



Department of Elections staff demonstrate new voting procedure.

A gathering of 600 eagles

Voters will no longer punch holes in their ballots. Instead, using a special pen with carbon-based ink, they will record their votes by drawing straight lines next to their choices.

And, instead of dropping their ballot into a ballot box, they will feed a single sheet of paper into an optical scanner, which has taken on the unlikely nickname "The Eagle." Each of San Francisco's 600-plus precincts will have its own Eagle.

The \$3.2 million system replaces the 20-year-old punch card operation that has plagued vote counters with jammed machines and vote count delays

that often stretched into days.

The Eagle will record each vote and emit a telephone-like ring when the ballot has been counted. The paper ballots will be stored in a cabinet below the scanner and the counted votes will be added to a black-box data storage unit, which will be removed after the polls close and taken to one of five locations in the city where the data will be shipped to City Hall by modem.

If everything goes as planned, regular ballots could be tallied before the 11 o'clock news. Absentee ballots, write-in votes and provisional ballots will have to wait until the day after for counting.

NEW VOTING PROCEDURE

by Stan Hutton

No.	Precinct	Location	Address
1	3241/3249	Firehouse	1067 Post
2	3242	Community SE Asian Center	875 O'Farrell
3	3243	Alemany Community College	750 Eddy, Rm. 406
4	3244	St. Anthony's Comm. Ctr.	119 Golden Gate
5	3245	Fox Plaza lobby	1390 Market St.
6	3252	Lobby	811 Geary
7	3253	Lobby	525 Hyde
8	3254	Ellis Gardens social room	666 Ellis
9	3255	Lobby Hampton Court	378 Golden Gate
10	3256	Salvation Army	240 Turk
11	3257	YMCA lobby	220 Golden Gate
12	3264	Lobby	840 Post
13	3266/3268	First Congregational Church	432 Mason
14	3267	S.F. Senior Ctr. - Dining area	481 O'Farrell
15	3269/3271/3277	S.F. Housing Auth. - Reading room	350 Ellis
16	3272	Cadillac Hotel lobby	380 Eddy
17	3273/3275	Wm. Penn Residence	160 Eddy
18	3274	San Christina Comm. Center	1000 Market
19	Citywide	CITY HALL	One Carlton Goodlett Pl.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO VOTE IN THE NOVEMBER 7, 2000 ELECTION!



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DISTRICT ELECTIONS!!!!

- H It's a new system for electing supervisors!
- H Vote for only **one** candidate for Supervisor for your district.
- H **Vote in your own polling place, vote absentee or vote early at City Hall** (October 10-November 6, 8:00 am- 5:00 pm Monday-Friday; 10:00 am-4:00 pm Saturday-Sunday)
- H **HOW TO FIND YOUR DISTRICT AND POLLING PLACE:** See the District map on page 20 of the new September 2000 Yellow Pages; look it up on our website: www.sfgov.org/election, look on the back cover of your Voter Information Pamphlet, or call us at 554-4375.



NEW VOTING TECHNOLOGY!!!!

H Come vote on the new "Eagle" optical scanning voting machine: it uses paper ballots which you mark with a special pen, and the votes will be read when you feed your ballot pages into the slot at the front of the "Eagle" machine in your polling place.

H **TO MARK YOUR BALLOT:** using the special pen provided by the poll worker, draw a line connecting the head and tail of the arrow pointing to your choice:



HOW TO MARK YOUR BALLOT:

EARN MONEY!!!! Be a poll worker on Election Day; earn \$82 or \$105, plus \$25 for training. Call 415-554-4395.