

ELECTION 2002: COUNTY BOARDS OF COMMISSIONERS

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Wilson Township trustee six years, Wilson planning commission four years, Charlevoix Conservation District board 20 years.

PRIORITIES: Improving roads, preserving open space and farmland and holding back sprawl.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I will do my best to represent all the people of the four-and-a-half townships I will be representing.

MICHAEL BUTTIGIEG
Green Party

AGE: 48
RESIDENCE: Wilson Township
PROFESSION: Locksmith
EDUCATION: high school, some college courses
POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: None

PRIORITIES: Develop a park in the Thumb Lake area; revisiting the stormwater ordinance to replace environmental wording taken out during recent revisions; making county board more communicative and citizen-friendly; publish meeting agendas prior to meetings.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I am a very honest and sincere person. A good, hard worker, a good problem-solver. I do care about my community. A commissioner should be in touch with his district, and I try to see what's going on out there.

DISTRICT 4
(City of East Jordan and South Arm Township)

VICTOR PATRICK
Republican

AGE: 65
RESIDENCE: South Arm Township
EDUCATION: Associate's Degree police administration, Muskegon Community College.
PROFESSION: Retired after 42 years of law enforcement with city, county and state police agencies.

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: County commissioner six years

PRIORITIES: A closer-working board, where everybody knows what's going on. Taking a serious look at hiring a county administrator. All county employees receiving same benefits.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I was the only county board member who voted no to paying for a lawyer to fight Open Meetings Act violations. I think we have an excellent bunch of county employees, and I will do everything in my power to keep them all.

JEANETTE NORTON
No Party Affiliation

AGE: 57
RESIDENCE: East Jordan
EDUCATION: high school graduate, some college courses

PROFESSION: Activities assistant at Grandvue
POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: East Jordan city commissioner for five years, on city's special charter commission for 3.5 years.

PRIORITIES: What I'm asking people to do is give me an opportunity to look into all these things I've been reading about, hearing about and seeing, and give me an opportunity to respond to those when I have full knowledge about it. More done about roads. Concerned about saving our lakes and environment.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I'm fair, I'm honest. I will try to represent them well. Honesty and forthrightness is very important to me, and I will try to represent them on that basis. I will not lean toward any interest group. We need to look at the whole picture and listen to everyone.

DISTRICT 5
(Eveline, Marion and part of Wilson townships)

DENNIS JASON
Republican

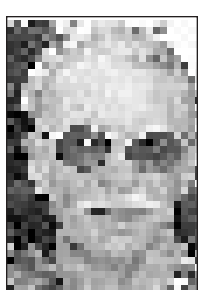
AGE: 61
OCCUPATION: Boyne City Public Works Director
GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: County planning commission member for more than 25 years

PRIORITIES: Getting confidence back in the county board; diverting energy spent battling Open Meetings Act violation allegations.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? With the experience I have, experience with the city, I think I can help solve some of the issues that come up in the county.

ARNESS COX
Democrat

AGE: 57
RESIDENCE: Eveline Township
EDUCATION: associate's degree from Wayne County Community College
PROFESSION: Retired



General Motors employee

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: Sumpter Township trustee for 10 years.

PRIORITIES: More coordinated planning with local units of government; continue work on house-numbering.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I'm kind of grassroots. I'm pretty middle-of-the-road, straightforward and honest. I will be available to citizens.

DISTRICT 6
(Peaine and St. James townships on Beaver Island, Norwood Township, and the southern portions of the city of Charlevoix and Charlevoix Township)

SHIRLEY ROLOFF
Republican

AGE: 65
RESIDENCE: City of Charlevoix
EDUCATION: high school graduate, two years of busi-

ness school

PROFESSION: small business owner

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: county commissioner past four years; 12 years on Charlevoix city council, including six as mayor pro-tem.

PRIORITIES: Continue county's recycling program; considering county administrator; working with all of the townships and taking more programs that exist on the mainland to Beaver Island.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I'm dedicated to Charlevoix County and my community. This is one way I can give of myself to my county, give back to the people. I'm an experienced, dedicated, honest, hard worker. I'll continue to work the best I can. And I am the most qualified candidate.

JOSEPH KING
Green Party

AGE: 36
RESIDENCE: Charlevoix Township

EDUCATION: U.S. Naval Academy one year, some college courses

PROFESSION: Lab technician at East Jordan Iron Works

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: none

PRIORITIES: More government openness, ensuring everyone has an opportunity to be involved and have their voice heard. Protecting environment to continue attracting tourists and promote healthy local economy. Bring more of a county government presence and improve services to Beaver Island.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I have some new and fresh ideas. I would be more open to listening to what the people have to say.

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A Citizen's Analysis of Candidates for Governor

GRANHOLM
Political Party Democrat
Legislative Experience None
Executive Experience Some
Political Experience (Elected Position) 4 Years

Business Experience Attorney General
Political Support Lawyer Wayne County Gov. Leadership of UAW-AFL

Personal Voting Record Teacher Unions, Trial Lawyers
Failed to Vote in 7 out of 10 Sierra Club, State Employee Unions
Local School Elections and 2 out of 9 National Elections

General Background Born in Canada, Educated in CA
Academic Background & Scholarship Higher Ed. East Coast
Excellent

CONCLUSION:

Michigan's future for industry, business, health services, education, unions, and job growth requires a balanced and fair approach to legislation and judicial opinions and experienced leadership.

Granholtm has no legislative experience on record so we can only judge her by her political roots. Her Democratic Party roots are in California and Michigan and her mentors are Democratic Senators and Representatives and officials in Wayne County and Detroit. Their positions are pro abortion, pro labor, and support of trial lawyers, and they take a negative position on the president's national defense program. They are for more regulations on business and fewer on unions and take an all or nothing approach on environmental issues. Granholtm does not appear to take her citizen's voting responsibilities seriously having neglected to vote in several local school and national elections.

Postumus's legislative actions along with the Michigan Republican Party have given Michigan a national model for K-12 financing with lower taxation, are pro business/industry and job growth, pro life, and have developed a cooperative approach among conservation groups, industry, philanthropic organizations, and private citizens toward environmental issues. They are pro national defense and pro judicial restraint and against unfair lawsuits directed towards doctors, businesses, and unions. The measured quality of Michigan's K-12 public schools has improved. They have provided record funding for public universities and community colleges and helped establish M-Techs across Michigan. Postumus has a perfect record on voting in all local and national elections.

Democrats say that we need a new fresh face in the governor's office, but do we need one who has no legislative experience, little executive experience and will turn for advice to her mentors from Wayne County, labor leadership, trial lawyers, and the liberal wing of the democratic party? Do we want to go back to the days of high taxes, teachers' strikes, and unfair lawsuits? Can Michigan afford to have an inexperienced new face learn on the job?

Postumus has deep roots in Michigan, cares about her future and will represent all citizens. He has experience. We know he can make tough decisions and understands how to work with all members of the legislature both republicans and democrats to bring about results. Michigan needs Postumus as Governor.

POSTHUMUS

Republican
Extensive
Considerable
4 Years Lieutenant Gov.
16 Years State Senator/Speaker
Michigan Farmer
Leadership of Business and Industry
Pro Life Groups
NRA
14 years Perfect Voting Record

Born in Michigan, Educated in MI
Higher Ed. in Michigan
Excellent

Paid for by Dr. Philip J. Gannon. Dr. Philip J. Gannon is a retired professional educator having served for over thirty years as president of a public community college in Lansing, Michigan. He is a graduate of the Detroit Public Schools, attended Wayne State University, graduated from Albion College and received graduate degrees from Michigan State University. He was an educational consultant to Ministries of Education in South Korea, Taiwan, China, Hungary, and UAE. He served for republican and democratic governors on state committees and served as a board member on hospital, college, EDC and bank boards. He was a former president of the Michigan Association of Higher Education. He was a naval aviator and holds the rank of Captain, USNR Retired.

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