 2317 does not address the lack of resources in the community nor does it proscribe funding for other kinds of alternative sanctions.

The League believes that community corrections legislation similar to that passed in Minnesota and Oregon is needed in order to encourage counties to develop additional sentencing options for non-violent felons. A Community Corrections Act would be complementary to HB 2317 because it would provide funds to buy the resources which probation departments need, e.g., halfway houses, restitution centers, and alcohol and drug treatment programs. It would be cost-effective because of the chargeback mechanism built into its structure and because alternative programs are generally cheaper than prison. For example, TASC estimates that residential substance abuse treatment costs approximately \$5,000 for an offender for six months. Out-patient treatment for a six-month period is estimated to cost \$2,000 per offender. These programs represent a considerable savings over the \$14,000 spent by the IDOC per inmate per year.

Although many people recognize that prisons neither rehabilitate offenders nor deter future criminals, they are understandably reluctant to allow alternative programs to be located in their community. The League believes that community corrections legislation addresses this issue by giving the community the authority to determine which offenders it is willing to keep and which should be sent to the IDOC. A local board would decide what kind of programs to develop, where they should be located, and whom they would serve. If a community chooses not to reduce prison commitments, it would not receive a community corrections subsidy. In any case, the decision is made where it should be--at the local level by the people who will have to live with it.

In conclusion, the League supports the re-authorization of funds for probation and the adoption of community corrections legislation. We look forward to the day when there will be a continuum of criminal sanctions which will include restitution, public service employment, work-release, etc., as well as an enhanced probation system at one end and prison at the other.

Joyce O'Keefe, Chair
Criminal Justice Committee



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Co-Directed by Douglas C. Schuetz and William J. Norris

This is a wonderful opportunity to see a delightful production in Lake Forest, to get acquainted with the work done by Douglas Schuetz and Bill Norris at their Beacon Street Playhouse in Chicago, and to help support the League in Lake Forest all at the same time. Do join us - and bring your friends! It will be great fun.

Tickets are \$7.00 each - Call Bea Schuetz at 234-4577 or
Paula DuBourdieu at 295-2489

Dear Leaguers:

I am honored to serve as President of the League for the 1984-1985 year and appreciate your confidence in me as well as your involvement with the League over the coming year.

Bea Schuetz has left the League a more dynamic group for her leadership. As Bea noted in her address to the membership at the Annual Meeting, leaders attended Legislative Seminars, the LWVIL State Convention, the Lake County Convention and the North Suburban President's Council. Bea inaugurated a meeting of the Lake County Presidents and members attended Regionals and a publicity seminar.

The League registered 221 voters at the Art Fair and Newcomers luncheons. We held an informational meeting about Conway Farms, the subsequent developments about which an observing committee kept the membership informed. We co-sponsored the Great Decisions program with AAUW, supported the City-sponsored tour of Lake Forest and attended a community awareness program sponsored by the Judges of the courts of Lake County.

The League held seven general membership meetings, a local program planning coffee, a national program planning coffee, a local candidates forum, and took consensus on the Marital Law study. Several members attended the Lake Michigan Interleague Convention and the Lake County Hazardous Waste Forum. Members participated in the county Public Assistance survey and a tour of the Arden Shore Home. Members and spouses also attended our Wine and Cheese party for our State and National elected officials. During the year, the League gained 14 new members.

This year, I look forward to carrying on the active and valuable role in Lake Forest that Bea established for the League last year. We have three local studies planned for the year and, of course, the second part of the Marital Law study. We have an election-year voter registration drive coming up as well as a new National Program. We have decided to invite more speakers to address the League on issues of interest to our League. We will also invite other Leagues to join with us in some of our programs and seek out opportunities to bring more Lake Foresters into the League.

There are still many leadership roles in the Finance and the Observer portfolios remaining to be filled. Committee members are also needed for our local studies. Anyone interested in serving in these or any other positions should contact Bea, or the committee chair.

I recently returned from the National Convention in Detroit, where the Long Range Plan was extensively discussed. It was a thought-provoking week as you will see from reading my report. The next Board meeting will be held August 6 at Gorton. Please consider our Theater Benefit on June 28 as you make your plans: it's an easy and enjoyable way to support the League. I look forward to seeing you all at our Sept. Kick-Off Luncheon!

Paula

ANNUAL MEETING On April 30 the League's Annual Meeting and Luncheon were held at the home of Mary Liz Carney. The business meeting included reading and acceptance of the new budget election of new officers, and adoption of a local program.

Following luncheon, the names of the raffle winners were drawn, and the winners were:

\$150.00 dinner at LeFrancais	- Fred Flener
Basket of Fruit	- Betty Buker
Beautiful plant	- Carol Bowman
Wine	- Camille Westergard

We are pleased to report that the League netted \$1,111.43 from the raffle. Thanks to you all for your cooperation in buying and selling the raffle tickets.

LOCAL PROGRAM Our League's local program for 1984-85, as approved at the Annual Meeting, is as follows:

1. Continued study of youth problems in Lake Forest, and related services - including support of OROYA (Committee Representing Our Young Adults).

Study to determine if OROYA is meeting its objectives.

2. Support of the Lake Forest Comprehensive Plan with continuing attention to land use, local environmental pollution, zoning, recreation and safety.
 - (a) Study of the impact of leaf burning on our environment
 - (b) Study of the housing needs of retirees and "empty nesters".
3. Continued attention to the Lake Forest caucus system.

BRIDGE MARATHON The last exciting game of the year was held at the Gorton Community Center on Monday, May 21, and we are pleased to announce the big money winners. They are:

First: Dee Grant and Ruth Nicklaus

Second: Joan Speranza and Adele Szymanski

Joan and Adele are co-chairmen of next year's marathon, and are working on next year's schedule. Do sign up to play next year - with a partner if you can, but call one of them if you do not have a partner to see if they can match you up with another single. The games are played on the last Monday of each month with the final game in May at Gorton. They are a great deal of fun and all levels of ability are represented. Please call Joan at 295-1673 or Adele at 295-1507.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LAKE FOREST

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VOTER SERVICE As we have done in previous years, we will have a booth at the Deerpath Art Fair on Labor Day weekend for the registration of new voters and the recording of changes in address. Please call Linda Illes, Voter Service Chairman (295-3444) if you can help with this registration. It is usually done in two or three hour shifts and is really fun to do.

The State's emphasis this Fall before the general election is on registration of young voters, and each League has been asked to "adopt a college". We will adopt Barat College and Lake Bluff League will adopt Lake Forest College. Again, call Linda Illes if you can help with this interesting project.

BABYSITTING: Would you be interested in babysitting services during League meetings and programs? The Board is interested in finding out whether such a service would enable more members to attend daytime meetings. Please drop a postcard to the League office or contact Paula DuBourdieu if you are interested.

IN MEMORIAM It is with much regret that we report the sudden death of our long time League member, Marie Spiel, on Tuesday, June 4. Marie was President of the Lake Forest League from 1961-65 and very active in the League for many years. She is survived by one son and to him we extend our sincere sympathy.

We regret also to report the recent death of Mr. Howard Roberts, husband of another long time member, Loretta Roberts. Our sincere sympathy to her also.

MARITAL LAW CONSENSUS The Marital Law in Illinois Position, adopted by the State Board on May 8, 1984, is as follows:

"The LNW of Illinois supports laws which recognize marriage as an economic partnership based on principles of fairness and equality. The League believes, therefore, that Illinois should adopt a marital property system which acknowledges that each spouse makes a different but equally important contribution to the marriage. Accordingly, assets acquired during the marriage, except when received as a gift or inheritance, should be presumed to belong equally to both spouses during the marriage.

The League believes that spouses owe each other and their dependent children support according to the ability of each to contribute. The standard of living appropriate to the total family income should be a mutual decision. Recognizing that no single law can meet the needs of all married couples, the League believes that spouses should be able to make legally enforceable pre- and post-nuptial contracts. Such contracts should not alter the responsibility of spouses to act with good faith towards one another or to provide for dependent children.

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REPORT ON THE LWVUS NATIONAL CONVENTION 1984

I had met been in the company of 2,000 interesting women since I left Wellesley College -- until I went to the National Convention last month! The 36th National Convention of the League of Women Voters of the United States met last month in Detroit to adopt our National Program, Bylaws, Budget and officers. Delegates from 791 local Leagues joined with ILO and State League delegates and members of the National Board to create a voting attendance of 1195 women and men.

The delegate body adopted the national program as proposed, with minor changes. The two new studies proposed by the Board and adopted by the Convention are: 1) Financing the Federal Gov't.: Evaluate U.S. fiscal policy: revenue sources, including borrowing; tax expenditures; and the funding of entitlement programs. 2) National Security: Examine the interdependent nature of the (Internat'l Relations) IR program, including new and innovative ways to promote global security. Evaluate U.S. economic and military aid to developing countries and its relationship to our international economic and political interests. Criteria for the Financing of the Federal Gov't. study were also adopted by the delegation.

Motions to alter the Bylaws of the League to change the Name to the League of Voters of the U.S. and to League of Wo/Men Voters did not carry. (Phew!) The delegate body approved changes to the Bylaws which permit paid lifetime membership, out-of-area local league membership, member-at-large Leagues, and the denial of voting privileges at Convention to leagues that have not met their Per Member Payment responsibilities.

The delegates approved the proposed budget, which included a \$1 increase per member in dues to the National League. Among the officers elected by the delegates was President Dorothy Ridings, who was elected to her second term as National League President.

The business of the plenary sessions was highlighted by speeches by Secretary of State Shultz, Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca, and political cartoonist Paul Conran, of the L.A. Times. Secretary Shultz spoke on the challenges of defending the Peace, and answered questions on UNESCO, Nicaragua, the World Court, the Great Lakes Water Quality treaties with Canada, Space weaponry, and Central America. On Nicaragua, Secretary Shultz noted that "something went wrong in Nicaragua. A group within the Sandinista group took power... we now knew it was planned... there are over 100,000 trained forces, 7,000 Cubans... with the announced intention and developing ability to cause insurgency in its neighboring countries... It is quite clear that a group within the Sandinistas has stolen the Revolution and people are resisting, the Church, press, besides the Contras."

Mr. Iacocca spoke to the delegates about the need for a U.S. industrial policy, the Trade deficit, the National deficit, the Status of Liberty-restoration and the success of Chrysler. Mr.

Iaccoca charged that our "National deficit is our National scandal" and that "we need a Marshall Plan for the U.S.". Mr. Iaccoca told the delegates that the top imports from Japan to the U.S. are cars, trucks, video recorders and drilling casings, while the top imports from the U.S. to Japan are corn, soy, wheat, cotton and coal. In April alone, he said, the trade deficit with Japan was \$3 billion for the month. The U.S. is importing finished products and exporting raw materials, he said, and "we're moving too fast to write off Smokestack America". "There are Industrial Policies," Iaccoca challenged, "we have them for farmers, bankers, defense; we don't have an industrial policy on industry-- and that is where the jobs are."

A new membership campaign was unveiled at the Convention: Making Your Mark on Politics, which stresses the League's positive influence on public policy. I attended workshops on financial development of the League, Social Policy, Hazardous Waste, the Employment Needs of Women and many meetings on the Long Range Planning Committee's report.

As one might surmise, there is much more that I could say about the Convention. I will welcome any questions you might have on the Convention and thank you for the opportunity to represent our League.

Paula DuBourdieu

REPORT ON THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CONFERENCE

A recent F.B.I. report states that a woman is beaten every 18 seconds in the United States. Researchers report that 40% of all women murdered annually are killed by their husbands or boyfriends. Domestic violence occurs throughout all age groups, income levels and race groups; in 25% of the reported cases, the victim is pregnant. These were among the chilling facts that participants in the Domestic Violence Conference heard from a panel of speakers that included County Coroner Richardson, Chief Judge Hoegasian, as Ass't. States Attorney, a So. Carolina Police Chief, a Waukegan detective, Judges, lawyers and the Director of a shelter for battered women, A Safe Place.

The panel discussed the nature of domestic violence, methods of deterrence, treatment and prosecution, and the protection available to victims through the Ill. Domestic Violence Act, which provides for the immediate issuance of orders of protection for the victim and temporary custodies without the need to hire an attorney. Information on Domestic Violence and the Safe Place shelter is located in the League office or may be obtained through the Safe Place: 249-4450.

REPORT ON THE LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE'S REPORT

The 1982 LWVUS Convention requested that a committee be formed to develop a five-year plan for the development of the League and charged the Committee to report back on the future of the League at the 1984 LWVUS Convention. The Long Range Planning Committee's 47-page report was submitted to the local Leagues shortly before the Convention and was broadly summarized in the recent Veter, mailed to the national membership.

Concern about the Long Range Plan created a divisive atmosphere at the Convention which was only ameliorated after labored discussions and a considerable expense of time. Many of the underlying assumptions and conclusions which guided the development of the Plan are controversial and the plans suggested for the future of the League, I believe, remain a source of division within the League. After briefly describing the contents of the report, I will detail some of the objections raised at the Convention and discuss the consideration given the Plan at Convention.

In the Introduction to the Report, the committee states that it believes "that the very survival of the League as a viable organization is at stake over the next few years" (p.2) The Committee's plan has a "major and minor theme": a plan to strengthen the League and a fall-back plan to ensure the survival of the League if the original plan fails. The Committee sees two areas of focus: 1) the League's structure and 2) the League's role in the world and its image. The Plan seeks to modernize the League's structure and network system and to "set a tone of activism" for the League: to emphasize advocacy over education. The Committee repeats its belief and assumption: "The next five years represent a critical passage for the League and this plan represents what may be the last chance to adapt the League structure as we know it to the changing times in which we find ourselves. If we cannot meet the challenge, then the plan ensures that the League itself will not be a casualty." (pp.2-3)

The section entitled "External and Internal Trends" includes a discussion of demographic trends which affect the League. A 1981 Gallup Poll found that these most likely to volunteer were of higher than average income (household income of \$20,000+), highly educated (college or graduate education), female with children at home, and employed. Less than 1/3 of those who did volunteer spent 2 or more hours per week on volunteer work. The Gallup poll also found that citizenship and political work comprised a very small percentage of the volunteer activity. An advertising company's report on "the Class of '74" (high school class) revealed that this class of young woman is more likely to be single and employed, less interested in politics, less likely to watch TV news, or read a paper or magazine, more likely to be "liberal", and of this class, only 26% have ever contacted a public official. The committee believes that the aging of the "baby boom" generation represents a substantial

opportunity for the League if it can accommodate itself to the shifting lifestyles.

Beyond the aging of the baby boom generation, the Committee cited other demographic trends: the shift of population growth to the South and West; an increase in the number of older people, especially those over 75; the continuation of the growth rate for households exceeding the growth rate of the population, as the increase of single member and smaller households; the growth of the Black and Hispanic proportion of the overall population.

(p. 7)

The Committee compared these data with a survey of the 1982 National Convention delegates, a somewhat specialized group of Leaguers. The delegates were 99% female, 93% married, 95.3% white, 2.7% black, 55% aged between 35-49, and 31.2% aged 50 or older. Almost half were college graduates, over 30% held grad. degrees. Almost 90% of the delegates had household incomes of \$25,000 + , 42.5% had household incomes of \$50,000+. Less than 25% worked part-time and only 16.9% worked full-time. Almost 88% of the delegates (63% of whom were League Presidents) said they spent 5+ hours per week on the League. (p.6)

The Committee noted that membership has declined from a 1969 high of over 156,000 members to its current membership of over 109,000. Also important to the Committee was statistics on the sizes of the local Leagues. Today, over 40% of the Leagues have 50 or fewer members and over 70% of the Leagues have 100 or fewer members.

These demographic trends provide the bases of the assumptions and conclusions about the readiness of the League for the future. Some delegates believed that these demographics were controversially applied. If the League has, traditionally, been focused strongly on the local level (as a grassroots organization) then it would not seem unusual that there should be more local levels of smaller members than fifteen years ago. Another aspect of the demographic trends not considered by the Committee is the likelihood that members join the League when they feel that they have a stake in the community, perhaps as homeowners or parents of schoolchildren. These interpretations of the demographics of League membership were not considered in the report.

The Committee proposed a new Mission Statement for the League which expressed the purpose of the League as a non-partisan political organization that influences public policy through education and advocacy. Over 76% of the delegates to the 1984 Convention felt that the mission statement should continue to include the encouragement of the informed and active participation of citizens in government, as well as the influence on public policy,

The Committee addressed itself to questions on whether the League is out of date as an organization of local Leaguers,

whether the League can achieve sustained growth, whether the League can remain a multi-issue group and still make a difference, whether State Leagues should be retained, how to increase the funding of the League, whether the League can reduce the paper overload, and how to organize the National level for more effective leadership.

On local Leagues, the Committee wrote that it believes that "without basic changes, the trends already underway...say that local Leagues are passe. With change, aggressively pursued, the answer may be yes"(that there is a role for local Leagues in the future)(p. 11) The Committee states that the power to make the changes rests with the local Leagues, which must adapt to the changes in American society. The Committee's vision of the new local League sees it focused on bringing about change, led by a minimum number of officers, financed by "realistic annual dues", with an increased reliance on paid staff. Membership agreement (consensus) and program-making would be based on direct member response and the formation of new Leagues would be changed to require only the following minimum standards: a non-partisan policy, conduct of advocacy consistent with League positions and contribution of financial support to the National and State levels. After assessing the success of the five year plan, the Committee suggested deciding in 1988 whether to change the structure of the League to national organization of members.

At the Convention, the majority of the delegates disagreed or urged further consideration of the shift of advocacy over education for the minimum standard for the formation of new Leagues. Fifty percent of the delegates agreed with the suggested new method of reaching member agreement and other direct mail. Over 67% of the delegates disagreed with or urged further consideration of a 1988 decision to change to a national organization of members. A majority of delegates also disagreed or urged further consideration of a pilot program for the National level to process dues collection for local Leagues.

The majority of the delegates disagreed or urged further consideration on the design of an alternative dues structure and with the Committee's recommendation for local Leagues to increase dues to a realistic level. Sixty-five percent of the delegates disagreed with or urged further consideration of the Committee's recommendation that the National level be reorganized into committees, rather than portfolios.

The Long Range Plan was discussed during free minutes in the plenaries, at workshops and caucuses every evening and considerable direction was given to the National Board on how to interpret and implement the plan. Delegates voted to reconvene the Committee to survey the delegation on the Plan, which produced the above figures. The delegation urged the Board to continue League emphasis on education, retain the current dues system and delay the 1988 decision to become an organization of national members.

LAKE COUNTY JAIL For the past two years the LWV of Lake County has had a Task Force surveying and monitoring conditions at the county jail, and they took part in the jail survey authorized and conducted by the LWV of Illinois which compared jail conditions throughout the state. The Task Force consisted of Sally Zeit, Waukegan; Theresia Yakes, Lake Bluff; and Monica Radtke, Libertyville/Mundelein. Excerpts from their report follows.

A national Institute of Corrections on-site evaluation of our jail in April, 1983, characterizes this facility as a "human warehouse" where most prisoners languish in enforced idleness, boredom, and despair. Many inmates spend the greater portion of each 24-hour day lying on their bunks. They are required to spend all their time in their housing units. There is no communication with staff, and they have nothing constructive to do."

A rapid deterioration of conditions in our jail and piecemeal termination of existing structured programs precipitated the League's interest in studying this facility. At the time the task force began its work the issues were relatively narrow, public information was sketchy, and the ability to do original work was limited. Since formation of the task force, several inmate civil rights law suits against county officials responsible for operation of the jail have brought federal court intervention mandating improved conditions. Further, our circuit court capped the population of the jail at 128 and directed implementation of screening procedures for diverting low risk pre-trial detainees out of the jail. The failure to meet minimum standards has burdened the county with significant legal costs. In response, the County Board appointed an advisory committee to evaluate the criminal justice system, including the jail, and recommend solutions to the problems facing the county. These events tended to confirm our initial observation and a pool of resource information has been developed which would not have been available otherwise.

The task force surveys in 1983 and in 1984 found conditions relatively constant with no appreciable effort to reduce idleness by expanding or improving the quality of structured programs. A lack of professionalism became increasingly apparent to the survey team during the interview and tour of the jail. There was a general resistance to openness with the interviewers, and permission for a complete tour of the jail was denied. In contrast, the majority of League survey teams in the state were well received, their questions were treated seriously, their comments were invited, and at least one sheriff has set up a community advisory board to continue the kind of dialogue and exchange of information begun with these surveys.

Inmate services are basic and minimal. Medical and dental services are provided upon request. A social worker, available three days per week for a total of 18 hours, provides the only scheduled counseling services for inmates. A recently opened legal library is available two days a week for a total of 8 hours. There is no out of cell exercise; however, jump ropes, hand grips, and weights are distributed one or two days per week. Commissary is available 3 times weekly.

There are no scheduled recreational or leisure time programs. These activities are limited to in-cell television, cards, board games, and newspapers. Structured self-improvement programs are virtually non-existent in our jail. GED classes are offered to a maximum of 15 inmates for a total of 8 hours per week. This program is usually filled to capacity necessitating a waiting list. For the overwhelming majority of inmates a total of 4 hours of programs per week is available: 1 hour of A.A., 1 hour of substance abuse, 1 hour of Bible study, and 1 hour of Sunday worship.

Training and services necessary for building a permanent and professional staff of correctional officers do not appear to be a priority in Lake County. There was no mention of training in interpersonal relations or communications skills for staff nor was attendance at any training academies indicated to the survey team. There was no mention of the availability of psychological or stress counseling for staff in spite of the fact that jail staff is required to maintain a level of stability and maturity in one of the most potentially explosive of all institutional settings. Some jail administrators in Illinois have found this to be key in reducing "burnout", and mental health care is offered not only to staff but to their families as well. Both McLean and Winnebago Counties, which encourage jail personnel to take advantage of counseling services, experience only occasional turnover in staff.

With the election of a new sheriff and with a new administration in place, we had anticipated substantive changes consistent with League positions. What we found was no expansion of existing programs or introduction of new programs for self-improvement and constructive activity.

In the opinion of the task force, further study would provide only additional corroboration of present findings. However, numerous considerations including active law suits, an extraordinarily high rate of turnover of staff, and proposed construction of a new jail indicate the need for ongoing monitoring of the situation.

SOME COMPARISONS BETWEEN LAKE COUNTY JAIL AND McLEAN COUNTY JAIL

Staff Training at McLean: 6 weeks at the academy in Springfield prior to starting job; on-going inservice thereafter.

Lake County: none prior to starting work; all on-the-job; have ordered books for correspondence course.

Staff Turnover at McLean: Minimal

Lake Co.: Reached 200% a year ago. stabilizing now.

Staff Interns at McLean: at least 4 at any given time.

Lake Co.: None

Library at McLean: detainees go to library once a day

Lake Co.: book cart circulated 2,3, or 5 times a week (could not verify which answer is correct); no written schedule (as required by DOC) available.



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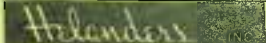
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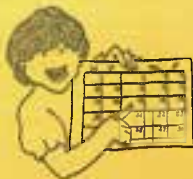
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CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER	2 - Sunday	Voter Registration- Deerpath Art Fair
	3 - Monday	Market Sq., Lake Forest, 11am-6pm
	6 - Thursday	Joint Board Orientation with Lake Bluff 12 Noon at Gorton
	10 - Monday	Fall Kick-Off and Prospective Members Luncheon, 11:00 Coffee, 1:00 Speaker, John Fischbach, Home of Eleanor Beidler
	14 - Friday	1984 LWVIL Fall Conference in Highwood
OCTOBER	17 - Monday	Board Meeting at Gorton
	27 - Thursday	First day to apply for absentee ballot
	1 - Monday	Board Meeting at Gorton
	9 - Monday	Close of Voter Registration for Nov. Elec
	16 - Tuesday	LF-LB LWV - AAUW Panel Discussion on Public School Finance/ Priv. Sch. Busing

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Here's what's ahead

PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Dear Leaguers:

Our Fall Luncheon on September 10th will properly kick-off our League year. Our kind member, Eleanor Beidler has graciously offered her home for the luncheon and our City Manager, John Fischbach has graciously agreed to speak to us on the housing needs of retirees and emptynesters, which is the topic of one of our local studies this year. As always, the Fall Luncheon is a wonderful opportunity to get together with old friends and remind ourselves of the reasons why we belong to the League. We are combining our Fall Luncheon with our annual prospective members' tea this year, so if you know of friends or family who might like to join the League be sure to send the names along as soon as possible to Bea Schuetz so that she can send a personal invitation.

After all the graciousness of our Luncheon, we will begin the work of the League: Voter registration, voter education, advocacy on public policies, and the studies for which we are so well-respected. This year, we will continue on with the Ill. Marital Law study (this part will focus on laws on the dissolution of marriage), continue our attention to the L.F. Caucus system, continue our study of Lake Forest youth problems and support of CROYA, which we will study to determine if CROYA is meeting its objectives, study the local impact of leaf burning on our environment and study the housing needs of retirees and empty-nesters, with continued support for the Lake Forest Comprehensive Plan, particularly continuing our attention to land use, local environmental pollution, zoning, recreation and safety.

This year, we will also participate in the National study of the Financing of the Federal Government. This study will be conducted in a very new way all across the nation. Local Leagues will receive lists of resource materials for discussions on the Financing of the Federal Government and each local League will have the option of conducting discussion meetings on the study. (Our Board Member, Kay O'Connell will chair the study for our League.) The usual method of achieving consensus will not be used on this study, however. Membership agreement will be achieved by a tear-off mailed directly to the National League by individual members. This tear-off will be mailed to every League member with the study article on the Financing of the Federal Government in Winter issue of the national VOTER. More information on the study will be coming throughout the Fall.

There are many opportunities for involvement with the League this year: Voter registration, studies, observer corps, Great Decisions, Bridge, and frequently scheduled programs. Involvement with the League can be as time-consuming or sporadic as our schedules permit, but if you haven't been able to be active for a while, do be sure to watch the Bulletin for activities that interest you and be sure to let me know if you have any suggestions.

I look forward to seeing you September 10th at the Kick-Off Luncheon!

Paula

HELP WANTED - HELP WANTED - HELP WANTED - HELP WANTED - HELP WANTED

Now that we are gearing up for action on the programs adopted in May, it is time for all members to consider the programs and decide where you would like to help - in which program you are particularly interested. Call the Chairman listed below right away - she will be delighted to hear from you and will be glad to tell you about the plans which are being made and how much time they will involve. And you will enjoy getting together with other Leaguers to work on something you care about.

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Housing Needs of Retirees and Empty Nesters - Local study -
Barbara Beacham, 234-2077

Study of CROYA and Youth Needs - Anita Rutigliano, 295-8585

Illinois Ma rital Laws, Part 2 - Abbie Fassnacht - 295-3828

Financing of Federal Government - Kay O'Connell, 295-1482

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How about helping to collate the Bulletin once a month? No skills
needed - just a couple of hours time. Call Mary Liz Carney-
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IN MEMORIAM - We sincerely regret having to report that we have lost another of our long-time League members. Pauline Christie, who was President 1950-1953, died in June. Although not active in the League for quite a while, she was always interested and supportive. Our sympathy to her survivors.

NEW MEMBER - We are delighted to welcome the following new member to the Lake Forest League:

Johnson, Lisa Ann - 1441 Lawrence - 234-6755

Lisa joined the League in May, just in time to be tagged by Paula to replace Jan Elmar as Secretary. Lisa's family owns and operates Hjertehjem, the Norwegian clothing shop on Western Avenue (one of our advertisers). Among her many interests, Lisa lists writing and photography at the top.

RESIGNATION - We regret reporting the resignation of Jan Elmar from the Board as Secretary because she is moving away.

REPORT ON OUR
JUNE THEATER
BENEFIT

Our June Theater Benefit was a fun and successful way to raise funds for the League: we sold 61 tickets for a profit of \$122! The Chicago Tribune hailed the production as a "nice summer evening's diversion" and members and friends who attended the show seemed to agree that a trip back to the '50s was a pleasant way to spend the evening. Thanks to all who purchased or sold tickets and special thanks to the Beacon Street Theater for providing us with tickets to the play at a reduced price.

FUNDRAISING
AND MEMBERSHIP
DUES

Annual Membership Dues for the our local League are \$25, with a Senior Option of \$10 dues. These funds, however, do not cover our obligations to other levels of the League. As of now, we must submit \$14 per member to the National League, \$13 per member to the State League, 75¢ per member to the Lake County League, and that sum alone is \$27.75 per member. Thus, with every member, our local League loses some \$3, and of course, in the case of members who choose the Senior Option, our local League loses some \$15 per member.

Because of this, without fundraising, we would be \$300+ in debt, without having incurred any expenses for rent, operating costs, and so forth. One of the ways we raise funds is with our Bulletin ads: our advertisers fund the costs of our Bulletin and provide important financial support for the League. In addition to miscellaneous sources of income and the proceeds of our fundraisers, the League has received generous contributions from members and friends. This financial support is vital to our League so be sure to support our advertisers and let them know that you appreciate their support and if you would like to make a contribution to the League, please know that your contribution can be tax-deductible if it is made out to the League of Women Voters of Illinois Education Fund and submitted to our Treasurer.

Mary O'Connell (Mrs. Daniel) has been appointed to the Board of Directors as the director of Public Relations. Mary is a long-time Lake Forester and joined the League last year. With her talents and enthusiasm, Mary will work to keep the community informed about our activities over the coming year.

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BABYSITTING ARRANGEMENTS: Although I don't have children, friends so fortunate tell me that the cost of arranging for daytime sitters especially during the school year-- can be somewhat expensive. For League members, making the commitment to work on studies and even to attend League meetings can mean an additional financial commitment. Other Leagues provide babysitting services for Leaguers at meetings, others make alternative arrangements. Just as we have a Senior Option for dues in order to encourage membership in the League for those who may have limited incomes, the Board has decided to try an optional babysitting rebate program. Members who must hire sitters in order to attend League meetings will have the option of receiving a rebate of \$1/hr for the first child and 50¢/hr for each additional child, which is what we estimate the cost would be if the League itself engaged a sitter for meetings. Under this program, members may select their own sitters and locations. Members who would like to take advantage of this option may contact the Treasurer directly or through the League office at Gorton. For further information, please feel free to contact me. --Paula

NEW MISSION STATEMENT: At its June Board Meeting, following the National Convention, the Board of the League of Women Voters of the United States adopted the following mission statement: "The League of Women Voters, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation of citizens in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy." Our general objectives are defined as: "1) To establish positions on public policy through member participation and agreement. 2) To take concerted actions that secure public policies consistent with League positions. 3) To enhance citizen participation in federal, state, and local government decisions. 4) To increase citizen participation in the election process."

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FALL REGIONALS



Spend a few hours this fall at one of the League of Women Voters of Illinois Fall Conferences. The LWV of Highland Park will host one of the conferences on Friday, September 14 at the Highwood (formally Ramada) Inn, just south of Old Elm Rd. on Sheridan Rd. Registration will begin at 9:30 am, Workshops are scheduled for 10am - 12pm. Luncheon will begin at 12 noon, followed by a speaker, Michael Bakalis, of the Ill. Project for School Reform. Workshops on School Finance, Marital Law, Employment needs in Illinois, Utilities, and Personal Financial Planning will be offered. The registration fee for the conference, which includes lunch, is \$8.00. All members are urged to attend. To register by Sept. 7 or for more information, call Paula. 295-2489.

JUNIOR LEAGUE BENEFIT FOR THE EVANSTON SHELTER

The Junior League of Evanston will sponsor a benefit featuring Erma Bombeck for the Evanston Shelter on September 20th, at 7:30pm. The cost per ticket is \$20. For information, call Sally Thuresson at 724-2366.

ILL. DEP'T. OF ENERGY AND NAT. RESOURCES CONFERENCE



"The Siting Puzzle: Piecing Together Economic Development and Environmental Quality" is the focus for the 13th Annual ENR Conference which will be held Sept. 13-14 at the Palmer House in Chicago. Among the speakers scheduled for the conference are the Dir. of the Ill. Dep't. of Energy & Natural Resources, the Dir. of the Ill. E.P.A., the Ass't. Ill. Senate Minority Leader, the Chairman of the Ill. Pollution Control Board, a geologist, water specialists, a botanist, and the Dir. of the Urban Studies & Planning MIT doctoral program. The registration fee for both days (which includes lunch, reception, and a copy of the proceedings) is \$65. Registration for one day only is \$35. For registration or other information, call Conference Planners at 234-2353.

CONGRESSIONAL SCHEDULE



The U.S. Congress will:
Reconvene (following Democratic Convention)
July 24 to August 12
Recess (Republican Convention)
August 13 to September 4
Reconvene
September 5 to October 4
Adjournment (Target date)
October 4

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



LOCAL LEAGUES INFLUENCE DECISIONS

Many League members had a part in the progress made toward League positions this session. Many participated in Legislative Seminar, and legislators mentioned hearing from many local Leagues as we talked to them in Springfield. The League's success in Springfield is greatly due to the grass roots support we have.

More information on these issues can be obtained through the Legislative Newsletter or the Legislative Hotline.

EARLY DECISION AGAINST TAX EXTENSION

In January the possible extension of the temporary income tax increase was an open question. Governor Thompson, however, decided not to recommend an extension based on his reading of legislative attitudes and the economy. Due to the dis prospects of extending the tax, the LSV board decided to concentrate on appropriations in certain critical areas.

INCREASE IN PUBLIC AID FUNDING

The hard work of the Campaign for Family Stability, including LSV participation, lead to the first increase for Public Aid in nearly 4 years. \$22 billion in general revenue funds plus Federal matching funds will provide an increase in emergency assistance for welfare recipients beginning January 1985. This was a beginning toward the Campaign's goal to fund 100% of the Standard of Need.

PROGRESS IN HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT

Governor Thompson allocated \$20 billion to fund cleanup of poorly managed hazardous waste sites. The Legislature passed bills which will expand ground water monitoring, create a ground water protection plan, fund water and geological surveys to assess the suitability of new hazardous waste sites, and create a Hazardous Waste Technology Assistance Center for industry.

COMMUNITY RIGHT TO KNOW STALLED

Strong industry opposition halted legislation guaranteeing workers and communities information about hazardous substances used in industry. Further action is not anticipated.

AUTO EMISSIONS INSPECTION

The inspection program for auto emissions was a primary action item of the League. Because of air quality problems in Chicago and St. Louis this was required to qualify for federal highway funds. This issue was not resolved until the final hours due to disagreement over who should pay for the inspection and the locations where inspections would be required. The compromise bill required the state to pay for inspections, but Governor Thompson may veto this provision. Some sites in the collar counties and St. Louis area were excluded from the required inspections.

LOW LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMPACT PASSED

Legislation passed which creates a compact with Kentucky. Membership in a compact with another state gives Illinois control over how the waste is disposed and allows us to prohibit waste from other states.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS HELD IN COMMITTEE

The League worked hard for a bill to fund local community alternatives to incarceration. It passed the House, but was held in subcommittee in the Senate. We are hoping for consideration in November.

FUTURE ACTION

Further action on these issues may occur in the veto session beginning on November 14. Since fiscal reform and revision of the school aid formula were postponed this session, we anticipate such action in these areas next year. You are encouraged to discuss these issues with legislative candidates during the campaign.



CLEAN WATER - The League strongly endorses S 431, the bill to reauthorize and strengthen the Clean Water Act. Passed unanimously by the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, S431 now goes to the full Senate for consideration. The House recently passed its reauthorization of the act by a vote of 405-11 and Senate passage of S431 would ensure continued progress toward the goal of clean water for all Americans.

What You Can Do: Write your Senators and urge them to vote for S 431 when it is considered by the full Senate. Also, urge them to oppose the Symms amendment which would allow a pretreatment "opt-out". (An amendment to severely weaken the pretreatment program, which requires industries to clean toxics out of their wastewater before dumping it into public sewage systems.)

ARMS CONTROL - Action in both the House and Senate to limit funds for the administration's Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) and to delete funds for the production of new MX missiles is expected to dominate arms control debate when Congress takes up the defense appropriations bill in September. The League opposes the deployment of the MX missile system and supports a cap on funding for SDI at FY '84 level plus inflation, or approximately \$1 billion. Thus far, the House and Senate have passed authorization bills that would permit a 50-70 percent increase in funding for the SDI program over FY '84 levels, and would allow production funds for 15-21 additional MX missiles in FY '85.

What You Can Do: Please contact your Representatives and Senators and urge them to support efforts to block funding for the production of new MX missiles and limit funding for the Strategic Defense Initiative when the defense appropriations bill is brought to the floor.

BUDGET - With the House-Senate conference on the fiscal year 1985 budget still stalled, there is a good chance that Congress will fail to pass a budget resolution for the first time since enactment of the Congressional Budget Act in 1974. House and Senate conferees are deadlocked over defense spending and there is a danger that programs for low-income people could get lost in the confusion. Members of Congress need to hear from League members of our concern that programs that assist America's disadvantaged must be funded at increased levels to make up for three years of devastating budget cuts.

PAY EQUITY- The federal Pay Equity and Management Act Hk 5680, sponsored by Rep. Mary Rose Oskar (D OH) and supported by the League, passed the House on June 28 by a vote of 413-6. The legislation calls for a study by an independent consultant of the federal government's classification system to identify any sex-based discriminatory wage-setting practices or wage-setting differentials within the system.



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CALENDAR

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| OCTOBER | 1 | Board Meeting, 9:30am, at Gorton LWV Room |
| | 1 | City Council Meeting, 7:30 pm, at City Council Chambers:
Committee reviewing leaf burning to make recommendations
to the City Council, which is expected to then take action. |
| | 7 | Reagan-Mondale Presidential Debate (televised) |
| | 10 | Leaf Burning Policies Program, 7:30 pm at Gorton |
| | 18 | Percy-Simon Senatorial Debate (televised 9:30 pm) |
| | 20 | Rep. Porter's Dutch-Treat Luncheon, 11:45 am, at Deerfield
Public Library |
| | 21 | Reagan-Mondale Presidential Debate (televised) |
| | 24 | Lake Co. Candidates Forum, 7:30 pm, Deerfield Pub. Library |
| | 28 | <u>Voters Guide</u> (LWV) to appear in <u>Chicago Tribune</u> |
| NOVEMBER | 1 | Last day for election official to receive application for
absentee ballot by mail. |
| | 5 | Last day to vote absentee in person |
| | | Board Meeting, 9:30 am, at Gorton LWV Room |

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REGISTER AND VOTE

Dear Leaguers:

It was wonderful to see so many of us at the Membership luncheon. Forty-three people attended the luncheon and heard our City Manager, John Fischbach review the leaf-burning issue, the Senior Needs Survey and the housing needs of retirees and empty-nesters. Our thanks go out to Mr. Fischbach for speaking to us, Eleanor Beidler for hostessing the luncheon, and to Bea Schuetz and Muriel Bunta for making all the arrangements. The great attendance at the luncheon encourages us to schedule more luncheons and speakers in addition to our evening programs, so we will try to schedule a luncheon program each month over the coming year.

I am pleased to report that we have gained ten new members so far this year. Several of our new members joined just after being asked-- confirming our Membership Chairman's conviction that people just want to be asked... SO, ask some of your friends if they would like to join the League or send their names along to Bea Schuetz (234-4577), who would be delighted to ask.

Thanks to our voter registrars, who staffed the tables for two days, we registered 232 voters at the Deerpath Art Fair over Labor Day Weekend. Voter Registration booths will be held at various locations over the next weeks, but if you (or someone you know) need to register to vote, you may do so at the Shield's Township Assessors Office on Bank Lane in Lake Forest (between Westminster and Wisconsin) on weekdays and Saturday morning.

We are getting started on our new local studies and resuming our Marital Law study. If you are interested in joining one of the studies, please contact the Study chairmen listed below: (or me)

Housing Needs of retirees and empty-nesters-	Barbara Beacham
Leaf Burning	Sue Gnospelius
CROYA	Anita Rutigliano

Observers for public meetings are still needed; if interested, please call me (295-2489).

One of our new members, Leslie Caringello, has joined the Board and will follow International Relations. Leslie majored in International Relations and we are delighted that she will be sharing her expertise with the League. Finally, best wishes to two of our Board members, Abbie Fassnacht and Jill Lauer, who have resigned from the Board. Abbie is devoting her time to a new job and Jill is moving to Los Angeles. We wish them both well and will miss their leadership.

Paula

COMING SOON IN THE ILLINOIS VOTER: INTERVIEWS WITH CANDIDATES FOR SENATE CHARLES PERCY AND PAUL SIMON, A REVIEW OF NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUES, AND A BRIEF ON CAMPAIGN ISSUES.

LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT

- ° CROYA: Just a reminder that CROYA sponsors the Teenage Placements Service (T.A.P.S.) during the school year as well as during the summer. Teenagers are available for odd jobs around the house and yard at reasonable rates. Maybe this is the year you'll get some help putting in the tulip bulbs or putting on the storm windows. For information, call TAPS at 234-2600.
 - ° CAUCUS CALL FOR CANDIDATES: The Lake Forest Caucus has sent out data sheets to all Lake Forest residents. The League encourages interested members to fill out and submit the data sheets.
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LEAGUE WILL HOLD FORUM ON LEAF BURNING ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 -- LF LWV Leaf Burning Study Chairman, Suzanne Gnospelius, urges all members, friends and neighbors to attend the public forum on leaf burning on Wednesday, Oct. 10 in Gorton Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. It is an informational meeting on proposed changes in the City's leaf burning ordinance. Panel participants will be members of the City Council's Urban and Environmental Affairs Committee, and questions and comments are invited from the audience. Committee members are Aldermen Sidney Paige, Chairman, and Mary Barb Johnson, Robert Pasquesi, and Donald L. Brenner.

The City Council hears first reading of the ordinance on Monday, Oct. 1, at 7:30 p.m. with the second reading scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 13, at 8:30 a.m. Both meetings are in City Hall, 220 E. Deerpath. Two public hearings have already been held by the Committee, on Aug. 6 and Sept. 24. The Committee will recommend that the Council do the first reading approved on Sept. 22, for further changes.

Lot size restrictions on burning have been eliminated from the ordinance to be recommended by the Committee to the Council. Changes from the current ordinance now being considered are time limits on burning (Oct. 15-Dec. 15 and April 1-May 15); an odd/even system for burning by street addresses and days of the week; further restriction on distance from structures from 15 ft. to 20 ft.; procedures to inform residents of winds in excess of 10 miles per hour and inversion periods when burning is prohibited; placing responsibility on residents for burning under proper conditions only.

Other restrictions include the burning of dry leaves only; no burning after sunset or before sunrise; no burning without a water source and adjacent operable hose; no burning on streets, parkways or sidewalks; and supervision by a person 16 years or older

MEMBERSHIP The kickoff luncheon at Eleanor Seidler's was a great success, with many prospective members attending.

Listed below are the nine new members of the League of Women Voters of Lake Forest. More information about them will be in the next bulletin. I hope you will all welcome them and urge your friends to join. Just contact me.

Bea Schuetz - 234-4577

Susan Kröll
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CANDIDATES' FORUM The Deerfield League is sponsoring an informal Candidates' Night on October 24 - 7:30 P.M.

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to present those candidates running for contested seats in District 1 of Lake County. Dolores Axelrod, Millicent Berliant, Donald Strenger, James Mitchell and Barry Shapiro will speak, but all other candidates for Lake County offices have been invited to attend, to pass out their literature, and to talk to the voters.

The program will be televised for cable.

You are urged to attend this forum and to get acquainted with the District 1 candidates for whom you will be voting.

LAKE COUNTY LEAGUE Three Lake Forest League registrars joined with those of the other six Leagues in Lake County to register voters at the Eagle Supermarkets in Waukegan, Round Lake Beach, Mundelein and Lake Zurich on Friday and Saturday, September 21 and 22. It was a very successful project, although the number of voters registered varied greatly. The most registered was at Round Lake Beach where 146 were registered during Friday and Saturday!

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The booklet explains Independent Expenditures, which can be made without limit during campaigns, and which have become the focus of concern for many experts in campaign finance. Officially, a candidate does not have control over independent expenditures by nonconnected PACs. The growth of independent expenditures by PACs in congressional campaigns, it states, has increased more than 7 times between 1978 and 1980 and has more than doubled between 1980 and 1982. While independent expenditures are often made on behalf of a candidate (in 1980, it states, these expenditures amounted to \$12.2 million on behalf of Ronald Reagan and \$46,000 on behalf of Jimmy Carter), negative campaign spending seems to be the most common. The booklet explains that of the \$5.3 million spent independently by PACs in 1981-82, \$4.5 million was spent to campaign against candidates (\$3.9 million against Democrats and the rest against Republicans). The importance of Independent Expenditures is underscored by the explanation that it amounted, in 1980, on behalf of Ronald Reagan to more than 40% of the \$29.4 million allocated with public funds to each major party Presidential candidate.

The booklet discusses possible methods of reform and provides a look at the future of campaign finance. The booklet is timely, fact-filled, and clearly - written. It provides a thought-provoking explanation of a subject that many in the League are thinking about.

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Action Alert

ACTION NEEDED ON CLEAN WATER AND SUPERFUND

As the 98th Congress draws to a close, two important pieces of environmental legislation are close to passage. The Clean Water Act and Superfund reauthorization bills have both been passed by the House and await action in the Senate. Immediate action is needed now to urge the Senate to act on and pass these important pieces of legislation.

CLEAN WATER:

The League strongly supports Senate Bill S 431, the bill that reauthorizes and strengthens the Clean Water Act. Since 1972, the Clean Water Act has been the nation's tool for protecting and cleaning up its waters. The act has been successful in many areas over the past years, but problems such as toxic pollution and nonpoint source pollution (pollution from urban and rural runoff) need more attention. Senate Bill 431, which the League endorses, 1) maintains the basic provisions of the Clean Water Act, 2) restricts pollution of estuaries and coastal areas, 3) curtails toxic discharges into severely polluted stream segments, 4) provides special funds to address the severe problems of nonpoint source pollution (runoff), and 5) gives reasonable deadline extensions for polluters to meet requirements that the EPA has been slow to produce.

Senator Steven Symms (R ID) is expected to offer an amendment to the Bill which would substantially weaken the pretreatment program that requires industries to pretreat their toxic wastes before dumping them into public sewage systems. The League opposes the Symms amendment and all amendments which would weaken the Clean Water Act.

WHAT YOU CAN DO: Please call or contact Senators Percy and Dixon and urge them to vote for S. 431, to reauthorize the Clean Water Act. Explain that we need this bill for the protection of our waters and to clean up our polluted lakes and streams. Ask them to oppose any weakening amendments.

SUPERFUND:

Superfund legislation, passed in 1980, provided \$1.6 billion over five years for cleaning up toxic releases from abandoned hazardous waste sites and permits the EPA to move to collect the cost of cleanup from dumpers that contributed to the site. Over the past four years, progress has been slow. The current law expires in Sept., 1985 and, with reauthorization, the EPA may have the time it needs to gear up a much broader and successful program. The League supports Senate Bill S. 2959, the Bradley-Lautenberg reauthorization of the Superfund. WHAT YOU CAN DO: Write or contact Senators Percy and Dixon and urge them to support S. 2959. With only 6 out of 546 priority waste sites cleaned up over the last 4 years, it is crucial that the Superfund be reauthorized and used.

FALL
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Workshop on Employment Needs of Women, Minorities
and Youth: Job Training, Pay Equity and Day Care
given by Phoebe S. Telser, State Social Policy Chair

The U.S. economy has improved recently and unemployment is down. The Census Bureau statistics show that median annual family income was about \$10,000 in 1970 and has risen to \$24,580 in 1983. However, during the same period the number of people below the poverty line has risen from 25.4 to 35.3 mil., or 15.3% of the population. Unemployment is still a very serious problem.

During the past decade the number of women working outside the home has rapidly increased; 43% of the labor force is now comprised of women. Two thirds of working women are single, widowed, divorced or separated, or have husband who earn less than \$15,000 a year. Three-fifths of working women earn less than \$10,000 a year and 1/3 earn less than \$7,000. 80% are concentrated in the 25 lowest paying job categories. Many women who work as domestics, childcare or clerical workers earn so little that they qualify for Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC). An average full-time working woman still earns 59% for every dollar earned by a man. The gap is even greater for black and other minority women.

Discrimination which minority people face in education and employment has made it impossible for many black and Hispanic men to support a wife and children, which has placed that burden on women. In the Chicago metropolitan area in 1983 the chances that a black man had a job were 50/50. Statewide the black unemployment rate was over 25%. The situation was even worse for nonwhite teenagers; only 12% of Chicago minority teenagers had jobs last summer. Two out of three who looked for work did not find it. In June 1984 black teenage unemployment was 34.3%.

Unemployment is costly. Each 1% of unemployment costs the federal government \$20/30 billion income and adds \$3/4 billion in unemployment insurance, and \$3/6 billion in social security, public aid and food stamps. It also adds \$4 million people to the prison population. Many unemployed people will have to rely on tax-supported programs indefinitely unless they find their way out of poverty through employment.

Since 1969 the LWFVS has been concerned with equal access to employment and has promoted many job training, affirmative action and public service employment programs.

The Jobs Training Partnership (Oct. of 1982) replaces CETA as a job training structure for the economically disadvantaged and dislocated workers. The new bill encourages business, state and local governments to cooperate in training and placing these workers in permanent private sector jobs. VTFA retains the job training provisions of CETA but does not continue public service employment which enabled many women and minority people to find jobs.

The League's concerns are:

- 1) Representation of women and minorities on the Private Industry Council.

- 2) Access of women, minorities and youth to meaningful job training opportunities which lead to actual jobs.
- 3) Inclusion of women and minority job training organizations among service deliverers.
- 4) Availability of child care, transportation and other support services to the participants.
- 5) Performance standards and whether they lead to selection of the most job-ready individuals rather than those most in need of services (creaming).
- 6) Accuracy of reporting.

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Bea Schuetz

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Representative John Porter has again invited interested members of our League to attend his dutch-treat luncheon, which is designed as an open forum for women's community service and civic organizations.

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CALENDAR

- NOVEMBER 1 Thurs. Last day for elect.on official to receive application for absentee ballot by mail. (It must be received in time for it to be delivered to the polling place on election day.)
- 5 Mon. Last day to vote absentee in person
- 6 Tues. Board Meeting at Gorton LNW Room - 9:30 a.m.
ELECTION DAY - VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!
- 8 Thurs. Panel Discussion on Expansion of the Public Obligation to Help Finance Private School Busing - 7:30 p.m. at Gorton Community Center
- 16 Fri. Panel Discussion on Lake County Issues: Solid Waste, Hazardous Waste, Land Use and Expansion of County Jail - 11:30 a.m. - Gorton Community Center

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YOUR...



Dear Leaguers:

As I write this, my mind is yet racing to recall some of the more buried issues of the upcoming Federal, State, and Local elections, in a last ditch effort to enhance the address I will give on behalf of our League on Oct. 24 to the Lake County Alumni of Gamma.Phi Beta. Preparing for this speaking "opportunity," I have frequently been struck by the realization that the League is a great source for information about ISSUES; scouring around for details on just what are the issues at stake in the November elections has brought me to the popular papers and magazines and then back again to the League, to rack my brain with the question, "what are the issues?" Fortunately for all of us (but, alas, too late to help me with my speech), the League of Women Voters' Voter's Guide will appear on October 28 in the Chicago Tribune. If you miss it, try looking for it at the Public Library: an informed vote promotes democracy.

Two programs are scheduled for this month, one an evening program and the other a lunchtime program, and both of them deal with ISSUES which affect us all. Please try to come to both of the programs and bring along a friend or two!

Dr. Thomas Fuechtmann, Director of the Wood Institute for Local and Regional Studies at Lake Forest College, recently contacted the League about a program he is proposing to the Illinois Humanities Council. The program would be an illumination of the values embodied in the cultural landscape of Lake County, the shaping and modification of Lake County by human beings (see the brief discussion of this further in the bulletin). Dr. Fuechtmann invited our participation in the project, if it is approved, as well as the participation of local historical societies, and other Lake County Leagues. A planning meeting is arranged for Oct. 30, and any members interested in the program he has proposed should call me after the meeting, when I should know more about what Dr. Feuchtmann would like the League to do.

By now, we should have all received a copy of our new Membership Yearbook, which lists the League's positions and all of our members. Special thanks are due Bea Schuetz, Membership Chairman, and Joyce Arnold, who undertook the typing of the book, for putting together this great resource for us all. For those whose copy may be difficult to read, I feel compelled to mention that the method of copying often makes the text fuzzy, but is very inexpensive; contributions are always cheerfully and gratefully accepted...

Now that your schedules are more arranged, please take a minute and fill out the interest survey toward the back of the bulletin and let us know what you are interested in and when you are most able to attend programs.

I look forward to seeing you at the Nov. 8 and Nov. 16 programs,

Paula

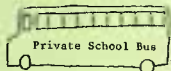
You Are Invited

PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE EXPANSION OF THE PUBLIC OBLIGATION TO HELP
FINANCE PRIVATE SCHOOL BUSING. Co-sponsored by the
Lake Forest American Association of University Women.

THURSDAY -
NOVEMBER 8

PANEL MEMBERS INCLUDE: Joan Levy, Msgr. O'Donnell,
and Charles Brady

7:30 pm. at Gorton Community Center



The League of Women Voters of Illinois opposes legislation that would expand the Public's obligation to finance busing of students to Private Schools. Until the Public School mandates are fully funded, the League is concerned that increased Public obligation to finance Private School Busing might exhaust the Public Dollars available for Public Education.

PANEL DISCUSSION ON LAKE COUNTY ISSUES: An Update on Solid Waste, the expansion of the County Jail, Hazardous Waste, and Land Use.

FRIDAY -
NOVEMBER 16

PANEL MEMBERS ARE: Cari Sevcik, Jean Baenzinger, Sara Clark, and Sally Zeit

11:30 am, at Gorton Community Center

Bring a brown bag lunch for yourself



SCHOOL
FINANCE

The panel discussion on Thursday, November 8 on the proposed expansion of the public obligation to help finance private school busing, is an important one, co-sponsored by the League and the Lake Forest American Assn. of University Women.

This panel discussion has been in the works for some time, with Virginia Fiester Frederick choosing the panelists who are all quite knowledgeable, and the LMV and AAUW responsible for the rest. You are urged to attend this discussion on a very important subject.

Funding Public Education in Illinois is the Action Priority of the State League this year - and this involves the local leagues, of course. The above program deals with one aspect of school finance which we must discuss, and there will be others later on as well as an update of the publication "You and Your Taxes: How Should Local Government Be Financed?", a Fall Conference Workshop, Legislative Interviews, and a major education conference in March. If you are interested in reading good material on the subject, check the bulletin board in the League's room at Gorton, or call Paula DuBourdieu.

It seems that 1985 is THE YEAR to anticipate a barrage of educational "reform" legislation - EDUCATION is now in the public eye. Reforms in funding, curriculum, quality of teacher training and teacher status are the major concerns. "REFORM" is a key word, because it is widely recognized that more dollars for education will NOT be forthcoming without more stringent accountability.

SOME SCHOOL FINANCE FACTS:

Did you know that 78% of the taxpayers in Illinois do NOT have children in the public schools?

Illinois' state contribution to school funding was only 38% in February, 1984? It was 48% at its highest levels in FY 1976.

The Illinois State Lottery is now the fourth largest source of revenue for the state. NO lottery funds are earmarked for education.

READ the paper and magazines, or subscribe to The Legislature and the Schools, a free publication of the Ill. State Board of Education (100 N. First Street, Springfield, IL 62777). Familiarize yourself with what the Resource Cost Model (RCM) proposes and how it would replace the Resource Equalizer as a method for determining state aid to school districts.

Call Blanche Johnston (234-1969) to order any of the League publications listed in the bibliography posted on the League's bulletin board. Besides You and Your Taxes, listed above, some titles are Local Governments Foot the Bill for Common Schools, Financing State and Local Government in Illinois.

MEMBERSHIP

I would like to thank Joyce Arnold for doing the typing for the 1984-85 Membership Book, which should be in all members' hands by now. If you have not received your new Membership Book, or if there is an error in your listing, please call me.

I am pleased to report that we have another new member, so please welcome

Sarah Ann Hills (Mrs. George B. Jr.)
289 E. Foster Place, Lake Forest

234-8167

Following is some information about five of our new members who were introduced in the October bulletin. The others will be profiled next month. A recurring comment I was given during these interviews was "Someone asked me to join the League of Women Voters; and that is why I joined. I had always meant to join." I hope the message is clear - Ask your friends to join.

Bea Schuetz, Membership Chair
234-4577

So, let us introduce

Susan Kroll, who is a board member of the LF-LB Newcomers Club and works for MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers). She is also involved in campaign work for the candidates of her choice. She is particularly interested in a local study of drunk driving, in educating youth about alcohol and driving, and in finding some calm, methodical approach to convincing the community of the need for change, whether the problem be leaf burning or drunk driving.

Dorothy Hebert, who was active in the Lake Bluff LNW before she moved to Lake Forest and was ERA Chairman for that League. She is originally from Louisiana but has lived in this area for 18 years. Dorothy worked in Washington D.C. as a Senate intern during her college years and it was there that she came into contact with the LNW, which she described as being one of the most objective groups she worked with at that time. She is interested in local government and right now is doing a brown bag lunch at Barat College discussing the upcoming election and related issues. Besides League, Dorothy has also worked with Group For . . . Children's Theatre.

Violet Roberts, who recently retired from Kraft, Inc. of Glenview as Corporate Employment Manager. In September, 1980 she was honored at a luncheon and received a Certificate of Leadership from the YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago honoring the leadership of women in the Economic, Cultural and Civic life of the Chicago Metropolitan Community. Now that she has more time, she wants to work in other areas of interest to her, and was introduced to the League by her good friend, Muriel Bunta.

New Members - continued

Pat Stahlshmidt - is a native Chicagoan, but moved here from McLean, Virginia where she had lived for two years. She is interested in anti-leaf burning programs and in CROYA - which she thinks is wonderful. One son is a freshman at Lake Forest High School. Lake Forest is the only place where she has lived where the community cares about what the children are doing and does something about it!

Karen Truskowski - is from the Chicago area and taught for two years before having her family. She has lived here for eight years and is a Brownie Girl Scout leader this year. She is family oriented with a son in 8th grade and a daughter in 5th grade, and has joined the League's CROYA study as well as the leaf burning study. Karen and her husband, John, are interested in environmental issues here and throughout the country as well.

More next month - -



MARITAL
PROPERTY
UPDATE

In March 1984, Wisconsin became the first state to adopt legislation based on the Uniform Marital Property Act. The new law establishes a property system which recognizes marriage as an economic partnership.

In Illinois, the issue is just beginning to attract attention. Marital property legislation has been drafted (Fawell - SE1184) which would create a system of "joint management/control". (Under such a system, all marital property must be titled jointly and managed jointly.) This bill has not yet been acted upon. For its part, the LWV of Illinois has begun working with the Ill. Women's Agenda to build support for marital property reform. The Agenda is a statewide coalition of over 60 women's organizations who join forces to influence legislation that affects women's lives.

The Lake Forest League's local program for 1984-85 includes the State study "A study of Illinois laws governing marriage, the dissolution of marriage, and the financial impact of the death of a spouse". If you are interested in joining the committee which will work on this study, call Paula DuBourdieu right away. If last year's study of laws on an ongoing marriage is a test, it should prove to be fascinating, stimulating - and important!

If you have not already done so, please complete and return this Interest Sheet. We would like to know what you want to do.

League of Women Voters of Lake Forest
400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest, IL 60045

MEMBERSHIP INTEREST SURVEY

NAME: (optional) _____

ADDRESS: (optional) _____

WHAT SORT OF PROGRAMS WOULD YOU LIKE THE LEAGUE TO SPONSOR? (check)

Programs on Local Study item issues _____

Programs on State and Federal League issues _____

More on local government _____

More on State/Federal government _____

More on Foreign Affairs/International Relations _____

More on issues affecting women _____

More on Economic Issues _____

Other _____

WHAT TYPE OF PROGRAMS WOULD YOU LIKE THE LEAGUE TO SPONSOR? (check)

Panel Discussions _____

Informal Discussions _____

Speakers (Question & Answer) _____

Debates _____

Other _____

WHAT TIMES ARE BEST FOR YOU TO ATTEND PROGRAMS? (check)

early morning _____ mid-morning _____ lunchtime _____

early afternoon _____ mid-afternoon _____ late afternoon _____

evening _____ Weekdays _____ Weekends _____

IS THERE ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR THAT YOU WOULD LIKE THE LEAGUE TO SPONSOR A PROGRAM ON: _____

COMMENTS: _____

LAKE COUNTY
LWV UPDATE

You are invited and urged to attend the panel discussion (or road show, as it is known in county league circles) at 11:30 a.m., November 16 (Fri.) to hear four knowledgeable LWVLC members discuss the four most critical issues facing Lake County - Solid Waste Disposal, Hazardous Waste, Land Use and expansion of the jail.

Cari Sevcik is President of the county league. She and Sara Clark were leaders of the county committee which studied solid waste and on which we took consensus in 1981. They have continued their work on the problem as the County Board has wrestled with a decision on how and where to get rid of all that garbage - in fact, have been asked to contribute their expertise. The study of Hazardous Waste developed from this.

Jean Baenzinger knows more about Land Use in Lake County than most of the people who are paid to make such decisions, and the same is true of Sally Zeit who has worked with, or tried to work with, the county jail for a good many years. Do bring your sandwich and find out what is going on in Lake County or not going on as the case might be. They will be glad to answer your questions.

VOTER SERVICE - The county league participated in the state voter registration drive by providing registrars for the Eagle Supermarkets in Round Lake Beach and Lake Zurich where there are not local leagues. The Libertyville/Mundelein League and the Waukegan League registered at the Eagle stores in their areas. It was interesting to see the variation in the numbers registered - 146 at Round Lake Beach, 82 at Waukegan, 50 at Mundelein, and only 20 at Lake Zurich. Government workers and outpatients were also registered at the hospital at Great Lakes Naval Station.

The County League also participated in the kick-off of the State League's statewide registration drive in Chicago in September 6 by going to the state office at 9:30 in the morning and marching with representatives of other leagues to Pioneer Court where new voters were registered. After arguing with the County Clerk's office and finally getting permission to register voters outside Lake County - only 6 Lake Countians were registered! The other county leagues outside Cook County probably had the same luck, but it was still a good experience to join with all the other state leagues to begin what proved to be a very successful drive. It might be interesting to know that all Lake County leagues conducted their own drives individually, and including those they registered through the County League the Deerfield League registered 721, Libertyville/Mundelein 621, Lake Forest 351, Lake Bluff 105, Waukegan/Zion 325, Highland Park 239 and Barrington 66 in Lake County (Barrington also registers in Cook County).

UNICEF CARDS



The League of Women Voters of Deerfield is again selling a complete line of UNICEF cards, stationery, and gifts this fall. The UNICEF items will be on sale from November 19 through December 15 at the store set up in the lobby of the First National Bank of Deerfield, 725 Waukegan Road. The hours are from 8:30 am to 3 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays; 8:30am to 6 pm on Fridays; and 8:30 am to 12 noon on Saturdays.

The line this year includes unique cards for the holidays and special occasions, gifts and puzzles for children, and stationery and calendars.

Proceeds from the sale will help the United Nations Children's Fund provide health care, nutrition, and education to needy children throughout the world.

WOOD INSTITUTE FOR REGIONAL AND LOCAL STUDIES



Dr. Thomas Fuechtmann, Director of the Wood Institute at Lake Forest College contacted the League last week to invite our participation in a program he is proposing to develop under the Illinois Humanities Council. The Council has sent out requests for proposals on "Land and the Human Community: The Cultural Landscape in Illinois." The theme addresses the importance of land in understanding the heritage of Illinois and in thinking about its future. The program focus is interdisciplinary and should bring scholars together with general audiences in activities that examine the relationship of the human community to the land. In the context of this program, cultural landscape refers to the land as it has been shaped and modified by human beings.

Dr. Fuechtmann has proposed a program entitled "Lake County, Illinois: A Debate over the American Landscape." He proposes themes for presentation-discussion programs which might address images of suburban industry, Malls and Main Streets, the suburban office boom, environmental and historic preservation, and rural life in Lake County.

With our interest in public policies, land use, natural resources and local government, it might be expected that many League members will be interested in Dr. Fuechtmann's proposal. A planning meeting has been arranged for local League presidents in the County for Oct. 30. All interest members should contact Paula DuBourdieu (295-2489) to learn about participating in the proposed program.