

Candidate Ross 'Deplores' Recall Campaign

FARMINGTON
A medical doctor whose concern over his children's education has placed him in regular attendance at Farmington Board of Education meetings since moving here two years ago has decided to try to move up to the head table.

Dr. Mervyn B. Ross of 3152 Carriage Hill Court is one of six candidates for the lone four-year board term to be filled at the June 14 election.

"I'VE BEEN going to board meetings off and on ever since moving to Farmington and almost regularly for the past six or eight months," Dr. Ross said.

"Running for a trusteeship was my own decision. I'm an independent candidate and not a card-carrying member of any party or special group in the community. I don't think the educational process should be in the political arena."

The 35-year-old physician, who practices internal medicine in Livonia, has four children, all of them students at Forrest Elementary School.

His "only concern is what is best for children and their education" and he has "only two virtues as a candidate, honesty and sincerity," Dr. Ross declared.

His "PRINCIPAL" concern at the moment is reaction to the Family Life Education

studies on drug abuse, sex education and minority understanding.

He deplored the recall drive aimed at four board members by anti-sex education forces and what he termed "unjust type of reaction" to the report as evidenced at some of the public hearings.

"I think an honest cross-section of the community was involved in drawing up the reports," Dr. Ross said, "and that the board and those who worked on their implementation spent long, honest hours developing them. I think we ought to support the people we have elected in the past."

Dr. Ross also said he regards it as "unfortunate that the proposal for increased millage is on the same ballot" as candidates to fill a board vacancy.

"I don't think that any candidate is in a position to know all the facts about financial needs and crises the board faces at the present time," he said.

"I have supported the board in the past and have a great deal of respect for the present board. If it is their feeling that additional millage is necessary, I will have to accept their word in good faith."

ROSS SAID he regarded the question of increased taxation as an "emotional" issue, "a hardship to many but emotional to all."



DR. MERVYN B. ROSS

As for the teacher union negotiations and prospects of higher teacher pay, Ross said he did not have sufficient "factual material" to comment, but added:

"Nobody wants to see the children hurt, education-wise or political-wise. I don't think children should see a strike by their teachers."

Ross also commented that he has "been impressed by the close, parent-teacher relationship" he has observed since moving to Farmington.

He has gotten to know many teachers, he said, as chairmen of the steering and com-

sultation committee of the medicine from the University of Toronto, where he also took small town and went to school in a small town, and I'm comfortable and happy. I feel of the community."

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Farmington Socially Speaking

By KATHY ZISKA GR. 4-7261

Stan and Wanda Gutzok of Bayberry Road and daughter Lori jetted to Hawaii. Stan and Wanda are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary and they planned a Hawaiian adventure for many a pineapple. Besides, what time to go than the last week of their son Tom's schooling at the University of Hawaii? The family was all together and enjoyed it immensely.

TOM TOOK his parents and sister to some of his favorite spots on the islands of Oahu and Kauai. This was his second year at the University of Hawaii so he knew the islands quite well.

Though they're celebrating their 25th anniversary, Stan still enjoys girl watching and

with all the beautiful girls on the island, you just can't resist girl watching. Wanda, on the other hand, finds beauty in the exotic, colorful flowers of the islands. The only thing they could remember they weren't real fond of is the native food, poi. I have heard from several other people that it wasn't the tastiest food on the islands.

THE OTHER news of a Hawaiian Luau in the home of Pat and David Camp a Saturday ago. In the group were John and Mary Hartford, Jack and Nancy Passfield, Margaret and Carl Mayer, Jack and Betty Noreen and Chris and Lou Martini.

When the Gourmet Dinner Group planned the Hawaiian Luau, they didn't realize that

the Martini's would just have been back from the islands so they got a touch of Hawaii at home in Farmington.

The menu started out with Mai Tai, hors d'oeuvres of beef terraki, outrigger ribs (mushrooms), ginger macadamia nuts, stuffed avocado (caviar, spices and sour cream dressing). Soup was Trader Vic's recipe for Bongo Bongo soup.

Dinner consisted of sweet and sour pork tenderloin, almond chicken, fried rice, snow peas with water chestnuts, melon bowl and poi muffins. Chabot wine was served and for dessert, the gourmet groups' favorite chocolate cream plus almond cakes and kona coffee. After dinner drinks were Maui mist. Poi was served to everyone that wanted to taste it.



At the Center

Summer schedule of classes is now complete for the Farmington Community Center and all the classes will begin in June. A brochure is being printed and will reach Farmington residents in the very near future. Listed below are some of the events and classes which will be offered. Get out that calendar and mark it very well.

A special this summer will be the Summer Theater Workshop under the direction of Eileen Miller. Any junior or senior high school student who is interested in any phase of theatrical work, performing, makeup, costumes, scenery or property, are invited to participate. An initial

meeting for young people and their parents will be held in the Community Center, Monday, June 21 at 7:30 p.m., to discuss the projects. At the end of the eight-week workshop, the young people will produce a musical "New Faces of 1971" on Aug. 26, 27 and 28 in the Harrison High School auditorium.

Another first will be classes in tennis beginning June 21 for all ages above fifth graders. Instructor will be Mrs. Nancy Johnson who has played tennis for 19 of her 25 years. She had private instructions from Doris Hart. Mrs. Johnson was number one or tennis teams in her high school and college years at University of

Michigan. Last year she headed up the Farmington Public School summer tennis program and has also taught at Interlochen. She is a physical education teacher at North Farmington High.

There also will be classes in art for children, landscape painting, macramé, nature study, can weaving, baton, guitar and banjo plus nature study.

Mark that calendar for July 30 and 31 for the Antique Show which will be held at the Center from 10:30 a.m. in connection with the Farmington Founders Festival. Twenty of the finest antique dealers from Southern Michigan will be represented. Admission will be \$1.

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