



2017 Primary Voters Guide

EARLY VOTING

You can vote in-person starting April 4 at the Board of Elections office in your county. The hours for early voting are:

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| April 4-21: 8 am-5 pm on each weekday | April 29: 8 am-4 pm | May 1: 8 am-2 pm |
| April 24-28: 8 am-7 pm | April 30: 1-5 pm | |

ELECTION DAY

Polls are open 6:30 am to 7:30 pm on Election Day, May 2. Voters choosing to head to the polls on Election Day need to remember to bring the proper form of ID and know their polling place and precinct. Voters can check their polling place and precinct and get other important voting information by visiting MyOhioVote.com.

VOTER ID REQUIREMENTS

All voters must present identification for in-person voting, but photo ID IS NOT required. Any of the following forms of identification may be used:

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| A current and valid Ohio driver's license | An original or copy of a current bank statement |
| A current and valid photo ID card issued by the State of Ohio or the US Government | An original or copy of a current paycheck or government check |
| A military ID | An original or copy of a current other government document |
| | An original or copy of a current utility bill |

VOTING ABSENTEE

To request an absentee ballot, you must submit an application to your County Board of Elections. You can download an application from the Board of Elections website, or from MyVoteOhio.com. You can also call the Board of Elections to request that an application be mailed to you. Complete the application and return it to your local Board of Elections before April 29, and an absentee ballot will be mailed to you.

Your absentee voting packet includes: Voter Instructions, a White Identification Envelope, Official Ballot Return Envelope, and an "I Voted Today" sticker.

FILLING IN YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT:

Please read all instructions carefully!

- Check your ballot envelope to determine correct postage.
- Use **BLUE** or **BLACK INK** to **COMPLETELY SHADE IN THE OVALS** next to the candidate/issue for which you wish to vote. **DO NOT** (✓) or (X) the ovals on your ballot-shade in **ONLY**.
- If you choose to vote for a write-in candidate, complete the write-in section by shading in the oval and writing the candidates name on the line.
- **COMPLETELY** fill out the **entire IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE**, along with your **SIGNATURE**.
- Fold your voted ballot and place inside the **IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE** and seal.
- Place the **IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE** in the **RETURN ENVELOPE** and seal.
- **Under Ohio law YOUR BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED IF THE IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE IS NOT COMPLETED, SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH THE BALLOT SEALED INSIDE THE IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE.**
- The ballot must be **RECEIVED** by the Director of the Board of Elections no later than the close of the polls (7:30 pm) on Election Day in order to be counted on Election Day. Ballot can be mailed or hand delivered by the voter or a member of their immediate family. Mailed ballots must be postmarked by Monday, May 1, 2017.

NOTE: IF YOU REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND THEN GO TO YOUR POLLING LOCATION TO VOTE, YOU MAY BE REQUIRED TO VOTE A PROVISIONAL BALLOT.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS-FILL THEM IN, MAIL THEM IN! Make sure your absentee ballot counts!

Huber Heights Mayor

Vote for 1

QUESTIONS:

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Candidate: **JEFFREY GORE**

BIO: I moved to Huber Heights in 1976. Wayne HS Graduate, Class of 1990. Veteran - US Army. B.S. Business Administration, Currently working towards my Masters in Education. Married, my wife Toni and I have 3 sons, Dustin, Vince and our youngest, Dylan who is a sophomore at Wayne. Extensive background in Residential Development, Marketing, Operations, Finance and Project Management. Presently pursuing my lifelong passion for teaching as a Science Teacher at Wayne High School.



ANSWER #1: Foremost is the issue of communication. We must effectively communicate our true financial situation to our citizens. There is a lot of misinformation that has spread throughout the city regarding our debt, our investments, and the improvements that the city has made to spur growth and development.

Our residents need to be confident that city leadership and staff know and understand how to generate financially sound economic development. Our city must invest in itself if we expect to be viewed as investment worthy by outside entities.

My second concern is one that is shared by many Huber Heights residents and Council Members, and that is the issue of code enforcement throughout the city. It is imperative that we as a community come together to strengthen and enforce our zoning codes and ordinances and in doing so, ensure a beautiful Huber Heights that we can all proudly call HOME.

ANSWER #2: We are poised for even greater development and economic expansion. I believe I can help guide that growth in a positive way.

Continued new development in existing TIF districts and elsewhere will generate millions in new revenue and will improve the financial situation across our entire community.

The National economy has shown steady signs of improvement and we must keep Huber Heights on a similar or greater path of continued success.

Corporations need to know that we're not just open for business, but that we WANT and welcome their business. Our community has the talent pool companies are looking for and the space they need to build or expand their facilities. This coupled with our close proximity to major interstates, our wide range of housing choices and numerous amenities for their employees should put Huber Heights at the top of the list for employers bringing high paying jobs to our city.

ANSWER #3: The mayor and city council have important and well-defined roles within our city government.

In my opinion, the number one priority of the Mayor is to promote the city of Huber Heights whenever and wherever the opportunity exists.

The Mayor must set the tone and lead by example so that Council can effectively work together.

The Mayor is the liaison between city staff and council and I will work to keep the relationship between them strong. I will do everything in my power to assist Council to do the work that they were elected to do.

We have an extremely competent staff whose full time responsibility is to study, research and make proper recommendations to council. Council is charged with analyzing each recommendation. City Spending only happens at the discretion of Council, and Council must be sure that each of their decisions provides the best possible outcome for the city.



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Candidate: ALBERT GRIGGS, JR.

BIO: Over my civil service career I've worked as a senior leader, police officer, steel worker, and sailor. I have experienced government at the city, and federal levels. I worked in both the Legislative and Executive Branches of the United States government. I also worked with several foreign governments. I've led organizations ranging from approximately 35 to 3,500 government civilians, military, and contract personnel. I have masters' degrees in Public Administration, and Strategic Studies.

ANSWER #1: The two important issues I see facing Huber Heights at this time are: (1) the new mayor's ability to lead, and (2) economic development. The new mayor's ability to lead is critical to the success of the city going forward. His ability to gain the trust and cooperation of the city council is job one. Once the new mayor and city council are working as one unit economic development can be sustained. For example: The Shops at The Heights and the 80 acres of land near the Gander Mountain store can be developed, and vacant building throughout the city that once had businesses in them can once again. All this will add new jobs and entice new residents to our great city.

ANSWER #2: As I mentioned in the previous answer, I would like to see more development during my term in office. This development would be in the form of more new businesses, more new homes, street and road repairs, new sidewalks that should have been put in years ago, and new infrastructure. I would also like to see when stores like HHGregg close the city is ready with a new tenant. Further, I would like to see the city become a major player in Montgomery County, the Miami Valley, the State of Ohio, and the United States; firmly engaged with the future of the region and its biggest player, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

ANSWER #3: In my view the mayor and city council are elected citizens that work together as a team to provide the leadership the city government needs to be effective and efficient serving the people. They provide the guidance and resources the city administrator, fire, and police departments need to do their jobs. They should ask for and listen to the citizens' suggestions and concerns. From the information gained and their insight develop a shared vision for moving the city ahead. As a team, prepare the public policy to implement the vision.



Questions about voting? Contact your County Board of Elections.

Montgomery County, 937-225-5656; <http://www.mcboe.org>

Greene County: 937-562-6170; <http://www.co.greene.oh.us/BOE>

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Candidate: **DAVID H. WILSON**

BIO: 27-year resident of Huber Heights. Served on Huber Heights City Council from 2010 through 2011, Board of Zoning Appeals 2009 and Planning Commission 2012 to present date. Graduate of the Huber Heights Citizen's Police Academy 2008. 33-year career in Inventory Management. Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from BGSU of Ohio. CPIM and CSCP professional certifications from APICS the Association for Operations Management.

ANSWER #1: Huber Heights has had many economic successes recently when we welcomed NDC World Headquarters, IHOP, Hardee's and Donut Palace to our city. However, I believe the city has yet to capitalize on many opportunities within our boarders. The city's own website states "Huber Heights, Ohio is the region's best kept secret". As Mayor, I will work with City Council and Staff to unlock the "Economic Potential" of Huber Heights so we can remove that statement from the website.

Huber Heights is blessed with a large park system but we need to appreciate these assets by investing in them. A Master Plan for the parks is a great idea but not at the expense of \$100,000. We need to apply that money to the immediate needs of our parks and ball fields while Council and staff work together to create our own "In House" Master Plan based on reviews and observations of other community's Master Plans.

ANSWER #2: I would like a firm plan and a start date for the long overdue development just north of Meijer's. In addition, I would like to see the city continue to support the Brandt Pike Revitalization project so that the current smaller successes can build momentum to bigger and bigger successes.

As Mayor, I will advocate for hiring a full time Economic Development Director which I believe will be a key to the success of both of these projects and other opportunities. This person will be responsible for promoting and marketing our city while also working closely with MVRPC and DDC to attract new business and opportunities to our city. In addition, this person would be responsible for applying to various State, Federal and private grants. It is amazing how much money is available but the city simply does not apply for it.

ANSWER #3: City Council's primary job is to review the facts and vote on legislation that governs our city. Since the Mayor rarely votes on legislation I believe the roll of the Mayor is run the Work sessions and City Council meetings efficiently, ask questions that got overlooked by Council and to keep all discussions "On Track" when they are "drifting" off of the topic. In addition, I think it is both the members of City Council and the Mayor's responsibility to promote the city at public and private functions but occasionally I think it is more appropriate for the Mayor to represent the city. As Mayor, I will do my best to attend as many of these functions as my schedule will



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Huber Heights Council (at large)

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Candidate: **NANCY BYRGE**

BIO: Ward 5 Councilwoman, WPAFB-30 years of program management and contract negotiation experience

Education: M.S. Administration, Central Michigan University; B.S. Management, (Cum Laude), Park College; Defense Systems Management College

Member: Miami Valley Military Affairs Association, Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission, Charter Review Commission, Brandt Pike Revitalization Commission

Volunteering: Board of Zoning Appeals, AARP Tax Aide, FISH Food Pantry, HHCS

Family: Married; two children and four grandchildren.

Interests: Family, local youth sports, reading, cooking, gardening, and traveling.

ANSWER #1: I support continued residential/commercial development, expansion of small business, and more community and family-oriented activities. I will continue my efforts to improve the city’s quality of life by adding amenities such as covered/lighted bus stops, sidewalks, bike trails, dog parks, and playgrounds. Our children deserve safer, fully-equipped athletic fields to attract future tournaments and revenue to our city. Our parks should be ADA-compliant, with sensory playgrounds near the sports fields for children with special needs. I want to incorporate arts throughout our city and parks, assist our citizens needing a helping hand, and ensure our disabled residents can move freely throughout the city. I will ensure the priorities of our taxpayers, children, and retirees are front and center in everything we do. This is my vision for the future of Huber Heights, and I will work hard alongside my fellow councilmembers and city leaders to make it a reality.

ANSWER #2: The mayor is the primary face of our city and must project a positive public image, unify city council, advocate for a unified Huber Heights, champion community projects, and work alongside city council and staff. Councilmembers must put aside egos, personal politics and agendas to, also, present a positive image, operate as a team and make decisions in the best interest of our city. They should respect and provide oversight of our city staff, and initiate projects that benefit residents of all ages and abilities in the most cost-efficient and effective manner. Council should pursue public/private partnerships with civic and military organizations to share common resources and reduce the use of taxpayer dollars. Council should continue prioritizing residential/commercial development, while focusing on initiatives that enhance future benefits to all our residents, from public safety to parks and recreation. To be a successful community, city government and residents must work together.



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Candidate: **RICK STAN**

BIO: Rick has 17 years of experience serving as a senior project manager in support of high visibility, management financial reporting, budgeting and long term planning software implementations. Rick also has 22 years of hands-on finance experience encompassing budgeting, long term planning, funding (leases, debt, equity), management financial reporting, financial performance analysis, cost accounting and ad hoc special project financial analysis. Rick has lived in 5 of the City's 6 Wards.



ANSWER #1: First of all, growth and development within the City has been primarily focused north of I-70. Most of the people in the City live south of I-70. When Huber Heights became a City in 1981, there was great pride in our community. I wish to reignite our sense of pride as well as a spirit of participation and ownership of the City's future by everyone in the City. We need to grow together and establish realistic goals that will give Huber Heights a strong sense of community. It will take hard work. It's time for us to shape our future together.

ANSWER #2: I believe that it is the role of Council to ensure that the City's tax dollars are spent wisely and efficiently. Just as people cannot approve every expenditure, Council needs to be mindful that not every spending request brought before Council should be funded. Council should also serve as a vehicle to communicate how the City's tax base is growing backed up by numbers, and how incentives given have benefited the taxpayers.

Candidate: **CHASE D. WARDEN**

BIO: I have lived in Huber Heights my entire life where I attended and graduated from Wayne High School in 2010. I am 25 years old and have been actively involved in my community as well as government and politics on all levels for over 10 years.

ANSWER #1: As alluded to in the first question, I would like to see the city start turning its attention to the South part of town. We can't really applaud growth in one area of the city if we are declining in another. I believe property values have suffered greatly do to the city's negligence in the south part of town.

ANSWER #2: The mayor and councilmembers are representatives of the residents of Huber Heights. Therefore, they need to act in the best interest of their constituents when voting on proposed legislation. Being our representatives, they are the face of our city and need to promote and be present at city activities and events throughout.



Montgomery County Issues - Spring 2017

Issue 1 - City of Brookville

Additional levy

2.5 mills for 5 years

For streets, roads and bridges

Additional tax of \$87.50 annually per \$100,000 valuation

Issue 2 - City of Brookville

Additional levy

5.0 mills for 5 years

For Police services

Additional tax of \$175.00 annually per \$100,000 valuation

Issue 3 - City of Brookville

Ordinance (proposed by petition)

Proposal to repeal Ordinance 2016-08 passed by City Council on June 7, 2016 that enacted a 0.25% tax increase to fund the building of a new firehouse.

Issue 4 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment adds "Violation of any expressed provision of the Charter" as a cause for removal of an official from office and takes the process for removing members of boards and commissions out of Article XIII, Section 13.08. (See also Issue 10)

Issue 5 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment provides for publication of adopted ordinances and resolutions on the city's website instead of in a newspaper of general circulation and reduces the number of public places where the ordinance or resolution is posted from five to three.

Issue 6 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment requires that if the Mayor vetoes an ordinance or resolution passed by the Council, the Mayor must return it to the Council with objections in writing no later than the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. If the Council does not reconsider the Mayor's veto, the content of the vetoed legislation may be reconsidered in the same manner as new legislation.

Issue 7 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment removes the requirement that the City Manager be a resident of the City within six months after appointment.

Issue 8 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment removes the requirement that the Department of Public Safety be responsible for enforcement of laws, ordinances and resolutions relating to weights and measures.

Issue 9 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment clarifies that the City and Personnel Board of Appeals do not have jurisdiction over employment matters related to any school district within the city.



Montgomery County Issues—Spring 2017 (continued)

Issue 10 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment adds a new Section 9.07 covering the process for removal of a Board or Commission member. (See Issue 4)

Issue 11 - City of Huber Heights

City charter amendment proposed by the Charter Review Commission

The proposed amendment removes resolutions from the referendum process. If passed, the referendum process will apply only to ordinances passed by Council.

Issue 13 - City of West Carrollton

Municipal Income Tax

Renewal of 2.25 % income tax and making it permanent

Providing funds for general operating expenses of the city

Issue 14 - Village of New Lebanon

Additional levy

3.5 mills for continuing period of time

For Police services

Additional tax of \$122.50 annually per \$100,000 valuation

Issue 15 - Village of Phillipsburg

Income tax levy

Increase of 0.5% income tax

For general operation and services of the village.

Issue 16 - Jefferson Township

Additional levy

3.75 mills for continuing period of time

For general operating expenses

Additional tax of \$131.25 annually per \$100,000 valuation

Issue 17 - Washington Township

Renewal levy

1.85 mills for 5 years

For streets, roads and bridges

No increase in taxes

Issue 18 - Beavercreek Schools

Substitution levy

6.0 mills for 5 years

As an emergency levy

No increase in taxes



Montgomery County Issues—Spring 2017 (continued)

Issue 19 - Northmont Schools

Renewal levy

5.9 mills for continuing period of time

For current operating expenses

No increase in taxes

Issue 20 - Oakwood Schools

Renewal levy

1.8 mills for 5 years

For permanent improvements

No increase in taxes

Issue 21 - Valley View Local Schools

Bond Issue

5.39 mills for 38 years

For new construction, improvements, renovations and additional to school facilities

Additional tax of \$188.65 annually per \$100,000 valuation

Issue 24 - Miami Valley Career Technology Vocational District

Bond Issue and Tax levy

Proposed bond issue and tax levy to raise principal amount of \$95,490,959 over a 30 year period with millage of 1.43 for first 10 years and then falling to 1.09 mills for remaining 20 year period of levy

For construction and permanent improvements.

Additional tax of \$50.05 annually per \$100,000 valuation for the first 10 years of levy, after which the tax would fall to \$38.15 annual per \$100,000 for the remaining 20 year period.

Additional information about the levy can be obtained by going to www.mvctclevy.com/faq

Issue 25 - Wright Memorial Public Library

Renewal levy

1.5 mills for continuing period of time

For operating expenses

No increase in taxes

LOCAL OPTIONS

Issue 12 - City of Huber Heights

The Shoppes at the Heights Community Entertainment District



Greene County Issues—Spring 2017

City of Bellbrook

Renewal levy

1.3 mills for 5 years

For current expenses

No increase in taxes

Miami Township

Bond issue

2.4 mills for 30 years

For constructions of new fire/rescue services facility

Additional tax of \$84.00 annually per \$100,000 of valuation

Yellow Springs Schools

Renewal levy

7.0 mills for 8 years

To avoid an operating deficit

No increase in taxes

Beavercreek Schools

Substitution levy

6.0 mills for 5 years

As an emergency levy

No increase in taxes

Xenia City Schools

Bond issue

4.2 mills for 37 years

For the local district's share of construction costs of new high/middle school building

Additional tax of \$147.00 annually per \$100,000 of valuation

How the Voters Guide is Compiled

The League of Women Voters of the Greater Dayton Area publishes the Voters Guide to provide a forum for candidates and to list the issues on the ballot. Questionnaires were distributed by e-mail or paper mail to all candidates on the primary ballot. Candidates submitted their responses, and they have been printed without change.

In each race, candidates appear in alphabetical order. NO RESPONSE indicates the candidate did not reply by the stated deadline. If candidates did not supply quality photos, their photos may not appear in the guide.

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