

ON THE BALLOT - NOVEMBER 4, 2014

The Beacon asked every candidate running for a state or county office to submit 250 words and a picture.

Governor

Maggie Hassan

Since entering office, I've worked to bring together members of both parties to help innovative businesses create jobs, expand middle class opportunity, and keep our economy moving in the right direction.



We passed the most bipartisan budget in over a decade without a sales or income tax, froze in-state tuition at the university system, revitalized our state's economic development efforts, reached a bipartisan compromise to expand access to health care to 50,000 working people, and worked with both parties and the business community to develop a plan to fix our roads and bridges, including finishing the expansion of I-93.

Working together, we've set in motion an innovation plan that is strengthening the foundation of our 21st century economy. Unemployment has dropped to the lowest level since 2008, and the private sector has created thousands

of jobs in the last year. But we need to continue working to keep our economy moving forward.

We must continue working to make health care and higher education more affordable and accessible, reduce the cost of energy for families and businesses, help innovative businesses start up in New Hampshire, and make it easier for our existing companies to grow. And we need to give working families a better opportunity to make ends meet by restoring and improving the minimum wage.

We have more work to do, but I know we can continue to do it the New Hampshire way – by bringing people together to solve problems and get things done for our people and businesses. For more information, visit MaggieHassan.com.

Walt Havenstein

New Hampshire's economy has lagged behind neighboring New England states for the past decade. Excessive spending and Obamacare recently forced the Governor to call for



Every election year, *The Andover Beacon* strives to provide Andover residents with information that lets them know where candidates stand on issues that affect them. We have reached out to all candidates on the Andover ballot and asked for a 250-word statement that answers the following questions.

For incumbents: What are three things that you accomplished in the past two years that you are most proud of (and/or three "hot topic" opinions) and what are three things you hope to accomplish in the next two years?

For challengers: What are your opinions on three "hot topics" from the past two years, and what are the three most important things you hope to accomplish in the next two years?

We asked the candidates to leave out negative comments about their opponents and opposing parties. While we made multiple attempts whenever we had contact information, we are still missing a few, but the response has been good.

- Mary Anne Broshek

\$30 million in spending cuts, and a \$40 million gap in the Health and Human Services budget was revealed. Now we are moving in the direction of a sales or income tax. That is unacceptable.

After serving 28 years in the US Marine Corps, retiring with the rank of Colonel, I headed two major New Hampshire companies. As the CEO of BAE Systems in Nashua, I was responsible for managing a budget nearly three times the size of New Hampshire's. But not only do I have the experience to bring good-paying jobs to the state, I have a plan.

My 8.15.17 plan will bring 25,000 jobs to New Hampshire by August 15, 2017. The first step is to cut the cost of creating jobs by reducing the tax burden on businesses, which is among the highest in the nation. Through two budget cycles, I will reduce the business profits tax from 8.4% to 7.4%. I'll also make it easier to fill jobs by coordinating education to meet the needs of the workforce. It is imperative that we promote STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), something I've advocated for years, serving as Chair of the Manchester-based non-profit FIRST. Lastly, I'll defend school choice and New Hampshire's Scholarship Tax Credit Programs. I know we can put New Hampshire back on the right track, and I ask for your vote on November 4.

For more information, visit WaltForNH.com or call 583-4855.

US Senate

Jeanne Shaheen

In the US Senate, I am working to make a real difference for people throughout New Hampshire. To create jobs, I worked to secure funding for widening I-93 and for the new Memorial Bridge in Portsmouth. I stood up to members of my own party to protect the Portsmouth Naval Ship-



yard and broke through years of partisan gridlock to open the Berlin prison.

I am proud to have promoted the Small Business Innovation Research program, which gives funding to small businesses so they can invest in research and development, and the State Trade and Export Promotion program, which allows New Hampshire businesses to compete globally by boosting exports.

As a former high school teacher, I believe that every child deserves access to an affordable, quality education. As Governor, I expanded public kindergarten, and in the Senate, introduced new legislation to allow students to refinance their college loans at lower rates.

Our nation owes a deep debt to all service men and women who have answered the call of duty. Working with Republicans, I was able to include a provision in the new bipartisan veterans reform bill that ensures veterans in our state can seek care outside of the VA and get care close to home for the first time.

I am also fighting to increase the minimum wage and guarantee equal pay for equal work. I care deeply about New Hampshire and will never stop working for the people of our state. You can find more information at JeanneShaheen.org.

Scott P. Brown

I am running for Senate because I

care about New Hampshire and want to restore a stronger America at home and abroad. It is



time to stop the Obama administration's failed policies that are throwing a wet blanket on our economy and threatening our individual freedoms. President Obama recently said that while he is not on the ballot this November, "every single one" of his policies are. A vote for Jeanne Shaheen is a vote for President Obama's agenda of more taxes, Obamacare, and high energy prices

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