OAKLAND COUNTY-The August

OARLAND COUNTY-line Augustrians was made the voter's task a little easier in deciding the race for two newly-created seats on the Michigan Court of Appeals. While IS ran in the primary, the contest is now down to choosing between the more manageable number of four. Voters may select two candidates.

MICHAEL F. CAVANGH, 33, of Lansing is married and the father of three children. A graduate of the University of Detroit Law School, Cavanaugh is currently an Ingham Courty District Court judge.

Naming three major legal issues fating the bench, Cavanagh listed:

"Accessibility. The system is cumbersome, expensive and time consuming to all and inaccessible save the wealthy or the indigent...

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 "Judicial selection. The quality of the bench would be improved tremendously by an implementation of an appointive rather than an elective system for judges".

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Asked to name the most serious ethical question, Cavanagh replied:
"The necessity of a candidate for a judicial office to campaign for that office, and subject himself to the partisan consideration which a campaign entails, is inherently inconsistent with judicial ethics."

BERNARD L. KAUFMAN, 45, of West Bloomfield, is 'married and the father of two children. A graduate of Wayne State University, Kaufman is a partner in a Detroit law firm. Asked to discuss major legal issues facing the bench, Kaufman replied. "The Second Judicial District is concerned today with our crimination of the second search, and specifically, and, specifically, such related issues as the extent of police powers as well as the latitude of judicial decisions and sentences and copy procedures pertaining to such opportunity and procedures pertaining to such procedural areas as the senting of the Keyn Kaufman salid out the fact of the sentences and control of the sentences and control of the sentences and control of the sentences and the sentences are sentences and the sentences and the sentences are sente

sents the most serious judicial ethics problem.
"... A judge or a candidate for judicial office should refrain from political activity period." Kaufman said. "Judicial office should, in the strictest sense of the word, be non-partisan. "Unfortunately, in almost every judicial race... candidates seek endorsement either directly or indirectly from their particular political party."

That situation could be corrected, Kaufman said by equal public funding of non-partisan candidates. Kaufman said the would favor appointing rather than electing ludges if you could insure the selection of a non-partisan committee comprised members of the legal community as well as the general public which has a particular knowledge of the qualifications of judicial candidates and of the court system in general. Without such a committee, he added. "I would not be in favor of the appointment of state court judges becauge I believe it would become more political than it is today."

MICHAEL J. KELLY, 45, of Bloomfield Hills, is married and the father of four children. A graduate of the University of Detroit Law School, Kelly is a practicing attorney and state special assistant attorney gener-

il.

Asked to name three major legal sauce facing the bench, Kelly replied:

"Delay at all stages . . .

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"Abuses of plea bargaining process.
 "Public distrust of long waits and poor facilities, especially to witnesses and jurors."
 As the most serious judicial ethics problem, judicial inconsistency was named by Kellys.
 "To quote former Police Commissioner Patrick V. Murph," Kelly said, "The key to making the system effective is to convince everyone that justice will be consistent."
 "This should involve he prompt arrest, speed ytrial and sufficient punishment for the accused if found guilty."
 Kelly agreed with the present practice of electing rather than appointing judges.

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"There has not yet been a system devised which would sufficiently insure the appointment of independent, yet compassionate judges responsive to the highest dictates of morality and integrity. The danger is the creation of an ellists group from which judges would be picked..."

GEORGE E. MONTGOMERY, 41.

of Warren, is married and the father
of four children. A graduate of the
University of Michigan Law School,
he is a practicing attorney.
Montgomery named as the
major legal issues: "Overcrowded
dockets, disparity in sentencing, and
the present system of selecting
juries."

As a solution to bese issues, Montgomery named:

• "... taking the judicial system

out of the 18th century with the use of computers, video tapes and other technological advances.

"" revamping the jury selection system so that it will attract a high caliber juror. This can be done by increasing the amount of compensation jurors receive and by reducing the jury term to no longer than follow-week.

"" forming judicial Thoughout the state to review sentences and strive for more uniformity."

Montgomery named the practice of lawyers contributing to judicial races as the most serious ethics problem, and advocated a \$25 ceiling on such contributions.

Montgomery said he opposes appointing judges because such appointments" are often made as a reward for contributions to the governor's campaign, of either time or money, rather than on the basis of the individual's experience and knowledge."

edge."

Judges on the Michigan Court of Appeals serve six-year terms on a non-partisan basis:

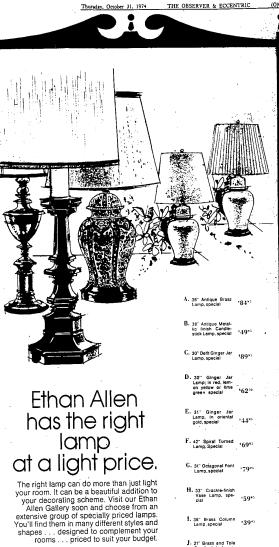
Society taps 7 seniors

Seven seniors have been elected to the Curn Laude Society of Cranbrook School in recognition of high scholas-tic achievement.

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Common Cause coordinator

SOUTHFIELD--Stuart Miller of 13815 Addison in Southfield has been elected 17th Congressional District Coordinator for Common Cause. na-tional citizens 10bby. Miller succeeds Susan Rennels. 20122 Tuck. Farmington Hills. cur-rently state chairperson for Common Cause Michigan.



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