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Murphy resident sets up voter registration on Saturday

MURPHY (January 21, 2016) In addition to being a leap year, 2016 is also an election year for the nation, as the country goes to the polls to choose their party's candidate in March and their President in November. In addition, the City of Murphy holds local elections in May.

In order to fully participate in the electoral process, however, citizens must be registered. And, to facilitate their registration, the City of Murphy is cooperating with a local resident to conduct free voter registrations on Saturday, Jan. 23.

Murphy resident and certified Deputy Voter Registrar Maggie Whitt will be donating her time on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Murphy Community Center, 205 North Murphy Road, to assist Murphy citizens or those who live anywhere in Collin County, who wish to complete their registration.

"Anyone who is a US citizen 18 years of age or older may register to vote," she said. "It does not cost any money and there are no out-of-the-ordinary requirements. All we need is for the individual to show up in person with either their driver's license number or a valid Social Security number."

Whitt says that persons wishing to modify their registration, by changing the name or address on their voter registration card, must also undergo the same process as new registrants.

"When people move or get married, divorced or widowed, their name or address may change, and that requires a new registration," she said. "If the name or address on the voter rolls is not the same as the identification they provide at the ballot box, they will likely be rejected and not allowed to vote. A new registration can eliminate any of these issues."

The registration on Saturday is more than 30 days before any election in 2016, fulfilling the time requirement between voting and registering.

Plentiful parking is available behind the MCC.

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ABOUT MURPHY -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 18,020, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income above the state average. With more than 70 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a country feel while exhibiting an aggressive economic development stance. The centrally-located municipal complex includes four buildings that house Fire, Police, City Administration and Public Works. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27th Best Place to Live in America for small cities, and D Magazine placed Murphy as the fifth best suburb in the 2014 list, where it has consistently ranked in the top 10.