

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY

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commissioner, December 2003.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Licensed professional engineer, ran own consulting company, employed in public works departments in Oregon and in the transportation and water resources offices in California, certified to ad state soil erosion, natural resources and federal environmental protection laws.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Protecting our natural resources is paramount. I fairly and consistently enforce the drain code; Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act; and Grand Traverse County soil erosion, sedimentation and storm water runoff control ordinance.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? Committed to being a strong, effective steward of our county's natural resources; first licensed professional civil engineer to serve as county drain commissioner; 18 years experience in hydraulic engineering, erosion control and stream restoration; qualified and dedicated.

SURVEYOR

ROBERT F. MITCHELL
Republican
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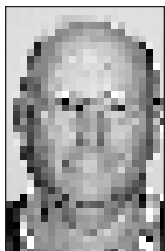
COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DISTRICT 1

TOM KERN
AGE: 53
RESIDENCE: Traverse City.
EDUCATION: B.S., Eastern Michigan University; master's degree, San Diego State University.

POLITICAL CAREER: Grand Traverse County commissioner, 2003-04.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Executive director, National Cherry Festival, 1991-present; CEO, Properties North Real



Estate Co., 1989-90; executive vice president, Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, 1986-89.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Continuing to provide county services at a time when resources are dwindling; development of a regional transportation plan.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU?: I have over 20 years of experience in serving the Grand Traverse community in a variety of community roles. Serving the voters of District 1 is, I believe, the best way I can serve the community.

DISTRICT 2

LARRY C. INMAN
Republican
AGE: 50

RESIDENCE: Williamsburg
EDUCATION: Northwestern Michigan College, associate's degree, 1974; Northern Michigan University, B.S., 1976.

POLITICAL CAREER: Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners, 1993 to present;

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Huntington National Bank (formerly Empire National Bank), 1979 to present.

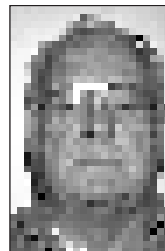
TOP ISSUE/WHY? 1. County facilities and jail expansion and district court new building. 2. County budget.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? 12 years experience on Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners, financial and budget professional background, community and state affiliations.



DISTRICT 3

ROBERT PERRY
Republican
AGE: 68
EDUCATION: High school.
POLITICAL CAREER: None.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Robert W. Perry, Builder Inc., 30 years; state licensed builder and



mechanical contractor; Home Depot outside contractor/installer, 5 years; HUD-FHA inspector, 5 years.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? I, like so many other in the area, enjoy the quality of life we have at our fingertips in this great region. I keep current on county, township and city issues with regard to public works, infrastructure, fire and law enforcement services, construction activity, traffic and environmental matters.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? As a member of the Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners, I would represent all taxpayers and their concerns and address problems without political agenda through a straightforward, non-nonsense approach.

MARGARET UNDERWOOD
Republican
AGE: 74
RESIDENCE: Traverse City
EDUCATION: B.A., Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; B.B.A. Ferris State University.

POLITICAL CAREER: Grand Traverse County commissioner, 16 years.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Scenic Trails Council, Boy Scouts of America, retired in 1994 after 27 years; current deputy treasurer of East Bay Charter Township.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? My top issue is continuing services the county provides to its citizens at the highest level of standards, despite continuing budget constraints due to state mandates and less state financial support.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I have voted to balance the county's budget for 16 years. My experience and knowledge is invaluable in these tough financial times. My understanding of the workings and nuances in government procedures will help ensure that all the people of Grand Traverse County are served to highest level possible.



DISTRICT 4

HERBERT LEMCOOL JR.
Republican
AGE: 62

RESIDENCE: Traverse City
EDUCATION: High school; , Davenport Institute, 1 year.
POLITICAL CAREER: Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners, 8 years.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Owner, C&H Maintenance Service.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Courthouse vs. county jail upgrade, which should come first; dam removal on Boardman River and impact on homes. Hartman-Hammond Bridge; passage of parks commission millage for Garfield and the City of Traverse City.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I am very active in the community and try to educate myself on many issues. I sit on many boards — Northern Lakes Community Mental Health, TART, Human Service Coordinating Council, Smoke-Free Traverse Force, BATA.

DISTRICT 5

WAYNE SCHMIDT
Republican
AGE: 37.

RESIDENCE: Traverse City
EDUCATION: University of Chicago.

POLITICAL CAREER: Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners, 1999-present, current vice-chairman.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Captain's Quarters store manager.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Grand Traverse County should continue to promote a viable economic infrastructure while maintaining the quality of life (environmental protections, public health, police services) we have come to expect in northern Michigan.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? As a community volunteer, a parent and downtown business person, I listen to concerns and invite suggestions from residents daily. My five years



as a commissioner demonstrate my ability to effectively address and meet the needs of my constituents and duties as an elected official, especially during these challenging times.

DISTRICT 6

RICHARD THOMAS
Republican
AGE: 68

RESIDENCE: Grawn
EDUCATION: Associate's degree.

POLITICAL CAREER: 16 years as supervisor of Green Lake Township supervisor; 10 years as county commissioner.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Residential builder for 32 years.

TOP ISSUE/WHY? Budget. The county had to tighten its belt

last year and will have to cut more this year. I don't want our citizens to pay more to cover the shortfall.

WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I try to do what my constituents want and will continue to do so. There are also issues, such as jail overcrowding, court expansion and transportation, that I would like to see resolved before I retire.



DISTRICT 7

JOHN NELSON
Democrat
AGE: 61

RESIDENCE: Traverse City.
EDUCATION: 1965, B.S. U.S. Naval Academy; 1971, M.S., University of Michigan.

POLITICAL CAREER: 8 years on the school board and 9 years on town council, Freeport, Me.; 3 years on Garfield Township Planning Commission.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER: 1961-1969, U.S. Navy active duty; 1969-1986, U.S. Navy Air Reserve; 1971-1996, public

