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Harris, Trump lead parties at top of ballot

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The U.S. presidential race has been marked by a series of shake-ups, including the replacement of the Democratic nominee in July and two assassination attempts against the Republican nominee.

Appearing at the top of the ballot will be Republican nominee Donald Trump and his running mate JD Vance; Democratic nominee Kamala Harris and her running mate Tim Walz; Libertarian nominee Chase Oliver and his running mate Mike Ter Maat; and Green Party nominee Jill Stein and her running mate Rudolph Ware.

Polling shows Harris and Trump essentially tied heading into the final weeks of their campaigns, according to Pew Research Center and reporting from the New York Times.

The economy has been a top issue for voters this election cycle, according to Pew and reporting from the Associated Press, as have abortion rights and immigration at the southern border. The aftermath of back-to-back natural disasters and escalating tensions in the Middle East have also captured the candidates' attention in recent weeks.

Economy

Trump has proposed extending portions

of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which is the most expensive portion of his economic plan at \$5.4 trillion, according to reporting from NPR. He also suggests a blanket tax exemption for overtime pay and an end to taxes on Social Security benefits.

Harris has also proposed extending portions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, but her proposal would cost \$3 trillion. The second most expensive part of her economic plan is an expansion of the Child Tax Credit, according to NPR. She's also proposed tax credits for first-time home buyers and expanding the low-income housing tax credit.

Oliver blames climbing costs on government overspending and special interests, and suggests slashing spending to pass a balanced federal budget. Reducing government interference can help spark innovation, according to the policy platform on his campaign website.

Stein has proposed an "Economic Bill of Rights" to combat financial inequality and insecurity, according to her campaign website. It would create rights to a living wage job, secure retirement, housing, health and child care, and more.

Abortion

Trump has celebrated the overturning of Roe v Wade, which ended the constitutional right to abortion. He ran in 2016 on a promise



Kamala Harris



Donald Trump



Chase Oliver



Jill Stein

to appoint Supreme Court judges that would overturn the federal protection and has since said it is an issue that belongs to states.

Harris has been an outspoken advocate for reproductive freedom in the current administration. She has advocated for the restoration of federal protections granted by Roe v Wade, as well as the elimination of the Senate filibuster to get the legislation passed, according to reporting from KFF.

Oliver calls for an end to abortion restrictions before fetal viability, describing the issue as an individual choice.

Stein has proposed codifying Roe v Wade into federal law and advancing reproductive rights.

Immigration

Trump proposes implementing the "larg-

est deportation program in American history" but has offered few details on what it would look like. He has also suggested finishing the southern border wall and strengthening the Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency.

Harris has said she would sign a bipartisan border security bill if passed by Congress. The bill provides funding to hire more border patrol agents, asylum officers, immigration judges and other personnel.

Oliver describes the immigration system as outdated and inefficient. He suggests simplifying the process to allow more immigrants into the country.

Stein describes immigration as a human right that has historically contributed to the country's success.

County clerk predicting 75 percent turnout for election

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An estimated 75 percent of Cole County voters will participate in the upcoming Nov. 5 election.

"Hopefully we get there," said Cole County Clerk Steve Korsmeyer. "The November presidential election is the biggest turnout."

Korsmeyer said his prediction of 75 percent is based on the past couple presidential elections. Approximately 73 percent of Cole County voters cast a ballot in 2020, and nearly 71 percent voted in 2016, according to results.

Approximately 18,462 voters participated in the Aug. 6 primary election — about 33.6 percent of the county's 54,896 registered voters.

Despite expecting a higher volume of voters, Korsmeyer said "this is probably the easiest election" to run. His office has printed five ballot styles, "instead of an April election when you'd have like 20-something."

"So it's actually a lot easier on us and our election judges," he said. "And we don't have to try to decide how many ballots to order, either — we order 105-110 percent every presidential election."

The office has hired extra help this election, he said. There will be about 170 election judges at polling locations throughout the county, with some locations having eight judges on hand instead of the usual four.

Korsmeyer said the extra hands help during the busy season. He said there may still be waits, as some polling locations are small.

There have been no changes to polling locations this year, Korsmeyer said. Polls are open 6 a.m.-7 p.m. on election day.

Absentee voting has already started.

The clerk's office began mailing ballots Sept. 24, and Korsmeyer said it had received 546 completed ballots as of Oct. 17. Another 888 have voted absentee in person at the clerk's office.



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U.S. Senate race attracts wide field of candidates

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Missouri voters will see five names on the ballot for U.S. Senate.

The race features Republican incumbent Josh Hawley, Democratic nominee Lucas Kunce, Libertarian nominee W.C. Young, Green Party nominee Nathan Kline and Better Party nominee Jared Young.

Young petitioned to form the Better Party, an independent party hoping to bridge the divide between Democrats and Republicans. His campaign has been out-raised and outspent by both Hawley and Kunce.

An August poll from Saint Louis University/YouGov showed Hawley with a double-digit lead over Kunce. During a forum in September, the candidates sparred over abortion rights, immigration and foreign aid to Ukraine.

WC Young did not participate in the forum and could not be reached for comment.

Abortion

Hawley said he doesn't support a national abortion ban but does want to see "reasonable federal restrictions" on abortion, mentioning limits when the fetus is capable of feeling pain.

Kunce said Missouri's existing abortion ban is too restrictive as it doesn't provide exceptions for rape or incest. He said he supports federal laws establishing the protections formed under Roe v Wade, as well as protections for IVF and contraceptives.

Young said he is pro-life but doesn't agree with maintaining an uncompromising position. Policy should prevent as many abortions as possible while still leaving room for compromise, he said.

Kline said he's "not pro-abortion" but believes women should have rights over their reproductive health care. He said those rights should be enshrined throughout the nation.

Immigration

Hawley said the country needs to close its southern border and reinstate the Remain in Mexico program and Safe Third Country protocols. He voted against and does not support the bipartisan border security bill before Congress.

Kunce said he supports efforts to stop the flow of fentanyl and increase agents at the southern border, as well as the bipartisan bill. He said Congress should end catch-and-release, fully fund the Border Patrol and stop the flow of drugs.

Young said he supports a secure bor-



Jared Young



Nathan Kline



Lucas Kunce



Josh Hawley

der and welcoming legal immigrants as an important piece of the country's economy and culture. He said he supports passing a bipartisan border security bill before Congress.

Kline said immigration is driven by climate change and the U.S. should continue welcoming immigrants as they are the country's "secret weapon and our best strength." He said he'd support more personnel to process applications at the southern border.

Foreign Aid

Hawley said he does not support continued funding to Ukraine, adding the U.S. hasn't tracked how previous funding was spent. Hawley said the funding should be spent on Missourians suffering from nuclear radiation. He does support unconditional aid to Israel, he said.

Kunce said U.S. aid to Ukraine is "infinitely cheaper than the \$6.4 trillion we spent in Iraq and Afghanistan supposedly nation-building there." A veteran, Kunce said he supports the cheaper option. He also supports a negotiated cease-fire in Israel.

Young said he supports continued U.S. support for Ukraine because Russia, China and Iran pose "a serious threat to our country." More consistent support to Ukraine is needed, he said, because previous funding and supplies arrived too little, too late. The U.S. should push Israel toward a long-term solution, he said.

Kline said the U.S. should stop its "aggressive posturing around the world." Foreign aid would be better spent on communities at home, he said.

Minimum wage proposal to appear on ballot

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Missourians will vote next month on a proposal to raise the state's minimum wage.

Proposition A, also known as the Minimum Wage and Earned Paid Sick Time Initiative, will appear on the Nov. 5 ballot. The proposal would increase Missouri's minimum wage from \$12.30 to \$13.75 in January, then to \$15 in 2026.

It would also institute annual cost of living adjustments every year after that, based on the Consumer Price Index in January.

The amendment would also require businesses with 15 or fewer employees to provide a minimum of five sick days per year. Larger employers would be required to provide at least seven sick days.

Those days could be used for an employee's illness or to care for a family member. Days would begin accruing at the commencement of employment, and up to 80 hours could be carried over to the next year if unused.

Employees would be eligible to use that sick leave for several reasons, including an

illness, injury, health condition, diagnosis or treatment, or preventative medical care.

Essentially, the sick leave requirements would be governed by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and would exempt governmental entities, school districts, political subdivisions and educational institutions.

Supporters, including Missourians for Healthy Families and Fair Wages and Democratic gubernatorial candidate Crystal Quade, said the increase would:

- Help businesses retain employees.
- Sustain small businesses.
- Increase productivity and morale among workers.

Detractors, which include the Missouri Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe, the GOP contender for governor, said the increase would:

- Strip the business community of the freedom to set its own rules.
- Open businesses to more legal action because of the sick leave provisions.
- Increase labor costs, which may be passed down to consumers and raise the costs of goods and services.

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Four vying to replace Luetkemeyer in Congress

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The race to replace Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer has attracted candidates from four parties.

Luetkemeyer announced retirement plans in January and will step away from representing Missouri's 3rd Congressional District at the end of the year. The announcement set off competitive primaries for the Republican and Democratic parties.

Former state Sen. Bob Onder prevailed in the seven-way Republican primary with 47 percent of the vote, while St. Peters scientist Bethany Mann won the two-way Democratic primary with 73 percent of the vote.

Onder and Mann now face off

in the Nov. 5 general election, along with Libertarian nominee Jordan Rowden and Green Party nominee William Hastings. Hastings could not be reached for comment and does not appear to have an active campaign website.

Abortion

Onder lists "defending life" as among his top priorities on his campaign website. He was a principal author of Missouri's law that banned abortion, triggered after the repeal of Roe v. Wade.

Mann is opposed to any federal or state bans on abortion or birth control. She considers them health care and said Missourians need more access to reproductive health care.

Rowden on his campaign web-

site states he would emphasize personal freedom and limited government. Abortion is not part of his platform.

Gun control

Onder said he's a strong supporter of the Second Amendment. He's advocated for a state law to invalidate federal gun laws in Missouri, even after the law was struck down by a federal court of appeals.

Mann said she supports common sense gun safety reforms, like expanding background checks and safe storage laws. Those laws can be enforced while upholding the Second Amendment, she said.

Rowden on his campaign website states he would not vote for any legislation that restricts gun ownership for law-abiding citizens.



Bethany Mann



Bob Onder



Jordan Rowden

Fiscal restraint

Onder said the federal government wastes too much money on district-level projects. He would advocate for federal spending on transportation infrastructure in the district and the University of Missouri, he said.

Mann said congressional earmarks. She would advocate for

federal dollars to be spent on water infrastructure, green energy improvements to the Callaway County nuclear plant and attracting a hospital to Callaway County.

Rowden said budget earmarks are a non-starter and that he would not vote to approve a federal budget that isn't balanced.

Voters to weigh-in on support for sheriff retirement fund

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On their November ballots, voters will see an amendment regarding whether law enforcement personnel's salaries and benefits are part of the "administration of justice."

The ballot question, Constitutional Amendment No. 6, specifically asks voters whether the Missouri Constitution should "be amended to provide that the administration of justice shall include the levying of costs and fees to support salaries and benefits for certain current and former law enforcement personnel."

The fiscal impact of enacting the amendment is unknown, according to the Missouri Secretary of State.

Proponents of the amendment argue that:

- By making certain law enforcement personnel's salaries and benefits part of

the "administration of justice," it would reinstate a retirement fund fee system that had been in place since the 1980s but was deemed unconstitutional in 2021.

- It would fully fund the retirement funds of Missouri sheriffs, prosecuting attorneys and circuit attorneys by levying fees on people found guilty in Missouri courts.

- It would help to attract better talent to the sheriff, prosecuting attorney and circuit attorney professions.

Opponents of the amendment argue that it would:

- Add more fines to an already-long list of fees levied against people found guilty rather than spreading the cost across communities.

- Create a negative incentive for law enforcement to issue more tickets and arrest more people in order to increase funding to the system.



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Arguments continue over effects of Amendment 3

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On Nov. 5, Missouri voters could be among the first in the nation to reverse a near-total ban on abortion via a citizen initiative.

The procedure has been illegal in the state since 2022, when the U.S. Supreme Court overturned nearly 50 years of constitutionally protected abortion rights under Roe v Wade with the Dobbs decision.

When the decision came down from the nation's highest court, a series of "trigger laws" went into effect, outlawing abortion in Missouri with no exceptions for rape or incest, only medical emergencies.

Amendment 3, a citizen-led ballot initiative, seeks to overturn the ban and enshrine the right to make decisions about one's reproductive health, without governmental interference, into the state's constitution.

As it will read on the Nov. 5 ballot, a vote "yes" on Amendment 3 would:

- Establish a right to make decisions about reproductive health care, including

abortion and contraceptives, with any governmental interference of that right presumed invalid.

- Remove Missouri's ban on abortion.
- Allow regulation of reproductive health care to improve or maintain the health of the patient.

- Require the government not to discriminate, in government programs, funding and other activities, against persons providing or obtaining reproductive health care.

- Allow abortion to be restricted or banned after fetal viability except to protect the life or health of the woman.

A vote "no" would keep the ban in place as is.

To pass, a simple majority of Missouri voters must cast their ballot in favor of the amendment.

As of late August, 52 percent of surveyed voters said they support Amendment 3, 34 percent said they oppose it and 14 percent are unsure, according to a Saint Louis University and YouGov poll.

If passed, the amendment would grant Missourians "the right to make and carry out decisions about all matters relating to reproductive health care, including but

not limited to prenatal care, childbirth, postpartum care, birth control, abortion care, miscarriage care and respectful birthing conditions."

As it's written, the amendment would allow the legislature to regulate abortion after the point of fetal viability, defined as the point in pregnancy when the fetus is able to survive outside of the womb without extraordinary medical measures. This usually occurs around 24 weeks, but can vary from pregnancy to pregnancy. These restrictions would be valid as long as they do not deny, interfere with, or delay an abortion that "in the good faith judgment of a treating health care professional is needed to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant person."

Supporters of the amendment argue:

- The decision whether or not to have an abortion is a private one, which should be made between a patient and their health care provider without interference from the government.

- The ballot language clearly states that abortion can be regulated later in pregnancy.

- Nothing in the initiative states abortions would be allowed "without requir-

ing a medical license or potentially being subject to medical malpractice."

Detractors of the amendment contend:

- Due to the mental health provisions, unregulated abortions could be performed during all nine months of pregnancy.

- The term "reproductive health care" is vague enough to encompass any number of procedures, including gender-affirming care for minors.

- It would permit unqualified health care professionals to perform abortions, and that no regulating body will be able to hold them accountable should they harm a patient.

Claims of abortions occurring moments before birth or after are false, according to Kaiser Family Foundation, an independent source for health policy research, polling and news.

Abortions on or after 21 weeks of pregnancy represent about 1 percent of all abortions performed in America, according to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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We especially strongly encourage all voters to Vote **NO** on Amendment 3 to defeat the drastic pro-abortion sex change measure and keep Missouri Pro-life.

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I have a disability that affects my ability to vote. What should I do?

The secretary of state's website lists accessible voting options, including curbside voting, accessible polling places, accessible voting systems and absentee voting.

Where is my polling place?

You can look up your voting location at s1.sos.mo.gov/elections/voterlookup. You can also call the Cole County Clerk's Office at 573-634-9101.

I can't go to my polling place on Election Day. What should I do?

You can vote absentee in the Cole County Clerk's Office at 301 E. High St. through Nov. 4. Hours are 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m.-noon Nov. 2.

When are polls open?

Polls will be open from 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Nov. 5. If you are in line at 7 p.m., you have the right to vote.

I recently moved or changed my name. What should I do?

Fill out and submit a voter registration application listing the new address or name at bit.ly/voter-namechange on a touch-enabled device.

What should I bring to the polls?

Voters must show a form of acceptable identification. Examples of acceptable forms of ID can be found at bit.ly/voteridexamples.

I'm registered, but I don't have one of the acceptable IDs to vote. What should I do?

You can cast a provisional ballot, but there are two ways for your vote to count. Your vote will count if you return to your polling place on Nov. 5 and show a photo ID or if your local election authority determines your signature on the provisional ballot matches the signature on your voter registration card.



Image courtesy of YesOn5 campaign

Shown is an artist's rendering of the casino and convention center planned for the Lake of the Ozarks area if voters approve Amendment 5.

Voters to decide on casino at Lake of the Ozarks

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The Missouri Constitution permits up to 13 casinos on the Mississippi and Missouri rivers.

A proposal on the Nov. 5 ballot asks voters to add an additional casino, and locate it on the Osage River.

Constitutional Amendment No. 5 got on the ballot through the initiative petition process. According to language approved by the secretary of state, the amendment would:

- Permit the Missouri Gaming Commission to issue a gambling boat license to operate on the Osage River between the Bagnell Dam and the Missouri River.

- Require the casino to be within 500 feet of the floodplain established by the federal government.

- Require state revenue from the casino to be spent on early childhood literacy programs in public schools.

The proposal is expected to cost the state \$763,000 in one-time costs and \$2.2 million annually, according to the fiscal

note on the ballot. The state would receive \$271,000 in initial fee revenue, \$2.1 million annually in other fee revenue and \$14.3 million in annual gaming tax revenue.

Local governments estimate unknown revenue.

The effort has been spearheaded by Bally's, which operates a casino in Kansas City, and RIS Inc., a developer based in Eldon. Bally's has expressed interest in operating the casino if the amendment were to pass, but no formal bidding process has opened so there may be others.

Supporters of the amendment contend:

- It will be an economic driver for the Lake region, adding temporary construction jobs and at least 700 permanent jobs.

- It will generate local tax revenue to be spent on infrastructure.

- It will support education statewide.

Detractors of the amendment contend:

- It will compete with similar plans for a Lake of the Ozarks casino by the Osage Nation.

- It will not have much of an effect on the state's \$8.7 billion education budget.

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Amendment 2 addresses sports betting in Missouri

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Although it has been pitched as an education measure, Amendment 2 is about one thing — sports betting.

The amendment would “allow the Missouri Gaming Commission to regulate licensed sports wagering including online sports betting, gambling boats, professional sports betting districts and mobile licenses to sports betting operations,” according to the language approved by the Missouri Secretary of State.

It would set some regulations on sports betting.

It would allow the commission to prescribe fees and a 10 percent tax on revenue received to be appropriated for education after expenses.

A fiscal note states the amendment would generate “... unknown tax revenue ranging from \$0 to \$28 million annually.”

Here are some arguments for and against the measure.

Supporters of the amendment argue:

- Missouri would become the 39th state to legalize sports betting. Neighboring states already allow sports betting.

- A study determined the measure would generate up to \$105 million for schools over five years.

- Gambling organizations who oppose the legislation only want a bigger slice of the pie.

Detractors of the amendment argue:

- Missouri revenue would leave the state through online gambling sites.

- It is disingenuous to argue that the measure would create revenue for Missouri schools. (It may, but the amount would be negligible.)

- It would disproportionately affect poor families, who are more likely to participate in gambling.

- Gambling is immoral.

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Four bring plans for economy, health care, education, crime to table in governor's race

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As they choose the next governor to replace term-limited Mike Parson, voters will face a choice between four candidates with a range of differing views on the economy, education, health care and crime.

Candidates include Republican Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe, Democrat Minority Floor Leader Crystal Quade, Libertarian business owner Bill Slantz and Green Party minister and farmer Paul Lehmann.

The candidates have shared their positions on a number of key issues with the News Tribune.

Economy

Kehoe said he wants to restore community safety to encourage economic growth, work toward lowering income tax, and attract businesses to the state.

Quade said keeping and attracting health care workers in the state will lead to keeping talent in the state. She wants to focus on public education, those with

developmental disabilities and state workers in the budget.

Slantz wants to significantly reduce the size of the Missouri budget and advocates for reducing and eliminating income and property taxes.

Lehmann said in a Missouri Press Association gubernatorial debate that he supports increasing the minimum wage to \$25 per hour. Lehmann said the budget is likely not big enough to address education, rural health and poverty.

Education

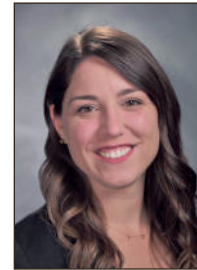
Kehoe advocates expanding the economy by bringing companies to Missouri so that college-educated Missourians will stay in the state. He is also a proponent of technical and vocational schools.

Quade has called for increased funding for public K-12 education, behavioral support in schools, and affordability in higher education.

Slantz said on his website that government and education should be kept apart, and the government should protect parents'



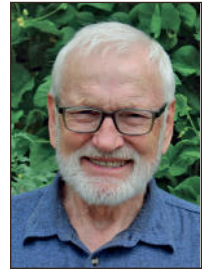
Bill Slantz



Crystal Quade



Mike Kehoe



Paul Lehmann

rights to get the education they want for their children.

Lehmann on his website said Missouri has inadequately funded public schools, and allowed the four-day school week, which he said is detrimental for students.

Health care

Kehoe wants to increase broadband access for telehealth and create a regulatory climate that allows for expansion of hospitals to rural areas.

Quade also wants to increase broadband access. She wants to explore ways to decrease the cost of education for prospective doctors and nurses, particularly in rural areas.

Slantz said government interference drives health care costs up. Ultimately, he would like to see government health care agencies gradually phased out, and the free market to rise up and provide affordable alternatives.

Lehmann said on his website that state leaders have failed the people of Missouri by repressing reproductive rights, allowing

pollution, failing to expand Medicare and cutting funds for Medicaid, child care and mental health.

Crime

Kehoe is opposed to red-flag laws because they can be abused, he said, and wants to ensure prosecutors consistently apply the law. He's advocated increasing penalties for distributing fentanyl.

Quade sees room for "common-sense" firearms laws, including those limiting children's access and red-flag laws.

Slantz believes in drawing a distinction between victimless crime and aggression against people or property. Legalizing or decriminalizing drugs would lead to reduced violence, he said. Slantz said gun ownership should not be restricted.

Lehmann has proposed repealing the death penalty and commuting sentences for execution. He wants to strengthen background checks for gun purchasers and support mental health by adequately funding education.

Lt. Gov. candidates vying for office that oversees tourism, seniors, veterans

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Four candidates are facing off in a race for the office of lieutenant governor to replace Mike Kehoe, who is running for governor.

Candidates are Republican attorney David Wasinger, Democrat House Assistant Minority Floor Leader Richard Brown, Libertarian former defense analyst and engineer Ken Iverson and Green Party medical coder Danielle Elliot.

Candidates shared their views on a variety of topics with the News Tribune.

Priorities and challenges

Wasinger said Jefferson City is full of corruption and insider deals, which he would challenge as lieutenant governor. He also said Missouri should spend more on veterans than immigrants who are in the country illegally.

Brown sees affordable housing as the No. 1 issue facing Missourians. He also

sees himself as a good fit for the duties of lieutenant governor, as he's already served on the tourism commission, has experience in education and has worked on pensions.

Iverson describes his platform as "fiscal sanity." He wants to eliminate income tax to give people more money to donate to causes that matter to them and cut back on "corporate welfare."

Elliot wrote on her website that she prioritizes reevaluation of Medicare advantage programs and Medicaid qualifications, a shift to local farms and regenerative agriculture and housing, and economic development.

Tourism

Wasinger has said he would deport "gangs and criminals" to get crime under control and improve tourism.

Brown said the Visit Missouri campaign has been highly successful and he would be an ambassador for tourism. He said some local tourism businesses need state support, but stadiums like those in



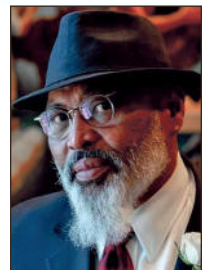
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Ken Iverson



Richard Brown

Kansas City do not.

Iverson proposes eliminating sales and lodging taxes, expanding legal gambling, reducing hunting and fishing license costs and red tape, and lowering costs for mov-

ie-makers to film in the state to improve tourism.

Elliot wants to expand marketing and social media campaigns to highlight tourism destinations in Missouri.

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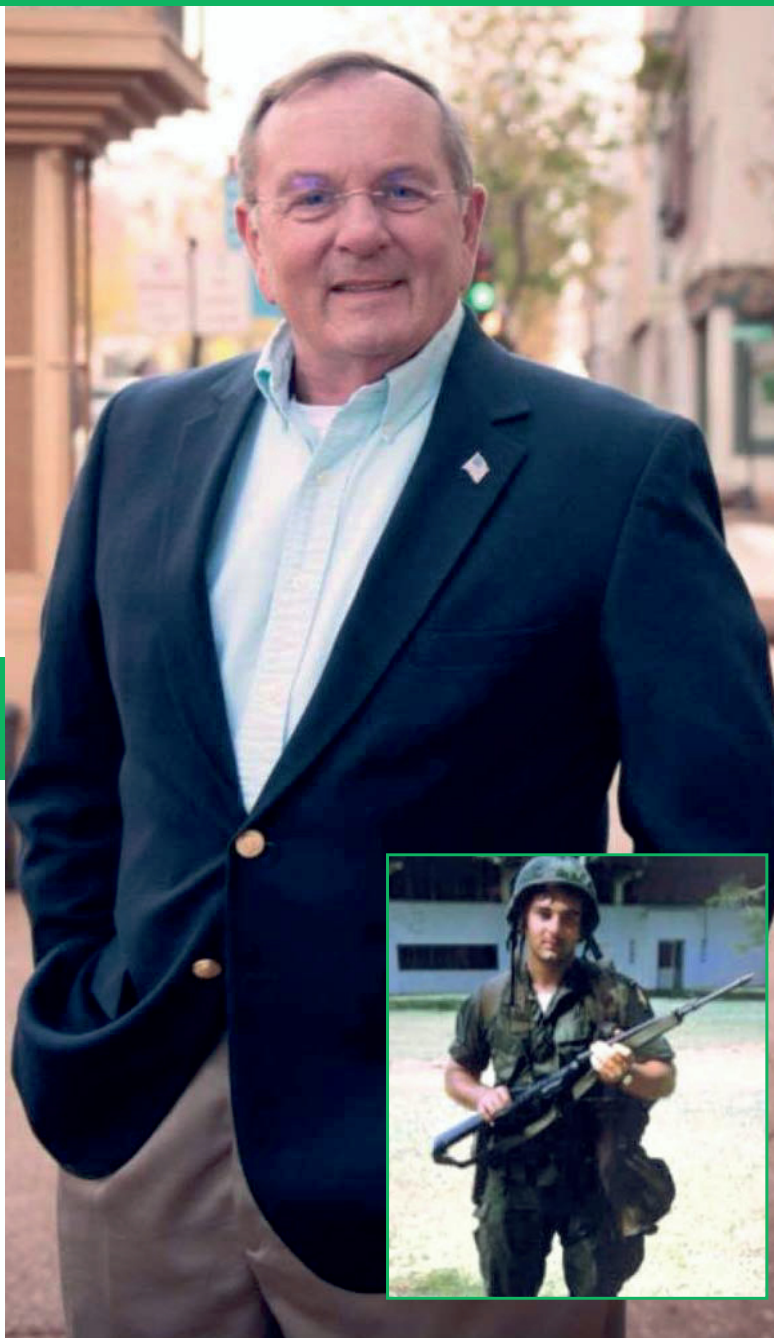
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Treasurer candidates disagree on administration of programs

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Missouri's treasurer oversees about half a dozen financial programs for state taxpayers.

Candidates from each party say they're best suited to administer them.

In the race are Republican nominee Vivek Malek, Democratic nominee Mark Osmack, Libertarian nominee John Hartwig Jr. and Green Party nominee Reagan Haase.

Malek was appointed state treasurer in January 2023 by Gov. Mike Parson. He prevailed in a six-way Republican primary with just over 41 percent of the vote. None of the other candidates faced a competitive primary.

The News Tribune asked candidates about their plans for a number of programs if elected, such as the MoScholars program, which offers scholarships for students to attend a school other than their resident public school.

Hartwig and Haase could not be reached for comment.

MoScholars

Malek has said he's open to expanding MoScholars but he first wants to fully implement the expansion passed by lawmakers in May, which widened student eligibility and increased the tax credit cap. He said the program doesn't take taxpayer dollars away from public schools.

Osmack has described MoScholars as a "damaging program" for the state. Because it is funded by tax credits, he said there are fewer tax dollars available to use on public schools.

ESG investing

Malek said taxpayer money should be



Mark Osmack



Vivek Malek

invested where it will earn the best return, and that environmental, social and governance (ESG) investing prioritizes politics over returns. He supported rules around ESG investing, such as requiring fiduciaries to get their client's consent before adopting the standard.

Osmack said he would support environmental, social and governance investing policies because the state should encourage investments that don't pollute the environment or hurt residents.

Unclaimed property

Malek has made returning unclaimed property a goal since taking office, and his administration has returned more than \$100 million since fiscal year 2022. He has suggested using new software and modern research tools, as well as partnerships with other state agencies, to return more property.

Osmack suggested the Treasurer's Office connect unclaimed property to state tax returns, allowing residents to learn about their unclaimed property when filing their taxes. He also supports working with other state agencies to return unclaimed property more quickly.

Secretary of state candidates offer differing views

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Missourians will elect a new secretary of state on Nov. 5.

Outgoing Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft opted not to seek another term in lieu of an unsuccessful bid for the GOP nomination for Missouri governor.

The News Tribune asked GOP nominee Sen. Denny Hoskins and Democratic nominee Rep. Barbara Phifer for their takes on several issues related to the office. Also in the race are Libertarian nominee Carl Herman Freese and Green Party candidate Jerome Bauer.

Office responsibilities

Hoskins said he would focus on business registration and the office's rulemaking process, which he said doesn't draw a lot of attention but is vital to Missourians. He also said, given the office's role with libraries across the state, he would support prohibiting the use of taxpayer funds to purchase or supply library books he said were inappropriate for children.

Phifer said the office's role in dispersing information, whether that be generally through libraries or education on elections, is vital to communities, including in rural areas. Phifer said her vision for the office would be for it to become a model for eliminating division in state government.

Strengthening elections and local election officials

Hoskins said he would push for more educational opportunities for local election officials, many of whom were



Denny Hoskins



Barbara Phifer

elected in the time since the last presidential cycle. He said informing them of deadlines and procedures would streamline the process, while prohibiting the use of voting machines could make elections more secure.

Phifer said conversations need to be had around the turnover rates among election officials and that a sense of animosity toward them needed to be quelled. She said ballot language also needed to be impartial and accurate.

Ballot summaries

Hoskins said the Secretary of State has a duty to make sure Missourians understand the issues before them on the ballot, and that Ashcroft was right to try and remove a measure on abortion from the November ballot after a controversy regarding his summary.

Phifer said it was vital that the language used to describe ballot measures was neutral and accurate to ensure voters get an unbiased summary of the issues they're weighing in on. She said the current officeholder's actions haven't reflected that responsibility.

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Attorney general candidates differ on office roles

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Missouri's Republican attorney general faces challengers in the Nov. 5 election.

Incumbent Attorney General Andrew Bailey will face off against Democrat Elad Gross and Libertarian Ryan Munro on the ballot.

Gov. Mike Parson appointed Bailey, who previously served as the Republican governor's general counsel, to the position in January 2023. Bailey is also an Army veteran and a former prosecutor.

Gross, a Democrat from St. Louis, is a constitutional and civil rights attorney. He previously ran for the office in 2020 but lost the Democratic nomination.

The News Tribune asked candidates for their views on multiple topics related to the office: Only Gross has responded to inquiries.

Duty to Missourians

Gross said the office has shifted away from protecting Missourians to focus more on political lawsuits. He said it needs to redirect its focus to other topics, like scammers, violent crime and environmental issues rather than larger-scale issues between governments or companies.

Bailey has signaled his intentions to sue on the national stage regarding charges filed against former President Donald Trump. He has also sued large corporations like IBM, saying the suits would show the difference between Missouri's priorities and those of other parties.

Staffing the office

Gross said he would focus on staffing levels for various divisions, including the Consumer Protection Division, which he said is at its lowest staffing volume in more than a decade. He also said the



Andrew Bailey



Elad Gross

number of assistant attorneys general in the office has nearly halved in recent years, something he hopes to address.

Bailey, who has not responded to interview requests from the News Tribune, has worked to clear a long-running backlog of untested rape kits, and his office's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit also recently received an award from the U.S. Office of the Inspector General.

Overtaking convictions

Gross said the office has a history of opposing exoneration and innocence claims, including three cases this year, two of which ended in the release of prisoners and the third ended in an execution. Gross said these claims should be handled on a case by case basis and that any doubt about a case should be investigated before a sentence like that is carried out.

Bailey said the justice system should carry a sense of finality, and that the original convictions took place for a reason. He said his office does take issues on a case-by-case basis, and that it follows the evidence presented.

Munro, the Libertarian candidate, said on social media both major parties had similar issues in terms of the justice system, and that tax dollars should not be used to imprison individuals who may be innocent.

Election question to go before voters

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On Nov. 5, Missouri voters will have the opportunity to cast their vote on an amendment seeking to ban ranked-choice voting and non-citizen voting.

The ballot question, labeled Constitutional Amendment No. 7, specifically asks voters whether the Missouri Constitution should be amended to:

- "Make the constitution consistent with state law by only allowing citizens of the United States to vote;
- "Prohibit the ranking of candidates by limiting voters to a single vote per candidate or issue;" and
- "Require the plurality winner of a political party primary to be the single candidate at a general election."

The amendment is not expected to create any costs or savings, according to the Missouri Secretary of State.

Proponents of the amendment argue that it would:

- Uphold the principle of "one person, one vote."

- Explicitly prohibit non-citizens from voting to prevent a situation like that of California, where, despite similar constitutional language to Missouri, a court found municipalities could allow non-citizens to vote in local elections.

- Improve the public's confidence in the election system.

Opponents of the amendment argue that it:

- Limits the power of local governments to decide how to run their elections.

- Prevents local governments from implementing ranked-choice voting to reduce political polarization.

- Uses the non-citizen voting component as ballot candy to incentivize people to vote against ranked-choice voting, because the likelihood of Missouri municipalities trying to enfranchise non-citizens and Missouri courts upholding the move is unlikely.

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Griffith, Howard running for House District 60

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Republican incumbent Dave Griffith is seeking re-election to his seat in the Missouri House of Representatives and says he can work across the aisle.

Democrat Jamie Howard is hoping to halt Griffith's six-year incumbency and says the Republican Party in general does not vote in Missourian's best interest.

Griffith and Howard will be on the Nov. 5 ballot for the House District 60 representative position and oppose each other on a variety of topics, including education bills and the abortion amendment on the ballot.

Education

State lawmakers passed an omnibus education bill last legislative session, but not without controversy.

Griffith said he voted in favor of SB 727 despite it being a "difficult choice" because the bill increased public teacher pay, expanded school choice and virtual learning opportunities and protected families choosing to home school their children.

He said school choice — the ability for



Dave Griffith



Jamie Howard

families to choose schools not limited to their neighborhood or traditional public school assignment — "puts educational decisions back into the hands of families," and that SB 727 protects home-schoolers by separating home school from family-paced education schools.

Howard, however, called the bill "an empty promise" and a "clear example" of a "manufactured crisis" in terms of raising teacher pay as there is no requirement for the state to contribute funds to the teacher base-line salary grant program.

He added that Republicans systematical-

ly underfund public education, resulting in budgets that leave rural and urban schools without proper resources.

Amendment 3

Griffith said he will vote no on Amendment 3, while Howard said he will vote yes.

According to the Missouri Secretary of State website, the amendment removes Missouri's near-total ban on abortion and "establishes a constitutional right to make decisions about reproductive health care, including abortion and contraceptives, with any governmental interference of that right presumed invalid; allows regulation of reproductive health care to improve or maintain the health of the patient; requires the government not to discriminate, in government programs, funding, and other activities, against persons providing or obtaining reproductive health care; and allows abortion to be restricted or banned after Fetal Viability except to protect the life or health of the woman."

Griffith said he is against "complete unregulated abortions" and that Amendment 3 allows "anyone to perform an abortion with no legal recourse if the abortion were to cause harm or death to the mother."

He said in an interview that because the change would be to the Missouri Constitution, and not a state statute, it would be "almost impossible" to change. He said there may be "unintended consequences" with an amend-

ment this large.

The amendment language states the government may restrict abortion given the restriction demonstrates a "compelling governmental interest achieved by the least restrictive means" and that the restriction "is consistent with widely accepted clinical standards of practice and evidence-based medicine."

The language also states the Missouri General Assembly may regulate abortion after fetal viability — defined as the point when a fetus can survive outside the uterus "without the application of extraordinary medical measures" — but shall not restrict an abortion "that in the good faith judgement of a treating health care professional is needed to protect the life or physical or mental health of the pregnant person."

Howard said Griffith "lied about Amendment 3 and is misleading voters." The amendment doesn't eliminate existing standards around clinical care, malpractice or negligence and therefore would not make the healthcare professionals performing an abortion less accountable, he argues.

"There are no provisions in the amendment that would remove the legal obligations of healthcare providers to practice within established medical guidelines and any suggestion that unqualified individuals could perform abortions is not true," Howard said.

Schulte, O'Neal-Slitz vying for House District 49 seat

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Callaway County voters will decide between two candidates to represent Missouri House District 49.

Incumbent Republican Jim Schulte faces Democrat Jessica O'Neal-Slitz in the general election on Nov. 5.

Schulte is a veteran and cattle farmer from New Bloomfield. He has represented District 49 for the past two years.

O'Neal-Slitz is a stay-at-home mom from Hams Prairie. Before she became a stay-at-home mom, she worked in health-care-centered roles at the University of Missouri pharmacy and the pharmacy department at Missouri Medicaid.

They have spoken about their views on a couple distinct issues:

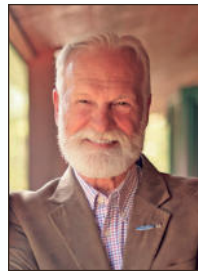
Corporate solar

Schulte is opposed to how corporate solar is heavily subsidized by taxes. He does not want solar companies targeting prime agricultural land, but would support commercial solar panels being installed over commercial property.

O'Neal-Slitz favors solar panels being installed on existing infrastructure, such as parking garages and roofs of retail stores. She would consider legislation making Missouri less desirable for solar companies.

Child care

Schulte said providing affordable



Jim Schulte



Jessica O'Neal-Slitz

child care is a trade-off between generating enough income to pay employees and keeping tuition rates low. He suggested incentivizing private industry in addition to creating state jobs.

O'Neal-Slitz suggests utilizing an abandoned state-owned building in Callaway County as a child care center. She envisions those employees passing background checks and being paid by the state.

Voter ID laws

Schulte said Missouri has good voter registration laws, but it is not foolproof. He said it is reasonable to require a photo ID to vote and the ID should also verify citizenship.

O'Neal-Slitz said the legislature has made it more difficult for residents to vote by implementing ID requirements, pointing to senior citizens who can no longer drive needing to obtain a non-driver's license.

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Uncontested House incumbents set sights on unfinished bills

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Three area Republican incumbents are slated to return to the Missouri House following the Nov. 5 election.

Reps. Rudy Veit, R-Wardsville; Willard Haley, R-Eldon; and Bruce Sassmann, R-Bland, are running unopposed in the election. Only Sassmann faced a competitive primary, in which he prevailed with 53 percent of the vote.

The three incumbents have all said they have unfinished work at the Capitol.

Veit, who was first elected in 2018 and is running for his final term in the House, said he's focused on bills that didn't make it across the finish line last session, such as a large legis-



Veit



Haley



Sassmann

lative package related to the judicial system.

A practicing attorney, Veit said he uses his expertise to help fellow legislators craft bills that will pass constitutional muster — which helps ensure laws aren't overturned by courts.

"There are a number of bills

also in the last two years that basically made it through the House and Senate — and there are five or six of those dealing mainly with the government — which were killed because we just didn't work," Veit said at the News Tribune forum in October. "One of the bills, because it didn't pass, we have now two

lawsuits against the state over it. It's going to cost us millions of dollars. I just want to go back and finish out those bills ..."

Haley was first elected in 2020 and is running for a third term in the House. He said there are projects he undertook during his first two terms that have yet to be accomplished.

Although education and agriculture are almost always at the top of Haley's docket, he said he'll be focused on child care, drug trafficking and human trafficking next session.

"One of the things I've been interested in is making sure that we have enough child care. We have got to get everybody back to work. Our workforce needs people to return to working. I know there's a shortage of high quality, affordable and

dependable child care — that is one of the things I'd like to keep working toward," Haley previously told the News Tribune. "I also sponsored legislation in the last few years about fentanyl and fentanyl trafficking. I want to increase the penalties for the trafficking of drugs and fentanyl in our area, and of course across the state."

Sassmann was also first elected in 2020 and is seeking a third term in the House. He chairs the chamber's Conservation and Natural Resources Committee, and has carried legislation supporting development of the Rock Island Trail.

He's also carried a bill to slow the sale of invasive plant species in Missouri — a piece of legislation he hopes to carry across the finish line next session.

Cole County polling locations

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Polls are open 6 a.m.-7 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 5. Those in line at 7 p.m. can still cast a ballot.

Voters must cast a ballot at their registered voting location on Election Day.

Cole County has 28 polling locations in total:

- Jefferson City Ward 1, Precinct 1 — Calvary Baptist Church, 1436 Hough St.

- Jefferson City Ward 1, Precinct 2 — County Employees Retirement Fund, 2121 Scotthill Woods Drive.

- Jefferson City Ward 1, Precinct 3 — Missouri Electric Co-op, 2722 East McCarty St.

- Jefferson City Ward 2, Precinct 1 — Miller Performing Arts Center, 501 Madison St.

- Jefferson City Ward 2, Precinct 2 — Faith Lutheran Church, 2027 Industrial Drive.

- Jefferson City Ward 2, Precinct 3 — Capital City Christian Church, 1512 Swifts Highway.

- Jefferson City Ward 3, Precinct 1 — Jefferson City Bible Chapel, 2804 Sue Drive.

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Precinct 2 — Wesley United Methodist Church, 2727 Wesley St.

- Jefferson City Ward 3, Precinct 3 — Masonic Lodge 43 AF & AM, 3211 Masonic Court.

- Jefferson City Ward 4, Precinct 1 — Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 1529 Southwest Blvd.

- Jefferson City Ward 4, Precinct 2 — Capital West Christian Church Event Center, 1315 Fairgrounds Road.

- Jefferson City Ward 5, Precinct 1 — McClung Park, 931 McClung Park Drive.

- Jefferson City Ward 5, Precinct 2 — American Legion Post 5, 1423 Tanner Bridge Road.

- Jefferson City Ward 5, Precinct 3 — Knights of Columbus Hall, 1822 Tanner Bridge Road.

- Clark/Brazito — Friends United Church of Christ, 9522 Pleasant Hill Road.

- Clark/Eugene — Cole R-5 School, 14803 Highway 17.

- Jefferson City/Apache Flats — Solid Rock Family Church, 508 Hunters Run Road.

- Jefferson City/Cole County General — Southridge Baptist Church, 1815

Vieth Drive.

- Jefferson City/Expressway Rentals — River Region Community Room, 501 Broadway St.

- Jefferson City/JC Fairgrounds — Cornerstone Baptist Church, 4930 Old Lohman Road.

- Jefferson City/Scott Station — Concord Baptist Church, 3724 West Truman Blvd.

- Liberty/Taos — Taos Knights of Columbus Hall, 7128 Route M.

- Marion/Centertown — Centertown Baptist Church, 1213 Broadway St.

- Marion/St. Martins — St. Martins VFW Post 1003, 105 Irwin Drive.

- Moreau/Lohman — St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 8618 Church Hill Drive.

- Moreau/Russellville — Trinity Lutheran Church Parish Hall, 13007 Route C.

- Osage/St. Thomas — St. Thomas Knights of Columbus Hall, 15215 Route B.

- Osage/Wardsville — Blair Oaks Middle School, 6124 Falcon Lane.

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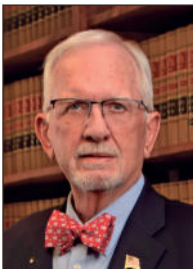
Most Cole County offices went uncontested this year.

The lone county office with a contested primary was the Cole County assessor. Heading into the Nov. 5 general election, none of the offices are contested.

The News Tribune sat down with candidates running in uncontested elections. With many being incumbents, they discussed what motivates them to run for office and the priorities they have for their respective positions.

Harry Otto

Cole County Western District Commissioner Harry Otto, a certified public accountant, is running unopposed for re-election to his seat.



Harry Otto

Otto is a lifetime resident of Jefferson City. He served in the U.S. Army Reserve and has worked in state government.

A continuing challenge, he said, is finding and keeping qualified employees for the county.

Otto said county employees — in general — are compensated fairly.

“Because of increases in state government employee pay, competition with the state is always a concern,” he said.

He sees his role as a steward of voters’ tax dollars. Inflation makes wise decision-making when spending more difficult, yet more rewarding.

Cole County commissioners serve four-year terms and don’t have term limits. Cole County elected officials earn an annual salary of \$74,603.

Jeff Hoelscher

Cole County Eastern District Commissioner Jeff Hoelscher said he’s running for re-election this year because he still loves the job. He is unopposed.

A lifelong resident of Cole County, Hoelscher is a graduate of Blair Oaks High School and Lincoln University. He holds a bachelor’s degree in agriculture business.

He has two sons. He has served as an assistant football coach at Blair Oaks and continues to coach youth sports.

Spending is a concern for the county, he said.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) money that Cole County received required the county to spend a lot of money within a time limit.

“That’s not great and restoring spending restraint is not easy,” he said.

He said about \$6 million of ARPA funds have been earmarked for the Cole County Prenger Family Center — a residential care center that operates a 14-bed residential program and a six-bed secure detention facility. It houses juvenile programs.

He said an issue in the county is how inconsistently property assessments have been done. He said properties are under market value, which needs to be corrected.

John Wheeler

Cole County Sheriff John Wheeler is running for a third consecutive term. He doesn’t face a challenger in the primary or general elections.

Wheeler was first elected sheriff in 2016, and was re-elected in 2020. He said he keeps running because he loves the job, his staff and the community. He said he wants to use another term to tackle ongoing projects and challenges within the office.

A lack of space within the Cole County Law Enforcement Center is a challenge, he said, as is staffing. He said he would focus on expanding facilities and increasing staff compensation as the county budget allows.

The Cole County sheriff serves a four-year term and is paid a salary of \$124,971.

Tim Theroff

Tim Theroff wrested the Cole County assessor position from a 16-year incumbent during the Aug. 6 primary. He prevailed over Chris Estes with 60 percent of the vote.

Theroff’s name is now the only option that will appear on the Nov. 5 ballot.

A former real estate appraiser of 25 years, Theroff ran on restoring professionalism to the assessor’s office. He called into question the accuracy of property assessments and suggested plans to increase staffing.

One of the first issues on his plate after the election will be implementing a

mandate from the State Tax Commission, which found Cole County properties to be below market value and is now requiring the assessor to raise half the county’s property values by 13 percent.

The assessor serves a four-year term and makes \$74,603.89 annually — the same as all elected officials in the county.

Eric Peters

Eric Peters is running unopposed for Cole County treasurer, a position that earns \$74,603.89 a year. This would be his fifth term since he was first elected in 2008.

The treasurer is responsible for documenting the money that comes into Cole County from local, state and federal sources. Peters said another important part of his role is investing excess cash the county doesn’t need for immediate use.

“I haven’t had any opposition since (2008). And I would ascribe that just to being an office that is approachable and cooperative and we kind of stay in our lane,” Peters said in an interview with the News Tribune. “We work on receiving and investing — and leave some of the other problems of the county to the respective office.”

Ralph Jobe

Ralph Jobe is running unopposed for Cole County public administrator. He has held this position since 2020. The county’s public administrator serves a four-year term and makes \$74,603.89 annually.

As public administrator, Jobe is responsible for guardian and conservator for approximately 200 clients in 19 counties across Missouri. He said he’s spent every day of the past four years helping at least one person as part of his job.

“What I do is try to help these peoples navigate through life by helping them to make decisions that will benefit them day to day,” Jobe said in an interview with the News Tribune.

Brian Stumpe

Brian Stumpe is running unopposed for Cole County Circuit Division 1 Judge, a position with a six-year term that earns \$169,798 a year. He is currently the Associate Circuit Division 5 judge.

As the Division 1 judge, Stumpe would



Brian Stumpe

oversee civil cases dealing with \$25,000 or more and hear felony cases following preliminary hearings in the associate circuit. He currently is the judge on civil cases dealing with less than \$25,000 and holds disciplinary hearings for felonies.

Stumpe said he became a judge after being a lawyer for several years to help more people, including “kids in crisis,” who may not understand the court system but find themselves in troubling situations.

“It really gives you a chance to take kids that are on the wrong side of something — it could be an abuse, neglect issue, it could be they’re getting involved in some criminal activities — it really allows you to affect people at a young age to try and point them in the right direction,” Stumpe said in an interview with the News Tribune.

Emily Fretwell

Emily Fretwell is running unopposed for associate circuit judge, Division 5 in Cole County. She is a Republican newcomer and currently works at Call & Gentry Law Group as an attorney.

She said she wants to become a judge in order to “get things done” and her experience practicing law throughout the state has helped her understand what judges need to do in order to expedite some cases.

“I think that Cole County needs a good judge, and I could fill that role,” Fretwell said. “We are certainly bogged down with a lot of cases right now, so having someone in there that is familiar with the law and who will work hard to be efficient is going to really benefit the community.”

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