

# Clarenceville candidates face the issues

## Richard Wood

Richard Wood, a 20-year incumbent, is seeking re-election to a four-year term on the Clarenceville Board of Education.

Wood is employed as an engineer for Ford Motor Co. Three of his children have graduated from Clarenceville High School and the youngest attends Clarenceville Junior High School.

Wood is a member of the Clarenceville Athletic Boosters and the Clarenceville Band Parents and Friends Club. He lives on Maplewood Street in Livonia.



Richard Wood

1. If re-elected to the Clarenceville Board of Education, what will be your top three priorities for public education for the school district?

Continue to offer a total educational program for the total district. Continue learning experience for both the students and teachers. Have all certified personnel teach in only their majors or minors.

2. In view of the downsizing of enrollment in your district, what do you see as a future for the Clarenceville school system?

## George Roberts

George T. Roberts, a Farmington Hills resident, is seeking a four-year term on the Clarenceville Board of Education.

It is his first bid for a school-board seat, although he's no stranger to politics. Roberts serves on the Farmington Hills Zoning Board of Appeals. And he also was considered last year to fill the seat vacated by Lee McDowell.

His employment background includes work as a construction electrician. He retired eight years ago because of a disability. Today, he is active with senior-citizen concerns.

Roberts has no children in the school system but three attended Clarenceville schools.

In addition to attending high school, Roberts' educational background includes two years of college.

He lives on Ontario Street in Farmington Hills.



George Roberts

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## Candidate profiles

**F**IVE candidates are vying for three seats on the Clarenceville Board of Education in the Monday, June 11, annual election.

Four candidates are in competition for two four-year terms. They are incumbents Michael Manore and Richard Wood. The challengers are Daniel Bibik and George Roberts.

Running unopposed for a one-year term is Linda Ahnert.

In the space below, the Observer has reprinted questionnaires distributed to the candidates by the League of Women Voters. Three standard questions were asked of all candidates. Accompanying short biographies have been added.

The Clarenceville School District includes parts of Redford Township, Livonia and Farmington Hills.

## Daniel Bibik

Daniel Bibik is a challenger in the four-year race for two four-year terms on the Clarenceville Board of Education.

Bibik is employed as a refrigeration technician for A.G. Cars of Wixom. It's his first bid for office although he was considered last year to fill the unexpired term of retired trustee Lee McDowell.

His district activities include serving as treasurer of the Clarenceville Band, Parent and Friends Club. He has two children in the district. One attends Botsford Elementary and the other Clarenceville High.

Bibik received his high-school diploma from Clarenceville High in 1981 but received a GED certificate while he was in the service in 1958.

He lives on Brentwood Street in Livonia.



Daniel Bibik

1. If elected to the Clarenceville Board of Education, what will be your top three priorities for public education for the school district?

To work with the school board and the new superintendent to improve education at Clarenceville. To focus on the new computer courses and insure a continuing upgrading and improvement of this program.

2. In view of the downsizing of enrollment in your district, what do you see as a future for the Clarenceville school system?

## Linda Ahnert

Linda Ahnert is the sole candidate for a one-year term on the Clarenceville Board of Education in the election on June 11.

The position she will fill is the unexpired term of former board member Lee McDowell, who stepped down from the board last year. Longtime Clarenceville trustee Norman Hunt had come out of retirement to serve in that place until an election was held.

Ahnert will join the board with 13 years of PTO experience behind her at which time she served as president and held other offices. Currently, she serves as publicity chair. She also has been active as a volunteer with the Botsford preschool program.

Ahnert is a high-school graduate. This is her second bid for a school-board seat. She ran in 1982 and was considered last year to fill the post left vacant by McDowell.

She has four children. Two attend the high school, one attends the junior high and the youngest is in elementary school. She lives on Gillman in Livonia.

1. If elected to the Clarenceville Board of Education, what will be your top three priorities for public education for the school district?

1. Giving the students the best education our dollars will allow us. 2. Be

## Michael Manore

Michael T. Manore, this year's Clarenceville school board president, is seeking his second four-year term on the board.

Manore is employed as a city planner by Wade-Tyrim Consultants. He has three children, two attend Clarenceville Junior High School, a third attends special classes in Farmington Hills.

His educational background includes a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University and a master's degree in urban planning from Wayne State University.

For three years he headed the Botsford PTO Softball League. He lives on Gillman Street in Livonia.

1. If re-elected to the Clarenceville Board of Education, what will be your top three priorities for public education for the school district?



Linda Ahnert

open-minded to change. 3. Try to maintain the status quo — for band, music, sports etc.

2. In view of the downsizing of enrollment in your district, what do you see as a future for the Clarenceville school system?

Good — We are an average-size district in the state and maintain a good curriculum with a closeness you can't get in larger schools.

3. Do you support the efforts in Congress for school prayer or tuition tax credits?

(Candidate did not respond.)



Michael T. Manore

## INSIDE ANGLES

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**MARCIA THOMPSON** of Farmington Hills has been elected to the dean's list at Saginaw Valley State College. To qualify, scholars must earn a grade point average between 3.40 and 3.99 while enrolled in 12 or more credit hours of study.

**KATHRYN L. RICHARDSON**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Richardson of Farmington, was one of 32 students tapped for Mortar Board at Albion College. Mortar Board, a national honorary society, was established in 1941 to honor students who have been outstanding in scholarship, leadership and service.

**RANDALL MILLER**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller of Farmington Hills, was awarded class honors for academic achievement at the Annual Honors Spring Convocation at the University of Michigan. Randy was accepted into the University of Michigan Business School and is studying accounting and finance. He is a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity and was president of the Wesley Hall Dormitory in West Quad. Randy is a 1982 graduate of Catholic Central High School.

**THE REV. JOAN KAHN-SCHNEIDER** is 1984's winner of the Clarence R. Skinner Award given to the preacher of the sermon that best expresses Unitarian Universalism's social principles. The minister for Universalist-Unitarian Church of Farmington won the award for her sermon called "Homophobia."

**IF YOU HAVE** a big craving for chocolate, bring the family to the Sheraton Oaks Hotel Ballroom in Novi, across from 13 Oaks Mall, from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 10. Dr. Sonya Friedman, local artist and television personality and author of the book, "Men Are Just Desserts," will introduce chocolate to you, a new low-calorie and low-cholesterol ice cream made from tofu bean curd. Over 25 fine chocolate shops will have their creations on display to sample for free and purchase. The event will benefit the American Lung Association of Southeastern Michigan. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children under 12.

**STEVEN BAER**, a player for the Farmington Hills/West Bloomfield Novice Baseball League participated in a triple play at Eagle Elementary School. Steven is a student at Forrest Elementary School.

**LYLA AKOURI**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fouad Akouri of Farmington Hills, was awarded the Kenbrook Elementary School Scholarship Fund award by Clayton Graham, principal of North Farmington High School. Lyra is on the senior board at North Farmington High School and is an avid actress. She won her high school mock election as "Most Friendly." Lyra looks forward to studying corporate law and will be attending Michigan State University in the fall.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Rob Helen of Farmington Hills who has been selected drum major of the Farmington High School Marching Band for the 1983-84 school year. Rob, a sophomore, will attend Smith-Walbridge School for Drum Majors, in Syracuse, Ind., for one week of intensive training this summer and will then serve as assistant drum major this fall.

**SHARON C. CONNERLY**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Connerly and Yong-Hwa Angela Kim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K.D. Kim, graduated from Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame, Ind., in the college's commencement exercises May 19.

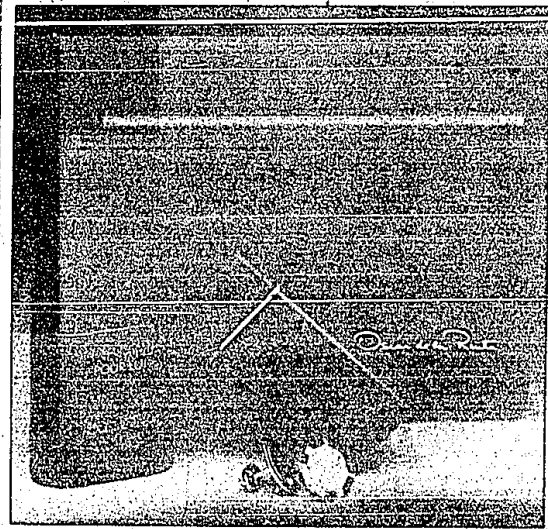
**AIRMAN 1ST CLASS** Michael J. McDonald, son of Jeremiah McDonald of Farmington, has been decorated with the Air Force Achievement Medal at Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas. The Achievement Medal is awarded to airmen for accomplishment, meritorious service or acts of courage. He is a 1979 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School.

**SUSAN DIEHL-JONES**, a Farmington Hills resident and Brother Rice High School chemistry teacher, has been recognized for her work in chemical education through publication of an article entitled, "Spectrophotometry: Mechanics and Measurement." The article appeared in the March 1984 issue of the Journal of Chemical Education, a highly respected international journal with readership of over 78,000. "Chemical educators applaud the involvement of teachers such as Susan Diehl-Jones who are willing to share their knowledge and advancements in the classrooms with their peers. Her contribution to chemical education through this publication shows her commitment and dedication to the teaching of chemistry," stated the Journal of Education.

**ANNE THERESE SCHENDEN**, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Schenden of Farmington, has been listed in the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She joins an elite group of students selected from more than 1,600 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

**DANNA KOERSKI** of Farmington Hills has been initiated into the Zeta Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Marquette University.

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