ELECTIONS 2002  TIME TO BUILD AN ENVIRONMENTAL MAJORITY!
CHECK SIERRA CLUB ENDORSEMENTS INSIDE.
ANIMAL FACTORY WATER PERMITS: MAKE MICHIGAN DO ITS JOB!

In January, the Sierra Club won a major victory in forcing the State of Michigan to commit to bring concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) under a statewide water quality permit. At the end of September, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is expected to put out for public comment its proposed General NPDES Permit for CAFOs. A 30-day public comment period will be opened, and the Sierra Club and others are requesting that at least one public hearing be held. Plan to get your comments in to MDEQ sometime in October.

Check the Sierra Club webpage for details, or contact Anne Woiwode or Dan Farough.

TESTING WATERS: MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

Water testing funded by the Sierra Club and performed by volunteers has demon- strated the need for improvements in sewer infrastructure. The testing is increasingly raising public consciousness about the need for comprehensive public transportation plan to coordinate the routes, rates and scheduling of the Detroit Department of Transportation and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation. DARTA set is to become the designated recipient for federal transportation funds on October 1, 2002, leaving only nine days for the legislature to either accept or reject the compromises when they return from summer break. Check the Michigan Environmental Council website, www.mepcouncil.org for updates.

HEALTH CARE WITHOUT HARM/ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE: GET THE MERCURY OUT!

Southeast Michigan Group (SEM) Sierra Club leaders have been at the heart of an effort to end mercury pollution from two sources related to health care: medical waste incinerators and mercury thermome-

Our 35th Birthday Gift to You: A Voter's Guide to Save Michigan's Environment by Mike Keeler and Sue Kelly, Mackinac Chapter Co-Chairs

In 1960, when very few people were talking about the environment, six Sierra Club members in Ann Arbor began meeting and going on outings. They worked to make Sleeping Bear Dunes a National Park. They wanted Escalante Canyon protected in the West, and the Redwoods saved in California. They organized conservation meetings and outings to places that needed protection. By 1967, the group had grown to 400 members throughout Michigan.

They dreamed of their own original Sierra Club dedicated to the environment and to John Muir's ideas to "explore, enjoy and protect the wild places of the Earth." So it was that 35 years ago, the Mackinac Chapter of the Sierra Club was born.

That vision of exploring, enjoying and protecting is still the same, but the Mackinac Chapter now has 11 active Groups throughout Michigan.

The majority of this issue is dedicated to information to help you at the polls in November's crucial elections. Other items in this issue:

• Inside you will find a ballot to vote for Mackinac Chapter leader names. These volunteers want a chance to serve you and Michigan's environment by tending to Chapter business. Please take a few minutes to vote in the Executive Committee election.

• Group outings have become so popular and numerous that we cannot provide a complete list in The Mackinac. You can access a comprehensive list of Outings, plus more information on our beautiful website at http://michigan.sierraclub.org. Members without internet access can call the Chapter office at (517) 484-2372 to request the extensive Outings list by mail.

• We need volunteers to spend a few minutes making a huge difference. The 2002 Chapter Raffle is now going on and we would really appreciate your help in selling a few tickets to raise money for conservation in Michigan. Please let Mike know how many tickets you can sell; call 810-767-9904, email at mikekeeler@tir.com or mail to 813 Maxine St., Flint MI 48503

Now more than ever, your votes are important, as well as your gifts of time, money and energy. Just like our founders in 1967, we stand on the threshold of positive and healthy change.

NEXT DEADLINE: JANUARY 1

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Sierra Club Endorses Granholm for Governor

ENVIRONMENTALISTS “GO FOR GRANHOLM!”

by Dan Farough, Political Director and Tim Killeen, Political Chair

How long has it been since Michigan had a true environmentalist in the Governor's mansion? How long have communities like Romulus, Detroit, those along the Tittabawassee and Lake St. Clair had to wait for a leader to stand up for them? It's been a long wait for these communities and others since Engler-Posthumus took office. “But the wait won’t last much longer,” is the answer from enthusiastic Sierra Club leaders, who have voted to endorse Jennifer Granholm for Governor.

“Granholm has one of the most impress-ive, thorough and connected environmen-tal plans that we have seen in years,” said Tim Killeen, Political Chair of the Sierra Club in Michigan. “She is committed to stopping in some of the areas hardest hit by the Engler-Posthumus policies, and she’s not afraid to stand up to the special interests when people’s lives are on the line.” Granholm’s campaign made recent stops in Midland and Saginaw to speak with communities impacted by a two-year state cover-up of dioxin contamination, and then it was on to Lake St. Clair communities wrestling with sewer overflows and PCB contamination.

The Granholm environmental platform provides redress for many of the communities hardest hit by lax environmental enforcement and polluter secrecy. By reversing the pro-polluter policies of the previous administration, Granholm would start by enforcing, not undermining, environmental laws already on the books, and plans to reinstate citizen oversight of the Department of Environmental Quality.

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Sierra Club works for the day when all candidates for office support the environment the way Jennifer Granholm does. Sadly, Dick Posthumus, the Republican nominee for Governor, threatens to continue the Engler effort to gut Michigan’s envi-ronmental tradition. Here are some major differences between Granholm and Posthumus.

OLI DRILLING: THE GREAT LAKES BAN

Granholm: Supports ban.
Posthumus: Flip-flopped. While others acted, Posthumus called for more studies (Detroit News July 1, 2001).

OUT-OF-STATE WASTE/CANADIAN WASTE RESTRICTIONS

Granholm: Supports legislation to stop waste that fails to meet Michigan standards.
Posthumus: Opposes restrictions (SB 941, 5/28/96).

BOTTLE BILL EXPANSION

Granholm: Supports expansion of Michigan’s landmark Bottle Bill.

ENFORCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL/POLLUTER PAY LAWS

Granholm: Supports enforcement of environmental laws.
Posthumus: Opposes enforcement of environmental laws. (HB 4596, 1995; SB728, 11/18/95; SB 728, 2/29/96).

Sierra Club Endorses the “People’s Attorney”

GARY PETERS FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL

by Dan Farough and Tim Killeen

When Sierra Club made the decision to get involved in politics, we did so for two reasons. First, to break the grip of special interests on our political system and to support environmental heroes like Gary Peters. Gary Peters has been an extremely tough advocate for environmental enforcement and protection as a State Senator, and he will make an outstanding Attorney General,” said Anna Holden, Southeast Michigan Group Member and longtime activist. “Peters stands up for people and for Michigan’s environment, not the special interest polluters.”

Gary Peters has made a name for himself in the State Legislature for frequently being way ahead of the curve on protecting the State’s air, land and water, even when it puts him toe-to-toe against some of Michigan’s biggest special interests. He took on the oil and gas industry and proposed legislation to ban slant drilling of the Great Lakes years before the overwhelming surge of public opinion forced anti-envi-ronmentalists to back down and support a ban. Peters has also fought for stronger polluter pay laws, as well as to end the shameful Engler-Posthumus policy of letting polluters keep illegal discharges secret if those discharges are found in an internal audit.

As Attorney General, Gary Peters will appoint a spe-cial environmental crimes task force to investigate and prosecute environmental crimes. He will use the powers of the Attorney General’s office to oppose the sale or diversion of Great Lakes water. Peters will con-continue to say “No” to efforts to make Michigan a dump- ing ground for out-of-state and hazardous waste. “Gary Peters knows that we must have corporate accountability, strong, right-to-know laws about contaminants in our environment and vigorous enforce-ment of laws which protect Michigan’s air, land and water,” said Tim Killeen, Political Chair of the Michigan Sierra Club. “One couldn’t ask for a better leader in the Attorney’s General’s office than Gary Peters.”
Experience
ANNA HOLDEN and staff work together to fulfill the Club’s goals.
remains untouched. If elected, I will continue working to achieve that
greedy developers; precious old growth in our state and national forests
agencies. Trash incineration is phased out, and city residents are no
my ideal vision, protection of the environment commands a majority of
Our state offers a wide range of challenges for committed Sierrans. In
Chapter Vision
diversity into our Chapter, and promoting coalition-building with like-
Chapter administration. My goals are to increase activism; bring more
• I believe that the Sierra Club is a democratic organization that
• The second column of boxes is for the second member of a joint membership.
• Write your Sierra Club membership number on the return address section of your envelope to validate your
• Your ballot must be received by December 10th to be counted.
• All voters in Michigan are eligible to vote for candidates on the Mackinac ballot.

Mackinac Chapter 2003 Executive Committee Election by Anne Woowide, Mackinac Chapter Director

The Sierra Club activists listed below have accepted nomin-
ation to the Mackinac Chapter Executive Committee for a two-
year term beginning in January. All are currently active Sierra Club
volunteer leaders, and several already are involved in fur-
thering the organization’s goals at the Chapter level. Please read these statements carefully and vote for the five
you think will best serve the the Sierra Club's mission in Michigan. Win-
rating candidates will govern the state organization along with four
other-at-large elected members and representatives appointed
by each regional group in Michigan.
Voting is important. Executive Committee members set Chapter
policies and priorities, approve and monitor the Chapter’s budget,
oversee Chapter staff and represent member concerns. Executive
Committee members are expected to participate in quarterly
meetings, assume responsibility for Chapter committees and events, and attend
To vote for Mackinac Chapter Executive Committee members: Use
only the ballot included in this newsletter to vote, although you may photocopy the ballot if you wish.

LYDIA FISHER

Experience
• Mackinac Chapter Executive Committee, 1997-present
• Chair, 1999-2001
• SEMG Chair, 1995-1997
• Michigan Sierra Club Environmental Justice Committee, 1999-present

I'm seeking reelection to the chapter Executive Committee because I
want to continue to help carry out, in our own state, the Club’s mission
of protecting the environment for all. Sierra Club’s grassroots structure
provides the best chance for activists to achieve that goal.

Interests
The Chapter has experienced extraordinary growth in the last several
years, as reflected in record membership numbers, and the breadth
and depth of current staff resources. An important challenge for the Execu-
tive Committee is ensuring that our financial footing remains strong
through the more uncertain times that we live in. Meanwhile, stronger
regional Groups, recruiting more members into activism, bringing more
diversity into our Chapter, and promoting coalition-building with like-

Michigan Group’s SEMG Conservation Committee and the Chapter
Political Committee around 1997. As SEMG Coordinator, I
worked on many issues, from wetlands/habitat preservation to environmental
justice. A Chapter Executive Committee member since 1996, I currently
Chair the Health Care Without Harm Sub-committee and serve as an
Executive Delegate to Sierra’s national Council of Club Leaders. I contribute to The
Mackinac regularity.

Chapter Vision
Statewide Chapter/Group collaboration to achieve common, focused
groups; more Chapter support to Groups, and a strong Chapter presence
in a broad network of organizations joined together to change mi-
challenges. In addition to organizing community support to close the
Henry Ford Hospital and Hamtramck medical waste incinerators, I
have promoted Chapter involvement in closing all Michigan’s medical
incinerators and lobbied for state laws to reform medical waste disposal
and ban mercury thermometers. Current interest in mercury reduction
in political campaigns is opening up new possibilities for reducing air pollution in Michigan.

MIKE KEELER

Experience
I currently serve as co-chair of the Chapter. It’s a great out for my
energy and passion and I love working with committed activists across the
country.

Chapter Vision
My love of politics has carried me through eight years on the chapter’s
political committee, working to endorse pro-environmental candidates. The
need to fund our activities resulted in six years as Chapter Raffle
Coordinator, a non-glamorous but necessary job. My affiliation with
Sierra Club, my science degree from MSU and my newly elected law
position gives me the credibility to educate others and get things done.
I am an urban organic gardener, cross-country skier and a hiker. Since
1982, I’ve been a vegetarian and have only four-cylinder engines
in my autos. I'd like the chance to continue doing what I do best for the
Mackinac Chapter, and I'd greatly appreciate your vote.

LYNN LIVSTING

I’ve been active in the Sierra Club for many years, and want to continue
as a member of the Mackinac Chapter Executive Committee. As a
member of the South Carolina Chapter, I led outings into the Smoky
Mountains, participated in the campaign that saved the Congaree
Swamp from logging and made it a National Monument in 1977.
In Florida, I served as Outings Chair and webmaster of the Calusa Group
and worked several campaigns, including local zoning and develop-
ment of the Everglades Restoration Plan. I was also group representa-
tive to the Florida Executive Committee.

In the Michigan Nепспес Group, I was active in several campaigns to
preserve the environment in Oakland, Genesee and Lapeer counties.
I’ve been newsletter editor and webmaster. In 2000, I led several cam-

daughter, 1993-96; Chapter Conservation

Certainly, the most important issue is preserving our Great Lakes and wilderness. I am seeking election in order to work for the
protection of our natural areas so that future generations may experi-
ence the peace and solitude only nature can provide, and so that wild
creatures may live our lives as they intended.

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Thank you for your vote and I look forward to continuing to work with you all for the betterment of our community and our
planet.

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Please vote for no more than five (5) candidates.
## Mackinac Chapter 2002 Election Endorsements

### Central Michigan Group

**U.S. CONGRESS**

**Frank McAlpine (D)**

McAlpine presents a clear choice on the environment in his challenge to anti-environmentalist Mike Rogers. McAlpine would fight bad trade agreements that weaken health and environmental standards, aggressively promote the enforcement of clean air and water laws and act to promote a responsible energy policy that includes making our cars and trucks go farther on a gallon of gas. In contrast to his opponent, McAlpine supports a ban on slant drilling the Great Lakes for oil. District 8 includes Lansing, East Lansing, all of Ingham, Livingston, Clinton counties, and part of Shiawassee County.

**Dianne Byrum (D)**

Environmental champion Dianne Byrum is moving from her State Senate seat to run for the 67th State House District. Byrum continues to be one of the Sierra Club’s strongest advocates in the Legislature. Her record includes votes to protect Michigan’s waters from sewage overflows, make the state DEQ accountable, strengthen environmental laws, control urban sprawl and give local governments tools to regulate animal factory waste. Byrum earned a stellar 100 percent on Sierra Club’s Senate Scorecard. The district includes Holt, Onondaga and Leslie.

**Gretchen Whitmer (D)**

Gretchen Whitmer received the enthusiastic endorsement of the local Sierra Club for her 89 percent environmental record. Whitmer demonstrated leadership on issues ranging from urban sprawl and natural resource protection to air and water quality. Let’s send this champion back for another term. Whitmer’s district includes East Lansing and Meridian Township.

**Sherry Freeman (D)**

As a State Representative, Sherry Freeman would put water quality at the top of her list. She would support measures to get raw and partially treated sewage out of our rivers and protect wetlands. She supports the reinstatement of citizen advisory boards over our environmental agencies. The district includes most of Eaton County and part of Lansing.

### Local Endorsements

**Andy Schor (D)**

Ingham County Commission (District 5)

**Diane Holman (D)**

Ingham County Commission (District 11)

Byrnes supports a ban on oil and gas drilling, promotion of mass transit, and restoration of citizen participation on state commissions.

### Crossroads Group

**STATE SENATE**

**Jim Swonk (D)**

Brighton (District 22)

Jim Swonk would make protecting Michigan’s water his environmental priority in the State Senate. He would support legislation to reduce mercury emissions into our environment, say “No” to water diversions, and (unlike his opponent) Swonk supports the ban on Great Lakes oil drilling. He also supports protecting Michigan’s last remaining old growth forests and stopping the massive water pollution caused by animal factories. This district includes all of Livingston and Shiawassee and a portion of southern Ingham counties.

**Liz Brater (D)**

Ann Arbor (District 18)

Liz Brater served three terms in the Michigan House, receiving Sierra Club endorsement and a 100 percent on our vote charts each term. Recognized by the Chapter with the Jane Elder Legislator of the Year Award, Brater is an experienced and effective legislator and former Mayor of Ann Arbor. Brater is noted for her commitment to sound environmental policies and a determination to develop the legislative measures to address them. This Senate district covers all of Washtenaw County, including the major cities of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti.

**Pam Byrnes (D)**

Chelsea (District 52)

Byrnes, an attorney with the Washtenaw Co. Road Commission, is running on a platform of environmental issues, particularly the land use problems of infrastructure and sprawl. She also wants to work on control of animal factories that are polluting Michigan waterways with animal waste. Byrnes supports a ban on oil and gas drilling, a stronger Purchase of Development Rights Program, promotion of mass transit, stricter limits on toxic substances in the environment, and restoration of citizen participation on state commissions. This district takes in part of north Ann Arbor and all of western Washtenaw County, Chelsea, Manchester, Dexter and Saline.

### Huron Valley Group

**STATE SENATE**

**Rep. Jim Swonk**

Antrim (District 63), incumbent

Rep. Chris Kolb earned high honors as a first term State Representative for not only his 100 percent Sierra Club vote chart rating, but for spearheading critical environmental legislation. Kolb’s pro-environment votes include banning Great Lakes oil drilling, strengthening environmental enforcement and air pollution permit fees, controlling urban sprawl and expanding public transportation. Kolb’s district is the city of Ann Arbor, where he served as a City Councilman and Mayor Pro-tem.

**Ruth Ann Jamnick (D)**

Ypsilanti (District 54), incumbent

Rep. Jamnick consistently scores high on Sierra Club vote charts and is considered one of the lead advocates for the environment in the Legislature. She strongly supports efforts to protect wetlands and reduce pollution of streams and rivers. She has voted for stronger enforcement of environmental laws and stronger control over the disposal of hazardous waste. Rep. Jamnick’s district includes Ypsilanti and Northville.

**Gail Hauser-Hurley (D)**

Monroe (District 55)

Hauser-Hurley has an exceptional understanding of the environmental

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issues facing Michi- gan. She is knowl- edgeable about her district of western and southern Monroe County—including Milan, Dundee, Temperance and Lambert- ville—through serv- ing several terms on the Monroe County Board of Commis- sioners. Hauser-Hurley ranks land use and commercial use of public lands, as well as air pollution, as top environmental prob- lems. She believes animal factories require stringent control, supports the restoration of citizen oversight, and she supports rules to protect water from pollution.

LaForge has been a consistent and strong voice for Great Lakes protection, water protection and strong polluter pay laws.

Kalamazoo Valley Group

STATE SENATE

Mark Schauer (D): priority race Battle Creek (District 19)

Mark Schauer is exceptional. He served as a leading voice for the environment in the State House and is seeking election to the State Senate to continue this work. Serving on the Health Policy and Urban Policy Committee, Schauer worked to fur- ther legislation to protect the public from toxins in the envi- ronment. Last legislative session, he voted to ban oil drilling in the Great Lakes, clean up hazardous waste and ban mercury ther- mometers. Schauer will make a crucial contribution to the State Senate. His district includes Battle Creek, Calhoun County and parts of Jackson County.

LOCAL ENDORSEMENT

John Hieftje (D)

Ann Arbor City Mayor

John Hieftje’s environmen- tal achievements in his first term as mayor include preserving a threatened urban forest overlooking the Huron River, improving the city’s traffic calming program and increasing funding for the Natural Areas Preservation pro- gram. In his second term, Hieftje is committed to creating a regional planning process to take on sprawl and transportation problems, as well as to reduce phosphorous fertilizer use to protect water quality in the watershed.

Ed LaForge (D): priority race Kalamazoo (District 20)

Ed LaForge earned the enthusiastic support of the local Sierra Club when he served in the State House, and has their support again in his bid for State Senate. Previously serving in the State House, LaForge earned a reputation for his continued vigilance on environmental issues. He has been a con- sistent and strong voice for Great Lakes protection, water protection and strong polluter pay laws. The district includes the City of Kalamazoo and the surround- ing County.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Rep. Alexander Lipsey (D) Kalamazoo (District 60), Incumbent

Rep. Lipsey scored well on Sierra Club vote charts—particularly on hazardous waste, transportation and sprawl issues—and he has supported Sierra Club’s effort to ban the use of mercury in thermometers. Lipsey has earned the enthusiastic support of the Kalamazoo Valley Group. His district encom- passes Kalamazoo and Kalamazoo Township.

Jim Houston (D)
Kalamazoo (District 61)

As a first-time candidate for the Legislature, Houston is focusing on major environmental matters as prominent issues in his campaign. Protection of fresh water, conservation of farmland and other open space, and better clean air regulation top his list. Improved land use planning and better cooperation among governmental units also rate highly with this former political science instructor. His experience in finance, involvement in brownfield redevelopment and commitment to reinvigoration of citizen participa- tion in government all contributed to Sierra Club’s decision to endorse Houston. The district includes the City of Portage, western Kalamazoo County and Kalamazoo Township.

Nepessing Group

U.S. CONGRESS

U.S. Rep. Dale Kirklee (D) Flint (District 5), Incumbent

Congressman Kirklee is a longtime friend of the environment. He is well known for his efforts in the U.S. House of Representa- tives for protecting public parks, forests and wilder- ness areas. He has an outstanding voting record for this session, including votes to protect the Great Lakes, national Monu- ments and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from destructive oil drilling.

STATE SENATE

Deb Cherry (D): priority race Burton (District 26)

Cherry is a strong proponent of enforcement of our Clean Water laws and supports efforts to get partially treated sewage out of our lakes and rivers.

Patricia Lockwood (D)
Flint (District 51), Incumbent

As a State Repre- sentative, Deb Cherry was an environmen- tal all-star who con- sistently scored 100 percent on Sierra Club vote charts. Cherry fought hard against efforts to roll back Michigan’s landmark polluter pay law and to stop out-of-state waste from entering Michigan. Cherry is a strong pro- ponent of enforcement of our Clean Water laws and supports efforts to get partially treated sewage out of our lakes and rivers. She would be an innovative and effective leader in the Senate. The district includes Mount Morris, Burton, Grand Blanc, Davidson and eastern Genesee County, along with Waterford, Springfield, Grove- land, and Brandon townships in Oakland County.

Robert Emerson (D)
Flint (District 27), Incumbent

Sen. Bob Emerson earned the support of the local Sierra Club for a strong environmental voting record. Emerson voted for stronger regulations on mercury emissions from power plants, against Great Lakes oil drilling, for more funding to clean up contaminated sites in our urban areas and for wetlands protection. Emerson’s district includes Flint, Genesee townships and western Genesee County.

STATE HOUSE

Jack Minore (D)
Flint (District 49), Incumbent

Jack Minore received the Sierra Club’s endorsement for voting to ban Great Lakes oil drilling, limit mercu- ry’s use in thermometers, for improvements to the clean air permit system and for measures to fight run- away urban sprawl. Minore’s district includes the city of Flint and part of southwestern Genesee County.

Paula Zelenko (D)
Burton (District 50), Incumbent

Representative Zelenko was a strong environmental advocate in the 2000-2002 session, voting for every- thing from ending subsidies for air pollution to greater beach safety to banning directional drilling beneath the Great Lakes. Zelenko is making the environment a priority in her campaign. Her district includes Burton and part of eastern Genesee County.

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Mackinac Chapter Election 2002 Endorsements, cont.

ENDORSEMENTS

Carl Marlinga

Detroit (District 10)


Southfield (District 12), Incumbent

Irma Clark

Detroit (District 3)

Eileen DeHart

Wayne County (District 6)

Martha Scott

Detroit (District 2)

Raymond Basham

Taylor (District 8)

Michael Switalski

Roseville (District 10)

Rep. Lockwood’s district has become very competitive. This means one of our champions is in for a tough fight this November, and she will need our support.

Rep. Michael Switalski was endorsed by the Club in all three of his races for the House and has voted consistently for pro-environment legislation.

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Raymond Basham is running for the Senate in a December Wayne County Special Election. Basham has Romulus, Taylor, Wayne, Allen and Lincoln Parks, Southgate, Wyandotte and Eccentric. Sierra Club endorsed Basham in 2000, and his voting record for the last two House sessions has averaged 76 percent on the Club’s Scorecard Basham is a member of the House Land Use and Environment Committee and actively supports the Romulus community campaign opposing a hazardous waste injection well in that locality.

Carl Marlinga

Detroit (District 10)

Carl Marlinga is running against Candice Miller to replace outgoing environmental champion David Bonior for the 10th Congressional District. Marlinga brings a strong environmental record to the race. As Macomb County Prosecutor, Marlinga created the first ever assistant prosecutor devoted entirely to environmental enforcement and protection to help troubled Lake St. Clair. Marlinga believes we must enforce environmental laws and hold corporations accountable when they harm our air, land and water. He would work to ensure that this office enforces the Clean Water Act and other protections to address local problems, such as those facing the Lake St. Clair communities. Marlinga wants to bring more funding to clean up neglected toxic hotspots around the state, and bring a strong voice to a district facing some severe environmental challenges. The district includes Northern Macomb, St. Clair, Lapeer, Sanilac and Huron counties.

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Michael Switalski (D): priority race Roseville (District 10)

Rep. Michael Switalski was endorsed by the Club in all three of his races for the House and has voted consistently for pro-environment legislation. He scored one vote short of 100 percent on Sierra Club Environmental Scorecards during his last two terms.

Scorecards during his last two terms.

Michael Switalski is seeking a Senate seat in a Macomb County district that includes Clinton Township, Roseville, Sterling Heights and Utica.

Colleen Levitt (D) Royal Oak (District 13)

Colleen Levitt is a Sierra Club member and a first-time candidate in an Oakland County Senate district that includes Birmingham, Bloomfield, Bloomfield Hills, Clawson, Madison Heights, Royal Oak and Troy. Levitt has a solid grasp of land use issues and supports Sierra Club’s priority conservation agenda. She entered this race because she is “fed up” with the Engler administration’s approach to environmental policy.

see ENDORSEMENTS, page 14
Gilda Jacobs (D)  
*Huntington Woods (District 14)* 
Environmentalist Gilda Jacobs is seeking to move from the State House to the State Senate in 2002. Jacobs scored 100 percent on Sierra Club vote charts for two terms, and has easily earned her third endorsement. She is an environmental leader in the Legislature who is running for the Senate. Her pro-environment votes include expanding public transportation, stronger protection on hazardous waste and banning Great Lakes oil drilling. The district includes Huntington Woods, Farmington Hills, Southfield, Ferndale and surrounding areas.

Mary Waters (D)  
*Detroit (District 4), Incumbent* 
Rep. Mary Waters is another Detroit legislator who earned a perfect score on Sierra Club’s legislative vote chart. Waters’ voting record includes holding polluters responsible by increasing air pollution permit and hazardous waste fees. She also supported actions to address urban sprawl and expand public transportation opportunities.

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Steve Tobocman (D)  
*Detroit (District 12)* 
Steve Tobocman is a community activist in a district in Southwest Detroit. He is a member of Southwest Detroit Environmental Vision and Transportation Riders United and is also a board member of Citizens for a Better Rail Alternative (CBRA), a coalition Sierra Club supports. CBRA is seeking alternatives to Michiganders’ Transportation Department of Transportation plan for a very large Detroit Intermodal Freight Terminal in southwest Detroit. Tobocman is an attorney and submitted a strong questionnaire supporting Sierra Club issues.

Barbara Farrah (D)  
*Southgate (District 13)* 
Barbara Farrah is currently president of the Southgate City Council, has served on the Council for ten years and also as a member of the Southgate Planning Commission. Farrah advocated recycling ordinances and ordinances regulating woodlands and storm water. She works in the environmental field and her questionnaire demonstrates an excellent grasp and support of Club issues. The district also includes Wyandotte, Riverview and Trenton.

Daniel Paletko (D)  
*Dearborn Heights (District 17)* 
Daniel Paletko’s priority issues are sprawl and land use. He supports a comprehensive mass transit system for the Southeast Michigan region and believes much more must be done at the state level to address Michigan’s polluting sewer systems. Paletko thinks the sewer bond proposal on the fall ballot is a good first step, but it is not enough. He has been a member of the Dearborn Heights City Council and is a Certified Public Accountant. This is a highly contested race. The district also includes Redford.

Bill McConico (D)  
*Detroit (District 5), Incumbent* 
Rep. Bill McConico scored 100 percent on Sierra Club vote charts, putting him among the environmental champions for this term. McConico voted to expand public transportation, make polluters more responsible for hazardous waste fees, and to ban mercury thermometers and Great Lakes oil drilling.

Law would like to reduce emissions of coal-fired plants and repeal the Right to Farm Act as it relates to concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs).

Hoon-Yung Hopgood (D)  
*Taylor (District 22)* 
Hoon-Yung Hopgood is currently a legislative aide to Rep. Ray Basham and says the political agenda of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) is the top environmental problem in Michigan. Specifically, he is concerned about MDEQ’s ignore- ing staff in decisions affecting policy. Hopgood favors public oversight of environmental enforcement and better funding for MDEQ. This district includes Taylor and Romulus.

John Stewart (R)  
*Plymouth (District 20), Incumbent* 
John Stewart represents a heavily Republican district that includes Plymouth and Northville. He is an attorney and has served as a Plymouth Township Trustee. The local group recommended his endorsement after an interview in which Stewart indicated he would be open to Club positions, especially if a more environmentally-friendly Governor is elected and other moderate Republicans emerge to support environmental issues.

Mark Slavens (D)  
*Canton (District 21)* 
Mark Slavens is a candidate in a western Wayne County district that includes Belleville, Canton and Van Buren Townships. In an interview with the SEMG Political Committee, he identified sprawl as his major concern. He is in favor of the state Purchasing Development Rights and would work for state participation in coordinating regional growth decision-making. Slavens is vice president of the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education.

Gary Pollard (D)  
*Detroit (District 11)* 
Gary Pollard submitted an excellent questionnaire and won the Democratic primary over four other candidates. He will advocate for citizen oversight of the Department of Environmental Quality, reinstating the toxic chemical reporting program, environmental justice and right-to-know laws regarding environmental data. Pollard is concerned about the long-term impact of logging and oil drilling on public lands.

Hoon-Yung Hopgood is a current Michigan House of Representatives member and has served one term in the House. In his first term, Anderson voted to ban Great Lakes oil drilling, voted for a self-supporting air pollution permit program and for a mercury thermometer ban, among others. Anderson is a long-time environmental advocate in Westland.

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Glenn Anderson (D)  
*Westland (District 18), Incumbent* 
Glenn Anderson is a former Westland City Council member and has served one term in the House. In his first term, Anderson voted to ban Great Lakes oil drilling, voted for a self-supporting air pollution permit program and for a mercury thermometer ban, among others. Anderson is a long-time environmental advocate in Westland.

Steve Bieda (D)  
*Taylor (District 22)* 
Steve Bieda is a community activist in a district that includes Belleville, Canton and Van Buren Townships. This district includes southern Sterling Heights and northern Warren.

Dave Woodward (D): priority race 
*Royal Oak (District 26), Incumbent* 
This is the third endorsement for Rep. Woodward in this Madison Heights/Royal Oak District. Rep. Woodward scored 100 percent on Sierra Club vote charts and is considered a leading advocate for our air, land and water in the Legislature. Woodward supported key efforts to ban oil drilling in the Great Lakes, preserve open space and promote public transportation. Redistricting promises a tough fight for this environmental advocate, but Woodward has never shied away from a challenge—especially when Michigan’s environment is at stake.

John Stewart is running for an open seat in a large Detroit legislative district that includes Broadmoor, Grosse Isle, Flat Rock, Rockwood and Woodhaven, as well as Huron and Sumpter Townships and Gibraltar.

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Aldo Vagnozzi (D): priority race

Mr. Vagnozzi has been a member of the City Council and School Board as well as Mayor of Farmington Hills. He is a supporter of public transportation, believes in strengthening public oversight of the DEQ, supports strengthening controls over public lands and their uses. He is also a Sierra Club member. Two years ago, Vagnozzi made his first run for the seat and came within 900 votes of unseating a two-term incumbent who was the Majority Leader for his party. The district encompasses Farmington and Farmington Hills.

Stuart Brinkner (D)

West Bloomfield (District 39)

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Rep. Ehlers is the sort of leadership the environmental community is looking for in the Republican Party.

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**

**Henry Sanchez (D): priority race**

Sanchez would make clean water, fighting sprawl and protecting the State’s natural resources a top priority in his campaign for State Senate. He is looking for in the Republican Party. Maybe Teddy Roosevelt has returned,” concluded Naqvi. We hope so.

**Steve Pestka (D): priority race**

On June 4, the Sierra Club made official its endorsement of Representative Steve Pestka, a 20-year Sierra Club member and a four-term Republican from Grand Rapids in his reelected run for the 3rd Congressional District. “Ehlers is a free thinker, and a conservative when it comes to environment and natural resources,” said Syed Naqvi, Political Chair of the West Michigan Sierra Club. “We wish there were more lawmakers that had his courage and his focus on consensus building.”

**Bob Shrauger (D): priority race**

Bob Shrauger has made the environment a top priority in his campaign for State Senate. He supports halting sand dune mining and protecting Lake Michigan communities from destructive oil and gas drilling beneath Lake Michigan. Shrauger believes in protecting Michigan’s remaining old growth forests and strengthening polluter pay and right-to-know laws. Bob Shrauger will make a strong advocate for our air, land and water for the district and state. His district includes all of Muskegon, Oceana, Mason and Newaygo counties.

**Conservation Updates, cont.**

A plan for protection of old growth and development of biodiversity stewardship plan for the Michigan DNR lands is slowly moving forward, with hopes it will be put out for public comment this winter. The report of a public advisory team to develop criteria for the Old Growth and Biodiversity Stewardship Program was presented to the Natural Resources Commission in August by DNR staff. Agency staff are currently reviewing the documents. Contact Marvin Roberson or Anna Woznowe, or check the webpage for updates on these processes.

**For up-to-date information on Mackinac Chapter Priority Campaigns and current litigation, visit http://michigan.sierraclub.org. Contact information for listed resource people can be found on page 31.**
**Bill Chart for the 2001-2002 Michigan House Legislative Session**

**HB 4599: Mercury Thermometer Ban**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** MERC
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** HB 4599 banned the sale of Mercury thermometers in Michigan. Mercury is a dangerous neurotoxin that causes birth defects in children, among other problems.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 74-23, 6/5/2001, RC 280

**HB 4792: Air Pollution Fee 1**
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** Rep. Kolb’s amendment to raise the fee that polluters pay for each ton of pollution emitted to a level that would run a sufficient and credible permitting and enforcement program.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 97-10, 12/13/2001, RC 896

**HB 4792B: Air Pollution Fee 2**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** HAZ1
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** Rep. Thomas amendment to require the Legislature to revisit the clean air permit fees program to insure funds are available to run a sufficient and credible permitting and enforcement program.
- **Passed:** No
- **Vote:** 44-56, 6/5/2001, RC 244

**HB 4257A: Great Lakes Oil Drilling Ban**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** DRIL1
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** An amendment to HB 4257 to prevent funding for directional drilling and thereby establish a moratorium on the practice. The amendment passes, but is then reconsidered minutes later and overturned.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 55-47, 3/22/2001, RC 48

**HB 4257B: Great Lakes Oil Drilling Ban Reconsideration**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** DRIL2
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** At the behest of majority party leadership, the Great Lakes oil drilling ban that had passed moments before is reconsidered and voted down. Several members flip-flapped their vote on the exact same amendment.
- **Passed:** No
- **Vote:** 53-54, 3/22/2001, RC 49

**HB 4626: Hazardous Waste Fees 1**
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** Rep. Gieleghem’s amendment to completely prohibit the Department of Environmental Quality from raiding the pollution prevention fund to pay for its general operating expenses.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 85-39, 6/13/2001, RC 281

**HB 4626B: Hazardous Waste Fees 2**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** HAZ2
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** Rep. Gieleghem’s amendment to completely prohibit the Department of Environmental Quality from raiding the pollution prevention fund to pay for its general operating expenses.
- **Passed:** No
- **Vote:** 40-60, 6/13/2001, RC 280

**HB 4995: Open Space Zoning**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** SPRL
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** HB 4995 requires townships to include open space planning in their zoning ordinances.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 97-10, 10/19/2001, RC 502

**HB 5467: Regional Transportation Authority**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** TRAN
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** HB 5467 allows for the integration of the bus system in Southeast Michigan in order to enhance public transportation.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 74-23, 12/13/2001, RC 896

**HB 5467B: Regional Transportation Authority**
- **Vote Chart Reference:** AIR2
- **Pro-environment vote:** Yes
- **Description:** HB 5467 allows for the integration of the bus system in Southeast Michigan in order to enhance public transportation.
- **Passed:** Yes
- **Vote:** 97-10, 12/13/2001, RC 896

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**MICHIGAN HOUSE 2001-2002 VOTE CHART**

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**HB 4065: Environmental Bond Use**
Vote Chart Reference: SWG2
Pro-environment vote: Yes
Description: Amendment by Sen. DeBeausire to HB 4065 would have limited the amount of money that could be diverted from the $675 million Clean Michigan Initiative to pay for normal state government functions, such as limiting water quality monitoring to $10 million. Environmentalists argued that special bond money should not be used to pay for standard government operations. Passed: No
Vote: 17-19, 4/19/2001, RC 322

**SB 205: Local Control Over Animal Factories**
Vote Chart Reference: CAFO
Pro-environment vote: Yes
Description: SB 205 stripped local governments of their ability to use zoning laws to protect rural communities from air, land and water pollution from animal factories. Sen. Byrum offered an amendment to allow local governments to regulate large animal factories. Animal factories concentrate thousands of animals into football field-sized facilities and generate as much waste as cities. Passed: No
Vote: 15-21, 10/7/1999, RC 446

**HB 4257: Great Lakes Oil Drilling Ban (part 2)**
Vote Chart Reference: DRILL2
Pro-environment vote: No
Description: Sen. Sikkema and Sen. Schuette offered a counter-amendment to undermine another effort by Sen. Peters to establish a moratorium on oil and gas drilling beneath the Great Lakes. The Sikkema/Schuette amendment would allow continuation of directional drilling below the Great Lakes even though some recommendations from the Michigan Science Board were being ignored. Passed: Yes
Vote: 18-14, 5/31/2001, RC 148

**HB 4257B: Enforcement of Environmental Laws**
Vote Chart Reference: ENFR
Pro-environment vote: Yes
Description: Sen. Smith's amendment would have required the Department of Environmental Quality to report to the public its enforcement record in order to demonstrate whether government is running a credible environmental enforcement program. Environmentalists argue that such reporting is essential to the public's right-to-know and government accountability. Passed: No
Vote: 15-18, 5/31/2001, RC 149

**HB 4626: Hazardous Waste Fees**
Vote Chart Reference: FEES
Pro-environment vote: Yes
Description: Sen. Peters' amendment to HB 4626 would have ended all drilling below the Great Lakes. Passed: No
Vote: 18-19, 6/20/2000, RC 394

**SB 105B: Sewage Bill**
Vote Chart Reference: SWG2
Pro-environment vote: Yes
Description: Sen. Smith's amendment would have increased the state's commitment to addressing sewage overflows by doubling the State match to augment additional federal dollars. Smith's amendment would have provided up to $25 million more to help communities protect our waters from raw and partially treated sewage. Passed: No
Vote: 15-19, 3/28/2001, RC 33

**SB 4599: Banning Mercury Thermometers**
Vote Chart Reference: THER
Pro-environment vote: Yes
Description: Bill to ban the sale of mercury thermometers in Michigan. Mercury is a dangerous neurotoxin that causes severe birth defects in children. Passed: Yes
Vote: 57-0

**Vote Chart Reference:**

**Legend:**
- PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE
- ANTI-ENVIRONMENT VOTE
- NO VOTE
- NOT IN OFFICE
AG: ALGONQUIN GROUP
If interested in helping to build an active Group or want information about the Sierra Club in this area, please contact Kathy Boutin-Paster at the Mackinac Chapter office, 517-484-2372.

CMG: CENTRAL MICHIGAN GROUP
General meetings are held the 3rd Monday each month at the Harris Nature Center, off Van Atta Road in Meridian Township. Come at 5:30pm for supper (small donation required) or at 6:30pm for the meeting. Call Pete Paster, 517-676-3339. The Conservation Committee usually meets the 2nd Monday each month. Call Maria Lapinski-LaFave, lapinskiwhc@gmail.com, 517-374-4444. The Executive Committee meets the 1st Monday of the month. Call Jerry Schuss, 517-351-7796.

CUP: CENTRAL UPPER PENINSULA GROUP
Sierra Club members in central and western counties in the Upper Peninsula are invited to participate in CUP group activities. General membership and executive committee meetings are held 7pm in West Science, Room 270 on the Northern Michigan University campus in Marquette. Call John Rebers, 906-228-3617. To receive news about outings or other Club activities in the Central UP, send $5 for a subscription to the CUP newsletter to: Sierra Club, 338 West Crescent, Marquette, MI 49855.

CG: CROSSROADS GROUP
Sierra Club members of Livingston, southern Ingham, Shiawassee and western Oakland Counties meet monthly at the Brighton District Library, 200 South State St, Brighton, MI 48116-6115. Call group chairs Craig and Janis Kendziorski, 517-631-5170 for updated information or if you are interested in helping to build an active Group or want information about the Sierra Club in this area, please contact Dan Farough at the Mackinac Chapter office, 517-484-2372.

SEMG: SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN GROUP
Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday each month at 7pm in the library conference room, 3350 Main St, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. Call group chair Tim Killeen, 313-526-4052, 734-769-4222. For information on Political Committee meetings call Mr. Killeen.

SMG: SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN GROUP
General meetings are held 7pm the 2nd Monday each month at the Traverse City Public Library. Call Monica, 231-325-6812 or Lynn, 248-547-0842. Visit www.michigan.sierraclub.org/traverse.

TG: TRAVERSE GROUP
General meetings are held at the Traverse City Public Library for dates and topics. Monica, 231-325-6812 or Lynn, 248-547-0842.

WMG: WEST MICHIGAN GROUP
General meetings are held the 2nd Thursday each month at the Grand Valley Blood Center on Fuller NE, near Leonard St in Grand Rapids. Every new member welcome! Call Marty Lores, 517-682-1316.

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**OCTOBER**

10/12 NDH Hadley-Metamora State Park Hike. 10am. 5.8 mile trail hike on red trail around & inside Wilding Lake Camp if weather questionable. Meet in Southfield behind Marathon at 11:30 AM, SE corner of Telegraph & Redwood. Optional stop. Jeremiah. 734-581-6448.


10/15-10/20 NG Holst Lakes Backpacking. Moderate. 10am, Sat 20m at 11am, Sun 20m at 11am. Easy to moderate 5-mile park hike on M-65, 7 miles north of Glennie. 9 miles Sat, 6 miles Sun. $5 recreation permit required. Parking lot on left. Vehicle permit required. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone.

10/16 NG Otter Lake Hike. 10am. Difficult 4-mile hike 6-m to 15 North to Willard Rd (2.8 miles north of M-57). 8:30 East 2.8 miles. Visit park. Meet in Livonia between WalMart & Jiffy Lube (near Jeffrey Road). Optional restaurant stop. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone.

10/16 SEMG Hines Drive Bike Tour. 1pm. 20 mile hike along Hines Drive to Newfie Point. Gentle hills on moderate-paced ride. Meet in Dearborn Heights at Henry Ford Community College parking lot, one block north of Hines Dr & Outer Dr on Am Arbor Trail. Bring snacks & drinks; cancel if heavy rain. Don McManus, 248-847-3897.

10/17 NG Midland Hike. 10am. Difficult 5-mile hike along Flint River. Meet in Livonia between WalMart & Jiffy Lube (near Jeffrey Road). Optional restaurant stop. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone. Trips begin at the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone.

10/19 SEMG Brighton Rec Area Hike. 10am. Moderate to quick 5-mile hike. Mike Scanlon, 313-884-2214.

10/19 SEMG Jordan River Pathway Backpack. 10am. Moderate pace, hilly, 14-mile hike on beautiful trails. All day trip; 10 flat miles from Cider Mill in Rochester to Lake Orion Trail in & return to the mill. Wear sturdy boots, bring water & trail lunch. Meet in Madison Heights behind Federal Savings & Loan. Must be over 18, non-smoker, physically fit (good aerobic endurance), swimmer, adventurist, & fully equipped (stove, rations, etc.). 8am Thurs to mid-day Mon. $15. See prior outings. Michael Paskewitz, 734-428-0887.

11/10 SEMG Paint Creek Trail. 10am. Moderate-level 10k hike from Geographic Center in Waterford State Area to Paint Creek Trail hike in Lake Orion & return to the mill. Wear sturdy boots, bring water & trail lunch. Meet in Madison Heights behind Federal Savings & Loan. Must be over 18, non-smoker, physically fit (good aerobic endurance), swimmer, adventurist, & fully equipped (stove, rations, etc.). 8am Thurs to mid-day Mon. $15. See prior outings. Michael Paskewitz, 734-428-0887.

12/8 SEMG Pontiac Lake State Rec. Area. 10am. Moderate. 5 miles. Hike along edge of Great Lakes State Park (Lake Orion). Dress in layers, hiking boots; bring snack. Wear bright colors. Meet at 9am near garage to the trailhead. Outings are open to everyone. Outings are open to everyone. Outings are open to everyone.
MARCH


2/13-17 CUP Advanced Winter-camping: 17th Annual Canadian Snowshoe Tour. Lake Superior Provincial Park, Ontario. Not a backcountry trip if you’re a hardcore winter-camper who’s in peak physical condition & who has equipment & proven experience to handle arctic cold (minus 40-50 temps with minus 100+ winds). We want to hear from you. Must be 18, nonsmoker, adventurous & fully equipped, including rations & snowshoes. Call for reservations at 517-373-1747. Meet in Livonia between Walmart & in-house docent. Call if weather questionable. Optional dinner.


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