

Egnor will seek seat held by Esch

By BOB ERICKSON

Ronald W. Egnor, Ypsilanti assistant city attorney, will announce his candidacy for the Democratic nomination in the 2nd congressional district, which includes Plymouth and Livonia, sometime in early April.

If Egnor, a 33-year-old native of West Virginia's coal mining country, can capture the nomination of his party, he will be vying for the congressional seat currently held by U.S. Rep. Marvin E. Esch (R.-Ann Arbor).

Egnor has succeeded in making a legal name for himself locally in labor and civil rights legislation.

He represented an Ann Arbor high school principal in a confrontation with the local school board over racial discrimination and, more recently, represented girl outfielder Carolyn King in her effort to end sex discrimination in Little League baseball.

An active member of the Democratic party since college when he served as vice president of the Young Democrats club, Egnor worked in 1966 as a legislative intern to U.S. Rep. James G. O'Hara (D.-Utica), doing legal research in Washington, D.C. for the Democratic Study Group which O'Hara chaired.

In 1972, Egnor served as Washtenaw County coordinator for State Attorney General Frank Kelley's senatorial campaign, and worked for the election of State Rep. Gary Owen (D.-Ypsilanti).

Egnor's family moved to Michigan from the Appalachians in 1955 and settled in Ypsilanti where his brothers worked in auto plants. He attended Eastern Michigan University, graduating in 1963. In 1967 he received his law degree from the University of Michigan.

Subsequently, he became an appellate counsel for the National Labor Relations Board in Washington, and in 1969 returned to Ypsilanti, forming a law partnership with local attorney Kenneth Bronson. In 1970 he was appointed assistant city attorney.

Egnor is currently president of the Ypsilanti Lions Club, and a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, the Washtenaw County Committee on Drug Abuse and the Ypsilanti Area Jaycees.



"BEAUTY AND THE BEAST" stars Laurencia Damina (the beast) and Catherine Schroeder (beauty) prepare for the play's opening in Livonia and Redford schools. Presented by the Theater Guild of Livonia-Redford, performance dates are March 9, Bentley High School; March 16, Franklin High School; and March 30, Redford Union High School. Performances will be given in all three high schools at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. All will be open to the public.

Manning asking cities for gas supply facts

As chairman of the new Wayne County Energy Conservation Council, County Com. Richard E. Manning (D-Redford) has asked local communities to prepare data on governmental fuel needs to prepare for gas rationing.

Manning sent letters to officials in 43 Wayne County cities and townships requesting the information be submitted to the seven-member council to assure that they will receive adequate gasoline allocations from the federal government.

The data will be used by the council and county's representatives in Washington, he said.

"It appears that among those people who are now dealing in hard facts, gathered county-wide, we are approaching a point in time where rationing of gas will occur," he said in the letters.

The federal stand by rationing plan would limit governmental units to the amount of gasoline used in 1972 on a monthly basis, Manning said.

An appeal procedure is available for "any community which has expanded services since 1972," he added.

"We would appreciate your compiling information on your 1972 use as against your projected needs for 1974 on a departmental basis with copies to my office," he said. "In this way we will be able to compile county-wide use figures and prepare documentation for appeals should it be necessary."

Symphony to perform tomorrow

Plymouth — The Plymouth Youth Symphony Orchestra, directed by H. Michael Endres, will present its mid-season classical concert Tuesday, March 5 at 8 p.m. in the Plymouth Salem High School auditorium.

There is no admission charge, but contributions may be made to the Youth Symphony's music education fund.

The program will include selections from Haydn's "Military" symphony, the "Jupiter" symphony by Mozart, and the finale from Beethoven's fifth symphony.

Ensemble members will perform the compositions they played when they received a superior rating at the District Solo and Ensemble Festival held last month at Henry Ford Community College. These pieces include Haydn's trio for two violins and viola, Bach's sonata in E minor for two flutes, and a piece for brass ensemble to be announced.

More recent works to be performed include three American-sea chancies, selections from Leroy Anderson's "Scottish Suite," "California Dreamin'," and selections from "Fiddler on the Roof."

On Sunday, March 24, orchestra members will attend the Interlochen Arts Academy Orchestra's concert at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor.

The orchestra's next concert will be in May and will feature soloists selected in a competition to be held Monday, March 18 in room 1603 at Plymouth Salem High School.



PATRICK SMITHTBAUER of Plymouth is a professional engineer, has been appointed assistant manager of the structural department of Ellis-Naeyaert Associates, Inc., Detroit. He holds a masters degree in civil engineering from Wayne State University. Smithbauer and wife Marie have one son.

Retarded need living centers

Local communities are being asked to support proposed state legislation which would make it possible for community living centers to be built for mentally retarded children.

City councils are being asked to support four bills in the Michigan House by the Northwest Communities Area for Retarded Children (NCARC) which serves Redford Township, Livonia, Garden City, Plymouth and Northville.

There is a trend to return the mentally retarded from large institutions to small community-based living centers, explained Mrs. Maybelle Munn of Livonia, president of NCARC. There is also a need, she adds, for living centers for the retarded who are now living with parents but wish to begin a life of their own in a semi-independent situation.

"Because many communities have zoning ordinances which prohibit construction or creation of such homes, we have undertaken to advise our elected officials that there are certain bills now before the State Legislature which will, if passed, make it possible for community living centers to be built."

The association hopes local governments will be far sighted enough to recognize these homes should be allowed. "Mentally retarded children can be taxpayers, and not necessarily always tax burdens. We hope councils will take proper steps to voluntarily change their current restrictive zoning ordinances."

As one example, Plymouth has amended its zoning to allow construction of a living center scheduled for completion late fall of 1974.

Testing being Re-evaluated

Evaluation methods other than the standard paper and pencil test are being explored by the Madonna College faculty as a result of a workshop sponsored by the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Michigan. Madonna is one of 29 member institutions of AICUM.

Miss Rosemary Hancam, acting chairman of the department of nursing, Miss Kathryn Robinson, nursing instructor, and Dr. Randal L. Hoyer, history instructor, represented the Madonna faculty and will report back on new processes of evaluation.

"Non-traditional methods of instruction require non-traditional methods of evaluation," said Sr. M. Laurina, academic dean, explaining that Madonna encourages learning experiences such as independent study, internship, life situation, and simulation and that "testing" for them requires a new and broader definition.

The session on evaluation, held at Nazareth College, Kalamazoo, was one of several on-going educational "updates" provided by AICUM for its member institutions throughout the year.

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