



## Right To Life PAC Backs Republican Challenger In David Douglas Race



Democrat Annette Mattson

### Annette Mattson

Government Affairs & Public Policy Specialist;  
 Director – David Douglas School Board; 2009  
 President - Oregon School Boards Association  
**Democrat!**

Incumbent Democrat David Douglas School Board member Annette Mattson recently came under attack by Oregon Right-To-Life (ORTL) which sent out a post card endorsing her Republican opponent.

Mattson, a David Douglas school board member since 1995 has an impressive track record of local involvement including:

Current: David Douglas School Board since 1995; Oregon School Boards Association Board of Directors since 2002; Johnson Creek Watershed Council; Precinct Committee Person; David Douglas High School Parent Teacher Association.

Previous: Multnomah County Charter Review Commission; Powell Valley Road Water District Budget Committee; Metro Policy Advisory Council; East Portland Citizens Against Unfair Stormwater Fees; David Douglas Citizens for Schools; Floyd Light Booster Club; Mill Park Booster Club, Providence-Montessori PTO; and Gresham United Methodist Church Executive Committee.

She has been endorsed by Democrats: US Senator Jeff Merkley, State Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian, State Senator Rod Monroe, and Representative Jefferson Smith.

Her campaign states that: “A good education allows people to achieve their dreams in addition to driving the economy and preserving democracy in our nation.”

“I have lived in the David Douglas community for almost 30 years and served as a school board member almost 14 years.”

“I support high academic standards, success for every child, the needs and values of our increasingly diverse community, and an efficient use of taxpayer dollars.

Please vote for me so I can continue to work hard for our schools, community and future. “

Multnomah County Dems who vote in the David Douglas Schol District should support this hard-working Democrat. Want to get involved? Mattson’s phone number is 503-761-2585 and her email is [annettemattson@yahoo.com](mailto:annettemattson@yahoo.com).

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# ELECTIONS COMING - DID YOU KNOW?!

## - A CRIB sheet for you!!!!

Under-the-radar, but important local elections are on tap, and it's critical that Multnomah Democrats cast their ballots by May 19. 66 races are listed on the Multnomah County Elections website - [http://www.co.multnomah.or.us/dbcs/elections/2009-05/candidate\\_list.shtml](http://www.co.multnomah.or.us/dbcs/elections/2009-05/candidate_list.shtml) - But there are a small number that are actually contests. Several large contests feature a lone Democrat against Republican or Independent opponents. These are:

### **David Douglas School District (Mid-County area)**

Position 6 Director and **Democrat Annette L. Mattson** is challenged by local Republican attorney, Chas Freeman, who is endorsed by anti-choice organizations.

### **Multnomah ESD Position 4 Zone 4**

Position 4 **Democratic Incumbent Jean Haliski** is challenged by, C. Kostman, a young activist in the Republican Party

### **MESD Position 2**

**Democrat Charles Moffit** challenges incumbent Indy Scott Schafer and one other candidate.

### **Portland Community College**

Zone 4 Director: **Democrat Jim Harper** faces J. Dennison

## **In Gresham and East County**

### **Gresham Barlow School District**

Position 7: **Democrat John Eddy Hall** contends against 2 non-Dem challengers.

### **Mt Hood Community College**

Zone 1 Director **Dave Shields, Incumbent and Democrat** faces challenger, B. Gray.

### **Reynolds School District**

Position 1: **Democrat Matt Luce** challenges incumbent - and Republican - R. Phelps

Position 4: **Democrat Clifford Hirsch Jr.** challenges for the seat.

**In several key races, Democrats are faced with choosing among candidates that are all registered Dems. These races are:**

### **Portland School District**

#### **Zone 4 Director**

Martin Gonzalez (Incumbent)  
Steve Buel  
Rita Moore

#### **Zone 5 Director (open seat)**

Pam Knowles  
Scott Bailey



### **David Douglas School District**

Position 1 Director

Cheryl A. Scarcelli Ancheta (Incumbent)  
Eric Nelsen

## **Smaller, More localized races:**

### **Corbett School District #2:**

Democrat Susan Hammel takes on Republican J. Aho.

### **Riverdale School District in Southwest Multnomah County:**

Incumbent **Democrats Steven G. Klein (Position 5 Director), and Ron Penner-Ash (Position 1 Director)** defend their seats against non-Democratic challengers.

It's important that we support our local Dems in these non-partisan races. These are where and how the Republican Party made inroads and gained power over the last 30 years as we sat by.

At the very least, please be sure you VOTE and encourage your friends and family to do so, as well. These candidates would love to have your volunteer support, as well!

Information on all the races and 128 candidates can be found at: <http://thevoterguide.oregonlive.com/index.do?i=3>

### Multdems and Letter Carriers Work To Help Oregon Food Bank With Annual Food Drive

The Multnomah County Democrats will be participating in the Letter Carrier's Food Drive at the Gresham Post Office Saturday, May 9th, from 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm.

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Please contact John Vandermosten at 503-666-5982 (leave message) or [johnv5828@verizon.net](mailto:johnv5828@verizon.net) . Please, won't you give a little of your time to this worthwhile effort?



### Bike Tour With Representative Dembrow & Senator Dingfelder



*Michael Dembrow*

Join Rep. Michael Dembrow and Sen. Jackie Dingfelder as they lead a bike tour in the Cully neighborhood of Portland.

On Saturday, May 9th the legislators will meet at 9:30am in Wilshire Park, located at NE 33rd and Skidmore, before heading out on a six-mile jaunt around the neighborhood. The tour will stop at the Rigler School community garden for a brief work party followed by lunch from



*Jackie Dingfelder*

the tamale vendors at Hacienda Community Development Corporation.

All interested participants should RSVP to Rep. Dembrow's office at [rep.michaeldembrow@state.or.us](mailto:rep.michaeldembrow@state.or.us) or 503-986-1445.

We are partnering with Pedal Bike Tours and the Bus Project. Pedal Bike Tours will provide bikes to those who need one.

### Want The Scoop On Local Politics?

What's happening to county mental health services, our libraries and other essential county-funded programs? Will Major League soccer hurt or enhance our county's ability to provide human services to our most vulnerable citizens?

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Our second speaker is Sarah Chenven, Program Manager for Innovative Housing, a 501©3 nonprofit dealing with affordable housing in the city and county. Sarah will give a non-profit's perspective of the economic slump and its effect on our more vulnerable populations.

Bring your questions and concerns for Commissioner Cogen and Sarah Chenven, both of whom are always informative and informed. And then, be prepared to lend a hand where it's most needed.

## **The Democratic Party of Oregon will hold its 2nd-Quarter SCC meeting on May 30, 2009, at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande**

### **SATURDAY, MAY 30**

**12:00 - 5:00 Chairs and Vice-Chairs Meeting & Training**

**Eastern Oregon University - La Grande, OR**  
*Specific location and agenda TBA*

**6:00 Dinner, details TBA**

### **SUNDAY, MAY 31**

**Eastern Oregon University - La Grande, OR**  
*Specific location TBA*

**9:00 - 10:30 Caucus Meetings**

**10:30 - 12:00 Committee Meetings**

**Credentials**

**Budget**

**Rules**

**12:00 - 12:30 Executive Committee Meeting**

**12:00 - 1:00 SCC Credentialing / Time for Lunch**

**1:00 - 3:00 State Central Committee Meeting**

**Tentative Agenda:**

**1:00 Flag salute**

**1:05 Approval of minutes from March 15, 2009**

**1:10 Budget update**

**1:20 Credentials Committee Report Quorum**

**1:25 Business of meeting**

**Special Guest**

**1:50 Committee Reports**

**Resolution 0409 / Bybee resolution -**

*(See Column on the right)*

**2:15 Acknowledgements, Announcements**

**3:00 Adjourn**

#### **2009 State Central Committee Calendar:**

1st Quarter Meeting: March 14th-15th Albany, OR  
2nd Quarter Meeting: May 30th-31st La Grande, OR  
3rd Quarter Meeting: Sept. 19th-20th Location TBA  
4th Quarter Meeting: Dec 5th-6th Location TBA



RESOLUTION NO. 2009-40

A RESOLUTION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF OREGON

Whereas the December 9, 1975 U.N. Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman, or Degrading Treatment or Punishment was ratified by the U.S. Senate in 1994 and is therefore the supreme law of the land under Article VI of the U.S. Constitution, and

Whereas Article 5 of the Platform of the Democratic Party of Oregon states "We recognize that adherence to the rule of law and compliance with all ratified treaties is essential to our security and moral standing as a nation," and

Whereas the U.N. Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman, or Degrading Treatment or Punishment requires the prosecution of those who authorize torture, and

Whereas former Assistant Attorney General, and current Federal Judge of the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Jay S. Bybee signed the "Bybee Memo," or "Torture Memo" of August 1, 2002, which advised the C.I.A. that "cruel, inhuman or degrading" treatment was at times allowable under U.S. law, and authored, co-authored and signed other memos on "extraordinary rendition" and "enhanced interrogation," and

Whereas in March, 2003 Jay S. Bybee was appointed to a lifetime position on the U.S. Court of Appeals in the Ninth Circuit, which includes the State of Oregon, and Whereas Jay S. Bybee's role in providing legal cover for activities which meet the definition of prohibited and prosecutable actions under the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, has only recently come to light.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF OREGON RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. We commend President Obama for releasing the aforementioned memos in fulfillment of his campaign promise to bring greater transparency to government;
2. We call on Rep. John Conyers, Chair of the House Judiciary Committee, to begin investigations regarding the role of Jay S. Bybee in authoring, approving and disseminating these memos.
3. We further urge Rep. Conyers to consider whether Jay S. Bybee is fit to serve on the second highest court in the land and to decide whether instituting Impeachment proceedings against Judge Jay Bybee is warranted.
4. We call on the members of Oregon's Congressional delegation to support Rep. Conyer's investigation so that a complete record of Bybee's role in authorizing torture can be laid before the American people.

Resolution submitted by Dave Jackson and Kathy Jackson, Multnomah County; Dean Byers and Sara Byers, Douglas County.

# Merkley, Blumenauer, Bailey Announce Energy Plan Legislation With Oregon House Bill 2626



Jules Kopel-Bailey (2nd from left during press conference)

Portland, OR – Oregon’s Senator Jeff Merkley, joined by U.S. Congressman Earl Blumenauer, announced a plan today that will reduce energy consumption, create jobs and allow every American to participate in the fight to arrest global warming. The legislation is modeled on the bi-partisan State House Bill 2626, authored by State House Rep. Jules Bailey (D-42).

The Consumer and Business Clean Energy Financing Act of 2009 will establish a federal clean energy small-scale lending program that allows homeowners and business owners to receive low-interest loans for improving the energy efficiency of their homes and businesses.

Rather than waiting years or even decades to see a payback in energy savings on energy efficiency and renewable energy investments, home and business owners could afford changes immediately through the loan program.

Increasing the energy efficiency of homes and buildings will employ people in a variety of work including improving insulation, replacing leaky windows and heating ducts, and installing solar panels and geothermal heat pumps.

Loans for clean energy projects would go to homeowners and owners of commercial property and would be structured so that the owner can make the loan payments out of the money they save on their energy bills.

The federal program would deliver the loans and energy efficiency services to consumers through utilities, state and local programs, such as the Oregon Energy Ef-

*“This legislation is an example of our commitment to building a 21st century energy policy for America. Not only will it help homeowners who want to save money and energy, it will provide a cost effective and efficient mechanism to stimulate local economies and create “green collar” jobs. I appreciate the hard work of Representative Bailey to push his measure through the State Legislature, and look forward to working with my colleague Senator Merkley to enact our idea in Congress.” -Congressman Earl Blumenauer*

iciency and Sustainable Technology Act sponsored by Rep. Bailey, or other organizations.

Merkley’s legislation will follow the model set by State House Bill 2626. That bill is currently in the Oregon House Revenue Committee. Blumenauer plans to introduce similar legislation in the U.S. House

“This is the kind of innovative thinking Oregon is known for. Any idea that can simultaneously reduce dependence on fossil fuels, cut costs for families and businesses, and create jobs deserves federal support,” Merkley said. “I’ll fight for this plan at the congressional level so every American has a chance to save money on their energy bills and do their part to help build a clean energy industry and reduce pollution while they’re at it.”

“This legislation is an example of our commitment to building a 21st century energy policy for America,” Blumenauer said. “Not only will it help homeowners who want to save money and energy, it will provide a cost effective and efficient mechanism to stimulate local economies and create “green collar” jobs. I appreciate the hard work of Representative Bailey to push his measure through the State Legislature, and look forward to working with my colleague Senator Merkley to enact our idea in Congress.”

“Our economy is down, energy bills are up, and our climate is changing,” Bailey said. “I’m proud that this Oregon bill will receive attention in Washington, DC. This legislation will meet our climate challenge, bring relief to families, and create jobs that can never be outsourced.”

# Mult Dems Monthly Calendar

See [www.multdems.org](http://www.multdems.org) for ongoing updates

## Mult Dems New Office Grand Opening

A Saturday in JUNE - TBA , 3127 NE 67th, Portland

## Bike Tour w/ Rep. Dembrow & Sen. Dingfelder

May 9, 2009 9:30am

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## Town Hall w/ Rep. Greenlick

May 9, 2009 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Rep. Mitch Greenlick's next town hall meeting will be at 1pm on May 9 at the NW Multnomah Public Library on NW. 23rd at NW.Thurman. There will be a Washington County meeting a bit later in May.

## Letter Carriers' Food Drive

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## MCDCC Monthly Meeting

May 14, - 6:00pm social, 7:00pm business meeting  
Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 NE 40th, Portland

## Clark County Jefferson Jackson Dinner

June 5, 2009 4:30pm – 9:00pm

The Clark County Democratic Central Committee (CCDCC) is proud to announce that Governor Howard Dean, Immediate Past Chair of the Democratic National Committee, will give the keynote address at the 2009 Jefferson Jackson Dinner and Auction on Friday, June 5, at the Event Center at the Clark County Fairgrounds from 4:30-9:00pm

## MCDCC Monthly Meeting

June 11, - 6:00pm social, 7:00pm business meeting  
Hollywood Senior Center, 1820 NE 40th, Portland

## Baseball Night at PGE Park

July 17 - 7:00pm

PGE Park , 1844 SW MorrisonPortland, OR

Join your fellow Multnomah County Dems, along with the Washington County and Clackamas County Democrats, to cheer on the Beavers as they take on the Salt Lake Bees.

We expect to have one or more of our elected officials throwing out the first pitch, as well as participating in between-innings antics.

# DPO Community Contacts

See <http://www.oregondemocrats.org/communities>

## African American Caucus

Welcome to the African American Community's page!

Want to join or need more information?

Go here: <http://www.oregondemocrats.org/node/1524> to join the group or to just sign up for informational emails from us. Contact: Reginald Hendrix Portland, Oregon, USA 503-351-8298,  
Email: [http://www.oregondemocrats.org/contact/Black\\_Caucus](http://www.oregondemocrats.org/contact/Black_Caucus)

## Election Integrity Caucus

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Email: [http://www.oregondemocrats.org/contact/Election\\_Integrity\\_Caucus](http://www.oregondemocrats.org/contact/Election_Integrity_Caucus)

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## GLBT Caucus: Oregon's Stonewall Democrats

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Caucus  
Oregon's Stonewall Democrats

Oregon's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) Community is represented within the Democratic Party of Oregon (DPO) by the GLBT Caucus. The caucus also serves as Oregon's Chapter of National Stonewall Democrats. To join us as a contributing member, please visit our secure address: <https://secure.dpo.org/dpo/glb>

## Gun Owners Caucus

Democrats don't want to take your guns—we've already got our own.

Contact Information: Chair, Zak Johnson, 232 NE 9th Ave.  
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## Health Care Caucus

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## Latinos Caucus

Want to join or need more information? If you are interested in becoming a member or would like more information please contact: Moses Ross, (503)309-7985,

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## Motorcyclists Caucus

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## Peace Caucus

Next Meeting: Please reserve the dates for our Peace Caucus' 2009 (Annual) meeting, including reorganization, with election of Executive Officers. We will meet during the DPO State Central Committee (Reorganization) meeting on Mar 14-15th.

## Rural Democrats

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### **MCDCC General Meeting**

Thursday, May 14th  
Social Hr: 6 pm  
Guest Speakers: 7 pm  
Party Business: 8 pm  
All MultDems welcome

Multnomah County Dems meet monthly  
on second Thursdays.

1820 NE 40th Ave., Portland 97212,  
just north of Sandy Blvd.

Speakers: Jeff Cogen, Multnomah County  
Commissioner and Sarah Chenven, Innovative  
Housing.

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