

Poll Worker News

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Greetings from Susan

Hello to All!

It is with great excitement that I send this second "Poll Worker" correspondence to you. I have waited until now to send this to you because of the uncertainty of things in Tallahassee. Well, now is the time! The Governor and the legislature have finalized this year's changes.

I want you all to have a great summer. As I told you earlier, we are definitely going to start early preparing for the 2008 elections. I know you have heard from the newspaper or TV, that the governor and legislature changed the dates for the 2008 elections, so here they are:

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY—JANUARY 29, 2008 TUESDAY

PRIMARY—AUGUST 26, 2008—TUESDAY

GENERAL—NOVEMBER 4, 2008—TUESDAY

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW, and start making plans to work and train. I informed you last year that, since 2000 things are constantly changing in the election process. You must now consider yourselves employees of the elections' office, and not just election day poll workers. This means that we need you to work all the elections and attend all training scheduled between now and the last election of 2008. If you work the Presidential Preference Primary in January, we expect you to work them all and attend all training. If the elections office invests in the training of our workers, we depend on you to work, or if you are a substitute, work when called to duty. Gone are the days when you could work an election and not attend a school, or you worked one election and not the second, et cetera. Laws and situations have changed drastically. We need you to attend all schools to keep you informed of changes on both laws and procedures. Also, to rehash procedures which have not been changed. We all know that, we learn best when we practice, practice, practice.

New in 2008:

Below are parts of the 2008 Legislative Session changes from CS/HB 537 that will affect your work at the polls. The Governor signed this bill on May 21, 2007.

1. Effective July 1, 2008— all voting shall be mark-sense, using a marking device. This means that we go back to paper ballot, optical scan voting. The touch screen will only be used for voters with disabilities. **Note:** by 2012 all voters will be using a form of paper ballot, even those with disabilities. (new 101.56075FS)
2. Effective May 21, 2007—A minor party could have their own ballot in a primary election if they have their own candidate qualify. Just like the Democrats and Republicans and Nonpartisans have their own. (new 99.096FS)
3. Effective January 1, 2008— Removes two forms of ID that an elector may use at a polling location for identification: (1) employee badge or identification (2) buyer's club identification.

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Special Points of interest

- Training is required for every election. No exceptions.
- Note the reasons for Provisional Ballots. **All workers** need to be familiar with them.
- We will no longer use admit tickets for OS/Paper Ballots, they will only be used for voting on the Touch Screen.

TRAINING FOR 2008 ELECTION YEAR

TRAINING FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY ELECTION

August 15, 2007 through September 28, 2007

November 19, 2007 through December 21, 2007

We are conducting the first of the training sessions for the 2008 election year, beginning in August and it will go through September. Each training school will be conducted at the polling site in which you worked last election or will work for 2008, or where you may be a substitute. You will soon be contacted by your clerk as to the exact date at your polling place (site). If for some reason you cannot attend your polling place school (training), please tell your clerk as soon as you know and then contact Jennifer in the Elections' Office, so that she can place you into another place (site). Remember, it is very imperative that you attend one of these training sessions. Since the Presidential Preference Primary has been moved to January 29, 2008, we will only have time and money to have one more training session for the January election. Those dates will begin in November and go through December, with two scheduled for each day and one day with three scheduled. This way, we are all through with training before Christmas, and the Elections' Office will be able to meet all our deadlines for the January 29th election date.

I am so sorry that we have to ask each of you to give up vacation days during this holiday season, but the legislature has set the date and we must do our duties to get the job done. I would like to thank you all in advance, and say I am so grateful to you for wanting to work through this particular time in the election process. Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!

If you **cannot work**, then we understand, and will miss you. But, please, **call Jennifer or your clerk as soon as possible if you CANNOT WORK for 2008. Also, please fill out the attached "Are You Working in 2008?" information and return IMMEDIATELY.**

TRAINING FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION

July 7, 2008 through July 30, 2008

I have also set the dates for the Primary and General election training. Please mark these dates as well. Again, your clerk will call you and let you know when to attend. When it gets close to the date for your particular school, and you have an emergency situation and cannot attend your scheduled class, again, you must call your clerk to let him/her know and then call Jennifer in the Elections' Office so she can schedule you for another class.

The Primary school dates will begin July 7th and go through July 30th, **2008**. We are in the process of scheduling the 2008 election schedule with each polling site. Once the Elections' Office has all times and dates confirmed and the polling site has everything on their calendar, Jennifer will begin to call each clerk with the information so that the clerks can call their workers. **Clerks, it will be very important for you to contact your workers immediately** so they can put these dates on their calendar, or if they are unable to work, they can let us know now, so we can begin to search for new poll workers to take their place.

TRAINING FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION

September 15, 2008

This training school will be set on one day, with three sessions. Clerks and Assistant Clerks must attend at least 3 hours of training; Inspectors and Deputies must attend at least 2 hours of training. We will have our "live training" on sensitivity during the first hour of each session. The site for these sessions has not been determined as of this date. We should be in our new office by then and the board of county commission's meeting room should be finished, if there is enough space in the new board meeting room, we could possibly have it there. I will have all sessions at a Palatka location, for it will be hard for me, my staff and the people who must demonstrate the sensitivity, to travel to other sites in just one day.

General Election Training Sessions Times:

Session 1: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.— Inspectors & Deputies, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Clerks & Assistant Clerks, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Session 2: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.— Inspectors & Deputies, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Clerks & Assistant Clerks, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Session 3: 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.— Inspectors & Deputies, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Clerks & Assistant Clerks, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

RECIPES



O.K. We know you all have some good recipes you use on election day. We have had no response since the last newsletter. Please share your yummy dishes with everyone and send them to me. We would love to publish them in the next newsletter. But for now, here is another one.

Easy Apple Dumplings

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| 1 (8 oz.) can crescent rolls | 2 cooking apples |
| 1 stick margarine | 2/3 c. sugar |
| 3/4 c. water | 1/2 tsp. cinnamon |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | |

Peel, core and quarter the apples. Wrap apple quarters in one crescent triangle. Place 8 wrapped sections in a 9-inch glass dish. Heat remaining ingredients until sugar dissolves. Carefully pour over apple dumplings. Bake at 375 degrees for 30-35 minutes. Let stand for 10 minutes. Serve with Cool Whip or ice cream.

This is a quick and delicious recipe for unexpected company. Mary Hall, poll worker, Walton County pct 17. *(they actually have a whole book of recipes!!!!!!)*

Provisional Ballots

Attention Poll Workers: Please cut out the following reasons for a provisional ballot (or keep this letter) and study them. This will be on the test we give you. We want all of you to be familiar with the reasons for a provisional ballot before election day:

1. Voter's name does not appear on the precinct register and voter's eligibility cannot be verified.
2. Voter refutes the supervisor's office confirmation that he or she is not registered/eligible.
3. There is an indication on the precinct register that the voter has requested an absentee ballot and the voter does not have a ballot to surrender. Poll worker cannot verify that the voter has not voted.
4. There is an indication on the precinct register that the voter has returned the absentee ballot or has voted in the office or at an early voting site, but the voter maintains that he or she has not voted, even after a call to the office.
5. Voter did not provide picture and signature identification.
6. There is an indication on the precinct register that the voter has been challenged in this election.
7. Voter is challenged at the precinct (attach copy of challenge—do not enclose oath in envelope)
8. Voter's ID signature and signature given do not match. Voter refused affidavit.
9. Indication on precinct register that voter's status is pending because FL DL#, FL ID card# or SSN is not yet verified by the state.
10. Other (provide comment)
11. Extended hours at Polls, after 7 PM.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Once again, we would like to take the opportunity to say Happy Birthday those who have recently celebrated a birthday, and those who will be celebrating a birthday in the upcoming months. We hope you get lots of good presents!

JUNE

James Brock	Jared Davis	Barbara Galloway		
Robert Gibson	Charlotte Hancock	Charles Horner		
Lillian Jamerson	Margery Jones	David Kline		
Eileen Marchisen	Thomas Martin	Georgia McDonald	Joyce Moore	Jack Newport
Earlene Price	George Rensel	Tracy Robidoux	Joanne Robinson	Robert Saylor
Joan Smith	Carol Vazquez	Joann Vreen	Helen West	

JULY

Charles Bates	Harold Blumenburg	Annie Brown	Alice Carnes	Donna Cooney
Nancy Durrant	Donald Etcher	Dorothy Fanning	James Fender	Grover Frederick
Dolores Frieb	Marilyn Gray	Marie Harrison	Susan Irelan	Patricia Kinney
Florence McCray	Kathryn Pizzi	Miriam Rodriguez	Richard Rose	Christy Sanford
Betty Schultz	Marjorie Shults	Marliyn Vaughan	Barbara Wade	Leota Waller
Mary Kay Wainwright	Alex Wattles			

AUGUST

Barbara Altman	Rosemary Anderson	Mary Baird	Susan Boggs	Patricia A. Brown
Betty Carnes	Beth Carter	Jamie Carter	Robert Collins	Edwena Daniel
Thomas Daniel	William Germany	Pam Gill	Juanita Hamilton	Jimmy Joyner
Jack Kline	Addie Langley	Chrisi Larrivee	Karen Marx	Felicia McClendon
Alonzo Middleton	Erma Morgan	Ruby Paltridge	Harriett Pinkston	Annie Pirtle
Teresa Presley	Virginia Register	Helen Ritting	William Spotnagle	Ruby Stallings
Ronald Tourville	Dot Welch	Martine Williams		

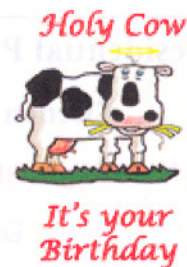
SEPTEMBER

Judy Arnold	Clarine Beach	David Branch	Patricia A. Brown	Barbara Bryan
Catherine Casey	Rissi Cherie	Sharon Cobb	Christina Cothron	Kathy Dampier
Dorothy Delaney	Johnnie Dowdy	Sally Edwards	Ronda Filhart	Kathy Germany
Peggy Halsey	Douglas Johnson	Rebecca Jones	Rose Kalapp	Herriett Klemm
Jacquelyn Kline	Quincy Langston	William Letourneau	Mary Ann Lyles	William Pressley
Loyce Robidoux	Lori Ross	Joanne Seabrooke	Carolyn Serwe	Sue Stevens
Angela Tischler	Thomas Varnadoe	Samuel Williams	Arthur Yerpe	



OCTOBER

Laura Black	Lonnie Bridges	Sharon Carter	Debra Drawdy
Mary Fleetwood	Joann Hall	Joseph Higgins	Marjorie Jacob
Victor Jones	Kathleen Kelley	Juanita Long	Brenda Poole
Luanne Recicar	Linda Schauland	Suzanne Stewart	Marjorie Vande Mark

**NOVEMBER**

Dorothy Bullinger	Harriette Cannon	Ronnie Carnes	Melinda Darrah	
Alva Dennard	Vivian Dreessen	Ruby Duncan	Ella Epps	Evelyn Green
Glorious Griffin	Lois Harrington	Jessie Harrison	Phyllis Henkle	Kenneth Jones
Quincy Masters	Marie McGee	Eugenia McLendon	Marcus Motes	Yvonne Munn
Anthony Nelson	Dalton Ramsey	Evelyn Ramsey	Diane Rogers	Allan Seabrooke
Yolanda Spicer	William Sweany	Ruth Taylor	Merle Varnadoe	Cotty West
Judy West	Gwendolyn White	Kathryn Williams	Rusel Windsong	Nancy Winkler

DECEMBER

Audrea Allen	Peggy Andes	Billy Bennett	Reathy Breteler	Rena Carroll
Susan Deputy Anderson	Marlene Ewbank	Barbara Fender	Freida Garland	Tomsena Greene
Frank Henley	Virginia Hill	Charlotte Hornback	Judy Jones	Marion Kemper
Lois Killen	Jeanne Knox	Mike Patterson	Dorothy Peterson	Mary Saxby
Bruce Schwartz	Marjorie Seashore	Norma Stallings	Mavis Stevens	Vashti Strickland
Norma Tibbetts	Shirley Traina	Bonnie Underwood	Peggy Yerbe	

**Registered Voters as of July 16,
2007**

12,790 Republican
23,862 Democrat
6,319 Other

**42,971 Total Registered
Voters**

**DID YOU KNOW THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAN
BE OBTAINED VIA THE ELECTIONS' OFFICE WEBSITE
AT WWW.PUTNAM-FL.COM/SOE**

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| ✓ Upcoming elections | ✓ Early Voting Information |
| ✓ Election Results | ✓ Voter Information Guide |
| ✓ Absentee Ballot Requests | ✓ Candidate Information |
| ✓ Current Registration Statistics | ✓ Financial Disclosures |
| ✓ SOE contact information | ✓ Voting Equipment Information/
Demonstrations |
| ✓ Elections Calendar | ✓ Kids/Student Links |
| ✓ Elected Officials | ✓ Sample Ballots |
| ✓ Address Change | ✓ Poll Worker Info |
| ✓ Precinct Locations | ✓ Links to other election related
sites |
| ✓ District Maps | |

The 2008 Election Calendar

Presidential Preference Primary Election

Election Day: January 29, 2008

New Registration & Party Change Deadline

December 31, 2007

Early Voting Begins: January 14, 2008

Early Voting Ends: January 26, 2008

Primary Election

Election Day: August 26, 2008

New Registration & Party Change Deadline

July 28, 2008

Early Voting Begins: August 11, 2008

Early Voting Ends: August 23, 2008

General Election

Election Day: November 4, 2008

New Registration & Party Change Deadline

October 6, 2008

Early Voting Begins: October 20, 2008

Early Voting Ends: November 1, 2008

Offices To Be Filled In 2008

Federal Offices

President and Vice President

Representative in Congress, Districts 3 & 7

Multicounty And District Offices

State Senator Districts 1 & 7

State Representative, District 21, all of Putnam County

State Attorney, 7th Circuit

Public Defender, 7th Circuit

County Offices/Constitutional Officers

Clerk of Circuit Court

Property Appraiser

Sheriff

Superintendent of District Schools

Supervisor of Elections

Tax Collector

County Offices

3 Members of the Board of County Commissioners, Districts 1, 3 & 5

2 Members of the School Board, Districts 2 & 3 (non-partisan)

Putnam County Soil & Water Conservation, Districts 1 & 3 (non-partisan)

Information concerning qualifying for Putnam County offices can be obtained from the Elections' office at (386)329-0224

Non Partisan

Judicial Retention

Justices of the Supreme Court

(only those whose terms expire January 2009)

Judges, District Courts of Appeal

(only those whose terms expire January 2009)

Circuit Judges - Group 2 & Group 24

County Court Judges - Group 2

FAMOUS QUOTES

Ask not what your country can do for you, but
what you can do for your country.

~JFK

Those who stay away from the elections think that
one vote will do no good. 'Tis but one step more to
think one vote will do no harm.

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

Supervisor of Elections Office Honors Our Recently Retired Poll Workers



On Monday, March 12, 2007, we had a social to honor 2004-2006 Retired Poll Workers. We had some refreshments, reminisced about old times and caught up with old friends.

Pictured above are:

Kneeling, Supervisor of Elections, Susan McCool.

Retired Poll Workers -

Sitting - Wilma Kuhns, Barbara Waldrop, Dot Ellis, Joe Montonye, Mary Feagin, Lubertha Davis

Standing - Lois Godwin, Catherine Burnette, Judy Surratt, Mary Baker, Barbara Collins, Pat Sapp,

Don Strickland, Breen Lansford, Jo Ann Comer, Van Waldrop, Olive Montonye, Ferrell Green, Bud Surratt, Della Robinson, Bentley Gibson, Betty Wilkinson, and Vertie Ward.

Those not attending:

Melinda Darrah, Lynn Dawson, Mary Dawson, Leah Edwards, Dorothea Fleming, Doris Fridy, Ada Frye, Eugenia Gibbs, Johnnie Mae Granger, Sadie Gross, Rosalee Hagar, Gail Hart, Charles and Mavis Holly, Joe and Nancy Hull, Victor Jones, Dessie Langford, Pauline Leary, Ed and Mary Lewis, Carroll Middleton, Helen Mills, Robert Mullen, Billy and Mildred Oliver, Edith Stockton, Richard Strickler, Juanita Treadwell, Tommy Underwood, Marcia Vangunten, Morris Welch, Betty Jo White, Betty Willis, Gwen Young, and Pat Ziegler.

We cannot express how grateful we are to have had the chance to work with these wonderful people. They have been a great asset to our office and will all be greatly missed.

We Remember.....

We regret to announce the passing of two members of our poll worker family.

Edwin Cox, clerk at 1st Presbyterian Westminster Hall, passed away on Tuesday, January 30, 2007. Mr. Cox was born in Terra Haute, Ind., in 1939. In 1957, he graduated from Edgewater High School in Orlando and, after eight years active duty in the USAF, went on to earn a bachelor of science degree from the University of Florida in Gainesville. While a student at the university, he was the general manager of Alachua Ambulance Service.

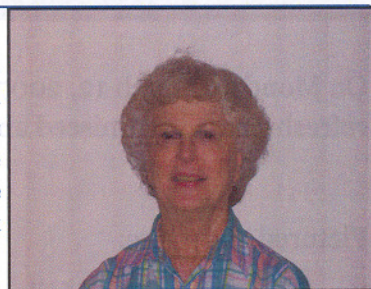
He entered the U.S. Army Reserve and served an additional 16 years before retiring as a master sergeant. His 18 awards included the Combat Aircrew Badge, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal,

Combat Readiness Medal and the Expert Marksman Badge (rifle and pistol). He logged over 3,200 flying hours while on active duty as a radar operator on board the EC-121D Radar Pickett aircraft during and after the Cuban Missile Crisis, as well as on missions in and around several other countries.



During his working years, he was employed in Tallahassee by the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services as the coordinator for the Florida Agricultural Advisory Council, in Tampa by the Florida Poultry Federation as executive vice president and, finally, in Atlanta by the U.S. Poultry & Egg Association as vice president—expositions, before retiring in June 2001. He became a poll worker for the 2004 Primary Election, and clerk for the General. He worked in Early Voting for the 2006 election cycle and helped with extra training on the touch screens.. Mr. Cox was a great worker and friend. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Jean Messina, inspector at Putnam County Agricultural Center, passed away on December 5, 2006. She was 80 years young. Ms. Messina lived in East Palatka and was formerly from Jacksonville Beach and Keystone Heights. In Keystone Heights she and her late husband Nick Messina owned an audio & visual store. She lived there 15 years before moving to Putnam County 4 years ago. Jean enjoyed time with her family, playing bridge, laughing and volunteering in any capacity that would help others. She became a poll worker in 2002, and worked every election since as an Inspector. She was a joy to work with and will be greatly missed.



Please keep our friends in your thoughts and prayers

Dick Schauland—Clerk, precinct 53, Southwest Volunteer Fire Department

Linda Schauland—Inspector, precinct 53, Southwest Volunteer Fire Department

Jack Kline—Deputy, precinct 26, Tabernacle Baptist Church

Liz Gibson, Wife of Bentley Gibson, retired Poll Worker

Sandra Bayless - Inspector, precinct 53, Southwest Volunteer Fire Department



If anyone would like to have Susan come and talk to their church group, Home Owner's Assoc, Community Center, Womans Club, Bridge Club, Yacht Club, Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Retirement Center, etc. Please call 329-0222.

HELP WANTED

With several elections fast approaching, your help is needed in finding interested people for this very important work. Keep your eyes open for friends, family and neighbors whom you feel would do a good job and you would enjoy working with. When you find someone who is interested, have them call Jennifer at 386-329-0223 or send an email to jennifer.adkisson@putnam-fl.com.

OUR OFFICE IS MOVING!!!!!!

In the Spring of 2008 our office will be moving to the new Government Complex at the Old Azalea Plaza on Crill Avenue, by Westover Drive.



Are you working in 2008?

POLL WORKERS AND SUBSTITUTES ARE TO FILL THIS OUT IMMEDIATELY AND RETURN TO THE ELECTIONS' OFFICE.

Are you planning to work in the 2008 election cycle? If so, please let us know by filling out this portion of the newsletter and sending it back to us as soon as possible so we may start placing workers in their polling places. **If you do not return this, we will assume you are not working or cannot be a substitute. We need this back immediately, please.**

Name _____

Residence Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Mailing Address if different: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Work number: _____ Email Address: _____

_____ I AM **"RETIRING"** before the 2008 elections

_____ CAN ATTEND POLL WORKER SCHOOL IN AUG/SEPT 2007. **(Required to work polls)**

_____ CAN ATTEND POLLWORKER SCHOOL IN DECEMBER 2007. **(Required to work polls)**

_____ CAN WORK PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY ON JANUARY 29, 2008.

_____ CAN ATTEND POLL WORKER SCHOOL IN JULY 2008. **(Required to work polls)**

_____ CAN WORK PRIMARY ELECTION ON AUGUST 26, 2008.

_____ CAN ATTEND POLL WORKER SCHOOL IN SEPT 2008. **(Required to work polls)**

_____ CAN WORK GENERAL ELECTION ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008.

_____ CANNOT WORK THE 2008 ELECTION CYCLE.