

MISSAUKEE COUNTY

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ership, Baker College.
POLITICAL CAREER: chair-woman, Missaukee County Republican Party. eight years, appointed county clerk-register of deeds, 1991.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
TOP ISSUE/WHY? Efficient government and bringing the clerk-register of deeds office into the 21st century. We are in the process of scanning new records digitally and indexing and scanning 30 years of old records. I believe in the integrity of these vital records and in the preservation of the taxpayer's land records.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I have served this county since 1980. I work hard for what I believe — good government that is run efficiently and for the people. Everything my office and I can do to assure that people leave feeling they have received the service requested will occur.

NANCY BRANNAM
 Republican
 Did not respond

TREASURER

BARBARA HANCOCK
 Republican
AGE: 52
RESIDENCE: Lake City
EDUCATION: High School; banking classes at Mid Michigan Community College.
POLITICAL CAREER:
 Currently serving out the remaining term of the retired treasurer.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Employed by Chemical Bank West for 23 years.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? With the state economics as they currently are, I think it is very important to monitor the county's revenues, expenses and investments.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? My job as treasurer focuses on being the caretaker of our county's future, and I take that very seriously.



COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DISTRICT 1

LAN BRIDSON
 Republican
 Did not respond

DISTRICT 2

BRENDA MORRISSEY
 Democrat
AGE: 49
RESIDENCE: Lake City.
EDUCATION: High school, 1973. Two years college (business).
POLITICAL CAREER:
 Missaukee District Library trustee, 4 years, currently president.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER: State licensed real estate broker; owner of Everett Realty in Lake City since 1994.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? Our top issue should be attracting new business to the area, and keeping the businesses we currently have. Overall, businesses provide employment which improves the economy.
WHY VOTE FOR ME? I am knowledgeable about the Missaukee County area, people, properties and issues. I am objective and care about people here. I would like to see road improvements in my district. I would like to see more businesses come to the Missaukee County area which would bring more jobs.

RAYMOND RISING
 Republican
AGE: 63
RESIDENCE: Lake City
EDUCATION: Some college
POLITICAL CAREER: Township clerk.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Township clerk, police chief, deputy sheriff, 31 years in U.A.W.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? Cut the county tax millage.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I bring over 30 years of education and experience in government to the county allowing me to be able to work with the other commissioners immediately after the election.

BRIAN ARNO WHIPPLE
 Republican
AGE: 49

RESIDENCE: Lake City
EDUCATION: Lake City High School; Western Michigan University, bachelor's degree; Lansing Community College-fire science.



POLITICAL CAREER: None
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Business owner/fire chief, Norwich Township Fire Department.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? I want to see a close working relationship with law enforcement, fire service and emergency medical service in the county's outlying areas.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? People should vote for me because I believe teamwork/education and empathy lead to solutions that resolve problems.

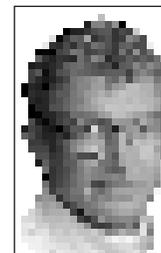
DISTRICT 3

CALVIN WAID
 Republican
AGE: 25
RESIDENCE: Lake City
EDUCATION: 1998, Lake City Area Schools; continuing education classes.
POLITICAL CAREER: None.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Agent, Employee Benefit Solutions Inc., Cadillac, develops and manages employee benefit plans such as group health insurance; co-owner of East Pointe Cue Club, East Pointe.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? There are many issues that must be addressed. Some of the major points that I am interested in range from the best utilization of the county's finances to the issue regarding the potential of milfoil to possibly cause a problem in Lake Missaukee.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? If I am elected, it will be my duty to listen to those who I have been elected to represent. Neither I, nor any other man alone, has the ability to make a decision that will affect many others without first seeking the council of those his decisions are affecting.

DISTRICT 3

DANIEL WALLER

Republican
AGE: 58
RESIDENCE:
 Lake City
EDUCATION: 2 years of college.
POLITICAL CAREER:
 Missaukee Conservation Board.



PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Worked for director of logistics, Ft. Hood Army Base, Killeen, Texas for 25 years.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? Since there has been a general cutback of funds to communities, I'd like to take part in finding new ways to get projects done and continue important goals already in place with less cost.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? I've lived in Lake City long enough to understand how our community functions. I enjoy listening to ideas and considering their needs. I'm self-motivated, dependable and hard working. I can bring some fresh, innovative ideas to issues already on the table and be helpful in developing a new agenda.

DISTRICT 4

SUSAN ROGERS
 Republican
AGE: 54
RESIDENCE: Lake City
EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree.
POLITICAL CAREER: Member of Lake City School Board for 18 years. Has served as president, vice president, treasurer and trustee.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Certified public accountant.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? Budget issues are high on list of priorities. Having sufficient revenues to cover expenses is challenging. Making sure expenses are necessary is the duty of the commissioners, at the same time making sure that employees are paid their worth.
WHY VOTE FOR YOU? My accounting background would be an asset in financial planning. My experience in negotiating with the teachers' union would be helpful. I believe in

getting to the core of problems and solving them in a straightforward way. I stand firmly on my honesty and integrity.

DON HALVORSEN
 Republican
 Did not respond

DISTRICT 5

DEAN VIVIAN
 Republican
AGE: 53
RESIDENCE: McBain
EDUCATION: Bachelor of Management Administration, Western Michigan University, 1973.
POLITICAL CAREER: Served on McBain Public School Board for eight years, retired 2002; Missaukee County Commission, 5th District, 2003-04.
PROFESSIONAL CAREER:
 Materials manager for 10 years in automotive and now mobility systems manufacturing.
TOP ISSUE/WHY? Financial accountability by the county to its residents. With reductions in revenue sharing from the state, the county must use sound judgment and financial responsibility to meet



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