



BEHIND THE TIMES

Michael Burgess

Funny, isn't it, with shiny new video poker machines lining the walls of every saloon in the state, that Governor Roberts sees a bingo parlor run by the Siletz Tribe as a threat to civilization as we know it?

"This state's constitution," the Great White Mother in Salem explained, "explicitly prohibits casinos."

Casinos, as anyone at the Oregon Lottery Commission will tell you, are places where you gamble and drink. Saloons, on the other hand, are places you drink and gamble. In the place it would have been dangerous to allow the Siletz to run, you could have gambled but not drunk.

When you're dealing with sin, it can all get pretty confusing, and we're lucky to have someone in Salem with the moxy to save us from hordes of greedy Indians.

"In Oregon," the Great White Mother warns, "we need to control gambling or else gambling will control us."

On my block, you say the same thing about politicians who don't think the numbers racket's enough.

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Plans to bring presidential candidate Jerry 'Yes We Can' Brown to Cannon Beach continue to gain momentum. Our publisher, Billy 'Bob' Hults thinks he knows someone who has Linda Ronstadt's old bass player's FAX number. It's always who you know.

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Our political thought for the week: If voting changed anything, it would be illegal.

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And finally this, our WEEKLY TIP FOR THE NEW IN TOWN.

Cannon Beach natives (those who winter where they summer) don't talk about it much, but we're fiercely proud of our trained seagulls. Through the long months of winter, while you're off in Puerto Whatnot sipping tangelo daiquiries and wallowing in sun-block, we surly natives slog down the beach to Bill's Tavern to sing sea chanties, drink bark, and teach our totem birds to fetch.

It's pretty picturesque, really. A National Geographic sort of thing with fetching derbies and spitting contests. In the rain-forest, you learn to make your own fun.

The warm, fuzzy part is that one needn't be a native to join in the colorful (and often quaint) custom. The trained gulls are everywhere. Simply find a spot on the sand (or better, a bench in town) put a muffin on your head and wait.

## Gov. Jerry Brown

### on Domestic Policy

The record of Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown during his two-term governorship shows that he was a strong proponent of environmentalism, alternative energy, and equal opportunity. He successfully reduced government costs while not stinting on services to citizens, and, despite two national recessions, he never once raised the taxes of Californians.

#### Employment

- 2.2 million new jobs were created in the state (25% of all new jobs in the country).
- The Employment Training Panel was developed, which took money from the unemployment insurance fund and gave it as a stipend to businesses to hire people in danger of losing their jobs.
- Maximum unemployment insurance benefits were increased so workers would feed themselves and their families while they looked for work during a time when the state was facing high unemployment.
- The Cooperative Preparation Program was created to provide job search assistance and training programs to displaced workers and welfare clients as an alternative to welfare money.
- A full employment economy was strongly advocated by urging the State Legislature to evaluate every bill under consideration in terms of its job impact.

#### Housing

- Title II funds were allocated to help offset the leveling off of the housing market.
- The Housing Finance Agency was created to provide loans for moderate- and low-income housing construction.

#### Environment

- Environmental conservation, protection, and restoration were given high priority in the administration's goals.
- Offshore oil drilling was successfully halted.
- The toughest anti-smog laws in the country were passed.
- Water conservation kits were delivered to millions of homes.
- A state recycling program was instituted.
- A strong enforcement program to control hazardous materials and toxic waste was implemented.

#### Alternative Energy

- A moratorium was imposed on the building of nuclear power plants until safety and waste storage problems could be resolved.
- Financial assistance was provided to industry for developing alternate, renewable energy resources.
- A 55% tax credit was authorized for the installation of solar heating systems.
- All new state buildings over 10,000 square feet were required to install solar hot water heating systems.
- State departments and agencies were directed to reduce energy use by 20%.
- The state's test fleet of methanol- and ethanol-fueled cars was the largest in the nation.
- Over \$20 million was appropriated for alcohol and biomass fuel development.

"The World Watch Institute has said that if we weatherize every house in this country, we would cut energy consumption by enough to pay for that work and create 7 million jobs"

"In the federal budget there is \$300 billion a year of unnecessary, wasteful, and polluting energy consumption. By spending that money to accomplish the goals of fuel-efficient homes, motors, refrigerators, cars, and high-speed trains, we wouldn't have to raise taxes a penny, we would save money, energy, and resources in the long run, and we would create millions of new jobs."

"The human system, the social fabric, the environmental web of life on which we all depend — those are more important than the banking system. It just takes a little longer before we realize that catastrophe was occurred. It's real clear when the banking system collapses — the banks close and you can't get your money out because it's not there anymore. That's clear, but how about when 10-12 million kids are born in poverty, when millions of American teenagers have to fight their way through crack-infested neighborhoods, and when teachers aren't paid a decent amount and they don't have the tools and the technology that a rich and powerful country ought to make available?"



**Brown**  
FOR PRESIDENT

**HARRY**  
**LONSDALE**

FOR THE U.S. SENATE

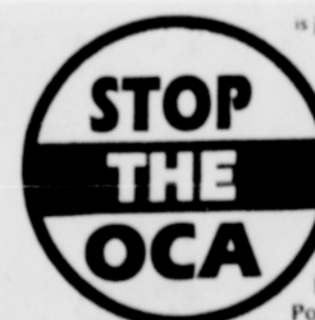


**Elizabeth**  
**FURSE**  
FOR CONGRESS

Prejudice is the child of ignorance.  
HAZLITT

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## on Women

#### Reproductive Rights

- The right of a woman to make her own personal choice regarding reproductive decisions was supported.
- Family planning programs were greatly expanded.

#### Health Care

- Programs for prenatal health care were established.
- Through the on-going Obstetrical Access Project, a surveillance project was created, with 11 sites throughout the state designed to improve the health of mothers and their infants.
- New programs were developed for drug-dependent pregnant women and for those who abused a variety of drugs.
- A DES screening and information program was instituted.

#### Crimes Against Women

- Through legislation, the penalties for crimes committed against women were enhanced.
- County hospitals were required to provide on-call staffs to examine victims of rape or other sexual assault at all times.
- Courtroom procedures were established to protect victims of rape ("rape shield" laws).
- Rape crisis centers were established.
- Probation could no longer be granted in cases of rape.
- For the first time, spouses could be prosecuted for the offense of rape.
- Courts were allowed to provide injunctive relief in order to prevent acts of domestic violence.
- The crime of sexual battery was established, and new, specified jury instructions were required in such cases.

#### Labor

- For the first time, sexual harassment was recognized as an unfair employment practice.
- The Employment Development Department and the Department of Social Services were required to establish a system-wide policy to actively promote the training of women in job classifications where 70% of the employees were men.
- Apprenticeship programs were opened up to women for the first time.
- Disability benefits were provided to pregnant working women.
- For the first time, legislation was passed to protect state employees:
  - They were given up to a year's leave of absence without pay for purposes of pregnancy, childbirth, and recovery.
  - Pregnant women could not be discriminated against in hiring.
  - Differential wage rates could not be paid to men and women performing equal work on jobs requiring equal skill, effort, and responsibility.

All authority belongs to the people.  
JEFFERSON

**⊗ DON'T WASTE OREGON**  
**CLOSE TROJAN**