

Pend Oreille County Official Local

Voters' Pamphlet

November 6, 2018 General Election



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Message from the Supervisor of Elections

Dear Pend Oreille County Voter,

On November 6, 2018 you will have the opportunity to help shape the future of our state and local community by electing our leaders. This pamphlet is a great resource and will assist you to make informed decisions.

I encourage you to read the candidate statements provided, visit candidate websites, and attend candidate forums before casting your ballot.

Your vote matters. Throughout history, there are countless examples where an election was decided by just a few votes and in some cases, ONE vote. Please join me in exercising the most precious right we have as an American – the right to vote!!

Please contact me if you have any questions or need assistance. It is an honor to serve you.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Krizenesky
Pend Oreille County Election Supervisor

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Local Election Information: <https://pendoreilleco.org/your-government/auditor/elections/>

State Election Information: <https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/>

Campaign Finance Information : <https://www.pdc.wa.gov/>

Registration Deadlines

Registration Deadlines:

Address & Name Changes: October 8th

Mail/Online Registration: October 8th

In-Person: October 29th

Ballots Mailed: October 18th**Need a Replacement Ballot?**

Have you lost or damaged your ballot and need a new one? Stop by our office or call for a replacement (509) 447-6472

Have a Question?

Phone: (509) 447-6472

Email: lkriszenesky@pendoreille.org

Visit: 625 W 4th Street Newport

New Write-In Law

Write-in candidates must file a declaration of candidacy.

Votes cast for non-declared write-ins will not be individually tallied.

Need Voting Assistance?

An accessible voting machine is available in the Auditor's Office. Please remember to bring your ballot.

Returning Your Ballot

What's New? No Stamp Required

Return your ballot envelope postage free through the mail or at a ballot drop box.

Deadline for Returning your Ballot

U.S. Mail

– Must be postmarked by November 6, 2018

Drop Box

– Must be in a drop-box by 8:00pm on November 6, 2018

Drop Box & Service Center Locations**Service Center - Newport:**

625 W 4th Street

Newport WA 99156

8:00am - 4:30pm

Closes promptly at 8:00pm Election Night

Drop Box - Newport:

In alley alongside Old Courthouse Building

625 W 4th Street

Newport WA 99156

Open 24 hours a day during the election period

Closes promptly at 8:00pm Election Night

Drop Box - Ione:

Between Library and Community Center

208 Blackwell Street

Ione WA 99139

Open 24 hours a day during the election period

Closes promptly at 8:00pm Election Night



James W.

McCroskey

(Prefers Republican Party)

Unopposed**Elected Experience**

Pend Oreille County Assessor, 2008 - present

Statement

It has been a privilege to serve the people of Pend Oreille County as Assessor this past decade.

Through this time, we have advanced into the 21st century by upgrading our computer and software systems along with the addition of a very informative and easy to use webpage.

With the computer and software upgrades, this office has been able to meet and satisfy the requirements of the Washington State Department of Revenue and the laws of the State of Washington. This will assure that valuations for taxation purposes are and will continue to be fair and equitable for tax distribution for the property owners, residents, and taxing districts of our county.

And with implementation of our user-friendly website, people looking for assessment/tax information, ownership, basic legal descriptions, etc. have saved time and expense by not having to visit the office. Also, information and forms are available on our webpage for the Senior/Disabled Exemption, the Current Use Agriculture, and the Designated Forest Land programs.

As your Assessor, I will continue to serve the people in Pend Oreille County to the best of my ability. I will continue to have employees who are trained and very capable in their positions. We will move forward with technology as required. My goal is to assure continued fairness and equitability, and to uphold the laws of the State of Washington for valuation, tax distribution, senior/disabled exemptions, current use programs, and the designated forest land program administered by this office for the Department of Revenue.

I very much appreciate your continued support and look forward to another four years as your county assessor.

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Marianne

Nichols

(Prefers Republican Party)

Unopposed**Elected Experience**

Pend Oreille County Auditor, 2007 – present

Other Professional Experience and Education

Graduate, Trend Business College; Limited Practice Officer for the State of Washington, 1995 – 2007, Washington State Certified Elections Administrator, Department of Licensing Certified Licensing Operator.

Community Service

Washington State Association of County Auditors President, Newport Area Chamber of Commerce Secretary, Newport Hospital and Health Services Foundation Board Member, Maws and Paws Booster Club member, First Baptist Church worship team member and Kids Church Leader, Pend Oreille County Republican Party.

Statement

Marianne has worked with an outstanding team to provide excellent customer service in all divisions of the Auditor's Office, including Vehicle Licensing, Recording, Elections and Financial Services. She and her staff have worked hard to improve the processes and software systems keeping up with the ever-changing technological and legislative demands in order to provide the citizens of Pend Oreille County with the service they deserve.

Marianne and her husband Jeff live in Newport where they are raising and actively involved in the lives of their two teenage boys, Cody and Luke.

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Tammie A.

Ownbey

(Prefers Republican Party)

Unopposed**Elected Experience**

Pend Oreille County Clerk, 2007 to Present

Education

Newport High School; Bachelor of Science, Eastern Washington University 1992

Community ServiceDeacon at House of the Lord Church. Women's Ministry
Leader at House of the Lord Church. Immediate Past
President of the Washington Association of County
Officials**Statement**

As a lifelong resident of Newport, I have a great love for Pend Oreille County. My husband, Forrest and I raised our two boys, Dean & Christopher here. We all graduated from Newport High School. I love this county & the citizens who live here; they are my neighbors and friends.

The Clerk's Office keeps all of the Superior Court records along with collecting any money that is due to the court. We handle nine different case types ranging from felony criminal matters to family law and probate to juvenile matters. We serve the Court, and the public with protection orders, jury service, legal financial obligations and passports.

It has been an honor to be your County Clerk for the last 12 years. In 2016 I was named Clerk of the Year, by my peers. This award was a highlight of my career as I am proud to represent Pend Oreille County. I have focused on being a strong leader through professional service & fiscal responsibility but it is my staff that carries out the day to day work with compassion and knowledge. Thank you for allowing me the privilege of serving as your County Clerk. I continue to be appreciative of your great support over the last 12 years and I look forward to serving you for another four. Thank you for your vote.

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Mike

Manus

(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience

Pend Oreille County Commissioner District 2 since 2012

Other Professional Experience

Safeway Management 30 years; Owner-operator of Whisper Creek Home Dealership 10 years; Tracker Boat Dealership Manager (3 years); Better Health Together Board Member, PO County Economic Development Council (3 years); Tri-County Economic Development District Board and Past Chair, Washington State Association of Counties Board and Legislative Steering (2 years); Tri-County Health District Board and Past Chair

Community Service

Founding President South Stevens County United Way; Pend Oreille County Health Coalition Member; NHHS Foundation Golf Committee; Past Chair Newport Chamber of Commerce

Statement

My wife, Kim, and I made Pend Oreille County our home 33 years ago. We have three successful grown daughters who often gather with us on the river with their husbands and our grandchildren. Our focus in life has always been to provide a safe and healthy environment for our family to come home to. With my leadership experience, the opportunity to serve as your County Commissioner allowed me to give back and make sure the community I love would meet this need. The Commissioner job is multi-faceted. Utilizing prior business experience, your Commissioners have moved the county in a positive direction with limited resources. Our focus has been on improving county infrastructure, including roads, buildings and equipment. Along the way, economic development has been identified as a key strategy to keep our county viable. The silicon plant proposed to locate in our County would help resolve our high unemployment and poverty issues. Passing the high standards of the Department of Ecology and Department of Health will be required to insure our environment remains pristine. My final approval of any project will need to pass the tough Washington State standards designed to protect our community.

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Sheryl

Miller

(States No Party Preference)

Other Professional Experience

Comprehensive skill set in business management, bookkeeping, payroll, inventory tracking and invoice supervision. Employment/Volunteer experience including Location Supervisor, Broadway Flying J Spokane WA.; Location Manager, Hico/Pring Corporation; Manager, hospitality establishments.

Education

University High School, Spokane WA; WSU Veterinary Science Youth Program, 4 years; ITT Computer Aided Drafting

Community Service

NYRBA Board Director, President, Treasurer; 4-H Leader; ARBA Judge; Spokane Humane Society, Volunteer

Statement

Sheryl Miller, bringing integrity to the job. Pend Oreille County needs change. I, along with the citizens of Pend Oreille County, ARE that change. I have lived in Pend Oreille County for 25 years. My children attended, and grandchildren attend, Newport schools. Three generations living, working, and playing here. I believe in open, transparent government. I believe in community involvement and decision making in the running of OUR County. I value effective public oversight. I will be a steward of our land, water, and air while addressing the issues facing our County. We need livable wage employment opportunities. We need to address why our citizens are not qualified to fill the jobs that currently exist. We need to address drug abuse and child abuse. We need to address our violent and property crime rates. Our budget needs to be reevaluated and waste cut. Funding opportunities will be solicited that fit with the County motto, "A Great Place to Live, Work, and Play." I pledge to build strong bridges between our city government, PUD, and the Kalispel Tribe of Indians.

I, Sheryl Miller, look forward to your support in electing me to be your next County Commissioner.

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Dolly

Hunt

(Prefers Republican Party)

Unopposed**Legal/Judicial Experience**

Dolly Hunt has been a prosecutor for over fourteen years. Prior to joining the Pend Oreille County Prosecutor's Office in 2006, she served three years as a deputy prosecutor in Okanogan County and has served as a special deputy prosecutor for Lincoln County.

Other Professional Experience

Dolly Hunt is a member of the Washington Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, the Washington Association of Coroners and Medical Examiners and the Board of Directors for Columbia Legal Services.

Education

Newport High School (1995); Gonzaga University, B.A. (1999); Santa Clara University School of Law, J.D. (2002).

Community Service

Dolly Hunt has served her community in many different areas. Please see www.dollyhunt.com for a complete biography.

Statement

As a prosecutor for over 14 years, I have served with integrity and a strong commitment to protecting the rights of all citizens. I was raised in Pend Oreille County and share the values of the people who live here.

I bring proven experience, a strong work ethic and dedication to this position. I will make certain that individual rights provided by our State and Federal Constitutions are protected and will hold those found to have violated the law accountable for their actions.

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Glenn
Blakeslee
(Prefers Republican Party)

Professional Experience

Honorable discharge from U.S. Coast Guard, 9 years' experience as a Patrol Deputy, 3 years as a major crimes/drug Detective, and over 7 years as a Patrol Sergeant. Other duties include; Field Training Officer, Firearms Instructor, Search and Rescue coordinator, Department training coordinator and others.

Education

More than 300 hours of supervisory training to include FBI Command College, FBI-LEEDA Command Leadership Institute, First Line Supervisor, Risk Management, Professional Standards and Internal Affairs, and others.

Statement

Experienced, Effective, Balanced Leadership. Law Enforcement in Pend Oreille County has been my passion and career for almost 20 years. While interacting with our citizens and responding to your calls for service I have come to know the needs of our communities. Currently I monitor and supervise the daily activities of our Deputies, ensuring that they enforce laws in a fair and professional manner. As a leader in our community I strive every day to make this a better place to live.

My top priorities include security options for our local schools, mental health and drug addiction solutions, community service work crews, and encouraging citizen participation using block watch groups. I understand that budgets are always an issue and providing quality service while remaining within our means is a crucial element of the Sheriff's responsibility. I vow to be accountable for any resources entrusted to me. With my years of law enforcement training and leadership experience, I look forward to an opportunity to serve as your next Sheriff. I would appreciate your vote in this election.

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Jon
Carman
(Prefers Republican Party)

18 years Law Enforcement Experience

Reserve Police Officer Town of Springdale & City of Tekoa. Deputy Sheriff Pend Oreille County 2002-2017, promoted to Detective in 2006. Police Detective Kalispel Tribal Police Department 2017-Present

Certification & Education

WA State Basic & Reserve Law Enforcement, Bureau of Indian Affairs Criminal Jurisdiction & WA State Tribal Police Officer. Field training Officer, Search & Rescue, Crime Scene Investigations, Clandestine Drug Laboratory Processing, DEA Drug Investigations, Prescription Drug Abuse & Diversion Investigations, Interview Techniques & Deception Detection, DEA Indoor Marijuana Investigations, WA State Defensive Tactics Instructor, Anti-Terrorism for State and Local Officers, WA State SWAT School, Street Survival, Response to Active Shooter & Force on Force, Federal Task Force Survival Awareness School, Child Abuse Investigation & Forensic Interviewing, Forensic Statement Analysis, Interviewing & Interrogation, Northwest Gang Investigators Association, Street Gangs & Organized Crime Investigations.

Community Service

20+ years Boy Scouts of America & President of Selkirk Little Guy Wrestling Club.

Statement

Pend Oreille County needs fundamental changes in Law Enforcement. The drug and property crime epidemic is a major problem. I will work closely with the citizens and surrounding law enforcement agencies to fight this encroachment on our lives. I will make the Sheriff's Office more accessible, responsive, inclusive, visible, and active throughout the entire county. This can be accomplished within the current budget. My approach: 24-hour coverage using 12-hour patrol shifts, partner with law enforcement agencies in Pend Oreille County to form a multi-jurisdictional drug task force & restore the Reserve Deputy Program. All Sheriff's office employees will be encouraged to get involved, seek out, and participate in training opportunities, be innovative, speak up, and make a difference in their communities.

"Putting Community Back into Policing"

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Nicole

Dice

(Prefers Republican Party)

Professional Experience

I have worked in city and county government for over 20 years. My career began with the City of Grand Coulee in 1997 as a Deputy Clerk/Treasurer where I stayed until I relocated to Pend Oreille County in 2009. I am currently an Accountant Revenue Specialist in the Pend Oreille County Treasurer's office and have been employed there since 2011.

Education

I studied Accounting and Business Administration at Spokane Falls Community College and received my Associate of Arts degree in Business.

Community Service

Ambulance Service, attend city council, PTA, Pend Oreille County EMS & Trauma Council, Maws & Paws Booster Club Member, and various school fundraisers.

Statement

As your treasurer I will continue to use my training and experience to provide excellent customer service and wise management of Public Funds. I will maintain the quality of work and professional service that exists under current & past Treasurers. I look forward to working with all departments, districts, and citizens of Pend Oreille County.

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Tom

Watson

(Prefers Republican Party)

Professional Experience

I have worked as a retail store manager, beginning in 1986 with Sprouse Reitz Store in Kennewick, Washington, and then relocated by the corporation to the Sprouse Reitz Store in Oldtown, Idaho in 1988. In 1994, the business became a Ben Franklin store, which I continued to manage/operate as an independent retail store until 2017, at which time the building was sold to be used for another purpose.

Education

I earned my Bachelor's Degree in Business Management from Central Washington University, where I also studied Accounting, Business Finance and Human Resource Management.

Community Service

I have 18-years as an active member of Newport Fire Department, Washington State Hunters Education Instruction for Pend Oreille County, Newport Chamber of Commerce, and former Vocational Advisory Committee Member for Newport School District.

Statement

I have contributed to the Pend Oreille County area for more than 30 years as a retail store manager and as an active member of our community. As an independent retail store manager, I operated the store debt free and profitable, using the revenue to continue to grow the business. The skills that I acquired while operating this business, along with strong leadership skills and work ethic, have made me uniquely qualified for this position. I will apply these same skills to the position of County Treasurer. My family and I are proud to call Pend Oreille County our home, and I would be honored to serve as your County Treasurer.

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Dan
Peterson

Elected Experience

Public Utility District Commissioner, first elected 1996.

Other Professional Experience

Experience: Pastor; General contracting company co-owner and office manager; Public Power Council chairman; Washington Public Utility Districts Association past president and government relations committee chairman; Public Utility Risk Management Services past president.

Education

Auburn Senior High School; BA, Biola; ThB, Multnomah; MA, Whitworth.

Community Service

Community Leaders Roundtable facilitator; Newport Area Chamber of Commerce board member; Newport Area Visitors Center volunteer; Economic Development Council past treasurer; Tri-County Economic Development District past chairman.

Statement

I seek to tell the truth, use common sense, always ask PUD staff the hard questions on behalf of ratepayers, and make decisions that are best for all the people of Pend Oreille County. I have never been an employee at the PUD and remind myself constantly to represent the public's concerns. I support all forms of economic development.

I'm focused on the future. Six of my grandchildren ages 5 to 16 are being raised by their parents in this county. I want their future to be bright, right here, because of PUD electricity and broadband access. When they're paying the bill, I want them to have the lowest possible rates for the highest possible quality. Safety and customer service should remain top priorities.

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Joe
Onley

Professional Experience

Chief Distribution Engineer; Technical Systems Specialist; Fiber Manager; GIS Engineer for PUD 30+ years; Chair of the Northwest Public Power Assc Engineering & Operations Conference 1999 (1,000+ attendees); Several Newport High ad-hoc committees; Fiber Optic Presenter at many Community/Regional/National Organizations; Northwest Open Access Network.

Education

Avionics Electronics Certification Air Force 1978; AA Degree Spokane Community College 1981; Bachelor of Science Electrical Engineering Gonzaga University 1986; Various Fiber Optic and Networking Courses.

Community Service

Chair Economic Development 10 years; twice, and currently, Church Treasurer; Member Pend Oreille County Planning Commission 20 years; Volunteer Fire Fighter 10 years; and EDC Citizen of the Year 2002.

Statement

Hello, I am Joe Onley and I would like your vote to be your next PUD Commissioner District 1, please Consider the Onley Choice. Here is why:

In my thirty plus years of experience with the PUD I oversaw and accomplished several community benefits for us. Foremost, the fiber optics to your home was my proudest accomplishment. I led the charge that included securing a \$27 million grant and managing the construction and deployment in a large portion of Pend Oreille County. Coupled with that, I negotiated with Seattle City Light to share the cost of fiber connectivity to Spokane, facilitating unheralded rural high speed connections to the Schools, Cell Towers, Hospitals, Libraries, Government, and Community Colleges. I negotiated and grant-funded the Metaline Falls and Box Cell Towers and the wireless in the North. Also, I was the lead engineer in bringing the Inland Customers into the PUD fold several years ago, also procuring nearly \$1 Million in FEMA funding from several disasters such as Ice Storm.

I think you will agree, and then see, that I am a visionary, community centric, that will assist in continuing to guide the PUD to bring Quality Service(s) at Low Cost. Thank you!

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Robin R.

McCroskey**Unopposed**

No Statement Submitted

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
Proposition No. 1

Annexation of the Town of Metaline into Pend Oreille County Fire District 2

Shall the Town of Metaline be annexed to and be a part of Pend Oreille County Fire District No. 2?

[] Yes

[] No

Explanatory Statement

No Explanatory Statement Submitted

No Argument For Submitted

No Argument Against Submitted

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2 Proposition No. 2

Explanatory Statement

Ten-Year EMS Levy

No Explanatory Statement Submitted

Will Pend Oreille County Fire Protection District No. 2 be authorized to fund emergency medical services for its citizens by imposing a regular property tax levy of \$0.50 or less per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for a period of ten consecutive years to be collected beginning in 2020?

No Argument For Submitted

No Argument Against Submitted

☐ Yes

☐ No

TOWN OF METALINE Proposition No. 1

Annexation of Metaline into Pend Oreille
County Fire Protection District No. 2 for Fire
Protection and Emergency Medical Services

Shall the Town of Metaline be annexed to
and be a part of Pend Oreille County Fire
Protection District No. 2?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Explanatory Statement

No Explanatory Statement Submitted

No Argument For Submitted

No Argument Against Submitted

SACHEEN LAKE WATER AND SEWER
DISTRICT

Proposition No. 1

Explanatory Statement

No Explanatory Statement Submitted

One Year Excess Levy For Maintenance and
Operation

No Argument For Submitted

Shall the following taxes, in excess of regular,
non-voted property tax levies, for operation and
maintenance purposes be levied for Sacheen
Lake Water and Sewer District's General Fund
upon all taxable property within the District;

No Argument Against Submitted

A tax of approximately \$.78 per thousand dollars
of assessed valuation (based on true and fair
value) to provide \$58,634, said levy to be made
in 2018 for collection in 2019.

☐ Yes

☐ No