

Wolf seeks countywide forum

This is the second in 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. By Joanna Maliszewski staff writer

Donn Wolf has faithfully followed his father's teachings. "He said, 'If you're going to stay in this house, you're going to stay involved in politics, and you're going to go to 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, I worked on the (Thomas) Dewey (presidential) campaign."

Since his first campaign, Wolf, 53, has chalked up years 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 announced his intention to run for Oakland County prosecutor, Wolf announced his candidacy.

Wolf, who recently resigned as president of the Farmington Republican Club, freely acknowledges the name recognition of his opponent, Farmington Hills Mayor Jody Soronen. "Jody is a formidable opponent," he said.

BUT HE'S confident and intends to wage a hard-hitting campaign for the county commission seat. "I'm running the standard campaign," he said, adding that his wife, Shirley, is heavily involved in his campaign. He'll be going door-to-door, sending out literature and visiting community groups that request his presence.



Donn Wolf

Expecting the campaign to cost about \$7,000 to \$8,000, Wolf has 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 first year and learn the ropes. I know county government," Wolf said. 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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Detroit Edison experience working with other counties such as Wash-tonaw.

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

AFTER SERVING eight years on a charter-mandated, non-partisan 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, though they never called it that. I don't see any problem at all with partisan government. If you can't convince the other county commissioners you're right, you're in trouble," he said.

Wolf is a big supporter of business — both as a means of helping the economy work and for helping people help themselves. He's chairman of the Washington County Community Services Agency in which he is working to privatize government 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 Onion, a dancing club for young people in Port Huron. "I bought a nightclub because I liked to dance," Wolf said.

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 older, 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 people to develop ideas and solve problems.

"I spend my everyday working with county government. There's nothing glamorous about county government. 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.

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

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News and notes from the Election '88 campaign trail. The primary is Aug. 2. The general election is Nov. 8.

POLITICS OF LIFE
Farmington Hills city councilwoman Jan Dolan, Republican candidate for the 69th state House district seat, will speak at the Farmington Professional Women's Network at 7:15 a.m. Friday, July 8, at the Farmington Community Center.

In her speech, "Politics of Life," she will share her thoughts on how politics influence not only the community but personal lives and jobs.

The district includes Farmington, Farmington Hills and the villages of Franklin, Bingham Farms and Beverly Hills.

ROMNEY ENDORSEMENT
Donn Wolf, Republican candidate for the 27th county commission district, now counts Republican National 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 69th 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 his candidacy.

FUND-RAISERS SET
For 27th county commission district candidates:

- Donn Wolf, 5:30-8:30 p.m. July 6, Bolstord Inn, Farmington Hills, \$25 per person.
- Jody Soronen, Thursday, July 7, home of Jon and Debbie Grant, Farmington Hills. Call 474-3440 for details.

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