

Local Broomfield office struck by protesters

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Bundled in parkas and scarves, more than 100 protesters stood in front of Congressman William Broomfield's Birmingham office Friday afternoon to rally against United States aid to El Salvador and Nicaragua.

Broomfield, R-Birmingham, serves as majority leader of the House Foreign Aid Committee. Protesters came from Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield Township and West Bloomfield, according to organizer Maggie Tyson.

The group — the Committee Against Military Aid to El Salvador — held protest signs reading "Stop U.S. \$ death squad" and "El Salvador is Spanish for Vietnam" and talked to passersby while circulating a petition that was delivered to Broomfield's office.

The petition chastised Broomfield's voting record on aid to Central America.

"We are appalled at your voting record in the matter of funds and arms to support the U.S.-paid mercenaries known as the 'contras' who, to this day, continue to kill and torture innocent women, men and children in Nicaragua," it read.

THE PETITION also charged that continued funding to Central America will "prolong suffering and injustice, and bring great disaster to our own nation."

Dennis McKee, administrative aide to Broomfield, said that Broomfield had supported aid to Central America "over the past 16 years."

The petition turned in by the group, as well as other information, will be forwarded to Broomfield in Washington, the aide said.

McKee said he will talk to Broomfield next week, giving him a report on the general feelings of the group.

"It is important that people know they have a place to make their views known," McKee said of the group's gathering.

Several protesters said they recently returned from a trip to El Salvador and said that heightened U.S. awareness of conditions there is important. Without America's financial support, the war there might end through negotiations, they said. They were part of a delegation that included Bishop Thomas Gumbelton.

BILL CARRY, who heads the Oakland County Peace and National Priorities Center with his wife Mary, said he served as a pallbearer for one of the six Jesuit priests slain last month.

"The problem is that our government thinks this hemisphere belongs to us," Carry said. "We can't accept it that a country would act independently from us. We see it as a threat."

Carry estimated that the United States funds Central America at a rate of approximately \$1.5 billion per day and that funding "continues to result in people being tortured and assassinated."

Eileen Lynch of Bloomfield Hills spent 10 days in Central America. With the delegation, she toured the offices of Fenebra — the union center — right after it was bombed. The bombing killed labor leaders and workers.

"The overall impression I got is that the people all want the war to end. The people there feel threatened because they have no bill of rights," Lynch said.

ANOTHER IMPRESSION is that the El Salvadoran people are courageous and "willing to sacrifice themselves for the good of the common people," she said.

Lynch lived in a village during her stay and talked with people who had been tortured by the Contras.

"I'm embarrassed that our government supports them," she said.

Both Carry and Rudy Simons recommended that Americans should read Canadian reports to get more accurate news of El Salvadorian issues.

"The mainstream press doesn't seem to want to find out," Carry said. "But that's starting to change a little."

Simons said that he listens to Canadian radio stations to get updates on Central America because "it's closer to truth as we know it."

Bouchard looks to challenge legislator

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rary election. To mount a serious campaign, he would have to move to the district even sooner.

"That means he would likely forgo running for a third term on the Beverly Hills Village Council. His seat will expire in March."

"I would very much love to serve in a different capacity and that would be in the Legislature," Bouchard said.

A YEAR ago, Bouchard placed a close second in losing the Republican primary election against eventual 69th District state representative winner Jan Dolan. She said she will support Bouchard's bid. Both are the

publicans.

"I've talked to Mike about it," Dolan said. "He has a passion for politics. He wants to do so much more. He's anxious to serve in this area."

Faxon noted that Bouchard could not even win a Republican primary in his bid for a House seat.

Although he wouldn't formally announce his candidacy, Faxon suggested he would seek a sixth Senate term.

Faxon, who formerly lived in Southfield but now lives in Farmington Hills, was first elected to the House of Representatives in 1964, where he was re-elected three times before winning election to the Senate.

THE REPUBLICANS reportedly see Faxon as vulnerable. Republican state Sen. Richard Posthumus, assistant Senate majority leader, said he has spoken to Bouchard and others about running for that seat.

"We think that any number of Republican candidates would have a good chance of winning that seat," Posthumus said.

Bouchard was encouraged, Posthumus said, because he did so well, and surprisingly so, in the House race (last year).

Bouchard is hosting a fund-raising reception honoring Senator Posthumus Dec. 7. Among the Republican party activists on the "hon-

orary host committee" are Sen. Doug Cruse; state Reps. Judy Miller, Bill Bullard and Dolan; and county commissioners Donald Jensen and David Moffitt.

Posthumus said he was asked by Bouchard to come down for the event. The \$25 per person donation, Posthumus said, will go to Bouchard.

Republican Frank Brock opposed Faxon in the 1986 election.

Brock, who was just re-elected to his third term as councilman in Lathrup Village, said he had no plans to try a second time. "I would not put my family through that again," Brock said.

JAN DOLAN said Bouchard's bid

won't be easy, but believes he has a good chance to beat Faxon.

"As this area develops from Farmington Hills west, it will be more responsive to Mike," Dolan said.

Bouchard apparently has met with state Rep. Bullard from Novi. Dolan believes Bouchard's informal style will be popular with area voters.

"He should keep up the same style he's always had," she said.

Opposing Faxon will be philosophically easy, Bouchard said.

"We do differ so deeply on so many issues — crime, drugs, local control — many pieces of legislation he has passed recently."



Jack Faxon
Democratic incumbent

Residents sound off on Community Center noise

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16 issued a one-year ban on the use of amplification for the center's outdoor performances.

Commissioners approved the special use but issued a list of restrictions, based on residents' complaints, such as the lack of a theater license, shielded parking lot lights and fencing around the center's southern property boundary.

Despite the ban and restrictions, complaining residents say they want to see justice done.

The Aug. 23 complaint was not the first time residents called Farmington Hills police when the outdoor concerts bothered them. But when police arrived at Shortt's home near the center on Aug. 23, the residents insisted that a complaint was filed. The outdoor concert featured guitarists.

"It wasn't that this concert was necessarily any louder than any other concert," said Donald Stolberg, a neighbor of Shortt's. "But you have to insist that a complaint is filed. They (police) tried their damndest not to issue that ticket."

ACCORDING TO police reports, city officials were contacted before the ticket was issued to determine whether the outdoor concerts had been approved by city officials.

Inspector Thomas Godwin contacted assistant city manager David Call and told him he preferred that Shortt delay his complaint until after a scheduled Sept. 21 planning commission where the outdoor con-

certs were to be reviewed, according to a police report.

"Mr. Shortt feels that the only way to resolve this matter is through the court and insisted that his complaint be processed," Godwin said in his report.

Until the Aug. 23 complaint, she said Monday, Pfaff was unaware of neighbors' complaints. "I had asked police to inform me each time there was a complaint. I had not heard word one. There were no formal complaints. No action was taken by the police."

RESIDENTS ALSO are angered by the delays in Pfaff's court appearance on the ordinance violation.

At a scheduled Nov. 7 pretrial conference center, attorney Donohue and city attorney Timothy Kenny agreed to delay the matter, pending the expected Nov. 16 planning commission decision.

"That stinks of some type of manipulation on who knows whose part," Stolberg said. "It seemed to me it was improper. There is no connection between the planning commission and whether they (the community center) were disturbing the peace on a certain day."

Donohue and Kenny disagree. "I think we were at least waiting to see what the planning commission was going to do. If the planning commission came up with a decision that

made both sides walk away feeling pleased and happy, that might have impacted how the case would be resolved," Kenny said.

DONOHUE SAID he requested the delay, pending the planning commission's decision. "There's nothing unusual about that procedure between prosecutor and attorney."

Stolberg said he believes a bench warrant should have been issued for Pfaff, who was not present at the pretrial conference although Shortt was. Donohue said he contacted Pfaff that day and told her that her presence was unnecessary. That is not uncommon at pretrial conferences between attorneys, he added.

Chorale boasts local flavor

Farmington-area residents Carrie Lynn Brown, Justine Noetzel and Vernie Roberts are in the Madrigal Chorale that will present its ninth annual holiday concert Saturday, Dec. 9, at Old St. Mary's Church in Detroit's Greentown.

The 8 p.m. concert will be highlighted by a Michigan premier performance of Kuhau's Magnificat. Also included in the program

will be selections from John Rutter, Maurice Durufle, Daniel Pinkham, as well as traditional carols and dramatic spirituals.

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