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Students need homes

The International Education Forum, a non-profit organization, is looking for Farmington-area families to host foreign high school students.

English-speaking students from Europe and Asia will be arriving in August. The boys and girls will live with local families and attend area high schools. About 75 students are looking for homes, IEF officials said. Call 851-3432 if interested.

Award for Mercy VP

Michael R. Schwartz, executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Farmington Hills-based Mercy Health Services, is the recipient of the prestigious American College of Healthcare Executives Michigan Regent's Award for 1992.

The Regent's Award, presented at the Michigan Hospital Association's annual meeting on Mackinac Island June 24-26, recognizes leadership abilities of a healthcare executive who has made contributions to the profession.

Schwartz began his career 28 years ago as an officer in the U.S. Medical Service Corps. In 1966, he joined the administrative staff of Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics at the University of Florida.

In 1973, Schwartz became associate administrator of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. Three years later, he was named the hospital's president and chief executive officer. He was promoted to executive vice president of Mercy Health Services in 1985.

Schwartz is a lecturer in the School of Public Health at the University of Michigan and a consulting professor of health science at Oakland University. Schwartz has a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and a master's degree in hospital administration from the University of Minnesota.

Resident is appointed

Paul Silvert of Farmington Hills has been appointed director of purchasing for Shield's Restaurant Bar & Pizzeria.

Silvert's responsibilities include monitoring the purchasing of all inventory for Shield's restaurants in Novi, Southfield, Sterling Heights and Troy. He is also general manager of the Novi location.

Candidates concur deficit needs cutting

The three GOP candidates for the U.S. 11th House district seem to have found a common ground on one issue: the deficit.

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Whatever they may disagree on, one thing the three Republican candidates for the U.S. 11th House district agree on is the need to cut the deficit.

GOP candidates for the job — former Oakland County Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert, state Sen. Dave Honigman and Troy insurance businessman Joe Knollenberg — were interviewed last week by The Eclectic in advance of the Aug. 4 primary.

"What we have to do is control spending," Knollenberg said. He cited government waste as part of the problem.

"We need to sunset some of the programs," he said. As an example he talked about the Rural Electrification



Alice Gilbert



David Honigman



Joe Knollenberg

Program, which began during the Depression of the 1930s to bring electricity to rural areas.

"It's 50 years old. It should be eliminated," he said. "We have to control spending and get a hold of the deficit."

Then, you can talk about decreasing taxes and increasing consumer spending."

Knollenberg said he favors a balanced budget Constitutional amendment and line-item veto for the presi-

dent. The veto would give the president the power to eliminate particular items from a proposed Congressional budget without having either to accept or reject

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House hopefuls speak up on the issues

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Abortion, assisted suicide, term limitations — just a few of the issues facing candidates seeking election to the 11th U.S. House district seat.

Here's how Republicans state Sen. Dave Honigman, Troy businessman Joe Knollenberg and former Oakland County Circuit Judge Alice Gilbert stand on a few issues:

• Abortion: Knollenberg — "I'm pro-life. I'm for adoption."

Gilbert — "I believe in fundamental

rights," including the right to choose abortion. "I'm not advocating abortion, but I'm saying government does not belong in this area at all."

Honigman — "I personally dislike it very intensely, but I do recognize that millions of decent women have abortions. . . I would allow abortion to be a legal option up to the fifth month." Honigman supports parental consent, waiting periods and other rules to "discourage in kindly ways" abortion, while encouraging adoption. Making abortion illegal "would be far too harsh," he said.

• Assisted suicide: Gilbert — "This is something that is between the patient, doctor and family. The only role the government can play is if it's a crime."

While a Circuit Court judge Gilbert issued a restraining order halting Dr. Jack Kevorkian from helping people commit suicide. But her decision was based on legal interpretations, she said. "He (Kevorkian, a pathologist) was not a licensed medical doctor. None of his patients were terminally ill and they were not in pain."

Honigman — "You have the right to

define the terms of your own life and death. But we must be sure it is the patient's wish."

Honigman suggested a panel be appointed to consider assisted suicide cases. "It's a matter of personal liberty, but we should not encourage it," he said.

Knollenberg — "I'm against it." Knollenberg said euthanasia reflects back to the of Nazi Germany when mentally ill and sick people often were killed.

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