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ing student population. He would not expand the use of alternative education, such as schools of choice, and does not favor vouchers or other changes in funding for private schools that amount to "parochialism."

Dibert said although he is pro business and wants to see reform of the single business tax, he is socially moderate and pro choice as opposed to his pro-life opponent.

"I don't want the government interfering in people's private affairs," he said. "This decision is for a woman to make."

Dibert also favors a new approach to assisted suicide, such as the implementation of a board of review and the actual procedure done by a physician.

"You need guidelines so you don't have people taking advantage of the situation," he said.

Dibert said organized labor unions, which have some 7,200 members living in the district, deserve representation in Lansing and said the idea of Michigan becoming a right-to-work state, would hurt the economy and cost good paying jobs.

Dibert owns his own business, Interiors/exterior, which he started while attending Oakland University where he earned a bachelor's degree.

Dibert said rewarding businesses with tax credits and other incentives for hiring new workers, will help the economy ride out any downturn and keep people at work and paying taxes.

At the same time, Dibert said he would like to see the state become more aggressive at attracting new business to the state.



STAFF PHOTO BY SHARON LEMLEY

Glass act: Democratic candidate Steve Dibert, here working at his business of maintaining houses, is counting on GOP crossover votes as his window of opportunity in the 37th District state House race.

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falling them," Webb said. "That was the unhappiness the board expressed."

"Now that we can see that the scores are low, we don't even have the information to get back to students. But we're hoping that's a mistake the state will change."

"The state superintendent (Arthur E. Ellis) claimed to be totally unaware that it had happened, and said he would look into it and check it out," York said. "I'm looking to (him) to straighten this out."

R. Jack Inch, school board trustee, had other problems with the HSPT.

"The English test is a written example. Supposedly, people from in and out-of-state are checking them," he said. "It looks to me like a great deal would depend upon the quality of the examiner, and what their personal consideration is. You're giving evaluatory standards to an outside authority, and that I

have a little trouble with."

He believes that the test's problems stem from the speed with which it was placed in the curriculum.

"I think it was put into operation very quickly, and that the ground rules were not well-set," he said. "Anytime you put anything new in you're going to have some friction. But to put it in as quickly as they did...it bothers me that this hasn't been thought out, but it doesn't surprise me."

Other concerns were the time (about 20 hours) and cost of the test. But have any solutions been offered?

"We are drafting a letter to the state board of education superintendent urging him to ensure that for next year's testing, we will get the information back," Webb said.

"I think that the state set the boundaries, so the state needs to do the cleaning up," Inch said. "It has to take a look at what it's testing and why it's testing it."

Alpach expected next year's scores to be higher.

"But that doesn't mean that kids are smarter, that they've learned more," she said. "The MEAP was changed every year. There's no guarantee that the HSPT won't also. They may also change the scoring requirements for proficiency."

Webb assured that the HSPT scores will only go up through hard work by teachers and students.

"(Representatives from the district) made the remark to the board that the district was not happy with the test scores and would be making strides to improve that. We've seen them do that before and they have done it."

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credit for the award. "Two years ago, another teacher in our district (Harvey Goldstein, chairman of elementary art consultants) received the award, and that's very unusual, so close together."

"That prompted me to mention to the Board of Education that they and the (Farmington schools) administration share in these awards."

"They have created the atmosphere for this to happen. We're fortunate to have a board and administration that's so supportive."

The school board eagerly returned the compliment.

"He's done some wonderful things with all different kinds of kids," said Linda Enberg, board mem-

ber. "He uses some wonderful techniques with his students."

Harmon humorously described the overanalytic navel-gazing such an award can lead to.

"It re-energizes you, but it also makes you really evaluate everything you do," he said. "When something goes wrong, you look at yourself and say, 'Would the Teacher of the Year really do that?'"

"You know everyone out there is saying 'Ah ha, he's Teacher of the Year, look how he screwed up,'" he laughed.

The Michigan Art Teacher of the Year award will be given at an Art Education conference in Traverse City Nov. 15.

CAMPUS PIPELINE

"Deathtrap."

DEAN'S LIST
Mark Strohmaier of Farmington Hills... University of Michigan College of Engineering.

Andy Wayne of Farmington and a senior at Ohio State University, recently returned from six weeks of study at l'Ecole Supérieure de Commerce Nantes-Atlantique (the Graduate School of Business of Nantes-Atlantique) in Nantes, France, where he studied European Business and Culture. He is a 1994 graduate of Farmington High School.

HONORS PROGRAM

Freshman Elizabeth Graham has been accepted into the Honors Program at Albion College. She is a graduate of Harrison High School.

NEW GRADUATES

Susan Marie Carlson of Farmington Hills has been awarded a doctor of medicine degree from the University of Michigan Medical School. She is a 1978 graduate of Farmington High School and a 1982 graduate of the U-M

Nursing School, where she earned a bachelor's of science degree in nursing. She then worked as an R.N. at the University of Michigan Hospitals. She will start her residency in internal medicine at the University of Pittsburgh Health Center.

STUDENT ART SHOW

Sarah Green of Farmington Hills was one of 66 students who exhibited her art work in Alma College's annual student Art Show. She is a graduate of North Farmington High School.

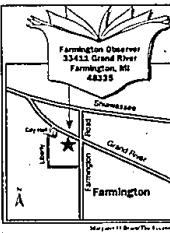
RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Patricia Rhiow, a first-year Hope College student from Farmington Hills, performed in the college's annual Music Scholarship Recipients' Recital. She is a soprano vocalist and received a "Distinguished Artist Award" from the college. She is a graduate of Morey High School. Farmington resident Stacey Blachford will receive a \$1,250 Dean's Scholarship renewal at Madonna University. She is a sophomore studying biology.

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NECK PAIN AS A SHOULDER PROBLEM

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The same is true of the shoulder. The pain you feel may be in the neck, though the cause of the problem is the shoulder joint.

The reason for this deception is the trapezius muscle. It anchors into the neck, but the origin of a large part of the muscle is the shoulder blade (scapula). When you have shoulder pain, the scapula tries to take on the duties that nature designated as shoulder's responsibility. Strain on the trapezius results as it tries to undertake compensatory scapular movements.

In turn you feel neck pain which is where the trapezius stress is the greatest. Your doctor can make the distinction. In such a circumstance your neck movements will be normal, but your shoulder motion will be limited.

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