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Hills PTO Releases Info on Candidates For B of E Election

Because voters in Bloomfield Hills school election June 13 are offered a wide selection of candidates for the four vacancies on the board of education, Bloomfield Hills PTO council is waging its own campaign to acquaint voters with the candidates.

All voters are being urged to attend a council-sponsored "Meet Your Candidates" program next Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Bloomfield Hills Junior high school. A brochure, compiling qualifications and stating the personal philosophies of each candidate, is being mailed in the PTO council newsletter this week. The council has provided the Birmingham Eccentric with information from the brochure on the five candidates running for the two three-year terms on the board. This information on the four candidates for the two four-year terms will be published in next week's issue.

WILLIAM B. BACHMAN JR., 45, of 715 Oakdale drive, Bloomfield Hills, senior vice president MacMans, John and James and agency; A. Darmouth; M.C.A. degree, Tuck school; married, father of two sons attending Bloomfield Hills school; public relations chairman of YES committee (1959); chairman, United Brotherhood of Carpenters, Birmingham (1957-58); board member, Child Guidance Center (1956-59); resident Bloomfield Hills 32 years.

GEORGE A. JONES, 36, of 992 Dowling road, Bloomfield Hills; public officer in Detroit; A.B. and L.L.B. degrees, U of M, attending law school; (See ELECTION, Page 2-E)

Zone, Sewer Study Meeting Set in Lathrup
LATHRUP—Several meetings are tentatively scheduled to study both the Geer planning study of zoning in Lathrup and the storm sewer study. The city development advisory committee and the council will confer. The meeting will be held at the Lathrup Junior High School. It is the school board's duty to keep the community informed of the study. The meeting will be held at the time when the financial problem must be brought to the council.

DR. CHARLES L. BOWERS, 42, of 199 Barrington road, Bloomfield Hills; M.D., Wayne physician-surgeon, Pontiac, since 1953; married, father of three sons, attending Hills schools; currently president Hickory Grove PTA and member Hills PTO council; member Hills Rotary; active Big Brothers; citizen's committee, youth, Pontiac Junior High School, Episcopal church of the Advent.

HUGH T. CARNEY, 37, of 5717 Sussex road, sales representative Peninsula steel; married, father of three children, attending Hills schools; attended Michigan State.

Talk of the Towns

By JULIE CANDLER

"I thought the purpose of education was to make children happy," said a woman at a recent discussion on education at Bloomfield Hills school board President Merrill O. Bates. "If that were the case," retorted the tall, suave Mr. Bates, "we could just go out and buy the children a lot of tranquilizers." Last time I talked to Sergeant Bill Reed of Beverly Hills police safety department, his wife hadn't decided on his new baby daughter's name. "I'm going to name her after my father," he said modestly, "I'm kinda glad it's a girl."

It didn't take a Sherlock Holmes to detect evidence of sarcasm in Archibald Linn Smith's voice when he spoke at the Wylie E. Groves high school dedication last week. "We Americans take pride in everything except our schools," said Smith, who saw criticism heaped upon the beautiful new school designed at 15 Mile and Evergreen, Beverly Hills. "We Americans, we want to express our frugality," said Smith. Judging by those who criticized the schools' "frills," you would believe it. But I think Smith is wrong. PEOPLE are buying homes near there because they want their children to attend that handsome new school. Beverly Hills officials proud of visiting mayors through it. In fact, most parents of Birmingham school children boast about living in a community where their schools are modern, well-designed and equipped. As I looked at the names of people who wrote letters to the editor of the Birmingham Eccentric two years ago complaining about the "extravagant" Groves school, I learned one thing: THE MAJORITY of complainers were either older people whose children no longer attended school or parents of children attending private and parochial schools. Many of them resented paying for something they weren't going to get any benefit from.

Franklin Hall Gets Board Nod

FRANKLIN—Deliberating until midnight, the zoning board of appeals voted Tuesday in favor of the Franklin Community association's request to build 5400 square feet of area into the first floor of the proposed community center.

A formal statement of the zoning board approving the variance, the board removed another obstacle confronting the plan to replace the demolished community hall with a new building adjacent to the village green. Village officials met May 19 at a public hearing on the proposed budget. The resolution in favor of a one-mill spread would collect the \$120,000 for one year was presented by Charles Baker, representing the Beverly Hills association.

According to Councilman Leo J. Linsmeyer, of the village road commission, the funds will be used for blacktopping and major road repairs. A REPORT FROM the village engineers estimates that \$37,000 is needed to make necessary road repairs. The balance required after the \$120,000 supplied from the village's special mill will come from state funds.

REMARKING on a letter from attorney Harry Wise, Jr., representing the property owners' protective association, incorporated, a group actively opposing the plan, Linsmeyer explained the project was not an attempt to rezone the property and problems which concerned the property owners were not a matter for the zoning board to decide. Earlier, the board took up the request of the Franklin Interiors for permission to enlarge and enclose an existing porch on the top of its 137 year old non-conforming structure on Franklin road. No decision was reached Tuesday by the board.

It was revealed that Franklin Interiors has sold one of its buildings to the newly organized firm, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Haynes for the purpose of a new structure to be used for the operation of the interior decorating business. The new owner, James Brantstrom explained.

Southfield LWV Slates May 26 Educational Play

SOUTHFIELD—All Southfield area women are invited to attend a meeting of the provisional LWV council to be held at 8 p.m., Thursday, May 26, at 8 p.m. in the choral room at Southfield high school. The constitutional convention committee of Southfield's provisional LWV council present a short play about Michigan's constitution, "Not 1908, But 1960."

Beverly Changes Voting Precinct
BEVERLY HILLS—The Beverly Hills council approved a change in location for voting precinct No. 18 at their May 19 meeting. Voters will now cast their ballots at the Wylie E. Groves school instead of at the Valley Woods school. Access to the latter school has been difficult because of poor road conditions. Southfield township voted to make the precinct change at a meeting May 10.

Southfield High Honors Students, Top Teacher

SOUTHFIELD—A number of Southfield high school students were surprised May 19 with special awards at a special honor assembly at the school. A teacher of the year was named and other students were recognized for service and assistance. Journalism awards went to Len and George Wright of the Birmingham Eccentric; to Carolyn Fisher from Four Corners Press and to Rhoda Kortney from Southfield Sun. The Detroit News school award was given to student Daphne Dyalpinc.

CAROLYN FISHER and Bruce Pierce received awards in dramatics and choral music awards went to Arden Homemaker of Tomorrow and George Wright. The principals award was given to Helen Schoenheit and George Wright. The PTSA music scholarship went to Sheila Fritzen and Mary McHugh. Gary Fox received the John Philip Sousa award and Michigan school music award. The award was given to Darwin Muir, David Ross and Helen Schoenheit.

BEURMANN BREWBRAKER was named teacher of the year by a poll of students, the PTSA and Southfield's college freshmen. Other awards included scholastic awards and honor awards from the American Legion, the Daughters of the American Revolution, Betty Beck of Homemaker of Tomorrow, and the Rocket car trophy as well as athletic honors.

1-A	Northbrook Calls First Minister
6-B	WJMG Slates June Tour
1-C	Flower Show Student Looks To Atomic Future
4-D	BEURMANN BREWBRAKER

Shopping Area Applied In Beverly



Triple Trip Win?

LATHRUP—When Mr. and Mrs. Earl McElmond, 28282 Lathrup boulevard, were awarded a trip for Lut Laurideale for his sales work with Electroflux, they considered themselves very lucky people. They were right! At the Jolly Roger hotel's "Set and Be Damned" party, they won a trip to the British Colonial hotel in Nassau, Bahamas. The couple will return to Lathrup this week—barring another win!

Injunction Halts Pool As Neighbors File Suit

BEVERLY HILLS—A temporary injunction which prevents the Beverly Hills Athletic Club from going ahead with its plans to build a swimming pool was granted Friday by Oakland Circuit Judge Frederick C. Ziem.

Ziem granted the injunction after suit was brought by 2 residents of the area immediately surrounding the pool's four-acre site near Southfield and Beverly. The group, through its attorney James G. Hartwick, of Pontiac, seeks a permanent injunction. They have filed a bill of complaint against the club and the Beverly Athletic Club, which they claim is in violation of the zoning board of appeals last week granted the athletic club's request to build the pool.

NO COURT date has been set for a hearing. "They are very much against the pool," Hartwick said of the group which brought suit. Many of the same residents voiced their objections to a shopping center at the Southfield-Beverly intersection, which was approved Monday night by the Beverly Hills village council. The zoning board of appeals granted the athletic club's request for a go-ahead to build the pool on Monday last week. The vote was 6 to 3. Earlier, the board had rejected the same request.

Abutting residents object to traffic, noise and danger to children, which they claim the pool would bring. THE CLUB accused its intention to bring suit against the village following the zoning board's earlier refusal. Later they dropped plans to sue, and again sought approval at the last week's rehearing by the board.

WEST BLOOMFIELD—West Bloomfield voters in the August primary will be asked to approve a township planning commission. The township board voted at its meeting last Wednesday night to place the issue on the ballot. Township planning commissions, as recently set up by state law, assume the duties of zoning boards, with additional authority to assure township planning. Membership of the commission will not more than nine, is by appointment of the township supervisor.

THE TOWNSHIP board also decided on interceptor tap privileges fees, at last week's meeting. Fees for the privilege of tapping into either laterals or aris of the Farmington interceptor are \$250 per single residence. The cost of plumbing lines from house to sewer, as well as connecting to the sewer, is borne by the individual home owner.

OTHER TOWNSHIP business acted on by the board included acceptance of Bloomfield Knob water system, which was amended to allow for over 2000 in county DPW.

Hills Hires 15 New Teachers, Organizes School Term for Fall

BLOOMFIELD HILLS—With summer not yet here, fall original portion of Wing Lake school was made by architect Charles MacLinton. The stone building will be converted into a school library by the beginning of the Fall term. The board voted \$32,000 for the project. Boundary lines for Wing Lake and Conant schools were discussed. Sixteen teachers, including principal, teaching sixth grade, received by a half day "swing" teacher serving both schools. The board authorized the borrowing of \$500,000 for interim financing, subject to approval of the board and nomination by residents. An amount is needed for operation until 1961 tax money is available.

S'field Near 13 Mile Site Of \$1 1/2 Million Center

BEVERLY HILLS—Rezoning for a \$1 1/2 million shopping and business development was approved Monday by Beverly Hills councilmen.

The change from residential to B-1 and B-2 was granted for property on Southfield road between Beverly and 13 Mile roads near the site where the Beverly Hills athletic club proposes to build a swimming pool.

The request was filed by owners Kathleen MacDona, 18915 Bedford, and Elizabeth Kaidler, 19340 Devonshire. Despite protests from residents who live near the proposed center, councilmen, after deliberation and public discussion, voted for the change. Leo Linsmeyer cast the only dissenting vote.

B'field Disputes X-Way Interchange In Township

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—A meeting largely dominated by road problems, Bloomfield township board of trustees managed to pass a resolution condemning placement of an interchange in the West 12 Chrysler Parkway at Square Lake road and Adams. The resolution called the interchange a "necessary but undesirable" in view of the small amount of traffic to be accommodated at that point and that the same could be accomplished by a simple approach to said point.

A COPY has been forwarded to the state highway commissioner with the request that the matter be reevaluated by its engineers. The interchange would require condemnation of 17 acres of township property which board members termed "valuable land at such a location."

SIMILAR OBJECTIONS on the part of the City of Troy were expressed in a resolution passed by its city council May 9. The state highway commission has been notified of the objection to the moving of the interchange 400 feet north of its original location on engineering plans.

Tie Votes Cast Shopping Center Into Indecision

SOUTHFIELD—Three motions before the Southfield city council, May 16 left the fourth request in recent months for shopping centers in the city right back where it started. The absence of Councilman Emanuel Christensen out of town on business, resulted in a 3-3 tie on all the motions.

THE SOUTHFIELD development company brought a recommendation by the plan commission for approval of rezoning from residential to neighborhood shopping center in the area of the southeast corner of the 13 Mile-Southfield road intersection. A motion by Councilman Thomas Castello to deny the shopping center rezoning resulted in a tie vote. A similar motion by Councilman Crowley, Milner and Company downtown store Sport-o-rama.

Wins Wardrobe

BEVERLY HILLS—Mrs. Edward Sayles, 31755 Westlady, Beverly Hills, is the recent winner of the \$1000 wardrobe contest sponsored by the Beverly Hills Crowley, Milner and Company downtown store Sport-o-rama.

EARLY COPY Needed Because of the Memorial Day holiday we lose a day. All Society copy must be in by 5 p.m. Friday, other copy is needed early.