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| A. Operating Costs | |
| 1. General Supplies | \$30.19 |
| 2. Postage | 31.08 |
| 3. Telephone | 8.27 |
| 4. Bank Charge | 5.00 |
| B. Board and Adm. Committees | |
| 1. President | 25.00 |
| a. Finance (annual drive) | 0 |
| b. Membership | 11.84 |
| c. Yearbook | 45.14 112.00 |
| d. Unit organ. e. Publicity | .90 |
| C. Delegates, Travel, & Affil. | |
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| State Convention National Convention | 0 299 . 00 |
| 3. Workshops | 0 |
| 4. Affiliations | (25.00) |
| D. Financial Support | |
| 1. State PMP | 676.00 |
| 2. National PMP | 624.00 |
| E. <u>Bulletin</u> | |
| 1. Supplies & Printing | 327.36 |
| 2. Postage | 138.50 |
| F. Educational Activities | |
| 1. Publications | 170.50 |
| 2. Program Committees | 7.50 |
| 3. Voter Service | 6.50 |
| G. <u>Position Support</u> | |
| 1. Publications | 0 |
| 2. Action | \$2,493.78 |
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| INCOME | |
| 1. Dues | \$1404.00 |
| 2. Contributions Members | 300.00 |
| 3. Contributions— Non-mem. | 495.00 |
| 4. From Reserves (cash on hand)5. Profit-making Ventures | 801.27 279.05 |
| 6. Voter Advertisements | 202.50 |
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| Decatur League Of Women Voters | | | | Proposed |
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| | | Budget 82-83 | Actual Ex. 3-29-83 | Budget 83-84 |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | | |
| A. Operating Costs 1. General Supplies 2. Postage 3. Telephone 4. Bank Charge | | 30.00 40.00 10.00 5.00 | 9.68 38.94 1.50 5.00 | 30.00 40.00 10.00 5.00 |
| B. Board & Adm Committees 1. President 2.a. Finance (annual drive b. Membership c. Yearbook d. Unit Organization e. Publicity | ;) | 25.00 10.00 25.00 50.00 50.00 | -0- -e- 45.14 82.00 10.00 | 25.00 40.00 25.00 50.00 50.00 |
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| E. Bulletin 1. Supplies and Printing 2. Postage | | 450.00 130.00 | 314.86 138.50 | 250.00 |
| F. Educational Activities 1. Publications 2. Program Committees 3. Voters Service G. Position Support 1. Publications 2. Action | | 175.00 10.00 50.00 10.00 40.00 | 150.24 7.50 -0- -0- | 175.00 10.00 50.00 10.00 40.00 |
| | TOTAL | 2800.00 | 2427.36 | 2480.00 |
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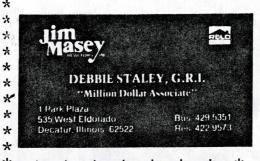
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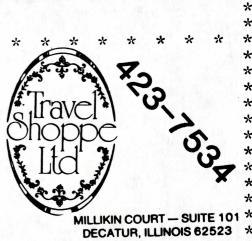
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