

Trump will help

Seven years ago, my husband lost his job. The company he worked for lost its shirt. Since then, we've lived on unemployment, credit cards, odd jobs, renting the family beach house and selling whatever we had to put gas in our 1987 Ford truck.

Sound familiar? Can you relate to what I'm saying? We own our land but can't get a loan from the bank because our land is not what they want. We've managed on a day-to-day basis, we go to the food bank and have borrowed from family and friends just to stay in our home. What's worse is today I get a 48-hour notice from the power company because we've fallen behind on our payments. I pay them every month, but it's never enough.

What is enough? Now we're in this political cycle and all the media wants to talk about is sex. The corporate giants want more and more money for the same thing, and people like us are literally struggling to hold onto what they have. So many have lost everything because it's never enough.

There is crisis all around us. A civil unrest that has been perpetrated by the corporate greed and arbitrary pricing on everything, including all of our basic necessities.

I've lived on the coast for 30 years, and thought people in this place would be a little kinder and gentler to each other. The homeless are here. Crime is increasing here. They're begging for money in Cannon Beach.

I don't have any fix-it-all notions, but I'm voting for Trump because he's the one who has been a success, and can truly turn things around.

On common ground.

G. LIVERMORE
Arch Cape

Vote Bobek

Oregon has problems, and we need change. Our graduations rate is disappointing, and jobs are scarce. Dr. Bruce Bobek has solutions. He has been a practicing doctor for 30 years and desires to apply his wisdom and common sense to serve us in Salem. How will he serve?

No. 1: Education. He welcomes invigorating our school system with healthy competition from charter schools.

No. 2: Jobs. He desires to strip away regulations that smother business and unleash freedom to create jobs.

He knows change is resisted, but he's willing to take on the challenge and persevere.

Dr. Bobek, Republican, for representative from District 32.

JUDY KUJALA
Warrenton

Left and right

Words are flying left and right, not sure if they are landing — perhaps it is just too windy in the year of the election. The rich keep getting richer and the poor getting poorer, jobs have gone south and the middle class is shrinking.

Our infrastructure is crumbling. But how to repair it? We could raise taxes, but on whom, or from where?

The weather is changing, but whose fault is that? Should we opt for green energy? Or continue to frack?

Is free trade the answer for imports and exports? Or should we be protective, and raise all our tariffs?

Immigration is bad, and we must lock all our doors — batten the hatches, keep out the hoards. Or maybe diversity is in our best interest. After all, this country was built on immigration.

So what about health care? Will Obamacare prevail? Is single payer the answer, or is it bound to fail?

Our Supreme Court — one justice is lacking. The president appoints, but the Senate blocks. They will not consent in the year of an election, hoping their party will win, but they may be rejected.

Foreign relations are fraught with great danger. Should there be a military solution, or is diplomacy the answer?

When the election is over,

Visit Manzanita

As you likely know, the city of Manzanita was struck by a tornado this past week. While damage is substantial, recovery and rebuilding efforts are well underway.

Despite the amount of damage, the majority of our merchants remain open for business. The loss of business during a weekend that is still typically a busy one has been another hard hit, especially with winter season looming.

I would ask that you encourage your friends and neighbors that the best way to help with recovery is to continue patronizing their favorite shops and restaurants in Manzanita, or plan to attend any of the many upcoming area events.

Manzanita remains a beautiful, special place to visit, shop and stay.

DAN HAAG
Manzanita Visitors Center

and a president selected — whatever is done, we will disapprove, for no human can meet our high expectations.

Though words fly, they are cheap and actions are expensive. But in four years we return to do it again, with all of our angst, our hopes and our fears. It is the American way. Happy voting.

NELLIE HUTCHISON
Seaside

We need Trump

All we hear on most news programs constantly is about Trump's misconduct, over and over. Also, criticism of every kind as to his personality, looks, etc. How about being fair? Have you ever heard of that? What about Bill Clinton's conduct with women? Not to mention, most of the males in the Kennedy family, from Grandpa Kennedy on down, mistreated women.

I don't believe this idea that bad conduct is the problem that angers people against Trump. It's that he wants to take the money these organizations and bankers and high interest credit card companies want to keep. Also, the politicians who give contracts to people who do pretty much as they please with the contracts, doing shoddy, expensive work. Then there are the overseas people, putting money in their pockets, and the goods they send back are shoddy. I won't buy them. They cost too much.

America needs Trump, who knows how to do for the people and all veterans — jobs, medical benefits, etc. If he doesn't know, he's smart enough to ask competent people.

On the other hand, Hillary Clinton does nothing right.
FLORENCE EILLEN
HAWKINS
Long Beach, Washington

Real costs

Measure 97 is going to hit low and fixed income people the hardest. It is not a 2.5 percent tax; it's much more. Large medical companies will increase prices to the large drug stores (Walgreens, CVS, etc.), who will also increase prices to the consumer — all this to cover their increased costs. Now 2.5 percent plus 2.5 percent becomes 5 percent.

The same will happen in the food chain. Large farm supply companies (John Deere, Dow, etc.) will increase prices to the farmers, who will have to raise their prices to the large grocery stores (Fred Meyer, Wilco, etc.), who will in turn increase their prices to the consumer, making the 2.5 percent tax become a 5 percent tax. The same ripple effect can be done in the large meat/poultry, cereal, canned food companies and many more.

Add this to the loss of jobs for those large companies (like Nike) if they decide to relocate to another state, it will compound the problem — we have to remember that the large companies like this are high-paying jobs, much less the loss of what they do give back to our communities in big ways (other than taxes).

All the advertisements for this measure are targeted at those who can least afford the net effect of this measure. We need to make sure everyone understands what they are really supporting.

GARY PETERSON
Hillsboro

Support schools

When the Seaside School District put forth a bond measure in 2013 to raise \$129 million for relocation of our schools I opposed it, primar-

ily because it seemed excessive, put a significant burden on property owners (\$2.16 per thousand of assessed value or \$650 per year on an assessed home value of \$300,000), and because many of the attributes in the design seemed to be more about a desire as opposed to a need.

This time around the school district has focused on what is essential and necessary. They have reduced their request by almost 40 percent with the cost to tax payers at \$1.35 per thousand of assessed value, or just over \$400 per year on an assessed home value of \$300,000.

The district is first on a waiting list to receive \$4 million in matching funds from the state, and Weyerhaeuser Co. has graciously donated 80 acres to site the schools well above the tsunami inundation zone.

Our schools are the lifeblood of our communities. They assist our students in realizing their potential in academics, and help ready them for their future. The investment in our students is also an investment in our future. It will benefit us all.

The time to act is now. Interest rates are at historic lows, and the cost to construct and develop a school will only continue to increase. Please vote yes for our local schools. It's important to our community, our families and our livability.

PATRICK NOFIELD
Cannon Beach

Dreaming

It appears as though Trump is going to get Hillary elected with his stupid remarks, and I don't believe our country can survive four years of Hillary with her past history in politics, and the fact that she doesn't seem to understand the meaning of our \$19 trillion deficit.

She wants to provide a free college education to all those in families with less than \$150,000 annual income, increase the minimum wage and demand all employers to furnish vacations, retirements and other benefits to all of their employees.

Our country has had to face all kinds of disasters, but I can't believe that we're ready for the political disaster that we're facing with this election. If we could elect Trump and get him impeached as soon as he takes office, then hope Mike Pence would follow the one great immigration idea that Trump promised, then we might have a future left for our country.

It's not against the law to dream, and it looks to me like Mike Pence is better qualified to be our president than any of the others. Let's all pray to God and dream.

JIM ELVIN
Salem

Yes for schools

We are writing this letter to urge the passage

of the Seaside School bond issue to build a new campus of schools on tsunami safe land that has been donated by Weyerhaeuser.

Seaside High School, Broadway Middle School and Gearhart Elementary School average 65 years of age. They each have serious problems with roofing, plumbing, heating and electrical maintenance repairs needed at an estimated cost of \$30 million dollars — nearly one-third of the total bond amount. These repairs would not address deteriorating walls, due to our harsh weather, or seismic issues.

Of course, the bond would add to our property taxes, about \$270 on a \$200,000 home, \$405 on a \$300,000 home. But remember, our ancestors paid for the schools that we attended. We owe it to our descendants to provide them safe, up-to-date schools for their learning environment.

Please join us in supporting this needed bond issue by voting yes for our schools.

JOHN and DIANA
M CLOUGHLIN
Gearhart

Who is Trump?

Donald Trump is not really a Democrat or Republican. That's why some Republicans in Congress don't like him. They know full well that he won't go along with some of their manipulative schemes that hurt the American public.

Who is Hillary Clinton? Well, she is like Paul Ryan in many ways. Both of them worship at the altar of so-called free trade. They are so embedded in Wall Street one could not dislodge them with a jackhammer. They are war hawks in the first degree. One can't forget their ties with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and last but not least, their compulsive desire to let millions upon millions of more people into this country.

Anyone who has studied the problems with over-

population knows full well this country is way overpopulated. A democracy cannot withstand overpopulation. It is impossible. Donald Trump is the only person who has the tenacity to do something about this country's disastrous immigration problem.

One of the reasons so many millennials can't find a job is because of the H1-B visa program. This program lets thousands upon thousands of people come into the high tech sector from other countries, and take jobs from native-born millennials. That is a fact, not conjecture. Hillary Clinton will do nothing to help this generation, or any generation, with their job opportunities.

The biggest environmental threat is not global warming, it is overpopulation. That is the inconvenient truth. When one mentions stopping immigration to these so-called environmental organizations, they run like a rabbit to their hole. They are pathetic resemblances to any true environmentalist.

Our professional savors and elites will not save our nation and civilization. To expect it from them is to believe in magic and trust in miracles. The cure will come from the man and woman in the street who can read between the lines. They can see through the tripe that the news media throws at them everyday. They are not blinded by their prejudice or bigotry, nor believe the government owes them a living. These people are not afraid of success or failure, and what people might say. In short, they are the people who are going to vote for Donald Trump.

There are many differences between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton. Is Donald Trump perfect? Absolutely not, but he will help the people of this great country. And what of Hillary Clinton? She will help herself. That is probably the biggest difference.

ROBERT BOEHM
Clatskanie

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