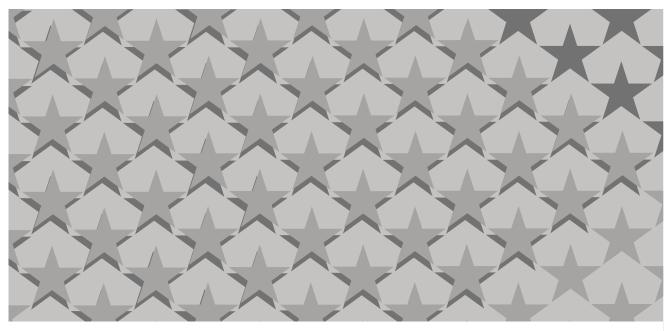


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## Candidates



**Oregon General Election** November 4, 2008





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Bill Bradbury Oregon Secretary of State

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My Fellow Oregonians:

Once again, it's time for Oregon voters to make good on the bargain we make for living in a free country. It's time to vote.

In these pages, you will see the candidates running for office this year. These are the words they've chosen to represent themselves to you. Read them carefully and evaluate what they have to say because the decisions made by our elected officials make a difference in our lives.

Voting is only one of the duties we share in preserving our blessings of liberty. We serve on juries. We pay our taxes. We serve in the armed forces. We don't litter. And we vote. Voting is no mere footnote to democracy. It's what separates us from tyrants, a practice we've nurtured and encouraged for more than two centuries and preserve today as a bulwark in keeping our country safe and free.

It's already been an exciting year. In the spring, Oregon saw a huge surge in voter registration and we may well set new records in November for turnout. Registering, remember, is only half the process and doesn't mean a lot unless you actually vote.

If you have questions about registration, filling out your ballot or about getting a replacement ballot if you make a mistake, please call our toll-free hot-line, 1-866-ORE-VOTE, or 1-866-673-8683.

Remember to vote .Your ballot must be in the hands of election workers or in an official drop-off location no later than 8pm on Tuesday, November 4. Postmarks don't count. You can always call your county elections office to make sure they've received your ballot.

Being an active participant in our democracy is good for America, good for your community and best of all, good for you.

Best Wishes,

Bill Bradbury / Oregon Secretary of State



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## **Oregon General Election**

November 4, 2008

# **Voters' Pamphlet**

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## **Voters' Pamphlet**

Your official 2008 General Election Voters' Pamphlet is divided into two separate volumes. This is Volume 2 and contains information on candidates. You should have already received Volume 1, containing information on the 12 statewide measures on your ballot. If you have not received Volume 1, please call the toll-free voter information line at 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683).

This volume also contains miscellaneous voting aids, including dropsite locations, a complete list of state candidates, and instructions for marking your ballot, checking your ballot and getting a replacement ballot. In an effort not to duplicate the printing of information, some of these voting aids are not a part of the state voters' pamphlet, but instead are included in your county voters' pamphlet.

Candidate statements and measure arguments are printed as submitted. The state does not correct punctuation, grammar, syntax errors or inaccurate information. The only changes made are attempts to correct spelling errors if the word as originally submitted is not in the dictionary.

The voters' pamphlet has been compiled by the Secretary of State since 1903, when Oregon became one of the first states to provide for the printing and distribution of such a publication. One copy of the voters' pamphlet is mailed to every household in the state. Additional copies are available at the Secretary of State's office, local post offices, courthouses and all county elections offices.

## Candidates

In the general election, candidates are divided into two sections: partisan candidates and nonpartisan candidates. Partisan candidates appear before nonpartisan candidates. All space is purchased: statements and photographs are submitted by the candidates or their designated agents. The information required by law—pertaining to occupation, occupational background, educational background and prior governmental experience—has been certified as true by each candidate.

#### **Random Alphabet**

While the candidates' statements for candidates running for the same office appear in alphabetical order by their last name in this voters' pamphlet, you will notice that they appear in a different order on your ballot.

Oregon statute (ORS 254.155) requires the Secretary of State to complete a random order of the letters of the alphabet to determine the order in which the names of candidates appear on the ballot.

The alphabet for the 2008 General Election is:

N, X, Q, H, Y, S, G, K, I, A, E, M, B, O, R, W, D, Z, U, J, L, V, T, F, P, C

#### Website

Most of the information contained in this voters' pamphlet is also available in the Online Voters' Guide at www.oregonvotes.org.

#### Español

Una versión en español de algunas partes de la Guía del Elector está a su disposición en el portal del Internet cuya dirección aparece arriba. Conscientes de que este material en línea podría no llegar adecuadamente a todos los electores que necesitan este servicio, se invita a toda persona a imprimir la versión en línea y circularla a aquellos electores que no tengan acceso a una computadora.

## Important!

If your ballot is lost, destroyed, damaged or you make a mistake in marking your ballot, you may call your county elections office and request a replacement ballot. One will be mailed to you as long as you request it by October 30. After that, you may pick it up at the elections office. If you have already mailed your original ballot before you realize you made a mistake, you have cast your vote and will not be eligible for a replacement ballot.

Your voted ballot must be returned to your county elections office by 8pm election day, Tuesday, November 4, 2008.

#### Postmarks do not count!

County elections offices are open on election day from 7am to 8pm.

## **Voter Information**

For questions about voter registration, ballot delivery and return, marking the ballot, requesting a replacement ballot, absentee ballots, signature requirements, the voters' pamphlet, when and where to vote, and other questions about elections and voting, call the toll-free voter information line at 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683).

Voter information line representatives can provide services in both English and Spanish. TTY services for the hearing impaired are also available at 1-800-735-2900.

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Partisan Candidates		State Representative	
	at; (l) Independent; ) Pacific Green; (R) Republican;	17th District	Sherrie Sprenger (R) Dan Thackaberry (D)
(WF) Working Families United States President and Vice President		18th District	Jim Gilbert (D) Vic Gilliam (R)
	Ralph Nader / Matt Gonzalez (P)	19th District	Hanten (HD) Day (D) Kevin Cameron (R)
	Cynthia McKinney / Rosa Clemente (PG)	20th District	Vicki Berger (R) Richard Riggs (D)
	John McCain / Sarah Palin (R) Bob Barr / Wayne A Root (L) Chuck Baldwin / Darrell L Castle (C)	21st District	Brian Clem (D)
		22nd District	Betty Komp (D) Tom M Chereck, Jr (R)
		23rd District	Jason Brown (D) Jim Thompson (R)
		25th District	Kim Thatcher (R)
	Barack Obama / Joe Biden (D)	59th District	John E Huffman (R) Mike Ahern (D)
United States Senator	Gordon H Smith (R) Jeff Merkley (D) Dave Brownlow (C)	Nonpartisan Candidates	
Representative in Congres	SS	Commissioner of the Burea	u
5th District	Kurt Schrader (D) Mike Erickson (R) Steve Milligan (L) Sean Bates (I)	of Labor and Industries	Pavel Goberman Brad Avakian Mark Welyczko
		Judge of the Supreme Cour	t
	Douglas Patterson (C) Alex Polikoff (PG)	Position 7	Martha L Walters
Secretary of State	Kate Brown (D) Seth Alan Woolley (PG) Rick Dancer (R)	Judge of the Court of Appeals	
		Position 4	Timothy J Sercombe
State Treasurer	Allen Alley (R)	Judge of the Circuit Court	
	Michael Marsh (C)	<b>3rd District, Position 2</b>	Tracy A Prall
	Ben Westlund (D)	<b>3rd District, Position 9</b>	Lynn Ashcroft
Attorney General	John R Kroger (D) J Ashlee Albies (WF) Walter F (Walt) Brown (PG) James E Leuenberger (C)		
State Senator			
9th District	Fred Girod (R) Bob McDonald (D)		
12th District	Kevin C Nortness (D) Brian J Boquist (R)		
30th District	Ted Ferrioli (R)		

This is a complete listing of the state candidates for the General Election, November 4, 2008, as prepared by the Secretary of State, for the counties covered in this pamphlet. Your ballot may also include measures and candidates from your county and local governments. **Important:** Each candidate listed does not necessarily have a statement in the voters' pamphlet. Some candidates do not choose to purchase space.

## Did you know that candidates must pay for space in the voters' pamphlet?

You will not find statements in this voters' pamphlet for the following federal and state candidates because they did not submit a statement and pay the appropriate fee by the deadline:

## Partisan Candidates

## **United States Vice President**

Matt Gonzalez (P) Rosa Clemente (PG) Sarah Palin (R) Wayne A Root (L) Darrell L Castle (C) Joe Biden (D)

## **Representative in Congress**

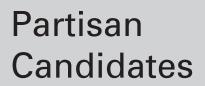
**5th District** 

Sean Bates (I)

## **Nonpartisan Candidates**

Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries

Mark Welyczko



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## **Partisan Candidates**

**United States President** 



## Chuck **Baldwin**

## Constitution

Occupation: paid, Founder and Pastor of Crossroad Baptist Church in Pensacola, Florida: Talk show host of Chuck Baldwin Live, 10 years, author

#### **Occupational Background:**

Chairman Florida Moral Majority, Ronald Reagan Campaign, 2004 Constitution Party Vice-presidential candidate

Educational Background: Midwestern Baptist College, **Christian Bible College Masters Degree** 

Prior Governmental Experience: taxpayer and voting citizen

## BALDWIN2008.COM

We Americans must cut the Federal Government down to its Constitutionally established size. Your vote can get the iob started.

As your President I will, beginning on day one:

- start the return of troops from Iraq. Afghanistan and the other 130 countries
- restore credible medical care to veterans
- pull the plug on the unaffordable American Empire
- restore sound, gold and silver backed money
- work forcefully against budget and trade deficits \_
- secure our own borders instead of other nations' borders
- end federally funded benefits to those here illegally
- dismantle NAFTA, GATT and export of USA jobs
- recall US diplomats from the UN and end our membership -
- protect right of citizens to be armed -
- veto federal funding and involvement in local education
- encourage use of domestic oil resources
- recognize the legal personhood of unborn children, treat abortion as crime and confront the morally indefensible Roe decision

Obtain a copy of our nation's Constitution. It is easy to understand and you have an obligation to know what it sets forth. The Constitution is our blueprint for freedom. Use your vote to defend it.

Our government should be much smaller and we should enjoy more liberty. The two big parties have taken turns damaging our great country. Declare some independence this year.

## **VOTE CHUCK BALDWIN PRESIDENT** BALDWIN2008.COM

(This information furnished by Chuck Baldwin for President.)

## **United States President**

No photo submitted



Libertarian

#### Occupation: Attorney.

## **Occupational Background:**

Analyst for the Central Intelligence Agency, 1971-78; United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia,

1986-90; U.S. House of Representatives, 1995-03; Board Member of the National Rifle Association, 1997-present.

Educational Background: JD, Georgetown University Law Center; MA in International Affairs, George Washington University; BA, University of Southern California.

Prior Governmental Experience: U.S. House of Representatives.

#### **BOB BARR FOR PRESIDENT** www.BobBarr2008.com

Throughout his distinguished career, Bob Barr has proven that he is the leader Americans need to restore confidence of the American people in the future of their nation. Both working for the American people as a Congressman from Georgia and afterwards partnering with groups dedicated to protecting civil liberties, Bob has shown a commitment to shrinking government and giving power back to the people.

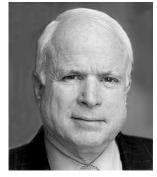
Americans know that the answer to today's problems is not more government, and Bob will work tirelessly to cut taxes, reduce government spending and restore our civil liberties lost during the Bush administration. Having seen the true nature of government from inside and out, only Bob Barr has the qualifications, the passion, and the commitment to work for the American people in their interest--not the government's.

Since leaving Congress where he served as the vanguard of the Second Amendment, Bob worked to increase individual liberty and privacy rights through such organizations as the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and the American Conservative Union as the 21st Century Liberties Chair for Freedom and Privacy. For his work on protecting the privacy and civil liberties of all Americans, legendary New York Times columnist William Safire dubbed Bob "Mr. Privacy."

If there is one candidate who consistently comes down on the side of the American people's rights, it is Bob Barr. Bob knows the answer is less government, and has proven that he will deliver the real change necessary to lead America into a new era of prosperity and freedom.

(This information furnished by Barr 2008 Presidential Committee.)

**United States President** 



## John McCain

Republican

Occupation: U.S. Senator

Occupational Background: U.S. Senator; U.S. Representative; U.S. Navy Captain; Naval Aviator

## Educational Background: U.S. Naval Academy

**Prior Governmental Experience:** U.S. Senator; U.S. Representative

In war and peace, I have been a dedicated servant of our country. Whenever I faced an important choice between my country's interests, party politics or special interests, I chose our country.

I will continue to put our country first by ushering in a new era of reform, prosperity and peace. If I'm elected President, the era of the permanent campaign will end. The era of problem solving will begin. Washington is broken, and I intend to fix it. All you've ever asked of government is that it stand on your side, not in your way.

I will stand by your side to grow this economy, create more jobs and get America moving again. I will aggressively push to develop alternative energies while expanding our use of existing energy resources here at home. As President, I intend to provide future generations of Americans with a safer, more peaceful world than the one we inherited. We will achieve energy security and ensure that healthcare is affordable and available for all. It is incumbent on America, more than any other nation on earth, to lead in building the foundations for a stable and enduring peace.

I will put an agenda of reform, prosperity and peace for America before any partisan interest or special interest. I will keep that promise every hour of every day I am in office.

(This information furnished by John McCain.)



**United States President** 

## Cynthia McKinney

Pacific Green

**Occupation:** Global Human Rights and Peace Activist, Public Speaking, Lecturer, and Researcher.

**Occupational Background:** 

Visiting Professor and teacher at multiple post secondary colleges.

**Educational Background:** BA, University of Southern California, Los Angeles; Masters from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University; currently a Doctoral Candidate at the University of California, Berkeley.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Served six terms in the U.S. Congress and two terms in the Georgia General Assembly.

Proud mother to a son, Coy, daughter of Billy and Leola McKinney

Cynthia McKinney served 12 years in the United States Congress as a courageous voice of peace and seeks make America more safe and better for all Americans.

In Congress she authored legislation seeking: elimination of federal subsidies for corporations taking jobs overseas; a national livable wage; repeal of the Military Tribunals Act; provision for national forest protection and restoration; elimination of the use of depleted uranium weapons; denial of federal assistance to law enforcement agencies violating human rights; 9/11/2001 victims right to participate in the Victims Compensation Fund; the impeachment of Bush, Cheney, and Rice.

(This information furnished by Power To The People Committee-Cynthia McKinney for President.)

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## **Partisan Candidates**

**United States President** 



Ralph Nader

Peace

**Occupation:** Consumer Advocate

**Occupational Background:** Consumer Advocate

**Educational Background:** BA, Princeton University; LLB,

Harvard University

Prior Governmental Experience: US Department of Labor, 1960s

#### Why Vote for Nader?

In 1965, Ralph Nader became an American hero when he brought General Motors to its knees by exposing its campaign to intimidate and smear him for having written a book about auto safety. Since then, he has created more than 100 public interest groups.

You may know that Nader has saved more than a million lives because of seatbelts and air bags, but did you know he led the campaign against nuclear power, which has blocked the construction of new nuclear plants in America for more than 30 years?

You may know that he is largely responsible for the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and the Freedom of Information Act, but did you know that in recent years he secured cheap, generic AIDS drugs for India?

In the 1980s, corporate power counter-attacked, expanding lobbies, think tanks, buying up newspapers and TV networks. Citizen's groups were frozen out, as Washington became "corporate-occupied territory."

To challenge an increasingly rigged system, Nader had to enter politics. Despite being frozen out by the corporate media, he has been at 6% in national polls, with 14% saying they would vote for him if he were competitive.

Because neither McCain nor Obama will challenge the corporate political establishment, their campaign has been personal, nasty, and trivial. There is no debate about our bloated defense budget, the worsening war in Afghanistan, policy toward Iran or Russia, Israel/Palestine, single-payer health care, a living wage, rebuilding our infrastructure, or a new economy built on wind and solar power.

Your vote for Nader will keep these big issues alive, and strengthen the hand of progressive forces in the coming years. If you deny your vote to the major parties, they will know they cannot take you for granted: Your power grows.

Gregory Kafoury Peace Party Secretary

(This information furnished by Ralph Nader.)

## **United States President**



Barack Obama

## Democrat

Occupation: I serve as a U.S. Senator.

## **Occupational Background:**

I've been a community organizer, civil rights lawyer, and constitutional law teacher.

Educational Background: I graduated from Columbia University and Harvard Law School.

Prior Governmental Experience: My prior governmental experience is 8 years as an Illinois state Senator.

I'm running for President because at this defining moment in our nation's history, we have a chance to forge a new majority so we can solve the problems we've been talking about for decades.

I'm running to turn the page on the failed politics of the past; a politics that divides us when we should be coming together to solve problems; a politics that accepts lobbyists as part of the system in Washington, instead of recognizing that they're part of the problem; and where politicians don't mean what they say or say what they mean.

As President, I'll bring Democrats and Republicans together to solve the problems facing us. I'll invest in clean energies so we can create green jobs, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and save this planet for our children. I'll stop giving tax breaks to companies that ship our jobs overseas, and put a middle-class tax cut into the pockets of working families, struggling homeowners, and seniors who deserve to retire with dignity and security. I'll work for affordable, accessible health care for all. I'll make college affordable for anyone who wants to go. And I'll responsibly end the war in Iraq - a war I opposed from the start.

Since I walked away from a career on Wall Street to work as a community organizer more than two decades ago, I've fought to bring people together, and to make a difference in the lives of ordinary Americans. I don't want to pit Blue States against Red States - I want to lead the United States of America in a new direction to turn this moment of challenge into our moment of opportunity.

(This information furnished by Obama for America.)

## **United States Senator**



## Dave Brownlow

Constitution

**Occupation:** Industrial Automation Consulting

**Occupational Background:** Marketing/Engineering

**Educational Background:** 

Prior Governmental Experience: Constitution Party Vice Chairman

#### www.DaveBrownlow.com

I am running for the U.S. Senate because the professional politicians we hired to do the job have failed us.

Our economy is in a tailspin; the value of our dollar is heading toward freefall; our debt is exploding; our manufacturing base is being shipped offshore; our borders have become a virtual sieve; and our military is bogged down in two simultaneous, unconstitutional wars.

Clearly, something has got to change.

We need to begin curing the disease rather than continuing to treat the symptoms. This would involve a return to the constitutional principals of limited government, sound money, non-intervention with our world neighbors, and restoring our individual liberties.

#### Unlike my opponents, I will vote to:

- Defend the Constitution not the special or corporate interests by returning power back to the states and the people.
- Dismantle the Federal Reserve, (a private banking cartel) and turn off the money printing presses. Inflation, war, poverty, and most other economic ills can be traced back to the insanity of our failed monetary policy.
- End the occupation of Iraq and Afghanistan, both of which have turned into bloody, winless debacles with no defined missions.
- Begin the orderly shutdown of the American Empire, which now spans some 700 bases in 130 countries - rather than waiting for it to spontaneously disassemble itself.
- Keep America out of entangling alliances NO foreign aid!
- · Secure our borders.
- · End the senseless slaughter of the unborn.

Instead of solutions, all my opponents have to offer is more of the same: more spending, more debt, more phony money, more failed programs, more foreign interventions, and of course, less liberty.

Our country is in serious trouble. It is time we start telling each other the truth.

### www.DaveBrownlow.com

(This information furnished by Dave Brownlow for U.S. Senate.)

## **United States Senator**



## Jeff Merkley

Democrat

Occupation: Speaker of the Oregon House

#### **Occupational Background:** Executive Director, Portland Habitat for Humanity; National Security Analyst, Pentagon and

Congressional Budget Office; President, Oregon World Affairs Council

**Educational Background:** David Douglas High School; Stanford (B.A., International Relations); Princeton, (M.A., Public Policy)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative, 1999; House Democratic Leader, 2003; House Speaker, 2007

"Jeff Merkley will help me bring change to Washington D.C. He will listen to Oregonians and fight for working people." Senator Barack Obama

### LISTENING TO OREGONIANS

When politicians weren't listening to Oregonians, Jeff Merkley helped Democrats win back the Oregon House and give voice to citizens demanding change.

- Cut taxes for working people; balanced the budget
- Championed Oregon's first "rainy day fund"
- Passed landmark ethics reforms

*The Oregonian* called Jeff's session as Speaker, "Oregon's most productive in a generation." [4/19/08]

## **WASHINGTON D.C. IS BROKEN**

Special interests have controlled the agenda and Oregon families have paid the price.

- 70,000 Oregon jobs gone
- Skyrocketing gas prices and health care costs
- \$3 billion spent every week in Iraq

## CHANGING WASHINGTON D.C.

Jeff Merkley will work across party lines to find solutions.

- · Protect women's right to choose
- End the war and care for our veterans
- Cut taxes for working families; restore fiscal responsibility
- Scrap unfair trade agreements that ship jobs overseas
- Stand up to drug and insurance companies to make health care affordable
- Independence from foreign oil; create good-paying American jobs

"Jeff Merkley shares my values, and he will help me deliver for Oregon." **Senator Ron Wyden** 

#### Son of a millworker in rural Oregon and first in his family to go to college, Jeff Merkley listens to Oregonians and fights for working people.

Endorsed by the Oregon State Police Officers' Association; Oregon Education Association; Oregon Nurses Association; Planned Parenthood; Independent Party of Oregon; Sierra Club; League of Conservation Voters; Veterans and Military Families for Progress; SEIU; AFL-CIO and working families across Oregon.

#### www.JeffMerkley.com

(This information furnished by Jeff Merkley for Oregon.)

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## **Partisan Candidates**

**United States Senator** 



## Gordon H Smith

Republican

Occupation: United States Senator

**Occupational Background:** Smith Frozen Foods

**Educational Background:** Southwestern University, JD;

Brigham Young University, BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** United States Senator, 1997-present; Oregon State Senator, 1993-1997; President, Oregon State Senate, 1995-1996.

## SENATOR GORDON SMITH COMMON GROUND. COMMON GOOD.

"There's too much partisanship and not enough leadership in Washington, D.C. As your Senator, I've shown a better way.

Republican-Democrat, rural-urban, left-right, ...from taxes to health care, energy to the economy, security and safety, I have succeeded in finding common ground for the common good."

## **Common Ground: Jobs & Economy**

- Supported tax cuts for families, small businesses and home-buying
- Working to stop a job-killing \$1.2 trillion tax increase and to ensure tax cuts for families and businesses are made permanent

## **Common Ground: Health Care**

- Supported a prescription drug benefit for Oregon seniors and protected a half million Oregonians from unfair cuts to Medicaid
- Working to protect and expand health insurance for 48,000 Oregon children

## **Common Ground: Rural Oregon**

- Fought for water for Klamath farmers and sustainable logging to create jobs and promote forest health; secured funding for a deeper Columbia River to expand state agriculture exports
- Working to protect funding for rural counties hurt by unfair reductions in timber harvests

## **Common Ground: Energy & Environment**

- Supported first increase in car-mileage standard in 20 years and new incentives for green energy: wind, wave, solar and alternative-fuel cars
- Working to protect 128,000 acres of scenic Mt. Hood wilderness

## **Common Ground: Security & Safety**

- Support continued American leadership and strong international participation in fighting aggressive war on terror
- Working to end the war in Iraq swiftly, safely and with honor

## SENATOR GORDON SMITH COMMON GROUND. COMMON GOOD.

"I am working to break Washington's partisan paralysis and to find common ground and common good for all Oregonians – I ask for your vote."

## -- Gordon H. Smith

## www.gordonsmith.com

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www.oregonvotes.org

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**1 800 735 2900** for the hearing impaired

## **Oregon Voter Bill of Rights**

**You have the right** to vote if you are a US citizen, live in Oregon, are 18 years old, and have registered.

You have the right to vote if you are homeless.

**You have the right** to vote if you have been convicted of a felony but have been released from custody, even if you are on probation or parole.

**You have the right** to vote even if you have a guardian and even if you need help reading or filling out your ballot.

**You have the right** to vote or cast your ballot if you are in line by 8 PM on Election Day.

You have the right to know if you are registered to vote.

**You have the right** to choose whether or not you want to register as a member of a political party.

**You have the right** to use a signature stamp or other mark but first you have to fill out a form. No one can sign for you.

**You have the right** to ask for help from elections staff or from a friend or family member. There are some people who cannot help you vote, for example, your boss or a union officer from your job.

**You have the right** to a secret vote. You do not have to tell anyone how you voted.

**You have the right** to get a "provisional ballot", even if you are told you are not registered to vote.

You have the right to get a new ballot if you make a mistake.

**You have the right** to vote for the person you want. You can write in someone else's name if you don't like the choices on your ballot.

You have the right to vote "yes" or "no" on any issue on your ballot.

**You have the right** to leave some choices blank on your ballot. The choices you do mark will still count.

**You have the right** to use a voting system for all Federal Elections that makes it equally possible for people with disabilities to vote privately and independently.

**You have the right** to know if your ballot, including a "provisional ballot", was accepted for counting.

**You have the right** to file a complaint if you think your voting rights have been denied.



Call toll free - 1-866-673-8683 to get more information about these and other voting rights.

(Oregon Constitution, Sections 2 and 3; ORS Chapters 137, 246, 247, and 254; Vote By Mail Manual; Help America Vote Act of 2002; OAR 165-001-0090 and 165-007-0030)



## Partisan Candidates

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Representative in Congress 5th District



## Mike Erickson

Republican

**Occupation:** Founder, President, AFMS Logistics, Cost Reduction Experts

Occupational Background: Airborne Express, District Manager

Educational Background: B.S., Business Marketing, Portland State University

## Prior Governmental Experience: None

**Community Involvement:** Mike is involved with and supports many charities throughout the state (Boys and Girls Clubs, Children's Cancer Association, Providence Children's Hospital, local schools, Three Rivers Nature Conservancy and many others). Mike's charity work earned him the *Portland Business Journal's* Corporate Philanthropy award in 2007.

"I'm running for Congress to break up the partisan gridlock in Washington. I'll use my experience as a successful businessman to lower gas prices, revive the economy and provide affordable health care to Oregonians. Congress has enough career politicians. We need someone who will put people over politics."

## IMPROVE OUR ECONOMY AND CREATE NEW JOBS

As a successful businessman, Mike Erickson has balanced a budget, worked to provide his employees with quality health care and knows higher taxes cost jobs and hurt our economy. Small businesses are the backbone of Oregon's economy. Mike will fight to lower taxes and bring fiscal responsibility to congress while reducing our national debt. A strong economy will bring new quality jobs to Oregon.

## LOWER FUEL PRICES AND PROMOTE ENERGY ALTERNATIVES

Mike Erickson believes we must focus on the research and development of new innovative fuels and technology so we can begin to lessen our dependence on foreign oil and promote energy alternatives. Mike wants to expand the use of renewable energy such as solar, wind and geothermal, while safely expanding domestic oil drilling.

## FIGHTING FOR AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE

As a business owner, Mike Erickson understands the difficulty of providing quality and affordable healthcare to his employees. As your congressman, Mike Erickson will work to provide affordable health care to all citizens.

Mike believes we must bring competition and price transparency into health care by creating a national online healthcare marketplace where people can compare health care prices and treatment costs against other local health care providers.

www.EricksonForCongress.org

(This information furnished by Erickson for Congress.)

## Representative in Congress 5th District



## Steve Milligan

Libertarian

**Occupation:** Alternative Herbal Remedies

## **Occupational Background:**

Operations Manager, Alternative Herbal Remedies; Business Owner, Natural Foods Store;

Plant Manager, Planner, and Estimator in the printing industry; Database Management Developer; School Bus Driver

**Educational Background:** Ford Family Foundation, Effective Organizations; University of Oregon Extension, Portland, OR; Edison Technical College, Los Angeles, CA; Southwestern Community College, Chula Vista, CA; Tarrant County Community College, Ft. Worth, TX; East Texas State University, Commerce, TX

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City Council, City of Monmouth, OR since January 2003; Monmouth Independence Network (fiber to the home), Board of Directors; Western, Independence, Monmouth Public, Education, Government Cable Access Channel, Board of Directors, 2 years as Chair.

- Served on the Board of Directors of various 501(c)(3)-service organizations;
- Monmouth Business Association officer for 3 years;
- Monmouth Independence Chamber of Commerce, member 4 years;
- Monmouth Independence Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors;
- Polk County Historical Society, Board of Directors; Sizzlin' Sidewalk Streetfair organizing committee; Monmouth Music in the Park, organizing committee;

As you can see from my business, civic and governmental experience in Monmouth, Independence and Polk County I have the ability to do the job. As your representative I will make sure to take you to Washington with me, as too often we have had our representatives take their party with them. I will make a commitment to make sure that it is your voice, through me, not mine for you, that gets heard.

Many of you are calling for an end to the wars and empire building, an end to corporate welfare, you want tax reform, social justice, and human dignity. We have had politicians tell us they would work for these ends and yet nothing changes. As the citizens of Monmouth know, I work hard and study the issues to get things done.

## www.milligan4congress.com

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## Representative in Congress 5th District



## Douglas Patterson

Constitution

**Occupation:** Sales Representative

**Occupational Background:** Working Class Citizen

Educational Background: BA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** None. No experience with: corruption; mis-managing a budget; owing people favors.

## LEGALIZE FREEDOM!

This year, elect "The Peoples Candidate" who will lobby for **your** interests and **not** special interests.

Ladies and Gentlemen of the 5th District:

- Do you have a sense that your federal government has grown too big and is too out of touch?
- Do you wonder where your basic rights and personal freedoms have gone?
- Are you fed up with government officials who ignore the very interests of the people they were elected to serve?

If you answered yes to any or all of these questions, you need to vote for me!

I am the Constitution Party Candidate for the 5th Congressional District because you deserve a clear choice in this election. Years of compromise and collusion in Washington, D.C. have made the differences between the two dominant corporate parties nearly non-existent. No matter which of the two is in power, the result is always the same:

- More American jobs lost through international trade agreements that favor foreign nations
- No sincere plan to secure our borders
- A constant erosion of individual rights and personal liberty

## When elected to Congress I will work to:

- 1. Restore your lost rights
- 2. Secure our borders and stop the illegal invasion
- 3. Abolish all trade agreements and un-holy alliances that hurt American workers

## It doesn't take a genius or years of "experience" to do what's right for the citizens of America.

This election, don't waste your vote on a Republican or Democrat. They've had their chances and have failed you miserably! Send a message to Washington that "business as usual" is no longer acceptable! This election, **vote** for a candidate who has no strings attached, **for a change.** 

## Let's Make It Happen!

## www.dougpattersonforcongress.com

(This information furnished by Douglas Patterson for Congress.)

## Representative in Congress 5th District



## Alex Polikoff

Pacific Green

Occupation: Electrical Engineer

Occupational Background: Power System Engineer, Powerplant Operator, Consultant, Electrician

Educational Background: BS

Electrical Engineering, UC/Berkeley

Prior Governmental Experience: Boulder County Energy Advisory Committee

I'm running to offer Oregonians in District 5 a true choice. Politicians from both major parties claim they are agents of change, but what we get is more of the same. Republicans and Democrats both seem more concerned with getting elected and appeasing their corporate donors than in dealing with the threat of our ballooning public debt, job and health insecurity, world instability, the energy crisis and global warming.

My professional expertise is in solving problems. I hope to apply the same skills in addressing the various crises our nation faces:

## Ending the Iraq War

I pledge to withhold voting one more dime of your tax dollars going toward the occupation of Iraq. Additional funding should only be for bringing our troops home safely and taking care of them when they return.

## **Giving Working Americans a Break**

Repeal Bush tax cuts and restore tax rates on the wealthiest Americans.

End corporate tax breaks (2/3 of corporations paid **no tax** from 1998-2005).

End deficit spending and shift funding away from the Pentagon.

Repeal trade agreements off-shoring our jobs. Institute national single-payer health care so all Americans have access to good medical care.

## **Restoring our Democracy**

Repeal the Patriot Act, the Military Commissions Act, and restore habeas corpus for all citizens. Institute public financing of all federal elections.

## Action on Energy and Climate Change

Repeal tax breaks for the oil and gas industry. Increase federal funding for renewable energy technologies such as solar, wind and wave energy, meaning Green jobs for Oregonians.

Increase government funding of energy conservation programs.

Sign the Kyoto Protocols and join the world in fighting Global Warming

Definition of insanity: doing the same thing over and over again but expecting a different result.

## Break the cycle and send a real message to Washington!!

## Vote Green!!

## www.votepolikoff.org

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## Partisan Candidates

## Representative in Congress 5th District



Veterinary Medicine

## Kurt Schrader

Democrat

**Occupation:** Veterinarian; Farmer; State Senator

**Occupational Background:** Veterinarian; Businessman; Farmer

Educational Background: Cornell University, B.A.; University of Illinois, B.S., Doctor of

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Senator since 2003; State Representative 1997-2003; Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Ways and Means 2003 – present; Canby Planning Commission 1981-1996

Married to Martha 33 years, raised five children, Claire, Maren, Steven, Ryan, Travis

## **KURT SCHRADER FOR CONGRESS**

## **Character and the Right Experience**

Kurt Schrader is a husband and father, a veterinarian, a farmer, and a small-business owner. He built a business, met a payroll, and provided health care benefits for his employees. Kurt has the character we expect, and as a legislator earned a reputation for straight talk, fiscal responsibility and getting things done across party lines.

"I support Kurt Schrader because I trust Kurt Schrader." -Senator Frank Morse, Republican

## Fighting for our middle class

Kurt understands the everyday pressures faced by Oregon families as prices for gas, food, college tuition, and health care are skyrocketing. In Congress he will focus on what makes the greatest difference in the lives of middle class families and those struggling to get ahead:

- Focus on our economy and bringing jobs to Oregon. See Kurt's detailed Economic Action Plan at
- www.kurtschrader.com/theplan
  Fight high gas prices by cracking down on speculators and pass "use it or lose it" legislation for drilling
- Create a clean energy future with renewable energy that creates jobs and reduces our dependence on foreign oil
- Deliver <u>affordable</u> cost-containing health care that covers all Americans
- Bring the troops home from Iraq with honor and reinvest that money in our economy and infrastructure
- Push for a tougher federal attack on methamphetamine, just like he did in Oregon
- Support our veterans

Kurt is supported by: Oregon Nurses Association Oregon Farm Bureau Oregon AFL-CIO Oregon Forest Industries Council Oregon League of Conservation Voters Congresswoman Darlene Hooley

## To learn more and see who supports Kurt Schrader, visit: www.KurtSchrader.com

(This information furnished by Kurt Schrader for U.S. Congress.)



## Secretary of State



## Kate Brown

Democrat

Occupation: State Senator

Occupational Background: Family and Juvenile Law Attorney

Educational Background: University of Colorado, B.A.;

Northwestern School of Law, Lewis and Clark College, J.D.; Senior Executive Program, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative 1991-1996; State Senator since 1997; former Senate Majority Leader

## **Tough on Initiative Fraud**

Concerned about fraud in our initiative system, Kate Brown passed the law banning anyone convicted of fraud, forgery or identity theft from collecting ballot measure signatures. With her legal background, she will **crack down on fraud with tough enforcement to ensure signature gatherers follow the law and make sure those who don't are prosecuted.** 

## **Opening Doors for Jobs**

The Secretary of State's office is the first stop for a new business in Oregon. In these tough economic times, **Kate Brown is dedicated to making Oregon attractive to new businesses to create new good-paying jobs,** and to making it easier to do business in Oregon.

#### **Rigorous Audits to Save Money**

With rigorous audits of state agencies, schools and even energy use, **Kate Brown will make sure our tax dollars are spent effectively and efficiently.** By keeping a close eye on the bottom-line and finding creative ways to provide critical services, she will help put more dollars into our priorities, like education and health care.

## **Fair and Open Elections**

Kate Brown won her first race by just seven votes, so she knows firsthand that **every vote matters and every vote must be counted.** She supports campaign finance reform, and wrote the law that requires campaign cash be reported online, where the public can easily know who is funding ballot measure and candidate campaigns. As Secretary of State she will continue to safeguard our elections and shine a light on the influence of money in politics. **Under her watch, we'll always have elections you can trust.** 

#### Experienced Leadership. Results that Matter. The Choice that Makes a Difference. Kate Brown for Secretary of State

www.KateBrownForOregon.com

(This information furnished by The Kate Brown Committee.)

## Secretary of State



University, Forest Grove

#### Prior Governmental Experience: None

**Community Involvement:** Past President, City Club of Eugene; Looking Glass Youth and Family Services; Children's Miracle Network; Young Life Board, Springfield

Family: Wife of 25 years, Kathy; Two sons, Jake and Jess.

## NOW IS THE TIME FOR A NON-PARTISAN SECRETARY OF STATE

#### Dear Voters,

Traveling this state as a journalist for 23 years you discover the common bonds that make us proud to be Oregonians.

But when I investigated state government <u>I saw that bitter</u> partisanship and special interests dominate. Now is the time to elect people who are not beholden to special interests.

I left journalism to run for Secretary of State so I could pass a better Oregon on to my children – and I ask for your vote. -Rick Dancer

#### Vic Atiyeh, Oregon Governor (1979-1987) says:

"Dancer's experience is exactly what we need in a Secretary of State. Objectivity, investigative know-how, and a keen appreciation of all parts of Oregon."

There are clear differences between my opponent and me:

- I support <u>opening the Primary Election</u> so every Oregonian's voice is heard.
- I support permitting <u>only legal citizens</u> to register to vote.
- I support <u>guaranteeing the right to a secret ballot</u> for all elections.
- I will <u>aggressively review and audit all state agencies</u> because I am not financially beholden to public employee unions.

#### I will work to take politics out and put trust in.

"Oregon roots run deep for Rick Dancer. From the family homestead in Baker City, to being born, raised, and educated in Washington County, to working in Lane County and the south coast, Rick Dancer will always put Oregon first." **Congressman Greg Walden.** 

"Rick Dancer has a proven record of being fair and impartial. He will bring a non-partisan approach to this job that is desperately needed." **Jack Roberts, former Oregon Labor Commissioner.** 

#### www.RickDancer.com

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## Republican

Occupation: Retired Journalist

Occupational Background: Journalist 1985-2008

**Educational Background:** Bachelors Degree, Communication, Pacific

## **Partisan Candidates**

Secretary of State



## Seth Alan Woolley

Pacific Green

Occupation: Software Engineer

Occupational Background: Software Engineer in High-Performance, High-Capacity, and Location-based Storage Systems; Systems Admin. and

Network Consultant, Technician, and Auditor; Security and Quality Assurance Team Leader

Educational Background: Northwest Public Schools; Willamette University, Computer Science Major

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Secretary and Officer of Pacific Green Party Local and State Committees; Elections Administrator and National Delegate for Pacific Green Party

#### ELECT SETH WOOLLEY TO END LEGALIZED BRIBERY, ELIMINATE SPOILED VOTES, FOR A STRONG VOICE FOR TRANSPARENT ELECTIONS

The Secretary of State administers our elections, audits our government, manages files and archiving, and sits on the Land Board. Seth is the **only candidate qualified** that is **uncorrupted** by any special interest money.

## SETH WILL **END LEGALIZED BRIBERY** BY ENFORCING MEASURE 47 (2006) WHICH **THE VOTERS ENACTED**

You, the citizens of Oregon voted to enact reasonable limits for campaign donations that would **ensure broad support** for candidates. The current Democratic Secretary refuses to **enforce the law,** despite no portion ever being overturned by the courts.

## SETH WILL ENSURE A MAJORITY IN OUR ELECTIONS: INSTANT RUNOFF VOTING

One hundred years ago, the citizens of Oregon voted to allow **ranking candidates in order of preference** when voting. The current Democratic Secretary successfully lobbied against both state and local legislation that would enable this constitutional provision, preventing people from voting for somebody other than the lesser of two evils. **Spoiled elections are not meaningful elections**. Instant Runoff Voting would ensure that if no candidate receives a majority of first choice votes, a "runoff" election is held instantaneously, taking into account voters' second choice votes.

## SETH WILL BE FOR INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES AND OPEN BALLOT ACCESS

The current Democratic Secretary **fought tooth and nail and often in violation of the law to keep independents off the ballot.** Seth's Democratic opponent helped to pass 2005 HB 2614, which made getting any independent on the ballot **nearly impossible.** 

DON'T LET MAJOR PARTIES SPOIL YOUR VOTE AGAIN, VOTE SETH WOOLLEY <u>http://www.seth4sos.org/</u>

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visit www.oregonvotes.org

## TTY 1 800 735 2900

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**State Treasurer** 



## Allen Alley

Republican

**Occupation:** Company Founder - Board Chairman, Private Investor

**Occupational Background:** Over 30 years of experience creating, building and financing

global companies. Company Co-Founder, President, CEO and Board Member; Venture Capital Investor; Marketing Executive; Automotive and Aerospace Engineer.

**Educational Background:** BS in Mechanical Engineering, Minor emphasis in Business: Purdue University. Public schools K-12.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Deputy Chief of Staff, Oregon Governor Kulongoski; Appointed by Governor Kitzhaber as founding chair of Oregon Council for Knowledge and Economic Development.

Family: Married for 26 years to Debbie, three children.

**Community Service:** Former Chairman: OMSI, Oregon Council of the American Electronics Association and the Oregon Business Plan (Recipient of Cecil Andrus Sustainability and Conservation Award 2008). Board Member: Oregon Innovation Council, Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnologies Institute and Oregon Business Council. Clackamas Women's Services volunteer. Youth soccer and baseball coach. Governor's Community Involvement Award.

## **Experience and Trust**

The Treasurer must be an experienced and trusted manager whose top priority is providing financial peace of mind for our retirees and schools. Oregonians need to know that the investments they rely on to support them are sound. Allen has 30 years of private sector experience in starting companies, managing investments, and creating jobs for Oregonians. *The Business Journal* named him 2002's High Tech Executive of the Year and one of Oregon's top CEOs in 2004. *Forbes* magazine recognized his company as the "Fourth Fastest Growing Technology Company" in the US in 2005.

## **Fiscal Strength in a Global Economy**

While other career politicians have been running for office, Allen has been running companies and growing jobs. He brings an outsider's perspective that will drive change. Allen's life experiences allow him to fully understand all of our investment options in an increasingly competitive, complex and fast-paced world. That's why his supporters are as diverse as Oregon Bankers Association, Agriculture Political Action Committee, Oregon Small Business Coalition, State Treasurer Bill Rutherford and Governor Vic Atiyeh. Allen will provide steady, experienced leadership for Oregon.

## www.FriendsOfAllenAlley.com

(This information furnished by Friends of Allen Alley.)

State Treasurer

## Prior Governmental Experience: none

America is in danger and Oregon on the verge of collapse. Leaders of the Democrat and Republican parties with their Ivy League educations are either incredibly stupid or are deliberately destroying us. It is time to return to Constitutional Government and become once again a land of opportunity for Americans. We have entered, voluntarily, into a slave relationship, with our government masters.

Government licenses our activity from travel to marriage, they tax us to drain us of our sustenance, and then use our money to hire police and bureaucrats to come into our homes with warrants to kidnap our children, steal our property and deprive us of our liberty with no remedy-at-law.

In 2007 the legislature, including Ben Westlund, voted to put a toll on every road, bridge and bike path in Oregon with photo tracking devices. Once the Federal Real I.D. Act, which puts everyone into Biometric data base, is completed the Democrat/Republican leadership plan to merge the banks with the States and Federal treasury into one entity with all financial transactions being done by computer. Anyone who objects to any government policy will have their identification suspended and be unable to buy groceries and pay rent.

As State Treasurer, I will uphold and defend the Oregon Constitution.

(This information furnished by Michael Marsh.)

## Michael Marsh

Constitution

Occupation: Maintenance

**Occupational Background:** a variety of jobs

Educational Background: some college

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## **Partisan Candidates**

**State Treasurer** 



## Ben Westlund

Democrat

**Occupation:** Consultant on lowering healthcare costs

**Occupational Background:** Small business owner

**Educational Background:** Whitman College, BA **Prior Governmental Experience:** State legislator 1997-2008 Also nominated by the Independent Party

## **BEN WESTLUND HAS THE RIGHT PRIORITIES**

WESTLUND PRIORITY: LOWER ENERGY COSTS "Ben believes that we can do more to reduce our dependence on foreign oil and reduce energy costs. That's why he has supported investments in new energy sources, like wind, wave and solar, and in conservation."

## Governor John Kitzhaber

Endorsed by Oregon League of Conservation Voters; Oregon AFL-CIO; Sierra Club; Governor Ted Kulongoski

WESTLUND PRIORITY: LOWER HEALTHCARE COSTS "Having successfully fought cancer himself, Ben is one of Oregon's most effective champions for **making healthcare more affordable for everyone,** improving quality, and covering children who don't have insurance."

U.S. Senator Ron Wyden

Endorsed by Planned Parenthood PAC; Oregon Nurses Association; SEIU Locals 49 & 503; Oregon AFSCME Council 75; Oregon State Council for Retired Citizens PAC

WESTLUND PRIORITY: OUALITY EDUCATION "Ben voted to reduce the interest that school districts pay for bonds to save taxpayers millions of dollars. The cost savings can be put directly into the classroom to help improve our schools."

## Susan Castillo, Superintendent of Public Instruction

"Ben knows we must remain competitive in the world economy. That's why he supports **expanding technical and vocational training** in our high schools and worked to create a new university engineering center, expand Oregon Institute of Technology and start a university in Central Oregon." **Governor Barbara Roberts** 

Endorsed by Oregon Education Association; American Federation of Teachers-Oregon; Oregon School Employees Association; State Treasurer Randall Edwards

WESTLUND PRIORITY: FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY "The state has millions of dollars in unclaimed property. Ben is helping return more money to Oregonians. Search for your name at www.ClaimYourLostMoney.com" Lynn Lundquist, Former House Speaker

Endorsed by Credit Union Association of Oregon; Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council; Oregon State Fire Fighters Council; Oregon State Police Officers' Association

## LEARN ABOUT BEN'S PRIORITIES FOR OREGON

## WWW.BENWESTLUND.COM 541-480-0924

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Ben Westlund.)

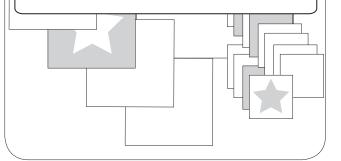
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Online Voters' Guide

Most of the information contained in this voters' pamphlet is also available in the Online Voters' Guide at **www.oregonvotes.org.** 

## Español

Una versión en español de algunas partes de la Guía del Elector está a su disposición en el portal del Internet cuya dirección aparece arriba. Conscientes de que este material en línea podría no llegar adecuadamente a todos los electores que necesitan este servicio, se invita a toda persona a imprimir la versión en línea y circularla a aquellos electores que no tengan acceso a una computadora.



## Candidates / Partisan Candidates

## **Attorney General**



## J Ashlee Albies

Working Families

Occupation: Attorney

Occupational Background: Associate, Steenson, Schumann, Tewksbury, Creighton, & Rose, PC, 2008 – present; Attorney, Law Offices of J. Ashlee Albies,

#### 2005-2008

Educational Background: Rutgers University, B.S.; Lewis and Clark Law School, J.D.

## Prior Governmental Experience: None

Democracy requires real electoral choices. I am running for Attorney General to offer voters a choice and to introduce voters to the Working Families Party.

Political parties should help you identify candidates who support issues that matter to you. In this race, the two major parties have nominated the same candidate, so it is important for us to raise another voice.

#### Our Working Families Party stands for good jobs, especially creating green family-wage jobs, health care for all without private profit, debt free higher education and technical training, affordable housing and an end to predatory lending, and strengthening workers rights to organize and negotiate with employers.

The Attorney General holds a unique position; she upholds the rule of law for all Oregonians. The Attorney General must understand the economic and social underpinnings of crime. Unemployment, poor educational opportunities, and health care unavailability can lead to bad choices. Criminals must be prosecuted, but judges and juries need flexibility to fashion penalties that fit the crime and the criminal. This will help prevent future crime.

The high cost of prisons keeps us from accomplishing other goals. Oregon spends more of its general fund on corrections than any other state. Prison is more expensive and often less effective than community based solutions. These funds are taken away from education, health care, and other services that might actually reduce crime. Likewise, the death penalty does not reduce crime. It diverts resources from effective crime prevention strategies and costs more than life imprisonment.

The Attorney General should aggressively prosecute polluters, corporate criminals, and predatory lenders. Environmental destruction, economic violence, stealing pensions, and defrauding small shareholders causes serious harm to everyday people.

Join the Working Families Party in building a better Oregon.

(This information furnished by J Ashlee Albies.)

**Attorney General** 

TO THE POOR").

Occupational Background: Commander JAGC U.S. Navy (Ret.) (1944-71); volunteer WWII, Korea, Vietnam; public defender, prosecutor, appellate attorney, attorney for disabled servicemen, judge. Lewis & Clark Law School (1970-80) taught Consumer Law, Criminal Procedure, Legal Ethics. Malheur County Counsel, Deputy D.A. (1989-91). Family timber farmer (1988-2007) (Walt donated to Lincoln County, for all Oregonians, his reforested 185-acre farm on the Siletz River as a no-hunting, no-logging nature park).

**Educational Background:** USC, B.A., J.D.; Harvard Law School (constitutional law); Boston University, M.A. (government); UofO, M.L.S.

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Senate (1975-87)

**Community Activities:** League of Conservation Voters; VFW; Amnesty International; Oregon Fair Trade Campaign; Physicians for a National Health Plan; NAACP (since 1948); Sierra Club.

The U.S. Department of Justice established a Civil Rights Division in 1957 to uphold the civil and constitutional rights of all Americans. While Oregon adopted an enlightened Bill of Rights in 1859, our Justice Department has no Civil Rights Division. Walt would create a Civil Rights Division.

Violent crime should always be punished by incarceration. However, the majority of crime is drug and poverty related. Walt would form special committees to address the issues of educational funding, unemployment, healthcare, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, housing, food, and energy costs.

Walt's strong commitment to health care is not limited to how it impacts our quality of life and longevity, but how poor health care is reflected in crime, as the leading cause of personal bankruptcies, loss of productive employment, and domestic violence. Over 600,000 Oregonians (160,000 children) are uninsured. The two major parties have failed to address the basic need for medical care because of their fear of the health insurance industry.

#### "Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the most shocking and most inhuman." (Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.) *PNHP Newsletter* Spring 2008

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## Walter F (Walt) Brown

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## Pacific Green

Occupation: Volunteer attorney, Consumer Justice Alliance, Oregon Consumer League (Oregon State Bar's 2004 awards for "TOTAL HOURS OF PRO-BONO SERVICES" and "LEGAL SERVICES

## **Partisan Candidates**

**Attorney General** 



Law School, J.D.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** U.S. Marine Corps; federal prosecutor, Enron prosecutor, U.S. Department of Justice

John R

Kroger

Democrat

Occupation: Law professor

**Occupational Background:** 

federal prosecutor; law professor

Educational Background: Yale

University, B.A., M.A.; Harvard

John Kroger received both the Democratic and Republican nominations for Attorney General of Oregon.

#### JOHN KROGER FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL THE RIGHT EXPERIENCE TO DELIVER THE CHANGE WE NEED

John Kroger is a tough, award-winning prosecutor and legal scholar with a record of integrity. He has new energy, new ideas and vast experience in court:

- As a prosecutor, John <u>convicted mafia killers</u>, <u>drug traffickers</u> and <u>corrupt government officials</u>, winning every trial and appeal.
- John <u>prosecuted Enron executives</u> who defrauded millions of Americans.
- John teaches criminal law at Lewis & Clark Law School.

"John is tenacious, fearless and brilliant. His ethics and moral compass are second to none." -Andrew Weissmann, Former Director, Enron Task Force

## JOHN KROGER'S PLAN TO MOVE OREGON FORWARD

- Fight meth aggressively, with more effective enforcement and drug treatment.
- <u>Hold every polluter responsible</u> for the damage they cause to our environment.
- Ensure every parent gets the child support payments to which they are entitled.
- Protect consumers and seniors from scam-artists, identity thieves and crooked companies.
- <u>Defend civil rights</u>, a woman's right to choose and Oregon crime victims.

## "John's courtroom experience and his thoughtful ideas for protecting our children and the environment make him the right person for the job." -Gov. John Kitzhaber

#### ENDORSED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PEOPLE WE TRUST

Attorney General Hardy Myers 31 Oregon District Attorneys Sheriffs of Oregon Oregon AFL-CIO Oregon State Police Officers' Association The Sierra Club, Oregon Chapter Oregon League of Conservation Voters Governors Ted Kulongoski, John Kitzhaber, and Barbara Roberts Oregon Education Association Crime Victims United SEIU Locals 503 and 49 NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon PAC Oregon Police Chiefs for Safer Communities

## Check www.johnkroger.com to learn more

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## **Attorney General**



## James E Leuenberger

## Constitution

Occupation: Oregon Sole Practitioner Attorney 1993present; Husband 1990-present; Father 1992-present

## **Occupational Background:**

Law Clerk Idaho Court Appeals 1987-89; Idaho Deputy Attorney General 1989-91

Educational Background: Juris Doctor Degree University Idaho 1987

Prior Governmental Experience: Law Clerk Idaho Court Appeals 1987-89; Idaho Deputy Attorney General 1989-91

The constitutions of Oregon and the United States should not be ignored. I will obey them. I will do all I can to make our governments operate within their constitutional limits.

My policy is: slavery bad - liberty good.

Oregon's founding fathers chose liberty, so do l.

Having been a prosecutor myself, I know that a person can be both a great prosecutor and a good person. Prosecutors are not supposed to prosecute all cases brought to them. Prosecutors are supposed to only prosecute cases for which the prosecutor has admissible evidence that will likely convince a jury that a particular defendant is guilty of a crime. Prosecutors should never knowingly present perjurious testimony. Appellate prosecutors should confess error when appropriate.

When I am Attorney General the policy of the Oregon Department of Justice will be to seek justice, not victories.

Oregon's Constitution says, "In all criminal cases whatever, the jury shall have the right to determine the law, and the facts under the direction of the Court as to the law...." I will do all I can as Attorney General to insure juries in criminal cases know their powers as well as their duties.

We need to create trial courts of general jurisdiction. In 1910 the people eliminated Oregon's circuit courts when we amended Article VII of the Oregon Constitution. Oregon's Circuit Courts, have not been replaced by law as authorized by Article VII amended.

I am pro life. A person becomes a person at conception.

Our right to defend ourselves and others is our most important right. We cannot and should not rely solely on government employees to protect ourselves, our families, and our property.

Website: Leuenberger.us Email: jim@Leuenberger.us

(This information furnished by James E Leuenberger.)

## Candidates / Partisan Candidates

State Senator 9th District



## Fred Girod

Republican

Occupation: Dentist, State Senator

**Occupational Background:** Dentist for 30 years; Partner in assisted living Facilities

Educational Background:

Masters of Public Administration – Harvard University; Doctor of Dental Medicine-OHSU; Bachelor of Science-Oregon State University

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon Senate; Oregon House of Representatives; Stayton City Council

**Community Service:** Santiam Hospital Board; Santiam Watershed creation

## As your State Senator, my priorities are:

- Balance the state budget without new taxes
- Stop the expansion of government
- Create a level playing field for timber and agriculture
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions thru healthy forest management
  Enact Tort reform
- Enact fort reform
- Improve access to healthcare
  Help keep seniors in their homes
- Repair our educational system
- Protect the second amendment
- Restore our salmon runs

You can be assured that as your Senator I will fight to protect your tax dollars. In fact, I received the "Watchdog" award from Taxpayers Association of Oregon due to my work last session. As a friend of timber and agriculture, I received the endorsements of Associated Oregon Loggers Inc, AG-PAC, **Oregon Seed Council and Oregon Dairy Farmers** Association as well as the top grade from Oregon Farm Bureau and "Super Star" rating from Oregonians for Food and Shelter. An outspoken advocate for small business, I am endorsed by National Federation of Independent Business/Oregon SAFE Trust PAC. I will protect your right to hunt and fish and have received the endorsement of the National Rifle Association Inc. I have a long history of being tough on crime and have received the endorsements of Oregon State Police Officers' Association and Steve Doell, President, Crime Victims United. I will continue to fight in Salem to make government work for us!

#### KEEP FRED GIROD AS YOUR STATE SENATOR YOUR VOICE FOR SMALL CITIES AND RURAL OREGON Please visit my website at www.fredgirod.com

(This information furnished by Fred Girod for State Senate.)

## State Senator 9th District



## Bob McDonald

## Democrat

Occupation: Family Physician

#### **Occupational Background:** Family Physician, Mt. Angel

Family Medical Center. Volunteer physician: Silverton Community Outreach Clinic

Educational Background: M.D., UCLA School of Medicine; Los Angeles, CA. B.S. Biological Sciences, UCI; Irvine, CA.

## Prior Governmental Experience: None

**Civic Involvement:** President, Mt. Angel Community Foundation, Volunteer, St. Joseph's Homeless Shelter; Founding Member, Medical Ethics Committee, Silverton Hospital

## **Endorsements:**

<u>SEIU Local 503</u> endorses Bob as a strong advocate for public education, child safety, and human rights!

The <u>Oregon League of Conservation **Voters**</u> endorses Bob for his outspoken support of renewable energy and clean technology to protect Oregon's environmental quality!

The <u>Oregon Council of Police Associations</u> recognizes Bob's dedication to public safety!

The <u>Oregon Education Association</u> agrees with Bob that education is essential for our Democracy, our quality of life, and Oregon's economy.

I am passionate about quality and affordable health care.

Our system of medical care and health insurance is broken and is causing suffering for many people, with many Oregonians only one illness away from bankruptcy!

I am running for the Senate to make the political changes we need to secure essential and affordable health care for all Oregonians. Gaining from the broad experience of being a physician, patient, small business owner, founding member of Silverton hospital's Ethics committee, a six year veteran of the Oregon Medical Association's Medical Review Committee, and now a volunteer physician providing free care to the uninsured at the Silverton Community Outreach Clinic, I understand the problems and can offer wise solutions for Oregon's health care crisis. **There should be no gaps in coverage, no cracks to fall through, and no denial for preexisting conditions.** 

Oregon workers have been increasingly productive and efficient, bringing more income into the state. This money has been going almost entirely into the pockets of the extremely wealthy. I will work to build **an economy that works for all Oregonians**, not just the few.

## Vote: Dr. Bob For a Healthy Oregon!!

Learn more at http://www.drbobfororegon.com

(This information furnished by Bob McDonald.)

## **Partisan Candidates**

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State Senator 12th District



## Brian J Boquist

Republican

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner and Reserve Military Officer

**Occupational Background:** Aviation, construction, dairy, forestry, international business

Educational Background: MBA, Oregon State University; BS, Western Oregon State College; Tillamook High School

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Lieutenant Colonel, Special Forces, US Army, Army National Guard, Army Reserve, State Representative, Central and Perrydale School District Budget Committees

**Organizations:** Boy Scouts of America (Eagle), Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, National Federation of Independent Business, National Guard Association, Elks

Family: Peggy, six children.

Character, leadership and real experience matters!

"I'm an independent minded constitutional republican who believes public safety ought to come first, protecting our children is the key to our future, supporting Oregon businesses leads to public prosperity, defending private property rights is like defending our borders, respecting seniors for their experience, and less

government will improve our pursuit of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

**Brian says** public safety is the first responsibility of government.

Brian says Oregon needs local jobs not higher taxes.

**Brian says** education is everybody's business and we need to work locally to improve our children's future.

Brian says save Oregon for our children not from our children.

**Brian says** small businesses and property owners are over regulated and under supported by government bureaucracy.

**Brian says** prosecute criminals, enforce existing laws, and put money in local hands not state bureaucracy.

**Brian says** honor seniors. Safeguard their future. Rebuild ours together.

Brian supports the Second Amendment as a personal right.

**Brian is** a veteran who understands the challenges younger veterans face today.

Brian favors parental notification.

"A strong economy means supporting small businesses. Oregon needs roads not commuter rails. Oregon needs classroom money not classroom bureaucracy. Oregon needs to spend locally not waste centrally in Salem. Oregon needs common sense not political correctness. Oregon needs Leadership!"

"Join me in sacrificing now for a better Oregon future. I am asking for your vote."

Leadership that Counts - Boquist for State Senate

(This information furnished by Brian J Boquist.)

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**State Senator** 

12th District

## Kevin C Nortness

## Democrat

**Occupation:** Owner, Nortness Consulting, Willamina, Oregon

## **Occupational Background:**

Litigation Consultant, serving attorneys representing workers and consumers; Partner,

Common Sense Legal Services; City Of Beaverton Municipal Court Clerk; United States District Court law librarian; Oregon Historical Society researcher/writer

**Educational Background:** Washington State Bar Association four-year law school, 2003; Portland State University, B.S., political science, 1979

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Current Willamina City Councilor, Finance Committee Chairman; Former City Planning Commissioner

**Organizations:** League of Oregon Cities; Kiwanis; National Employment Lawyers Association

**Family:** Seven children, Kevin, Jr., Kennedy, Eleanor Roosevelt, John, Bobby, Teddy, and Caroline

## We demand stronger public schools, and safer neighborhoods.

"I am pleased to inform you that the Oregon School Employees Association, representing over 20,000 educational employees working in Oregon school districts, has endorsed your candidacy for legislative office." Delight Fisher, OSEA Government Relations Secretary

## We deserve real representation and leadership in Salem.

The politics of fear and division must end. I mean, seriously, if we don't vote for you, we're not patriots? Good luck with that bumper sticker, Brian.

# Politicians should be held accountable for their promises. Since when does mediocre performance in the House merit election to the Senate?

Our legislators have a responsibility to the people of Oregon to lower the cost of doing business here, to ensure that we have a highly educated, trained and fully employed work force, to ease the burden of unnecessary government bureaucracy on property owners, to make Oregon a national leader in energy independence, and to not only share our outrage over health care costs, but to act. Now.

## As a City Councilor in Willamina, I've worked hard to promote common sense, positive change.

I'd appreciate an opportunity to work hard for Oregon. Thanks for considering my candidacy.

(This information furnished by Nortness For Senate.)

## Candidates / Partisan Candidates

State Senator 30th District



## Ted Ferrioli

Republican

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Malheur Timber Operators, Inc.

Occupational Background: Association Director, Forest products company general manager; rancher; small

business owner; Veteran's Affairs Loan Officer

Educational Background: BA, University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon State Senator 1997 - present; Senate President Pro-Tempore; Member, Task Force on Federal Forest Payments and County Services; Vice-Chair, Senate Rules and Ethics Committee

**Community Service:** Co-founder, Oregon Lands Coalition; President, Chamber of Commerce; Member, Oregon Hanford Waste Board.

## A record as rural Oregon's most effective advocate

- Added over 50 Oregon State Police to rural Oregon highways
- Provided mentors for new teachers and school administrators in rural Oregon
- Saved Baker City's historic Carnegie Library Arts Project
- Defeated plan to reduce payments to rural schools
- Gave rangeland communities new tools to protect
  themselves from fires
- Opposed higher taxes and increased fees
- Increased bail amount for meth dealers

"The natural resource community has a champion advocate in Ted Ferrioli. Few others are as passionate and forceful on the issues of concern to farmers and foresters across the state."

Sharon Livingston, current chair of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association and an alternate to the Oregonians for Food and Shelter Board of Directors (*Blue Mountain Eagle*, 10/17/2007)

"It is a privilege to be a strong advocate for the people when government actions affect the lives of citizens in our part of the state. Fighting for rural Oregon means keeping a sharp eye on state agencies and speaking with a clear voice among the urban interests. Thank you for the honor of allowing me to serve."

Senator Ted Ferrioli

Key Endorsements: Oregon Cattle PAC AG PAC Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council

(This information furnished by Friends of Ted Ferrioli.)

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Your voted ballot must be returned to your county elections office by 8pm election day, Tuesday, November 4, 2008.

# Postmarks do not count!

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## State Representative 17th District



## Sherrie Sprenger

Republican

Occupation: State Representative; Small Business Owner

Occupational Background: Benton and Grant County Deputy Sheriff

Educational Background: BS-Management and Communications, Corban College

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Lebanon Community School Board, 2003-2008, Chair; Fair Dismissal Appeals Board, Governor's Appointment; Linn County Compensation Board, Commissioners' Appointment

## **Community Service:**

School volunteer

Former Board Chair, New Hope Pregnancy Center

Former Member, Legislative Policy Committee, Oregon School Boards Association

Sunday School Teacher

## Representative Sherrie Sprenger-Our Values.

"Sherrie Sprenger is a great fit for our district. She brings experience, knowledge, humility and work ethic to the legislature. She will make a mark on Oregon's future for us."

## Sam Brentano, Marion County Commissioner

"As an involved parent and former school board member, Sherrie Sprenger thoroughly understands education. However what I admire most is her heart for kids and their success."

## Lou Masog, Educator of the Year

"I'm a registered Independent and I like Sherrie Sprenger because she isn't a partisan politician—she is a thoughtful, caring representative of the people."

## **Ernestine Edwards, Independent Voter**

"Representative Sprenger is the kind of leader we need with these difficult economic times. She has the strength and skill to help our economy and get results for the taxpayer."

## Jim Richards, Fisher Farm and Lawn

## Representative Sherrie Sprenger-Our Voice.

Representative Sprenger works by our side, listening and understanding our priorities. She's an effective voice for:

- ACCOUNTABLE GOVERNMENT-Investing our hard-earned tax dollars in programs that get results within existing funds-no new taxes
- EDUCATION-Focusing on kids' success and getting more dollars to the classroom
- ECONOMIC STABILITY-Supporting employers, working to relieve pressure on family budgets with energy reforms, tax credits, more
- **HEALTH CARE**-Creating solutions for better health insurance access and keeping seniors in their homes

## Endorsed by:

Mayors of Lebanon, Stayton, Mill City, Sublimity, Scio Tim Mueller, Linn County Sheriff Associated Oregon Loggers, Inc. Oregon Farm Bureau Federation Oregon Health Care Association Taxpayer Association of Oregon PAC Oregon State Police Officers' Association

## LET'S KEEP REPRESENTATIVE SHERRIE SPRENGER

(This information furnished by Friends of Sherrie Sprenger.)

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## State Representative 17th District



#### University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Linn County Planning Commission; Director, Linn County Soil and Water Conservation District; President, Linn County Farm Bureau; Chairman, Lebanon Budget Committee; Lebanon City Councilor.

Dan

Thackaberry

**Occupation:** Farmer

Livestock and timber

**Occupational Background:** 

Educational Background:

BS, Entomology, Oregon State

Democrat

management

**Civic Activities:** Oregon Small Woodlands Association; Sons of the American Legion; National Rifle Association.

#### "The Oregon Legislature needs Dan's experience. His farming and timber background makes him a perfect fit for this district." Peter DeFazio

## **Aggressively Tackle Our Meth Problem**

Dan understands that Meth is ruining our communities. Ninety percent of property crime, including metal theft and ID theft, is directly related to Meth use. We must end the revolving door of arrest and release. Dan knows you cannot fix the problem without comprehensive drug treatment for offenders to get them clean before release.

**Fuel and Food** 

Dan knows our dependence upon foreign oil is costing us: at the pump, at the grocery store and every other part of our lives. Oregon must be a leader in the development of new energy technologies like biofuels from wood waste. These technologies will bring many new family wage jobs to our communities. **Education** 

Dan will work to control and lower tuition costs, expand financial aid opportunities, and raise academic standards in core classes: Math, English and Science. Dan knows that with investment in our educational systems we will build an educated workforce in Oregon, bringing jobs and stability to our state and local economies.

#### "Dan's experience and intelligent ideas for improving Oregon schools, fighting our Meth problem and implementing new energy technologies, make him the right person for the job." US Senator Ron Wyden

**Dan Thackaberry:** "I'm running because I genuinely care about people and want to help solve the critical issues that face our communities."

## www.farmerdan.org

Endorsements: SEIU Local 503, OPEU, Linn and Marion County Farm Bureaus, Oregon AFSCME Council 75, OLCV, Oregon Education Association, Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA), and Stand For Children

(This information furnished by Dan Thackaberry.)

## Candidates / **Partisan Candidates**

**State Representative 18th District** 



Portland State University

## Jim Gilbert

Democrat

Occupation: Nursery Owner/Manager, 1979-present

**Occupational Background:** Founder, Northwoods and One Green World Nurseries

Educational Background: BA,

Prior Governmental Experience: Chair, Molalla Community **Planning Organization** 

## ENDORSED BY THE INDEPENDENT PARTY OF OREGON

JIM GILBERT **STANDING UP FOR OREGONIANS** 

"As a farmer, Jim Gilbert understands the issues and challenges we face every day. He can be depended upon to support farmers 100 percent of the time." Dan Goffin, President, Marion County Farm Bureau

"Jim will fight to make sure law enforcement has the tools we need to combat the meth epidemic and keep our communities safe." Craig Roberts, Clackamas County Sheriff

"Jim Gilbert is a strong advocate for access to affordable health care. Oregon needs Jim's experience and common sense approach to government." Ron Wyden, U.S. Senator

## **CREATING GOOD JOBS**

As a successful small business owner, I know what it takes to create good jobs with health benefits. Strengthening our local economy will be my top priority in Salem.

## **SUPPORTING FARMS & SMALL BUSINESSES**

I will continue to fight for farmers and our local small businesses by making sure they have the land, water and resources necessary for their success.

## **EDUCATING OUR CITIZENS**

Our schools, community colleges and universities are essential to our success and prosperity. I will work to make a high-quality education system a priority for our state.

## **KEEPING OUR CITIZENS HEALTHY**

No parent should have to choose between buying groceries or treating a sick child. I will fight for affordable and effective health care for our children, senior citizens, and all Oregonians.

## **SAVING MONEY & ELIMINATING CORRUPTION**

My small business experience has taught me how to control wasteful spending. I will fight to get the corrupting influence of big money out of Oregon politics. Unlike my opponent, I do not accept campaign cash from special interest groups and out-of-state corporations.

## I would be honored to have your vote and to serve as your **State Representative - Jim Gilbert**

## www.gilbertfororegon.com

(This information furnished by Friends of Jim Gilbert.)

## **State Representative 18th District**



Foundation, Mercy Corp; T.V. & Voice Talent

Educational Background: M. Ed., University of South Carolina; B.A., Warner Pacific College; Franklin High

Prior Governmental Experience: State Representative; Committees: Human Services, Consumer Protection, Rural Policy; Legislative Aide, U.S. Senator Mark O. Hatfield

## Vic Gilliam: Balanced Leadership for Oregon Families

"I have always known Vic Gilliam to take a thoughtful, fair and balanced approach to any problem.

From veterans' issues to energy relief, he is a man who will work across party lines for solutions. This is a very good quality in a legislator.

I would encourage you to vote for Rep. Vic Gilliam. I am confident that he is the best candidate to represent us in the Legislature."

## Sherry Stock **Molalla Resident**

## Vic Gilliam: Real Change for Oregon Seniors & Families

"Vic Gilliam is not the status quo. Every day he seeks real change for struggling Oregonians. Unlike his opponent he will not raise taxes on seniors and families. The difference is clear."

## **Jason Williams**

## **Taxpayer Association of Oregon**

## Vic Gilliam: Common Sense Spending for Oregon Families

"Vic Gilliam will protect the family budget first. His record in the Legislature speaks loud and clear and he is always looking for ways to stretch tax dollars. Vic Gilliam believes government must tighten its belt just like families and small businesses across Oregon have."

#### John Killin **Oregon Small Business Coalition**

## **Oregon Agriculture Support Vic Gilliam:**

Oregon Farm Bureau **Clackamas County Farm Bureau Oregon Seed Council** Oregon Family Farm Association PAC Oregon Dairy Farmers Association Oregonians for Food and Shelter AG PAC

"Vic Gilliam is a strong voice for Oregon's family farmer and our agriculture community in the Legislature. We need him back in Salem fighting for us!" **Glenn Goschie** Farmer, Silverton

## Vic Gilliam Endorsed By:

**Oregon State Police Officers' Association** 

Vote Vic Gilliam Balance. Real Change. Common Sense. www.VicGilliam.com

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## Vic Gilliam

## Republican

Occupation: State Representative; Self-Employed

#### **Occupational Background:** Development Professional: Willamette University; OHSU Foundation, International Youth

## **Partisan Candidates**

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**State Representative 19th District** 



## Kevin Cameron

Republican

**Occupation:** State Representative; Founder/CEO Cafe Today Restaurants

**Occupational Background:** Hospitality Industry: Director of Operations; District Manager;

**Training Director** 

**Educational Background:** Oregon State University, B.S. Business Marketing; 1-year completed of Executive MBA, University of Colorado

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative; House Judiciary Committee; Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee for Public Safety; Committee on Business and Labor; Committee for Health and Human Services; Committee for General Government; Governor's Re-entry Council; Attorney General's Underage Drinking Task Force.

**Family:** Married for 26 years to Judy Cameron. Daughters: Brianne and Amanda.

## Help, not Rhetoric

Kevin Cameron understands that people face tough economic choices. Food and gas prices have soared while property values have plummeted. Kevin is working to find new solutions to help people during this tough economic climate and at the same time asking government to be more accountable with the money they have.

"Kevin's small business background and community leadership give him the kind of practical, innovative, and independent thinking we need in the legislature."

Gladys Blum 2006 Salem First Citizen

## **Trusted Leader**

Kevin has a proven track record of helping people in the community, making himself accessible and getting things done. Whether it's his numerous town halls, attendance at community events and meetings or his dedication to bi-partisan leadership, Kevin Cameron is a respected leader.

"We have known Kevin and his family for over ten years and have witnessed the high level of integrity and commitment he brings to all areas of his life. He represents us well."

#### Pat Edelbrock Retired Crossler MS Teacher 2002 Crystal Apple Recipient

## **Community Advocate**

Whether it's stronger schools, safer streets, or improved access to healthcare, Kevin Cameron can be counted on to fight for our community. He works hard at being aware of our needs and advocating on our behalf.

"Representative Cameron has demonstrated a high level of availability to this community. He has been a supportive state leader who is in touch with local issues."

### Stuart Olson Stuart Olson Farms

(This information furnished by Kevin Cameron for Oregon.)

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# State Representative 19th District

**Occupation:** Health System Analyst

Hanten (HD)

Democrat

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## **Occupational Background:**

Medical Doctor, Public Health Physician, Harvard Fellow, Assistant Professor, Chief

Research Analyst, top-level positions in public, private and non-profit organizations.

**Educational Background:** Degrees in Medicine, Public Health, Research/Measurement & Quantitative Analysis.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Professional and leadership positions, including Chair of Marion Health Advisory Board; VP/Secretary of Marion Cultural Development Corporation, Salem-Keizer School Board Director. Active volunteer/leader in schools/communities.

**Family:** Happily married for 20+ years to Wei with two children: Richie and Joy. Caring for aging/legally-blinded parent offered insights into senior/disability issues, project independence and home/community-based long-term care.

**WHY AM I RUNNING?** I believe HD19 voters deserve better representation than an initially-appointed incumbent who is out-of-touch by repeatedly voting against their will and in-sync with special interests. I run to represent the ordinary people and working families ("the little guys"), NOT the elite insiders and out-of-state corporations. My top priority is to best represent and serve YOU, the constituents, to feel your pain and cheer your gain. I pledge not to take personal gifts from lobbyists and contributions from out-of-state corporations. **I work for you!** 

<u>"Hanten's public service has demonstrated his</u> independence and courage."

#### ~Representative Brian Clem

## HANTEN DAY

Firm believer in fiscal conservatism, personal responsibility & strong family values Tireless promoter of open and efficient government that's OF/BY/FOR the PEOPLE Change agent for **"H.O.P.E."** 

 -Health Care Reform (Help kids, seniors, disabled and the working uninsured)

- -Open Government and more Opportunities for jobs, college and small business
- -Public Safety (Prevent crimes, Patrol highways, Protect children and families)
- -Education Excellence, Equal Rights, Economic and Environment Sustainability

#### <u>With his leadership on the school board and in the</u> <u>community, Hanten Day will help produce the kind of</u> <u>change our state needs."</u> ~Senator Ron Wyden

## Vote for Change! Vote for H.O.P.E! Vote for Hanten Day! YOU DESERVE BETTER and WE CAN DO BETTER!

**ENDORSEMENTS:** SKEA/SKACE/OEA (Salem-Keizer Education Association), Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA), Oregon Nurses Association, Oregon AFSCME Council 75, SEIU 503, more on <u>www.VoteHD.com</u>

(This information furnished by Friends of Hanten Day.)

State Representative 20th District



## Vicki Berger

Republican

**Occupation:** State Representative; retired small business owner.

**Occupational Background:** Owner, West Salem Lazerquick; project manager, regional

#### manufacturing firm.

**Educational Background:** BA, University of Wyoming; Salem Public Schools.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative; vice-chair, Revenue Committee; vice-chair, Rules Committee; member, Business and Labor Committee; chair, General Government Committee; vice-chair, Trade and Economic Development Committee; member, Salem/Keizer School Board.

**Community Involvement:** Salem Area Chamber of Commerce; Salem Hospital Foundation; Oregon State Capitol Foundation. Past community activities: Marion/Polk County CASA; City of Salem Downtown Development Board; West Salem Rotary; West Salem Business Association.

**Community Recognition:** 2001 Salem Co-First Citizen (with husband Jerry); first woman president of the Family YMCA of Marion/Polk Counties board.

## VICKI BERGER Fighting for What's Important

Vicki understands that Oregon families are feeling squeezed by the high costs of gas, groceries and health care. She will work to protect the family budget.

#### VICKI BERGER Stable School Funding

Vicki helped create the state's Rainy Day Fund and the Education Stability Fund to protect schools and essential services during economic downturns. As a former school board member, she understands the need to get more money to classroom programs and will ensure it is a priority.

## VICKI BERGER Keeping Our Families Safe

Vicki fought for more state troopers on our roads and highways and to create mandatory minimum sentences for sex offenders and pedophiles. She also helped pass legislation to crack down on crime and identity theft by requiring proof of legal residency for those seeking driver's licenses.

## VICKI BERGER A Clean Environment & Renewable Energy

Vicki led the fight to reduce litter and increase recycling by expanding Oregon's Bottle Bill to include a deposit on plastic water bottles. She is also working to ensure that more of our energy comes from renewable resources like wind and solar power to decrease our dependence on fossil fuels.

## KEEP VICKI BERGER FIGHTING FOR WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO US.

Contact Vicki at (503) 559-5452; info@vickiberger.net

(This information furnished by Vicki Berger.)

**State Representative 20th District** 



## Richard Riggs

Democrat

**Occupation:** US Naval Officer, retired; Chemeketa Community College Board of Directors.

**Occupational Background:** Iraq War veteran; 20 years Naval service (enlisted and officer).

**Educational Background:** Willamette University College of Law; B.S. Mathematics, Oregon State University; Air Command and Staff College.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chemeketa Community College Board of Directors.

**Community Service:** Instructor, Willamette University College of Law, Street Law Program; Rotary Club; Oak Bay Little League; Monterey Elementary School Parent Advisory Committee Chairman; Victoria Master Gardener Association.

**Family:** Rich and his wife Shannon have been married nineteen years and have two children in Salem public schools.

## **Richard Riggs: Proven Leadership**

#### "Oregon needs leadership for the future and Richard Riggs is the right choice to deliver." Senator Ron Wyden

### **Supporting Our Troops**

As an Iraq war veteran, Richard Riggs will **support other combat veterans** by making sure they have the medical, educational and housing services they need to resume their lives after coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan.

## **Protecting Our Environmental Legacy**

Richard Riggs supported Measure 49 to protect our farms and forests from development. He'll work to **make Oregon a leader in renewable energy**, such as solar and wind power to **combat global warming and decrease dependence on foreign oil.** 

## **Providing Education Options for a Lifetime**

Richard Riggs' plan includes stable and adequate funding, a longer school year, and **smaller class sizes** for the early grades. He'll also continue working to **make college affordable for all Oregonians.** 

## **Creating Tax Fairness**

Richard Riggs will reform the \$10 corporate minimum tax so **big corporations pay their fair share** for education, health care, and public safety.

## Endorsed by:

Oregon Council of Police Associations, Oregon State Fire Fighters Council, Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association, Oregon War Veterans Association, Oregon League of Conservation Voters, Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council, SEIU Local 503, OPEU, Oregon Education Association, Oregon AFL-CIO, Stand for Children, and many others. Visit www.RichardRiggs.com for complete list.

(This information furnished by Friends of Richard Riggs.)

## **Partisan Candidates**

State Representative 21st District



## Brian Clem

Democrat

**Occupation:** State Representative, Small Business Owner

**Occupational Background:** Farmer; Director of Salem Field Office for U.S. Senator Ron

Wyden; Legislative Assistant to State Senator Cliff Trow

Educational Background: B.S. Political Science, Oregon State University, OSU Student Body President; 1993-1994

Prior Governmental Experience: Four-term Chair - Oregon Student Assistance Commission

**Community Involvement:** Salem City Club President, Member - Salem Chamber of Commerce

Endorsed by: SEIU Local 503, OLCV, Oregon AFSCME Council 75, OEA, OFB, Stand For Children, Oregon AFL-CIO

## Brian Clem—He's as Oregon as it gets.

Brian Clem is an Oregon native. His family arrived in 1850—before Oregon was even a state. From agriculture to hi-tech, Brian understands the things that make us unique because he has lived them. Brian was elected to serve you in 2006. His first session in the Capitol was focused on delivering concrete improvements to peoples' lives.

**Getting Oregon moving in the right direction.** Brian Clem supported the landmark 2007 education budget—stopping increases in class sizes and putting more dollars directly into the classroom. Clem led the fight to end state contracts for companies that send the work overseas. He supported creating Oregon's Rainy Day Fund and innovative solutions to the meth crisis.

**Protecting property rights.** Brian Clem made a promise to the people of East Salem to fight forced annexations and he kept it. He led the legislature to pass two laws to give people a say in their futures. Now, homeowners of targeted properties will have the right to vote and the tax burden on them reduced.

**Investing in the future.** Brian was a key sponsor of the Renew Oregon Plan—creating a strong biofuels industry, generating new agricultural and manufacturing jobs, and decreasing Oregon's dependence on foreign oil.

**Ending the stranglehold of lobbyists.** Brian Clem is fighting to return Oregon's government to us. He kept his promise not to take gifts from lobbyists and campaign contributions from out of state corporations.

(This information furnished by Oregonians For Clem.)

**V6E**. **by November 4th** 

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State Representative 22nd District



## Tom M Chereck, Jr

Republican

Occupation: Husband; Father; Garden, nursery, greenhouse, orchard, vineyard operator; Evangelist, street preacher; Plant Health Care Technician, Rasmussen Spray Service.

**Occupational Background:** ASR Prograss Landscape Care & Design; Spray Technician Nitrolawn; Flagger Asplundh Tree Expert; Groundskeeper Marion County Jail; Route Technician Cascade Landscape; Greenhouse/Horticulture Coordinator Oregon Corrections Enterprises; Correctional Plant Maintenance Worker OWCC; Correctional Landscaper OWCC; Grounds Maintenance Riverside Golf & Country Club; 7-Eleven store clerk; Dirollo Landscape & Irrigation; Grounds Maintenance City of Tualatin; Greenhouse Manager PCC.

**Educational Background:** The Bible; Husband; Father; Pesticide applicator recertification training; Protestant Evangelical Churches; Godaddy website design; CAD Chemeketa; Flagger D&H Flagging; Botanist, Oregon Native Plant Society; Associate Science Landscape Management Portland Community College; Explorer Scout Tektronix; Electronics Major Benson Polytechnic High School.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Marion County Facilities Management; Oregon Corrections Enterprises; Oregon Department of Corrections; City of Tualatin.

**Licensing:** Birth Certificate; Born a **USA Citizen;** Social Security Card Holder; Oregon Drivers License: Commercial Pesticide Applicator #167730 with eleven categories; Pesticide Consultant #94763; Private Pesticide Applicator #157019; Marriage Certificate March 1993. Baptized as a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ November 1990.

## PHILOSOPHY

In our great **USA** we have freedom. Freedom is to speak freely about Politics & Religion. Our **USA Constitution** declares freedom of Religion not freedom from Religion.

## **POLITICS & RELIGION**

Politics is how we live our lives here on Earth. Religion is how we live our lives forever. It is time we talk about it.

## **VOTING DEFINITION**

All those legally able to register to vote are accountable before the Lord God Almighty for the outcome of the election process. **All these do vote.** Casting a ballot is very important. Balloters decide the outcome. **Register and cast a ballot**.

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(This information furnished by Tom M Chereck, Jr.)

## State Representative 22nd District



cook; and legislative leader.

**Educational Background:** As a single mom, Betty went back to college and earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Western Oregon University.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** House District 22 Representative, 2004-present; Mt. Angel School Board, 1986-1990.

Family: Four daughters, eight grandchildren and 13 siblings.

## Dear Friends:

You honored me in 2004 and 2006 by electing me your representative. I've spent my time as a legislator doing my best to live up to the trust you've placed in me. Your priorities are my priorities.

I've worked hard to **reduce government waste** by reducing expensive Golden Parachutes for retiring school administrators and helping pass legislation creating the Committee on Performance Excellence to **force state agencies to be more efficient**. We also reduced health insurance overhead costs for school employees to **put more money in the classroom**. School districts can use this savings to improve student performance.

To keep our community safe and secure, I supported consumer protection bills to reduce predatory lending in Oregon. We also now have the funding to create 24/7 State Police patrols on highways across Oregon.

Health care continues to be too expensive. In 2007, the Legislature **reduced prescription drug costs.** During the 2008 session, we also increased funding for **additional health care options for seniors** to maintain a high level of quality care.

Serving you has been a great honor. With your support, I will keep representing the views of District 22 next year. Your voices and votes are important, thank you.

Sincerely,

Betty Komp

(This information furnished by Elect Betty Komp.)

## Betty Komp

## Democrat

**Occupation:** Legislator; Teacher training and mentoring.

## **Occupational Background:** Betty has worked as a farm hand;

Betty has worked as a farm hand; youth minister; principal; assistant principal; teacher;

## **Partisan Candidates**

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**State Representative** 23rd District



## Jason Brown

Democrat

**Occupation:** Computer engineer, small farmer.

Occupational Background: I have worked as a manager in high-tech research and development and as an

entrepreneur in real estate, computer services, and health services. I have also worked in restaurants, shipping yards, and sales.

**Educational Background:** The Evergreen State College, BA, 1984; Graduate studies in Research Psychology at Western Washington University, 1992-1994.

#### Prior Governmental Experience: None

#### "When we invest in people, our communities can thrive, and everyone benefits." – Jason Brown

#### Living-Wage Jobs

Jason Brown will work to create job-training partnerships so that people can learn the skills they need for good local jobs.

## **Healthy Businesses**

Jason Brown will work to bring effective business support services to our communities and restore vital state extension services so that independent business people, including farmers, can be more successful.

#### **Affordable Health Care**

Jason Brown will work to make health care affordable for everyone by supporting innovations to deliver health services more effectively, for lower cost.

#### **Green Solutions**

Jason Brown will work to protect our agricultural industries from out-of-control development and advance green technologies that create living-wage jobs and keep Oregon businesses competitive.

## **Fiscal Responsibility**

Every year, Oregon loses about 10% of its revenue by continuing to follow failed policies. More cost-effective programs that have been proven to work elsewhere can drive economic growth and actually save us money.

## **Bottom Line:** Our communities can be safer, healthier and more prosperous if we make the right investments.

"I am running because we need effective problem-solving and some fresh ideas to change our future for the better. I am not a career politician supported by lobbyists. I will represent you, the voter." – **Jason Brown** 

> www.brownforhouse.org P.O. Box 991, Dallas OR 97338 503-606-4323 or 541-760-1907

Endorsed by: James L. Monroe, President, Linn County Farm Bureau, Marion-Polk-Yamhill Counties Central Labor Council AFL-CIO, United Transportation Union, SEIU Local 503, Working Families Party of Oregon, Oregon League of Conservation Voters and more...

(This information furnished by the Brown for House Committee.)

## State Representative 23rd District



**Educational Background:** Taft High School; B.S., Biology, Western Oregon University (Oregon College of Education); graduate work, Botany and Plant Pathology, OSU.

Jim

Thompson

Republican

Association

Occupation: Executive Director,

**Occupational Background:** 

Plant science; Hollister Stier

Labs; Bayer Corporation

Oregon State Pharmacy

Prior Governmental Experience: State Representative; Monmouth City Council; Chair, Polk County Fire District #1

## JIM THOMPSON Real Solutions to Real Problems

#### **Schools Focused on Students**

Being married to a teacher for 40 years has taught me about the challenges facing schools. More of our tax dollars need to find their way to local classrooms instead of being eaten up by administration and overhead. We should encourage investments in textbooks, technology, and teacher training and establish ways to reward teachers who deliver results in the classroom.

### **Protecting Family Budgets**

We are all feeling pinched by rising gas and grocery prices. I will push efforts to reduce our dependence on foreign energy by promoting renewable energy and support efforts to increase domestic fuel production.

## **Addressing Our Health Care Crisis**

We are putting a lot of money into health care, but are not getting enough health care in return. The more government tries to fix the system, the more costs rise. We need a streamlined approach to make coverage more affordable for families.

## **Responsible Financial Management**

I will turn to front line government workers for ways to help reduce waste and support increased auditing to better focus spending – without raising taxes.

## **Tougher Penalties for Pedophiles**

As your state representative I will continue my work to increase penalties on repeat sex offenders who prey on our children and grandchildren.

## ENDORSED BY:

Oregon Nurses Association Oregon Health Care Association Oregon Seed Council Oregon Nurseries' PAC AG PAC AFSCME Associated Oregon Industries Oregon War Veterans Association Associated Oregon Loggers, Inc. Oregon Anti-Crime Alliance PAC State Representative Brian Boquist Former State Representative Jeff Kropf Tom Ritchey, Polk County Commissioner Mike Propes, Polk County Commissioner Kathy George, Yamhill County Commissioner

## www.JIMFORHOUSE.com

(This information furnished by Citizens for Jim Thompson.)

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State Representative 25th District



## Kim Thatcher

## Republican

**Occupation:** President, KT Contracting Company; Owner, Highway Specialties

**Occupational Background:** Accounting; Computer Technician; Software

Development; Construction Projects Manager; Equipment Operator

Educational Background: Oregon City High; PSU

**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative 2005 to present; Oregon Commission for Women; House Committee appointments have included: Elections, Ethics, and Rules; Government Accountability and Information Technology; Interim Economic Development; Interim Real Estate; Transportation; Judiciary

**Community Activities:** Founder, Oregon Contractors Association; Keizer and Chehalem Valley Chambers of Commerce; SMART Reading Program; Salem Chapter, National Association of Women in Construction; Mentor, Barbara Roberts High School; Church volunteer

**Personal:** Keizer Resident; Married 24 years; four children; Instrument-Rated pilot

## KIM THATCHER: Promoting Economic Development & Jobs

- Setting priorities to fund road construction which eases congestion and promotes efficient commerce.
- Keeping state spending in check by voting against attempts to steal your tax kicker money.
- Encouraging investment in our state by voting to reduce state capital gains and estate taxes.

## KIM THATCHER: Helping Every Child Succeed

- Promoting performance audits to ensure our children get positive results from each taxpayer dollar spent in our schools.
- Giving parents and students more academic options by supporting charter schools.

## KIM THATCHER: Law & Order in Our Communities

- Getting tough on drug dealers, drunk drivers, and property criminals.
- Requiring proof of legal status before issuing state identification and benefits.

## **KIM THATCHER: Helping Those in Need**

- Supporting programs which allow seniors to stay in their own homes.
- Fighting for independence for people with disabilities.
- Giving veterans the services they deserve for protecting our country.

## KIM THATCHER: Good Government Reforms

- Staunchly supporting the protection of private property rights.
- Actively opposing government mandates, (ethanol and health insurance) which drive up the cost of living in Oregon.
- Protecting the integrity of Oregon's initiative and voting system.

## KIM THATCHER: INDEPENDENT LEADERSHIP WE CAN COUNT ON

www.kimthatcher.net

(This information furnished by Friends of Kim Thatcher.)

## **Partisan Candidates**

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**State Representative 59th District** 



## Mike Ahern

Democrat

**Occupation:** Realtor; Jefferson County Commissioner.

**Occupational Background:** Small Businessman: Owner Ahern's Grocery and Black Butte General Store.

Educational Background: Madras High School; University of Oregon Graduate.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Jefferson County Commission; Madras City Council; Deschutes River Management Commission; Jefferson County Public Health Advisory Committee; 509-J School District Budget Committee; Commission on Children and Families.

**Prior Community Experience:** Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce, President; Madras Kiwanis, President; Madras Elks; Knights of Columbus; Youth Basketball and Soccer Coach.

**Family:** Mike lives in Madras with his wife Jane, who is Youth Services Director at the Jefferson County Library. He has 3 grown sons.

## **Economic Development**

Mike is serious about turning state resources towards creating jobs and opportunity for folks on this side of the Cascades. That's why Mike is

## **ENDORSED: OREGON BUSINESS ASSOCIATION**

#### **Health Care**

Mike wants to put the brakes on rising health care costs and get more health insurance dollars into the exam room, not the boardroom. That's why Mike is

## ENDORSED: OREGON NURSES ASSOCIATION

#### **Education**

Mike knows that in an increasingly competitive economy, our kids are going to need a good education if they're going to succeed. That's why Mike is

## **ENDORSED: OREGON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION**

#### **Quality of Life**

Mike knows our communities need leadership in Salem to protect our quality of life, and renew our towns, communities, farms and ranches.

"With his 'where-the-rubber-meets-the-road' local government experience, Mike understands the diverse issues facing rural Oregon. He's well-prepared to be your next State Representative."

## - U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden

## Note from Mike

Fellow Oregonian,

From Kiwanis to the County Commission, to running my own small business, I've learned the value of hard work and collaboration, and the importance of doing the best with what you've got. We need to work together to build a positive, prosperous future.

## I'LL GO TO WORK IN SALEM, SO SALEM WORKS FOR US. Lask for your vote.

Sincerely, Mike Ahern

(This information furnished by Elect Ahern.)

## State Representative 59th District



Manager, 1980-1984

Educational Background: Some college

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Investment Board; The Dalles Chamber of Commerce Economic Development

#### John Huffman—Creating Opportunities

John understands the importance of a healthy economy—tax revenues increase, education dollars are better allocated, necessary social services are funded. John knows how to prioritize and spend wisely to keep Oregon business-friendly.

## John Huffman—Working for You

John brought cell service to Wheeler County, helped capture \$2 million for Connect Oregon II which will bring jobs to Jefferson County, voted to add 39 more state troopers to roads and added funding to Oregon Project Independence allowing seniors to receive in-home care.

#### John Huffman—Fighting for Rural Oregon

In one year, John has made significant steps in each of the 30 communities he represents. He voted for the Regional Rural Investment, the Farm to School program and to reduce inheritance taxes so your farm can stay in the family.

## Endorsements

Congressman Greg Walden Oregon Farm Bureau AG PAC Oregon AFSCME Council 75 Oregon State Police Officers' Association Oregon Health Care Association National Rifle Association

"John's one of us—he knows what it takes to run an agricultural business. He understands our livelihood depends on our ability to run businesses and farms. John has taken great strides to see rural Oregon gets the attention it deserves."

## Gary Harris—Harris Farms, Madras

"John cares for our communities. His work throughout Wheeler County is efficient and effective. He has always been a friendly, dependable resource for citizens and we need him serving our state."

## Jeanne Burch—Wheeler County Judge

"John Huffman is dedicated to learning about the issues that face our region and finding structures that make government work. That is what I like about him and why I support him for this office."

#### Laura Pryor—Retired Judge

#### Vote Experience. Vote Rural Oregon Values. Vote John Huffman. www.votehuffman.com

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John E Huffman

Republican

property owner

**Occupation:** State Representative; Commercial

**Occupational Background:** 

Manager, Q104 radio, 1985-

2007; Ford Dealership

#### **Vote by Mail Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What is Vote by Mail?

Vote by mail is a method of conducting elections. Instead of using traditional polling places where voters go to cast ballots on election day, a ballot is automatically mailed to each registered voter. The ballot is then voted and returned to the county elections official to be counted.

## As a voter, what do I have to do?

Your ballot packet will automatically be mailed to you between October 17 and 21, 2008. Inside the packet you will find the ballot, a secrecy envelope and a return envelope. Once you vote the ballot, place it in the secrecy envelope and seal it in the pre-addressed return envelope. Be sure you sign the return envelope on the appropriate line. After that just return the ballot either by mail or at a designated dropsite.

#### What if I am uncomfortable voting my ballot at home?

Privacy booths are available for you to cast your ballot. There are privacy booths at your county elections office and there may be others at dropsite locations elsewhere in your county. For further information, call your county elections official.

#### What if my ballot doesn't come?

If you are registered to vote and have not received your ballot within a week after they are mailed, call your county elections office. They will check that your voter registration is current. If it is, they will mail you a replacement ballot.

## What if I have moved and have not updated my registration?

If you were registered to vote by October 14 but now have a different address, call your county elections office for instructions on how to update your registration and receive a ballot.

### Do I have to return my ballot by mail?

You have the choice of mailing your ballot or returning it to any county elections office or any designated dropsite in the state. The times and locations of dropsites are available at your county elections office.

### How much postage is required to mail the ballot back?

Your voted ballot can usually be returned using a single  $42\phi$  first-class stamp. In those instances where additional postage is necessary, it will be clearly indicated on the ballot materials.

#### When must the voted ballot be returned?

The voted ballot must be received in any county elections office or designated dropsite by 8pm on election night. **Postmarks do not count!** 

## How do I know if my ballot is received?

You can call your county elections office and ask if they received your ballot. A record is kept showing each voter whose ballot has been returned.

## Can anyone find out how I've voted once I mail my ballot?

No. All ballots are separated from the return envelope before the ballots are inspected. This process ensures confidentiality.

#### What if I forget to sign the return envelope?

Generally, your elections office will either return it to you for signing or they will contact you, if possible, to come to the elections office to sign it. If the return envelope does not get signed before 8pm on November 4, the ballot will not be counted.

### Can the public watch the election process?

All steps of the process are open to observation by the public. Contact your county elections official to make arrangements.

#### When will election results be known?

Ballot counting cannot begin until election day. Initial results are released at 8pm election night and will continue to be updated through election night until all ballots have been counted.

#### Important!

If your ballot is lost, destroyed, damaged or you make a mistake in marking your ballot, you may call your county elections office and request a replacement ballot. One will be mailed to you as long as you request it by October 30. After that, you may pick it up at the elections office. If you have already mailed your original ballot before you realize you made a mistake, you have cast your vote and will not be eligible for a replacement ballot.

Your voted ballot must be returned to your county elections office by 8pm election day, Tuesday, November 4, 2008.

### Postmarks do not count!

County elections offices are open on election day from 7am to 8pm.

#### **Provisional Ballot Information**

You will be issued a provisional ballot if:

- → there is a question about your eligibility as a voter (for example, there is no evidence on file that you are an active or inactive voter in Oregon)
- → you need to vote at a County Elections Office in a county other than the one you live in

In order to obtain a provisional ballot, you need to fill out a Provisional Ballot Request Form in person at the County Elections Office.

Your provisional ballot will not be counted until it is determined that you are eligible to vote.

After you have voted the ballot, you can call 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683) or the County Elections Office in which you voted to find out if your ballot was counted. If your ballot was not counted, you can also find out the reason it was not counted.

If it is determined that you are ineligible to vote in this election, the completed Provisional Ballot Request Form will serve as your voter registration for future elections.

## **Voter Information**

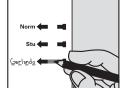
For questions about voter registration, ballot delivery and return, marking the ballot, requesting a replacement ballot, absentee ballots, signature requirements, the voters' pamphlet, when and where to vote, and other questions about elections and voting, call the toll-free voter information line at 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683).

Voter information line representatives can provide services in both English and Spanish. TTY services for the hearing impaired are also available at 1-800-735-2900.

## Voting Information / Ballot Instructions

## marking your ballot

- 1 Carefully read and follow all instructions printed on your ballot. The instructions will say whether you should use a pen or pencil to mark your ballot.
- 2 To vote, fully complete the arrow next to your choice.
- **3** To write-in a candidate:
- → Clearly print his or her name on the dotted line provided on the ballot
- → Complete the arrow next to the name you wrote-in



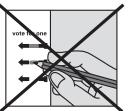
You must do both for your vote to be counted.

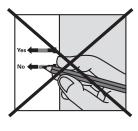
## check your ballot!

If you vote for more candidates than allowed, or if you vote **both** Yes **and** No on a measure, it is called an overvote.

Your vote **will not count** for that candidate or measure.

You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.





## getting a replacement ballot

Contact your County Elections Office or call 1 866 ORE VOTE to request a replacement ballot if:

- $\rightarrow$  you make a mistake
- ightarrow your ballot is damaged or spoiled
- ightarrow you lose your ballot

or for any other reason.

for more information about voting in Oregon

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## visit www.oregonvotes.org

TTY 1 800 735 2900 for the hearing impaired

# Nonpartisan Candidates

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Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries



## Brad Avakian

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Commissioner, Bureau of Labor and Industries

**Occupational Background:** Civil Rights Attorney; Small Business Owner

**Educational Background:** 

J.D., Lewis and Clark Law School; B.S., Oregon State University

Prior Governmental Experience: State Legislator; Workers' Compensation Task Force

**Family:** Brad and his wife Debbie reside in Washington County with their children, Nathan and Claire.

## **BRAD AVAKIAN: PRIORITIES, NOT POLITICS**

That's the principle Brad Avakian lives by -- even when he has to take a little heat for it. When the Legislature was neglecting our schools, Brad fought for a full funding plan to stop education cuts. To provide rural Oregon with the water it needs, Brad brought together conservationists and industry to get the job done. And when big corporations weren't providing fair wages and good working conditions, Brad stood up for us.

Good thing that Brad is more concerned with our priorities than politics. With the economy in trouble, we need a champion to help us put Oregon back on track.

#### BRAD AVAKIAN: A PLAN TO GET OREGON BACK ON TRACK

- Develop the nation's premier renewable energy workforce to provide home-grown, sustainable energy to break the grip of foreign oil.
- Support a strong minimum wage.
- Bring together emerging industries and training centers to provide workers the skills to quickly gain long term employment.
- Make our government more efficient by streamlining the way Oregon's training centers are funded.
- Increase apprenticeship opportunities for skilled trades like plumbing, electrical, and construction jobs that provide high paying careers.
- Restore agricultural and technical education in our public schools.

## ENDORSEMENTS

Sen. Ron Wyden; Gov. Ted Kulongoski; Oregon AFL-CIO; Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council; Associated General Contractors, Oregon Columbia Chapter; Oregon Farm Bureau Federation; Sierra Club; Oregon League of Conservation Voters; Oregon State Fire Fighters Council; Oregon Nurses Association; Oregon Education Association; SEIU Local 503, OPEU; Oregon AFSCME Council 75.

#### More at www.BradAvakian.com

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Brad Avakian.)

Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries



## Pavel Goberman

## Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** I'm 71, excellent health, no medical problem, have a lot of energy: Founder, Instructor/Provider of unique physical and mental fitness program "Get Energized!"– book, video and exercise classes

for governments, businesses and public: may prevent many illnesses, diseases (including cancers) and slow down the aging process. (503)6-GET-FIT <u>www.getenergized.com/vote.html</u>

**Occupational Background:** Author, Publisher, Producer, Speaker, Inventor, Consultant, Advisor, Trainer, Coach, Manager (had an Award), Supervisor, Social Worker, Counselor, Machinist, Mechanic, Welder, Truck Driver, Logger, Firefighter and Beekeeper. I'm a Problem Solver.

**Educational Background:** Have 27 years of education, BA + Degree (Moscow, Russia). Attended a few universities and colleges in the USA. Gave myself PhD in PE. Linguist.

Prior Governmental Experience: Primary 2008 Candidate for US Senator; 2006 Candidate for US Representative, 2004 Candidate for US Senator. 2002 Candidate for Commissioner of BOLI. Tank Army. <u>I'm honest, incorruptible, with faith and high</u> moral principles. <u>Do not accept any "contributions".</u>

I know life: my parents died during WWII, from age six grew up in orphanage. <u>Started work at age fourteen – vocational school</u> <u>Machinist/Mechanic</u>.

Commissioner of BOLI must enforce all laws regulating the employment of adults and minors, protection employees and employers from violations of laws, and conduct claims investigations of civil, human rights and discrimination.

Commissioner of BOLI Brad Avakian gave an Oath of Office, but does not perform his duties, doesn't support the Constitution, doesn't investigate Complaints of violation of our laws, can't hold any office and must resign.

I have a plan to help businesses, create more jobs, improve and increase training and apprenticeship programs. I have a plan to create a new industry: develop and manufacture fire resistant wood products.

To avoid layoffs or moving jobs abroad, I will negotiate between employer and labor.

BOLI will enforce all laws, prevent violations labor rules and honest investigate violation of laws.

# People of Oregon, hire me and I will restore America's Moral Leadership and the Government By and For the People.

(This information furnished by Pavel Goberman.)

#### Candidates /

### **Nonpartisan Candidates**

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Judge of the Supreme Court Position 7



## Martha L Walters

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Associate Justice, Oregon Supreme Court

**Occupational Background:** 30 years as an attorney in private practice

Educational Background: University of Michigan, BA; University of Oregon School of Law, JD

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Commissioner, National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; Commissioner, Oregon Law Commission (2003-2006); Past President, Lane County Bar Association; Member, Uniform Trial Court Rules Committee (1984-1986)

Family: Married, two children

#### **RETAIN JUSTICE MARTHA L. WALTERS**

"Justice Walters is a superb legal analyst who comes from a unique background, and I was pleased to appoint her to the bench. She cares deeply about Oregon, its laws, and its people. She has the right combination of intelligence and down-to-earth compassion we need to retain on our Supreme Court."

#### Governor Ted Kulongoski

"Before joining the court, Justice Walters earned an outstanding reputation in the legal community and has quickly proven herself to be an excellent judge. Her keen intellect and sound temperament are ideally suited to the important task of serving on our state's highest court."

#### Betty Roberts, former Oregon Supreme Court Justice

"With more than 30 years in the legal profession, Justice Walters has the experience we need on the Supreme Court. She has a deep knowledge of the law, is decisive, hardworking and tough. Her decisions are firmly based in the law, regardless of the parties before her."

#### Carl Neil, former President, Oregon State Bar

"As citizens, we are each responsible to do our part to make our system of justice one that is fair, impartial and effective. As a judge on your Supreme Court, my particular part is to listen closely, think carefully and write clearly. I try, every day, to fulfill my responsibility to you and do my best to ensure that every person is equal before the law. I would be honored to earn your vote."

#### **Justice Martha L. Walters**

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Justice Martha L Walters.)

Judge of the Court of Appeals Position 4



### Timothy J Sercombe

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Oregon Court of Appeals

#### **Occupational Background:**

Court of Appeals Judge (2007 to present); Of counsel and partner in Preston Gates & Ellis LLP (1991

to 2007); Associate and shareholder in Harrang Long Gary Rudnick PC (1977 to 1991); Law clerk, Oregon Supreme Court (1976 to 1977); Paralegal, Sidley Austin LLP (1971 to 1973)

**Educational Background:** University of Oregon School of Law, JD, Honor Graduate (1976); Northwestern University, BA (1971)

**Prior Governmental Experience:** City attorney and advisor to several Oregon municipalities; Oregon State Bar Judicial Administration Committee; Oregon Bench and Bar Commission on Professionalism; Oregon Judicial Department Technology Committee

**Community Service:** Board of Directors: Oregon Law Institute, Laurel Hill Center; Elder, First Presbyterian Church of Portland

**Personal:** Wife, Jane VanBoskirk; four children, Meghan, Emma, Ben and Willy

**Commitment to Excellence in Public Service:** I have been honored by the opportunity to serve the people of our state as a Court of Appeals judge. In that service, I will continue to follow these principles:

- Work hard. Be accountable. Earn the trust and confidence of Oregonians.
- Judge cases only on the merits with no agendas. Dedicate myself to the rule of law.
- Keep an open mind, especially on cases that seem easy.
- Write clearly.
- Act ethically and enforce ethical actions by other public servants.
- Be respectful to every judge, lawyer and litigant.
- Be generous and professional with my colleagues.

Tim Sercombe

(This information furnished by Timothy J Sercombe.)

# Candidates / Nonpartisan Candidates

Judge of the Circuit Court 3rd District, Position 2



### Tracy A Prall

Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Judge, Marion County Circuit Court

Occupational Background: Marion County Circuit Court Judge (Appointed July 2008); Full-time Referee/Pro Tem Judge

(2005 – 2008); Civil Litigation Attorney, Garrett Hemann Robertson, P.C. (2002 – 2005); Marion County Deputy District Attorney (1995 – 2002).

Educational Background: J.D. - Willamette University College of Law; B.S. - Western Oregon State University.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Marion County Circuit Court Judge; Pro Tem Judge; Deputy District Attorney; Special Assistant United States Attorney.

Prior and Current Community and Professional Service: Chair, Oregon State Bar Litigation Section Executive Committee; Board Member, Marion County Bar Association Board of Directors; Member, Keizer Rotary; Member, International Youth Exchange Committee; Mentor, Willamette University College of Law Mentor Program; Judge, Willamette University College of Law Trial Practice Course; Judge, Oregon Trial Advocacy College; Past Chair, Marion County Bar Association Program Committee; Past Co-Chair, Marion County Gang Intervention Project.

#### JUDGE PRALL IS EXPERIENCED AND WELL-QUALIFIED

Judge Prall has a wide breadth of experience, both as a lawyer and as a judge. As a lawyer she handled both criminal and civil cases. As a judge she has presided over civil, criminal, juvenile and domestic relations cases. Judge Prall's broad range of experience and extensive knowledge of the law make her an essential member of the court.

#### JUDGE PRALL HAS THE RIGHT JUDICIAL TEMPERAMENT

Judge Prall is patient and respectful. She is open-minded, sensitive and courteous. When rendering her decisions she is firm and decisive, yet compassionate and fair.

#### JUDGE PRALL IS DEDICATED TO THIS COMMUNITY

Judge Prall has dedicated her career to public service. As a Deputy District Attorney, a Pro Tem Judge, and as a member of various boards and committees, the safety of this community and the welfare of its children and families have been, and remain, Judge Prall's top priorities.

#### JUDGE PRALL IS ENDORSED BY:

Governor Ted Kulongoski District Attorney Walter M. Beglau Sheriff Russ Isham Keizer Police Association All elected judges of the Marion County Circuit Court

(This information furnished by Committee to Retain Judge Prall.)

#### Judge of the Circuit Court 3rd District, Position 9



### Lynn Ashcroft

#### Nonpartisan

**Occupation:** Circuit Court Judge, Marion County, Oregon.

#### **Occupational Background:**

Includes the law firm of Ashcroft Wiles, LLP, specializing in complex litigation and insurance

defense, United States Army Trial Counsel, Special Assistant United States Attorney, and United States Military Magistrate.

**Educational Background:** Reflects a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctorate from McGeorge School of Law. He is a graduate of The Judge Advocate General's School, United States Army, the United States Army Command and General's Staff College. Additional course work includes the following: National College of District Attorneys; Government Contract Attorney and Claims Litigation and Remedies; Fraud In Government Contracting; Terrorism and Anti-Terrorism Activities; and Basic and Advanced Environmental Law.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Includes service as Marion County Circuit Court Judge; Marion County Circuit Judge Pro Tem; State Director, United States Selective Service; Commissioned Officer, United States Army and Oregon Army National Guard; Special Assistant United States Attorney; United States Military Magistrate; General and Special Courts Martial Judge; Summary Court Officer; and Administrative Law Hearings Officer. Judge Ashcroft's military career includes service assignments as a Commanding Officer of Infantry and Armor units, the Oregon State Judge Advocate, and Commander, Oregon State Defense Force with the rank of Brigadier General.

Judge Ashcroft has been admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, United States Bankruptcy Court, and the District Court for the District of Oregon, United States Court of Military Appeals, and Army Court of Military Review. Judge Ashcroft served as Vice President of the Marion County Bar Association, and was a member of the Oregon State Bar Association, American Bar Association, and the Oregon Association of Defense Counsel.

Judge Ashcroft is endorsed by Governor Ted Kulongoski, Marion County District Attorney Walter M. Beglau, Marion County Sheriff Russ Isham, Senior Judge Paul J. Lipscomb, and all current Marion County Circuit Court Judges.

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### What is ORESTAR?

ORESTAR (Oregon Elections System for Tracking and Reporting) is a web-based electronic filing and disclosure system for elections information in Oregon.

# What information can I find in ORESTAR?

Anyone with internet access can use ORESTAR to search for political committees registered in Oregon, campaign finance information filed by political committees, and candidacy filings for candidates running for state office.

Public search of ORESTAR can be found by clicking on the link at: www.oregonvotes.org

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Dear Voter,

The Constitution Party of Oregon asks you to join us in honoring God, defending the family, and seeking to restore our Republic. (Our candidates take the oath of office to support the Constitution seriously. They also take the Bible on which they place their hand seriously; they are God-fearing individuals.) We are not a sectarian religious political party. We merely accept the self-evident concept that our rights come from our Creator, not from our government. Our candidates pledge to uncompromisingly work for the implementation of the following seven principles:

**Life:** We believe in Divine Providence and recognize our Creator as the author of human life. Thus we believe in the absolute sanctity of human life. The first duty of civil government is the protection of innocent human life from conception until natural death, no exceptions. When government sanctions abortion, then all live are at risk.

**Liberty:** Far from granting license to 'do whatever we want', true liberty comes from God and real freedom is born of self-government. With James Madison, we assert the precious American ideal which set our country apart from other nations... "we have staked the whole future of American Civilization, not upon the power of government, far from it. We have staked the whole future ...upon the capacity of each of us to govern ourselves, according to the ten commandments of God."

**Family:** Our Creator set in place the family as the first divinely instituted form of government. It is the duty of civil government to recognize and protect the authority of the family unit. When the state usurps the family's authority, the hearts of the children are turned to the state, rather than to the fathers. Such socialist actions deny the created order and harm our communities.

**Property:** We believe that the right of individuals to own and steward their property is God-given; established in such commandments as "Thou shalt not steal." and "Thou shalt not covet." We encourage private generosity, but oppose the forced transfer of one's wealth to others by the state. We believe that the loss of 'external' property rights leads to the loss of 'internal' rights of personal conscience. It was James Madison who said, "Conscience is the most sacred of all property."

**The U.S. Constitution:** In these United States, the Constitution established a representative federal republic – which represents the sovereignty of the people under God over the state. Our founders purposed that the Constitution would uphold those ideals expressed in our Declaration of Independence, as the law of the land, and limit the power and scope of the federal government.

**Limited, Local Government:** Our desire is to return the federal government to its constitutional boundaries. The 10th amendment in our Bill of Rights strictly limits the federal government to those jurisdictions specifically stated within the Constitution. As a principle, our founders sought to ensure the duties of civil government always be performed at the lowest possible level. Local elected officials and clerks are more directly accountable to the people.

**American Sovereignty:** We are firmly committed to the protection of our borders, our trade and our common defense. We believe that America is to be the friend of liberty everywhere, but the guarantor and provisioner of ours alone. We oppose membership in the United Nations and any other treaty or affiliation that attempts to assert authority over our Constitution or bypass our sovereign citizens' constitutionally elected representatives.

If you don't like being taxed to police the world while our own borders are unprotected, losing our jobs to other nations because of environmentalist nonsense and government regulations, having your rights trampled and your property confiscated, or being exposed to God's wrath on our nation because it condones the shedding of innocent blood and rampant moral perversion, vote for your Constitution Party candidates. For more information on our party, go to our website: <u>www.constitutionpartyoregon.org</u> or contact Chairman Jack Brown at (541) 474-9343.

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#### **INDEPENDENT PARTY OF OREGON CANDIDATES**

Jeff Merkley U.S. Senate Joel Haugen U.S. House of Representatives, 1st Congressional District Sean Bates U.S. House of Representatives, 5th Congressional District **Ben Westlund** Oregon State Treasurer **Keith Wangle Oregon House District 4** Oregon House District 5 Pete Belcastro Jim Gilbert **Oregon House District 18** Vicki Berger Oregon House District 20 Terry Rilling Oregon House District 29 **Stephen Bradley** Curry County Commissioner Col. Dale Potter Wallowa County Commissioner, position 1 Ken Wick Wallowa County Commissioner, position 2

The Independent Party was formed by voter petition in 2006, after the Oregon Legislature enacted laws to make it much harder for non-affiliated candidates to run for public office in Oregon. We are now the state's third largest political party, with over 25,000 members.

The Independent Party is unique among Oregon political parties in that we do not adhere to rigid ideology. Instead, the Independent Party supports candidates from across the political spectrum who are committed to the principle that the basic instruments of our democracy -- our Legislature, the initiative and referendum, and our electoral processes -- should be in the hands of We the People rather than the special interests that currently control government.

The mission of the Independent Party is to promote bi-partisan and non-partisan cooperation in the Legislature and to promote good government reforms to make our political process more responsive to the People of Oregon.

In the 2008 election cycle, the Independent Party is working to elect a slate of candidates who, when elected, will seek to amend the Oregon Constitution to ensure that our state's limits on political contributions shall be enforced. The voters of Oregon have adopted such limits twice since 1994 -- most recently in Measure 47 (2006), which is not being enforced by the Secretary of State or Attorney General even though no court has found any part of it to be unconstitutional. This is the third time since 1975 that politicians, courts, or bureaucrats have overturned campaign finance limits adopted by the People of Oregon.

# We believe that a Constitutional Amendment to allow limits on political contributions will reduce the corrupting influence that powerful special interests and Big Money have over our government and our lives.

Neither of the major parties have taken action to limit political contributions, leaving Oregon as one of only 3 states with no limits whatsoever. The result is a system that is dominated by the wealthy and the powerful.

Corporations and the super-rich pushed up the total spending on candidate races in Oregon from \$4 million in 1996 to \$49 million in 2006. It now usually costs over \$500,000 to win a contested seat in the Oregon Senate and over \$300,000 to a contested seat in the Oregon House.

#### "And now those money-fueled campaigns for part-time Oregon legislators can reach \$1 million." – THE OREGONIAN editorial, August 13, 2006

The 2006 candidates for Governor collected and spent over \$18 million. Just the top 5 individual donors gave \$1.94 million (to the Republican), while the Democrat got \$1.2 million from unions.

The cost to the People of Oregon is tremendous. As just one example:

#### Oregon has among the highest tax rate on individuals in the United States, and ranks third in taxing families near the poverty line but ranks 47th out of 50 states in corporate taxation. The corporations' of Oregon income taxes has dropped from 18 percent in the 1970's to less than 5 percent in 2005. Two-thirds of all corporations operating in Oregon pay just \$10 per year in taxes.

We believe that it is time for a change. Not just time to elect Democrats instead of Republicans, or vice versa, but time to elect candidates who will fight for We the People. Who's with us?

#### VOTE. THINK. BE. INDEPENDENT.

www.indparty.com 503-334-3265

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We are the minor party that voters know about. In August, 55 percent of the voters wanted our U.S. Presidential Candidate in the debates. Voters are ready for change, and know that change can only come from outside of the two major political parties. As the third largest party, we are the best to serve you. Our candidates are here to give you the choice for the positive change that you know we need.

Presently, the Federal government is causing more grief and taxation than state governments. Our Federal candidates are here to trim the Federal Government so that our State Candidates can listen to you individually and really fix the problems at the local level, whether your concern is the environment, education, public safety, or any other aspect of livability. Please introduce yourself to Jay Ellefson, Marc Delphine or Jim Karlock if you are in their district.

Our Congressional candidates are ready to put a quick end to the wars, the foreign involvements, and our national deficit – a debt so large that yet unborn Americans won't be able to pay for it. After this, we can face the real problems, such as health care cost overruns, health care insurance costs, stable retirement funds, and government overregulation in the areas of education and social programs, which are best taken over by the states. Then, at the Federal Level, we may once again focus on the main concern of the U.S. Government – National Defense, not Nanny State Socialism and not Foreign Hegemony for the pleasure of special interests!

Big Government is a Police State – Most government jobs are about regulating other people. The bigger the government, the more police telling you what you can or can't do.

#### Some Issues:

Taxes: Stop costly wars and government meddling first; don't just cut taxes to incur a larger national debt!

<u>Property Rights</u>: If the government can take away or control any of your property, they can control the use of your body. Laws were created to establish ownership. Taking a strong stand on property rights makes it much more difficult for the government to control your lifestyle or your family matters.

Global Warming: Consider all views, but don't let the government harm the economy over political views.

Energy: Encourage low cost energy through private innovation.

Immigration: Speed up the citizenship process. Keep open borders, but monitor to protect the public from criminals and communicable diseases.

Abortion: With such a sensitive issue, the government should be kept out of this matter, leaving the question to each person for their conscientious consideration.

Gay Rights/ Adult Rights/ Family Rights: Thought police do not need to tell you how you may love, whom you may marry, or how you must raise your children.

School Choice: Separation of School and State would be ideal. The best free market plans are alternative schools and voucher programs for private schools, so that the tax money follows kids to the school of their parents' choice, rich or poor.

<u>Prohibition</u>: Drug prohibition requires a Constitutional Amendment as alcohol prohibition did in 1919, yet this has never happened. Why should youths be taken away from their families and churches and locked into prisons and prison gangs for an indulgence they will quickly outgrow?

<u>Self Defense</u>: Our Constitution allows us to arm ourselves in self defense, as individuals, as context is clearly established by the quotes of our founding fathers. No amendment has been made to change this.

#### Beware:

Major Party Politicians are skilled at dividing people. Especially beware when politicians go after your least favorite neighbors. As Thomas Paine said, "He that would make his own liberty secure, must guard even his enemy from oppression; for if he violates this duty, he establishes a precedent that will reach to himself."

#### Vote Libertarian!

503-245-5942 www.lporegon.org

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#### PACIFIC GREENS ARE NOT RIGHT NOR LEFT, BUT FORWARD

The Pacific Green Party of Oregon provides a new voice in the political system, to **decentralize** political and economic power, and to work for **peace**, **justice**, **basic human equality**, **self determination**, and an ecologically **sustainable** society.

#### PACIFIC GREENS FILL A VITAL NEED FOR A MEANINGFUL OPPOSITION PARTY

Despite winning a majority in the 2006 election with an anti-war mandate, the real agenda of the Congressional Democrats is now clear: they intended to **keep Bush in office** until this election and **keep funding the war** indefinitely. Congressional Democrats could easily have ended the war in Iraq by **refusing funding**, an action that cannot be vetoed and could have been done with 41 votes in the Senate. **They refused to act.** Furthermore, **both major parties** are united for **continued war** in Afghanistan, for **refusing meaningful diplomacy** with Iran, for **unilateral military support for Israel**, and for government **wiretapping of all citizens** without warrants.

#### THE PACIFIC GREEN PEACE SLATE WILL NEVER VOTE FOR WAR APPROPRIATIONS WHILE FEIGNING OPPOSITION TO WAR

Everybody who voted in 2006 against the war now must ask themselves: Was my vote simply **wasted** by voting for more of the same from the same two parties? Oregon voters have a chance now, with the **Pacific Green Party's Peace Slate of congressional candidates,** to vote their desire for peace, **sending a message** loud and clear that votes for peace cannot be taken for granted.

All Pacific Green Candidates in the Peace Slate support:

- Ending continued empire building and ceaseless war and occupation as perpetuated by both major parties,
- Diverting resources instead to renewable energy investment and the protection of our natural resources,
- Changing the tax structure to counter the expanding gap between the rich and the poor,
- Providing free, universal health care to all with government-provided, locally-administered health insurance,
- Rebuilding our crumbling infrastructure and transit systems toward sustainable, energy efficient development,
  - Committing to participatory democracy, community-based economies, and more funding for higher education.

#### PACIFIC GREENS LEAD THE FIGHT AGAINST LNG AND CLIMATE CHANGE

The Pacific Green Party is **successfully fighting against siting Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) terminals and pipelines** in Oregon that would further global climate change. No elected Pacific Green would **ever** vote to support California's rising demand for natural gas by way of destructive and dangerous facilities in our state.

#### PACIFIC GREENS FIGHT TO END LEGALIZED BRIBERY AND SPOILED ELECTIONS

The Pacific Green Party recognizes that in an entrenched two-party system with winner-take-all elections, third party candidates are considered spoilers. However **Oregon voters have already approved two solutions to this problem: Instant Runoff Voting and Campaign Finance Reform.** The **scandal** of broken election systems must be confronted head-on. The office of Secretary of State is crucial to enforcing structural reforms Oregonians have enacted to end the two-party stranglehold, **fixing spoiler and corruption problems once and for all.** 

#### GREEN VALUES ARE PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT

Green parties the world over are part of ruling governments and hold high cabinet positions in many countries, large and small. They are united by the **Four Pillars** of the Green Movement: **Ecological Wisdom, Social and Economic Justice, Grassroots Democracy, and Peace and Nonviolence.** Further, all United States Green parties hold to **Ten Key Values:** 

#### Ecological Wisdom, Nonviolence, Sustainability, Grassroots Democracy, Decentralization, Community-Based Economics, Feminism, Respect for Diversity, Personal and Global Responsibility, and Social and Economic Justice

#### PACIFIC GREENS ARE GAINING ELECTED OFFICE IN OREGON

Pacific Greens are currently elected or appointed to twenty non-partisan offices or positions throughout the state. Greens put ideas into action on school boards, land and water boards, planning boards, city councils, and various commissions. Vote Pacific Green in this election and register Pacific Green to support Green values every day, not just on election day.

#### VOTE AND REGISTER PACIFIC GREEN FOR OREGON'S FUTURE

For more information, or to volunteer, please visit http://www.pacificgreens.org/

(This information furnished by Pacific Green Party.)

#### Nader and the Peace Party

The real wages for the average American worker are lower today than in 1973. Yet neither Obama nor McCain support a living wage. Health insurance bureaucracies abuse the insured, ignore the uninsured, and waste 1 of every 4 health care dollars, yet efficient, single-payer health care is not on the table. McCain supports an enduring occupation of Iraq, while Obama's plan would leave 50,000 U.S. soldiers and 190,000 armed contractors in Iraq four years from now.

There is a common thread to nearly all that is wrong in America. Corporations have too much power. Corporations are designed to maximize profit, nothing else. Corporate executives can be sued by their shareholders if they sacrifice profit for the public good. This is why U.S. workers keep falling behind while the economy more than doubles; someone is making the money, and it's not the people who are earning it.

Corporate domination is the reason why we burn coal for electricity, rather than saving the atmosphere with wind and solar power. Big corporations own the coal, and there is no profit in leaving it in the ground.

Corporate domination is why the U.S. spends more on defense then the rest of the world put together. The "military-industrial complex" (that Eisenhower warned us about) understands that to sustain vast spending on arms requires not allies, but enemies. Our recent foreign policy has created bitterness and resentment around the globe, and a growing list of enemies. The tragedy is that for a fraction of what we spent on defense, we could ensure our security by promoting clean water programs, agricultural assistance, health clinics, books and pencils.

Historically, the great progressive advances in our politics have originated with third parties and independent candidacies. Since major parties are inherently conservative, small parties serve the purpose of generating new ideas. The abolition of slavery, the trade union movement, women's suffrage, Social Security -- all these and more were promoted by small parties whose core ideas were eventually adopted by one of the main parties. (We must defend third parties by voting against Measure 65.)

Today, our politics at the national level is broken. The Democrats took over Congress in 2006 with a promise to end the war, stop the violations of our civil liberties by the Bush Administration, and pass a progressive legislative program. Instead, they continued the war, reauthorized the Patriot Act, expanded the President's power to wiretap without judicial authority, and so public approval of Congress now stands at 9%.

How did things get this bad? The answer lies in the parties making promises that they do not keep. They know that the people want universal, single-payer health care, a crackdown on the wasteful defense budget, a living wage, an economy built on renewable energy, and an end to trade deals that send our jobs overseas. Yet corporate power opposes all of this, and the constant pull of corporate power has kept the United States from solving a single major social problem for the last 40 years.

The Peace Party and its presidential candidate, Ralph Nader, stand for a systematic dismantling of corporate domination by expanding public financing of elections, extending constitutional protections to people, and not to corporations, cracking down on corporate crime and financial manipulations, taxing speculation and pollution instead of work, and teaching the skills of citizenship to children, so that they can learn to become masters of their own fate, rather than cogs in a giant corporate wheel.

Our politics is broken. If you do not have a breaking point, then you have no power, the major parties will always take your vote for granted. Your vote for Nader and the Peace Party will keep big issues alive, and strengthen the hand of progressive forces in the coming years. By denying your vote to the major parties, your own power grows.

Gregory Kafoury Peace Party Secretary

(This information furnished by Peace Party.)

# This year's election will be a turning point in our nation's history. I encourage all Oregonians who share these values to join us in voting for our Republican nominees in this year's election.

#### We are Republicans because:

WE BELIEVE the strength of our nation lies with the individual and that each person's dignity, freedom, ability and responsibility must be honored.

WE BELIEVE in equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity for all, regardless of race, creed, sex, age or disability.

WE BELIEVE free enterprise and encouraging individual initiative have brought this nation opportunity, economic growth and prosperity.

WE BELIEVE government must practice fiscal responsibility and allow individuals to keep more of the money they earn.

WE BELIEVE the proper role of government is to provide for the people only those critical functions that cannot be performed by individuals or private organizations and that the best government is that which governs least.

WE BELIEVE the most effective, responsible and responsive government is government closest to the people.

WE BELIEVE Americans must retain the principles that have made us strong while developing new and innovative ideas to meet the challenges of changing times.

WE BELIEVE Americans value and should preserve our national strength and pride while working to extend peace, freedom and human rights throughout the world.

FINALLY, we believe the Republican Party is the best vehicle for translating these ideals into positive and successful principles of government.

l invite you to learn more about the vision of Oregon's Republicans by visiting the Oregon Republican Party online at <a href="http://www.orgop.org">www.orgop.org</a>.

Oregon Republican Party PO Box 789 Salem, OR 97308-0789

#### We are proud of our Republican candidates running to represent you. Please vote for them by November 4th.

Vance D. Day Chairman, Oregon Republican Party

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#### www.oregonwfp.org

#### Who are we?

The Working Families Party represents working people, retirees, parents and grandparents, small business owners, family farmers, community activists and union members – Oregonians from all walks of life and all areas of the state. We were qualified as an official party in the State of Oregon in 2006 after collecting signatures from 28,000 Oregonians in 30 counties.

#### What do we stand for?

The Working Families Party is focused on the economic issues that are so important to working families in Oregon but too often ignored by both of the major parties. Our platform for 2008 is simple:

- · Healthcare for all Oregonians without private profit;
- Debt-free higher education and technical training;
- Creation of green family wage jobs;
- Affordable housing and an end to predatory lending;
- · Strengthening workers' right to organize and negotiate with employers.

#### What are we trying to accomplish?

We're not trying to create a minor party that will run "spoiler" candidates with no chance of winning. We want to win for working families. We can do that by staying focused on the economic issues that matter most to working families, by organizing in our communities and by restoring a system of voting -- called fusion voting – that used to be common in Oregon and throughout the country. Fusion voting would allow us to cross nominate any candidate who commits to support the issues advanced by the Working Families Party or to run candidates of our own when necessary.

#### **Our nominees:**

We have nominated **J. Ashlee Albies for Attorney General.** Albies is a Working Families Party member who represents working people in employment law and civil rights cases. She has also worked on the Oregon case challenging the Bush Administration's warrantless wiretapping, and assists Oregon's overstretched soldiers, reservists and National Guard members with separation from the military.

Because we have not yet succeeded in restoring fusion voting in Oregon, our cross-nominations of major party candidates cannot appear on the ballot. But we have met with and worked with the candidates listed below who have pledged to work for affordable healthcare, good jobs with decent wages, affordable public colleges, affordable housing and fair taxes, and to insure that all Oregonians have an equal say in our political process.

#### We urge you to support:

Jeff Barker - House District 28

#### J. Ashlee Albies (WFP) for Attorney General

Kate Brown - Secretary of State	Brad Witt - House District 31
Ben Westlund - State Treasurer	Chip Shields - House District 43
Brad Avakian - Labor Commissioner	Michael Dembrow - House District 45
Peter Buckley - House District 5	Nick Kahl - House District 49
Paul Holvey - House District 8	Brent Barton - House District 51
Arnie Roblan - House District 9	Diane Rosenbaum - Senate District 21
Jason Brown - House District 23	Kitty Piercy – Mayor, City of Eugene

Join the Working Families Party

Contact us at info@oregonwfp.org or (503) 841-7161.

#### Together we can win for Oregon's working families.

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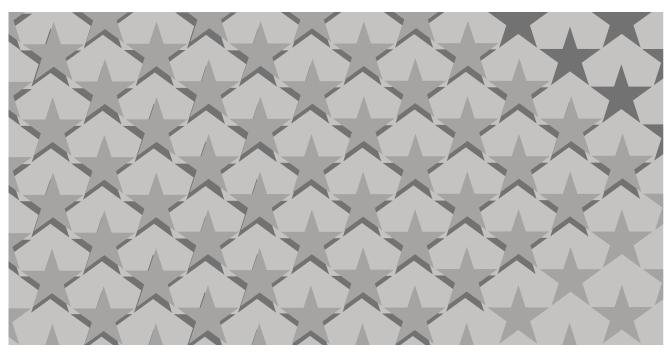
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