

# **Election Inspector News**

## **Tioga County Board of Elections**

## Spring Issue

# New Voting Machines used throughout Tioga County

The 2010 Elections marked the dawn of a new voting era. The complete switchover to the new voting machines was finally completed.

The Board of Elections has been preparing for this change for many years. We are proud to say that it went very smoothly and there were very few problems. Most voters adjusted very well to the new process and we are confident that each and every vote was counted!

We would sincerely like to thank all of the election inspectors and the machine technicians for a great job. Everyone pitched in and did their jobs with enthusiasm and integrity. All of you went above and beyond to assist and educate voters. We couldn't have done it without you!

We will continue to refine our procedures and policies. If you have any ideas or suggestions to improve the voting process, contact Jack Langan or Bernadette Toombs.

With the experience gained from the 2010 Elections, we expect the 2011 Elections to be even less stressful for everyone.



## Privacy issue in NY state

One of the main concerns across NY state was the feeling that voters did not have enough privacy when they cast their votes in the 2010 Elections.

It wasn't a huge issue in Tioga County, but we did have some similar comments. We will be addressing this issue during our Election Inspector training. We want all voters to know that their vote is completely private. Some of the topics we will be discussing in regards to increasing voter privacy:

- Using privacy sleeves
- Encouraging voters to insert their ballots face down

LOOKING FOR INSPECTORS

IF YOU HAVE FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, CO-WORKERS OR FAMILY MEMBERS WHO MIGHT LIKE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ELECTION PROCESS TO EARN EXTRA MONEY, PLEASE HAVE THEM CONTACT OUR OFFICE.

687-8261

Never approach a voter

Poll inspectors should

never insert a voter's

Privacy booths should be

positioned so that people

cannot walk behind a

voter as he fills out his

unless he asks for

assistance

ballot

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### **Election Dates**

#### Sept.13: Primary Election

Polls open noon to 9PM

Inspectors arrive at 11:00AM

Nov. 8: General Election

Polls open 6AM to 9PM

Inspectors arrive 5:00AM

This a big "local" year. Although there are no State or Federal offices on the ballot, there are over fifty offices across Tioga County up for election.

#### **Contact Information**

Democratic Inspectors:

Call Jack Langan 687-8219

or email:langanj@co.tioga.ny.us

#### **Republican Inspectors:**

Call Bernadette Toombs 687-8218 Or

email:toombsb@co.tioga.ny.us

Visit our website at: www.tiogacountyny.com

## AFFIDAVITS

#### A little refresher about Affidavit ballots:

- First call the BOE so we can verify the voter is in the correct district.
- Give the voter an affidavit ballot and envelope. (Affidavit ballots are counted at the Board of Elections
- When the voter gives the envelope back, make sure they have signed it and filled out both sides.
- The Inspector must then fill in the Town and E.D. information and also sign the envelope.
- Fill in the Challenge Report with the complete voter's name and address
- Place the completed Affidavit ballots in the Affidavit envelope.

# **POLL SITE CHANGES**

**BARTON** voters in Districts 1,2.3.8 will be voting at the new Waverly Village Hall.



NEW WAVERLY VILLAGE HALL BARTON DISTRICTS 1,2,3,8 **CANDOR** voters in District 2 will be voting at the newly built Weltonville Fire Station.



NEW WELTONVILLE FIRE STATION CANDOR 2 **CANDOR** voters in Districts 1,3,4,5 will be voting at the Candor Fire Station.



CANDOR FIRE STATION CANDOR DISTRICTS 1,3,4,5

# \$\$\$ PAYDAY \$\$\$

Elections Inspectors receive \$160.00 for working at the General Election and \$110.00 for working at the Primary Election. All inspectors receive an additional \$25.00 for attending the inspector training classes. Chairperson receives

additional \$25.00 for Election Day service. Checks are usually distributed the second week of December.



TBA:

Inspector training will take place this summer. We will contact you when the dates are confirmed.