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PAGEL

U.S. House

6th District

For the second time in two years, incumbent Republican Fred Upton and Democratic challenger Paul Clements face each other. Laurence Wenke is running as a Libertar-

The district covers Berrien, Cass, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph and Van Buren counties, and most of Allegan County.

Clements, 55, is a Kalamazoo native and political science professor at Western Michigan Univer-

sity. This is the second time he is running for the office.

Upton, 63, is seeking his 16th term and serves as chairman of the Committee on Energy and Commerce. His role with the committee ends with this term.

Wenke, 71, of Galesburg had served in the Michigan House of Representatives. Tonya Schuitmaker defeated Wenke in the 2010 Republican Party primary election for the 20th state Senate district.

STATE HOUSE

(2-year terms) 59th District

Aaron Miller, R-Sturgis, is being challenged for a second term by Democrat Carol Higgins. The district covers much of Cass County, including Dowagiac.

Higgins is the mother of three and stepmother of three more. Her and her husband, Larry, live in Mendon. She holds degrees from Nazareth College and Western Michigan University and taught in Marcellus schools.

She has been a small business owner and was raised on a farm.

Miller taught in Middlebury, Ind., schools before running for state House in 2014. He holds degrees from WMU and Bethel College in Indiana. He and his wife, Alexandria, raise cattle.

66th District

Republican Beth Griffin and Democrat Annie Brown are seeking to replace Rep. Aric Nesbitt, R-Lawton, who must step down due to term limits.

The district covers all of Van Buren





CLEMENTS

78th District

Incumbent Republican Dave Pagel of Oronoko Township faces Democrat Dean Hill of Niles. The 78th covers central southern Berrien County and four southern townships in Cass County.

County and a portion of

Brown, 55, has served

on the South Haven school

board since 2004 and is a

former board president.

She and her husband, Jeff,

have three children and

own the Filbrandt Family

Funeral Home in South

Haven. They live in South

Griffin, 49, is vice chairwoman of the Van Buren

County Board of Com-

missioners and a former

teacher. She and her husband, Gregory,

have two children and live in Mattawan.

Kalamazoo

western

County

Haven.

Pagel, 61, of East Shawnee Road is seeking his third and final two-year term. He owns Dave Pagel Produce. He and his wife, Sue, have four children.

Hill, 65, of Yankee Street is making his second

Seats, Republican Kim La-

Sata and Carl Oehling, of

the U.S. Taxpayers Party,

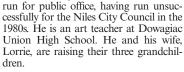
are seeking the seat. The

district covers northern

79th District

Democrat

Berrien County.



Marletta





HIGGINS

her sixth term as the Berrien County commissioner representing District 3. She serves on the Board of Commissioners' Administration Committee and works with the Southwest Michigan Planning Commission and the land Bank. She re-

Seats, of Benton Township, is serving

tired as lead auditor from Bosch after 32 years with the company.

LaSata, of Bainbridge Township, is a teacher at Lake Michigan Catholic Elementary School in St. Joseph. She has a bachelor of science degree from



SEATS

LaSATA

Western Michigan University and a master's from Western. LaSata and her husband, Charles, have four children. She won the Republican primary against three opponents.

Oehling, of Coloma, is retired and worked as a chemist for 30 years. He also was a machinist, a quality assurance manager of a division of Clark Equipment and as a laborer in quality assurance. Oehling has a bachelor's



OEHLING

degree in biology from Michigan State University and attended Lawrence Institute of Technology. This is his third run for the 79th.

80th District

Rep. Mary Whiteford, R-Casco Township, faces a re-election challenge from Democrat John Andrysiak of Martin. The district serves most of Allegan County.



Whiteford, 51, has held the office since March. She and her husband Kevin, have three children.

No information was available on An-

LAKE MICHIGAN COLLEGE

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Trustees John Grover of St. Joseph Township and Judy Truesdell of Niles are unopposed for six-year terms.

Voters will decide 0.48-mill property tax for 10 years for building and site improvements. The tax would raise \$4.36 million in its first year.

The college district covers Berrien County, the South Haven school district and Covert Township.

STATE APPEALS COURT

Incumbents Joel Hoekstra and David Sawyer are unopposed for two six-year

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Incumbent Democrat John Austin of Ann Arbor is seeking re-election to one of two eight-year terms at stake. Ish Ahmed of Novi is also running as a Dem-

The Republican hopefuls are Tom Mc-Millin or Rochester Hills and Nikki Snyder of Whitemore Lake.

The Libertarian candidates are Scotty Boman of Detroit and Bill Hall of Grand Rapids.

Karen Adams of Lake Odessa and Douglas Levesque of Owosso represent the U.S. Taxpayers Party while Derek Grigsby of Alanson and Sherry Wells of Ferndale are Green Party candidates.

Mary Anne Hering of Detroit is running on the Working Class ticket.

University of MICHIGAN REGENTS

Incumbent Democrats Laurence Deitch of Bloomfield Hills and Denise Ilitch of Bingham Farms are being challenged for two eight-year terms.

The challengers are Republicans Carl Meyers of Dearborn and Ron Weiser of Ann Arbor, Libertarians James Hudler of Chelsea and John Jascob of Temperance, U.S. Taxpayers Party's Audra Driscoll of Ann Arbor and Richard Hewer of Big Rapids.

The Green Party nominated Latham Redding of Detroit while the Natural Law Party candidate is Bridgette Abraham-Guzman of Brighton.

MICHIGAN STATE **University trustees**

Incumbent Democrats Dianne Byrum of Onondaga and Diann Woodard of Brownstown face challenges for two eight-year seats.

The Republicans are William Deary of Jackson and Dan Kelly of Clarkston.

The Libertarians are Justin Burns of Flint and Gregory Stempfle of Ferndale.

Angela Grady of Cedar Lake is running a U.S. Taxpayers nominee while Will White of Bath is running as a Green.

WAYNE STATE University governors

Eleven candidates are seeking two eight-year terms.

They are Republicans Michael Busuito of Troy and Kimberly Shmina of Ira, Democrats Yvette McElroy-Anderson and Mark Gaffney, both of Detroit; Libertarians Bhagwan Dashairya of Westland and Al Seder of Dearborn. Robert Gale of Sterling Heights and Marc Joseph Sosnowski of Dearborn Heights are running under the U.S. Taxpayers Party.

The Green Party hopefuls are Margaret Guttshall of Dearborn and Fran Shor of Royal Oak. The Natural Law candidate is Wendy Goossen of Rochester.