

State Legislature



26th District, Senator

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Education: High school graduate; specialized training US Navy; Olympic College.

Occupation: State Senator

Professional Qualifications: State Senator, 12 years; US Navy Senior Chief retired, 26-year veteran; Former Chair, South Kitsap Parks and Recreation Commission

Personal Information: Wife Judy, three children, eight grandchildren. Avid outdoorsman and gardener. Grace Bible Church.

Community Involvement: Washington State Coalition Teaming with Wildlife; Port Orchard Chamber; Port Orchard Kiwanis; Kitsap County Community Corrections Steering Committee; Kitsap Pogie Club; and Kitsap Law & Justice Council.

Personal Views: I am thankful that my Senate service has been recognized for outstanding achievement by organizations representing children, veterans, sportsmen, small businesses, farm families, and natural resources. I understand and respect that people want the Legislature to focus on improving the state's business climate, solving our transportation problems, creating new jobs, conserving our natural resources, and preserving the family as the foundation of our society. Hard work and honorable service are what people expect, and I keep these uppermost in my mind when I'm voting. I work cooperatively with my colleagues to solve problems. I have dedicated 12 years to ensuring safe and dependable passage across the Narrows and to stop youth access to deadly tobacco products. I care and I get things done. I ask for your vote. Thank you.



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Education: AA degrees in both Environmental Science and Early Childhood Education

Occupation: Pierce County Councilmember Assistant, 1995-present.

Professional Qualifications: Elected to two terms Peninsula School Board, 1997 – present, Board President, 2000 – present.

Personal Information: Gig Harbor resident for 22 years; married to David, 22 years; son, Christopher, 18.

Community involvement: Served on numerous education, transportation, land use boards and committees.

Personal Views: As a proven community leader, I know the issues of the 26th District and will not fail to represent the people's voice for accountability in Olympia. I believe we must cooperate beyond the gridlock of party politics to solve our crisis of transportation. I have been an active opponent of tolls on the Narrows Bridge since first proposed. To compete globally, I know that Washington must have a better-educated workforce. I will work to reduce our local property taxes by fighting for full state funding for basic education. I fully support education reform and reduced class size to deliver quality education to every student with no excuses. The economy and our quality of life have suffered long enough without leadership that truly represents the voice of the 26th District. It's time for a change – elect Betty Ringlee.

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Education: Attended Inglemoor High School, Tacoma Community College and the University of Washington

Occupation: Licensed Real Estate Broker and Retail Consultant.

Professional Qualifications: Private business owner for 25 years, member of the International Council of Shopping Center and a community activist working on transportation and park and recreation issues.

Personal Information: A lifetime Washingtonian and Vietnam veteran, I've lived in Gig Harbor for over 22 years. I'm married with 4 children, 1 dog and 9 cats. I love gardening and wish I had more time for golf.

Community Involvement: Current member of the Pierce County Parks Advisory Board, Peninsula Park and Recreation District, Peninsula Park and Recreation Council and the Washington and the National Recreation and Park Associations. I was awarded the Pierce County Volunteer Award and the 2001 Gig Harbor Gateway Community All Star Award.

Personal Views: As a lifelong Washingtonian, a father, a business owner and community activist I have dedicated most of my spare time to making the 26th District a better place to raise a family. I know the issues, I know the people both at home and in Olympia, I know how to get things done and you can count on me to independently represent your interests as a thoughtful and active State Senator.