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Although at time of death the spirit departs the unneeded body, it is only natural for the bereaved family to have the body as the symbol of the departed. St. Augustine, centuries ago, said that the body is the instrument of the soul in the performance of good works and it is this proper to pay respect to the body and treat it with reverence.

Respectfully,
Shatter P. Sundquist

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WE Goofed!

The Farmington Area Jaycees apologize most profusely to the dedicated merchants and professional people for our printing errors in the 1973-1974 community directory. These are the correct listings as they should appear in your copy. Please make these corrections.

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What's The Ideal Candidate?

newspaper already has indicated an opinion on the candidates. It seems more relevant to address the question: what is an ideal candidate?

Since I have covered the activities of six different local school boards, and sometimes feel I have spent more time with school superintendents than a Weekly Reader salesman, I have developed some opinions on the subject.

To start with, it should be recognized there are people hostile to the whole institution of public education. While there may be a whole lot of valid reasons to be hostile to the public school system, I don't think anybody should be on the board with the idea of weakening it.

I am also prejudiced in favor of parents, for reasons only another parent would understand.

While some of my best friends are bachelors, and I wouldn't mind my sister marrying one (in fact, she did), I think they end up on the defensive too easily.

I like candidates who have a good, clear idea of what they can do on a public board. This usually means a couple of years on a board of a voluntary nature, plus some kind of administrative experience.

There are people who sit down at a board with an attitude like they are joining a club. They end up rather passively seeking the acceptance of the other

Junior High Holds Concert

FARMINGTON High School music department will present its annual pops concert at 8 p.m. Saturday, June 9, in the school gym.

Tickets are \$1 for reserved seats at tables and 50 cents for the bleachers. The school is located on Thomas south of Warner.

The concert, band, directed by Donald Ross, will play "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing," "Theme from Summer of '42" and selections from "Shalt" and "Jesus Christ Superstar."

David Brickner will be featured as trumpet soloist in "Quixote" and Lloyd Wepman, the school's typing teacher, will join the band in a novelty number, "The Typewriter."

Members of the varsity and cadet bands will join the concert band in marching band selections.

The school orchestra's program will include "Sandpaper Ballet," "Close to You," "Love Is Blue" and "Fiddler on the Roof."

The choir will sing "El Condor Pasa," "The Sounds of Silence," "Ben," featuring a duet by Julie Kawa and Kathy Matmuelier, and "Rainy Days and Mondays" with Tammy Hill as soloist.

Barbara Adams directs the FJH orchestra and choir.

New Horizons Gets Donation

FARMINGTON North Farmington High School bands and orchestra along with music students from Harrison and Farmington High schools raised \$100 for New Horizons by sponsoring a dance and car wash.

New Horizons is a project which provides jobs for handicapped adults in the Farmington area. It currently is trying to raise \$12,000 to secure a lease for a new building.

"The idea to help New Horizons was both planned

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board members and the school administration, rather than taking a cooperative leadership role.

This leads into another area of opinion where a lot of misunderstanding develops.

The role of a school board is severely limited.

The school system policy is almost completely spelled out in a uniform state code, and the vast majority of board business is actually routine.

Any change wrought by a school board is necessarily small, the result of a constant pressure and commitment over a long period of time, and when it happens it doesn't have much emotional satisfaction.

As an example, I once knew a parent who spent five years trying to improve an elementary reading program, which was finally instituted as his kid entered junior high.

IUI am therefore suspicious of a person who constantly brings up issues which aren't related to the business at hand.

It may be nice to know a board member considers himself a businessman, opposes busing, abhors litter and loves his mother, but an obsession with a lot of the so-called "big issues" drains a lot of energy from the board.

I think liberals are more guilty of this than conservatives.

I don't think a school superintendent can be too pragmatic—I think it is his job to get things done efficiently.

I think a school board member who adopts a completely pragmatic attitude ends up subverting democratic ideals, and the respect and credibility of the board in the community. He should be willing to be political, respect the community and play out his role as a public official in public.

It is quite possible the most important role a board member has to play is to maintain and build respect for the district.

Carried even further, this intangible "respect" may be the only real difference between a so-called "good district" and a bad one.

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