



THE LAMP: NEWS FROM THE COUNTY CLERK

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From Our Office

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Election Coordination Committee Agreement meeting in January. Every jurisdiction has verbally committed to our contracts and most of our out-of-county neighbors are following suit. Washtenaw County is setting the tone for how school elections are being administered all over the state and because of it several counties have chosen to coordinate and implement elections in the same manner which we have been implementing them since 2005. It's encouraging, and we look forward to sending this message to the State when we turn in our agreements with 100% opt-in

School Election Updates: The filing deadline of February 13th for school board candidates has passed, and copies of Affidavits of Identity will be distributed via e-mail in PDF format. Also, March 9th is the deadline for county and local jurisdictions to submit ballot language for the May Election. Notices for the close of registration are due April 2, 2007 and we will be contacting you in early March to coordinate those notices.

State Election News

Use of 11" Ballots with AutoMARK: You will need to make a manual adjustment to the ballot feed tray ('Roller Guide') of each AutoMARK device to allow for the acceptance of the smaller size ballot. Instructions on how to perform this task are available on the 'User Documentation Manuals' CD, which was provided along with each AutoMARK device. Instructions may also be accessed by clicking on [this link](#).

[Election News, Issue #44](#) includes information on:

- * Questionnaire Distributed to City and Township Clerks
- * Upcoming ISD Meetings Convened to Fill ISD Board Positions
- * Filing Deadline for May 8, 2007 Election
- * Available Online Election Resources

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Dates To Remember...

February

- 13 - 4PM, Deadline to file for May 8 Election
- 19 - President's Day, County offices closed
- 27 - Election Day

March

- 09 - Deadline to submit ballot language for May election

The Lamp is sent the first full week of each month by the Washtenaw County Clerk/Register's Office. Please direct any questions or comments regarding the newsletter to yankeem@ewashtenaw.org.