

JOSEPHINE COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

Official Special District Election | **May 16, 2023**

Greetings,

The May 16, 2023 Special Election is upon us!

In Oregon, regular district elections are held on the third Tuesday in May of every odd numbered year for the purpose of electing members to the governing boards of the many districts that exist throughout the state. In Josephine County, 11 existing districts will have candidate races appear on the May special election ballot.

Your pamphlet contains information on the candidates to be voted upon at the upcoming election. The candidate statements contained within your pamphlet are printed as submitted and have not been verified for accuracy by the county.

What's on the Ballot?

Your ballot will only contain the candidate races for which you are eligible to vote. In order to be eligible to vote on a specific candidate race, you must be an active registered voter within the district placing the race on the ballot. Therefore, it is important to know that not all of the candidate races contained within your pamphlet will appear on your ballot.

Register online or check your registration information at www.oregonvotes.gov or by calling the Josephine County Elections office at 541-474-5243.

The following districts will have candidate races on the May 16, 2023 Special Election ballot:

- Applegate Valley Rural Fire Protection District #9
- Grants Pass School District #7
- Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection District
- Josephine Community Library District
- Kerby Water District
- Merlin Park District
- Merlin/North Valley Sanitary District
- Rogue Community College District
- Three Rivers School District
- Williams Rural Fire Protection District
- Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District



RHIANNON HENKELS
Josephine County Clerk & Recorder

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Translation Information

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Các phần được chọn trong tập tài liệu cử tri quận này có bản ngôn ngữ tiếng Việt. Các bản dịch có thể xem trực tuyến tại **oregonvotes.gov/JosephineVP**

In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed the Voter Language Access Bill (HB 3021) requiring the Secretary of State to translate portions of state and county voters' pamphlets into Oregon's and the county's most spoken languages. The law seeks to remove barriers to voting for those who are not fully proficient in English.

To help in this effort, the Translation Advisory Council was created. The Council is made up of volunteer community members who represent the ethnic, linguistic, and cultural diversity of Oregon voters. Council members make sure state and county translations are accurate and retain the original tone and meaning in a culturally appropriate manner.

HOW TO CAST YOUR VOTE:

1. Complete your ballot

To vote, completely fill in the box next to your choice.

To vote for a person not on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the “write-in” line, then neatly write the name of the person on the line provided.

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

2. Check for errors

If you vote for more options than are allowed, your vote **will not count** for that contest.

If you think you made a mistake, call the Josephine County Elections Office.

If you would like to change your choice on a contest, draw a solid line through your original choice, then make your next selection.

3. Optional: Use the “secrecy” sleeve

If you use the optional “secrecy” sleeve, put only your voted ballot (not another person’s ballot) inside. Then, put only your secrecy sleeve inside your return envelope.

(If we receive an envelope with more than one ballot inside, all enclosed ballots are rejected and not counted.)

You are not required to use the “secrecy” sleeve.

4. Sign your return envelope

You must sign your return envelope or **your vote will not count.**

We verify every signature on every envelope against the voter files.

5. Return your ballot

- By mail – Stamps are no longer required (ballot return envelopes in Oregon now use prepaid postage)
- At any Official Ballot Drop Site (see list on the back of this pamphlet)
- At the County Clerk’s/Elections Office

WHAT IS A PREPAID POSTAGE ENVELOPE?

You don’t have to find a stamp

With prepaid postage, you no longer have to search for a stamp to mail back your voted ballot.

All ballots in Oregon will be sent to voters with a prepaid postage return envelope.

How does it work?

If you mail back your voted ballot, the Post Office will charge the State of Oregon for each ballot sent back to an Elections Official.

Only those ballots sent back through the mail will be charged to the State.

What about Drop sites?

Using one of Josephine County’s 8 drop sites is faster, cheaper and will reach us before the deadline.

Return your ballot

- By mail (must be postmarked by Election Day)
- At any Official Ballot Drop Site (see list on the back of this pamphlet)
- At the County Clerk’s/Elections Office

WHAT ABOUT POSTMARKS?

Beginning January 1, 2022, **postmarks can count.** However, your ballot must be:

- Signed,
- Postmarked on or before Election Day,
- Received by the County Clerk’s Office within seven days after Election Day.

Josephine County Elections

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Rogue Community College Director, Zone 1



**Claudia
Sullivan**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Hired in 1991 at Rogue Community College as Registration Specialist; Data Management Specialist; Assistant Registrar; Director of Enrollment Services; respectively

Educational Background: Rogue Community College; 14; Associate Degree; Business Management; Northwest Christian College; 16; Bachelor Degree; Managerial Leadership

Prior Governmental Experience: Served on the Rogue Community College Board of Education since July 2015.

As a current and prospective Rogue Community College Board member, I focus my attention and passion on student success. The College mission is 'Rogue Community College enhances the quality of life in our communities by providing accessible, exemplary education opportunities for student success and economic development'. It is my long-held belief that open access, streamlined services, support by faculty and staff and well defined pathways to a degree or certificate all contribute to a positive student experience.

I've seen that the positive experience, the connection and caring support, one human to another is what makes it possible for students to persist to their goals. When that success leads to jobs in our region, a higher quality of life and economic development follow. The Educational opportunity to earn college credits while at high school, for traditional college age students to earn a degree, for adults transitioning to a new career, for community members to take a class for fun is what Rogue Community College provides and for my tax dollars, that is money well spent.

My goal as a board member is to ensure that Rogue Community College remain accountable to current and future students and maintains institutional excellence, builds community, provides equitable access and most importantly, supports student success.

(This information furnished by Claudia Sullivan.)

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Rogue Community College Director, Zone 1



**Indra
Nicholas**

Occupation: Owner/Manager, Indra's Ice Cream, Inc. dba Udders

Occupational Background: Former High School Science Teacher; Substitute Teacher; Instructor, Rogue Community College; Franchise Owner, Home Instead Senior Care

Educational Background: University of Missouri - Columbia, BA Biology; National University, MA Curriculum and Instruction, Language Development Specialist (ESL), Curriculum Consultant

Prior Governmental Experience: Josephine County Charter Review Commission

I am the only candidate for Zone 1 to be endorsed by the Josephine County Republican Party

I have lived in Josephine County for over 27 years and raised four children who attended public schools within our community. I am a lifelong learner who has taken advantage of many courses offered by RCC, including, most recently, the RCC SBDC Small Business Management Program. I have a passion for helping others learn and know the importance of a quality education, which gives students hope for a brighter, more successful future. A well-respected institution enriches our community by empowering our students to reach their highest potential.

As your **conservative**, common-sense Board Member, I will help lead RCC to excellence by prioritizing academic achievement, encouraging critical thinking, offering creative solutions, and preparing all students for success.

I believe that RCC must serve everyone: students planning to go on to four-year colleges, acquiring technical/industry certifications and learning skills needed for jobs, dual-enrolled high school students, and lifelong learners.

As your conservative representative on the RCC Board, I am committed to:

- Increasing the number of students who reach their educational goals
- Supporting students and teachers' needs
- Expanding access to classes and programs
- Modernizing our career technical education programs to align with 21st century jobs
- Partnering with employers to develop more job apprentice programs
- Increasing internship opportunities for RCC students
- Expanding high school concurrent enrollment and adult learning programs
- Mandating fiscal oversight

As a small business owner, I have firsthand fiscal management experience. As a longtime resident and educator in Josephine County, I know from experience the needs of instructors, students, parents, and the community. My life and my work represent all these roles.

Endorsements: Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Indra Nicholas.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 1



**Dustin
Smith**

Occupation: Full time Dad, Part time Director of Facility Development at River Valley Church, Family Farmer, Real Estate Investor

Occupational Background: Project Executive at Charles Pankow Builders, 1998-2018

Educational Background: B.S. Construction Management, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo

Prior Governmental Experience: PTA President, Redwood Elementary School, 2020-2021

Community Service: YMCA Board Member, Volunteer

I'm a PARENT, NOT A POLITICIAN

In 2018 I put my career on hold to focus on family, and provide a better learning environment for my two sons, one with special needs. I saw firsthand how District 7 teachers and staff engage with students and parents to be a blessing in our lives. Thanks to this wonderful community, my boys are now thriving.

Keep Politics out of Classrooms

In 2020 we watched as our public schools became a battle ground over identity politics; while our children, parents/volunteers, and teachers were kicked out. Several members of the school board failed to listen and represent District 7 parents and teachers, while fanning the flames of division. We are all working to catch up, go back to "normal," and restore what was broken.

It's time for a NEW VOICE ... YOUR VOICE!

My goal is to create an environment where parents and students feel welcome and engaged; and to elevate student outcomes by listening to parents, supporting teachers, and placing our focus on learning, not politics. Together, let's ensure this wonderful community continues to thrive.

*"I believe parents know best, I support our teachers,
I will fight to keep our kids, parents, and teachers in school ...
and kick the politics out!"*

I am the only candidate for position #1 to be endorsed by the Josephine County Republican Party.

Endorsements:

Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Dustin Smith.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 1



**Scott
Nelson**

Occupation: Surgeon

Occupational Background: General/Colorectal Surgeon--Asante

Educational Background: Creighton University; Surgeon; Kansas City University--COM;

DO; Brigham Young University; BS

Prior Governmental Experience: District 7 School Board

Our world is increasingly polarized on many issues. Schools have become the battleground for politics and divisiveness with students and staff being caught in the crossfire. How do we navigate such turbulent times?

Holding fast to principles which anchor us to a sure foundation is a good place to start. Politicians promise much but understanding the principles upon which elected officials live their lives is a better way to select our representatives. Let me define a few principles I strive to follow.

Civility/Respect

I appreciate the value of respecting those with opposite view points. I can disagree but not be disagreeable. We have rough waters ahead but through respect and civility we can safely navigate to better seas.

Freedom of Opportunity

America is the greatest country in the world because it is the land of opportunity. Education provides opportunity. For many, opportunity is not easily available. 8% of our students are considered homeless. 1/3 of residents in our county will need food bank assistance. Opportunity through education is the great equalizer. All students regardless of any stigmatizing characteristics deserve that freedom of opportunity through education. These opportunities are best navigated with engaged parents and mentors.

Empathy/Compassion

The greatest man said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matthew 25:40. Schools are no longer just a location where we go to receive an education. They are now safety nets for many. The hungry, the naked, and sick are in our midst. A public school system is for the greatest and the least of these.

I will continue to stand for safe, supportive schools for all students, teachers and staff with respect and empathy. We need to provide that freedom of opportunity each of our students deserve. We are GP!

(This information furnished by Scott Nelson.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 2



**Chad
Dybdahl**

Occupation: Physical Therapist; Director

Occupational Background: Physical Therapist, Therapeutic Associates- Grants Pass, 2007-2019; Director of Physical Therapy, Therapeutic Associates- Central Point, 2019-present

Educational Background: MS, Physical Therapy - UC San Francisco/San Francisco State University; BA, Exercise Science – Willamette University

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Parental Involvement - Traditional Values

As a 16-year Grants Pass resident and father of school aged children, I am very vested in children's education. I am concerned District 7 is not representing the traditional values of the majority of Grants Pass. As a physical therapist, coach, and community volunteer, I have spent countless hours working with parents, children, and educators in our community. In doing so, I have come to understand their needs and concerns. I strongly believe it is the role of parents to raise children, and the role of educators to partner with parents in teaching the fundamentals of reading, writing, math, science, and history. Transparency in this process is imperative.

Common Sense Leadership

I will endeavor to make decisions based upon what best serves students. The response to COVID-19 disproportionately harmed our children and it is crucial to get them back on track academically. This means ensuring a quality education that prepares them to graduate and enter the work force or higher education; leaving the socio-political issues to be addressed at home.

As the son of a teacher, I appreciate the passion, time, and dedication that quality educators invest in their students. As the director of a private practice, I am accustomed to budgeting, government restraints, and human resource issues. I pride myself on my work ethic, follow a high moral standard, and have a keen ability to listen to and weigh all sides of an issue when making decisions.

Vote for Chad Dybdahl to bring common sense, traditional values, and a parental perspective to the District 7 School Board.

Endorsement:

Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Chad Dybdahl.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 2



**Drew
Rees**

Occupation: Director of Facilities; Dutch Bros

Occupational Background: Service Manager, West Coast Mechanical; Regional Facilities Manager, Red Robin; Business Development Consultant, ServiceMaster; Field Service Rep, FM Facility Maintenance; Area Facilities Manager, 7-Eleven; Field Consultant, 7-Eleven

Educational Background: Portland State University, MBA; George Fox University, Bachelors of Science

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Prior Governmental Experience: None

As a parent of a student at North Middle School, and as a member of the community, I'm excited to announce my candidacy for Grants Pass School Board Position #2.

The pandemic was a challenge and our students faced unprecedented disruptions to their education. As a parent, I understand the importance of providing students with the resources and support they need to succeed and recover fully from any lost opportunities.

As a business professional, I am skilled in strategic planning, financial management, and problem-solving. I believe these skills will help to achieve my goals for the Grants Pass School District:

Academic Excellence: I believe that every child deserves access to a high-quality education that prepares them for success in college, career, and life. I will work to ensure that our schools have the resources and support they need to provide rigorous, engaging, and challenging academic programs.

Equity and diversity: Our schools have a responsibility to be inclusive and welcoming, regardless of background or identity. I will advocate for policies and programs that promote equity and diversity, and I will work to eliminate barriers that prevent students from achieving their full potential.

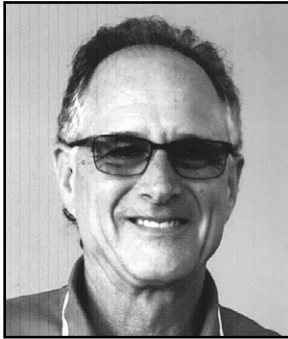
Parent and Community Engagement: Parents, teachers, and community members are all critical stakeholders in our schools, and I believe that their voices must be heard. As a school board member, I will work to create opportunities for engagement and collaboration among all stakeholders.

With your support, we can build a stronger, more vibrant, and more equitable district that prepares all our students. If elected, I will work to provide all students with the tools they need to achieve their full potential.

(This information furnished by Drew Rees.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 2



**Greg
Fishwick**

Occupation: Retired Public Education Administrator

Occupational Background: Dean, Arts & Sciences, Umpqua CC; Regional Coordinator, Career & Technical Education, Southern Oregon ESD; Assistant

Principal, Athletic Director, Rogue River HS; Apprenticeship Representative, Oregon Apprenticeship & Training Division; Director, Counseling, Director, Education Reform, Lane CC; Coordinator, Workforce Development, Oregon Economic Development Department; Counselor, Instructor, Program Coordinator, Department Head, Rogue CC

Educational Background: Oregon Continuing Administrator/ Superintendent License, Portland State University; Ph.D., Educational Policy and Management, University of Oregon; M.S.Ed., Counseling Psychology, Western Oregon University; B.A., Secondary Education, Occidental College

Prior Governmental Experience: GPSD7 Board of Education (2002-2008; Chair 2004-2005); GPSD7 Budget Committee (2002-2008, 2012-2016; Chair 2006-2007, 2013-2014); City of GP Budget Committee (2011-2015; Chair 2012-2013)

GREG FISHWICK FOR POSITION 2

*Working for stable schools, comprehensive programs,
and student success*

STABLE SCHOOLS

- I understand GPSD7 operations, Oregon's public education system, and district budget limits.
- I can hit the ground running and start solving problems now.
- I understand the superintendent's job and the board's role in school leadership.

COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMS

- I will help sustain and expand curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular programs that engage students at every level.
- I understand that opportunities such as athletics, performing arts, marching band, orchestra, robotics, and vocational skills competitions prepare students for working together to achieve common goals.
- I will champion points of pride, including music, Academic Masters, and our GPHS Performing Arts Center.
- I will help maintain and enhance GPSD7's Career & Technical Education programs and Career Academy.
- I believe we cannot pit career education *against* college preparation. We must prepare our students to succeed in both because they are likely to use both.

STUDENT SUCCESS

- I believe all students can learn, graduate, and succeed with support from families, schools, and community.
- We must continue helping students overcome obstacles in transportation, food insecurity, and behavior to prepare them for high-quality education.
- I support alternative programs such as GP-Flex and Gladiola HS, which increase graduation rates.

GREG FISHWICK FOR POSITION 2

Qualified - Experienced - Dedicated

(This information furnished by Greg Fishwick.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 6



**Nathan
Seable**

Occupation: Oregon State Parks Manager, Small Business Owner.

Occupational Background: 17 years in Government Administration; Policy and Rule Making; Rehabilitation of Youth

and Adults in Custody; Project Management; Public Engagement; Education and Mentoring; Church Youth Program Volunteer

Educational Background: Master of Ag-Education Major, Oregon State University; Bachelor of Agriculture, Oregon State University; Associates of Science; Brigham Young University-Idaho.

Prior Governmental Experience: Board Member- Josephine County Parks Advisory Board; Chairman - Public Safety Advisory Commission, City of Forest Grove; Commissioner- Parks and Recreation Commission, City of Forest Grove; Committee Member- Oregon ATV Advisory Committee

My wife Sandra and I started our married life 22 years ago in Grants Pass -moved away- then came back to raise our 4 children in the community we love! Our children attended elementary, middle, and high school in District 7. I'm invested and care deeply for this community and School District 7. I want our kids to gain experience necessary for continuing into skilled labor careers, entrepreneurship, or higher education. I am a voice for:

- **Transparency and openness in education.**
- **Parental awareness and involvement.**
- Attracting and retaining the best **educators and teachers.**
- **Curriculum** and teacher training that's **learning** focused and **non-politicized.**
- Investment in **technical skills**, entrepreneurialism, and **apprenticeships.**
- Encouraging **community service** through school sponsored activities.
- Investment in **infrastructure and school buildings.**

I come from a family of Educators and have a Masters in Education. I've mentored youth at church and taught English in China. I bring diverse experience and strong administration oversight to the table having directed adult prison rehabilitation programs, managed State Parks, and done legislative work. I want our youth to be responsible, resilient, optimistic and forward focused adults ready for life's challenges. We have an amazing community with dedicated people in local education. We also have things that need to be improved. I am a principled problem solver who will be honored to serve your families and the community on the school board.

Endorsements:

Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Nathan Seable.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 6



**Juliet
Long**

Occupation: Vice President of Student Learning & Success; Rogue Community College

Occupational Background: Dean of Instruction; Computer Science Faculty, RCC

Educational Background: University of Nebraska, graduate certificate and current doctoral student; MAEd, Concordia University; BS/Computer Science, SOU

Prior Governmental Experience: Grants Pass School District 7 Budget Committee 2017 to present; HB3418 State of Oregon Task Force on Higher Education

I am a graduate of the Grants Pass school district, the parent of three district graduates, and have lived in Grants Pass almost my entire life.

I am deeply committed personally as a supporter of public education and professionally as a higher education leader to supporting high-quality education for everyone. I understand the vital role that education plays in shaping the future of our community and I believe that the GP school district is an essential part of what makes Grants Pass a special place to live.

I have over twenty-five years' experience in higher education that has included many opportunities to work with local school districts in the Rogue Valley. Additionally, I have had the privilege of serving on the GPSD7 budget committee, where I have worked with the board and committee to align funding with school priorities. Through this experience, I have gained valuable insights into the work that goes into providing high-quality educational opportunities for our children and have gained a deep appreciation for the work the entire district puts into our student's education.

As a board member, I will continue to support our incredible teachers, classified staff, and administrators so they have the time and resources needed to provide our students with rich learning opportunities, comprehensive extracurricular opportunities, and much needed supports both in and out of the classroom.

Public education is crucial in preparing our children for the future.

I would be honored to serve on the board. With your support, I will work to ensure that our schools provide the best possible education for every student.

WE ARE GP

(This information furnished by Juliet Long.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 7



**Joseph (Joe)
Schmidt**

Occupation: Retired Educator; Education Consultant

Occupational Background: Seabury Hall, Maui, HI, Headmaster; Hammond School, Columbia SC, Upper School Head; Baylor School, Chattanooga, TN, Athletic Director; Independent School Management, Instructor; Education Consultant; Veteran USAF

Educational Background: MA, Brigham Young Univ; BA, Cal State Univ., Chico; AA, Butte College, AA; Klingenstein Fellow, Columbia Univ.

Prior Governmental Experience: None

WORK: Oversaw fundraising in excess of \$57 million; addition of 35 acres of land and rebuilding an entire school campus, developed 21st Century interdisciplinary, STEM and co-curricular programs; instituted faculty evaluation/mentoring programs; supervised 80 athletic teams, managed construction of \$18 million in athletic facilities.

CONSULTANT: ISM (Independent School Management)- created and facilitated programs for School Heads, Athletic Directors, and Administrative Teams; Lead Strategic and Master Planning, Board Leadership Training for schools and non-profits; Served on 20 school accreditation teams.

BOARDS: Hawaii Association of Independent Schools; Maui Arts Center; Heart Association; YMCA. Currently serve on the board of Plumas Strong.

It is a pleasure to call Grants Pass my home and it is my desire to offer my experience and passion for education in support of the preparation of young people for the challenges they will most certainly face. My conservative principles and perspective have earned me the endorsement of the Josephine County Republican Party. I am committed to working collaboratively with the Board and District 7 to ensure our students receive the highest quality education by:

-supporting a respectful and collaborative working relationship between families and school

-supporting student learning through vocational studies to college prep, extensive extracurricular activities and teaching students critical thinking skills; not what to think but how to think.

-supporting sound fiscal management to ensure long-term stability and success.

-supporting a caring community, teaching students mutual respect and service to others; not creating more victims, but advancing the possibilities for success.

The children are our future. It would be my honor to serve!

Endorsements:

Josephine County Republican Party
JoCoGOP.org

(This information furnished by Joseph (Joe) Schmidt.)

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Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 7



**Kari
Bassett**

Occupation: Supervisor, Oregon Department of Human Services

Occupational Background: Case Worker, Oregon Department of Human Services; Buyer, Fire Mountain Gems; Purchasing

Manager, Bob Drake Reproductions

Educational Background: Master's Degree, Sports Administration, University of San Francisco; Bachelor's Degree, Science, Western Oregon University; High School Diploma, North Valley High School; Attended Grants Pass High School grades 9-11

Prior Governmental Experience: Grants Pass School District #7 Budget Committee Member 2019-Present; Grants Pass School District #7 Strategic Planning Committee Member 2022-Present

I was born and raised in Grants Pass and am now raising my family in this great community. I choose to serve by volunteering my time in organizations that support youth through education and athletics.

As a child raised by teachers, and now a parent of a middle and high school student, I know how hard our teachers work to provide the best education for our children. I want to help our teachers and classified staff with the ever-increasing demand of managing the wide variety of needs in classrooms while ensuring every child is supported.

Our district is facing a decreasing budget and increased demand from the Oregon Department of Education, all while trying to manage a higher number of students needing extra support, staffing shortages, aging buildings, and ever-changing political pressures. As a School Board, helping administration balance all of this is a huge undertaking that requires critical thinking, a challenge of the status quo, and looking for new ideas to meet the need of students.

As a board member I will push to use our resources efficiently to maximize the education of our children. I will support the efforts of the district to expand CTE programs to increase future employment opportunities for our graduates. I will fight for the desperately needed additional mental health and behavioral supports in our schools.

My goal is to help Grants Pass School Dist. #7 to continue being a top tier source of education and extracurricular activities, for my two students and yours!

(This information furnished by Kari Bassett.)

Candidate statements are printed as submitted. The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Grants Pass School District 7 Director, Position 7



**Frank
Boothby**

Occupation: Program Manager for Project Youth+ (formerly College Dreams) since 2015; Grants Pass Kiwanis Club Board 2019-2023; Grants Pass Kiwanis Club President 2022-2023

Occupational Background: Advisor and Asst. Director in Financial Aid, Scholarships and Veterans Affairs for Clackamas Community College, Portland State University, Washington State University, and the University of Idaho (2002-2015)

Educational Background: South Medford High School - graduated 1990; Clackamas Community College - AAOT 2004; Portland State University - BA History 2005 & MA Education 2006

Prior Governmental Experience: US Navy Aerographer's Mate (weather forecaster) 2nd Class Petty Officer - 1992-1999

Thanks for considering me for the Grants Pass School Board! I have a deep desire to help young people reach their highest potential and have attempted to do so throughout my career. I currently work with all the local middle and high schools in JoCo through my work managing an education match-savings program at PY+.

The youth of our great city have experienced unbelievable challenges over the last several years. I want to help overcome those issues directly by being a voice of reason at the highest level of our school district. Through mentorship, more involvement by parents/guardians, and by listening to our teachers and students we can make District 7 a leader by example. There is not a single person in GP who does not want to see our kids succeed and that should be priority one for the School Board. All youth should have a chance to feel safe, have opportunity to gain a well-rounded education, and succeed in their futures.

We need to focus retaining quality educators and having a strong curriculum. We need to encourage our youth to be leaders, thinkers, and rabid readers. We need to teach the importance of history and to understand current events. We need to focus not on division, but on community strength and helping our neighbors.

A vote for Frank is a vote for our youth! Thanks for your time.

(This information furnished by Frank Boothby.)

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Three Rivers School District
Director, Zone 2



**Susan
Fischer-Maki**

Occupation: Owner - Common Thread Consulting

Occupational Background: Director - AllCare Health; Coordinator - Southern Oregon Early Learning Services; Teacher - Early Head Start; Coordinator -

Upward Bound; Instructor - Rogue Community College; Instructor - Umpqua Community College; Owner - Jitterbugz Early Learning Center; and Teacher - Medford School District

Educational Background: M.Ed. - University of California, San Diego; BS - University of Oregon; Diploma - North Medford High School

Prior Governmental Experience: Vice Chair - TRSD School Board

I am honored to introduce myself to you as the current Vice Chair of the TRSD Board. Appointed in March of 2022, I represent residents in Zone II (Hidden Valley High School, Lincoln Savage Middle School, and Madrona Elementary).

If re-elected, I will continue to work collaboratively with my colleagues to develop policies that promote academic excellence, provide safe and inclusive learning environments, and address the unique needs of our students and staff. I am committed to:

TRANSPARENCY: Ensuring our community is informed and involved by listening to feedback, being transparent in decision-making, evaluating policies and outcomes, and contributing to changes when necessary.

IMPROVEMENT: Prioritizing ongoing improvement by working collaboratively with our students, educators and community members to identify areas for growth and implementing effective solutions, being proactive in identifying and addressing disparities, and ensuring every student has access to the support they need to succeed.

BELONGING: Working to create a welcoming environment for all students, families, and staff where diversity is celebrated and ensuring every student feels connected to their school and community.

OPTIMISM: Bringing a spirit of optimism to our work to build a brighter future for our students, ensuring that teachers and staff have the support they need and feel empowered, inspired, and encouraged as they create positive learning environments for our students.

I promise to always put the needs of our students, families, and community first. Together, we can continue meaningful work to ensure the growth and success of every student!

(This information furnished by Susan Fischer-Maki.)

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Three Rivers School District
Director, Zone 2



**Patrick J
Kelly**

Occupation: Attorney at Law since 1979.

Occupational Background: Self-employed house painter during college and law school.

Educational Background:

University of Portland, Bachelor's Degree in History; Willamette University, Juris Doctor of Law

Prior Governmental Experience: Circuit Court Judge Pro Tem; Attorney for the City of Cave Junction; Attorney for the Grants Pass Irrigation District; Hearings Officer for the City of Grants Pass; Josephine County Mental Health Advisory Board; Josephine County Merlin Industrial Park Advisory Board

THE GOAL

The purpose of public school is to educate children for the benefit of each child and the community.

PRIORITIES

- School must be physically safe: no violence - no drugs.
- Students must learn the life-skills necessary to support themselves and the community.
- Students and faculty must exercise real tolerance. No student should leave school ashamed or ridiculed for who they are and what they believe. The District should not promote political points of view nor should it engage in State-sponsored sexuality preferences. This is the responsibility of the family.
- Students must learn to respectfully question authority and ask questions without fear of retaliation.
- We should provide the best education possible for our children within our means.

THE CONCERNS

School board members must be able to skillfully balance the needs of:

Children
Parents
The State
The taxpayer
Employees
The general public

This balancing must be done skillfully, in order to minimize needless drama and maximize benefits to the children.

WHY ME?

I have spent many years in both public and private capacity resolving and diffusing conflicts. I don't intimidate easily and am happy to converse with anyone. The district needs to be fixed. We can fix it together.

Endorsements:
Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Patrick J Kelly.)

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Three Rivers School District
Director, Zone 4



**Jamie
Wright**

Occupation: Small Business Owner; The Wright Farm Rogue Valley Pastured Pork, Chicken, Eggs and Dairy

Occupational Background: Principal of Elementary and Junior/Senior High School; Dean

of Students; Teacher; Substitute Teacher; Instructional Assistant

Educational Background: Scappoose High School; Concordia University; Bachelor of Education; Secondary Education English/Language Arts; Concordia University; Masters of Educational Leadership

Prior Governmental Experience: I have the honor of serving the District as an appointed Board member and I seek your support to continue to serve. My primary goal is to help TRSD prepare life ready students who thrive in their neighborhood schools and gain skills that help them succeed as productive adults. My duty is to listen to our families and students and make decisions that serve your needs.

We need our schools to be safe and secure yet welcoming. Oregon's State School budgets do not fund physical updates to school buildings, dilapidated roofs or school security updates. As a Board member, I will support a measure that will help fund these critically needed improvements.

Family-Centered Schools and School-Related Activities to keep Josephine County a safe and enjoyable place to live:

I will provide transparent communication with families about:
Standards and Curriculum

Growth
Achievement
Accountability

Priorities:

1. Welcoming environment for all educators, students and families
2. School Safety
Buildings that are safe and welcoming to students and staff
Continued partnership with Sheriff Daniels and his amazing officers
Protocols and facility improvements that minimize risk for families, students and staff
Investment in healthy buildings that are conducive to students and staff thriving
3. Life Ready Students
Career-related classroom and entry-level certificate opportunities like auto mechanics, culinary arts, construction, personal and community health, early childhood education
Age appropriate and effective reading instruction
Partnerships with businesses and post highschool institutions to create entry level jobs and affordable post-secondary educational opportunities
Enrichment for students meeting or exceeding academic standards
Support and resources for students below behavioral and academic standards
4. Supportive school and district level culture that attracts and retains quality educators

(This information furnished by Jamie Wright.)

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Three Rivers School District
Director, Zone 4



**Nancy L
Reese**

Occupation: Senior Manager for a nutrition company.

Occupational Background: Skilled care provider for the elderly, self-employed 20 years; Physical Therapy Aide; Home-maker; Reading coach at Je

rome Prairie Elementary; Sunday school teacher; Vacation Bible School Leader; Good News Club

Educational Background: Los Angeles City College; West Los Angeles City College

Prior Governmental Experience: U.S. Census Bureau, map spotter and enumerator

I want to see children excel academically, rather than receive a mediocre education coupled with confusing information that is irrelevant to their future success.

I would be honored to serve as Three Rivers School District Board Member, Zone 4.

I moved to Grants Pass in 1985 and enjoyed raising my three children here. They have excelled academically and are now raising families of their own, as well as enjoying successful careers. I want to see our next generation of children receive a quality education that reflects the values of our community, so they may enter their adult lives as positive contributors to society.

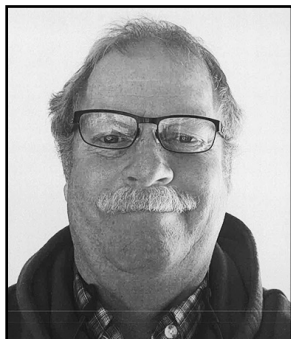
Endorsements:

Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Nancy L Reese.)

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Applegate Valley Rural Fire Protection District #9 Director, Position 2



**Jeff
Hoxsey**

Occupation: Owner/CEO Southern Oregon Subway inc. 36 year(18 locations in 3 counties); Owner/CEO South Coast Subway (Brookings); Co-owner Big Elk Fire LLC; Co-owner Eary Earthworks LLC

Occupational Background: N/A

Educational Background: West Linn High School 12; RCC Fire/EMS Certifications; Private Pilot License

Prior Governmental Experience: Appointed to Board of Directors AVFD #9

I am Jeff Hoxsey, a 21 Year resident of the Applegate Valley and a volunteer firefighter with Applegate Valley Fire Department from 2003-2019. I was a Lieutenant for the last ten years of service. During my time as a volunteer firefighter, I taught some of the weekly volunteer trainings and classes for the fire academy at RCC. I was treasurer for the Applegate Fire Association and a member of the safety Committee. I learned the value of having highly trained volunteers throughout our district for a quick response time to fire and medical calls. I believe volunteers are the backbone of this fire district and are essential for protecting our rural community. If elected, I will utilize my working knowledge of how the fire district functions and my understanding of the challenges of volunteer organizations while serving in this role. I will be pro-active in finding solution to the issues facing the district, volunteers and residents.

In addition to my work with the Fire Department, I have been a local business owner for 36 years. I manage budgets and long-rang planning strategies that are crucial to being fiscally responsible. I served a term as the west coast representative on the board of North American Association of Subway Franchisees. I was also the board chair for 10 years for the local franchise Advertising Fund.

As a Volunteer, business owner and longtime community member I am qualified to serve as the Board of Director Position #2. I am looking forward to serving you an representing Position #2.

(This information furnished by Jeff Hoxsey.)

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Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 5



**Cheryl Azevedo
Johnson**

Occupation: Owner of C.A.J. Leadership Consulting, LLC

Occupational Background: Human Resources, Leadership Development

Educational Background: Tomales High School - HS

Diploma; Santa Rosa Junior College - 1 year, Business and Psychology

Prior Governmental Experience: Illinois Valley Fire District - Board of Directors: Appointed December 2019; Elected 2021

I am a candidate for the Board of Directors Position #5 for the Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection District.

I am an 20-year resident of the Illinois Valley in O'Brien. I have worked and volunteered in the community for a number of years. In addition to the Fire District, I serve on the board of a local non-profit and the statewide Oregon Fire District Directors Association.

I am an elected member of the Illinois Valley Fire District (IVFD) Board of Directors in Position #5. I have served on the IVFD Budget Committee since May 2019. I am an active participant in the monthly board meetings and regularly meet with the Fire Chief. I also attend IVFD Association meetings, and some of the trainings, to deepen my knowledge and understanding of our district operations.

I am committed to the professionalism of our board and everyone associated with our fire district. We are fortunate to have talented and passionate professionals - both paid staff and our priceless volunteers, who selflessly serve the Illinois Valley. I want to do my part to support the entire department in their efforts.

In addition, I bring years of experience in leadership, training, learning, employee relations and Human Resources. I am familiar with leading teams, budgeting, processes, procedures and protocol. I have found my past experience to be very helpful to my service to IVFD.

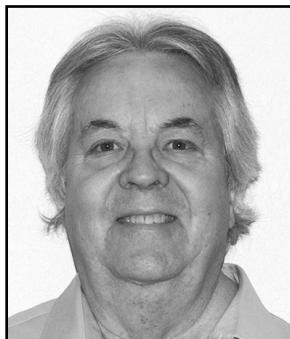
I feel that it is important that the IVFD board represent the entire Illinois Valley. It is important for me to represent my "home town" of O'Brien, and to bring that active voice to the IVFD board.

I look forward to continuing to serve the Illinois Valley community in Position #5 on the IVFD board. Thank you for your vote!

(This information furnished by Cheryl Azevedo Johnson.)

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Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District Director, Position 1



**Mark
Moen**

Occupation: Retired

Occupational Background: Retired as an Internal Revenue Agent for the Internal Revenue Service, duties included auditing individuals, businesses, and member of specialty auditing

group for offshore accounts; Worked as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for a branch of Jackson Hewitt; Helped run a family business

Educational Background: University of South Florida, Degree, BS in Accounting; Manatee Community College; Mesabi Junior College; Roosevelt High School, Grade 12, Diploma; Other: Certified Public Accountant (CPA), state of Florida

Prior Governmental Experience: Currently serving as a Wolf Creek Rural Fire Protection District Board Member (Position 1), appointed in July 2022 by unanimous vote of the other four current board members; current duties include monitoring and reporting back to the board on the monthly income and expenses of the district

About me:

I have been a resident of the Wolf Creek community for the past five years. I have an extensive background in accounting and auditing. I am honest, fair, logical, and listen to all sides before making decisions.

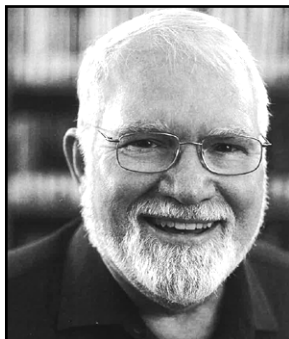
I am running for Position 1 on the Board of Directors because I care about our community, the people, and the beautiful surrounding forest. My goal is to look out for the Wolf Creek area and make sure that your tax dollars are being spent wisely and responsibly so that we can continue to provide valuable fire protection services.

Thank you for your support.

(This information furnished by Mark Moen.)

Candidate statements are printed as submitted. The above information has not been verified for accuracy by the county.

Josephine Community Library District Board Member, Position 3



**Pat
Fahey**

Occupation: General Manager - Sutherlin Sanitation, 2016-2022

Occupational Background: General Manager - Southern Oregon Sanitation, 2002-2016

Educational Background: B.A. Accounting, Southern Oregon University

Prior Governmental Experience: Josephine Community Library District Board - 2018 to present, elected; Rogue Community College Board of Education - 2017 to present, elected

Growing up in Grants Pass, I've always considered the library as one of Josephine County's lesser-known jewels. As a child, I saw the library as my window to a wider world. It was a safe and trusted place to meet and get valuable assistance from the reference staff on school or business projects.

As an adult, I was taken aback when Josephine County closed the libraries for lack of funding. That's why I became involved in resurrecting our libraries, first as an independent non-profit organization and ultimately as a self-governing library district, committed to serving ALL the citizens of Josephine County.

Being a grandparent now, one of my greatest pleasures is watching my two grandsons peruse through the children's library looking for books, mostly dinosaur books. They are home-schooled and love our library so much that they donated half the proceeds from their lemonade stand on the Chamber of Commerce's Lemonade Day, to be used for dinosaur books, of course.

Those boys are just two of my reasons to continue my service on the Josephine Community Library District Board. I want to ensure these boys and all the children of Josephine County have safe place to explore that wider world.

So, I ask for your vote to help me keep that window open, help me grow the library so it can remain that reflection of our community that we can all be proud of.

I'm honored to be endorsed by James Lowe, Libraries for Our Community PAC, and People for Oregon Libraries PAC.

(This information furnished by Pat Fahey.)

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Josephine Community Library District Board Member, Position 3



**Paul
Schaafsma**

Occupation: Senior Chemical Analyst

Occupational Background: Laboratory Assistant, Asante Three Rivers Medical Center; Founder/Director, Redwood Ballroom

Educational Background: Logos Public Charter School, High School Diploma, Honor Student; Rogue Community College, General Studies; Southern Oregon University, Bachelor of Science in Chemistry.

Prior Governmental Experience: Precinct Committee Person, Josephine County Republican Party; Assistant to Oregon State Senator Art Robinson

PAUL SCHAAFSMA FOR LIBRARY BOARD POSITION #3

The Library gave me the opportunity to read, study, and grow. Ever since my grandma first taught me to read, the vast, world of books has enriched my life. The ideal place to study, the library made for many memories. Thanks to its peace, quiet, and vast resources my learning excelled. This enabled me to complete a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry within three years. The library offers a wonderful opportunity to learn, research, and flourish. I would love to see this opportunity continue decades into the future.

A Library for the Future!

I want a library where my future kids can excel. A library where future generations can enjoy reading, appreciate studying, and grow in knowledge. I was blessed by a grandma who shared her love of reading. I would like to see all children have this opportunity. The library gave me a place of peace and quiet, filled with great books, where I could study and learn. I want all students to have that same chance. The library gave me the opportunity to succeed, and I want a library that offers that same advantage to all. Now, I want to help contribute to a library where future generations can excel. Vote Paul Schaafsma for Josephine Community Library Board Position #3.

Endorsements

Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Paul Schaafsma.)

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Josephine Community Library District Board Member, Position 4



**Gina Marie
Agosta**

Occupation: Executive Assistant - Asante

Occupational Background: Patient Experience Coordinator - Asante; Executive Director - Coalition for Kids; Business Manager - Southwest OR RC&D Council

Educational Background: M.A. Organizational Leadership - Gonzaga University; B.A. English & B.S. Organizational Communication - University of Portland

Prior Governmental Experience: Josephine Community Library District Board - 2019 - Present

Having served on the library board for the past four years, I'm committed to ensuring that the First Amendment is upheld. I support free and open access to books and other materials representing all points of view. Some individuals in this community seek to undermine this key value. If they were to succeed, our libraries would be in real jeopardy.

I'm running to maintain a strong library district that:

- Protects the freedom to read,
- Builds healthy and vibrant communities, and
- Provides updated & enhanced physical and virtual spaces for lifelong learning.

Nearly 20 years of leadership experience

- Nonprofit executive director for 10 years
- Current President of the Rogue Gateway Rotary Club; Past President in 2013-14
- Assistant Governor for Rotary District 5110 from 2015-2018; leadership trainer and facilitator from 2016 - 2019
- Helped establish the SOELS Early Learning Hub; Chair of the Agency Advisory Council in its first year
- Graduate of the Ford Institute Leadership Program
- Completed Master's in Organizational Leadership from Gonzaga University

Ethics and integrity

I support the best interests of ALL district members, including those with different political views and religious beliefs.

Love and dedication to this community

Born and raised in Grants Pass, I practically lived in the library. I volunteered there as a teen, and again as an adult when we fought to reopen a publicly funded library system.

I'm a committed steward of a library system that serves as a hub of lifelong learning, with relevant services for every demographic. Vote to re-elect me so we can protect the freedom to read guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.

Endorsed by Libraries for Our Community PAC and People for Oregon Libraries PAC.

(This information furnished by Gina Marie Agosta.)

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**Josephine Community Library District
Board Member, Position 4**



**Heidi
Napier**

Occupation: Retired.

Occupational Background: Small animal veterinarian, private practice, and animal rescue organizations such as SPCA.

Educational Background: UC

Davis, School of Veterinary Medicine. DVM

Prior Governmental Experience: none

I was raised in Redding, California. Because I spent most of my life in California, I call myself a "California escapee."

I have four children and 3 grandchildren. I love animals and have had many pets over the years. Some of my most wonderful pets were other people's rejects. My hobbies are gardening, walking my dog and bike riding. Riding a bike is a wonderful way to see the small towns and rural parts of southern Oregon. Since I moved here, I've been impressed by how considerate drivers are to cyclists and walkers. I love the friendly small-town atmosphere in Grants Pass.

I've had a library card ever since I was in high school, and I couldn't afford to buy all the books I read. I visited the Grants Pass library every 2-3 weeks until the Covid lockdown, and then I started checking out e-books online. The online service is great.

I am conservative and believe I represent the predominantly conservative people of this area. I want the library to welcome people without pushing an agenda such as CRT or gender changing. I would like to see the library limit its function to providing books and meeting space for educational events. It should not provide adult entertainment or social functions. I am concerned that inappropriate books are available in the children's section.

I would be proud to represent our community on the Library Board. Thank you to the Josephine County Republicans for their endorsement.

(This information furnished by Heidi Napier.)

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**Josephine Community Library District
Board Member, Position 5**



**Mike
Pelfrey**

Occupation: Financial Advisor

Occupational Background: Financial Advisor (Owner) at EMP Financial 2001-Present; Financial Advisor at IOF For-esters 1989-2001; US Army 1983-1987

Educational Background: TL Hanna High School; Tri County Technical School; US Army Airborne; FINRA Series 6 & 63 Securities License

Prior Governmental Experience: JoCo PCP

When I was a young boy, I spent lots of time at our local library. I used the library to research information for school projects as well as reading books and other materials that were appropriate for my age. I felt safe riding my bike to the library. I am not so sure that I would feel as safe if I were a kid today. The library should be a safe environment for our community. I will work extremely hard to make sure that our libraries are a safe place for all children.

Did you know that many libraries across the country have hosted Drag Queen Story Hour. These events are targeted towards children. Do you feel that this is appropriate? I don't. If you want to learn more about this, feel free to search Library Drag Queen Story Hour. These inappropriate events are encouraged by the American Library Association. I can promise that I will fight tooth and nail to make sure that these type of events are not taking place in our library district.

Never would I have thought to run for a board position within a library district. Why am I doing this now? I am doing this because I am sick and tired of watching our children be targeted with extremely dangerous ideologies. It's time to step up and stand up.

Am I qualified to hold this position? Absolutely. I will work collaboratively with the other board members to ensure the safety and efficiency of OUR libraries.

I would be honored to serve on the Josephine County Library Board.

Endorsements:

Josephine County Republican Party

(This information furnished by Mike Pelfrey.)

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**Josephine Community Library District
Board Member, Position 5**



**Tina
Gotchall**

Occupation: Retired small-business owner; Rotary board member

Occupational Background: Small-business owner and operator for 37 years; Powderhorn Cafe

Educational Background: Canyonville Bible Academy

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I have been a strong library supporter since 2012 as both a donor and volunteer. I supported the measure to form the library district in 2017. The library is the heart of our community, and I would be honored to serve on the library district board of directors.

I have lived and worked in Grants Pass for 37 years as a small-business owner of Powderhorn Cafe. I have been involved in many local nonprofit organizations including Josephine Community Libraries, Inc., Rotary Club of Grants Pass, the Town Center Association, Barnstormers, and Mental Health Court.

I co-founded the nonprofit Heart to Heart to bring automated external defibrillators (AEDs) to every school in Grants Pass and helped to establish this as law for all schools in Oregon. I am currently president-elect for the Rotary Club of Grants Pass and will serve as president for 2023-24.

My team won the library's Cow Scrabble Tournament multiple times, with the Cow Trophy proudly displayed in front of the Powderhorn in downtown Grants Pass.

I am inspired by our community's support of our library. As a board member, I will serve and adhere to the US Constitution and the First Amendment and provide oversight of library policy. I believe Americans have the right to choose what they will and will not read for themselves and their children. Libraries are here to serve everyone in the community.

I would appreciate your vote and I will work hard to keep our library available to our community.

I am proud to be endorsed by James Lowe, Community Leader; Debbie Thomason, Galice Resort, People for Oregon Libraries PAC, and Libraries for Our Community PAC.

(This information furnished by Tina Gotchall.)

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**BALLOTS MUST BE
POSTMARKED BY ELECTION
DAY MAY 16, 2023**

**Josephine County Official
Ballot Dropsite Locations**

Open from April 26 until 8 p.m., May 16, 2023

**Josephine County
Courthouse:**

County Clerk's Office (7:50 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.,
Monday-Friday.)

Open 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. on Election Day

**Justice Building side, ground floor
next to the elevator** (24 hours / 7 days)

Next to the "C" Street Entrance
(Tax Office Entrance) (24 hours / 7 days)

South Grants Pass:

Washington Federal, 290 Union Avenue,
front parking lot (24 hours / 7 days)

**Library Drive-up -
Grants Pass Branch:**

Parking lot behind library. Enter from "C" Street
(24 hours / 7 days)

Merlin:

Please note new location

Rays Food Place, 3500 Merlin Rd., parking
lot; next to the drive-up USPS Blue Mail Box
(24 hours / 7 days)

Murphy:

Hidden Valley Market, in front, on the left side
of the building (24 hours / 7 days)

Cave Junction:

Cave Junction City Hall, near front entrance
(24 hours / 7 days)

**ORS 254.445 Assistance in Marking Ballot; Allowances and
Limitations**

Any voter who, due to a disability or inability to read or write, is unable to mark their ballot may receive assistance. The assistance is provided either by two persons of different political parties provided by the county clerk or by some other person chosen by the voter. Any person assisting a voter must follow the direction of the voter as to how to vote the ballot. Also, the person assisting the voter must not afterwards give out any information about how the voter voted. Additionally, a person may not provide such assistance if they are an employer of the voter or an agent of the employer. Also, a person may not provide such assistance if they are an officer or agent of a union of which the voter is a member.