# BENTON COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET



# GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 2, 2010

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Commissioner

Dear Fellow Benton County Voter:

Tuesday, November 2, 2010, is a General Election day. You have an opportunity as a registered voter, to vote on federal, state, county and city candidates, state measures and in some cases local measures.

The Board of Commissioners directed the County Clerk to publish this **Benton County Voters' Pamphlet** to provide voters with information concerning their local choices for this election. This pamphlet is available on our website at <a href="https://www.co.benton.or.us/admin/elections">www.co.benton.or.us/admin/elections</a>; in the Benton County Elections Office; and as an insert within State Voters' Pamphlets delivered to Benton County households.

Please note: All ballots must be received no later than 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2010. You can mail your ballot or drop it at one of the ballot box locations listed in this pamphlet on the next page, or listed on our website.

Included with your ballot, you will find information about obtaining a replacement ballot, if needed, and instruction for casting your ballot. We hope this information will help you become better informed about the issues in this election as you prepare to make your decisions.

If you need additional information or assistance, you may reach the Elections Office by telephone: (541) 766-6756; email: <a href="mailto:bcelection@co.benton.or.us">bcelection@co.benton.or.us</a>, or by visiting the office located in the basement of the historic Benton County Courthouse, 120 NW 4th Street, Corvallis, Oregon.

Sincerely,

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Commissioner

Commissioner

**VOTE** 

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Mon, Thu, Fri, & Sat 10 AM to 5 PM Tue & Wed 10 AM to 8 PM

# **BENTON COUNTY**

# **Commissioner, Position 1**



# LINDA MODRELL DEMOCRAT

Occupation: Benton County Commissioner

Occupational Background: Policy Developer, Oregon Health Plan; Manager, Business Services & Computer System, OSU Agricultural Sciences & Extension; Oregon Community Partnership Team

Educational Background: Oregon State University: MBA, BS: Linn-Benton Community College: AA

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair, Area Commission on Transportation; Local Government Advisory Committee, Oregon Department of Human Services; Governor's Task Force on Greenhouse Gas Emissions

#### Linda Modrell: Experience we need

I brought rural living and small business experience to work for you when first elected. I also brought 25 years of management, policy, and budget know-how as a valuable foundation for my work as county commissioner.

I am committed to **fiscal accountability**. For example, **I honored my promise** voting to reduce property taxes when the county received additional forest dollars.

#### Linda Modrell: Leadership you know

My leadership is grounded in local roots:

- LBCC Distinguished Alumna
- Business Enterprise Center Board
- Past Boards of Corvallis Arts Center, OSU Federal Credit Union, Philomath Chamber

Working with colleagues and employees brings recognition to Benton County statewide and nationally:

- Oregon's Number 1 healthiest county
- Top 100 best communities for kids in the nation 3 times
- Declining crime rate over the years

**Making a Difference:** County leadership enhance the livability of our communities in ways that impact us now and into the future. Our **record of investment** includes:

- Affordable health clinics
- Expanded parks
- Forest Education Center
- Adult and Juvenile Drug Courts
- Rural wildfire protection program
- Fairgrounds improvements

I will continue to focus on transportation, water, and the local economy – all essential to the health of our communities and our region.

Experience we need – Leadership you know Re-elect Linda Modrell

(This information furnished by Modrell for Commissioner)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **Commissioner, Position 1**



# JERRY J. JACKSON, SR. REPUBLICAN

**Occupation:** Oregon Licensed Investigator; Code Enforcement Officer for Polk County

**Occupational Background:** Community Development; Community Service/Work Release Coordinator; Veteran, US Army

**Educational Background:** Associates Degree Linn-Benton Community College; Certificate from Trend College in Travel & Tourism Management; The Ford Family Foundation, Ford Institute Leadership Program; ASFPM Certified Floodplain Manager

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Polk County Community Development Manager; Philomath City Council President; Budget Finance/Administration Board and Ordinance Committees; Philomath's Budget & Police Committees

Americans are endlessly visualizing a more perfect polity, both for ourselves and for our children. We adapt to meet the current issues of the day, while remembering the people and ideas that have created the greatest nation in the world. The term "honest politician" has become somewhat of an oxymoron to the current US culture. It doesn't have to be this way. Years of earnest community service have prepared Jerry Jackson to be your Benton County Commissioner. He offers Benton County voters a spirit of transparency and accountability to its citizens.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Jerry helps maintain Philomath's excellent financial status; Jerry has worked with the Bureau of Land Management to start Dump Stoppers and Noxious Weed programs; Jerry has been given the honor of "Knight of the Year" three times since 2002 by the Corvallis Knights of Columbus

Jerry's plan is to:

**RESTORE FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY:** Bring spending under control; Create and restore funding sources; Make accountability the first rule of the Commission; Carefully consider the needs of Benton County's citizens

**GIVE PUBLIC SAFETY PRIORITY:** Guarantee ALL of Benton County adequate law enforcement protection

**IMPROVE BENTON COUNTY'S ROADS:** Improve roads to guarantee citizens safe and efficient transportation; Maintain existing roads now to save \$Millions

Jerry's Pledge

"I'm here to represent the concerns of Benton County's people, above the concerns of special interests and partisan politics, and to foster cooperation between government, cities and rural areas."

(This information furnished by Jerry J. Jackson, Sr. / Committee to Elect Jackson for Commissioner)

# **BENTON COUNTY**

# **Commissioner, Position 1**



# TIMOTHY L. DEHNE PACIFIC GREEN

Occupation: Self-Employed Landscaper/Tree Planter
Occupational Background: Benton Soil & Water
Conservation District; Director (2005-2008) •Benton Soil &
Water Conservation District; Associate Director (1994-2004)
• Barnum Lodge #7; Trustee, Secretary, Treasurer, Laborer,
Landscaper • Corvallis Water Quality Lab; Temporary Lab
Tech • Albany Wastewater Plant; Temporary Operator • First
Alternative Co-op; Board of Directors • Good Samaritan
Hospital; X-Ray Tech Aide • U.S. Army, Medical Specialist;
(1974-1977)

#### **Educational Background:**

- Linn-Benton Community College; A.S. in Water/Wastewater Technology, 2003
- Other schools attended: Oregon State University; Health Care Administration
- Spartan School of Aeronautics; Air Frame & Power Plant Mechanics • Gallaudet College; Sign Language
- Northern Virginia Community College; Air Traffic Control
- Washington-Lee High School, Arlington, Virginia; Graduated 1969

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Benton Soil & Water Conservation District; Director, (2005-2008) • Benton Soil & Water Conservation District; Associate Director, (1994-2004)

WATER is the most important issue that unites every citizen of Oregon. Completion of the Benton County Water Project will give residents a date base from which to make more informed decisions regarding water policy.

JOBS creation will flow from the improvement of conservation, supply, and quality of water.

NOXIOUS WEEDS are a growing menace. A Noxious Weed Board should be formed to begin removal projects (adding jobs) followed by planting of native species or cash crops.

VETERANS: Efforts should begin to link returning Veterans with farming opportunities. This would lead to an increase in the number of farmers, encourage a younger generation in the agricultural sector, and provide badly needed jobs for Veterans.

SMALL BUSINESS: Grants and incentives can be used to encourage job creation.

Working together we can improve the sustainability of Benton County.

(This information furnished by Timothy L. Dehne)

#### **BENTON COUNTY**

#### **Sheriff**



# DIANA SIMPSON

Occupation: Benton County Sheriff

**Occupational Background:** Benton County Sheriff's Office: Undersheriff, Sergeant, Parole & Probation Officer

**Educational Background:** B.A., Criminal Justice Administration, Boise State University; Executive Certification, Law Enforcement and Parole & Probation, Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST); Pacific Program (University of Oregon); Oregon Executive Development Institute (DPSST); Jail Command College, Oregon State Sheriff's Association

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Oregon Department of Corrections: Parole & Probation Officer-Albany; National Institute of Corrections: Trainer; Benton County Sheriff's Office: Manager Day Reporting Center

Commissioners Jay Dixon and Annabelle Jaramillo, District Attorney John Haroldson, Retired Sheriff Jim Swinyard, Former Senator Cliff Trow, JoAnne Trow, Philomath Mayor Ken Schaudt, Monroe Mayor Frank Thayer, and many more urge you to re-elect Sheriff Diana Simpson.

Sheriff Simpson has proven she has the experience, leadership, integrity and knowledge to continue to lead the multi-faceted Sheriff's Office. Since elected Sheriff in 2006, she has led the Sheriff's Office to a higher level of professionalism, has achieved state accreditation and obtained a number of grants to aid in better county wide and regional public safety radio communications. We need her!

Dear Benton County voters,

My 29 years of experience as a public safety professional, including executive and management responsibilities, has given me the knowledge and skills necessary to continue to lead the Benton County Sheriff's Office. I am dedicated to providing professional, ethical, and honorable service to all in Benton County. I look forward to continuing to serve you to keep Benton County a safe and wonderful place to live. I'd be honored to receive your vote.

Sheriff Diana Simpson

Re-elect Sheriff Diana Simpson!

(This information furnished by Simpson for Sheriff)

#### **CITY OF ALBANY**

# **Mayor**



# SHARON KONOPA

Occupation: Mayor of Albany

Occupational Background: Event coordinator; small

business owner

Educational Background: South Albany High School

diploma

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

- ♦ Mayor of Albany, January 2009-present
- ◆ Albany City Councilor; January 1997-Dec. 2008
- ◆ Linn County's Ten-Year Homeless Plan, Committee Co-chair
- Central Albany Revitalization Board and Agency-2001-present and former Chair of Agency
- ◆ Cascades West Council of Governments, serving Senior/Disability Services; Meals on Wheels; Loan Program Advisory Committee—12 year board member and officer
- ◆ Willamette Criminal Justice Council, member
- ♦ Numerous current and previous committees/task forces

#### **Government- Partnered Organizations:**

- Albany Millersburg Economic Development Co. board member
- ♦ Albany Downtown Association, board member
- Albany Partnership for Housing and Community Development; board member and officer

Sharon Konopa was jointly responsible in bringing in 20 million dollars to Albany, the most discretionary funds that the City has ever received during one of our nation's worst economic downturns. She also helped to bring in millions of federal dollars for infrastructure, which support existing businesses and local jobs.

Accomplishments for the citizens of Albany:

- Konopa supported to <u>not</u> raise water rates for three years in a row by recognizing the down economy.
- Sharon Konopa supports managed growth that minimizes the impacts on the surrounding environment and transportation systems.
- Konopa has been a part of the establishment of Albany's urban renewal program to revitalize the downtown/riverfront area with new shops, restaurants and new jobs.
- Sharon Konopa has been a strong advocate for creating family wage jobs and most importantly, retaining Albany's current jobs.

See the list of all the Albany citizens and organizations who endorse Sharon and learn more about her experience and accomplishments at:

www.sharonkonopa.org

(This information furnished by Albany Friends of Sharon Konopa)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# Mayor



# JO RAE PERKINS

**Occupation:** Owner of Eagle Financial Planning - specializing in budgeting and debt management

#### **Occupational Background:**

Realtor from 1994 to 1998

US Bank/US Bancorp Investments as a Financial

Representative 1998 to 2005

WM Financial Services (Eugene) - Financial Advisor 2005 Key Investment Services - Financial Advisor 2006 to 2008

Securities licensed since 1986

#### **Educational Background:**

A/S in Business Management - LBCC Executive Certificate in Financial Planning, Pamplin School of Business Administration, University of Portland

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Elected:

Chair Linn County Republican Central Committee

Precinct Committee Person

Business Manager Linn Benton Community College;

Associated Student Body

Immediate past president - Albany Visitors Association

Fresh leadership is essential to show Albany is ready to welcome every type and size business or industry. We must clean up our tarnished, anti-business image and create a probusiness environment. I will work hard to attract new business and encourage existing businesses to expand employment opportunities.

The cost of maintaining and growing Albany continues to increase while the tax burden and increased user fees have stagnated growth. Economic realities have changed and we are on the threshold of a new era. Albany needs a new Mayor, who understands business and fiscal management. Who isn't afraid to make the tough decisions.

Livability: The current sentiment at city hall is for each department to be self sustaining. This is done through raising users fees. However, those fees also mean the residents of Albany have less funds to work with. We need to take a hard look at those fees and roll them back where possible. I also plan to partner with the business community, schools, churches and non-profit/civic groups to help instill a strong sense of pride and ownership for everyone who calls Albany home.

I ask for your vote and your support.

(This information furnished by Jo Rae Perkins, Committee to Elect Jo Rae Perkins)

#### **CITY OF ALBANY**

# **City Council, Ward 1A**





DICK OLSEN

NO PHOTO FILED MIKE TAYLOR

#### Occupation:

Retired

#### **Occupational Background:**

Chemical Engineer at Albany Research Center U.S. Bureau of Mines 1966 to 1996

#### **Educational Background:**

Pacific Lutheran U. BA Physics 1959 Oregon State U. PhD Chemical Engineering 1966

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Elected Albany Council 1972 and 76 Elected Albany Mayor 1978 Elected Albany Councilor 1998, 2002 and 2006

North Albany is a pleasant, semirural community. The pressures of growth and development will generate the need for higher densities, more city services, bigger streets and perhaps sidewalks. I will do my best to preserve the rural atmosphere in N. Albany when the conflicts of growth come to the City Council.

East Thornton Lake is the home of some rare and endangered wildlife. A group of North Albany residents has urged the City to help buy a large parcel of land south of the lake for a nature reserve and park. I'm pleased to have been part of the majority on the Council that voted to purchase this property.

The skill and diligence of our City Attorney allowed the City to ask for and receive a sizable payback when Pepsi Cola Company decided to back out of our contract to build a plant in Albany. Some suggest that this money be spent on building facilities such as Police and Fire stations. I feel this money is better spent financing City projects that will pay back the original expense and relieve the tax payer. I favor projects that will bring much needed industrial jobs to Albany. I hope to remain on the City Council to help guide the use of these moneys in the most profitable direction.

In 1989 the City Planning Department did an exercise called "Great Neighborhoods". I will suggest and promote a repeat of this program so neighbors can gather and advise the City as to what you would like your neighborhood to be and how it can be accomplished.

(This information furnished by Committee to Elect Dick Olsen to Albany City Council)

Dick Olsen to Albany City Council)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Occupation:

Owner - Mid Valley Computer Services

Occupational Background:

Hewlett Packard Company - 1988 to 2005

**Educational Background:** 

West Albany High School '83 Oregon Institute of Technology '88 - Cum Laude - BS Computer Systems Engineering Technology

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

None

Mike Taylor is a 5th generation Oregonian, born and raised in Albany Ward I - Graduated from West Albany in 1983. Graduated Cum Laude from Oregon Institute of Technology in 1988 and immediately went to work for Hewlett-Packard Company in Corvallis. 17 years employment at HP included 3.5 years at HP's European Marketing Centre in Germany and the remainder in Corvallis. Left HP in 2005 and started Mid Valley Computer Services in 2006, a small business in Albany.

My top priority if elected will be to develop Albany's economy and to reduce government spending and reduce property taxes; I will also do anything I can to reduce violent crimes, property theft, identity theft, and production, possession and distribution of meth which continues to be a serious threat to our community -

I am not a politician; I have never run for office. My campaign will cost less than \$350. I will work hard to reduce government spending and taxes. I will work hard to ensure our children have opportunities. I will serve with integrity.

(This information furnished by Mike Taylor)

# **Mayor**



# JULIE MANNING

**Occupation:** Vice President for Marketing, Public Relations and Development, Samaritan Health Services

#### Occupational Background:

- Communications/Media Instructor, Lewis & Clark College
- Assistant Press Secretary, Oregon Governor Vic Atiyeh
- Lifestyles Editor, Helena Independent-Record
- Journalism/Television Teacher, Wilson High School

#### **Educational Background:**

- M.S., Print Journalism, Boston University
- B.A., Communications, Lewis & Clark College

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

- Co-Chair, Benton County Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness, 2010
- Commissioner, Corvallis Budget Commission, 1999-2007
- Chair, Corvallis Vision 2020 Committee, 1997
- Member, Corvallis School District Budget Committee, 1993-2010 (Chair, 1998, 2004-7, 2009-10)

#### **Elect Julie Manning Mayor of Corvallis!**

My experience and more than 20 years of community service will help me be an effective Mayor. I:

- Served eight years as a Corvallis Budget Commissioner;
- Chaired the Corvallis Vision 2020 Committee, which created the document that guides city leaders and policy;
- Currently co-chair Benton County's Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness:
- Served 17 years on the Corvallis School District's Budget Committee;
- Served on numerous non-profit boards including: Community Outreach, Inc., Corvallis Arts Center, Leadership Corvallis, United Way of Benton County, Corvallis Area Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club of Greater Corvallis, Corvallis Repertory Singers.

As Mayor, I will work with the City Council and other partners to build on the city's many strategic advantages to:

- Support job creation -- particularly innovationfueled jobs -- in software, green energy, biosciences and agribusiness;
- Champion community livability, so that neighborhoods remain clean, well-maintained, safe and easily accessible;
- Assist new Oregon State University and Linn-Benton Community College graduates to transition to jobs here in our community;
- Continue our commitment to sustainability and strengthen our reputation as one of the nation's greenest communities;

I ask for your vote as Mayor on November 2. Working together, we can keep moving Corvallis forward.

**Elect Julie Manning Mayor of Corvallis** 

(This information furnished by Julie Manning)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# Mayor



# ROB GANDARA

#### Occupation:

President, Engineer and Musician, Pipe Makers Union, LLC Downtown Corvallis Association Board of Directors

#### **Occupational Background:**

Senior Member of Technical Staff, Hewlett Packard Corporation 1995-2005

#### **Educational Background:**

Masters of Science in Electrical Engineering with Certificate in Computer Integrated Manufacturing Systems, Georgia Institute of Technology

Bachelors of Science in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science with Humanities Concentration in Music, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

President Corvallis City Council 2003-2004 Corvallis City Council, Budget Commission 2000-2006

As Mayor of Corvallis, I will work to ensure our way of life and approach to government represents our values and meets our expectations. The city is currently financially challenged, and we are in danger of losing some key city services that are a fundamental part of what distinguishes Corvallis as a progressive community. Traditional funding models are no longer sustainable and have no equitable basis, because property taxes and monthly utility fees place the burden of government on only a few. Now is the time to equitably restructure current service funding. This can be accomplished by benchmarking other cities similar in size with a growing university and integrating the best of their ideas. I live in Corvallis because of its Parks, Library, Zoning, History, Arts and Fire/Police departments. I intend to fight to preserve it.

We must also challenge the traditional method of job growth and employment. Enterprise zones and incentives for large corporations have limited usefulness in today's economy. Merely counting jobs no longer equates to a gainfully employed citizenry. Providing opportunity and resources to allow people to fulfill their dreams and earn a living wage is a better goal. We must give incentives for small companies to establish in Corvallis and we must also provide those incentives for companies that are currently in Corvallis.

Corvallis has been, should remain and strive to be a city that each individual can establish a dream, find the resources and tools to realize that dream and thrive in its pursuit.

(This information furnished by Rob Gandara)

# City Council, Ward 1



# MARK O'BRIEN

#### Occupation:

Downtown American Dream Pizza and Crowbar - Managing Partner 2004 - present

#### Occupational Background:

Campus American Dream Pizza - Manager/General Manager 1989 - 2004

Corvallis Police Department - Intern 1991

#### **Educational Background:**

Oregon State University - Bachelor of Science 1991 Human Service Certificate - Dept. of Psychology 1991 Miramonte High School, Orinda CA - Class of 1986

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Corvallis City Council - Councilor, Ward 1 - Incumbent Administrative Services Committee - 09/10 Economic Development Allocations Sub Committee - 09/10 Corvallis Budget Commission - 09/10 Capital Improvement Program Commission - 09/10 Downtown Commission - Council Liaison - 09/10 Downtown Parking Committee - Council Liaison - 09/10 Planning Commission - Council Liaison - 2010 Business Enterprise Center - Council Liaison - 09/10 Prosperity That Fits Steering Committee - City Representative

It has been my great pleasure to serve as your City Council representative. I would like to say thank you to those who lent me their trust back in 2008 and to the many citizens who have shared their talent, wisdom and kindness since then. I want to thank my family for their support as well. I couldn't have done it without you all.

I've worked very hard to honor the spirit of my original campaign which was to help our city remain a wonderful place to live for ourselves and future generations. To that end, my council votes have been based on respect for a balance between fairness, common sense, public input and fiscal conservatism.

In the next term I will work toward the creation of a city budget which preserves vital services while respecting the limited capacity of the taxpayer to absorb additional personal expense. I will strive to ensure that any proposal for additional taxation clearly articulates what is to be gained or lost

I will also advocate for the creation a coherent city economic development policy. The creation of this policy will define the city's role in fostering a vital local economy which will in turn create necessary support for the livability functions of our government such as parks and library services.

I'd appreciate your vote of confidence on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

(This information furnished by O'Brien for City Council)

# City Council, Ward 2



# ROEN HOGG

**Occupation:** Project Manager, Oregon Employment Department

**Occupational Background:** Software Release Manager, Hewlett Packard; System Analyst, Oregon State University

**Educational Background:** M.S., Montana State University; B.A., Bates College

Prior Governmental Experience: \* Experience as project manager with State government prepared me to make better decisions regarding how government works. \* Involved with Neighborhood Empowerment Grant to start community gardening at Peanut Park. \* Experience working with government agencies to save the Whiteside Theatre. Testified at Historic Resource Commission. Involved in appeal to City Council and Land Use Board of Appeals. \* Touched government by involvement with nonprofits. Volunteer Heartland Humane Society. Support Corvallis Homeless Shelter Coalition and Basic Rights Oregon. Member First Alternative Co-op. Founding member Whiteside Theatre Foundation.

#### Focus on:

- \*Neighborhood livability. Homeowners, renters and students deserve a vibrant, attractive place to live, work and do business. Tackle noise, parking and traffic issues. Support community gardening, city parks and historic neighborhoods.
- \*Community values. Support community organizations, nonprofits, arts, culture, schools, diversity, sustainability and OSU-City collaboration.
- \*Economic vitality. Small business is vital for creating new jobs. Facilitate new businesses, grow existing businesses and recruit new companies. Participated in Business Boot Camp hosted by Corvallis-Benton Chamber Coalition.

Longtime Corvallis resident. Interests include documentary filmmaking. Featured speaker at **LunaFest film festival at Oregon State University** to raise awareness for women's issues. My film documentary "River Voices - The Peg Elliott Mayo Story," about the life of Corvallis Gazette Times former columnist, was featured at the festival.

My film "Society and Nature" documented an innovative educational program for West Albany High School students. Shown at the **Da Vinci Days film festival at Oregon State University**.

My film "Celebrating Literacy" documented the **Family Literacy Project at the Central School District in Independence, Oregon**. Project uses children literature in Spanish and English to improve literacy skills and cultural awareness, and foster self-esteem and cultural pride.

I will appreciate the opportunity to represent you on the

(This information furnished by Roen Hogg)

Corvallis City Council.

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# City Council, Ward 2



# SCOTT CLIFFORD

Occupation: Social Media Consultant

Occupational Background: Obama for America

Oct. 2007-Nov. 2008

**Educational Background:** 

Oregon St. University, Bachelor of Science **Prior Governmental Experience:** None

As a downtown resident and an alumnus of Oregon State, I have a unique perspective on the challenges and the opportunities in Ward 2 and for Corvallis overall.

Corvallis is my home, and as much as I love it and think it is great, I believe there is a real lack of leadership and ideas in city government. With all the issues facing us, such as a continuing loss of jobs, growing budget deficits, and the gap between the city and the university, it's time we put people in place that will provide the leadership and ideas needed.

My priorities for Ward 2 and Corvallis citizens are:

- Strongly support Economic Development to generate more family wage jobs.
- Rein in spending to balance the budget. City government must live within its means just like we do as citizens.
- Reduce rental blight and its attendant problems, to raise property values, enhance neighborhood livability, and improve conditions for both renters and homeowners.
- Create an even more vibrant downtown and reduce retail leakage. Establishing an express bus from campus to downtown will help make the OSU population a bigger part of the customer base, and less a part of the parking problem. And making downtown more of a destination for Arts and Culture encourages more shopping locally.

It's not enough for our leaders to just say, "We can't." They should be saying, "How do we get it done?"

I want to get the hard work done, for Ward 2, and all of Corvallis.

As a councilor, I will be available. I will listen. I will offer up new ideas. I will embrace innovative solutions. I will work tirelessly to help make Corvallis the very best it can be, without us losing the heart and soul of what makes this the wonderfully livable city it is.

Vote for Scott Clifford, City Council, Ward 2

(This information furnished by Scott Clifford)

# **City Council, Ward 3**



# RICHARD E. HERVEY

Occupation: Retired

**Occupational Background:** Environmental Engineer CH2M Hill; Process/Design Engineer, Virginia Power; Peace Corps

**Educational Background:** BS Chemical Engineering,

Texas Tech University

**Prior Governmental Experience:** 2009 – present, Corvallis City Councilor, Urban Services Committee, Budget Commission and liaison to Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services, Corvallis Watershed Advisory Commission and Committee for Citizen Involvement

**Accomplishments:** Helped to direct federal stimulus funding to local jobs and increasing our energy independence through establishing the Residential Energy Efficiency Loan Program. Served as an advisor to Benton County Health, addressing the food and exercise needs of South Corvallis residents. Supported a citizen lead, successful effort to place on the Capital Improvement Projects list, a reroute of the Multiuse path away from 3rd and Crystal Lake.

#### Dear Neighbor,

I ask for your reelection vote and your continuing efforts in making our neighborhoods and community wonderful places to live. I seek the opportunity to use my ever increasing knowledge of how our City government functions to do the following:

#### "No Them"

I will advocate for what, with your input, I understand to be in the best interest of South Corvallis. Additionally, I will work to maintain a productive environment in city government where citizens express varied points of view and work together to find effective solutions.

#### **Economic Development**

I will work to revise our economic development policy in keeping with our "Prosperity That Fits" plan, with added emphasis on growing and selling food locally.

#### **City Budget**

I will help build a city budget which recognizes that Corvallis' competitive advantage lies with its safety and livability.

#### **Sustainability and Community**

In these are hard times, I will work to maintain our City's focus on living sustainably. Our grandparents might have called it living frugally. I will build on South Corvallis' demonstrated leadership in building Community to unite neighborhoods throughout Corvallis. Hard times are easier when we know and care for our neighbors.

(This information furnished by Richard E. Hervey)

The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

# **City Council, Ward 3**



# JEB S. DUNLAP

Occupation: Owner Murphy's Restaurant & Lounge
Occupational Background: Consultant Izumi Restaurant,
Eugene, OR; General Manager – Murphy's Restaurant &
Lounge 2001-2004, Corvallis, OR; General Manager-Fox &
Furkin, 1999-2000, Corvallis, OR; Bartender Green House, St
Thomas, USVI

#### **Educational Background:**

Graduate Hawaii Baptist Academy 1987 Attended Oregon State University 1987-1991

Prior Governmental Experience: None

#### Vote for Jeb Dunlap, City Council, Ward 3

I'm both a longtime resident and a local business owner. I understand the vital importance of sustaining our community's quality of life. And I have a working knowledge of how to weather tough economic times like these, and lay the foundation for a more secure future.

As the councilor for Ward 3, I will vigorously represent the views of our part of town. And I will uphold the values of the Corvallis 2020 Vision statement to ensure Corvallis remains one of the most livable cities in our great nation.

My priorities for Ward 3 are:

- Aggressively bring new economic development to south Corvallis that will create "living wage" jobs as well as an opportunity to become a model for green industry nationwide.
- Continue to use the South Corvallis Refinement Plan as a blueprint to strengthen our neighborhoods, enhance our contributions to the overall health of Corvallis.
- Strive to bring a higher quality of life to south Corvallis by encouraging local citizens to actively participate in the planning of our future, and by fostering broader and more communication throughout the Ward.

My Priorities for the City are:

- To help business create economically sustainable jobs in Corvallis that will retain as well as attract the best and brightness in their respected fields.
- To enhance Corvallis' commitment to being a community that pioneers the balance of clean industry and the economic needs to create a higher quality of life.
- To work diligently to balance the budget in order to maintain the level of services that we have come to enjoy as well as expect.

I ask for your vote, and commit to doing all I can for the good of Ward 3 and the betterment of Corvallis.

Vote for Jeb Dunlap, City Council, Ward 3

(This information furnished by Jeb S. Dunlap)

# **City Council, Ward 4**



# DAN BROWN

#### Occupation:

Retired, OSU Emeritus Faculty

#### Occupational Background:

Business Prof, OSU College of Business for 25 years; additional teaching at other universities in the US and abroad; marketing research; consulting.

#### **Educational Background:**

University of Iowa, Ph.D., Business Administration

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Corvallis City Council, 2007-2010.

Corvallis Budget Commission, 2007-2010.

Liaison to:

- Planning Commission,
- · Corvallis Tourism,
- · Arts Center,
- Community Policing Forum,
- Historic Resources Commission,
- · Council of Governments.

College Hill Neighborhood Association, President.

Financially, we can expect the next, two-year City Council term to be difficult, and the effects will be felt by all citizens. The City's reserves have evaporated, the Council has already made budget cuts, and more deficits are coming. Our basic choices are either to spend less on providing City services or to increase local taxes. In addition, seeking to more family-wage jobs and repairing our manufacturing base will improve our economic vitality.

I believe the Council should focus on the City's biggest problems and provide leadership for our community. It is very important for citizens to become knowledgeable so they can participate in making difficult choices: service levels, City expenditures, and tax and fee increases.

In Ward 4, constituents have told me that our livability concerns continue to include traffic, parking, noise, and historic preservation regulations. I have supported the unique interests of this Ward and hope constituents feel that the City's attention to these has improved during my past two terms on the Council.

(This information furnished by Dan Brown)

# City Council, Ward 5



# MIKE BEILSTEIN

Occupation: Chemist, retired Occupational Background:

1978-2007 – Nutrition and Biochemistry Research at Oregon State University, Corvallis

1977-1978 – Research Chemist at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland

1976-1977 – Research Chemist at Medical College of Virginia, Richmond

1973-1975 – Peace Corps Volunteer, high school teacher in Lesotho, Southern Africa

#### **Educational Background:**

Oregon State University, MA, 1989, Home Economics (Human Nutrition)

Oregon State University, BA, 1973, Biochemistry and Biophysics

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Corvallis City Council 1999-2000, 2007-2008, 2009-2010 My basic values are:

**Participatory Democracy** – Decisions are made by all citizens, not by leaders. - I have encouraged development of neighborhood associations and I seek their input on city decisions. I respect the highly developed structure of advisory boards, commissions and task forces that assist elected officials and city staff in guiding our city. I welcome citizen participation in municipal government.

**Ecological Wisdom** – We need to take into account the needs of future generations. - I support the growing partnership of the City with the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition. The City must take the lead in moving to a more localized economy, reducing dependence on imported energy and reducing carbon emissions.

**Nonviolence** – A sense of belonging motivates participation, not coercion. - The community policing model is well established in Corvallis. The goal of law enforcement is enhancing safety and livability. No one in our community should fear intimidation. Our code enforcement activity, rental housing standards and chronic nuisance property ordinances are based on these principles.

**Social Justice** – Everyone's needs are met fairly. - The city partners with the Community Alliance for Diversity to make a welcoming supportive community for all kinds of people. The high level of community services provides all citizens' access to affordable recreation through Parks and Recreation, low cost transportation via transit and bicycle amenities, information and communications through the Library. We work on affordable housing through Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services. It is important to me to maintain these needed services even in difficult economic times.

(This information furnished by Mike Beilstein)

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# **City Council, Ward 5**



# BRIAN DWYER

Occupation: LiDAR Operator & Acquisition Manager, Watershed Sciences Inc, Corvallis, Oregon. October 2006-Present • Responsibilities include Acquisition, Field Personnel Training, Scheduling, Planning & Management of LiDAR Mission Logistics • Report to clients on status of active projects

Occupational Background: Crew Leader, Hydrological Science Technician, Aquatic and Riparian Effectiveness Management Program, Bureau of Land Management, Corvallis, Oregon. May 2003 - September 2006 • Team leader (1 season) and crew member (3 seasons) responsible for collecting field data concerning watershed health throughout the Pacific Northwest. Field Assistant, Oregon State University, Geosciences Department. July - November 2002 • Collected and analyzed field data necessary to assess the

 Collected and analyzed field data necessary to assess the geomorphic and ecological impacts of the removal of Marmot Dam on the Sandy River, Oregon. Lab Assistant, University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire, Department of Geology. Sept 1997
 June 1999

Educational Background: Post-Baccalaureate Coursework, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR, 2000-2002 B.S. Psychology, with Minor in Geology, University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire, 1999

Prior Governmental Experience: None

My vision for the future of Corvallis is simple:

• Continuation of all public services (library, city infrastructure, law enforcement), while ensuring these services are offered efficiently • Focus on sustainable practices related to city activities and offer more incentives for sustainable business practices • Continue to focus on economic development for the Downtown area, as well as incentives for larger businesses that provide quality jobs to make their home in Corvallis • Continuing support of small and growing businesses • Work with the Mayor, City Manager, other Council members, and local interests to develop a practical approach to the current budget woes

• Further development of recreational and cultural opportunities

Corvallis has a legacy as a city offering high living standards, sustainable practices, and a great home for citizens and businesses alike. In order to maintain that legacy, we need to work together to meet the citizen expectations defined in the current Corvallis Vision Statement. In both my professional and personal life, I excel at developing and maintaining relationships, defining clear and concise goals, and then working together towards those goals as a team. This experience relates directly to what my role would be as City Councilor.

Please vote for me on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, and I will work with the City and residents to move Corvallis forward.

(This information furnished by Brian Dwyer)

# **City Council, Ward 6**



# JOHN H. DETWEILER

Occupation: Retired

**Occupational Background:** Consultant. Federal employee. Naval Officer.

# Educational Background:

- MS Oregon State University, Statistics
- CAGS The American University, Operations Research
- MBA Oregon State University, Business Administration
- MS Oregon State University, Physical Oceanography
- BS U. S. Naval Academy, General Engineering

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

- Benton County Board of Property Tax Appeals.
- Corvallis Core Services Committee.
- Branch chief, section chief, engineer, budget analyst, operations research analyst, management auditor at U.S. General Accounting (now Government Accountability) Office, U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Department of the Navy, and contractor supporting Department of the Navy.
- Officer in U.S. Navy and U.S. Naval Reserve. Retired with rank of Captain (O6).

I have lived in Corvallis for twenty-three years and have found Corvallis to be a wonderful place to live. To keep it so, we must control our expenses, make Corvallis business friendly, and balance economic, environmental, and social values

- $\circ\,$  City revenues are not keeping up with expenses leading to our running out of money.
  - I will use my considerable management and analytical experience to ensure our hard earned tax dollars are spent wisely.
  - I will search for ways to improve our city's efficiency and effectiveness – something that we need to do in these difficult economic times.
- Corvallis is perceived as "business unfriendly". We need to change that.
  - If someone is willing to invest their money in a venture that is in the best of interest of Corvallis, we need to work with them. If changes need to be made to the land development code to make the venture work, changes should be made.

As a Council member, I will carefully balance our shared environmental, economic, and social concerns by setting priorities and making choices as necessary.

I have been married to a registered nurse for forty-seven years. We have two daughters: one is an environmental safety officer working in Antarctica; the other is an associate professor at Colorado University in Boulder.

(This information furnished by John H. Detweiler)

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# City Council, Ward 6



# JOEL HIRSCH

Occupation: Entrepreneur / Professional Musician

Occupational Background: Professional Musician: recording, performing, composing 30+ years, New York City, Los Angeles, Detroit; **1-800-DENTIST**, California, Rhode Island: Executive Officer, sales and management: Marketing for dental industry including commercial production for TV and radio, print, dental practice management, and operation of 100+ seat call center;

**HYDROTHERMIC FLOTATION SYSTEMS, INC.** California: Owner, manufacturer, distributor of medical waterbeds. **Esalen Institute**, Big Sur, CA: Supervisor organic farm; Workshop facilitator (and participant);

**Educational Background:** California Institute of the Arts; California State University, Northridge; Central Michigan University; Extensive world travel.

# Prior Governmental Experience:

Corvallis City Council 2009-2010

**iSI, SE PUEDE!** As your City Councilor for Ward 6 I served as the City Council's liaison to the Parks and Recreation board, Civic Beautification and Urban Forestry Commission, Corvallis Tourism board, the daVinci Days board, and the Public Art Selection Commission. Serving on the Administrative Services Committee, I helped facilitate City business ranging from Economic Development to the wild turkey ordinance. I've been encouraged to run for re-election by so many of you who feel I have served you well, and understand that now, with the experience of being on City Council, I can be even more effective.

My career experience is in conventional business environments and non-conventional, non-traditional business

I support our Libraries, the Arts, Parks and Recreation; a passionate, and devoted environmentalist, I support as much green and open space as possible. However, careful, responsible, and innovative growth must be cautiously considered if we are to remain a healthy community. I support Stewardship/Sustainability in both Business and the Environment.

I support Diversity in our community and Equal Opportunity for All. I love our beautiful, friendly, charming, safe, lovely, and efficient City. I'm running for re-election to continue my active role in perpetuating, protecting and enhancing these qualities that distinguish our city. I have enjoyed Corvallis City Council and I thank you for re-electing me.

(This information furnished by Joel Hirsch for Corvallis Council)

# **City Council, Ward 7**



# RICK SCHROFF

#### Occupation:

Owner, SCHROFF INSURANCE AGENCY, INC

#### **Occupational Background:**

Vice President & General Manager, SMITH INTERNATIONAL, INC.

#### **Educational Background:**

B.S. Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Mayoral appointment to Economic Development Allocations Committee, 2009, 2010. School Board appointment to Corvallis School District 509J Budget Committee, 2008 - 2011.

#### **Vote for Rick Schroff for City Council Ward 7!**

Corvallis is facing difficult times with revenue shortfalls and an eroding economic base. To maintain our community's livability we must become more proactive in promoting family wage job opportunities and sustainable local economic vitality.

I own and operate a small local business that has been serving Corvallis for over 25 years. My experience at both a large and a small business gives me the perspective needed to analyze complex issues, and arrive at sound decisions that will benefit our beautiful community.

I serve our community daily through my work with Rotary International, as a board member of Benton Furniture Share, and through active support of the Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis, Linn-Benton Food Share, and Willamette Neighborhood Housing Services.

I believe my management background and demonstrated civic leadership can be of benefit to the residents of Ward 7 and the city as we work to eliminate the budget deficit, without losing sight of our shared vision for the future.

As a City Councilor, I will be committed to working for a stronger local economy and maintaining our neighborhood quality of life:

- Promote job growth by strengthening programs to retain and grow existing businesses
- Resolve our budget problem by expanding the revenue base, rather than raising taxes
- Encourage proactive, sustainable efforts that support Corvallis' 2020 Vision Statement.

I love Corvallis. My family's roots here go back more than a quarter-century. I want to do all I can to maintain our community's safe, sound and special character, as we work through these challenging times. I ask for your vote.

#### **Vote for Rick Schroff for City Council Ward 7!**

(This information furnished by Rick Schroff)

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# **City Council, Ward 7**



# JEANNE RAYMOND

#### Occupation:

Retired. Corvallis City Council, Ward 7, 2 1/2 years.

#### **Occupational Background:**

A teacher and educator for thirty years in Minnesota and Oregon, including ten years in Corvallis; a Recreation Director for the City of Portland for 5 years.

#### **Educational Background:**

BA Education, St. Olaf College, MN; Graduate studies, education and counseling, University of Minnesota, Portland State University.

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Corvallis City Council, Ward 7, Human Services Committee, Administrative Services; Corvallis liaison to: Housing and Community Development, Benton County Children and Families Commission, Martin Luther King Jr. Commission, Corvallis Sister Cities Commission, Corvallis Planning Commission, past precinct person.

**Proven Leadership:** As City Councilor I am honored to represent you; to listen to your concerns and ideas, to work with our dedicated citizen groups, to make Corvallis even better. As we address economic pressures, it is a time of exciting possibilities.

I am experienced and ready to meet the challenges, to be a strong voice for these issues:

**Economic Development.** I will continue to support the local business interests, and the artistic, cultural, social, recreational and environmental aspects that make our city a model of enjoyable, healthy, and safe livability. As Corvallis prospers, even during this recession, I will work to ensure that our economic growth benefits all – including our business area, our children, seniors, students, the homeless, the hungry, and those who have special needs. We are all connected. I will support policies that bring jobs to Corvallis.

**Sustainable Growth.** I will work to ensure that the growth that occurs in Corvallis is "good" growth that benefits the city environmentally, socially, and economically. I support the innovative work of the Corvallis 2020 Vision Statement, the Economic Vitality Partnership, the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition, and the Prosperity That Fits plan.

**Dynamic Cultural Diversity**. Corvallis is a city rich with a diversity of cultures. I will work to ensure that all are treated equally and with dignity, and are encouraged to participate.

(This information furnished by Jeanne Raymond for Council Committee)

# **City Council, Ward 8**



# BIFF TRABER

**Occupation:** Retired Active community leader

- Board member Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis, Corvallis Rotary, United Way, and Leadership Corvallis
- Treasurer Benton County Democrats, Sustaining the Heart of Corvallis

#### **Occupational Background:**

#### Thirty years in computer systems industry:

- Caldera Executive VP
- SCO VP
- Unix Systems Lab Director
- Bell Laboratories Department Head
- Bank of America Systems Analyst

#### Eight years of community service to Corvallis:

- Board President Corvallis Rotary, United Way, Leadership Corvallis
  - UW Community Impact Committee, including grant allocations for Corvallis' Social Service Funding
- Board member Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis
- St Vincent DePaul Food Bank
- Treasurer Benton County Democrats, Sustaining the Heart of Corvallis Campaign

#### **Educational Background:**

University of California Berkeley – BA Computer Science and Applied Math

University of California Berkeley – MS Industrial Engineer and Operations Research

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Benton County Charter Committee; Precinct Committee Person

I am running for City Council to serve the citizens of Ward 8 and Corvallis, helping the city thrive while working through several challenges.

Please give me your vote so I can work to:

- Resolve the budget gap caused by costs outpacing revenue.
   We need to ensure that the city is providing critical services at levels expected by its citizens. And we need to decide how they are most appropriately funded.
- Create jobs by refocusing and reinvigorating economic development. Corvallis must have a vibrant economy with growing businesses and a fertile start-up environment.
- Proactively deal with impacts from the growth of OSU. We must make the most of the economic and social opportunities while managing the corresponding impacts.

**Your vote for me will get results**. I will apply my extensive business and technology management skills as well as my in-depth community knowledge to city government.

Your vote for me is a vote for an open, hard-working representative for Ward 8 and the entire city.

(This information furnished by Biff Traber, Traber for City Council)

# **CITY OF PHILOMATH**

# **City Council**



# ANGIE BACA

#### Occupation:

Office Manager – Marys Peak True Value City Councilor – City of Philomath Board Member – Philomath Fire & Rescue

#### Occupational Background:

Fire Fighter-First Responder – Philomath Fire & Rescue Clerk Westgate Deli & Dari-Mart Representative – Progressive Insurance P.A. – A. D. Derm Insurance Trainer/Auditor – GEICO Phone Operator – Southern Bell

#### **Educational Background:**

Leesville High School – 12<sup>th</sup> grade
Orange Coast Community College – Insurance
Contra Costa Community College – Business Management
Linn Benton Community College – Fire Science and misc.

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

City Councilor – City of Philomath Member – Police Committee, City of Philomath Member – Finance Committee, City of Philomath

I need your votes to serve on the Philomath City Council, which I will serve to the best of my ability for the good of the whole community.

For the last few terms I have worked hard for the city hopefully helping to bring financial stability, harmony and common sense to the city council and will continue my efforts if re-elected.

# **City Council**



# MATTHEW BIEREK

#### Occupation:

Controller - Mega Tech of Oregon Director and Treasurer - Philomath Scout Lodge, Inc. Director - Philomath Community Foundation

#### **Occupational Background:**

Tax Manager - Videx Incorporated

#### **Educational Background:**

College of Financial Planning - CFP Certificant American Production & Inventory Control Society - CPIM Designee US Customs Service Broker Licensee

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Third term incumbent City Councilor Chair - Philomath Public Works Committee Chair - Philomath Ordinance Committee Member - Philomath Budget Committee

While continuing to serve you on your city council over the last three terms, our city managed through difficult financial times by maintaining efficient and frugal use of resources and looked for opportunities to capitalize on the lower cost of infrastructure improvements when possible. While we are not out of the woods yet nationally, here in Philomath we will continue to provide you the best in services, within our budget, and in line with our city charter. Thank you for your faith in me as your public servant.

(This information furnished by Angie Baca)

(This information furnished by Matthew Bierek)

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# **CITY OF PHILOMATH**

# **City Council**



# MICHAEL MCDONOUGH

#### Occupation:

Country Financial Services Representative

#### **Occupational Background:**

Teacher - Philomath Middle School 2008 - 2010 Teacher - O'Hara Catholic School 2000 - 2008

#### **Educational Background:**

California State University San Bernardino, BA Liberal Studies/Elementary Education.

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Philomath Finance Committee, 2010 - present.

My family and I have lived in Philomath for the past four years. What brought us to Philomath is the sense of community involvement among its residents. I experienced this involvement first hand as a teacher in the Philomath School District as I saw how involved the parents are in their child's education. Having just completed my first year on the Finance Committee, I also witnessed how dedicated members of this community are to the betterment of Philomath as a whole. I look forward to serving the members of this community as well as continuing to be a positive, contributing member of Philomath.

(This information furnished by Michael McDonough)

# **City Council**



JOHN G. BOOKER, JR.

#### Occupation:

Stock Clerk - Sara Foods - Corvallis, Oregon - 11 Years.

#### **Occupational Background:**

None

#### **Educational Background:**

Linn-Benton Community College - Associates of Applied Science - June 1994 - Albany, Oregon - Accounting Technology and Supervisory Management

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

Benton County Health Department - Food Service Advisory Committee Person - Appointed May 2005 - Reappointed June 2008.

Precinct 10 (Philomath) Committee Person - Appointed May 2008 - Elected May 2010.

Benton County Health Department - Healthy Community Advisory Council - Became member August 2009 to Present.

As a Councilor Candidate I believe we need to come together as a community to preserve our social livability and make an investment to improve our local economy so everyone can prosper.

I encourage, plan, and support the following:

- A. Affordable housing and eliminating homelessness.
- B. Expand local community healthcare options.
- C. Create new local living wage jobs including those that use green manufacturing technology.
- Create partnerships with all local businesses, schools, and LBCC to provide internships and on-the-job training opportunities to those who are seeking work locally.
- Spread the tax burden fairly and equally so local taxes are either not increased or less.
- F. Use environmentally sustainable solutions in all local businesses.
- G. Expand community gardens and start/continue local Farmer's Market.
- H. Creation of a "Monthly Councilor Corner" where the public can interact with their local councilor in a community setting.
- I. Develop a High Speed Passenger Rail route for both Commuting and Leisure between Corvallis-Philomath Area and Newport Area which is both affordable and rolliable.
- Expand local Philomath Connection bus service to nights also.

(This information furnished by Elect John Booker, Jr. to Philomath City Council for Progress)

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# **CITY OF PHILOMATH**

# **City Council**



# DAVID BUDDINGH

#### Occupation:

- Fleet Support Specialist Trimble
- Treasurer Philomath Youth Activities Club

#### **Occupational Background:**

- Information Technology Manager Hewlett-Packard (2000 2009)
- Board Member Philomath Youth Activities Club (2004 -Present)

#### **Educational Background:**

- Philomath School District Graduated 1986
- Oregon State University Graduated 1990 B.S. in Technical Journalism

#### **Prior Governmental Experience:**

• None

My wife Connie and I are long time residents of Philomath and think it's a wonderful place to raise our children Nick and Sarah. I've enjoyed serving our community as both a board member and coach for the Philomath Youth Activities Club and volunteering in our schools. I would like the opportunity to serve our community in a different forum and have a strong interest in city government. I look forward to serving you as a Philomath City Council member and working together to achieve the goals of our community.

(This information furnished by David Buddingh)

# **CORVALLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT 509J**



# Measure 02-73

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

**CAPTION**: RENEW FIVE-YEAR OPERATING LOCAL OPTION TAX FOR CORVALLIS SCHOOLS

**QUESTION**: Shall district renew levy at a rate not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000 assessed value for five years beginning 2012-13? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**SUMMARY**: This measure would continue the Local Option levy originally approved in 2006. It would keep the existing levy rate for another five years beginning 2012-13 after the current levy expires.

This levy would continue funding for reading and math instruction for kindergarten through fifth grade, middle and high school academic instruction in literature, math, science and social studies, vocational and technical education, the promotion of wellness and physical fitness for all students, music instruction for elementary students, and to sustain lower class size and current classroom academic programs. Without continuation of this revenue, the district's budget for staffing and school operations would be reduced by approximately \$5,827,000 in 2012-13.

The rate, which would not exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000 per assessed value is estimated to raise approximately \$6,186,000 a year, or \$30,931,000 over five years.

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

In 2006, voters approved a 5-year Local Option levy to support the academic achievement, lower class sizes in core subjects, music skills/appreciation, and the health and physical fitness of all students. This measure would continue the current levy for another five years beginning in 2012-13. It would keep the existing levy rate which would not exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

The following questions and answers have been provided to summarize this measure:

#### What does this measure do?

Approval of this measure would continue funding for four major educational areas:

- Reading and math for student academic success in kindergarten through grade five. This could continue to include updated learning materials, increasing time to learn reading and math skills, and training teachers in best instructional practices.
- Middle and high school academic and vocational/technical instruction. Sustained revenue would continue class sections and opportunities for more individual help in math, science, language arts, and humanities for middle and high school students.
- Opportunities for health, wellness and the arts for all students. This would continue music and physical education time for elementary students as well as support for opportunities allowing students to be active and involved through athletics and other activities.
- Continues to provide the financial stability to maintain programs at their present level, including keeping class sizes in key academic areas as small as possible.

What would happen if this levy is not renewed? Loss of this revenue would reduce the district's budget for staffing and school operations by \$5,827,000 in 2012-13. It would mean increases in class size and reduced funding for educational programs. State school support has declined, reducing essential dollars to provide for a comprehensive student centered program. The 71 teachers funded by the existing Local Option levy represent 22 percent of the district's teaching staff.

#### When would this measure take effect?

The Local Option renewal would take effect when the current levy ends after the 2011-12 school year. If approved, the existing levy rate (which cannot exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value) would be continued for five years.

# Is this measure within the limits established by Ballot Measure #5?

Yes, and all revenue gained remains in the Corvallis School District. The Local Option levy rate is calculated individually for each piece of property so that the total rate paid for school operations stays within the Measure # 5 limits.

#### Summary

Approval of this measure would continue funding for essential reading and math instruction for kindergarten through fifth grade; it would continue funding to strengthen middle and high school academic instruction in literature, math, science and social studies by keeping class sizes as small as possible; to continue to keep vocational and technical education available; to promote wellness and physical fitness for all students; to enhance music instruction for elementary students and to sustain current classroom academic programs.

(Submitted by Corvallis School District 509J)

# **CORVALLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT 509J**



# Measure 02-73

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### **Corvallis Kids Count Supports Measure 02-73**

Four years ago, voters in the Corvallis School District generously passed a local option levy to support our schools and our children. In the first three years, levy dollars helped protect class size in core subjects, added 30 minutes a week of music and physical education for elementary school students, provided additional resources to strengthen reading and writing skills, enhanced vocational and technical support at the high schools, reduced or stabilized class sizes in core subjects, and helped support high school athletics and activities. Seventy teaching positions, 22% of our licensed teachers, are funded by this levy. The levy has benefited every student in the district in many ways.

Despite continued uncertainty regarding education dollars coming from the state, the school district has kept its promise to the voters: all the money from the levy has been allocated exactly as the district said it would be back in 2006. These funds have been crucial for the education of our children.

A "yes" vote for Measure 02-73 will renew the levy for an additional five years. **THE MEASURE WILL NOT RAISE TAX RATES--it will extend the existing levy through the 2016-2017 school year.** Passage of the levy will help provide vitally important financial stability to the district. With the promise of continued uncertainty in the state budget in coming years, the levy will help ensure that our children's education remains a priority.

We believe that our local schools are the foundation of our community, today and in the future. Measure 02-73 is great for teachers, for parents, for businesses, and for the health of the community we all love.

We urge a YES vote on Measure 02-73. We believe, more than ever, that Corvallis Kids Count.

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

Republican and Democratic Leaders urge YES vote on Measure 02-73 for Corvallis Schools

**Supporting local schools is something we can all agree on.** Though we come from different political perspectives, we know that supporting our local students is not a partisan issue. The Corvallis Local Option Levy puts the generosity of local taxpayers to work in our classrooms.

Accountability and transparency in government should be rewarded. When the Corvallis School District first asked taxpayers to approve this levy, they made promises about how they would spend the money: to protect class size, preserve access to athletics and activities, create opportunities in vocational/technical education, improve instruction in reading and writing and increase PE and music instructional time. Since that time, the school district has published levy expenditures each year so the public can see what their investment buys. The district is spending every penny as promised.

**Measure 02-73 does not raise tax rates.** Times are tough in our community, but this measure will not increase rates. It simply extends the current tax rate for another five years, providing the stability our students need and deserve.

Measure 02-73 keeps tax dollars in our community, with our students. Every dollar of the local option levy stays right here in the Corvallis School District. The local option levy is the only tool local voters have to enhance funding for the education programs they value.

Please join us in supporting Corvallis schools by voting YES on Measure 02-73.

Senator Frank Morse (Republican, Senate District 8)

Representative Sara Gelser (Democrat, House District 16)

Dan Rayfield (Democratic candidate for Senate District 8)

Rose Cook (Republican candidate for House District 16)

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# **CORVALLIS SCHOOL DISTRICT 509J**

# Measure 02-73

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

#### **Business Leaders Support Renewal of the Corvallis** School District Local Option Levy Measure 02-73

#### Strong schools are essential to a healthy economy.

The students of today are the workforce of tomorrow. The Corvallis local option levy helps keep class sizes smaller -- which is better for student learning -- and it protects Corvallis's investment in trade and technical classes. A strong public school system also attracts businesses and skilled professionals to our community.

#### Renewing the levy sends our tax dollars right where they are needed--to our local classrooms and programs.

Every dollar of the levy stays in our community, funding over 70 teaching positions in the Corvallis School District.

# This measure maintains our investment in education. It does not raise taxes.

Corvallis voters approved this levy in 2006. Renewing the levy will not increase the tax rate. Instead, it will preserve our existing commitment to our schools. The levy has helped to stabilize the district's funding over the past three years in the face of uncertain state funding, and it will continue to be a critical part of the district's budget for years to come.

#### Passing this levy rewards accountability and success

The Corvallis School District kept its word to taxpayers. Every dollar of the levy has been spent as promised. As a result, kids are getting a quality education every day-despite the uncertainty of our state economy.

Vote YES for schools, our economy, and our future. Vote YES on Measure 02-73

Eric Blackledge

Katherine Cleland

Pamela Hood-Szivek

(This information furnished by Corvallis Kids Count)

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#### ARGUMENT FOR

# Corvallis Teachers and Classified Staff Support Measure 02-73

# Local option levy funding directly impacts student learning in classrooms and through educational programs.

When voters approved the local option levy for Corvallis Schools in 2006:

- The district hired more teachers in core subject areas (science, math and humanities) at the middle and high schools. Class sizes in these subjects were reduced.
- Levy funds paid for additional staff in elementary schools to support reading and writing instruction.
- Music and PE instruction for children in grades K-6 increased by 30 minutes each week.
- Money generated by the levy helped more students participate in athletics and other school activities.
- Levy funding expanded vocational and technical training programs for high school students.

# Renewal of the levy provides the financial stability to help sustain and strengthen current programs.

In the 2010-2011 district budget, local option levy funds support about 70 teaching positions, representing nearly 11 percent of the total operating budget. We cannot afford to lose these critical resources by letting the local option levy expire. As state funding continues to erode, continuing local support is essential.

# The local option levy is an investment in the future of our community.

To become responsible, contributing citizens, Corvallis students need a strong academic and vocational education. Investing in our children's education is an investment in our community. A strong community depends on strong, vibrant schools.

# Please join us in voting yes on Measure 02-73 to renew the levy.

Your "yes" vote will continue the current levy, but will not raise the tax rate. Voting to renew the local option levy for the Corvallis School District will demonstrate that we value the next generation, just as our parents and grandparents made every effort to provide us with a good education.

Marsha L. Lincoln -

President Corvallis Education Association Marta DeCoster –

Corvallis Chapter 2 Co-President Oregon School Employees Association Cydnie Meyer –

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NO ARGUMENTS AGAINST THIS MEASURE WERE FILED

# CHINOOK DRIVE ROAD DISTRICT



# Measure 02-72

#### **BALLOT TITLE**

**CAPTION**: REQUEST TO RENEW A FIVE-YEAR OPERATIONS LOCAL OPTION TAX

**QUESTION**: Do you want a five-year district local option tax at \$0.85 per \$1,000 assessed value beginning in 2011-2012 for operations? This measure renews the current local option taxes.

**SUMMARY**: The Chinook Special Road District's operations local option tax will remain as is for the year 2010-2011 at \$0.85 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The existing local option tax will expire after 2010-2011. This vote will allow that tax to be renewed until 2015-2016.

The total tax for the road district would then continue to be the permanent rate of 0.9533, plus the local option 0.85 = 1.8033 per 0.85 = 1

The total amount of money to be raised each fiscal year is \$33,810 in 2011-2012, \$34,824 in 2012-2013, \$35,869 in 2013-2014, \$36,945 in 2014-2015, and \$38,053 in 2015-2016 for a total of \$179,499. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the assessor at the time of the estimate.

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

The Chinook Drive Road District currently has a Local Option Tax of \$.85/\$1,000 assessed value which expires in this year. This measure requests the extension of the current Local Option Tax at the current rate for a five year period, from 2012 through 2016.

The Local Option Tax revenues comprise approximately onehalf of the Road District operating budget. Proceeds from the tax are used for road re-surfacing (grading, rock, emergency, and surface spot repairs), annual dust control, snow removal, pothole repair, and minor drainage and land control improvements intended to extend road surface life and improve safety. With approximately five and a half miles of road to maintain, this work cannot continue at the existing level with the budget provided by the permanent rate alone.

(Submitted by Chinook Drive Road District)

# CHINOOK DRIVE ROAD DISTRICT

# Measure 02-72

#### **ARGUMENT FOR**

The Chinook Drive Road District consists of approximately five miles of gravel and one-half mile of chip sealed road. At the Annual Budget Meeting, several roads were identified for repair; including 10 blocked/crushed culverts, five areas requiring significant ditching or sloping to reduce erosion and potholes, several areas needing grading and gravel as the road in these areas is down to dirt, rutted, or subsiding, and finally that many of our roads are in need of a general resurfacing and additional gravel. The Road District prioritizes repairs and maintenance based on keeping the roads usable, amount of traffic, cost, safety, and the potential for additional road damage if not fixed. Emergency projects occur throughout the year when critical problems occur due to weather or other factors. The existing Local Options Tax provides sufficient money to perform emergency repairs, some preventative repairs, and routine maintenance such as dust control, sanding and snow removal, and some general grading and gravel. Unfortunately, our roads are old and the maintenance requirements from wear and natural causes strain our ability to keep pace even with the Local Option Tax revenues.

The Road District annual budget without the Local Options Tax would be about half of the current amount. The District's liability insurance, State fees, and legally mandated expenditures are about one-third of the projected budget with just the Permanent Tax. The amount available for repair and maintenance would be slightly more than one-third of the current budget. Based on the last three years of data, the amount should be sufficient for emergency repairs and limited gravel and grading. However, it would not be sufficient to cover dust control, sanding and snow removal, ditching, culverts, resurfacing, preventive projects, or most routine maintenance.

We urge you to support this measure and continue the existing Local Options Tax at the current rate.

(This information furnished by Chinook Drive Road District)

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#### WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION

#### **BENTON COUNTY WEBSITE**

#### OTHER PLACES TO CHECK

The Benton County Elections Office has an extensive website where you can find a great deal of information.

Here are some of the types of information available:

**Election Information:** including candidate and measure filings, and other election dates and deadlines

**Current Voters' Pamphlet:** as well as historic Voters' Pamphlets in PDF format for both the County and State going back to 1984

**Official Dropsite Locations:** and maps showing where ballot dropsites are located and how to get to them

**Election Archive:** candidates, measures, and results going back to 1984

**Voter Registration Form:** and information on qualifications for becoming a voter and when a voter needs to update their registration

**Absentee Voter Application:** anyone who will be gone during an election period should know that ballots cannot be forwarded. Voters can access a form to notify the elections office of the absentee address where they may receive their ballot for upcoming election(s)

**Elected Officials:** list of local, state, and federal elected officials and their contact information

**Political Parties**: list of major and minor parties in Oregon and how to reach them

**Official Forms for:** voter registration, candidates, measures, political action committees, voters' pamphlets, etc.

**Political Maps:** showing precinct, city, ward, congressional, senate, and representative boundaries

**Links:** to the Benton County Records Office, Secretary of State Elections Office, Oregon Revised Statutes, and other related websites

The Benton County Elections website **continues to be updated** and expanded daily, so please visit often at:

http://ww.co.benton.or.us/admin/elections

If you would like to read the latest information concerning the election, you can check one of these local newspapers;

Corvallis Gazette Times:

http://www.gazettetimes.com

Albany Democrat Herald:

http://www.democratherald.com

Tri-County News:

http://www.triwestnews.com

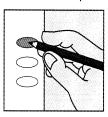
Or have other election questions:

http://www.Oregonvotes.org

# **CHECK YOUR BALLOT AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

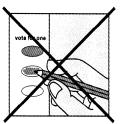
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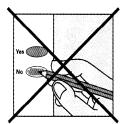
Make sure you use a pencil to fill in the ovals next to your choices.



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

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





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

Contact Benton County Elections to request a replacement ballot if:

- → you make a mistake
- → your ballot is damaged or spoiled
- → you lose your ballot
- → for any other reason

#### **Benton County Elections**

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

# Q. What do I do when a ballot for someone else is delivered to my home?

A. It is important that you DO NOT THROW THE BALLOT AWAY. Write on the envelope that the person is no longer at that address and PUT IT BACK INTO THE MAIL. Postage is not needed. Once our office has received the undeliverable ballot you will stop receiving them.

# Q. I forgot to put my ballot in the secrecy envelope. Will you count my ballot?

A. Yes. We recommend that voters use the secrecy envelope. You can open the ballot return envelope, place your ballot in the secrecy envelope and reseal it. Write "Opened By Voter" along the portion that you opened and sign your full name there as well. That way we will know that the voter was the one who opened the ballot and can count it. However, if your ballot comes back without a secrecy envelope, it will still be counted.

# Q. How do you know I am the one who voted my ballot?

A. The signature on EACH ballot return envelope is checked. Elections staff compares the signature on your ballot return envelope with the signature on your Voter Registration Card. If the signatures do not match we will contact you to help us resolve the issue. **Remember:** Even a person with a Power of Attorney cannot sign your ballot. Only you can.

# Q. How can I find the ballot dropsite that is closest to where I am?

A. A list of Benton County ballot dropsites including directions on how to get to them can be found on our website at: <a href="www.co.benton.or.us/admin/elections">www.co.benton.or.us/admin/elections</a>. Go to the Ballot Dropsite link for a list of all the dropsites. Each one includes a link with a map showing where it is located and how to reach it.

# Q. When do election results become available and how can I find out what they are?

A. Election results are available on the Benton County Elections website at:

www.co.benton.or.us/admin/elections.

First results become available between 8:20 and 9:00 PM on Election night. Further results will be added as ballots are received and tallied. All ballots cast within Benton County will be counted and the results posted before the election staff leaves Election night. However, ballots returned in other counties must be sent to Benton County for later tally and the election cannot be certified until all voters whose ballots were challenged have had an opportunity to respond to those challenges.

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