

2019 Candidate Biographies

Stone County Extension Council Election

District 1

Brian Cutbirth resides north of Crane on a family farm with his wife, Carol. He is retiring this month after 32 years of employment with Ozark Electric Cooperative. He has been farming and raising cattle in the Crane area since 1985 and is a life-long resident of the Crane and Clever area.

Greg Rogers lives off highway AA north of Galena and has lived in Stone County for six years. He and his wife Kathie live on a small farm and have a small cow-calf beef herd. They have a large vegetable garden and sell produce. Greg is an active member of the Master Gardeners of the Ozarks chapter and participates in community garden projects such as the Stone County courthouse and Stone County library flower beds. He provides for the Crane food pantry and local assisted-living facilities with homegrown fresh fruit and vegetables. Greg served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 21 years and both he and his wife Kathie have retired from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Greg was appointed to the extension council in the last year and has been an active member.

Todd Starr lives in Crane with his wife, Tywana. He has worked for Stone County Mapping for the past eleven years and has served as mapping supervisor for the past five years. He frequently gives classes on the use of the county map (Integrity) each year to a variety of organizations. Todd has previously served on the extension council several years ago. He is a U.S. Army veteran.

District 2

Joanne Anderson resides near Y highway south of Galena and has lived in the county for fifteen years. She has been an active member of the Master Gardeners of the Ozarks chapter, serving as treasurer for the past four years. She is beginning to serve a term as vice president. Joanne has been retired for five years after working in accounting at manufacturing companies, a hotel and a school. She is a front-desk volunteer at Kimberling Area Library. Joanne has transplanted to Stone County from the Chicago area and enjoys living here.

Doyle Childers lives in Reeds Spring with his wife Sue and has been a resident of the county for over forty years. He is semi-retired but still does some consulting work. A former schoolteacher, Doyle has served in public service for thirty years as a state representative, state senator and cabinet member for Governor Matt Blunt. During that time, he worked with extension in all of the counties that he served. He believes MU Extension is an important and valuable service for Stone County. Doyle has served on the extension council for the past two years.

Carolyn Crawford resides near Branson West and has lived in Stone County for nine years. She has been retired since 2007. Having been an active member of the Master Gardeners of the Ozarks for nine years, she is beginning a term as president of the chapter. She has also served on the advisory committee in the last year. Carolyn has served as president of the Shepherd of the Hills Garden Club. Carolyn was appointed to the council in 2018 and looks forward to serving in 2019.

Kathryn Kufahl lives at Reeds Spring with her husband Erv and has resided in the county since 2005. Since that time, she has served as president of the chapter and has served on numerous committees. She is an active member the chapter's speaker's bureau, presenting educational gardening programs to various groups in the area. Kathryn was appointed to the council in 2018 and is seeking to serve a full term. She volunteers at the Kimberling Area Library and at Cox Hospital in Branson.

District 3

John Davidson has been a twenty year resident of Stone County and resides in the Blue Eye area with his wife of 53 years, Patricia. John is an active member of the Master Gardeners of the Ozarks, Masonic Lodge United 5 of Springfield, and Abou Ben Adhem Shrine in Springfield. He is semi-retired serving as Duck Captain with Ride the Ducks for eighteen years. He retired in 1999 from Ozark Technical College after serving as Division Chair of the Construction Technology Department. John indicates that he hopes to be a help to improving our community in southern Stone County.

Deana Wolfe lives in the Kimberling City area with her husband, Eddie Wolf. She works as a full-time realtor for Reece Nichols Real Estate in Branson West. She is owner of Oliver Station Mini-Storage in Branson West and Molly Moo Farm at Reeds Spring. Deana has participated in extension programs in the past including attending a grazing management school. Deana has lived in the county for twelve years.