

Skagit County Official Local

# Voters' Pamphlet

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# Welcome to Skagit County's 2014 Voters' Pamphlet

In the following pages, you will find candidate submissions, ballot drop box locations, and ballot voting instructions. We hope this information helps you make your voting choices.

This year's elections select our County, State and National leaders. These candidates are the decision makers that affect our future, security, and safety. They run for County Commissioner, Assessor, Auditor, Clerk, Coroner, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Treasurer, District Court Judges, and PUD Commissioner positions. All of these offices are 4-year terms, except the PUD, which is a 6-year term. This year, candidates can also run for State and National 2-year Representative Positions.

Our Ballot Drop Boxes are convenient and their popularity continues to rise. We received 72% of ballots cast in the 2013 General Election by drop box, giving us the highest usage rate in Washington State.

Our goal is to provide a secure, accurate, efficient, transparent and economical election process. We encourage citizens to exercise their freedom to influence the future of our communities and our country.

Visit our web site, [www.skagitcounty.net/elections](http://www.skagitcounty.net/elections) to learn about;

- the current election
- elections history including your own voting history
- your elected leaders
- ballot drop box locations
- on-line voter registration
- a host of other elections information.

Our website also has an online version of this voters' pamphlet.

Please call us at 360-336-9305, email us at [sselections@co.skagit.wa.us](mailto:sselections@co.skagit.wa.us), or drop by our Elections Office with questions, concerns, or requests.

Your vote counts – you do make the difference – our freedom is in elections!

*Jeanne Youngquist*  
Skagit County Auditor

# Ballot Instructions

The following instructions are also found on your ballot and the ballot insert.

## Instructions

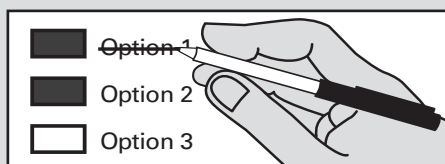
### How to vote



Use a dark blue or black ink pen to completely fill in the box to the left of your choice.

Vote for one in each race. If you vote for more than one, no votes will be counted for that race.

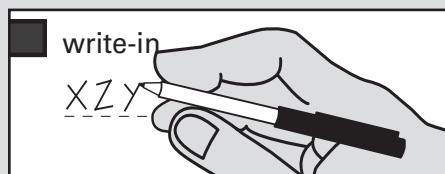
### If you make a mistake



Draw a line through the entire measure response or candidate's name.

Then you may make another choice.

### Optional write-in



To vote for a candidate not listed for that race, fill in the box to the left of "or write-in" and print the name on the dashed line.

If a primary election was held for an office, the two candidates who received the most votes in the Primary advanced to the General Election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

- Tear off the ballot stub and throw it away.
- Use a black or blue pen to mark your ballot.
- If you do not want to vote a particular contest, you may leave it blank – your ballot will still count.
- Place your voted ballot in the secrecy pocket, put the secrecy pocket in the return envelope, and then seal the return envelope.
- Sign and date the declaration on the return envelope. If you are unable to sign, make your mark and have it witnessed by TWO people and make sure they both sign the envelope.
- If you return your ballot by mail, First-Class Mail postage must be applied to the return envelope. Your ballot must be postmarked no later than Election Day. Make sure you know the last pick-up time of your post office; ballots deposited after that time on Election Day are postmarked the next day and not counted!
- If you do not want to mail your ballot, deposit it in a ballot drop-box. No postage is required. Drop-boxes are listed on the other side of these instructions. They are open as soon as you receive your ballot, and remain open 24 hours a day until 8:00 PM Election Night.
- If your ballot has been destroyed, spoiled, or lost, call Skagit County Elections at (360) 336-9305 to request a new ballot.
- View the voters' pamphlet online at [www.skagitcounty.net/elections](http://www.skagitcounty.net/elections).

Don't forget to sign your return envelope!

Questions? Contact Skagit County Elections at (360) 336-9305, or [www.skagitcounty.net/elections](http://www.skagitcounty.net/elections), to learn about: voting center location, hours, and services; ballot deposit sites; accessible voting equipment; any other questions or concerns.

# Ballot Drop-Off Locations

All locations are open as soon as you receive your ballot, and remain open 24 hours a day until 8:00 PM Election Night!

## Anacortes Library

1220 10th St

Anacortes

(North side of building on 9th St)

## Burlington Parks and Recreation Building

900 E. Fairhaven St

Burlington

## Concrete Skagit Upriver Services/Library

45770 A Main St

Concrete

## La Conner Library

614 E. Morris St

La Conner

## Mount Vernon North

Mount Vernon Police Department

1805 Continental Pl

Mount Vernon

## Mount Vernon South

Courthouse Horseshoe Parking Lot

700 S. 2nd St

Mount Vernon

## Sedro-Woolley Post Office-Side of Building

111 Woodworth St

Sedro-Woolley

(In the alley between Eastern Ave and Metcalf)

## Swinomish Tribe-Social Services

17337 Reservation Rd

La Conner



Postage is not needed for drop boxes

You may also drop your ballot off in person at:

## Elections Department

Skagit County Auditor's Office

2nd & Kincaid Streets (700 S. 2nd Street)

Mount Vernon, 360-336-9305

Open 8:30-4:30 Week Days

# All Offices and Candidates 2014

Following are the Skagit County offices and candidates in the November 4, 2014 General Election.

Candidates whose names are followed by an asterisk (\*) did not submit statements for this Voters' Pamphlet.

## Assessor

Dave Thomas  
Tom L. Pasma

## Sheriff

Will Reichardt

## Auditor

Jeanne Youngquist  
Cheryl D. Mitchell

## Treasurer

Katie Jungquist  
Bradley Whaley

## Clerk

Mavis Betz

## District Court, Position 1

Warren M Gilbert\*

## Commissioner District 3

Lisa Janicki  
Kevin Loy

## District Court, Position 2

David A. Svaren\*

## Coroner

Babetta Spinelli\*  
Daniel Dempsey\*

## PUD Commissioner, Position 1

Al Littlefield  
Jason Easton

## Prosecuting Attorney

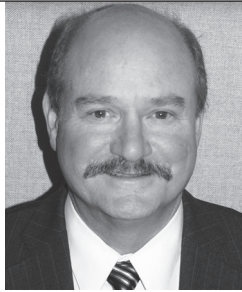
Richard Weyrich\*



Candidate & Measure statements are printed exactly as submitted. The Skagit County Elections Office does not make corrections of any kind or verify statements for truth or fact.

## Dave Thomas

(Prefers Republican Party)



Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience: 17 years on assessor staff as residential appraiser and sales analyst. Perform statistical valuations and administration of assessor software system. President of North Puget Sound Chapter of the IAAO 2003-2013.

Education: Graduate of Mount Vernon High School and Skagit Valley College. Additional credits earned through WSU Distance Degree Program. Over 400 hours of appraisal/assessment education through the Appraisal Institute, IAAO and Department of Revenue.

Community Service: Member on executive boards of the Burlington Library Foundation and Skagit Valley Softball Association. Other volunteer work for the Skagit Humane Society, Special Olympics and Helping Hands Food Bank.

Statement: Dave is a 51 year resident of Skagit County and has a work history including construction management, retail management and appraisal. His long tenure in the Assessor's Office has prepared him well for administrating property tax assessment in Skagit County. If elected, Dave will focus on three key issues. First is the need to create more efficiency in the assessment process by improving modeling techniques and use of technology. Second is to bring a higher level of professionalism to the office and provide more information to the public. Third is to establish a sound policy of procedures to assist current and future staff to maintain consistency in assessment. As President of the North Puget Sound Chapter of the International Association of Assessing Officers (IAAO), Dave organized numerous training seminars and has taught the Fundamental Appraisal Principles course. He has participated in the Washington State Association of County Assessors (WSACA) and Washington Association of County Officials (WACO) state conferences and met with state legislators to promote assessment efficiency bills and protection of water rights for rural property owners. Dave stands for fairness in property tax and will work to oppose legislation that creates tax shifts. Dave lives in Burlington with his wife, Danielle, and they recently celebrated 28 years of marriage. Their three adult children are Rae 37, Matt 27, and Tara 24. His hobbies are recreational sports, camping and cooking.

Contact: (360) 757-1745; daveforassessor@gmail.com

## Tom L. Pasma

(Prefers Democratic Party)



Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Since 1994, owner with wife Sue Schultze of Double S Quarter Horses, Bow. We breed, raise, train, and show champion western cow horses. Board and train private horses, teach riding skills. Three term president of WA State Quarter Horse Association. Professional Auctioneer, 25 years.

Education: Western Montana State, Business Administration; Colorado State University, Equine Reproduction.

Community Service: Blanchard/Edison Water Association; Northern State Redevelopment Study; Clean Samish Initiative, Skagit Conservation District; charity auctioneer raising thousands for local non-profits such as Skagit Land Trust, Junior Livestock, and Boys/Girls Clubs. Active in state legislative land use and agricultural issues.

Statement: As a taxpayer, small business owner, and active volunteer in our community, I know how much our property tax bill impacts individuals and businesses. Taxpayers in Skagit County deserve to have confidence in the fairness and accuracy of their tax assessments. I am asking for your vote to restore confidence, accountability and transparency to the County Assessor's office. In 2011, approximately \$100 million in new construction slipped through the cracks at the County Assessor's Office without being taxed. This cost the county and local districts about \$160,000. Even worse, that loss had to be made up by existing taxpayers. Even after a scathing report by the state Department of Revenue, little has been done to fix the basic problems. Taxpayers should know what is going on in local government – that's transparency. Residents should have someone who will listen to them – that's public accountability. The work of the Assessor's office should be done right – that's just good government. The staff of the Assessor's office can do a good job but they need fresh leadership to give them goals and support to be effective. This will restore trust and confidence in the office. We cannot afford more of the same. My leadership experience has involved many aspects of Skagit county life. I have served on the board of my water district, successfully advocated for agricultural and land use issues in the state legislature, and promoted economic development initiatives. Many of you know me as the auctioneer at charity events like Friendship House, Humane Society, Skagit Valley College, and 4H Livestock, raising thousands of dollars for local non-profits. With tight budgets, every dollar we collect and every dollar we spend matters. That is why this election matters. Vote for good government – vote for Tom Pasma.

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www.tompasma.com

## Jeanne Youngquist

(Prefers Democratic Party)



Elected Experience: County Auditor 2007-2014

Other Professional Experience: Co-owner of Mike and Jean's Berry Farm, vertically integrated, growing, packing, selling, and shipping berries and vegetables. Skagit Valley and United General Hospital Patient Access Manager, Mount Vernon High School Teacher of Home Economics, Founder of Berry Good School - daycare for community and farm workers.

Education: Burlington-Edison Schools, Washington State University "BS" and graduate Class One of "Leadership Skagit"

Community Service: Supported our community through church, local, state, & national boards. Presently serving NW Agricultural Business Center, WSU National Ag. Advisory Board, WA Heritage Barn Committee, Skagit Historical Museum, Past President Pioneer Assoc.

Statement: Skagit County Auditor Jeanne Youngquist proudly reports the success and accomplishments of her excellent staff over her past two terms. The following are a sample of the notable goals and accomplishments under her oversight. In a cooperative effort with other county resources, the public now has access to recorded documents previously accessible by on-sight film research. Business to genealogy research is available on line dating back to 1975; with additional on-line provisions back to 1942, and earlier records on request. Potentially compromising personal identifiers have been progressively and successfully redacted from on-line public access. Groundwork is laid for procurement of a software system capable of electronic recording of land records and other documents, providing more access and efficiency to customers. Enhanced services to voters include 9 popular conveniently placed ballot drop boxes; Online Voter's Guide for every election with a combined State and Local Voter's Pamphlet for every General Election; online voter registration and candidate filing; and, secure online access to your individual voter information and history. A major remodel of the elections processing area with grant funding has streamlined and created a more transparent process for efficiency, security, public viewing and education. The Licensing Division and five county sub-agents provide excellent vehicle and vessel licensing services while the office has accomplished "finding-free" audits by the Washington State Department of Licensing. In addition, the Accounting Division has been awarded the prestigious national CAFR award (Comprehensive Annual Financial Reporting) for excellent reporting of Skagit County's financial statements. In addition we provided the first Washington county PAFR (Popular Annual Financial Report) a report more easily understood by the general public. Both are available on our web site. Providing the best possible service to both internal and external customers and maintaining public accountability is a priority for Auditor Youngquist.

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## Cheryl D. Mitchell

(Prefers Republican Party)



Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Deputy Auditor Skagit County, M.A./Referral Coordinator Republic Medical Clinic, MEI Document Control Anvil Corporation at Shell PSR.

Education: Mount Vernon High School, Bryman College Everett WA

Community Service: Supports/donates to United Way, March of Dimes, Goodwill, and Susan G Komen.

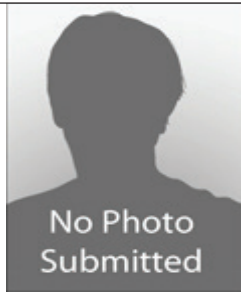
Statement: If you believe as I do that our democracy succeeds with new ideas, new people, and a different voice, please select Cheryl D. Mitchell to bring a new point of view to the office of Skagit County Auditor. If elected, I will bring 15 years experience in the office as a Deputy Auditor. I will provide strong leadership, as well as fresh perspective to any and all issues the office may face. I will continue to praise the excellent staff for their dedication and will be open to their ideas for improvement. I look forward to exploring new technologies to improve election information accessible from the current website as well as each department within the auditor's office. Citizens will know I am their advocate in county government by my commitment to providing the most effective and efficient services possible. If elected, I will safeguard taxpayer's money in our control and see that it is spent wisely and for authorized purposes. I will promote and ensure accountability throughout County government. I will lead by example emphasizing integrity, honesty, and ethics by all in the Auditor's office. I sincerely ask for your vote November 4th, 2014.

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## Mavis Betz

(Prefers Democratic Party)



## Unopposed

Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer 8 years

Other Professional Experience: Chief Deputy Clerk 2003 to present. Office Manager at Skagit County Prosecutor's Office 1992 to 2003. Paralegal for private attorney for 14 years. Washington Association of Legal Professionals - held many offices and elected as Officer of the Year and Legal Professional of the Year. Skagit County Association of Legal Professionals - held all offices and elected as Legal Professional of the year. Associate member Washington State Association of County Clerks.

Education: Sedro-Woolley High School. CTC Business School. Leadership Skagit class of 2007. Certified Professional Legal Secretary. Continuing education classes regarding leadership and management.

Community Service: Kiwanis Club of Mount Vernon 1996 to present. Past President. Past Lt. Governor. Past Co-Chair Tulip Festival Salmon BBQ. Skagit Valley College Advisory Council. Welcome Baby Board Member. Skagit Valley Herald Christmas Fund Board Member. Raised funds for Muscular Dystrophy.

Statement: I am excited to be your next County Clerk and humbled to be running unopposed. I know what a privilege that is. I have thoroughly enjoyed working as the Chief Deputy Clerk for the last twelve years and look forward to continue working with the excellent staff as County Clerk. We will continue to streamline processes including our goal of having only digitized files with paper on demand. Helping members of the public negotiate through the justice system is the most important task of the Clerk's Office. We do not take that responsibility lightly. Working with the other Law & Justice Departments has been extremely rewarding. It is an honor to serve as your County Clerk for the next four years.

Contact: (360) 424-3317; cmbetz@comcast.net

## Lisa Janicki

(Prefers Democratic Party)



**Elected Experience:** Elected in 2003 as a freeholder for District #3 to help write a Skagit County charter.

**Other Professional Experience:** I have over 30 years' experience in business and, currently, serve as Chief Financial Officer for Janicki Industries. Board member (2002-2014), Economic Development Association of Skagit County; Board member (2009-current), Association of Washington Business

**Education:** Gonzaga University, Bachelor's in accounting. Leadership Skagit graduate – 2005.

**Community Service:** Board member, Soroptimist International of Sedro-Woolley, Gonzaga University Board of Regents, Board member, United Way of Skagit County, Named SWAN Woman of the Year (2004).

**Statement:** Skagit County has been home to our family for five generations. That's why I am running for County Commissioner. I am committed to keeping this community a great place for Skagit residents, their children, and their children's children. As a business leader, I've worked to grow our business, develop careers and encourage others to learn new skills. As a volunteer, I've focused my efforts on education, mentoring young women, and reducing poverty in Skagit County. As a Commissioner, I will work to attract companies that provide careers and family-wage jobs. Having served as Chief Financial Officer for Janicki Industries, I have the knowledge to oversee County finances and budgets, and I've successfully managed many large projects. I know how to ask the hard questions that bring a project in on time and on budget. Jobs are important, but so is protecting our environment. We need to preserve our farmland, forests, and water. That's why my family and I have been strong supporters of Skagit Land Trust and The Nature Conservancy. If elected, I will support policies that will preserve the quality of life we cherish. Skagit residents deserve a strong public health program. I will be a forceful advocate for developing an effective county-wide public health strategy to improve the wellbeing of our citizens and contain health care costs. I don't shrink from making tough decisions, but I'm a collaborative leader who knows how to work with all kinds of people. That's a key job skill whether you're in business or government. And I've been part of the leadership team that has steered Janicki Industries through a period of incredible growth and diversification so I understand the need to be flexible and creative in searching for solutions. I look forward to serving you as Skagit County Commissioner from District #3.

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## Kevin Loy

(Prefers Republican Party)



**Elected Experience:** Current Sedro-Woolley City Councilman, Precinct Committee Officer. Ran for freeholder in 2003 County Charter election.

**Other Professional Experience:** Eight years Sedro-Woolley Planning Commission, Twelve years Skagit County Parks Board, Industrial construction and construction management, past owner Hawaii Beverage Equipment Company Honolulu Hawaii, current insurance broker.

**Education:** Mount Vernon schools, Wenatchee Valley College, Skagit Valley College various business training and industry training

**Community Service:** President of "Team up 4 Teens:" . Volunteer: SWHS, Challenge day, judge senior projects, umpire youth baseball, softball, founded softball league for teen age women, Cheer at the Fair and Skagit County Cheerleading Exhibition

**Statement:** I believe in individual rights: economic, social, water, property and civil. Without our rights, especially property and water, we lose our freedom. As a native Skagitonian, I believe the heritage and culture that define us is being threatened. These threats include disappearing family farms, loss of property and water rights, growing crime in our communities and lack of jobs. I am a realist. I understand that our county is subject to regulations from the federal, state government as well as the courts. Government is not the answer to all problems. County government's first responsibility is public safety. County government needs to be concerned about our local environment, but not treat citizens as the enemy. Above all, government needs to respect the rights of every individual. In ten years we have seen 53 dairy farms shrink to 30. If our elected leaders won't defend us against faceless bureaucrats, the assault on our property rights will expand. Our farming community will be only large corporations; family farms will disappear, and the rural nature of our unique county. We need special concentration on gangs. Gangs are a developing menace in our communities. Every type of drug is readily available to the population. This assault on our communities is accompanied by a growing crime rate that threatens the peace and safety we take for granted. I'm a leader, not a follower. I ask you to hire me as a Skagit County Commissioner to provide a strong voice on these and other important issues. As the Commissioner I will work as your employee, I will represent you. This may seem obvious, but too often elected officials come to believe they represent the government, not you. I'm available for your questions or comments at 360-421-8396. Thank you for your vote, Kevin.

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## Will Reichardt

(Prefers Democratic Party)



## Unopposed

**Elected Experience:** Elected Skagit County Sheriff in 2010, Elected President of Skagit County Sheriff's Deputy Guild in 1993-1996.

**Other Professional Experience:** Skagit County Homeland Security Advisory Committee, Skagit 911 Advisory Board, Skagit Law & Justice Committee, Washington State Sheriff's Association, Northwest LEARN Board Committee

**Education:** Anacortes High School, Skagit Valley College AA (Criminal Justice)Western Washington University BA (Political Science)FBI National Academy Quantico, VA 2002Drug Enforcement Agency Academy Quantico, VA 2009

**Community Service:** United Way of Skagit County Board Member, Leadership Skagit 2009United General Hospital advisory committee, Brigid Collins Family Support Center advisory committee, Volunteer with Special Olympics

**Statement:** It has been an honor to serve these past 4 years as your Skagit County Sheriff. I am proud to work with the dedicated men and women of the Sheriff's Office who strive each day to provide professional and efficient law enforcement services to the residents and visitors to our county. We are an Office that works hard to provide excellent customer service, problem solving and conflict resolution. Protecting individual rights while at the same time holding those accountable who are doing the community harm is our top priority. These past 4 years have seen significant progress on our goal to resolve our overcrowded jail problem. In 2012 we reached consensus with our city partners on a new jail plan and in 2013 the voters responded overwhelmingly with a 73% approval for an increased sales tax to fund its construction and operation. 2014 has been devoted to permit approval and design plans, with a goal to begin construction in 2015. I believe the end product will be the most efficient and safe jail in the State. The past 4 years have also seen many technological advances in the way we do business. From improved computer software in patrol cars, barcodes for evidence items or a paperless discovery process we are constantly looking to become more efficient. We have also reached out to find more and better ways to communicate with the public to better understand the community needs. We have upgraded our website, increased the use of various social media options and began sending out customer service cards to gain insight on how to serve the community better. Despite our past accomplishments my eye is towards the future and the work to be done. I look forward to serving you the next 4 years as your Skagit County Sheriff.

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## Katie Jungquist

(Prefers Republican Party)



**Elected Experience:** Katie has served as Skagit County Treasurer for 14 years.

**Other Professional Experience:** She started working in the Treasurer's Office in 1977. She was promoted to Assistant Treasurer in 1984, a position she held until elected Treasurer in 2000. Katie has been actively involved in the Washington State Association of County Treasurers, including holding the positions of President and Chair of Education. She was also the project manager for development of the procedure manual for the Washington County Treasurers.

**Education:** B.A. in Business Administration, Central Washington University

**Community Service:** Skagit-Mount Vernon Kiwanis Club (Past Secretary) and active in a variety of other organizations in our community.

**Statement:** It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the citizens of Skagit County as Treasurer for the past 14 years. I have taken this responsibility very seriously and always performed to the best of my abilities. I look forward to continuing to serve as your Treasurer. I am seeking re-election so that I can continue to provide quality service for taxpayers. I would continue to find new ways to increase efficiency and to enhance the office's processes and procedures through improved technology. As County Treasurer, I play a key role in the public's trust of local government. This role requires special knowledge of the billing, collecting and disbursing of taxes and assessments, as well as debt financing. I enjoy the opportunity to serve and assist taxpayers on a daily basis. I also value my working relationship with my fellow Elected Officials and Department Heads as we address the County needs. Good communication is key to providing cost-effective government services. From my first day working in the Treasurer's Office, I have served the people of Skagit County with diligence and integrity. The skills and knowledge I have gained throughout my years of experience have proven invaluable in efficiently running this office. I appreciate your support and look forward to your vote in the upcoming election.

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## Bradley Whaley

(Prefers Democratic Party)



**Elected Experience:** Board Member, Burlington Edison School District, 2010 - 2013

**Other Professional Experience:** Café Burlington, Burlington, Washington, Owner, October, 2004 – Present, Skagit County, Mount Vernon, Washington, Budget and Finance Director, September, 2001 – February, 2004, ST. Joseph County, Centreville, Michigan, Finance Director, June 1993 – September, 2001, Kalamazoo Valley Community College, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Director of Fiscal Operations/Controller, March 1990 – June 1993

**Education:** Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan, Bachelor of Business Administration, December 1990, Magna Cum Laude, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, Bachelor of Arts, April, 1981, Uniform Certified Public Accounting examination, May 1992

**Community Service:** Burlington Rotary Club, Sponsor Annual Concert for Toys for Tots of Skagit County.

**Statement:** Brad Whaley has the necessary credentials, substantial financial experience, and broad management experience for the position of Treasurer with one goal in mind: What can he do that is in the best interest of the taxpayer? Having extensive experience working with professional staff, managers and elected officials within the County, and State auditors and legislators, he is able to bring new innovative ideas to the position of County Treasurer in the areas of better customer service, happier employee relations, and efficiencies not normally found in a governmental environment. Having owned a successful "hospitality business" for the past ten years has only enhanced his experience and skills for the responsibility entrusted by the taxpayers of Skagit County. Brad now feels that it is time to return to his chosen profession. The Office of Treasurer is a logical fit for him as he has experience with and can be responsible for all of the functions of this office and there is very little, if any, "learning curve" when it comes to this position. Brad understands the importance of keeping ahead of the ever changing technology in the financial world and the responsibility to assure our customers that they can safely conduct business with the Treasurer's office as well as other offices within the County without threat to their own personal finances. He also has some innovative ideas to introduce to the department that will assist families in managing large property tax payments that will be good for them as well as the various governments that depend upon these monies for the services they provide. His plan is a win-win for everyone. Brad is excited to have the opportunity to serve the taxpayers of Skagit County and invites all feedback that will help keep the department friendly, efficient and productive. Facebook: "Brad Whaley for Skagit County Treasurer"

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## Al Littlefield

Non-partisan office



**Elected Experience:** Skagit Public Utility District Commissioner #1 since 1986, Current President of Skagit PUD, Past President PUD Self-Insurance Board for State of Washington, Anacortes City Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Washington Public Utility District Water and Steering Committee member, WPUDA voting delegate, WSDFW Hunter Ed Instructor retired, Membership in: RSVP, Lifetime Eagles, Wildlife for Habitat, National Firewise Advisory Board, Retired Texaco Dealer/owner for 30+ years.

**Education:** Anacortes School System.

**Community Service:** Member of Anacortes Lutheran Church, Washington Roadside Cleanup Volunteer, Relay for Life Volunteer, Anacortes Hoop Shoot volunteer, AHS Sports Booster, long time recycler.

**Statement:** I am proud to say I am locally grown and locally raised! I feel I have more detailed knowledge, and experience on the pressing issues facing Skagit PUD #1. My track record, my previous 30+ years as your PUD commissioner and my continuing goal to maintain the level of service to which you our customers are accustomed makes me the best candidate for the job. I have always been mindful of the value of safe, affordable, quality water for my friends and family as well as your friends and family. In my other life, I know firsthand the value of water --- I have a well! I have the energy, expertise, and experience to continue as your PUD Commissioner for District 1. A few of the projects I wish to see completed in my next term of office: Installation of a six million gallon water tank in Mount Vernon; two new water storage tanks replacing old ones on south Fidalgo Island; completion of the main replacement water line between Mount Vernon and Judy Reservoirs, completion of the new software program under budget, continue to make water rights available to Skagit County for exempt wells. I am running an energetic and honest campaign. I am taking no donations -- I will not be beholden to anyone. I am very proud of the fact that Skagit PUD has received a clean, clear audit from the State of Washington for many years. Let's maintain the best water -- water to drink, water to clean, water to cool and water to grow. Re-elect Al Littlefield, Skagit County Public Utility District Commissioner for District 1.

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## Jason Easton

Non-partisan office



**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Husband, Father and Grandfather; former Youth Pastor; Washington Realtors NW regional government affairs director; public affairs consultant for state's largest private utility company, Skagit/Island County Builders Association and the North Puget Sound Association of Realtors.

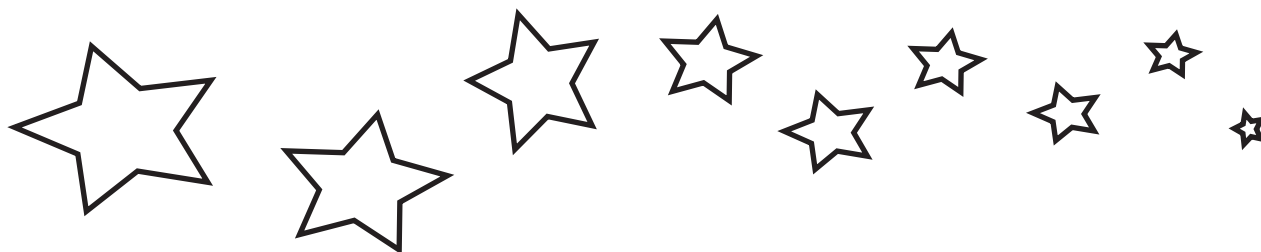
**Education:** Iron Workers Union, Local 86, Apprenticeship/Journeyman program; Washington State's Short Course on Planning.

**Community Service:** Vice-chair Flood Control Zone District Advisory committee; past chair, Skagit County Planning Commission; past chair, Skagit Business Alliance; youth softball, soccer and basketball coach; former board of director, Boys and Girls Club; served on the advisory committee, Anacortes Superintendent of Schools.

**Statement:** I will serve our region as the PUD commissioner wholeheartedly with my experience and proven leadership. For me, it is giving back to the community where I have raised my family and my children are raising theirs. My love for family and my community is my motivation to make balanced choices to protect our environment as well as our jobs, homes, businesses and families, not just for today but for future generations. As an effective leader and former chair of the Skagit County Planning Commission, I conducted hearings and lead negotiations on tough issues. I chaired the Skagit Business Alliance and I was the lead instructor for their annual candidates' college. I was on the Skagit River Basin's water resources committee and currently I am volunteering with a group that is investigating flood control improvements. I have received broad-based support and endorsements from agricultural and environmental leaders, from the local Realtor and Builder associations and from both the Skagit County Democrat and Republican parties. That is evidence that the effective solutions I have worked hard for in the past and the ones I intend to seek in the future are respected by many concerned citizens in our region, no matter what their political persuasion. My priorities are: Transparent Government. Decisions should be made in an open and honest way. PUD meetings should be recorded to keep the public informed and the Commission accountable to those who elect them. Stewardship. Water is a shared resource and a shared opportunity. Conserving, preserving and improving our water delivery systems are critical to our region's vitality. Fiscal Responsibility. We need efficient systems so there are no unnecessary rate increases. That includes preventing waste of our valuable water resources. It would be an honor to serve as your Skagit PUD Commissioner.

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## Have you moved?



## Have you changed your name?

# Make sure you receive your ballot!

If any of the following has changed, you need to update your voter registration information:

- Moved within Skagit County
- Moved out of Skagit County
- New mailing address
- Name change

You can update your information by calling our office at 360-336-9305, visiting MyVote at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov), or by filling out the form on the following page and mailing it to our office or bringing to:

Skagit County Elections (Auditor's Office)  
PO Box 1306  
700 S. 2nd St., Room 201  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

## Your vote is your voice!



Skagit County

# Voter update form

I have

moved

changed my name

a different mailing address

Note: If you have moved out of Skagit County, please fill out your new address and sign the declaration. We will cancel your voter registration and forward the information on to your new county.

Printed Name

date of birth

New physical address

city/state/zip

New mailing address

city/state/zip

Name change

If you have changed your name please:

- fill in your new name
- fill in your old name
- read and sign the declaration

New name (please print)

Old name (please print)

I declare that the facts on this voter registration update form are true. I am a citizen of the United States, I will have lived at this address in Washington for at least thirty days immediately before the next election at which I vote, I will be at least 18 years old when I vote, I am not disqualified from voting due to a court order, and I am not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington felony conviction.

Signature of voter

Date

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