

PRIMARY ELECTION NOTICE

To All Qualified Electors:

Various Townships & Cities
COUNTY OF MONTCALM, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE is hereby given that a Statewide Primary Election will be held on

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014

AT THE PLACE OR PLACES OF HOLDING ELECTION IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP AS LISTED BELOW.

The Polls will be open from 7 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m.

BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Belvidere Twp. Hall 207 N. Clark Street Six Lakes	BLOOMER TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Bloomer Twp. Hall 217 W. Sherman Street Carson City	BUSHNELL TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Bushnell Twp. Hall 2983 E. Boyer Rd. Fenwick	CATO TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Lakeview Community Center 309 S. Lincoln St. Lakeview
CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Crystal Twp. Hall 414 S. Main St. Crystal	DAY TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Day Twp. Hall 2085 Main St., NW McBride	DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Douglass Twp. Hall 3521 W. McBride Rd. Stanton	CHARTER TWP OF EUREKA Precincts 1 & 2 Eureka Twp. Hall 9322 S. Greenville Rd. Greenville
EVERGREEN TOWNSHIP Pct 1 - Evergreen Twp. Hall, 3044 E. Sidney Rd., Sheridan Pct. 2 – Sheridan Village Hall 115 Evergreen St., Sheridan	FAIRPLAIN TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Fairplain Twp. Hall 8383 Grow Rd. Greenville	FERRIS TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Ferris Twp. Hall 3011 N. Crystal Rd. Vestaburg	HOME TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Home Twp. Community Center 123 S. Third St. Edmore
MAPLE VALLEY TOWNSHIP Pct 1 - Coral Community Center 4662 Bailey Rd., Coral Pct 2 – Maple Valley Complex 239 1 st Street, Trufant	MONTCALM TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Montcalm Twp. Hall 1880 S. Greenville Rd. Greenville	PIERSON TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Pierson Twp. Hall 21156 Cannonsville Rd. Pierson	PINE TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Pine Twp. Hall 7900 Second St. Langston

REYNOLDS TOWNSHIP Precincts 1 & 2 Reynolds Twp. Hall 215 ½ E. Edgerton St. Howard City	RICHLAND TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Richland Twp. Hall 8755 Third St. Vestaburg	SIDNEY TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Sidney Twp. Hall 3019 S. Grow Rd. Sidney	WINFIELD TOWNSHIP Precinct 1 Winfield Twp. Hall 15212 W. M-46 Amble
CARSON CITY Precinct 1 Carson City-City Hall 123 E. Main St. Carson City	CITY OF STANTON Precinct 1 Stanton City Hall 22 S. Camburn St. Stanton	GREENVILLE CITY Precincts 1 & 4 Greenville Comm. Center, 900 E. Kent Rd. Greenville	GREENVILLE Cont. Precincts 2 & 3 Faith Baptist Church, 315 N. Greenville West Dr., Greenville

THE PRIMARY ELECTION IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PLACING IN NOMINATION BY THE POLITICAL PARTIES PARTICIPATING, (Republican and Democratic) CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING PARTISAN OFFICES:

STATE - Governor
 CONGRESSIONAL - United States Senator and Representative in Congress
 LEGISLATIVE - State Senator and Representative in State Legislature
 COUNTY - County Road Commissioner and County Commissioners
 TOWNSHIP - Supervisor in Day and Eureka Townships Only; Clerk in Day, Pierson and Richland Townships Only; Trustee in Eureka and Winfield Townships Only

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING:

Delegates to the County Convention of the Republican and Democratic Parties

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROGRESSING THE FOLLOWING NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES ON TO THE GENERAL ELECTION:

Judge of the 64B District Court, Incumbent Position

ALSO THE FOLLOWING STATE-WIDE PROPOSAL:

PROPOSAL 14-1

APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF AMENDATORY ACT TO REDUCE STATE USE TAX AND REPLACE WITH A LOCAL COMMUNITY STABILIZATION SHARE TO MODERNIZE THE TAX SYSTEM TO HELP SMALL BUSINESSES GROW AND CREATE JOBS

The amendatory act adopted by the Legislature would:

1. Reduce the state use tax and replace with a local community stabilization share of the tax for the purpose of modernizing the tax system to help small business grow and create jobs in Michigan.
2. Require Local Community Stabilization Authority to provide revenue to local governments dedicated for local purposes, including police safety, fire protection, and ambulance emergency services.
3. Increase portion of state use tax dedicated for aid to local school districts.
4. Prohibit Authority from increasing taxes.
5. Prohibit total use tax rate from exceeding existing constitutional 6% limitation.

Should this law be approved?

AND IN CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:

POLICE SERVICES MILLAGE PROPOSAL

Shall the total tax rate limitation on the amount of general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within Crystal Township under Art. IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased by 0.5 mill (\$0.50 per \$1,000 of taxable value) annually for two (2) years, 2014 through 2015, inclusive, to provide funds for police services, and shall Crystal Township be authorized to levy such new additional millage for said purposes?

If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$45,300 in the first year of the levy. All or a portions of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Montcalm County Sheriff's Department or other governmental agency for police services within Crystal Township. To the extent required by law, a portion of the revenues from this millage will be captured within the district of and disbursed to the Crystal Township Downtown Development Authority.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

Shall the previously voted increase in the total tax rate limitation on the amount of general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property within Crystal Township under Art. IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution be renewed at 1.2 mills (\$1.20 per \$1,000 of taxable value) annually for four (4) years, 2014 through 2017, inclusive, to provide funds for public road improvements, including, but not limited to gravel and asphalt, and shall Crystal Township be authorized to levy such renewal millage for said purposes?

If approved and levied, this millage would raise an estimated \$108,720 in the first year of the levy. All or a portion of the revenues from this millage will be disbursed to the Montcalm County Road Commission for public road improvements within Crystal Township. To the extent required by law, a portion of the revenues from this millage will be captured within the district of and disbursed to the Crystal Township Downtown Development Authority.

AND IN DAY TOWNSHIP ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:

FIRE DEPARTMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expiring previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution Day Township, of 1.000 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable value), decreased to .9945 mill (\$0.9945 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable value), by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 1 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable value), and levied for 4 years, 2014 to 2017 inclusive, for the purchasing of new fire equipment and/or fire building improvements raising an estimated \$31,979.86 in the first year the millage is levied?

ROAD MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expiring previously voted increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution Day Township, of 2.000 mill (\$2.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable value), decreased to 1.989 mills (\$1.989 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable value), by the required millage rollbacks, be renewed at and increased up to the original voted 2 mills (\$2.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable value), and levied for 4 years, 2014 to 2017 inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for road improvements and maintenance, raising an estimated \$63,959.72 in the first year the millage is levied?

AND IN DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSITION 0.60 MILLS FOR TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION OPERATIONS, SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT

Shall the previous voted increase in the authorized millage for ad valorem taxes for the Township of Douglass, currently 0.60 mills (\$0.60 per \$1,000 of taxable value), be renewed and levied in the years 2014-2017, both inclusive, subject to reduction as provided by law, upon all taxable real and personal property within the Township?

If approved, it is estimated that the levy of 0.60 mills will provide revenue of \$41,984 in the first calendar year of the levy.

The tax revenue received by the Township will be disbursed to the Township of Douglass for fire protection operations, services, and equipment.

AND IN EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:

PROPOSITION FOR RENEWAL OF FIRE PROTECTION MILLAGE

This proposition will allow Eureka Charter Township, Montcalm County, Michigan, to continue to levy the previous voted increase on general ad valorem taxes of 0.75 mill, to provide funds for Fire Protection Services in Eureka Charter Township.

Shall Eureka Charter Township renew, at the previous voted increase, up to three-quarter (.75) mill (\$0.75 per \$1,000 of taxable value; example – a property with a taxable value of \$50,000 would be taxed \$37.50 annually for the millage), thereby levying a full three-quarter (.75) mills, for the years 2014 through 2017, inclusive, to provide fire protection services in Eureka Charter Township, which will collect in the first year an estimated total of \$94,195.91?

PROPOSITION FOR RENEWAL OF POLICE PROTECTION MILLAGE

This proposition will allow Eureka Charter Township, Montcalm County, Michigan, to continue to levy the previous voted increase on general ad valorem taxes of 1 mill, to provide funds for Police Protection and Police Equipment in Eureka Charter Township.

Shall Eureka Charter Township renew, at the previous voted increase, up to one (1) mill, (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value; example – a property with the taxable value of \$50,000 would be taxed \$50.00), thereby levying up to one (1) full mill, for the years 2014 through 2019, inclusive, for additional police protection and police equipment in Eureka Charter Township, which will collect in the first year an estimated total of \$125,594.55?

AND IN FERRIS TOWNSHIP ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

FIRE MILLAGE RENEWAL

Shall the expired tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution in Ferris Township, of 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) be renewed at the original 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and levied for 4 years, 2015 – 2018 inclusive, for general fire department operations, raising an estimated \$32,247 in the first year the millage is levied?

AND IN MAPLE VALLEY TOWNSHIP ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

**PROPOSAL FOR RENEWAL OF PREVIOUSLY-APPROVED
MILLAGE OF 0.9730 MILL FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT
APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT PURPOSES**

Shall the previously-approved increase in the Township of Maple Valley property tax rate limitation, currently 0.9730 mill (\$0.9730 per \$1,000 of taxable value), be renewed and levied in the years 2015-2018, both inclusive, subject to reduction as provided by law, on taxable property in the Township?

The purpose of this renewed millage levy is to provide funds for Township fire department apparatus and equipment. It is estimated that a levy of 0.9730 mill would provide revenue of \$53,743 in the first calendar year. The revenue from this renewed millage levy will be disbursed to the Township of Maple Valley.

AND IN ITHACA PUBLIC SCHOOLS ONLY THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

**MILLAGE PROPOSAL, BUILDING AND SITE
SINKING FUND TAX LEVY**

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Ithaca Public Schools, Gratiot and Montcalm Counties, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 2 mills (\$2.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2014 to 2023, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2014 is approximately \$611,170?

MONTCALM COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT

I, JoAnne Vukin, Treasurer of Montcalm County, Michigan, hereby certify that as of May 19, 2014, the records of this office indicate that the total of all voted increases over and above the tax limitation established by the Constitution of Michigan, in any local units of government affecting the taxable property located in the Ithaca Public Schools and Crystal Township, Day Township, Douglass Township, Eureka Charter Township, Ferris Township and Maple Valley Township, located in Montcalm County Michigan, is as follows:

By Crystal Township:	Fire-1.0000 mills	Expires 2014
By Day Township:	Roads-N/A	Expired 2013
	Fire - 0.9623 mills	Expires 2014
	Roads – 1.9246 mills	Expires 2014
By Douglass Township:	Fire – N/A	Expired 2013
By Eureka Township:	Road- 0.5000 mills	Expires 2017
	Police-N/A	Expired 2013
	Fire-N/A	Expired 2013
By Ferris Township:	Fire – 0.9753 mills	Expires 2014
By Maple Valley Township:	Fire Equipment – 0.9667 mills	Expires 2014
	Roads – 1.000 mills	Expires 2016
	Fire Protection – 1.000 mills	Expires 2016
	By Ithaca Public Schools	Operating – 18.000 mills
	Debt Vote -1.0000 mills	Expires 2021
	Bond – 1.2500 mills	Expires 2021

JoAnne Vukin, Montcalm County Treasurer

Dated: May 19, 2014

Sheila Smith, Belvidere Twp. Clerk
Sarah Todd, Bloomer Twp. Clerk
Louise Belyou, Bushnell Twp. Clerk
Louis Morse, Cato Twp. Clerk
Robert Naumann, Crystal Twp. Clerk
Jackie Kemler, Day Twp. Clerk
Sharlene Hopp, Douglass Twp. Clerk
Linda Ruwersma, Eureka Twp. Clerk

Kelli J. Greenhoe, Evergreen Twp. Clerk
Coleen Myers, Fairplain Twp. Clerk
Tammy Mortensen, Ferris Twp. Clerk
Cindy Stratton, Home Twp. Clerk
Shirley Sanders, Maple Valley Twp. Clerk
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