Wolf seeks countywide forum

This is the second is a series about the race for the Republican nomination for the Oakland County Board of Commissioners 27th District seat. Democrat Steven Hill of Farmington Hills is unopposed in the Aug. 2 primary.

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Donn Wolf has faithfully followed his father's teachings.

"He said, 'I you're going to stay in this house, you're going to stay in this house, you're going to sto church." Wolf said.

Politics and religion have been two of Wolf's lifelong interests. He attended his first Republican convention when he was 5 years old. "I was raised in a house involved in politics. In 1944, in my own kid way, it worked on the (Thomas) Dewey (presidential) campaigns."

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Wolf, 53, and chalked by your of political experience both with his involvement in the Republican Party and eight years on the Farmington Hills City Council.

His decision to seek election to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners 27th District seat wasn't tough. When Wolf decided not to seek re-election to a third term on the Farmington Hills City Council, he was waiting to see what commissioner Jack McDonald of Farmington Hills was going to do. Shortly after McDonald of Farmington Hills was going to do. Shortly after McDonald of Farmington this cantion to run for Oakland County prosecutor, Wolf announced his can-

ton to rul for oakland Country prosecutor, Wolf announced his can-didacy, who recently resigned as wellen of the Farmington Repub-lican Club, freely acknowledges the name recognition of his opponent. Farmington Hills Mayor Jody Soro-nen. "Jody is a formidable oppo-nent," he said.

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BUT HE'S confident and intends
to wage a hard-hitting campaign for
the county commission seat. "Trunning the standard campaign." he
said, adding that his wife, Shirley, is
heavily involved in his campaign.

He'il be going door-to-door, sending
out literature and visiting community groups that request his presence.



Expecting

scheduled one fund-raiser. "But most of it will be my own money," he said. If elected, Wolf plans to target three major areas in his first term. They are crime, roads and taxes. His strategy for working in county government involves rolling up his sleeves, sitting down with the experts and working out solutions, he said.

"I don't intend to sit back in the

said.
"I don't intend to sit back in the first year and learn the ropes. I know county government," Wolf said.

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An ordained Episcopalian minister, Wolf is a community and government affairs representative for Detroit Edison. He believes much of capability to serve as a county commissioner comes from his years of

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ng the campaign to cost 900 to \$8,000, Wolf has one fund-raiser, "But most

AFTER SERVING eight years on a city council, Wolf says he'll have no problem with partisan politics. "I have never seen a government that wasn't partisan, The city council was partisan, hough they never called it that. I don't see any problem at all with partisan government. If you can't convince the other council to the council to you can't convince the other council to the council to your can't convince the other council to the the council to the council to your can't convince the other council to the council to the council to the council to the waste they can be the council to the waste they can could be considered to the waste they can could be considered to the waste they can could be commented to the waste they can could be considered to the waste they can could be council to the waste they can could be considered to the waste they can could be considered to the waste they can be considered to the waste that they can be

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"I'm dealing mostly with communities, community groups and city councils," said Wolf, father of five children and grandfather to sev-

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services, such as finding work for the unemployed. Wolf's appreciation for business and the business owner comes from the days when he owned the Purple Onlon, a dancing club for young peo-ple in Port Huron. "I bought a nightclub because I liked to dance," Wolf sald.

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HIS JUMP into the business world followed work at a radio station and before that as a minister in Port Huron and Brookline, Mass. "I ran most of the youth programs. I was really looking toward the teaching side of youth ministry. But as I got de of youth ministry. But as I got der, I wasn't as close to the kids

ages anymore."
His 21 years with Detroit Edison have put him square in the center of working with government and community organizations. Wolf said his work has taught him how to work successfully with others to develop ideas and solve problems.

"I spend my everyday working with county government. There's nothing glamorous about county gov-ernment. It's a lot of hard work," he said.

In fact, Wolf calls county government "the mystery government" because the public generally knows very little about it. "In city government, people get excited about garbage pickup days. In the county, they're concerned with policy."

Politics and government is second nature to Wolf, who has run the gamut of involvement, including presidential campaigns, serving as precinct delegate and as chairman of other well-known Republicans' election campaigns.

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Wolf admits he'll be giving Republican friend Paul Welday, a candidate in the 69th state Rouse race, advice and campaign tips. But Wolf maintains he's not joining forces with the political newcomer.

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• POLITICS OF LIFE
Farmington Hills city councilwoman Jan Dolan, Republican candidate for the 69th state House district seat, will speak to the Farmington
ton Professional Women's Network
at 7:15 a.m. Friday, July 8, at the
Farmington community Centre.
In her speech, "Politics of Life,"
she will share her thoughts on how
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ROMNEY ENDORSEMENT Donn Wolf, Republican candidate for the 27th county commission dis-trict, now counts Republican Nation-al committeewoman Ronna Romney among his supporters.

The district includes Farmington and much of Farmington Hills.

BOUCHARD PROFILE
Beverly Hills Village Council president Michael Bouchard, Republican candidate for the 68th state House district, was featured in a full page article in the spring Issue of the Law Enforcement Journal, official publication of the Police Officers Association of Michigan, which has endorsed-bis candidate.

• FUND-RAISERS SET
For 27th county commission district candidates:
• Donn Wolf, 5:30-8:30 p.m. July 6, Botsford Inn, Farmington Hills, 825 ner nerson.

Jody Soronen, Thursday, July 7, home of Jon and Debble Granf. Farmington Hills. Call 474-3440 for details.

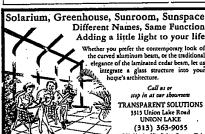
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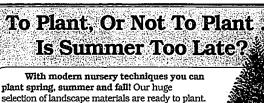
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