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MUNICIPAL ELECTION

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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.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION

This nonpartisan publication contains important information for voters in all the municipalities of Union County. In addition to PA judicial candidates, this issue of the *Voters Guide* includes candidates running for Union County Offices, School Director, and municipal officials in all ten townships and four boroughs in Union County.

This *Voters Guide* lists candidates in the following order: PA courts, Union County, townships and boroughs, school directors, and ballot questions. The candidates listed are those whose names appear on the official ballot. They are listed in ballot order with the party of the governor given precedence. There are four judicial retention questions for state-wide judges at the end of the ballot (see [page 19](#)).

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CANDIDATE PANELS FOR UNION COUNTY VOTERS

The LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LEWISBURG AREA will hold two virtual Candidate Panels!

CANDIDATE PANEL 1:

- MAYOR: New Berlin
- BOROUGH COUNCIL: New Berlin

CANDIDATE PANEL 2:

- SUPERVISOR: E. Buffalo Twp., Union Twp.
- BOROUGH COUNCIL: Lewisburg (Ward 4)

YOUR PARTICIPATION IS NEEDED: You can send your questions for candidates in any of the above races to candidatequestions2021@gmail.com by Sunday, October 10th.

VIEW THE PANELS ONLINE: These virtual Candidate Panels will be recorded and available by October 15th at:
LWVLewisburgArea.org/voter-resources/candidate-information



The LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LEWISBURG AREA (LWVLA) publishes this *Voters Guide* as a public educational service. The LEAGUE invited each candidate to enter his/her own information on the **Vote411** website. Responses received by the deadline are reprinted in this *Guide*. We do not edit candidate responses except to maintain 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 whose 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 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LEWISBURG AREA 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 17837.

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, including links to multiple Candidates Night videos, can be found at Vote411.org.



HOW WE GET OUR CANDIDATE 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 the LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF PENNSYLVANIA (LWVPA) for providing information on the state-wide judicial candidates and the ballot questions.

The LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LEWISBURG AREA (LWVLA) used candidate responses submitted to **Vote411.org** by September 1st, 2021 to create this *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 September 1st deadline.

PENNSYLVANIA APPELLATE COURTS

STATE-WIDE JUDICIAL RACES

Judicial elections occur in odd-numbered years. Justices and judges may serve an unlimited number of terms until they reach the mandatory retirement age of 75 if they are retained or re-elected by the voters. Vacancies that exist before an election may be filled by gubernatorial appointment until an election is held. These selections are subject to Senate confirmation. There are four state judges running in judicial retention elections. Judicial retention questions will appear at the end of the ballot. For more information, see [page 19](#).

QUESTIONS ASKED OF ALL JUDICIAL CANDIDATES FOR SUPREME, SUPERIOR, AND COMMONWEALTH COURTS

1. What can you do, both on and off the bench, to ensure that all individuals have equal access to justice?
2. What can you do, both on and off the bench, to ensure an equitable and fair court?

The LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF THE LEWISBURG AREA thanks the LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF PENNSYLVANIA for the information gathered from state-wide judicial candidates.

NOTE: For more information on the functions of the Commonwealth's judges and courts, the PA Bar Association ratings of current judicial candidates, as well as responses to detailed questionnaires provided by all candidates, go to the PA Bar Association's non-partisan website www.pavotesmart.com.

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT

Description of office: The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is the highest court in the Commonwealth and the oldest appellate court in the nation. The Supreme Court's administrative powers and jurisdictional responsibilities are vested with the seven-member court by the Pennsylvania State

Constitution and a collection of statutes known as the Judicial Code. The justice with the longest continuous service on the Supreme Court automatically becomes Chief Justice. Administratively, the courts within the Unified Judicial System are largely responsible for organizing their own staff and dockets; however, the Supreme Court has several committees and boards responsible

for writing and enforcing rules for judges, attorneys, and litigants to ensure an efficient and fair judicial review. Annually, the seven justices receive over 3,000 requests for appellate review.

Term: 10 years

Salary: \$215,037

Vote for ONE.

For the questions asked of candidates for Justice of the Supreme Court, see the "STATE-WIDE JUDICIAL RACES" box above.

Democratic
MARIA MCLAUGHLIN

Philadelphia County



Education: Penn State, 1988; Delaware Law School at Widener Univ., 1992
Occupation: Superior Court Judge

Qualifications:
Current Judge on our PA Superior Court; Served 6 yrs. as Judge, Court of Common Pleas; Chief and ADA, Phila District Attorneys Office; Rated Highly Recommended for the Supreme Court by the PBA

Answer to question 1: Along with being our highest appellate court, The Supreme Court oversees our statewide court system and legal community. As such we have the opportunity to set rules, educate the legal community and create special court programs dealing with human services issues like substance abuse & mental health challenges, veteran's issues & initiatives focused on autism. All geared toward providing fair treatment and equal access for people with unique circumstances.

Answer to question 2: As a lawyer & a judge I have always worked to ensure everyone who comes into a courtroom has an opportunity to be heard and the law applied without bias. This is the cornerstone of our legal system. As a Justice I will not waiver from that driving principle. My work on the bench and in my life will always reflect my dedication to fairness and equality.

Website: judgemclaughlin.com

Republican
KEVIN BROBSON

Dauphin County



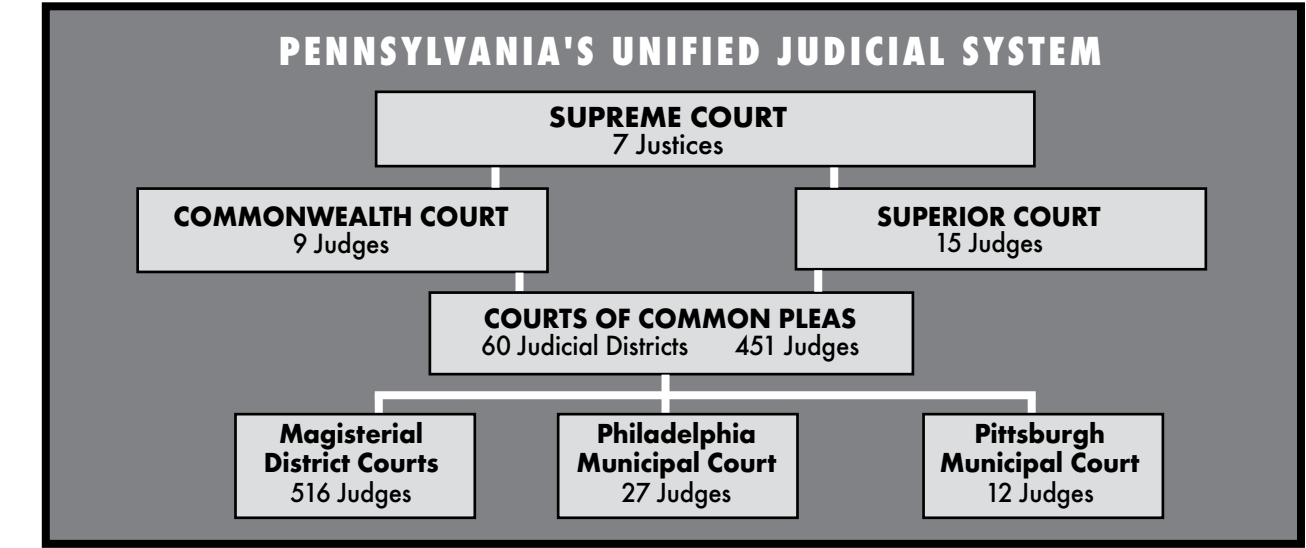
Education: Widener Commonwealth Law School, summa cum laude (2nd in class), Managing Editor Law Review; Lycoming College, BA/ Accounting/ Economics, magna

cum laude

Occupation: President Judge, Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court

Qualifications: President Judge of the Pa. Commonwealth Court; over 11 yrs. as statewide appellate court judge (elected 2009, retained 2019); Pa. Judicial Conduct Board, 2015-19 (Chair); 14 yrs.' private practice; former federal judicial clerk; "Highly Recommended" by Pa. Bar Association

Answer to question 1: I would work cooperatively with the governor and the legislature to increase funding for legal aid programs. While in private practice, I created a program in Dauphin County to expand pro bono opportunities for lawyers to provide services to nonprofit organizations. I would encourage county bar associations to think creatively about expanding pro bono service to small and minority-owned businesses and nonprofits. I want to ensure our courts have



access to interpreters for parties with limited English proficiency. I would build upon the excellent work of Philadelphia Legal Assistance with respect to the representation of low-wage workers and the unemployed by engaging law schools and other legal aid associations throughout the state.

Answer to question 2: I believe I have earned a reputation as a fair and impartial arbiter of the law. I treat everyone who enters my courtroom, or has a matter before me, with equal respect and dignity. I strive to appreciate the perspectives and points of view of all parties. It is important to me that every litigant, represented and unrepresented, be given every opportunity, within the rules and the law, to present their case. Moreover, as a former Chair of the Pa. Judicial Conduct Board, I am keenly aware of how important it is to Pennsylvanians that our judges observe the highest ethical standards on and off the bench. I hold myself to this high standard. All Pennsylvanians deserve to have faith in a fair and impartial judiciary.

Website: www.brobsonforpa.com

JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

Description of office: The Superior Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. This court, established in 1895, reviews most of the civil and criminal cases that are appealed from the Courts of Common Pleas in the Commonwealth's 67 counties. The Superior Court consists of 15 judges. The president judge is elected to a five-year term by his/her colleagues. A large number of appeals flow to the Superior Court from the trial courts. Generally, appeals are heard by panels of three judges sitting in Philadelphia, Harrisburg, or Pittsburgh. The court often is the final arbiter of legal disputes. Although the Supreme Court may grant a petition for review of a Superior Court decision, most petitions are denied, and the ruling of the Superior Court stands.

Term: 10 years

Salary: \$202,898

Vote for ONE.

For the questions asked of candidates for Judge of the Superior Court, see the ["STATE-WIDE JUDICIAL RACES" box on page 2.](#)

Democratic
TIMIKA LANE

Philadelphia County



Education: West Catholic HS and went on to graduate Howard Univ. in Washington DC & received my Law Degree in 2002 from Rutgers Univ. School of Law in NJ.

Occupation: Judge - Court of Common Pleas

Qualifications: Major Trials Judge presiding over 1000's of trials, authoring 100's of opinions. I handle all human trafficking cases & many of the most serious criminal cases & Grand Jury matters. Certified Child Advocate & as former Exec Dir of the Senate Govt Cmte advised on the constitutionality of legislation

Answer to question 1: As a sitting Judge, I ensure everyone in my courtroom is treated with dignity and respect regardless of race, gender, creed, religion, sexual orientation or socioeconomic status. As a member of the Access to Justice Committee, we address this issue by looking at possible barriers and how to remove those barriers to ensure everyone has equal access. As co-chair of the Local Criminal Rules Committee we recommend the qualifications for court appointed attorneys to make sure that indigent people have capable legal representation. We ensure that the local criminal rules are fair and applied equally to all who all who come before our courts.

Answer to question 2: The Superior Court is an error correcting court & often the last line of defense for the parties involved in a case. When reviewing an appeal It is vital the appellate judge have strong courtroom experience on both sides of the bench to best determine the if the proceedings in the lower court were fair, all parties were heard and the law has been applied fairly regardless of race, creed, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or economic status. I will ensure equity and fairness in all cases before me, just as I do for all who appear in my current courtroom. Off the bench, I believe judges should be visible in the community. We are public servants and it is our duty to make

sure the public understands how the court system functions.

Website: www.judgelane.com

Republican
MEGAN SULLIVAN

Chester County



Education: Temple Univ. Beasley School of Law, JD, cum laude; Saint Joseph's Univ., BA

Occupation: Attorney
Qualifications: 20 yrs. criminal & civil

law experience; Deputy Attorney General in PA Attorney General's Office & Supervisory District Attorney, protected victims including the most vulnerable members of our society as a child abuse prosecutor; Asst. General Counsel at West Chester University and civil litigator

Answer to question 1: I believe equal access to justice is essential to maintaining trust in our courts and our justice system's legitimacy. I am committed to providing all individuals in my courtroom with equal access to justice by ensuring their voice is heard, their rights are protected, & that they are never subject to discrimination. I support efforts to enhance equal access to justice through legal aid programs that provide individuals with access to qualified attorneys. Providing interpreters for those individuals for whom English is a second language is also important. It is also important to give Individuals with disabilities full access to the courtroom. Everyone that comes before a judge should fully understand their constitutional rights.

Answer to question 2: I have a deep respect for our Constitution and our system of justice. I have spent a large part of my 20-year career as an attorney helping others to navigate both the criminal and civil judicial system. I respect the system but understand why some fear it. Individuals who serve in the role of a judge must recognize that they are the arbiter of the rules and the process. This is a great power that requires objectivity, an innate sense of fairness, and humility. I possess these traits and am committed to

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Judge of the Superior Court, cont.

delivering to all citizens a justice system that shows respect and fairness, as well as knowledgeable decision-making that takes into account the parties' perspectives and applies the law objectively.

Website: www.megsullivanforjudge.com

JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT

Description of Office: The Commonwealth Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. This court, established in 1968, is unlike any other state court in the nation. Its jurisdiction generally is limited to legal matters involving state and local government and regulatory agencies. Litigation typically focuses on subjects such as banking, insurance, utility regulation, and laws affecting taxation, land use, elections, labor practices, and workers compensation. The Commonwealth Court also acts as a court of original jurisdiction, or a trial court, when lawsuits are filed by or against the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth Court is made up of nine judges. The president judge is elected to a five-year term by his/her colleagues. Generally, appeals are heard by panels of three judges sitting in Philadelphia, Harrisburg, or Pittsburgh.

Term: 10 years

Salary: \$202,898

Vote for not more than TWO.

For the questions asked of candidates for Judge of the Commonwealth Court, see the ["STATE-WIDE JUDICIAL RACES" box on page 2.](#)

Democratic LORI A. DUMAS

Philadelphia County



Education: North Carolina Central School of Law; Duke Univ.; Executive Certificates from Cornell Univ., (D&I); Univ. of Pennsylvania, Fels Institute of Government

Occupation: Judge

Qualifications: Trial Court Judge since 2002; Jury and Non-jury experience; Presided in Family, Criminal and Civil Divisions; Former Corporate Executive, Non-Profit Leader; Adjunct Professor; National Leader in trauma informed courts; Led the creation of victim centered juvenile human trafficking court in Phila.

Answer to question 1: As a judge, I must ensure that every person that comes before the Court has the opportunity to be heard. I must rule according to the law without losing sight of the ultimate goal of dispensing justice. I must remove any obstacle which prevents equal access to justice by any means necessary. As a citizen, I can involve myself with organizations and in activities which seek to educate people about the Court, its processes and procedures and to equip them

with the knowledge and power to be able to use the legal system as an advocate for themselves and their interests.

Answer to question 2: Judges set the tone in their courtrooms. They must model fairness, civility, patience and impartiality and demand it from those in their presence. In my courtroom, every voice will be heard and my decisions will be rooted in the law and cloaked in compassion and the urgency to do what is right. I must conduct a daily heart check to ensure that I am not bringing any biases with me that may interfere with my ability to render impartial decisions. I must call out injustice when it occurs...every time. In the community, I can educate others about their rights and the status of the law. I should regularly attend implicit bias trainings and require my staff to do the same, to ensure that fairness is not just a mantra but embedded in my core.

Website: www.judgedumas2021.com

Democratic DAVID LEE SPURGEON

Allegheny County



Education:

McKeesport Area Senior High; Duquesne Univ., BA; Duquesne Univ. School of Law, JD

Occupation: Judge - Court of Common Pleas

Qualifications: "Highly Recommended" by the Pennsylvania Bar Association; Endorsed by the PA Dem; Serving as a Judge since 2016; Appointed by the Governor and unanimously confirmed by the PA Senate; Adjunct Law Professor; National Judicial Fellow; Domestic Violence National Expert; former prosecutor family violence

Answer to question 1: As a judge, I use my position to promote systems change that ensure that all people have more accessibility to the courts. As a Judicial Fellow, I am using those resources to study the statistics over the year of the pandemic to understand whether the use of advanced technology communications increased participation in the court process. Often times, people with limited resources face additional obstacles inherent with our established court processes. Further, we can ensure that everyone in our community has equal access to the court regardless of how you look, who you love, the language you speak and your socio-economic status. Off the bench, judges should participate in the community as a stakeholder to promote the above matters.

Answer to question 2: Judges must continue to be active members of the community. In order to understand how the court is perceived, one must be accessible and engage in intentional dialogue to understand all the people that we serve. Judges must continue to be trained in explicit and implicit bias as it relates to all aspect of the existing court system, and be open to discussing and participating in the changes identified

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MAIL-IN AND ABSENTEE VOTING

- **MAIL-IN BALLOT:** ALL registered voters in PA now have the option of voting by mail-in ballot. You may now apply for a mail-in ballot without an excuse using an online application at vote.pa.gov, by mailing in a paper application, or by submitting a paper application in person at the County Elections Office.
- **ABSENTEE BALLOT:** Absentee ballots are still available to those who satisfy certain criteria (illness, disability, or absence from the municipality on Election Day).
- **BALLOT APPLICATION DEADLINES:** Completed civilian applications for mail-in or absentee ballots must be **RECEIVED** by the County Elections Office by 5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before Election Day (October 26th, 2021) (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 County Elections Office.
- **RETURNING YOUR BALLOT:** Return your mail-in or absentee ballot by mail - you must provide postage. You can also drop off **YOUR OWN** mail-in ballot at the reception desk of the Union County Government Center (see contact information at the bottom of this box).
- **BALLOT RETURN DEADLINES:** Completed civilian mail-in or absentee ballots must be **RECEIVED** by the County Elections Office by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day (Tuesday, November 2nd, 2021) (postmark does not matter).

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• **NOTE:** Once your county receives your voted mail-in ballot, you are **NOT** allowed to go to the polling place to change your vote on Election Day. **If you do not return** your voted mail-in ballot and you want to vote in person, you have two options:

1. Bring your **ballot and the envelope** with the voter's declaration to your polling place and turn it in so you can vote on your county's voting system.
2. If you don't have your ballot, you can vote by **provisional** ballot at your polling place. Note your provisional ballot number so you can track it.

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- **TRACKING YOUR BALLOT:** If you requested an application or ballot online, you can track the status of your application or ballot at pavoterservices.pa.gov/Pages/BallotTracking.aspx.

COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE: CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: Union County Elections Office
Union County Government Center
155 North 15th Street, Lewisburg, PA 17837

Phone: 570-524-8681

Website: unioncountypa.org (under **Departments**, choose **Elections & Voter Registration**)

to make the courts more equitable and fair. I recently participated in a national panel to address the racial disparities that exist in the child welfare system. On the bench, we must continue to serve as a servant leader and hold ourselves as well as our colleagues accountable for inequities.

Website: www.judgespurgeon4commonwealth.com

Republican STACY MARIE WALLACE

McKean County



Education: Univ. of Pittsburgh, BA/ Communications ('01); Duquesne Univ. School of Law, JD ('04)

Occupation: Attorney

Qualifications: Nearly 17 yrs.' experience; Owner: Stacy Wallace Law LLC; Specially Appointed Family Law Master & SORNA Counsel; Adjunct Professor, Univ. of Pittsburgh-Bradford; Clerkships: McKean Co. Court of Common Pleas, PA Superior Court. Certified Mediator-Conflict Resolution; McKean Co. Bar Assn., President

Answer to question 1: Throughout my career, my purpose has been to always seek justice. I was first inspired to enter the legal field by a pamphlet for Northwestern Legal Services, a legal aid organization of which I now serve on the board of directors. I've worked tirelessly to ensure that our state's most vulnerable individuals, including at-risk children and those with disabilities, have equal access to justice, and have done much of this work pro bono. If elected, I will continue to advocate for and engage with underserved communities. On the bench, I will be a steadfast defender of equal justice under the law in all matters and safeguard the rights of all citizens regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, religious affiliation, or financial status.

Answer to question 2: The makeup of the Commonwealth Court should be a true reflection of Pennsylvania and the broad perspectives and values of our residents. I will use my grassroots upbringing from McKean County, diverse experience, and values to guide informed and thoughtful opinions that produce more equitable outcomes. Off the bench, I will continue to engage our citizens, lead by example in promoting inclusiveness of all people, and raise awareness of our judiciary's role. Equitable courts start with having equitable judges who value equality, fairness and a desire to serve others. As just one example of how I've done that in my personal life, I co-founded "Blessing Boxes of Bradford" which serves as small sidewalk food pantries throughout my community.

Website: stacyforpa.com

Republican
DREW CROMPTON
Cumberland County



Education: Phil-mont Christian Academy; Dickinson College; Widener School of Law

Occupation: Judge

Qualifications: Currently a sitting

Judge on the Commonwealth Court. I have authored over 100 opinions. They are balanced, well-reasoned and thoughtful. I am recommended by the Pa. Bar. I also serve on the Supreme Court Appellate Rules Committee. I have extensive Constitutional, statutory and regulatory experience.

Answer to question 1: As a sitting Judge I have done all in my power to treat every person that comes before me with respect and fairness. Judges must ensure those with modest means have equal access to justice. We are all created equal but as judges we

must insist that all are treated equally or justice is being unfairly denied. Filing fees and other court costs must be waived for those who cannot afford them. Also, quality lawyers must be available to low income individuals free of cost for civil and criminal matters. Further as judges we must ensure that no one perceives that race or wealth or political connections are weighed when a decision is rendered. High ethical standards are vital to instill confidence in the Judiciary.

Answer to question 2: Litigants must be convinced that the Judge's personal philosophy does not impede justice. I have also defended the powers of each branch of government since citizens want to be assured that the legislative, executive and judicial branches are not overstepping their constitutional boundaries. Further I try to be a judge that has common sense and treats every person with common decency. Judges must also remain connected to their communities and not be overly isolated. People have more confidence in the Judiciary when they know Judges care about our the same things in our Commonwealth as they do. Judges must have a heightened sense of their words and actions in the courtroom. Both must be beyond reproach.

Website: JudgeCrompton.com

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS 17TH DISTRICT: SNYDER AND UNION COUNTIES

Description of Office: The Courts of Common Pleas are the trial courts of Pennsylvania. Major civil and criminal cases are heard in these courts. Judges also decide cases involving adoption, divorce, child custody, abuse, juvenile delinquency, estates, guardianships, charitable organizations, and many other matters. The Common Pleas courts are organized into 60 judicial districts, most of which encompass a single county. Seven judicial districts in lightly populated areas include two counties. Snyder and Union Counties are combined into the 17th Judicial District under two judges. A president judge and a court administrator serve in each judicial district. President Judge Michael T. Hudock is retiring. Judge Michael H. Sholley was elected to a second term by judicial retention in 2019.

Term: 10 years
Salary: \$186,665
Vote for ONE.

All candidates for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas 17th District were asked:

1. What can you do on and off the bench to ensure that all individuals have equal access to justice?
2. What quality do you have that you consider most important in a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas?

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VOTING INFORMATION
REGISTRATION

October 18th, 2021 is the last day to **REGISTER** to vote or change party registration. Register online at vote.pa.gov or contact the Union County Elections Office for an application.

MAIL-IN AND ABSENTEE VOTING

ALL registered voters in PA now have the option of voting in person, by mail-in ballot, or by absentee ballot. For more information, see the **"MAIL-IN and ABSENTEE VOTING" box on page 4.**

MAKE SURE YOU KNOW WHERE TO VOTE

At the website vote.pa.gov, 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, contact the County Elections Office to make sure you go to the right polling place. This information is also on your Voter Registration card. 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. For a list of Union County polling places, see [page 20](#) of the Voters Guide.

ACCESSIBILITY AND ASSISTANCE IN VOTING

Any voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should contact the County Elections 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

Poll workers are there to help you, show you how to work the machines, and assist with any other questions. 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. You can check the status of your provisional ballot by calling the County Elections Office.

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ELECTION RESULTS WEBSITE

Unofficial election results for Union County will be posted on the Union County website as soon as they become available. After accessing the Union County homepage at www.unioncountypa.org, navigate to Elections & Voter Registration in the sidebar. Then click on Elections Results in the Elections and Voter Registration Quick Links box.

Democratic
BRIAN L. KERSTETTER

Union County



Education:

Lewisburg Area HS,
1992; King's College,
BA, 1996; Ohio
Northern Univ., JD,
1999

Occupation:

Attorney/First Assistant
District Attorney

Qualifications: I've been engaged in the private practice of law since 1999 earning a breadth of experience in all areas of the law. In addition, I serve as First Assistant District Attorney in Snyder County and have for 17 of my 21 yrs. of practice. I've tried over 100 cases to jury verdict.

Answer to question 1: The biggest impediment to equal justice, in my eyes, is lack of representation. In probably 70-80% of civil cases, which includes divorce, custody and support cases, at least one party is unrepresented. This has the effect of tipping the scales of justice in favor of the represented party more often than not. So, in order to balance the scales again, I would consider relaxing some of the strictly formal procedures (not substantive ones) that cause cases to be dismissed for mere "technicalities." I would also suggest the greater availability of legal forms for self-represented parties as well as incentives to

attract attorneys to provide no cost or low cost representation to indigent persons.

Answer to question 2: Compassion. My father was a police officer for 28 years. My mother is an R.N. who retired from SCI Muncy. Both of them instilled in me at a young age the notion that people should be treated fairly, compassionately and with dignity regardless of their life circumstances, their race, their sex, etc. Lady Justice wears a blindfold, her scales are equally balanced and she carries a sword. Justice is to be blind. It is to be equal, but when necessary, justice can be severe. I've tried my best to project those principles as a prosecutor and I would continue to do so if elected to the bench.

Website: www.kerstetterforjudge.com

Republican
LORI R. HACKENBERG

Snyder County



Education:

Mifflinburg Area HS;
Widener Univ. School
of Law

Occupation:

Magisterial District
Judge

Qualifications:

Magisterial District Judge since 2012; A Judicial Team Member of the Drug, Alcohol & Mental Health Treatment Court of the 17th Judicial District; Practicing Attorney for over 17 yrs.; Adjunct Instructor at Susquehanna



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Univ.; Advisory Board Member of the Union-Snyder Community Action Agency

Answer to question 1: As a currently serving judge, I am committed to ensuring that all parties, including crime victims and defendants, are treated fairly and justly. In certain situations, early intervention offers the best and most just outcome. That is why I am an active judicial team member of the Drug, Alcohol & Mental Health Treatment Court of the 17th Judicial District. Problem-solving courts provide non-violent defendants alternatives to incarceration that address existing substance abuse and mental health issues. As a judge, I actively promote the use of early intervention strategies, encourage alternative dispute resolutions processes, and partner with local non-profit organizations to provide pro bono/low bono

resources to qualified litigants.

Answer to question 2: Judicial temperament is an essential personal trait of an effective and fair judge. Proper judicial temperament ensures that all litigants are treated with dignity and respect. With over 9 years of judicial experience as a Magisterial District Judge, I have a proven record of being fair and impartial while exhibiting exemplary judicial temperament. I have been a judge on the front lines for over 9 years and have built an excellent reputation for being respectful and patient, while maintaining order and decorum in my courtroom. Union and Snyder County residents can rely on me to continue being a fair judge with the necessary judicial temperament to serve them on the bench.

Website: www.friendsoflorihackenberg.com

UNION COUNTY

SHERIFF

Description of office: As the chief peace officer of the county, the Sheriff is responsible for carrying out the orders of the Court of Common Pleas and maintaining order. Duties include serving processes, writs, warrants, summons, and other judicial documents; making arrests; delivering and executing court orders; executing sheriff's sales; transporting prisoners; impaneling jurors; issuing firearms permits; maintaining security in the courtroom; and carrying out other orders of the county court.

Term: 4 years
Salary: \$73,688
Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

ERNEST R. RITTER III

Kelly Township



Education:

Lewisburg Area HS/
Sun Tech, 1984; PA
Police Academy (Act
120 Certified), June
1991; PA Sheriff's
Academy (Act 2 Cert),
June 1998; Police K-9
Academy, April 2000;

National Sheriff's Cert; National Inst of Corrections Cert; Incident Resp to Terrorist Bomb Cert; NRA Cert Firearms Instructor

Occupation: Sheriff

Qualifications: Sheriff, Union County, Oct 2008 – Present; Chief Deputy Union County, 2001 – 2008; Deputy USCO 1998 – 2001; K-9 Handler, Narcotics Unit, UCSO 2002 – Pres; Spec Duty, US Marshall Service; Fugitive Task Force, 2006 – Present; AG Drug Task Force, 2002 – 2006; Watsonstown PD, 2000-2001; Middleburg PD, 1995-1998

PROTHONOTARY & CLERK OF COURTS

Description of office: The Prothonotary administers the records of civil proceedings of the Court of Common Pleas including, but not limited to, divorces, PFAs, judgments and liens, evictions, foreclosures, medical malpractice, and any other civil filings. This office also keeps naturalization records and processes passport applications. The Clerk of Courts administers the records of criminal proceedings of the Court of Common Pleas (including adult and juvenile records), collects fines and costs, and accepts bail bonds. In addition to the duties of those two offices, the Prothonotary/Clerk of Courts also maintains the office of Clerk of the Orphans' Court, handling adoptions, guardianships, estates, and marriage licenses.

Term: 4 years
Salary: \$82,348
Vote for ONE.

Democratic
NICK FULLER

East Buffalo Township



Education: California Univ. of PA, MS; West Virginia Univ., BS (let's go, Mountaineers!)

Occupation:

Owner/Cognitive
Performance Coach -
The Tactical Mind

Qualifications: Prothonotary is, in my opinion, an apolitical position. I plan to keep it that way. This position is also about helping you get a passport and/or a marriage certificate, let's make it a fun experience, and we will do it by leading with customer service in mind.

Republican

DIANE O. MILLER

East Buffalo Township

Education: Lansdowne Aldan HS; Delaware County Community College, Bloomsburg Univ.

Occupation: Prothonotary

Qualifications: Seven yrs. experience working in and performing the duties of the Prothonotary Office as a Deputy Clerk, Chief Deputy and currently serving as the Prothonotary. Twenty yrs. legal experience in roles of Administrative Assistant, Fiscal Technician and Bookkeeper for law offices

CORONER

Description of office: The Coroner is the officer responsible for investigating sudden, suspicious, or violent deaths in the county. S/he is required to issue a probable cause of death certificate if death occurs without medical attendance, and when necessary s/he orders autopsies and subpoenas witnesses for inquests. The Coroner oversees the county morgue and must authorize all cremations within the county.

Term: 4 years
Salary: \$45,434
Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

DOMINICK T. ADAMO

Lewisburg Borough



Education:

Pennsylvania Univ.;
Pittsburgh Institute of
Mortuary Science

Occupation: Coroner/
Funeral Director

Qualifications: 8 yrs.
as County Coroner;

Completed numerous training courses on current best practices of Medicolegal Death Investigations

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DESCRIPTIONS OF TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH OFFICES



MAYOR

The Mayor is the chief law enforcement officer of the borough, the executive administrator of the police department (if there is one), and the elected official who takes charge during the time of an emergency. S/he attends and takes part in the monthly Borough Council meetings and votes in cases of a tie (unless it involves the hiring or firing of police personnel). The Mayor has the power to sign or veto ordinances and regulations as well as the responsibility for their enforcement.

Term: 4 years

BOROUGH COUNCIL

There are 6 to 8 council members in each borough with half elected every 2 years. Borough Council members meet once monthly and are responsible for enacting, revising, repealing, and amending ordinances and resolutions that govern and are beneficial to the borough, but are not inconsistent with the laws of the Commonwealth. The Council appoints other borough officers such as secretary, treasurer, solicitor, manager, etc., but no council member can also be a borough employee. The Borough Council has the power to make, authorize, and ratify expenditures for lawful purposes from available funds or from funds borrowed within legal limits. Additionally, each member serves on at least one committee such as planning, police, public works, or finance.

Term: 4 years

TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

There are 3 supervisors for each of our local townships, one being elected every 2 years. The Board of Supervisors is the legislative body of the township in setting policy, enacting and enforcing ordinances and resolutions, adopting budgets, and levying taxes. The Supervisors are responsible for planning and zoning, road maintenance, providing for fire and police protection, hiring employees, and the administration of financial affairs. They are also involved with Central Keystone COG, SEDA-COG, sewer enforcement, recreation, and other affairs affecting the health, safety, and welfare of township residents.

Term: 6 years

QUESTION ASKED OF ALL CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR, BOROUGH COUNCIL, AND TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

What do you see as the biggest challenge your borough/township faces at this time, and how would you address it?

TAX COLLECTOR

A Tax Collector's responsibilities include collecting real estate, per capita, and other taxes for the county, school district, and the municipality that s/he serves. S/he does not collect the 1% earned income tax.

Term: 4 years

Salary: Based upon the number of bills/parcels; rates may vary by municipality

AUDITOR

There are 3 township auditors, one elected every 2 years. They meet several times after the first of the year in order to audit the accounts of the tax collector and all municipal officers, as well as all municipal accounts of any person, organization, or agency receiving or spending municipal funds. NOTE: Some municipalities do not have an auditor position.

Term: 6 years (4 and/or 2 year unexpired terms may also be on the ballot)

JUDGE of ELECTION

A Judge of Election oversees the Election Board members and is responsible for the smooth operation of the polls in his/her voting precinct each election, making certain that all regulations regarding voting are followed before, during, and after voting takes place.

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$135 per election

INSPECTOR of ELECTION

An Inspector of Election oversees procedures at polling places to make certain that all regulations regarding voting are followed before, during, and after voting takes place.

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$130 per election

CONSTABLE

Constables serve warrants of arrest and civil summons for the courts; sit as a guard over the polls on Election Day in their wards of residence; and issue citations for breaches of peace committed in their presence, but only in their own ward of residence.

Term: 4 years

Salary: \$130 per election; additional pay based on warrants and summons served

BUFFALO TOWNSHIP

For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$1,800 per year
Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican JOSEPH WISE



Education: Graduated from Mifflinburg HS

Occupation: Public Works Director

Qualifications: I've been an employee of Buffalo Township for 41 yrs. and Supervisor

for 36 yrs.

Answer to question: Maintaining and creating new infrastructure to make the highways safer and better the community. The most important thing about the job of Supervisor is treating people with respect and kindness. I think we have a wonderful township and wonderful people. It's not about power, it is about the "Golden Rule".

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican PAIGE CURRY

Education: Hopewell Area HS, Aliquippa Pa; L.C.C.C., Nanticoke Pa

Occupation: Secretary/Treasurer/Tax Collector

Qualifications: I have been Buffalo Twp. Tax collector since the 2015 elections. I have a banking and accounting background. I have been the township secretary/treasurer since 2018. I am the Vice-president of the Union County Association of Township Officials for the past 2 yrs. and a member of PSATS.

AUDITORS

Salary: \$25 per year

6 Year Term, 2 Year Unexpired Term
Vote for ONE for each term.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

BUFFALO 1

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican HAZEL M. ROUSH

Education: HS Graduate

Occupation: church office manager

Qualifications: I have served on Buffalo Twp. election board for many yrs., starting out as a clerk. I was then Majority Inspector for 4 yrs. Since then I have served as Judge of Elections for 24 yrs. I have many yrs. of experience and enjoy serving the voting members of this township.

BUFFALO 2

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican CANDACE J. BLANKENSHIP

Education: Not provided

Occupation: Stay at home Mom.

Qualifications: Concerned Citizen

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

BUFFALO 1

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican MARK WEHR

Education: Mifflinburg Area HS, 1968; Penn State Univ., 1972

Occupation: Retired

Qualifications: Among my qualifications is a willingness to accept my civic duty as part of the process to ensure fair and honest elections. A fraudulent election is meaningless to all constituents, winners and losers.

BUFFALO 2

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

BUFFALO 1

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican BUTCH WOOLSEY

No reply received

BUFFALO 2

No candidate filed in either party

MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 1

For candidates and their responses, see ["MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 17.](#)

EAST BUFFALO TOWNSHIP

For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$2,500 per year
Vote for ONE.

Democratic KATIE EVANS



Education: Bloomsburg Univ., BS/Secondary Education; Kutztown Univ., MLS/Library Science

Occupation: Part Time Instructor for Penn State World Campus

Qualifications: I have negotiation and conflict resolution skills and a clear understanding of contract language as well as the ability to listen to and work with individuals and groups with differing needs and viewpoints. As a long time resident, I have a deep knowledge of local issues and a desire to serve EBT.

Answer to question: East Buffalo Township, is a community with a well-diversified mix in both land use and a growing population. What we need to do now is begin thinking about where we want to be 5 years from now. We need a well thought out plan that has input from all the segments of our residents. This could be done through a comprehensive survey of residents or through open public meetings to gather information. Three things that I feel are important right now are developing more parks to create a better sense of community, attention to bicycle and pedestrian safety and more co-operation and collaboration among the various local governments to see if we can provide our many services more economically and efficiently.

Website: katieevansforsupervisor.com

Republican MIKE GLAZER



Education: Not provided

Occupation: Retired

Qualifications: Former small business owner. District Rep. for two US congressmen.

Newspaper reporter, radio host, speechwriter for PA's Lt. Governor, 20+ year EBT resident. Board member of the Donald Heiter Center and BVRA. Most important, co-founder and host of the Lewisburg Woolly Worm Festival.

Answer to question: EBT is our unique community. We currently face no dire challenges. Our supervisors have established

and maintained financial stability and I promise to stay the course, but not to the point of stagnation. There will always be potholes to patch, but also opportunities to consider. I've met with Police Chief Yost and am relieved the police funding dispute was settled. The Chief has assured me that our police are trained and ready, as well as aware of our community's expectations. I also met with Fire Chief Blount and If there is one issue I see that needs attention it's the modernization of William Cameron Engine Company's and its EMT's facilities and vehicles. I'm asking for your vote. If elected I will be eager and ready to serve you.

Website: www.facebook.com/MikeGlazerEBT

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

Democratic DANIEL GREENE

Education: Indiana Univ. of PA, BS/ Business Administration

Occupation: Self-employed

Qualifications: My wife and I moved back to the Lewisburg area in 2001, to be nearer to our families. We feel fortunate to live in our area and we have tried to give something back. I am honest and, I think, pretty normal - I will try to be friendly, helpful and fair with everyone in all my duties.

Republican

No candidate filed

AUDITORS

Salary: Information unavailable

6 Year Term, 4 Year Unexpired Term, 2 Year Unexpired Term
Vote for ONE for each term.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

EAST BUFFALO 1

Democratic ERIC N. BROWN



Education: Drury Univ., Bachelor of Architecture, 1996

Occupation: Architectural Designer

Qualifications: I was elected as a write in for the Inspector of

Election for EB1 in 2017 and have been the Acting Judge of Elections since 2019.

Website: www.facebook.com/EBforEB1

Republican

No candidate filed

EAST BUFFALO 2

No candidate filed in either party

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EAST BUFFALO 3

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

SHERRY ROWE

No reply received

EAST BUFFALO 4

Democratic

JACOB FEUERSTEIN



Education: Bucknell Univ.; American Univ.; Lewisburg Area HS

Occupation: Student

Qualifications:

Worked several elections in EBT 4,

helping voters cast their votes and aiding the Union County Elections Office with their efforts to count every ballot. As a student of American government, I'm excited to have the opportunity to help citizens exercise their fundamental right to vote.

Republican

No candidate filed

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

EAST BUFFALO 1

Democratic

GARY NOTTIS

Education: Bucknell Univ., BS with Honors/Geology, 2004

Occupation: Pastor

Qualifications: I have been serving as a clerk during elections in East Buffalo Township for more than 4 yrs. I have participated in "Election School" and have become familiar with the necessary procedures over the course of election cycles.

Republican

No candidate filed

EAST BUFFALO 2

Democratic

SHARON L. SILBERMAN

Education: Univ. of Michigan, BA; Bucknell Univ., MA

Occupation: Licensed Psychologist

Qualifications: Incumbent Inspector of Election; Inspector of Election in the 1970's

Republican

No candidate filed

EAST BUFFALO 3 & 4

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

EAST BUFFALO 1, 2, 3, & 4

No candidate filed in either party

LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

For candidates and their responses, see ["LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 16.](#)

GREGG TOWNSHIP

For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$1,875 per year

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

ARTHUR W. MASSER

No reply received

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

CARLENE M. WEAVER



Education: Milton Area HS; McCann Cosmetology degree

Occupation: Library Aide and Tax Collector

Qualifications: Tax Collector for 17 yrs.;

Tax Collector credits per yr.

AUDITOR

Salary: \$10 per hour

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

WARRIOR RUN SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 1

For candidates and their responses, see ["WARRIOR RUN SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 18.](#)

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HARTLETON BOROUGH

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MAYOR

Salary: Information unavailable

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

THOMAS H. PURVES

No reply received

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Salary: \$15 per meeting

Vote for not more than FOUR.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

JOSEPH L. RICHARD, JR.

Education: HS Diploma

Occupation: Bookkeeper/Dispatcher

Qualifications: Army, 4 yrs.; State Employee, 26 yrs.; CPR Auto Center, 9 yrs.

Answer to question: Sewer plant up upgrade. Try to get Sewer Authority & Boro Council working together so that this project can move forward in a timely manner, but also getting the best service for the money that we need to invest into the project. Also try to make our little town one that everyone can feel like there part of a big family.

AUDITORS

Salary: \$60 per day, 2-3 days

6 Year Term, 4 Year Unexpired Term
Vote for ONE for each term.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 3

For candidates and their responses, see ["MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 17.](#)

HARTLEY TOWNSHIP

For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$1,800 per year
Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

BRADLEY L. WAGNER

Education: Graduated from Mifflinburg went to sun tech for hvac and plumbing

Occupation: Currently township supervisor and work for mid state mechanical hvac&plumbing

Qualifications: I have worked for the township for the last 4 yrs. when needed for fixing pot holes plowing, taring and chipping, cleaning ditches and mowing after being in office for 5 yrs. i feel like i have a better perspective of the way the township operates

Answer to question: The selling of the laurelton state school, solar farms, and fixing a few of the roads that are in bad shape we are currently in the process of fixing 2 roads now thanks to money the township got from the dirt and gravel rd programs far as the sale of the state school and the solar fields we will try to get feed back from township residents and do what we think is right and what the residents want.

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

AUDITORS

Salary: \$10 per hour

6 Year Term, 4 Year Unexpired Term
Vote for ONE for each term.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

CINDY POTOESKI



Education: High School - Online Training

Occupation: Small Business Owner

Qualifications: 10 yrs. of experience as poll clerk for Hartley

Township. Lives in Hartley Township for 27 yrs. and counting

Republican

No candidate filed

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

Democratic / Republican

PAMELA HACKENBURG

Education: Associate Degree in Accounting

Occupation: Municipal Secretary/Treasurer

Qualifications: Not provided

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

DYMPHNA LEMON

No reply received

MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 3

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KELLY TOWNSHIP

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SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$2,500 per year

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

DAVID S. HASSENPLUG

No reply received

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

CINDY L. BINGAMAN



Education: Lewisburg HS, 1979

Occupation: Business Owner

Qualifications: My main course of study was always accounting and bookkeeping

AUDITOR

Salary: \$10 per hour

Vote for ONE

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

KELLY 1

Democratic

SUSAN TRAVIS

Education: Syracuse Univ., BFA; Union County Poll school attendee for many yrs.

Occupation: Retired administrator

Qualifications: Poll worker for many yrs.; Judge of Election at Kelly I since 2014

Republican

No candidate filed

KELLY 2

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

CAROL A. PRICE

No reply received

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

KELLY 1

No candidate filed in either party

KELLY 2

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

DAVID MCCARTY



Education: PSU, BA/ English Literature, 1977; Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, M Div, 1982

Occupation: Pastor

Qualifications:

Familiarity with voting procedures and commitment to fairness so that every legitimate vote counts

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

KELLY 1 & 2

No candidate filed in either party

LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

For candidates and their responses, see ["LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 16.](#)

LEWIS TOWNSHIP

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SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$100 per meeting
Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

MATTHEW R. DERSHAM



Education: High school, vo tech

Occupation: Farmer/ Diesel Mechanic

Qualifications: Im a diesel mechanic, and have done excavating, and I do have my cdl.

Answer to question: I see the biggest challenges are the roads, the run off of rain water, and bridges are in need of updating in the township. To help support the people of the township in different problems that may arise.

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

AUDITOR

Salary: \$10 per hour

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

RICHARD D. TROUTMAN

No reply received

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

RICHARD D. TROUTMAN

No reply received

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

KAREN M. TROUTMAN

No reply received

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

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MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 3

For candidates and their responses, see the ["MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 17.](#)

LEWISBURG BOROUGH

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MAYOR

Salary: \$150 per month
Vote for ONE.

Democratic / Republican **KENDY ALVAREZ**



Education: Bucknell Univ., BA, 2006

Occupation: Mortgage Loan Originator

Qualifications: Not provided

Answer to question:

Right now, our biggest challenge is ourselves. Our community has focused on what divides us rather than what unites us. We pay more attention to the national news and politics than our neighbors. We have arguments via social media rather than conversations addressing our differences. It is not a challenge unique to us, but one that continues to tear apart what makes this region very special. I believe it is important to address the pain points within our community that cause our constituents to pit themselves against one another. I would like to start by bringing together local politicians – regardless of their political affiliation – to listen to our constituents frustrations and working together to find solutions.

Website: [facebook.com/KendyAlvarez4Mayor](https://www.facebook.com/KendyAlvarez4Mayor)

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

CONNIE MOORE

Education: Univ. of Pittsburgh, BS/ Chemical Engineering

Occupation: Tax Collector

Qualifications: Lewisburg Borough Tax Collector, 15 yrs.; Board of Directors for Pa State Tax Collector Association, 10 yrs.

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Salary: \$100 per month
Vote for ONE.

WARD 1

Democratic **BINA BILENKY TRAHAN**



Education: Texas A&M Univ., College Station, TX, BS/ Recreation, Park and Tourism Sciences

Occupation: Event Director

Qualifications:

Member, Lewisburg Borough Planning Commission

Answer to question: My work (and passion) is in the bicycle industry and as a result, I have an attentiveness to bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Since the Buffalo Valley Rail Trail was constructed I've observed and experienced the absence of a safe connection to and from the Downtown Lewisburg portion of the trail. This is an obvious safety issue as well as an economic one as residents and visitors would be more likely to continue into town and patronize the local businesses if there was a protected crossing. With the completion of the Central Susquehanna Valley Thruway imminent, this should be a real possibility and I hope to be a driving force in this project. I'm committed to making Lewisburg safer and more accessible by bicycle and on foot.

Republican

No candidate filed

WARD 2

Democratic / Republican **DIANNE POWERS**



Education: Assoc. Early Childhood Ed

Occupation: Retired

Qualifications: See below

Answer to question: I grew up in Lewisburg (S. Water St) and

have recently returned following a 40+ year absence. I do have some catching up to do as far as Borough challenges. What I can bring to the table is many years experience in local government having been the Dukes County (MA) Register of Deeds for 20+ years. Additionally I volunteered as an EMT (14 years), West Tisbury School Committee (11 years), West Tisbury Board of Selectman (3 years), West Tisbury Personnel Board (3 years), West Tisbury Asst. Elections Warden (2 years) and as Acting County Manager (9 months). I look forward to identifying issues and working toward resolutions.

WARD 3

Democratic **DAVID ALAN HEAYN**



Education: Villanova Univ., BA, 2007, MA, 2009; The Graduate Center of the City Univ. of New York, MPhil, 2014, PhD in progress

Occupation: Executive Director

Qualifications: Councilman Lewisburg Borough; Lewisburg Historic Architectural Review Board Member; Shade Tree Commission Member; Former BVRA Board Member

Answer to question: The biggest problem that faces the Borough of Lewisburg is the pressing need for a long term plan for sustainable and equitable development. The Borough has a restricted geographic area, limited space for development, and the ever present threat of living in a flood zone. We need leadership which can work with our neighbors and partners, listen to and address community and commercial needs, plan for a housing environment which maintains and fosters our community, and prepare for future environmental changes. Lewisburg is an amazing community with many human resources and with the proper leadership we can prepare for the issues on the horizon. This means understanding and preparing for a future before it happens, not simply reacting.

Website: www.facebook.com/Elect-David-Heayn-112007647650425

Republican

No candidate filed

WARD 4

Democratic **MARLENE LIRA**



Education: St. John's College, BA/Liberal Arts, 2008; Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, M.P.H./ Epidemiology, 2020; Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins Univ., Part-

time Dr.P.H. Student/Health Policy, Expected Graduation 2026

Occupation: Research manager, public health research

Qualifications: I am a problem solver and a strategist. As a public health researcher, student, and mom, I synthesize complex data and am always open to expanding my perspectives, yet I am practical and prioritize people. I am hardworking and seek to raise unheard voices.

Answer to question: Although the challenges our borough faces are multiple (e.g., recovering from financial impacts of the pandemic along Market Street, addressing flooding concerns, being a more welcoming community for people of color), an imminent challenge raised by Ward 4 voters is road and pedestrian safety. For example, drivers do not consistently stop for pedestrians along Market Street or at stop signs throughout the borough, and traffic at the intersection of N. 4th St. and Rte. 15 remains congested and dangerous. I would work with the borough council to understand why past initiatives to improve road safety have fallen short and implement a multi-pronged approach to make our roads safer.

Republican **RUDY MUMMEY**



Education: Hughesville HS, 1961; Lycoming College, BA, German, Education, 1965; Bucknell Univ., MS/ED+30/Education, English, 1970, 1978

Occupation: Retired

Qualifications: I taught at Lewisburg Area HS for 39 yrs., dealing with students, parents, and administrators, representing all social groups. I have lived in the Lewisburg area for the better part of 56 yrs., 20 yrs. within the Borough, so I believe I know this Borough and this area pretty well.

Answer to question: We need a representative from Ward 4 who lives on the west side of Route 15, the "forgotten" part of Ward 4. Many of the past Borough Council members were not residents of the west section of Ward 4. Residents west of Route 15 deserve the same recognition and services as those who live in the other three Wards as well as the "in-town" part of the Ward. Except for St. Mary Street Park, we don't even have the three-globe street lights. Street lighting on the west side of Route 15 needs to be expanded. We need to look at our street projects. Some Ward 4 streets west of Route 15 are in dire need of repair or resurfacing. Matlack Avenue springs to mind. In short, we are tired of being the residents of the Borough "out towards Mifflinburg."

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

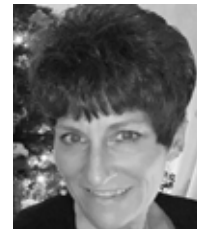
WARD 1

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

DAVENA L. LAVERTY



Education: Liberty Univ.; Practical Bible College; Lee County Vocational/Technical School; Berwick Area Jr/Sr HS

Occupation: Children's Services Assistant

Qualifications: Davena has volunteered as a Poll worker and substitute Minority Inspector in the precinct for the past 3 yrs. Davena works to promote honesty, integrity, and fairness in the election process while living and working in the community.

WARD 2, 3, & 4

No candidate filed in either party

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

WARD 1, 2, 3, & 4

No candidate filed in either party

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CONSTABLE
Vote for ONE.

WARD 1, 2, 3, & 4
No candidate filed in either party

LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS
For candidates and their responses, see ["LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 16.](#)

LIMESTONE TOWNSHIP
For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR
Salary: \$1,875 per year
Vote for ONE.
Democratic
No candidate filed
Republican
STANLEY L. BINGAMAN
Education: High School
Occupation: Retired\Labor
Qualifications: 60 yrs. working with the township; Leadership roles
Answer to question: maintaining roads and bridges are the biggest challenges at this time. I would make sure that the roads and bridges are maintained and safe for travel

TAX COLLECTOR
Vote for ONE.
Democratic
No candidate filed
Republican
NANCY L. WALTER
Education: Middleburg HS Graduate with business education
Occupation: Administration
Qualifications: Have held the tax collector position for over a year now

AUDITOR
Salary: \$10 per hour
Vote for ONE.
No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION
Vote for ONE.
No candidate filed in either party


INSPECTOR OF ELECTION
Vote for ONE.
No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE
Vote for ONE.
Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
EDWARD B. MOYER
Education: Mifflinburg HS graduate
Occupation: Retired
Qualifications: 6 yrs. previous experience as constable.

MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS
REGION 1
For candidates and their responses, see ["MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 17.](#)

MIFFLINBURG BOROUGH
For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)


MAYOR
Salary: \$150 per month
Vote for ONE.
Democratic / Republican
DAVID COONEY


Education: Bloomsburg Univ., BSc/Biology with Honors; Univ. of Virginia, Graduate coursework in Anatomy and Cell Biology
Occupation: Photography Studio Owner
Qualifications: I am always available and willing to help residents in any way I can. Eleven yrs. experience as Mayor. Involved in many civic activities, organizations and school district committees.
Answer to question: We face many challenges regarding the aging infrastructure, particularly the sewer lines. Broken sewer lines and laterals have been a great contributor to the inflow and infiltration problems plaguing our sewer treatment plant. This problem is being addressed by sewer main repair work and sewer lateral inspections and repairs. Another challenge we face is revitalizing our downtown district. I place a priority on enhancing our sense of community and am glad to announce that several of our vacant downtown buildings have recently sold to owners who are interested in bringing more business to the downtown. Helping these new owners think outside the box and determine what businesses models work will create a successful downtown.
Website: [CooneyForMayor.com](#)

TAX COLLECTOR
Vote for ONE.
No candidate filed in either party

BOROUGH COUNCIL
Salary: \$150 per month

MIFFLINBURG EAST
Vote for not more than TWO.
Democratic
No candidate filed
Republican
ELLIE K. KREISHER
No reply received
Republican
BRADLEY M. SAUERS
Education: Mifflinburg HS class of 2007
Occupation: Water and wastewater operator
Qualifications: Licensed water and wastewater operator. 13 yrs. experience in public utilities.
Answer to question: The borough has an extremely aged water and wastewater infrastructure. Attention is being placed in both of those areas. Unfortunately years of neglect leave the borough in a tough position with replacement costs. A proactive approach needs to be taken. More needs to be done than just enough to satisfy DEP. I plan to work extensively with borough management to better the system with as little cost as possible.

MIFFLINBURG WEST
Vote for ONE.
Democratic
No candidate filed
Republican
BEVERLY L. HACKENBERG


Education: Mifflinburg Area HS; Sun Area Technical School
Occupation: Self Employed Beautician
Qualifications: 12+ yrs. Boro Council
Answer to question: 1) Keeping Water, Sewer & Electric rates comparable with rate studies. 2) Keeping Boro residents informed with up to date events using the internet, but also keeping our non internet users up to date & informed. 3) Keep Mifflinburg a Safe town...We have a Great Police Force, Great Boro Crew & Management that keeps the town going.

2 Year Unexpired Term
Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
MATTHEW C. WAGNER



Education:
Mifflinburg Area HS,
1978; Susquehanna
Univ., 1983; Graduate
Studies: Penn State
Univ., Central Conn.
State Univ.

Occupation: Retired
Teacher (31 yrs.)

Qualifications: 21 yrs. District-wide Fine
Arts Dept. Chair; 21 yrs. various offices on
the Exec. Committee of Dist. 8 PA Music
Educators Assoc.

Answer to question: Probably the
biggest challenge facing the borough is
improvements to an aging sewer and water
infrastructure. Residential and commercial
development in the community is impeded
by this aging infrastructure. Because the
borough does not levy taxes, revenue for
construction projects is derived from water,
sewer, and electric rates, which is unique for
a community of our size. The borough will
need to explore and identify potential sources
of revenue for these projects without creating
undue financial burden on its citizens.

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

MIFFLINBURG EAST

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican
TAMMY BOLLINGER



Education: Graduate
of Mifflinburg Area
School District, 1985;
Graduate of Academy
of Hair Design,
Bloomsburg PA, 1986;
Currently a student at
Gateway Community
College, Ohio

studying Information Technology

Occupation: Tech Services Secretary for
Mifflinburg School District

Qualifications: I have been a Judge of
Elections for the past 8 yrs. Prior to being a
Judge, I served on the Election Board for 2
yrs.

MIFFLINBURG WEST

No candidate filed in either party

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

MIFFLINBURG EAST

Democratic

KIMBERLY BRIDGE

No reply received

Republican

No candidate filed

MIFFLINBURG WEST

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

MIFFLINBURG EAST & WEST

No candidate filed in either party

**MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL
DIRECTORS**

REGION 2

For candidates and their responses, see
"MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS"
on page 17.

**NEW BERLIN
BOROUGH**

*For the descriptions of offices and the
question asked of candidates, see the*
"DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and
BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.

MAYOR

Salary: Information unavailable
Vote for ONE.

Democratic
NANCY SHOWERS



Education:
Lewisburg Area
School District, K-12;
Bucknell Univ.,
Bachelors degree/
Biology, Masters
degree in education/
school psychology &
counseling

Occupation: Retired innkeeper

Qualifications: Our family has lived in
New Berlin for 40+ years, committing to its
residents, activities, property, environment,
heritage, & legacy. Time, energy, & interest
in maintaining/reclaiming the potential,
quaintness, & greater connection between
residents of this community are genuine &
everpresent.

Answer to question: Several challenges
currently face our New Berlin community.
Each phrase below offers a solution to
a corresponding imbedded challenge:
*listening to residents with deference rather
than indifference; *conversing concretely in
response to residents' concerns; *promoting
predictable & consistent enforcement of
ordinances already on our borough's books;
*developing a stable police presence with
scheduling reflecting times of greatest need;
*simply enhancing community camaraderie
while focusing on safety, personal &
property values, & community pride. It's
that simple & it's that difficult. As mayor (in
a largely ceremonial, non-voting role), I'd
actively promote greater communication via
a supportive voice on our borough council.

Republican
SCOTT E. BENFER



Education:
Commonwealth of
Pennsylvania
Department of
Education Graduate,
1989

Occupation:
Transportation
Specialists

Qualifications: Although I am not a lifelong
politician, I do currently serve on two church
boards, and have an understanding of what
it takes to unite together; while working
alongside others, who may or may not hold
your same beliefs and/or values, in an effort
to accomplish a common goal.

Answer to question: I see our town's
greatest challenge is in overcoming the
division that has swept across our nation
in recent years. I believe this can be best
accomplished through the joint efforts of
all New Berlin citizens, by laying aside
our differences and focusing our efforts on
the areas where we find common ground.
Ultimately, we all want to live and raise our
families in a town that is safe. Sadly, one
division that is seen in many cities across
our nation is that between citizens and police
officers. The mayor's main duty is to oversee
the police department. I would do my best to
bridge the gap between our citizens and those
who serve this community. I would strive for
unity by actively listening to needs of both
our citizens and our officers.

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Salary: \$25 per month

Vote for not more than FOUR.

Democratic
DAVID FARMER



Education: HS in
New Jersey; Univ. of
Delaware,
undergraduate;
Oklahoma State Univ.,
graduate school

Occupation:
Mathematician

Qualifications: I have lived in New Berlin
for almost 25 yrs. and plan to be here for the
rest of my life. For the past couple yrs. I have
been attending Borough Council meetings
and feel that I understand the commitment
involved in serving the community as a
Council member.

Answer to question: In recent years I have
observed that the efforts and initiatives of the
Borough Council are often not appreciated
by the community, and in many cases this is
due to a lack of communication. I will work
to open the channels of communication and
foster an environment where everyone can
work together.

Democratic
BONNIE HAMILTON



Education: McDaniel
College, BA/
Philosophy; American
Univ., MA/Philosophy
and Social Policy

Occupation: Senior
Manager of Learning
& Development

Qualifications: I feel a calling to serve
my community but more importantly to
bridge the divide. I believe the people in our
community want and need local focus and
local commitment. Too many national issues
have divided us really most people want
similar things. People need local leadership
and accountability.

Answer to question: Bringing people
together to solve shared local problems
or safety, use of public shared spaces or
resources, and revitalizing New Berlin. We
do this by listening to the community and
finding solutions and compromise.

Demoratic / Republican
MICHAEL PALERMO

Education: Graduate degree

Occupation: Retired licensing inspector

Qualifications: Concerned resident of New
Berlin over 42 yrs. Active member of New
Berlin Lions at one time. Assisted with
borough audit several years. Serve on the
Municipal Authority.

Answer to question: Informing and
including the public in decision making and
providing feedback as to what is going on
with relevant issues. Also, noise pollution
and speeding has become an issue with
the increase in traffic on Market and Vine
streets. Invite community members to
attend meetings and provide opportunities
for comments and suggestions regarding
pertinent issues.

Republican
JULIANNE W. FINKBINER

Education: Bloomsburg Univ., BS/Business
Administration

Occupation: Accountant

Qualifications: 15 yrs. of Council
experience. 30 yrs. of accounting
experience.

Answer to question: As always, our budget
is tight. We face a group of citizens that want
more government intervention in their lives
in order to feel taken care of. That is not
the role of municipal government nor any
government for that matter. Balancing doing
the best for our borough and continuing
to protect the constitutional rights of the
citizens is our job. In addition, safeguarding
and responsibly spending the tax revenue
we receive in a way that improves all of our
lives. I do that by balancing the budget every
year with the help of the other members of
finance committee. Council is kept informed
of available grants as well. We remain
diligent to stay the growth of government in
New Berlin.

Republican
MEGHAN SHAMBACH



Education: BS/
Biology; BS/
Environmental
Science; MS/
Occupational Safety
and Health,
Concentration:
Environmental
Management

Occupation: Regional Environmental,
Health and Safety Manager

Qualifications: Current Borough Council
Member

Answer to question: One of the biggest
challenges we are working on in our borough
is the former New Berlin Elementary School
building. The building currently is limited
in use due to the environmental conditions
and the financial burden of remediating
them. The borough recently applied and
received a grant for a feasibility study to hire
a consultant to assist in the determination of
what should be done with the school in its
current physical condition and what can be
done with the building that will sustain and
support the community. This feasibility study
will open up opportunities for community
input, financial support and growth of the
current Plum Street Park. I am currently
a part of the study committee leading this
effort among community members.

Republican
DAVID WERTZ

Education: Not provided

Occupation: Retired BOP

Qualifications: long-time resident of New
Berlin (28+ yrs.), my children grew up
here, served as NBFD volunteer fireman
(20 yrs.) and line officer (10 yrs.), volunteer
ambulance driver (20 yrs.), New Berlin
Little League coach (9 yrs.), keen interest in
serving our community

Answer to question: For some time now we
have faced noise pollution in our otherwise
quiet borough. I'm looking forward to
working with council and the community at
large to reduce the level of noise pollution.
While some noise may be attributed to
increased traffic on Market & Vine we also
have noise pollution on our secondary streets
that we may be able to address and resolve.
Development of the former New Berlin
Elementary and the Plum Street Park venue.
This is a lovely central location to many in
the community and may hold interest for
others outside of our community. I look
forward to working with council to determine
what might be possible given budgetary
constraints.

AUDITORS

Salary: \$10 per hour

6 Year Term, 2 Year Unexpired Term
Vote for ONE for each term.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

**MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL
DIRECTORS**

REGION 1

For candidates and their responses, see
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UNION TOWNSHIP

*For the descriptions of offices and the
question asked of candidates, see the*
["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and](#)
[BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$150 per month
Vote for ONE.

Democratic
DAN GREAK



Education:
Selinsgrove Area HS,
Graduated Class of
1977

Occupation: Self-
Employed; Dan Greak
Home Improvements
Since 1985, Dan
Greak's School of

TaeKwon-Do Since 1990

Qualifications: Greak Home Improvements
since 1985. Skills; estimating, installation,
structure/workplace safety, accounting &
employee supervision. Greak's TaeKwon-Do
since 1990. It's my responsibility to teach
students in a safe & responsible atmosphere.
Help students build strong bodies & strong
moral character

Answer to question: Union Township needs
Zoning. Townships with no zoning are prime
real estate for Landfills to be established.
With no zoning residents are susceptible
to Bars, Strip Clubs or Adult Bookstores
moving next-door. A recent addition of
storage buildings in a floodplain is proof
that something needs to be established
to protect our residents. That project was
not engineered in the beginning. The fill/
construction debris brought into our
township was not removed from a floodplain
and then placed in a floodplain as required.
That property now displaces over a Million
Gallons of Water, seriously impacting all
the residents in the Village of Winfield.
Our township deserves forward thinking

Supervisors that are looking out for all of our
Residents.

Website: [facebook.com/](#)
[dangreakforsupervisor](#)

Republican
BILLY ALLRED

No reply received

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
WENDY YODER

Education: Not provided

Occupation: Tax Collector

Qualifications: 9 yrs. in current position as
tax collector; 11 yrs. as secretary/treasurer
for Union Township. PSTCA Qualified
Tax Collector training and annual credit
fulfillment.

AUDITOR

Salary: \$10 per hour
Vote for ONE.

Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
KELLY KLINGLER

No reply received

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
JOLENE D. HELWIG



Education: Associate
in Specialized
Business Degree/
Business
Administration

Occupation: East
Buffalo Township,
Lewisburg, PA,
Administrative

Assistant/Secretary/Treasurer/Notary

Qualifications: Not provided

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

CONSTABLE

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

For candidates and their responses, see
["LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS"](#)
[on page 16.](#)

UNION-INDEPENDENT

*For all Union-Independent offices, see
information under Union Township. Ballots
in the precincts of Union and Union-
Independent differ **only** by school director.*

**MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL
DIRECTORS**

REGION 1

For candidates and their responses, see
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**WEST BUFFALO
TOWNSHIP**

*For the descriptions of offices and the
question asked of candidates, see the*
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[BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISORS

Salary: \$150 per month

6 Year Term
Vote for ONE.

Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
FRED W. HOFFMAN, JR.
No reply received

2 Year Unexpired Term
Vote for ONE.

Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
ERIC N. WAGNER
No reply received

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

AUDITOR

Salary: \$10 per hour
Vote for ONE.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for ONE.

Democratic
No candidate filed

Republican
MARGARET L. BROWN

Education: Graduated from Selinsgrove HS;
CNA certification 1990

Occupation: Certified Nurse Assistant

Qualifications: Judge of Elections for at
least 25 yrs.

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INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for **ONE**.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

KIM E. SNYDER

No reply received

CONSTABLE

Vote for **ONE**.

No candidate filed in either party

MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 2

For candidates and their responses, see ["MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS" on page 17.](#)

WHITE DEER TOWNSHIP

For the descriptions of offices and the question asked of candidates, see the ["DESCRIPTIONS of TOWNSHIP and BOROUGH OFFICES" box on page 8.](#)

SUPERVISOR

Salary: \$156.25 per month

Vote for **ONE**.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

CARROLL W. DIEFENBACH

No reply received

TAX COLLECTOR

Vote for **ONE**.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

KAREN A. STAMM

Education: Williamsport Area Community College, Associates Degree/Secretarial Science

Occupation: White Deer Township tax collector

Qualifications: Act 48-2015 Qualified Tax Collector; 5 yrs. experience

AUDITOR

Salary: \$35 per year, 1 meeting

Vote for **ONE**.

No candidate filed in either party

JUDGE OF ELECTION

Vote for **ONE**.

WHITE DEER 1

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

LANA A. ROTE

Education: High School

Occupation: Retired

Qualifications: I'm a Registered voter for many yrs. Retired from a local Construction/ Mining Company after 42 yrs. of service as Human Resources/Safety/Equal Employment Officers. I feel every Citizen has a right and an obligation to vote for the best candidate no matter what party they represent.

WHITE DEER 2 & 3

No candidate filed in either party

WHITE DEER 4

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

BARBARA J. WISE

No reply received

INSPECTOR OF ELECTION

Vote for **ONE**.

WHITE DEER 1

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

BRETT C. STAMM



Education: Wheaton College, BS, Wheaton, Illinois; Augustana College, M.A.T., Sioux Falls, South Dakota

Occupation: Retired teacher

Qualifications: Public School teacher for 37 yrs.

WHITE DEER 2 & 3

No candidate filed in either party

WHITE DEER 4

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

ERIK A. WISE

No reply received

CONSTABLE

Vote for **ONE**.

WHITE DEER 1, 2 & 3

No candidate filed in either party

WHITE DEER 4

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

JAMES E. MESSINGER

Education: HS diploma

Occupation: Alarm System Technician

Qualifications: Serving as Constable since 1992. Certified by PCCD

MILTON SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 3

For candidates and their responses, see ["MILTON SCHOOL DIRECTOR" on page 18.](#)

SCHOOL DISTRICTS



SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Description of office: School Directors are members of a board that sets policy, determines the annual budget and levies taxes accordingly, evaluates the Superintendent, and monitors student achievement. The Board focuses on governance, while the Superintendent is responsible for the daily operation of the district. Boards meet at least monthly in addition to committee meetings and executive sessions.

Salary: None

Term: 4 years

QUESTION ASKED of ALL SCHOOL DIRECTOR CANDIDATES:

Hopefully the pandemic will not be the central concern for K-12 education when new directors come on the board in December 2021. What do you think should be the post-pandemic priorities for the district?

LEWISBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

The Lewisburg Area School District includes Lewisburg Borough, East Buffalo Township, Kelly Township, and the Precinct of Union. School Directors are elected at large representing all municipalities in the district. For description of office and the question asked of candidates, see the "School Directors" box above.

Vote for not more than **FOUR**.

Democratic / Republican

KRISTIN E. KRAUS



Education: Loyola College in Maryland (now Loyola Univ.), BA/Elementary Education, 2002, MEd/Special Education focus, 2005

Occupation: Teacher at Kinderfolk

Preschool, Current LASD parent

Qualifications: I bring unique expertise and perspective to the Board, having been a public school elementary and special education teacher for over a decade in MD & PA. With 2 children attending LASD schools, I'm invested in our District's success, evidenced by my volunteer service as PSA fundraising coordinator.

Answer to question: The School Board has a responsibility to meet the educational needs of every student in the District by building a productive, inclusive, and equitable environment for students, staff, and teachers, while being fiscally responsible and accountable to the communities in the LASD. To meet these goals, the School Board should evaluate and embrace innovative, best practice curricula and expand available curricular and extra-curricular programs that propel the District forward. The District's

“Excellence in Equity” strategic plan is a solid foundation upon which to build our future together, a future that uses each and every dollar effectively, efficiently, and responsibly to optimize the District in a challenging financial environment.

Website: [m.facebook.com/Kraus4LASDSB/](https://www.facebook.com/Kraus4LASDSB/)

Democratic
HEATHER HAYNOS



Education: Indiana Univ., BA; Stanford Univ., MA

Occupation: Spanish Language Instructor

Qualifications: Bilingual aide in local public schools where I

worked on behalf of English Learner students and their families, teachers, and school administration. Board member, Greater Susquehanna Valley YMCA. Parent of two recent LASD graduates.

Answer to question: Throughout the challenges of the past year, LASD teachers and administration have demonstrated their steadfast commitment to their students. That commitment should continue as our schools recover from the pandemic and teachers work to assess academic needs and remediate as necessary. The focus, as always, should be on ALL students and ensuring equal access to the high quality educational and extracurricular experience our district provides. Further narrowing the budget deficit is another important priority. This will require engagement on top priorities for the district.

Website: [haynoslasd.com](https://www.haynoslasd.com)

Democratic
MARY ANN SIGLER STANTON



Education: Bucknell Univ., BA

Occupation: Associate Director, Leadership Gifts, Bucknell Univ.

Qualifications: I am a current school

board member and serve on the CSIU Board, Equity & Inclusion & Act 93 Compensation committees. I attended LAHS for 1.5 yrs. & am a 22 yr. community member. I have deep family roots in the area. My husband Ryan & I have 2 children in district - Classes of ‘15 and ‘21.

Answer to question: School districts everywhere must focus on re-centering their educational priorities after a pandemic. For Lewisburg, this includes: Continuing/expanding efforts to provide the best education for each child by meeting each where they are; Enabling teachers & staff to create opportunities for students to engage in active learning while providing space for them ask questions about the world and their places in it; Supporting intellectual and artistic growth, career exploration and robust, award-winning athletics; Recognizing that budgets will be stretched post-pandemic and

must be thoughtfully fine-tuned w the focus on spending smart while supporting a K-12 education that best prepares our children for the world they’ll enter upon graduation.

Website: www.facebook.com/MAStantonForSchoolBoard/

Democratic
JAIME LYONS



Education: Lycoming College, Bachelors of Psychology

Occupation: Service Coordinator

Qualifications: I am a mother of 2 current and one

soon to be Lewisburg student. I have over 10 yrs. experience working within State regulations while supporting adults with disabilities. I have background in overseeing and budgeting State funds for Home and Community Based Services.

Answer to question: A top priority is always providing better support to the children and families supported through special education. I believe continuing to support teachers and families with ongoing education challenges and gaps caused by COVIDs disruptions to standard education. Making fiscally responsible decisions to maintain low property tax growth. This includes oversight on spending of any remaining COVID relief funds.

Website: www.facebook.com/Jaime-Lyons-for-LASD-School-Board-112728044242722/

Republican
JOHN M. ROWE



Education: Oak Brook College of Law and Government Policy, JD; Member of the California Bar

Occupation: Small Business Owner and Gymnastics Head Coach

Qualifications: 5 yrs. of service as LASD School Director; Legal background; Connected with school children in the community

Answer to question: Keeping taxes low. Even if the pandemic is not the central concern of our K-12 education, the financial fallout from it will go on for years. Families in our community will be hurting and every dollar will count. Low taxes give those families time to recover from the pandemic. Additionally, in the years to come, this will make our community more welcoming and diverse.

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VOTE 411

ELECTION INFORMATION YOU NEED

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 September 1st, 2021. Candidates may have posted additional information on Vote411.org closer to the election.

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

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Republican
MARY K. BROUSE



Education: HS Education

Occupation: Widowed

Qualifications: I have been serving on the School Board for 28 yrs. I wanted to give

back to the Students and the Community for my positive experiences I had attending schools in the Lewisburg District while growing up in Lewisburg. My deceased husband, myself, and my four children are graduates of Lewisburg.

Answer to question: A priority is to get all of our children back in school. Children learn more effectively physically in school for various reasons. One reason is they interact more effectively in the classroom. Another reason they need to be socially involved with their peers. Also they need the extra-curricular activities our District offers to our students. At the same time, we need to keep our staff, administration, and students safe from any virus, or any dangerous situation.

Republican
LISA B. CLARK



Education: DeSales Univ., BS/Nursing

Occupation: Nursing Administrator; Regional Manager, Geisinger Health Plan; Registered Nurse

Qualifications:

Currently serving on School Board (4 yrs.) and serves on the district’s Act 93 Compensation Plan, Green Dragon Foundation Gift Review, Contract Negotiating, and Education committees;

31-yr. nursing and management career; Currently manages a staff of 15 health care professionals.

Answer to question: Recovering from the impact of the pandemic will take time. Our priorities must include assessing and remediating the impact on student progress caused by the past year’s disruption; recovering from the financial burden caused by the pandemic (e.g., the costs of public health regulatory compliance and the over \$1 million cost of charter school tuition paid by the district); and, addressing the on-going budgetary concerns that existed prior to the pandemic. Last year, we were able to avoid a tax increase. However, growing budgetary pressures remain. Given that the overwhelming majority of revenue comes from our local taxpayers, it is critical that the district remain fiscally responsible while providing a quality education to our students

MIFFLINBURG SCHOOL DIRECTORS

The Mifflinburg Area School District consists of Hartleton, Mifflinburg, and New Berlin Boroughs; Buffalo, Hartley, Lewis, Limestone, and West Buffalo Townships; and the Precinct of Union-Independent. School Directors are elected to represent specific municipalities. For description of office and the question asked of candidates, see the ["SCHOOL DIRECTORS" box on page 16.](#)

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MIFFLINBURG REGION 1

Region 1 of the Mifflinburg School district consists of New Berlin Borough, Buffalo and Limestone Townships, and the Precinct of Union-Independent.

Vote for ONE.

Democratic / Republican

WENDY HULSIZER-MCCLINTOCK



Education: DeVry Univ., BS/Business with a concentration in Human Resource / Employment Law

Occupation: District Execution Manager

Qualifications: Over

27 yrs. of Leadership experience within many diverse environments. Managing within a large business forum with ability to influence others. Continues to lead with a proactive approach to ensure delivering results & ensuring our students are the priority. Board member for last 8 yrs.

Answer to question: The post-pandemic priorities for the district would include maintaining the safety, health and well-being of our students and staff. This includes ensuring our students are at their specified level for courses, and all pandemic related deficiencies have been reduced or eradicated. As a district we need to ensure an emergency plan is in place, and fully established if another emergencies were to arise; this would mitigate any need to move outside an established plan and change mid-stream. Lastly, we need to stay committed to inspiring educational programs that are adaptable for all students. Enable students to be lifelong learners, reach their potential from any direction, and ensure all demonstrate citizenship in a global society.

MIFFLINBURG REGION 2

Region 2 of the Mifflinburg School District consists of Mifflinburg Borough and West Buffalo Township.

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

THOMAS L. EBERHART

No reply received

MIFFLINBURG REGION 3

Region 3 of the Mifflinburg School District consists of Hartleton Borough and Hartley and Lewis Townships.

Vote for not more than TWO.

Democratic / Republican

BRANDON STRAUB

Education: Mifflinburg

Occupation: Contractor

Qualifications: Parent

Answer to question: I think we should make sure that all unconstitutional mandates are not followed by the district. We also need to remind the board that they are elected officials representing their constituents and not their personal opinions.

Republican

MELISSA WAGNER

Education: Mifflinburg Area HS, 2005 graduate

Occupation: Custodian/ Certified Nursing Assistant

Qualifications: I am a graduate of Mifflinburg School District and a resident of Union County and want what is best for every child within our district.

Answer to question: I feel that the priority should be that the school board members listen to and work more with the parents, students and all those that work for and live

in the school district. It is important to give our children the education they need and deserve not just listen to the school districts Superintendent, but to the community that voted them in as board members. It should also be optional for parents and their child to determine whether wearing a mask or not is best suited for them not a mandate.

MILTON SCHOOL DIRECTOR

REGION 3

Region 3 of the Milton School District includes White Deer Township in Union County, and the townships of Turbot and East Chillisquaque in Northumberland County. For description of office and question asked, see the "[SCHOOL DIRECTORS](#)" box on page 16.

Vote for ONE.

Democratic

KEVIN R. FRY



Education: HS Graduate, Milton Area School District; Attended Williamsport Area Community College; Realtor License from Don Paul Shearer Real Estate School

Occupation: Owner-AutoMotion, LLC Milton, PA

Qualifications: Actively served on Milton Area School Board for 22 yrs. I served three terms as President and six terms as Vice President, including the current term. I have participated in the PSBA School Director trainings over several yrs. and additionally, took various mini-courses related to financing.

Answer to question: I believe many the priorities are similar to the past: 1) Holding

the line on taxes and continued discussion regarding tax equalization. 2) Carefully scrutinizing how money is allocated for programs and services within the Board's control. 3) Advocating at the state level for fair funding, especially for rural schools and for more oversight over unfunded mandates. 4) Conducting annual reviews of staffing and student population to make appropriate instructional decisions. 5) Advocate for improved broadband so internet access is more reliable to our families. I am always open to community input and for the past 22 years, I have been very accessible both from home and through my business to hear questions and concerns from my constituents

Website: www.facebook.com/Kevin-R-Fry-For-Milton-Area-School-Board-101787095350245

Republican

JOSHUA A. HUNT

No reply received

WARRIOR RUN SCHOOL DIRECTORS

REGION 1

Region 1 of the Warrior Run School District includes Gregg Township in Union County; West District of Delaware Township and Second Ward of Watsontown Borough in Northumberland County. For description of office and question asked, see the "[SCHOOL DIRECTORS](#)" box on page 16.

Vote for not more than TWO.

Democratic

No candidate filed

Republican

GAIL FOREMAN

No reply received

Republican

JENNIFER MEULE

No reply received

ENGAGING MILLENNIALS IN OUR DEMOCRACY

BACKGROUND: In 2016, the League of Women Voters of the Lewisburg Area (LWVLA) was the recipient of a generous grant from League members Rebecca and James Mauch for the purpose of identifying and implementing strategies for engaging millennials in the civic life of our democracy.

MISSION: The mission of the LWVLA Mauch Millennial Project is to engage young people (aged approximately 16-35) in the civic life of our democracy in the United States in general, and specifically in the LWVLA's service area of Union County, PA. To that end, the LWVLA Mauch Millennial Project began developing and implementing a series of initiatives beginning in 2016.

MAUCH INITIATIVES: The initiatives include activities at local high schools and middle schools, various voter education events, community civic engagement opportunities for young adults, the Bucknell-Mauch Fellowship Program (co-sponsored with the Bucknell Political Science Department), a LWVLA-sponsored voting exhibit at the Lewisburg Children's Museum, and online resources for voters.



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE **MAUCH MILLENNIAL PROJECT**,
VISIT THE LWVLA WEBSITE AT:
LWVLewisburgArea.org/Mauch-Millennial-Project

RETENTION QUESTIONS

OFFICIAL JUDICIAL RETENTION



According to www.pacourts.us, retention is a nonpolitical method of reelecting Pennsylvania judges. It is intended to be politically neutral and does not require judges to engage in campaigning against other candidates. Retention is specifically designed to keep judges out of the political fray while at the same time holding them accountable to the voters based on their overall records and performance in office. The intent is to provide a fair and nonpartisan way for the public to judge its judges. **The names of the candidates are listed at the end of the ballot, apart from other offices.** No political affiliation is listed for retention candidates.

PA Bar Association ratings and information for incumbent judges are available at www.pavotesmart.com/current-judicial-ratings/.

SUPERIOR COURT

Shall **John T. Bender** be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Yes _____ No _____

Shall **Mary Jane Bowes** be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Yes _____ No _____

COMMONWEALTH COURT

Shall **Anne Covey** be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Commonwealth Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Yes _____ No _____

Shall **Renee Cohn Jubelirer** be retained for an additional term as Judge of the Commonwealth Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Yes _____ No _____

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UNION COUNTY

POLLING PLACES

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

BUFFALO 1

BUFFALO 2

E. BUFFALO 1

E. BUFFALO 2

E. BUFFALO 3

E. BUFFALO 4

GREGG

HARTLETON

HARTLEY

KELLY 1

KELLY 2

LEWIS

LEWISBURG 1

LEWISBURG 2

Buffalo Township Municipal Bldg., 2115 Strickler Rd., Mifflinburg

Buffalo Valley United Methodist Church, 954 Johnson Mill Rd.,
Lewisburg

East Buffalo Township Municipal Bldg., 589 Fairground Rd., Lewisburg

Public Library for Union County, 255 Reitz Blvd., Lewisburg

Donald H. Eichhorn Middle School, 2057 Washington Ave., Lewisburg

Weis Center, Bucknell University, 525 Weis Dr., Lewisburg

Warrior Run Fire Dept. Social Hall, 196 White Deer Ave., Allenwood

Union Church, 115 Catherine St., Hartleton

Hartley Township Rec. Center, 49 Ball Park Rd., Millmont

Kelly Township Bldg., 551 Zeigler Rd., Lewisburg

United in Christ Lutheran Church, 1875 Churches Rd., Lewisburg

Township Bldg. (on the Village Green), 116 Maple St., Millmont

Masonic Hall, 28 N. Front St., Lewisburg

Union County Court House (Lobby), 103 S. 2nd St., Lewisburg

POLLING PLACE CHANGE

LEWISBURG 3

Weis Center, Bucknell University, 525 Weis Dr., 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

Bonanza Restaurant, 300 Commerce Park Dr., New Columbia