

23rd District

Anna D. Socrates

Democrat, 21, of Bloomfield Hills. Full-time student. Education: Presently a senior at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass. Qualifications: Summer 1979, internship with Oakland County Democratic Party, which involved attendance of County Commission meetings and analysis of resolutions that came up before the board.

1. A system of regional transportation best serves Oakland County's long-range needs. Establishing an independent system doesn't address the problem of shrinking energy resources. The necessity of the subway is questionable, yet by withdrawing from SEMTA, the county loses all say in decisions that affect the quality of its transportation services.

2. The county should develop a system of solid waste disposal; devise a long-term land use plan; improve planning and maintenance of roads; avoid duplication of functions by merging the Drain Commission with the Public Works Department; make services more accessible by increasing assistance to branches of the County Clerk's office.

Paul E. Kasper

Republican, incumbent, 40, of Bloomfield Hills. Investment banking. Education: BS, Loyola University, political science, 1962; JD, University of Detroit Law School, 1966. Qualifications: 12 years, Board of Commissioners; served as board chairman; chairman: Finance Committee, Personnel Committee, Public Works Board; member, SEMCOG, SEMTA Board of Directors.

1. At present it's more feasible for Oakland County to be a member of SEMTA to meet growing transportation needs of Oakland County's citizens. I am opposed to the subway construction which will absorb large amounts of transportation dollars and not appreciably assist the citizens in solving the transportation problem.

2. Technological equipment should be utilized wherever possible to provide services without the need for additional employees which impact the county budget dramatically. Overlapping services in the area of health care, social services and law enforcement should be eliminated wherever possible.

27th District

Joann Blythe Echlin

Democrat, of Farmington Hills. Material not available from candidate at time of printing.

John J. McDonald

Republican incumbent, 40, of Farmington Hills. Attorney. Education: BS, University of Detroit; MA, Wayne State University; JD, Detroit College of Law. Qualifications: Six years on Board of Commissioners; currently chairman of Personnel Committee; was Republican caucus chair-

man two years; served on General Government, Health, Human Resources subcommittees.

1. This question is now being considered by the Board of Commissioners. All the ramifications of operating our own system are not yet known. The real question, however, is whether Oakland County can afford to stay in SEMTA if SEMTA insists on building a subway as part of the regional plan.

2. Because of present economic conditions I do not feel that any additional services should be provided by county government simply because increased services require increased expenditures and no one wants to pay more taxes.

24th District

William D. Brinker

Democrat, of Novi. Material not available from candidate at time of printing.

Dennis L. Murphy

Republican, incumbent, 45, of Novi. Banker. Education: University of Detroit, 1970, finance major, magna cum laude. Qualifications: Five years in present office; chairman, finance and retirement com-

mittees; member, health and human resources, Drain Board.

1. It is presently not feasible to operate our own county system without a substantial tax increase. It is not a proper course for the county to take unless we are going to drop from all joint memberships and cut ourselves off from everybody.

2. The county should not add any additional services at the present time. Existing services over those which are mandated should be continued at present level assuming we can continue to operate with a slight surplus. We must show fiscal restraint in reviewing programs.

25th District

G. William Caddell

Republican, of Walled Lake, unopposed.

26th District

Sara J. Tucker

Democrat, 32, of West Bloomfield. Real estate salesperson—ReMax of Birmingham. Mother of 5-year-old twins. Education: attended Michigan State University; BFA, Eastern Michigan University. Qualifications: Officer at large Oakland County Democratic Party; Democratic State Central alternate.

1. I support and encourage a comprehensive regional (SEMTA) rapid transit system to lessen our dependency on automobile use and, therefore, Arab oil.

2. I support an independent audit which would provide direction for making county government operate more efficiently. County clerk services could be provided in the southern and western portions using existing staff and space at no additional cost.

Joseph R. Montante

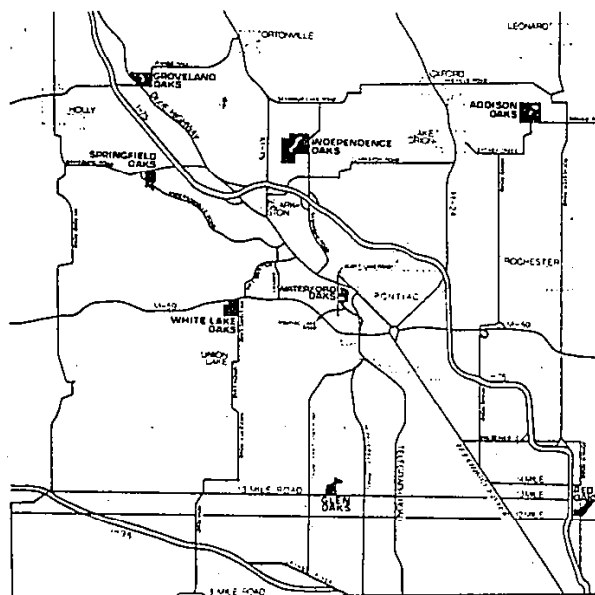
Republican, incumbent, of Orchard Lake.

Graham Health Center. Education: Doctor of medicine. Qualifications: Oakland County commissioner, eight years, planning and zoning committees 15 years; chairman and vice-chairman, Sanitary Code Board of Appeals Health Committee; trustee, CHPC SEM; president, Michigan Association Boards of Health.

1. Service being equal, it would be more costly to operate SEMTA. Subways must always be subsidized; there is no break-even point. Operating and maintenance costs are forever. Plus the additional problems of the Detroit transportation system. I favor an equitable regional transportation system with equitable representation.

2. Oakland County will always strive for economy in government; however, no services or programs need be cut. But we must attempt to limit new positions and programs until economy improves. Oakland County handles their finances exceedingly well, and has operated in the black for at least the past 12 years.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th
Polls Open: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.