

treasurer. He's done a solid job as money manager in a state without enough money. He also led the way to the Oregon College Savings Plan, and as he demonstrated in speaking before the Eugene City Club, he has a plan to improve education funding and other tough Oregon issues. Clearly ambitious for higher office, Edwards is doing a fine job as chief financial officer and should easily win another four years.

Attorney General. Hardy Myers (D)

A low-key guy who is endorsed by DAs, police chiefs and victims-rights proponents around the state, Hardy Myers defines his role as chief lawyer for the government, not as top-cop. That top-cop stuff is the view of Paul Connolly, his opponent who has been chief counsel for the Oregon Republican Party for the last five years. Myers served five terms in the Oregon Legislature and he understands the value of bipartisan support, which he has. He sometimes moves slower than we would like, as in the national tobacco litigation, but in the end Oregon came out millions of dollars ahead. Even his critics admit that he has assembled an excellent staff and that's probably his most important role. No contest here. One more term for Myers.

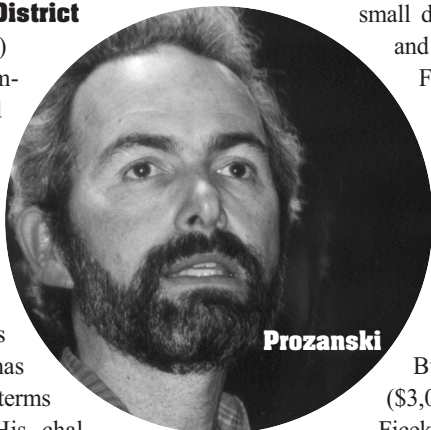


Myers

Oregon Senate, District

4. Floyd Prozanski (D)

District 4 encompasses southern and eastern Lane County and northern Douglas County and Floyd Prozanski was appointed to the District seat last year to fill Tony Corcoran's vacancy. Prozanski has served four admirable terms in the Legislature. His challenger is Republican Norm Thomas who has a strong background in education, but is parroting the conservative party line of less government and less regulation on business.



Prozanski

House District 8. Paul R. Holvey (D)

Paul Holvey was appointed to the District 8 seat in January to replace Floyd Prozanski who moved to the Senate. We took a close look at Holvey when he ran in the May primary and he's doing well in the Legislature, providing a solid voice for education, the environment and labor. His opponent is Republican Bill Young, a prominent Eugene veterinarian with no legislative experience.

House District 11. Phil Barnhart (D)

Despite what you see in negative TV and print ads from his opponent, Phil Barnhart really does represent his mixed district well. Not everyone in the district likes Barnhart's advocacy for education, the environment and social services, but most of his constituents do respect his integrity, experience, education, competence and energy. Barnhart has

both a law degree and a doctorate in psychology, and served six years on the Eugene 4-J School Board. His opponent, retired federal drug agent Michael Spasaro, has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice, and has shown poor judgment in his inaccurate attacks on Barnhart. He is also relatively new to the area and appears to have a very narrow view of the complex issues facing the district and the Legislature.

House District 13. Bob Ackerman (D)

Bob Ackerman has served us well in this mostly north Eugene district after taking over the job from Kitty Piercy in 2000 when she was term-limited out. Ackerman has a long history of public service on local and state boards and councils, including three terms on the LCC Board. He also carries a wealth of legal experience fighting for the interests of citizens. His priorities are stabilizing funding for public education and preserving farm and forest lands. His well-funded Republican opponent is banker Gary Pierpoint, who offers solid business experience, but a distinct conservative viewpoint that is already over-represented in the Legislature.

House District 14. Bev Ficek (D)

Bev Ficek's values are reflected in her campaign finances. Unlike her opponent, Debi Farr, Ficek refuses to accept contributions from special-interest groups. Instead, her campaign is primarily financed by small donations from individuals and nonprofits. By contrast, Farr has accepted tens of thousands of dollars in contributions from special interest groups such as the Oregon Trial Lawyers Association (\$2,500), the Oregon Forest Industries Council (\$2,000) and the Oregon Business Association (\$3,000).

Ficek says that investments in public education save taxpayer dollars by preparing our children to become well-informed, productive Oregonians. Ficek pledges to make health care a priority by supporting legislation that would reduce premiums and lower prescription drug prices. And Ficek proposes to shift more of the tax burden to businesses without raising taxes on middle-class families. In action as well as in rhetoric, Ficek rejects special interests to stand up for working-class Oregonians.



Ficek

November 2nd

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