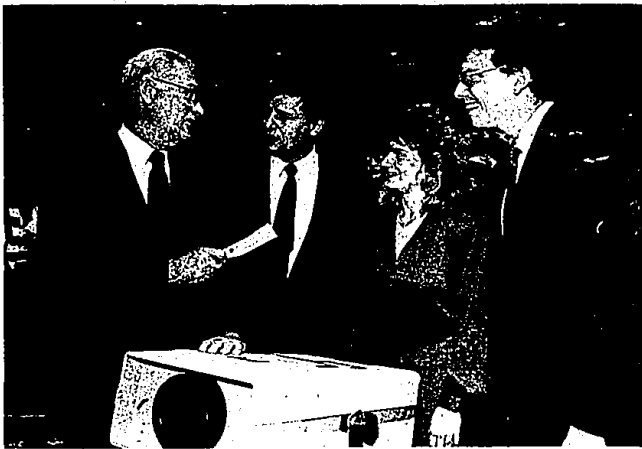


Wolf joins Moffitt and Jaffe-Oaks in victory



County Executive Dan Murphy (left) talks politics with county commissioner David Moffitt and his wife, Kathleen, and county GOP chairman Larry Dickerson at the Republican Party's victory night at Roma's of Bloomfield Tuesday.

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staff writer

Farmington Hills Republican activist Donn Wolf and incumbents Republican David Moffitt and Democrat Lillian Jaffe-Oaks will represent Farmington and Farmington Hills residents on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

In his first bid for the 27th county commission district, Wolf, a former two-term Farmington Hills city councilman, captured about 75 percent of the vote from his Democratic challenger, Steven Hill, 27, of Farmington Hills. In unofficial tallies, Wolf received a total 15,064 to Hill's 5,564 votes in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

In Farmington Hills, Wolf received 11,448 votes to Hill's 3,316. Farmington voters cast 3,616 for Wolf and 1,248 for Hill. The 27th district includes all of Farmington and the majority of Farmington Hills.

Two-term incumbent Moffitt overwhelmingly outdistanced opponent Farmington Hills Democratic activist Albert Zolton in the 15th county commission district. In unofficial vote tallies, Farmington Hills resident Moffitt received 12,163 to Zolton's 5,445 votes.

IN FARMINGTON HILLS, Moffitt received 6,525 and Zolton 3,477 votes. The 15th District includes parts of Bloomfield Township, West Bloomfield, Farmington Hills and Franklin village in Southfield Township.

One-year 21st District incumbent Jaffe-Oaks of Southfield held onto her seat by trouncing Republican challenger Marie Bowers of Farmington Hills, 8,461-4,895.

In Farmington Hills, however, Bowers led Jaffe-Oaks by one vote, 111-110. Jaffe-Oaks is a former Southfield City Council member, appointed a year ago to fill the remaining year of a two-year term left vacant by the death of county commissioner Alexander Perinoff.

The 21st district includes the southern portion of Southfield and



Lillian Jaffe-Oaks
Democrat



Donn Wolf
Republican

the southeast corner of Farmington Hills.

Walking away with the 27th District seat represents yet another win on a long list of political races for Wolf, including the Farmington Hills City Council and more than 10 as precinct delegate.

Wolf walked away with at least 75 percent of the Farmington Hills vote and outran Hill in all 27 precincts, including absentee ballots.

"I was pleased we won every precinct, which kind of says it's a broad-based philosophy," said Wolf, a Detroit Edison community and governmental affairs representative.

THOUGH HIS supporters had long told him the seat was his, Wolf said he never rested on his laurels or his name recognition. "I worked just as hard on the general election (as on the August primary). I didn't take it for granted."

Wolf concentrated his efforts in the city's northwest section where many of the more than 3,000 voters who registered since the August primary. "They don't know the name Wolf so certainly the Republican Party part of it all helped considerably," Wolf said.

The 27 county commissioners, the county's primary policy makers, serve two-year terms. Their base salary for the part-time job is \$17,191. Responsibilities include attendance at twice-monthly meetings as well as committee assignments.

The county commission's role is similar to that of a city council or state legislature. It acts on proposals by the county executive and makes proposals of its own.

Farmington Hills woman works on national staff

Glancing at her "Vote for Dukakis" watch and answering questions between bites of her hamburger during a recent lunch break, Kristine Sepety of Farmington Hills talked about her involvement in the 1988 presidential campaign.

A member of the 12-person staff in Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis' Boston headquarters, Sepety, 26, is responsible for opening and helping respond to the thousands of letters arriving at Kitty Dukakis' office each week.

"It's exciting, especially when you're working for someone you feel so positive about," Sepety said.

The Harrison High School graduate earned a graduate degree from

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— Kristine Sepety

Harvard University in philosophy of religion and political theory. She was hired 2½ months ago to head all correspondence for Kitty Dukakis.

Sepety was very involved in the

1980 presidential campaign, working with the phone banks and driving disabled voters to the polls back home in Farmington Hills.

"I have learned that just as much can be done in Farmington Hills as in the headquarters. If I ever wished I could be in two places at one time, it would be now," she said.

Although she has no definite future plans, Sepety plans to remain in a similar line of work after the campaign.

Boston University College of Communications student Julie Gaynor wrote this story. She's a 1987 North Farmington graduate.

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