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JIM HENDERSON: ON DECK

Say hello to my little friend. I recently got up close and personal with this alligator while filming a segment at Louisiana Swamp Tours for the "One Tank Trips" promotion sponsored by First American Bank.

I learned a lot of fascinating things about alligators during the time I spent at the end of Barataria Boulevard

including how to tell the sex of a gator. Here's a tip: very carefully.

The idea behind One Tank Trips is to sample some of the amazing and varied attractions and activities we have within a tank's worth of gas right in our own backyard.



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In observance of the upcoming holidays, all offices will be closed on: 

Independence Day
Thursday, July 4th

Labor Day
Monday, September 2nd

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Over Years

Congratulations to the winners of the
Quarterly Stars and Stripes Drawing!

Anita Gaines of Donaldsonville
Catherine Pennison of Avondale
Mary Greenup of Vacherie

Each won a \$50 Visa Gift Card by entering last issue's contest drawing.

Thank you for reading this publication of Stars and Stripes!

To register for a Visa Gift Card from First American Bank, please complete the information below and return to any First American Bank office or mail to:

First American Bank
Attn: Stars and Stripes
P.O. Box 550
Vacherie, LA 70090

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Address

Phone #

Please return by July 31, 2013 to be eligible for this drawing.
Winners will be announced in the next quarterly publication of Stars and Stripes.

Every time I go on such a "stay-cation" I'm reminded of what a wonderful state and region I live in. All too often it takes a visit from friends or relatives to show off what we have to offer and too often over-look due to the demands of job and family. With the freedom of semi-retirement out of football season we have the time to host guests for an extended period of time. And recently we've done a lot of that. When occasionally the visits might be a bit too long or too frequent, my wife and I remind ourselves that it's because we have such a fun and welcoming state, filled with a unique culture and citizenry. I need to remind myself of that more often and by indulging in a one tank trip I get that opportunity. In the course of doing so I find myself thinking repeatedly, "I love this place." I expect you do too. Take the opportunity to look around you to re-affirm that appreciation that too often visitors see and we take for granted. Oh, about my little friend, people seeing the picture ask "what's it like?" Chicken, of course.



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Jim

Making Cents...

- ★ The George Washington quarter has been minted since 1932, when it replaced the Liberty quarter.
- ★ The quarter has an edge with 119 ridges.
- ★ This coin is 24.26 mm in diameter and is 1.75 mm thick.
- ★ In 1999, the US Mint began producing a series of 50 state quarters, honoring each state's history, traditions, and symbols; the series was completed in 2008 (five new state quarters were made each year -- Delaware was the first and Hawaii was the last).

source: <http://www.enchantedlearning.com/math/money/coins/quarter/>

Saluting our VETERANS

Do you want to share the story of your military experience? If you are interested, please write a brief summary on your experience or answer any or all of the questions below. If you would like, please include a photo (past or present). Drop off at any First American Bank or mail your information to: First American Bank

Attn: Stars and Stripes / Veterans
P.O. Box 550
Vacherie, LA 70090

- Were you drafted or did you enlist?
- Where were you living at the time?
- Why did you join?
- Do you remember your instructors?
- Which war(s) did you serve in (WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, the Persian Gulf)?
- Do you remember arriving and what it was like?
- What was your job/assignment?
- Tell me about a couple of your most memorable experiences.
- How did you stay in touch with your family?
- Where did you travel while in the service?
- Do you recall the day your service ended?
- What did you do in the days and weeks afterward?
- Did you make any close friendships while in the service?
- Did you continue any of those relationships? For how long?
- How did your service and experiences affect your life?