

Sarah Power says, UN challenge grows

By SHIRLEE IDEN

For 56 years the League of Women Voters has been an organization that says "Democracy is not a spectator sport."

It was formed to assure that citizens will have a say in the political process and government will work effectively on every level. The league is a clear voice on issues of public concern, a source of information on registering and voting and an aid shaping vital legislation.

Born when women got the vote in 1920, the league broadened its membership in 1974 to include men. Eighteen months later, 4,000 were enrolled among the 140,000 members.

Like the parent organization, the Southfield-Lathrup League of Women Voters attempts to get out the good word and also to program effectively for the membership.

Guest speaker at the Thursday, Sept. 28, meeting at Calvary Lutheran Church was Sarah Goddard Power, a University of Michigan Regent, who is also the chairwoman of the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO.

When Mrs. Power was asked to speak about UNESCO, she held the above position, but by the time she came to address the group, she was the newly appointed representative to the 1978 general conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

ANNOUNCEMENT of her appointment appeared in the press just one day prior to her talk. The conference, which will take place in Paris, will be on Oct. 24, United Nations Day.

Mrs. Power is one of those people for whom democracy is not a spectator sport. She has been active in women's affairs, in democratic poli-

tics and—since the early 1960s—in the United Nations.

Born in Detroit, she holds a BA degree from Vassar College and an MA from New York University in politics and international relations. She is married to Ann Arbor publisher Phil Power, who ran recently for the Democratic Party's nomination for the U.S. Senate, coming in second to Carl Levin.

Mrs. Power is a director of the UN Association, a member-at-large of the National Commission on the Observance of International Women's Year; on the advisory board of the First National Women's Bank and Trust Co.; director of the University Musical Society and director as well of the Detroit Community Music School.

She said a recent national LWW poll shows that regard for the United Nations across the country has leveled off from a spiral of going downward for a number of years.

"I believe the challenge today is infinitely greater for the UN than it was 15 or 20 years ago when we had the votes and things were going our way," she said.

"I THINK we are at a very dicey time, in an age that's troubled and where we are dealing with the things most crucial to man's mind," she said. "Things like literacy, science, culture and communication are all part of UNESCO's purview."

"Technical and expert work are of such importance that UNESCO must have people that are knowledgeable and dedicated."

She said she has tried to see that women and minorities are represented on the UNESCO Commission, which includes about 60 appointed members from the community and 40 from governmental areas.

"We can't let all these positions be political pay-offs," she said.

Mrs. Power traced her own involvement with the UN, which began when Mayor John Lindsay of New York City appointed her as executive director of an office to handle the enormous numbers of people coming to the city to be part of the UN.

"We dealt with housing and education and many other concerns," she

said. "And when Arthur Goldberg, then-ambassador to the UN, and Lindsay organized a like commission of city, state and national composition, I became it's executive director as well."

Mrs. Power reminisced how Goldberg once said to her that his very Jewishness made it difficult to be the ambassador. And she highly praised the current ambassador, Andrew Young, who has undertaken entries into the African continent, a step she considers very forward-looking and necessary.

FOLLOWING HER initial involvement with the UN, she was asked to become a member of the UN Association and was the association's representative to UNESCO.

"Now I am the chairperson of the U. S. Commission for UNESCO, which has 145 member nations," she explained. "One of our most pressing concerns is education in the field of human relations and human rights."

One UNESCO project currently being completed by two noted academic experts is a program on how to teach human rights in the schools.

Mrs. Power said that although regard for the UN seems to be taking an upturn with individuals and the press recently, polls show that only one-third of those questioned can name even one UN commission.

"What I get so often is 'Sarah, you're doing such wonderful work, I simply must buy these Christmas cards,'" she said. "And of course, the greeting cards are published by the United Nations International Children's Education Fund (UNICEF)."

In a recap of political history, Mrs. Power said that in 1974 when the UNESCO general conference met in Paris, a number of anti-Israel resolutions were passed and the U. S. Congress reacted by introducing a resolution withdrawing some of our money from UNESCO.

"I set in a UNESCO conference in Nairobi two years ago between representatives from Upper Volta and Tanzania and reference was made then to our less than full participation," she said.

Fluoride serves students

About 38 per cent of Farmington School District students took advantage of a dental program offered by the Farmington Parent-Teacher Association Council last year.

The PTA council reported that 2,800 students received a teeth cleaning and fluoride treatment for \$5. Dental hygienists Norma Peters and Gladys Margason provided the treatment.


This year, the dental team has been to William Grace and Long-acre Elementary Schools. Larkshire students will receive treatments this week.

Other schools included in the fall schedule are Middlebelt, about Oct. 15; Beechview, about Nov. 1; Wooddale, about Nov. 10; Forest, late November; and Eagle, December.

The remaining public and parochial schools in the Farmington area will be scheduled for treatments in the spring.

Children are also provided with free toothbrushes.

Carrier of the Month Farmington



Craig Burris, 11 of Farmington Hills is September's Carrier of the Month.

He lives with his father Robert, mother, Gerry and brother Mark.

The sixth grader at Kenbrook Elementary School has a B average and likes social studies, gym and reading.

His hobbies include beer can collecting, swimming and skiing.

He belongs to the school safety squad and the Buzzards Ski Team.

He earned two medals for the Kendallwood Swim team. Craig's been a member for four years. Last year he received two trophies for his time to 10 year points and was named the most improved swimmer.

Craig wants to be a veterinarian.

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Tax proposals could drain Franklin funds

By JOE MARTUCCI

Passage next month of the Headlee or Tisch tax reform measures could be more taxing to Franklin residents than those in most other communities.

Both of the proposed constitutional amendments would affect sale of bonds to finance construction of a proposed sewer system.

The village has not yet authorized sewer construction, but likelihood of undertaking the project has increased in recent months due to repeated warnings to abate pollution by state and county health officials.

The village council will meet Thursday to consider setting a date for a special election on the issue. Franklin's charter requires approval of two-thirds of the voters before sewers or other public utilities can be built.

Meanwhile, the Tisch and Headlee amendments loom on the horizon and the passage of either—or both—could have a direct impact on sewer financing, according to Franklin's financial consultant and the Oakland County drain commissioner.

Both persons say that while most attention has been focused on how Tisch and Headlee would affect property and income taxes, the secondary impact on sale of bonds has gone virtually unnoticed.

"Both (amendments) would have a catastrophic impact on public works programs," said drain commissioner George Kuhn.

BASICALLY, Headlee would place a ceiling on the state legislature's ability to increase taxes beyond the current tax-income ratio.

Headlee would also prohibit municipalities from levying new taxes without voter approval and requires the same authorization for most bond issues.

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October 18, 1978

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Public: October 5 and 13, 1978

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS Public Notice

Public Notice is hereby given that the City of Farmington Hills will accept bids on the following equipment:

One (1) 10 Kilowatt Generator to include a Transfer Panel, Muffler, Natural Gas Carburetor, Solenoid Valve, Venting and Installation at Fire Station 2, 32225 Middlebelt Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan.

Bids will be accepted until October 18, 1978, 10:30 A.M. at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the City Clerk. Specifications and bid proposal forms may be obtained from the office of the City Clerk, located at 31525 West Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan. 474-1115

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