



Tuesday Countdown

Election News for Poll Workers and Polling Locations for Leon County

Feb 2013-April 2013

Ion Sancho, Supervisor of Elections



FROM THE SUPERVISOR:

"True peace is not merely the absence of tension: it is the presence of justice."

Martin Luther King Jr., 1955

"Justice is the hallmark, the ideal, of the United States of America. There is a republic here, and this republic was based upon...the Constitution of the United States, which becomes the fulfillment of a promise that was made to the citizens of this country in the Declara-

tion of Independence.

The Declaration of Independence is our ideals. The Constitution of the United States is how we make those ideals concrete.

The Constitution has a preamble. And the preamble has the first ideal, the first quality, that this nation is established: "We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, estab-

lish **Justice**..." The first ideal our founding fathers put in the document to establish **why** we are the **way** we are...is to establish **JUSTICE**.

You may have a free land, but if it is not just, I don't want to live there. I want to live in a land that is just."

Excerpts from Ion's speech at the Martin Luther King, Jr., Dreamer and Doers Annual Commemorative Breakfast on Jan 18, 2013.

LEGISLATING ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

"Our journey is not complete until no citizen is forced to wait for hours to exercise the right to vote."

President Barack Obama, January 21, 2013.

Federal-level legislation is focusing specifically on the idea of decreasing lines on Election Day and improving voter access.

On the State-level, much of the legislation deals with a variety

of election administration issues from Early Voting to vendor accountability.

One bill to watch is Senate Bill 388 whichl revises third-party registration, voter address changes, ballot language, early voting sites and the days and hours of Early Voting.

For more information about this

bill visit The Florida Senate website at <http://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2013/388>



Florida State Capital Building

TECHNOLOGY TALK FROM TJ



Thomas "TJ" James, CERA Elections Systems Manager

Our office will be exploring new technology to help speed up the check-in process during Early Voting since there is a lot talk in Florida about reducing long lines and wait times. With this technology, the voter presents their photo ID to the poll worker, who will swipe it to verify their eligibility. Once the voter is verified, the unit will record the voter as checked in to vote and prints

a ready-to-vote ticket indicating the voter's ballot style. The voter can then be given their ballot and directed to the voting booth.



Voters in front of the Courthouse for the first day of Early Voting October 27, 2012.

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH INFORMATION

Are you planning a function and would like to have our office come and provide voter registration to your attendees?

To request voter registration services, please visit our website and click on the [Community Involvement Request](#) button.

When you click the Community involvement request button, a



form will display. Complete this online form to request voter registration services. Please allow us at least two days prior to your event to properly prepare the materials.



FROM MY HOME TO YOURS: RECIPE CORNER

Wakulla Springs Lodge Famous Navy Bean Soup Recipe

Ingredients

- * 1 pound dry navy beans
- * 5 cups of water
- * 1 can beef consomme
- * 1 chicken bouillon cube
- * 4 potatoes, diced
- * 1/4 c. butter
- * 4 carrots, diced
- * 2 c. minced ham
- * 3 bay leaves
- * Salt & Pepper to taste

Directions

Place navy beans, water, consomme and bouillon cube in large pot. Bring to boil and simmer 2 hrs. Add in potatoes. Saute/fry onions in butter till partially cooked. Add in to soup with remaining ingredients.

Add in more water if needed. Simmer till vegetables are done.



Serve with fresh bread and a fresh green salad. Serves 8.

Look For Us Around Town!

Look for us at different events by visiting our website and clicking the [Calendar of Events](#) link. We will have our booth at the annual Springtime Jubilee in the Park on April 6th complete with voter registration, information and our equipment demonstration. Come and vote our Straw ballot.

We continue to participate in Naturalization ceremonies at the Federal Courthouse as well.

Bring your friends and relatives!
Encourage them to
Register and Vote!



Staff members from left to right: Mark Earley and Thomas "TJ" James



Staff members from left to right: Leonecia Thompson, Kristen Bell and Karen Williams



Ton holds a sign to encourage shoppers to register!

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