Reinvigorate Your Activism. Hello friends – if you are like me, you are busy – and it has been a long 2 3/4 year slog. As time has gone on and my time has become increasingly filled, I have found it easier and easier to not get around to actually doing the Call to Action. I work with the Action team to get it out each week by Sunday night and before I know it, it is the next Sunday.

Last week Lisa O posted on Facebook about doing her Call to Action. I thought, hell, if super-busy Lisa can do it, so can I. I did it and it took me ten minutes. I am going to do it this week. And next week. It is scheduled on my calendar. We have almost 700 members and if we all do our Call to Action each week, we are a mighty voice. If you have found your commitment flagging on this long journey, I well understand. Join me - Reinvigorate Your Activism!

Tom Dyer

Support Helen Wheatley for Port Commissioner

Sign Waving Time!
Ballots are out to voters and it is time to make the final push to victory - only a week to go before ballots are due. We expect a close race and name recognition is huge!

We need 5-6 people each day for a good show of support.
We'll be in one of locations each day - West Side Olympia, Downtown Olympia, and Capitol Way in Tumwater. Signs will be provided or you can bring your own.

RSVP to Carla Wulfsberg for the days you can come. protectourdemocracy2018@gmail.com or Call or Text: 360 561-5490

Monday, Oct. 28 4:30 - 6:00 - Cooper Point and Black Lake Blvd
Wednesday, Oct. 30 4:30 - 6:00 - Capitol Blvd & Trosper Road (Tumwater)
Friday, Nov. 1 4:30 - 6:00 - Plum and Union Streets
Saturday, Nov 2 12:30 - 2:00 - Trosper Road & Littlerock Road (near Fred Meyers, Tumwater)
Sunday, Nov. 3 12:30- 2:00 - Trosper Road & Littlerock Road (near Fred Meyers, Tumwater)
Monday, Nov. 4 4:30 - 6:00 - Plum and Union Streets

Call Your Friends
One of the most important things we can do to win, right now, is to make sure people vote. You are a well-informed OI member. Call/email/text 3-5 of your friends and simply ask them if they've voted. If they've not, encourage them to. If they’re not familiar with Helen, send them the link to http://www.heleforport.com and tell them why you voted for her. An easy place to start is she is endorsed by the Sierra Club and the Thurston County Democrats.

Phone Banking for Helen Wheatley with Our Revolution
Thank Denny Heck!
In an op-ed in Sunday's Seattle Times today, Denny Heck wrote about the need for and the process of an impeachment inquiry. First to investigate to determine the facts, second decide to proceed with articles of impeachment and third and final step the open trial in the senate. Our Congressman believes that an impeachable offense has occurred, but the Congress needs an informed process to make their decision to lead to that third and final step for respecting the constitution.

ACTION: Call Denny Heck 360-459-8514 and thank him and his committee for the fortitude to uncover the facts through this impeachment inquiry. Ask him to keep conducting the oversight to find the truth.

Dial Up The Impeachment Heat
This comes from Indivisible national: Sign up for a shift making calls to ensure an open and transparent impeachment trial. This week, Indivisiblers across the country called more than 222,000 voters to urge them to contact their senators on impeachment -- and all of these calls happened because of activists across the country stepping up to spend a few hours on the phones. This week, we've added more shifts through early November, so there's plenty of options to choose from. For folks that might be new to using hubdialer, it's a simple four-part process:

- You sign up for a shift for Hubdialer and use our super-easy-to-use-platform to call voters in one of our target states. These folks are your friends -- they fight for progressive causes.
- You explain they have power now and what's at stake in the impeachment fight. And you explain why it's so important that they talk to their senator. (Don't worry, we provide a script!)
- You ask them to use their power by calling their members of Congress. You can tell them a little about why calls matter. When they agree, you hit a button and patch them through to their senator's office. Then, you make more calls to more voters -- and these Senate Republicans really get an earful.

We know we can make a difference with Hubdialer, but we've calculated that it will take about 1.1 million calls to have an impact on a trial in the Senate. Can you commit to a few hours making calls to help us make it happen?

Buy We Are Indivisible Book
Ezra Levin and Leah Greensburg's book We Are Indivisible, A Blueprint For Democracy After Trump comes out November 5. This isn't a book of platitudes about hope; it's a steely-eyed guide to people power--how to find it, how to build it, and how to use it to usher in the post-Trump era. All proceeds to the authors go to Indivisible's Save Democracy Fund. If the pre-orders the book hits 5000, it will automatically be included in the New York Times weekly Review of Books. This is the most prestigious book review in the nation and will give the book media attention it will not get otherwise. Olympia Indivisible's Lisa Ornstein and Glen Hubbard will hold a 4-week Cookies and Conversation book discussion group about We Are Indivisible from November 16 to December 14. We're limiting the group to 15, so ya gotta sign up in advance (and we suggest you do so quickly!). How? RSVP to Cookiesandconversationrsvp@gmail.com

ACTION: Pre-order the book through any of our local bookstores or go to Indivisible's book order site THIS WEEK and order a copy for yourself and one for a friend or family member! On the Indivisible site, single copies are $21.70, the lowest price on the market to date: At book stores about $26.
EXTRA CREDIT: Sign up to meet the authors! Ezra and Leah will be speaking about We are Indivisible Sunday, November 10 at 5:00 PM at University Bookstore, 1415 NE 43rd Street, Seattle, WA, with Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal moderating (wow!). RSVP at: https://act.indivisible.org/event/local-actions/148443/signup/

PROTECT OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

Ask our Senators to Co-sponsor S. 269 Social Security 2100 Act

S.269 is the Senate companion bill to H.R. 860 which currently has 208 cosponsors in the House including Rep. Heck. There is only one cosponsor in the senate for this bill, so we need to encourage our senators to lead the way in cosponsoring this legislation. The fight to save Social Security is critical to protecting the future for the elderly in America and while this legislation could go farther in that fight, it’s a step in the right direction.

Social Security 2100 Act would be the biggest reform to the program’s payment and revenue formulas since 1983

What the legislation does

The Social Security 2100 Act would introduce several reforms in an effort to keep the program running until at least the title year of 2100. These include:

• Setting the minimum Social Security benefit for retirees at +25% above the poverty line, so people are no longer “retiring into poverty.”

• Raising the income threshold at which one’s Social Security benefits start getting taxed, from the current $25,000 to $50,000 for an individual, and from the current $32,000 to $100,000 for a couple filing jointly.

• Collecting payroll taxes to help pay for Social Security on higher levels of income, from the current $132,900 maximum up to a new $400,000.

• Uses a new formula to calculate the annual cost of living increases to Social Security benefits, from the current one which measures inflation for the population at large (called CPI-W) to another formula which measures inflation for the elderly population specifically (called CPI-E). Historically, this formula has averaged +3.3% annually, slightly higher than +3.1% for the whole population at large.

The House version was introduced on January 30 as bill number H.R. 860, by Rep. John Larson (D-CT1). The Senate version was introduced the same day as bill number S. 269, by Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-CT).

https://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/116/s269/summary

ACTION: call Senator Maria Cantwell (253)572-2281 Senator Patty Murray (253)572-3636

Script: My name is ________ and I’m a member of Olympia Indivisible. I am calling to ask Senator ______ to cosponsor S. 269 Social Security 2100 Act. Despite its value to our nation, the Social Security insurance program has not been reformed since 1983 and it is expected that it will begin to run a deficit in 2020, but Senator Blumenthal’s legislation will go a long way in revising the program to generate the revenue required to continue to protect Americans has it has for the past 84 years.

COMING SOON

Thursdays, October 31 3-5 pm
Phone Banking for Helen Wheatley with Our Revolution
OR has access to a huge list of receptive voters. Many they have contacted weren’t even aware of the Port race but are thrilled to learn about it and want to vote for Helen, the progressive candidate. Meet at the Commons @Fertile Ground, 911 Adams SE, Olympia. Another option is to call from your own home – for lists, contact helenforport@gmail.com.

Friday, November 1 5:30
Olympia Indivisible Members TGIF Gathering!

NEW LOCATION Cooper Point Public House
3002 Harrison Ave NW, Olympia

Saturday, November 9 – 9:00 a.m. to 3 p.m
League of Women Voters Olympia/Thurston County Action Workshop -
Climate Change & Environmental Justice—It’s Time for Action!
South Puget Sound Community College—Lacey Campus 4220 6th Avenue SE, Lacey, WA

Monday November 4 - 7:00 PM-8:30 PM
New Member Orientation: If you have never attended, you should.
RSVP TO: olyindinmorsvp@gmail.com Location will be provided when you RSVP

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