

Rev. Hugh Stewart Wants Change

FARMINGTON — "The board has now no sense of where it is going, and this contributes to a morale problem," Rev. Hugh Stewart says in his bid for a seat on the Farmington school board.

Stewart is pastor of St. Stephen Presbyterian Church in West Bloomfield, an officer of the Farmington Area

Advisory Council, Farmington Youth Assistance and the Farmington Rotary Club. He has also been a member of citizens advisory councils to the school board and served as chairman of the Family Life Education Committee.

He is an advocate of speeding up and increasing the efficiency of methods of change in the district. "The

current system wants to be sure of whatever it does, and as a result is often tardy in introducing new methods."

"I feel the creative teacher is thwarted. Ideas are too long from conception to implementation."

He also feels more planning is necessary. "We need to set goals and objectives."

"First you must decide what you expect a student to

do, then make a commitment."

He is interested in working on programs for the academically achieving student.

"I think we have enough bored kids."

Asked whether he felt he could bring the board together, he said, "I question that premise—that an individual can do that. It's sort of an ego-trip."

He admits being sensitive

to being labeled as a liberal. "I think it is the kind of thing where you label people, then you can discount them."

"Actually, I am a classic conservative—I think you have to understand and work from history and tradition."

"I've spoken out on many issues," he added, referring to his work on the Family Life Education Committee, Rap Line, etc.

"We must anticipate more

in terms of the future," he said, adding in the past the staff "has had a tendency to have to second - guess the board."

He is an advocate of opening up the board meetings and increasing citizen participation. "The public should feel they can change their complaints through the board," he said.



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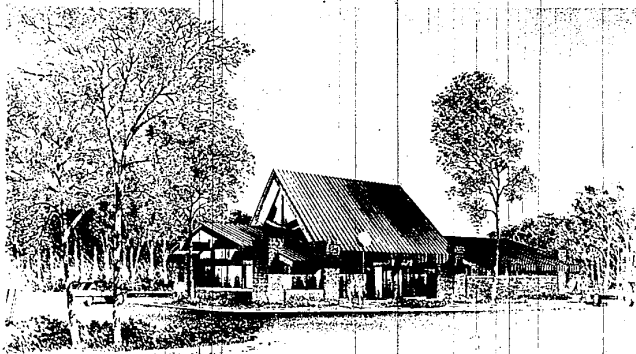
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Judge Vote Change Is Defeated

Most local representatives supported a House resolution to amend the Michigan Constitution to provide for election of judges in November of odd-numbered years. Judges are currently elected in even-numbered years.

The bill failed but will be reconsidered. It received a majority in the 58 to 44 vote

but needed a two-thirds vote for approval. Raymond (R-Farmington), Thomas Brown (D-Westland), Robert Geake (R-Northville), William Keith (D-Garden City) and Raymond Smit (R-Ann Arbor).

Opposing the bill included Reps. John Bennett (D-Redford Township), Jo-

seph Forbes (D-Oak Park) and John Marks (D-Westland). Geake said the bill would reduce the size of ballots and thus reduce long voting lines.

He said that opposition came from several representatives who are lawyers and are interested in seeking judgeships. If the resolution is adopted, legislators would be out of office for a year before they could seek a judgeship because legislators are currently elected in even numbered years.

Fraud Case Yields Arrest

FARMINGTON — An examination date of June 8 before District Judge Michael Hand has been set for Michael Berby, 20, of 21331 Hamilton, Farmington Township and Steven Bondy, 26, of Pontiac.

They were arrested May 28

by Farmington Township Police and charged with conspiracy to defraud the insurance company.

Police officials allege Bondy stored Berby's motorcycle in his garage while Berby reported the motorcycle stolen.

Traffic Ticket Brings Arrest

FARMINGTON — Robert Pick, 28, of Pontiac will be examined before District Judge Michael Hand June 8 after being picked up by the Farmington Township

Police on a warrant for breaking and entering.

He was arrested in the township after allegedly driving erratically and driving through a red light.

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