

VOTER: PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE STUB
IF STUB DETACHES, PLEASE RETURN WITH BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT
Primary Election
Tuesday, August 5, 2008
Berrien County, Michigan
Niles City Precinct 4

TO VOTE: Complete the arrow opposite each choice as shown: ←

IMPORTANT: To mark your ballot, use only a black or blue ink pen. DO NOT USE ANY OTHER INK COLOR!

PARTISAN SECTION: There are two party sections on the ballot: Republican Party and Democratic Party. Select the party section of your choice. YOU MAY VOTE IN ONE PARTY SECTION ONLY; YOU CANNOT "SPLIT YOUR TICKET." IF YOU VOTE IN MORE THAN ONE PARTY SECTION, YOUR PARTISAN BALLOT WILL BE REJECTED.

SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTIONS held to fill partial terms must be voted separately.

DO NOT vote for more candidates than indicated under each office title.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES: To vote for a candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot, write or place the name of that candidate in the blank space provided and complete the arrow. Do not cast a write-in vote for a candidate whose name is already printed on the ballot for that office.

CHECK BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT: This ballot has two sides. Be certain to check the reverse side of the ballot.

WHEN YOU HAVE COMPLETED VOTING: Place the ballot in the secrecy sleeve so that votes cannot be seen and the numbered stub is visible. Return the ballot to the election official stationed at the tabulator. (If voting by absentee ballot, follow the instructions provided by the clerk for returning the ballot.)

NOTE: If you make a mistake, return your ballot to the election official and obtain a new ballot. Do not attempt to erase or correct any marks made in error.

PARTISAN SECTION
VOTE ONLY 1 PARTY SECTION



REPUBLICAN PARTY SECTION



DEMOCRATIC PARTY SECTION

PROPOSAL SECTION

COUNTY

9-1-1 EMERGENCY SYSTEM

In support of continued operation of a 9-1-1 Emergency System within Berrien County, shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against the taxable valuation of all property in Berrien County liable for taxation be set at twenty-five hundredths of one mill (\$0.25 cents per each \$1,000 of taxable valuation, as equalized). The above said millage represents a renewal of the permanently reduced millage rate of two thousand four hundred sixty eight ten-thousandths of one mill (\$.2468 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation, as equalized) and, a new millage of thirty two ten thousandths of one mill (\$.0032 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation, as equalized). The authorization is for a period of four (4) years being the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012. It is estimated that the amount of revenue to be generated from the total millage rate in the first year of the levy (2009) will be approximately \$1,652,106.57 of which \$21,146.96 is generated from the new (additional) millage.

YES ←
NO ←

COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY

In support of law enforcement, criminal justice and public safety for the citizens of Berrien County, including the areas of drug enforcement, education and treatment, shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all taxable valuation of all property in Berrien County liable for taxation be set at thirty-five hundredths of one mill (\$.35 per each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation, as equalized). The above said millage represents a renewal of the permanently reduced rate of three thousand four hundred fifty six ten-thousandths of one mill (\$.3456 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation, as equalized) and, an additional new millage of forty four ten thousandths of one mill (\$.0044 cents per \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation, as equalized); The authorization to levy said millage is for a period of four (4) years being 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012. It is estimated that the amount to be generated from the total millage rate in the first year of the levy (2009) will be approximately \$2,312,949.20 of which, approximately \$29,077.08 is generated from the new (additional) millage.

YES ←
NO ←

CONGRESSIONAL

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Vote for not more than 1

Jack Hoogendyk Jr. ←

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
6TH DISTRICT**

Vote for not more than 1

Fred Upton ←

LEGISLATIVE

**REPRESENTATIVE IN STATE
LEGISLATURE
78TH DISTRICT**

Vote for not more than 1

Bruce Hipshear ←

Sharon Tyler ←

Bill Baber ←

Gary Campbell ←

COUNTY

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Vote for not more than 1

Arthur J. Cotter ←

SHERIFF

Vote for not more than 1

L. Paul Bailey ←

CLERK

Vote for not more than 1

Louise Stine ←

TREASURER

Vote for not more than 1

Bret E. Witkowski ←

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Vote for not more than 1

Lori D. Jarvis ←

DRAIN COMMISSIONER

Vote for not more than 1

Roger H. Zilke ←

William Schaeffer ←

SURVEYOR

Vote for not more than 1

John G. Kamer ←

CONGRESSIONAL

UNITED STATES SENATOR

Vote for not more than 1

Carl Levin ←

**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
6TH DISTRICT**

Vote for not more than 1

Don Cooney ←

LEGISLATIVE

**REPRESENTATIVE IN STATE
LEGISLATURE
78TH DISTRICT**

Vote for not more than 1

Judy Truesdell ←

COUNTY

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Vote for not more than 1

SHERIFF

Vote for not more than 1

CLERK

Vote for not more than 1

TREASURER

Vote for not more than 1

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Vote for not more than 1

DRAIN COMMISSIONER

Vote for not more than 1

SURVEYOR

Vote for not more than 1

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
13TH DISTRICT**

Vote for not more than 1

John Klimek ←

DELEGATE

**DELEGATES TO THE COUNTY
CONVENTION**

Vote for not more than 2

Joy Ann Rolston ←

PARTISAN SECTION - CONTINUED
VOTE ONLY 1 PARTY SECTION



**REPUBLICAN
PARTY
SECTION**



**DEMOCRATIC
PARTY
SECTION**

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
13TH DISTRICT**
Vote for not more than 1

Scott C. Clark ←

DELEGATE

**DELEGATE TO THE COUNTY
CONVENTION**
Vote for not more than 2

Robert Nightingale ←

PROPOSAL SECTION

COUNTY

SENIOR CENTERS

In support of continued operation of seven Senior Centers in Berrien County, shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against the taxable valuation of all property in Berrien County liable for taxation be set at thirty hundredths of a mill (\$.30 cents per each \$1,000 of taxable valuation, as equalized). The above said millage rate represents renewal of the permanently reduced millage of two thousand nine hundred sixty three ten-thousandths of one mill (\$.2963 cents per \$1,000 taxable valuation, as equalized) and, new millage of thirty seven ten thousandths of one mill (.0037 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation, as equalized). The authorization to levy said millage is for a period of four (4) years being 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012. It is estimated that the amount of revenue to be generated from the total millage rate in the first year of levy (2009) will be approximately \$1,982,527.89 of which, approximately \$244,511.77 is generated from the new (additional) millage.

YES ←

NO ←

CITY

**SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN
COMMUNITY AMBULANCE SERVICE
PROPOSAL**

Shall the Cities of Niles and Buchanan, and the Townships of Bertrand, Buchanan, and Niles in Berrien County, and the Township of Howard in Cass County, in combination, establish and create a special assessment district for a period of eight consecutive years following this election, being the years 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016, the boundaries of which shall be the combined boundaries of all such municipalities, for the purpose of an annual special assessment which shall not exceed annually \$20.00 per parcel assessed, to provide funds for the operation and maintenance of the Southwestern Michigan Community Ambulance Service (SMCAS) levied on the lands and premises in the special assessment district as provided by Act 33 of the Public Acts 1951, as amended or hereafter amended?

YES ←

NO ←

**DIAL-A-RIDE
TRANSPORTATION
PROPOSAL**

Shall the City of Niles be authorized to renew and levy up to .50 cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) (.50 mills) on the taxable value on all taxable property in the City of Niles for the support and to provide the local share of the "Dial-A-Ride" Bus System, more properly known as Dial-A-Ride transportation System, under UMTA Section 5, Federal Transportation Act of 1978, the general transportation fund program, and ACT 327 of the P.A. of 1972, as amended, of the State of Michigan, for a period of two (2) consecutive years, to be levied in 2009 and 2010 (at one-half mill, the estimated revenue collected annually would be \$106,180.55) following this election? This voted millage would not apply against the authorized (20) mill limit for assessed value of real and personal property of the City of Niles.

YES ←

NO ←

SAMPLE

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