

All Group Meeting **NOTES**

June 2, 2019, 1:30pm KIRKLAND LIBRARY

Thank you Janet K, Hanna F and Linda K for the yummy snacks.

What have people been up to?

- May 14: [#StopTheBans](#) rally Seattle - 1000 people at City Hall
- May 14: Postcards to Voters - 120 postcards to Florida democrats to sign up for Vote By Mail
- May 16: Alphabet Resistance [HANDS OFF MY BODY / HANDS OFF IRAN](#)
- May 18: (Louise) Eastside Dinner - Netted 60K to support 4 Eastside LDs' endorsed City Council and School Board candidates + money for LDs to print and distribute endorsement guides.
- What have YOU been up to?

Announcements:

- Finances – Balance **\$650**
- No meeting until September
- Debate Watch party June 26th with Indivisible Kirkland

Impeachment:

- Read [Leah and Ezra's 5/30](#) email to kick off discussion (Linda)
- Give space for discussion on Impeachment. Urge members read up, then fill out [Indivisible National's Impeachment Survey](#) - link will be in Monday's action email.
- Once we get Ts financial documents it will be clearer that he's a crook.

Good News (at bottom of page)

Speaker: **Julia Ricketts** - [Code Blue Washington](#)

- Code Blue overview of their electoral activity

Support candidates in our backyard:

[Takele Gobena](#) for SeaTac City Council

Join us for a canvass to support this progressive candidate in SeaTac! SeaTac is an diverse city with large immigrant populations – but 8 out of the 9 Council Members are white, and the mayor is a Trump supporter. Takele is a union organizer who has fought for living wages for Uber/Lyft drivers and opposed the displacement of immigrant-owned businesses by development. We need his voice.

Canvasses go out every Saturday and Sunday at noon and can be scheduled at other times too.

Sign up and Donate here: <https://takeleforseatac.com/>

Code Blue Canvasses: Saturday June 8 & Saturday June 22, 12 pm to 3 pm

Meet at 11:15 am to Carpool from Vivace South Lake Union – rsvp to wacodeblue@gmail.com

Everyone goes out in pairs and new canvassers get training for sure!

Support Candidates Across the State:

Spokane Valley City Council 2019 Council Members:

Brandi Peetz – (position 2) - Retain - Reasonable Republican

Arne Woodard – (position 3) Shea ally -- OPPOSE - **Support Lance Gurel** (D)

Sam Wood – (position 6) Retiring - **Support Tim Hattenburg** (D)

If we flip these two seats, the new Council will support Ben Wick for Mayor over current Mayor Rod Higgins. Wick is a reasonable Republican (RR) and Higgins is not.

Code Blue Washington is supporting Lance Gurel with donations 6/4 – 6/11 to boost his primary campaign. He is being out-fundraised 4:1 by Woodward and needs immediate support. Super nice guy, CPA and nature-lover who will work to keep the quality of life high in the Spokane Valley and find solutions to the affordable housing crisis.

- Read more and Donate to Lance here: <https://votelancegurel.com/>
- **Phone banks for Lance Gurel and Tim Hattenburg coming soon!** Email Julia at wacodeblue@gmail.com or join our FB group for details. We'll be calling low-participation voters to let them know about the importance of supporting our candidates in the Primary.

Support Candidates Across the Country in Virginia

Speaker: Louise Sister District Project [Sister District Slide Deck:](#)

- [Virginia House of Delegates Candidate Joshua Cole](#)
- [Sister District Puget Sound Website](#)
- Virginia - Last state needed to ratify ERA
- Consider hosting a Sister District Supported fundraiser such as:

June 14 Flag Day Fundraiser for Josh Cole / VA House of Delegates

- Join us at a private home in Sand Point to support Sister District candidate Josh Cole!
- 7 to 9 p.m. June 14, 2019
- Suggested donation \$25 - \$200. Ask about our Matching Fund!
- Enjoy drinks, desserts and a message from the candidate. Special guests include WA State Senator Claire Wilson (30th LD).
- register at <http://bit.ly/SDP-6-14>

- To donate Text **pugetsound** to 555888

Phone Bank for Josh Cole – Coming Soon!

- Plan a phone bank at your home with a few friends. We'll provide training and support. The campaign provides the script and loads a list of targeted voters who need early contact to become active Primary Election voters.
- Want to do more? Host a fundraiser! Contact bridget.sdp.pugetsound@gmail.com for support.
- Donate to the [EveryDistrict VA Fund](#): Money is spread across 30 key races.

Thank You and Refreshments

Good News: Shortened list. For full list go to

<http://indivisibleeastside.com/good-news/>

May 3 [Court delays block Keystone XL pipeline construction in 2019](#)

An executive for the company proposing the Keystone XL oil pipeline from Canada's oil sands into the U.S. says it has missed the 2019 construction season due to court delays. TransCanada says it won't be doing any construction work on the Keystone XL pipeline in 2019, because of court delays. Plans to begin construction of the long-delayed pipeline got blocked last November when a federal judge in Montana ordered additional environmental reviews of the project.

May 11 [Rudy Giuliani cancels his trip to the Ukraine, blaming Democrats 'spin'](#)

Facing withering attacks accusing him of seeking foreign assistance for President Trump's re-election campaign, Rudy Giuliani canceled a trip to Kiev in which he planned to push the incoming Ukrainian government to press ahead with investigations that he hoped would benefit Mr. Trump. The trip raised the specter of a lawyer for Mr. Trump pressing a foreign government to pursue investigations that his allies hope could help him win re-election.

May 28th [Texas secretary of state resigns after botched voter purge.](#)

Acting Texas Secretary of State David Whitley (R) resigned after his office wrongly questioned the U.S. citizenship of nearly 100,000 people. Whitley's office early this year launched a botched review of the state's voter rolls, saying officials had discovered as many as 95,000 non-citizens registered to vote and sending lists of names to county elections officials for review and purge. Within days, the secretary of state's office backtracked on the announcement after discovering that its original list was not properly vetted and included thousands of citizens.

May 20 [Judge rules against Trump in fight over president's financial records](#)

President Trump on Monday lost an early round of his court fight with Democrats after a federal judge ruled the president's accounting firm must turn over his financial records to Congress as lawmakers seek to assert their oversight authority.

"It is simply not fathomable," the judge wrote, "that a Constitution that grants Congress the power to remove a President for reasons including criminal behavior would deny Congress the power to investigate him for unlawful conduct — past or present — even without formally opening an impeachment inquiry."

May 30 [Business-software giant Salesforce instituted a new policy barring retail customers from using its technology to sell semiautomatic weapons and some other firearms.](#)

The Silicon Valley tech giant has delivered a different message to gun-selling retailers such as Camping World: Stop selling military-style rifles, or stop using our software.

May 30

[New Hampshire abolishes death penalty after lawmakers override governor.](#)

Lawmakers in New Hampshire voted Thursday to abolish the death penalty, overriding a veto from the state's Republican governor and making it the 21st state to abandon capital punishment.

May 31 [Missouri's Last Abortion Provider Wins Reprieve, As Judge Rules Against State](#)

A Missouri judge has blocked the state's attempt to close down Missouri's last abortion provider. Missouri Circuit Court Judge Michael Stelzer granted a request to temporarily prevent state officials from revoking the license of a clinic operated by a St. Louis Planned Parenthood chapter, as the state's health department had sought to do.

And finally....

May 31 [New baby orca seen in endangered pod](#)

Whale watchers spotted a new orca calf in the J pod of the endangered southern resident killer whale population Thursday. If confirmed, it would be the second orca calf born since January in a population that many scientists fear is at risk of extinction. The new orca calf raises the population to 76 whales.