

Green Party Presidential Candidate Questionnaire

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1. CANDIDATE VIDEO:

My video is posted at the following URL address:

I will create my video later

I do not plan to submit such a video.

2. CORE MESSAGE:

You matter, Families matter, and Mothers matter...or do they?

I was at conference recently at the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland, about the outlook for women in current times and in the future. As a women this was an important conference for me, but I was stunned by the concluding message we walked away with... The single worst thing a woman can do currently in her lifetime, that will lower her standard of living perhaps leading her into poverty, is to become a Mother. Yet, the most womanly thing we women do is to become mothers, it's our specialty, and currently we do it for free. Between the stop in salary, to some (affordable) health insurance, and no retirement fund, the loss of money and eventually quality of life spirals out of control. Is this the way we respect ourselves and the woman who brought us into the world, who nurtured us, who was our first teacher? It is time, being a mother is a job, in fact I would go so far as to say, ...it is *the* MOST IMPORTANT JOB IN THE WORLD, it's time to pay Mothers for their work!

3. KEY POSITIONS:

1) Mothers Matter: In this time of equal pay for equal work, "Mother's work" needs to be seen as separately paid work, to achieve equality. It was once, the spouses employer paid a salary for an entire family, now we have a new era, one salary is not enough for a family, so both parents work and everyone is tired and stressed, including the kids. With "Mother Pay" from the government, the family can release some stress and someone can stay at home and raise

happy, healthy kids.

2) Our Military Matters: We can UP-CYCLE our Military Bases to be used as Emergency Evacuation Centers, training centers and temporary housing sites. Also a NEW focus for the Military, Repair, Rebuild Infrastructure and Disaster assistance, and Training Programs in Discipline, Tolerance and Respect. The Peace Corps would be added to the Military slate. Peace training would be mandatory for all US Citizens male and female between the ages of 18-35.

3) You Matter: Preventing Columbine's and other illegal shooting tragedies, we need professionals, the Military. Starting with sales of weapons, it's time to close the "for profit salesman" shops down. All guns must be registered and any new purchase will be done through Military Bases, naturally background and personality tests will be given and then mandatory free target practice on Military Bases will be necessary on a regular basis.

4) Earth Matters: Clean Electrical Transit System coast to coast, creating jobs connecting the USA, Switzerland has a good model.

4. GP PLATFORM. Will you advocate for the platform of the Green Party? If there are any significant platform positions which you cannot support, please state why.

X Yes, I will advocate for the platform

X But I have a different position on the following point(s):

"A universal, federally funded childcare program for pre-school and young schoolchildren should be developed." Children need the LOVE OF A PARENT at home, not another school. Kids need down time too. See the "Mother Pay" plan above naturally Fathers can also get this pay.

"The U.S. has over 700 foreign military bases. You GP say we should close them." I say Up-Cycle them, keep them for peace work and other local repair trainings. We need to lead others by example.

5. COMMUNICATION OF VIEWS. Please provide the URLs for any written materials or videos that demonstrate your ability to speak, debate, or communicate your views. Most helpful are media interviews or public speeches on any topic. More media addresses below.

<https://www.uubasel.org/author/susan-maude/> - 2017-2019 President UU Basel

<http://www.swissphotocollection.ch/project/see-skeptics-smile-too/> - 2017-2018 Photo Story. Smile for Peace, it's enough already.

<https://worldradio.ch/article/susan-maude-buchser-lochocki-smiles-for-peace/> - 2018 Radio show Gallery mmm and Smile for Peace, it's enough already.

<http://smilecloudproject.org/about/> - 2018 Smile for Peace, it's enough already.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eKnm4kVHiJk> - 2019 DadaStock, an Ad for a 50th Anniversary celebration of Woodstock and Freedom of Speech and Assembly, Cabaret Voltaire, Zurich, Switzerland

6. ORGANIZING GOALS. What are the principle practical, measurable organizing goals that you would achieve by your 2020 GPUS presidential campaign? Such goals might include achieving ballot access, media coverage, debate participation, volunteer recruitment, fundraising, qualifying for matching funds, staffing levels, Green Party voter registration, endorsements, party building, and/or national vote totals.

All of the above. J

7. CAMPAIGN ORGANIZING. How would you envision your campaign organizing to achieve the organizing goals listed in #6 above?

A campaign of the people, by the people, for the PEOPLE. I will contact my friends and Associates at the Unitarian Universalists around the country. Plus I would visit the diverse religious communities in the US because that is where a lot of people feel friendship. Churches, Mosques, Temples, etc.

8. PARTY-BUILDING. Presidential campaigns are legally independent entities from the political party whose nomination they received. At the same time, an important objective of the party's presidential efforts is to build Green Party capabilities at all levels. How do you envision your campaign working with the greater Green Party to strengthen the different levels of the Party?

Through making the Green Party a UNITING FORCE as a strong third party. A real alternative to the big two parties we have now. Making good on the promise of, "a Government of the people, by the people, for the PEOPLE" Unite people ...through Leadership, Ethics and use of Social Media, without spending a lot of money.

9. UNIFYING THE PARTY. The GPUS is a diverse party with chapters in urban, suburban and rural communities. It includes Native Americans, immigrants, black Americans, and white Americans of many different economic levels. It includes GLBTQ people, straight people, unemployed people, retired people, professionals, union members, business owners and people from many walks of life. What is the vision by which you could be the nominee who receives support from all the diverse members of the Green Party?

Mothers Matter: We all have moms, and we know it's not an easy job, but we know it is a great job. Most of us had no idea it could hurt women finically, so badly. Deciding to bring a life into this world should be a joy, not a burden. The love and support of one's very own mother, is crucial to a good start. It's time to pay Mothers who stay-at-home during the growing years for their work, it's time to show respect Mothers.

10. DATA SHARING. After the campaign will you share your email lists and donor lists with the Green Party so that your supporters can be contacted to ask for their continuing support for the Party and its candidates? Yes ___ No

11. VOTER REGISTRATION. How are you currently registered to vote (party registration, if applicable)?

Green Party

In which state are you registered? New York

12. HISTORY WITH GREEN PARTY. What specific offices or positions, if any, have you held within the Green Party at either the state or local level? If none, describe any instances in which you worked in collaboration with Green Party chapters, groups or candidates.

I have no history working with any political groups. I am a US citizen living abroad, in Switzerland since 1998. I have worked in many volunteer positions for the past twenty plus years.

The first position I held in Switzerland was for 2 years, American Educational Advising Service, I was President and Advisor; helped people living here, in Zurich, to understand the US system of education and to help others find their “dream” High School or University to attend.

Recently, I was VP Events at the American Women’s Club of Zurich, 2018-2019, I advertised and organized 4 events throughout the year, for 25-70 people.

Currently, I’m President of the Unitarians Universalists of Basel, Switzerland and UU’s hold very similar points of view on issues as the Green Party that is one of the main reasons I am applying for the Green Nomination for President of the USA.

13. OFFICES SOUGHT OR HELD. For what publicly elected offices have you been a candidate or served? On which public boards or commissions have you served at the local, state, or national level?

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14. RELEVANT BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE. What other personal background, professional qualifications or life experiences do you have that are relevant to your being an effective GPUS candidate for president?

Passionate about being a Mother, Wife, and Volunteer...I’m a doer!

Born 3rd child, in a Polish-Middle Class-Republican-American, daughter of a US military Father on Travis Air Force Base, in California, in 1965, during Civil Rights Movement, the second-wave of Feminism, a man on the MOON, the Vietnam and Cold Wars. I lived all over the USA, including 2 years on Guam, a US territory in the Pacific. Finally NYC, to Parsons School of Design, Graduated 1988, BFA in Illustration. Then the struggling years, began with crushing Student Loan Debt. I worked extra at Pizzeria Uno, but they had no affordable health care so eventually I took jobs in banking to survive and have benefits. Today I live in Zurich with my husband of 20 years, Christoph, daughter Jessy, and their two dogs Penelope and Mini Mouse. A living Dadaist, a Humanist, Activist for Women’s Rights, Public Speaker and Peace Promoter.

15. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. How can members of the public get further information on your campaign?

Website: To be provided later.

Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/Susan-Buchser-Lochocki-for-President-of-the-United-States-of-America-105930097531875/?modal=admin_todo_tour

Email for questions: susanbuchserlochoki@gmail.com

Telephone: 0041 76 518 5521 (mobile number)

16. Please attach a digital file containing a photograph of yourself suitable for posting online along with your questionnaire.

Enclosed.

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