



By MARGARET MILLER  
Women's Editor

## Women on the Go

### She's Named To Board Twice In Single Year.

Farmington's Patricia Smith can claim one distinction among school board members of this area -- you won't find many who have been appointed twice in one year to the same post. Mrs. William H. Smith, mother of three and former president of the Farmington League of Women Voters, was named last Aug. 28 to fill an unexpired term on the Farmington Board of Education.

She served most of a year and ran for election to the post in June.

She lost by nine votes.

THEN ANOTHER VACANCY turned up this summer, and Pat Smith seemed the logical one to fill it. She accepted and it's back to the school board.

"I'm really very glad to get another chance to serve," Pat said. "I felt as though the first year was mainly learning, getting to understand the workings of the board."

"Now I feel I'm better prepared to help with whatever problem comes up, and that's what I want to do."

Although missing out at the polls, Pat wasn't disheartened by her experience. "It was the first time I had tried for any office," she said, "and I lost to two good candidates who both are more politically-oriented than I."

In her previous tour on the board, Pat Smith gained the reputation of one who listened carefully to all sides of a question and made up her mind with deliberation.

So she hopes to proceed now.

ONE OF THE FIRST long-range decisions in which she will have to take part is the coming consideration of a dress code that has been worked out for students of North Farmington High School by a committee that included students, parents, teachers and one administrator.

It calls for permitting slacks and Bermuda shorts for girls, and slacks and long hair for boys, and the indications are it will go into effect if the school board gives its approval.

Mrs. Smith, while seeing the dispute over dress as a symptom of deeper areas of con-



READY TO GO -- Pat Smith is set to return to the Farmington Board of Education

dict, thinks it is coming to the forefront because "the students want to have some of their ideas accepted, and they seem to feel that this is an area where they could be."

She's definitely interested in "seeing students' opinions taken more into consideration."

BUT IN THE MATTER of student voice in areas that have been administrative -- evaluating teachers, for example -- she urges a note of caution.

"I do want the students to be heard," she said. "But I want to feel that it's a majority of the students that is raising its voice. We must know whether we're hearing from most of the students or just a few."

Pat also said she had reservations about making a general ruling for the whole community in hair for the dress code.

"Students at the other schools might feel differently," she pointed out. "I'm not sure it should be standard -- it's harder to change that way."

The new member also has

ideas on school finances, that perennial problem for school boards.

She feels "there has to be an alternative" for millages increases to meet the rising costs of school administration.

"I think a state income tax is the most equitable source of school money," she added. "Millage can be used only up to a point -- we must find a way to have an operating base that isn't dependent on millage votes and that no district would fall below."

PAT FEELS, however, that the local boards should continue to have control over how extra education money should be spent.

"The board should set the priorities," she said. Her idea is that school board members should both lead and reflect the community.

"With today's increased mobility -- really almost an unstable society -- the school neighborhood seems to be the last area where people get to-

gether and feel a sense of community," she added.

THOUGH FARMINGTON still has no classroom sex education program, Pat found a surprising amount of interest in the matter while campaigning last spring.

"People who asked us about it seemed to be very definite either for or against," she said. Pat is a native of California and she and husband Bill, owner of a firm that processes commercial, industrial and educational film, lived in Indiana before coming to Farmington eight years ago.

Their children are Scott and Wendy, Farmington High School students, and Kenny, 11, a pupil at Beechview elementary.

Pat said she originally accepted the school board appointment after being urged to run for the office. Another appointment made her feel she's really supposed to serve there.

She has three good reasons without getting outside the family.

## J. Malone Is Married In Saginaw

Janet L. Malone of Cherry Valley Drive, Inkster, was married Saturday, Aug. 9, in St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Saginaw, to Gerald E. MacFaldia of Flint.

The bride is a teacher at Lowell Junior High School, Livonia. Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. John D. Malone of Saginaw, and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. MacFaldia of Rogers City.

The Rev. Valentine Myslicki celebrated the Mass, and the bride's brother, Edward J. Malone of Kokomo, Ind., was commentator.

The bride's gown of English net had lace applique trim. Lace florettes traced a cathedral veil of silk illusion that fell from a Venice lace-covered camelot cap. The bridal bouquet was a

cascade arrangement of gardenias, stephanotis and foliage. Mrs. Robert Kohberger of Westerville, Ohio, was matron of honor and Eileen Tobin of Dear-

born was maid of honor. They wore blue print French voile gowns with royal blue velvet bows and streamers and carried French colonial bouquets of gardenias, royal blue cornflowers and pale blue carnations.

Terrence P. Gambino of Southgate, Mich., was best man. Ushers were Philip T. Smith, Berbeton, Ohio; John MacFaldia, brother of the groom, from Rogers City, and Thomas P. Malone, brother of the bride.

A reception followed at the Saginaw Country Club and the couple left for a honeymoon in Ontario and Quebec.



MRS. GERALD MacFALDA  
(Janet Malone)

## Lodge Party

Louis Marshall Chapter and Lodge 804 B'nai B'rith will open its season with a cocktail party, in the Workman's Circle Center, 1830 W. Seven Mile, at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 2.

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MRS. WALTER R. FISHER  
(Nancy C. Ritzler)

## Nancy Ritzler Wed In Monroe

Nancy Carol Ritzler and Walter Russell Fisher of Lambertville, Mich., exchanged marriage vows Aug. 9 in St. Paul's United Methodist Church of Monroe.

The bride's father, the Rev. Leonard Ritzler, formerly of Plymouth, assisted.

A 1966 graduate of Franklin High School, Livonia, the bride is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ritzler, the former Dorothy Schmidt. The family had a farm market on Plymouth Road east of Eckles for many years. They were active members of Newburg United Methodist Church until Mr. Ritzler undertook studies for the ministry and was subsequently ordained and appointed to Lambertville, west of Monroe.

The bride wore a white floor

length gown of silk organza with ruffled lace trim. Her detachable train fell to chapel length below a bouffant illusion veil held with a lace applique cluster headpiece. Her bouquet was a cascade of white carnations and roses.

Bridal attendants were Mrs. Connie Grady, matron of honor, Sandra and Karen Schmidt, Trudy Fruehert and Sharlene Dodds, bridesmaids, and Diane Fisher, flower girl.

Steven Grady was the ring bearer and ushers were George Fisher, Keith Elsten, Roland Dodds and Ronald Ritzler.

Following the reception in the church hall the couple left for a honeymoon in Pennsylvania. They will make their home in Lambertville.

## St. Andrew Picnic Planned

St. Andrew's Society, made up of persons of Scottish ancestry, will hold its 120th annual picnic Thursday, Aug. 21, on Bob-Lo Island.

A society spokesman said that there will be games and contests for the family, and Highland dance and bagpipe performances.

The Bob-Lo boats leave from the foot of Woodward Avenue in downtown Detroit at 10 and 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

The society, which includes several hundred members in the Detroit area, is active in charitable work in addition to preserving the Scottish culture.

## Fawns Sale

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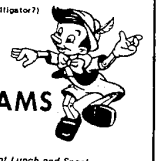
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