



# Jackson County Voters' Pamphlet

## PRIMARY ELECTION MAY 18, 2004

Dear Jackson County Voters:

This issue of the Jackson County Voters' Pamphlet is produced in cooperation with the State of Oregon. The cooperative effort was made possible by the 1993 legislature saving taxpayers the costs of duplicate postage.

The Jackson County Voters' Pamphlet is published to provide a forum for local candidates and issues. Candidates are not required to be included in the voter's pamphlet. All of the candidate statements included were submitted along with a filing fee. There are no local measures for the 2004 Primary Election.

This is a closed party primary election. This simply means that Democrats will be voting for Democrats and Republicans will be voting for Republicans. The Democrat and Republican parties did not open their primary to nonpartisan voters this year. You will want to be certain of your party status prior to the election. Deadline for changing party affiliation is April 27.

The May 18, 2004 Primary Election will be conducted by mail. Only the applicable candidates for your precinct will be on your ballot by mail. If you are a registered Democrat or Republican you will also find an additional paper ballot for precinct committee persons. Precinct committee persons must have a minimum of three votes in order to be elected. Remember to vote this ballot and return it with your regular ballot. Those registered nonpartisan or other parties do not elect precinct committee persons.

The deadline to register for this Primary Election is April 27. This pamphlet has been delivered to "post-office mailing addresses". Therefore, the fact that you received a voters' pamphlet does not necessarily mean that you are a registered voter. If you need to register or update your registration, you can find voter registration cards at your local post office, in your phone book, or on our web site at [www.jacksoncounty.org](http://www.jacksoncounty.org) under elections.

If you have any questions regarding the status of your voter registration or the election process, please contact the Elections department at 774-6148. If you would like to come and see us, we are located at 1101 West Main St., Suite #201, Medford (old Safeway building).

Every vote counts! Ballots must be received by the elections department no later than 8:00 p.m., May 18, 2004 in order to be counted.

Sincerely,

Kathy Beckett

### ATTENTION

This is the beginning of your county voters' pamphlet. The county portion of this joint voters' pamphlet is inserted in the center of the state portion. Each page of the county voters' pamphlet is clearly marked with a color bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by your County Clerk.

This pamphlet produced by:

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All candidates were invited to participate in this pamphlet. The following candidates submitted information.

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## JACKSON COUNTY

### COUNTY COMMISSIONER, POSITION #2



**SUE DENSMORE**  
**DEMOCRAT**

**OCCUPATION:** Owner, Sue Densmore Communication Strategies, 1997 to present.

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:** General Manager, Rogue Waste Systems 1991 – 1997; Owner, Marketing and Advertising Agency 1981-1991; Director, Rogue Valley Art Association 1978-1980, Teacher 1972-1974, 1976-1978.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Oregon State University, BA; Stanford University, Marketing Management Program

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Oregon House Legislative Assistant 1975; Oregon Tourism Council; Medford Urban Renewal Agency, Founder, Chair; RVTD, Chair; Rogue Valley Civic League's, Healthy and Sustainable Community Project, Co-Chair; Oregon Shines II, Co-Chair; Private Industry Council; Regional Strategies, Co-Chair; Jackson County GO team; Jackson '96 Campaign Committee; DEQ Solid Waste Advisory Committee; Governor's Task Force on Livable Communities; Local Option Task Force on K-12 Funding; Pathways to Care Network, Chair;

**CIVIC** OSU, President's Board of Advisors; SOU, Advisory Board; Medford Jackson County Chamber, Board and VP; Center for Non-profit Legal Services, Board; Carnegie Building Committee, Visual Arts Resources, U of O.

It is time for a change. Since I first began my career, I have learned the value of elected officials who listen respectfully to many opinions. For the past 32 years, I have brought people together with divergent viewpoints to build consensus around difficult and often controversial issues. It's time for that approach in government. Working together, we can enjoy a better Jackson County.

Born and raised on a ranch in Lake County, hard work and public service were instilled in me by my father and grandfather, both of whom were Lake County Commissioners. It was from this foundation that I learned the importance of a quality education, a strong economy, access to health care, and public safety in our communities.

The talent and resources are here to build a vibrant economy, balance growth and quality of life, and maintain the things we expect from government like clean air and water. But, we cannot get there unless citizens feel their voice is heard and opinions valued. Politics as usual won't solve our problems – working together will.

Endorsements: Oregon League of Conservation Voters

*(Information furnished by Sue Densmore.)*

### COUNTY COMMISSIONER, POSITION #2



**SUE KUPILLAS**  
**DEMOCRAT**

**OCCUPATION:** Jackson County Commissioner-paid- 15 years

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:** High School Teacher, Bookkeeper- paid

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** University of Idaho BA; Southern Oregon University; Western Oregon University, teaching certificate

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Eagle Point School Budget committee and school board; State President, Oregon School Boards Association, Educational Service District Budget Committee

As a native Oregonian, who raised my kids in Southern Oregon, I am running for county commissioner because of my passion to work with you to achieve the future and quality of life we want for the Rogue Valley.

My priorities are: programs for at risk youth; telecommunications; improving the environment (including our air and water quality); making sure we preserve open space and high value farmland; and improving transportation systems.

I believe my experience and moderate views gives much needed balance to county politics.

My recent accomplishments include:

- SORCC ( VA Dom); I was able to successfully defend keeping our veteran's facility open

- Safety Net Funding; With a team, I helped secure \$22 million in federal funds to maintain vital Jackson county services.

- White City Industrial Park; I have been a leader in creating family wage jobs while still respecting the environment

- Water Study; I brought together a group to identify water needs for the future. We are working on solutions to maintain critical agriculture, municipal and environmental resources.

- Forestry research; I have chaired a think tank to analyze forest health and forest fire danger, developing leading research on forest conditions and improvement.

Future plans include:

- Assisting rural communities in acquiring high speed telecommunications and broad band

- Continuing work to stop the cycle of poverty through STARS (teen pregnancy prevention) Boys and Girls Club, Kids Unlimited

- Continuing work on water and forestry solutions.

It would be an honor to serve you again. I need your vote in May.

"Sue is hardworking, fair and dedicated. Please join me in re-electing Sue Kupillas" Shayne Maxwell

*(Information furnished by Sue Kupillas.)*

JACKSON COUNTY

COUNTY COMMISSIONER, POSITION #2



DENNIS C.W.  
SMITH

REPUBLICAN

**OCCUPATION:** Captain, Jackson County Sheriff's Office

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Health and Life Insurance Agent  
Talk Show Host, KCMX  
Farm Manager, Klamath Falls  
Police Officer, Medford  
County Sheriff, Jackson County  
Police Chief, Talent  
Town Manager, Lakeview  
U.S. Air Force, 1966 to 1970

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

Federal Emergency Management Center, Public Emergency Planning  
FBI National Academy, Graduate  
Oregon Police Academy – Basic Police Sciences  
Mt. Hood Community College, Associates of Arts  
Crater High School 1966, Diploma  
Elementary Schools in Central Point

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:**

Town Manager, Lakeview  
Chief of Police–Talent, Sheriff of Jackson County, Police Officer –Medford  
Jackson County Juvenile Advisory Council  
President, Oregon Crime Prevention Association  
President, Oregon Sheriff's Association

I believe that County Government is the most direct form of government in providing essential services of public safety, health, roads, and parks. It has been my honor to serve the citizens of this county in various capacities. This is the place of my birth and I can think of no better to live and raise a family.

However, this county is changing rapidly and we must receive services as effectively and efficiently as possible. I believe that county government can achieve this goal through strong and innovative leaders who take risks in demanding results for the whole community rather than a select few.

Living wage jobs are our future. We cannot afford to be indecisive and pander to extremists who care little about those of you that work hard to provide for your families.

I believe in mission over process. When process overwhelms the mission, the purpose of government ceases. There are many in government who can't grasp that philosophy. It is not the purpose of government to get in the way of free enterprise but rather to clear the way.

I commit to you if I have your support and confidence by your vote, I will not let you down. Give me the opportunity to create a dynamic partner in your county government.

*(Information furnished by Dennis C.W. Smith.)*

## JACKSON COUNTY

### ASSESSOR



DAN ROSS

NONPARTISAN

**OCCUPATION:**

Jackson County Assessor

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

FHA and Conventional Real Estate Appraiser  
Appraiser for Jackson County; 8.5 years Residential, Farm and Commercial  
Sales coordinator, Cal-Ore Machinery  
Teacher, Melbourne, Australia  
Owner woodworking business; Pine-Oak-Eos's

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

BA University of Montana – Elementary Education, Minor: Science  
FHA and Oregon Department of Revenue courses on Real Estate Appraisal  
IAAO Assessment Management Course

**PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:**

County Assessor  
County Appraiser  
Republican Precinct Committee Person  
U.S. Marine Corps – Vietnam Veteran:  
Awarded Navy Commendation Medal  
With Combat V for combat service

I take this opportunity to thank you for 15 years that I have been allowed to serve as your County Assessor. We have undergone incredible changes, from budget cuts, legislation and two major voter initiatives. Automation allows us to keep pace with growth while reducing staff and producing a quality product efficiently. Our FRONT COUNTER APPLICATION, available on our WEB site, provides extensive information easily obtained from the comfort of home or work. Assessment data, aerials, plat maps, and planning information are available. We continually add and update to this valuable information.

Entering into a partnership with three other counties, we purchased, installed and modified a needed assessment computer program. As co-owners we hope to recoup our costs through resale. Potentially a state wide system, it has the interest of many counties statewide.

I take fiscal responsibility of this job seriously, holding down budgeted costs working hard to insure that you pay only your fair share of property tax.

Being a past president of our state assessors association, chairman of our state appraisal standards committee since 1995 and member of numerous committees, I strive to represent your interests at the state level. I am always available to the citizens of Jackson County, answering questions and/or offering assistance. You have dedicated and capable people working in the Assessor's office. It is my pleasure and desire to have the opportunity to work with them and you for another term as your county assessor.

*(Information furnished by Dan Ross.)*

# VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

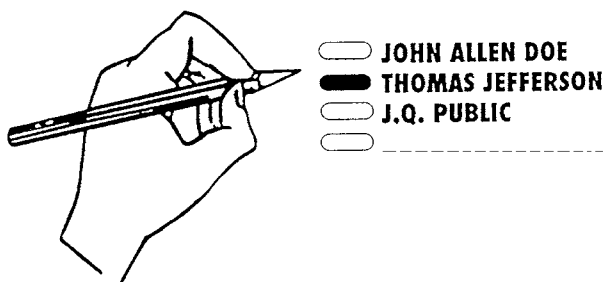
**USE A PENCIL ONLY**

At the Primary Election of 2004 the voters of Jackson County will cast their votes on the ballot illustrated below. This page has been inserted into the Voters' Pamphlet as an aid for using this ballot.

- 1. TO ENSURE YOUR VOTE COUNTS, COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL (●) TO THE LEFT OF THE RESPONSE OF YOUR CHOICE.**
- 2. TO WRITE IN A NAME — COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL (●) TO THE LEFT OF THE DOTTED LINE AND WRITE THAT NAME ON THE DOTTED LINE.**

## EXAMPLE

### PRESIDENT (VOTE FOR ONE)



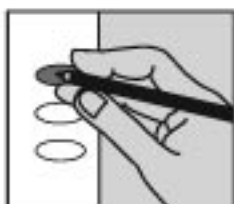
- 3. DO NOT CROSS OUT — IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND, CONTACT THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT AT 774-6148 FOR A REPLACEMENT BALLOT.**

**REMEMBER, IF STATED ON YOUR BALLOT,  
VOTE BOTH SIDES OF YOUR BALLOT!**

# CHECK YOUR BALLOT

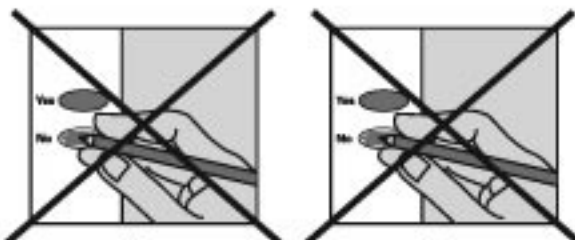
## check your ballot!

Make sure you have completely filled in the ovals next to your choices.



If you vote for more candidates than allowed, or if you vote **both** Yes **and** No on a measure, it is called an overvote.

Your vote **will not count** for that candidate or measure.



You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.

Contact Jackson County Elections to request a replacement ballot if:

- you make a mistake
- your ballot is damaged or spoiled
- your ballot is lost

or for any other reason.

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### Jackson County Elections

1101 W Main Street Suite 201  
Medford OR 97501

541 774 6148

[www.co.jackson.or.us](http://www.co.jackson.or.us)

# OFFICIAL DROP SITE LOCATIONS

## OPENING MAY 10, 2004

### **Jackson County Elections**

1101 W. Main St., Suite 201  
Medford, OR 97501  
Curbside ballot drop box open 24 hours daily  
(Left lane – W Main)  
Elections office open 8 am to 4 pm  
(7 am - 8 pm on Election day)

### **Ashland Library**

410 Siskiyou Blvd.  
Ashland, OR 97520  
Mon Tues 12-7; Wed Thurs 10-6; Fri Sat 12-5  
Election Day – Noon-8

### **Central Point Library**

226 E. Pine St.  
Central Point, OR 97502  
Mon Thurs 11-7; Tues Wed 10-5; Fri 12-5  
Election Day – 10-8

### **Eagle Point Library**

158 W Main St.  
Eagle Point, OR 97524  
Tues Wed Thurs 10-6; Fri 12-6; Sat 10-6  
Election Day – 10-8

### **Gold Hill Library**

420 6th Ave.  
Gold Hill, OR 97525  
Mon Thurs 11-6; Tues 3-7; Wed 11-7; Fri 1-5  
Election Day – Noon-8

### **Jacksonville Library**

340 W. "C" St.  
Jacksonville, OR 97530  
Mon Fri 12-5; Tues Thurs 12-6;  
Wed 11-5; Sat 10-2  
Election Day – Noon-8

### **Phoenix Library**

110 W. Second St.  
Phoenix, OR 97535  
Mon Wed 1-7; Tues Thurs 10-5; Fri 1-5  
Election Day – 10-8

### **Rogue River Library**

412 E Main St.  
Rogue River, OR 97537  
Mon Wed Thurs 10-6; Tues 10-7; Fri 12-5  
Election Day – 10-8

### **Shady Cove Library**

22477 Hwy. 62  
Shady Cove, OR 97539  
Tues 10-5; Wed 10-7; Thurs 10-2; Fri Sat 12-5  
Election Day – 10-8

### **Talent Library**

105 N. "I" St.  
Talent, OR 97540  
Mon Wed 10-5; Tues Fri 12-5; Thurs 1-7  
Election Day – noon-8

### **White City Library**

3143 Avenue C  
White City, OR 97503  
Mon 10-5; Tues Thurs 11-5; Wed 11-6; Fri 1-5  
Election Day – 11-8

**DEADLINE TO RECEIVE BALLOTS: 8 P.M. ELECTION DAY, MAY 18, 2004**