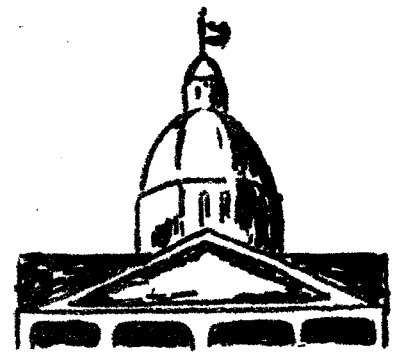




Tallahassee VOTER



League of Women Voters of Tallahassee, Florida

Purpose: TO PROMOTE POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY THROUGH INFORMED AND
ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF CITIZENS IN GOVERNMENT

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CALENDAR

September 24 8:00 p.m. Tallahassee Federal. GENERAL MEETING.
Voter's Service.
October 1 8:00 p.m. Home of Dorothy Sidwell. REGULAR BOARD
MEETING.

SEPTEMBER 24 MEETING - REGISTRATION AND VOTING

To kick off the League's effort toward fuller voter registration the League of Women Voter's first meeting of the fall will focus on elections.

We have invited Mrs. Wilma Sullivan, County Supervisor of Registration, and Mr. Louis Cook, City Auditor and Clerk, to address League members and the public. Thanks to cooperative efforts by these two individuals, and the encouragement of the League of Women Voters, it is now possible to register for both City and County elections at either the County Courthouse or City Hall. Though two separate forms must be completed to accomplish the two registrations--one each for City and County--it is hoped that this, too, may be remedied in the future.

We're sure you will find the information and anecdotes related by Mr. Cook and Mrs. Sullivan regarding voting and voters in our community fascinating. For example, have you wondered whether there are certain precincts which regularly have a large turnout? What kinds of elections seem to "capture the imagination" of voters? What are the qualifications for the office of City Commissioner? There will be plenty of time for questions from the floor. Also, we plan to display the map showing the areas to be annexed to Tallahassee on January 1. You may be living in one of them. Plan to come on September 24 and encourage others to join you.

SPOTLIGHT ON NEW CITIZENS OF TALLAHASSEE

On January 1, 1970 the City of Tallahassee, through annexation, will gain more than 8,000 new residents and increase its area by 6.9 square miles (land equal to 1/3 of the present City area).

The League of Women Voters feels this annexation (the first in six years) can portend many changes for our community. Among other things, the tax rolls will increase appreciably. Equally important, Tallahassee will gain new citizens eligible to vote in the February, 1970 City election - if they register during January. The spotlight of League's Voters Service Committee will focus on these new citizens. During the summer the Committee has made plans for a concerted effort to encourage these potential voters (and others who are eligible to vote in City elections, but have not registered) to REGISTER so they may VOTE in February. We will fill you in on these plans soon--plans we hope will give rise to a community effort involving businessmen, young people from the high schools, the Junior Colleges and Universities, as well as others. - Ginny Pankaskie, Voters Service Chairman.

Membership Coffees are planned for the first part of October and time and place will be announced in your next Voter.

NON-MEMBER CONTRIBUTORS TO THE 50th ANNIVERSARY FINANCE DRIVE

Businesses	Individuals	
Mendelson's	Capital City Bank	Dr. Judd Chapman
Putnam Jewelers	Lewis State Bank	Mrs. Hugh Mays
Southern Electric, Inc.	Ro-Mac Lumber & Supply	Judge Ben Willis
Shaw's	Tallahassee Democrat	Mr. Jack Simmons
Vogue	Quality Dry Cleaners	Mrs. Royal Mattice
Imperial Furniture Co.	Strickland's Shoe Store	
Turner's	Leon Federal Savings	
Southeastern Telephone	& Loan	

REGIONAL CONFERENCE
ON STRUCTURES AND PROCEDURES

Atlanta, August 19th - This was the third of six conferences which provided an opportunity for as many League members as possible to explore together League procedures and ideas for change to improve League effectiveness. We discussed the League structure and the relationship between the League and the Education Fund (EF) and the Overseas Education Fund (OEF), as well as selecting a representative from each region for the new national Structure and Procedures Committee.

Mrs. Benson, National President, chaired the conference with Mrs. David Bradley and Mrs. Fleming Law of the National Board assisting.

The most time consuming item on the Agenda was the program process of the LWV under which the adoption of program, the consensus process and action were discussed.

Among the many ideas and suggestions leaguers lined up at the microphones to express were:

Speed up of the second round of program planning such as making the second round permissive. (The provision for adoption of an emergency item was discussed here as giving greater flexibility.)

Less publications and more bibliographies, more editing.

Study the same item on all three levels - Local, State and National.

Units on action calls.

Limited study item - 2 on all levels.

Broader study items.

Appeal to younger members, such as junior branches.

Our nonpartisan policy--there was general agreement that the LWV should maintain its present policy of taking no stand on candidates but support or oppose issues.

Delegates voted for Board consolidation of the three organizations at the national level (LWV, EF & OEF) providing indirect control by the members through the elective process. Alternate plan #2 was rejected as it would have provided for three separate boards elected at LWV National Convention, and was considered too omnibus.

Alternate plan #1 provides for: One Board (Officers and Directors) elected by the national convention. Half elected and half appointed as the National Board now is - one group of Officers and Directors serving on three Boards. The legal entities of the Funds would be maintained for accepting tax-deductible funds.

This plan would make it necessary to use more membership help on program items and committees. State and local League members now serve on the Human Resources Committee on the national level as well as Voters Service, Foreign Policy, Water, Inner-City Project Committee and Joint Conference Committee.

Mrs. Levine of Tennessee was elected as Regional Representative to the new national Structure and Procedures Committee.

Before any basic changes are made there will be a report from the National Structures and Procedures Committee sometime

after the last conference in October. Please be on the alert for it in your National Voter. Betty Dyckman

NATIONAL PROGRAM MAKING - What we want and what we can do

It is time to start thinking of recommendations for the first round of national program planning (November). These items will be presented and voted upon at the 1970 National League Convention. The League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Dade County has requested support for a National Foreign Policy item on Latin America entitled: "U.S. Relations with Latin America--past, present and future." The Minneapolis, Minn. LWV has asked leagues to consider one of five items for the 1970-72 National Program. They maintain current national items - water, development of human resources, and foreign aid have their roots in the basic problem of population growth. The 5 items: POPULATION GROWTH: A study of the effect of population size on the quality of life; ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: A study of the relationship of population growth to quality and quantity of natural resources (item would include support position in water resources); DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES: Evaluation of further measures to combat poverty and discrimination with emphasis on the relationship between population growth and poverty; U.S. FOREIGN POLICY & STATUS OF WOMEN.

WORKSHOP - Gainesville, Fla. - October 7

PROGRESS THROUGH PROGRAM AND MEMBERSHIP - Local Leagues are invited to send Program and Membership chairmen and/or committees, as well as presidents and members to the October regional workshops. There is no limit on the number from a given League. Gainesville Holiday Inn, Luncheon - \$2.00, Call Fran La Seur - 385-1974.

TRANSFERS TO LWV OF TALLAHASSEE

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Mrs. Charles Emil, 941 Carlton Dr., 32301	877-8744
Mrs. Richard Winzler, 512 South Ride, 32303	385-3315
Patricia C. Dunn, 610 W. Call St., Apt. 6, 32304	222-0007

PUBLICATIONS

The Ill Housed, Beautifully printed, dramatically illustrated 62-page companion piece to Crisis ... also written for the League by Urban American ... a compendium of recent writings and reports on national housing policy. (\$1. to members)

Who Should Elect the President?, careful, detailed 160-page analysis of America's electoral system ... its history ... its present workings ... suggestions and actions for change ... opinions and ideas. (\$1.50)

School Desegregation, North and South, the newest Facts and Issues edition in the Human Resources series ... in four concise pages, describes what has been done to desegregate America's schools since 1954, and what remains to be accomplished. (25¢)

Development Aid: Images and Realities, one of two new Facts and Issues editions on aid ... six pages of facts on achievements and problems revolving around development aid ... contains a chart on Sources of Official Foreign Assistance especially drawn for the League. (30¢)

The ABC's of International Development, a companion piece to Development Aid, this Facts & Issues concentrates on development in the poorer countries. Six pages with many good graphs. (30¢)

More Facts & Issues: "The Nation's Capital: 'A Nice Place to Visit-But'"; "The Electoral College--What Choices for Change?"

All available from the Local League or League of Women Voters of the U.S., 1730 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036

UN-Controlling Conflicts in the 1970s, United Nations association of the United States of America, 833 United Nations Plaza, New York, N. Y. 10017 (\$1.)