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Voters can avoid the long Election Day lines starting Wednesday, as early voting begins.

From Oct. 17 to Nov. 1, Wilson County voters will have four locations to choose from to cast their ballots.

The Mt. Juliet Community Center, Gladeville Community Center, Watertown Community Center and the Election Commission Office in Lebanon will be open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Mt. Juliet voters will vote on President and Vice President of the United States, United States Senator, United States House of Representatives, Tennessee House of Representatives, County Commission District 2, City of Mt. Juliet Mayor, and City Commissioners for District 1 and 3. Also on the ballot will be a charter amendment that would allow citizens to have a recall vote of an elected official, and also a liquor store referendum that would allow liquor stores in Mt. Juliet if approved.

In the Presidential and Vice Presidential election, the candidates are: Barack Obama and Joe Biden for the Democratic Party; Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan for the Republican Party; Virgil Goode and Jim Clymer for the Constitution Party; Jill Stein and Cheri Honkala for the Green Party; Independent Ross C. Anderson and Luis J. Rodriguez; Independent Gary Johnson and James P. Gray; and Independent Merlin Miller and Virginia D. Abernethy.

In the United States Senate Race, the candidates are: Bob Corker of the Republican Party; Mark E. Clayton of the Democratic Party; Kermit Steck of the Constitution Party; Martin Pleasant of the Green Party; Independent Shaun E. Crowell; Independent David Gatchell; Independent James Higdon; Independent Michel Joseph Long; and Independent Troy Stephen Scoggin.

In the United State House of Representatives 6th Congressional District, the candidates are: Diane Black of the Republican Party; Pat Riley of the Green Party; and Independent Scott Beasley.

Republican Mark A. Pody is running unopposed in the Tennessee House of Representatives 46th Representative District.

Republican Susan Lynn is running unopposed in the Tennessee House of Representatives 57th Representative District.

In the Wilson County Commission District 2 race, the candidates are: Independent Terry W. Duncan and Independent Richard L. Moses.

In the race for Mayor of Mt. Juliet race, the candidates are: Independent Ed Hagerty, Independent Jim Bradshaw and Independent Jamie Luffman.

In the race for Mt. Juliet City Commissioner District 1, the candidates are: Independent Jonathan Brydalski, Independent Michael A. Gallion and Independent Ray Justice.

## **Early voting starts Wednesday**

Tuesday, October 16, 2012

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In the race for Mt. Juliet City Commissioner District 3, the candidates are: Independent Art Giles and Independent Britt Linville.

A sample ballot of all the candidates can be found at [www.wilstonelections.com](http://www.wilstonelections.com). If you have any questions, the Wilson County Election Commission can be reached at (615)444-0216.