

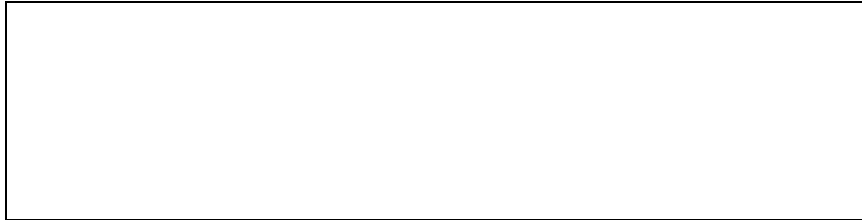


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# THE ROSS TOWNSHIP REPUBLICAN REPORT



**RTRC Endorsed Candidates  
 SLATE CARD**

(Can be cut out to take to polls)

**Supreme Court**

(Vote for **one**)  
 Joan Orié Melvin

**Superior Court**

(Vote for **three**)  
 Sallie Mundy  
 Judy Olson  
 Temp Smith

**Commonwealth Court**

(Vote for **two**)  
 Al Frioni  
 Patricia McCullough

**County Council**

Matt Drozd

**Magisterial District Judge**

Catherine Conley

**North Hills School Board**

(You can vote for four, but RTRC recommends you vote only for this candidate.)  
 Timothy J. Burnett

**Ross Township Treasurer**

Donna Carey

**Ross Township Commissioner**

**Ward 2** Pamela Jean Heck

Vote "Yes" to retain Superior Court Judge Maureen Lally-Green



**May 19**

## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

A revolution is coming. It won't be the revolution of arms that resulted in our separation from England. It will be a revolution against government tyranny... uncontrolled spending, unsustainable deficits, unending inflation, and a legacy of debt left for our children, their children, and their children's children.

So, what can we do about this tyranny? We're only a local committee, somewhat demoralized after the total liberal takeover in the last election. The first thing we can do is raise our heads high, knowing that we represent the right and proper values that keep America strong, with the confidence that we will once again be the true voice of America. The second thing we can do is put forward and elect local and state candidates that share our conservative values. It has to start at this grassroots level, and we have the power to generate momentum for state and local candidates now, and support conservative national candidates in 2010.

The Ross Township Republican Committee has endorsed judicial and local candidates that have strong family values and conservative credentials. We urge all Republicans to support these candidates. Short bios of the endorsed are contained in this newsletter. For more information, go to their web sites and check their bios.

Charles R. Schrankel, Chairman

### HELP BUILD THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN ROSS TOWNSHIP

\_\_\_ I would like to serve as a Ross Township Republican Committee Member for my neighborhood.

\_\_\_ I would like to volunteer to help political campaigns.

\_\_\_ I would like to become an Associate Member by contributing \$100 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_ \$25 \_\_\_ \$10 \_\_\_ OTHER\$ \_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

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### A note about the Court of Common Pleas candidates...

Please note that candidates for the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas "cross-file" and run for the nomination of both parties. There are no registered Republicans running for the Court of Common Pleas, so the Ross Township Republican Committee has made no endorsements in those races.

Visit us on the web at:  
[www.RossRepublicans.com](http://www.RossRepublicans.com)

## **Ross Republicans Endorsed Candidates**

### SUPREME COURT

**JOAN ORIE MELVIN** is a proven reformer. As a judge, she believes she is a steward of the taxpayer's dollars and she had the moral conviction to fight the pay raise. She refused to accept the pay raise and the COLA increase and returned it back to the treasury for the benefit of the taxpayers. As Superior Court Judge, she has maintained the lowest judicial expenses. Judge Orié Melvin, a Notre Dame and Duquesne Law School graduate, has a judicial philosophy firmly based on restraint. She is a strict constructionist and believes the job of judging is interpreting the law and not creating it. Her extensive judicial opinions are evidence of her conservative judicial philosophy.  
[www.judgeoriemelvin.com](http://www.judgeoriemelvin.com)

### SUPERIOR COURT (vote for 3)

**JUDY OLSON** has served on the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County since November 2008. Judge Olson's law career includes constitutional, commercial, statutory and common law issues. As an attorney, she was named by Law and Politics Magazine as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer in Business Litigation in the years 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008.  
[www.electjudgejudy.com](http://www.electjudgejudy.com)

**SALLIE MUNDY** will bring a wealth of experience and integrity as well as a diverse legal background to the Supreme Court. She currently serves as a litigator in the Philadelphia law firm of McEldrew & Fullam, P.C. She works on behalf of catastrophically injured victims, and as an advocate helping working class families seek the justice they deserve. Sallie is a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College and the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. Sallie is active in her community of Tioga, PA.

**TEMP SMITH** is an attorney and shareholder with the Pittsburgh law firm of Thomson, Rhodes & Cowie, P.C. He has a breadth of experience in appellate law and litigation, including disputes involving medical malpractice, products liability, commercial contracts, real property disputes, employment, zoning and land use, and property taxation. He is a graduate of Washington & Lee University and the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. He has been "Recommended" for appellate court service by the Pennsylvania Bar Association and "Highly Recommended" by the Allegheny County Bar Association.  
[www.tempsmith.com](http://www.tempsmith.com)

### COMMONWEALTH COURT (vote for 2)

**AL FRIONI** has been Commissioner on the Workers Compensation Appeal Board for 12 ½ years. He has been Chairman of his local parking authority and the Municipal Traffic Board, and has served on numerous municipal and school committees. He has also served as baseball coach, boy scout leader, PTA dad, and writing workshop volunteer. He has received a "Recommended" rating from both the Pennsylvania Bar Association and the Allegheny County Bar Association for the position of Judge of the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court.  
[www.alforjudge.com](http://www.alforjudge.com)

**PATRICIA McCULLOUGH** served as Judge in the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas (and did not take the pay raise). She was Assistant General Counsel for the University of Pittsburgh, member and chair of Allegheny County Board of Property Assessment Appeals, Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, an adjunct member, and as an attorney in private practice. She is committed to safeguarding our God-given rights under the Constitutions of the United States and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with fairness and impartiality.  
[pattmc@comcast.net](mailto:pattmc@comcast.net)

### ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCILMAN

**MATT DROZD**, incumbent Councilman, has a long history of service to the region and to the country. His conservative stands as County Councilman are well documented. Less known are his contributions to our national defense and security. As a Lieutenant Colonel in the Air Force Reserves, he served the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Secretary of Defense, and worked for the State Department. He helped formulate homeland security plans that helped protect our country following the 9/11 attacks. He works tirelessly against tax increases. He holds Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Business Administration from Duquesne University.

[www.mattdrozd.com](http://www.mattdrozd.com)

### MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

**CATHERINE CONLEY**, a licensed attorney since 1987, has served as the solicitor for the Zoning Hearing Boards for both Ross Township and Stowe Township. She has experience in every division of the Court of Common Pleas, as well as the Commonwealth, Superior and Supreme Courts of Pennsylvania. She earned her law degree at Duquesne University and her undergraduate degree at Penn State. She has been a resident of Ross Township for twenty years.

### NORTH HILLS SCHOOL BOARD

**TIMOTHY J. BURNETT** is seeking his third term on the North Hills School Board. He has served as both Vice-President and President of the Board. He is a life-long resident of Ross Township and has been very involved in our community serving on the board of the West View Ross Athletic Association for 15 years and as President of the St. Teresa Athletic Association for 10 years. He will continue to work to prevent property tax increases.

### ROSS TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONER, WARD 2

**PAMELA HECK** has been a resident of Ross Township for over 20 years and has been involved with her husband running a business for many years in Ward 2. She has been an active member of the Berkley Hills Civic Association, served as a Cub Scout Leader, volunteered with neighborhood beautification programs, the North Hills Soccer Association and North Hills Hockey Association, as well as serving as a volunteer school librarian for over 10 years. She is also an active member of her Church Choir.

### ROSS TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONER, WARD 8

(The RTRC has not made an endorsement in this Ward, but encourages voters to learn more about the candidates)

**PETER FERRARO** has served as Ross Township Commission for 20 years. He is currently on the Executive Board of the Allegheny League of Municipalities and the State Association of Township Commissioners. He has lived in Ross Township for the past 39 years and has been active in the community having previously served as President of the Ross Township Board of Commissioners and as President of the Keown Heights Civic Association.

**AMY BRECKLE WARRICK** promises to be fiscally responsible with taxpayer's money and work to reduce wasteful spending. She would like to see more money available for public safety and to ensure that the parks already owned by the township are maintained. She additionally is committed to attending all township meetings and keeping residents informed of the issues in the township.