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UPDATES, MINUTES, AND ACTION ITEMS

America just might be waking up to the reality of a Trump and MAGA Fascist regime.



AND – TEXAS – Democrat Taylor Rehmet flipped a reliably Republican State Senate District. – AND Democrat [Christian Menefee](#) wins U.S. House election in Texas, narrowing slim GOP majority.

AND – NEW YORK CITY - Zohran Mamdani, an unapologetic Democratic Socialist, was elected mayor of New York City, a Democratic stronghold that saw the highest voter turnout in a mayor's race in 50 years.

AND VIRGINIA AND NEW JERSEY - wins for governor.

AND ARIZONA - [Adelita Grijalva](#) (D) won the September 23, 2025, special election for the 7th District.

AND LOUISIANA - Democrat Chasity Verret Martinez won Saturday's special election for State House District 60, defeating Republican Brad Daigle.

AND JURIES, GRAND JURIES, AND JUDGES have all stood up to the Trump Regime and stood by the Constitution.

AND – lo and behold – six Republicans in the House of Representatives found their.....and [just said no.](#)

Is all of this enough – have we turned the tide?

Of course not.

“If historians object that Trump is not a copy of Mussolini or Hitler or Franco, the reply is yes—but so what? Trump is building something new on old principles. He is showing us in real time what 21st-century *American* fascism looks like... Americans who support liberal democracy need to recognize what we're dealing with in order to cope with it, and to recognize something, one must name it. Trump has revealed himself, and we must name what we see.”

[Jonathon Rauch, *The Atlantic*](#)

Our work remains ahead of us. It's challenging work, reaching deep into the future. We hope you find in this newsletter information and opportunities for action that resonate with you.

Because **WE THE PEOPLE** must turn the tide.

“Courage is contagious. The examples of how to protect our democracy are coming from the ground up, not from the top down.”

[Elissa Slotkin](#)

CHECK IT OUT

Elections

The May 19th Primary is fast approaching! It will be the start of our efforts to take back our country – to re-establish our nation’s core values. It will also affect the course of our state and Curry County. Some of the important open positions are listed below:

Federal Races –

- U.S. Senate – currently held by Jeff Merkley (D), who is running for reelection.
- U.S. Representative for Oregon's 4th Congressional District – currently held by Val Hoyle (D), who is running again. Dr. Melissa Bird (D) has filed. Monique DeSpain (R) has also filed. **Updated information on this race: INCC has voted to endorse Dr. Melissa Bird in the primary on May 19th. Members were impressed with her progressive values, her experience in achieving results with people of different ideologies, her clear stance on issues aligned with INCC’s goals, her pledge to refuse funds from AIPAC (American-Israeli Political Action Committee), and her commitment to regularly communicate, both in person and through her staff, with her constituents throughout the district. INCC hopes to provide future opportunities for more of our community members to meet Dr. Bird.**

State Races –

- Governor – currently held by Tina Kotek (D), who is running again. Six other Democrats have also filed to run, as well as thirteen Republicans. You can look up the candidates [HERE](#)
- State Representative, District 1 – currently held by Court Boice (R). Bret Cecil (D) has filed. **Updated information on this race: INCC has voted to endorse Bret Cecil in this race. Longtime political activist and Chair of the Curry County Democrats, Bret is committed to representing all of District 1, holding Town Halls with constituents, supporting our current mail-in voting system, and keeping Oregon on the path of democracy.**

County Races

- Curry County Commissioner (Non-partisan position)- currently held by Lyn Coker. Jeremy Dumier has filed. **WE NEED A CANDIDATE TO FILE WHO WILL REPRESENT A DIFFERENT VIEWPOINT IN THIS POSITION.**

We will keep you updated on candidates and ballot measures, but for now, there is still an opportunity to become a candidate yourself – or to talk to someone that you believe should run for office. **Support is available.** Contact INCC for further information.

Important Election Dates:

March 10 – Last day to file to be a candidate on the Oregon Primary Ballot.

April 28 - Last day to register to vote or change party affiliation. Registration cards postmarked by this date or submitted online no later than 11:59 pm are valid. **You must be a registered Democrat or Republican to vote in partisan primary races.**

POSTCARDS ARE BACK

One of the hardest things about this political moment is knowing you care deeply and not knowing where your effort actually makes a difference. For a lot of people, that's not because they don't want to act. It's because of geography. You might live ten miles from a battleground district. Or you might live a thousand miles away. That's where Activate America comes in. **Their work is built around one simple idea: your ability to help shouldn't depend on your zip code.** Activate America gives people everywhere a way to support the races that will decide control of the House and Senate — whether those voters live down the road or across the country.

Once again. INCC will partner with Activate America to send postcards to voters in other states. Each set contains 10 postcards to write and mail. INCC supplies everything you need – the postcards, instructions, the script to be handwritten on the card, addresses, and, when we can afford them, stamps. Postcards will be available at all INCC meetings and rallies. You can also contact Joy May at 541-660-3398 for information on how to get your postcards.

Our first two campaigns:

- 1) **CA 48: Let's vote out Republican Congressman Darrell Issa, MAGA**
Congressman Issa voted to ● CUT health care and food assistance ● give tax breaks to billionaires ● increase the number of poorly trained ICE agents terrorizing our communities.
- 2) **Make sure voters know to vote for Judge Chris Taylor for the Wisconsin State Supreme Court election in April! She'll protect reproductive freedom and voting rights.**

AND COMING UP:

Saturday, February 14th - Pop-up rallies in Port Orford (corner of 16th Street and Hwy 101) and Gold Beach (in front of the Courthouse) from Noon to 1:00 pm.

Saturday, February 14 - Walk for Peace! Inspired by the Buddhist monks on the East Coast, a similar Walk for Peace has been organized in Brookings. Participants have been taking part for a couple of weeks now, gathering on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays at 1pm, starting from the Brookings Library and walking for about 45 minutes. The response from the community has been very positive, with many honks and thumbs up. The final walk will be on Saturday, February 14, at 1pm It is a silent, meditative walk for peace. There is something very powerful for both the participants and those watching from a distance. Please join us!

Tuesday, February 17 – National Day of Action: Impeach the Regime



We demand that our elected officials in Congress act by pushing for the impeachment of the current regime. It's time to show up at their offices in person. It's time to flood them with calls. We realize Val Hoyle's nearest office is in Eugene – but if you're up that way, here's the info: 940 Willamette St Eugene. By appointment only – so call ahead. Phone: (541) 465-6732.

We can all call or email on this day. See

Action Items below for contact information and suggestions on what to say.

Saturday, February 21 – Our allies, the Curry County Democrats, will hold their next monthly meeting in Port Orford from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Port Orford Library. The Chair of the Democratic Party of Oregon (DPO) will join via Zoom to share information about the current Oregon Legislative session and how to easily find details on bills that matter to you. There will also be time for open discussion. While some food will be available, feel free to bring your own or something to share.

Sunday, March 8 – [International Women's Day 2026](#). The theme is 'Give To Gain'. Whether through donations, knowledge, resources, infrastructure, visibility, advocacy, education, training, mentoring, or time, contributing to women's advancement helps create a more supportive and interconnected world.

Saturday, March 28 -

America has no kings, and the power belongs to the people.

The next NO KINGS mass mobilization rallies are scheduled in Port Orford, Gold Beach, and Brookings, all from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. More information will be coming soon.



INCC Minutes February 5, 2025

- 1) **Monday Community Dinners** – Update on these dinners. 50 meals were served last Monday. The Senior Center will hold a meeting for all groups using their kitchen to orient volunteers. INCC will attend. The dinners will continue every Monday, from 5:00 – 6:30 pm, at the Port Orford Senior Center.
- 2) Saturday, February 7th Rallies – Pop-up rallies are taking place in Port Orford and Gold Beach, with plans to hold recurring rallies every Saturday. For Port Orford, this will be in addition to the regular Friday rallies.
There will be no rallies held on Saturday, February 21. Everyone is encouraged to attend the open Curry County Democrats meeting in Port Orford.
- 3) Curry County Democrats monthly meeting. This is an open meeting. You do not have to be registered as a Democrat to attend. The meeting will be held on Saturday, February 21, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, at the Port Orford Library.
- 4) Postcard campaigns through Activate America have resumed. Postcards are available in sets of 10 – focusing on a House race in California and the State Supreme Court in Wisconsin.
- 5) Discussed Initiative Petition 28 - The People for the Elimination of Animal Cruelty Exemptions, or PEACE, Act. INCC members strongly encourage voters to read and understand this initiative before signing to put it on the Oregon ballot. [IP 28](#).
- 6) Discussed No Kings rallies – March 23. Rallies will be held in Port Orford, Gold Beach, and Brookings. All three events have been submitted to Mobilize. Safety teams for each rally will be formed and will meet for training.
- 7) Discussed replacing the sign at the INCC rally site that states INCC and Happy Pet Tails are not affiliated. Discussion tabled until next meeting.
- 8) Discussion about the primary election – specifically, State Representative, District 1. Members voted to endorse Bret Cecil for this position.

- 9) The next INCC Information/Organizing Meeting – Thursday, February 19, at the Port Orford Library – from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.
- 10) Port Orford Rallies continue every Friday at the corner of 16th and Highway 101 in Port Orford from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) The Senate adjourned on Friday without reaching a deal to pass budget legislation for DHS. That leaves a DHS shutdown all but inevitable when the funding expires at midnight in Washington, DC, on Saturday. As a refresher, here are the demands on Democrats in Congress:



- ICE and CBP agents who have committed unlawful acts must be held accountable.
- Arrest warrants must be issued when appropriate after thorough investigations not subject to political interference.
- Racial profiling in enforcement must end.
- Every ICE and CBP agent must wear clear IDs and body cameras. No exceptions.
- ICE and CBP must be barred from entering schools, churches, and hospitals.
- DHS must be required to cooperate with state-level investigations where unlawful actions may have occurred.

There is truly no compromise to be made here. These demands need to stay non-negotiable.

That’s why we need to put pressure on our Senators to stand firm.

Ron Wyden – Phone: (202) 224-5244 [Email Ron](#)

Jeff Merkley - Phone: (202) 224-3753 [Email Jeff](#)

- 2) Tuesday, February 17 – Impeach the Regime National Day of Action. Visit. Call. Or email Val Hoyle’s office to demand that she act by pushing for the impeachment of the current regime. Short sample of what you might say:
Hi, my name is [NAME] and I’m a constituent from [CITY, ZIP].
I’m calling to express my outrage over Trump’s ongoing abuses of power and violent authoritarianism. I ask that Representative Hoyle lead on, or support, articles of impeachment and move to convict and remove Trump for his repeated defiance of the law.

IF LEAVING VOICEMAIL: Please leave your full street address to ensure your call is tallied.

Val Hoyle – Eugene - Phone: (541) 465-6732 940 Willamette St Eugene
Washington, D.C. Phone: (202) 225-6416
[email](#)

3) **SAVE Act** – The House has passed the SAVE America Act, sending the Trump-backed election bill to the Senate. The legislation would overhaul federal election laws in all 50 states by imposing new voter ID and proof-of-citizenship requirements. The bill now goes to the Senate. Our Senators need to hear from us.

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4) **From COIN (Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network) - Urgent Action**

Needed to Protect Campaign Finance Reform - Two years ago, the Oregon legislature took a historic step by passing legislation (HB 4024) that would finally limit political campaign contributions in Oregon and require real disclosure of who is giving money. COIN supported that bill. But now, as the time approaches for those long-awaited reforms to finally go into effect, it appears legislators may break that promise. They are shamelessly pretending that their new bill, HB 4018, protects and strengthens campaign finance reform, but don't buy it. These changes were negotiated in secret with the biggest campaign spenders. The Campaign Legal Center, a nonpartisan legal organization that has participated in every major campaign finance case before the U.S. Supreme Court since its founding in 2002, testified that *“while HB 4018-6 has been described as a bill to implement technical fixes to improve and strengthen HB 4024, several of the proposed policies would undermine those historic reforms, fail to accomplish the bill’s stated goal, or introduce new ambiguities in the law.”* [Click here to find out how to take action.](#)

5) **Attend a rally near you!**

6) **Write a postcard!**