

Margaret Gelinas Runs In 25th District

By STEVE BARNABY

FARMINGTON With a call for a "livable county" through adequate planning, Margaret Gelinas has hit the campaign trail as the Democratic candidate for 25th District Oakland County commissioner. The district covers part of northwest Farmington Township and Commerce Township.

A resident of Commerce Township, she is the chairman of the community planning commission, founder and member of the Michigan Southwest Oakland Planning Federation, member of the Michigan Society of Planning Officials, and chairman of Citizens for Representative Government.

In an interview with Observer Newspapers, Mrs. Gelinas indicated road construction, environmental control and public health facilities as the pertinent issues in the development of Oakland County.

Saying because of an inadequate highway network it takes a couple of hours to cross the county, she stressed a three-pronged attack to make county roads safer and more efficient.

AS AN initial measure, she endorses withholding county dues to the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority and giving them to the Road commission.

In a second step she believes money should be taken from the county general fund to aid



in building of a sophisticated highway network.

The third source for funding, she suggested, would come from the federal revenue sharing plan.

MRS. GELINAS LASHED out at what she thinks is an unfair return of the tax monies to the county.

"Oakland County is at the low end of the scale as far as the return of money is concerned. We receive less percentage-wise than many smaller counties up north," she said.

Criticizing the maintenance practices of the county, she said that the road commission should have plans in the budget for maintenance for at least two years in advance.

As an example of inefficient road planning, she pointed to the I-96 exit into Farmington which is jammed with automobiles at a time when the highway is needed the most.

Mrs. Gelinas' concern for environmental control focuses on what she terms as "ugly urban sprawl."

"Ugly urban sprawl cannot be stopped—it must be prevented. Our lakes, streams, woodlands, rolling hills and small farms are in danger of disappearing right before our eyes, buried under tract development housing, shopping centers, industrial plants and roads. Once gone, they cannot be restored."

AS A FIRST step, she urges that environmental review of all developments close to lake, stream or river be required by law.

"In the past in this county, it has not been uncommon for lakes or streams to be used as open drains for housing developments. That must stop," she said.

She believes a county-wide system of solid waste disposal

is an urgent need.

She said that Farmington planning in the next five years will determine how the city will look 15 or 20 years from now.

"There must be adequate planning to avoid boundary to boundary subdivisions," she said.

She believes that the county government should back up local governments in the courts when suits are brought against developers to stop building the subdivisions.

"There must be different types of housing to leave green spaces for enjoyment," she said.

ONE WAY to prevent this urban sprawl, she said, is to preserve the central business districts in the cities around the county.

She sees the building of more shopping centers as destroying this concept and a reason why many small businesses are wiped out. She labeled the small businessman as an integral part of the community.

Because she feels the private sector hasn't built health facilities in many areas of Oakland County, Mrs. Gelinas believes that satellite clinics should be set up by the county.



MARGARET GELINAS

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Farmington Calendar

- CHARTER COMMISSION**
Tuesdays — The Farmington Hills Charter Commission meets, beginning at 7:30 each week, to draft the charter for the incorporation of Farmington Township. The public is invited.
- RUMMAGE SALE**
Saturday, Oct. 21, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., the St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Eight Mile and Middle Belt, will sponsor a rummage sale.
- PUMPKIN SALE**
Saturday, Oct. 21, from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m., the North Farmington High School will hold its annual pumpkin sale on the front lawn of the school. Proceeds from the sale will provide scholarships for American students to go abroad next summer.
- COMEDY FILMS**
Saturday, Oct. 21, at 2 p.m., the Farmington Public Library will present an hour of comedy films which will include movies of Laurel and Hardy and WC Fields.
- NATURALISTS CLUB**
Monday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. in the Farmington Community Center, 24706 Farmington Rd., the Farmington Area Naturalists will host guest speaker Don Hollums. Outdoor education consultant for Bloomfield Hills schools, Hollums will speak on "A Naturalist's View of Alaska."
- OPEN STUDY SESSION**
Monday, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m. there will be a Farmington School Board open study session concerning propositions C and D on the November ballot. The meeting will be in administration building, 32500 Shiawassee.
- BELLY DANCING**
Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 8 p.m. the Women of North Farmington will present a demonstration and instruction period on belly dancing at the Farmington District Library on 12 Mile Rd.
- BAND BAKE SALE**
Tuesday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. the Farmington High School Band will have a bake sale during the open house at the school.
- OPEN HOUSE**
Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., there will be an open house at Farmington High.
- POT LUCK**
Wednesday Oct. 25 the Pioneer Golden Age Club will have their monthly pot luck luncheon in St. Alexander's Church Social Hall on Shiawassee and Middle Belt. Bring a covered dish.
- MONEY AND EDUCATION**
Wednesday, Oct. 25 at 9:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. the League of Women Voters of West Bloomfield-Farmington will present a discussion on the distribution of money for public education in Michigan. The morning meeting will be in the West Bloomfield Township Library and the evening meeting at the home of Mrs. Madhu Mody, 4253 gold Dominion Drive, Orchard Lake. Babysitting for the 9:30 a.m. meeting will be at the Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 4800 Orchard Lake.
- MEADOW BROOK TOUR**
Wednesday, Oct. 25, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Farmington Community Center is sponsoring a tour of Meadow Brook Hall, formerly the 100-room mansion of Mrs. Alfred Wilson. There will also be a luncheon included in the tour. Tickets are \$8.50 and buses will be leaving the center at 9 a.m.
- PTA COUNCIL**
Wednesday, Oct. 25, at 8 p.m., the Farmington PTA Council will meet at Farmington Junior High to hear guest speaker Gene Caesar discuss Proposals C and D on the state ballot.
- FAAC DIRECTORS**
Thursday, Oct. 26, at 8 p.m., the Farmington Area Advisory Council Board of Directors will meet at the School Board Offices, Farmington Rd. and Shiawassee.
- APTITUDE-SCHOLARSHIP TEST**
Saturday Oct. 28 from 8 to 11 p.m. the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test will be administered to interested Juniors at all three of the Farmington High Schools. The test will cost \$2.50 and registration can be made in the counseling center at any Farmington High School.
- GARDEN CLUB**
Monday, Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. the Farmington Garden Club will present a boutique and lecture-demonstration by Mrs. John Knight entitled "Knight Before Christmas," at the Nardin Park Methodist Church, 28887 Eleven Mile. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$2.50 or from Mrs. John Baessler.

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Don't be content to complain in the walls of your home if you feel that something is unfair, that something needs correction; tell it to someone who will listen; to someone who has the authority and capacity to do something about it.

I will be available in my District office on Monday, October 23, from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. to discuss the issues and listen to your opinions.

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Jaycees Haunt A House

FARMINGTON The fifth annual Farmington Area Jaycees haunted house opens Sunday, Oct. 22 at noon in the former YMCA branch, 35100 Grand River. The house will be open from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on weekdays and noon to 10 p.m. on weekends. It will be closed the night of Oct. 30. Admission is 35 cents.

It is recommended by the sponsors that group tours by youth groups should be taken through the house on the weekends in the early evening.

Hasse Gets Class Office

FARMINGTON Charles Hasse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Hasse, 34180 Schulte Drive, Farmington, has been elected president of the University of Detroit School of Dentistry's freshman class.

They laughed when I bought my first Bond.

In my neighborhood everyone was poor. Most of us were lucky if we had enough food to eat and clothes to wear. So like most kids we spent a lot of time talking about the things we wanted out of life. Things like owning a big car, wearing nice clothes and going to all of the best places. Boy, we could hardly wait to grow up.

Like the other kids I had little odd jobs in grammar school but I got my first real job when I started high school. I was a junior clerk in a big department store. That's where I first heard about U.S. Savings Bonds. My boss asked me if I wanted to join the Payroll Savings Plan and I said yes. A month later, when my friends found out they really had a good laugh. Imagine buying U.S. Savings Bonds when there were so many other great things to buy. Well, they kept laughing and I kept saving all through high school.

After graduation some of us wanted to go to college. And that's when my Bonds really came in handy. They not only helped pay my tuition, but also helped buy some books.

Well, I'm a senior now and looking forward to graduation. Unfortunately, a lot of my friends never even got started. And to think, they laughed when I bought my first Bond.

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Oakland County, Michigan

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Ended June 30, 1972

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

		June 30,			
		1971	1972		
GENERAL FUND ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 884,759	\$ 1,274,173			
Accounts Receivable	372,638	375,827			
Taxes Receivable	830,739	676,424			
Inventories	123,105	75,881			
Accrued Interest Receivable	1,065	3,476			
Other Assets	72,448	91,485			
Total General Fund Assets	\$ 2,085,654	\$ 2,496,266			
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Notes Payable	\$ 650,000				
Accounts Payable	92,257	127,715			
Salaries Payable	1,284,203	1,488,152			
Accrued Interest Payable	29,019	316,217			
Deferred Revenue	47,727	84,859			
Due to Other Funds	600				
Total General Fund Liabilities	\$ 2,183,266	\$ 2,082,000			
General Fund Equity	197,612	414,263			
Total General Fund Liabilities and Equity	\$ 2,085,654	\$ 2,496,266			
DEBT RETIREMENT FUND ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 1,244,571	\$ 875,526			
Taxes Receivable	177,087	155,940			
Accrued Interest Receivable	8,845	5,816			
Total Debt Retirement Fund Assets	\$ 1,430,584	\$ 1,037,282			
EQUITY					
Debt Retirement Fund Equity	\$ 1,430,584	\$ 1,037,282			
BUILDING AND SITE FUND ASSETS					
Cash	\$ 4,144,002	\$ 3,739,747			
Accounts Receivable	8,945				
Due from Other Funds	60				
Accrued Interest Receivable	128,210	112,028			
Total Building and Site Fund Assets	\$ 4,281,217	\$ 3,852,775			
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY					
Accounts Payable	\$ 320,101	\$ 219,261			
Total Building and Site Fund Liabilities	\$ 320,101	\$ 219,261			
Building and Site Fund Equity	\$ 3,961,116	\$ 3,633,514			
SUMMARY OF FUND EQUITIES					
General Fund	\$ 197,612	\$ 414,263			
Debt Retirement Fund	\$ 1,430,584	\$ 1,037,282			
Building and Site Fund	\$ 3,961,116	\$ 3,633,514			
Balance - June 30, 1971	\$ (97,612)	\$ 1,430,584	\$ 3,961,116		
Excess of Revenue	\$ 11,676	\$ 393,302	\$ 327,600		
Other Expenditures	\$ (414,263)	\$ (1,037,282)	\$ (3,633,514)		
Balance - June 30, 1972	\$ 197,612	\$ 414,263	\$ 3,961,116		
GENERAL FUND REVENUE					
Revenue from Property Taxes	\$ 8,807,809	\$ 9,603,314			
Revenue from Tuition and Miscellaneous	134,169	230,927			
Revenue from State Sources	5,432,470	5,672,580			
Revenue from Federal Sources	11,182	56,540			
Revenue from County Special Education	311,788	351,971			
Extracurricular Contributions		80,553			
Total General Fund Revenue	\$ 14,697,446	\$ 16,075,665			
EXPENDITURES					
Elementary Instruction	\$ 5,181,468	\$ 4,908,033			
Secondary Instruction	5,027,767	5,879,717			
Special Education Instruction	905,548	830,387			
Summer School and Adult Ed Instruction	57,914	53,649			
Federal Programs Instruction	178,155	188,128			
Instruction Subtotal	\$ 11,803,452	\$ 11,740,525			
Administration	450,358	478,420			
Health Service	6,439	5,709			
Pupil Transportation	349,428	324,674			
Operation of Plant	1,785,211	1,787,244			
Maintenance of Plant	445,931	400,347			
Clearing Duties	495,460	622,590			
Community Service	77,740	66,937			
Other School Districts - Tuition	18,085	6,482			
Bookstore Subsidy	23,400				
Food Service Subsidy	42,521	709			
Total General Fund Expenditures	\$ 15,502,338	\$ 15,476,726			
DEBT RETIREMENT FUND REVENUE					
Revenue from Property Taxes	\$ 1,765,888	\$ 1,461,180			
Revenue from Interest on Investments	106,993	64,088			
Accrued Interest on Sale of Bonds	4,027	4,907			
Total Debt Retirement Fund Revenue	\$ 1,886,774	\$ 2,010,735			
EXPENDITURES					
Redemption of Bonds	\$ 855,000	\$ 975,000			
Interest on Bonds	1,319,171	1,424,273			
Miscellaneous Expenses	4,603	4,500			
Total Debt Retirement Fund Expenditures	\$ 2,178,774	\$ 2,403,773			
BUILDING AND SITE FUND REVENUE					
Proceeds of Bond Issue - 1970	\$ 4,023,893	\$ ---			
Revenue from Interest on Investments	211,094	218,430			
Revenue from Federal Sources	2,020,775	32,924,068			
Revenue from Vocational Education Act	9,608	2,028			
Revenue from Sale of Property (Leasable)	1,100	---			
Revenue from Miscellaneous	---	325			
Total Building and Site Fund Revenue	\$ 4,286,476	\$ 232,856			
EXPENDITURES					
Site Acquisition and Improvements	\$ 251,485	\$ 834			
New Buildings and Additions	1,147,295	475,447			
Furniture and Equipment	596,453	65,002			
Library Books	7,202	11,281			
Bond Issue Expenses	11,526	---			
Accrued Interest on Sale of Bonds (to Debt Fund)	---	---			
Total Building and Site Fund Expenditures	\$ 2,014,067	\$ 566,484			
PHYSICAL ASSETS AND GENERAL INFORMATION					
Value of Sites	\$ 2,807,350	\$ 2,518,689			
Value of Buildings	23,020,775	32,524,068			
Value of Equipment	4,153,481	4,268,246			
Number of Classrooms	629	678			
Number of Buildings	26	26			
Number of Teachers	791	759			
TEACHERS SALARIES					
Minimum	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,200			
Maximum	15,300	16,175			
Total Funds Spent for Salaries of Teachers	8,908,579	9,186,108			
PUPILS					
Elementary Resident	8,117	8,043			
Non-Resident	12	21			
Secondary Resident	7,958	8,491			
Non-Resident	31	18			
Special Education Resident	208	146			
Non-Resident	53	83			
Total Pupils - Resident	16,275	16,880			
Non-Resident	85	122			
Grand Total Pupils	16,375	17,002			
**Pupil-Teacher Ratio	20.70	22.14			

*Included as teachers are those certified persons not classified as Administrators but a number of whom do not have classrooms, such as Librarians, Consultants, Speech Correctionists, etc.

**Pupils divided by the total number of teachers excluding Administrators, Directors, Principals and Consultants.