

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **ABSENTEE VOTING UNDERWAY FOR FEBRUARY**

Greene County Clerk Richard Struckhoff says absentee ballots are now available for those who can't make it to their polling place on February 7. Since this is a Presidential Preference Primary, a voter's first decision may be party affiliation.

"In Missouri, we do not register by political party, so we may choose any party ballot when we vote in a Primary, but only one," Struckhoff said. Your party choices are Democratic, Republican, Libertarian, or Constitution. There will also be non-partisan ballots available for registered voters in the Cities of Springfield, Republic and Willard for those who are only interested in deciding the issues those municipalities have placed on the February ballot. Sample ballots may be viewed on the Clerk's website: [www.greenecountymo.org/election/elections\\_candb\\_issues.php](http://www.greenecountymo.org/election/elections_candb_issues.php)

In Missouri, you must have a legal reason to vote by absentee (out of the jurisdiction, incapacitated, etc.) Absentee ballots may be voted **in person** at the Clerk's office on the first floor of the Greene County Courthouse (Room 113), 940 Boonville, between 8 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, until the day before the election.

Homebound or out-of-town voters may request an absentee ballot **by mail**. Those requests must be signed by the voters and received in the clerk's office no later than 5 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to the election: February 1. **DON'T FORGET TO INDICATE WHICH PARTY (or non-partisan) BALLOT YOU WANT!** Mailed ballots must be voted, notarized, returned by mail, and received in the clerk's office before 7 p.m. on election day.

Questions about absentee voting should be directed to Struckhoff's office at 868-4060.

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