By Darrell Wellman

Nemaha County Clerk Joyce Oakley advises that March 1 was the final day for non-incumbents to file for most 2010 elected offices.

County officials who will have contested races this year include District 1 Nemaha County Commissioner Bob E. Hutton of rural Nemaha, an incumbent Republican who is being challenged by Jim Jarvis of rural Auburn, also a Republican; and District 3 County Commissioner Randy Rohrs of rural Johnson, an incumbent Democrat, who is being challenged by Marvin D. Bohling of rural Johnson, a Republican.

Deputy County Assessor Jana Smith of Brock, a Democrat, has filed for the County Assessor spot being vacated by the retiring Lila Gottula. Also filing for this office was Wendy Hemmer of Auburn, also a Democrat.

Incumbent county officials who will be unopposed on the 2010 General Election Ballot include:

County Clerk Joyce Oakley, Auburn, Democrat;

County Sheriff Brent Lottman, Peru, Republican.

Clerk of District Court Amy J. Hector, Republican.

County Attorney Louie M. Ligouri, Auburn, Republican;

County Treasurer Patricia Holtzman, Auburn, Democrat.

Non-Partisan Races

Filing for the non-partisan seat of Mayor for the City of Auburn being held by Bob Engles, who chose to not seek another term, were Jahn Scott Kudrna and Daniel Snyder.

Filing for Auburn City Council seats were Shawn T. Clark, First Ward; Katy Billings, Second Ward; and incumbent Larry Holtzman, Third Ward. Clark and Billings are uncontested in their races for seats currently held by Bill Snyder and Annie Thomas, respectively, who will retire from the council after this year.

Incumbents filing for reelection to the School District 29 Board of Education were Elizabeth Ann Kernes Krause, Julian; Barbara J. Billesbach, Auburn; and JaNay M. Oestmann, Auburn.

Incumbents filing for reelection to the School District 23 Board of Education were Darren Oestmann, rural Johnson; Keith Bohling, rural Johnson; and Arlen Grotrian, rural Johnson.

Brownville Village Board of Trustees incumbents filing for reelection were Robert Sailors and Justin Wheeldon.

Residents of the Village of Brownville will also have on their ballot the question as to whether or not they care to accept a new one percent local sales tax.

Residents of Peru will have the following sales tax issue to vote upon: Shall the governing body of the city of Peru continue to impose a one percent sales and use tax upon the same as was authorized previously?

County Clerk Joyce Oakley said no individuals filed for seats on the Peru City Council to represent either the East or West Wards.

Remaining Filing Deadlines

Filing deadlines are July 15 for incumbents and Aug. 1 for nonincumbents for villages, Educational Service Units and Noxious Weed Control Authority Board Members.

Incumbent Andy Anderson has filed for reelection on the Village of Johnson Board of Trustees.

Incumbent Joe Moody has filed for reelection as a Board Member on the Nemaha County Noxious Weed Control Authority.