SAMPLE SCRIPT FOR VOTE BY MAIL CHASE (Ballots sent out but not returned by voter)

Wear a nametag or T-shirt or some other way to identify yourself as a Democrat. Always be courteous and listen well. Smile!

Don't read the script but use it as a guide.

Before going to the door, review the age, gender, name of the Democrat(s) you are contacting.

"Hello. Is (Name of Voter) available?" Or "Hello, are you _____ (name)?"

"My name is (Your Name) and I'm a volunteer with the Democratic Party. Our records show that you have requested to Vote by Mail. By now, your ballot should have arrived in a blue and white envelope from the Supervisor of Elections' Office.

Have you received it? If answer is Yes, then say. "I hope you will return it as soon as possible. You have the power to make a difference in this election."

If they say "No" or "I can't find it." Tell them to call the Supervisor of Elections office to request another ballot. The phone number is 941-861-3760.

One important reminder to make sure your vote is contacted, is to sign and date the outside of the envelope in black ink. Include only one ballot in an envelope. Put on a stamp and mail it so it arrives before Election Day. It must be received by 7:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 3.

A few days after you have sent in your ballot, you can check to make sure it was received by going to sarasotavotes.com or calling the Supervisor of Elections at 941-861-3760.

When you have completed your conversation, wish them a good day, thank them for their time and say good-bye.

(Note: Frequently Asked Question - "Can I go to the polls instead of sending in a Vote by Mail Ballot." The answer is Yes, but it is best to take your paper Vote by Mail ballot with you.)