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Turkish Politics in NW

Moderate Islamicists caught in crossfire of Senate elections spat

By Lisa Loving
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Turkish politics are playing out in the Washington State legislative elections and might even have a hand in tossing out one of the longest-serving lawmakers in Olympia.

Controversial incumbent Sen. Pam Roach, R-Auburn, faces ethics complaints lodged by Republican challenger, state Rep. Cathy Dahlquist, R-Enumclaw, and state Rep. Christopher Hurst, D-Enumclaw.

Roach has been elected to the state Senate since 1990 and over the years has earned both ire and praise from her colleagues on both sides of the aisle. She told The Skanner News last month she believes the two Enumclaw lawmakers have united to force her out.

"I really think this might be the end of my political career," she told The Skanner News. "And over this? I have been on trade missions that were nothing but window dressing, and this was one of the most informative trips I have ever taken."

Roach is referring to a trip for Northwest lawmakers sponsored by a moderate Islamic organization the Turquoise Council, to visit the wealthy, oil-producing authoritarian nation of Azerbaijan.

The trip focused on a petrochemical industry conference that drew hundreds of state lawmakers from around the United States as well as powerful political gurus — all to listen to the world's top experts discuss the future of global oil and gas distribution, the same issue that is tearing local communities apart over coal trains, natural gas terminals and tracked gas shipped from the Bakken oil fields in Canada.

Other guests on the trip with Roach included state lawmakers from Montana and Idaho — both oil and gas-producing states — as well as a roster of American political heavy hitters including Stratfor Global

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FALL SEASON

The Lake City Braves faced off against the West Seattle Wildcats on the Nathan High School field Sept. 20. The 6 and 7 year olds are part of the West Seattle Football and Cheer program. For more information go to www.westseattlejrfootball.com.



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Police/DOJ Monitors Interviewed

Portlanders still have time to weigh in on who will guide reforms

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When Judge Michael Simon approved Portland's Settlement agreement with the Department of Justice, the city agreed to hire a Community Liaison/Compliance Officer to oversee progress and report back to the report. Now, for the next 30 days, the city is asking the public to comment on the three candidates under consideration.

The candidates attended a public forum Monday, and

answered questions from a Selection Advisory Committee, which includes representatives from nonprofits, including the Urban League, the Albina Ministerial Alliance Coalition, Portland Commission on Disabilities and others.

"Everyone's input is important as the city works toward fulfilling the settlement agreement," Mayor Charlie Hales said in a statement.

"The community members who committed their time to the interview process were tremendous. Now I ask the community

as a whole to participate and contribute feedback on the candidates."

The candidates under consideration are:

- John Campbell of Campbell DeLong Resources Inc., a Portland firm that has already worked with Portland Police Bureau on landlord-tenant training and other contracts.
- Dennis Rosenbaum of Chicago, a University of Illinois professor, and executive director of the National Police Research Platform, which

oversees a seven-university research program in 100 U.S. cities.

- Daniel Ward of Portland, executive director of the Oregon Drug and Alcohol Policy Commission and a former CEO of Metro Crisis Services Inc. in Colorado.

The selection process has been criticized as failing to attract enough qualified candidates. Just 12 applications were received for the \$240,000 a year

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Roslyn Farrington Dies, 1963-2014

Services this Saturday for respected educator, activist, artist, feminist

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Services for Roslyn Farrington are Saturday, Oct. 4, at 2 p.m. at the Eliot Center Sanctuary of the First Unitarian Church, 1211 S.W. Main St.

A member of the North by Northeast Community Health Center board of directors, the dynamic feminist activist, mentor

and artist passed away from breast cancer Friday, Sept. 26, 2014.

Her Facebook page has become a river of mourning with constant posts that so far have not slowed, from friends and admirers of every background.

Many commenters are her former students; many are fellow writers and others who attended self-help workshops for women that Farrington convened over the

years at various locations around the region.

"Roslyn Farrington was one of the most impactful and life changing influences in my life," Anna Beaty wrote. "She taught me about self-love, love for community, feminism, and gave me opportunities that have moved me towards a better life. From sitting in her intro class to student teaching her bell

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