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**VOTE NOTES**  
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**WHAT'S HAPPENING**

With no Federal, State, or Countywide Elections scheduled in 2009, we are still busy with getting ready for the 2010 elections and list maintenance on approximately 40,000+ voter registrations in the County. There have been several voter registration drives, training sessions, a couple of municipal elections, financial reports, voting machine maintenance, upgrading the website, and the challenge of improving the Walton County Supervisor of Elections Offices on a reduced budget for 2009-2010.

**BE READY!**

This is a good time for you to make sure your voter registration is up to date and you are ready for the next election. Has your address changed? Have you moved here from another County or State? Has your name or signature changed? Most voters know to make changes to their voter registration if any of these circumstances occur.

**SIGNATURES**

We want to remind voters of how important it is to update your signature, if needed. This is especially important if you intend to vote an absentee ballot or know of someone that intends to vote by absentee ballot. The signature on an absentee ballot must match the signature on your voter registration application, or your ballot may not be counted because of a bad signature match. Does your signature look the same as it did when you registered possibly many years ago? Signatures change due to time, illness, injury, stroke, or many other reasons. Be sure you do not use what we call a "Zorro" signature, a rushed signature with a letter and just a line trailing or just a mark when signing an absentee ballot. Again, absentee ballots are accepted on signature match, and you want to be sure your ballot signature matches your registration signature.

**CONTACT INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE**

Voter registration forms are available to make changes in signature, name, address, party affiliation or for new registrations. Remember, books close only for new registrations and party changes 29 days before each election (FS 97.055). Visit one of our Supervisor of Elections Offices, call, or visit our website at

[www.VoteWaltonCounty.com](http://www.VoteWaltonCounty.com) for voter registration forms, government contacts, and much more information.

Please contact us if you have any questions or need assistance with your voter registration application.

Now is the time to make changes if needed, it is never too early to make sure your vote will count and your voter registration is up to date. Remember, your "Vote is your Voice" in Government. Democracy works best when everyone participates.

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**Main Office**

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P: 850.892.8112  
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**Florida Residents**

Call toll-free  
1.800.342.0141

**Visit Our Website**

[www.VoteWaltonCounty.com](http://www.VoteWaltonCounty.com)

**South Walton Branch Office**

South Walton Courthouse Annex  
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(Hwy 331 South)  
Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459  
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