

# Sayde Harwick Power, activist for family welfare

Memorial services for Sayde Harwick Power were held Friday at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Power, of Barton Hills, Ann Arbor, was a community activist whose leadership in family welfare, education and cultural affairs is respected internationally. She died Tuesday after a long illness.

Mrs. Power held a bachelor of arts and master of science degrees from the University of Michigan where she later initiated the first psychological counseling service for students. She later served as clinical consultant to Kingswood School in Bloomfield Hills.

She married Eugene Power in 1929 and joined him later in the founding of the family business, Uni-

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versity Microfilms Inc. in Ann Arbor.

After her husband's election in 1955 as regent of the University of Michigan, Mrs. Power was active in a broad range of educational, humanitarian and artistic affairs. Her interest in theater was a driving force in creation of the Power Center for the Performing Arts. It opened in 1971.

In 1989, the Power Foundation funded the Sayde H. Power Program for Children and Families Under Stress, a combined clinical and re-

search program at the University of Michigan. She was a national board member of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

She is survived by her husband, Eugene B. Power, a son, Philip Harwick Power, a University of Michigan regent who is owner and chairman of Suburban Communications Corp., publisher of Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and community and specialty newspapers in Michigan and Ohio; and a grandson, Nathan E. Power.

Memorial contributions may be made to Planned Parenthood of Mid-Michigan, P.O. Box 3673, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48106 or the Sayde H. Power Program for Children and Families Under Stress, c/o the University of Michigan.

# Recount to begin today

By Pat Murphy  
staff writer

The recount of the Nov. 5 ballot proposal on the proposed Oakland County solid waste program is scheduled to begin today with two days of "paper work."

"There'll be two days of preparation before we actually start recounting," said Barbara Brinker, chairman of the Board of Canvassers. "At one point we will have to go out into the precincts."

Brinker, a Novi resident who has been on the board since 1978, estimates the recount will take several weeks. "Working weekends, we'll be lucky to be finished by the end of December," she said, mainly because of the time involved in recounting paper ballots.

The recount was requested by a coalition calling itself People United Against Incineration, which has 21 member organizations.

Spokesman Diane L. Pederson of Rochester Hills said the coalition had no difficulty raising the \$4,250 needed to recount 425 of the county's 557 precincts. "But we're going to

need about 20 people" as recount monitors, she said.

The Nov. 5 election — possibly the closest and most controversial in county history — asked voter approval on financing the \$500 million solid waste program calling for a massive recycling effort and a waste-to-energy incinerator in Auburn Hills.

It passed by 257 votes, 71,020 to 70,763.

Besides monitoring the recount, the coalition is also preparing to file a complaint asking the Secretary of State's office to review literature circulated prior to the election by the county, said Pederson.

Some of that literature was misleading, claimed Pederson. "And we believe the county may have over-

stepped its role."

Election regulations allow the county to use public money for informational literature, but prohibit the use of tax dollars to advocate a yes or no vote.

Pederson and others insist the county violated that restriction with what they considered incomplete or misleading information.

The county's literature was definitely suspect, said Pederson. "You couldn't tell the county literature (supposedly objective and informational) from that circulated by Westinghouse."

Westinghouse, which has a contract to build the \$190 million incinerator, was the main contributor in a \$200,000 media blitz urging voters to approve the ballot proposal.

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