

5 School Candidate Meetings Scheduled

FARMINGTON A series of five candidates' meetings will be scheduled beginning May 31 to give voters the chance to hear the 12 candidates running to fill two four-year vacancies on the Farmington Board of Education.

The election is June 12 and the four Farmington area groups are sponsoring the five candidate meetings, each of which begin at 8 p.m. except for the June 8 breakfast meeting.

THE SPONSORING agencies are the Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce, Farmington Area Council of PTAs, West Bloomfield Farmington Area League of Women Voters, and Farmington chapter of the Michigan Association for Children With Learning Disabilities.

The meetings which begin at 8 p.m. are: Wednesday, May 31, in Farmington Senior High at 32000 Shilwassee; Thursday, June 1, Power Junior High, 34740 Rhonwood; Wednesday, June 7, East Junior High, 25000 Middle Belt; and Thursday, June 8, O.E. Dunkel Junior High, 22800 W. 12 Mile.

On Thursday, June 8, at 8 a.m., the Chamber will invite the 12 candidates to its Eye-Opener Breakfast in the Botsford Inn. Reservations for the Eye-Opener can be made by calling the Chamber office. The other four meetings are open to the public without reservations.

ALL 12 candidates for the two positions have been invited to give a short presentation at each session followed by a question-answer period. The evening meetings are scheduled to end at 10 p.m. Questions are to be submitted in writing.

The reason for the four groups undertaking the series is explained by Mrs. Emma

Makinen, PTA Council president, who says: "Because we want the best education possible for our children, we feel under these austere budget circumstances it is imperative to elect the two most dedicated persons to become trustees."

"So, by scheduling meetings to cover the whole school district, we hope every citizen can attend at least one and thus be able to better assess the qualifications of the 12 men running."

The candidates are: William Corliss, Albert Darian, Bruce Duke, Joe Fowlkes, David Gayer, Kenneth Guion, David Jones, Jack Mingo, Paul Oliver Jr., G. Kenneth Poye, Mervyn Ross (the only incumbent), and George Strelczuk.



ALBERT DARIAN

Darian Tells School Views

FARMINGTON Albert A. Darian, 46, of 24605 Glen Orchard Dr., Farmington, says he is a candidate for the Farmington Board of Education in the June 12 election because he has a deep, personal interest in education.

"This interest is reinforced with the fact that the

education of my children, and all other children, will be affected by the extent of each of the school board members' personal attitude toward the continual improvement of education and by the consequences of the voters' denial of the additional millage needed to maintain a program already reduced by previous millage turn-downs.

DARIAN, a professional engineer, has three children attending Farmington public schools.

He is a senior engineer in management with Ford Motor Co., heading the architectural group which is responsible for the architectural, civil and structural engineering in the Research and Engineering Center, Dearborn.

"I am interested in seeing a full-line of curriculum pursued which is necessary for the children's self-understanding and for their thorough education so that they will be properly equipped for the future."

"I am very much against cross-district busing as a means of achieving racial balance, and I think that such busing will have a definite regressing effect on the child's education, health and safety. Busing is not the solution to a better education."

DARIAN has lived in the Farmington area for 15 years, 11 in the city and four in the township.

He has attended many school board meetings and is past vice-president of the former Neighborhood Civic Assn. His wife is past-president of the 10 Mile Elementary PTA.

He is a graduate of the University of Michigan in civil engineering. He has 20 years experience in planning and coordination of major programs and contracts, budget studies, and management.

Budget Becomes Issue In Race

Budget cuts and the retention of a full school day program are early issues to surface in the Farmington School District June election campaign.

Two seats will be up for election on the seven member board, and twelve candidates are running.

DR. MERVYN B. ROSS, MD, proposes to vote for only those budget reductions which will not affect a full school day program.

The budget cuts for the 1972-73 school year are necessary, according to school officials, due to the defeat of the recent millage proposal.

Ross is presently a board trustee, filling a one-year vacancy created by the resignation of Gary Lichtman. He was appointed to the board position because he ran second to Elizabeth Brennan, another board member, in the last school board election.

Stressing a basic educational program Ross said: "We must preserve the concept of a total educational program so that the graduating student can feel comfortable in the society he is about to enter."

A full-day program, according to Ross, should offer not only academic but extracurricular activities in such fields as music, sports, drama, debate, forensics, newspaper and clubs.

IN ORDER to "maintain enrichment and positive attitudes towards their education," Ross believes it is

Tourney Starts June 10

FARMINGTON The Farmington Area Jaycees will conduct a junior tennis tournament the weekend of June 10-11 at Harrison, Farmington Senior and North Farmington high schools.

The tourney will be open to boys and girls 18 years old and under, depending upon the number of entries in each age group, explains Worth Robbins, tourney project chairman.

SEPARATE divisions will be established for 18 and under, 16 and under, 14 and under, 12 and under, and 10 and under.

A minimum of eight entrants will be required for each division. If fewer than eight are received for a division, they will be placed in the next highest category.

Trophies will be awarded to winners in each division for first place.

Youth interested in participating may obtain entry blanks at Budde's Sport Shop at 33181 Grand River in the Downtown Farmington Center.

BUDDE'S is co-sponsor of the tourney and has agreed to donate all tennis balls for tournament play.

Each entrant will be notified at which high school they will play on June 10. Play will begin at 8 a.m. and continue throughout the day.

The final rounds will be held on the Harrison High tennis courts June 11. Winners will be told the starting time after the June 10 preliminaries are over.

IN ADDITION to the Farmington Area Jaycees tourney, the Michigan Jaycees are conducting a statewide tennis tourney on June 24-25 in Muskegon.

Winners of the Farmington tournament in the 16 and under and 18 and under divisions, boys and girls, will be eligible to compete in the state tourney. Entry fees and transportation for the state meet will be provided by the Farmington Jaycees.

The Farmington Jaycees recently held two tennis clinics as an advance promotion for the June 10-11 playoffs. About 100 attended the May 13 tennis clinic, says Robbins, and about 95 attended the second clinic on May 20.

Drunk Drivers

Ten per cent of the nation's drivers are alcoholics, according to the Greater Detroit Council on Alcoholism, a Torch Drive service, and 25,000 deaths occur on the highways each year due to drinking drivers.



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Prince Plays In National Orchestra

Lary Prince of Lynford Drive, Farmington, participated in the seventh annual American Youth Performs National Orchestra and Chorus concert held May 9, in the John F. Kennedy Center, for the Performing Arts, Washington, D.C.

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