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## **VOTE NOTES SUMMER 2010**

### **BOOK CLOSING – JULY 26, 2010**

Are you registered to vote? If not, you only have until July 26, 2010 to register to vote in the August 24, 2010 Primary Election. You must submit your voter registration application or make a change in party affiliation 29 days before each election (F.S. 97.055). Florida is a "closed primary state", this means only voters who are registered members of a political party (Democratic, Republican, Green, etc.) may vote for their respective party's candidates in a Primary Election. Voters with no party affiliation (non-partisan) are NOT eligible to vote for partisan candidates in primaries. Everyone will vote the same ballot in the November 2, 2010 General Election later this year.

### **ARE YOU READY?**

This is a good time for you to make sure your voter registration is up to date and you are ready for the 2010 elections. 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, especially 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 due to 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 absentee ballot signature matches your voter registration signature.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE**

Visit one of our Supervisor of Elections Offices below, call, or visit our website at [VoteWaltonCounty.com](http://VoteWaltonCounty.com) for voter registration forms, government contacts, absentee ballot request forms, sample ballots, and much more information. Please contact us if you have any questions or need assistance with your voter registration application.

Don't wait! Now is the time to make changes if needed and make sure your voter registration is up to date. Early Voting for the Primary starts August 9th thru August 21st, Mon-Sat, 8:30am till 4:30pm at both Walton Co. SOE Offices.

Remember, your "Vote is your Voice in Government". Democracy works best when everyone participates.

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#### **Main Office**

Walton County Courthouse  
571 E Nelson Ave, Suite 102  
(US Hwy 90 East)  
DeFuniak Springs, FL 32433  
P: 850.892.8112  
F: 850.892.8113

#### **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  
31 Coastal Centre Blvd, Suite 300  
(Hwy 331 South)  
Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459  
P: 850.622.0744  
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