

ELECTION LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

She's for Terry

It is nice to see that my choice of candidate for our state representative, Terry Sever, has the common sense not to add his sign to the junk yard effect at 11 Mills and Orchard Lake roads.

Apparently the fact that not every candidate chose to join the mess was lost on you, Mr. Editor. "Estranged from officialdom"—or do you mean not one of the good-old-boys?

Terry Sever may not be a current "club" member, but he certainly is supported by the residents of Farmington Hills, republicans and independent voters, who wish him well because he truly cares about this city and takes the time to listen, gather information and facts before he makes a decision.

He will do the same in Lansing.

Betty Cook, Farmington Hills

A Cathy voter

Cathleen Webb is my choice to replace state representative Jan Dolan.

I have known Cathy for eight years. During this time I have served on committees with her. Her attention to goals and the steps needed to reach them is noteworthy. I have also observed her handling difficult school situations in a professional manner.

Cathy has shown her skills as an elected official. Serving as school board president for two consecutive challenging years speaks for itself.

Farmington Public Schools is an exemplary school district. Cathy Webb has certainly made her contributions to this most important community service. I know that she will serve as our state representative in the same thorough competent manner.

Lincoln Avery, Farmington Hills

One more for Cathy

Our family, the Daguanno's, moved into Farmington Hills 14 years ago.

Since Dick Daguanno has served on

several boards and commissions, including the Farmington Area Republican Club, the Commission on Children, Youth and Families, the Farmington Hills Community Foundation for Children, Youth and Families and the Board of Directors of the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce.

Together we, Dick and Gayle, have had the opportunity to meet and work with many of the community's officials and volunteers.

None has impressed us more than Cathleen Webb, currently a candidate for state representative. Cathy is a person of impeccable character.

She is honest, intelligent, a quick study, and a tireless worker. We're confident that she will bring all of these qualities to the office she will bring all of these qualities to the office she seeks, and will serve as well.

Cathy is the candidate we want to represent us in Lansing.

Richard and Gayle Daguanno, Farmington Hills

A Cathy backer

I would like to tell the voters of Farmington/Farmington Hills why I think Cathleen Webb would be our best choice for state representative.

We currently serve together on the Commission for Children, Youth and Families, and I must say that Cathy is truly concerned about the future of the young people in our communities.

Her background from being on the school board helped us get the After School Youth Center for our middle school students up and running. And as the mother of a special needs young adult I know from personal experience that she has their best interests at heart and helps whenever and wherever she can.

When Cathy is elected I know that she will, to the best of her ability, do everything she can to keep every promise she has made to us!

Alice A. Toroyan, Farmington Hills

Cathy's their choice

We are writing to express our support for Cathy Webb as State Representative.

It is refreshing to be able to support a candidate that we know can be counted on to bring her expertise and devotion to the job.

We have known Cathy Webb both as an enthusiastic mom volunteering her time at her children's school and also as a school board member and dedicated community leader.

Cathy brings not only maturity but years of experience to this position. Cathy has already demonstrated her deep devotion to the welfare of this community and we are confident that she will continue to do so.

Our votes are going to the person who has proven her dedication to the community by serving in leadership positions for over 10 years.

We are fortunate to have such fine candidates in the coming election.

Bill and Sue Murphy, Farmington

Andy's his choice

Farmington Republican Club sponsored a debate July 10 at City Hall between the four candidates vying for the 37th District House seat, and it became a one-man show.

Andrew Raczakowski swept the field clean with his crisp, analytical, and forceful delivery.

His comments dealt specifically and intelligently with the serious issues facing our community today.

His concluding statement summed up his position with a brilliant reference to his qualifications: Young enough to be enthusiastic and old enough to be experienced.

By contrast, Sever was an old warhorse stomping the same old rhetoric.

Webb tiredly returned to the same old refrain of how wonderful a mother she was and how she alone warranted Dolan's anointed blessing.

Jolicoeur was less irksome, but still unconvincing with her continued

stress on her personal trials and tribulations as well as her subtle sniping at the rest of the panel.

No question, we in the 37th District will be well-served by voting for Andrew Raczakowski to be our representative on Aug. 5.

Albert Rosen, Farmington Hills

'We deserve Andrew'

Andrew Raczakowski was born 27 years ago in this country to immigrant parents from Poland. His parents came to this country as many immigrants do in pursuit of the American dream: A life of freedom and opportunity.

They found that here and along their journey they developed a great love and deep respect for the country who so graciously opened her doors to them. They sought the American dream (for it does require seeking and hard work) and they truly experienced it.

Andrew is a reflection of his parents. He believes in the freedom guaranteed to us in this country, and reducing government intervention and eliminating government waste are key maintaining our freedoms.

The opportunities in this country for every American are many, but they require hard work and persistence. Andrew has sought out the opportunities available to him and he has worked hard at achieving his dreams.

When he is given the opportunity to serve us in Lansing, we can be certain he will do the same.

What makes this country great is its history of people committed to preserving a way of life they were willing to die for. Andrew has a love for this country which extends beyond his military service in the Army Reserve. His convictions about upholding the freedoms we hold so dear run deep.

Andrew Raczakowski is the one to vote for on Aug. 6, a man whose personal history reflects the kind of representative we deserve in Lansing.

Melody Jaske, Farmington

She's for Jerry

I would like to take this opportunity to share my knowledge of Jerry M. Ellis.

He is a dedicated professional who has voluntarily worked on the Parks and Recreation Commission to bring social, health, economic and cultural benefits to the residents of Farmington Hills.

Jerry M. Ellis has supported and instituted programs which have addressed the needs of children, adults and senior citizens.

Jerry has served our community for over 15 years.

He has been an outstanding volunteer who has combined his business expertise and leadership skills. Here are just a few of his astounding achievements:

As a member and chair of the parks and recreation commission, he has been involved in obtaining over \$4 million in grants for the acquisition and development of Farmington Hills Parks.

He worked on the millage that raised funds to acquire the William Costick Activities Center for senior citizens, youth and community programs.

His support of the Senior Adult Nutrition Program has brought over \$1 million into the community to server over 500,000 Meals on Wheels.

He was chair of the finance sub-committee of the Ice Arena Citizens Study Committee that devised a plan to build and finance a \$6 million ice arena without the use of tax dollars.

He led the financial and economic vitality committee as vice-chair and acted on the steering committee for the Year 2000 committee.

This impressive list of accomplishments provides the city with an experienced leader.

He will represent all residents from every corner of the city of Farmington Hills.

Cast your vote for Jerry M. Ellis for the Farmington Hills City Council, a thoughtful, proven leader.

Thank you for your attention and consideration. Vote on Aug. 6.

Judy Antishin, Farmington Hills

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