



IE All Group Meeting **NOTES**

Apr 21, 2018, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Note: There are many places below that say “contact us” or “Volunteers needed”. Please email hello@indivisibleeastside.com to reach a steering committee member.

Announcements:

- Thank:
 - Michelle for VR outreach at Green River College
 - Erin H for VR outreach at Bellevue College
 - Nancy W and Erin H for Postcards events – 300 postcards written for 2 candidates
- Finances – Zoom (video conferencing) renewal paid 4/20 (\$149.50) (Balance approx \$660)
- Next meeting Sun May 20, 4:30 – 6:30 Redmond
- July picnic instead of meeting. Weeknight or Weekend night?
 - Most people seem to want a weekend night.
 - invite families, games
 - If anyone has a backyard we would love to do our picnic there. (30-40 people)
- Social get-together at Postdoc Brewery: Louise & Allison will be there. 17625 NE 65th St #100, Redmond, WA 98052

Topic Group Reports

- Info on MAPS events: **Rhiannon**. (not really a topic_group but COULD be)
 - Working with Muslim Association of Puget Sound, and Womxns March, July 7th day of education for islamophobia. Looking for volunteers as well as people to attend.
- Environment - **Jan K I-1631** <https://yeson1631.org/>
 - 1631-carbon fee for Washington state, signatures by June 30th.
 - Fee put on the place where the carbon comes into Washington.
 - Helps communities and tribes that are directly affected by bringing carbon into WA.
 - Fees on electricity companies, gas companies, rebates back to the people.
 - Separate: Support local farmers’ markets as it’s now spring farmers market start up again.
- Corruption – **Eric V**
 - Campaign finance,
 - Meeting on Tue May 1st 6pm – 7:30pm at Redmond Library

- Gun Responsibility - **Linda C**
 - [Indivisible Kirkland Kenmore](#) went to Kirkland City Council and presented a resolution that they would like to see in terms of safety in their city.
 - IE members are encouraged to use their website to read the resolution and write a letter of support.
 - Attend City Council meeting - May 1st wear orange at city hall in kirkland, or just wear orange.
 - Moms Demand Action added an arm called Students Demand Action.
 - vote for our lives is the next big event.
 - And a wear orange day.
 - Safety in our school i1621-means that you can come onto school property with a gun, don't sign you want people who are armed in schools. (arming teachers, never a good idea)
- Elections/Voting - **Linda S**
 - Going to Green River community college to do voter registration
 - Group has a lot of events coming up in the summer! 2 a month right now.
 - Postcards have been a lot of fun.

"6 months to November"

- May 6th will be 6 months before the Election. Can IE host/promote 4 **official** electoral related in-person actions per month? Examples:
- Postcard writing (1-2 per month). Need volunteers to provide location. IE Steering will support with voter addresses through www.postcardstovoters.org .
- Canvassing - IE members to attend [WA Dems Canvassing](#) as a group (3-4 total). Need volunteer to organize.
- Voter Registration event (2 per month) - Elections/Voting group is organizing
- Sign waving on overpasses? Can borrow big letters from another Indivisible who does this. Need Volunteer.
- Evening Spotlight Activism? In Sep/Oct when darker evenings. Need passionate volunteer. Louise has a connection in Everett that has all the info to set you up.
- Ideas: canvassing event tomorrow, WA dems do canvassing events-Peter T will share the events on facebook.
- Ask members who cannot physically attend to sponsor an activity (cash) to be used for morale food for volunteers and purchasing supplies. Thinking food incentives might be especially important to getting people to canvass.
- Ask for input from members and brainstorm name:
 - The road to November
 - Surfing to November
 - Ride the Tsunami

- Say No in November
- Midterms are a big term
- Flip them off (out)
- Flip for our future
- Countdown to November
- Countdown to a blue November
- Fired up to Vote Them Out
- Fired up for Action
- Fired up for the Future
- members can offer new ideas and vote for their favorite on the “[Name Indivisible Eastside’s Electoral Push](#)” one question poll.

Celebrate some wins:

- 3/28 Washington State becomes latest state to ban gay ‘conversion therapy
- 4/11 Zinke ‘expresses doubt’ that offshore drilling will happen off Washington Coast
- 4/12 Zinke backs out of dramatically raising entrance fees at 17 National Parks
- 4/11 - Paul Ryan will not seek re-election next term
- 4/17 Rep Charlie Dent (PA) announced retirement
- 4/18 Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach - Found in contempt of court regarding voter suppression.
- 4/18 170 Lawmakers sign resolution calling for EPA Chief Scott Pruitt’s Resignation (No GOP – Both WA State Senators + DelBene & Adam Smith) – Action on this in Monday’s email.
- 4/19 Appeals court rules against Trump administration over ‘sanctuary cities’
- 4/19 Arizona teachers decide to strike next week, following the lead of their colleagues in West Virginia, Oklahoma, Kentucky and Colorado.

Marquese Averett (Fuse) Demystifying canvassing

- Canvassing in your own neighborhood
- allows for us to gather data that we wouldn’t normally get.
- 10 times better than making phone calls. More effective. Phone only reach 7% of people, the best way is to knock on doors.

- program called miniVAN is used. Its on your phone tells you what house exactly to knock on. Gives you script to use.
- very user friendly, automatic, easy to use, collects data for you.
- script is not the most important part, you use it as a guide to have conversations and really listen to people's concerns.
- Fuse, WA Dems will train you, and give you extra training if you want it.
- Working with a partner is much more fun
- You can volunteer to just be a driver if you don't want to/can't go door to door
- IE will be setting up some specific dates for us to go as a group (need volunteer to coordinate)
- [Upcoming WA State Dems Events](#)

Door Prize - 3 winners

Educate: Judith L – Nuclear War Threat

- Member of [Physicians for Social Responsibility](#)
- Doing this work since 1979.
- International Physicians for the Prevention Of Nuclear War www.ippnw.org - Nobel Peace Prize, 1985
- International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons www.icanw.org - Nobel Peace Prize, 2017
- Trying to keep the world safe for Global Warming (joke)
- living 26 miles from the highest value target in the united states (Bangor)
- Link between climate change and nuclear war. Mass extinction
- Asking individuals to endorse- [Back From the Brink - A Call to Prevent Nuclear War](#).
- 5 steps we can do as individuals to prevent nuclear war. Trying to make it harder for one individual-Trump to hit a button.
- Preventing nuclear war should be as important as protesting firing Muller. Trying to work with MoveOn and Indivisible for a mobilization of protesters.
- Resources: [Anti-Nuclear War Groups](#), [National Security Legislative Calendar](#),

Behind the Scenes at Indivisible Eastside – Technology to help activism and collaboration

NOTE: if you want to learn more on using these tools, Louise and Jennifer are available to do a video call, or in person meeting with you to help get you started. There's also a tutorial document for topic group leaders and members to use. Just contact us and we'll send it to you.

- Demo [Take Action Network](#) - Daniel W

- Take Action Network-lists action, events, one stop shopping to take actions.
- Don't need an invitation to join - can do so on site
- Very user friendly, people seem to really love it.
- Demo 3 tools for collaboration
- Google Drive
 - Topic Groups each have a folder where all their documents and information can be stored.
 - If you have, or get a gmail account and it is more user friendly.
 - Can use even if you don't have a gmail account
- Slack
 - like a group chat, but organized by conversation, or channel. Each channel has its own purpose such as "events" or "social media" or a specific topic group.
 - channels, topic groups, you can see conversations of things that have happened before, so if someone new joins, they can look back at what's been discussed.
 - Very transparent.
 - App for Phone and Desktop, or can use web page
 - Set notifications so you know when something new has happened.
 - Steering committee uses every day.
 - Need invitation to join. Let us know if you want to join.
hello@indivisibleeastside.com
- Zoom
 - video chat. This is available to you. Meetings without leaving your house or putting pants on!
 - You can chat and record your meetings.
 - anyone can use it for free to have a 45 minute video call with multiple people.
 - If you need more time, start a new call. .
 - www.Zoom.us