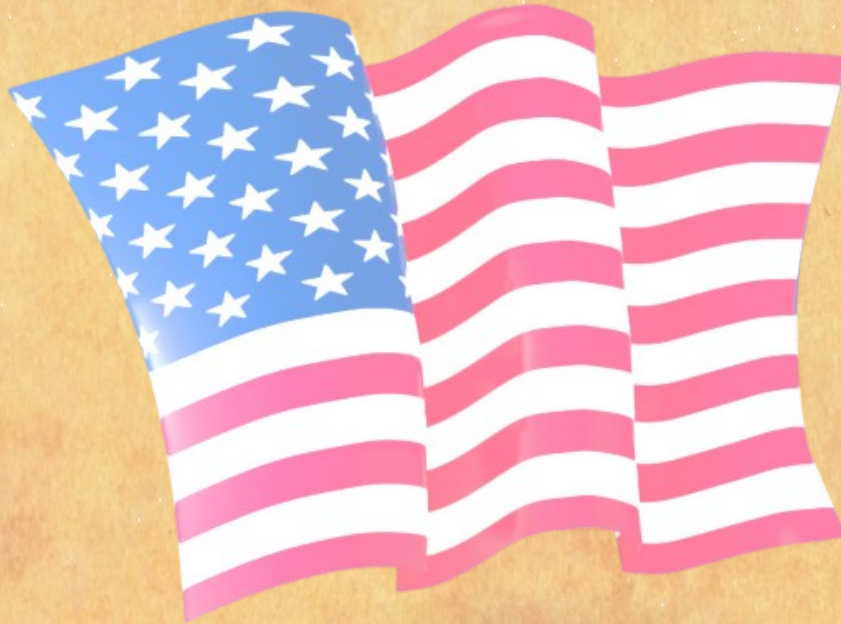


The Gatekeeper Gazette

For Poll Workers—Our “Gatekeepers of Democracy”

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Office Closures for this quarter

Independence Day—Thursday, July 4

Labor Day—Monday, September 2

NATIONAL CELEBRATIONS

July is National **Blueberry** and **Watermelon** Month.

August is National Catfish and Wellness Month.

September is National Fruit & Veggie Month.



AND, of course:

The Fourth of July!



Labor Day on September 3!

Grandparents Day on September 9



JULY

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Debra Currier
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Nancy Gardner
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Gillian Ward

WHAT'S UP WITH VOTING?

We all go to our local poll to vote. Trouble is there is no pole and the word “poll” seems to be a misnomer. Well, one must look back a couple of centuries to find out how the election location is called a poll. The place you find poll workers.

It seems that the word “poll” is of German origin and first recorded use occurred in the 13th century. It meant “head”. Before the days of literacy and secret ballots, elections were usually carried out by counting the voter’s heads and so where the heads were counted was to be known as the polls.

Also interesting is the fact that in 21 U.S. States (including Washington, D.C.) it is legal to take a photo with a ballot, but in 16 states it is illegal. A person found guilty in those 16 states faces a fine or jail time.

Submitted by: Anonymous

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Do you have any friends that may be interested in becoming a Poll Worker?



REQUIREMENTS: Should be a non-smoker, must be able to work a 14 hour day, must be able to lift (approximately) 42 lbs., should have a reliable transportation/drivers license, must be able to stand for long periods of time, must be able to commit to the entire election cycle.

We are always accepting applications.
Currently seeking bilingual applicants (English as first language).
Contact Linda or Kelly at (941) 833-5411 or 5404.

Looking for things to do this summer? Check out these top 10.

FOR THE BIRDWATCHERS

1. **Everglades National Park:** 40001 SR-9336, Homestead, FL 33034 (305)242-7700
2. **Florida Keys & Dry Tortugas:** John Pennekamp State Park (305)294-7009
3. **Loxahatchee Nat'l Wildlife Refuge:** 10216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach FL 33437
4. **Merritt Island Nat'l Wildlife Refuge:** Box 6504, Titusville, FL 32782 (407)861-0667
5. **Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary:** 375 Sanctuary Rd., Naples, FL 33964 (941)657-3771
6. **Ding Darling Nat'l Wildlife Refuge:** 1 Wildlife Dr., Sanibel, FL 33957 (941)472-1100
7. **Ocala National Forrest:** 10863 East Highway 30, Silver Springs, FL (904)605-7470
8. **Fort DeSoto County Park:** 3500 Pinellas Bayway S., Tierra Verde, FL (727)866-2484
9. **Honeymoon Island State Rec:** 1 Causeway Blvd., Dunedin, FL 34698 (727)469-5942
10. **St. Marks Nat'l Wildlife Refuge:** Box 68, St. Marks, FL 32355 (904)925-6121

FOR THOSE WITH LITTLE ONES VISITING

1. **Mote Marine:** 1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy, Sarasota, FL 34236 (941)388-4441
2. **Big Cat Habitat:** 7101 Palmer Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34232 (941)371-6377
3. **Sky Zone:** 6180 Edgelake Dr., Sarasota, FL 34240 (941)363-6359
4. **Laishley Park Splash Pad:** 100 Nesbit St., Punta Gorda, FL 33950
5. **Bowland Port Charlotte:** 3192 Harbor Blvd., Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941)625-4794
6. **Mike Greenwell's Family Park:** 35 NE Pine Island Rd., Cape Coral (239)458-1388
7. **Golisano Children's Museum:** 15080 Livingston Rd., Naples, FL 34109 (239)514-0084
8. **Build-A-Bear Workshop:** 23191 Fashion Dr., #101, Estero, FL 33928 (239)947-5871
9. **Naples Zoo:** 1590 Goodlette-Frank Rd., Naples, FL 34102 (239)262-5409
10. **Sun-N-Fun Lagoon:** 15000 Livingston Rd., Naples, FL 34109 (239)252-4021

FOR THOSE LOOKING FOR A GETAWAY FOR A FEW DAYS

1. Clearwater/St. Petersburg
2. Islamorada and the Florida Keys
3. St. Augustine
4. Daytona Beach
5. West Palm Beach
6. Tarpon Springs
7. Mount Dora
8. Amelia Island
9. Weeki Wachee (Spring Hill)
10. Destin

*It's a smile. It's a kiss. It's a sip of wine.
It's summertime!*

(Kenny Chesney)