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NORTHAMPTON AND LEHIGH COUNTIES

PRIMARY 2019

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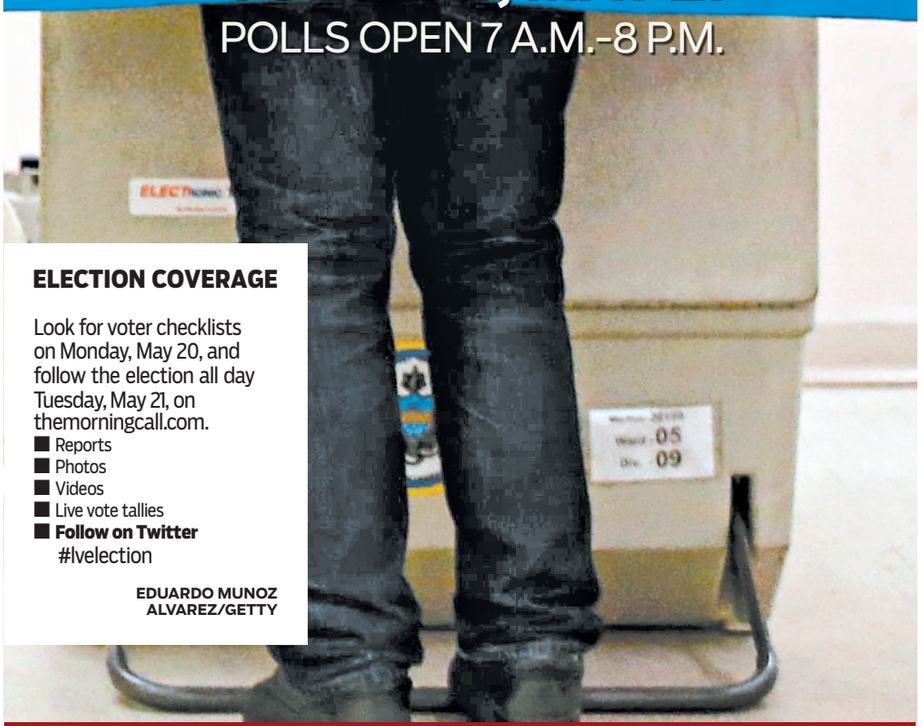

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ABSENTEE VOTING

Registered voters who are ill, disabled or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. Completed applications for civilian absentee ballots must be received by the county Board of Elections by 5 p.m. May 14. Completed civilian absentee ballots must be received back at the Board of Elections by 5 p.m. May 17. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the May 14 deadline, call your county Board of Elections for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergency may be required. An emergency application and ballot can be obtained and voted by 5 p.m. May 14. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the county Board of Election.

WRITE-IN VOTING

Information for write-in voting will be available at the polling place.

ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS

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 should telephone the county Board of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the county Board of Elections, where a judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted. If you have any questions or need to report any problems. call 1-866-OUR-VOTE for assistance in English or Spanish or 1-888-API-VOTE for assistance in Asian languages.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW VOTERS

If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time, then you must bring your voter ID card or photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of federal or state government-issued ID. Some forms of nonphoto ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID, then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot. If you are not a new voter and are not voting at the polling place for the first time, you are NOT required to bring or provide identification.

ONLINE VOTERS GUIDE

The Vote411 Online Voters Guide is available at www.vote411.org. Links to this guide as well as links to Vote411 and other useful information for voters can be found on the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania homepage: www.palwv.org. Information about the Lehigh Valley candidates may be found at www.lwvlehighcounty.org in the Voters Guide pages.

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SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE

Candidates were asked: What is the most important quality in a judge?
Job Description
The Superior Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. This court, which was 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 who serve 10-year terms. The president judge of Superior Court is elected to a five-year term by his or her colleagues. A huge volume of appeals flows to 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 such petitions are denied and the ruling of the Superior Court stands.
Term: 10 years
Salary: $199,114

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

BETH TARASI
Sewickley Heights, Allegheny County
www.tarasiforsuperiorcourt.com
Education: 1982 - University of Pittsburgh - BA duel major Business - Speech Rhetoric. 1991 - Juris Doctorate Duquesne University - evening division
Qualifications: I have 28 years of hands on trial and litigation work. This experience uniquely qualifies me. The cases I have handled are the cases that the Superior Court hears and rules on.///
Response: A Judge should exhibit the following aspects of proper judicial temperament: Patience, open-mindedness, courtesy, tact, courage, punctuality, firmness, understanding, compassion, humility and common sense. I have appeared before judges thousands of times and I find these qualities to be the most important. One of these qualities without the other is not enough. A judge must have these 11 qualities to render fair and impartial decisions for the citizens (litigants/parties) before them.///

DANIEL MCCAFFERY
Bensalem, Bucks County
www.judgemccaffery.com
Education: Temple University, BS., 1988. Temple University School of Law, JD.,1991
Qualifications: I will bring 28 years of legal experience to the Superior Court. As an assistant district attorney assigned to the Major Trials Division, I've prosecuted over 50 jury trials and thousands of bench trials. As a current trial judge since 2013.
Response: Impartiality and work ethic.

AMANDA GREEN-HAWKINS
Pittsburgh
www.AmandaGreenHawkins.com
Education: Duke University, BA. Northeastern Univ. School of Law, JD
Qualifications: I represented the union in courts and federal and state agencies around the country. I was a law clerk for the Hon. Lawrence M. Lawson, AJSC, in the Superior Court of New Jersey – Monmouth Division, and a legal intern for the Hon. Joseph Greenaway, USDJ.///
Response: Temperament is the most important quality in a judge. Parties and litigants in our courts must be heard and treated respectfully, and a judge's temperament is critical to a party's belief that he/she had their day in court by being heard and treated respectfully. People are more likely to accept a decision, even if they disagree with it, if they are treated fairly. A judge must be able to listen, without expressing exasperation, frustration, annoyance.///

Republican
Vote for not more than two

REBECCA WARREN
Beaver Meadows, Carbon County
www.warren4judge.com
Education: The Dickinson School of Law. Bloomsburg University.
Qualifications: I have 27 years of full-time courtroom experience in both civil and criminal law, having presented thousands of cases in county, state and federal courts. I was an elected district attorney who personally prosecuted thousands of cases and instituted robust victim rights programs.
Response: The ability to be impartial. A judge must always listen, keep an open mind, and apply the rule of law and Constitution to the facts of each particular case. A judge must act with the utmost integrity, exhibit fairness at all times, and ensure that justice is dispensed equally to everyone. Having lost my father and brother in a double homicide by vehicle and initially being denied justice, made me realize that our justice system is broken.///

MEGAN MCCARTHY KING
Easttown Township, Chester County
meganking2019.com
Education: Vanderbilt University, B.A.(1992). University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D. (1995). Rosemont College, M.A.(Ed.) 2010
Qualifications: Deputy district attorney Child Abuse Unit, Chester County. Supervisor of the Child and Elder Abuse Units of Lancaster County District Attorney's Office. 2018 awarded Pennsylvania Blue Ribbon Champion for Children. Board president, Child Advocacy Center, Chester County.///
Response: The most important quality in a judge is a commitment to impartiality - to set aside his/her own point of view and to carry out the law in a fair and impartial manner. Judges are sworn in to uphold the law - to apply the law to the facts, regardless of popular opinion, political pressure, or personal belief. As a prosecutor, I have a well established reputation for following the facts and the law to a fair conclusion.///

CHRISTYLEE PECK
Cumberland County
electjudgepeck.com/
Education: Penn State University, B.A. 1997. Dickinson School of Law, J.D. 2001
Qualifications: I have served as a Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas judge since 2012, handling all areas of law (civil, family, PFAs, criminal, dependency, appellate). Before that, I was a prosecutor handling major felonies and child abuse cases.///
Response: Fairness, impartiality, respect for the law and for those who come before the court. As a Court of Common Pleas judge, I am prepared with firm knowledge of the law when going into court, but never make a decision before hearing all facts, listening with an open mind and giving legal arguments thoughtful consideration and review. Judges should have an interest and curiosity in the law, and care for the citizens to whom it is applied.///

LEHIGH COUNTY

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

The Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County is a general jurisdiction trial court located in Allentown, Pennsylvania. There are 10 full-time judges and two senior judges providing judicial services to the citizens of Lehigh County. Each full-time judge is assigned to one or more of the court divisions, which are the Criminal/Juvenile Division, the combined Civil/Motion/Family Court Division and the Orphans' Court Division. Within their respective divisions, the judges hear a wide spectrum of cases, including adult criminal cases, juvenile delinquency cases, lawsuits involving money or property, divorce, custody disputes, child support issues, juvenile dependency cases, estates, guardianships and adoptions. The court provides judicial oversight to Court Administration, Adult Probation, Juvenile Probation, the Domestic Relations Section, the Court Transcription Unit, the Protection from Abuse Office, the Court Interpreting Unit, the Child Custody Office and the Law Library. The Court also provides administrative services to the 14 offices that comprise the Magisterial District Court System of Lehigh County.
Term: 10 years
Salary: $183,184
Candidates were asked: 1. What is the most important quality in a judge? 2. Under what circumstances would you recuse or have you recused yourself from a case?

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

WILLIAM A. EHRLICH
Lower Macungie Township
www.ehrlichforjudge.com
D.O.B.: 1959
Occupation: Attorney, Law Offices of Kevin T. Fogerty, Allentown, (21 years).
Education: Yale University, B.A. (history), 1981; University of Pennsylvania Law School, J.D., 1986.
Qualifications: I have been an attorney for more than 30 years, with both civil law and criminal law experience; served as the legal assistant to the judge appointed to investigate the Luzerne County "kids for cash" Juvenile Court scandal; former law clerk to a Federal District Court judge and a state appeals court judge; former assistant public defender.
Response Question 1: Experience is the most important quality in a judge. To be an effective and impartial judge, a person needs expertise in the law and maturity.
Response Question 2: I would recuse myself if my impartiality might reasonably be questioned, as required by the Judicial Conduct Code.

RASHID O. SANTIAGO
Allentown
www.RashidSantiagoforJudge.com
D.O.B.: 1984
Occupation: Magisterial District Judge (31-1-02)
Education: William Allen High School, 1999; George School, 2003; Gwynedd Mercy College, (B.S.) 2007; Widener University School of Law, (J.D.) 2010.
Qualifications: As a magisterial district judge, I have presided over hundreds of cases including criminal (preliminary hearings), civil, traffic, and landlord-tenant. Previously, I served as a law clerk to a judge of the Court of Common Pleas. I have been an attorney since 2010.
Response Question 1: Judicial temperament. According to the American Bar Association, judicial temperament consists of a candidate's ability to display "compassion, decisiveness, open-mindedness, sensitivity, courtesy, patience, freedom from bias and commitment to equal justice."
Response Question 2: I would recuse myself when my impartiality might be reasonably questioned or when I have a substantial personal interest in a case or personal knowledge about a case. Additionally, I would consider recusal if my personal relationship to a party in a case would create even an appearance of impropriety.

TOM CAPEHART
Upper Milford Township
www.CapehartforJudge.com
D.O.B.: 1964
Occupation: Partner-Gross McGinley, LLP
Education: Emmaus High School, 1982; Dickinson College, 1986; University of Akron School of Law, 1989.
Qualifications: Lehigh County attorney for 30 years with vast experience in the civil law that makes up approximately 60% of the court's work, and the highest ethical rating from a national attorney review firm.
Response Question 1: Impartial adherence to the law. Judges must not make law from the bench, but instead, ensure that they apply the law to the facts of each case and render a reasoned and fair decision for all who come before the

bench. Over my three decades in the law, I have treated all parties with respect, and will continue this as a judge, so everyone is afforded a fair and impartial hearing.
Response Question 2: All judges — myself included — should recuse themselves if unable to be impartial (for example due to a close personal relationship with the attorneys or parties, or a personal knowledge of underlying facts/evidence) or even to avoid the appearance of impropriety using a common sense standard.

JARED J. HANNA
Lower Macungie Township
www.jaredhannaforjudge.com
D.O.B.: 1988
Occupation: Assistant District Attorney.
Education: Emmaus High School, 2006; Moravian College, B.A. 2009; University of Miami, Fla., J.D., 2012. Assistant District Attorney.
Qualifications: Served as law clerk to the Hon. J. Brian Johnson dealing with the civil docket.
Response Question 1: The most important quality in a judge is impartiality. When Judges assume the role of a party it undermines the adversarial process that our legal system is built upon. The parties present their side, while the judge is to decide the law in a fair and neutral manner.
Response Question 2: I would recuse myself when I could not be fair or where the appearance that I would be unfair would compromise the integrity of the court.

ANNA-KRISTIE MORFFI MARKS
South Whitehall Township
www.AKMforJudge.com
D.O.B.: 1980
Occupation: Senior Deputy District Attorney
Education: B.A. University of Delaware; J.D. Touro Law Center
Qualifications: Special Victims Unit prosecutor; 12 years of extensive jury trial experience; handled the dispositions of thousands of criminal cases; taught nationally and internationally on various legal topics; assisted in the creation of the first hospital-based Child Advocacy Center.
Response Question 1: The most important quality is integrity coupled with extensive trial court experience. He or she must be able to uphold the law and treat all parties equally. Involved parties need to have a clear understanding of all judicial rulings and the rationale behind each one.
Response Question 2: In accordance with the Judicial Canons, I would recuse myself were there to be a conflict of interest or a reasonable possibility of impartiality being in question.

ERIC K. DOWDLE
Coopersburg
DowdleforJudge.com
D.O.B.: 1967
Occupation: Attorney, private practice
Education: Freedom High School, 1985; Dickinson College, 1989, BA, Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude, Departmental Honors; Widener University, 1992, Cum Laude, Distinguished Service Award.
Qualifications: Municipal solicitor, 1 year; complex tort litigator, 1 year; assistant district attorney, 8 years; criminal defense attorney, 16 years.
Response Question 1: Wisdom — It represents the lessons learned from the depth and breadth of human experience, married to a keen understanding of the law and compassion in its application.
Response Question 2: Recusal is the ultimate expression of the judge's interest in fairness. It requires honesty, insight, and self-examination. Recusal is appropriate whenever there is something about a case that calls into serious question the judge's ability to be fair.

ZACHARY J. COHEN
Upper Macungie Township
www.Cohen4Judge.com
D.O.B.: 1977
Occupation: Civil trial attorney/partner at Lesavoy Butz & Seitz LCC
Education: Moravian Academy, 1995; University of Vermont, 1999, B.A., majors in philosophy and English; Lewis and Clark Law School, 2003, Juris Doctor, Dean's Scholarship for Excellence.
Qualifications: Trial attorney, 15 years, litigated in 25 counties; past president, Bar Association of Lehigh County; Court-appointed arbitrator; state/federal.
Response Question 1: To administer "Equal Justice Under Law." Everybody — no matter your socioeconomic status, color, race, religion, sexual orientation, gender, etc. — deserves respect, fair treatment and an impartial judge; a judge who upholds our laws and constitutional protections for the betterment of our community. The courthouse should be a place where people have hope — a place where wrongs can be righted — a place where people's lives can be transformed for the better.
Response Question 2: To avoid the appearance of impropriety where I have a personal relationship with a party or when a litigant has donated significantly to my campaign.

Candidates in non-judicial races were asked: "What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?"

COMMISSIONER AT-LARGE

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

DAN HARTZELL
BOB ELBICH
DAVE HARRINGTON
ZAKIYA SMALLS

Republican
Vote for not more than four

BRAD OSBORNE
ANTONIO A. PINEDA
MATHIAS MATT GREEN
MARTY NOTHSTEIN

COUNTY CONTROLLER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

MARK PINSLEY

Republican
Vote for one

GLENN ECKHART

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JIM MORENO

Republican
Vote for one

JIM MARTIN

SHERIFF

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

JOE HANNA

CLERK OF JUDICIAL RECORDS

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

ANDREA NAUGLE

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

CORONER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

ERIC D. MINNICH

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Term: 6 years
Salary: $91,597
Candidates were asked: What three suggestions do you have to improve court procedures and efficiency?

DISTRICT 31-1-02

Allentown Wards 4, 7, 11

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

RASHID O. SANTIAGO

DISTRICT 31-1-07

Whitehall Township and Coplay Borough

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

TODD P. HEFFELFINGER
www.facebook.com/pages/category/Political-Candidate/Todd-P-Heffelfinger-For-Magisterial-District-Judge-359481528219499/
D.O.B.: 1962
Occupation: Lehigh County Deputy Sheriff
Education: Whitehall High School; Lehigh County Vocational Technical School - Class Of 1980; Lehigh County Community College - associates degree - criminal justice; Sheriffs Academy and Allentown Police Academy.
Qualifications: Lehigh County deputy sheriff - 12 years; Whitehall police officer 1990-2015; certification from Minor Judiciary Education Board.///
Response: My first suggestion to improve court procedures and efficiency is to make sure public defender's and assistant district attorney's are available for all criminal hearings to cut down on the number of continuances and lessen back log of cases. I also think increasing security and having a deputy sheriff or constable assigned to the magisterial district judge's office is another way to improve court procedures. Lastly, hearings should be held at a central location to alleviate backlog.///

NATHAN D. KROMER
www.facebook.com/nathankromerdistrictmagistrate/
D.O.B.: 1981
Occupation: Maintenance technician
Education: Whitehall High School, 1999; Muhlenberg College B.A. Finance (Cum Laude), 2010; Pennsylvania State University, M.P.S. Community and Economic Development, 2012.
Qualifications: Former Coplay Borough councilman-chair of the finance and administration committee. Served on the police committee. Former Judge of Elections — Coplay District 2. ///
Response: The first thing I would do is update the website of the magisterial court and layout the overall procedures of the court so individuals know what to expect in terms of court procedures before arriving at the magistrate's office. No one should be left in the dark. Secondly, if elected as magisterial district judge, I would ensure the court is centered around finding fact. I would establish a procedure where all parties involved would have the opportunity to deliver evidence prior to their district court hearing.///

RON SCHOLLER
www.schollerforjudge.com
D.O.B.: 1971
Occupation: Police officer. Rank, sergeant
Education: William Allen High School, Community College of The Air Force, Allentown Police Academy, Lehigh Carbon Community College, DeSales University.
Qualifications: Six-year Air Force veteran. Deployed for four operations in Gulf War I. John Levitow Award winner. Twenty-two year law enforcement veteran. Promoted to the rank of Sergeant.///
Response: I'd implement online tutorials outlining the resources available to citizens. These would include streamlined processes guiding citizens through the utilization of those resources. Currently no district judge posts rules and forms online. I would change that and incorporate the change with the online tutorials. Lastly, I'd employ an automated, text or phone based scheduling system wherein all parties involved in a case confirm attendance and are notified, in real time, of case schedule updates.

KENNETH P. STEPHENS JR.
www.stephensformagisterialdisrictjustice.com
D.O.B.: 1964
Occupation: Whitehall Township police officer
Education: William Allen H.S., 1982; Kutztown University, 1986, B.S. Criminal Justice; Magisterial District Judge Certification Sept. 17, 2018
Qualifications: Whitehall Township police officer for over 29 years. Has served as a team leader of the Emergency Response Teams for Whitehall and the Lehigh County.///
Response: 1. Reduce the number of continuances by holding the parties responsible for the continuance accountable. 2. In cases of domestic violence, felony charges, or DUI cases, have an assistant district attorney automatically assigned to the case and available at the district court office. 3. Assign a liaison within the police departments and district court with the jurisdiction of the district court to maximize officers presence at a hearing and reduce officers presence on days off.

EDWARD FOSTER
D.O.B.: 1966
Occupation: Master plumber, Class A trucker, real estate investor
Education: DeSales University graduate, B.S. Marketing with a minor in Management. Certified by the State of Pennsylvania to perform the duties of magisterial district judge
Qualifications: I have been certified by the state to perform the duties of magisterial district judge. I hold a master plumbers license, a Class A CDL license, am a real estate investor, and have been in business for over 30 years. I have supported the community at large as the president of the Abe Joseph Sertoma Club. ///
Response: I would like to initiate sequential scheduling, not block scheduling. Sequential scheduling staggers the starting times of the hearings, while block scheduling schedules all the afternoon hearings at 1:30, forcing the police, witnesses and the parties to wait.

ALBERTA SCARFARO
No response

ANDY ROMAN
www.facebook.com/ElectRomanMDJ
D.O.B.: 1956
Occupation: Certified state constable
Education: 2016, Pennsylvania Constable Certification - Act 2009-49. 1995, Eastern University, B.A. Business. 1974, Whitehall High graduate
Qualifications: Whitehall constable, 2015-present. Lehigh County board of commissioners, 2004-2012. Whitehall-Coplay School Board, 1999-2003. 20-year Air Force veteran retired.///
Response: District judge offices have three major areas needing vast improvement. Security of the Judge & Staff, Structural Overhead Costs and Constituent Service. Consolidate all 14 Magisterial District Offices into 1 Central Location, preferably the Hamilton Street Post Office. $600,000.00 savings per year to the taxpayer! Court House would allow Sheriff Deputy Security for all MDJ's, pooling of Secretarial Staff, eliminate travel of Public Defenders to 14 District Offices and allow extended hours for community convenience.

DISTRICT 31-2-02

North Whitehall and
South Whitehall Townships

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

JACOB E. HAMMOND

DISTRICT 31-3-03

Coopersburg Borough;
Lower Milford, Upper Milford
and Upper Saucon Townships

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

DANIEL C. TREXLER

CITY OF ALLENTOWN

Candidates were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

MAYOR

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

MICHAEL DANIELS
No response

RAY O'CONNELL
www.facebook.com/oconnellformayor/
D.O.B.: 1949
Occupation: Mayor of Allentown
Education: B.S., Kutztown State College. M.Ed., Lehigh University
Qualifications: Allentown City Council 2010-2017. Mayor of Allentown since 2018.
Response: Allentown is a wonderful city that I have been privileged to call home and be of service to my entire adult life. I promise to continue working toward making it a better place to live, work, and raise a family. I am running to continue the work of rebuilding our city and the trust of our citizens so that Allentown will be a vibrant city, once again on the rise.

PATRICK PALMER
palmerforallentown.com
D.O.B.: 1987
Occupation: Human relations
Education: William Allen High School. Kutztown University.
Qualifications: Business manager, chairman of human relations for the City of Allentown. Acida Board member. Proven leader and city activist. Manager of businesses which allows me to have the skills necessary to manage and lead while also having the skills necessary to use empathy and understanding.
Response: Major issue — Homelessness. Allentown needs to address the affordable housing crisis that's plaguing the city. We need affordable housing so people can afford to live and work. We need to address how many in the city are living paycheck to paycheck, barely keeping a roof over their head. We need a city run homeless shelter that works year round and assists with rehabilitation to get them back on the street.

CHERYL JOHNSON WATTS
www.cherylwatts.com
D.O.B.: 1963
Occupation: Allentown School District Board director; member of Human Relations Commission, City of Allentown
Education: B.A., Princeton University, 1985; Summer Fellowship, Association of Public Policy and Management, SUNY at Stony Brook, 1984.
Qualifications: School board director — serves on Finance Committee, Negotiations Committee and city's Human Relations Commission. Financial adviser —provided wealth management advice, retirement planning and financial solutions.///
Response: Allentown's economy is the major issue in this campaign. A budget deficit led to a 27% tax increase, rental prices are trending high while local residents' salaries are low and homeless cannot find adequate services to transition themselves to a new life. In this 2-year term I will find new ways to generate revenue, cultivate incentives for affordable housing and increase community resources through a collaborative, inclusive and communication-driven manner.

Republican
Vote for one

TIMOTHY RAMOS

CITY COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

CANDIDA AFFA
D.O.B.: 1943
Occupation: City councilperson
Education: High school
Qualifications: Current councilwoman, sits on Public Safety, Blighted Property, Disruptive Conduct & Economic Development Committees.
Response: The major issues I will focus on are public safety and community policing programs, along with safe and affordable housing, and continuing the work to rebuild citizen trust in city government by providing more transparency and televising council meetings, so more citizens can be involved and informed. I will continue to work with my colleagues and the community to move Allentown forward for all citizens.

JOSHUA SIEGEL
www.votejoshsiegel.com/
D.O.B.: 1993
Occupation: Public Information Officer
Education: B.S International Relations and Diplomacy, Seton Hall University
Qualifications: Public information officer, Lehigh County. Lehigh County Democratic State Committeeman. Volunteer Speech and Debate Coach.
Response: I believe the major issue of this campaign is ensuring Allentown gets fresh faces and new ideas and a clear sense of direction about where it needs to go in the future. I want to find fairer ways of raising tax revenue that protects our seniors and working class from financial burden, tackle blight, absentee landlords and promote economic development that prioritizes every part of the city, and make Allentown an All-American City.

COURTNEY ROBINSON
D.O.B.: 1982
Occupation: Territory account manager Meier & Dutch Wholesale
Education: Graduate Parkland High School, 2001. Attended DeSales University
Qualifications: Currently a member of City Council serving as chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee. Member of the Parks and Public Works Committees. Co-chair Open Data Committee.
Response: The glut of blighted properties in Allentown is the greatest issue we must tackle. Far too many of our neighborhoods contain properties that are falling apart, filled with trash and a genuine threat to public health and safety. Tackling this issue will have a real impact on both the quality of life in our neighborhoods and home values. We must aggressively target these problem properties and use every tool to address these issues quickly.

LUIS E. ACEVEDO
www.facebook.com/friendsofluisacevedo/photos/a.2308862862728686/2319965958285043/?type=1&theater
D.O.B.: 1971
Occupation: Manager
Education: Graduate from Eastern District High School 11 grade in 1990
Qualifications: Manager RJ Walker 16 years; president Mountainville Memorial Little League - current; president of Extreme Illusion; guest of honor at the

2017 Puertorrican Culture Preservation and Festival PRCP; I was nominee for 2018 Leader of the year at "The Latin Golden Awards."
Response: A big amount of Allentown resident minimum wage workers, working full time can not afford market rate for a studio yet a 1 or 2 bedroom apartment. I will search for grants that will help to repair abandon homes and also help landlords that are having hard time to repair their home instead of condemning them. I will bring to the council table a discussion for rent relief, so that families can have extra.. ///

CE-CE GERLACH
www.voteforcece.com
D.O.B.: 1986
Occupation: Mental health therapist
Education: Cedar Crest College, B.S in Elementary Education; Muhlenberg College, pursing B.S. in business management
Qualifications: Allentown School Board — 2011 to present, past vice president 2015-2018, Policy and Education Committee co-chair, Allentown Recreation Commission, Allentown Library Board, Baum School Art Board of Trustees (past), Jobs for Allentown Advocacy Group, Allentown Coalition for Economic Dignity.///
Response: The city needs to focus on working class people and neighborhoods. Through policy, we can ensure that the billions of dollars being poured into 3 blocks downtown actually stretches out into the community. We must improve the stability and quality of life in our neighborhoods, which means increasing home ownership, enforcing building codes, tackling homelessness, increasing access to living wage jobs, educational and recreational opportunities for our youth and adults. We must put people over politics.

JOHN ROSARIO
D.O.B.: 1959
Occupation: Real estate, tax professional. ///
Education: Real estate, accounting and tax professional.
Qualifications: Real estate, accounting professional, self employed, owner: B & R Enterprises. 26 Years.
Response: Lack of housing for our citizens has a very negative impact in our communities, our people are not "invested" in their communities, we need a community bank to partner with and help our citizens to obtain their own homes. As City Council I will propose ways for our citizens to "qualify" without the burden of credit bureaus that only look to make negative reporting for people to pay higher interests on their loans. We need to balance the budget, corruption has impacted our finances a great deal, we lose a ton of money in city contracts that only benefit the contractors.///

Republican

Vote for not more than three

JOE HOFFMAN
D.O.B.: 1954
Occupation: Professional grant writer
Education: Allentown parochial and public school systems. William Allen High School 1971. Lehigh University and Penn State University 1975.
Qualifications: Raised $75 million in a 40 year revenue generating career. Served 10 years on staffs of City Parks and Planning Bureaus. Served 15 years for environmental nonprofits.///
Response: City desperately needs substantial budget cuts; lower taxes, lower spending. It also needs significant additional revenue from non-tax and non-fee sources. Therefore, I propose a Millennial Leadership Council for ages 21-39 that will aid me in that fundraising effort as well as train them for future city elected office. I can raise these funds in ways no one else can. Taxes must come down and this is the only real way to do it.

CITY CONTROLLER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JEFF GLAZIER

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

See Northampton County portion of this guide.

BOROUGHS

Candidates in contested races were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

ALBURTIS COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

VANESSA TAGGART
STEPHEN KAUFMAN

Republican
Vote for not more than four

JOHN J. ALESZCZYK
RONALD J. DEIACO

CATASAUQUA COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

CAMERON SMITH
BRIAN BARTHOLOMEW

Republican
Vote for not more than four

EUGENE H. SCHLEGEL
BRIAN K. MCKITTRICK
JESSICA KROOPE

COOPERSBURG COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

DANIELLE M. THRAPP
DICK POOT

Republican
Vote for not more than three

WILLIAM W. KANE

COPLAY COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

RICHARD W. KERN JR.
D.O.B.: 1972
Occupation: College professor/retired educator
Education: Graduate of William Allen High School; Bachelor of Science degree and Masters of Science degree earned from Kutztown University in elementary education; principal certification earned from Pennsylvania State University.
Qualifications: Kutztown University professor; retired Allentown School District principal and educator; member of the Board of Directors for Coplay Sports.///
Response: I believe there are no issues in the Borough of Coplay. I would like to get involved as a council member to keep the momentum going forward with regards to what the council has in place and has started. I am a firm believer that change starts at the local level. I believe informational meetings need to take place outside of the monthly council workshops and meetings so that citizens are informed.///

DEAN R. HERMANY
No response

JANET A. EISENHAUER
D.O.B.: 1951
Occupation: Retired as a SVP from Wells Fargo.
Education: Graduate of Whitehall Coplay School District. Attended Kutztown College. Certified Treasury professional. Completed various banking, systems and management classes.
Qualifications: Financial background. President of the Coplay Library Board. Instituted many changes my first term — updating job descriptions, instituted performance reviews, documented all internal jobs, upgraded office, telephone and website, added audit features within the office operations, introduced Trexler Grant opportunities to both the borough and the library.///
Response: Continuing to find opportunities to support the residents of Coplay Borough with the most effective and efficient services within our budget guidelines and resources. Constant review of internal processes and make suggestion for changes that will benefit the overall operations of the borough and address regulations and audit procedures.

MARK A. MOLITORIS
D.O.B.: 1966
Occupation: Property management
Education: Graduated Whitehall High School and Lehigh County Vocational Technical School, electrical construction 1984
Qualifications: I have over 25 years property management experience. I feel my proven history of helping to resolve resident's concerns, supervision of employees at 16 apartment communities in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, providing quality affordable housing for more than 3,500 residents, along with my experience negotiating contracts for insurances, property maintenance and repairs.///
Response: Property taxes are always a concern. The sad truth is, items have been ignored in the past that cost more money now to repair. I'm not afraid to admit, I voted in favor of the slight tax increases in Coplay the past few years. Please consider, expenses continue to increase and your property tax is the Borough of Coplay's "source of income."///

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

EMMAUS COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

TERI SORG MCMANAMON
JIM KERCHER
JOHN HART

Republican
Vote for not more than four

CHAD BALLIET
TREVOR SCHNECK
CHRIS A. DEFRAIN
DAVID BOCCHINO

FOUNTAIN HILL COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

ANNAMARIE JORDAN
D.O.B.: 1948
Occupation: Retired Consolidated Rail Corporation
Education: Allentown Central Catholic H.S., 1965; Cedar Crest College, 3.5 average, 1988.
Qualifications: Borough council member, 4 years, and chairman, Public Works Committee; lifelong borough resident; member of Bethlehem Area Public Library Board of Trustees, representing the Borough of Fountain Hill.
Response: The future of our borough depends on crucial decisions that will be made by council in the upcoming months. Upgrading the borough's infrastructure, the safety and well-being of our residents and maintaining everything that makes Fountain Hill a wonderful place to live will

be my focus.

DOUGLAS D. TROTTER JR.
No response

JAMIE JOHNSON
No response

NORMAN E. BLATT JR.
nblattlaw.com
D.O.B.: 1954
Occupation: Attorney
Education: J.D., cum laude, Pepperdine University School of Law, 1981; B.A., Elizabethtown College, 1976
Qualifications: I am an incumbent council member with over 20 years of council experience. I have helped develop annual budgets for the borough and am familiar with the borough's finances. I have served on every committee on council, including the personnel committee. I have helped to negotiate collective bargaining agreements for the borough's employees.///
Response: The primary issue that faces council is the fact that approximately 40% of our property is exempt from property taxation due to the tax exempt property's nonprofit ownership or status. Council must continue to do more with the resources that are available without diminishing the quality of life for our residents.

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

COUNCIL

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

WILL RUFE
No response

FRANCIS J. FERENCIN
D.O.B.: 1941
Occupation: Retired from Bethlehem Steel Co., 35 years
Education: Bethlehem Catholic High School; Veteran, U.S. Army; Honorable Discharge, 1961-1967.
Qualifications: Former borough councilman, 8 years; former mayor, 1994-1998; plaque awarded for 12 years service to borough; currently filling 1 year vacancy on council seat due to death of another member of Council.
Response: As a former mayor and councilman, I will be a doer and innovator. I will focus particular attention to the number of the youth, the elderly and businesses. We need to be particularly concerned about the elderly of our community. We must create a climate in Fountain Hill that will attract new businesses and help to assure the prosperity and growth of the current businesses.

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

MACUNGIE COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

TODD RUTLEDGE
RYAN P. HANOSEK

Republican
Vote for not more than three

CHRISTOPHER T. BECKER
D.O.B.: 1958
Occupation: Project manager/estimator/share holder
Education: High school diploma, 8 years in the USMC - Communications. Includes college coursework (2 years), Dale Carnegie - management and public speaking.///
Qualifications: Recognized as a leading successful executive, I have been active in all areas of the construction industry such as: Training, safety, development, political, scheduling.///
Response: The Borough of Macungie is a wonderful example of a suburban community surrounded by adjacent municipalities with large growth occurring. Macungie struggles to keep its identity and co-exist among this growth. It is important to not allow the outside influences to dominate or change our character. We have a major highway going through it and a railroad that cuts it in half. How do you blend all that together and allow 20,000 vehicles a day?///

GREGORY A. HUTCHISON
No response

ANGELA ASHBROOK
No response

SLATINGTON COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW

Republican
Vote for not more than four

JOSEPH C. WECHSLER
DAVID R. SCHNAARS
KEVIN STECKEL

COUNCIL

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW

Republican
Vote for not more than two

DANIEL L. STEVENS
JOSEPH C. WECHSLER

TOWNSHIPS

Candidates in contested races were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

HANOVER COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

MICHAEL WOOLLEY

Republican
Vote for not more than two

ROBERT LAWLOR

COUNCIL

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

RICK TOCCI

HEIDELBERG SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

LUKE SAVAGE

Republican
Vote for one

JONATHAN JAKUM

LOWER MACUNGIE COMMISSIONER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than two

RON R. BEITLER
No response

BILL ROYER
www.transitiongroup.net
D.O.B.: 1941
Occupation: Business and organizational consultant
Education: University of Maryland, B.S. business administration. University of Virgina, Darden School of Business Executive Development: • The Challenge of Transformational Leadership • Creating a High Performance Workplace • Managing Organizational and Individual Change • Managing Critical Resources.
Qualifications: Current member LMT Zoning Hearing Board, past chair.///
Response: The most challenging issue in the future is preserving and growing the character of Lower Macungie Township without increasing our cost of living. This can only be done by developing and implementing rolling 1, 5, and 10 year capital, strategic, and operational plans. Some of the issues of the future are: smart land use; stormwater management; maintaining and improving our roads, parks, and recreation programs; community security; and community/township services

MAURY ROBERT
D.O.B.: 1947
Occupation: Retired in 2009 after 35 years at Air Products in Information Technology
Education: B.S. in management with highest honors – Lehigh University. MBA – Lehigh University
Qualifications: US Navy Vietnam veteran - 4 years. LMT Planning Commission – 33 years. East Penn School Board – 8 years. East Penn Chamber of Commerce Board member – 8 years.
Response: The township should be more structured in decision making. Rather than making decisions on a case by case basis, the township should establish a comprehensive 5 or 10 year financial plan to drive budgetary decisions. In addition more policies should be established to allow more effective management by the township manager. The township should also do a better job maintaining valuable resource like creeks, floodplain and storm water management facilities. I support making these changes.

LOWER MILFORD SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

ELLEN KOPLIN

LOWHILL SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

GEORGE W. WESSNER JR.

LYNN SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

STEVE I. FEINOUR

NORTH WHITEHALL REFERENDUM

Vote Yes or No

Do you favor the imposition of a tax of one tenth (.1) of one mill on real estate by North Whitehall Township to be used for open space and farmland preservation?

SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

RONALD J. HEINTZELMAN

SALISBURY COMMISSIONER

1ST WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican

No candidates

COMMISSIONER 3RD WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

DEBRA BRINTON

COMMISSIONER 5TH WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JOANNE ACKERMAN

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

SOUTH WHITEHALL COMMISSIONER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

JOE SETTON
D.O.B.: 1951
Occupation: Real estate broker, real estate appraiser, and auctioneer
Education: B.A., Leicester University, England
Qualifications: Real estate broker and real estate Appraiser, practicing residential and commercial real estate and land development, for over 35 years in the Lehigh Valley, 20 in South Whitehall Township.
Response: A resident of South Whitehall Township since 1984, having raised three children who graduated from Parkland High School, I am deeply committed to this community. With my extensive knowledge and experience of real estate and land development, my contribution as a commissioner to South Whitehall Township in this period of rapid growth will be to ensure that developers are responsible and qualified while our township maintains its safety and quality of life.

KEISHA CHAMPAGNIE
No response

MATTHEW MOBILIO
mattmobilio.com
D.O.B.: 1980
Occupation: Attorney
Education: Penn State University; Penn State Dickinson School of Law
Qualifications: Attorney, small business owner, member of South Whitehall Township Zoning Appeals Board, father of three.
Response: Runaway development is clogging our streets, destroying the landscape and burdening our public works systems. As commissioner, I will vote against any project that does not have the full support of the residents of the township, such as the current Ridge Farm project. As commissioner, I will make sure that development projects like Ridge Farm never happen again and I will do that by governing by the principles of humanity, accountability and transparency.

THOMAS J. JOHNS
D.O.B.: 1955
Occupation: Small business owner.
Education: Louis E. Dieruff High School, 1974; B.S. Penn State University, 1980.
Qualifications: South Whitehall commissioner, 8 years, awarded for distinguished service by South Whitehall Board, December 2017.
Response: The major issue in South Whitehall Township to be addressed is actually twofold. The initial problem is awareness of township budgetary constraints. I would have a fiscally responsible approach to the budget to preclude the need to raise taxes. The second problem in the township is unfettered growth and development. My approach would include meaningful review of any proposed land development prior to presenting same for approval before any other governmental boards.

Republican
Vote for not more than three

DIANE KELLY
votedianekelly.com
D.O.B.: 1961
Occupation: Retired
Education: Graduated Charles E. Shea High School 1979, Rhode Island Honor Society. Retired dental practice manager with 40 years in health care field. Trained in the highest standard of performance and professionalism.
Qualifications: Currently serve on the South Whitehall Township Planning Commission. 10 year volunteer with South Whitehall Emergency Preparedness Day.///
Response: Growth and taxes are very important issues. I will work for balanced growth by updating our zoning ordinance to maintain and protect farmland and open space, and work with PennDOT to seek solutions to our congested roads. We must plan for the future and be pro-active. I will protect your tax dollars through strong budget reviews and yearly audits. I am ready to be your voice to build a better South Whitehall for all.

MICHAEL K. WOLK
www.votemichaelwolk.com
D.O.B.: 1954
Occupation: 39 years, senior project manager, global product manager and engineering manager, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. (1975-2014), retired in 2014.
Education: B.E. in Chemical Engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology, 1975; M.S. in Chemical Engineering, Lehigh University, 1980; MBA, Lehigh University, 1988.
Qualifications: Community leader and citizen advocate who co-founded South Whitehall Concerned Citizens.///
Response: Our township is experiencing unprecedented, expansive, growth. I will balance residential and commercial development with preservation of parks, woodlands, farmland and natural resources. I will prevent overdevelopment and overcrowding and limit the impact of new large warehouses. I will work to update the township comprehensive plan and zoning ordinance to restore moderate growth that is acceptable to residents. I will also exercise strong cost control and eliminate unnecessary spending to ease the taxpayers' financial burden.

TOM UTSCH
www.eeminder.com/marketing/about_us.php
D.O.B.: 1964
Occupation: Software business owner
Education: B.S. and M.S., magna cum laude, mechanical engineering, Lehigh University
Qualifications: 53 years in South Whitehall Township. Software company founder/owner since 1997. Former captain USAF and veteran Operation Desert Storm. Parkland High School Class of '82. Eagle Scout. Pilot.
Response: We need leaders who are ready to go to the mat to stop more large development and government spending excess in order to preserve the quality of life in South Whitehall. I pledge to resist new large development projects with every legal means available and to contain spending to avoid tax increases. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to elect three new commissioners out of five in 2019.///

VINCENT J. QUINN
No response

MATT MULQUEEN
D.O.B.: 1962
Occupation: Sales management, retired military o fficer
Education: B.A., DeSales University, M.A., University of Oklahoma.
Qualifications: Lifelong township resident with worldwide life experience as a military and business leader. 12 years of township experience as a commissioner and as a Zoning Board member.
Response: Continue to balance growth with maintaining excellent municipal services. Support world class fire, police, EMS, and public w orks. Work closely with PennDOT and other state agencies to provide for adequate transportation infrastructure. Remain a good steward of our residents' money. Aggressively seek grants to fund open space initiatives including the Jordan Creek Greenway Project and our numerous parks. Protect our heritage including the rebuilding of Wehr's Dam and the King George Inn.

UPPER MACUNGIE SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

JIM BRUNELL

UPPER MILFORD SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

UPPER SAUCON SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

JOHN G. INGLIS III
D.O.B.: 1965
Occupation: Owner, Freedom Lawn Care & Landscaping
Education: B.A. economics/business management - Moravian College
Qualifications: Local small business owner for 32 years. Upper Saucon Township resident for 17 years. Vice chairman of UST Parks & Recreation Commission for 10 years. UST Open Space Study Committee.
Response: Responsible residential and commercial development that does not overly burden the Southern Lehigh School District and UST with excessive taxes while preserving open space. I would address this issue by continuing to tweak the overall township zoning map and using overlay districts to facilitate certain types of development that benefit the community. I would also like to promote open space preservation with a funding solution that is open and transparent and funded by all.

PHILIP SPAETH
D.O.B.: 1949
Occupation: Retired from 35-year career at Air Products
Education: MBA, SUNY at Buffalo; B.S.Ch.E, Ohio University
Qualifications: Upper Saucon resident for 42 years with 26 years of government service.
Response: It's critical that we reduce traffic congestion and update our recreation and open space plan. The Community Park should be expanded to include a sustainable nature area and dog park and we need to break ground at the Hopewell site for additional recreation fields. The President Pump House along with its beautiful surroundings must be preserved and converted into a heritage park. The land around Tumblebrook can be integrated into our park and trail system along with several smaller parcels that can become neighborhood parks. Special emphasis to acquire and preserve land is needed before it's all gone.

SUPERVISOR

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

KIMBERLY L. STEHLIK
No response

JOHN G. INGLIS III
D.O.B.: 1965
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WASHINGTON SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JOSH B. FRIEBOLIN

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

WEISENBERG SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

RICHARD BLEILER

WHITEHALL MAYOR

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

MICHAEL P. HARAKAL JR.
michaelpharakaljr4mayor.com
D.O.B.: 1949
Occupation: Mayor of Whitehall Township
Education: Whitehall H.S., Muhlenberg College
Qualifications: Lifelong Whitehall resident, Whitehall High School class president, Whitehall Executive (Mayor) from 1984 to 1992 and 2018 to 2019, supervised approved plan to develop the new Public Safety Building, Lehigh Valley Dairy Agreement of Sale, initiated first curbside recycling program in PA, bought IRT.///
Response: Maintaining Whitehall as the Keystone of the Lehigh Valley. Our retail center is healthy, but we need to adapt to new opportunities and a diverse economy to provide more jobs. The redevelopment of the Lehigh Valley Dairy has begun, and a renaissance will evolve in our southern corridor. It is important that we provide a strong police presence, improve our streets program, recreation areas and expand our Senior Lifestyle Center to other playground locations.

JOSEPH J. MARX JR.
www.facebook.com/JosephJ.MarxJrforMayor
D.O.B.: 1965
Occupation: Self-employed business owner, successfully starting and operating a property management and maintenance company for the past 20 years.
Education: William Allen High School, U.S. Marine Corps Aviation - Honorable Discharge
Qualifications: Whitehall Township commissioner (2016-present), board member Coplay-Whitehall Sewer Authority (2009-present), Whitehall Township Planning Commission (2005-2009).
Response: I am a major advocate of the construction of a new Public Safety Building, the consolidation of the Municipal Complex, and the reorganization of the Municipal Building. Our current police facilities are inadequate, outdated, and a new Public Safety Building is critical and vital for our men and women in uniform for their mission to protect and serve. I believe this will be cost-effective and provide greater accessibility for the citizens of Whitehall.

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

COMMISSIONER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

PHILIP GINDER
CHARLES G. FISHER
JEFFREY J. WARREN

Republican
Vote for not more than four

No candidates

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Candidates for school directors may cross file to be on the ballots of both the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. They are listed below according to the Democratic ballot order. Cross-filed candidates are listed first, followed by those who are on the ballot of only one party.
Candidates in contested races were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

ALLENTOWN

City of Allentown except parts of Wards 17 and 18
Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than five

NICHOLAS P. MILLER
www.facebook.com/Nick-Miller-for-Allentown-School-Board-Director-252759922273749/
D.O.B.: 1994
Occupation: Project manager
Education: B.S. in finance, Penn State University
Qualifications: Finance professional.
Response: Allentown's students are our biggest asset and our city's future. We must do better to ensure they have the resources they need to succeed in post-graduation life, whether their path be college, trade schools, the military, or the workforce. I am committed to being an advocate for those resources.

LINDA VEGA
www.facebook.com/Linda-Vega-for-Allentown-School-Board-Director-373761340063457/
D.O.B.: 1978
Occupation: Regional manager
Education: Associates Degree from Allentown Business School
Qualifications: Youth advocate and educator for over 15 years. Founder and curriculum writer of a 501c3 organization dedicated to teach our youth healing through self expression via the arts. Fiscally responsible for HR department multi-million dollar budget. Board member of SHE and Allentown Citywide Initiative for Youth which objectives are to connect young people towards resources.///
Response: Our major issues are the annual failing curriculum audit, low curriculum delivery and the 65% graduation rate which is unacceptable. As a board member, I will have access to the school district budget and adhere to the best practices of education instead of the continuance funding of approving programs that are not contributing toward the education fulfillment of our mission statement.

AUDREY MATHISON
D.O.B.: 1944
Occupation: Retired teacher
Education: B.A. Grove City College - English. M.Ed. Lehigh University - Education. Indiana U., Bloomington: Masters work in journalism
Qualifications: I was a high school English teacher for my entire career so I understand education issues.
Response: Nothing is more important than Allentown's children and its schools. Re-elect me so that we can continue to move the district forward by emphasizing equity for all, an updated curriculum, community involvement and financial responsibility. Together we can create a culture that nurtures and values everyone. Our public schools are the foundation of democracy — let's give every student the skills to be college, career and life ready.

NANCY WILT
D.O.B.: 1967
Occupation: Chief of staff
Education: Graduate of Emmaus High School, 1985. Attended Cedar Crest College, 1986-1990
Qualifications: Mom in the district for 13 years. Active in parent teacher organizations. Served on ASD Parent Advisory Council, safety committees and the Equity Advisory Committee. Currently Secretary of ASD Foundation. I understand both advocacy and governance.
Response: The most important issue is providing a quality equitable valued education for all students, not dictated by zip code. I want to help shape policies that assist our ESOL population to succeed. Build relationships with community leaders, businesses and the building trades to provide opportunities for our students to experience the arts, and to be either college ready or career ready. Our students are full of promise. I will advocate for their success.

YULLIANNA LUGO
No response

CHARLIE THIEL
www.facebook.com/ThielforASDBoard
D.O.B.: 1966
Occupation: Consultant — business and security
Education: B.S. University of Valley Forge, 1989.
Qualifications: Allentown School Board, 2013-present. Ripple Community Inc. board president, 2018-present. Allentown Chamber of Commerce board, 2010-present. Allentown School District Foundation, 2010-present .Holding various roles in social work, church work, community, business, security.///
Response: The Allentown School District is in the midst of a turnaround. The Strategic Framework is a clear roadmap in executing and fulfilling the responsibility of graduating our students college and career ready. Visit www.allentownsd.org and see the Framework, Financial Analysis (PFM), Curriculum Audit, and other documents that the ASD Board, and Superintendent Parker, commissioned to provide transparency. This continued work of governance by the board is critical in leading ASD forward in sustainable success.

Republican
Vote for not more than five

NANCY WILT
See above

ROBERT E. SMITH JR.
D.O.B.: 1961
Occupation: Mentor and activity coordinator
Education: Grover Cleveland High School. Middlesex County College. NYU, studied political science, law, theater.
Qualifications: Elected to four terms on school board, elected five times president of board. LCTI Joc member 15 years, past president. Finance co-chair, building co-chair, legislative committee, athletic committee, recreation commission, PSBA representative for 15 plus years.
Response: Bullying, mental illness, high suicide rate, oxycodone drug addiction. We need to reach our students before drugs and gangs do. Life skills, offering support to students, spending money that helps students, not make consultants richer. We spend millions on consultants, we do not need a tax increase. I pledge a no tax increase this year because home owners are just making it every week. Our seniors deserve to keep their homes, Voice for the people.

NICHOLAS P. MILLER
See above

BETHLEHEM SCHOOL DISTRICT

See Northampton County portion of this guide

CATASAUQUA AREA

Catasauqua Borough and Hanover Township, Lehigh County; North Catasauqua Borough, Northampton County
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

DUANE DEITRICH
CAROL A. CUNNINGHAM
LAUREN CIESLAK
DONALD J. PANTO II

SCHOOL DIRECTOR

Term: 2 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

EAST PENN

Alburtis, Emmaus, and Macungie Boroughs and Lower Macungie and Upper Milford Townships
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

JEFFREY R. JANKOWSKI
No response

JOSHUA LEVINSON
www.levinsonforeastpenn.org
D.O.B.: 1970
Occupation: Chemical engineer
Education: M.S./Ph.D., chemical engineering, Stanford University, 1995/1999; B.S./M.S., chemical engineering, MIT, 1993/1994.
Qualifications: EPSD parent (two children); EPSD board member (appointed 2018); EPSD Education Foundation board member (since 2017); over 18 years professional and managerial experience in both industry and academia; lifelong participant and adult volunteer in Boy Scouting.
Response: To maximize the benefits of our public school system, school boards are obligated to advocate for high quality and diverse educational opportunities for all students while also being efficient and fiscally responsible in the use of taxpayer-provided resources. Districts must apply good governance to find solutions for obtaining necessary classroom resources through both fair and thoughtful financial and program-based solutions, while also ensuring a positive district climate among the students, staff, and surrounding community.

KEN BACHER
No response

DIANE L. SCHAFFER
D.O.B.: 1942
Occupation: Retired.
Education: High school diploma, Slatington High School. Studied, Catawba College, Salisbury N.C.
Qualifications: Pleasant Valley School District: member, vice president, president: 1980-1992. Monroe Career and Technical Institute: member, secretary, president: 1982-1992. Bethany Children's Home, Womelsdorf: member, secretary: 1978-2010. Former school bus driver, child care, foster children, exchange student host and area representative.
Response: That East Penn School District provide quality education and activities for all students, that teachers and staff have at their disposal resources to cultivate a positive environment for students, and that the district use tax payer dollars as efficiently as possible.

PAUL CHAMPAGNE
champagne4epsd.com
D.O.B.: 1958
Occupation: Power industry consultant
Education: B.S. chemical engineering, University of Illinois
Qualifications: Former PPL executive with over 30 years of business and management experience.
Response: Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve on the EPSD Board for the last four years. I am running for re-election because it is important that the EPSD continue with its commitment to excellence in public education. Success can best be assured by board members who can appropriately balance the needs of our schools with fiscal responsibility to the taxpayers. My track record has shown that it is possible to achieve these goals.

BART BAILEY
No response

ALLAN BYRD
D.O.B.: 1950
Occupation: Retired
Education: B.S. business administration - North Carolina A&T State University
Qualifications: Director East Penn School Board. 40 years of management experience. Managed engineers at a global aluminum corporation. Directed employees in high volume manufacturing plants. Developed and wrote work standards for an automaker. Excellent verbal and written communication skills.///
Response: I am a product of public education. There are many who advocate school choice. Charter schools are described as a better education choice. The number of students served is limited and academic results are mixed. They are a financial burden on the school district. I will challenge the formula used to determine payments to charter schools. I will work to insure and improve the quality of education in the district. East Penn is the best choice.

Republican
Vote for not more than five

DAVID BOCCHINO
D.O.B.: 1964
Occupation: Legal
Education: University of Baltimore School of Law, JD, cum laude, 1997. Towson State University (now Towson University), BS, cum laude, 1992.
Qualifications: My main qualification is that I want to continue to have a high quality of life in the borough. I have practical experience working with budgets during my employment with the state of Maryland, and I am currently an alternate on the Borough of Emmaus Zoning Appeals Hearing Board.
Response: I want to maintain our high quality of life in the borough. I will address it by listening to all sides of issues, by addressing public work needs, by keeping our borough government operating efficiently, by being open and accessible, by assessing spending, by addressing quality of life and zoning issues, and by avoiding tax increases.

Term: 2 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

NAOMI WINCH

NORTHERN LEHIGH

Slatington Borough and Washington Township, Lehigh County; Walnutport Borough, Northampton County
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

ROBIN T. DISTLER
MATHIAS MATT GREEN

Republican
Vote for not more than five

DONNA KULP
GALE N. HUSACK
ROBERT KERN

Term: 2 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

MICHELE MARTINEAU

NORTHWESTERN LEHIGH

Heidelberg, Lowhill, Lynn and Weisenberg townships
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

JOHN CASCIANO
JOSEPH FATZINGER
WILLARD DELLICKER
TODD LEISER

PARKLAND

North Whitehall, South Whitehall and Upper Macungie Townships, and part of Allentown 17th Ward, 4th District and 18th Ward, 2nd District
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

JAY ROHATGI
jayforparkland.com
D.O.B.: 1975
Occupation: Director, health care and life sciences
Education: Graduate degree in computer science; undergraduate degree in computer science and math
Qualifications: Jay Rohatgi is a successful business leader and a positive change agent in his professional life. As a strategy professional, he advocates appropriate technology use to solve complex business problems in his work life.///
Response: Distribute district's resources fairly to ensure that our academic and athletic stars both get an equal share. Facilitate alumni and business leader mentorships to provide our students real life experiences. Keep property taxes in check and achieve better fiscal responsibility through increasing technology use. Solve the rampant vaping/juuling crisis by working with our administrators and teachers. Improve safety in our schools by investing in law enforcement and mental health professionals.

CAROL L. FACCHIANO
D.O.B.: 1964
Occupation: Parkland Aquatic Club office administrator
Education: Graduate of William Allen High School, 1982; Bloomsburg University, B.S. Business Administration - Accounting, 1986
Qualifications: Parkland School District School Board director (3 years), Academic, Arts & Athletics Committee, Personnel & Finance Committee, Parkland Education Foundation Board representative, Parkland Education Foundation Gala Committee. ///
Response: The Parkland School District needs to provide a comprehensive education abound with opportunities for students and community members alike. The district's decision to open Veterans Memorial Elementary School in fall 2020 reflects its dedication to serving the needs of our growing community. Every step of this process, from construction to staffing, has involved financially sustainable approaches to ensure we provide educational experiences that students and taxpayers can benefit from and support with pride.

MARISA ZIEGLER
facebook.com/ZieglerforParkland
D.O.B.: 1983
Occupation: Public school teacher
Education: Bachelor's degree in elementary and early childhood education, Temple University, Summa Cum Laude, 2006 - Master's degree in education with reading specialist certification, Kutztown University, 2011
Qualifications: Public School educator for 12 years, PSEA/NEA Union member, Student Assistance Program (SAP) team member, parent of two children in Parkland SD.
Response: Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) impact the development of a young child's body and brain. In order for students to reach academic success and become kind and productive citizens, we must invest in wellness professionals who address trauma and mental health issues. In relation to this, it is essential that we begin to develop restorative practices in our schools in order to shift the focus from punishment to healing and responsibility.

DAVID M. KENNEDY
D.O.B.: 1951
Occupation: Retired
Education: Villanova University, Bachelor of Science in marketing.
Qualifications: School board - 22 years, immediate past president. LCTI Board member - 22 years, eight terms as president. Chair, Building & Grounds Committee, past chair of Academics, Arts & Athletics and Personnel & Finance. South Whitehall Township Public Safety Committee for 24 years, currently vice chair.
Response: Unfunded state and federal mandates continue to drive the cost of education higher each year. Additional state funding is critical to minimize the tax burden on our stakeholders. By continuing to work with legislators, my goal is to obtain fair and equitable resources for the Parkland School District.

PATRICK H. FOOSE
fooseforparklandschoolboard.com
D.O.B.: 1991
Occupation: Direct support professional
Education: I have my B.A. in English and political science from Moravian College. I am working toward earning my MEd in secondary English and social studies.
Qualifications: I have advocated 10-plus years about my experiences in the public school system as an individual with high functioning Asperger's Syndrome.///
Response: It is essential to support the investment of programs that promote the health and development of the whole child. The arts, sports, foreign language, finance, life and technical skills are vital in providing a well-rounded education. In turn, this will enhance a student's ability to understand culture, diversity, and learn 21st century skills. In an age where mental illness has come front and center, it is paramount that the district hire the required staff.///

LISA ROTH
D.O.B.: 1963
Occupation: Air Products - Cust Support Specialist
Education: Allentown Business College, 1981-83. DeSales University, 1990-92. PSBA seminars, panels and online training. Parkland Learning Academy classes.
Qualifications: Parkland resident for 27 years and school board director for past 10 years. Have been involved in the school district (PTOs, Comprehensive Planning, Community Advisory Council. SPYA and Parkland library volunteer) for 25 years.
Response: Always concerns about taxes and whether any programs within the district might need to be scaled back or cut. Thanks to PSD's administration, oversight of our business office, district's financial advisors, and board directors who are committed to overseeing all this, Parkland continues to have lowest millage rate in Lehigh Valley, have not gone over Act 1 index, nor have had any cuts in curriculum or property values.///

SALISBURY

Salisbury Township

Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

COURTNEY WEIBEL GIBBS
CAROL A. KLINGER

Republican
Vote for not more than five

SAMUEL P. DEFRANK
SUSAN M. LEA

SOUTHERN LEHIGH

Coopersburg Borough and Lower Milford and Upper Saucon townships
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

EMILY GEHMAN
KYLE GANGEWERE
WILLIAM LYCETT
PRIYA SAREEN

Republican
Vote for not more than five

JEFFREY DIMMIG

WHITEHALL/COPLAY

Coplay Borough and Whitehall Township
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

BILL LEINER JR.
GEORGE MAKHOUL
NICHOLE HARTMAN
TINA JO KOREN
PATTY D. GAUGLER

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

Except where an exclusive original jurisdiction is vested in another court, the Courts of Common Pleas have unlimited original jurisdiction of all civil and criminal actions and preceedings.
Term: 10 years
Salary: $183,184

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

John M. Morganelli

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

NURIA DILUZIO
diluzioforda.com
Bethlehem Township
D.O.B.: 1967
Education: Ramapo High School, N.J. 1985; B.A. Rutgers University, Douglass College 1989; J.D. Temple University School of Law 1997.
Occupation: Attorney; appointed Northampton County Chief Public Defender January 2018.
Qualifications: Attorney handling criminal and civil trials for over 20 years. First woman Chief Public Defender managing 21 attorneys and staff.
Response: This campaign is about moving forward with justice reform, including restorative justice practices and keeping and expanding diversionary programs. I began my career as a full-time public defender, representing indigent clients through 2009. I've seen firsthand the collateral consequences of incarceration. While everyone can agree that the worst, most violent offenders deserve the harshest punishment, resources should be devoted to addressing the opioid and mental health crisis and veterans' mentoring programs.

TERRY HOUCK
Forks Township
TerryHouckforDA.com
D.O.B.: 1956
Education: B.A. LaSalle 1980; M.S. Villanova 1982; J.D. Temple 1986
Occupation: First Deputy District Attorney, NORCO
Qualifications: Police officer 9-plus years; numerous awards for merit and bravery; chief prosecutor 32 years handling child abuse, violent crime and homicides; victims advocate awards received in Bucks County and Lehigh Valley; supervises staff of 20 attorneys, 7 county detectives and support staff.
Response: Keeping NORCO safe. I will continue to concentrate on attacking violent crime and gang violence. I will maintain an active caseload and lead by example. I have prosecuted every major crime from child abuse, domestic violence and murder. Our office also expanded our diversionary programs to include non-violent felonies, thereby giving people a second chance. We have also instituted a Mental Health Court which permits offenders to be placed in treatment programs instead of incarceration.

Republican
Vote for one

TOM CARROLL

COUNTY CONTROLLER

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

TONY E. BASSIL

Republican
Vote for one

HAYDEN PHILLIPS

COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

DISTRICT I

City of Bethlehem, Hanover Township and Hellertown Borough.

Democrat
Vote for one

KEVIN LOTT

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

DISTRICT II

City of Easton, Boroughs of Glendon, Stockertown, Tatamy, West Easton and Wilson, Townships of Forks, Palmer and Williams.

Democrat
Vote for one

KERRY MYERS

Republican
Vote for one

ANDREW OLIVEIRA

DISTRICT III

Boroughs of Bath, Freemansburg, Nazareth, Northampton and North Catasauqua; Townships of Allen, East Allen, Lower Nazareth and Lower Saucon.

Democrat
Vote for one

LUKE VERDES

Republican
Vote for one

JOHN CUSICK

DISTRICT IV

Boroughs of Bangor, Chapman, East Bangor, Pen Argyl, Portland, Roseto, Walnutport and Wind Gap; Townships of Bushkill, Lehigh, Lower Mount Bethel, Plainfield, Upper Mount Bethel, Upper Nazareth and Washington.

Democrat
Vote for one

DAN ENGLE

Republican
Vote for one

TOM GIOVANNI

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

Term: 6 years
Salary: $91,597

DISTRICT 03-2-05

City of Easton Wards 2, 3, 4, and 5.

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

ROBERT WEBER

DISTRICT 03-2-06

City of Easton Wards 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12; Glendon Borough; and Williams Township.

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

DANIEL G. CORPORA

Democrat
Vote for one

NADEEM QAYYUM

DISTRICT 03-2-08

Boroughs of Nazareth and Stockertown; Townships of Lower Nazareth and Upper Nazareth.

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

JOHN C. CAPOBIANCO

CITIES

BETHLEHEM COUNCIL-AT-LARGE

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

PAIGE VAN WIRT
www.drpaigeforcouncil.com
D.O.B.: 1967
Education: Savannah Country Day School, 1985; Cornell University, B.A., Government, 1989; NYU Wagner School of Public Service, Master of Urban Planning, 1997; Georgetown U. School of Medicine, Medical Doctor, 2001
Occupation: Physician, founding partner, Rosenfeld Van Wirt PC Medical practice, caring for patients in nursing homes.
Qualifications: Small business owner, previous city planner, previous municipal bond analyst. Ran write-in campaign for City Council in 2017, earning over 1700 write-in votes.
Response: Accountability. A healthy city council is a diverse city council, one that understands the primary role of council is to represent the citizens, and when voting, ensures that the power of the mayor is balanced by the power of city council. The citizens deserve an independent, free-thinking voice on council, with allegiance only to the citizens of Bethlehem. I will be that voice. Semper Pro Populus: Always for the People.

CAROL RITTER
D.O.B.: 1951
Education: Graduate Liberty High School, nonprofit courses, Moravian College
Occupation: Co-founder of Caroltalks.com — small business consultant, fundraising specialist, motivational speaker, social media expert
Qualifications: President Pennsylvania PTA; 2 years, board chairman St. Luke's Hospital VNA & Hospice; 2 years, president National Speakers Association Philadelphia; one year, alternate Bethlehem Zoning Board; school director, 4 years.
Response: The major issue in this campaign is advancing quality of life in Bethlehem. I will pay attention to public safety, safe neighborhoods and a clean environment. Part of increasing the quality of life is to support common sense development, an essential element to the success of our city. The strength of our downtowns are in its small businesses. I will work toward supporting our small businesses and creating the right environment for them to thrive.

DAVID SALTZER
www.facebook.com/davidslatzerforcob.com
D.O.B.: 1975
Education: Saucon Valley High School; Allentown Fire Academy
Occupation: 911 dispatcher/acting supervisor Lehigh County
Qualifications: My experience as a city firefighter, 911 dispatcher and union president allows me to use my years of experience interacting with all aspect of city government, negotiating contracts, language, speaking on issues and sitting on committees.
Response: My first and foremost goal as a council member will be to make Bethlehem a safer city for our residents, visitors, and employees. As a retired Bethlehem firefighter I feel that we need to do everything in our power to make sure everyone is safe and goes home at the end of the day. I'd like to explore an apprenticeship program and bring a joint training facility to the city for all employees.

J. WILLIAM REYNOLDS
www.jwilliamreynolds.org
D.O.B.: 1981
Education: Liberty High School, 1999; Moravian College, 2003
Occupation: Teacher, Allentown School District; Bethlehem city councilman (President 2014-2017)
Qualifications: Moravian College Alumni Association president (2018-present); Bethlehem Area Public Library (2008-2014) Board of Directors; Five Star Heart Project board of directors; Gov. Wolf Transition Team; Chairman City Council Environment Committee.
Response: Bethlehem must maintain our high quality of life as well as become a more progressive city. My work on City Council has focused on our Climate Action Plan, neighborhood investment (NorthSide 2027), job creation, basic city services, and fiscal responsibility. If re-elected, I will continue to support the priorities of our citizens as well as find local solutions to problems that our federal and state governments are unable or unwilling to solve.

MICHAEL G. COLON
D.O.B.: 1986
Education: Graduate of Liberty High School '04; Penn State University, B.A. Political Science '08
Occupation: Admissions coordinator at Gracedale Nursing Home, city councilman
Qualifications: City councilman since 2016; graduate of Bethlehem Citizens' Academy
Response: A major issue facing not only Bethlehem but also our region and country is the rising rate of opioid overdoses and deaths. This problem impacts the safety, health, and quality of life of our community. Bethlehem has already implemented programs including BPAIR (Bethlehem Police Assisting in Recovery), community drop boxes to safely dispose of unused prescriptions from homes, and the use of Naloxone by first responders. I will continue to support programs and community efforts to quell the spread of this problem.

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

GRACE CRAMPSIE SMITH
D.O.B.: 1962
Education: Lehigh University Master of Ed. School Counseling certification; Bloomsburg University B.A Sociology
Occupation: School counselor, Easton Area High School
Qualifications: College Instructor — ADA and IDEA Legislation; Bethlehem Citizens Police Academy graduate; addictions counselor; mental health/developmental disabilities services coordinator. Expertise: budget management, legislative compliance, policy development, personnel management, negotiations. crisis management
Response: Economic development must be congruent with the best interests of the community. There is a disparity between the development of luxury versus affordable residential units. Recent initiatives such as the partnership between the Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem and the City of Bethlehem to rehabilitate homes on the South Side is promising and needs to be expanded upon. To address this issue, I would develop a task force of public and private entities.

WILL CARPENTER
D.O.B.: 1968
Education: B.S. Cornell, 1990, Applied Economics and Business Management.
Occupation: Software Sales, SRC Solutions, Inc.
Qualifications: Twenty years experience working with municipalities and developers. For both large and small scale projects, I have experienced how strong cities operate to get the most for citizens. Solid business experience with budgets, project management and operational oversight. I believe in sustainable practices and have never worked for a developer.
Response: Protect and value our history as we thoughtfully prepare for our future. Bethlehem is in a great place. People want to live here, businesses want to operate here. Responsible growth will position us for the changing economy and good jobs. Our first responsibility is to our current residents. Use this opportunity to improve public works, public safety, affordable housing and the many challenges of homelessness. Keep Bethlehem a great place to live, learn and work.

ASHLEY DAUBERT
No response

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

EASTON

MAYOR

Democrat
Vote for one

SAL PANTO
D.O.B.: 1951
Education: Notre Dame High School, 1969; Kutztown State University, B.S. Education, 1973; Lehigh University, M.Ed. Administration, 1980; honorary doctorate from Lafayette College, 2010.
Occupation: Mayor City of Easton
Qualifications: Mayor 1984-1992; current mayor 2008-present; Fire Civil Service Board, City of Easton, 1980-1984.
Response: No one can doubt the renaissance taking place in Easton. But there is more to do. I want Easton to continue being an inclusive and diverse city and increase our higher quality of life. JFK said it best "a rising tide lifts all boats." That means we need to use our economic recovery to benefit all people. We will work with our Redevelopment Authority and Housing Authority to make affordable housing programs a priority.

TAIBA SULTANA
No response

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

COUNCIL-AT-LARGE

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

KENNETH BROWN
DAVID O'CONNELL
PETER MELON

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

TOWNSHIPS

Candidates were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

ALLEN SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

DALE N. HASSLER

Republican
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

BETHLEHEM

COMMISSIONER-AT-LARGE

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

MALISSA DAVIS

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

WARD 1

Democrat
Vote for one

KRISTINE BLAKE

Republican
Vote for one

WAYNE MILLER

WARD 3

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JOHN GALLAGHER

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

BUSHKILL SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

MICHAEL LUTZ

Republican
Vote for not more than two

HARRISON KLINE JR.
JASON SMITH

EAST ALLEN SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than two

MARK H. SCHWARTZ
CHRISTOPHER CRUZ

FORKS SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

KELLY KEEGAN
JAMES SCOTT FULLER

Republican
Vote for not more than two

RICHARD R. SIEGFRIED
D.O.B.:1956
Education: Graduate Easton High School 1974; Cedar Crest College 1996.
Occupation: Retired
Qualifications: School board, 8 years; credit union board, 13 years; Family Connection of Easton Board, 7 years.; Arndt Cemetery Board, 4 years; Crayola LLC employee, 42 years; Crayola LLC – Procurement & Customer Service, corporate historian.
Response: The board of supervisors do not address issues promptly. Two curative amendments have been filed against the township because the township did not allow any apartments in their zoning regulations. The supervisors were aware of this and failed to address this until the first curative amendment as filed with the second one following shortly thereafter. I will ensure all issues are addressed promptly, to alleviate any further legal actions can be taken against the township.

BRIAN J. FREY
No response

TIM HUGHES
D.O.B.: 1960
Education: Sewanhama High School, Floral Park, N.Y. 1978; Adelphi University, Garden City, N.Y. 1982.
Occupation: Domain manager —business systems analyst; third party administrator life & annuity insurance.
Qualifications: I have lived in Forks Township for 26 years and feel it is time for me to give back to the community. I have over 35 years experience in senior leadership roles where I have worked very closely with Fortune 100 companies in developing business solutions, providing project management and executing on corporate goals and objectives.
Response: Currently, I see the expansion of housing and business development as one of the biggest challenges facing the township. While progress cannot always be stopped, I believe you can pause and reevaluate the comprehensive plan for the township to ensure it meets the needs of its current and future residents. I would work with the supervisors to ensure we have all the facts, which includes legal obligations, to determine the best for our residents.

HANOVER SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

JEFF WARREN

Republican
Vote for not more than two

STEPHEN R. SALVESEN
JOHN DIACOGIANNIS

LEHIGH SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

MICHAEL P. McGONIGLE

Republican
Vote for one

DAVID L. HESS
D.O.B.: 1968
Education: Graduate of Northampton High School
Occupation: Concrete contractor
Qualifications: Not listed
Response: I was born and raised in Lehigh Township. Member of Salem United Church; board officer of Blue Mountain Fishing Game Association; sponsor of Lehigh Township Fire Company & Lehigh Township Historical Society. Member of the American Legion. If elected and you put your trust in me, I will make it my pledge to stand up for responsible spending and what is in the best interest of the residence.

GERALD L. PRITCHARD
No response

DARRYL SNOVER
No response

LOWER MOUNT BETHEL SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

JOHN MAUSER

Republican
Vote for not more than two

JACQUELINE LMBERTON
No response

DAVID ASCANI
No response

SUSAN DISIDORE
D.O.B.: 1964
Education: Graduate Bangor High School 1982; BA Marquette University 1986
Occupation: Associate director, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, Lehigh University
Qualifications: U.S. Navy officer, 7 years; LMBT: EAC – 2 years, planning commission – 3 years, township supervisor – 12 years; etensive leadership, financial, budgetary expertise; lifelong LMBT resident.
Response: Preserving the beautiful rural character and quality of life in Lower Mount Bethel Township without undue tax burden is the most important issue for residents. Building on demonstrated successes in this are over the last 12 years, I will continue to advocate for farmland and open space preservation through partnerships and grant programs. I will promote community collaborations to expand and improve safety programs, recreation opportunities, and township-wide events. Transparency and listening to residents are key.

LOWER NAZARETH SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

ROBERT HOYER
D.O.B.: 1951
Education: B.A. Temple University
Occupation: Self employed – partner Buzas Greenhouse & Farm
Qualifications: Township supervisors, township resident 44 years, township business owner, Lower Naz. Lions Club member
Response: Lower Nazareth is undergoing development pressure especially from the warehouse sector. We need to address the increase traffic they generate. We also need to support and encourage open space preservation. I currently am chairman of the open space program and support the 25% increase in the E.I.T. to achieve this.

STEVE BROWN
www.facebook.com/brownforsupervisor
D.O.B.: 1985
Education: Graduate, Nazareth Area High School; B.S. Secondary Education/Social Studies - Penn State, University Park; M.Ed. Instructional Media - Wilkes University
Occupation: Government, economics, and history teacher - Whitehall High School
Qualifications: Long-term vested interest in the community; born/raised in Lower Nazareth and understand how our needs are changing to meet future demands.
Response: The major issue in this campaign is how Lower Nazareth will manage future growth. Competing pressures from warehouse expansion, needed park/green space, and infrastructure improvements need to be balanced to continue to improve on our township's position as a destination for families. With my own children in mind, I would work to limit warehouse expansion and seek out grants/funding to expand recreation facilities/opportunities and infrastructure projects within our township.

Republican
Vote for one

BERT R. SMALLEY

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

ROBERT HOYER
STEVE BROWN

See 6 year term

Republican
Vote for one

BERT R. SMALLEY

LOWER SAUCON COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

PRISCILLA deLEON
SARAH STANLICK
GEORGE J. GRESS

Republican
Vote for not more than three

JASON BANONIS
DONNA LOUDER
SANDRA YERGER

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

KAITLYN O'CONNOR SOMMER

Republican
Vote for one

DONNA LOUDER
D.O.B.: 1959
Education: Saucon Valley High School 1977; Northampton Community College AAS; Scott White Real Estate
Occupation: Healthcare professional
Qualifications: Currently hold position on council, seeking second term.
Response: Revitalization of the township's business district. Drawing new business to the township is and has been an expressed concern to our residents. It is my hope to revisit the issue and possibly create an incentive for established and startup businesses to consider Lower Saucon as a place to expand or create their endeavors. Also I would welcome input from current business owners to assist in improving the process for the new proprietor/proprietess.

JASON BANONIS
No response

MOORE SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JOSEPH S. LATTEMANN

Republican
Vote for one

RANDY C. SILFIES
No response

DAN PIORKOWSKI
D.O.B.: Not provided
Education: Township supervisor 6 years
Occupation: Retired
Qualifications: Results oriented management professional, 40 years experience in private sector, diverse background, supervising people, labor relations budgets, facilities, equipment. Proven ability to get results, decrease cost through process improvements. Chairperson recreation committee 8 years, planning commission 3 years, township supervisors 6 years, chairman 2 years
Response: I believe that all issues that concern residents are critical. Voted against raising taxes, doubled the acres preserved farmland and open space, Eliminated working supervisors, hired professional township manager who obtained $312,700 in grants to date, improved township meetings no time limits when floor is open. Future: To hire professional public works director to improve infrastructure and storm water management, master road priorities plan.

PALMER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

K. MICHAEL MITCHELL
JEFFREY A. YOUNG

Republican
Vote for not more than two

CHARLES DIEFENDERFER

PLAINFIELD SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

RANDY J. HEARD

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

UPPER MOUNT BETHEL SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

DAVID F. DUE

Republican
Vote for one

CHARLES L HENTZ

UPPER NAZARETH SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than two

MICHAEL RINKER
CHARLENE PETROZELLI.

WASHINGTON SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

RALPH FALCONE

Republican
Vote for one

RICHARD D. SMITH

WILLIAMS SUPERVISOR

Term: 6 years

Democrat
Vote for one

RAY ABERT

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

BOROUGHS

Candidates were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

BANGOR COUNCIL AT LARGE

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

ROBERT ENGLE
ROSEMARIE CAPONE
CHAD OLIVER
ELIZABETH SCHAFER
LORI LYTER-GETZ
No responses

BARRY SCHWEITZER
D.O.B.: 1946
Education: Graduated Nazareth Area High School 1965, U.S. Army Vietnam Service 1966, 69 – various college courses
Occupation: Retired after 41 years in cement manufacturing
Qualifications: 3 years, 4 months, Bangor Borough Council, 5 years Bangor Borough Authority 3 years as chairman. 28 years in management Buzzi UniCem USA cement mfg.
Response: To take care of day to day business and spend the taxpayers money as prudently as possible.

Republican
Vote for not more than three

ROBERT GOEFFREDO SR.

BATH COUNCIL AT LARGE

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than four

FRANK HESCH III
PHYLLIS ANDREWS
BARRY FENDTERMAKER
MARK A. SAGINARIO

CHAPMAN

MAYOR

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

EAST BANGOR COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than three

PETER ZAZULAK
JASON HUGGAN

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

FREEMANSBURG COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

JIM SMITH
HOMER G. LORRAH
JUSTIN "PEANUTS" LaBAR

Republican
Vote for not more than four

MARGARET REICHARD

GLENDON COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than three

BETH YOUNG
RONALD J. ROSCIOLI

HELLERTOWN COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

EARL HILL
MICHAEL McKENNA
PHILIP WEBER
D.O.B.: 1957
Education: Saucon Valley School, 1980 graduate; Bethlehem Vo-Tech, masonry 1980.
Occupation: Product manager, Bethlehem Precast; Various Continuting Education Precast Industry
Qualifications: Hellertown Borough Council, 15 years; planning commission, 20 years, currently chair; various coaching, 15 years, local sports; Rails to Trails Committee; active in Dewey Fire Company
Response: The biggest issue that I think we face is controlling taxes. This is something that will not be easy to do. Hellertown residents are already taxed at a high millage rate. Controlling this has never been easy for council

and it will not be easy going forward. To address this issue all members of Borough Council must work together closely to tackle this issue.

BILL BROUN
D.O.B.: 1966
Education: BA Miami University (Ohio), 1989; MA Miami University (Ohio), 1992; M.F.A. University of Houston, 1998.
Occupation: College professor and author
Qualifications: Longtime reporter and editor for news publications in Ohio, Texas, Pennsylvania and United Kingdom 15-plus years; gained comprehensive understanding of municipal, county and state governance. Editor-in-chief of four community newspapers (3 years), communication expertise in verbal, written, and multiple forms as professor at ESU (14 years).
Response: Hellertown is a beautiful little community with political leadership that has let its citizens down badly. Cronyism, petty corruption, and a singular lack of imagination have benighted a bright future. We have the highest borough taxes in the county, but we can't cross Main Street without risking death. Through smart planning, aggressive ethics reform, and a sacred vow to listen to ordinary residents, we will transform Hellertown into an even more attractive and livable haven.

Republican
Vote for not more than three

MICHAEL P. McGONIGLE

NAZARETH COUNCIL

FIRST WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

MICHAEL KOPACH
KAYLA GREEN

Republican
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

SECOND WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

CARL A. FISCHL
DAVID MATTEI

Republican
Vote for not more than two

LARRY STROUDT

THIRD WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

DANIEL R. CHIAVAROLI

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

NORTHAMPTON COUNCIL

FIRST WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

KEITH PIESCIENSKI

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

SECOND WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

KERRY MYERS
D.O.B.: 1954
Education: High school graduate EAHS 1972
Occupation: Asst. supervisor Lafayette College
Qualifications: Past EASD school board member and past president (5 years)
Response: As County Councilman I'll make sure everyone knows about services provided by county and how to access them. I'll work to keep the doors open and under county control at Gracedale, also fight to keep open space a priority.

Republican
Vote for one

JULIA D. KUTZLER

THIRD WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

FOURTH WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

ANTHONY LOPSONZSKI SR.

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

NORTH CATASAUQUA COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more three

MICHELE J. HAZZARD
JOSEPH D. KEGLOVITS
JESSICA COPE

Republican
Vote for not more three

MARK. S. GIOIELLI

PEN ARGYL COUNCIL

FIRST WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

TAMMY KEMP

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

SECOND WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JANELL CONNOLLU

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

THIRD WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

JOHN APGAR

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

FOURTH WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

CHARLES KANDI JR.

PORTLAND COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

STEPHANIE STEELE
WILLIAM H. GODSHALK

Republican
Vote for not more than four

BRIAN KARDOS

ROSETO COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

CARL RENNA

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

STOCKERTOWN MAYOR

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

No candidates

Republican
Vote for one

KENNETH J. ZEMENCSIK

COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

CYNTHIA M. HOWER
KATHLEEN ZEMENCSKI

Republican
Vote for not more than four

AMY L. RICHARD
A. JOSEPH GOSNELL

Term: 2 years

Democrat
Vote for one

PAMELA J. DAVIS

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

TATAMY COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than four

PAMELA PEARSON
DANIEL DEWEY

Republican
Vote for not more than four

No candidates

WALNUTPORT COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

DAVID STANKOVIC
MICHAEL GASTON
HAROLD C. GREEN

Republican
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

WEST EASTON COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

RON NIXON
PETER MAMMANA
ROBERT E. LEWID II

Republican
Vote for not more than three

DAVID M. BOLASH

WILSON COUNCIL

FIRST WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

JAMES McGOWAN
SCOTT PALINKAS

Republican
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

SECOND WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

PAMELA TAYLOR

Republican
Vote for one

No candidates

THIRD WARD

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

RUSSELL LIPARI
MICHAEL J. SHANNON
No response

TONY VERENNA
D.O.B.: 1944
Education: Wilson Area High School grad; 4-year electrical Trade School (union)
Occupation: Retired Electrician
Qualifications: School Director 25 yrs, Wilson Council Approx 12 yrs
Response: Make sure all Council members are on the same page with issues; Not letting the budget get so far below where it should be and then making the taxpayer take up the slack; Keeping a good line of communication with the taxpayer and school district.

Republican
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

WIND GAP COUNCIL

Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

Republican
Vote for not more than three

GEORGE F. HINTON JR.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Candidates were asked: What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

BANGOR AREA AT-LARGE

Boroughs of Bangor, Roseto, Portland; Townships of Upper Mt. Bethel, Lower Mt. Bethel and Washington
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

LARAINE BRANDS
No response

CHRISTOPHER MAROZZI
D.O.B.: 1967
Education: 1985 graduate Bangor High School, 1989 graduate Washington & Jefferson B.A. Biology, 2010 graduate Green Mountain, Vt., M.S. Environmental Sciencence (SP)
Occupation: Senior director, EHS & Sustainability, Lixil
Qualifications: Community volunteer, former planning commission member, charity/nonprofit board memberships, current BASD board member
Response: Being on a school board and doing it right is hard work. Sacrifices must be made to be adequately prepared in regards to curriculum and technical, building and grounds, finance and many other aspects. 1. My first priority is the safety and security of our children, schools and staff; 2. Working for effective collaborative leadership; 3. Continues improvement of curriculum and technical; 4. Focus on proud accomplishments of our students, alumni, and staff.

KIMBERLY GAMBLE
D.O.B.: 1981
Education: Lenapi Regional Valley High School; Banger Area High School; PA Homeschool 1999; attended Northampton Community College
Occupation: Restaurant owner
Qualifications: Bangor Elementary PTA/PTO president/vice president; Bangor Middle PTSO president/vice president, 3 years; Thrivent chapter vice president; 2014 Friend of Education Award, Bangor Education Association.
Response: I think the biggest issue is academics. We need set curriculum for each grade. We need to become more competitive with other districts. My hope is that having so many administrators we can now accomplish this. We need to support our teachers teaching, not teaching to the test.

TONI E. LYNCH
D.O.B.: 1947
Education: Bangor Area High School graduate 1965; U.S. Army Artillery Officers School Lawton, Oklahoma, graduate 1967; Churchman's Business College, Easton, one year.
Occupation: Project manager (Better World Building Technology), Bangor since 1975
Qualifications: Experience of 7-plus year incumbent, local businessman, motioned 13 times to cut the budget by 2.5 million, opposed common core, developed programs to investigate the 76 billion dollar unfunded pension plan.
Response: Develop a budget that cuts 2.5 million of unnecessary spending while maintaining a higher level of educational results. Common core has been declared by those who brought it to the school systems. I have maintained that for over 7 years. Voters need to know where the candidates stand prior to voting, budgets must maintain taxpayers ability to fund them, they must vote for directors who will do it, not just promise it.

ZACHARY MILLER
D.O.B.: 1997
Education: Bangor High School 2015; Penn State University 2019, B.S.B.A.
Occupation: Banker
Qualifications: Community leader: Bangor Lions treasurer, Bangor Exchange director, State Theatre Usher, church trustees chair (1 year) Collegiate: Founder PSU Leo Club, C.A.B. Board, Beta Gamma Sigma, Sigma Belta Delta. Bangor schools: Advocator for the arts, chorus, and band programs at all grade levels.
Response: I view the major issue is the discrepancy of values between administration and faculty. I would address this by taking teachers' concerns and opinions more seriously, so that our frontline educators have a stronger, more prominent voice in both the quality of education provided to our students as well as the quality of life and work our district employees receive.

BARRY SCHWEITZER
D.O.B.: 1946
Education: Graduated Nazareth Area High School 1965, U.S. Army Vietnam Service 1966, '69, various college courses
Occupation: Retired after 41 years in cement manufacturing
Qualifications: Three years, four months Bangor Borough Council, 5 years Bangor Borough Authority, 3 years as chairman, 28 years in Management BuzziUnicem USA Cement Mfg.
Response: To make sure our children get a premium education and to spend the taxpayers hard earned dollars as prudently as possible.

SCOTT MINNICH
No response

ED NELSON
No response

MICHAEL GOFFREDO
No response

BETHLEHEM AREA AT-LARGE

City of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Township, Hanover Township and the Boroughs of Freemansburg and Fountain Hill
Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than three

DEAN DONAHER
EMILY SCHENKEL
KAREN BECK POOLEY

Republican
Vote for not more than three

LISA McHALE

Region II

Bethlehem 7, 8, 9-1, 9-2, 9-3, 14-1, 15 and Hanover Township
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

CRAIG NEIMAN

Region III

Bethlehem 14-2, 14-3, 14-4, 14-5, 14-6, 14-7, 14-8, 15-2 and Bethlehem Township
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

KIM SHIVELY
kimshivelphd.com
D.O.B.: 1963
Education: B.A. University of Chicago; MTS Harvard Divinity School; PhD Brandeis University
Occupation: Professor, Kutztown University
Qualifications: Educator for 20 years in public universities; understand the importance of college preparedness; experience with special needs students and special needs support programs; experience with program assessment, curriculum planning, and classroom teaching and management.
Response: Bethlehem schools serve a large population of students with many different talents and needs. The district should continue to provide a high quality education for all its students, by providing a well-rounded curriculum at all grade levels, as well as by enhancing college preparedness and vocational training at the secondary level. All district schools need more support personnel to assist students struggling with special needs, learning disabilities, and other barriers to learning.

KYLE MICELI
No response

SILAGH WHITE
silaghwhite.com/
D.O.B.: 1965
Education: Graduate D.M.A. Eastman School of Music, 1997; M.Ed. Lehigh University, 2016
Occupation: Administrator of Bel Canto Youth Chorus of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem
Qualifications: University adjunct professor 20 years, arts integration with elementary and secondary school expertise, 23 years, Fellow of Educational Policy and Leadership Program, 2014.
Response: The charter school funding formula diverts resources to schools that can screen students. EITC funding to private and parochial school scholarships also decreases resources for public schools. It is great that families have choices for their children's education. Families that opt for private, parochial, or charter schools should be responsible for the tuition; not at the expense of the state or district (public funds).
No response

EASTON AREA

City of Easton, Borough of Riegelsville, Townships of Forks, Palmer, Lower Mount Bethel

REGION I

Palmer Township, 8th West Ward in the city of Easton
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than two

BILL WHITMAN
www.facebook.com/bill-whitman-forSchoolBoard
D.O.B.: 1953
Education: Easton High School, 1971 diploma; Kutztown State College, 1976 B.S; East Stroudsburg University 2000 M.ED
Occupation: Retired
Qualifications: Easton Area School District teacher, 10 years; EAHS grade level principal, 13 years; parent of 2 graduates of EAHS; grandparent of 2 current students attending EASD.
Response: My challenge is to insure our students receive a world-class education using the latest technology in modern, safe surroundings, and at the same time hold the line on spending and avoid tax increases. Can both scenarios be realized? I promise you, the taxpayer, that I will not vote to approve any new spending unless I have personally scrutinized the proposal and I find a compelling reason to do so.

ROBERT FEHNEL
D.O.B.: 1955
Education: 1973 Easton H.S. graduate; computer science associated NNC
Occupation: Director Print and Mail Operations

Qualifications: My work experiences have provided me with much knowledge that is beneficial when looking at school district business operations. I have served over 32 years on local school boards, the Northampton Community College and other college boards. During my years on these boards I have held various leadership positions.
Response: Major issues are providing a quality education at an affordable cost. As you look deeper it is about strategic planning which includes what students will need in the future, maintaining facilities, and the ability to hire and maintain a qualified staff. We must also consider the community's expectations, and ability to afford the plans. I also have a concern about our retired citizens and their ability to afford tax increases.

JODI HESS
No response

KERRY MYERS
D.O.B.: 1954
Education: EAHS graduate class of 1972
Occupation: Asst. supervisor Lafayette College
Qualifications: Past member of board 2005 and 2007, 2011
Response: To make everything the board of education does is transparent and looking out for the taxpayers. Make sure our children get the best possible education. Make sure the staff gets what they need to make that happen, to support the superintendent in his quest to get the best quality education for the children of Easton Area School District.

REGION II

Riegelsville, 2nd, 4th , 5th, 9th,10th, 11th and 12th Wards of the city of Easton
Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for one

MICHELLE B. PRICE

Republican
No candidates

REGION III

Lower Mount Bethel Township; Independent District, Forks Township, 3rd, 6th, 7th, and 8th Ward Eastern District in the city of Easton
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

EDWARD KEEGAN
D.O.B.: 1957
Education: 1980 B.S. Iowa State University; 2001 M.A. Rutgers; 2009 Ed.D. Rutgers
Occupation: Instructor IET Task Force Lehigh-Carbon Community College
Qualifications: 35-plus years in K-12 public education; served as teacher, supervisor, assistant principal, principal, and superintendent; 2014: N.J. Child Assault Prevention Administrator of the Year
Response: I believe the biggest issue our school district faces is school violence. Besides the obvious safety concerns for both staff and students, school violence takes time away from educational endeavors. We need policies and programs that empower students so that they will help create a safe and nuturing (SP) environment where our administrators can focus on educational issues and our teachers can efficiently deliver curricula. Eliminating violence in our schools will absolutely improve educational outcomes.

THOMAS M. FLEMING
No response

NAZARETH AREA

Boroughs of Nazareth, Stockertown, Tatamy; Townships of Upper Nazareth, Lower Nazareth, Bushkill

REGION I

Bushkill Township, Tatamy Borough and portion of Palmer Upper West
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than two

KENNETH N. BUTZ JR.
JOSEPH D. VASKO

REGION II

Lower Nazareth Township and Upper Nazareth Eastern District
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

ADAM McGLYNN

REGION III

Nazareth 1,2,3, Stockertown Borough, Upper Nazareth Western Division
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

KATHRYN ROBERTS
No response

GREGORY C. LEH
D.O.B.: 1960
Education: Graduate Nazareth Area High School 1978; BA Moravian College 1982, business management, minor accounting, religion; MBA DeSales University 1993, concentration marketing
Occupation: Coordinated Health: Associate V.P. Sports Medicine and Performance (April 2018-present); Senior Director of Marketing (Nov 2016-April 2018)
Qualifications: 36 years Business experience in sales, marketing and operations; led marketing organizations with $300-plus million in sales and service revenue; member board of trustees, Nazareth Blue Eagle Education Foundation 2018-present.
Response: As a long-term resident of Nazareth, graduate of NAHS '78 like my parents, my grandparents, brothers and other family, I am very familiar with the importance of educational quality in a school district. As well as two of my children graduated from NAHS and now my two granddaughters are in the district. I have a vested interest to help maintain the education quality here. My 36 years of business experience has prepared me to make decisions and deal with a wide array of issues involving taxes, labor administration and education policy.

REGION III

Term: 2 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

KATHRYN ROBERTS
No Response

Democrat
Vote for one

MICHAEL PITTARO
www.facebook.com/PittaroforNASD/
www.linkedin.com/in/drmichaelpittaro/
D.O.B.: 1966
Education: Ph.D – Capella University, 2016; M.P.A — Kutztown University, 2000; B.S. — Kutztown University, 1989
Occupation: Associate professor, American Military University (full-time). Adjunct professor, East Stroudsburg University. Adjunct professor, Northampton Community College
Qualifications: Eight years teaching experience; 30 years of proven leadership in education and government; father of two children in the NASD.
Response: Narrowing it down to a simple issue is challenging. There are so many issues that warrant our attention — classroom size; impoverished students; pros/cons of technology; bullying; students' physical/mental health; fiscal responsibility. Regarding the above, student readiness to enter college or the workforce must be addressed, which would require evaluating the aforementioned to ensure our children's future success.

NORTHAMPTON AREA

REGION I

Allen and Lehigh townships
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than two

JOHN E. BECKER
D.O.B.: 1953
Education: Graduate, Northampton High School 1971, Graduate, East Stroudsburg University, 1975
Occupation: Retired teacher
Qualifications: Teacher, 37 years, School board member, 3 years
Response: The major issue facing education is funding the increasing demands placed on public education. These would include special education, PSERS and charter schools. Our local board must continue to work with our state representatives to help meet the increase in funding these areas demand. Along with these demands we must find ways to make efficient use of our tax dollars without placing an undue burden on our taxpayers.

ROBERT K. MENTZELL
D.O.B.: 1952
Education: William Allen High School, 1970; Ursinus College, 1974, B.A. History; Lehigh University, 1978, M.A. History
Occupation: Retired teacher
Qualifications: 38 years as a secondary Social Studies classroom teacher in NASD. Currently, an NASD School Board.
Response: I feel the major issue facing any school board today is to provide a quality education to all students while keeping a rein on expenditures. My 38 years as a secondary teacher in the NASD have given me a classroom experience that provides me with a unique perspective to enable this district in a positive educational direction. These are my goals which I hope are worthy of your support.

BARBARA J. KNOLL
No response

REGION II

Borough of Northampton and East Allen Township
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

MICHAEL BAIRD

REGION III

Boroughs of Chapman and Bath and Moore Township
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than two

DAVID GOGEL
JIM CHUSS

SAUCON VALLEY AT LARGE

Borough of Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township
Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than five

BRYAN EICHFELD
SHAWN WELCH
SUSAN BAXTER
MICHAEL KARABIN
EDWARD J. ANDRES

WILSON AREA

Boroughs of Glendon, West Easton, Wilson; Williams Township

REGION I

1st and 2nd Wards of Wilson Borough
Term: 4 years

Democrat
Vote for not more than two

CORRIE BURKE
JANIS E. KRIEGER

Republican
Vote for not more than two
JANIS E. KRIEGER

REGION II

Term: 4 years

Democrat/Republican
Vote for one

HOLLY WAUGH

Republican
Vote for one

SCOTT R. WAMSLEY

REGION III

Democrat/Republican
Vote for not more than two

JUDITH A. HERBSTREITH

Democrat
Vote for not more than two
JOHNATHAN JONES