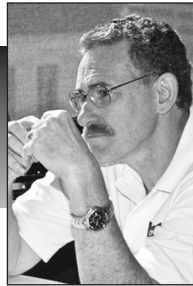


Who's On Our Side?

By Tom Chamberlain



There is no question that Chris Dudley's high-priced consultants see a path to victory in November. It's a clear path, but one that is dishonest, and doesn't allow Oregon voters a true chance to make an educated decision about the direction we want to see Oregon move over the next four years. As far as I can tell, their path has three principles:

1) No debates.

Dudley had one debate with John Lim and Allen Alley during the May primary. I watched the debate and was struck by Dudley's discipline in answering every question with sound bite answers. Alley was well prepared, proving his knowledge of Oregon's economy and of state government and presenting a plan for Oregon to climb out of its current economic mess. Dudley lacked a fundamental knowledge of how government works. His lack of vision for our state was shocking.

The "no debate rule" still applies. Dudley is not only avoiding any debates with John Kitzhaber, but there is a rumor he is avoiding being in the same county with Kitzhaber on the off chance they may cross paths. (I'm only half kidding.) Only one debate was scheduled between the two candidates. Funny: This is the same strategy being used by Tea Party candidates from Delaware to Alaska.

2) Direct the focus away from

Dudley and his Oregon agenda to Dudley's days with the Blazers or to pounding Kitzhaber for talking about the real issues.

When Kitzhaber pointed out that Dudley bought a second residence in Camas, Washington, to avoid paying Oregon taxes while still maintaining his West Portland home, his Oregon driver's license, his Oregon car registration, and his Oregon voter registration (even though he didn't bother to vote), Dudley's first response was to deny and justify. His second response? Divert the attention away from his own tax evasion behavior through a huge media buy attacking Kitzhaber for "negative campaigning" by pointing out the facts.

3) Less time in the target zone.

Dudley's handlers want to keep him safe and out of sight. They want to portray him as a moderate in the mold of Mark Hatfield, a friend of working families. Dudley must have felt safe on Sept. 9 in Hillsboro, though. And, for the first time, Oregonians got a view of the real Dudley.

After being asked a question about Oregon's minimum wage, Dudley responded that he was not going to make minimum wage a big issue in his campaign because it's a "hot button issue" that people don't understand. But he asserted his support for tips being subtracted from the minimum wage, as well as a lowered minimum wage for young "workers in

training." Just a few days prior, Dudley rolled out his unfunded jobs programs — an \$800 million tax cut for businesses and his millionaire friends.

What a plan!

Dudley's positions and observations are flat wrong. Oregonians understand and support the minimum wage. They voted to implement our minimum wage in 1996 and tied it to the cost of living in 2002. It isn't Oregonians who don't understand — it's Chris Dudley.

Dudley's vision of the world is skewed by a world of privilege. Surrounded by multi-millionaires most of his life, he has chosen a career where his clients are the richest in the state. It is a world where the rich and powerful can side-step the rules; where moving to another state to avoid taxes isn't frowned upon, but encouraged. That is not a world where you or I or working families reside.

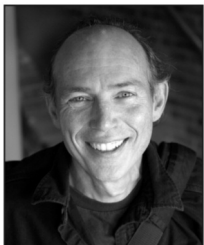
Don't be fooled. Dudley's positions and statements are not that of a moderate Mark Hatfield, but those of George W. Bush. He stands for a policy and an attitude where the wealthy continue to get our share of America's prosperity.

Chris Dudley is not on our side.

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