

Oakland County — State Races

	Ann Twp.	Southfield Twp.	Birmingham	Westfield Hills	Westfield Twp.	Farmington	Farmington Hills	Lathrup Village	Oakland Twp.	Oakland Lake	Rochester	Southfield	Troy	West Bloomfield Twp.	Total
61st State Representative															
John Teal-D									145						145 *
Melvin Larsen-R									269						269 *
63rd State Representative															
Robert Anderlie-D	700		705		5							793			2203 *
Ruth McNamee-R	1258		2200		35							1150			4643 *
64th State Representative															
Dante DiVitto-D						309	416					473			1698
Harvey Katz-D						196	976					999			2173 *
Wilbur Brotherton-R						633	2029					572			3434 *
65th State Representative															
Henry Tamow-D		454		61	881							327			2540 *
James Delebaugh-R		1831		430	3509							42			7098 *
67th State Representative															
Joseph Forbes-D								204				3540			3744 *
William Kish-R								293			927				1220 *
71st State Representative															
Anthony Dobry-D													270		270
Richard Mills-D													253		253
Sai Rocca-D													1285		1285 *
Len Hopkins-R													534		534 *

Although districts for state offices often cross city and township lines, impact of a single city's or township's vote can be measured on this graph which not only shows individual municipal totals but district-wide results. Winners are designated by asterisks.

Clean-up and tax tips for flooded basements

If you are one of those hapless individuals who ended up with a flooded basement after the recent heavy rainstorm, it may cheer you to know that some of the damage is deductible on your income tax and there are ways to make the clean-up job more pleasant.

According to R. L. Platte, district director of Internal Revenue for Michigan, losses

to personal property are limited to amounts over \$100.

You will have to prove that you actually suffered from a property loss. Platte suggests that taxpayers compile a list of items lost or damaged showing the cost or other basis, the value before the loss was sustained and the value immediately after the loss occurred. Before-and-after photos will be helpful in showing the extent of damage.

In computing the amount of the loss, the amount of insurance or other compensation received to offset the loss, including the value of repairs and cleanup provided without cost, must be deducted from the gross amount. Platte says:

Taxpayers who need more information can get a free copy of IRS publication 547, "Tax Information on Disasters, Casualty Losses and Thefts," from the IRS office. BUT BEFORE you straighten out your taxes, you will have to straighten out your basement.

Remember not to handle any connected electrical cords or appliances while stand-

ing in water or on a wet floor until the power has been shut off from outside the building. Call your electrical company service department for assistance before trying to disconnect power cords or to open the fuse box in a flooded basement.

The person cleaning the basement should make sure all clothing and parts of the body which come in contact with any sewage are thoroughly washed. Prevent tracking of sewage onto other parts of the house. Do not allow children to enter the basement until it has been disinfected and dried. Discard any brooms or mops used in cleaning the basement.

ANY KIND of food contaminated during the flooding should be disposed of in tightly covered receptacles. You can keep canned goods, but disinfect them first by washing them in a solution of hot, soapy water and then rinsing them in bleach (one-half cup per gallon of water).

Clothing, carpets, upholstered furniture, toys, bedding and similar items that have come in contact with sewage water should be thrown away—not given to the Salv-

tion Army. Some salvage companies are equipped to process contaminated goods without hazard to employees or customers.

To disinfect the basement area, ventilate it thoroughly and flush floors and walls with water from a hose. Then, wash those areas with soap suds and hot water. Remember to keep the hose stream away from any electrical equipment or wiring that hasn't been completely disconnected.

Disinfect the area of the basement as high as it was wet, using a chlorine solution. Keep the basement well ventilated until it dries out.

YOU WILL then have to check the pilot lights and burners on all gas or oil-fired appliances. If the electricity is connected to appliances which have had motor controls submerged, do not attempt to connect until consulting the electric company or dealer.

If there are no electrical connections to appliances, turn off the gas supply to the main burner. After about five minutes light the pilot burner according to equipment instructions. If it doesn't light, turn the gas supply off and call the gas company or dealer.

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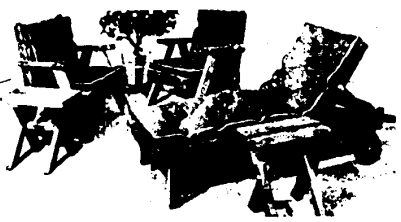
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