Seeks involvement

Dolan puts emphasis on beautification

JAN DOLAN

Jan Dolan was appointed to the city council last January to replace Judge Margaret Schaeffer, who resigned. Now running for re-election to that seat, she said, "I feel I am representative of a large segment of the registered voters in Farmington Hills, the middle-aged, civic and community woman."

A resident of the community for more than 10 years, Mrs. Dolan is seeking office after raising four children.

"I now have both the time, along with the interest, to become involved in the planning and policy making procedures of the local government. My past involvement in community activities should point out my capabilities of assuming a leadership role."

Those community activities include serving two years as chairman of the Beautification Commission, serving as president of the Kimberley Homeowners Association and being a member and past president of the Farmington Garden Club.

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mrs. Dolan said, will be dealing with several major issues over the next five to 10 years, including:

•Road construction and improvement of existing mile roads, along with continued ditching, chloriding and grading of gravel roads;

•Installation of storm drains or retention ponds to eliminate flooding;

•Supplying emergency medical services so residents can be taken to the hospital quickly and safely;

•Enacting a comprehensive master plan for parks and recreation to ensure land can be acquired while still available;

•And, encouraging the building of more senior citizen housing by private and church-related developers to provide good, low-cost housing.

The public will have the opportunity to voice its opinion on at at least one of those issues, the plans for city parks, in the Nov. 4 election.

"The two advisory referendum questions give the general public a chance to participate in expressing their thoughts as to the direction they wish the council to take on these issues.

"I believe we have a very intelligent electorate that is capable of understanding the two issues,and making their expressions known at the ballot box."

MRS. DOLAN SAID she would favor a combination of neighborhood parks and larger park facilities.

"The neighborhood park would be geared more to the needs of the younger children, in close proximity to the elementary schools when possible. These could have picnic facilities, nature centers and play facilities.

"The large sites could be developed over the years with major recreation facilities, as planned for by the Parks and Recreation Commisssion with professional guidance."

Her timetable for paving roads would be, for the county: widen Orchard Lake north of Twelve Mile within two years; widen portions of Twelve Mile Road within five years; widen Middlebelt from Grand River north within 10 years.

For city roads, she said, she would like to see the improvements on Drake Road, Halsted Road, Nine Mile and Thirteen Mile completed within two years.

Consolidation of Farmington Hills with Farmington, would be a good idea, Mrs. Dolan said, because "They have so much in common now, such as their schools, community center, library and most of the civic and social organizations.

"Economics hopefully will dictate the consolidation in the future, as a duplication of many positions in the two cities is costly. Perhaps the consolidation will come about when the services in the Hills are brought up to the level of the City of Farmington."

Kenneth Harris is appointed as postmaster

Kenneth B. Harris, 35, of Brighton, officially took over the duties of Farmington postmaster this week.

He replaces Norm Lovell who served in the office for eight months.

Harris, a career postal service employe, began his career as a substitute clerk in Southfield in 1962. He moved rapidly from accounting assistant, accountant then chief accountant, and later acted as a financial troubleshooter for post offices in many areas of the Detroit district. His most recent assignment in this capacity was as officer in charge of the Plymouth post office for a period of five months.

James E. Miller, sectional center manager of Royal Oak, conducted the installation ceremonies at the Farmington Post Office, Friday, Oct. 24, before a small gathering.

After graduation from Pershing High School, Harris served three years in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is married to the former Kathy Hawlik of Troy. The Harris's have two daughters: Kimberly Ann, 13, and Kelly Bridget, 7.

Gaede speaks

Erwin A. Gaede, Ph.D., will be the guest speaker in Universalist- Unitarian Church of Farmington at 10 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 2. He will speak on "The Dignity and the Misery of Man."

The title comes from a phrase by the 17th century mathematician- scientist Pascal. It refers to the nature of man/woman as he/she experiences life in more than one dimension.

Rev. Gaede said, "We need to reexamine the concept of man in these times when so many are searching for instant and easy solutions to the fundamental contradictions of human existence."

The church is located at 25301 Halstead. Guests will be invited to a coffee hour after the sermon with Rev. Gaede, who is minister at the First Unitarian Church in Ann Arbor.

Southfield man in 'Who's Who'

A Southfield man, Joseph M. Fishbein, is one of 48 students at Michigan Technological University selected for listing in the 1975-76 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Fishbein, a graduate student in civil engineering, is the son of Adele R. Fishbein, 22680 Glastonbury.

Nominations for "Who's Who" are made annually by a faculty- staff committee and are submitted to the national office for approval. Nominees must have outstanding records of scholarship, leadership, participation in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to the university.

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