

For too long, politicians have focused on narrow interests, not necessarily the good of the whole community. Their decisions have led to higher taxes, privatization, loss of local business and environmental degradation.

Greens stand up for commonsense government, thinking of the long-term impact of decisions and not just focusing on short-term benefits.

Our 10 Key Values say it all:

Ecological Wisdom \* Social Justice  
Grassroots Democracy \* Nonviolence  
Decentralization \* Community-based  
Economics \* Feminism \* Respect for  
Diversity \* Personal and Global  
Responsibility \* Future Focus

No drama.

Green Party Primary  
Feb. 2, 2010

# VOTE IN THE GREEN PARTY PRIMARY

Okay, the Green Party Primary is actually a little boring this time around. In DuPage County, there will be no contested races. Yet, what the Green Party lacks in drama, our candidates make up for in the substance of their convictions and readiness to serve. And, there is still a very good reason to choose a Green Party ballot this Feb. 2:

**Your vote matters to the Green Party.** While the Green Party candidates strive to do what is right for the people they hope to represent, winning elections is about the numbers. In our first ever primary in 2008, a small number of people asked for Green Party ballots in DuPage. We can keep the Green Party growing by exceeding our 2008 total this year. The more people who ask for a Green Party ballot, the more seriously our nominees will be taken.

Here are the Green Party candidates counting on you on Feb. 2:

LeAlan Jones	U.S. Senate	Peabody Award-winning journalist, author of "Our America: Life and Death on the South Side of Chicago"
Rich Whitney	Governor	Civil rights attorney and 2006 nominee, from Carbondale
Don Crawford	Lt. Governor	Teacher, from St. Elmo
R. Erika Schafer	Comptroller	Nonprofit Financial Services Director, from Chicago
David Black	Attorney General	Labor attorney, from Belvidere
Scott Summers	Treasurer	Attorney, former trustee of McHenry Community College, from Harvard
Adrian Frost	Secretary of State	Political organizer, from Plano
Dan Kairis	U.S. Congress, 14th district	Retired teacher, from South Elgin
Bob Mueller	State Rep., 47th district	Computer consultant, Vietnam veteran, from Westmont

For more information on these and other candidates visit [www.dupagegreens.org/primary](http://www.dupagegreens.org/primary)

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Jan. 6

Grace Period voter registration begins. Voters may register and vote in person at the DuPage Election Commission office, 421 N County Farm Rd, Wheaton.

### Jan. 11

DuPage Green Party Monthly Meeting, Shannon's Irish Pub, 428 N. Main, Glen Ellyn, 7 p.m. Meet the candidates, sip a beer, get the inside scoop on what's going on.

Also: First day to early vote.

### Jan. 26

Last day of Grace Period voter registration.

### Jan 28

Last Day to early vote.

### Feb 2

General Primary. Get out and vote!

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Who can vote in the Green Party Primary?

Any registered voter can vote in the Green Party Primary. Illinois has no party registration, so you are free to choose whatever ballot you want at any primary, and there is no obligation to always choose the same ballot.

### Is early voting recommended?

Yes, but we recommend requesting an absentee ballot. If you vote in person at an early voting site, you will be required to use an electronic voting machine. A number of groups, such as the Illinois Ballot Integrity Project, have pointed out that these machines often malfunction, are easily manipulated and can hinder full vote recounts. If you request an absentee ballot, or if you go to the polls on election day, you can cast a paper ballot that can be hand counted, if necessary.

### Where can I vote?

For links to polling place and other election information, visit [www.dupagegreens.org](http://www.dupagegreens.org)