

## Candidate's Statement

### **David V. Dahlin (At-Large)**

I am a 30 year resident of Washington State. I came here from Chicago in 1973 after 20 years as a Illinois State Policeman. I have been self employed since my relocation. I grew up in the Chicago area during the 50's and 60's when urban sprawl was at it's highest rate. At an early age, I became aware of the need to preserve open space and stop over development and pollution from destroying habitat. The many times that I passed through Gary Indian e refinery's are and East Chicago where the Steel is made, I began to see the devastation of unrestrained industry on the land and people. I vowed to make a difference when I grew up. Since that time, I have actively sought to participate in the responsible use and care of the land where we all live and promote a partnership of reason between citizen and industry. In college, I majored in biology and sociology. Since I have come to Washington State, I have watched the degradation of one of the most fantastic places to live in to an unregulated and overdeveloped metropolis. The lack of a major forward looking comprehensive development plan that benefits the living habitat and natural ecology of the area has greatly concerned me. I began living in Bellevue and moved to Issaquah in 1979. Tiger Mtn was my home for the next 9 years when I moved to north Issaquah (now Sammamish). I actively participated in the community maintenance and development events on Tiger Mtn. And when I moved to Waverly Hills joined the homeowners board. After two years, I was elected president and was so for the next two years. During this time we addressed such issues as the conversion of the rail line to a bike path, high density development proposals, roads and development of the city of Sammamish from the county jurisdiction. I moved to May Valley in April of '99 and was immediately confronted with the problem of flooding and neighborhood conflict with King County. I assembled a group of neighbors and began talks with a very reluctant and uncooperative King County for the specific purpose of restoring the fish habitat that was once so abundant. This assembly was the birth of a group now known as May Valley Environmental Council. I am an active member and frequent participant in county affairs as I treasure our valley as a precious, living and breathing ecosystem. I have seen the residents come together to attempt to restore the fish habitat despite the unbelievable opposition of the county. It is my personal objective to see this through to it's completion. All people in King County should have the privilege to live in this most beautiful land without the fear of unholy alliances of government and developers. High density development is a proven disaster for long term livability and popular enfranchisement. I was elected as a U.A.C representative in 2001 and, due to a business venture, resigned in 2002. I reapplied for a seat in 2003 and was approved by the council for a temporary seat until this election. Recently, I was selected to be on the C.A.A.C for the Sound Transit disabilities council, another project in need of vision. I am committed to the preservation of the rural life style and intend to place the restoration of May Valley as my ultimate goal. The entire county must benefit from reasonable government interaction with the citizens who live here. We cannot have bureaucrats who live in downtown condo's determine how the rural areas exist. I believe that the best stewards of the land are it's owners and the communities that they exist in. To that end, I intend to challenge any and all destruction of rural life style by government and developer alike.

### **Dick F. Fackenthal (At-Large)**

Property rights are particularly important to me. I am interested in the position to help bring sensible, fair, and sound environmental and other regulatory approaches to the area. This is an advisory position, and I recognize what can be done is quite limited, however, community participation is fundamental to good government. My home is in May Valley on the East side of SE 128th Way. My wife and I live on 3 1/2 acres and raise llamas and sheep. I am a retired teacher. My last teaching assignment was at Sammamish High School in Bellevue. I am currently a real estate broker, operating my own one-person business from my home.

### **Marilyn Sullivan (At-Large)**

My name is Marilyn Sullivan and I am a registered voter in the Tanya precinct. I am interested in being a candidate for the Four Creeks UAC from my precinct. My husband and I have lived in the Four Creeks area for over 10 years; 9 years in Maple Hills and the past 4 years in our present home. I am very concerned about the ways in which our local governments impact our daily life and the quality thereof. By way of biography, I am a Washington native, born at Swedish Hospital 48 years ago (on a record-breaking hot day in June, just ask my mother!). My father was a Boeing tool maker, so we lived up and down the Edmonds to Auburn corridor most of our lives. I attended high school in the Federal Way district, but completed my high school education in southern Indiana. Now I am a homemaker and bookkeeper for my husband's State Farm Insurance Agency in the Renton Highlands. Our children are grown and we have 5 grandchildren, most of whom live locally, thank goodness! While we lived at Maple Hills I volunteered weekly in the elementary school office and got to know many of the families in the area. I have been active in civic activities in the Renton area through my husband's involvement with the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce. I would love the opportunity to work for the good of the community around me and the lives we live here in the Four Creeks area are of great importance to me. Please let me know what I need to do and I am ready to roll up my sleeves and go to work. Thank you for your consideration.