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**TWW 3/14/18 minutes and more Please note our 3/28 meeting is cancelled.****Please support our fundraiser!**

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**Hello fellow democracy fighters,**

We had a great presentation this past week hearing about the history of the second amendment and how it has been co-opted. One massive fraud. John's presentation was super interesting. Followed by the perspectives of a retired teacher. Gayle demonstrated the craziness of barricading a class room ( and loading ones weapon) in an effort to protect students, all the while talking calmly and quietly to little kids so as not to instill any fear.

Gayle did a tremendous amount of research and there is an attached document with all sorts of GREAT info and lots of possible actions to take. Please open it up and review it.

The presentations were taped. Eventually it will be posted on FB. If you did not come to the meeting it is well worth your time to watch it. I want to watch it again!

Heads up- **Our 3/28 meeting is cancelled** freeing up time for your to support our first **Wine and Winning FundRaiser**. All of your money will be matched and goes to support Sister Districts.

**Thursday 3/29 5:00pm - 7:00pm****Place: Joseph George Wines****1559 Meridian Avenue, San Jose Register at [bit.ly/wine-winning](http://bit.ly/wine-winning)****\$100 per person****NRA/Responsible Gun Ownership-****1. MARCH FOR OUR LIVES****Gayle Gordon is coordinating participants. 408-398-8127****Meet at: Gayle's house at 10:00 at 106 Robin Way in LG****or****SJ City Hall Covered steps at 10:30****Sign suggestion - "In memory of....." the name of a student killed in school gun violence**

Marches are happening in Santa Cruz, Redwood City, San Mateo and SF. No matter where you decide to go on Saturday, count yourself among one of 520 demonstrations happening world wide!!

**2. Proof that things are a changing for the better at the NRA**

**Action** - watch this <https://www.dailykos.com/stories/2018/3/15/1749238/-Need-proof-the-teen-activists-are-winning-Watch-the-NRA-do-an-about-face-in-new-video-message?detail=emaildkre>

### 3. Tell Wells Fargo: Stop Financing Mass Murders

In the days since the Florida school shooting, the world has (finally) begun to hear the cries to implement stronger gun control laws. **Large companies have even gotten involved** by ending long time discounts to NRA members, or by deciding to **put restrictions on gun purchases**, like no longer sell guns to people under 21.

**But some companies, like Wells Fargo, have continued on with business as usual despite the public outcry.** Wells Fargo has emerged as the preferred financier for the gun industry, helping gun and ammunition manufacturers access **more than \$431 million** in loans since 2012 alone. They also granted the NRA a \$28 million line of credit. Customers, like you, are the only voices these companies will listen to -- if you bank with **Wells Fargo** or any of the banks listed here....., consider

**Action** - **contacting them** to demand they stop financing the gun industry or lose your business.

### Bank Of America

I learned at last weeks OCI meeting that B of A is now asking a routine question on their applications- "Are you a US citizen?" There is no apparent need for this question and it persisted in the application - making this man go back to the question repeatedly. In protest, he left B of A transferring his money to another institution..

**Action** - Call your bank especially, if it is B of A, to find out if they are discriminating non citizens and consider pulling out your money.

### Conor Lamb PA-18

Won by 627 votes. WOW

One stat that has gotten little coverage since Lamb's victory: **228,000 voters turned out on Tuesday. That's notable because it's a lot more than the 166,000 who voted in the 2014 midterm election in PA-18.** What does that indicate? Growing momentum on the left that will also drive the two things we *know* help win elections: volunteers talking to voters, and small dollar donations.

**1 seat down in the House. 23 to go.**

This one requires no explanation. But it does require YOU—and all of us—doing everything we can to help flip **23 more seats** and win back Democratic control of the House in November.

**Action** - Find the activity/tool that resonates with you, grab a friend and focus on impacting the mid term elections.

Hello texters

If you are interested in texting for Beto O'Rourke (running against Ted Cruz in Texas), the link is

below. You sign up directly through the campaign and they will reply by e-mail. They use the Relay platform and SLACK and will provide you with sign-up information.

<https://secure.betofortexas.com/page/s/volunteer>

## Environment:

Two years ago, the future of the majestic California desert seemed assured.

That's when a visionary plan was finalized to balance conservation, cutting edge renewable energy development, and recreation on these priceless public lands.

Now, that historic blueprint for a viable clean energy and conservation future — known as the Desert Renewable Energy Conservation Plan — is under attack by the Trump administration, which is threatening to scrap these long-sought protections and put millions of acres of protected conservation lands at risk.

**A public comment period on this disastrous proposal ends March 22. \*\*\*\* Only 2 more days\*\*\*\*\***

**Action :** Please join NRDC today in urging the Bureau of Land Management to leave the #DesertPlan intact.

## ACLU Webinar Opportunities:

**Action - Join an ACLU 'People Power' Webinar Conference Call**

**People Power** is the new, grassroots movement powered by the **ACLU**, designed to help us all stand up for and protect our civil liberties. This month alone, there are six webinars you can sign up to attend on subjects like recruiting volunteers, using social media, meeting with your elected officials and more. All webinars are free, just [register here](#).

## Inequality and other threats to democracy

**Action - watch or read:**

1. Panel presentation with Sens. Bernie Sanders & Elizabeth Warren, filmmaker Michael Moore, and economics and urban policy professor Darrick Hamilton.

<https://heavy.com/news/2018/03/bernie-sanders-town-hall-live-stream-time-watch/>

2. Warning that our democracy and that of the world is at risk with suggested solutions:

<https://medium.com/s/how-to-cope-with-the-end-of-the-world/one-hell-of-a-to-do-list-for-saving-democracy-b26a70edb1b>

## Voting Rights- great news

Yesterday, in a victory for Pennsylvania voters, [the U.S. Supreme Court declined to block the recently redrawn Pennsylvania congressional districts from moving forward](#).

This is a huge victory for Pennsylvanians. Moving forward, the votes of Pennsylvanians will not be diluted by the unconstitutional extreme partisan gerrymandering of its congressional districts. In the 2018 election, voters will be voting under new, fairer maps.

Yesterday's decision was also a huge victory for the League of Women Voters. The League in Pennsylvania initiated this lawsuit in the summer of 2017 because voters deserve the right for their voices to be heard regardless of party affiliation or address. This victory is an important first step toward slaying the gerrymander.

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**Calendar** (please request an invite)

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/render?mode=day&date=20170401T020224&pli=1#main\\_7%7Cmonth](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/render?mode=day&date=20170401T020224&pli=1#main_7%7Cmonth)

**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)

If you want removed from this mailing list just let us know.

GOOD NEWS:

Per Small Victories:

**1.** This is huge: Philadelphia DA Larry Krasner [issued a memo](#) overhauling the city's criminal justice system with the explicit goal of ending mass incarceration. There are too many amazing new changes to summarize, so you can [read more about them here](#).

**2.** [A million students](#) across the country—from [American Indian teens](#) on the Pine Ridge Reservation to [thousands of students](#) in Chicago alone—[walked out of classthis](#) Wednesday to protest gun violence.

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**3 attachments**



**TWW Presentation.docx**

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**Gun violence resolution by High School.pdf**

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**TWW Minutes 3-14-18.docx**

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