

County lineup

Voters expected to rush polls

More than 70 percent of Oakland County's 644,000 registered voters are expected at the polls Tuesday, and a good number may have a wait in line. County Election Director Howard Altman sees no way to enforce a state rule that limits an individual's ballot booth stay to two minutes.

Not with seven state referendums on the ballot, including three major tax proposals which take more than an eye's glance worth of time to understand.

"No way in the world a person is going to stand and read all that and understand everything in it," Altman said referring to Proposals A, C and D, the three state-wide tax change questions.

Nonetheless, some will try. Altman's suggestion is that voters come prepared — that is, with their minds made up — to keep the polling lines moving. (The Voters Guide published in this newspaper Oct. 23 has a reminder chart on the back page.)

POLLS WILL be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday. Altman said the least busiest times at the polls will be mid-morning and mid-afternoon.

If you get there after 5 p.m., expect a wait.

Altman estimates the presidential race may bring out between 75 and 80 percent of the county electorate. He said a national turnout of more than 70 percent of registered voters has been estimated.

"We have been above the national for some time," Altman said.

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Then-President Gerald Ford carried the county four years ago. Republican Ronald Reagan is expected to do the same Tuesday. The state is considered too close to call.

BESIDES THE presidential, congressional and state-wide races, county voters will elect one new circuit court judge, county-wide office holders for new four-year terms and county commissioners.

The races for county executive and sheriff have drawn the lion's share of attention among the six contests for county-wide offices.

Sheriff Johannes Spreen, a Farmington Hills Democrat, could be in a tight race for his third term. Republican James V. Stewart, Huntington Woods public safety director, is banking on a strong Reagan showing in Oakland County and to ride the coattails of Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson's popularity.

Stewart and Patterson have run a joint campaign.

County Executive Daniel Murphy, a Sylvan Lake Republican, and Democrat Tom Leaward, of Royal Oak, have each spent more than \$100,000 in the county executive's race.

Murphy is expected to retain the \$50,000 a year top administrative job, but the campaign has been hard fought. The race is Leaward's first try for county-wide office. He is a one-term county commissioner.

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THE PROSECUTOR, treasurer, clerk and drain commissioner races have drawn far less attention. Republican incumbents Patterson, C. Hugh Dohany, Lynn Allen and George Kuhn are expected to win re-election easily.

Patterson's opponent is Martin Krohner, a Farmington Hills Democrat and an assistant Wayne County prosecutor. Democratic candidate for treasurer is Robert Rosman of Birmingham; clerk, Albert A. Keenan of Birmingham; and drain commissioner, Daniel Berry of Union Lake.

Keenan, an insurance agent, ran unsuccessfully for the 15th district county commission seat two years ago. While having no particular disagreements with the way Allen has run the clerk and register of deeds offices, Keenan says a change is needed in the office.

Keenan has spent less than \$1,000 in the campaign.

Rosman and Berry have also kept low profiles in their bids to unseat Republican incumbents Dohany, of Southfield and Kuhn, of West Bloomfield.

Barry was drain commissioner from 1956 to 1971.

Largely through name recognition, Barry defeated the county Democratic Party's choice for drain commissioner in the August primary. He was drain commissioner for 15 years but was forced to resign in a conflict of interest charge in 1971.

IN THE RACE for a six-year term on the Oakland Circuit Court, Waterford District Judge Robert C. Anderson is expected to prevail over assistant county prosecutor James F. McCarthy, of Waterford.

Anderson has the backing of both county political parties and a pre-primary 52 percent "superior" rating from the Oakland County Bar Association.

McCarthy, an assistant prosecutor since 1973, is making his first bid for public office.

Four incumbent circuit judges are unopposed on the Tuesday ballot. They include Richard D. Kuhn, John N. O'Brien, Frederick C. Ziem and George LaPlata. Kuhn, O'Brien and Ziem are unopposed for new six-year terms beginning Jan. 1. LaPlata, who was appointed last year to fill a vacancy, is unopposed for a four-year term.



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Do you know 10 worst intersections?

Six of Oakland County's 10 most hazardous intersections are in Southfield and Troy.

This is according to the annual report of the Traffic Improvement Association (TIA) of Oakland County.

Based on accidents last year the five worst intersections, in order, were: Greenfield-Ten Mile, Southfield; E. Wide Track-E. Huron, Pontiac; Twelve Mile-Southfield, in Southfield; Crooks-Big Beaver, Troy; Rochester-Big Beaver, Troy and according to the TIA the intersection with the highest number of accidents was Greenfield Road and Ten Mile in Southfield, with 100 reported accidents, including one fatal and 27 injuries.

The intersection with the highest accident rate, however, was E. Wide Track and E. Huron in Pontiac. Wide Track is an off-shoot of Woodward Ave. that encircles Pontiac. There were 7 accidents for every one million vehicles entering the Wide Track/Huron intersection, according to TIA. There were 66 reported accidents at the intersection last year, placing it 7th on TIA's top 10.

THE TWELVE Mile/Southfield

Road, Telegraph/Twelve Mile, Crooks/Big Beaver and Rochester/Big Beaver intersections ranked third through sixth respectively on the hazard list. The former two intersections are in Southfield; the latter two in Troy.

Between 73 and 84 accidents were reported at each intersection last year. The highest frequency rate among the four belongs to the Crooks/Big Beaver intersection with nearly 5 accidents for every one million vehicles.

Other south Oakland County traffic trouble spots include the Woodward/Thirteenth Mile intersection in Royal Oak, the ninth most hazardous with 60 accidents last year. The Southfield/Ten Mile intersection in Southfield, also reported 60 accidents, was the 10th hazardous.

The TIA study reported the M-59 Highland/Airport Road intersection in Waterford Township as the second worst accident hazard last year with 89 mishaps. The M-59 Highland/Crescent Lake Road intersection was eighth with 64 accidents.

Approximately 1,200 intersections in Oakland County are included in TIA's hazard rating reports. The county and each community is provided with the hazard rankings annually.

Family show series opening

The Music Hall Center in Detroit will open its series of four family shows with a new production of "The Wizard of Oz" played by the Puppet Theater of Israel and set to the music of Scott Joplin.

There are 12 performances, Nov. 25-30, including several matinees. A special show is slated for non-Thanksgiving Day, just following the downtown parade.

Other shows in the series are a musical

version of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," opening Dec. 26, with matinees and evening shows running through Dec. 30; Victor Borge, with his musical-comedy act, March 24-29; and Mummenschanz, a three-member mime troupe which create a cast of oddball characters, April 21-26.

For further information about season's tickets call the Music Hall Season Ticket Office at 963-6943. Full-price single tickets go on sale Nov. 10.

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