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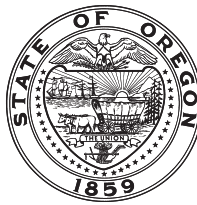
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My Fellow Oregonians:

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bill Bradbury'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Bill Bradbury
Oregon Secretary of State



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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, if your county has produced a 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, O, 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.

List of Federal & State Candidates**Partisan Candidates**

(C) Constitution; (D) Democrat; (I) Independent;
(L) Libertarian; (P) Peace; (PG) Pacific Green; (R) Republican;
(WF) Working Families

United States President and Vice President

Ralph Nader /
Matt Gonzalez (P)

Cynthia McKinney /
Rosa Clemente (PG)

John McCain /
Sarah Palin (R)

Bob Barr /
Wayne A Root (L)

Chuck Baldwin /
Darrell L Castle (C)

Barack Obama /
Joe Biden (D)

United States Senator Gordon H Smith (R)
Jeff Merkley (D)
Dave Brownlow (C)

Representative in Congress

2nd District Richard D Hake (C)
Tristin Mock (PG)
Greg Walden (R)
Noah Lemas (D)

Secretary of State Kate Brown (D)
Seth Alan Woolley (PG)
Rick Dancer (R)

State Treasurer Allen Alley (R)
Michael Marsh (C)
Ben Westlund (D)

Attorney General John R Kroger (D)
J Ashlee Albies (WF)
Walter F (Walt) Brown (PG)
James E Leuenberger (C)

State Senator

27th District Maren Lundgren (D)
Chris Telfer (R)

28th District Doug Whitsett (R)

30th District Ted Ferrioli (R)

State Representative

53rd District Conrad Ruel (D)
Gene Whisnant (R)

54th District Judy Stiegler (D)
Chuck Burley (R)

55th District George Gilman (R)

59th District John E Huffman (R)
Mike Ahern (D)

Nonpartisan Candidates

**Commissioner of the Bureau
of Labor and Industries** Pavel Goberman
Brad Avakian
Mark Welyczko

Judge of the Supreme Court

Position 7 Martha L Walters

Judge of the Court of Appeals

Position 4 Timothy J Sercombe

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

2nd District Richard D Hake (C)

Nonpartisan Candidates**Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries**

Mark Welyczko

Partisan Candidates

**Candidates**

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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 job 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

Bob Barr**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.

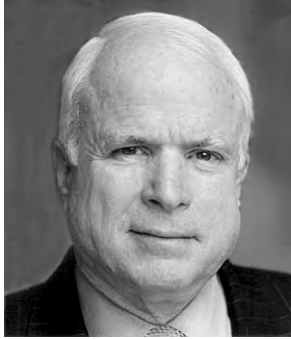
Americans know that the answer to today's problems is not more government, and Bob will work tirelessly to cut taxes, reduce government spending and restore our civil liberties lost during the Bush administration. Having seen the true nature of government from inside and out, only Bob Barr has the qualifications,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

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, 1960sWhy 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:

BS Clarkson University

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.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.

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

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*se habla español***visit****www.oregonvotes.org****TTY****1 800 735 2900**
for the hearing impaired

Representative in Congress
2nd District

Noah Lemas
Democrat
Occupation: Entrepreneur

Occupational Background:
 Independent Retailer

Educational Background:
 M.B.A, Portland State University;
 B.A., University of California,

Santa Barbara

Prior Governmental Experience: Business Liaison to City of Bend; Business Liaison to Oregon Department of Transportation

I've had enough of career politicians ignoring their constituency in favor of big banks and big oil. I've had enough of my Congressman "spinning" Congressional votes that too often belie earlier promises.

It's time to repair Congress, a Congress that has been rendered incompetent by partisanship, greed, and conflicts of interest. So long as we allow career politicians to be bought by lobbyists and PACs, Congress will never again represent the will of the people but instead the whims of the disproportionately influential.

If elected, I will represent the will of the citizens of Oregon's Second Congressional district in Washington, D.C., agitating for substantive change in the United States Congress. I will ensure that Oregon's Second Congressional district is represented with conviction and passion, working devotedly to return county timber payments to Oregon's rural counties, payments that are rightful compensation for the millions of acres of Oregon lands under Federal control. I'll put Oregon lands back in Oregon hands.

If you want:

- 1) The rightful return of county timber payments to Oregon's rural counties;
- 2) An undying commitment to K-12 education;
- 3) Healthcare for ALL Oregon children under 18;
- 4) Affordable and accessible healthcare for all Oregonians;
- 5) Relief from big oil and the politicians it owns;
- 6) A vocal advocate for farming and farmlands;
- 7) Practical development of alternative energy without oil industry influence;
- 8) The return of fair and compassionate United States foreign policy;
- 9) To eliminate reckless, petty partisanship.
- 10) A congressman committed to change for your benefit...

Then vote Noah Lemas, America's toughest Democrat, for United States Congress. Tell Greg Walden you're sick of his ship by jumping aboard "Noah's Ark," because this country won't change if Congress doesn't change.

Paid for by Noah Lemas For Congress.

(This information furnished by Noah Lemas For Congress.)
Representative in Congress
2nd District

Tristin Mock
Pacific Green
Occupation: Naturopathic Physician

Occupational Background:
 Northwest Aluminum, NW
 Cherry Growers

Educational Background:
 Randolph-Macon Woman's College, BA History, Concentrations
 International Studies, Biology; PCC, Gerontology; National
 College of Natural Medicine, ND

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Community Involvement: La Grande Farmer's Market; CURRENTs for Justice and Peace; Sierra Club; former FFA Chapter President, RMWC Judiciary Committee, NCNM Student Government Judiciary Liaison

Military Policy

World politics are complex and often chaotic. We must be consistent and future-focused in our policy decisions. Our soldiers are putting their lives on the line; we should be told the truth about their missions. Soldiers must be fed, sheltered, and healed during and after their terms of service. Any invasions by our forces should follow US and international law. We should not be occupying sovereign countries against their will. The cost of war is depriving Americans of domestic needs, including healthcare and social services.

Healthcare

As a naturopathic physician, I understand the healthcare crisis that we are facing. I will advocate for a universal healthcare system, so Americans will not have to choose between their homes and their health. While fighting for healthcare for all Americans, I will also support funding of needed services such as SCHIP and Indian Health Services. SCHIP plays a vital role in providing healthcare in low income and rural areas to the most vulnerable Americans, our children. I was outraged at the politics that surrounded renewing SCHIP during the last congressional session. **OUR CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE IS NOT SOMETHING TO BE PLAYED WITH!**

Energy

Oregon is a leader in alternative energy. Community innovation must be fostered to solve our energy crisis. Local renewable resources, like wind, can provide power to homes and the grid. Buying fresh foods, and other goods, produced locally can further reduce oil dependency. Together, communities can minimize the effects of the energy crisis.

 For more information visit www.voteMock.com or call **541-306-3940**.

Vote Peace! Vote Green!
(This information furnished by Dr Tristin Mock.)

Partisan Candidates

Representative in Congress 2nd District



Greg Walden

Republican

Occupation: Congressman

Occupational Background:
Small business owner

Educational Background:
Graduate: University of Oregon;

Hood River Valley H.S.

Prior Governmental Experience: State Senator;
Representative

“Oregonians are getting hit hard by rising fuel, food and health costs. It’s time for new policies. The old ways just don’t get it done.”

Greg’s supported increased fuel efficiency standards for cars and trucks; authored legislation to allow access to American energy reserves; and voted for legislation to protect against price gouging at the pump.

“While our future rests with new and renewable energy sources, today we need to change federal law to allow access to America’s vast energy reserves, rather than rely so much upon foreign cartels and companies to dictate the price and supply to us.”

With 21 years of experience as a small business owner in rural Oregon, Greg Walden knows what it takes to create jobs.

“Better management of our forests would create more jobs, decrease wildfires and reduce pollution. We need to increase the authority of forest managers to actively manage forests to reduce catastrophic fire and improve forest health.”

Walden’s a leader in Congress advocating for changes in the health care system to improve quality, increase access and reduce costs and errors. That includes expanding services for our veterans. He led the effort to prevent closure of the VA’s Southern Oregon Rehabilitation Center and Clinics, preserving access to care for nearly 14,000 veterans.

“We owe a great debt to those who have worn our nation’s uniform and safeguarded our freedom.”

Greg has consistently voted against wasteful spending and higher taxes, saying: **“Working families, not government, should have more say in how their hard-earned dollars are spent.”**

“The congressman has a huge challenge and responsibility... Walden has been up to the challenge to date, and probably keeps in better contact with his district than just about any congressman.” *The La Grande Observer*, February 26, 2008

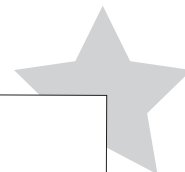
**Congressman Greg Walden:
Making a real difference for us.**

(This information furnished by Walden for Congress.)



Online Voters' Guide

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



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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

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Secretary of State



Rick Dancer

Republican

Occupation: Retired Journalist

Occupational Background:
Journalist 1985-2008

Educational Background:
Bachelors Degree,
Communication, Pacific

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 I saw that bitter 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 opening the Primary Election so every Oregonian's voice is heard.
- I support permitting only legal citizens to register to vote.
- I support guaranteeing the right to a secret ballot for all elections.
- I will aggressively review and audit all state agencies 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

(This information furnished by Rick Dancer.)

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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 <http://www.seth4sos.org/>

(This information furnished by Seth Woolley.)

Am I registered to vote?

Now you can check your registration online:

www.oregonvotes.org

for more information about voting in Oregon

call 1 866 ORE VOTE/673 8683
se habla español

visit www.oregonvotes.org

TTY 1 800 735 2900
for the hearing impaired

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

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State Treasurer



Michael Marsh

Constitution

Occupation: Maintenance

Occupational Background: a variety of jobs

Educational Background: some college

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.)

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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: QUALITY 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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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.)

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Attorney General



Walter F (Walt) Brown

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

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

(This information furnished by Committee of 1000 Elect Walt Brown as Oregon Attorney General.)

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Partisan Candidates**Attorney General****John R
Kroger**

Democrat

Occupation: Law professor**Occupational Background:** federal prosecutor; law professor**Educational Background:** Yale University, B.A., M.A.; Harvard

Law School, J.D.

Prior Governmental Experience: U.S. Marine Corps; federal prosecutor, Enron prosecutor, U.S. Department of Justice**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 convicted mafia killers, drug traffickers and corrupt government officials, winning every trial and appeal.
- John prosecuted Enron executives 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.
- Hold every polluter responsible 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.
- Defend civil rights, 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*(This information furnished by John R Kroger.)***The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.****Attorney General****James E
Leuenberger**

Constitution

Occupation: Oregon Sole Practitioner Attorney 1993-present; 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 I.

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.

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*(This information furnished by James E Leuenberger.)***The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.**

**State Senator
27th District**

**Maren
Lundgren**
Democrat
Occupation: Public Defender

Occupational Background:
Management

Educational Background:
Portland State University, B.A.;

Gonzaga Law School, J.D.

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a mother and advocate for children, I have come to realize our system is broken and our solutions must be interconnected. We must change the way we think about the urgent problems we face and stop wasting money on the same broken systems. Now is the time to collaborate to form a shared vision of the Oregon we want for our children and grandchildren and set a strategic plan to reach that vision.

Building a Sustainable Economy:

Times are tough. We must shift from an economy rooted in the lumber and real estate booms of the past to a sustainable economy for future generations by building local businesses, tourism, renewable energy, and clean tech manufacturing.

Prioritizing Education:

I am committed to educational excellence at all levels: from early childhood programs preparing children to arrive at school ready to learn, to reducing class sizes, expanding teacher mentoring, keeping arts and PE in schools, and ensuring all Oregonians have access to higher education and vocational programs.

Achieving Energy Independence:

I believe Oregonians have the pioneering spirit to create a green energy blueprint for the nation. I will work to expand our existing wind, solar, wave and geothermal infrastructure.

Expanding Public Transportation:

I will advocate for regional public transportation resources so working families don't have to choose between fuel and food.

Improving Healthcare:

No one should have to choose between paying for medical treatment and paying their bills. As a mother, I understand the urgency of this issue. I will fight for a better health care system that serves all Oregonians.

ENDORSED BY :

Senator Ron Wyden

Governor John Kitzhaber

Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian

John Kroger

UFCW

Oregon League of Conservation Voters

United Transportation Union

Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA)

Basic Rights Oregon PAC

Central Oregon Labor Council (AFL-CIO)

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Maren Lundgren.)

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**State Senator
27th District**

**Chris
Telfer**
Republican
Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Occupational Background:
CPA; Community College Instructor

Educational Background:
B.S., Denver University; graduate studies, Franklin University, University of Oregon.

Prior Governmental Experience: Bend City Council; Central Oregon Cities Organization; Economic Development for Central Oregon; Chair, Bend La Pine School District Budget Committee.

Community Involvement: HealthMatters of Central Oregon; Meth Action Coalition; Treasurer, Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon; Bend Chamber of Commerce; Rotary International.

Chris Telfer

A Voice of Reason. Our Voice in Salem.

Chris Telfer has the experience and common sense we need in a state senator. She's a Certified Public Accountant who works with local non-profits and has helped hundreds of small businesses. In Salem, Chris will use her experience to bring sense back to the state budget and make sure government lives within its means just like our families do.

Controlling Our Health Care Costs

Chris is a founding member of HealthMatters of Central Oregon, which is dedicated to bringing together local community leaders, doctors, hospitals and businesses to deliver less expensive health care. In Salem she will work to control costs and protect access to the quality care we need.

Supporting Local Teachers and Students

Chris will ensure our children get the best possible education by strengthening training standards and advocating for new accountability measures to ensure a higher proportion of our tax money is spent directly in local classrooms on teachers, textbooks, and technology.

Creating Safer Communities

Families are impacted every day by crime associated with meth addiction. Chris will ensure repeat offenders are put behind bars and make treatment a higher priority in jails and prisons.

Supported by those we know and trust:

Les Stiles, retired Sheriff

Former State Senator and Speaker of the House Bev Clarno

Oran and Janie Teater, Bend

Bob Eberhard, Redmond

Vic and Vicki Russell, La Pine

Oregon Nurses Association

Oregon Health Care Association

National Federation of Independent Business/

Oregon SAFE Trust PAC

Oregon Education Association

Associated Oregon Industries

Oregon Farm Bureau Federation

(This information furnished by Chris Telfer.)

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Partisan Candidates**State Senator
28th District****Doug
Whitsett**

Republican

Occupation: State Senator; retired large animal veterinarian; equine breeder.

Occupational Background: Employed at Klamath Veterinary Clinic and Supply 1968; partner

1972; principle owner and manager 1986: retired from veterinary practice 1994; owned and managed rental housing; owned and operated equine breeding and marketing operation on three small farms.

Educational Background: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, Washington State University 1968; Associate of Arts, Central Oregon Community College 1993; Crook County High School 1961.

Prior Governmental Experience: Oregon State Senate 2005 to present; Joint Ways and Means Committee; Emergency Board; Vice-Chair Senate Judiciary Committee; Vice-Chair Senate Transportation Committee; Senate Commerce Committee, committees on Court Facilities and Technologies, Office of Administrative Hearings Oversight Committee.

Family: 3 daughters and wife, Gail

Community Service: Rotary; past president of Oregon Veterinary Medical Association, Water for Life, and Klamath County Cattlemen's Association; active in State and Klamath Basin water issues; lecturer at state and regional veterinary conferences.

What has Doug offered in Salem?

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY when balancing the budget; opposing tax and fee increases on Oregon's citizens and businesses; rooting out waste and assuring accountability in government spending.

EXPERIENCE with our district's unique and diverse issues, understanding of commercial retailing, irrigated farming and ranching; a passion for preserving the lifestyle and culture that our district provides.

KNOWLEDGE concerning serious issues facing our state and local economy, rural health care needs, public safety, education, property rights, water rights, agriculture, and land use.

COMMON-SENSE approach to reaching solutions through bipartisan work with Oregon citizens and local and state political leaders to focus government on its core priorities.

COMMITMENT to creating smaller and more efficient government, reducing oppressive regulation, lowering taxes and fees on hard-working Oregonians and small businesses, and letting families keep more of their own hard earned money.

(This information furnished by Douglas K. Whitsett.)

**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.)

**State Representative
53rd District****Conrad
Ruel****Democrat****Occupation:** Retired Secondary Teacher**Occupational Background:** 20 yrs teaching experience. Mainly Alternative Education at the Secondary level. Experience

as a Juvenile Counselor and State Employment Service Officer. Real Estate Sales Agent Oregon. (expired license)

Educational Background: M.A. Political Science with concentration in Urban Policy. Teaching Credentials in California and Oregon. Junior College Teaching Credential in Calif. B.A. in Sociology with concentration in Criminology. A.A. in Liberal Arts.**Prior Governmental Experience:** Special Road Dist. Board Member**Community Service:** Fuels Reduction volunteer with Upper Deschutes River Coalition. Volunteer with American Red Cross (Disaster Shelters), Director Upper Deschutes River Coalition, and Director LaPine Fire Dist. Scout leader, coach for youth sports**Military:** U.S. MARINE Corps

Family Married, Two sons. One, fireman at Edwards AFB. Other, member of Oregon National Guard, Redmond, Ore. Veteran of recent Iraq deployment.

CONRAD RUEL SMART CHANGE FOR CENTRAL OREGON

I BELIEVE Oregonians can be best served by an enlightened Democratic legislator. A Democrat from Central Oregon will bolster the Democratic majority in Salem, and will greatly meet the needs of Central Oregonians

Remember, the nation has been waiting for universal health coverage since Harry Truman. Much has been promised but little has been delivered.

Those who desire a college education for your children must think about the high cost. Without Higher Education, we lose the middle-class. I believe we can do more to make Higher Education available to more students.

More must be done to preserve and protect Oregon's forest, natural resources and open spaces.

I need and want your support. Please vote for Conrad Ruel for District 53. Thank you.

Endorsements:Senator Ron Wyden
Brad Avakian, Labor Commissioner
Oregon School Employees Association
Oregon League of Conservation Voters
Alan Unger*(This information furnished by Conrad Ruel for District Rep.)***The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.****State Representative
53rd District****Gene
Whisnant****Republican****Occupation:** State Representative; Republican Whip**Occupational Background:** Colonel, USAF, retired; served on Air Force staff and in Office of Secretary of Defense in the

Pentagon; served in command, leadership, staff, and diplomatic positions in Vietnam, Germany, and Yugoslavia

Educational Background: MA in International Affairs, University of Arkansas; BA in Journalism, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**Prior Governmental Experience:** State legislator since 2003 - Vice Chair of House Judiciary and Education committees; Ways & Means Committee, Education and Public Safety subcommittees; State Commission on Children & Families; Chief Justice's Special Courts Advisory Committee; Education Commission of the States; former chairman of the Deschutes County Commission on Children & Families and county Republican Party**Community service:** Served on Homeless Leadership Council; multiple veteran organizations; Sunriver Board of Directors; Sunriver Christian Fellowship Church; former youth sports coach and PTA officer**Family:** Married to 4th generation Oregonian, Josie Coffey; son, Todd, his wife and grandson live in NC.**Gene Whisnant****Common Sense Leadership with Honesty and Integrity**

I advocate for Central Oregon families and fight to keep our communities safe from criminals/predators. I believe our students deserve a quality education and support Oregon's natural resource industries.

I believe in:**Individual freedoms, personal responsibility and a free market economy.****Effective, accountable, and frugal state government.****Focusing on building Oregon's economic prosperity.****Improving and protecting the rights of property owners.****Lower taxes, job creation and economic development to****ensure stable funding for our education system;****provide care for seniors, military veterans and the vulnerable in our society;****expand public safety programs to fight meth, hold criminals accountable; and address illegal immigration.**

I support alternative energy and fuels. However, I support repeal of the ethanol mandate. I want to protect the environment without harm to our economy or citizens.

I believe Oregonians deserve leadership that will protect the interests of our citizens and taxpayers; not government bureaucracies.

**I ask for your support,
Gene Whisnant***(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Gene Whisnant.)***The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.**

Partisan Candidates**State Representative
54th District****Chuck
Burley**

Republican

Occupation: Small business owner; State Representative**Occupational Background:** Certified Forester®; U.S. Forest Service (10 years); Forest products industry (18 years)**Educational Background:** MBA, James Madison University, 1988; MS, Resource Management and Policy, State University of New York, 1980; BS, Forest Management, Colorado State University, 1977**Prior Governmental Experience:** State Representative, 2005-07; Vice-Chair, House Committee on Energy and Environment, 2007; Ways and Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources, 2007; Bend Metro Park & Recreation District Board, 1999-2003; Western Governors' Association National Fire Plan team; Governor Kulongoski's Eastside Forest Advisory Committee**Community Involvement:** National Ski Patrol; Deschutes United Way; Oregon Society of American Foresters; Habitat for Humanity.**A Distinct Voice For an Independent City****Chuck Burley: A Sound Economy**

- Fought to protect ratepayers from excessive rate increases due to alternative energy requirements;
- Supported creation of a Rainy Day Fund for Oregon to set aside money for economic downturns;
- Promoted restructuring Oregon's tax code providing equality while protecting revenue;
- Helped increase and expand tax credits to preserve affordable housing.

"Chuck Burley works across party lines to make our communities stronger and better places to work, live and play."

Oran Teater, Mayor of Bend, 2002-2004**Chuck Burley: Voice for Education**

- Supported a 35% funding increase for OSU Cascade Campus and increasing student aid by \$106 million so 28% more of Oregon's students may receive assistance;
- Will fight to keep our property taxes in Bend to support our colleges, not send them to Portland.

"Chuck Burley is a tireless advocate for post secondary education in Central Oregon." **Connie Lee, board member, Central Oregon Community College**

Broad Support for Chuck Burley

Oregon Business Association
 Central Oregonians for Affordable Housing
 Oregon Education Association
 Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council
 Oregon Forest Industries Council
 Oregon Nurseries' PAC
 Oregon Health Care Association
 Oregon Farm Bureau
 (Partial List)

www.VoteForBurley.com*(This information furnished by Chuck Burley.)***State Representative
54th District****Judy
Stiegler**

Democrat

Occupation: Mediation Practice**Occupational Background:** Director, CASA of Central Oregon; Family Law Attorney**Educational Background:** University of Oregon, B.S., 1975; Northwestern School of Law, J.D., 1978**Prior Governmental Experience:** Bend-LaPine School Board; Oregon State Board of Education; National Association of State Boards of Education; Oregon Government Ethics Commission**JUDY STIEGLER****Putting Central Oregon Front and Center****Protecting Our Children**

On the school board, Judy worked to stabilize education funding, bringing more dollars into classrooms. As a court advocate for abused and neglected children, she fought to provide children with a safe haven. She'll keep kids safe through enforcement and training on child-abuse reporting laws and making school districts screen new employees to keep abusers away from kids.

"Parents deserve to know our state is doing all it can to protect our children. With Judy Stiegler, we'll have a Representative who fights every day to keep Bend safe."

-ANDY JORDAN, Retired Bend Police Chief**Honoring Our Veterans**

Judy knows we have an obligation to honor the service of our Iraq veterans and help them resume their lives. She'll make sure the state provides better education, housing and medical services to veterans in Bend.

"When it comes to supporting veterans, we need more than good intentions. We need leaders like Judy Stiegler in the legislature to make sure Oregon keeps its promise to these brave men and women."

-U.S. SENATOR RON WYDEN**Protecting Our Environment, Rebuilding Our Economy**

It's time for Oregon to lead the nation in development of renewable energy. We don't need to choose between the economy and the environment. Judy knows that investing in clean energy will create thousands of good jobs while keeping our air and water clean.

"Judy has always been there for Central Oregon, advocating for children, seniors, and a safe, vital community. Now, all Oregonians will have the opportunity to benefit from her commitment and fresh ideas."

-GOVERNOR JOHN KITZHABER**www.Judyforhd54.com***(This information furnished by Judy Stiegler for House District 54.)*

**State Representative
55th District****George
Gilman**

Republican

Occupation: Farmer/Legislator**Occupational Background:**
Gilman Dairy – Owner/operator
26 years; ACCESS (community
action agency) - fund raising,
programs to prevent homeless-ness, job counseling and providing medical equipment to the
needy; Foster Grandparent Director (nonprofit agency) - allow-
ing limited income seniors to earn supplemental income by
volunteering in classrooms, helping teachers and at-risk youth.**Educational Background:** Crater High School; Oregon State
University (Dairy Husbandry); Southern Oregon University
(BS/General Studies, science math major).**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon State
Representative; Rogue Community College Board Chair;
Republican Precinct Committeeman; Rogue Valley
Transportation District Board; OR Beef Council; OR Dairy
Products Commission; OR Community Service Commission;
Governor's Commission on Senior Service.**Optional Information:****2007 Session:** Vice-chair of House Transportation Committee;
Member of Ways and Means subcommittee**Interim:** E Board; Vice Chair of House Transportation
Committee; Vice Chair of Rural Policy Committee;
State Lands Advisory Committee**Endorsements:**National Rifle Association
Oregon Business Association
Oregon Cattle PAC
AG PAC
Associated Oregon Industries
Oregon Farm Bureau**My priorities for 2009:**

- Promoting business opportunities/more jobs for rural Oregonians
- Support BLM's Western Oregon Planning Revision (WOPR)
- Transportation funding
- Removal of the Ethanol Mandate

Thanks for your continuing support and giving me both the Republican and Democrat nomination for State Representative! I would appreciate your vote this November.

(This information furnished by Gilman Campaign.)



for unofficial election
results starting at 8pm
on November 4th visit:

www.oregonvotes.org



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voting in Oregon

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Partisan Candidates**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.

I ask for your vote.

Sincerely, Mike Ahern

(This information furnished by Elect Ahern.)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the State of Oregon.

**State Representative
59th District**

**John E
Huffman**
Republican

Occupation: State Representative; Commercial property owner

Occupational Background: Manager, Q104 radio, 1985-2007; Ford Dealership

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**

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect John E Huffman.)

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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.

Returning Your Voted Ballot

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

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Nonpartisan Candidates



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 www.getenergized.com/vote.html

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. I'm honest, incorruptible, with faith and high moral principles. Do not accept any "contributions".

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

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.)

Nonpartisan Candidates**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 (1991to 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.)

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¢ 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.

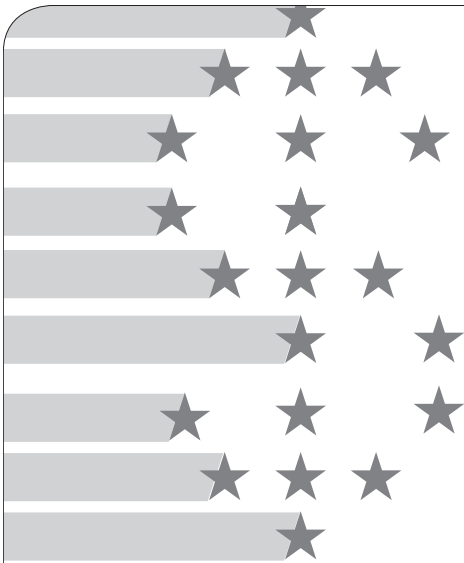
After you have voted the ballot, you can call 1-866-ORE-VOTE (1-866-673-8683) or the County Elections Office in which you voted to find out if your ballot was counted. If your ballot was not counted, you can also find out the reason it was not counted.

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.

ORESTAR

Follow the Money with ORESTAR



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

Political Party Statements



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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: www.constitutionpartyoregon.org or contact Chairman Jack Brown at (541) 474-9343.

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Independent Party**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 |
| Pete Belcastro | Oregon House District 5 |
| 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
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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!

Property Rights: 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.

Prohibition: 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?

Self Defense: 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

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Pacific Green Party**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 Liquefied 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/>

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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 than 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

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Republican 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.

I invite you to learn more about the vision of Oregon's Republicans by visiting the Oregon Republican Party online at www.orgop.org.

Oregon Republican Party
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**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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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:

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

Jeff Barker - House District 28

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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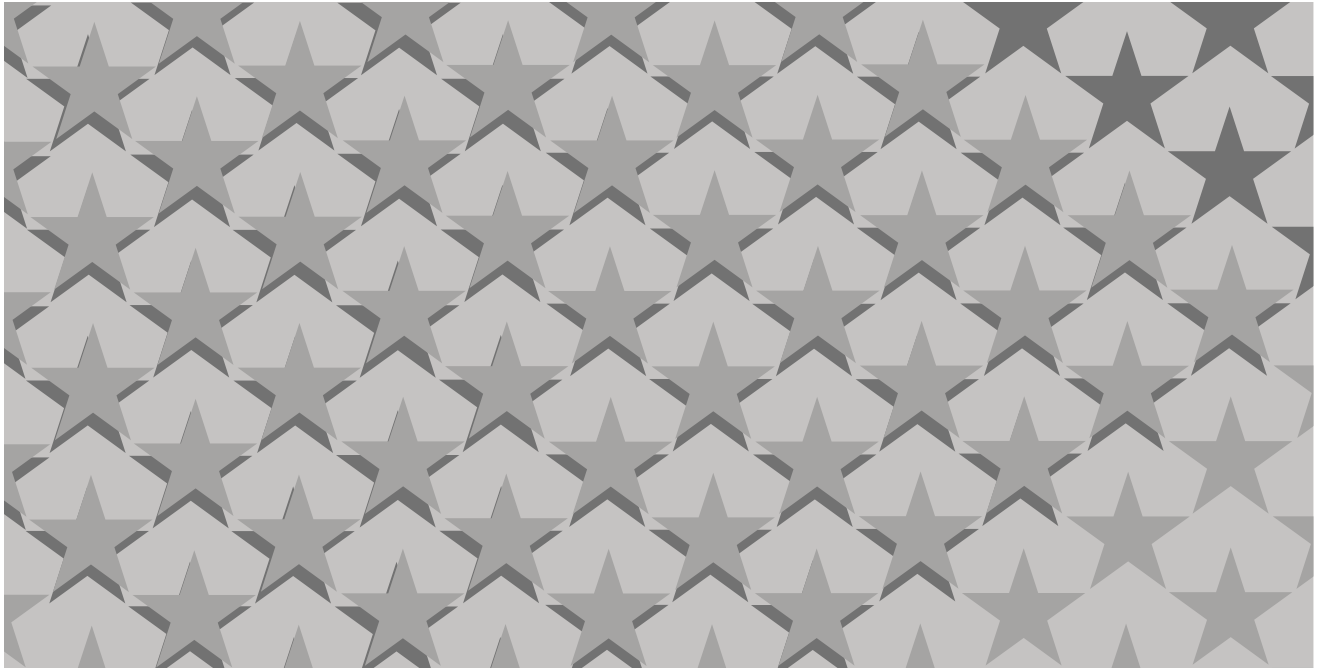
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