



**NON-PARTISAN VOTER GUIDE**  
**TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD**

**Tuesday, August 5, 2008**  
**POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 am – 8:00 pm**

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NORTHWEST WAYNE COUNTY

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**PARTISAN BALLOT:** In the Primary Election, you must vote either on the Republican Ballot or the Democratic Ballot. Only the candidates running in the contested races were invited to participate in this Voter Guide. The ballot will feature these contests:

- Township Supervisor: 2 Democrats, no Republicans, running for 1 position
- Township Trustee: 9 Democrats, no Republicans, running for 4 positions
- Township Clerk: 2 Democrats, no Republicans running for 1 position
- Township Treasurer: 1 Democrat, no Republicans, running for 1 position
- Township Parks Commission: 6 Democrats, no Republicans running for 7 positions

To view the Voter Guide for contested Township races, scroll down.

Also appearing on the ballot: (all running for 1 position)

- U.S. Senator: 1 Republican, 1 Democrat
- U.S. Representative, 11<sup>th</sup> District: 1 Republican, 2 Democrats\*
- State Representative, 17<sup>th</sup> District: 3 Republicans, 2 Democrats (view the Voter Guide for the 3 Republican candidates prepared by the LWV of Michigan: [www.lwvmi.org](http://www.lwvmi.org))
- Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney: No Republican, 1 Democrat
- Wayne County Sheriff: 1 Republican, 2 Democrats
- Wayne County Clerk: 1 Republican, 5 Democrats
- Wayne County Treasurer: 2 Republicans, 11 Democrats
- Wayne County Register of Deeds: No Republican, 2 Democrats
- Wayne County Commissioner, 11<sup>th</sup> District: 1 Republican, 1 Democrat

To view a list of all the candidates, go to [www.waynecounty.com/clerk/](http://www.waynecounty.com/clerk/)

**NON-PARTISAN BALLOT:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Circuit Court: Non-Incumbent 6 year term: 11 candidates\* running for 3 positions

\*Voter Guides prepared by LWV Northwest Wayne County are available on this site. Return to Home page to click on particular races.

**BALLOT PROPOSAL: WAYNE COUNTY ZOOLOGICAL AUTHORITY**

The Wayne County Zoological Authority was established pursuant to Public Act 49 of 2008, and formed to allow for continuing zoological services for the students, residents and visitors of the County of Wayne. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors to levy a tax of not more than 0.1 mill (10 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on real property and personal property to provide revenue for this purpose. Accordingly, to continue providing zoological services to benefit the residents of the County, shall a 0.1 mill on all taxable property located within the County of Wayne be imposed for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2008 through 2017. It is estimated that if approved and levied, this new millage will generate approximately \$5,299,640.48 in 2008.

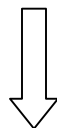
**Shall this proposal be adopted?      YES      or      NO**

## Democratic Ballot: REDFORD TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

*There are 2 candidates – vote for no more than 1. Candidates are listed in alphabetical order.*

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<p><b>ROGER MILES HANDY II</b></p> <p>Did not respond in time for publication</p>	<p><b>ROGER MILES HANDY II</b></p> <p>Did not respond in time for publication</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRACEY KOBLYARZ-SCHULTZ</b></p> <p>Township government should serve all citizens equally and serve them well. My goal as Supervisor is to provide leadership that can be counted on and that our residents can be proud of. Seeking open and honest communication is a hallmark of my service. Tracey has lived in Redford for 42 years. She and her husband of 22 years have two children. Growing up and raising a family here, means Tracey has a thorough understanding of the community and the needs of her constituents. 20+ years of progressive and successful experience in management and leadership including operations, personnel, strategic planning, labor relations, budgeting, combined with a true heart for people, makes Tracey the leader Redford Township needs. Schultz-Kobylarz holds a Bachelors degree in Community Development and serves as Trustee and ZBA Commissioner. She is a member of SEMCOG Community and Economic Development taskforce and volunteers with DHS and several additional organizations.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRACEY KOBLYARZ-SCHULTZ</b></p> <p>Transparency in Government. Eliminate no-bid contracts; engage in open discussion, and insist on complete disclosure regarding relationships with vendors. Township statements will be available on line. I will use my success managing multimillion dollar businesses to serve Redford.</p> <p>Services will be well planned, well delivered and funded. Schools must have the support of township government. Our police force must provide services in the neighborhoods, not sit on Telegraph writing speeding tickets. The elimination of blight will be a high priority with attention to 7 Mile, Grand River and Plymouth, not just 5 mile road.</p> <p>Fiscal Responsibility Events will promote the residents interest and have both long term and short term quality of life impact. Decisions will be made based on need, desire and economic feasibility. The township will receive quality products and services, at a fair price through the utilization of consistent and fair bidding process.</p>

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## Democratic Ballot: REDFORD TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DIANA BRANG-SCHROEDER</b></p> <p>I have been married to my husband Randy for 9 years we have two children . I was born and raised here in Redford Township, and I am an elected Parks and Recreation Commissioner. I work part time as an independent contractor for a national marking company, and I'm a Girl Scout Leader. During my tenure as commissioner I aided in the planning and administration of Park attractions including: Capitol-Splash pad, outdoor ice rink, ball diamond improvements, and skate park expansion . I created Doggie Rama an event that promotes local businesses and animal welfare. I am a great organizer, I have planned and managed many successful non profit events and fundraisers, for organizations such as: The Make a Wish Foundation, The Boys and Girls Club. Many of these I have planned with little or no start up funds. In this time of economic hardship I will look for creative funding sources to help supplement the townships budget.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DIANA BRANG-SCHROEDER</b></p> <p>I believe an important issues facing the office of Trustee is Senior citizen services. Under the current administration the Dial -A -Ride services have been cut. I would like to explore ways to increase this significantly, including having transportation to community events like Concert in The Parks. I would also like to begin a volunteer core to assist Seniors and the disabled on property maintenance. This group would partner seniors with a volunteer to help with things such as grass cutting, and snow shoveling .</p> <p>Another important issue is the visual appearance of Redford . We need to finish the road paving, but taking the added step of adding drainage. Next we need to make drastic improvements to the 7 mile area.</p> <p>Thirdly, we need a barrier free, all abilities play structure added to one of our parks. Not only for the children who have disabilities, but also for their parents and grandparents who may have trouble taking them to play at a ...</p>
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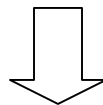
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<p align="center"><b>GERALD GAJEWSKI</b></p> <p>I have been a Redford Twp. Resident along with my wife Gloria for 35 years. I am a member of the Democratic Party having served as chair of the Redford Twp. Democratic Club and Vice Chair of the old 17<sup>th</sup> District organization. I am a member of the Redford Twp. Rotary Club and served as president several times and received numerous awards for service.</p> <p>I am retired from banking and working part time at Millennium Business Systems.</p> <p>I have served on the township Park Commission for 13 years, 11 years as chair. I served as Trustee for 4 years.</p> <p>I do not feel the present board is spending money wisely and doing a good job of keeping the resident informed properly of major decisions. I have held positions in business and government that have provided me with leadership and decision making skills.</p>	<p align="center"><b>GERALD GAJEWSKI</b></p> <p>1. Police and Fire: The departments are understaffed and need to be increased. I would work on a budget that would eliminate unnecessary appointed positions. Stop unnecessary spending on projects and direct those monies to increase staffing.</p> <p>2. Fiscal Responsibility: I would promote open discussions on bidding of contracts and stop the awarding of contracts to friends and business associates.</p> <p>3. Lack of Public Input: Meet with neighborhood associations and civic groups asking for their input in what is need to improve the community so their tax dollars can be better allotted. The present board tends to ignore input if it does not agree with their plans.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GARTH CHRISTIE</b></p> <p>I am a hometown product. I graduated from Thurston High School, U of M Dearborn and WSU Law School. I served in the U.S. Marines (active &amp; reserves) as a judge advocate and adjutant in the infantry. Retired from the USMCR in July 1993 at the rank of Captain. I served on the Zoning Board of Appeals from 1988 to 1996 with one year off because I volunteered to serve on active duty with the infantry during Desert Storm. In 1996, I was elected Trustee and appointed to the Planning Commission. In 2000, I was elected Clerk and reelected in 2004. I am running for reelection because I am all about public service; as a teen volunteer, a Marine and a local official. This is my home town and I want it to be the best and get the best services. The leadership skills I learned in the Marines have been very valuable. I teach and train my staff and elections inspectors. I make sure ...</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GARTH CHRISTIE</b></p> <p>Based on my experience as clerk and background in planning and zoning, my three top priorities are a) elections &amp; voting b) records keeping &amp; a-government and c) growth &amp; redevelopment. a) While running 14 successful elections, I learned to be flexible and adaptable. Election laws and technology are always changing. To meet this challenge, I am always recruiting election inspectors of all generations. The teenagers are very helpful to the 80+ yr. olds. They create a good mix! b) Six yrs. ago, I introduced e-packets to the Township Board and successfully encouraged all departments to become e-user friendly. This reduced costs and opened up public access to more information via the internet. Electronic storage of records is also safer and takes less space. The challenge is to combine new technology with public access. Redford Township is over 90% developed, so in order to grow we must redevelop. This is difficult but made easier through the use of brown and ...</p>

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<p align="center"><b>KATHLEEN C. MOORADIAN</b></p> <p>I am a lifelong resident of Redford and my husband and I chose to stay in Redford to raise our family. I've been actively involved in my community since 1984. I am running for Township Clerk because I have the beliefs and the strength of character that are key to the success of a respectfully run government. Primarily, I have a clear understanding of the responsibilities of the Clerk and I would bring an unwavering commitment to uphold the integrity of the office. I've served my community for 8 years on the Board of Education which helped me completely understand the meaning of Public Service. My years of clerical experience at a local company along with my commitment to and involvement in my community make me the perfect candidate for this position.</p>	<p align="center"><b>KATHLEEN C. MOORADIAN</b></p> <p>The first priority facing Redford is to address the needs of the <i>entire</i> Township. We have focused on creating a downtown area at the expense of the rest of the community. We need to recreate a master plan that would address the crumbling infrastructure of the other mile roads. We need a plan that would create a solid foundation that would encourage existing businesses to maintain their properties and invite new businesses to our Township. The second priority facing our community is the safety and security of our residents. I would work toward creating a plan that makes our Police Officers more visible in the neighborhoods on a regular and consistent basis. Our third priority is to continue to provide services on reduced revenues. This problem would be addressed by looking at ways to coordinate services with other governmental agencies. By combining resources with the school districts, neighboring communities and our county we could creatively conserve our resources.</p>

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