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Next meeting is a ***** **Social at the Surrettes** *****

Please RSVP and let us know what side dish/appetizer you can bring.

We will provide hamburgers, salmon burgers and vegan burgers, buns, condiments and dessert.

Kjirste and Tom are going to set up a slide show of League of Women Voters' **info about our local ballot measures.**

Come for the social, and if you like, get educated on the ballot measures and discuss with like minded friends!

Feel free to bring spouses, kids, a new friend or someone who only came once!

Look for an invitation!!!

1. Anyone interested in going to see the new **Ruth Bader Ginsburg movie** (RBG) this Friday evening ?
2. Anyone interested in **canvassing in the Fresno area for Janz** - Saturday over Memorial weekend ?

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2321418/false#/invitation>

3. Anyone interested in attending the **next Sister District's Fundraiser** ?

Crafts for Candidates Makers' Fair

June 10, 2018 4:00PM - 6:00PM

We have some really amazing crafts that have been pledged, and attendees can go home with \$50 worth, so it's a deal! Pledges include: **pottery, jewelry, greeting cards, knit and crochet goods, woodworking, specialty bred plants, home roasted coffee, original art and photography, succulent gardens....**

Plus, the baking committee is working on **goodies**, and there will be **wine and artisanal microbrews available.**

<https://mailchi.mp/efa1b69e2f0f/wine-and-winning-242379?e=ffb7a755b2>

Kjirste gave a great presentation on digital security which only touched on the vast subject. We covered 2 Factor authentication- the whys, hows and challenges. We all checked our privacy settings on facebook

which held a lot of surprises for each of us. Slides of her presentation are attached along with the minutes.

This is a link to a super interesting article on **fascism**- historical and current (thank you Marsha)

<http://www.smirkingchimp.com/thread/thom-hartmann/78949/fascists-compete-to-own-america>

Action #1: Protect Special Counsel Mueller: Demand a Vote

On April 26 the Senate Judiciary Committee, [in a bipartisan vote](#), passed [S. 2644](#) -the Special Counsel Independence and Integrity Act, to protect Robert Mueller's Trump-Russia investigation. GOP Sen. Chuck Grassley asked for a prompt vote by the full Senate, despite Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's vow not to [allow a vote](#). If 51 senators want a vote, they can force one over McConnell's obstruction. **Please ask our Senators to demand a floor vote on S. 2644.** Read our [article](#) for more info about the escalating attacks on Mueller and the investigation, and other actions you can take.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein ([email](#))(415) 393-0707 •
DC: (202) 224-3841

Sen. Kamala Harris ([email](#))
(415) 355-9041 •
DC: (202)224-3553

Action #2: Ryan Bounds, Out of Bounds

Ryan Bounds has never been a judge, but the Senate is proceeding with his nomination to the [Ninth Circuit](#) Appeals Court. [Alliance for Justice](#) reports that Bounds may advocate for Trump's immigration agenda (the 9th is a bulwark against the [Muslim ban](#)) and has a history of racist writings. Both senators in Oregon, his home state, [oppose](#) him. The Senate has never held a hearing on a nominee whom both home senators opposed, making this a norm-breaking, dangerous precedent that could soon affect [California](#). Sen. Feinstein denounced the GOP move on [Twitter](#) and in a [press release](#); please thank her — and tell Senator Harris she needs to also speak out! **What to say: Judiciary Committee Chair Grassley is ignoring the blue-slip tradition and Oregon's citizens, for purely partisan reasons. Ryan Bounds is unqualified and unfit to be a federal judge, please do all you can to oppose his nomination.**

Action #3: Boost Voter Turnout in CA

The right to vote is the foundation of our democracy. Two bills pending in the state legislature would boost voter participation in communities with low voter turnout. [AB 2165](#) would make it easier for working people and students to vote by declaring Election Day a holiday. [AB 3115](#) would require jails to let outside groups provide voter education & registration help to eligible prisoners. See our [article](#) for complete info on how to urge the Assembly to pass these important bills.

Action #4 Racial Justice and resisting an authoritarian government

Dallas activist Rakem Balogun, finally released from prison after 5 months during which he was denied bail, is believed to be the first person targeted and prosecuted under a secretive US surveillance effort to track so-called “black identity extremists” (BIE), an effort based on an FBI counter-terrorism assessment that ignores government crime data showing an overall decline in police deaths since 2001 and the fact that most of those who shoot officers are white men. Balogun was monitored continuously after attending an Austin TX rally against police violence in 2015, a rally the FBI admitted it discovered on Infowars; the FBI had no evidence of Balogun making any specific threats about harming police:

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/may/11/rakem-balogun-interview-black-identity-extremists-fbi-surveillance>

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/may/11/rakem-balogun-interview-black-identity-extremists-fbi-surveillance> We must stop this targeting of “BIE”s now, while it is (we hope) in its early days: FBI Director Christopher Wray, (202) 324-3000 or 935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20535-0001 and Attorney General Jess Sessions, DOJ, 202-514-2000 or 950 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20530.

The importance of who we chose for our District attorney per the ACLU

In less than one month, you will elect your district attorney (DA) — a decision that can help bring an end to racially biased policing and mass incarceration. [That's why the ACLU of California just launched the Vote4DA campaign.](#)

Your DA has enormous power — they alone choose who gets prosecuted for a crime and what charges to press. They can hold police accountable and keep young people out of the prison pipeline.

But you also have power — the power to vote your DA into or out of office.

Exercise your power in the criminal justice system on Tuesday, June 5 by voting for the DA candidate that represents you. [Visit Vote4DA and find out where](#)

Trump's popularity: (Do not despair...)

https://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/plum-line/wp/2018/05/08/trump-is-a-disaster-and-thats-helping-democrats-but-not-how-you-think/?utm_term=.2a74d0e060d2

Trump's unpopularity does in fact remain historically abysmal. This and Trump's many scandals are in fact helping Democrats — but not in a way that is immediately apparent and not in a manner that betrays any unhealthy Democratic obsession with those things.

The [first article is by Nate Silver](#), and it puts Trump's job-approval numbers in their proper perspective. You constantly read [headlines](#) and [punditry](#) claiming that Trump's approval is rising. But, while Silver agrees that Trump's approval has "increased slightly," the big picture is this:

For the past 66 days, Trump's approval rating has been somewhere between 40.0 percent and 42.1 percent, according to our tracker. It's been toward the higher end of that range recently — but that isn't much of a range. Indeed, over the whole course of his presidency, the range Trump's approval ratings travel in has been remarkably narrow.

If Trump's numbers are rising, they are only doing so inside a very narrow range that remains abysmally low. And don't forget the [polling](#) that shows strong disapproval of Trump is running higher than strong approval, which could impact disparities in voter engagement.

Keep up the positive spirit!!

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Calendar (please request an invite)

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Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TWWLosGatos/?ref=bookmarks>

Lending Library

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fZU3zFpYgDwlls7HRHVmGEJ6RyirwpV8zPk5BmFP7kA/edit?usp=sharing>

Monthly Meetings

6:45pm
2nd and 4th Wednesdays
(Check FB or minutes for location)

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GOOD NEWS:

From Small Victories:

1. Following Tuesday's primaries in four states, [22 Democratic women](#)—more than [two-thirds](#) of those who ran—[won](#) their primary races. (BTW, one of these women has [accused](#) Trump of sexual assault.)
2. Meanwhile, the FEC just agreed to let candidates [use campaign funds](#) to cover childcare.
3. South Carolina Democrats [stopped](#) a statewide abortion ban from passing, by filibustering for hours on the Senate floor.
4. Transgender people living in New Hampshire will now be legally [protected from discrimination](#), thanks to a new state law passed this week.
5. We can't believe we left this out of last week's issue: After being unfairly locked up, Meek Mill was [finally released](#) from prison.
6. The federal government [overturned a policy](#) which made it harder for incarcerated people to have access to books.
7. A Texas judge [stopped](#) Republicans in Dallas from kicking more than 80 Democratic candidates—mainly people of color—off the ballot this fall.
8. Connecticut became the latest state to [ban](#) bump stocks.
9. The owner of the Chicago Tribune and two other area papers [agreed to negotiate](#) with the papers' unions.
10. And with an eye toward the future, it's promising to see Bernie Sanders and a group of Democrats [introduce a new bill](#) that would make unionizing easier through some big changes to the 1935 [National Labor Relations Act](#).
11. Thanks to the [Essie Justice Group](#) and [Color of Change](#), Facebook and Google [won't allow](#) bail bond ads on their platforms. As Gina Clayton, Executive Director of Essie Justice, said,

“This is a call to action for all those in the private sector who profit off of mass incarceration. It is time to say ‘no

| more.”

And if you want to help reunite incarcerated black mothers with their families in time for Mother’s Day, [check this out](#).

12. A white supremacist was [found guilty](#) of beating a black man—and not acting in self-defense—in Charlottesville last summer.

13. By 2020, solar panels [will be required](#) on all new homes built in California—which will not only help fight climate change, but also help lower costs for new homeowners.

14. Thanks to the app [Goodr](#), which launched last year, nearly a million pounds of leftover food [has been delivered](#) to Atlanta homeless shelters, low-income families, and the elderly.

15. Delaware just [banned](#) child marriage. (How is this only happening *now*??)

16. The racist former coal company CEO, who violated safety standards and led to the deaths of 29 miners, [lost his Senate campaign](#) in West Virginia.

17. A documentary about the life and work of [feminist hero Ruth Bader Ginsburg](#) opened this past weekend. Not only did it [win the indie box office](#), but the League of Women Voters also [registered new voters](#) at screenings.

18. Over 1,000 people, mostly women and children, [were rescued](#) from Boko Haram, and three American hostages [were released](#) from North Korea.

19. A new law in Pakistan will [protect the transgender community](#) from harassment and discrimination in the workplace.

Per The Rising :

- Women candidates won almost every Democratic house primary they contested on Tuesday. [Newsweek](#)
- Ohio’s voters approved a redistricting ballot initiative to end gerrymandering. [HuffPost](#)
- Self-proclaimed “trumpier than trump” Republican candidate for U.S. Senate Don Blankenship lost his primary on Tuesday. [Mother Jones](#)
- The California Energy Commission unanimously approved a mandate requiring solar panels on nearly all new single-family homes built in California starting in 2020. [SF Chronicle](#)
- California assembly members voted to pass a bill to limit doctors from prescribing more than five days' worth of opioid drugs to minors. [Sacramento Bee](#)

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