

Welcome to Making Waves for Democracy Meeting

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Welcome to MWD! As always, it is sooo good to see you all – I love our community of activists, joining together in the resistance to rampant “institutional insanity”....

We are exhausted, scared, and angry about what’s going on – SO WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING! To preserve our sanity and hope, and to make a difference in the future of this country.

Between now and the June 2 primary, these next 6 weeks are big for MWD – there is a lot to do, and many opportunities for action for all of us! We can go to OC, or make calls to San Diego, or register young voters - it all makes a difference! WE make a difference!

Today we are excited to tell you about some of these opportunities, and we are sure you will find something that stirs your passion and works best in your life. We have actions for everyone!

Our friend Jason Berlin, founder and ED of Field Team 6, will talk with us about how important it is to register Dem voters and what Field Team 6 is doing about that all over the US – and how you can participate!

Campaign organizer extraordinaire, Parke Skelton and Nelson Goins, head of the CD48 Accountability Project, will tell us about an exciting new project to reach out to voters who have declined to state their party preferences, and there are a lot of them, in EX Rep Daryl Issa’s district - to get them to vote Dem.

And our friend, Amy Capelle, ED of WAVE, political activism organization in Orange County, will tell us about their project with Groundswell to train high school student ambassadors to conduct voter registration drives in their schools – and how we can help.

We will continue to knock on doors in Orange County for Derek Tran, so we’ll update you on our next day of action, co-sponsored with WAVE, in Stanton on May 23.

And now for some good news of the week:

Pope Leo is my new hero! He is NOT backing down in his “fight” with Trump. It’s a fight against greed, warmongering, and “manipulating religion for military or political gain.”

Democrats continue to win across the map, including in New Jersey’s 11th Congressional District, where Rep-elect Analilia Mejia won her race by wide margins!

Since Trump took office, Democrats have won or overperformed in 265 out of 296 key elections — a rate of nearly 90%.

And the news from Hungary has given us hope — Tyrants can be beaten by the democratic process — so we can't give up!