



Clinton plan puts Americans first

(Editors note: Bill Clinton, Democratic nominee for President of the United States, addressed an enthusiastic crowd July 25 in Seattle. Following is the text of Clinton's speech.)

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.
Governor. Congressman McDermott and Mayor (Norm) Rice. And thank you, Seattle. This is amazing. (applause)



Bill Clinton

Ladies and gentlemen. With this vast throng of people here today. I think the message is clear. We want to have hope again. We want to believe in progress again. We want our country back and Al Gore and are going to give it to you on November the third.

For too long our country has been in the grip of a government that only works for the special interests and the very wealthy. For too

long we have been in the grip of a failed economic idea called trickle down. For too long most Americans including most people in this audience today have worked harder for lower wages year end and year out.....and we're going to change that.

This government asked us more than a decade ago to make a bargain that America had never been asked to make before. They said give us greater inequality and we will give you more opportunity. Make the richer a little richer. Get the government out of everything, and we will give you more opportunity.

Well, they got their end of the deal. The top one percent of Americans now control more wealth than the bottom 90 percent for the first time since the roaring 20s. They got 70 percent of the growth in the 1980s and what did we get? Nothing. No. We got something - (we got) most Americans working harder for less to pay more for housing, for health care, for education, a spiraling group of poor people in this country - including working people - in poverty, and more denial of our most fundamental problems, our economic problems, our educational problems, our health care problems - no one even mentioning words like AIDS, because we couldn't bear to face the facts. It's time to face the facts again in America.

I see a lot of you have copies of our plan. We have a simple plan, a plan that puts the American people first and puts the government back on your side - a plan that offers the real opportunity for all of us to compete and win again in this global economy, a plan that does not promise to repeal all change. No person in public life can say we'll make it the way it used to be. We have a plan to make change our friend, not our enemy, by lifting up all the American people and making sure all of us can live up to the fullest of our God-given potential. That's what we're supposed to be doing.

I believe with all my heart we can give you a country again where America works, where we are pro-growth and pro-environment, where we are pro-business and pro-labor, where we are pro-civil rights and pro-civil order and where we are pro-family and pro-choice. I believe we can do that again in America.

Out here in this wonderful State of Washington, you need a new direction. Look at Boeing. Every dollar by which we reduce defense ought to be re-invested in building an American economy for the twenty-first century to create jobs, not lose jobs in this country.

We ought to have a tax system that encourages people to re-invest their money in this country, not to ship our best products overseas. And you would be better off if we did.

If you vote for me, you'll have a real education President for a change. What does that mean? What does that mean? That's not just a bunch of words to me. I spent a decade and more in classrooms listening to teachers, watching children learn. I believe all people can learn and everybody's got something to do. What does it mean? It means head start for all the kids who need it.

It means real standards so we know whether we're learning what we need to in the global economy. It means for every person in this country who doesn't go on to college, at least two years of further training in an apprenticeship program for good jobs, not dead-end jobs.

It means, it means a national trust fund out of which any American.....I say again any American.....can borrow the money to finance a college education.

And pay it back either as a percentage of their own income after they go to work, or even better, by being part of an effort to re-build America - a domestic Peace Corps. Give two years of your life - two years of your life as a teacher, a police officer, working to help troubled kids,

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working to make this country healthier. Think what we could do. Think what we could do in America to re-build this country if we all did it.

It means.....it means joining the ranks of the rest of the world and finally giving this country a system of basic, affordable health care to every American citizen.

We spend 30 percent more on health care than any nation in the world and we get less for it. Why? Because we waste it on insurance and bureaucracy and red tape and paperwork, and because we don't provide early, primary and preventive health care; and because we don't have health education programs in our schools to protect our kids from disease and pregnancy and other problems.

And we pay. If you vote for Bill Clinton and Al Gore, we'll give you a system of health care that deals with health research in the areas like AIDs and cancer and other problems, and treats women's health problems with the same attention that men's health problems get.



It means - our approach to government means telling you the truth about all kinds of problems including the conflict, which I don't think has to exist over the long run, between the environment and the economy. This administration says, every time you help the environment, you hurt the economy; every

time you hurt the economy, you help the environment. That's crazy.

We're the only advanced country that says that. Down in Rio de Janeiro at the earth conference we were humiliated because our President said we can't help the environment without hurting the economy. But, you know what? If your goal is to do something practical and good and renewing over the long run, you can't save the economy without saving the environment. The two things have to be done together.

And let me say something else. To do all this, we're going to have to change the way government has operated - the end of politics as usual in Washington. We're going to have to bring more common sense back in the government in Washington, which means this: People say, how are you going to pay for this and how you going to get it through Congress? Well let me give you an idea.

First, we're going to change the way we elect our members of Congress. Reduce the influence of political action committees. Reduce the cost of Congressional campaigns, and say to everybody who is in a campaign you've got to open up the television and the radio to honest debate so they're instruments of education, not weapons of assassination any more.

And then, we're going to pay for this by cutting inessential spending, reducing the administrative costs of government, reducing the defense but plowing it back into American investment and controlling health care costs, and asking the wealthy to pay their fair share again instead of soaking the middle class. That's what we're going to do.

My fellow Americans. This country can work again.

There's nothing wrong with you. Most Americans are working harder literally than they were 20 years ago. We don't want to be a hard-work, low-wage country. We need to be a smart-work, high-wage, high-opportunity country, a country where the future is opening up to your children not closing in on you. I got into this race for President when the incumbent President was at 70 percent in the approval poles. And I did it because I could not stand to see four more years in which people work harder for less and get punished.

Now.....you know.....I did it because I knew how hard it was for governors and mayors and citizens to work hard, work their fingers to the bones to get more jobs and educate children more and year-end and year-out fall further and further behind. I did it because of problems of our states and communities and our people go beyond Republican and Democrat and independent. And I welcome you to this crusade for change whether you're a Democrat, an independent or a Republican, whether you were for Ross Perot before he got out. If you want to make America different, join with us, fight with us, win with us and we'll do it.

I want you to have one little laugh about this. Our opponents say the way to get change in America is to stay with them for four more years. Let me just tell you something. About a year ago, my wife gave me a psychology book in which the author defined insanity as doing the same old thing over and over again and expecting a different result. That's the argument of our opponents.

So I ask you here in the beautiful Pacific Northwest, I ask you here to believe in the power of change, to believe in the power of the American people, to believe in the power of the American ideal which has re-created itself time and time and time again over the last 200 years; to believe that every person, every person has a role to play and a future to live; that we owe it to people without regard to their race, their region, their income, their condition of disability, whatever; to let every human being live up to the fullest of their capacity. And we've got to change to do that.

Now you know there's a sign back there - my running mate, Al Gore - by the way I did a pretty good job, didn't I? Picking Al Gore? Says - he always says in his speeches, and he's not here now, he asks people what time is it. It's time for them to go, right? So you tell me, what time is it? (Crowd - Time for them to go)

I believe that too, but only you can make them go. And tonight when you go home and the crowds are gone, and you're all quiet, you think about whether you have the courage to change. For in the next 100 days, I will fight to make the case for change. There are times in life when you can't even survive unless you change. But people always know that it's harder to change than it is to stay in the same old rut. I'm telling you this is one of those times when America has to change. If you will stay with Al Gore and Bill Clinton, we'll fight to make this country what it ought to be. We'll fight to bring this country back. We'll fight to give this country back. And you will have a future that's worthy of every single American. Thank you all, and God bless you. Thank you.

..... Bill Clinton, July 25, Seattle

Hubbard promotes progress

Chehalis Democrat Bob Hubbard has a plan for progress but needs 1,000 Lewis County citizens to join him in working for better county government.

Hubbard hopes to make a positive change in the operation of county government and the direction some programs are headed.

But that change will never happen, he says, unless people come out and help.

Although a strong supporter of efforts to improve the local economy, Hubbard believes the experience with the PPG Industries glass plant turned out to be a total disaster.

The past four years, he says, has shown no improvement in the local job situation. The glass plant, now closed, got a bad start from the beginning, Hubbard says, by summoning people to the fairgrounds as if they were sheep. Now, he says, the glass plant occupies a prime industrial site where nothing is happening.

Hubbard proposes that future efforts to recruit new businesses should be accompanied by contractual arrangements to guarantee companies hire locally. A new company, he says, should bring only its managers.

Hubbard believes the county government is heading the wrong direction in dealing with the problem of solid waste. The county's comprehensive solid waste disposal plan would maintain a token recycling program - along with big prices for shipping most refuse out of the county.

Hubbard favors the establishment of a recycling program, conducted at a central location, to salvage and convert to productive uses as much as 90 percent of the refuse volume.

Equipment would be used to separate useful products such as glass, metal, plastic and paper, along with other organic materials including wood.



Bob Hubbard

All of the organic materials, Hubbard says, can be used to create commercially-useful products such as fuel pellets and compost.

To date, however, Hubbard says, the county has not even conducted a proper study to identify and quantify the content of Lewis County's garbage.

"Nor has it made a reasonable effort to investigate mechanical sorting at a central location," he says.

The City of San Francisco, when it examined its garbage, Hubbard says, was surprised to discover the refuse contained 200,000 tons of wood per year.

The recycling program presently conducted in the county relies on source, or household, sorting. That approach is very inefficient, Hubbard says, because among other things it involves thousands of people using a lot of water to wash a few cans.

Hubbard also objects to the current practice by the county of awarding open-ended and excessively complicated solid waste disposal contracts. The county would, he believes, receive more bids and more favorable rates if the contracts were issued for fixed terms.

The comprehensive solid waste disposal plan also provides no solution, Hubbard says, to the problem of garbage being dumped all over the county.

The practice of dumping refuse along backroads in the county's backwoods increased substantially after county commissioners several years ago padlocked dropboxes in rural areas, set up toll booths and imposed stiff dumping fees.

That was a mistake and the way to correct it, Hubbard says, is to re-introduce free residential dumping at the county's dropboxes.

Hubbard believes the operation of county government has become less efficient in recent years because county commissioners no longer talk much with those who run daily operations.

"They're no longer in direct contact with county government," Hubbard characterizes the problem. "They have become disassociated from what's really going on," he adds.

To join Bob Hubbard's plan for progress, send \$10 to:

Bob Hubbard for Lewis County Commissioner,
P.O. Box 221, Chehalis, WA 98532.

Be more positive toward problems

Lewis County government, Centralia Democrat Carl Hemenway believes, should adopt a more positive and proactive attitude toward problem solving.

The proper role of county government is to tackle local issues headon rather than waiting for the state and federal governments to dictate solutions, says Hemenway, candidate for the District No. 1 seat on the Lewis County Commission.

Hemenway is a defender of private property rights and believes that government - whether state, county or city - should reimburse landowners if it wants to declare private property as wetlands. In such instances, the property to be designated as wetlands should be purchased at fair market value, he says.

Hemenway, 50, has not evaluated county commissioner salaries to determine whether they are comparable with other counties. He suggests a starting point, however, would be to compare commissioner salaries with those paid the chief officers of companies like the Washington Irrigation and Development Co. (WIDCO), Providence Hospital and the Daily Chronicle.

School superintendents in Chehalis and Centralia, Hemenway observes, both receive higher salaries than county commissioners are paid.

The county government appears to now have another layer of bureaucracy, the result of a county decision some time ago. That decision, Hemenway believes, needs to be re-evaluated. The commissioners, he says, should have direct contact with their department heads.

Hemenway, former city councilor and mayor of Centralia, was raised in Lewis County. He is employed by Lewis County Distributors and is a 25-year member of the Teamsters Union. Hemenway and his wife, Joanne, have three grown children and reside in Centralia.

Active in youth sports programs, Hemenway coached Little League baseball, youth football, basketball and bowling. He is a past vice president of the Centralia College Booster Club, and maintains membership in the American Legion Post 17 and the Law & Justice Council.



Carl Hemenway

Nogler running for 20th District Senate

Tom Nogler has launched a campaign to take back the Senate seat in the 20th District.

Nogler moved from Oakville, Washington, with his family to Chehalis and lived in Chehalis for six years. As a student at W.F. West High School, he was a student leader, serving as Junior Class President and Student Body President.

After graduating from W.F. High School, Nogler spent 10 years in the reforestation business. He spent the previous 10 years in the human services business, and is best known in Lewis County for his work with the Child Abuse Prevention Network and IMPACT, a family support program.



Tom Nogler

Nogler is currently the president of the Child Abuse Prevention Association of Washington. He resides in Yelm, which is now part of the new 20th Legislative District. The rural communities of Rainier, Tenino and Eatonville are also part of the 20th District.

Nogler is concerned that the incumbent, Neil Amondson, does not represent the people of the district, especially since the incumbent has been funded in large measure by corporate special interest money.

Nogler represents a balanced approach to job creation and protection of the environment and also plans to campaign on family issues calling for support of children and families.

Any support for this campaign, Nogler says, will be deeply appreciated. To contribute to Nogler campaign, or to volunteer to help Tom Nogler win, write:

Tom Nogler Campaign, P.O. Box 97, Littlerock, WA 98556; or by telephoning (206) 866-2491.

Chappell doorbells, gains endorsements

By Dave Chappell

It's hard to believe that I have been doorbelling steadily for over half a year now. I have now doorbelled nearly 15,000 doors, and my signs can be found in nearly every part of the 20th District.

We have participated in parades in Eatonville, Centralia, Tenino, Yelm and Mossyrock with a commanding presence in each. Best of all, our most recent fundraiser raised a great deal of money, including a contribution of \$1,000 from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). The check was presented by Bob Guenther.

My list of endorsements has continued to grow during the past month as well. Proudly, these now include the Washington Education Association, the Washington State Labor Council, the Washington Federation of Employees, the Washington State Trial Lawyers, the Washington Federation of Teachers, The Washington Chiropractic Trust, the Service Employees International Union, United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1001 and the IBEW.

Through contributions from some of these groups, as well as numerous individual donations, we have raised nearly half of what we need to implement our pre-primary mail plan. Now that we are little more than one month away from the primary election, we are again asking for both financial and physical help from our supporters to make up that vital difference. We would ask that anyone who would be willing to donate time, money or a sign location to contact my campaign at (206) 736-0259.

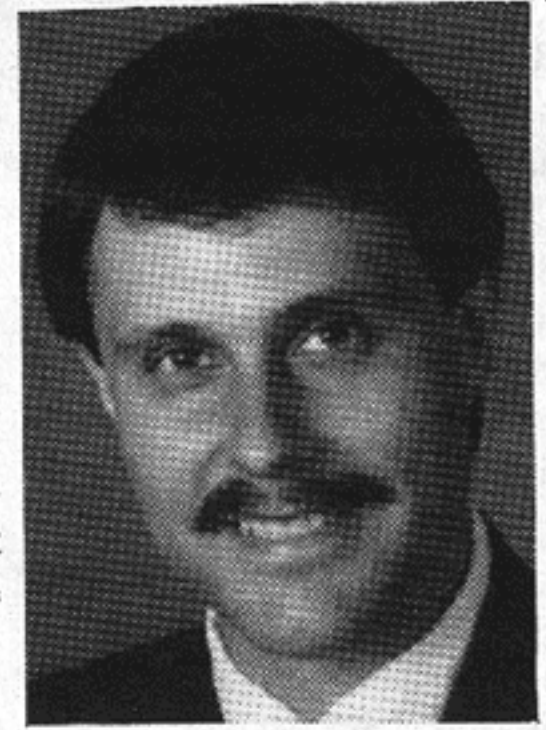
The hard work we have done over the past six months rivals the efforts of most any other legislative race, and we have turned heads around the state. Together, we can make believers of those who, at first, thought a win would be impossible.

"Impossible," as my committee is fond of pointing out, is only an opinion.

"Hard work" is a reality, and they say hard work wins elections. If that's the case, then the Chappell campaign is certainly a force to be reckoned with. We all know that Democrats have held these seats before, and Democrats can again.

We have a strong chance to take back 20th District House seat position NO. 1 this year. Together, we can make it happen. Let's show the Republican Party that the Democrats are still alive and well in the 20th Legislative District, and that we still have what it takes to win.

All it will require is a true-blue Democratic effort. Let's pull together and win this race!



Dave Chappell

Woodland Democrat likes people power

Woodland Democrat David Allen, candidate for State Rep. from the 18th Legislative District, believes education should be under local control. Additionally, he says, our school systems need to have the freedom to try new and progressive teaching methods.

A way to help single mothers get off welfare is to provide day care for their children. If we take five people off welfare by paying one professional day care worker, he says, we will save quite a few dollars.

We also need to get cars off of crowded roads. In the short term, he says, we should develop more

programs such as the park and ride, and carpool lanes.

In the long term, we must develop a high speed rail system extending from Vancouver B.C. to Portland, Oregon.

"I want to see government back in the hands of the people. To show that I am serious about this," Allen says, "I will not accept contributions from anyone, including special interests groups, in excess of \$100."

"I believe good government comes from a representative who listen to the people," says Allen, "not just to special interest groups."

Belcher seeks natural resource balance

By Jennifer Belcher

It's time Washington had a Democratic Commissioner of Public Lands.

Although the commissioner doesn't have to be partisan to make good resource decisions, Democrats bring a special set of ethics and principles to public office. And we need those in the Lands Commissioner's Office.

Democrats care about working people **AND** the quality of the environment. And we aren't willing to sacrifice either. Tough decisions will need to be made during the next few years to protect both jobs and the environment. I have a strong record of doing both.



Jennifer Belcher

My voting record the House of Representatives has been nearly 100 percent in both labor and environmental issues. I'm dedicated to making the state a leader in commodity production - and doing it in an environmentally sound way.

As manager of more than five million acres of forest, farm and aquatic lands, the state's top land steward will make decisions that have a vital impact on the state's economy and our quality of life.

The next commissioner must take the lead in ensuring that our natural resources are properly

managed so they continue to generate revenue for our trusts and jobs for thousands of workers - today and tomorrow.

Just as importantly, the next Commissioner must be someone experienced enough in natural resource issues to make responsible decisions for protecting other public resources, such as fish and wildlife habitat and providing the public with a variety of recreational opportunities.

Balancing these sometimes conflicting needs is no easy task. However, I believe we can bring together the many different public land users and find common ground.

As a member of the House of Representatives for the last 10 years and as Chair of the House Natural Resources and Parks Committee, I've taken the lead on issues ranging from economic development assistance in timber communities to new forestry practices and protection of sensitive lands.

I've received the endorsement of 27 groups that represent a wide range of people including pulp and paper workers, teachers, firefighters, construction workers, women, state employees and environmentalists.

The breadth of my support is testimony to my ability to work with and help meet the needs of people throughout Washington, whether they are working families trying to earn a living from our natural resources or concerned groups of people working to protect our unique ecosystems.

Many people are counting on us, and I won't let you down. But I need your help so we can put a Democrat in the Lands Commissioner's Office.

You can help me by putting up a yard sign, doorbelling or contributing. Please call 956-0193.

Coming Events . . .

August 18-23, 1992 - Southwest Washington Fair, Fairgrounds, Chehalis.

August 24 - Candidates Forum, 7 p.m., Corbet Hall at Centralia College (sponsored by Twin Cities Chamber of Commerce).

August 27, 1992 - Lewis County Democratic Central Committee meeting with all candidates invited, King Solomon Restaurant, Centralia, 6:30 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting.

Sept. 13, 1992 - Betty Sue Morris family salmon barbeque, Kalama RV Park, Lewis County Democrats invited. Donations welcome.

Sept. 15 - Primary Election Day

Sept. 24, 1992 - Jefferson-Jackson dinner, Centralia Eagles, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner.

October 19 - Candidates Forum, 7 p.m., Corbet Hall at Centralia College (sponsored by Twin Cities Chamber of Commerce).

Nov. 3 - General Election Day

Grohs seeks 18th District Senate seat

Kelso Democrat Ireda Grohs intends to apply her experience to job creation, quality education and to solving the many problems of the 18th Legislative District.

Unlike her opponent, Grohs will not use her position as State Senator from the 18th District to meddle in the private affairs of 18th District citizens.

Grohs announced her candidacy for State Senator from the 18th District, which now includes Southwestern Lewis County, in June.

"We need leadership in job creation," Grohs says, "and in maintaining a healthy economy so that families can be fed and clothed."

Grohs believes that children deserve a quality education, one that will prepare them to lead productive lives. "Our citizens deserve safe and secure communities that are free from crime."

These are but some of the needs of that people of the 18th District, Grohs says, that her opponent does not address.

Grohs, 47, is presently serving her second term on the Kelso City Council. A lifelong resident of this state, she and her husband Dick have been married for 29 years and have two grown children and two grandchildren.

A community activist, she was appointed to the state Podiatric Medical Board by Gov. Booth Gardner and is an



Ireda Grohs

acknowledged leader in Southwest Washington transportation planning issues.

Transportation is an important element of the entire growth management process. Grohs says the district's roads are overcrowded and in a shameful state of deterioration.

"I'm running for the Senate," Grohs says, "because I'm angry and frustrated over the legislature's unwillingness to act on the pressing issues we are facing today."

"We need a Senator who is more interested in finding solutions to our problems than she is in meddling in people's private lives," Grohs says of her opponent, Republican Linda Smith.

"We aren't going to get the changes we need in government until we change some of the people who are representing us. I'll be a Senator who will work for solutions."

Grohs was educated at Centralia High School, graduating in 1963, and Lower Columbia College.

She has administrative experience with the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office, the Lower Columbia Mental Health Center and the City of Longview. She worked for the state legislature in 1989.

A political and community leader, Grohs is past treasurer of Cowlitz County Democratic Women, past vice president of the League of Women Voters, vice chair of 18th Legislative District Democrats and past chair of the Cowlitz Transit Authority.

She is a member of the Kelso Chamber of Commerce Legislative Committee, the Association of Washington Cities Legislative Committee, the Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Transportation Policy Board, the Washington State Historical Society, the Cowlitz County Historical Society, the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Kiwanis. She is a founding member of Women in Network.

Grohs has been endorsed by the Washington Education Association and the State Labor Council.

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Legislator expands support base

Betty Sue Morris signs are popping up all over Southern Lewis County where the popular 18th District legislator has found a warm reception.

"I feel my support base is gaining momentum daily," says Morris, currently seeking her third term. "Fundraising is going very well. I've been doorbelling a lot," she says. "I've been getting great reception in Southern Lewis County."



Betty Sue Morris

Morris, known by her colleagues as one of the most energetic and capable lawmakers in the state, has scheduled a family salmon barbecue for Sept. 13 at the Kalama RV Park.

The barbecue is being hosted by Bill and Irene Flower and Morris has invited all Lewis County Democrats to attend. Contributions are always welcome, she says, but not necessary.

In her legislative duties, Morris serves on the Health Care, Revenue and Fish and Wildlife Committees. A former newspaper reporter, she served as an aide to U.S. Congressman Don Bonker and was community affairs director for the Vancouver hospital.

Morris and her husband reside in the south end of the 18th Legislative District, at Vancouver, and have two children. Their daughter Ann is a reporter on KGW television in Portland. And their son will be a junior at Evergreen State College next year.

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