

Farmington School Board Candidates

The Farmington Enterprise

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SECTION B

Initiated Into Sorority
Sandra Hagemann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Hagemann of 26150 Orchard Lake, Farmington, has recently been initiated into Sigma Pi Chapter of Kappa Delta Sorority at Albion College.

Hall Realtors Open A New Office Here

Owen E. Hall, President of Hall Associates, Inc., Realtors, announced this week the opening of offices in Westbrook Shopping Centre, 13 Mile at Orchard Lake Road, Farmington. Hall Associates is a member of the United Northwestern Realty Association Photo Multi-list.



MR. HALL IS ALSO Chairman of Hall & Young, Inc., Birmingham Realtor firm; a Governor of the National Institute of Real Estate Brokers and a past President of the Birmingham Board of Realtors. He is a Director of Inter-City Real Estate Referral Service, a nationwide executive relocation organization, and a Director of the Real Estate Alumni of Michigan. Mr. Philip A. Hall, President

of Hall & Young, Inc. and current President of the Birmingham Board of Realtors is Vice-President and Secretary of Hall Associates, Inc.

Orchard Meth Makes Change For Banquets

The usual tradition of Mother-Daughter and Father-Son Banquets was changed this year at Orchard Methodist Church.

To add a bit of diversion, the Women's Society sponsored a Mother-Son Sports Banquet in May. Now the Methodist Men will sponsor a Father-Daughter Banquet in June.

Fellowship Hall will be the scene of the event at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, June 11.

According to Program Chairman, Ken Saundry, following a delicious meal, the fathers and daughters will be entertained by a quartet composed of Orchard's Marion Greene and Jan Saundry plus Sue Arabian and Charlotte Wigte.

Fathers of Orchard Methodist have been making their reservations by contacting one of the Methodist Men. Make your date with your daughters, Dad, if you haven't already done so. You may still get tickets by contacting ticket chairman William Greene, GR. 4-2054.

There are four candidates running for the two, four-year trustee seats on the Farmington School District's Board of Education in the June 14 election. (Five candidates filed petitions originally, but one, Joseph Dodd, withdrew from the candidacy after accepting a position as a civilian employee of the Defense Department assigned to Munich, Germany, for a year.)

The Farmington Enterprise sent questionnaires to all four candidates and invited them to make statements regarding their views on matters pertaining to the Farmington Public School District. Biographical information and statements by the candidates is presented in the following material for the purpose of providing voters with more background on those in the local school board race.

John D. Cojeen

John Douglas Cojeen, 38, is married and lives with his wife, Barbara and four children at 7411 Briarcliff Knoll in Briarcliff Subdivision, north of 14 Mile Road in West Bloomfield Township. He has lived



there for five years having previously lived in Lansing. He is Staff Supervisor for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

A graduate of Flint Central High School, Mr. Cojeen also attended Flint Community College and Michigan State University.

Mr. Cojeen has been active in PTA and scouting, having been president of the Eagle School PTA, Cubmaster of Pack 116 and chairman of the finance committee for the Ottawa District Boy Scouts.

He has also been vice-president of finance for North Farmington Baseball for Boys, president of the West Bloomfield United Fund, and president of the West Bloomfield Council of Homeowner Associations.

MR. COJEEN SAYS THE Farmington School District "is in need of better communications between the Board of Education and the community, the parents and the PTA's—especially on policy, mileage and bond issues. The public is not made aware of problem areas nor are they seemingly consulted on proper solutions."

"I am against bussing children out of their normal school areas as a matter of principle and feel it should only be done in extreme cases and after proper consultation with parents and groups involved. When it is done, the parents should also be told the duration and ultimate solution."

"I am for the fullest possible use and development of school facilities including libraries, gymnasiums, playgrounds and adult education."

"I AM FOR ADEQUATE pay and working conditions for school employees. This is necessary in order to attract and retain qualified, loyal, dedicated people."

"I want to see increased participation by parents in school board activities and by both teachers and parents in PTA activities. It will take school board encouragement to accomplish this."

"Our schools should be designed to serve as public community centers and be made available for varied activities. This is especially important as more and more land is developed for housing construction which creates increased population but diminishes required facilities for public and community use."

Joe T. Collier

Joe T. Collier, 41, resides at 27687 Forestbrook in Forestbrook Subdivision, south of 12 Mile Road and west of Inkster Road in Farmington Township.

He and his wife, Madolyn, and two children lived in Wayne, Michigan, before moving to Farmington five years ago.

Mr. Collier is president of Vapozone Corporation, a beauty equipment business at 20235 West Eight Mile Road. He attended University of Detroit and Syracuse University.

MR. COLLIER'S STATEMENT reads, "While I feel Farmington has a very fine school system at the present time, great demands are going to be placed on the system in the immediate future. The influx of new residents will necessitate a wide expansion program, new techniques, and a steady improvement for our teachers and facilities."

"While teaching is a highly skilled profession, the operation of a school system is business—big business. As a five year resident of Farmington, and a business man, I would like the opportunity to help in any way I can the continued success of our fine educational system."

Herbert R. Neal

Herbert R. Neal, 56, the only incumbent in the race, has lived for 14 years in Farmington at 30443 Rockshire, Forest Hills Subdivision, south of Twelve Mile Road, east of Orchard Lake Road. He and his wife, Ida, have four children.

Mr. Neal is a research chemist and is manager of the Physical Measurements Laboratory for Ethyl Corporation where he has been employed for 34 years. He majored in chemistry and physics at University of Missouri from which he was graduated with an A.B. degree in 1930.

He was a scoutmaster for three years, his company Torch Drive, chairman and representative on the Ferndale Board of Commerce, president of the Bond PTA, president of the Forest Hills Civic Association and was active for seven

years on the Citizens' Advisory Council prior to his election to the School Board.

In his four years on the School Board Mr. Neal has a perfect attendance record, has worked on the sites subcommittee, the salary subcommittee,



and the philosophy of education subcommittee; has participated in the drop-out study; and served on the Oakland County Community College Study.

MR. NEAL HAD THE following statement for the Enterprise: "In recent years Farmington's operating cost per pupil has been below the Oakland County average. I will work to maintain a high quality school system at the lowest possible cost. However, means must be found to ensure our school employees adequate compensation comparable with surrounding districts with similar financial resources."

"I support the purchase of additional school sites, as recommended by the Township Planning Consultants, while desirable land is available at moderate cost. Additional elementary schools should be built on sites already owned to minimize transportation of children. Proposals for an auditorium and an indoor swimming pool should be formulated and presented to the voters."

"I represent no special interests. I make no campaign promise except that I will come to Board meetings well informed and with an open

mind in order to find the best possible solutions to Farmington's educational problems."

Sylvia Schwartz

Sylvia F. Schwartz, 46, lives in Warner Farms Subdivision in the City of Farmington at 22311 Warner Street. She and her husband, Edward, have four children and have lived in Farmington for ten years. She is presently a housewife and has been a social worker. She is a 1936 graduate of Central High School in Detroit and a 1941 graduate of Wayne State University.

Mrs. Schwartz is an active member of the American Association of University Women, a former member of the curriculum subcommittee of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Education, a member of the Citizens' Youth Guidance Committee and executive work subcommittee, was chairman of the Committee on the Study of School Drop-outs between 1962 and 1964, and a board member of the Family Service Agency of Oakland County from 1960 to 1961.

MRS. SCHWARTZ SAYS, "I have spent the years of my adult life thus far being involved in working with young people and their family problems and in bringing up my



own children, all of whom are in the Farmington Public School System."

"These experiences and the rich learning experiences I've gained in my participation in the above-mentioned community activities I hope to bring to the Board of Education."

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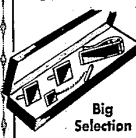
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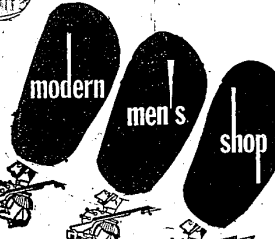
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