



The Bi-Annual Newsletter
of the Jackson County Chapter of the Oregon League of Conservation Voters

The Conservation Voter

Electing Pro-Environment Candidates Up and Down the Ballot *Unique Challenges facing us this Unprecedented Election*

The election is less than one month away and thanks to caring citizens like you the change we need is a real possibility here in Jackson County.

As an OLCV member or volunteer, you know the Jackson County Commission has a huge impact on our quality of life by the decisions they make on cleaning up our air, efficient land use planning and creating sustainable jobs. Jim Olney is a great candidate and has a real chance of joining Dr. Dave Gilmour so we can have a pro-environment majority representing us on the commission.

But not all voters understand the importance of our county commission like you do and many don't know about the significant differences between the two candidates.

Many new voters will be turning out for Barack Obama this November. New voters present us with both an opportunity and a challenge. These voters tend to be pro-environment, but they are also much harder to reach: they are less likely to watch network television, they don't tend to read their mail, and many don't read local newspapers.

We are very excited that these voters are casting ballots this year, but in order to encourage them to vote for candidates up and down the ballot we need to have one-on-one personal conversations to introduce them to the candidates and to let them know the significance of these offices.

This is why the work that OLCV does during elections is so important. Our volunteers are talking directly to voters, educating them about what is at stake for our community in these local races and giving them valuable information about the candidates.

This election, our primary target is Jim Olney for County Commission. Jim knows that a healthy environment and healthy people are essential to the success of our local

communities. We know you are as excited as we are to have another commissioner that will make a green, sustainable economy a priority for our county.

Jim will work with Dr. Gilmour to move our county forward into the clean, prosperous future we deserve. Jim knows that our natural heritage in Southern Oregon is our most valuable asset and it must be protected.

Jim Olney is working every day to talk to voters, but Jackson county is big and he cannot talk to everyone himself. Jim needs the help of OLCV supporters like you in order to win.

Please be a part of winning a pro-environment majority on the county commission by volunteering to contact voters today.

Phone Bank and Canvass with OLCV for Jim Olney

With your help, we can elect this great pro-environment candidate to the Jackson County Commission!

October 12: Canvass, 2-5pm - Ashland Library, Gresham room (featuring Representative Peter Buckley)

October 14: Canvass, 5:30-8pm - Ashland Library, Gresham room (featuring Ashland City Councilor Cate Hartzell)

October 21: Canvass, 5:30-8pm - Medford, Jackson County Democrats office, 40 S. Central (featuring Oregon House Candidate Lynn Howe)

October 26: Canvass, 2-5pm - Ashland Library, Gresham room (featuring Ashland City Councilor Russ Silbiger)

Sign up online: www.olcv.org/events
or email mat@olcv.org

Please consider making a donation to support our work in Jackson County. Remember through the Oregon Political Tax credit the first \$50 for an individual (\$100 for a couple) will come back to you on your state tax return.



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November 2008 OLCV Jackson County Endorsements

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US Senate

Jeff Merkle
 Attorney General – John Kroger
 Secretary of State – Kate Brown
 Treasurer – Ben Westlund

Oregon House

House District 5 – Peter Buckley
 House District 6 – Lynn Howe

Statewide Measures
 YES on Measure 56
 NO on Measure 59
 NO on Measure 61
 NO on Measure 62
 NO on Measure 63
 NO on Measure 64

City of Ashland

Ashland City Council Position 1 – Carol Voisin
 Ashland City Council Position 3 – Cate Hartzell
 Ashland City Council Position 5 – Russ Silbiger

Jackson County

Jackson County Commission Position 2 – Jim Olney

Forward OLCV's endorsements to your friends, neighbors, and colleagues!
 Visit www.olcv.org/votersguide to find out how.



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Protect Oregon's Environment and get involved with
 OLCV Today!

I am interested in volunteering to elect pro-environment candidates

I am sending a check to OLCV PAC to help elect pro environment candidates in Jackson County.

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____