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Mission Statement

"We convey the voice of the people by providing fair, accurate, and accessible elections with transparency and integrity."

- Jerry Holland



I would like to begin by expressing my thanks to every single one of our poll workers who participated in the Special Election held on Tuesday, September 20, 2011. On account of the ambitious task and dedication to the electoral process from our poll workers, we had a successful election in order to fulfill the State Senate District 1 vacancy. The Special Election was closed for democrats only because four democrats and one write-in candidate qualified. Our office was notified by the Division of Elections that the write-in candidate withdrew from the race, making the General Election scheduled for October 18th unnecessary. The newly

elected State Senator for District 1 is Audrey Gibson. Our office received a total of 11,416 ballots cast from absentee, early voting and from voters casting a ballot at the polls accruing an unfortunate 10% overall voter turn-out.

Presently our office is planning for the Presidential Preference Primary scheduled for January 31, 2012. Our office is diligently implementing changes to the electoral materials as a result of House Bill 1355. We are readily accommodating voter registration drives, training poll workers and candidates, preparing for early voting and encouraging all voters to check their status of eligibility for the 2012 elections.

As we prepare for the Holiday Season, I am confident that this upcoming year will be a monumental year because of the dedication of my outstanding staff and the commitment of Duval County's poll workers who continually raise the bar higher and higher every election. As Supervisor of Elections it is a pleasure to serve you and I will continue to provide fair, accurate and accessible elections with transparency.

VISIT US ONLINE

If you have not visited the Duval County's Supervisor of Elections website recently, visit us online at www.dualelections.com. The website recently received a new look. The new design is more user-friendly and we have added beautiful pictures of our captivating city.

Registered voters are able to check their voter status easily with a click of the mouse. Voters are also able to make necessary changes to update their voter records. Another feature enhanced with the new design is the News Section, where one can find the latest news right on the Home page. Features directed for poll workers have been conveniently placed under Poll Worker Information, which will be active registering for classes in just a few months.



SUPERVISOR RECEIVES CERTIFICATION



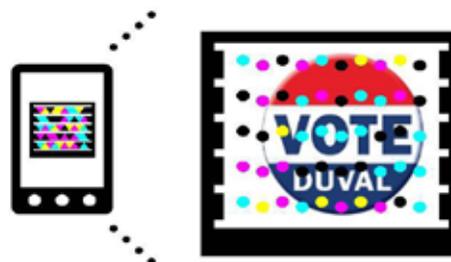
Supervisor Holland received his National Certified Elections/Registration Administrator (CERA) certification. This delegation is achieved through a comprehensive twelve course study conducted by the Elections Center’s Professional Education Program faculty of Auburn University. The certification was awarded by the Elections Center, a U.S. non-profit association of voter registrars and election administrators based in Houston, Texas. The Election Center has the largest number of the state and local elections and voter registration administrators as members of any elections related organization in America. “My

ambition throughout the CERA program is to constantly improve upon our voter registration management and elections administration. My goal also is to preserve and accelerate public trust in the democratic process by providing elections with transparency and integrity” stated Jerry Holland, Supervisor of Elections.



MICROSOFT TAGGING

Our office has created a new way of gaining contact information and important messages through our new Microsoft Tag. All Smart Phone users who are interested in accessing the Tag must download the application at <http://gettag.mobi/>, and then scan the image attached to this post. The Tag will also be posted on our website at www.duval elections.com and all publications by our office. Check back often for updated messages!



Get the free mobile app for your phone
<http://gettag.mobi>

MEET NEW STAFFERS JOANIE PRATER & AUTUMN FERNANDEZ



Raised in Jacksonville, both ladies bring a positive insight into the Education Department at the Supervisor of Elections Office. Autumn graduated from University Christian High School; she offers her contagious work ethic in every project she is a part of in our department.

Joanie graduated from Fletcher Senior High School and majored in Education which brings her intriguing love for democracy and the democratic process to our department. Since joining the team in 2010, Autumn and Joanie have been actively involved in community outreach, learning the voting equipment to educating

residents of Duval county from Senior Citizens to Elementary students in the electoral process. When not working in the elections office both ladies can be found spending time with their families.

SCHOOL ELECTION



In September, our office hosted a student election at Stanton College Preparatory School. Students voiced their opinions, by casting ballots, on who they wanted to elect into Student Government for this school year. The students were elated about voting on ballots and casting them by way of the OS Machine. Our office has been participating in the Stanton Elections since 2003.



DELEGATES FROM THE REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA



Supervisor Holland was honored to host delegates from the Republic of Georgia this fall. The Georgian Delegates toured the Election center and participated in a roundtable discussion where they were inspired by our mission statement and were eager to attain the knowledge of transparency in the electoral process. The visiting Delegates hoped that in the future their Elections would also have the integrity that voters in Duval county have come to expect.



NATURALIZATION



Throughout the year, our office is honored to attend immigration naturalization ceremonies. New citizens are provided (photo above) their first opportunity to become registered United States voters after participating in the naturalization swearing in ceremony.

CANDIDATE WORKSHOPS

In October Supervisor Holland and Beth Fleet, Director of Candidates, conducted a Candidate Workshop Election (photo right) for Candidates running for judicial seats in the upcoming elections. Topics discussed at the workshop were Campaign Signage, Campaign Ethics and Political Advertising. For more information or if you are interested in attending the next Candidate Workshop please check out our homepage at duvalelections.com.





2011 DATES TO REMEMBER

- October 31** * Halloween
- November 6** * Daylight Saving Time Ends
- November 11** * Veterans Day (City Offices Closed)
- November 24** * Thanksgiving (City Offices Closed)
- November 25** * Holiday (City Offices Closed)
- November 29** * Poll Worker Training Begins for the PPP
- December 17** * Poll Worker Training Ends for Winter Holidays
- December 23** * Christmas Eve Holiday (City Offices Closed)
- December 24** * Christmas Eve
- December 25** * Christmas Day
- December 26** * Christmas Holiday (City Offices Closed)
- December 28** * Chanukah Ends
- December 31** * New Year's Eve

*Please visit www.duval elections.com for Early Voting times and locations.

Poll Workers Registering for Classes Online

A new online program has been introduced to our newly designed website that will increase our office efficiency with Poll Worker classroom registration. All poll workers will register for a class via our newly designed website at www.duval elections.com. Training begins for the Presidential Preference Primary on November 29th. All poll workers may begin registering for class beginning November 10. To register for a class start by visiting duval elections.com, scroll down to Poll Worker Information on the Left hand side, click on Register for a class, remember your voter registration number is your user name & password. The classroom training registration is accessible anytime from anywhere that has as an internet connection. All public libraries in Duval County have computers available if you do not have computer access anywhere else. Also poll workers may contact their manager to register for a class. Questions? Comments? Email Sommer Sallette at shinson@coj.net or Christine Barrera at cbarrera@coj.net

The Time is NOW for Social Media!

Our office is now using Facebook and Twitter as a way to communicate with the public! Become a fan of our Facebook page and tweet with us on Twitter!



Follow us on Facebook at:
Duval County Supervisor of Elections



Follow us on Twitter at:
www.twitter.com/duvalcountysoe

REGISTRATION STATISTIC

Democrat – 224,053
 Republican – 190,579
 Non-Partisan – 97,673
Total – 512,305



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