

exceptional job of coming in during this trying time and offering leadership and stability to the Office. The Office is also doing a good job towards their mission through good customer service and the proper and appropriate processing of paperwork. They also host community events that I believe are well received and I would like to see continued.

**4. WHAT ARE YOUR TOP PRIORITIES IF ELECTED?** I will spend time with Constable Lindemann and staff before taking office to ensure a smooth transition for both the staff and the public. By my own experience, I know the importance of them knowing their jobs are safe and them getting to know and trust me so we can share ideas and become the best we can be for the community. Once in Office, I will watch and learn, working with staff and the public to collaborate on ways to work together to ensure an efficient, productive and community-oriented Office.

## BERT WITCHER

**BERT WITCHER** has been married to his wife Renee for 35 years and is a proud father of a son and daughter-in-law. A Lampasas native, he left to obtain a BA from Abilene Christian University and after returning to the family business, earned an MS in Public Administration from the University of Central Texas. Seeking a career change, he joined the Georgetown Police and has lived here since 1998. He is a graduate of the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas and licensed as a Master Peace Officer. "I humbly ask your support to be the next Constable for Precinct 3."



**1. WHAT MOTIVATED YOU TO RUN FOR CONSTABLE?** I have spent 26 years with the Georgetown Police Department, rising through the ranks to Lieutenant. Serving as your Constable is an opportunity to continue my public service in a new role, working directly for you.

**2. WHAT QUALITIES DO YOU BRING TO THE TABLE FOR THE OFFICE OF CONSTABLE PRECINCT 3?** I bring demonstrated leadership from a law enforcement career that has been entirely centered in Williamson County where my wife and I live and where we raised our son. Twice I've been honored as the Georgetown Police Department Employee of the Year. Through my 26-year law enforcement career my assign-

ments have included Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Narcotics, Administration, Community Engagement, and my current role in Professional Standards. Special projects I've been tasked with through the years include the City of Georgetown's Special Events Committee, City Benefits Committee, a temporary assignment to a DEA Task Force, a Williamson County Special Task Unit for Mental Health as well as other smaller working groups. I hold a Master Peace Officer license with an Instructor Proficiency Certificate and Special Investigator Certificate. I am a graduate of the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas and have a Bachelor of Arts from Abilene Christian University and a Master of Science from the University of Central Texas.

**3. IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT IS THE CONSTABLE PRECINCT 3 OFFICE DOING WELL RIGHT NOW?** The Precinct 3 Office has been well led by our two previous Constables, Matthew Lindemann and Kevin Stofle. The existing staff are a great group and I look forward to working with them.

**4. WHAT ARE YOUR TOP PRIORITIES IF ELECTED?** Our most pressing priority is to remain continually ready, both for our service-oriented tasks as well as our response to crises. A secondary priority for any local officeholder is to responsibly manage the demands of growth, knowing that budgets in our offices will not grow as quickly as needs.

**5. WHAT SETS YOU APART FROM YOUR OPPONENT?** I want to create opportunities to bring county government out to the citizens by partnering with other offices to deliver a "citizens academy" that informs you and engages your feedback. Some public offices and functions are not well known. The office of Constable is a good example. Many citizens don't know what they do and don't realize it's an elected position. I believe we get our best government when we're closest to those we serve. Much of that is through an exchange of information.