

# The BERKELEY VOTER

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## VOTE!

BERKELEY MUNICIPAL ELECTION

April 6

The League of Women Voters recommends:

**yes**

on Bond Measure B:  
"Public Library Improvements"

PERALTA JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT

April 20

Please see insert for Voter Service information.

## From Voter Education to FINANCE

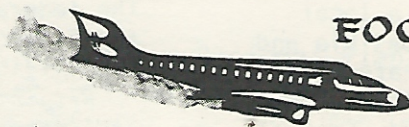
In March our main job was Voter Education for the local elections, and we did a Superwoman job. After April 6 our main job is to apply ourselves with that same vigor to raising the funds to continue giving this kind of service to Berkeley. We must do better than we ever have before in order to end our fiscal year "in the black". SUCCESS will depend on 3 factors:

1. MORE MONEY FROM LEAGUE MEMBERS. This may apply particularly to those of you who are now gainfully employed, haven't time for League work, and may want to do your share with money. The average member contribution received so far will fall short of our \$1500 goal (123 members have contributed amounts ranging from \$2 to \$50). If every member were to send \$1.00, we'd immediately be \$466 richer!
2. MORE NAMES OF POSSIBLE DONORS. Send to the office, attention Margaret Dumas, names of people you've heard say nice things about the League, your husband's work associates, etc. Solicitation letters will be sent out the week following the election (but everything must be ready before the election).
3. SAYING "YES!" WHEN YOU ARE PHONED ABOUT HELPING WITH PERSONAL SOLICITATION. You may go with an experienced leader to make calls; these calls are tremendously helpful in developing an understanding of the League. There will be 2 meetings of solicitors:

- 1) Tuesday, April 27th, 10 a.m. in the Conference Room next to the League office.
- 2) Monday noon, May 3rd, luncheon for all workers (place to be announced); good food, reports, evaluation, plans for any needed follow-through.

Lots of prospect names, lots of workers, will result in lots of money for a strong League program!

## FOCUS: Transportation

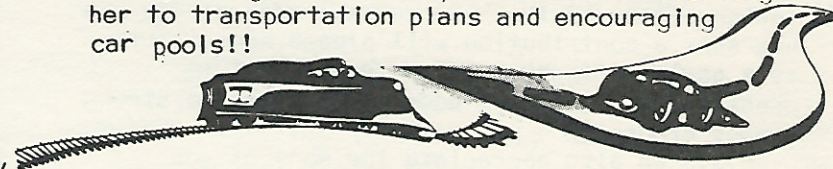


CAN YOU GET THERE FROM HERE?

It still may be possible for you and your supplies to get here from there IF we all work for a balanced transportation system. The S.F. Bay Area Council reports that over the past ten years the rate of growth for vehicles has been greater than that for humans. So it will take some very wise land use planning as well as engineering to achieve balance.

Please come to Units, April 19-22, and look at the (BATS) Bay Area Transportation Study, the State Division of Highway maps and proposed freeways, the routes for AC Transit, locations for BART stations and planned extensions, as well as the existing Bay Toll Bridge crossings. You may also see the locations planned for the new container ports and airports and hear a little about Railpax progress. Come and find out about your representatives on the agencies that can help us avoid creating a tangled, polluted jungle of concrete. We will review the status of plans in the other Bay Area counties and learn more about the (MTC) Metropolitan Transportation Commission, an agency established by the State Legislature last year to coordinate regional transportation planning. The chairman of MTC is Alameda County Supervisor Joseph Bort, and Don Dillon of Fremont is your representative for Alameda County's cities.

Have you considered walking to the unit, or coming by public transportation? If you must drive, bring a friend - you'll be both alerting her to transportation plans and encouraging car pools!!



## "Call to Action" WELFARE

The national consensus on Welfare is out. See page 2. The Welfare Reform Act HRI is now being shaped by the Ways and Means Committee. It will be presented to the House very soon, perhaps before this *Voter* reaches you. This Bill has great potential for social and economic reform. Its consequences will be felt for years to come. If it is to embody the recommendations of the League, the time to act is NOW. The Berkeley League has sent letters with copies of the National Consensus to Chairman Wilbur Mills and Ranking Minority Member John W. Byrnes, House Ways and Means Committee, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515. Will you do the same? Write also to our congressman, Ronald Dellums, stating your position on this Bill.