

# The Birmingham Executive

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Happier is the man who, driven by the passion for "success," can find enough by the way he becomes unhappy because he yet higher and still higher peaks climbed. There really are resting places on this steep, never-to-be-reached mountain top, where the goal of success may be found providing you adjust your thinking. Absolute perfection is absolutely never attainable.

## 10 Compete for 7 B'ham-Hills Posts

Less than two weeks remain for Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills residents to decide on their choice in candidates in the April 3 city elections.

A field of seven incumbents and three newcomers are vying for each of seven city offices including two City Commission and two Library Board seats (each for three-year terms) in Birmingham and three two-year term City Commission posts in Bloomfield Hills.

Running for the City Commission in Birmingham are Carl E. Fischer, Ralph A. Main and Robert W. Page while shooting for the Library Board are Arthur Underwood Jr., Charles B. Kass and Edwin S. Snyder. In Bloomfield Hills it's Robert A. Fry, John S. Bugas, Dominick Vettrino and Lyman J. Craig for the City Commission.

### Carl F. Fischer

Carl F. Fischer, 45, 1235 Lynchwood, auto retail dealer at Fisher Buick Inc. in Birmingham, is a Birmingham resident for 12 years. Fischer sees Birmingham as a desirable community in its ability to retain its residential character while keeping pace with developmental development.

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**FOR AND ABOUT TODAY'S YOUTH**  
**BARNUM JUNIOR HIGH**  
**New Club at Barnum To Go International**

By KAREN L. PIEL  
Special Writer  
Barnum's newest club formed this year is the International Club. This organization is designed to study cultures of foreign countries. The 40 members are in the eighth grade. Next year the ninth grade will be included.

Elections in February decided officers of the club. They are as follows: President, Pete Hendricks; vice president, Heidi Ervin; secretary, Harry Stobber; treasurer, Harry Kennison; and sergeant-at-arms, Ron Ayers and Dick Bird.

school education in Ellwood City, Pa., and completed degree and graduate work in civil engineering at the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Fischer has received the Lions Club "Old Monarch Award" for 20 years of community service and the Boy Scouts "Acorn Award."

At present Main is on the Executive Board of the Oakland County Republican Club and is Director of the Oakland County Lincoln Republican Club.

Organizations to which he belongs include Chamber of Commerce, Lions Club, YMCA, Oakland County Engineering Society, Michigan Engineering Society, Consulting Engineers Association of Michigan, Michigan Society of Professional Engineers, Michigan Association for the Professions, Michigan Society of Land Surveyors and Michigan Society Planning Officials.

Main is married and has a daughter and two grandchildren.

### Robert W. Page

Although a city commissioner since August when he was appointed to fill Lance C. Minor's vacancy, Robert W. Page, 40, 2468 Manchester, is seeking his first elective term as resident for 10 years, the manufacturing executive is supervisor of computer programming at Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn.

Page is a member of Birmingham's present high residential area. He is a member of the City Planning Board and has served as chairman in 1960, he is a member of the City Planning Board and has served as chairman in 1960, he is a member of the City Planning Board and has served as chairman in 1960.

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**SOUTHFIELD HIGH**  
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Organizations to which he belongs include Orchard Lake Country Club, Aircraft Club and Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

### Charles B. Kass

Although Baldwin Library has established a previous reputation, board incumbent Charles B. Kass, 1028 Chestnut, is aware of certain problems. A resident for 20 years, the 65-year-old corp. engineer with the Ethyl Corp. of Ferndale

Positions within community service groups include member and treasurer of Birmingham Little Football League, board member and member and former president of Pembroke Manor Association. Kass is also a member of the American Management Association.

Page and his wife, Donna, have four children.

### Arthur J. Underwood

Additional funds and expansion of service are Arthur J. Underwood's (Jr.) main considerations in running for the Library Board. A resident for 28 years, the 40-year-old manager of the Detroit office of Katz Advertising Agency, is seeking political office for the first time.

"There are two major problems in the library service. One is the maintenance of added facilities require a budget in excess of the current budget. The other is the maintenance of the library by the city charter.

"On an equitable basis of financial support, the more people served, the lower is the per capita cost. We look forward to this action on the part of the city government of the entire community."

"A Citizens' Committee recommends such a move and discusses the appropriate zoning in single family residential areas in order to protect these areas from the deteriorating effects of the encroachment of commercial development.

"Extend the park system for active recreation by providing more parking spaces closer to business with easier parking. (b) easier parking. (c) easier means of avoiding the center of activity through local traffic in and out of the business district."

"Cooperate with the business people of the community in their efforts not only to maintain but also to improve upon the present high quality we enjoy in shopping facilities and personal services."

### GRADUATED FROM KASS

GRADUATED FROM KASS PHILADELPHIA HIGH SCHOOL and obtained his engineering degree from the University of Pennsylvania. Besides being a member of the Library Board he also serves on the Board of Directors of the Birmingham Community House and treasurer of Detroit Men's Council-Navy League of the U. S. He is a member of Bloomfield Hills Country Club, The Recess and Bankers Club of Detroit.

### Edwin S. Snyder

Growth of population and library patronage "present a challenge to the community and its governing body."

"Residents of Birmingham are fortunate and privileged in having available to them the facilities of a library so thoroughly established and well-housed as is Baldwin Public Library.

"Growing out of the generosity of the original donor, the patronage of public spirited individuals and the continuing interest of the city's elected officials, our library and staff have a cosmopolitan character equal in all respects to libraries in other communities of comparable cultural and living standards.

"However the sharp expansion of population, the steady month by month growth of library patronage with resultant increase in operating costs, present a challenge to the community and its elected officials."

"Not only must present high standards of library service be maintained, but citizens expect a much-better expected growth within the area must be contemplated. This restriction reduces service and lowers the quality of the service of excellence the patrons expect. Past financial problems have been solved satisfactorily with the City Commission. So most likely will this one be solved.

By actively working and planning to maintain and improve the residential character of Bloomfield Hills. This is my principal reason for seeking election to the City Commission in the April 3 election."

GRADUATE OF Central High School in Detroit, the University of Michigan and the Detroit College of Law, Fry is a member of the Michigan Blue Shield board and plays an active role in local and state Bar Association activities.

His organization affiliations include the Parent-Teachers, Organization for Bloomfield Hills High and Junior High and Eastover Schools, Fred M. Alger American Legion Post, and Phi Delta Theta and Delta Theta Phi Fraternities.

Fry is married and has three daughters, Karen, 17, Lynn, 12 and Pamela, 10, who attend Bloomfield High, Bloomfield Junior High and Eastover Schools.

### John S. Bugas

"Dynamic civic planning" is John S. Bugas' prediction for Bloomfield Hills' future. The 62-year-old group vice president of Ford Motor Co. in Dearborn has been a commissioner for eight years.

"Our aim is to bring to the community the judgment and ability necessary in keeping Bloomfield Hills a desirable place in which to live and work."

"The area is and should remain primarily residential, but this doesn't preclude the establishment of appropriate business and commercial enterprises required to service our type of community."

"A very important and dynamic civic planning activity is necessary within the next 6-10 years in order that the community keep abreast of programs in other communities of similar character."

"If elected I will do everything I can to insure that such planning is accomplished in a way that will insure the type of climate the residents have a right to expect."

BUGAS, 820 VAUGHAN, received his high school training and law degree at the University of Wyoming.

Among his community service positions are board member of United Foundation and Boys Club of Detroit. He is a past president of each board.

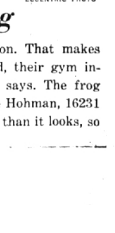
Bugas' organizational memberships include Detroit Economic Club, Detroit Traffic Safety Association, Detroit Boy Scouts' Area Council, Metropolitan Detroit Building Fund and Institute of Economic Education of Detroit.

A Bloomfield Hills resident since 1946, Bugas is married and has four children.

### Dominick Vettrino

Retaining the character and beauty of the community while keeping abreast of the times is Bloomfield Commissioner Dominick Vettrino's primary concern.

"The commission is conscious of rising costs and it's my aim to keep taxes as low as possible while achieving the things that have to be done."



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### 3 Win Honors As Freshmen at university

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The honor, granted to students in the top seven per cent of the freshman class, went to Carolyn Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fisher, 17500 Roxbury; Robert Knighton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knighton, 27486 Lathrap, Lathrap Village; and Leonard Spicer, 21885 Branbank.

The 249 freshmen selected will receive their award, books and a gold University of Michigan seal, at a special convocation May 12 at 2 P.M. in the Union Building.

Three Southfield High students toured the research laboratory of Park Division's Company in Ann Arbor Tuesday.

The three are part of a special Research Unit High School Science Seminar, composed of outstanding science students from eight local schools. They are: Steve Steele, son of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Steele, 17655 Dorset; Bill Boret, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Boret, 23970 McAllister; and Robert Liebler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Liebler, 2016 Washington.

While in Ann Arbor, they will also visit the Ford Nuclear Reactor at the Phoenix Laboratory on the University of Michigan North Campus, and attend a special campus lecture is planned.

### ALL-OUT Drive Launched To Raise Funds for AFS

By Jan Taracks and Beth Koenig  
AFS club at Groves has been sponsoring a drive to raise money for next year's AFS State Convention. The junior homecoming which raises the most money will have the exchange student in their homecoming.

Mrs. Sharrard is sponsor of AFS (American Field Service) and the officers are Sue Krueger, president; Pat Taggart, chairman; Tony Krueger, vice president; Jean Ann Lugetz, corresponding secretary; Lynn Mills, recording secretary and Jean Kelle, treasurer.

ON APRIL 20 there will be an AFS fair at Groves to raise more money. From 6 until 10:30 p.m. there will be many booths with games and food.

### B'field Country Day Honor Roll Lists

The girls at Bloomfield Country Day School are anxiously awaiting the annual B'field Country Day. The girls at Bloomfield Country Day School are anxiously awaiting the annual B'field Country Day. The girls at Bloomfield Country Day School are anxiously awaiting the annual B'field Country Day.

Many of the students and faculty have special vacation plans. Mrs. Ann Poppena and her wife are going to Jamaica. Mrs. Boughner plans to stay home and catch up on her reading. Mrs. Poppena and her wife are going to Jamaica. Mrs. Boughner plans to stay home and catch up on her reading.

That's the news to date from Bloomfield Country Day School. We'll be back April 15, all rested and tanned, with more news. Have a wonderful vacation everyone!

### It's Easy-If You're Young

Remember the days when you did stunts like these with nary a bone creaking? Greenfield School student Nancy Yardley (left), 15753 Buckingham, demonstrates a hand stand while Renate Klass (center), 16924 Marguerite, shows how it's done, without benefit of a wall to lean on. That makes Renate's feat a head stand, their gym instructor, Clarence Schmitt says. The frog stand, illustrated by Jeanne Hohman, 16231 Beechwood, is much harder than it looks, so think before you try it.



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### Kingswood School 5 Local Girls On Council At Kingswood

CRANBROOK—Five local girls were elected to the student government for 1961-62 at Kingswood School Cranbrook. They are: Maxine McLaughlin, who is the new President of the Student Council; Julie Graham, vice president; Beverly Lee, secretary; Catherine Lovett, Grade 8 Representative; and Linda Sue Wilder, who will represent the eighth grade.

Merrill, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Comerford McLaughlin, 617 N. Glenhurst, formerly attended Cranbrook. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. Y. She is active in the Kingswood Glee Club.

Those whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Ellis Graham, 6130 Wing Lake Rd, has served primarily as the Student Council. She is a member of K-Club. She attended Wing Lake School before entering Kingswood.