

MONTCALM  
COUNTY  
2008  
ELECTION  
MANUAL



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## MONTCALM COUNTY TOWNSHIP & CITY CLERKS

MUNICIPALITY	CLERK	ADDRESS	CITY, STATE	ZIP	PHONE
Belvidere Township	Sheila Smith	PO Box 86	Six Lakes, MI	48886	989-365-3105
Bloomer Township	Don Baese	11740 Jenks Rd.	Carson City, MI	48811	989-584-6066
Bushnell Township	Phebe Wilson	8129 S. Sheridan Rd.	Sheridan, MI	48884	989-291-3469
Cato Township	Louis Morse	PO Box 59	Lakeview, MI	48850	989-352-7967
Crystal Township	Nan Hagerman	7470 E. Muskrat Rd.	Carson City, MI	48811	989-235-6034
Day Township	Deborah Baker	4560 Wyman Rd.	Edmore, MI	48829	989-762-5125
Douglass Township	Sharlene Hopp	4500 Grow Rd., NW	Stanton, MI	48888	989-762-5222
Eureka Township	Linda Ruwersma	10333 Milo Court	Greenville, MI	48838	616-754-0375
Evergreen Township	Kelli Greenhoe	4159 Townhall Rd.	Sheridan, MI	48884	989-291-5189
Fairplain Township	Kathy Sanders	8383 S. Grow	Greenville, MI	48838	989-248-3311
Ferris Township	Tammy Mortensen	9278 Cannonsville Rd.	Vestaburg, MI	48891	989-268-5738
Home Township	Cindy Stratton	PO Box 470	Edmore, MI	48829	989-427-3092
Maple Valley Township	Shirley Sanders	PO Box 56	Coral, MI	49322	231-354-6496
Montcalm Township	Cathy Carman	2883 Fitzner	Greenville, MI	48838	616-754-1769
Pierson Township	Brooke Scott	23831 Kendaville Rd.	Pierson, MI	49339	616-636-8570
Pine Township	Doris Swem	2393 N. Greenville Rd.	Stanton, MI	48888	989-352-6837
Reynolds Township	Tina Porzondek	215 E. Edgerton	Howard City, MI	49329	231-937-5626
Richland Township	Susan Brantley	9125 Lake Montcalm Rd.	Vestaburg, MI	48891	989-268-5405
Sidney Township	Wesley Thomsen	1631 S. Nevins Rd.	Sidney, MI	48885	989-328-2961
Winfield Township	Collen Stebbins	7569 Gravel Ridge	Lakeview, MI	48850	989-352-7448
Carson City	Janet Kelly	PO Box 340	Carson City, MI	48811	989-584-3515
Greenville City	Bradley Hool	411 S. Lafayette	Greenville, MI	48838	616-754-5645
Stanton City	Janet Davis	PO Box 449	Stanton, MI	48888	989-831-4440

## 2008 ELECTION CALENDAR

The following is a listing of the important dates relating to the 2008 election cycle. All dates are 2008 unless noted. Numbers in parenthesis refer to the appropriate section of Election Law (MCL 168.1 – 168.999)

Friday, February 1	Last day recall petitions can be filed for the May 6 election (963)
By Monday, February 4	Board of State Canvassers meet to canvass presidential primary. (581)
By Thursday, February 7	Last date precinct boundary alterations made for 2008 election cycle can go into effect. (661)
Wednesday, February 13	Filing deadline for candidates for Local School Board, Community College Trustee and District Library Board for the May 6 election. [By 4:00 p.m.] (303; 397.181; 389.152)
Wednesday, February 13	Petitions to place proposals on the May 6 ballot filed with county and local clerks. (646a)
Tuesday, February 19	Candidate withdrawal deadline for the May 6 election. [By 4:00 p.m.]
Tuesday, February 26	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on the May 6 ballot certified to county and local clerks. (646a)
By Saturday, March 1	State party chairs of the major political parties notify county chairs of the precinct delegate allocation requirements. (623a)
By Tuesday, March 4	First time candidates for office (School) must file Statements of Organization for Candidate Committee with County Clerk. Candidates in Central Montcalm, Greenville, Lakeview, and Tri County School Districts <b>must</b> file. All others <b>may</b> file.
Monday, March 24	Incumbent Appeals, Circuit, District and Probate Court judges file Affidavits of Candidacy and Affidavit of Identity for August 5 Primary with appropriate filing official. [By 5:00 p.m.]
By Wednesday, March 26	Secretary of State forwards written records of party ballot issued to each voter who participated in presidential primary to each political party. (615c)
Thursday, March 27 – Tuesday, April 15	Precinct Inspectors appointed for the May 6 election. (674)
Thursday, March 27	Withdrawal deadline for incumbent Appeals, Circuit, District and Probate Court Judges. (409b; 413a; 414; 433a; 434; 467c; 467d)
Monday, March 31	Notice of close of registration for the May 6 election published. (498)

By Tuesday, April 1	County political party chairpersons certify number of delegates per precinct to the county election commission. (623a)
Monday, April 7	Last day to register for the May 6 election.
Monday, April 7	Qualified political parties certify to SOS any change in vignette for the August Primary. (684)
By Monday, April 14	County, city & township clerks submit reimbursement vouchers for presidential primary. (624g)
Wednesday, April 16	Absent voter ballots for the May 6 election must be available for issuance to voters. (714)
Sunday, April 20	Close of books for the May 6 Pre-Election Campaign Statement.
Tuesday, April 22	Vacancies occurring in judicial offices on or before this date must be elected this year. (409l; 424; 444; 467m)
Friday, April 25	Pre-Election Campaign Statements filed for the May 6 election.
Friday, April 25	Write-in candidates for the May 6 election file Declaration of Intent forms. (737a)
Tuesday, April 29	Notice of Election published for the May 6 election. One notice required. (653a)
Tuesday, April 29	Candidates seeking Appeals, Circuit Court, District Court or Probate Court judgeships file nominating petitions, Affidavits of Identity and Constitutional Qualification for August 8 Primary. (409b; 409c; 413; 414; 433; 434; 467b; 467d)  <i>Probate Court files with County Clerk; all others file with Secretary of State.</i>
By Thursday, May 1	Public accuracy test for the May 6 election must be conducted. (R778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (798)
Friday, May	Withdrawal deadline for Appeals, Circuit, District or Probate Court Judicial candidates. [By 4:00 p.m.] (409b)
Friday, May 2	Last date a recall petition can be filed in order for a recall question to appear on the August primary ballot. (963)
Saturday, May 4	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for the May 6 election by mail submit an Absent Voter Application. (759) City and Township Clerks are available until 2:00 p.m.
Monday, May 5	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for the May 6 election may vote in person in clerk's office. (761)
<b>TUESDAY, MAY 6</b>	<b>ELECTION</b>
Wednesday, May 7	Montcalm County Board of Canvassers meets to canvass May 6 Election. [at 1:00 p.m.]

Tuesday, May 13	Filing deadline for partisan and nonpartisan candidates for August 5 Primary. [by 4:00 p.m.] (624)
Tuesday, May 13	Candidates for county convention delegate (precinct delegate) file an Affidavit of Identity with the County, City or Township clerk in which the candidate resides. [By 4:00 p.m.] (624)
Tuesday, May 13	Petition filing deadline for county and local proposals for the August 5 Primary. (646a)
Friday, May 16	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates and precinct delegate candidates to file withdrawals for the August 5 Primary. (164, 624a)
Monday, May 26	Close of books for the May 6 Post-Election Campaign Statement.
By Monday, May 19	City and Township clerks forward names & addresses of partisan & nonpartisan candidates & copies of Precinct Delegate Affidavit of Identity forms files with them to County Clerk. (321, 349, 624)
By Tuesday, May 27	Ballot wording of county and local proposals to be presented at August 5 Primary certified to county and local clerks. Ballot proposals received by local clerks are forwarded to county clerk within two days. (646a)
By Monday, June 2	First-time candidates for office must file Statements of Organization for Candidate Committee with County Clerk
Thursday, June 5	Post-Election Campaign Statements for May 6 election due.
Friday, June 6	Board of State Canvassers certifies candidates for Primary Ballot. (552)
Friday, June 6	Republicans & Democrats call Fall conventions. (591)
Friday, June 6	Deadline for changes in polling locations for Primary. (662)
Friday, June 6	Constitutional amendments and legislative referendums which the legislature wishes to place on the August 5 primary ballot presented to Secretary of State. (Art. 12, Sec. 1)
By Saturday, June 21	County Clerks deliver absent voter ballots for the August 5 Primary to local clerks. (714)
By Saturday, June 21	County committees of major political parties call county conventions. (592)
Thursday June 26 – Tuesday, July 15	Precinct inspectors for August 5 Primary to be appointed by city and township election commissions. (674)
Monday, June 30	Notice of Close of Registration for August 5 Primary published. (498)
Monday, July 7	Incumbent Supreme Court Justices file Affidavits of Candidacy. (392a)

Monday, July 7	Last date to register for August 5 Primary. (498)
Monday, July 7	Petitions to place a proposed constitutional amendment on the November 4 General Election ballot filed with Secretary of State [380,126 valid signatures required] (471)
Thursday, July 17	Candidates without political party affiliation file Qualifying Petitions and Affidavits of Identity for the November General Election. [by 4:00 p.m.] (590c; 558)
Sunday, July 20	Close of books for Pre-Primary Campaign Statements
Monday, July 21	Withdrawal deadline for candidates without political party affiliation for the November 4 General Election. (590c)
Friday, July 25	Pre-Primary Campaign Statements filed.
Friday, July 25	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for August primary. Delegates may file in precinct before polls close on Election Day. (737a)
By Saturday, July 26	County clerks deliver remainder of ballots and supplies for August Primary to local clerks. (714)
Tuesday, July 29	Notice of Election for the August 5 Primary published. (653a)
Thursday, July 31	Public Accuracy test must be conducted. (R778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (798)
Friday, August 1	Last date a recall petition can be filed in order for recall question to appear on November general election ballot. (963)
Saturday, August 2	Up to 2:00 p.m. electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for the August Primary by mail submit absent voter applications. (759)
Monday, August 4	Up to 4:00 p.m. Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for the August Primary may vote in person in clerk's office. (761)
<b>TUESDAY, AUGUST 5</b>	<b>PRIMARY ELECTION</b>
Wednesday, August 6	Board of County Canvassers meet to canvass August primary (1:00 p.m.)
By Tuesday, August 12	County Clerks notify precinct delegates elected at primary; certify delegate names and addresses to chairpersons of county committees. (608)
Tuesday, August 12	Candidates for Village Office (Edmore, Lakeview, McBride, Pierson and Sheridan) file petitions with Township Clerk (by 4:00 p.m.)
Tuesday, August 12	Petitions to place county & local questions on General ballot files with county & local clerks. (646a)

Monday, August 25	Close of books for Post-primary Campaign Statements
By Tuesday, August 26	Ballot wording of local propositions to be presented at November general election certified to county and local clerks. Ballot proposals certified by local clerks are to be forwarded to county clerk within two days. (646a)
By Tuesday, September 2	First time Village candidates must file Statement of Organization for Candidate Committee with County Clerk.
Thursday, September 4	Post-primary Campaign Statements filed (By 4:00 p.m.)
Friday, September 5	Final date to change polling place for General election. (662)
Friday, September 5	Proposals which the legislature wishes to place on the November 4 General Election ballot presented to Secretary of State. (Art. 12, Sec. 1)
By Saturday, September 20	Absent Voter Ballots for General Election delivered to local clerks.
Thursday, September 25 - Tuesday, October 14	Precinct inspectors for November general election by city and township election commissions. (674)
Tuesday, September 29	Notice of Close of Registration for November 4 General Election published. (498)
Monday, October 6	Last date to register for November General Election.
Sunday, October 19	Close of books for Pre-General Campaign Statements
Friday, October 24	Pre-General Campaign Statements filed (By 4:30 p.m.)
Friday, October 24	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for the November 4 general election. (By 4:00 p.m.) (498)
By Saturday, October 25	County Clerks deliver remainder of ballots and election supplies for November General Election to local clerks. (714)
By Tuesday, October 28	Notice of November 4 General Election published (653a)
By Thursday, October 30	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R778)
Saturday, November 1	By 2:00 p.m. electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for the November General Election by mail submit absent voter applications. (759)
Monday, November 3	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for November General Election may vote in person in clerk's office. (761)
<b>TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4</b>	<b>GENERAL ELECTION</b>
Wednesday, November 5	Board of County Canvassers meet to canvass November general election (1:00 p.m.)



Monday, November 24	Close of books for Post-General Campaign Statements
Thursday, December 4	Post-General Campaign Statements filed. (by 4:30 p.m.)
Friday, December 31	Close of books for Annual Campaign Statement.
Monday, February 2, 2009	Annual Campaign Statements filed. (Candidates who filed a Post-General Campaign Statement need not file an Annual Campaign Statement for 2008.)

## **FILING PETITIONS AND FEES**

Candidates desiring to run under the Democratic or Republican parties file petitions according to the following schedules.

Candidates for Township and Village Offices file petitions with the Township Clerk.

Candidates for County Offices file petitions with the County Clerk. Petitions and Affidavit of Identity forms are available from the County Clerk's Office during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. – noon and 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Monday – Friday).

County candidates may file a \$100 filing fee if they desire. In that case, only an Affidavit of Identity is required. The filing fee is returned following the Primary Election to the two top vote-getters of each party for the particular office.

The petitions to be used by County Officers, (Sheriff, Prosecuting Attorney, et al) are entitled "Countywide Partisan" and can be used anywhere within Montcalm County.

County Commissioner candidates must use "City/Township Partisan" petitions. Please be sure the petitions used are current (2002). Petition forms that are not current will not be accepted. Affidavit of Identity forms must also be current (2006 – if available).

Candidates desiring to run for office under a "Minor Party" label (Libertarian, Green, et al) must be nominated by a party caucus or convention. Following the caucus, the Secretary of the Caucus provides the candidate with the Statement of Nomination to be filed with the Affidavit of Identity.

Candidates desiring to run with "No Party Affiliation" must circulate petitions entitled "Qualifying Petition – Countywide," which is used for County Officers and State Legislative positions or "City/Township", which is used for County Commission or Township seats. The calendar above indicates the filing date and the chart below indicates the number of signatures required. Candidates who file Qualifying Petitions will not appear on the Primary Ballot. On the General Election ballot, such candidates will be listed following all candidates with party affiliations. "Independent" is not a recognized party in the State of Michigan.

## **CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING**

All new candidates are required to file a "Statement of Organization" with the County Clerk within 20 days of becoming a candidate. Becoming a candidate can either be the filing of petitions/affidavit or by collecting or expending money on behalf of a campaign. Candidates that do not file Statements of Organization will be notified and fined \$10 per day (according to State Law provisions).

If a candidate does not expect to expend or receive more than \$1,000 during the course of the campaign, and they have checked the recording waiver on their Statement of Organization (Box 10), no further filings need to be submitted. This does not waive the responsibility of the candidate's committee treasurer to keep track of all contributions and expenses. Even if you indicate that you do not plan to spend \$1,000, you must file a detailed report if you do go over \$1,000 (either in contributions or expenses). Existing candidates now running for a different office must file an amendment to the Statement of Organization with the County Clerk.

All Campaign Finance forms are available from the County Clerk's Office during regular business hours. It is the committee treasurer's responsibility to comply with state law regarding campaign finance reporting. The above calendar indicates dates for filing campaign finance reports. Late campaign finance reports have a late fee of \$25 per day. A new state law provides that late fees cannot come from campaign funds. Campaign finance reports will be reviewed for compliance and errors will be required to be corrected. Suspected illegal activity will be turned over to the Bureau of Elections or the Prosecuting Attorney's Office for investigation.

Please contact the Bureau of Elections (517) 373-2540 or the County Clerk's Office (989) 831-7339 for more information. Additional information and forms are available through the Internet at [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos)

## **VOTER INFORMATION**

Information regarding Montcalm County registered voters is available by contacting the County Clerk's Office. If you have access to a computer and Microsoft Excel, lists can be copied to a diskette or CD-Rom far less expensively than what a printed list would cost.

Voter information can be compiled using a number of parameters. Contact the County Clerk's Office for more information.

### **2008 PRICING**

CD-Rom	\$1.00 per 1,000 names plus \$2.00 for the CD
Diskette	\$1.00 per 1,000 names plus \$1.00 for the diskette
Paper list	.25 per page
Labels	.03 per label

## **RECOUNT INFORMATION**

### U.S. House and State House Seats

- Recount petitions must be filed 48 hours after the Board of State Canvassers canvass election.
- Counter petitions must be filed before 4:00 p.m. on the seventh day after the filing of the recount petition.

### Any Other Office Canvassed by County Board of Canvassers

- Recount petitions must be filed within six days after the Board of Canvassers canvass the election.
- Counter petitions must be filed within 48 hours after the filing of the recount petition.
- The fee for a recount is \$10 per precinct.

## **TOWNSHIP SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS –2008**

TOWNSHIP	2000	PARTISAN	PARTISAN	QUALIFYING PETITION	QUALIFYING PETITION
	POPULATION	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Belvidere Township	2,438	3	10	9	30
Bloomer Township	2,707	3	10	9	30
Bushnell Township	1,495	3	10	9	30
Cato Township	2,920	3	10	9	30
Crystal Township	2,824	3	10	9	30
Day Township	1,282	3	10	9	30
Douglass Township	2,377	3	10	9	30
Eureka Township	3,271	3	10	9	30
Evergreen Township	2,922	3	10	9	30
Fairplain Township	1,828	3	10	9	30
Ferris Township	1,379	3	10	9	30
Home Township	2,708	3	10	9	30
Maple Valley Township	2,083	3	10	9	30
Montcalm Township	3,178	3	10	9	30
Pierson Township	2,866	3	10	9	30
Pine Township	1,654	3	10	9	30
Reynolds Township	4,279	3	10	9	30
Richland Township	2,868	3	10	9	30
Sidney Township	2,563	3	10	9	30
Winfield Township	2,049	3	10	9	30

All candidates for Township office must use the “City/Township Nominating” or “City/Township Qualifying” petition and file with their respective Township Clerk. Filing deadline is May 13, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

## **COUNTY WIDE PARTISAN SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS - 2008**

<b>OFFICE</b>	<b>2000 POPULATION</b>	<b>PARTISAN MINIMUM</b>	<b>PARTISAN MAXIMUM</b>	<b>QUALIFYING PETITION MINIMUM</b>	<b>QUALIFYING PETITION MAXIMUM</b>
<b>Prosecuting Attorney</b>	59,128	100	200	300	600
<b>Sheriff</b>	59,128	100	200	300	600
<b>County Clerk</b>	59,128	100	200	300	600
<b>County Treasurer</b>	59,128	100	200	300	600
<b>Drain Comm.</b>	59,128	100	200	300	600
<b>Register of Deeds</b>	59,128	100	200	300	600

All County Officer candidates may use a “Countywide Partisan” or “Countywide Qualifying” petition. City/Township petition forms will also be accepted but a separate petition form must be completed for each township or city. Candidates must file with the Montcalm County Clerk. Filing deadline is May 13, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

## **COUNTY COMMISSION SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS – 2008**

DISTRICT	2000	PARTISAN	PARTISAN	QUALIFYING PETITION	QUALIFYING PETITION
	POPULATION	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
District 1	6,215	3	10	9	30
District 2	6,817	3	10	9	30
District 3	6,494	3	10	9	30
District 4	6,909	3	10	9	30
District 5	6,603	3	10	9	30
District 6	6,328	3	10	9	30
District 7	6,567	3	10	9	30
District 8	6,285	3	10	9	30
District 9	6,910	3	10	9	30

All candidates for County Commissioner must use the “City/Township Nominating” or “City/Township Qualifying” petition forms and file with the Montcalm County Clerk. Filing deadline is May 13, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

**MONTCALM COUNTY NON-PARTISAN SIGNATURE  
REQUIREMENTS – 2008**

OFFICE	TERM ENDING JAN 1, OF	NON- PARTISAN MINIMUM	NON- PARTISAN MAXIMUM	FILING OFFICIAL
Circuit Court Judge – 8 <sup>th</sup> Circuit Non-Incumbent Position 1 to be elected	2015	600	1000	Secretary of State
District Court Judge – 64B Incumbent Position 1 to be elected	2015	200	400	Secretary of State

**CONGRESSIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS SIGNATURE  
REQUIREMENTS –2008**

Descriptions of Districts Following

DISTRICT	PARTISAN MINIMUM	PARTISAN MAXIMUM	QUALIFYING MINIMUM	QUALIFYING MAXIMUM	FILING OFFICIAL
United States Senate	15,000	30,000	30,000	60,000	Secretary of State
4 <sup>th</sup> District U.S. House of Representatives	1,000	2,000	3,000	6,000	Secretary of State
State Board of Ed. U of M Regent MSU Trustee WSU Governor Supreme Court Justice	Nominated at State Convention	Nominated at State Convention	30,000	60,000	Secretary of State
70 <sup>th</sup> District State House	200	400	600	1,200	Secretary of State



**MONTCALM COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TRUSTEE**  
**SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS - 2008**

SCHOOL DISTRICT	2000 POPULATION	NON- PARTISAN MINIMUM	NON- PARTISAN MAXIMUM	FILING OFFICIAL
Carson City-Crystal Area Schools	<10,000	6	20	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Central Montcalm Public School	>10,000	40	100	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Greenville Public Schools	>10,000	40	100	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Lakeview Community Schools	>10,000	40	100	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Montabella Community Schools	<10,000	6	20	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Tri County Area Schools	>10,000	40	100	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Vestaburg Community School	<10,000	6	20	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk
Montcalm Community College	>10,000	40	100	Kristen Millard Montcalm County Clerk

**\*Montcalm Community College holds elections in odd years only.**  
**Filing deadline is February 13, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.**

## DESCRIPTIONS OF CONGRESSIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

### 4<sup>th</sup> District U.S. House of Representatives:

Clare County  
Grand Traverse County  
Griatiot County  
Isabella County  
Kalkaska County  
Leelanau County  
Mecosta County  
Midland County  
Missaukee County  
Montcalm County  
Osceola County  
Roscommon County  
Saginaw County (part)

Albee township  
Brady township  
Brant township  
Bridgeport township  
Carrollton township  
Chapin township  
Chesaning township  
Fremont township  
James township  
Jonesfield township  
Kochville township

Saginaw County (part) continued

Lakefield township  
Maple Grove township  
Marion township  
Richland township  
Saginaw township  
Spaulding township  
St. Charles township  
Swan Creek township  
Taymouth township  
Thomas township  
Tittabawassee township  
Zilwaukee city (part)

That portion of the city which lies west of a line beginning at Schust Rd. (southwest city limits of Zilwaukee), east on Schust Rd. to Sherman Rd., north on Sherman Rd. to W. Fisher St., east on W. Fisher St. to Moran St., east on Moran St. to S. Adams St., north on S. Adams St. to Tittabawassee Rd., west on Tittabawassee Rd. to Knox St., north on Knox St. to Shepard St., west on Shepard

### 33<sup>rd</sup> District State Senate:

Clinton County  
Ionia County  
Isabella County  
Montcalm County

### 70<sup>th</sup> District State House of Representatives:

Ionia County (part)

Belding City

Berlin Township (part)

That portion of Berlin Township contained within the city limits of Ionia

Easton Township

Ionia City (part)

All of the City of Ionia excluding the portion contained within the township limits of Ionia.

Ionia Township (part)

That portion of Ionia Township contained within the city limits of Ionia.

Keene Township

Orleans Township

Otisco Township

Montcalm County

## OFFICE HOLDERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 2008

\*indicates office holder is ineligible to run for re-election due to term limits

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>OFFICE HOLDER</u>	<u>PARTY</u>
PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT	George W. Bush/Richard Cheney*	R
UNITED STATES SENATOR	Carl Levin	D
MEMBER OF CONGRESS – 4 <sup>th</sup> DIST.	Dave Camp	R
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION	John C. Austin Kathleen N. Straus	D D
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN BOARD OF REGENTS	Laurence B. Deitch Rebecca McGowan	D D
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Dorothy V. Gonzales G. Scott Romney	D R
WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS	Paul E. Massaron Jacquelin E. Washington	R D
STATE LEGISLATORS 70 <sup>th</sup> DISTRICT	Judy Emmons*	R
<b>COUNTYWIDE OFFICERS:</b>		
PROSECUTING ATTORNEY	Andrea Krause	R
SHERIFF	Bill Barnwell	R
COUNTY CLERK	Kristen Millard	R
COUNTY TREASURER	Marcia Sawdy	R
DRAIN COMMISSIONER	Don Cooper	R
REGISTER OF DEEDS	Lori A. Wilson	R
<b>BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:</b>		
DISTRICT 1	Marcia Walker	R
DISTRICT 2	Dan Petersen	R
DISTRICT 3	Ron Retzloff	R
DISTRICT 4	John Johansen	R
DISTRICT 5	Carl Paepke	R
DISTRICT 6	Ronald S. Baker	R
DISTRICT 7	Patrick Q. Carr	R
DISTRICT 8	Roger Caris	R
DISTRICT 9	John McCrackin	R
<b>JUDICIAL OFFICIALS</b>		
MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT Clifford Taylor	8 <sup>th</sup> CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE Charles H. Miel *	
COURT OF APPEALS 4 <sup>th</sup> District Alton T. Davis Patrick M. Meter Bill Schuette	64B DISTRICT COURT JUDGE Donald Hemingsen	

## OFFICE HOLDERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 2008

### TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS:

<b>BELVIDERE TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Larry Delamater	D
	Clerk	Sheila Smith	R
	Treasurer	Diana Eckert	D
	Trustee	Darlene Beardslee	R
		Gerald Derenski	R
<b>BLOOMER TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	E.J. Horricks	R
	Clerk	Donald W. Baese	R
	Treasurer	Steven Crouse	R
	Trustee	Daniel J. Smith	R
		Thomas Gallagher	R
<b>BUSHNELL TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Mark Ravell	R
	Clerk	Phebe M. Wilson	R
	Treasurer	Judy Wilson	R
	Trustee	Robert H. Shaw	R
		Clinton Sinclair	R
<b>CATO TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Larry T. Gilbert	R
	Clerk	Louis Morse	R
	Treasurer	Letty Scott	R
	Trustee	Henry Behrnewald	R
		Milford Molitor	R
<b>CRYSTAL TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	William D. Powell	R
	Clerk	Nan Hagerman	R
	Treasurer	Paula Plank	R
	Trustee	John Hagerman	R
		Rick Chalmers	R
<b>DAY TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	James D. Baker	R
	Clerk	Deborah K. Baker	R
	Treasurer	Marilyn Parr	R
	Trustee	Bruce Sackett	R
		David L. Kemler	R
<b>DOUGLASS TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Terry Anderson	R
	Clerk	Sharlene Hopp	R
	Treasurer	Amy Laper	R
	Trustee	Thomas Jeppesen	R
		Douglas Poulsen	R

<b>EUREKA CHARTER TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Les Lillie	R
	Clerk	Linda Ruwersma	R
	Treasurer	Cindy L. Hanson	R
	Trustee	Amilio Kalmata	R
		Rodney L. Roy	D
		Laura E. Shears	D
		Robert Wm. Mulholland	NP
<b>EVERGREEN TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Lyle Braman Jr.	R
	Clerk	Kelli J. Greenhow	R
	Treasurer	Laura Edwards	R
	Trustee	Andy Ross	R
		Robert Wagner	R
<b>FAIRPLAIN TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	G. Jan Hallihan	R
	Clerk	Kathy Sanders	R
	Treasurer	Sharon E. Swindell	R
	Trustee	Francis L. Wilson	R
		Bill Lutherloh	R
<b>FERRIS TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Brian Stratton	R
	Clerk	Tammy Mortensen	R
	Treasurer	Lynda Startton	R
	Trustee	John A. Card	D
		Arthur Stratton	R
<b>HOME TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Robert McConkie	R
	Clerk	Cindy Stratton	R
	Treasurer	Christine Jordan	R
	Trustee	Bud Longnecker	R
		David B. Kelsey	R
<b>MAPLE VALLEY TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	John Kain	R
	Clerk	Shirley Sanders	R
	Treasurer	M. June Miller	R
	Trustee	Karl K. Knapp	R
		Roger Louis Betten Sr.	R
<b>MONTCALM TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Del Christensen	R
	Clerk	Cathy Carman	R
	Treasurer	Phyllis Shilling	R
	Trustee	Louis Engel	R
		Diane M. Fountain	R

<b>PIERSON TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	John Lehmoine	D
	Clerk	Brooke E. Scott	R
	Treasurer	J. Scott Vukin	R
	Trustee	Noel Powell	D
		William Bryant	R
<b>PINE TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Edwin Hansen	R
	Clerk	Doris J. Swem	R
	Treasurer	Ruth Ann Johnson	R
	Trustee	Lynwood Cannon	R
		Dorothy R. Jensen	R
<b>REYNOLDS TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Michael R. Kerin	R
	Clerk	Tina Porzondek	R
	Treasurer	Roger Stedman	R
	Trustee	Ann Yankee	R
		Lee E. Olsen, II	R
<b>RICHLAND TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Dennis Wright	R
	Clerk	Susan A. Brantley	R
	Treasurer	Thomas Wright	R
	Trustee	Randy Brecht	R
		Ron Braman	R
<b>SIDNEY TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Terry L. Peterman	D
	Clerk	Wesley Thomsen	R
	Treasurer	Esther Petersen	D
	Trustee	Ivan Christensen	D
		Larry Elk	R
		William Simpson	R
<b>WINFIELD TOWNSHIP</b>	Supervisor	Phyllis Larson	R
	Clerk	Colleen Stebbins	R
	Treasurer	Roy Killinger	R
	Trustee	Daniel Kanouse	R
		Steve Pritchard	R

## LOCAL NON-PARTISAN OFFICIALS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE IN 2008

CITY OF GREENVILLE	Councilperson	Jean Cunliffe	4 year term
		Mark Lehman	4 year term
STANTON CITY	Mayor	Robert Burns	2 year term
	Commissioners Rachel Geselman		2 year term
		John Kroneck	2 year term
		Larry Petersen	2 year term
VILLAGE OF EDMORE	President	Lon Leonard	2 year term
	Clerk	Joe Shouse	2 year term
	Treasurer	Elaine Leak	2 year term
	Trustees	Arthur J. Ballard	4 year term
		Bonnie Davis	4 year term
		Bonnie Ashbaugh	4 year term
VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW	President	Edwin Winter	2 year term
	Trustees	Esther Collard	4 year term
		Kathy J. Lobert	4 year term
		Ruth Schottle	4 year term
VILLAGE OF MCBRIDE	President	Kimberly Jensen	2 year term
	Clerk	Patsy Buckley	2 year term
	Treasurer	Nora Stratton	2 year term
	Trustees	Bernard Stratton	4 year term
		Richard Gilbert	4 year term
		Roger Hinton	4 year term
VILLAGE OF PIERSON	President	Chad Harmon	2 year term
	Clerk	Vacant	2 year term
	Treasurer	Carrie Harmon	2 year term
	Trustee	Vacant	2 year term
		Vacant	2 year term
		Vacant (4 year term)	2 year partial
VILLAGE OF SHERIDAN	President	Brian Russel	2 year term
	Trustee	Susan Wyckoff McFarland	4 yr term
		Vacant	4 year term
		Daryl Bush	4 year term

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARDS OF EDUCATION WHOSE TERM EXPIRE IN 2008  
POSITIONS WILL BE ON MAY 6, 2008 BALLOT**

CARSON CITY-CRYSTAL AREA SCHOOLS	Susan Hogan	4 year term
CENTRAL MONTCALM PUBLIC SCHOOLS	Doug Bowen	4 year term
	Bill Simpson	4 year term
GREENVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS	James Anderson	4 year term
	Todd Taylor	4 year term
	Norice Thorlund Rasmussen	2 year term
LAKEVIEW COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	Bill Drews	4 year term
	Tim Reed	4 year term
MONTABELLA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS	Dennis Stratton	4 year term
TRI COUNTY AREA SCHOOLS	George Bradley	4 year term
	Robert Cichewicz	4 year term
VESTABURG COMMUNITY SCHOOL	Scott Marshall	4 year term
	Robert Peglow	4 year term
	Joe Gastonski	3 year term
	Dave Freeman	2 year term



# MONTCALM COUNTY PRECINCTS AND DISTRICTS CHART 2002-2012

MUNICIPALITY	PRECINCT	CONGRESS	STATE SENATE	STATE	COUNTY	VILLAGE
				REP	COMMISSIONER	
Belvidere Township	1	4	33	70	7	None
Bloomer Township	1	4	33	70	9	None
Bushnell Township	1	4	33	70	3	None
Cato Township	1	4	33	70	7	Lakeview
Crystal Township	1	4	33	70	9	None
Day Township	1A	4	33	70	8	McBride
Day Township	1B	1	33	70	3	McBride
Douglass Township	1A	4	33	70	7	None
Douglass Township	1B	4	33	70	4	None
Eureka Township	1	4	33	70	2	None
Eureka Township	2	4	33	70	2	None
Evergreen Township	1	4	33	70	3	None
Evergreen Township	2	4	33	70	3	Sheridan
Fairplain Township	1	4	33	70	2	None
Ferris Township	1	4	33	70	9	None
Home Township	1	4	33	70	8	Edmore
Maple Valley Township	1	4	33	70	5	None
Maple Valley Township	2	4	33	70	5	None
Montcalm Township	1	4	33	70	4	None
Pierson Township	1	4	33	70	5	Pierson
Pine Township	1	4	33	70	5	None
Reynolds Township	1	4	33	70	6	Howard City
Reynolds Township	2	4	33	70	6	None
Richland Township	1	4	33	70	8	None
Sidney Township	1	4	33	70	4	Sheridan
Winfield Township	1	4	33	70	6	None
Carson City	1	4	33	70	9	None
Greenville	1	4	33	70	1	None
Greenville	2	4	33	70	1	None
Greenville	3	4	33	70	1	None
Greenville	4	4	33	70	2	None
Stanton	1	4	33	70	3	None

## **MONTCALM COUNTY PRECINCT LOCATIONS**

### **Belvidere Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 207 N. Clark Street, Six Lakes

### **Bloomer Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 217 W. Sherman Rd., Carson City

### **Bushnell Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 2983 E. Boyer Rd., Fenwick

### **Cato Township**

#1 Lakeview Community Center ..... 309 S. Lincoln St., Lakeview

### **Crystal Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 414 S. Main St, Crystal

### **Day Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 2085 Main St., NW, McBride

### **Douglass Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 3521 W. McBride Rd., Entrican

### **Eureka Charter Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 9322 S. Greenville Rd., Greenville

#2 Township Hall ..... 9322 S. Greenville Rd., Greenville

### **Evergreen Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 3044 E. Sidney Rd., Sheridan

#2 Sheridan Village Hall ..... 115 Evergreen St., Sheridan

### **Fairplain Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 8383 Grow Rd., Greenville

### **Ferris Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... Corner of Crystal & Cannonsville Roads, Crystal

### **Home Township**

#1 Home Twp. Comm. Center ..... 123 S. Third, Edmore

### **Maple Valley Township**

#1 Coral Comm. Center ..... 4662 Bailey Rd., Coral

#2 Trufant Fire Barn ..... 128 N. A Street, Trufant

**Montcalm Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 1880 S. Greenville Rd., Turk Lake

**Pierson Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 21156 Cannonsville, Pierson

**Pine Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 7900 Second St., Langston

**Reynolds Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 215 ½ E. Edgerton St., Howard City

#2 Township Hall ..... 215 ½ E. Edgerton St., Howard City

**Richland Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 8755 Third St., Vestaburg

**Sidney Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 3057 S. Grow Rd., Sidney

**Winfield Township**

#1 Township Hall ..... 15212 W. M-46, Amble

**Carson City**

#1 City Hall ..... 123 E. Main St., Carson City

**Greenville City**

#1 Cedar Crest School ..... 622 S. Cedar St., Greenville

#2 Greenville Public Safety ..... 415 S. Lafayette St., Greenville

#1 Baldwin Hts. School ..... 821 W. Oak., Greenville

#1 Walnut Hills School ..... 712 N. Walnut., Greenville

**Stanton City**

#1 City Hall ..... 225 S. Camburn, Stanton

## **OPTICAL SCAN VOTING SYSTEM**

Thanks to the Help America Vote Act, adopted in response to the problems connected with the 2000 Presidential Election in some parts of the country, Montcalm County received a new optical scan voting system that was implemented in 2004 in every precinct in the county.

Voters will notice a few changes in the precinct and prior to the election. Below are some brief descriptions about what to expect:

**BALLOT** – The Optical Scan voting system uses a sheet of heavy paper that the candidate names and proposals are printed on.

**VOTING PROCESS** - The voter will use a pen and darken the oval just to the right of the candidate name (or Yes/No in the case of a proposal). Following voting, the voter will take the voted ballot to the ballot tabulator and feed the ballot in to the device. The ballot is counted immediately and retained in the boxes below the device until after the election. If the device notices an error on the ballot (i.e. votes cast for more candidates than is allowed), it will make a small “beep”, but retains the ballot inside the tabulator. The voter will be able to read a message on a small screen on the device that will explain the error detected. The voter will then have an opportunity to request a replacement ballot or have the ballot counted with the error. If the ballot is not duplicated, the voter will risk not having all votes counted.

**TABULATION PROCEDURE** – At the close of the polls, the election inspectors will press a button on the tabulator that will print the totals from the precinct. If there are any write-in votes, they will be tabulated by hand and written on the appropriate forms. All required documents are then transported to the local clerk. The local clerk then delivers all precinct information to the County Clerk.

**INTERNET TOTALS** – As soon as possible, the precinct totals will be available on the Internet via the Montcalm County website ([www.montcalm.org](http://www.montcalm.org)) .

**PRECINCT INSPECTORS** – All units of government may need election inspectors to work on Election Day in each of the precincts in Montcalm County. Interested individuals must complete an application form with the local clerk. Training will be required of all election inspectors. All inspectors are paid for their service on Election Day and for their training time. Pay rates vary from community to community. Inspectors can live anywhere within Montcalm County and work for any municipality they choose. See a list of local clerks elsewhere in this book.

**AutoMARK VOTER ASSIST TERMINAL** – The AutoMARK was also purchased by the State of Michigan with HAVA dollars provided by the Federal Government. The AutoMARK assists voters who might otherwise need an election inspector or other person to help them mark a ballot. The AutoMARK provides a touch screen and audio reading of the ballot to help those with vision or hearing difficulties. A rubber stylus is provided for those people who have difficulty grasping a pen to mark their ballot. Even those with very limited mobility are able to vote using their own assisting devices that are connected to the AutoMARK. It is important to remember that the AutoMARK device marks the same ballot that all other voters are using. It is not a tabulator.

**DESCRIPTIONS OF MONTCALM COUNTY COMMISSIONER**  
**DISTRICTS**  
**REVISED FEBRUARY 1, 2002**

**DISTRICT 1**

City of Greenville Precincts 1, 2 & 3  
Inclusive

**DISTRICT 2**

City of Greenville Precinct 4, inclusive  
Eureka Township, inclusive  
Fairplain Township, inclusive

**DISTRICT 3**

Bushnell Township, inclusive  
Evergreen Township, inclusive  
City of Stanton, inclusive  
Day Township, part  
    South side of Cannonsville Rd. to  
    the south

**DISTRICT 4**

Montcalm Township, inclusive  
Sidney Township, inclusive  
Douglass Township, part  
    South side of Briggs Rd. to the  
south

**DISTRICT 5**

Pierson Township, inclusive  
Pine Township, inclusive  
Maple Valley Township, inclusive

**DISTRICT 6**

Reynolds Township, inclusive  
Winfield Township, inclusive

**DISTRICT 7**

Belvidere Township, inclusive  
Cato Township, inclusive  
Douglass Township, part  
    North side of Briggs Rd., to the  
North

**DISTRICT 8**

Home Township, inclusive  
Richland Township, inclusive  
Day Township, part  
    North side of Cannonsville Rd., to  
the North

**DISTRICT 9**

Ferris Township, inclusive  
Crystal Township, inclusive  
Bloomer Township, inclusive  
City of Carson City, inclusive