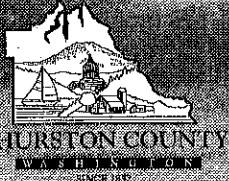


Thurston County

1997 Primary Local Voters' Pamphlet

***“Your Community
Your Future
Your Vote”***

**Primary Election
September 16, 1997**



**Ballots will begin arriving on September 2
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Keep this pamphlet! Ballots will begin arriving on September 2.

Front Cover: Heritage Park Fountain, Heritage Park, Olympia

Important Information for Thurston County Voters

Dear Voters of Thurston County:

Following the '96 Presidential race, this year's elections bring our attention back to the local level. This September's Primary election provides you the opportunity to vote on important local offices. These elections directly affect you as a Thurston County citizen. Thus, this year's theme, **"YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR FUTURE, YOUR VOTE!"**

As important as local races are, voter turnout is typically lower than it is with even-year elections. Without national media hype, many people forget to vote. Others simply find it difficult or impossible to make time in their busy schedules to get to the polls.

There is a solution to this dilemma, which takes just seconds to do. By filling out the form on the back page and returning it, you can become a permanent mail voter. Already, over half of our County's voters have chosen to "Ride the Wave of the Future" by voting at home! As a taxpayer, you need to know that this will save money. A study of 1995 costs revealed that mail ballots cost \$2.87 per voter, while pollsite ballots cost \$8.10 per voter.

Perhaps more important, mail voting provides you the time and opportunity to be a well-informed voter. Once you're signed up, you'll receive a ballot in the mail for every election you're eligible to vote in. No more worrying about missed elections – your ballot will arrive well before election day. Just make sure your ballot is postmarked on or before the day of the election.

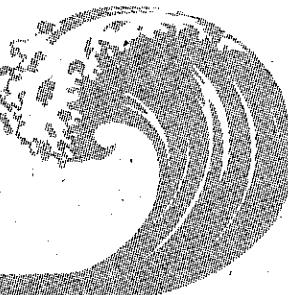
Unless you live in the 35th Legislative District, you'll be getting your Primary ballot by mail. Use this pamphlet while you vote at home. People living in the 35th District will be voting at the polls. This is because partisan elections, by law, cannot be held entirely through the mail. I encourage those living in the 35th District, who aren't signed up for permanent absentee voting, to fill out the sample ballot on pages 5-7 and bring it to the polls on September 16. The races you can vote on are determined by where you are registered.

Keep this year's theme in mind of **"YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR FUTURE, YOUR VOTE!"** If you find that you're one of those people who has good intentions, but misses elections, try voting at home. Voting is truly the best way to have your voice heard and to have an impact on the future of your community.

Sincerely,



Sam Reed
Thurston County Auditor



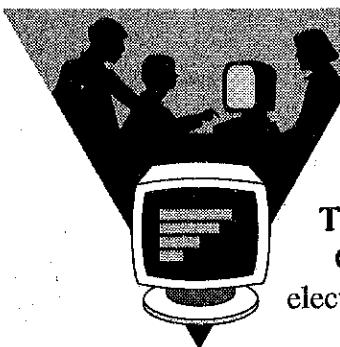
Participating Jurisdictions

Thurston County-Medic One
City of Lacey
City of Olympia
Town of Rainier

Olympia School District No. 111
Fire District No. 1 - Rochester
Fire District No. 2 - Yelm
Fire District No. 3 - Lacey

Fire District No. 5 - Black Lake
Fire District No. 6 - East Olympia
Fire District No. 14 - Grand Mound

"Have You Heard? We're Online!"



Internet Guide to Local Voters' Information

Due to the growing popularity of Internet "surfing" as a source of information and recreation, the Thurston County Auditor's Office is offering materials online. So, have fun and...enjoy the surf!

Thurston County Auditor's Web Page

On the cyber front, the Auditor's Office will offer the Local Voters' Pamphlet, election night results, and other election information on the Internet.

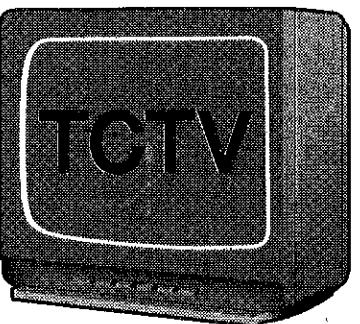
The web page address is: <http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/thurston/auditor>

View Candidate Coverage on Television

TCTV and Tumwater TV

A televised Primary Forum will feature the Olympia and Lacey Council candidates, as well as the Olympia School Board candidates. The forum will air beginning the first week of September, on TCTV – Channel 3 and on Tumwater TV – Channel 64. Check the newspapers and TV bulletin boards for specific air times.

This forum, which is a collaborative effort of the League of Women Voters, TCTV, Neighborhood Associations, and the Thurston County Auditor's Office, will give voters an additional opportunity to become acquainted with the candidates and become more informed voters.



TCTV Election Night Coverage

TCTV – Channel 3, will provide election night coverage from the County Courthouse beginning at 8:00 P.M. on September 16. Also, election night results can be found on the Internet at the address listed above.

Ballots will begin arriving by mail on September 2.

This is a Vote-by-Mail Election. Voters will receive their ballots in the mail.

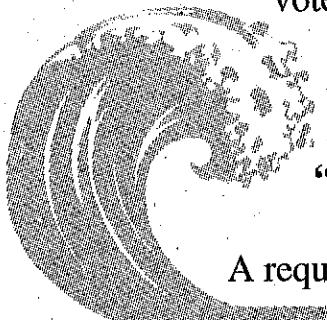
Exception:

voters who live in the 35th Legislative District and do not have ongoing absentee status will vote at the polls on September 16, unless they choose to

"Ride the Wave of the Future – Vote at Home"

by requesting an ongoing absentee ballot.

A request form is located on the back page of this pamphlet.

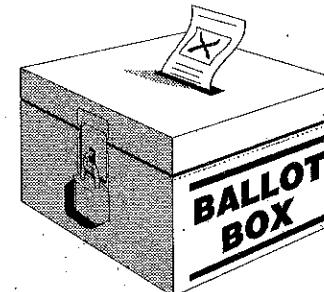


Sample Election Ballot

Thurston County, Washington September 16, 1997

Dear Voter,

This sample ballot contains all candidates and measures certified to appear on the September 16, Primary Election ballot. You will not be entitled to vote on all races that appear on this sample ballot. Only the contests and measures that apply to your precinct will be listed on your mail-in or absentee voter guide.



Voters in the 35th Legislative District will be voting at the polls unless they have requested an absentee ballot. Candidates' names for the 35th Senate seat are rotated to provide electoral equality. Therefore, the order of candidates' names listed on the voting booth pages and on the Absentee or Mail-In Voter Guide for the 35th Senate race, may not match this sample ballot. We strongly encourage you to mark your sample ballot and take it into the voting booth with you on election day.

If you have not received your ballot by September 5, and you believe your voter registration address is correct, please call the Elections Department immediately at (360) 786-5408.

Sam Reed
Thurston County Auditor

1997 Primary Election State of Washington

State measures do not appear in the Primary Election. State measures will be on the November 4, General Election ballot.

If you have any questions regarding state measures call the Office of the Secretary of State at (360) 902-4151.

Thurston County Issue

Medic One Levy Proposition No. 1



For the purpose of funding the Emergency Medical Services program (Medic One) shall Thurston County be authorized to levy a tax of \$3,525,736, which is approximately 34.31 cents per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation, upon all taxable property in the county, which will be in excess of the county's statutory dollar rate limitation to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998?

Levy Yes Levy No

State of Washington 35th Legislative District, Senator		
Senator	1 Year Unexpired Term	Vote For One
Tim Sheldon	Democrat	
Lena N. Swanson	Democrat	
Dick Taylor	Republican	
Charles Crawford	Reform Party	

City City of Lacey, Council		
Position 6	Short & 4 Year Term	Vote For One
Graeme Sackrison	Non-Partisan	
Stephen Houseman	Non-Partisan	
Virgil S. Clarkson	Non-Partisan	
Harvey Billmaier	Non-Partisan	
Adam S. Pellegrini	Non-Partisan	

City City of Olympia, Council		
Position 4	4 Year Term	Vote For One
Fiona Buzzard	Non-Partisan	
Stan Biles	Non-Partisan	
Barbara Young	Non-Partisan	
Mark Daniels	Non-Partisan	
City of Olympia, Council		
Position 6	4 Year Term	Vote For One
Holly Aquino	Non-Partisan	
Margaret S. McPhee	Non-Partisan	
Noel T. Ostrander	Non-Partisan	
Cherie R. Tessier	Non-Partisan	
City of Olympia, Council		
Position 7	4 Year Term	Vote For One
Jeanette Hawkins	Non-Partisan	
Prophet Atlantis	Non-Partisan	
Troy Kirby	Non-Partisan	
Wally Fisher	Non-Partisan	

Town Town of Rainier, Mayor		
Mayor	4 Year Term	Vote For One
Wm "Mike" Elliott	Non-Partisan	
William E. (Bill) Snider	Non-Partisan	
Mike Leifer	Non-Partisan	
Town of Rainier, Council		
Position 1	4 Year Term	Vote For One
Terry Foley	Non-Partisan	
Nancy C. Decker	Non-Partisan	
Frances D. Morehead	Non-Partisan	
Town of Rainier, Council		
Position 3	4 Year Term	Vote For One
Sherry A. O'Dell	Non-Partisan	
Paul Longwell	Non-Partisan	
Raymond P. Sayward	Non-Partisan	

School District Director Olympia School District No. 111		
District 3	4 Year Term	Vote For One
John McGee	Non-Partisan	
Ali Raad	Non-Partisan	
Sonya Rasmussen	Non-Partisan	

Fire District Commissioners Fire Protection District No. 3 (Lacey)		
Position 1	6 Year Term	Vote For One
Michael K. Westenfelder	Non-Partisan	
Bill Pilkey	Non-Partisan	
John M. Tyson	Non-Partisan	
Fire Protection District No. 6 (East Olympia)		
Position 2	6 Year Term	Vote For One
Jimmy H. Prince	Non-Partisan	
Mary Kaempfe	Non-Partisan	
Richard C. Wells	Non-Partisan	

Fire Protection District No. 1

Rochester

Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 1 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 142-97?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Fire Protection District No. 2

Yelm

Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 2 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 76?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Fire Protection District No. 5

Black Lake

Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 5 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 97-03?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Fire Protection District No. 14

Grand Mound

Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 14 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 97-04?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Pollsite Voting Information

For 35th Legislative District Voters Only

Your election is a pollsite/absentee ballot election.

(Voters who do not reside in the 35th district see page 10 for voting information.)

Where To Vote:

Vote at your precinct's polling place. The precinct name and number are on your voter registration card. Locations of polling places are listed below. If you need further information, call the Elections Department at the number listed below.

When To Vote:

Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. We suggest that you try to vote between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. or 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. For those voters who are voting an absentee ballot and who have not mailed their ballot, ballots may be dropped off at the nearest pollsite on Election Day only.

How To Vote:

In Thurston County, voters cast their votes by punching the correct holes in a punch-card ballot. Instructions are provided in the voting machines and with absentee ballots.

If you need assistance in casting your ballot, you may ask an election worker to explain how to use the voting device or machine.

If you are a person of disability and unable to record your vote, you may be accompanied into the voting booth by any person you choose to assist you or by two election officials, each of a different political party.

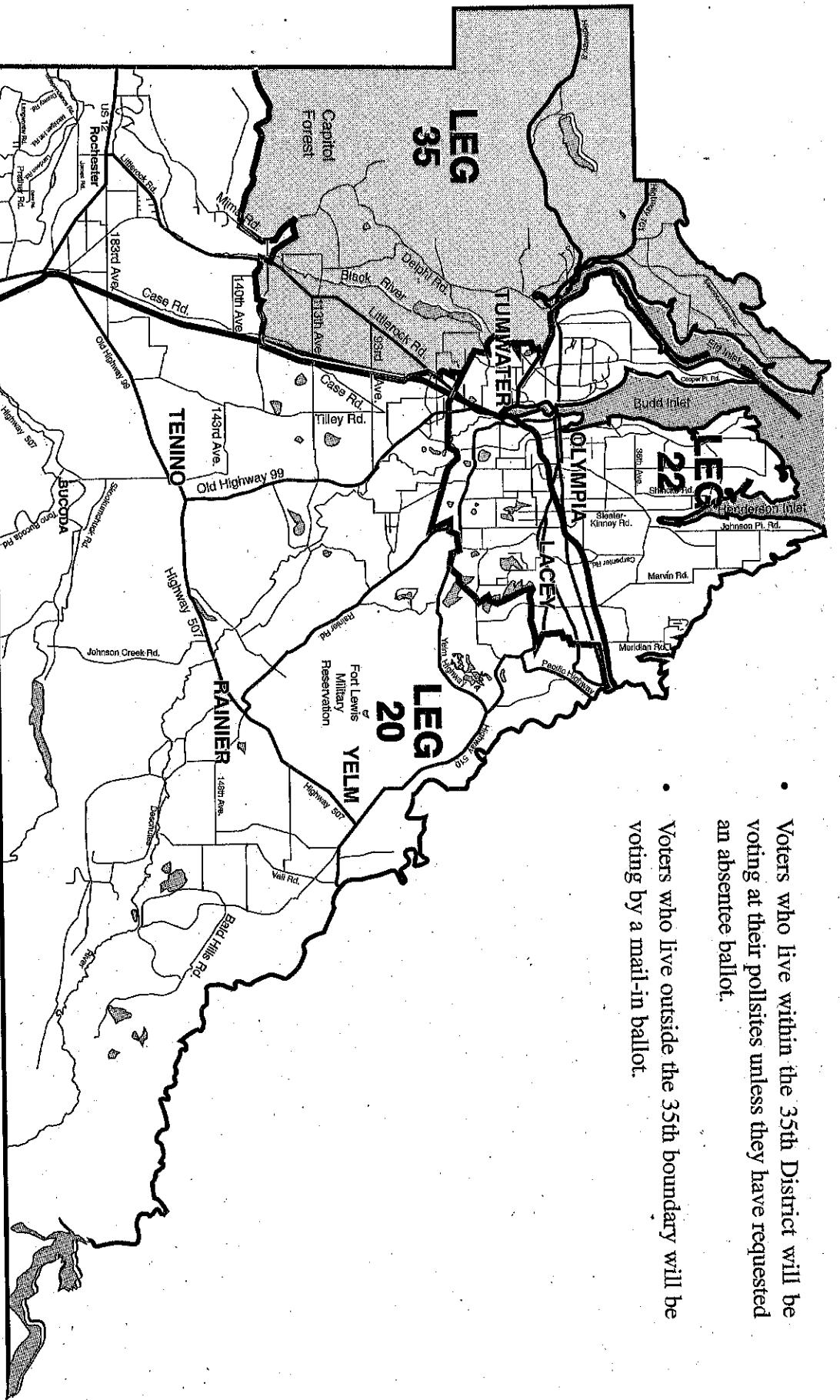
Questions:

If you have any questions, please call the Elections Department at: (360) 786-5408.

35th Legislative District Pollsites

* = New Pollsite

PRECINCT	PRC#	POLLSITE	ADDRESS
Alpine	099	Black Lake Grange	Blk Lake Blvd & 62nd Ave SW
Belmore	061	Black Lake Fire Hall	4402 Black Lk-Belmore Rd SW
Black Lake	144	Black Lake Elementary School	6345 Black Lk-Belmore Rd SW
Camelot	173	Black Lake Grange	Blk Lake Blvd & 62nd Ave SW
Delphi	145	Black Lake Grange	Blk Lake Blvd & 62nd Ave SW
Evergreen Shores	164	Black Lake Grange	Blk Lake Blvd & 62nd Ave SW
Frye Cove	094	McKenzie Road Baptist Church	215 McKenzie Road SW
Gallagher Cove	191	Carlyon Beach Clubhouse	2646 Island Dr NW
Greenridge	086	Black Lake Grange	Blk Lake Blvd & 62nd Ave SW
Griffin	132	McKenzie Road Baptist Church	215 McKenzie Road SW
Hunter Point	131	Carlyon Beach Clubhouse	2646 Island Dr NW
Israel	177	Olympics West Retirement Inn	929 Trosper Rd SW
Kirsop	108	Olympics West Retirement Inn	929 Trosper Rd SW
Lakeside	190	Black Lake Fire Hall	4402 Black Lk-Belmore Rd SW
* Littlerock	151	Littlerock Fire Hall Headquarters No. 11-1	10828 Littlerock Rd SW
McLane	141	McKenzie Road Baptist Church	215 McKenzie Road SW
Mud Bay	140	McKenzie Road Baptist Church	215 McKenzie Road SW
Oyster Bay	095	McKenzie Road Baptist Church	215 McKenzie Road SW
* Salmon Creek	050	Littlerock Fire Hall Headquarters No. 11-1	10828 Littlerock Rd SW
* Scheller	184	South Union Grange	10030 Tilley Rd S
Schneiders Prairie	133	McKenzie Road Baptist Church	215 McKenzie Rd SW
Steamboat Island	044	Carlyon Beach Clubhouse	2646 Island Dr NW
Summit Lake	096	Summit Lake Community Church	11326 Fellowship Ln NW
Tumwater 16	416	Vote-by-mail	
Tumwater 17	417	Vote-by-mail	
Tumwater 18	418	Vote-by-mail	
Tumwater 22	422	Vote-by-mail	
* Waddell Creek	171	Littlerock Fire Hall Headquarters No. 11-1	10828 Littlerock Rd SW



Legislative District Boundaries Within Thurston County

Voters who live within the 35th District will be voting at their pollsites unless they have requested an absentee ballot.

Voters who live outside the 35th boundary will be voting by a mail-in ballot.

Mail-In Voting Information

Except for 35th Legislative District Voters –
(See page 8 for 35th Legislative District pollsite information.)

Voting With Mail-In Ballots:

The 1997 Primary Election is a Vote-By-Mail election (excluding the 35th Legislative District). All precincts in Thurston County will be participating in this election. This type of election allows you the convenience of voting at home and simply returning your ballot by mail. *Voters are strongly encouraged to return their ballots early.* Ballots must be voted and postmarked no later than Election Day, September 16, 1997.

*No polling places will be open on election day.
The locations listed below will accept your ballot at the specified times only.*

Ballot Drop-Off Sites:

For your convenience, we have arranged for drop-off sites throughout the county. You may drop your ballot off at the listed sites during specified times only.

Weekdays through September 15, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Election Day – September 16, 7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Thurston County Auditor's Office, Courthouse, Bldg. 1, 2000 Lakeridge Dr. SW, Olympia

Friday, September 12, and Monday, September 15, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Election Day – September 16, 7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Lacey Area Lacey Timberland Library, 500 College St. SE

Tumwater Area Tumwater City Hall, 555 Israel Rd. SW

Yelm Area Yelm City Hall, 105 Yelm Ave. W

Tenino Area Tenino School District Office, 301 Old Hwy. 99 N

Election Day Only – September 16, 7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Olympia Olympia City Hall, 900 Plum St. SE

Northeast County South Bay Elementary School, 3845 Sleater Kinney Rd. NE

Rainier Rainier Elementary School, 306 Second Street W

Rochester Area Fire District #1 Station (Rochester), 18346 Albany St. SW

Your ballot must be postmarked no later than September 16 or delivered to the

**Thurston County Auditor's Office or any of the above
drop-off locations prior to 8:00 p.m. on September 16, 1997.**

Please Return Your Ballot As Soon As Possible

Replacement Ballots:

If your ballot is damaged, destroyed, or lost, a replacement ballot may be obtained at the Thurston County Auditor's Office in the Thurston County Courthouse up to 8:00 p.m. on September 16, Election Day. If you have any questions, please call the Elections Department at: (360) 786-5408.

*If you did not receive a ballot by September 5, and you are a registered voter,
please contact the Thurston County Auditor's Office immediately.*

STATE OF WASHINGTON 35TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT, SENATOR

Tim Sheldon

Tim Sheldon has the independent leadership and experience that make the difference in this race.



Democrat

Tim was elected to the State House of Representatives by an overwhelming majority of voters for four consecutive terms. He is known for "stepping across the aisle" at the Legislature to work with both political parties to pass significant measures for his constituents. Tim is respected in Olympia for his integrity, common sense and effectiveness.

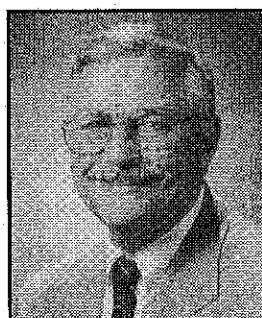


Democrat

Lena N. Swanson

Senator Lena Swanson wants your vote to retain her Senate seat so she can continue to serve the working families of the 35th Legislative District. Lena was appointed to the State Senate February 3, 1997, after Brad Owen was elected as Lieutenant Governor. During the last legislative session, she sponsored Senate bills to fully fund K-12 education at the state level and to dedicate lottery money to education.

Lena's list of priorities for the next



Republican

Dick Taylor

Dick Taylor is a candidate with proven leadership abilities. His nearly 34 years of service in the U.S. Navy throughout the world, in peace and war, has provided him with the necessary experience and expertise to address and solve the tough problems we face as we move into the 21st Century. He has and will continue to be committed to a life of service.

Dick Taylor is committed to working for meaningful and significant property tax relief



Reform Party

Charles Crawford

Change can be defined, "to make a difference in the state or condition of a thing." As your Senator, I vow, "to make a difference."

What can be accomplished in sixty days?

We can restore accountability to our State agencies. I will work to ensure that full funding for performance audits is obtained and utilized for that purpose.

I will introduce legislation to exempt elderly and retired persons from property tax

Professionally, Tim has served since 1986 as Executive Director of the non-profit Economic Development Council of Mason County. He holds an Economics Degree from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, and an MBA from the University of Washington.

Tim and his wife, Linda, and daughter, Alexandra, live in rural Potlatch on their family-owned tree farm. Tim knows your priorities – crime, education, property taxes, jobs and the economy – because the 35th District has been "home" all his life.

legislative session include: full funding of K-12 education by the state, dealing better with growth, and meaningful property tax relief.

She's received the full endorsement from the Thurston County Democrats.

Lena is a nationally recognized veteran's advocate working with the Washington State Department of Veteran's Affairs and a National Service Officer with the American Ex-Prisoners of War.

Lena Swanson has the guts to stand up for what she believes no matter who it offends.

and reform. He is committed to strengthening our educational system from elementary schools through higher education, while providing quality vocational education for those students who do not go on to a college or university. Dick Taylor is committed to promoting economic development in our district, insuring that we preserve this land for future generations, while still providing a place where we can work and prosper.

Elect Dick Taylor to the State Senate.

in accordance with the State Constitution. I'll propose a real decrease in property tax of 10% across the board and will fight against any tax increases. I will introduce legislation to exempt public works projects from sales tax, saving millions in double taxation.

I will work to restore local values and controls in our schools by rejecting federal mandates. I will investigate school funding, ensuring that tax dollars aren't being misdirected for other purposes.

CITY FORM OF GOVERNMENT

There are three principal forms of city government in Washington: mayor-council, council-manager, and commission.

The council is the city legislative and policy-making body. The council enacts all ordinances, resolutions, and policies, consistent with state law, for the safety and welfare of the city residents. Traffic, fire protection, police, land use, municipal services, business, and other regulations are overseen by the council. The council also controls the city finances through the budgeting and auditing processes, and by exercising general oversight.

The non-partisan council members are elected to four-year terms.

CITY OF LACEY CITY COUNCIL, POSITION NO. 6 – Continues on next page

Graeme Sackrison

As a current Council Member, I have worked hard to understand the issues and develop workable solutions. I will *continue* work with the community to seek a balance among sometimes conflicting objectives; business vitality and its accompanying economic benefits, appropriate public services, and the need to maintain a quality of life that is respectful of the environment.

This has been, and will continue to be, my primary goal. I am convinced such balanced

relationships are achievable. Today, Lacey is a good place to live. With continued thoughtful leadership, it can be a great place to live, raise a family, and operate a business.

Lacey Planning Commission, 1995-1997, Vice-Chair; Long-time Lacey resident; North Thurston High School, 1962; Western Washington University, economics, 1966; U.S. Air Force 1966-1970; Employment Security Department 1971-on; Credit union volunteer, 1972-on; Board member ESD Mutual Aid Foundation.

Stephen Houseman

Hi, I am 34, and have lived in Lacey since 1966. I have witnessed many changes in this city.

Some good changes and some bad. From one red flashing light, to over 25 stop light intersections. To the disappointment when the drive-in blew down and would not be re-built.

I have been married for 14 years. My wife

was born and raised in Lacey. I have two daughters, 13 and 9 years old.

I am very concerned about the development of Lacey as a community. We must make it safe and comfortable for our kids, and/or our future grandkids, to live here.

Virgil S. Clarkson

Lacey is growing and has already gone through several growth stages. I want to share my vision for Lacey as we enter the 21st Century. The backbone of our society is the combination of communication and transportation. Instead of this community being a conduit for the surrounding communities, we should be providing business incentives to develop businesses within our community. These businesses would pay

livable wages. Lacey would then cease being a bedroom community. These goals are necessary to increase our tax bases, to assure more purchase goods availability for our citizens, while still maintaining a high quality of life. We must have livable wages, alternative transportation modes, activities for all groups (including our youth and seniors), affordable housing, and high quality of life. In order to do this we must have a council with visions to ensure balanced growth.

CITY OF LACEY CITY COUNCIL, POSITION NO. 6 – Continued

Harvey Billmaier

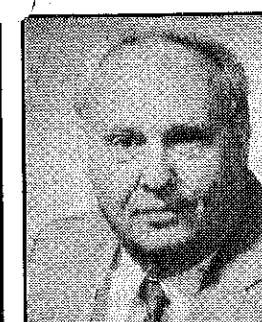
This election we can take our community back from the builders.

Four years ago when I ran for this seat, I was pro-growth. *I was wrong, I admit it.* We need a moratorium on residential building. Lacey is losing its charm and ambience. We are becoming a Kent, Renton or, even worse, a Southern California.

I moved to Lacey because of its beauty and the culture of the Thurston County area. We

are losing that charm, we are losing the way of life many of us can fondly remember. We can reclaim our city.

Harvey Billmaier is a public school teacher, he serves on the state and Evergreen State College, Professional Educators Advisory Board. He is a member of the Washington Education Association. He supports Initiative 677. He attends New Heart MCC Church. He is active in community and civic organizations. *Harvey Billmaier wants the best for Lacey.*



Non-Partisan



Non-Partisan

Adam S. Pellegrini

The issues are clear, and acknowledging our priorities is the beginning to finding their solutions. I believe the two major issues to focus on are the two C's. Crime and Commerce. With the ever growing status of Lacey, we will be seeing the increase in both of these two areas; both must be monitored carefully. The end goal must be a community that is prosperous, but also friendly. We must be critical of expansion and plan effectively

for our future and the future of our children.

I would like to take the initiative and effectively promote the enhancement of Lacey's existing economy before we begin to grow outward. I would also like to increase support in community based safety programs. We all live together and as a community we have the ability to guide Lacey to a better future. Thank you.

BOARD WORKERS NEEDED

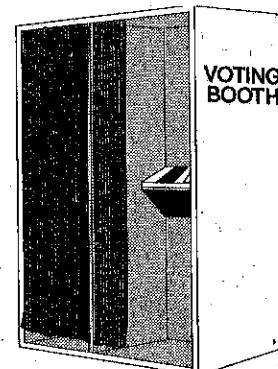
If you are a registered voter who would like to take an active role in the democratic process, the Thurston County Auditor's Office has a challenge for you! Our office is always interested in recruiting quality board workers to perform poll site duties on election day. Board workers are temporary employees of Thurston County. Requirements include attending a board worker training session, and working the entire election day.

For More Information, Please Complete the Following Form and Return it to:

**Thurston County Auditor's Office,
Elections Department
2000 Lakeridge Dr. SW
Olympia, WA 98502**

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ ZIP _____
DAYTIME PHONE () _____

✓ **Yes, I am interested in becoming a board worker!**



CITY OF OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL, POSITION NO. 4

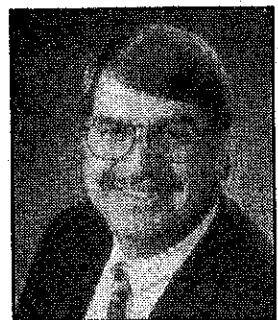


Non-Partisan

Fiona Buzzard

Fiona Buzzard seeks election because she truly cares about Olympia and its people. She is a community leader with vision, drive, common sense and integrity.

Fiona is an active part of this community, volunteering on numerous non-profit agency boards, her church council, Intercity Transit Authority and others in a direct and personal way. She is familiar with the serious threats facing our families, neighborhoods and downtown.

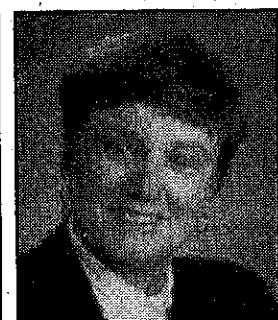


Non-Partisan

Stan Biles

Nine years ago, I rolled up my sleeves as an Olympia community volunteer. By serving on four citizen advisory boards, I gained great experience in making Olympia better.

I helped build our award-winning recycling program. I demanded that City Hall responsibly address the problems of growth. On the Urban Forestry Board, I planted and distributed trees to beautify our city. On the Heritage Park Commission, I'm moving the park from vision to reality.



Non-Partisan

Barbara Young

Professional Qualifications: City council administrative assistant; wrote legislation for downtown parking, storm damage, safety in blood collection; grant writer: over one million dollars for community/city collaboration on neighborhood improvement; RUDAT: Regional/Urban Design Assistance Team; tribal: access to prenatal health care; Peace Corps Community Development Project: literacy, health care, street and water improvement; public health nurse: communicable disease control; faculty: University of Washington, Tacoma; fund-raiser: local YMCA community

youth program. *Issues:* Growth pays for growth. I will protect and support local existing business, maintain public safety, monitor LOTT and water quality, conduct "Walk-Abouts" to study neighborhood issues, and collaborate with youth to determine space for their activities. *Residence:* Olympia west side for seven years. *Education:* BS in Nursing; Masters in Community Health Planning. *Personal:* Single parent. Three daughters, youngest attends SPSCC. Received national recognition: Creative Achievement Award, American Public Health Association.

Fresh New Voice for the People.



Non-Partisan

Mark Daniels

I am asking for your vote. I have been involved with the Solidarity movement in Poland where I was imprisoned for six months and faced house arrest for more than three years. This country has provided me and my family with a home, successful careers for me and my wife, and a wonderful education for our children. As a professional engineer, I look at problems methodically, and I want to tackle the problems and challenges that face

Olympia as we progress into the next century. The City Council needs to continue improving the business climate, the quality of life which makes Olympia so special, and balance the needs of young and old; business and government. I want to make a great place even better. I want to serve Olympia and all of you, especially after what America and Olympia has given to me and my family.



Non-Partisan

Holly Aquino

"Community safety is our top priority! We must have safe streets, a sound economic base, adequate city services, clean water, and a healthy environment. We cannot choose one over another and the budget must reflect these priorities."

As a City Council member, Fiona Buzzard will listen to our concerns and will work with us in making decisions that affect our lives. *She will be our voice* in directing the future of Olympia.



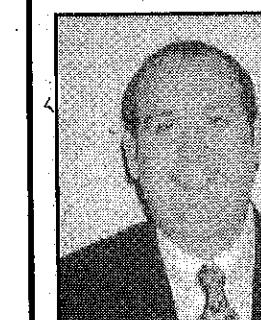
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Margaret S. McPhee

As a longtime community activist, I know the importance of citizen participation in local government. Stretching our resources means involving those with expertise in water conservation, recycling, transportation and planning for a better environment in Olympia. Partnering with schools for more after-school programs, the Family Support Center, and the Senior Center for efficient social service delivery helps youth, families and seniors in

our community. Neighborhood Associations, the Farmers' Market, Heritage Park, expansion of Percival Landing and developing urban trails add amenities for all Olympia.

Economic development, wastewater management, public safety and accountability systems, substance abuse and domestic violence education are continuing goals to resolve in this community. Neighborhoods, businesses, and government can work to achieve solutions to these issues.



Non-Partisan

Noel T. Ostrander

As a lifelong resident of the Olympia area, I have seen many changes. As much as I love Olympia, I have become discouraged with the Local Government. I've noticed spending on "New Projects" while there are many other more important ones being neglected. Some of these "New Projects" are non-beneficial, and costly to the people. These people, just like me, have a vision for our city: a revitalized, pedestrian-friendly city attractive to residents,

businesses, and tourists. This vision is continually delayed because of "New Projects" taking priority over much needed ones, thus causing the people to become discouraged. The potential greatness of Olympia is being stifled. The People of Olympia should not be placed in a "pending" status. We the people are then let down, and our city, the State Capital, is also let down. I believe in Our City, I believe in the people, please believe in me.



Non-Partisan

Cherie R. Tessier

My name is Cherie R. Tessier, I am running for Olympia City Council, Position 6.

I ran before for two other City Positions: in 1989 for freeholder candidate, in 1992 for City Council for the seat that was being vacated.

I am a strong advocate for people who put themselves first and their disabilities second. As I serve on the National Board of Self-

Advocates, becoming empowered as Region 1 Rep. for Alaska, Montana and Oregon with two states in between – I will not let this interfere if I get elected.

My beliefs and concerns are: 1) Somebody who can relate to Human Service issues, 2) The Homeless problem, 3) Housing for low-income, 4) Transportation and Road work repairs, and 5) Fix-up buildings that can be used for something better.

CITY OF OLYMPIA CITY COUNCIL, POSITION NO. 7

Jeanette Hawkins

In my four years on the City Council, I've taken action for safe, dynamic neighborhoods, a vibrant economic future and healthy environment. I've asked tough questions and taken strong stands for the sake of our community's future.

I'm proud of what I've accomplished—but there's a lot more to be done.

I want to keep working to protect and conserve our precious drinking water and manage our stormwater so we can have a



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cleaner environment along with the capacity for our economy to grow.

I want to keep working for community oriented policing and a justice system that holds offenders accountable yet provides opportunities for rehabilitation, so we can all feel safe in Olympia.

I want to continue to strengthen our downtown. The Farmers Market, new transit center and revitalized buildings on the East End of town are just a start. Keep me in action. Please give me your vote.

Prophet Atlantis

Sex, violence, hatred, addiction, guns, abuse, rape, torture, welfare, homelessness, hunger, starvation wages, fear, health care lack, preventable diseases, ignorance, stolen pensions, disrespect of parents and children and self, All Fill TV, streets, minds. Working class become Urban Peasants, Suburban Serfs. Middle Class, American Dream Die! Respect Life! Unify Workers, families or be destroyed by apathy, moral decay, soulless economics hell-bent for short term gains. Support Barter, TCTV, Recycling! *Thank You Thurston*

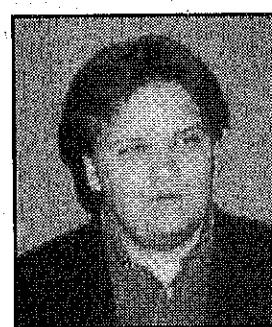


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County Commissioners and RSN-PHP for helping Psychiatrically disabled consumers!

Dear government: Workers, Low Income and Disabled want more clean, safe, easy and fast to build, affordable manufactured family home parks *not* just more crowded, noisy, expensive apartments!

Prediction: Hour is Late. Pendulum swings back. False drug war takes own. Money shrinks, burns. Markets bash, falling. Storm Troopers dog street. New World Order calling. 1997, 2007, 2012. Future is what you make it *or* what *they* make of it!



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Troy Kirby

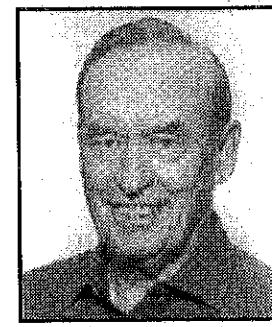
We need to preserve what is good about Olympia, renew what has been deteriorating around us, and think about making changes in the future.

For too long, Olympia has only listened to a vocal few, managing to overlook its citizens as well as interfering with local businesses and how they operate. I stand for: Ending development on Eastside, repairing roads excessively worn, and placing both crosswalks and stoplights in busy residential

neighborhoods.

I am firmly against: A sidewalk ordinance which will only cost the city money, the cruising ordinance, and anything that deters people from coming to the downtown. I believe that by creating more parking, removing parking meters, while continuing to improve both the attractiveness and access, as well as supporting and encouraging businesses to locate and stay here, will help Olympia thrive.

Let's make the Capital city a great place to live again!



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Wally Fisher

Wally Fisher, a 42 year resident of Olympia, has officiated school and recreational sports for 20 years, volunteers at the Amtrak Depot, serves on the Salvation Army Advisory Board, and has 8 years experience on the Olympia School Board. Married 45 years, Fisher has 3 grown children. He spent 32 years with the postal service, 17 of that in management. Retired since 1987, Fisher has the time to bring a wealth of experience to the council in making

sensible choices about providing maximum service with the resources available. Prudent use of taxes and encouragement of businesses within the city are two priorities. He appreciates parks, cultural activities, and the arts, but holds basic government services such as police, fire, water, utilities and roads as top priorities. Fisher is confident that, with careful choices, Olympians can enjoy many community amenities in a safe and secure environment. Wally Fisher for common sense.

TOWN OF RAINIER – FORM OF GOVERNMENT

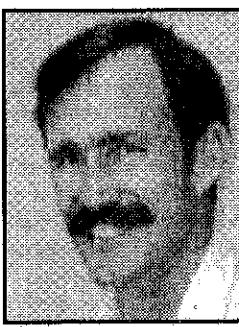
The Town of Rainier uses the mayor-council form of government.

In the Town of Rainier, the council is the town legislative and policy-making body. The council enacts all ordinances, resolutions, and policies, consistent with state law, for the safety and welfare of the town residents. Traffic, fire protection, police, land use, municipal services, business, and other regulations are overseen by the council. The council also controls the town finances through the budgeting and auditing processes, and by exercising general oversight.

The mayor is the chief executive officer and ceremonial head of the town. The mayor presides over council meetings and has veto power over ordinances.

The non-partisan council members and mayor are elected to four-year terms.

TOWN OF RAINIER MAYOR



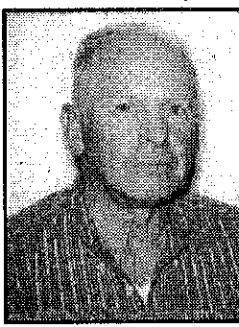
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Wm "Mike" Elliott

I would like to Thank the citizens of Rainier for their support over the last four years. As your Mayor, I was able to lead the Town in a fair and unbiased manner. I have overseen the responsible management of Town resources, by creating 3 new job positions, without increasing costs, to the citizens of Rainier. I have administered the improvements of the Parks within our community, improved the training of our police department, completed

the new water project in Mountain View Estates, enhanced the efficiency of Town Hall, and started the annual Christmas tree lighting. I have acted responsibly in dealing with the citizens and issues which face our community.

My hope for the future, is to remain on the path we have started and continue demonstrating the leadership you have come to trust. I appreciate your confidence and ask that you re-elect me for another four years.

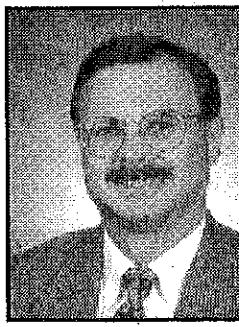


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William E. (Bill) Snider

Bill was born and raised in Vail. He graduated from Rainier High School. Bill was a 12-year employee for Weyerhaeuser. He served 3 years in the Army with Korea/Japan service. After released from active duty, Bill met Helen and they were married and have 3 sons and a daughter. Bill and his family moved to Rainier from Vail in 1966. He's a past Scoutmaster for the Rainier Troop and a player/coach for the Rainier Slow Pitch Team

(Champions, Red Division, Olympia, 1971). Bill served on the Rainier Town Council two full terms and an unexpired term. He is a retired State employee (30 years), and a retired USN Master Chief Petty Officer with a combined Army/Navy service (37 years). Bill and Helen have built 3 houses in Rainier, where they have raised their family. For an honest, hardworking, and dedicated person, vote to elect Bill Snider.



Non-Partisan

Mike Leifer

Thomas Jefferson once said, "To inform the minds of the people and to follow their will is the chief duty of those placed at their head."

As a town council member the past two years, Leifer's actions have proven he firmly believes in this precept. As mayor, Mike will continue to encourage active citizen involvement and more open, accessible town government. He will also ensure Town resources are used in a more fiscally responsible

manner. Leifer has listened intently to the needs of the business community, police department and fire district and will strive to maintain excellent working relationships with them. Though not opposed to growth, Leifer believes future growth should pay for itself. Mike will also work to ensure an adequate, clean water supply into the next century.

Mike and wife, Mitzi, have two grown children. He has a bachelor degree and works for the State of Washington.

TOWN OF RAINIER TOWN COUNCIL, POSITION NO. 1

Terry Foley

Eight years ago I promised to work towards a comprehensive plan to prepare the community for the many changes placed before us—adequate water supply, zoning that works, a new town hall and safe parks for all. Through the work of myself, other town officials, and this community we have accomplished this, without raising taxes.

Town officials have started the ground work of moving Public Works facilities out of

the down town area to make room for banking facilities, medical services or food services. Not only will this help economic growth but will be a great assistance to our senior citizens of which I am particularly concerned about. I hope to educate the public on the necessity of protecting our ground water and how funding is possible. I would like to continue serving the people of my community who have demonstrated their confidence in me over the past 9 years.

Nancy C. Decker

Enhancing communications and community awareness of issues and actions of our government is an important issue to Nancy. If elected, other goals would be to facilitate actions to ensure a growth plan that will work, and a management plan that will concentrate on the quality and quantity of water to avoid pollution and/or destruction of our wells and water supply. Also important is development of a storm water plan for the entire town. The need to establish a plan which will minimize

flooding in crucial areas and provide drainage facilities to properties adjacent to the wetlands. Nancy is a leader and has been active in many committees:

Secretary/Examiner-Rainier Civil Service Commission, Secretary-Citizens for Open Government, Established Neighborhood Watch/ Drug Awareness Program, TOGETHER! Vice President-Fire District Four Auxiliary.

Nancy encourages open government. Government issues should always reflect input by the people.

Frances D. Morehead

Fran Morehead is a name well known in the community, trusted and respected. More than being a dedicated parent, wife and concerned resident of the Town of Rainier, she also is a professional serving our community as a registered nurse, working as an E.M.T. with Thurston County Fire District #4, in our homes, schools and on our streets. When things have been prosperous for Rainier she was there and when homes burnt down,

investments lost, lives destroyed, she was there giving hope and reassurance to those facing a bleak future. Fran has established herself as a role model with integrity and character, always placing principles above personalities. In this day and age it takes courage and perseverance to face an uncertain future. With a strong voice and gentle hand Fran will walk us through it. Vote Fran Morehead for Rainier Town Council Pos. #1.

Have You Received Your Ballot?

If you have not received your ballot by September 5, please call our office immediately at (360) 786-5408. **Exception** – Voters who live within the 35th Legislative District. Voters who do not have on-going absentee status must request an absentee ballot if they wish to vote by mail. Otherwise, polling places will be open only on election day.

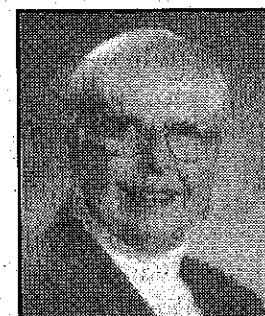
If you need to register to vote and you wish to participate in the November 4, General Election, you must register by October 20, 1997. Information regarding voter registration is located on page 29.



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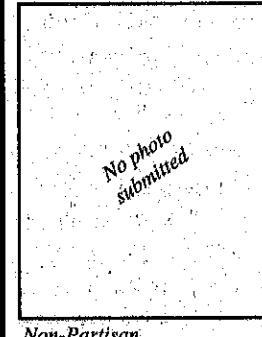
TOWN OF RAINIER TOWN COUNCIL, POSITION NO. 3

Sherry A. O'Dell

I have had the privilege of serving the Town of Rainier, and its citizens. I have taken this responsibility very seriously and in doing so I was directly involved in town finances, which has resulted in the creation of three new town employees, specifically an additional officer which has enhanced the community's police protection. I was responsible for utilities and infrastructure improvements for parks, instrumental in the



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Rainier Round-Up Day Carnival.

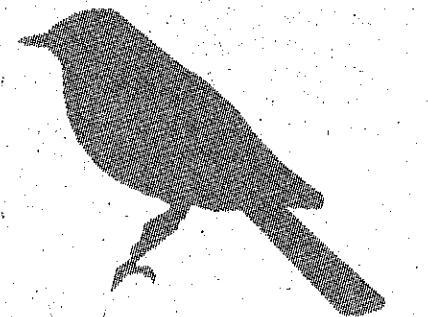
I would like to see in the future economic growth, to provide more job opportunities for our citizens. Over the last four years I have looked out for the concerns of the citizens, been accessible to the citizens and made my decisions with honesty and fairness. I am proud to be part of Rainier and its growth, its citizens, and its business community. I am looking forward to serving you for another four years.

though you had decided by vote at the polls which directed the Town Council to explore and put on the ballot the issue of annexation into the fire district. Now was this fair? If you vote for me, I will seek your opinions and make sure that your concerns are properly addressed at the Town Council Meetings in an open manner.

1993, I have created jobs and business opportunities for several city residents – beautifying buildings, creating an outside patio garden with a waterfall, and changing the interiors. I have also been a main sponsor of youth football, and other social functions. Living right outside Rainier almost twelve years, I believe the city of Rainier should prosper while preserving the kinship of the locals and work to do so.

Be the Early Bird!

Returning your ballot one week early will ensure that you receive a valid postmark by election day. An early return also helps the Auditor's Office produce faster and more complete election night results. As an added convenience, drop-off sites will accept your ballot **before election day**. For more information see page 10.



SCHOOL BOARD DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

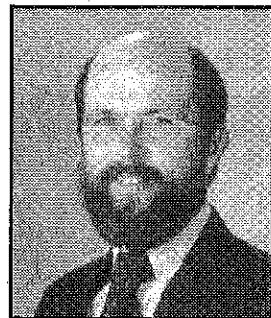
Thurston County is divided into nine separate school districts, each governed by a five-member board. The board's responsibilities include: budget, policy development, classroom instruction, planning and communications.

While the boards delegate authority for day-to-day functions to professional staff, they may never delegate ultimate responsibility.

Board members are elected in a non-partisan general election by voters within that school district. They receive no salary. A board may approve a per diem compensation for its members for attending board meetings.

Candidates must reside in the director sub-district for which they are seeking office. All candidates are elected by the voters of the entire school district.

OLYMPIA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111 SCHOOL BOARD DIRECTOR, DISTRICT NO. 3

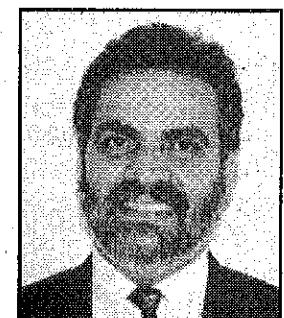


John McGee

Olympia School District's motto is "Helping kids invent their lives." It's been my privilege to spend four years doing exactly that.

Our District faces several exciting challenges: state education reform, \$63 million of construction, a new strategic plan, and state funding uncertainty. I've proven myself capable of meeting these challenges, while encouraging open decision-making and intensive parent involvement in our schools.

We've achieved much during my term:



Ali Raad

My name is Ali Raad and I am running for the Olympia School Board (non-partisan).

I came to the United States from Lebanon 17 years ago and I have lived and worked in Olympia for the last 15 years. Nothing is more

important than giving our children the best schools we can offer. We need to help our children meet the challenges of the 21st Century.

As a small business owner and father of three, experience tells me we need to teach our



Sonya Rasmussen

Sonya has worked as a full time volunteer in the Olympia School District for the past eight years. She has served as PTA President, Vice President, and Liaison to: Site Based Council, School Board and Parent Council.

She served on a committee to plan a school

district parent forum night on "Achieving Academic Excellence." Recently she was a member of the Olympia School District Strategic Planning Committee which set goals for the district over the next 5 years. She is

great test scores, excellent financial status, a national blue ribbon for Capital High. We prepare our students for change and diversity, while focusing on academic excellence. My 20 years in computing has meant strong leadership in our nationally recognized technology program.

My four children are Olympia Schools students or alumni. I hold an Evergreen B.S., and a Master's in Software Engineering. I've worked 14 years at Evergreen, and have served with the Wildwood Neighborhood Association, Crisis Clinic, and as a YMCA coach.

children the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic. We need to maximize the use of tax dollars by the efficient use of school resources and build successful partnerships between parents, schools and community.

I advocate: Performance-based education and accountability in using our tax dollars; Strong computer technology, science and mathematics programs; and Building partnerships with the business community.

I hope I can count on your vote.

currently on the school district Action Planning Committee for Curriculum, which includes implementation of school reform laws mandated by the state.

Sonya also assisted the district in obtaining a needed school bus and playground equipment for a nearby elementary school.

A resident for 27 years, Sonya graduated from Olympia High School and is very active in the community. She and her husband Scott have three children attending Olympia schools.

FIRE DISTRICT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

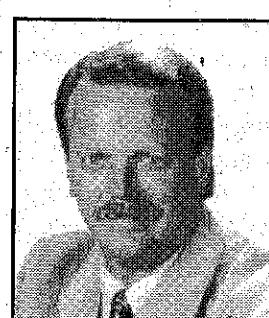
Fire protection districts are formed for the provision of fire prevention services, fire suppression, emergency medical services, and the protection of life and property in the unincorporated areas of the county. Administrative authority for the district results from decisions made by a three-member board of elected fire commissioners.

The Board of Commissioners has the authority to hire and appoint employees as well as administer all aspects of the district. The Board is required to hold regular monthly meetings.

The District, being a special purpose district, levies regular property taxes to provide services to the public. Additionally, with voter approval, the Board may issue bonds and make excess levies for specific purposes.

The voters elect Commissioners to staggered six-year terms. The non-partisan commissioners receive no regular salary, but may choose to receive nominal compensation for attending meetings.

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 3 - LACEY FIRE COMMISSIONER, POSITION NO. 1



Michael K. Westenfelder

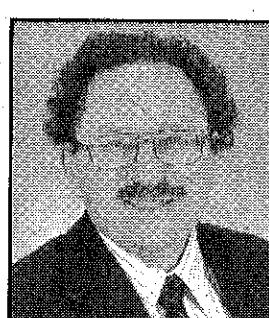
Our community has a high performance team known as Lacey Fire Dist. 3. Personnel who work in the front office, code enforcement, volunteer services, incident readiness/response, and the mechanics who keep our response vehicles performing at their peak are all high performance. People like these are why the fire service is one of the most respected public services in the world.

I Michael Westenfelder, now with seven years of fire service, the last four as your

commissioner, will endeavor to retain that high performance. I will continue to be a guardian, ensuring that our communities receive the best possible service for the lowest cost.

As Fire Commissioner I serve as a council member for Medic One. I've been married to Pamela for 18 years and we have three great kids. For 10 years we have owned and operated Mikel's Automotive.

Vote for High Performance.
Re-elect Michael Westenfelder.



Bill Pilkey

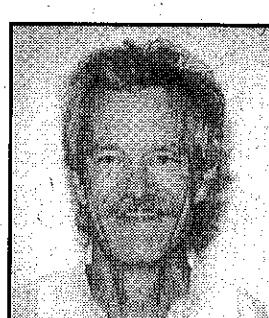
Bill Pilkey is in the retirement planning, investment, and insurance profession with Financial Network Investment Corp. located at Harborstone Credit Union. He writes a column for the *FTE News Magazine*.

Pilkey, a 28 year resident of Thurston County, has a master's degree in Public Administration and Finance. He has been a state employee for ten years.

Pilkey has been active as a community leader having chaired the North Thurston

School District Citizens Advisory Committee, facilitating a cancer support group, widowed support groups, and a hospice volunteer. Pilkey has had experience managing a local business and as a legislative staff director.

Pilkey is concerned about the need for improved fire protection, fire safety, and fire prevention in our growing community. Seniors need access to special services, including Medic 1. First aid, including CPR, should be learned by all. Pilkey has the leadership for the future. I need your vote. Thank you.



John M. Tyson

Lacey Fire District commissioners and administrators are eliminating inexpensive volunteer participation and poorly controlling expenses. Your check book is the victim!

I am an eleven year resident of this district and I have participated as a volunteer for six. For income I manage facilities for a major division of a state agency.

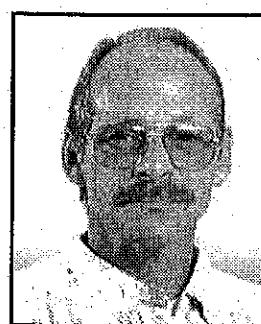
If you elect me your commissioner I will, with allegiance only to you and without compromise: 1) Insist that the administration

restore a competent and dominant volunteer component; 2) Review every expenditure of district funds until I am certain that the administration is spending as little of your money as possible – without cutting services; 3) Review every district contract and advocate changes that better serve you.

No lip service; I will succeed in all three goals or I will support no bond issue for your approval.

Please give me the opportunity to make a difference.

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 - EAST OLYMPIA FIRE COMMISSIONER, POSITION NO. 2



Jimmy H. Prince

I'm Jimmy Prince and I'm running for Position #2 Fire Commissioner in Dist. #6. I've had several years experience with fire departments and service to the community, which include my present volunteer activities with Fire Dist. #3. I am a Fire Investigator, Evidence Technician and Duty Ranger, which is a community educational program for outdoor burning. I am also a volunteer with the American Red Cross in

disaster services.

As your fire commissioner, I will oversee the spending and needs of our valuable tax dollars to the betterment of our fire department and our community.

I feel Fire Dist. #6 is a growing and valuable fire department, especially with its new stations and equipment. Its quality and professionalism I would like to see continue as your newly elected fire commissioner.



Mary Kaempfe

As a member of District 6 1996 Citizen's Advisory Committee, Mary became familiar with the status and needs of the fire district. She understands the district must be managed with foresight to continue being capable of protecting our families and property. She also realizes the times we live in require the district to meet administrative and legal challenges which were unheard of in the past.

Mary has lived in Thurston County for 6 years and has owned her own home in District

6 for 2.5 years. She received her undergraduate and M.Ed. degrees from the University of Missouri. She works for the state as a Vocational Rehabilitation Consultant.

Her community experiences have included serving on the following Boards of Directors: Current Industries (sheltered workshop), Bronson Country Beach Club (neighborhood association) and Olympia Sweet Adelines.

Mary's work and community experiences demonstrate the leadership and problem solving skills District 6 deserves.



Richard C. Wells

I am a lifetime resident of Thurston County Fire District 6 and a father of 2 grown boys. I have been in construction for twenty five years and a bus driver for the Tenino School District for 15 years. I have been involved in the Fire District for 18 years. I believe that with my past experience

and knowledge of the laws and regulations that govern the Fire District that I will make a great commissioner, and that if re-elected, I will uphold these laws to the best of my abilities.

Vote to re-elect Richard C. Wells.

DID YOU KNOW?

Thurston County voters are Riding the Wave of the Future!

Voting by mail has become the method of choice for most voters in Thurston County. Following the June 17, 1997 Special Election, the number of permanent absentee voters surged to over 55%. Additionally, in the last two pollsite elections, over 70% of the total votes were cast by mail.

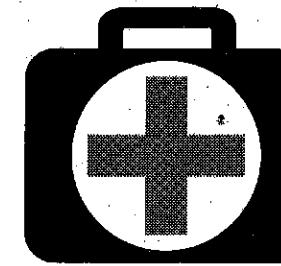
If you wish to "Ride the Wave" of voting by mail, complete the Absentee Ballot Request form on the back page.

Thurston County - Proposition No. 1 Medic One Levy

Official Ballot Title:

For the purpose of funding the Emergency Medical Services program (Medic One), shall Thurston County be authorized to levy a tax of \$3,525,736, which is approximately 34.31 cents per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation, upon all taxable property in the county, which will be in excess of the county's statutory dollar rate limitation to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998?

Levy Yes Levy No



Statement For:

The annual levy for the Medic One emergency medical services system deserves continued community support. Thurston County's Medic One is a nationally recognized system which for over 23 years has provided pre-hospital emergency medical care throughout one of the state's fastest growing counties. In 1996, the Medic One system responded to 15,416 emergency calls, a 7 percent increase over 1995.

This year's ballot issue proposes a new quick response paramedic unit to serve the rapidly growing southwest county, improving critical response time and reducing the need to draw Medic One units away from their principal service areas. The remaining budget provides for continued service levels, with necessary increases for paramedic contracts and 911 dispatch costs. One of the state's most cost efficient systems, the estimated Medic One levy rate is about 1 cent more per \$1,000 of assessed valuation than this year's rate. This reflects a budget increase of 13.5 percent to fund the new unit and other increased costs.

Medic One, overseen by a community council, currently provides four paramedic units on a 24-hour basis. Medic One also supports training, supplies, and equipment for the county's 18 fire department aid crews, the first to arrive at medical emergencies. Private ambulance companies

provided fee-for-service transport to non-critical patients. This partnership allows Medic One to respond efficiently to life-threatening situations, without additional costs to the patient. We can all be proud of our Medic One system, controlled and maintained by the citizens of Thurston County.

Voters' Pamphlet Statement prepared by: Thurston County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Council - John Hough - Chair, Cindy Beauchene, City of Tumwater, and Margaret McPhee, City of Olympia.

No Statement Against:

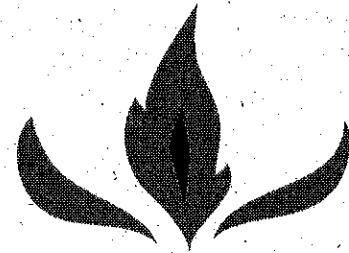
No one could be found to write a statement against the Medic One Levy.

Explanatory Statement:

Since 1974, Thurston County has operated an Emergency Medical Services Program (Medic One) funded by annual excess property tax levies. The proposition would levy a tax of 34.31 cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation on all taxable property in Thurston County for collection in 1998. The tax would continue the operation of the Emergency Medical Services Program (Medic One) through 1998.

*Explanatory Statement prepared by:
The Prosecuting Attorney as required by law.*

Fire Protection District No. 1 – Rochester Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase



Official Ballot Title:

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 1 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 142-97?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Statement For:

Why do we need approval?

We are asking for an additional \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. This funding will allow us to provide you with at least one full time firefighter, basic emergency medical services and a new type of paramedic unit. These dollars will pay for full time personnel and 20% of the funding needed to staff the new SPRINT unit. SPRINT is a Single Paramedic Rapid Intervention Non-Transport unit which will be stationed at Grand Mound. We also need approval of the countywide Medic One levy that will provide the other 80% of the funding.

Why do we need it?

Aid calls to the paramedics countywide have exceeded all previous projections (up 11% over '96 alone). More calls result in longer response times. SW Thurston County waits longer for paramedic services due to our distance from the four current units. Countywide the average response time is 9.75 minutes; however, SW Thurston citizens wait an average of 20 minutes for a paramedic unit. Each passing minute decreases a cardiac arrest victim's chances by 6-7%. (sixteen cardiac arrests in 1996)

The new unit will:

Provide minimal full time personnel to respond to your fire and medical emergencies. It will provide

for 24 hour personnel to operate the SPRINT unit and cut response times in half for the majority of the 700 paramedic responses expected in SW Thurston Co. in 1998.

What will it cost?

This levy lid increase will cost \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The owner of a home assessed at \$100,000 would pay an increase of only \$4.17 per month.

Voters' Pamphlet Statement prepared by: Roger Stone and advisory committee.

No Statement Against:

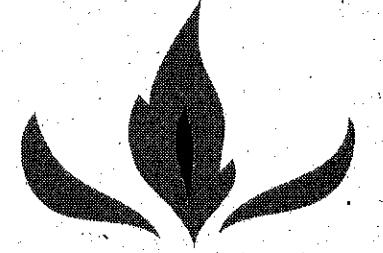
No one could be found to write a statement against the Fire Protection District No. 1 Levy Lid Increase.

Explanatory Statement:

RCW 84.55.050 and WAC 458-19-045 limit the amount any fire district can impose by property tax levy to a maximum of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. The current level of \$0.9305 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value may be restored to the maximum of \$1.50 by a vote of those within Fire District 1. This increase is necessary to meet the increased costs of District operations.

Explanatory Statement prepared by: Paul Dugaw, Attorney for Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 1.

Fire Protection District No. 2 – Yelm Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase



Official Ballot Title:

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 2 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 76?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Statement For:

Like it or not, in the past few years the little village of Yelm and surrounding neighborhoods have experienced enormous growth. With that growth has come a tremendous increase in demand for emergency services. Fire District 2 call volume has increased by over 15% per year making us the third busiest fire department in Thurston County.

Please give your Fire District the support it needs so your Firefighters can provide the services you need in an emergency.

Voters' Pamphlet Statement prepared by: Citizens for Fire District 2, J.W. Foster - Chair, Tonia French, Danielle Ransom.

No Statement Against:

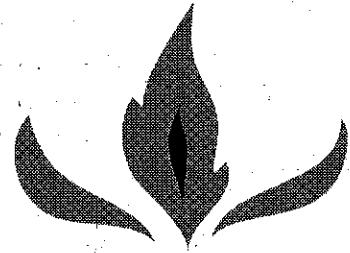
No one could be found to write a statement against the Fire Protection District No. 2 Levy Lid Increase.

Explanatory Statement:

RCW 84.55.050 and WAC 458-19-045 limit the amount any fire district can impose by property tax levy to a maximum of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. The current level of \$1.05 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value may be restored to the maximum of \$1.50 by a vote of those within Fire District 2. This increase is necessary to meet the increased costs of District operations.

Explanatory Statement prepared by: Clarke T. Ransom, Attorney at Law.

Fire Protection District No. 5 – Black Lake Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase



Official Ballot Title:

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 5 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 97-03?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Statement For:

Why We Need Approval:

Fire District 5 is committed to providing you with the highest level emergency service possible. However, our resources are strained due to increases in service demands, safety requirements, and training. We have identified four major emphasis areas for the next five years: firefighter safety and training; medical & rescue services; response times; and facilities.

What Will It Cost?

Currently, Black Lake Fire collects \$1.2732 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation. We are asking to restore the levy to the amount authorized by law which is \$1.50 per \$1,000.00. This will cost the owner of a \$150,000.00 home approximately \$35 additional per year or less than 10 cents per day.

What Will We Do With the Funds?

We will improve the Medical program by replacing obsolete heart defibrillation equipment and worn out Aid and Rescue Units. We will also be updating the firefighters' emergency breathing apparatus and personal protective equipment to meet new safety standards. The district will increase manning by providing personnel programs that will encourage volunteer retention and provide additional station manning. This increased staffing will improve response times and increase opportunities for public safety preparedness education. Firefighters will also have additional

opportunities to attend specialized training provided through the State Fire Academy.

Please Support The Levy Increase!

We are requesting an increase in the levy because we feel it is essential to do so. We feel this request is reasonable and vital to providing the effective, safe, and community oriented Fire Department that you deserve.

Voters' Pamphlet Statement prepared by: Asst. Chief Kent Huntington, Operations Officer; Lt Steve Gesell, Safety Officer; and Black Lake Volunteer Firefighters Association.

No Statement Against:

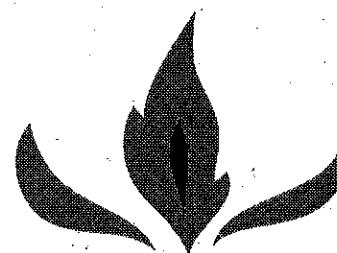
No one could be found to write a statement against the Fire Protection District No. 5 Levy Lid Increase.

Explanatory Statement:

Fire District 5 has placed a proposition on the ballot to restore the District's tax levy to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation. The current tax levy is \$1.2732. The increase is necessary to meet the increased costs of District operations. The levy provides funding for District maintenance and operation. The increase of \$.23 in the levy rate amounts to an annual tax increase on a \$150,000.00 home of less than \$35.00 per year.

Explanatory Statement prepared by: Kinnon W. Williams, Attorney at Law.

Fire Protection Dis. No. 14 – Grand Mound Proposition No. 1 – Levy Lid Increase



Official Ballot Title:

Shall Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 14 be authorized to increase its regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per one thousand dollars of assessed value to be levied in 1997 and collected in 1998 as provided in Resolution No. 97-04?

Levy Yes _____ Levy No _____

Statement For:

Why do we need approval?

We are asking for an additional \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. This funding will allow us to provide you with at least one full time firefighter, basic emergency medical services and a new type of paramedic unit. These dollars will pay for full time personnel and 5% of the funding needed to staff the new SPRINT unit. SPRINT is a Single Paramedic Rapid Intervention Non-Transport unit which will be stationed at Grand Mound.

Why do we need it?

Calls for paramedic services countywide have increased 11% in the last year. More calls result in longer response times. Southwest Thurston County waits longer for paramedic services due to our distance from the 4 current paramedic units. Countywide the average response time is 9.75 minutes, Southwest Thurston citizens wait an average of 20 minutes for a paramedic unit. Each passing minute decreases a cardiac arrest victim's chances by 6-7%.

The new unit will:

Provide full time personnel to respond to your fire and medical emergencies. It will provide for 24 hour personnel to operate the SPRINT unit and cut response times for the majority of the 700 paramedic responses expected in Southwest Thurston County in 1998.

What will it cost?

This levy lid increase will cost \$0.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The owner of a home assessed at \$100,000 would pay an increase of \$4.17 per month.

Voters' Pamphlet Statement prepared by: Roger Stone - Fire Chief and advisory committee.

No Statement Against:

No one could be found to write a statement against the Fire Protection District No. 14 Levy Lid Increase.

Explanatory Statement:

RCW 84.55.050 and WAC 458-19-045 limit the amount any fire district can impose by property tax levy to a maximum of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. The current level of \$0.9628 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value may be restored to the maximum of \$1.50 by a vote of those within Fire District 14. This increase is necessary to meet the increased costs of District operations.

Explanatory Statement prepared by: Paul Dugaw, Attorney for Thurston County Fire Protection District No. 14

Your Comments Count

For the September 16, 1997 Primary Election

Please take a few moments to share your thoughts on this pamphlet with our office. Your valued comments are an essential part of our commitment to quality service.

Thank you for your comments. They are very important to us.

You may include your comments with your mail-in ballot (in the outer mailing envelope only – do not place your comments in the sealed security envelope) or mail them directly to: Thurston County Auditor, c/o Your Comments Count, 2000 Lakeridge Dr. SW, Olympia, WA 98502.

(Optional) Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Change of Address Form

Keeping your correct address on file with the Thurston County Auditor's Office is essential to maintaining your active voter status. Your home address is the single factor which determines which ballot you receive.

THIS FORM IS ONLY FOR VOTERS ALREADY REGISTERED IN THURSTON COUNTY.

THIS CHANGE WILL TAKE EFFECT AFTER THE ELECTION.

Thurston County Voter's Request for Change of Address

I hereby request that my voter registration be transferred.

I understand that I will receive a new voter identification card after the election.

Name (Please Print): _____

New Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Zip: _____

City (If Different): _____ Zip: _____

Old Address: _____ Zip: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Today's Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Signature of Voter: X _____

Mail your completed form to:

Thurston County Auditor's Office, Elections Department
2000 Lakeridge Dr SW • Olympia, WA 98502

Voter Registration Information

Voter Qualifications

To register to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Washington State
- At least 18 years old by election day

In the state of Washington, you do not have to register by political party or declare party membership to vote in the state's regular primary or general elections.

Registration Deadlines for New Applicants

You may register to vote at any time. State law requires you to register at least 30 days before an election if you wish to vote at a polling place.

If you miss the 30 day registration deadline, you may register between 30 and 15 days before an election. Listed are the following requirements: you must be a resident at the same address for at least 30 days prior to an election; you must register in person at the Auditor's Office; and you must vote an absentee ballot. If you register after the 15 day deadline, your registration will be processed for the next election.

Where to Register

You may call and request a mail-in voter registration form from the Auditor's Office at any time. Also, you may obtain forms at the following locations:

- Thurston County Auditor's Office
- State driver's licensing offices
- City or town clerks' offices
- Most fire stations
- Public libraries
- Public schools

Change of Residence

If you move to a new county, you must complete a new voter registration form. (See "Registration Deadlines for New Applicants.")

If you move within Thurston County you do not need to re-register. However, you must request an address update on your registration. This can be done by calling or writing the Auditor's Office.

To be eligible to vote in your new precinct, you must re-register or update your registration at least 30 days before an election.

Change of Name

You may use the mail-in registration form to change your name. If requested, our office will mail a form directly to you. You may also change your name by completing a form when you renew your driver's license at the Department of Licensing, Driver's License Division, 645 Woodland Square Lp SE, Lacey.

The 1997 Primary Election is on Tuesday, September 16

Please remember, mail-in ballots must be postmarked by election day.

Polling hours for the 35th Legislative District voters are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

If you need assistance with registration or voting, telephone the Thurston County Auditor at (360) 786-5408. Correspondence by mail should be sent to:

Thurston County Auditor's Office, Elections Department
2000 Lakeridge Dr SW, Olympia, WA 98502

Absentee Voting Information

Requesting an Absentee Ballot for the September 16 Primary Election

An absentee ballot request form for the September 16 Primary Election is located on the back page of this pamphlet. If you are already an ongoing absentee voter, you do not need to complete this form. You will automatically receive a ballot for this election providing our office has your current residential/mailing address. Call our office if you have any questions about your absentee ballot status.

Complete the form for the following reasons only:

- You live in the 35th Legislative District and want to vote by an absentee ballot.
- You will be out of town prior to election day.
(Primary election ballots will begin delivery on September 2.)
- You wish to become an ongoing absentee voter. (If so, be sure to sign the "Ride the Wave of the Future – Vote at Home" area located on the back page.)
- You wish to use this form to change your voter registration address. You must be a registered voter and moving within Thurston County to use this form. (Please be sure to check the "New Permanent Address" box or complete the change of address form on page 28.)

For Military Members, Overseas Citizens, and Hospitalized Voters

1. *Service Absentee Ballot:* Members of the military service and their dependents may apply for an absentee ballot at any time.
2. *Special Absentee Ballot:* A voter who is outside the continental United States at election time and will be unable to return a regular absentee ballot by normal mail delivery, may apply for a special absentee ballot up to 90 days before an election. The special absentee ballot will contain the known offices and measures scheduled to appear on the ballot.
3. *Emergency Health Clause:* If you are confined to the hospital and were admitted no earlier than five days before an election, you may apply for an absentee ballot up to and including the day of the election. Contact the hospital administrator or County Auditor for such a ballot.

Please Note...

- Any voter may request an absentee ballot, in person, by telephone (360) 786-5408, by mail, or by fax (360) 786-5223.
 - Submit your request at once to allow time for a correspondence exchange.
 - If you have any absentee related questions, please call our office at (360) 786-5408.

All ballots must be voted and postmarked no later than the day of the election.

Have You Caught the Wave?

Since the 1993 vote-by-mail Primary election, Thurston County voters have been *Riding the Wave of the Future*, that is, *voting by mail*; and voting by mail is changing the way elections are conducted.

 In 1993, permanent absentee voters made up only 4% of the total registered voters in our county. Currently, an incredible 55% of Thurston County voters automatically receive a ballot by mail for every election.

 It cost 22% more to conduct the 1994 general election at the polls than the comparable 1995 general vote-by-mail election. The additional costs in a pollsite election come from hiring and training board workers, leasing polling places, and preparing supplies.

 For every future pollsite election, over half of the voters will receive a ballot in the mail automatically. That's because over 1/2 of Thurston County voters have *Caught the Wave* and are permanent absentee voters!

 There were 27 counties (out of 39) in the state that chose to conduct the June 17 Stadium Election by mail. Across the state, comparable vote-by-mail counties had significantly higher turnout than their pollsite counterparts. For example, Garfield County's *vote-by-mail* election turnout was 63.53%; compared to adjacent Asotin County's *pollsite* election turnout which had a low 17.99%.

In response to the popularity of voting by mail, the Auditor's Office continues to keep costs down. As pollsite turnout declines and voting by mail increases, we plan to reduce expenses related to pollsite voting by consolidating election boards and polling sites wherever possible. We conduct elections by mail whenever possible as well.

If you would like to *Ride the Wave of the Future – Vote at Home* and are not currently on permanent absentee voting status, fill out the form on the back page and return it to the Auditor's Office.

Absentee Ballot Request
The September 16 Primary is a Vote-by-Mail Election
(excluding the 35th Legislative District voters)

Ballots will begin arriving in mailboxes on September 2 (you do not need to send in this form).
Use this application ONLY if: *you live in the 35th Legislative District and want to vote by an absentee ballot; you wish to become an on-going absentee voter; you need to change your address within the county; or you will be out of town prior to the delivery of ballots.*

Name 1: _____ Name 2: _____

Birth Date 1: _____ Birth Date 2: _____

Current Residence Address: _____ Apt.# _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Phone No. (Day) _____

Send My Ballot to the Following Address: (if different from above)

Address: _____ Apt.# _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Country (if overseas): _____

Permanent Residence Address? Yes No Permanent Mailing Address? Yes No

Signature #1: _____ Signature #2: _____

**"Ride the Wave of the Future - Vote at Home"**

Yes, I would like to sign up for ongoing absentee status and wish to receive a ballot in the mail for all future elections. I have completed the above application and have signed below.

(An ongoing absentee request may be cancelled by: the written request of the voter; the death or disqualification of the voter; the cancellation of the voter's registration record, or the return of an ongoing ballot as undeliverable.)

X _____
(signature)

X _____
(signature for applicant #2)

Send Completed and Signed Application Directly To:
Thurston County Auditor Absentee Request • 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW • Olympia, WA 98502-6045
Phone: (360) 786-5408, FAX: (360) 786-5223

If you are already an ongoing absentee voter or have completed a previous request, you do not need to reapply.



Sam Reed
Thurston County Auditor
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