



JEFFERSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NEWSLETTER APRIL 2016

THE 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION IS UPON US!

The official **PRIMARY ELECTION** day is **Tuesday, the 10th of May 2016 from 6:30am to 7:30pm**. Although identified as a primary election, several contested positions are **non-partisan**, therefore the results for those positions are **final at the end of primary voting**. The **non-Partisan** candidates appear at the end of the ballot.

EARLY VOTING starts at the County Courthouse in Charles Town, WV on **Wednesday, 27th of April and continues through Saturday, the 7th of May (not including Sunday, 1st of May)**. Early voting times are from **9am to 5pm**. Lines may be lengthy so prepare accordingly. The **last day to "register"** for voting in the primary is the **19th of April**.

GOP DEBATES

GOP DEBATES for contested Republican positions have been set for the **5th and 19th of April**.

- The **5th April** debate will be held at the **Robert C. Byrd Center Auditorium**, Shepherd University, 213 North King Street, Shepherdstown, WV 25443-3210 (Candidates for State Senate District "16" and State Delegate District "67"), **6:30pm-8:30pm, Moderator: Dr. Joseph Robbins, Associate Professor of Political Science, Shepherd University (send your pertinent debate questions to: jrobbins@shepherd.edu)**.
- The **19th April** round is scheduled at the Jefferson County Commission Meeting Room at the **Charles Town Library**, 200 East Washington Street, Charles Town, WV 25414 (candidates for Sheriff and County Clerk), **6:30pm-8:30pm, Moderator: Keith Lowry (send appropriate debate questions to: jandklowry@gmail.com)**.



THE BALLOT

THE BALLOT is very lengthy this season and may require some study and caution in order to avoid several potential pitfalls. The GOP primary ballot is made up of **three sheets (four and one third pages total)**. The second and third sheets are printed on two sides. Font size on the entire ballot is small so please remember to bring reader eyeglasses or magnifying glass if you need assistance with fine print.

Each **ballot category** is identified in full uppercase (e.g., FOR PRESIDENT) and under each uppercase category the frequency or number of votes you may cast are identified in parentheses (e.g., Vote For ONE, Vote For Not More Than TWENTY TWO, Vote For Not More Than THREE, Vote For Not More Than TWO).

Any other **voting descriptions** or limitations are listed following the frequency clarification.

A **SAMPLE BALLOT** may be viewed on the Jefferson County Clerk web page at:

<http://www.jeffersoncountywv.org/>

Look under the tabs: "County Government"
County Clerk 2016 Election

BALLOT DETAILS

→ **SHEET 1, PAGE 1** contains National (Presidential and Congressional); State (Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, Commissioner of Agriculture, Attorney General, State Senator (**District 16**), and House of Delegates (District 65, 66, 67) for where you reside. *Page 1 also lists* candidates for Circuit Clerk, Two County Commissioner seats, County Clerk, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, and Assessor. *Sheet 1, Page 1* can be summarized as a **typical** ballot page, similar to what was seen in other primary election years.

→ **SHEET 1, PAGE 2** is intentionally left blank!!!!

→ **SHEET 2, PAGE 1** starts the listing of candidates in competition for “**AT LARGE**” **Delegates to the Republican National Convention** (vote for no more than 22 on this page category and next) and is actually “page one of two”. *Sheet 2, Page 1* contains the first 114 candidates seeking the available slots. ... **AND ...**

→ **SHEET 2, PAGE 2** continues the listing from the previous page of candidates for “**AT LARGE**” Delegates to the Republican National Convention (RNC) (Vote For No More Than 22 on this page **including** the previous page) and is actually “page two of two” in this category. *Sheet 2, Page 2* contains the next 106 candidates for the position.

--**NOTE 1:** This means that of the 220 candidates listed for “**AT LARGE**” Delegates you may **Vote For Not More Than TWENTY TWO** members. Voting for less than 22 is acceptable but voting for 23 will get all your votes discounted. Count carefully!

--**NOTE 2:** Each candidate for delegate was required during the filing period to declare for a Presidential candidate or declare as uncommitted. The RNC Delegate candidate is still eligible for election to the convention even if their presidential candidate has a suspended campaign.

→ **SHEET 3, PAGE 1** begins with more delegates to the Republican National Convention specifically from the **Second Congressional District**, where “Only” 46 candidates are listed here and you may **Vote For No More Than THREE**.

→ **SHEET 3, PAGE 1** continues with the **VERY IMPORTANT NON-PARTISAN BALLOTS** for Justice of The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia; Circuit Court Judge/Division 1 through 6 (Six distinct positions); Family Court Judge/Division 1 through 3 (Three different positions); and Magistrate/Division 1 through 3 (Three separate positions).

→ **SHEET 3, PAGE 2** lists more **VERY IMPORTANT NON-PARTISAN BALLOTS** for Board of Education; Conservation District Supervisor; and Conservation District Supervisor/Unexpired Term.



GOP ENDORSEMENTS

The WV Jefferson County Republican Executive Committee has endorsed the following **non-partisan candidates** by a unanimous vote on 12 March 2016. The office and the candidate are as shown below:

FOR NON-PARTISAN BALLOT OF ELECTION OF...

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE DIVISION 1

STEVEN REDDING

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE DIVISION 2

JOHN YODER

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE DIVISION 6

BILL POWELL

MAGISTRATE – DIVISION 1

GINNY HARRISON

APRIL EVENTS CALENDAR

• **April 5th & 19th** – **GOP DEBATES: BE THERE!!!**

• **April 9th** – JCREC Monthly Meeting, **9:30am** at the Clarion Inn, Shepherdstown ... **Open to all registered Republicans.**

April 10th – Chairman's Reception **2-4pm**, Cress Creek Country Club. **You are invited to attend!!!!** **RSVP to: Chair@jcwvgop.com or call 304-596-3467.**

• **April 27th** – Early Voting starts at the county courthouse for the GOP Primary and Non-Partisan positions.

Submitted by Jack Hefestay, Jefferson County Republican Executive Committee, Middleway District