



The Bi-Annual Newsletter
of the Lincoln 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*

Barack Obama is indeed changing the shape of Oregon's electorate, providing unique challenges and opportunities for OLCV in our work to elect pro-environment candidates.

In Lincoln County, as with the nation, we have seen a huge increase in voter registration this year, with the biggest increases among younger voters, people of color, non-college voters and unmarried women. 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 read their mail, and many don't read local newspapers.

The challenge we face is how to take the energy around this historic Presidential election and transfer it to environmental leaders running for state and local offices. Many new voters are unfamiliar with down-ballot races and they resist casting an uninformed vote, so it is critically important that we make direct connections with these voters to inform them about our endorsed state and local pro-environment candidates.

This is why it's essential that every one of us works to spread the word to voters about the importance of voting for candidates at every level of government. We need to let them know which candidates will take responsible action to curb global warming and who has a vision for protecting our farm and forestland, keeping our air and water clean, and preserving the special places in Oregon. In short, we need to let them know who has received OLCV's Seal of Approval.

We can't do it without your help. We're asking you to spend one afternoon or evening between now and November to educate voters about the candidates and inform them about what's at stake for these local, down ballot races. Here is a snapshot of the exciting pro-environment candidates OLCV is working hard to elect in Lincoln County:

Patricia Patrick-Joling: Patricia is running for Newport Mayor in order to provide the leadership we need to ensure that Newport is a safe place to live, work and raise our children.

Patricia was elected to the Newport City Council in 2006. She is running for mayor because she is concerned about our water quality and will see to it that is safe both to drink and swim. She will work to address the high bacteria counts at the Nye Beach turnaround and the Agate Beach Wayside and eliminate our ongoing problem with sewage runoff.

Lon Brusselback: Lon is running for Newport City Council and currently sits on the Planning Commission. Lon is a strong environmental candidate who will work to create a recycling program for construction waste and eliminate single-use water bottles in the city. In addition, Lon will join Jeff Bertuleit and Mark McConnell, (both endorsed by OLCV for Newport City Council) to promote a bikeable, walkable Newport that offers residents clean water at the tap AND at the beach.

Erick Feuerborn: Erick is running for Lincoln City City Council in Ward 2. He has served on the Lincoln City Planning Commission for more than three years where he's acquired in-depth experience with some of the most challenging issues the Lincoln City planning commission has faced. IF elected, Erick will work with the current council and continue improving Lincoln City's quality of life.

Volunteer for three hours and help inform voters about these great candidates. Your three hours could make a lasting difference. Sign up to volunteer at www.olcv.org/events.

Help OLCV elect Patricia Patrick-Joling and Lon Brusselback!

Join us at one of these phonebanks:

Tuesdays, Oct 14, 21, 28, 5:30-8:30 PM

Wednesdays, Oct. 22, 29, 5:30-8:30 PM

Thursdays, Oct 9, 16, 5:30-8:30 PM

Where: Dolphin Realty, 547 SW 7th St, Newport

Please consider making a donation to support our work in Lincoln 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.

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 Lincoln County.

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November 2008 OLCV Lincoln County Endorsements

Federal

US Senate – Jeff Merkley
US Congress – Kurt Schrader

Statewide

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

Statewide Ballot Measures

YES on Measure 56
NO on Measures 59,61,62,63 & 64

Lincoln County

Lincoln County Commission – Bill Hall
Lincoln City Council Ward 1 – Rick Brissette
Lincoln City Council Ward 2 – Erick Feuerborn
Newport Mayor – Patricia Patrick-Joling
Newport City Council – Jeff Bertuleit
Newport City Council – Lon Brusselback
Newport City Council – Mark McConnell
Yachats Mayor – Ron Brean



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

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