

BAILEY'S BLOG
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Election Information:

Next week Tuesday, March 1, 2016 is Precinct Party Caucus Day!

The Morgan County Elections Division is not involved in the caucus process. For more specific information, please contact your Republican Party or Democratic Party.

If you are unsure what party you are affiliated with call our office at 542-3521, option 5 prior to Caucus Day to obtain that information along with what precinct caucus you should attend.

Political Party Chair People are: Democratic Chair is Jacqueline Dreiling, email address: susie@ncolcomm.com. Republican Chair is Vivianne Lorenzini, email address vlorenzini@wigginstel.com,

Caucuses:

What is a precinct caucus?

- The 2016 Precinct Party Caucus Day is March 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
- In each even-numbered year, political parties hold their precinct caucus on the first Tuesday in March to begin the process of electing candidates to nominate in the up-coming election.
- Registered voters of the same political party gather at their respective precinct location to select delegates to represent the precinct at the county assembly and committee officers to organize political activities for the precinct.
- Precinct caucuses are open to the public and held throughout the state.

Who can vote in a precinct caucus?

- A resident of the precinct for 30 days.
- A resident affiliated with the caucusing political party for at least 2 months before the precinct caucuses.
 - January 4, 2016 – was the last day to affiliate with the Republican or Democratic Party in order to vote in the March 1 party precinct caucus.
- A registered voter no later than 29 days before the caucus.
 - February 1, 2016 – was the last day to update your voter registration address to participate in the March 1 party precinct caucus.

Those who would be interested in serving as an election judge should attend their respective party's caucus and add their name to the judges list.

Party Assemblies and Conventions:

What is a county assembly?

- Precinct caucus delegates gather to select candidates for the state primary election, delegates to the congressional district assemblies and delegates to the state assembly.
- The county assembly is held no later than 25 days after the precinct caucuses.

What is a district assembly?

- The district assembly selects district level delegates to the national convention. Delegates also nominate candidates for Congress, the Colorado General Assembly, the State Board of Education, the Board of Regents and District Attorneys.
- The time and place of the district assembly is determined by the chairperson of the district committee.

What is a state assembly/convention?

- State assembly members nominate candidates for statewide offices for the primary election ballot and delegates for the national convention.
- The state assembly/convention is held no later than 73 days before the primary election.

Republican Party County Assembly will be held March 12, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Fort Morgan Middle School (300 Deuel Street, Fort Morgan)

Democratic Party County Assembly will be held March 12, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Morgan County Administration Building, Lower Level (231 Ensign, Fort Morgan)

Unaffiliated Voter Election Judge: April 26, 2016 is the last day an unaffiliated voter may give notice in writing to the County Clerk that he/she wishes to serve as an election judge.

The Election Department can be reached at 542-3521, option 5 for voter and election questions. The Recording Department can be reached at 542-3521, option 4 for recording information. The Motor Vehicle Department can be reached at 542-3521, option 2 for license plates/renewals or titling a vehicle. You can also reach our office by email at sbailey@co.morgan.co.us.