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the ballot’s signing and envelope instructions. Anyone who requested an absentee ballot but has not received it, or whose circumstances have changed, should contact the clerk before attempting another voting method.

In Stanford, Joe Lynn Gilliland and Nehemiah Wilkinson are running for mayor.

Eight candidates are printed on the Stanford City Council ballot: Ronnie Deatherage, Greg Pettit, Joe Tackett, Eddie Carter, Sandra “Sandy” Benge, Jerry Wilkinson, Jason Hignite and Sadie Durham. Voters may select up to six.

The clerk’s online general-election filing list also identifies Bill Miracle as a council write-in candidate and records his withdrawal from the mayor’s race. His name is not printed among the council candidates. Voters seeking to cast a write-in vote should ask election workers for instructions and the certified write-in candidate list.

Three Lincoln County Board of Education seats appear on the sample ballot. School board elections are nonpartisan, and voters may select one candidate in their applicable educational district.

Nicole Moyer is the only printed candidate for the District 1 school board

seat. That contest appears on ballots for the Hustonville, Moreland 1 and Moreland 2 precincts.

Tiah Nicole Osbourn and Amanda L. Smith are running for the District 2 school board seat. That race appears on ballots for Stanford 1, Stanford 3 and Stanford 5.

Gloria J. Sneed and Jennie McWhorter are running for an unexpired term in District 4. That contest appears on ballots for Waynesburg 1, Waynesburg 2, Kings Mountain and Halls Gap.

Several countywide offices have one printed candidate. They are Republicans J. Woods Adams III for county judge-executive, Daryl K. Day for county attorney, Nancy Jackson for county clerk, D. Shawn Hines for sheriff, Griffin D. Harness for jailer, Farris Marcum for coroner and Mary Alford Adams for property valuation administrator.

The county surveyor contest contains a write-in space but no printed candidate name.

For District 1 magistrate, Republican Curt Folger faces Democrat Linda Holtzclaw. District 1 includes Stanford 1, Stanford 2, Stanford 3 and Stanford 4.

Republican Dan Gutenson is the only printed magistrate candidate in District 2, which includes Crab Orchard 1, Crab Orchard 2, Broughtontown and Stanford 5.

Republican Bobby King is the only printed

magistrate candidate in District 3, which includes Waynesburg 1, Waynesburg 2, Kings Mountain, Halls Gap and Halls Gap 2.

Republican Joseph D. Stanley is the only printed magistrate candidate in District 4, which includes Hustonville, McKinney 1, Moreland 1, Moreland 2 and McKinney 2.

The printed constable candidates are Republicans Travis E. Van Pelt in District 1, Mike Mullins in District 2, Delbert Mitchell in District 3 and Gary W. Brummett in District 4. Voters may select one magistrate and one constable in their district.

Magisterial districts and school board districts have different boundaries. A voter’s district number for one office does not necessarily match the number for another.

In Crab Orchard, Barbara Hiatt Estes, Charlie Chandler and Donna Martin are running for mayor. Voters may select one candidate.

The four printed candidates for Crab Orchard city commissioner are Michael Eldridge, Randy Ledford, Kenny Manuel and Keith Saylor. Voters may select up to four.

In Hustonville, Timothy P. Smith is the only printed mayoral candidate. The six printed City Council candidates are Gerald Jerry Norris, Randy Bennett, Choe Sergeant, Jimmy R. Evans, Tyler McGuffey and Jimmy Lane. Voters may

select one mayoral candidate and up to six council candidates.

The sample ballot also includes Eubank city races for the applicable portion of Waynesburg 2. Iris Todd is the only printed mayoral candidate. Carrie Ehrsam, David E. Shivel, Curtis G. Todd and Kenny R. Upchurch are the printed city commissioner candidates. Eligible voters may select one mayoral candidate and up to four commissioners.

City elections are nonpartisan. Eligibility to vote in a city contest depends on whether the voter’s registered residence falls within the city boundaries.

Republican David Meade and Democrat Mary Russell are running for Kentucky House District 80. Voters may select one candidate.

The four printed candidates for Kentucky’s 5th Congressional District are Republican Hal Rogers, Democrat Ned Pillersdorf and independents Mikel Wein and Gerardo Serrano. The secretary of state’s general-election filings also identify Billy Ray Wilson as a write-in candidate. Voters may select one candidate.

The three printed U.S. Senate candidates are Republican Andy Barr, Democrat Charles Booker and Kentucky Party candidate Christopher Campbell. State filings also identify Thomas Michael Murphy as a write-in candidate. Voters may select one candidate.

Four nonpartisan judicial contests appear on the sample ballot, each with one printed candidate.

Debra Hembree Lambert is listed for the Kentucky Supreme Court’s 3rd District. Greg Lay is listed for an unexpired term in the Kentucky Court of Appeals’ 3rd Appellate District, 2nd Division.

Robert L. Gullette III is listed for the 13th Judicial District’s 1st Division, and Janet C. Booth is listed for its 2nd Division. Voters may select one candidate in each judicial contest.

All voters also will have the opportunity to vote on Constitutional Amendment 1, which the clerk’s office has reminded voters will appear on the back of the ballot.

The proposal would amend Section 77 of the Kentucky Constitution to prohibit governors from granting pardons, reprieves and sentence commutations during a period beginning 60 days before a gubernatorial election and ending the fifth Tuesday after that election.

A yes vote would approve the proposed restriction. A no vote would reject the change and retain the existing constitutional language.

Voters choosing a straight-party ticket should review the entire ballot. A straight-party selection does not record votes in nonpartisan city, school board or judicial

contests or on the constitutional amendment. Separate selections are required to participate in those contests.

Voters may choose candidates of any party in a general election, regardless of their own party registration. They also may leave individual contests blank without invalidating their selections elsewhere on the ballot.

Voters should bring acceptable photo identification. Common examples include a Kentucky driver’s license, qualifying government-issued photo identification, military identification or college identification bearing the voter’s name and photograph. Those who cannot obtain acceptable photo identification should contact the clerk about alternative identification and declaration procedures.

Accessible voting equipment and assistance are available. Voters needing help should notify election workers, who can explain assistance requirements and available options.

Questions about registration, district boundaries, absentee ballots, identification or voting locations may be directed to the Lincoln County Clerk’s Office at 606-365-4570. Official voter information is available at GoVote.ky.gov.



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