

Advance voting continues in Atchison Co

(KAIR)--756 in-person advance ballots have been cast in Atchison County.

That word comes in an email from Atchison County Clerk Michelle Phillips, following an inquiry made by MSC News.

According to Phillips, advance voting began Monday morning.

2,397 ballots have been mailed to county voters, and as of Tuesday, more than 1,700 of those have been returned to the County Clerk's Office.

Phillips told MSC News her office will be open Friday, for advance voting, from 8:30 in the morning until 5:00 that evening, and again Monday, November 2, until noon.

Two remote voting sites will be held Friday, first at the Effingham Municipal Building from 9:30 until 11:30 that morning, and then that afternoon from 1 until 3:00 at the Arrington Community Building.

Election Day is November 3, and among decisions being made by Atchison County voters is a hotly contested Sheriff's race between Republican incumbent Jack Laurie and his Democratic challenger, former Atchison County Sheriff John Calhoon.

The 3rd District Atchison County Commission seat will also be decided, with no incumbents in that race. Instead, Republican Casey Quinn defeated incumbent William "Bill" Pohl in the August Primary Election, and is challenged in the General Election by Democrat Duane Boldridge.

Atchison-area voters wanting to go to the polls on Election Day, but need a ride, will be able to arrange for free transportation through Project Concern. That can be conducted by calling (913) 367-4655. Rides will be provided on a first come, first serve basis.

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