

# OFFICIAL BENTON COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET



## **PRIMARY ELECTION MAY 20, 2014**

This begins the Benton County insert in the State Voters' Pamphlet. The publication and distribution of this pamphlet is provided by the County Clerk at the direction of the County Commissioners. The candidate information within was provided by candidates that chose to participate in this portion of the election process.



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Dear Fellow Benton County Voter:

On Tuesday, May 20, 2014, a Primary Election will be held in Benton County. As a registered voter, you will have an opportunity to exercise your right to vote for federal, state and county positions on your ballot.

The Board of Commissioners directed the County Clerk to publish this **Benton County Voters' Pamphlet** to provide voters with pertinent and useful information concerning their choices in this election.

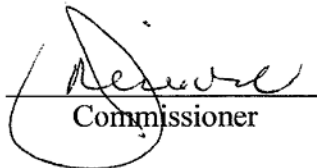
Candidates were provided an opportunity to issue a statement for inclusion in this pamphlet. This pamphlet is available on the Elections office website at [www.co.benton.or.us/elections](http://www.co.benton.or.us/elections) and as an insert within the Oregon Secretary of State produced Voters' Pamphlet to be delivered to each Benton County household.

In addition, you will find information on registering to vote, applying for absentee ballots, marking your ballot, and obtaining a replacement ballot. We hope this information will help you become better informed about the issues in this election as you prepare to make your decisions.

**Please Note:** All ballots, whether mailed or delivered in-person, must be received at an official ballot drop site in Oregon no later than 8:00P.M. on May 20, 2014. You can drop your ballot at one of the ballot drop site locations listed on the election website and in this pamphlet. The Benton County Elections office is in the basement of the historic Benton County Courthouse located at 120 NW 4th Street, Room 13, in Corvallis.

Sincerely,

  
Commissioner

  
Commissioner

  
Commissioner

**VOTE**

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## VOTER REGISTRATION AND CASTING YOUR BALLOT

**Who is qualified to vote:** In order to receive a ballot, voters must be registered to vote no later than 21 days prior to the election. However, if a registered voter moves within the State of Oregon, that voter can update his/her voter registration information and receive a ballot up until **8:00 PM on Election Day**. To update voter registration or become a voter you may go online to: [www.oregonvotes.gov](http://www.oregonvotes.gov)

**Absentee Ballots:** It is against the law to have anyone forward a ballot to you. Even the United States Postal Service will not forward a ballot. If you will be out of the area during the election period and would like to receive a ballot, contact our office and request that an "Absentee Ballot" be sent directly to you.

**How to cast your ballot:** Use a **PEN OR PENCIL** to vote your ballot. 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. If you make a mistake, your ballot is damaged or spoiled, or you lost your ballot call the Benton County Elections Office 541-766-6756.

**Voters with Disabilities:** If you need help voting because of a disability, contact the Benton County Elections Office. Deputized elections staff is available to assist you in casting a ballot; or ask about alternate voting formats.

**If you lost, destroyed, or damaged your ballot or made a mistake while voting it:** Please contact the Benton County Elections Office to request a replacement ballot. The replacement ballot will be mailed to you, as long as your request is received no later than the 5th day before Election Day. After the 5th day before the election, you may pick up a ballot by coming to the Benton County Elections Office.

If you have already mailed your original ballot before you realize you made a mistake, your ballot has been cast, and you are not eligible for a replacement ballot.

**In order for your ballot to be counted** it must be returned to any Elections Office or an official ballot dropsite in the State of Oregon, **no later than 8:00 PM Election Day, MAY 20, 2014.**

### Postmarks DO NOT count!

Ballots must be returned enclosed in the official ballot return envelope and **signed by the voter** in order to be counted. Even people with Power of Attorney do not have authority to sign another person's ballot.

### Benton County Elections Office

Phone: 541-766-6756

Fax: 541-766-6757

Website: [www.co.benton.or.us/elections](http://www.co.benton.or.us/elections)

Email: [bcelections@co.benton.or.us](mailto:bcelections@co.benton.or.us)

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER, POSITION 1



**ANNE  
SCHUSTER**

**Democrat**

**Occupation:** Retired

**Occupational Background:** Research Scientist at University of North Carolina, University of Nebraska, Oregon State University

**Educational Background:** University of Nebraska, Ph.D., 1982

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chair, Corvallis School Board; Oregon School Boards Association; Linn Benton Lincoln Educational Services District Budget Committee; Co-Founder Youth Mental Health Coalition; Benton County Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Benton County Local Advisory Committee for Inter Health Network-Coordinated Care Organization; Host for Leadership Corvallis; Steering Committee member for Corvallis Sustainability Coalition, Oregon Green Schools & Sustainable Oregon Schools Initiative

I believe in: strong communication, transparency, listening, common sense, thorough research, & collaboration.

**My priorities are:**

**A Vital Economy**

Retain and support existing businesses  
Promote new business in urban and rural settings  
Support work force training for the 21st century

**Health and Safety for All**

Expand availability of affordable and safe housing  
Promote healthy eating and active living choices  
Improve access to physical and mental health services  
Maintain high air and water quality standards  
Prepare communities to respond effectively to disasters

**Agriculture and Natural Resources**

Promote soil and water conservation practices  
Encourage sustainable farming and locally grown products  
Protect and acquire open space  
Support alternative forms of energy and transportation  
Increase climate change awareness and mitigation

Look to the Future: [www.anneschusterforcommissioner.com](http://www.anneschusterforcommissioner.com)

**Endorsed by:**

Julie Manning  
Diana Simpson, Former Benton County Sheriff  
David V. Buchanan, Farmer & owner of Tyee Wine Cellars  
Margaret S. Buchanan, co-owner  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters

*This information furnished by Anne Schuster.*



**PAT  
MALONE**

**Democrat**

**Occupation:** Woodland Owner

**Occupational Background:** Sunrise Tree Farm, Christmas trees; University of Oregon Teaching Assistant, Portland Community College Instructor

**Educational Background:** MFA, BA, University of Oregon

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Kings Valley Fire Department Chief; Linn-Benton Community College Budget Committee; Oregon Department of Agriculture, Christmas Tree Advisory Committee. Benton County Committees: Soil and Water Conservation Board, Charter Review, Extension Advisory, Forestland Classification, Bicycle Advisory.

**Volunteer Experiences:** Agricultural Research Foundation Board, OSU affiliated; Kings Valley Area Association; Firefighter; Pacific Northwest Christmas Tree Association Board; Benton County Democrats.

**Awards:** Goodyear Award of Merit for Outstanding Accomplishments in Resource Conservation; Outstanding Soil and Water Conservation Cooperator; Socially and Environmentally Responsible Farm certification; Distinguished Service to Christmas Tree Industry.

**Elect Pat Malone County Commissioner:**

**His priorities reflect Benton County Values!**

"I will continue the work of health care transformation, promote sustainable environmental protection and create common goals through community involvement, pragmatism and building consensus using my stewardship skills and business acumen. As a fifth generation Oregonian, I want to leave our farm in good shape for our kids and grandkids. I feel the same way about Benton County. I am the right choice for your county commissioner. I ask for your vote!" *Pat Malone*

**We support Pat:**

Cliff Trow, former State Senator: "Benton County businessman Pat Malone is a hardworking, responsible citizen who will make an excellent county commissioner. I recommend him enthusiastically!"

Jerry Davis, former director of Natural Areas & Parks, Benton County. "Pat brought good stewardship practices into the development process of Beazell Memorial Forest. There is no stronger supporter of Benton County parks."

Brian Clem, State Representative (former ASOSU President). "Pat Malone has the vision to identify challenges facing Benton County and the ability to work with people to solve them."

**Elect Pat Malone County Commissioner**

**His priorities reflect Benton County Values!**

*This information furnished by Pat Malone 2014.*

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER, POSITION 1



**QUINTIN  
KRETH**

**Democrat**

**Occupation:** Operations Manager, Lush Vineyard  
**Occupational Background:** Policy Analyst, Public Administrator, Statistician

**Educational Background:** BS, Double-Major in Mathematics and Public Policy, Planning, and Management, University of Oregon (2014); Honors Diploma, Monroe High School (2011); South Benton Chair, Ford Institute Leadership Program (2010);

**Prior Governmental Experience:** Chairman, Democratic Party of Oregon Rural Voters Caucus; Obama Delegate, 2012 Democratic National Convention; Secretary, 4th Congressional District Democratic Party

**QUINTIN KRETH is both the Youngest and the Most Qualified Candidate for Benton County Commissioner. He is the only candidate who has the technical expertise to govern the county from Day 1. Vote for Quintin because you want a Commissioner who is serious and prepared to work hard to get the job done.**

**VALUES:**

**Prepared** Quintin is the only candidate with a degree in management or public administration.

**Hard-working** In October 2012, Quintin moved back to his family's farm in Monroe to manage its operations after his father, Ray, died of an aggressive cancer at age 50. Less than two years later, Quintin has finished his degree at age 20, despite the challenge of managing a farm and a long commute.

**Community Servant** An Eagle Scout, Quintin has shown his commitment to volunteering and public service. He was recently named one of Oregon's 11 most "Inspirational Leaders" by *I am Oregon* and won the 2013 *Gazette-Times* "Local Person of the Year" Award for his service.

**ISSUES:**

**Quality Jobs** Quintin's #1 Priority is strengthening our local economy. Quintin will use his background in community development to focus on growing new jobs for our skilled college-graduates, engineers, and scientists.

**Sustainability** As County Commissioner, Quintin will work to reduce commute times, promote Smart Growth and in-fill housing, bicycle infrastructure, and that any new jail be a LEED-Certified building.

**Transparency** Quintin is deeply committed to ethical, open government. Contact him directly on our website with your questions or concerns!

***For more information and policy positions, visit our website: [KRETH.US](http://KRETH.US)***

*This information furnished by Q PAC.*

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER, POSITION 1



**JERRY J.  
JACKSON, SR.**

**Republican**

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

**Occupational Background:** Polk County Community Development Manager; Community Service / Work Release Coordinator; Business Owner; School Board Member; US Army Veteran.

**Educational Background:** Studied Political Science, Oregon State University; 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:** Current Chair, City of Philomath Budget Committee; Past Polk County Community Development Manager; Past Philomath City Council President; Budget / Finance / Administration Board and Ordinance Committees. Coordinated with BLM and Benton County to develop Dump Stoppers and Noxious Weed Programs.

**Personal:** Wife, Cruz, married 31 years, six adult children. Benton County resident, 21 years.

*"If elected I will be responsive to the public, forging cooperation between the county government, the cities, and rural areas, to ensure delivery of services that keep the county safe and attractive."*

**Benton County is a great place to live and work.  
Let's work together to keep it that way!**

- Dedicated
- Experienced
- Collaborative


**Vote Jerry Jackson Benton County Commissioner**

*This information furnished by Elect Jackson Commissioner.*

## HOW TO VOTE FOR A PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON

Precinct Committeepersons ballots are delivered with your ballot if you are a registered Democrat or Republican. To vote:

1. Locate the candidates for your precinct. Your precinct number may be found on your ballot return envelope. The position of the precinct number is circled on the example below.
2. Vote **ONLY** the candidates in your precinct.
3. Note the number of candidates for whom you may vote.
4. To ensure your vote counts, completely fill in the oval next to the name(s) of your choice. You may write in a name on the dotted line.

<b>RETURN ENVELOPE</b>	
<p><b>IMPORTANT!</b> FAILURE TO SIGN BELOW WILL INVALIDATE YOUR BALLOT. YOUR BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY 8:00 PM ON ELECTION DAY TO BE COUNTED.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; font-size: small;"> <b>WARNING:</b> SIGNING ANOTHER PERSON'S NAME TO THIS ENVELOPE IS A CLASS C FELONY.         </div>
<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; width: 60px; height: 20px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 10px auto;"> <span style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">Precinct 20</span> </div> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">Primary</p> <p><b>POSTAL CLERK:</b> Deliver to address on other side.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">VOTER'S STATEMENT</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;"><i>By signing, I certify that: I am the person to whom this ballot was issued. I am legally qualified to vote in the county that issued this ballot. This is the only ballot I have voted this election. I still live at the address where I am registered to vote.</i></p>
<p><b>DO NOT DEFACE ADDRESS</b></p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 25px; margin: 0 auto; position: relative;"> <div style="position: absolute; right: -10px; top: 50%; transform: translateY(-50%); font-size: 2em;">}</div> </div> <div style="background-color: black; color: white; padding: 5px; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em; margin: 5px auto; width: 100px;">SIGN HERE</div>

In order to qualify as a Precinct Committeeperson candidate, you must:

Be a member of the major political party you wish to represent for at least 180 days before the deadline for filing a certificate of candidacy;

Be 18 years of age by date of the Primary Election;

Live in the precinct you wish to represent, or an adjoining precinct.

Write-in Precinct Committeeperson:

Write-in candidate must have been a member of the party at least 180 days before the date of the election;

A qualified person must receive three or more votes to be deemed eligible for election of a vacant committeeperson seat.

## BENTON COUNTY OFFICIAL BALLOT DROPSITES

### **BENTON COUNTY ELECTIONS OFFICE**

Basement of County Courthouse  
120 NW 4th St Rm 13, Corvallis OR 97330  
541-766-6756  
Mon thru Fri 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Election Day 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

### **24-HOUR OUTSIDE DROP BOXES**

#### **BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

Courthouse lawn on Fourth Street  
120 NW 4th St, Corvallis OR 97330

#### **BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

Handicapped entrance on Fifth Street  
120 NW 4th St, Corvallis OR 97330

#### **BENTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE**

Across the street on Fifth Street  
180 NW 5<sup>th</sup> St, Corvallis OR 97330

#### **WELLS FARGO BANK**

Timberhill Shopping Center  
2543 NW Kings Blvd, Corvallis OR 97330

#### **BENTON COUNTY SUNSET BUILDING**

Drop box in parking lot  
4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis OR 97333

#### **LINCOLN HEALTH CENTER**

Drop box in parking lot  
121 SE Viewmont Ave, Corvallis OR 97333

#### **NORTH ALBANY SHOPPING CENTER**

Drop box in front of former Ray's location  
621 Hickory Ave NW, Albany OR 97321

#### **MONROE COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

Drop box in parking lot  
380 N 5th St, Monroe OR 97456

#### **PHILOMATH PUBLIC LIBRARY**

1050 Applegate St, Philomath OR 97370

### **OTHER BALLOT DROPSITES**

#### **CORVALLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY**

645 NW Monroe Ave, Corvallis OR 97330  
541-766-6793  
Mon thru Thu 10:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Fri thru Sat 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

#### **OSU VALLEY LIBRARY**

121 The Valley Library, Corvallis OR 97331  
541-737-3331  
Mon thru Thu 7:30 am to Midnight  
Fri 7:30 am to 10:00 pm  
Sat 10:00 am to Midnight  
Sun 10:00 am to Midnight

#### **SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER OF CORVALLIS**

2601 NW Tyler Ave, Corvallis OR 97330  
541-766-6959  
Mon thru Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Election Day 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

#### **LBCC BENTON CENTER**

757 NW Polk Ave, Corvallis OR 97330  
541-757-8944  
When college is in session  
Mon thru Thu 8:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm  
When college is not in session  
Mon thru Thu 9:00 am to 7:00 pm  
Election Day 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

#### **CITY LIMITS MARKET**

5800 NW Hwy 99W, Corvallis OR 97330  
541-745-7194  
Mon thru Thu 6:30 am to 8:30 pm  
Fri 6:30 am to 9:00 pm  
Sat 8:00 am to 9:00 pm  
Sun 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

#### **JOHN BOY'S ALSEA MERCANTILE STORE**

186 E Main St, Alsea OR 97324  
541-487-4462  
Mon thru Sat 6:00 am to 8:00 pm  
Sun 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

THIS CONCLUDES THE BENTON COUNTY  
PORTION OF THE VOTERS' PAMPHLET