

# ELECTION 2018

## Tim Josi

Tim Josi, a Tillamook County commissioner and former state representative, has raised \$71,280 in cash contributions, taken out \$4,000 in loans and received \$250 in in-kind contributions as of Thursday.



- \$5,000: Orloggers PAC
- \$3,000: Hampton Lumber, Warrenton Fiber Co.
- \$2,500: Oregon Beverage PAC, Oregonians for Clem, United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 555, Davis Wright Tremaine Client PAC, West Coast Mobile Home Parks, Inc., Aspen Meadows MHC LLC, More Housing Now! PAC
- \$2,000: Oregon Concrete & Aggregate Producers Association PAC, Coalition for a Healthy Oregon PAC, Oregon Food Political Action Committee
- \$1,500: Van Dusen Beverages Inc., Teevin Brothers Land and Timber Co., Oregon Council of NECA Chapters, Cascade Pacific Pulp LLC, OR ASCA PAC
- \$1,000: Kroger Co., Albertson's Safeway, Betsy Johnson, Leslie Johnson, Oregon Soft Drink PAC, Robert Douglas, Friends of Arnie Roblan, Friends of Jeff Barker, Reardon for Oregon, Coalition for a Healthy Oregon, Oregon Certified Public Accountants Legislative Action Committee, Brad Witt for State Representative, Doctors for Healthy Communities, SEED PAC, AG-PAC, Oregon Neighborhood Store Association Political Action Committee, Bornstein Seafoods Inc., Pacific Seafood Group Employee PAC, Boone For State Representative, Oregon Manufactured Housing Political Support Committee
- \$500: Weyerhaeuser, Oregon Insurance PAC, Oregon Bankers PAC, Oregon Farm Bureau PAC, Chris Kent
- \$250: Joan Kelsey, Future PAC House Builders, Lisa Naito, Leo Kuntz, Owens Hay LLC, Robert Mushen
- \$200: Mike McArthur, Mike Phil Logging Co. Inc.
- \$150: Ray and Jo Ann Naff
- \$100 and less: \$950

## Tiffany Mitchell

Tiffany Mitchell, a case management coordinator for the state Department of Human Services, has raised \$18,266 in cash contributions and \$26,442 in in-kind contributions as of Wednesday.



- \$3,000: Women's Investment Network Political Action Committee
- \$6,211: Oregon League of Conservation Voters PAC
- \$1,500: Bob Cary and Thomas Frazier
- \$1,230: Citizen Action for Political Education, SEIU Local 503
- \$500: Walter Gorman, Kate Lieber, Chip Shields, Friends of Rob Nosse
- \$400: Tom Kelly, Jeff Straub
- \$270: Peter Lee
- \$250: Future PAC House Builders, Mark Whitney, Friends of Michael Dembrow, Friends of Sheri Malstrom, Tawna Sanchez, Ken Hayes, Phillip Shilts, Leah Gibbs
- \$200: Debbie Holt, Nikol Aagaard, Nick Johnson, Guillermo Romero, TBA LLC, Cindy Witten
- \$130: SEIU Local 503
- \$127: Mark Gamba
- \$125: Madeline Olson
- \$100 or less: \$4,944

## John Orr

John Orr, an attorney, has raised \$12,382 in cash contributions and \$1,258 in in-kind contributions as of Wednesday.



- \$1,000: Oceanic Logistics LLC, Kathleen Zunkel, Anne Carpenter, Robert Adams
- \$500: Alice Apkarian, Tom Duncan, William Van Nostran, Elizabeth Johnson, Hashem Akhavan-Tafti, Fort George Brewery & Public House
- \$350: Charles Orr
- \$300: Sue Skinner
- \$250: Future PAC House Builders, Jerome Arnold, Edward Osborn, Ann Gramson
- \$200: Debra Bowe, Nancy Ledgerwood, Leon Jackson, Dwight Caswell Studio
- \$150: Diane Heintz
- \$103: Scott Lee
- \$100: Chuck Meyer, Cheryl Johnson, Jerome Arnold.
- \$100 or less: \$3,429

## Vineeta Lower

Vineeta Lower, the lone Republican in the state House race, has raised \$3,675 in cash contributions, taken out \$100 in loans and received \$2,065 in in-kind contributions as of Wednesday.



- \$3,000 from Barreto for HD 58
- \$2,065 from Promote Oregon Leadership PAC (682)
- \$500 from Angie Frey
- \$100 or less: \$225



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Timber policy divides the Democratic candidates for state House District 32.

# Forestry: Tension between harvests and conservation

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with state forestlands. Unbeknown to county commissioners at the time, that decision also disqualified the county from the Forest Trust Lands Advisory Committee, which advises the state Department of Forestry.

Josi, a Tillamook County commissioner, supports the lawsuit and is chairman of both forest committees that Clatsop County left. As of Thursday, several of his top campaign donors were forestry-related companies or political action committees.

"It's asked of me every day. I get people that say, 'I'm not going to support you because you're too close to the timber industry,'" Josi said. "Well, I'm guilty as charged. But what I tell people is, 'I'm close to the people that make a living in the timber industry.'"

Josi argues that timber workers make more than double the income of service-sector employees.

"So you take these family-wage jobs, put these people out of business and then they go into the service-sector industry, and that just drives the economy down in Clatsop County," Josi said.

The environmental impact of modern forestry practices — including clearcuts and aerial spraying — has been exaggerated, Josi believes. Also, "You can't blame the timber industry for climate change. Climate change is because we're addicted to fossil fuels."

Orr and Mitchell, on the other hand, support the county's decisions on the lawsuit and the forest committees.

Orr, while not calling for the elimination of practices such as clearcutting and aerial spraying, pointed to forestry as an issue that

distinguishes him from Josi. The lawyer has worked in environmental law, is a project development manager for Trails End Recovery in Warrenton and was president of the North Coast Land Conservancy from 1996 to 2002.

"I'm not getting thousands and thousands of dollars from the timber interests or other interests," Orr said. "They would trust him to represent and protect their interests in the Oregon State Legislature and to have a favorable view towards the Oregon Board of Forestry and the Oregon Department of Forestry."

Orr has suggested that biomass energy production — as opposed to coal and other fossil fuels — could create family-wage jobs. He would prioritize water needs over timber interests and wants a better notification system to alert property owners and water managers ahead of aerial sprays, he said.

"You can't drink timber products. You have to drink water," Orr said. "You've gotta do the pencil out because water comes first."

Mitchell, a case management coordinator for the state Department of Human Services, favors more aggressive environmental policies on timber, calling for the elimination of clearcuts and aerial spraying and increasing growth cycles of trees before harvesting them. She has been endorsed by the Oregon Sierra Club and the Oregon League of Conservation Voters.

"What recent policies entail are maximizing profits before taking care of the environment," Mitchell said. "I think Oregon needs to look at other ways of managing forests."

# House: Campaign money flows to Tillamook commissioner

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"We've known Tim for a number of years, because we have a mill down in Tillamook," said Steve Zika, CEO of Hampton Lumber. "He knows our industry really well. He understands the importance of domestic manufacturing in these rural communities."

Bornstein Seafoods and Pacific Seafood Group each gave Josi \$1,000.

"He is the only candidate to reach out to Bornstein and express an interest in the natural resources industry," said co-owner Andrew Bornstein.

Grocery giants Kroger, owner of Fred Meyer, and Albertsons Safeway both gifted Josi \$1,000. Van Dusen Beverages, owned by former Astoria Mayor Willis Van Dusen, gave Josi \$1,500, along with \$1,000 from the Soft Drink PAC and \$2,500 from the Oregon Beverage PAC representing beer and wine distributors.

"It was just strictly a business decision, no more, no less," Van Dusen said of his company's donation.

Josi has also received financial backing from numerous incumbents in the Legislature, including \$1,000 each from state Sen. Betsy Johnson, D-Scappoose;

state Sen. Arnie Roblan, D-Coos Bay; state Rep. Jeff Barker, D-Aloha; state Rep. Brad Witt, D-Clatskanie; and state Rep. Jeff Reardon, D-Happy Valley. Josi also received \$1,000 from Boone's campaign committee.

Since filing at the deadline last month, Mitchell, a case management coordinator for the state Department of Human Services, has quickly eclipsed Orr in fundraising.

Her largest single contribution, \$3,000, came from the Women's Investment Network Political Action Committee supporting female candidates, followed by \$1,500 each from Bob Cary of Sunset Laboratory and Thomas Frazier, a friend of Cary's.

Mitchell is a member of the Service Employees International Union. She has received \$1,230 worth of in-kind contributions from the labor group and an equal amount from the Citizen Action for Political Education political action committee it runs.

"She is a true progressive who shares our union's values," the union's website said in an endorsement of Mitchell. "Tiffany is committed to protecting vulnerable children, advancing wom-

en's reproductive health, securing affordable housing on the coast, protecting the rights of the LGBT community, and winning fair wages for all working families."

Mitchell's website also lists endorsements from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees and the Oregon Education Association. She has been backed by several conservation groups, including more than \$6,000 from the Oregon League of Conservation Voters PAC.

Orr, an attorney, has gathered the fewest big-ticket contributions in the race, albeit the most from locals, including \$1,000 each from Astoria company Oceanic Logistics LLC, local activist Kathleen Zunkel and Anne Carpenter, wife of Astoria Planning Commissioner Sean Fitzpatrick.

Vineeta Lower, the lone Republican in the House District 32 race, has gathered more than \$5,800. Independent candidate Brian Halvorsen does not have a campaign committee. Lower has received \$3,000 from state Rep. Greg Barreto, R-Cove, and more than \$2,000 from the Promote Oregon Leadership PAC supporting state House Republican candidates.

# Training: Firefighters convene in Astoria

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"Not gonna die today," Bostron yelled. "Not today," Schmitt replied.

Up next were drills teaching them how to escape from precarious situations without help from anyone else. Day Two involved rescuing each other one-on-one. They trained as specialized rescue teams on Day Three.

"If something happens, the best bet is you're going to figure your own way out," Schmitt said. "The second is your buddies are going to help you out."

Tanks attached to their backs, the firefighters spent much of Friday fitting through small holes in a wall, lowering themselves with ropes and pulling themselves in kneeling positions 80 feet across the ground with oxygen turned off.

In one drill, firefighters crawled through a narrow, 8-foot-long drywall enclosing. A collection of wires attached to parts of the walls impeded their efforts before they finally needed to punch a hole and escape at the end.

One claustrophobic student told instructors toward the beginning of the obstacle that he wanted to quit. Dismissing that option, instructors guided



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Firefighters taking part in a training exercise prepare to enter an obstacle.

him through, telling him to think of a "happy place" such as a beach.

Myers called the drill the hardest of the weekend.

"It really pushes your body to the limit, not just physically but mentally," he said.

As he returns to the Hoodland area, Myers plans to relay

as much of the training as he can to future recruits, he said.

"There are so many 'aha' moments in the class," Myers said. "It just makes sense."

Schmitt, who has been an instructor about four years, knew Carpenter personally. He said Carpenter regularly took part in training and recalled

grabbing beers with him soon before his death in 2002.

In addition to the training — with the class motto, "Kill the reaper" — Schmitt also helps plan firefighter funerals.

"They really coincide with each other," Schmitt said. "The more I train, the fewer funerals I have to plan."



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Bergerson Construction is moving to Hyak Maritime's boat fabrication and repair facility at North Tongue Point.

# Port: Longtime tenant Bergerson moves offices

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cial fishing vessels in partnership with WCT Marine & Construction, the site's sole shipwright.

"I believe over the next few years, we'll be able to realize many synergies," Morrill said of Bergerson's fit at North Tongue Point.

Astoria is taking another look at whether to include North Tongue Point as an enterprise zone, a state designation that would exempt property taxes on new development for three to five years. The Port has also applied

to make the area part of an opportunity zone, a federal designation that would allow investors to lower taxes from capital gains invested in the area.

Port Commissioner Bill Hunsinger, who opposed abandoning the North Tongue Point lease, on Tuesday took aim at Bergerson's move as proof the agency made a mistake in leaving.

"I told you guys in the meeting when you get rid of that lease up there, you're in direct competition with them," Hunsinger said of Hyak.