

Big spenders lose at polls

OREGON CITY — More money didn't mean more votes for candidates in the May 23 election, according to figures released by the Clackamas County elections office last week.

None of the big spenders won races for party nominations for county commissioner and county treasurer.

Realtor Dean Killion outspent incumbent Commissioner Stan Skoko \$7,140 to \$6,567 in his bid for the Democratic nomination, but finished in the middle of the pack of six behind front-runner Skoko.

Suzanne VanOrman, who placed second in the race, spent \$2,808.

Retired tax deputy Gilbert Rodgers spent only \$543 compared to probation of-

ficer Alan Samarin's \$837, but still captured the Republican nomination for county commission.

And Robert Ruby outspent his opponent for the treasurer's office, Thelma Hooper, \$5,776 to \$1,728, but still fell several percentage points short of victory.

Of the other Democrats who ran for county commission, West Linn Mayor Alan Brickley had the biggest war chest, spending \$2,593. George Thomas spent \$950, Wilsonville planner Robert Mahoney spent \$570, and former Oregon City mayor Howard Klemsen spent less than \$500.

The third Republican candidate for county commissioner, Terry Van Der Mark, spent \$423.

Shields attends fire conference

BORING — Matt Shields, Boring Fire District chief, returned Friday from the Oregon Fire Services annual conference at Baker.

Fire chiefs, volunteers, directors and fire district officials met to review fire service in the state, education, the operation of fire districts and other topics of mutual concern to fire fighters.

"One of the main ideas of the conference is to let each of use see how other people operate their programs," Shields said.

The approximately 100 chiefs and officials at the conference got a look at the latest in equipment during demonstrations provided by equipment manufacturers.

"The demonstrations and programs had an emphasis on safety," Shields said.

must go through to obtain code and inspection approvals.

The one and one half percent property tax initiative also concerned participants at the five day conference.

During a business meeting, the fire chiefs passed a resolution against the initiative stating that they felt that it was not designed for the way the state of Oregon operates.

According to Shields, the wording on the limitation circulating via petition throughout Oregon is the same as the recently passed California measure. Shields said Oregon could run into problems because our state government operates differently.

"We could end up with 45 percent of what we get now to operate on," Shields said. "We couldn't run very well on that."

The chiefs decided that if the initiative does make the ballot in the fall, they would have to take the time up until the election to explain to Oregon voters the problems that would be encountered from passing the limitation.

"Right now, we have to get approval from the community through a vote for everything we get, so they already have control over us," Shields explained.

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Permits granted

Clackamas County land-use authorities granted two mobile home permits in the past week.

Michael Johnston won approval from the Board of Adjustment Monday to live in a mobile home on his property on SE Kitzmiller Road west of Kleinsmith Road. Johnston is building a house on the land.

Thomas V. Stanwood won approval to live in a mobile home on his Terra Fern Drive property from Hearings Officer Richard Crist last Thursday.

Both requests were reviewed previously by Firwood Neighbors.



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OREGON ISSUES: your views



PAUL WALDEN

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Paul Walden
PAUL WALDEN
for State Representative

GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

- The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) is currently under intensive review. Which statement best describes your views of the OLCC?
 - The OLCC should be abolished and liquor should be sold as any other commodity in retail stores.
 - Liquor should continue to be sold only in state-owned or licensed stores, but the OLCC's enforcement functions should be transferred to other law enforcement agencies.
 - Present OLCC functions should be retained, but the permitted number of liquor licenses in Oregon should be increased.
 - No change.
 - Other _____

TAXATION

- Oregon voters will probably be voting on a "Jarvis" type initiative in November to impose a 1 1/2% limitation on property taxes. Advocates claim the initiative is necessary to limit local government spending and to reduce property taxes. Opponents claim passage of the initiative would cripple the ability of local governments to provide essential services and would cause increases in other taxes.
 - Do you favor a "Jarvis" type property tax limitation in Oregon?
 - Yes _____ No _____ Unsure _____
- If an initiative were put on the ballot to reduce state income taxes and tie state spending to a consumer price index and a population growth factor would you support it?
 - Yes _____ No _____ Unsure _____
- If the next legislature faces a significant budget surplus, should these tax dollars be devoted to:
 - a. Increase basic school support.
 - b. Increase support for the Home Owners and Renters Relief Program (HARRP).
 - c. Proportional tax rebate.
 - d. Why? _____

ENERGY CONSERVATION

- Are you generally satisfied with the present 55 MPH speed limit?
 - Yes _____ No _____
- Pacific Power and Light Company has recently proposed a program of energy audits and no interest loans to customers who make their homes more energy efficient. The loan is repayable only when the home is sold. From information available to you, do you believe that other electric utilities should be encouraged to adopt such a program?
 - Yes _____ No _____
 - Why? _____
- What do you think is the single most effective idea or program for energy conservation? _____

HOUSING

- Currently, only veterans are eligible for lower interest home loans under Oregon's veterans loan program. Should this program be expanded to include additional categories or persons other than veterans?
 - Yes _____ No _____
 - Why? _____
- Would you personally be willing to pay a higher initial cost for an energy-efficient home if you could recover that cost within eight years by saving on your monthly energy bills?
 - Yes _____ No _____
 - If "No", what incentives can be used to encourage modification of existing homes to conserve more energy? _____

JOBS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Should the state's bonding authority be utilized to help finance reforestation of currently underproductive state and private forest lands?
 - Yes _____ No _____
 - Why? _____
- In the next two decades, employment in wood products industries will decline significantly. In order to maintain jobs and economic growth, state and local government should:
 - Primarily encourage industries from out of state to come to Hood River County.
 - Primarily encourage expansion of job opportunities in existing Oregon businesses.
 - Adopt a strategy of discouraging significant economic growth.
 - Other _____

EDUCATION

- What do you believe should be done to improve the "Quality" of Education? _____

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY, AND THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW

- Should compiled Oregon State Police records of arrests and convictions of an individual be available for inspection by the press and public, or should access be restricted?
 - Open to press and public _____ Restrict access _____
- Under Oregon law it is a Class C felony to tape record a conversation unless all parties are "specifically informed."
 - Would you favor any of the following proposed changes? (check all such changes you favor)
 - Exempt recordings of lectures, public appearances and public meetings.
 - Exempt recordings made by news media representatives in the course of their duties.
 - Exempt recordings made in one's own home.
 - Exempt recordings of statements by public officials or employees.
 - Change Oregon law and adopt the federal rule that tape recording with the consent of one party is sufficient.

OTHER ISSUES

- Should the state continue to fund welfare abortions under present controls for those in financial need?
 - Yes _____ No _____
- Should the legal drinking age be reduced from 21 to 19 years of age?
 - Yes _____ No _____

Paul Walden

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