

## **March 26 Presidential Preference Poll**

This is an update on the Presidential Preference Poll and the Precinct Club meetings that will follow the poll. The polling will begin at 1pm and continue until all present are able to complete voting. You will be meeting and voting by precinct. If you are not sure of your precinct number a future post will tell you how to get this information. You need to be a member of the Democratic Party in order to be able to vote in the election. Every precinct will have a list of party members. You will be able to join the party on the spot if you are not already a member. This website will have a list of all precinct polling locations as soon as they are finalized. The locations will also be listed in a newspaper announcement next March.

Once the polling is complete we will hold our Precinct Club meetings. The most important function of these meetings is to elect the officers and convention delegates who will serve for the following two years. This is your opportunity to take a more active role in running your party. The Precinct President and District Council Representative will also be members of their District Councils. Our Districts are the same as State House of Representative Districts. District Councils need to meet within a month of the Precinct Club meetings in order to elect District Officers.

Many people are asking about what it means to be elected as a representative to the party conventions. Each precinct will elect male and female delegates to the conventions. If you are elected you are urged to attend the pre-convention which will be held in Waimea on Saturday April 2. At this meeting resolutions will be proposed that will go to the county convention where they will be passed or rejected. Resolutions that pass will be forwarded to the state resolutions committee where members will vote on which resolutions will be forwarded to the floor for a vote by all delegates. At our pre-convention we will also update our county rules and draft a new county platform. Delegates will next attend our county convention which will be held in Kona on Saturday April 30th. Delegates are urged to also attend the state convention which will be held in Waikiki on May 28 and 29. At the state convention delegates will be elected to represent Hawaii at the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia on July 25 to 28.