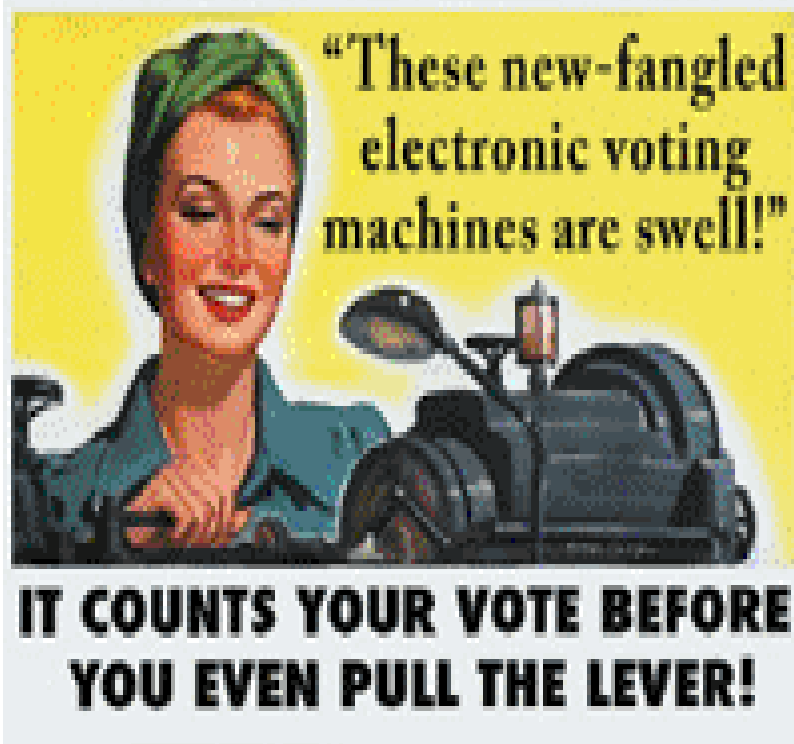


# Jefferson County Election Night Result Reporting



**Commissioners: Jerry Eaton (R), Sean Hennessey (D)**

# Supplies and Protocols Pre-Election

- We use the Rifkin zippered pouch



- Supplies in this pouch are:
  - Voting machine keys
  - Closing seals for “Red Bag” and machine
  - Voting machine seal sheets
  - Scissors
  - All seals needed for the day
  - Zip lock baggies for Memory Card

# Day Prior to Election Day

- Red bags are picked up by a designated Election Inspector from the ED(s) at each poll site.
- Bags are sealed and seal number is recorded. Red bag seal for Election Night return is recorded as well.
- Inspectors sign for bags and are made responsible for delivery.



# Election Day Ops

- Along with Green ballot bags and Red/Blue Inspector Bags, Red Bags are kept next to Inspectors for safety, easy access, and easy information control.
- All voting machine seals are left safely in the Red Bags along with Opening Sean Sheet recordings and the Zero Tape(s).



# Election Night Return Process

- At the close of polls, all signed tapes along with voting machine key, seals sheets, extra seals, and **POLL WORKER MEMORY CARD (CF Card #1)** are placed in the Red Bag and sealed with pre-recorded seal.
- Along with the Green Ballot Bag(s) and the Inspector Bag(s), the Red Bag is brought back with a bi-partisan team of Inspectors from that poll site.
- Upon arrival at our County Building, one Inspector takes the Red Bag to our voting machine room while ballots and Inspector documents are taken to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor staging area.
- Once the Inspector arrives with the Red Bag, a bi-partisan team of machine trained folks records the Red Bag seal, opens the bag and goes through the following Checklist with the Inspector(s):



# No More Phone-In of Results



- After our 2009 Special Congressional/General Election confusion of having Inspectors call in results from the machine tapes, we did away with the old way of reporting by phone.
- Since the 2010 September Congressional Primary, we have not had a single issue with result reporting or 100% accuracy.

# Red Bag Drop Off Procedures

## 2012 Federal Primary Election Red Bag Return

**Town/City** \_\_\_\_\_

**District** \_\_\_\_\_

CF Card #1  
Administrative Keys  
Seal Sheet (signed by 2 Inspectors)  
Used Seals  
Un-used Seals



**Flash Card was returned to the Board of Elections by:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PRINT**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**SIGNATURE**

**B.O.E. Staff** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**If any legally binding material remains unsigned by an Inspector(s), they will be required to come to the Board of Elections and sign any and all paperwork.**

# Drop Off to Website

- Once the Red Bag is put through its checklist, Sean and I stay in the machine room and run the memory cards from the check-in table to the Machine Technicians who are responsible for the EMS system and uploading the cards to the system.

Sean



Jerry

- Once the ladies load a couple cards into EMS, they transfer the pertinent information to a thumb-drive and hand it to our IT guru who then goes to his laptop and pops it up to our county website.



# Conclusions

- Our fastest return time is 10:38 PM for 93 ED's and 47 Poll Sites. Our county is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest county geographically.
- Geography is an issue but if we can do it by 10:38, even Chautauqua County can make it happen!
- **New Chautauqua Welcome Sign**



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