Information for New Jersey Voters

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Key Dates:
October 13, 2009: Last day to register to vote
November 3, 2009: General Election Date

Ballot Items:
- Governor/Lieutenant Governor (candidate profiles below)

General Assembly: Voters will be asked to choose 2 candidates for the General Assembly to represent the NJ-15th (which includes Princeton):
- Reed Gusciora (Democrat-Incumbent)
- Bonnie Watson Coleman (Democrat-Incumbent)
- Kim Taylor (Republican)
- Werner Graf (Republican)
- Daryl Mikell Brooks (Libertarian)
- Charles Green (Libertarian)

Freeholders: Voters will be asked to choose 3 candidates for the Board of Chosen Freeholders:
- Ann M. Cannon (D)
- Pasquale “Pat” Colavita, Jr. (D)
- Daniel R. Benson (D)
- Cindy Randazzo (R)
- Joe D’Angelo (R)
- Russell Wojtenko, Jr. (R)

Princeton Borough Common Council: (3-year term, vote for 2)
- Jenny Crumiller (D)
- Kevin Wilkes (D)
- Linda Sipprelle (R)

Princeton Township Committee: (3-year term)
- Chad Goerner (D)

Princeton Township Committee: (1-year unexpired term, vote for 1)
- Liz Lempert (D)
- Madolyn Greve (R)
Gubernatorial Candidate Profiles:
Jon Corzine (Democrat-Incumbent)

Bio: Jon Corzine is the current Governor of the state of New Jersey. He is running for reelection in 2009. Governor Corzine was born in 1947 in Illinois. He attended the University of Illinois and the University of Chicago. Before becoming governor, Governor Corzine was the Junior Senator from New Jersey and before that, worked in finance.

Positions:
- Pro-choice
- Supports marriage equality
- Prioritizes education and public schools
- Favors progressive taxation
- Proponent of more regulation for chemical and nuclear plants
- Supports gun control
- Opposes racial profiling
- Voted against the Iraq War Resolution while in the Senate
- Favors harsher punishment for drunk drivers

Corzine is running on the platform of a four-year plan for the state of New Jersey. His plan includes handling the national economic emergency, creating jobs, providing affordable health insurance for all New Jersey residents (in case it does not happen at the federal level), funding public school improvement, protecting the middle class by minimizing the middle class tax burden, and working with President Obama to ensure the health of New Jersey's fiscal future. Governor Corzine is pro-choice.

Lieutenant: Governor Corzine has selected State Senator Loretta Weinberg to run on the ticket with him. Representing the Bergen County area, Weinberg was first a State Assemblymember and later a State Senator. She is described by the candidate as a leader in ethics reform, public safety, public health, women’s rights, and environmental protection.
Chris Christie (Republican)

Bio: Christie is a former U.S. Attorney for the State of New Jersey. He was appointed by former President George W. Bush in 2001. Born in New Jersey, he attended the University of Delaware and Seton Hall University Law School. In 1994 he was elected to the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders as a Republican.

Positions:
- Pro-life
- Opposes gay marriage, supports civil unions and equal rights
- Supports the state’s current gun laws
- Wants to cut these taxes: property, income, business, double-taxation on S-corporations, assessment tax on individual and small group insurance premiums
- Wants to provide cuts or tax credits to NJ-based small businesses
- Opposes additional regulations for businesses
- Proponent of fiscal watchdogs to monitor state spending
- Proponent of limited state spending
- Favors more school choice, including vouchers
- Wants to create tax credits for energy manufacturers
- Wants to install solar farms on every landfill
- Supports repealing some environmental regulations to help businesses
- Proponent of ethics reform, including greater accountability and transparency
- Supports allowing the purchase of out-of-state insurance policies by small businesses
- Opposes mandating universal health care coverage

Christie is running on an anti-corruption platform, pointing to his successful ethics cases as a U.S. Attorney. Additionally, Christie’s governing plan calls to “take back New Jersey” by promoting limited state spending, tax cuts, and independent, bipartisan thinking.

Lieutenant: Christie has chosen Monmouth County Sheriff Kimberly Guadagno as his running mate. She is a former Assistant U.S. Attorney and Assistant Attorney General for the State of New Jersey. The candidate describes her as a leader in ethics and corruption fighting.
Chris Daggett (Independent)

**Bio:** Chris Daggett is the only Independent candidate polling in a viable range. He was born in Orange, New Jersey and attended the University of North Carolina for his BA and the University of Massachusetts for his doctorate in education. Daggett served as former NJ Republican governor Tom Kean’s deputy chief of staff where he focused his efforts on higher education policy. He has also worked for the federal EPA and the state Department of Environmental Protection.

**Positions:**
- Pro-choice
- Would sign a law sanctioning gay marriage
- Supports reducing property and income taxes
- Supports school choice, but also greater accountability for charter schools
- Expand mass transit and invest in infrastructure
- Promote tourism to bring in out-of-state dollars
- Convene an affordable housing task force with stakeholders to make real progress in affordable housing creation
- Supports regulatory reform of nearly all government departments
- Make teacher tenure renewable every 5 years, based on performance

Daggett is running on a primarily economic and educational platform that includes tax relief, regulatory review, and support for innovative school reforms.

**Lieutenant:** Daggett has selected Professor Frank Esposito as his running mate. Esposito is a professor of history at Kean University in Union, New Jersey and once served as the University’s interim president. Esposito is also a vocal proponent of education reform.