

ELECTION 2018 (as of 2/24/18)

PA 2018 Primary is **TUESDAY, May 15.** Voters can apply for absentee ballots now . Obtain request form online (print it) or at township office. Fill it out and mail it to voter services in Norristown or hand-carry it to Courthouse Annex - 6th floor. Ballot is mailed out in April. Voted absentee ballots must be in Norristown office by 5pm Friday, 5/12. To register for the first time or change any part of your registration, go to votespa.com on/before Monday, April 16. The long-awaited 2018 general election is **November 6**. The goal of all Democrats, Moderates, Independents: CHANGE THE MAKE-UP OF DC & PA LEGISLATURES -- EMPOWER DEMOCRATS!!

The following offices will be elected in 2018:

- 1. PA SENATOR** (6-year term) SENATOR **BOB CASEY** Incumbent DEMOCRAT endorsed
- 2. PA GOVERNOR** (4-year term) GOVERNOR **TOM WOLF** Incumbent DEMOCRAT endorsed
- 3. PA LT. GOVERNOR** (4-year term) (runs separately from governor) Current incumbent **MIKE STACK** is being challenged by 5 Democrats. Neither PA nor Montgomery County Democrats agreed to an endorsement. THERE WILL BE AN OPEN PRIMARY -- voters will decide without the "benefit" of party guidance. As of 2/22, Madeleine Dean withdrew from this race and entered the Congressional #4 (Montco) race. **JOHN FETTERMAN** and **MIKE STACK** are well-known names. Other candidates are **Ray Sosa, Kathi Cozzone, Aryanna Berringer** and **Craig Lehman**.
- 4. ALL 18 PA REPRESENTATIVES to CONGRESS** (2-yr term). The 2011 Congressional map was recently challenged in court. The Pa Supreme Court ruled the map unconstitutional -- a gerrymander, drawn in order to greatly advantage the GOP. A new map was requested and one was accepted by the court 2/19/18. The GOP is maneuvering to block implementation. If unsuccessful, the 3-week period for Congressional petitions will be Tuesday 2/27 - Tuesday March 20. (Other offices gather signatures 2/13 to 3/6). As of now, there are 3 announced candidates for the new 90% Montgomery County district #4: **MADELEINE DEAN** (Abing), current state rep #153; **MARY JO DALEY** (Narb), current state rep #148; and **SHIRA GOODMAN** (UD), current Executive Director CEASEFIREPA.
- 5. 25 STATE SENATOR S -- EVEN-NUMBERED DISTRICTS** (4-yr term) UD's next election is 2020.
- 6. 203 PA STATE REPRESENTATIVES to the GENERAL ASSEMBLY** (2-yr term) UD is part of 3 state house districts:

151 (Ward 1, 2-1, 2-2, 4-1) with Horsham, Montgomery TWP, part of L Gwynedd	SARA JOHNSON ROTHMAN
152 (Wards 3, 6, 7) with L&U Moreland, Hatboro, Bryn Athyn, part of ward 63 Phila	DARYL BOLING
153 (Ward 5, 2-3, 4-1, 4-2) with Abington	(incumbent) MADELEINE DEAN
- 7. Party offices are elected in the 2018 primary.** Montgomery County Democrats are eligible to have 16 members of STATE COMMITTEE. To be considered, a person had to submit a resume and be interviewed in January by the selection committee. Sixty-one people applied for the 4-year term. Eight men and 8 women were chosen. Typically members of the State Committee delegation are well-known party workers and office holders. Voters routinely go along with what the party advocates.
- 8. 2 COMMITTEE PEOPLE per individual local precinct** are selected by voters in the primary. As of now, openings are anticipated in UD 1-1 (1), 1-2 (1), 5-1 (1), 5-2 (1), 6-1 (1), 7-1 (1), 7-2 (1), and 7-2 (2).

All nominees for any PA elected office must circulate petitions to D voters in the district where they run. The number of D signatures ranges from 5 for Election Inspector to 2,000 for governor, senator, US President

9. Within 30 days post-primary, each municipal Democratic committee and each of the 15 AREA divisions in Montgomery County hold elections for intra-party office. Offices are filled by a vote of the majority of the committee people within a given jurisdiction. The positions are held for 4 years.