Clarenceville candidates unopposed

The Clarenceville School Board election on June 9 will be no contest. Only two candidates met Monday's filling deadline for the two vacancies. Barring the possibility of a successful write-in camping, 16-year board veteran Richard Wood and newcomer Michael Manore will geab serve on the Clarenceville Board of Education for the next four years.

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Wood is superintendent of administrative engineering for Ford Motor Co.

He has a backelor's degree in business administration and finished his studies while on a one-year hiatus after serving the first two of four terms on the board. He and his wife, Shirley, have four children. Two are graduates of the Clarenceville School District, and two others still attend school.

Manore is vice president in charge of planning for Wade-Trim Inc., a Taylor-based engineering and all

planning for Wade-Trim Inc., a Taylor-based engineering and planning compa-ny. He has a master's degree in urban planning. He and his wife, Dianne, have four children, all of whom attend Clarenceville elementary schools. Both men are in general agreement about where the board and the district is likely to head in the next four years. "Definitely it's a critical period for every school district in the state right now, with the declining heroliment and with the financial picture that all the school districts are in. Plus the finan-cial state the state is in," said Wood.

WOOD BELIEVES the auto sales slump and impending recession will cause unemployment levels that will, in turn, dramatically reduce one of the state's most important sources of mon-

state's most important sources or mon-ey, income tax.

If that continues to happen, "the first place (the state) is going to cut in the social services is going to be schools," says Wood. He bases that opinion on the fact that alone among social services, schools have local property tax income-

in addition to direct state aid.

Manore agrees the budget may present a long-term problem, but in the short term he is concerned with the impending sale of a district-owned school building.

"I would expect one of the early issues will be how to use that money," he said.

"I'm running because there was an opening and I felt I had something to add," said Manore when asked about

his motives. "I feel the school district has done an exemplary job. I'm not running because I'm unhappy with any-thing."

Both Manore and Wood support the district's plan to seek voter approval for a one-mill tax hike. The issue will appear on the same June 9 ballot that will be used to elect board members.

"I think it's a good policy to plan ahead." said Manore.

Incumbents challenged

4 join Farmington board race

Four candidates — two incumbents and two challengers — have entered the race for two seats on the Parmington Board of Education. The election will be held no June 9.

Raymond S. Koteras, a Detroit school teacher who lives in Farmington Hills, and Lynn T. Morgan, a Farmington resident employed as a broker with Century 21 Real Estate, are first-time candidates.

They'll be facing incumbents Helen Prutow, board secretary, and James McGlincy, trustee, in the race for two four-year terms.

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"I think it's a position that needs

me," said Morgan. "I have a vested interest in education with two small children. I want to be aware of what's the term which expires in June.

dren. I want to be aware of what's going on.
"I think I can represent the board to the public and the public to the board." Koteras, a history feacher at Northwestern High School, was not available for comment.
"I'm delighted to see some other people running," said Mrs. Prutow, a Barmington Hills resident who will complete her first four-year term in June. Voters will also elect three candidates to six-year terms on the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees. Deadline for candidates to file for that race is April 22.

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