

Michael Manore

Michael T. Manore, 38, is a candidate for the Clarenceville Board of Education. A vice president in charge of community planning for Wade, Trim and Associates Inc., Manore lives at 20250 Gilman in Livonia. A registered professional community planner, Manore holds a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University and a master of urban planning from Wayne State University.



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His community activities include slo-pitch chairman of the Edgewood PTO Softball Program. The Clarenceville district includes parts of Livonia, Farmington Hills and Redford Township.

Why are you running for election? I have 16 years experience as a community planner and have considerable knowledge of how local government functions. As a school board trustee, I can use my experience in helping guide the school system in the next four years.

As a trustee, what kind of education do you want and will you work to provide Clarenceville students in the 1980s? I have three children in the Clarenceville schools. I have been very satisfied with the quality of teaching and the special education program available to them. Rising school costs will require that all school programs will have to be reviewed for possible cutbacks. It is important in reviewing possible reductions in programs that academic courses are maintained so that a quality education can be provided all children.

What will be the toughest challenge(s) you will face in the next term? Education costs are escalating. Tax limitations such as Headlee, state revenue cuts for education and possibly future limitations on taxation present a

difficult choice for school boards. To balance the budget, a reduction of education programs is likely. Establishing education priorities so that school costs can be balanced with anticipated revenue will be the major challenge to be faced.

Can and should Clarenceville remain an independent district? Why? An emphatic yes must be given to Clarenceville remaining an independent school district. Clarenceville is a relatively small school district. Residents have a greater opportunity to participate and take pride in their schools. The district has an outstanding special education program, band program, athletic program, and has a fine academic record. The size of the district makes it manageable, and, I believe, helps contribute to the support residents have given their schools over the years.

Clarenceville seeks tax hike

Voters in the Clarenceville School District will elect school trustees and decide a millage question in Monday's election.

Richard Wood, a 16-year veteran of the board, and Michael Manore are on the ballot. There are two vacancies on that board. The district includes parts of Livonia, Farmington Hills and Redford Township. Trustees are paid \$350 per year.

Clarenceville voters also will be asked to approve a one-year 1-mill tax hike.

Even if approved, the tax may not be levied. District budget figures estimate revenue for the coming year at \$5.2 million, but the real total won't be known until state aid formulas are released in July. Last year's budget in the 2,200 student district was \$5.4 million.

The Clarenceville Board of Education decided to seek the increase June 3, when an election for trustees was slated, in case state aid is reduced in July and the district's budget falls below the projected \$5.2 million.

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Botanist elected Science Life chief

James Wells has been elected president of Life Science Inc., of Farmington Hills.

An associate professor at Oakland University, he is a botanist and assistant to the director at Cranbrook Institute of Science.

He is a consultant with Michigan's Department of Natural Resources in its attempts to preserve Michigan's sand dunes.

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