

District reshaping alters race

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service," said Jack Sinclair, Bloomfield's administrative assistant.

Both began circulating petitions immediately — and both claimed to already be an important part of the 11th District.

"Redistricting changes the political map in Michigan, but the new map leaves the heart of my district intact," said Bloomfield, who will probably move from his part-time residence in his brother's Lake Orion home, which is no longer part of the district.

Technically, Congressional candidates don't have to live in the district, politically they do.

"Most of my Senate seat is in the district," Honigman said, "80 percent population-wise. This is the time for me."

Money should be no object in this campaign, since Bloomfield has more than \$200,000 in his campaign chest, while Honigman has never lacked for financial backing as he made his way through the Michigan House and Senate.

"All we can say for sure is that some short Republican will represent this district," Honigman quipped.

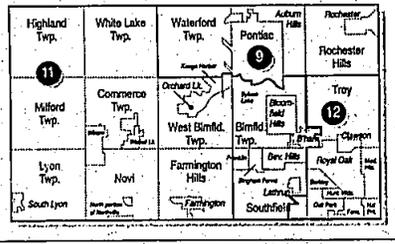
Troy residents and those in Southfield who live east of Southfield Road and more or less south of 10 Mile, will choose between two incumbent congressmen, Sander Levin, D-Southfield, and Hertz, D-Harper Woods, in the Democratic primary in the new 12th District.

"I'm looking forward to a spirited, old fashioned campaign, like I've always run in the past," Hertz said. "In these tough economic times, people don't want to see money poured into slick, expensive,

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negative campaigns. They want to talk about their lives, their concerns, their hopes for the future."

"I intend to go door to door, meeting with the citizens of the new 12th District. I want to hear what they have to say," Hertz said.

When he does, he may well meet Levin, who also says he will run "down to earth" campaign including "a lot of work in the communities and neighborhoods — a lot of grass roots." He will also hold the town meetings he calls "the life blood of my representation."

Levin doesn't have to move since his home is in the southeast portion of Southfield which he still represents. Levin says the issues he champions will transcend well into his new district reversing industrial decline, tax fairness, trade issues and health reform.

Hertz said his campaign will stress economic issues, in particular tax fairness for the middle class. "I've never voted for a tax increase on the middle class," said Hertz. "It's important to get that

message out."

Only Dale Kildee, D-Flint, whose new 8th District dips down to gobble up Rochester, Rochester Hills and Oakland Township, formerly the province of William Bloomfield, should be home free in the primary — unless of course he becomes part of the "throw the rascals out" movement.

Jim LaValle, executive director of the Oakland County Republican Party, Tuesday said it is "too early to name a Republican challenger to Kildee."

"But we've got people waiting in the wings," he said. "We're looking at all the data coming out on the redistricting before we move."

David Holtz, district director for Kildee, said Kildee was first elected in 1978.

"He's planning the toughest campaign going," Holtz said. "We're not too worried about a Republican challenge."

Candidates have until May 12 at 4 p.m. to file their petitions for office.

More improvements planned for Eagle Elementary School

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At North Farmington, integrated technology will also be added, in addition to major electrical upgrades throughout the building. Also to be added is the construction of a new two-stop elevator at the main entrance of the building to meet federal barrier-free requirements.

Classroom storage units at seven elementary schools will be replaced. The schools include Beechview, Forest, Highmeadow, Kenbrook, Longacre, William Grace and Wooddale.

The first phase of work at Power Middle School will include window replacement, new corridor ceilings, and electrical upgrading throughout the school including classrooms.

BUT TRUSTEES also raised concerns about the future of Power, where there are a number of portable classrooms and cramped quarters. The second phase of a project for Power — which has yet to be budgeted — would include a 20,000-square-foot, two-story addition to the east side of the building.

Farmington Superintendent Michael Flanagan said he

will likely not recommend the board spend the \$3.1 million proposed for capital projects next year, keeping it as a buffer for future financial concerns.

That would leave the second phase of the Power project incomplete.

Trustee Cathleen Webb said she was disappointed because she felt the district was going to be able to address Power's problems next year.

"I was thinking we might have the money to add to Power next year," she said. "Now it looks like we won't."

Board member Susan Rennels said a complete Power project has always been a question mark.

"We are not diminishing the Power project by doing this," she said. "We had most of this discussion knowing the financial outlook for this district is not good."

Board treasurer Helen Ditzhazy suggested the board consider a bond issue to fund the Power project. "The climate for passing a bond issue is very, very good," she said. "We might want to think in those terms... and consider the idea."

The district began awarding bids on some of the approved projects in mid-March.

Harrison teams win TEAMS competition

Two Harrison High School teams placed first in their respective divisions in the annual TEAMS Competition — Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science — held March 21 in at GMI Institute in Flint.

They preceded to nationals in the competition, which is sponsored by the Junior Engineering Technical Society.

The eight-person teams participated in the academically rigorous competition that provided a chance for students to work in teams. The tests stressed cooperative learning, high-order thinking skills, application of knowledge and leadership and management skills. It included questions in mathematics, chemistry, physics, biology, computer fundamentals and English.

Harrison team members of the varsity level included: Ben Pinsky,

Julia Ritter, Sarah Cannon, Stephanie Sprague, Deron Cook, Christopher Murray, Morris Slutsky and Andrew Garinger. The Harrison varsity team placed third overall in the competition, outpaced only by Livonia Stevenson and Detroit Country Day.

Junior varsity teams members from Harrison were: Lisa Tomle, Jeremy Teachman, Michael La-Cosse, Karen Stern, Kristi Bosker, Alexandra Haddad, Kristi Cornwell, and Alisa Bahr.

The student teams took written exams consisting of 145 questions, said coach Dennis King. In their division, the Harrison varsity team scored 82, followed by Hartland High School with 88 and Fenton High School with 77 points.

Another Harrison group participating in TEAMS last year also won their division's competition.

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Homeowners council elect officers

The Council of Homeowners Associations of Farmington Hills has a new group of officers for 1992.

Members elected the following officers at their March 10 meeting: Robert Bruckner, president; Marcia

Van Crevelde, first vice president; Debra Kendziarski, second vice president; Frank Hand, secretary; Dick Sietger, treasurer; Gail Hayes, trustee (past president); and Marty Krohner, trustee.



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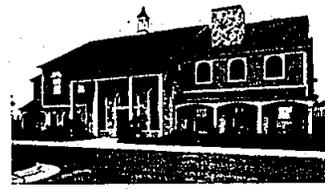
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