

Administrator's Note



The county primaries are behind us and the election results were certified on May 15th.

After that, we began working to put things in order in anticipation of the August County General and State Primary Elections. The military and overseas ballots went out on June 18th. As I said in the last newsletter, that's the official beginning of the election cycle. In this issue, you will see more about what is involved in preparing for the polls to open. It in-

volves a lot more than most people realize. The center section of this newsletter is dedicated to the August 2nd ballot. On Page 2, you'll find the ballot of the County General portion of the upcoming election.

On Page 3, the candidates for the State and Federal Primary election are listed. You can download this newsletter as a PDF and print it from your computer. We hope you'll use it as a guide so, you can make your selections before you head to the polling place. Feel free to bring it with you.

And remember the convenience of early voting. You may vote at any location that is open. A complete list of Early Voting locations is available at www.shelbyvote.com. On Election Day, August 2nd, you must vote at the polling place assigned to the address at which you are registered.

We want to make it easy and convenient for you to vote. As an American, it's your privilege, your right and your duty to help decide who will govern us.

Linda Phillips

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Election News

- Tuesday, July 3rd is the last day to register to vote for the August 2, 2018 election.
- Public test of voting machines for Early Voting will be on July 11, 2018 at 9:00 am at the Operations Center, 980 Nixon Drive.
- Early voting begins on Friday, July 13th. See our website for details as some locations, days, and times have changed. Vote at any Early Voting location!
- The date and time for the public inspection of Election Day voting machines is Monday, July 23, 2018. at 9:00 am.
- Saturday, July 28, 2018 is the final day of early voting.
- Thursday, August 2, 2018 is Election Day! You must vote at the location for your precinct if you wait until Election Day to vote.

Sample Ballot—August 2nd General Election

There will be a write-in line for each race on the ballot but only votes for certified write in candidates will be counted.

Fun Facts-

Election Day 200 years ago was an entirely different sort of event.

The crowd gathered at the Courthouse for a public party. Eating, drinking, and parading were common and votes were cast with a public voice vote. Fights were not uncommon.

It was until the 1890's that the Austrian ballot, also known as the secret ballot, became commonly used.

Although lever voting machines were patented in 1889, use of them in Shelby County didn't happen until the early 1950's.



Office	Party	Candidate
Circuit Court Judge Division VII District 30	Non-Partisan	Michael G. Floyd Mary L. Wagner
Circuit Court Judge Division IX District 30	Non-Partisan	Yolanda R. Kight David Rudolph
Criminal Court Judge Division X District 30	Non-Partisan	Jennifer Johnson Mitchell Jennifer Smith Nichols
County Mayor	Republican Democratic	David Lenoir Lee Harris
County Commission—Districts 1 through 13		Check www.shelbyvote.com
Assessor of Property	Republican Democratic Independent	Robert 'Chip' Trouy Melvin Burgess Katherine Culverhouse
County Trustee	Republican Democratic	George Barnes Chism Regina Morrison Newman
Environmental Court Judge Division 14	Non-Partisan	Patrick M. Dandridge Price Harris
Sheriff	Republican Democratic	Dale Lane Floyd Bonner
Circuit Court Clerk	Republican Democratic	Tom Leatherwood Temiika D. Gipson
Criminal Court Clerk	Republican Democratic	Richard DeSaussure, III Heidi Kuhn
Juvenile Court Clerk	Republican Democratic	Bobby Simmons Janis Fullilove
Probate Court Clerk	Republican Democratic Independent	Chris Thomas Bill Morrison Jennings Bernard
County Clerk	Republican Democratic	Donna Creson Wanda Halbert
Register of Deeds	Republican Democratic Independent	Wayne Mashburn Shelandra Ford Lady J. Swift
County School Board—Districts 1,6,8 & 9	Non-Partisan	See our website!

All ballots will have a Shelby County Charter Referendum question on them. The full text will appear on the ballot. Here is the summary of the charter amendment:

The proposed Charter amendment would change the County Charter to have the salaries of the County Mayor, Sheriff, Assessor, Clerk, Register, and Trustee governed by state law. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 8- 24-102 provides for minimum salaries to be based on population. This same law provides that any annual increase would be based on the percentage increase given to state employees. Currently, only the board of County Commissioners sets salaries.

Bartlett residents will see a race for the Bartlett Municipal Judge. Residents in some parts of Memphis will see the Memphis City Council Super District 9 candidates on their ballots.

Sample Ballot—August 2nd Republican and Democratic Primary

Office	Republican	Democratic
Governor	Diane Black Randy Boyd Beth Harwell Bill Lee Basil Marceaux Sr. Kay White	Karl Dean Craig Fitzhugh Mezianne Vale Payne
United States Senate	Marsha Blackburn Aaron L. Pettigrew	Phil Bredesen Gary Davis John Wolfe
United States House of Representatives District 8	Geroge S. Flinn, Jr. David Kustoff Colleen Owens	John Boatner Erika Stotts Pearson
United States House of Representatives District 9	Charlotte Bergmann	Steve Cohen Isaac Richmond Kasandra L. Smith
Tennessee Senate District 29	Tom Stephens	Raumesh Akbari Justin Ford
Tennessee Senate District 31	Brian Kelsey	M. Rodinal Ray Ransom Gabby Salinas David Weatherspoon
Tennessee Senate District 33	No Candidate Qualified	Katrina Robinson Reginald Tate
Tennessee House of Representatives District 83	Doyle Silliman Mark White	Danielle Schonbaum
Tennessee House of Representatives District 84	No Candidate Qualified	Joe Towns Jr.
Tennessee House of Representatives District 85	No Candidate Qualified	Jesse Chism Ricky Dixon Brett N. Williams Lynnette P. Williams
Tennessee House of Representatives District 86	No Candidate Qualified	Barbara Cooper Amber Huett-Garcia Jesse Kirk Jeff
Tennessee House of Representatives District 87	No Candidate Qualified	Karen Camper
Tennessee House of Representatives District 88	No Candidate Qualified	Larry J. Miller
Tennessee House of Representatives District 90	No Candidate Qualified	John J. Deberry Jr. Torrey Harris
Tennessee House of Representatives District 91	No Candidate Qualified	Doris Deberry Bradshaw Juliette Eskridge London P. Lamar
Tennessee House of Representatives District 93	No Candidate Qualified	G.A. Hardaway, Sr. Eddie Neal
Tennessee House of Representatives District 95	Kevin Vaughan	Sanjeev Memula
Tennessee House of Representatives District 96	Scott McCormick Patricia "Patti" Possel	Dwayne Thompson
Tennessee House of Representatives District 97	Jim Coley	Allan Creasy
Tennessee House of Representatives District 98	No Candidate Qualified	Johnnie Hatten Antonio Parkinson
Tennessee House of Representatives District 99	Ron Lollar	Dave Cambron

In addition to the races shown here, voters will see candidates for State Executive Committeeman and Committeewoman on their ballots.

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FIRST TIME VOTER?

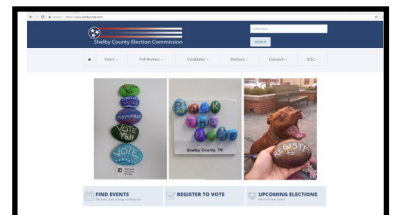
Ask to have your picture taken with our new signs! There will be one at each early voting and election day location. We'll be happy to take your picture with your camera or smart phone.

We would love to see your photo on social media, so please post it with the hashtag #vote90!



Web Site

Since our new & improved site **shelbyvote.com** was launched on January 31, 2018, we have had more than 225,000 page views! This is triple the traffic our old site received.





Shelby County Election Commission

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Getting Ready for an Election!

During Early Voting, 185 voting machines will be used. Each one must be double-checked to make sure that it has a zero balance, in other words, that no activity has taken place on the machine. Once that is done, there is a public inspection, open to anyone who wishes to see the machines prior to Early Voting.

Each machine has several tamper-evident seals put on it, and each seal has an individual number which is recorded on a form. When each team of poll workers prepare to open the polling place, the seals are double-checked.

Then the machines are packed so they are ready for movers to pick them up and deliver them to the various locations. These machines will not be re-used on Election Day. In the days leading up to the start of Early Voting, all workers will

come to the Operations Center for a training class and to pick up the packet of supplies that will be used at polling places. This includes pens, paper, forms, posters, maps, as well as keys to the location, unless it is privately owned.

As soon as the Early Voting machines are out of the warehouse, work begins preparing the nearly 1,000 machines that will be used on Election Day.

Then we begin preparing the Electronic Poll Books (EPB). These are the machines poll workers use to check and make sure you are registered before you receive your card and go to a machine to vote. Each EPB must have the previous election re-

moved. Then each one is tested. After Early Voting ends, the most up-to-date version of the voter registration records will be loaded on all of the nearly 600 units.

In the next issue, look for the next installment of Election Readiness, covering inside events leading up to Election Day.



The warehouse empties as equipment is delivered to the polling places.