

NOTICE OF ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING

Nancy Nelson, Lee County Clerk and Recorder would like to announce that **NO EXCUSE ABSENTEE VOTING** is now being conducted in the Election Department of her office. Illinois State statute now provides Absentee Voting for all voters with **NO EXCUSE NECESSARY**. Absentee voting will take place until Thursday, January 28, 2010 by mail and until Monday, February 1, 2010 if voting in person.

EARLY VOTING will take place from Monday, January 11, 2010 thru Thursday, January 28, 2010. Early voting must be conducted in person.

With the General Primary Election taking place on Tuesday, February 2, 2010, and the possibility of bad weather, **VOTERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING.**

State law requires registered voters to show valid photo identification. The law prohibits any person who voted during the absentee and early voting period from voting at the polls on Election Day. The votes cast during this time will not be counted until Election Day. Once a ballot has been cast it cannot be rescinded.

All **ABSENTEE AND EARLY VOTING** will take place in the Election Department, first floor of the Old Lee County Courthouse, Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. and Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 9:00a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Anyone with questions should call the Election Department at 815-288-3309.

Nancy Nelson
Lee County Clerk & Recorder