

# Candidates Abound At GOP Conclave

By KATHY MORAN  
A tide of Republicans seeking office or reelection swept through the 19th Wayne Congressional District convention last week.

The convention was also marked by the appearance of several young faces - both on the sidelines and in the delegate seats.

U.S. Rep. Marvin Esch (R - Ann Arbor) made a brief appearance to meet Livonia Republicans, who will now be in his 2nd District, and say a few words in support of neighborhood schools.

Also present to meet new constituents was Sen. Carl Pursell (R - Plymouth), who lost the Oakland County section of his 14th district under reapportionment and picked up Redford Township, territory now represented by David Plawecki (D - Dearborn Heights).

**CURRENTLY** A Schoolcraft trustee, Mary Dumas of Livonia got up briefly to announce her candidacy for the 28th district Wayne County commissioner's seat, denouncing incumbent John McCann as having done "nothing" for his constituents.

Along with petitions for Sen. Robert Griffin was one for Ralph Judd, 9023 Patton, Detroit, for a Republican challenge to U.S. Rep. Martha Griffiths (D - Detroit) who will represent Redford Township, Farmington and Southfield voters under the new apportionment plan.

Circuit Judge James Ryan took over the task of swearing in the convention officers - but also took a brief minute to ask support for reelection to a six-year term.

While chairing the convention, Redford's Robert Anderson became a familiar face and possibly picked up extra support for his bid for the township supervisor.

As the convention drew to a close, a resolution thanking David Leathley for his work as 19th Wayne chairman was passed, and it was noted that Leathley would like to be a national convention delegate.

**NOT ONLY WERE** there several young faces among the delegates, but one was selected to go to the state convention.

David McCollom, 16754 Garfield, Redford Township, said he won election as a write-in candidate. He wrote himself in after reading an article in the Redford Observer just prior to the election explaining that write-in candidates with just three votes could get elected in the numerous vacant precincts. "When I saw that no one was running in my precinct, I decided to get involved," he said. "I never realized it was so easy."

**THE YOUNGER** delegates

## Judd Runs Against Martha

Ralph E. Judd, 9023 Patton in Detroit, announced he will seek the Republican nomination for the 17th Congressional District seat. The seat is now held by U.S. Rep. Martha Griffiths (D - Detroit). The 17th District will include Farmington City and Township, Redford Township and Southfield under the new apportionment plan.

Judd, 34, said he is seeking election because he feels Mrs. Griffiths is not representing her district as she did when first elected in the 1950's.

In addition to assisting in various campaigns, Judd is chairman of the Progressive Republican Alliance, legislative advisor for People Taking Action Against Abortion, chairman of the 8th Senate District welfare reform and was coordinator for the Earth Day at Wayne State University in 1970.

sat back while the convention proceeded smoothly, but spoke out at the end of the evening.

The convention was proceeding smoothly when a resolution was offered to support the flat rate income tax, local control of schools and government, and funding from the property tax.

The older Republicans voted for it without blinking an eye, but the young ones spoke out

on this one and asked for a roll call vote.

Pressed by the 11 p.m. deadline for leaving the Thurston High School building, the delegates bickered with Chairman Anderson over the rules, and the young people finally settled for a standing vote. It passed 41 - 10.

The delegates also supported resolutions urging the State Legislature to support a

state constitutional amendment guaranteeing local control of schools and supporting President Nixon's attempts to switch to an all volunteer army as an alternative to the draft.

**OTHER RESOLUTIONS** urged Griffin to seek reelection and commended U.S. Rep. Jack McDonald (R - Farmington) for his service to the district.

Under the reapportionment plans, McDonald will be in the new 19th District in Oakland County. People in the Wayne 19th will be split between the new 2nd District, now including Livonia, and the 17th District.

Dr. R. Robert Geake, currently chairman of the Schoolcraft Community College Board of Trustees, gave a speech on "The Vital Margin," that margin of votes

needed for election beyond those from loyal Republicans.

**THE 24 STATE** convention delegates from Livonia include six who are not elected precinct delegates.

Livonia GOP President Charles Chandler explained that the delegates were selected after considering all the members of the party, all the precinct delegates and the elected officials.

They are: Beverly Chiasson, Chandler, Mrs. Dumas, Harry Greenleaf, Jim Higgins, Jean Hinton, Art Hogarth, Jim Jacobs, George Kettunen, Dave Leathley, Joyce LeMaster, Betty Lindhout, Ken McDonald, Harvey Moelke, Marvin Pridgeon, Patrice Roy, Hal Shoen, Martin Seitz, Richard Simpson, John Siviter, Sylvia Skrel, Joyce Symons, Gil Vogel and Veda Vogel.

**DELEGATES** from Redford are: Margaret Neilson, Eldon Funk, David McCollom, Arnold Winter, Rhys Lewis, Margaret Totton, John Kargul, Thomas Kilbourn, Mildred Rice, Sam Sarris, Dorothy Reynolds, Lillian Doty, Janice Armour, Thomas Sawyer, Jack Bruckman, Jay Hughes and Charles Cole. Rosemary Hagge is the delegate from the City of Northville.

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