



Tuesday Countdown

Election News for Poll Workers and Polling Locations for Leon County

Special Holiday Edition 2013

Ion Sancho, Supervisor of Elections

Happy Holidays from Supervisor Sancho

One of our greatest strengths is found in the spirit that each of us has today, and the need has never been so great to express ourselves through our votes. Together, we strive to be the difference within our communities, to participate in our government by selecting its leaders who share our hopes to

make this a stronger Nation. We must continue to champion for all those eligible to register to vote, to study the ballot, and to vote. We have the power through our voice and actions; We the People. We look forward to seeing you and serving you in 2014.



Winter Festival 2013

On December 9th, your Supervisor's office participated, for the first time, in the City of Tallahassee's Winter Festival Parade.

We also provided a voter registration booth and met so many wonderful people that came up and updated their registration or registered for the first time.

Will Stewart, our Voting Systems Technician II, designed and created decorations for our van, trailer

and golf cart. Staff marched along with the float, interacting with the crowd and handing out candy to the kids. We thought our entry looked fantastic, and so did the judges! The Supervisor of Elections office took first place in the Government Agency category!



Will Stewart, Susie Caplowe and Monique Duncan-Jones with our award.



Technology Talk from TJ--Beware of Scams & Thieves



Thomas "TJ" James, CERA Elections Systems Manager

The holiday season can bring joy and sometimes thieves. Here are some great tips to keep you and your loved ones safe this season.

Mal-ware E-Cards:

Viruses and mal-ware often travel in e-mail attachments or links. Don't click on an e-mail from someone you don't know or a name you don't recognize. When in doubt, delete the e-card or e-mail.

Lock Vehicle Doors and Hide Valuable Items:

Burglars normally target wallets, purses, cell phones, electronic gadgets, shopping bags, radar detectors, radios and speakers. A number of car windows have been broken here in Tallahassee and cars burglarized.

10 Places NOT to Use Your Debit Cards (Stick to Credit Cards)

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| 1) Online | 4) Restaurants | 7) Recurring Payments | 10) Independent ATMs that look "off" |
| 2) Big-Ticket items | 5) You are a new customer | 8) Future Travel | |
| 3) Deposit Required | 6) Buy now, take delivery later | 9) Gas Stations | |

Elections Office Wins at the Corporate Cup Challenge!

The 5th Annual Corporate Cup Challenge was held on October 12th at Tom Brown Park. The Challenge was created by Gold's Gym five years ago as a fund raiser for Working Well--a non-profit organization dedicated to a healthier workforce.

Hugh Cunningham, Mark Earley, Will Stewart and Karen Williams represented our office in

this event. They competed in the Strength and Conditioning challenge, the 5K Run, the 7/mile Bike Race and the Kayak Race.

Mark and Karen showed their strength and organizational skills in the Office Olympics and WON a trophy and bragging rights as the Office Olympics Champion! The Office Olympics included a variety of skills such as an alphabetizing

race, a paper toss for distance and accuracy and surviving a dizzing spin in an office chair!



Mark Earley and Karen Williams win the Office Olympics for the office! Way to go Mark and Karen!

Holiday Recipe from Karen Williams

Perfect Pecan Pie

Ingredients

1/4 tsp salt
3 eggs
1/2 cup melted butter
1 cup light corn syrup
3/4 cup of sugar
1 1/2 cup chopped pecans
1 pie crust

Directions

Grease and then line your pie pan with your pie crust. Whisk salt and eggs until you achieve a lemon yellow color. Whisk in melted butter, corn syrup and sugar. Pour mixture into the pie crust and top with your chopped pecans.

Bake at 375 degrees for 50 minutes. Let the pie rest on the counter for an hour and enjoy!



Karen made this pie for our staff luncheon and it was DELICIOUS!



A Note from Diana

Last Saturday morning, as my family planned our weekend activities, my 11 year old laid out her full Christmas wish list, plans and a special dessert request for our Christmas dinner. Over coffee, I couldn't help but think how quickly 2013 flew by and how the 2014 Primary and General elections are just around the bend. 2014 will indeed be a busy year!

Thank you to all of you that registered to be part of the Poll Worker Advisory Committee. That registration is now closed and our first meeting will be in January. More information will be coming to you after the holidays. Also, keep an eye on your mailbox in January as a postcard will be mailed to you asking for you to be involved in the elections! Please make any updates on the postcard and drop it back in the mail.

Currently, we are securing all of our polling locations for 2014. If you have not submitted your updated contact forms to our office, please fax, mail or drop them by!

I wish all of you a wonderful holiday, and cannot wait to see each of you again soon!

Diana



Voting Systems Update

As Voting Systems Manager, I just want to take a moment and wish everyone a happy holiday season.

Next year will be a busy time for your Elections Office as we prepare for a new voting system in advance of the Fall 2014 elections.

We look forward to working with

our wonderful poll workers as we modify the procedures, manuals, and training materials to accommodate the new system.

We anticipate that you will find the new voting system easy to use and set up. With your help and insights, we expect to have a very smooth transition to the more modern technology.



Mark Earley
Voting Systems Manager

Special Messages from your SOE Staff

I wish you all a warm and cozy holiday season with your families. As the newest member of the Elections Team, I've had the pleasure of meeting some of you already and am eager to work alongside each of you in providing our community with yet another accurate and fair election cycle for 2014. All the best!

Holly Thompson
Administrative Services Manager (aka "the New Cindy")



Happy Holidays and New Year to all of you. Thank you for all your dedication to making our Elections the best!

Susie Caplowe
Outreach Specialist



Happy Holidays to all of our wonderful poll workers! Thank you for all your hard work, dedication and smiling faces! You guys are the best!



Leonecia Thompson
Elections Records Specialist

New Opportunities for Voter Registration in 2014!

Our next major outreach event will be Monday, January 21, 2014 during the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day celebratory march from the C.K. Steele Plaza bus terminal to the steps of the Florida Capitol.

We are gearing up for this event, as well as others that will take place in Tallahassee.

Invite the Elections Office to your next group gathering or community event! Log on to LeonVotes.org and click the Community Involvement Request link or call our office at (850) 606-8683.

Like us on Facebook! We post important Election information, as well as our voter registration outreach event times, locations and pictures on our [Facebook.com/LeonVotes](https://www.facebook.com/LeonVotes).



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