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Other incumbents win primary with ease.

With only an 11-vote margin, Dawson County treasurer Sharon Wood narrowly edged out challenger Allison Luther in the May 11 primary.

Wood had 1,518 votes to Luther's 1,504.

Two incumbents—county sheriff Gary Reiber and county clerk Karla Zlatkovsky—won their races handily in a primary that had higher voter participation than the state.

County election coordinator Sheri Bellamy said 28% of the county's 13,680 registered voters took time to vote.

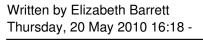
But that was better than the 23% who voted statewide which is also the percentage of voters who cast ballots during the 2008 primary in Dawson County.

Canvassing board members certified county election results Thursday for all the county races in which the candidates were Republican.

All winners of the Republican nomination advance to the general election on Nov. 2.

DAWSON COUNTY

In a three-way race for sheriff, Reiber received nearly double the votes than his closet challenger Paul Schwarz.



Reiber had 1,882 ballots to 900 for Schwarz. Rick Hite received 230.

Another contested race that pitted incumbent county clerk Karla Zlatkovsky against Delpha Albus put Zlatkovsky on top with 1,931 votes to 983 for Albus.

Dennis Rickertsen of Lexington garnered the most votes of the three contenders for county commissioner representing District 3.

Bill Brecks of Overton was the next top vote getter with 172 followed by Charles Stryker of Eddyville with 103.

District 3 commissioner Roger Bauer of Overton chose not to run again.

All candidates for the contested seats are Republicans.

LOCAL

Gothenburg Memorial Hospital board incumbents Larry Gill and Brent Block will keep their seats as will Gothenburg Airport Authority board member Craig Bartruff.

For three seats open on the District 20 school board, the names of four candidates will appear on the general election ballot Nov. 2.

Incumbents Nate Wyatt and Scott France are running for re-election while Jon Hudson and Shawn Boyd are also on the ballot.

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The names of Gothenburg west ward councilman Jeff Whiting and Tim Strauser, who represents east ward, and Mayor Joyce Hudson will also appear on the November ballot even though they have no challengers.

STATE RACES

In a hotly contested contest for state treasurer, name recognition helped Lincoln attorney Don Stenberg lead a field of three other Republicans by a wide margin.

Stenberg gathered 82,852 votes compared to 44,404 for state senator Tony Fulton and 32,643 for retired state patrol colonel Tom Nesbitt.

The former state attorney general will face Omaha businessman and Democrat Mark Stoj in November.

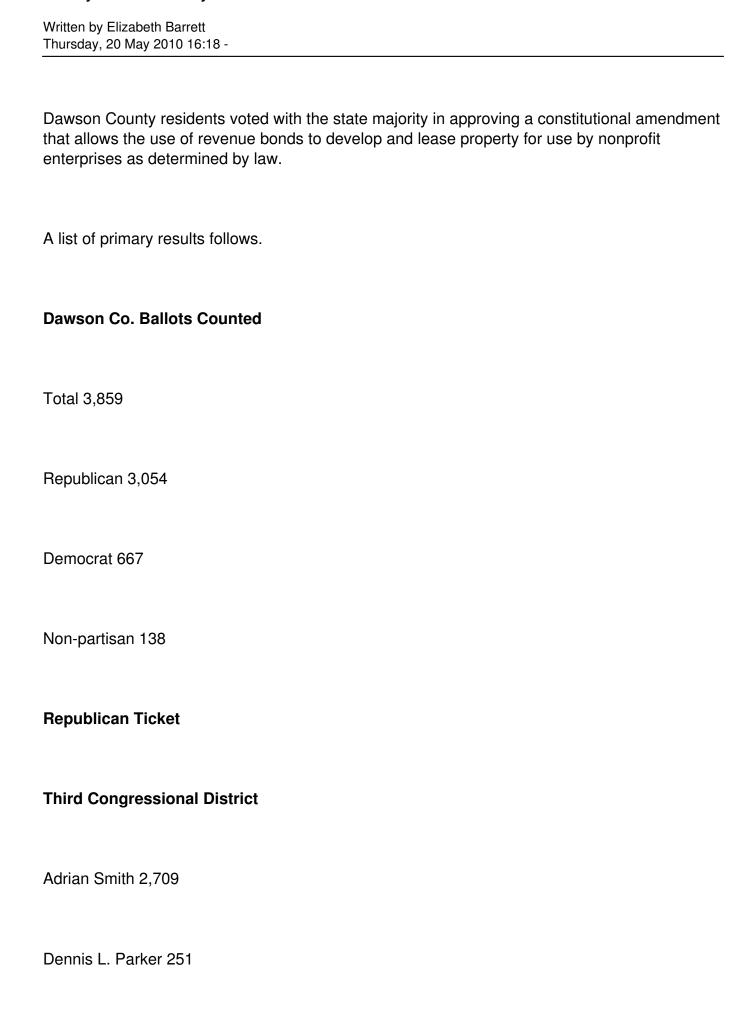
Incumbent state Sen. Mark Christensen easily held off a challenge by Thomas Baker.

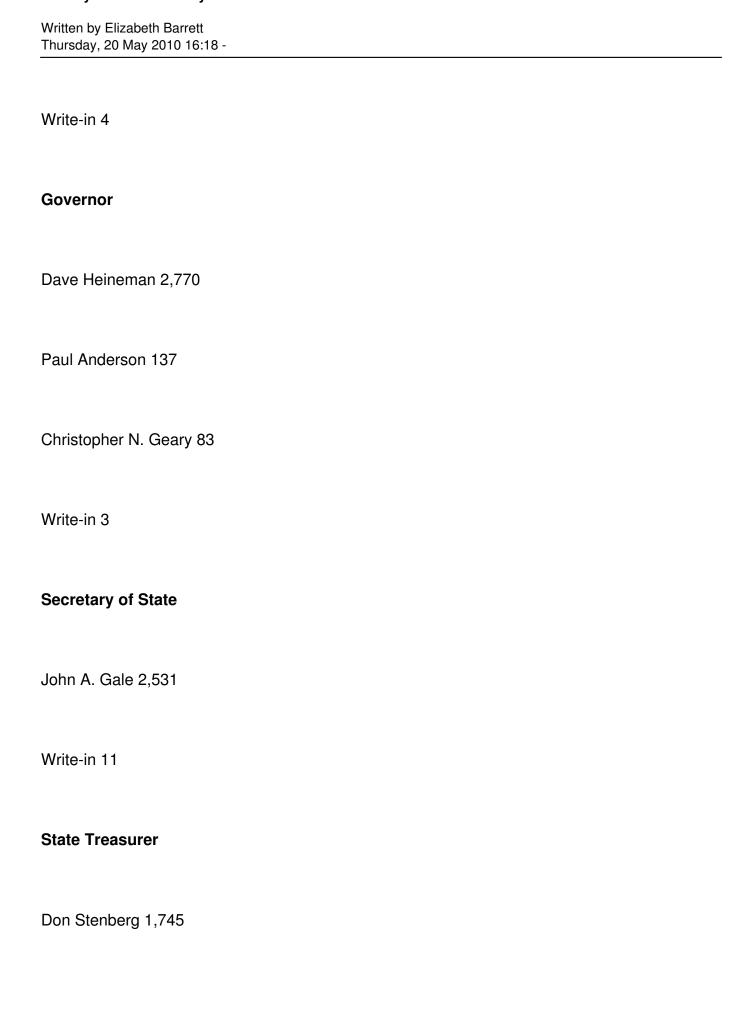
Christensen won the primary with 4,602 votes to 2,810 for Baker.

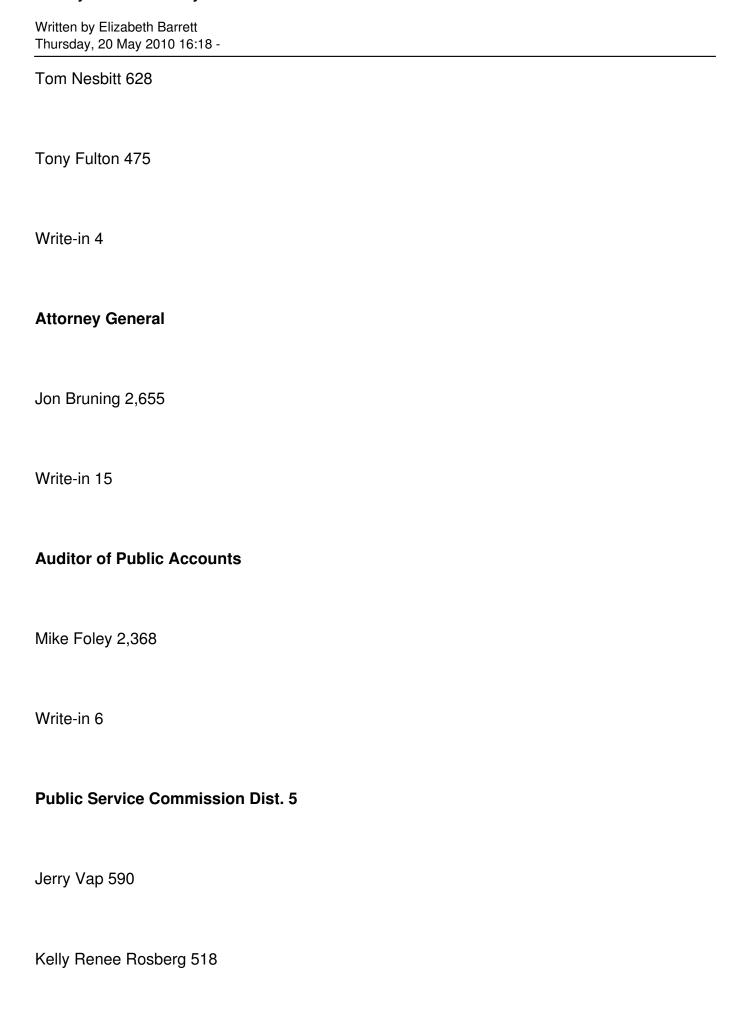
Third District congressman Adrian Smith handily defeated challenger Dennis Parker, 65,249 to 8,907.

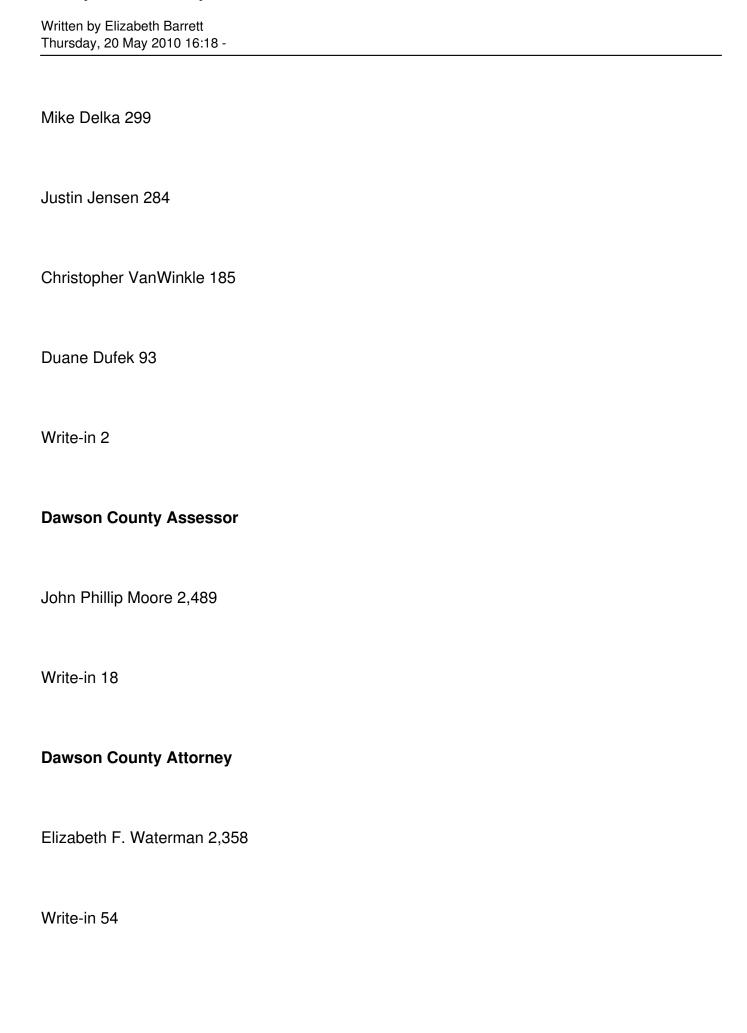
Smith will run against Rebekah Davis in November.

Gov. Dave Heineman beat two contenders. With 151,641 votes, he easily advances to the November election where he'll face Democrat Mark Lakers.

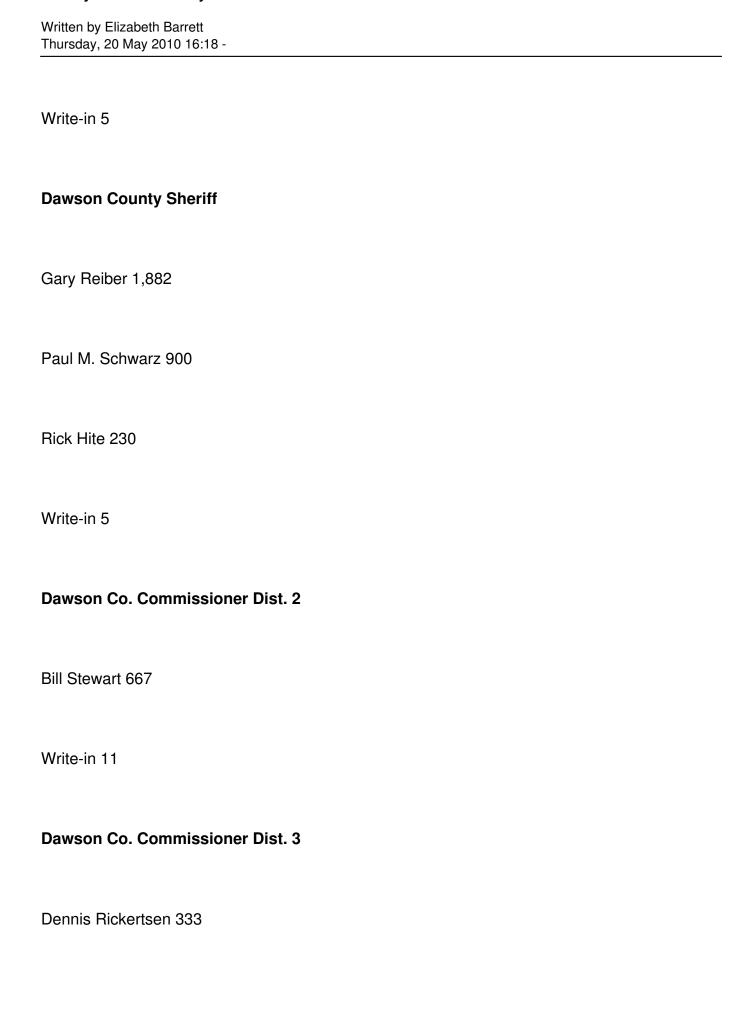








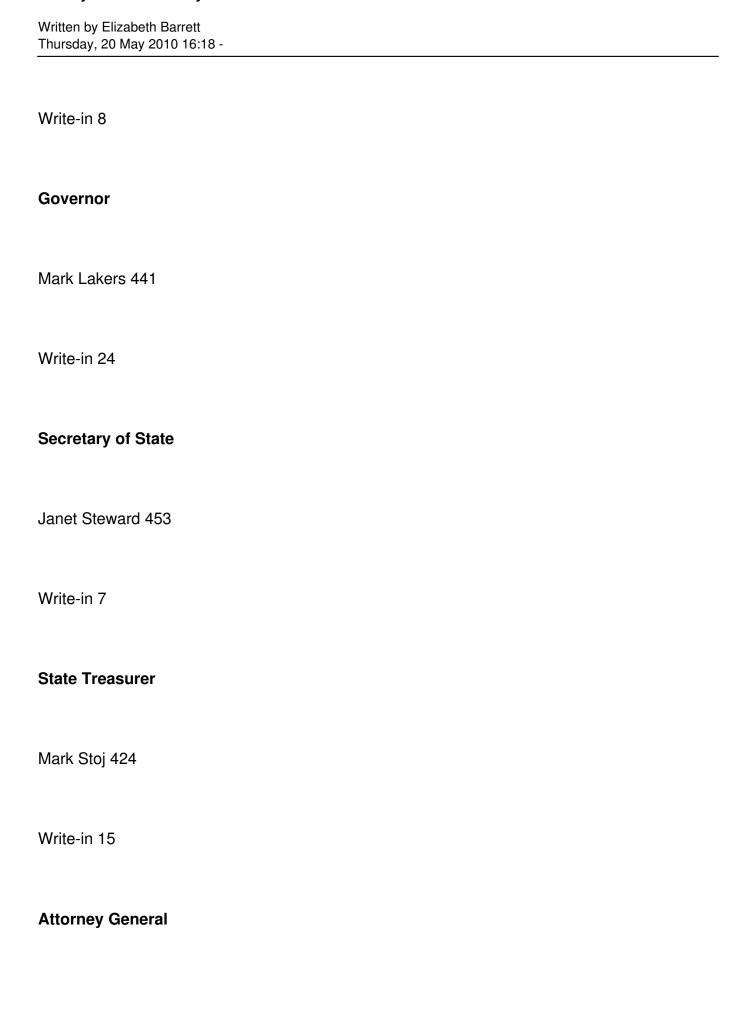
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Karla Zlatkovsky 1,931
Delpha Albus 983
Write-in 1
Dawson Co. Clerk of District Court
Sherry Warner 2,479
Dawson County Treasurer
Sharon A. Wood 1,518
Allison Luther 1,504
Write-in 1
Dawson County Register of Deeds
Ruth A. Meyer 2,507



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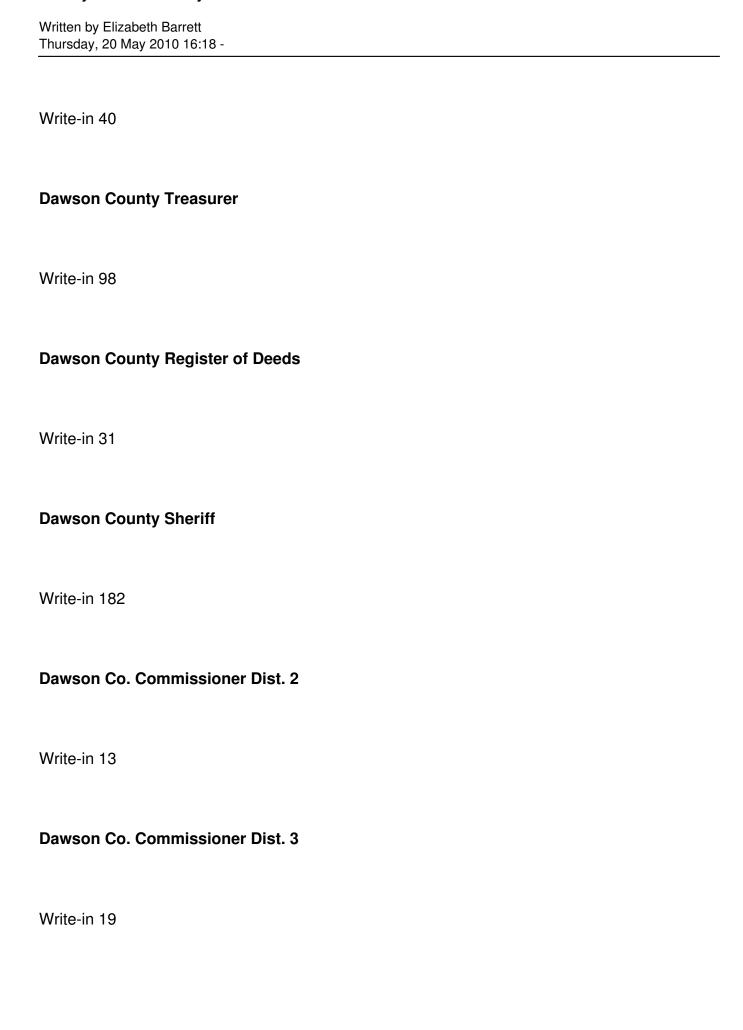
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Rebekah Davis 488



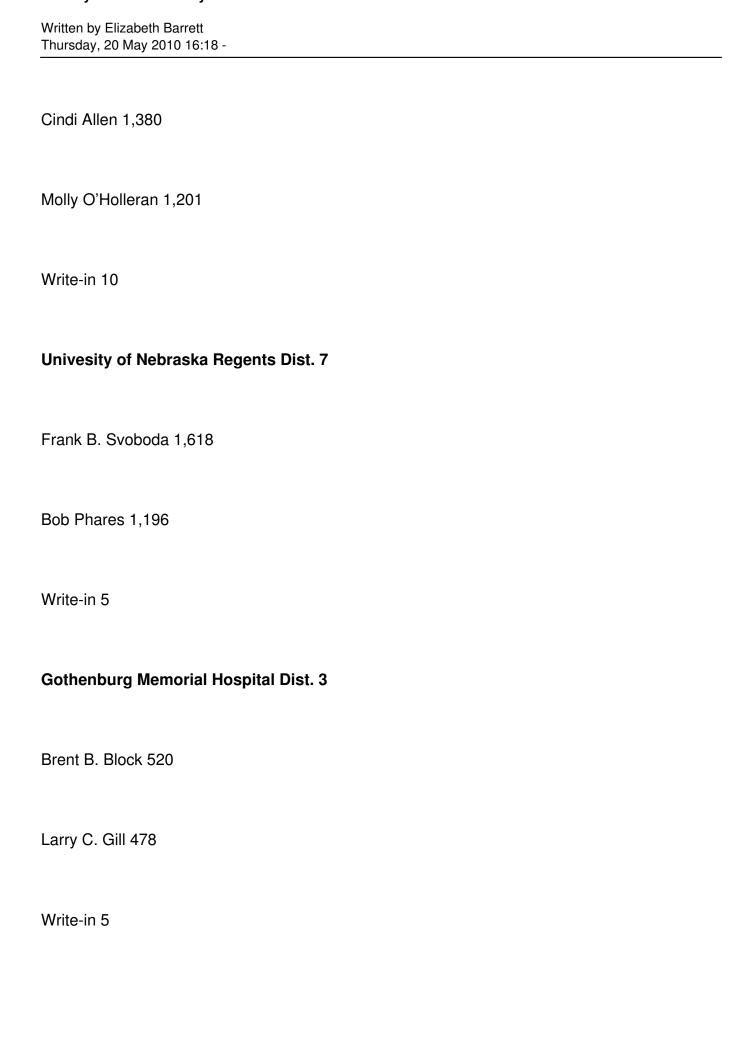
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Constitutional Amendment 1
For 1,759
Against 1,467
Contested Statewide Races
(Unofficial results)
Third Common attended District
Third Congressional District
Adrian Smith 65,249
Dennis L. Parker 8,907
Governor
Dave Heineman 151,641
Paul Anderson 8,905
Christopher N. Geary 8,115



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Nebraska Legislative Dist. 44
Mark R. Christensen 4,602
Thomas C. Baker 2,810
State Board of Education Dist. 7
Cindi Allen 16,038
Molly O'Holleran 14,484
Univesity of Nebraska Regents Dist. 7
Frank B. Svoboda 18,675
Bob Phares 13,091
Constitutional Amendment 1
For 127,679
Against 115,723

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