

# League of Women Voters offers guide to Nov. 3 election

When the League of Women Voters of Bowling Green began over 60 years ago, the members asked the editor of the Sentinel-Tribune if he would print a voter service guide if the League collected the information about candidates and issues. The League thanks Debbie Rogers, the editor of the Sentinel

Tribune, for continuing the tradition of providing this service to the citizens of Wood County.

The information for the Voter Guide for the Sentinel-Tribune has been gathered and prepared by the League of Women Voters of Bowling Green, the League of Voters of Perrysburg and the League of Women Voters

of Ohio. The League is responsible for the format and questions for all candidates. Each candidate is requested to complete a questionnaire and is limited to a specific number of words. Candidate responses are printed without editing by the League.

The League of Women Voters of Bowling Green

is a nonpartisan organization dedicated to encouraging active and informed participation of citizens in government. The League does not endorse candidates for office. The inclusion of candidate information is for the sole purpose of informing the public and does not imply League endorsement of any

candidate or party. The League does take positions on issues after careful study.

The president of the League is Lee Hakel and the Voter Service Director is Ellen Dalton.

For information about the Voter Guide and the Candidate Forum: <https://www.lwvbg.org>. To e-mail the Bowling

Green League: [info@lwvbg.org](mailto:info@lwvbg.org).

**EARLY VOTING AT THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS:** Check dates and times at the Board of Election website, [www.co.wood.oh.us/BOE](http://www.co.wood.oh.us/BOE) or call 419-354-0120.

**GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 3, 2020**  
POLLS OPEN: 6:30 am to 7:30 pm

## OFFICIAL QUESTIONS AND ISSUES BALLOT

### GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 3, 2020 WOOD COUNTY PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) WOOD COUNTY

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Wood County Health District for the purpose of providing an adequate amount necessary for the purpose of providing or maintaining public health services at a rate not exceeding five-tenths (0.5) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to five cents (\$0.05) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for ten (10) years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

### FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

The purpose of the levy is to provide an adequate amount necessary for the purpose of providing or maintaining public health services at a rate not exceeding five-tenth (.5) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to five cents (\$0.05) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for ten (10) years commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

The mission of the Wood County Health Department is to prevent disease, promote healthy lifestyles and protect

the health of everyone in Wood County. The Community Health Center provides comprehensive medical and dental services for men, women and children. The department serves all patients, including uninsured or underinsured clients, regardless of ability to pay, and accepts most third-party insurance.

The Wood County Health Department services, in addition to the Community Health Center, include Environmental Health protection and licensing, birth and death certificates and infectious disease monitoring including COVID 19 county surveillance.

### PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) PERRYSBURG EXEMPTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Perrysburg Exempted Village School District for the purpose of general permanent improvements at a rate not exceeding one and nine tenths (1.9) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to nineteen cents (\$0.19) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five (5) years, commencing in 2020, first due in calendar year 2021

### FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

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### PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Perrysburg Township for the purpose of police protection at a rate not exceeding two (2) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to twenty cents (\$0.20) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five (5) years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

### FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

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### PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Perrysburg Township for the purpose of police protection at a rate not exceeding three (3) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to thirty cents (\$0.30) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five (5) years, commencing in

2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

### FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

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### PROPOSED TAX LEVY (RENEWAL) WOOD COUNTY DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage

A renewal of a tax for the benefit of Wood County District Public Library for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding eight tenths (0.8) mill for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to eight cents (\$0.08) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for six (6) years, commencing in 2021, first due in calendar year 2022.

### FOR THE TAX LEVY AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

The proposed tax levy for the Wood County District Public Library is a renewal of the 0.8 mill levy approved by voters in 2010 and renewed in 2014. This levy is not a new tax. A renewal of the current tax levy would collect this same amount as it does now for another 6-year term.

Cost the levy would continue to be eight cents (\$.08) for each one hundred dol-

lars of valuation or \$21.29/ per year to an owner of a \$100,000 market value home. Voters who live within the library's legal service district will be eligible to vote on this issue. Only property owners within the legal service district would continue paying for the levy for another 6-year term. Those sections of Plain and Center Township transferring from the Bowling Green school district will still be within the library's service district as of Election Day, and taxpayers will be able to vote on this ballot issue on November 3rd.

Levy income accounts for 40% of the library's tax revenue, and is used for a variety of purposes. In addition to purchasing books, the library extends and has expanded a number of community services such as summer reading, technology support, story time, bookmobile/outreach services, and local history support among others. Levy income has also been used for redesigning/reapportioning building space (i.e. additional meet and group study rooms), providing for current and future maintenance, and expanding Walbridge Library services to residents of Lake and Northwood school districts.

## OHIO US HOUSE DISTRICT 5

Term Commencing January 3, 2021

Term of Office: 2 years

Salary: \$174,000

Responsibilities: To represent the people of Ohio, their district, and the United States in dealing with matters of national and international importance. The general welfare should be a prime concern.

Bob Latta

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Education: University of Toledo College of Law, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green High

Qualifications: United States House of Representatives 2007-present, Ohio House of Representatives 2001-2007, Ohio Senate 1997-2000, Wood County Commissioner 1991-1996, Attorney at Law

Question #1: Given our experience with

Covid-19, what precautions would you put in place to allow for safe, secure elections whereby voters are not choosing between their health and their right to vote, especially in November? Include how you would fund any necessary precautions and changes.

The Right to Vote is an essential part of our republic, and it's important that Americans are able to confidently submit their ballot this year - knowing that their vote will be counted. In Ohio, that means providing the option to safely vote in person, as well as the option to submit an absentee ballot.

Dr. Anthony Fauci has stated that voting in person is as safe as going to the grocery store, a relatively low-risk activity. It's important that social distancing measures are enforced, but millions of Americans are going to be able to cast their ballots in person this November.

At the same time, it's critical that those that want to submit absentee ballots can do so as well. I led a letter to the United States Postal Service asking for them to implement procedures to protect Ohioans' ability to vote in the elec-

tion and have led the charge to ensure ballots are sent through sorting facilities in Columbus and Cleveland instead of the error-prone facility in Pontiac, Michigan.

Question #2: What solutions do you propose to address challenges, especially inequities, in the healthcare system?

I've long-advocated for patient-centered health care that increases choice for Ohio families, lowers costs, and improves quality. We can accomplish this while ensuring those with pre-existing conditions are covered.

I've been a leader on expanding telehealth, which would address both cost and access issues in the long-term. More broadband and provider reimbursements will make this a reality.

I support legislation that would reduce drug prices without harming innovation by capping out-of-pocket costs under Medicare Part D, increasing transparency, and stopping drug manufacturers from gaming



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the generic drug system.

Seniors must be taken care of and that means Medicare should

be protected and kept solvent. I've opposed Democrat-led cuts to the popular Medicare Advantage program that millions of Americans utilize.

I oppose single-payer proposals that will kick 150 million people off of their private health insurance, increase taxes, and devastate many of our rural hospitals.

Nick Rubando Democrat

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Question #1: Given our experience with Covid-19, what precautions would you put in place to allow for safe, secure elections whereby voters are not choosing between their health and their right to vote, especially in November? Include how you would fund any necessary precautions and changes.

First and foremost I would vote to pass the HEROES Act in Congress which includes \$25 billion to save the United States Postal Service and ends the Treasury Department's blockade of the \$10 billion loan previously authorized for USPS in the CARES Act. I believe we need to have a fully funded and functional USPS to ensure they can handle the influx of vote by mail ballots. I would also encourage state's Secretary of State to provide pre-paid postage vote by mail ballots to every registered voter, and allow county Board of Elections to set up additional ballot drop boxes so individuals can safely

and securely express their right to vote. The passage of the HEROES Act would provide an additional \$3.6 billion in funding for the "planning, preparation, and resilience of elections," that would be distributed to states to account for these costs.

Question #2: What solutions do you propose to address challenges, especially inequities, in the healthcare system?

Healthcare is a right and not a privilege. If this current pandemic has taught us anything, it is that our country is only as strong as the health of our most vulnerable citizen. The Affordable Care Act improved the lives of my family and millions of Americans, but we can't stop there. No one in this country should go bankrupt because they can't afford basic care. Medicare for All will allow us to offer full vision, dental, and mental health benefits to every American. We can ensure that we are investing in preventative care without having the burden of skyrocketing co-pays, premiums, and deductibles. It is time we join almost every other developed nation in the world, and value patients over profits.

## MORE VOTING INFORMATION ONLINE

Learn more about candidates and issues:

[www.JudicialVotesCount.org](http://www.JudicialVotesCount.org)

[www.Vote411.org](http://www.Vote411.org)