

# Republican kickoff. . . finger-licking good

By DAN McCOSH

A wag once said to get elected in Farmington you had to be a Mason, Methodist or Republican, preferably all three at the same time.

The days of lopsided partisan elections are changing, if only slightly, and the loose local organization needed firmer footing.

At least that is the argument put forth by the organizers of the Farmington Republican Club, an effort to put together a partisan political group with a community-wide base. "It is an effort to keep the two-party system viable," said McConnell, one of the group who jelled the idea said.

So 30-40 party stalwarts gathered Thursday in the Farmington city park to eat corn, listen to the Franklin Village Band, sip beer and pop from plastic bags piled next to the charcoal fire, and talk some politics.

With the campfire, Saturday-in-the-park style of the band playing, the gathering had the flavor of an after-election party. In a way, it was.

Victors from the primary dominated the group. Jack MacDonald, candidate for the 27th county commissioner's district; Sandy Brotherton, candidate for the 64th state representative seat; Lee Coppock, aiming at the 15th state senate; Margaret Schaeffer contesting a new seat for district judgeship; Patrick Nowack,

seeking re-election to the 25th county seat.

Earl Opperthaus moved through the crowd with a list, adding names of those who wanted to join the fledgling club.

Robert Beauchamp picked up the tab for the corn and beverages, figuring, he said, the club would get it back when new members paid their dues.

McConnell said about 60 people have joined so far, and an organizational meeting Sept. 18, at 8 p.m. at the Botsford Inn, is expected to add more, as well as elect officers.

Thursday evening, it was a folksy, open-collared kind of group which didn't mind getting its fingers smeared with melted butter.



Floyd Cairns and Sandy Brotherton chomp away.



Mrs. Robert Beauchamp and Mrs. Lee Weinstock tend the fire.



Ralph Yoder dips some butter (Photos by Ralph Evert)

## School budget hearing set for Monday night

FARMINGTON—The school board will be holding an open study session on the preliminary budget for the 1974-75 school year at Harrison High on Tuesday, Sept. 10, at 8:30 p.m.

The board is expected to discuss the preliminary budget and the changes that will be necessary as a result of the July 30 defeat of the millage proposal.

The time for the meeting was set for 8:30 p.m. so board members would have an opportunity to meet with the Committee to Re-open Bond Elementary prior to the budget study session.

The study session with the Bond Elementary parents is also open to the public and will begin at 7 p.m. at Harrison.

The board has been meeting for closed study sessions to discuss the preliminary budget, and the changes that will have to be made as a result of the millage defeat.

At the last school board meeting, board president, Gary Lichtman said,

"The board is contemplating holding an open study session to review the preliminary budget. This review may cause some review of our priorities."

"We have been trying to find some money that we may be able to use for some of the educational programs we have been forced to drop."

The board set the time for the open study session at their last regularly scheduled meeting.

## How library head looks at new job

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which will enable the library staff to account for all the money we spend."

LEWIS CAME to Farmington Hills from Philadelphia where he served as the head of a branch library in the public library system.

He said he and his wife prefer the life style of the midwest to that of the east and had hoped to settle in the midwest.

Both of them were raised in the midwest, he in Ohio, his wife in Michigan.

He received his bachelors degree from Capital University in Columbus, Ohio in 1956.

He attended the University of Pittsburgh graduate school of library and

information sciences from 1968-1969, and received his masters in library science there in 1969.

He received his masters of educational media from Temple University in June, 1964.

While he was employed at the McPherson Square Branch Library in Philadelphia he helped plan and guide the renovation and conversion of the facilities at the library to a multi-media center.

He also helped establish a community Friends of the Library program, create a multi-media assembly program for schools and groups and organized programs, such as a tutoring service for a culturally deprived area of the community.

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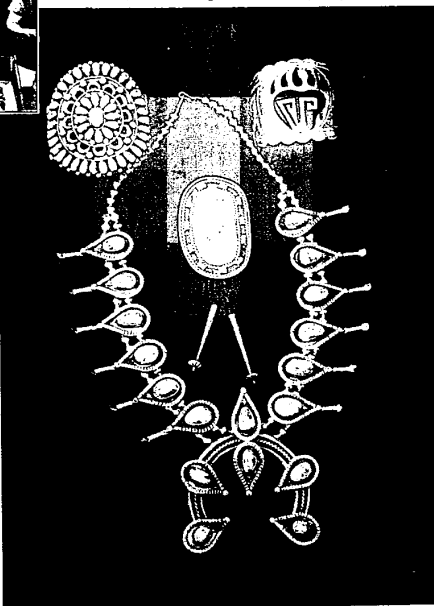


Navajo Raymond Scott

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