

State Representative Candidates Speak to Livonia Voters

VOTE SEPT. 1 COUNTY PROPOSITION NO. 1 YES

Editor's Note: From now until the final election, in November, The Observer will welcome statements on issues by rival candidates for various public offices. We'll edit them, as to length, and will attempt to give the same amount of space, each week, in the same story, to opponents.

Nearing the home stretch of the campaign before next Tuesday's primary election, candidates for State Representative in the two districts of concern to Livonia issued a number of statements to voters this week.

In the 35th District, which includes all of Livonia except four precincts in the south end, plus Northville, candidate Ed Dymek told the Livonia Democratic Club August 24, "Tuesday election day for the state of Michigan. On this day, the voters will step into the booth and select either the Democratic or Republican side of the ballot. They will then scan through the individual offices and select the candidate who will face the opposition in November. The voter will take approximately three minutes to finish his task. In that time, he should have selected the men who have represented their party for years. These men must know the issues. They must be willing to debate and campaign hard and vigorously. They must be doers and not dreamers. Please think when you vote Tuesday. Remember the names of those who have worked for our community."

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major governmental authorities that can supply public utilities at a price that is fair to all; c) the new constitution has been chosen by the people as the vehicle to be used to streamline state government so that government services can meet this new challenge; d) the service is not a science, but an obligation and trust, given by the people to those officials selected by the majority voting in the election."

On the Republican ticket for the same post, A. Thomas Dausot told voters:

"I support the proposition that a government governs best when it governs no more or less than is absolutely necessary. For the past 26 years, our federal government has governed too much for the very reason that our state governments have governed too little. If the government would assume their full responsibilities. Under the dynamic leadership of Gov. Romney, Michigan has taken a first great step with its new constitution and sound fiscal policy. Under the inspired leadership of our next president, Barry Goldwater, we can look forward to our sister states following our example of constitutional reform and assumption of responsibility. This responsibility of state government will eliminate the necessity for many costly and bungling Federal programs. The resulting reduction in federal taxes will provide a tax base broad enough to service the increased state functions that some money left over as savings to the taxpayer."

This great achievement cannot become reality overnight. It will require some doing on both the federal and state levels. As your representative at the state level, I would strive for restoration of the proper balance between federal and state governments. Carrying the same principal to the local level, I would sponsor legislation that will strengthen the hand of fast-growing suburbs like Livonia for stricter zoning and better planning. Intelligent planning now eliminates the need for urban renewal tomorrow."

Thomas D. McLennan, Republican candidate for the 36th State Legislative seat, today cited Governor George Romney's record of accomplishment gained with the cooperation of a Republican legislature over the past two years.

"The comparison of Michigan today and the Michigan of 1962 is almost unbelievable," McLennan stated. "Two years ago Michigan had a combined deficit of over \$108 million and today we have not only made up this deficit, but we have a surplus of \$50 million and expect another \$50 million to be added to this by the end of the year. Incomes are up in Michigan at a greater rate of growth than any other state in the union and more than 120,000 new jobs have been created by private enterprise since Governor Romney took office."

Monitors allotted for the increasing needs of mental health programs, juvenile delinquent rehabilitation, and higher education have increased at a rate never before equaled in Michigan. All of these programs are being financed on a 'pay as you go' basis which ensures adequate facilities as the need arises and yet saves the taxpayers of Michigan about \$30 million that will NOT go to bond holders in interest."

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Ronald L. Nisun, Democratic candidate for State Representative from the 33rd District, announced his platform at a recent gathering.

Nisun pledged to devote full time to the job, if elected.

He also promised to "represent the people as they would like to be represented."

"The job in Lansing only requires 5 or 6 months of the year. I plan on spending the remaining time by meeting the people who live in the 33rd District. This way, I can learn their wants and truly represent them as they want to be represented," stated Nisun.

Bernard Kosteva, candidate for State Representative from the 33rd district, voiced his opinions on some of the issues which he supports in the upcoming election.

First of all, Kosteva believes that "taxation of the property owner will be a tough problem because our present legislature has done little about the situation." He feels that any tax that is adopted must give property owners relief. He says, "Our present tax rewards those who are lazy and let their property run down, so Urban Renewal is needed. American pride in property ownership should be punished but rewarded." Also he would make sure that

his tax dollar would be used to its fullest value toward the needs of the people.

Next he strongly urges the people of Livonia and Nankin to support him, because, "it is better for the people to get close, proper, and above all honest representation. With this representation, he plans to bring

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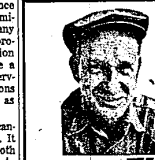
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