

2017 CITRUS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS WINTER NEWSLETTER

Season's Greetings to Everyone,

As we say goodbye to 2017, we are looking forward to 2018 and anticipating a busy election season.

Coming to our Citrus County Election scene is a new voting system. The previous voting system served us well for 20 years and it was time to retire the system. The good news, for you, the voter, is that you will not see any major changes in the manner in which you vote. As required by Florida law, the new system manufactured by Election Software & Services, Inc., is a paper based system just like the old system. You receive a paper ballot, fill in the oval next to your choice and insert the ballot into the tabulator. Sound familiar? Because of this we anticipate an easy transition for voters. The new system will be used in the Primary Election on August 28, 2018.

There will be many races on the ballot including federal, state, local, municipal, judicial, legislative amendments, initiative amendments and amendments from the Constitutional Revision Commission. Voters will have their homework cut out for them learning about candidates and amendments on the ballot.

The Constitutional Revision Commission (CRC) meets every ten years to review the Florida Constitution. Meetings have been held around the State gathering input from citizens. By May 10, 2018 the CRC will present their amendments for the ballot. We do not know how many amendments will be on the ballot, but it could add as many as 8 or more! We will have to wait and see. The amendments must garner 60% of the vote in order to pass. Remember, if you have any questions, please give us a call at 341-6740.

Happy Holidays!

Susan Gill

Welcome to the Team Seth!

We are excited to welcome our newest team member, Seth Ballard, who was hired in November as our newly created IT Tech and Warehouse Manager position. Seth has a Bachelor's degree in Computer Information Systems and an Associate's degree in Elementary Education and IT experience. He is also a native Citrus County resident along with his wife and two children.



Winter/December 2017

"HAPPY HOLIDAYS"

*May you and your family make a memory as you spend time together during Christmas and the New Year.
Peace to All*

2018 Election Workers Up-dates

Letters were sent to voters interested in becoming poll workers. If you're interested, applications are on our website.

www.votecitrus.com

Notification of Orientation will be sent after the first of the year.

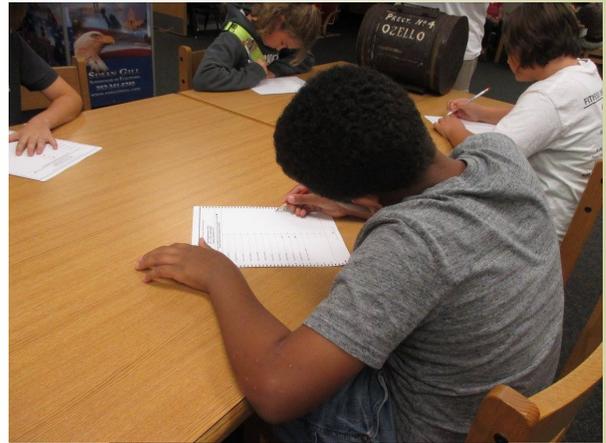
New EViDs (electronic poll books) will be used on Election Day in 2018.

Michelle Appie

SOE Community Outreach



Susan Gill instructing students



Students marking their ballots

Outreach with our Education System

As part of our voter outreach program, we go into the schools in the Fall and Spring to educate the students about the election process and the importance of voting. Students who are 18 years old were able to register and those who were 16 and 17 pre-registered. Listed are the totals of students from the area schools who completed voter registration applications.

Citrus - 50

Crystal River - 20

Lecanto - 70



Primary Schools: Experienced using the voting machines to vote for their, "Student Enhancement Association Council Representatives".

Middle Schools: Civic classes received the Bill of Rights printed on a magnet and a copy of the U.S. Constitution.

Outreach in our Community

