# Woters Guide

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THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LEWISBURG AREA
CONTAINING CANDIDATES LISTED ON THE BALLOTS OF UNION COUNTY VOTERS

You may take this publication into the voting booth with you.



#### TO THE VOTERS OF UNION COUNTY



The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted our daily lives in so many ways, even in the way the League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area (LWVLA) is able to collect and distribute voting information for this General Primary election. Therefore, <u>for this election only</u>, LWVLA has decided NOT to create a printed version of the *Voters Guide*. We have not made this decision lightly but feel that we must consider the following two issues:

- 1. The information about the upcoming election was changing daily at the time we needed to plan our *Voters Guide*. Because it is not possible to change the content of the *Voters Guide* once it is printed, a printed *Voters Guide* stands a high chance of containing inaccurate information.
- 2. We want to protect the many people who distribute the copies of the *Voters Guide* to locations throughout Union County. By removing the need for them to be out in the community, in defiance of the "shelter-in-place" health orders currently in effect in our state, we reduce the risk of contagion.

Instead of a printed *Voters Guide*, we are providing this document online in a format similar to our usual printed *Guide*. For a more interactive experience, you can also read and compare candidate responses, and create a personalized ballot on the Vote411 website (<u>Vote411.org</u>).

**PLEASE NOTE**: Pennsylvania is allowing no-excuse mail-in ballots this year. If you have a PA driver's license, you can register to vote and/or apply for a mail-in ballot online. For more information on voter registration and mail-in or absentee ballots, go to <a href="https://www.votespa.com">wotespa.com</a>. Important dates for this primary:

- \* The <u>last day to register to vote</u> in the primary is May 18th, 2020.
- \* The last day to apply for a mail-in civilian or absentee ballot for the primary is May 26th, 2020.

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## ¥ THE GENERAL PRIMARY







In Pennsylvania a primary election is held each spring, allowing voters registered as Republican or Democratic to select their party's candidates for the regular election in the fall. In a primary election, voters receive only the ballot for the party in which they are registered. This primary ballot lists all the candidates for each office who are seeking to become their party's nominee in the fall election. It does not include candidates from any other party.

Because Pennsylvania has a closed primary, voters cannot cast any ballot other than the one for the major party in which they are registered. There are no ballot questions for this primary in Union County.

In this *Voters Guide* the nominees are listed by office. All those whose names appear on the official ballot for each office are listed together by party, with the nominees for the party of the governor appearing first. Within each party group they appear in the order in which they will appear on the official ballot.

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## President of the United States

**Description of office:** The President is the head of state of the United States of America, the Chief Executive Officer, and the Commander in Chief of all military forces. The powers of the President are prescribed in the Constitution and federal law. The President appoints the members of the Cabinet, ambassadors to other nations and the United Nations, Supreme Court Justices, and federal judges, subject to Senate approval. The President, along with the Cabinet and its agencies, is responsible for carrying out and enforcing the laws of the United States. The President may also recommend legislation to the United States Congress.

**How elected:** Every four years political parties nominate candidates to run for President of the United States in a general election that is held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November. Although all parties use conventions to nominate their candidates, in most states the Democratic and Republican parties also run state-wide primary elections or caucuses. The results of the primary influence how the delegates to their respective party's convention will cast ballots for candidates for President. The degree to which the result of the primary election influences the votes of delegates at conventions varies from state to state.

**Term:** 4 years; limit of 2 terms

Salary: \$400,000 Vote for ONE.

#### Candidates for President of the United States were asked:

- 1. What policies do you support to improve and secure elections and voting in our country?
- 2. Please explain where you see opportunities for Democrats and Republicans to find common ground on the very serious issues facing our country.
- 3. What, if any, steps will you take to reform current immigration policies?
- 4. Please explain the policies, if any, you support to address gun violence in America.
- 5. What, if any, actions would you work towards in your first 100 days to address the threats facing the US due to climate change?

**EDITOR's NOTE:** Names of candidates for President that appear on Pennsylvania ballots are listed below. Go to Vote411.org to get more information and read their answers to the questions.

DEMOCRATIC

#### **BERNIE SANDERS**

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DEMOCRATIC

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**DEMOCRATIC** 

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Campaign suspended

REPUBLICAN

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REPUBLICAN

**BILL WELD** 

Campaign suspended

















#### THE VOTERS GUIDE

The League of Women Voters publishes this Voters Guide as a public educational service. Candidates were sent questionnaires by the League of Women Voters. Each candidate was invited to enter his/her own responses on the Vote411 website. Responses received by the deadline are reprinted in this Guide. We do not edit candidate responses, except to use standard abbreviations and formatting. Nothing in the Guide should be construed as an endorsement of any candidate by the League of Women Voters.

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#### THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The League of Women Voters is a nonprofit organization of women and men. Its purpose is to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation of citizens in government.

The League is nonpartisan: it does not support or oppose any candidate or party. It does, however, take positions on public issues and encourages its members to participate as individuals in the party of their choice. League members study and reach agreement upon issues before taking such public positions.

Membership is open to all women and men 16 years of age or older, and inquiries are welcome. Contributions to support this activity are greatly appreciated. You may go to our website at lwvlewisburgarea.org or contact us at 570-524-4439. Tax-deductible contributions can be made out to LWVLA Education Fund and sent to PO Box 206, Lewisburg, PA

For more information about the League or to receive material about state and/or federal government, contact The League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania at 1-800-692-7281 or 226 Forster Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102-3220; website at www.palwv.org. Additional candidate and voter information can be found at Vote411.org.





#### HOW WE GET OUR INFORMATION

Candidates were invited to enter their responses on the Vote411 website in their own words. **Vote411.org** is provided by the national League of Women Voters Education Fund. We thank LWVUS for creating questions and collecting information from presidential candidates and LWVPA for creating questions and collecting the information from other candidates.

The League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area (LWVLA) uses candidate responses submitted to **Vote411.org** by April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 to create our *Voters Guide*. We also include information specific to Union County voters, such as polling places and local League information. LWVLA does NOT edit candidate responses except to maintain standard abbreviations and formatting. Candidates may have updated, edited, or added to their information on **Vote411.org** since the April 26<sup>th</sup> deadline.











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## PENNSYLVANIA STATE GOVERNMENT

#### STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL

**Description of office:** The basic duties of the Attorney General, as outlined by the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, are to: serve as the Commonwealth's chief law enforcement officer; collect all debts, taxes, and accounts due to the Commonwealth; represent the Commonwealth and all its agencies in any action brought by or against the Commonwealth; administer the provision relating to consumer protection laws; represent the Commonwealth and its citizens in any action brought about for violation of the antitrust laws.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$167,838 Vote for ONE.

#### All candidates for State Attorney General were asked:

- 1. What are your top three priorities to address as Attorney General?
- 2. The Office of the Pennsylvania Attorney General is responsible for law enforcement and the equal protection of law for all citizens. What do you see as the primary challenges to achieving equality under the law?
- 3. What role will your administration play in reforming systemic problems and supporting restorative justice in our criminal justice system?

DEMOCRATIC

#### **JOSH SHAPIRO**

Montgomery County No reply received

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REPUBLICAN

#### **HEATHER HEIDELBAUGH**

Allegheny County



**Education:** Univ. of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, JD; Univ. of Missouri-Columbia, BA/Economics and Political Science

**Occupation:** Trial Lawyer

**Qualifications:** Experienced trial lawyer with more than 35 yrs. of courtroom experience who understands the complexities of the law, the intersection between policy and law, and how the law impacts the lives of citizens

Answer to question 1: 1) Keep PA Safe-The Commonwealth Attorneys Act states one of the main roles of the AG is criminal prosecutions. This would be my top priority. The AG works with local DAs and law enforcement to keep PA residents safe, including a strong commitment to addressing drug trafficking and the opioid crisis. 2) Put People Before Politics-Restore the AG's Office to following mandates set forth in the Commonwealth Attorneys Act and perform lawyering for the people of PA versus using the office for political gain. 3) Protect the Mentally Ill-Establish a Blue Ribbon Panel of experts from PA to examine the treatment of the mentally ill, address the current state of mental illness, and more. The panel would issue a Report suggesting structural changes.

Answer to question 2: Keeping PA safe has to be the top priority of the AG. The AG's statutory role is the prosecutor of crime. The AG has to prioritize resources, so scarce resources are used for the highest priority tasks of the office. Crime enforcement, in conjunction with the DAs is the first priority. Crime operates across County and jurisdictional lines, so coordination with multiple County DAs is critical. Investigations that may take years and cost millions can't be wasted by prosecutors failing to follow criminal procedure. The AG must take an active role in the management of the office. The purpose of prosecuting crime is to ensure safety, not create headlines. With that purpose in mind, equal protection for all should be achieved.

Answer to question 3: As the County Councilperson At Large on Allegheny County Council, I was critical of the operation of the county jail. The Allegheny County jail had more suicides than any other jail in the country. I determined that one county employee had repeatedly failed to process the proper release of a



#### **VOTING INFORMATION**

MAIL-IN AND ABSENTEE VOTING

<u>ALL</u> registered voters in PA now have the option of voting by mailin ballot. Absentee ballots are still available to those who satisfy certain criteria (illness, disability, or absence from the municipality on Election Day). COMPLETED CIVILIAN <u>APPLICATIONS</u> for mail-in or absentee ballots must be received by the Union County Elections Office, Union County Government Center, 155 North 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Lewisburg, PA 17837, by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (postmark does not matter). COMPLETED CIVILIAN MAIL-IN and ABSENTEE <u>BALLOTS</u> must arrive at the Union County Elections Office by 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 (postmark does not matter). If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the Tuesday application deadline and before Election Day, you may obtain an emergency application from the Elections Office.

#### MAKE SURE YOU KNOW WHERE TO VOTE

At the website **votespa.com**, you can check your registration status and polling place, register to vote, or apply for a mail-in or absentee ballot. If you moved or can't remember where you vote, call the **Union County Elections and Voter Registration Office** at **570-524-8681** to make sure you go to the right polling place. This information is also on your Voter Registration card.

#### ACCESSIBILITY AND ASSISTANCE IN VOTING

Any voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should contact the Union County Elections and Voter Registration Office. Any voter who has a disability that requires assistance in voting or using a voting machine may complete a declaration at the polling place and receive assistance.

#### **ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS**

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the Judge of Elections at the polling place will telephone the County Elections Office. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not, you must be given the opportunity to cast a provisional ballot. If it is determined that you are eligible to vote, your vote will be counted. Poll workers are there to help you, show you how to work the machines, and assist with any other questions.

If you registered to vote while applying for or renewing a PA driver's license and you have received a Voter Registration Card, you are eligible to vote in this election.

large number of people from the jail, and she was terminated. Each day someone is in jail, it cost taxpayers, they become a suicide risk and lose their liberty unnecessarily. As AG, I would continue to advocate for government institutions to properly run jails and prisons. Jails and/or prisons must be properly run so we have the space to jail criminals, not those who don't belong there.

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#### STATE AUDITOR GENERAL

**Description of office:** The principal role of the Auditor General is to determine whether state funds are being used in accordance with the purpose and guidelines that govern each use of the Commonwealth's dollars. The Auditor General conducts financial and performance audits of individuals, state agencies, and organizations that receive state funds, including school districts, state liquor stores, and public employee pension funds. These audits are designed to measure how effectively government programs are using public money to meet their stated goals and objectives. The office performs more than 6,000 audits each year, and is responsible for auditing all federal funds that are allocated to Pennsylvania state programs.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$167,838 Vote for ONE.

All candidates for State Auditor General were asked:

- 1. What are your top three priorities in office?
- 2. What distinguishes you from other candidates who are seeking to be Pennsylvania's next Auditor General?

DEMOCRATIC

#### H. SCOTT CONKLIN

Centre County



**Education:** Phillipsburg-Osceola Area HS; Clearfield County Career and Technical School

Occupation: Legislator/Business Owner

*Qualifications:* Scott Conklin has served as board chairman of Centre County, chairman of the Salary Board, Retirement Board member, Employee Benefits Trust member, and Board of Assessment member, prior to Representing the 77<sup>th</sup> Legislative District of Pennsylvania. He is also a small business owner and

union member.

Answer to question 1: I have always thought of myself as a hard working voice for all people, and have served with the trust of those I represent in Harrisburg. Now, I believe it is time to use my voice for all Pennsylvanians by holding our government accountable. If you believe as I do, that our government needs to be held accountable for its spending, that our government must have an advocate for taxpayers, and that our government must work for all Pennsylvanians, then please consider supporting this campaign. Only through building a strong coalition of voters across the state, can we hope to secure these goals.

Answer to question 2: I am running for the Office of Auditor General because I have seen firsthand how wasteful spending can impede the missions of government. I believe that the work of the current Auditor General's office must continue, and that every taxpayer dollar should be spent legally and efficiently. I have spent my career serving the people of the 77th Legislative District, first as Chairman of the Centre County Commissioners, where I oversaw a \$90 million dollar budget. After I was elected to the House, I was placed on the appropriations committee as a freshman representative, because of my experience in government. Furthermore, I co-own and operate a business with my wife Terri in Philipsburg, PA.

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#### VOTING CHANGES IN PENNSYLVANIA

This year, several changes in Pennsylvania will make voting more convenient and secure:

- MAIL-IN BALLOT: You may now apply to vote by mail-in ballot up to 50 days before Election Day.
- BALLOT-RETURN DEADLINES: You may return your completed mail-in ballot or absentee ballot to the Elections Office as late as 8 p.m. on Election Day.
- VOTER REGISTRATION: The deadline to register to vote is now 15 days before Election Day, instead of 30 days.
- EMERGENCY ABSENTEE BALLOT: There is a <u>simpler process</u> to obtain an emergency absentee ballot.
- PERMANENT BALLOT LISTS: You may ask to be placed on a permanent absentee voter or permanent mail-in voter list.

**WARNING:** If you receive a mail-in or absentee ballot and return your voted ballot by the deadline, you may **NOT** vote at your your polling place on Election Day. If you are unable to return your voted mail-in or absentee ballot by the deadline, you may vote a provisional ballot at your polling place on Election Day.

#### DEMOCRATIC

#### MICHAEL LAMB

Allegheny County



**Education:** Penn State Univ., BA; Carnegie Mellon Univ., MPM Heinz College; Duquesne Univ. School of Law, JD **Occupation:** Pittsburgh City Controller

*Qualifications:* As Controller since 2008 I have protected residents from waste, fraud and abuse of their tax dollars. My audits have uncovered millions in savings and I have provided unprecedented levels of transparency into city finances. I also led the effort to reform our county into a home rule community.

Answer to question 1: The Auditor General is our 1st line of defense against public corruption. I plan to address that in part by bringing unprecedented levels of transparency to the Commonwealth. I have developed several tools of transparency for greater public engagement into the issues of public finance. I plan to bring those tools to the Commonwealth. During time of crisis it is important to recognize that some will see an opportunity for fraud. I have developed a plan to address these concerns including testing for price gouging, addressing misinformation, protecting whistleblowers and monitoring stimulus spending. Pa's largest cost is education. I plan to devote significant resources to hold accountable our charter schools and all institutions of learning.

Answer to question 2: As City Controller it has been my job every day to watch over spending and protect taxpayers from waste, fraud and abuse. My record of fiscal responsibility, innovation, reform and open government helped me to play a key role in leading Pittsburgh out of near bankruptcy. My efforts to address our legacy costs while protecting our public assets have helped place our city on firm financial footing. As county row officer, I put people first by advocating a reform that eliminated my own job while generating savings to our taxpayers. As an attorney I have focused on helping communities restructure their finances while helping pension fund trustees address losses to their portfolios due to fraud. I am uniquely qualified to be Auditor General.

Website: lambforpa.com

PA State Auditor General, cont.

#### DEMOCRATIC

#### TRACIE FOUNTAIN

Dauphin County



Education: Drexel Univ., B.S. Business of Administration-Major Accounting; Certified Public Accountant since 1991 Occupation: CPA. Required by law to resign my appointed Auditor General Department appointed position to run for Auditor General.

Qualifications: Served 29+ yrs. in leadership roles in the administrations of the current and prior 3 Auditor Generals. Initially hired as a field audit supervisor. After 4 vrs. promoted to

Department's Technical Manager. After 3 yrs., Appointed Audit Bureau Director; serving as Director for 5 Audit Bureaus.

**Answer to question 1:** 1) Addressing the impact of significant staff shortages, as a result of continual legislative budget cuts, on the department's ability to properly and timely complete 5000 mandated audits annually. At the time of my hire, the Department had 850 employees statewide and was down to 392 at November 1, 2019, while still being responsible for the completion of 5000 audits annually. 2) Preventing the fraudulent use of PA's COVID-19 Economic Stimulus Funds and Small Business Loans proceeds by helping to ensure that these funds are properly awarded to PA's intended recipients. 3) Protecting the lives of PA's most vulnerable citizens-our children, our elderly, and mentally challenged.

Answer to question 2: I am the only candidate in this race who, in addition to being a CPA, served in leadership roles in the administrations of the current and prior three Auditor Generals. As a result, I know this department, its staff, where they are strong, and where improvements are needed, making me the only candidate in this race who will be ready on Day 1 of taking office to effectively lead this department, especially given the department's significant staff cuts. I am also the only candidate in this race who, while on the campaign trail, issued 2 OP-ED pieces: 1) Policy to Support PA Attorney General's Efforts to Monitor State Funds Awarded to NonProfits 2) Reducing PA's Risk of Fraud, Waste, Abuse, and Mismangement of COVID-19 Economic Stimulus Funds

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#### **D**EMOCRATIC ROSE ROSIE MARIE DAVIS

Monroe County



Education: BBA/Accounting; BS/Political Science **Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant Qualifications: I have an accounting degree and I am a CPA with 34+ yrs. of audit experience. My expertise includes managing and conducting financial, operational, compliance and internal control reviews of Federal, State and Local government agencies and not-for-profit organizations.

**Answer to question 1:** 1) The top priority is to save the PA taxpayers roughly \$600,000 dollars of extra salary cost because as the next Auditor General, there will be no need to hire another CPA to direct the audit team because I have the direct CPA experience to handle the technical job. 2) Addressing public school district funding inequality. I plan to review public school district funding from a top down approach. 3) A significant portion of State taxpayer sponsored programs and services are outsourced to 3<sup>rd</sup>-party contractors who provide substandard and inadequate services. I will conduct more performance and effectiveness audits of 3<sup>rd</sup>-party contracts. Like: The share ride program for elderly and vulnerable citizens is on top of the list.

Answer to question 2: I am the most qualified candidate because I am a financial professional that has CPA public accounting and federal audit experience. I have an accounting degree, a CPA license and 34 years of real and relevant audit experience. I bring Wall Street and Main Street experience to the Auditor General's office. I have a life time of managing audit teams and bringing real results to my clients over the years. I am independent and owe no one any political favors therefore I can provide honest and candid assessments of operations at State agencies and programs. I have a stellar track record of identifying instances of fraud and abuse in governmental operations and within City and State Controller's

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## OTH ANNIVERSARY OF EN'S RIGHT TO VOTE



The League of Women Voters is a citizens' organization that has fought since 1920 to improve our government and engage all citizens in the decisions that impact their lives. It operates at national, state, and local levels through more than 700 state and local Leagues, in all 50 states as well as Washington DC, the Virgin Islands, and Hong Kong, where U.S. citizens have formed Leagues. The League was founded by Carrie Chapman Catt in 1920, just six months before the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, giving all American women the right to vote after a 72-year fight for women's suffrage. As we celebrate our first centennial, we also salute the brave and committed women and men who fought for the passage of the 19th Amendment.

The League of Women Voters is the only organization of its kind founded before the 19th Amendment that is still in existence today. From the beginning, the League has been an activist, grassroots organization whose leaders believed that citizens should play a critical role in advocacy. The League is proud of our rich history tied to the suffrage movement and our accomplishments at the local, state, and federal levels. Today the League is setting the stage for vibrant growth over the next century, with a new generation of leaders with the continued passion for active participation in government.





#### DEMOCRATIC NINA AHMAD

Philadelphia County



**Education:** PhD/Chemistry; Postdoctoral Training in Molecular

**Occupation:** Former Deputy Mayor

**Qualifications:** Policy Maker (Deputy Mayor & Advisor to President Obama on AAPI); Co-owner-Community Development finance business; Trustee of Foundation, Grant making Chair-\$40MM in grants and Investment Committee: oversight on half-billion-dollar endowment; Board Member,

National Organization for Women

Answer to question 1: Healthcare, Education and Violence. These are all informed by the theme of my campaign which is accountability and transparency and the understanding that the taxpayers end up paying more if we ignore the problems that perpetuate inequality and injustice. I will take on Big Pharma to lower costs on life saving medicines with a focus on Pharmacy Benefits manager to increase efficiencies. I will protect and increase education funding to make sure our students have the best education in safe and healthy environments. I will focus on ending violence including sexual harassment/violence, advocate to end nondisclosure settlements as well as address gun violence by giving lawmakers the data to fight the NRA and pass tough new gun laws.

Answer to question 2: I believe that the Auditor General's office can be a powerful tool for progressive change. I am running to deliver real results in the fight for equality, accountability and transparency. My life experience of surviving the violent Liberation War of Bangladesh, makes me cherish the promise of America, of a good education, quality healthcare and economic opportunity. I have a firm path to victory. Starting with a small lead ahead of everyone, I jump to a 34-point advantage on my nearest competitor state-wide, when voters learn about my approach and background as a scientist, policymaker and former local President of NOW. I am the only Philadelphia candidate in the race that historically makes-up half the state-wide turnout in elections.

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#### **D**EMOCRATIC

#### CHRISTINA M. HARTMAN

Lancaster County



*Education:* Fordham Univ., Bronx, New York, MA/ International Political Economy and Development, February 2004; The George Washington Univ., Washington, D.C., BA/ International Affairs, May 1999; Semester abroad at Université de Paris IV (Sorbonne)

**Occupation:** Non-profit Consultant

*Qualifications:* For 20 yrs., I've held governments to account in some of the world's worst dictatorships. I led & managed

federally-funded projects with budgets up to \$44 million with large teams across multiple offices worldwide that underwent numerous audits, which found that they were efficient and effective.



"Voting is the expression of our commitment to ourselves, one another, this country and this world."

—Sharon Salzberg



Answer to question 1: My priorities are education, healthcare, and criminal justice reform. Education audits account for a third of this office's work. I will evaluate the discrepancy between the standards and funding for public schools and charter schools, which are often held to lower standards, harming our students on the taxpayers' dime. Healthcare costs continue to rise, especially for seniors. I will look at rising drug costs and nursing home treatment of seniors, to ensure that Medicare/Medicaid dollars are spent well for our most vulnerable. For criminal justice, I will examine inefficiencies created by focusing on punishment over rehabilitation leading to high recidivism rates, a truly inefficient and ineffective use of our tax dollars.

Answer to question 2: I have the technical, leadership, and political experience to win in November and lead the Auditor General's office. I'm the only candidate who has run in a competitive general election with Trump at the top of the ticket and narrowed the GOP margin. When I ran for Congress in 2016, we raised \$1.25 million and got endorsed by the national party and EMILY's List, in a district originally deemed too red to win. That experience is going to be crucial in 2020. Finally, we are running a true statewide campaign. We have more than 60 endorsements, including Gov. Rendell, in 18 counties, and I've been to 45 of 67 counties. As a candidate from central PA, I'm working to unite Democrats across the state to make sure we turn PA blue in November.

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#### REPUBLICAN

#### TIMOTHY DEFOOR

Dauphin County



**Education:** Harrisburg Area Community College, AA/Para Legal Studies; Univ. of Pittsburgh, BA/General Studies (concentration Sociology and History); Harrisburg Univ., MS/Project Management

**Occupation:** Dauphin County Controller

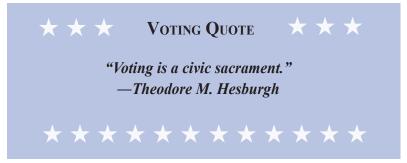
**Qualifications:** Former Special Investigator, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of Inspector General; Retired Special Agent, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of Attorney

General; Dauphin County Controller (2016 to present); Former Certified Internal Auditor with the International Organization for Standards

Answer to question 1: 1) Work to have a more transparent government. For example, I will work to end political loopholes like the "honor system" that allows state agencies to keep high-dollar, taxpayer funded contracts hidden from the public. 2) Bring in subject matter experts to audit the progress and performance of any new and expensive initiatives and projects to determine how and if tax payer dollars are being spent wisely. 3) Perform detailed quality management audits to determine if the customer service processes and experiences for Individual taxpayers and businesses doing business with the Commonwealth are efficient.

Answer to question 2: Over 25 years of combined law enforcement and auditing experience in both the public and private sectors. First as a Special Investigator with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of Inspector General investigating government and contractor fraud, waste and abuse. As a Special Agent with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Office of Attorney General investigating Medicaid fraud and illegal prescription drug diversion and a Fraud Investigator and Internal Auditor for the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center–Health Plan and various federal contractors.

Website: defoor4pa.com



#### STATE TREASURER

Description of office: The duty of the Pennsylvania Treasurer is to safeguard the Commonwealth's financial assets, which total more than \$120 billion in public monies. The office manages several programs in order to better serve the financial needs of Pennsylvanians. The Treasury Department is also responsible for: reuniting unclaimed property with its rightful owner; investigating loss, theft, and fraud involving Commonwealth checks; reviewing real estate leases and contracts entered into by Commonwealth agencies; maintaining the Pennsylvania contracts electronic library. The Treasurer has specific duties in addition to the oversight of the Department: serves as chair of the Board of Finance and Revenue, which selects banks to serve as depositories for state money; sets interest rates paid on Commonwealth deposits; hears and decides state tax appeals.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$167,838 Vote for ONE.

#### All candidates for State Treasurer were asked:

- 1. What is the most important duty of the State Treasurer? If elected, how would you carry out that duty?
- 2. What distinguishes you from your opponent in the general election?

#### DEMOCRATIC

#### JOE TORSELLA

Montgomery County



**Education:** Univ. of Pennsylvania, BA; New College, Oxford Univ

Occupation: Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Qualifications: Current Treasurer of Pennsylvania; former Ambassador to the UN for Management and Reform; former President and CEO of the National Constitution Center; former Philadelphia Deputy Mayor for Policy and Planning

Answer to question 1: From Day One, my most important duty has been restoring integrity to an office too often marred by scandal—three of the last five elected Treasurers have been indicted. Upon taking office, I immediately banned the use of middlemen to win investment contracts and introduced Treasury's first-ever conflict-of-interest policy and Chief Integrity Officer. In addition to restoring integrity, we've created the Keystone Scholars program, which gives at-birth college and career savings accounts to every child born or adopted in Pennsylvania after January 1, 2019. Furthermore, we fight to hold Wall Street accountable to taxpayers, including through legal action when necessary and as trustees for our public pension systems.

Answer to question 2: I have spent my career in the public sector, fighting for the responsible use of taxpayer funds in our civic institutions. Before serving as Treasurer, I was the U.S. Ambassador for UN Management and Reform. Prior to that, I was the founding President and CEO of the National Constitution Center and Philadelphia's Deputy Mayor for Policy and Planning. What these roles have in common is a dedication to the highest and best use of funds, contributed by the masses, toward a common goal. They each require the careful stewardship of someone else's contribution: to reinforce effective international cooperation; to build a beautiful civic resource for our nation; or to resolve a \$1.25 billion deficit and revitalize a vibrant major American city.

Website: joetorsella.com

REPUBLICAN

#### STACY L. GARRITY

Bradford County No reply received

Website: garrityforpa.com









#### FIRST-TIME VOTERS AT A PRECINCT

#### HAVE ID AND PROOF OF ADDRESS WITH YOU!

Voters appearing at a precinct for the first time must show identification (ID). If you registered by mail, the first time you vote you must bring a photo ID or other ID that shows your name and address. Sample valid forms of ID include: a valid PA driver's license or PennDOT ID card, any other photo ID issued by a U.S. or PA government agency, a Voter Registration ID card, a valid U.S. Passport, student ID card, etc. If you do not have one of these forms of ID, call the **Union County Elections and Voter Registration Office at 570-524-8681** to get a list of additional, acceptable forms of ID.

JOIN US IN MAKING OUR COMMUNITIES FAIR, VIBRANT, AND STRONG informative and helpful, consider joining the League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area (LWVLA).

All women and men who are 16 years of age or older are welcome to join. The LWVLA serves all of Union County. We have and welcome members from throughout the county. We need your help in encouraging voters' informed participation in government and getting information about elections and candidates to all parts of Union County.

The League of Women Voters is a trusted and nonpartisan organization; we do not endorse any candidates or political parties. We work to increase understanding of major policy issues, and to influence public policy through education and advocacy at the national, state, and local levels. In Union County, we hold monthly lunch forums open to the public on topics relevant to our communities, publish the *Voters Guide* and *Facts for Voters*, hold Candidates Nights, and more. **Join us!** 



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### **ELECTION RESULTS WEBSITE**



Unofficial election results will be posted on the Union County website as soon as they become available on election night. After accessing the Union County homepage at <a href="https://www.unioncountypa.org">www.unioncountypa.org</a>, click on "Election Results" in the Quick Links box.

## United States Government

## REPRESENTATIVE IN THE U.S. CONGRESS: 12TH DISTRICT

Includes all of Bradford, Clinton, Juniata, Lycoming, Mifflin, Perry, Potter, Snyder, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, and Wyoming Counties; and part of Centre and Northumberland Counties.

Description of office: Congress, the legislative branch of the federal government, is composed of two houses. The upper house is the Senate. The lower house is the House of Representatives. A majority vote by both houses is necessary to pass a law. The U.S. Constitution requires that the House of Representatives be composed of elected Representatives (also called Congressmen or Congresswomen) from each State. There are 435 members of the House of Representatives. The number of Representatives from each state is proportioned according to its population, with 18 Representatives from Pennsylvania. A U.S. Representative must be at least twenty-five years old, have been a citizen of the United States for the past seven years, and be an inhabitant of the state they represent at the time of the election. All bills must pass the House and Senate and be signed by the President. The House of Representatives is responsible for creating the budget and initiating bills to collect taxes and other money. The House is also responsible for impeaching federal officials (the Senate then tries the case) and electing the President if there is a tie in the Electoral College.

Term: 2 years Salary: \$174,000 Vote for ONE.

All candidates for U.S. Representative were asked:

- 1. What would be your top priorities as a U.S. Representative over the next two years?
- 2. The landmark Shelby v. Holder decision overturned protections in the Voting Rights Act of 1965 that required certain states and local governments to obtain federal preclearance before implementing voting laws or practices. Since then, the U.S. has experienced a surge of legislation that makes it more difficult for many people to vote. What voting reforms do you see as essential to making U.S. elections accessible and secure?
- 3. How would you go about finding consensus and reducing gridlock in Washington, D.C.?

#### DEMOCRATIC LEE GRIFFIN

Northumberland County



Education: IUP, Bachelor's Degree/Philosophy
Occupation: Director of Warehouse Operations
Qualifications: Experience in business management
Answer to question 1: My top priority would be working to
ensure a strong recovery from the coronavirus outbreak for
everyone. Our recovery will take some time, and the federal
government needs to be there to support small business, farms
and workers as we rebuild our economy. Another top priority

of mine is health care. Too many families can't afford the cost of treatment or medication they need. We need to bring down the costs of medications and treatments and ensure that everyone has coverage. Additionally, climate change needs to be addressed with green energy, cutting carbon emissions and carbon capture initiatives. We need to act swiftly and decisively to prevent the worst effects from happening and ensure a brighter future for us all.

**Answer to question 2:** The right to vote is an essential part of our country's foundation, and it should not be infringed upon. Voting should be celebrated, encouraged and made simple for voters. Groups like Fair Fight do great work to

ensure voting rights are protected. Pennsylvania has set a strong example with Act 77, with improvements to the process that include voting by mail and funding for counties to upgrade their voting systems. The federal government should provide funding to states to follow Pennsylvania's lead to make upgrades to their systems and ensure there are enough voting machines and poll workers at each polling place. The federal government should also strengthen the Voting Rights Act and work to improve access to voting across the nation.

Answer to question 3: Building consensus is about setting aside differences, focusing on shared goals and genuinely valuing the perspective of those you disagree with. Debate is healthy, and engaging with differing points of view makes us better. I would make it a point to build relationships with representatives from across the aisle and seek their input on issues to develop mutual respect. Unfortunately, money can also be a barrier to building that consensus. I would vote to protect our elections and lawmaking process from the influence of powerful special interests. I also support overturning the Citizens United decision as an important measure. We need representatives who are willing to work across party lines to serve the people and not special interests.

Website: leegriffinforcongress.com

## REPUBLICAN FRED KELLER

Snyder County



**Education:** Shikellamy HS **Occupation:** Congressman

**Qualifications:** 25 yrs. in wood products manufacturing, including as Manager of Conestoga Wood Specialties' Beavertown factory overseeing \$50 million budget and 250 employees. Started a successful small business in residential construction and management. 8 and a half yrs. as state rep in the PA General Assembly.

Answer to question 1: My top priorities are the top priorities of the people of Pennsylvania's 12th Congressional District, including combatting the public health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; helping our small businesses and workers keep more of their money by lowering taxes and reducing excessive government regulation; supporting regional infrastructure projects like the Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway and the I-99 corridor project while expanding rural broadband access to support tele-health, education, and commerce; and providing relief for our nation's farmers.

Answer to question 2: The 15h Amendment to the United States Constitution prohibits the federal and state governments from denying a citizen the right to vote "on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude," and the 19th Amendment protects the voting rights of all sexes. As a member of Congress, I will protect these important Constitutional rights while making every effort to combat voter fraud and uphold the integrity of our elections.

Answer to question 3: We have already had success in working stakeholders and members of both parties to pass legislation that benefits the people of PA-12. For instance, we introduced and passed with bipartisan support language to the Older Americans Act strengthening health care protections for seniors by adding fall-related traumatic brain injuries to the list of conditions covered by the law. We worked with The National Association of State Head Injury Administrators, health care providers across PA-12, and members of Congress from both parties to find consensus. We also drafted and introduced with bipartisan support legislation to stop the Bureau of Prisons from moving inmates during the pandemic to protect the health and safety of the PA-12 residents.

Website: FredKellerForCongress.com

## PA STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES



## QUESTIONS ASKED OF CANDIDATES FOR THE STATE LEGISLATURE



All candidates for Senator and Representative of the General Assembly were asked:

- 1. Access to the ballot box is one of the most important rights for a citizen. Although Pennsylvania recently modernized its election code, there are other reforms that would further modernize Pennsylvania's elections. If elected, what reforms would you support to ensure that all citizens who want to vote are able to securely, privately, and independently cast a ballot?
- 2. While there have been some positive legislative actions recently, partisan gridlock in Harrisburg has taken its toll, and many people feel that Pennsylvania's state government is dysfunctional. What types of reforms, if any, would you support to make the legislative process in Harrisburg more effective?
- 3. Do you support a state constitutional amendment to form an independent commission to redraw Congressional and legislative districts? Why or why not?
- 4. 2020 marks the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. However, many barriers still exist for people with disabilities. What will you do as a state legislator to improve accessibility for people with disabilities across the Commonwealth?

#### SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

**Description of office:** In Pennsylvania, the legislative branch of government is composed of two houses: the Senate is the upper house and the General Assembly is the lower house. A majority vote by both houses is necessary to pass a law. Senators must be at least 25 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year before their election, and must live in their districts during their terms of service.

Term: 4 years Salary: \$90,335 Vote for ONE.

#### STATE SENATOR: 23RD DISTRICT

Includes the counties of Bradford, Lycoming, Sullivan, and Union, and part of Susquehanna County.

For questions asked of candidates, see the "Questions Asked of Candidates for the State Legislature" box above.

DEMOCRATIC

#### JACKIE BAKER

Susquehanna County



Education: Elk Lake HS Graduate, Dimock, PA; Mansfield Univ., Mansfield, PA, BS/Education; Wilkes Univ., Wilkes-Barre, PA, Master's Degree/Education

Occupation: Educator

Qualifications: I am honest, compassionate, and fair. I am dedicated to improving the lives of all of the hard-working citizens in PA. I am a highly motivated and experienced problem-solver. I enjoy collaborating with others to achieve a

common goal.

**Answer to question 1:** If elected, I would continue to support modernizing Pennsylvania's elections to make voting in PA easy, secure, and accessible to everyone. A healthy and successful democracy depends on our right to vote. I support making voter registration easier in an effort to increase voter turnout and improve political participation. To make it easier for everyday citizens to exercise their constitutionally guaranteed right to vote, I support offering voter registration through more state and local government agencies, instituting automatic voter registration, and extending the time to register to vote right up to the day of the election. Easy access to voting and increased voter turnout is crucial to true representation in our democracy.

Answer to question 2: A functional, effective, and efficient government must place people before politics. Elected leaders must put the welfare of our Commonwealth and its citizens first, and not be there for their own personal gains and interests. We need to get money out of politics and elect leaders who will truly represent the people they serve, not big financial donors. Voters need to choose their legislators, not the other way around. Gerrymandering in PA must end. Politicians need to get out of the redistricting process in PA. I support the right to fair and competitive elections. I support the creation of an independent, impartial, and transparent commission to redraw district lines. Redistricting reform is a good step toward ending gridlock in PA.

Answer to question 3: Yes, I support a constitutional amendment to form an independent commission to redraw district lines. I have been a member of Fair Districts PA since 2017, supporting the effort to end gerrymandering in PA. Allowing politicians, with a vested interest, to determine the voting districts undermines confidence in elections and diminishes trust in the legislative process. I support passing HB 22/ SB 1022, to create an independent citizens commission to draw state legislative districts, and HB 23/SB 1023, to create an independent citizens commission to draw federal congressional districts, including rules for public input, transparency, and standards for minimizing splits in electoral districts. Answer to question 4: As a state legislator, I will improve accessibility for people

with disabilities. I believe that we can help thousands of children and adults with disabilities across the Commonwealth by supporting, funding, and providing access to quality education programs and services, including easily accessing healthcare and mental healthcare, preparing young people with disabilities to transition from secondary education to adult life, assisting adults with disabilities prepare, obtain, and maintain employment, improving access to reliable transportation to get to work, and expanding housing options and choices for people with disabilities. We must ensure that all Pennsylvanians are treated with respect and dignity, and have a chance to prosper.

Website: jackiebakerforpa.org

#### Republican **GENE YAW**

Lycoming County



**Education:** Bucknell Univ.; Lycoming College, BA; American Univ. School of Law, JD

**Occupation:** Legislator/Attorney

*Qualifications:* 35 yrs. practicing attorney; 17 yrs. county solicitor; 12 yrs. state senator

This candidate had not provided answers to the questions by the

April 26th deadline.

Website: facebook.com/GeneYawForStateSenate

#### REPRESENTATIVES IN THE PA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

**Description of office:** In Pennsylvania, the legislative branch of government is composed of two houses: the Senate is the upper house and the General Assembly is the lower house. A majority vote by both houses is necessary to pass a law. In the General Assembly, there are 203 members who sit for two year terms in single member districts. Representatives must be at least 21 years old, have been citizens and lived in their respective districts one year before their election, and must live in their districts during their terms of service.

Term: 2 years Salary: \$90,335 Vote for ONE.

For questions asked of candidates, see the "Questions Asked of Candidates for the State Legislature" box on p.10.

## REPRESENTATIVE IN THE PA GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Includes Gregg and White Deer Townships in Union County, and part of Lycoming County.

**DEMOCRATIC** 

#### AMANDA R. WALDMAN

Lycoming County



**Education:** Bloomsburg Univ., BA

**Occupation:** Medicare Appeals Representative

*Qualifications:* Single mom, not a politician; dedicated & hard working–put myself through college while raising my kids; Lead intern in Harrisburg under Rendell's Admin.; 30+ yrs. in the Restaurant industry–all positions including manager; Case management, Medicare Policy and Procedure Appeals; Mediate, educate

Answer to question 1: I support early voting, pre-registration of 16 & 17 year olds, no excuse absentee voting, modernizing all of the state's systems, including voting services, create permanent funding for voter access programs, and the Voting Rights Act. Increasing voter registration is paramount to our democracy, and I will fully support any and all initiatives to boost voter registration and participation.

Answer to question 2: I support Rank Choice Voting and the Fair Representation Act. I also support the Clean Money Act, and term limits. I worked in Harrisburg in 2008 and saw how dysfunctional it was from the inside. Our legislators have no incentive to act in the best interests of their constituents. They feel safe in their positions, so they do not have to be responsive to the people. As a policymaker, I promise to work in collaboration with all my colleagues, regardless of party. When we work together, our state government is more efficient and effective.

Answer to question 3: I support an independent commission to redraw Congressional and legislative districts. Ensuring fair voting districts should not be trusted to anyone with a stake in the outcome, especially political parties. Political party involvement in the redistricting process has been destructive to our commonwealth, and the whole country, in the past. The disenfranchisement of millions of voters across the country should not be tolerated.

Answer to question 4: As a candidate with RRMS, increasing access for people with disabilities is very important to me. When I announced my candidacy, I was told I shouldn't be open about my MS. People would think I was frail & incapable of working long, hard hours. Nothing is farther from the truth. I have worked multiple, physically active jobs at one time while I put myself through college and raised my kids. My disability does not & cannot dictate my abilities. As a legislator I would propose additional funding to 1) educate the public about the multitude of disabilities and their unique abilities; 2) incentivize business to be more accessible; 3) address the unemployment rates, lower wages, lack of access to adaptive equipment & transportation & so much more

Website: waldmanforthe84th.org







## REPUBLICAN DAVE HINES

Lycoming County



**Education:** Business Admin.

Occupation: Planning and Zoning Director

**Qualifications:** 20 yrs. experience in community development **Answer to question 1:** I would recommend the ability to vote securely online in addition to current options.

**Answer to question 2:** Stop fighting, trust God, clean house and help others. Any reform that supports that statement I would be supporting

Answer to question 3: No. As of this moment I see no reason to redraw Congressional or legislative districts. If given sufficient reason or new information I would reconsider.

**Answer to question 4:** I would work with all agencies who support those with disabilities, advocacy groups as well as people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in order to find out where they feel additional supports are needed.

Website: davidhinesfor84thdistrictrepresentative.com

#### REPUBLICAN

#### **JOE HAMM**

Lycoming County
No reply received

Website: facebook.com/HammForStateRep

#### REPUBLICAN

#### MIKE DINCHER

Lycoming County

**Education:** Degrees in forestry, biology and education; highest earned degree PhD

Occupation: College Professor

**Qualifications:** My formal education along with life experiences in manufacturing, land management, the energy industry, education, etc.

Answer to question 1: Voter ID

Answer to question 2: Term limits; Open primaries; Set limits on increases within the budget each year requiring a 2/3 vote. Call for all votes (roll call) to be made public on a regular basis rerunning them a month before elections on multi-media outlets. Full transparency and exposure.

Answer to question 3: No. I don't believe anyone is "independent" everyone has values which drive decisions. Term limits and open primaries would be a good start. The law provides for elected representatives to draw redistricting maps. That's giving the people the power although indirectly. Limiting the number of terms an individual could serve will take advantage away from office holders to rig districts. Term limits would need other restrictions placed on working as a lobbyist or other positions where payback and kickback etc. could occur. I wouldn't want PA to make the mistakes Missourians made placing term limits without other restrictions. Is it perfect no people are compromised but a commission would be worse encouraging nepotism, favoritism, and abuse

**Answer to question 4:** I feel it is very important to provide equal access to those with disabilities, physical access to facilities public and private, as well as access to education and employment, and food labels in restaurants for those suffering with disabilities associated with diet.

Website: none provided

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Representatives in the PA General Assembly, cont.

#### REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

85TH DISTRICT

Includes all of Union County EXCEPT White Deer and Gregg townships, and part of Snyder County.

**D**EMOCRATIC

No candidate filed

## REPUBLICAN DAVID H. ROWE

Union County

No reply received

Website: votedavidrowe.com

## POLITICAL PARTY DELEGATES

## POLITICAL PARTY DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

Delegates to this summer's national political conventions are elected at this time. The delegates choose their party's nominees for President and Vice President and write party platforms. Alternates have no vote unless they replace a delegate. Pennsylvania delegates, both Republican and Democratic, are not bound by the results of the state's Presidential Preference Primary.

## **DELEGATES** TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION: 12th District

Democratic candidates for delegate run as "committed to a presidential candidate," and the name of the candidate to whom each delegate is committed appears on the ballot. Democratic delegates are committed to a given candidate on the first convention ballot only, and may be released by the candidate prior to the first ballot. Democratic voters may vote for any combination of delegates they choose, regardless of the delegates' commitments to a presidential candidate. Delegates are elected as individuals, despite being committed to a candidate, and no voter is required to choose the entire slate of delegates for any one candidate.

Vote for not more than FOUR.

#### NANCI ROMMEL

Committed to Joseph R. Biden

#### **KEITH BIERLY**

Committed to Joseph R. Biden

#### RACHEL DELGREGO

Committed to Bernie Sanders

#### **RICK THOMAS**

Committed to Joseph R. Biden

#### **CAROLINE RIES**

Committed to Bernie Sanders

#### **KIMBERLY HART**

Committed to Joseph R. Biden

#### TARAN SAMARTH

Committed to Bernie Sanders

#### DANNY MULDOWNEY

Committed to Bernie Sanders

## DELEGATES TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION: 12th District

Republican candidates for delegate may publicly express a preference for a particular presidential candidate. However, that information does not appear on the ballot, and they are not committed to vote for a particular candidate.

Vote for not more than THREE.

TINA PICKETT
DONALD HOFFMAN
CAROL SIDES
DAVE HUFFMAN
ALAN HALL
KRYSTLE BRISTOL
TODD ROBATIN
MARK J. HARRIS

ALTERNATIVE DELEGATES TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION: 12th District

Vote for not more than THREE.

DANIEL F. CLARK MARY J. HAYES IRENE C. HARRIS

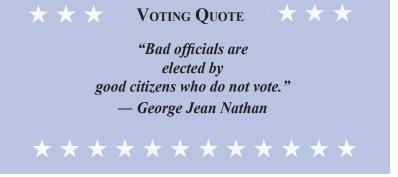


Find more information about the candidates at:

Vote411.org

Information is posted by each candidate and is unedited by the League of Women Voters. This *Voters Guide* contains information from candidates who responded by April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Candidates may post additional information on Vote411 closer to the election.

LWVLA thanks the Union County GIS Office, which was instrumental in helping us bring **Vote411** to Union County voters.







## NEW VOTING MACHINES FOR UNION COUNTY

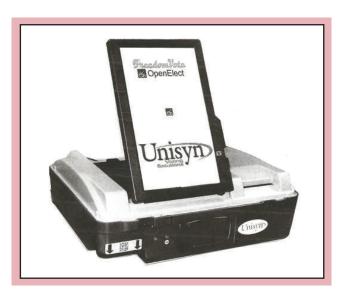
In April 2018, the Governor of Pennsylvania mandated that counties select new voting machine systems that provide a paper record and meet the 21<sup>st</sup> century standards of security, auditability, and accessibility not later than December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 (and preferably have a system in place by the general election on November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019). Our County Commissioners evaluated several approved systems and ordered the Unisyn system, which was used for the first time in the November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019 election.

The Unisyn Voting system has many security features and audit capabilities. It also provides actual paper ballots as documentation.

There are many similarities between the new and old systems, but there are several new procedures. The old system involved THREE STEPS: the voter signed into the poll book and received a ballot card; they inserted the card into the voting machine and prepared their ballot, which was counted after "Cast Ballot" was touched on the screen; then they returned the card to a poll worker and got an "I Voted" sticker.

The new system involves FOUR STEPS:

- 1. As before, voters will check in with the election board and sign the Poll Book, but they will no longer receive a ballot card.
- 2. Voters will go to a voting machine with a member of the election board, who will activate the machine to bring up the ballot.



Voters will select candidates and answer ballot questions, as in the past, by touching the box on the screen next to their choice. When finished, voters will see a summary screen of all of their choices in order to make sure they are correct. After voters touch "Print," the printer attached to the machine will print out their ballot, BUT THE BALLOT IS **NOT** COUNTED HERE.

Voters will remove the ballot and check that the printed ballot is correct. If there are any errors on the printed ballot, voters should ask a poll worker for help. If the ballot is correct, voters will continue with step 3.

NEW STEP: The printed ballot must be taken to the SCANNER/BALLOT BOX to complete the voting process.

Voters will insert the printed ballot into the scanner on top of the ballot box. It will then be scanned, COUNTED, and will drop into the ballot box. This will provide a paper record which can be manually re-counted if necessary.

4. The "I Voted" stickers, which many people enjoy, will still be available, and a poll worker will continue to hand them out.

REMEMBER, IF YOU DON'T PUT YOUR PAPER BALLOT INTO THE SCANNER,

YOUR VOTE WILL NOT BE COUNTED.









## UNION COUNTY POLLING PLACES



Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

NOTE: COVID-19 could impact polling place locations between now and the election. The polling place information in this *Voters Guide* was current as of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will update this *Guide* if polling place changes are announced.

You can also check yo	our polling place at <u>pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/PollingPlaceInfo.aspx</u> .
BUFFALO 1	Buffalo Township Municipal Bldg., 2115 Strickler Rd., Mifflinburg
BUFFALO 2	Buffalo Valley United Methodist Church, 954 Johnson Mill Rd., Lewisburg
E. BUFFALO 1	East Buffalo Township Municipal Bldg., 589 Fairground Rd., Lewisburg
E. BUFFALO 2	Public Library for Union County, 255 Reitz Blvd., Lewisburg
E. BUFFALO 3	Donald H. Eichhorn Middle School, 2057 Washington Ave., Lewisburg
E. BUFFALO 4	Weis Center, Bucknell University, 525 Weis Drive, Lewisburg
GREGG	Warrior Run Fire Dept. Social Hall, 196 White Deer Ave., Allenwood
HARTLETON POLLING PLACE CA	Union Church, 115 Catherine St., Hartleton
HARTLEY	Hartley Township Rec. Center, 49 Ball Park Rd., Millmont
KELLY 1	Kelly Township Bldg., 551 Zeigler Rd., Lewisburg
KELLY 2	United in Christ Lutheran Church, 1875 Churches Rd., Lewisburg
LEWIS	Township Bldg. (on the Village Green), 116 Maple St., Millmont
LEWISBURG 1	Senior Center, 116 N. 2nd St., Lewisburg
LEWISBURG 2	Union County Court House (Lobby), 103 S. 2nd St., Lewisburg
LEWISBURG 3	Larison Hall, Bucknell University, 521 St. George St., Lewisburg
LEWISBURG 4	St. Johns United Church of Christ, 1050 Buffalo Rd., Lewisburg
LIMESTONE	Limestone Township Municipal Bldg., 3840 Wildwood Rd., Mifflinburg
MIFFLINBURG EAST	Mifflinburg High School, 75 Market St., Mifflinburg
MIFFLINBURG WEST	First Evangelical Lutheran Church, 404 Market St., Mifflinburg
NEW BERLIN	Community Center, 318 Vine St., New Berlin
UNION/ UNION-INDEPENDENT	Union Township Fire Company, 40 Municipal Ln., Winfield
W. BUFFALO	West Buffalo Township Bldg., 577 Johnstown Rd., Mifflinburg
WHITE DEER 1	White Deer Municipal Bldg., 2191 Creek Rd., New Columbia
WHITE DEER 2	New Columbia Civic Center, 224 3rd St., New Columbia
WHITE DEER 3	Faith Chapel United Methodist Church., 2155 White Deer Pike, White Deer
WHITE DEER 4 POLLING PLACE CA	Bonanza Steakhouse, 300 Commerce Park Dr., New Columbia
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