



Newsletter

THE TIDAL WAVE

News source for the building tsunami of resistance to autocracy

JUNE 2026

ELECTION REFLECTIONS

By Mary Beth Guerena

The election results are in. Now it is time to take a moment to celebrate our efforts and successes for a job well done. Lincoln County had a voter turnout of 46.71%. Compare that to the state turnout at only 40.5%. Then compare that to the voter turnout in 2024 for the presidential election at only 22.7%. I believe that each of us played a role in achieving these differences, from holding signs to point out the ballot box, protesting daily on the corner of Hwy 101 and 22nd Ave., posting signs in our yards, attending town halls and informing others, writing postcards, making phone calls, and canvassing. Our hard work made a difference.

Looking to November, let's set a goal to increase voter turnout to 60% or greater. For District 4, Tina Kotek, Jeff Merkley, and Val Hoyle were solid winners as the Democratic candidates.

Landers narrowly won over Walter Chuck for County Commissioner Position 3 receiving 8,166



votes (50.96%) to Chuck's 7,802 votes (48.69%). I would like to see ILC focus on the County Commissioner candidates for Position 1 and 2. As there was no clear winner with 51% of the vote, Cathy Rigby will be running against Casey Miller for Position 1 in November. In the May 19th election, Rigby received 5,101 votes (31%) to Miller's 4,056 votes (24%). I am speculating that Brubaker's 3,381 votes and Earl's 518 votes would go to Rigby. I would then think that Moody's 1,167 votes and McEntee's 2,300 votes would go to

Miller. If this same percentage spread holds, this would mean that Rigby would have a slight lead. For Position 2, Cristen Don received 7,197 votes (44%) to Joe Steere's 3,651 votes (22%). If Steere would take Baker's 3,013 votes and Townsend's 2,523 votes that would give him an edge over Don. She is in a precarious position and needs our support.

What can we do? Continue the good work... and consider signing up to be a Neighborhood Leader. The Neighbor Leader Program is a grassroots program of the Oregon Democratic Party, bringing progressive change to Lincoln County, one neighbor at a time. As a leader, you will invest 3-8 hours each election, contacting 35 homes in your neighborhood, either by phone, postcard, or canvassing for big results.

As a neighbor leader this past election, my partner and I canvassed 53 homes. We had face-to-face contact with about half of the people and left materials and a postcard for those who were not home. By the time the first results of voting were in, we had only 37% voter turnout. So, on May 12th, we called or texted people who had not yet voted with a friendly reminder to please put their ballots in the ballot box. By the time the final votes were tallied, we had 67% voter turnout. This is measurably better than both state and county turnout.

In a meeting with Val Hoyle and David Gomberg, he commended the program and mentioned that this was the first time anyone had canvassed his house and neighborhood. The personal contact makes a huge difference. In the past, leaders have only contacted Democrats. However, this next election we are considering reaching out to non-affiliated voters (NAV). They are a large percentage and growing population of voters. We need to hear their concerns and share our solutions. If you are interested in being a part of the Neighborhood Leader Program, then please sign up at dpo.org/NLP. Our democracy is not a given. It requires us to fight for it!

ILC MEMBERS CELEBRATE GET-OUT-THE-VOTE EFFORTS

From knocking on doors, making calls, texting, and writing post cards to hosting candidate Q&As and rally speeches, parading through Lincoln City and Otis in car

caravans, and making and distributing Freedom Flowers, Indivisible Lincoln City members pulled out all the stops to get out the vote this spring.

But while we are deadly serious about fighting the corruption coming out of Washington, DC, we've also been known to have a good time or two.

So, on May 30 we gathered at the Beach Club in town to celebrate what turned out to be a pretty successful voter turnout in our county of nearly 50%.





SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Fascism is Right Here, Right Now

By Shar Walbaum with Photos by Ann Chung

On May 16th, 20 ILC members made another attempt to wake up Lincoln City with our Signs of Fascism. It was a cold, wet day, but that didn't deter any of the 20 patriots who came out. As one person said afterwards, "You know you are doing something important. We all felt proud to be part it."

Check out the video by Ann Chung on ILC's website or COIN's site:

<https://thecoinchronicle.org/video-signs-of-fascism-in-lincoln-city/>





*See below for
information about
our upcoming Signs of Corruption
demonstration, coming soon to a sidewalk
near you.*

NOW, THE PUSH TOWARD NOVEMBER

So, What's the Plan?:

Signs of Corruption

By Joseph Youren

I recently proposed a resistance action to the ILC steering committee to be called: “Signs of Corruption.” Similar to Signs of Fascism, this action is designed to increase our community’s awareness of Indivisible Lincoln City, draw attention to the astonishing amount of corruption coming out of the current administration, and get people to think twice about supporting Republican candidates in upcoming elections.

Under the Trump regime Americans have witnessed corruption on an unprecedented scale — corruption, to use a phrase I have grown to loathe, “like nobody’s ever seen before.” Just a surface examination finds the Orange Autocrat and his minions guilty of:

Financial Self-Dealing and Conflicts of Interest

- Accepting a \$500 million investment in a Trump family crypto currency project from a member of the Emirati royal family.
- Family members securing military contracts in the middle of a war he started.
- Instituting a “pay-to-play” pipeline filling his cabinet and government agencies with campaign donors — qualifications be damned.
- Trump hotels, clubs and resorts functioning as *de facto* influence markets.

Election Interference

- Filing multiple lawsuits against states, including Oregon, seeking illegal access to voter data.

- Dispatching military units and ICE enforcement agents to democratic cities with the intent to terrorize American citizens. Suggesting he will post them again to supervise elections.
- At his insistence Trump supporters continue to contest the results of the 2020 election, seizing ballots and voting machines.
- Directing the United States Postal Service to interfere with mail-in voting.

Obstruction of Justice

- Appointing his personal attorney to serve as acting Attorney General.
- Directing subordinates to ignore legally originated subpoenas and to not testify during investigations, including impeachment hearings.
- Withholding documents related to Jeffrey Epstein's sex trafficking from Congress and the American people.

Weaponization of Government Agencies

- Demanding absolute personal loyalty from FBI and Department of Justice leaders and personnel, destroying any semblance of institutional independence.
- Firing inspectors general and highest-level military commanders to eliminate any meaningful oversight of illegal activities.
- Targeting persons perceived to be enemies for Department of Justice investigations.
- Slowing, redirecting, or quietly closing federal investigations of Trump-aligned donors. Using the Department of Justice, and other agencies for political retaliation are a daily occurrence.

Self-dealing, misuse of office, pressure on institutions, and disregard for ethical norms have stripped away any of the guardrails that protect our citizens and our democracy.

Hardcore MAGA supporters cheer the autocrat on and we are unlikely to ever change their minds BUT many independent and swing voters are coming to realize that Trump cares nothing for them and is only interested in self-enrichment. We need to support their education in the mechanics of graft and corruption, and to remind them regularly that this stuff is not normal and definitely NOT the way our government is supposed to operate.

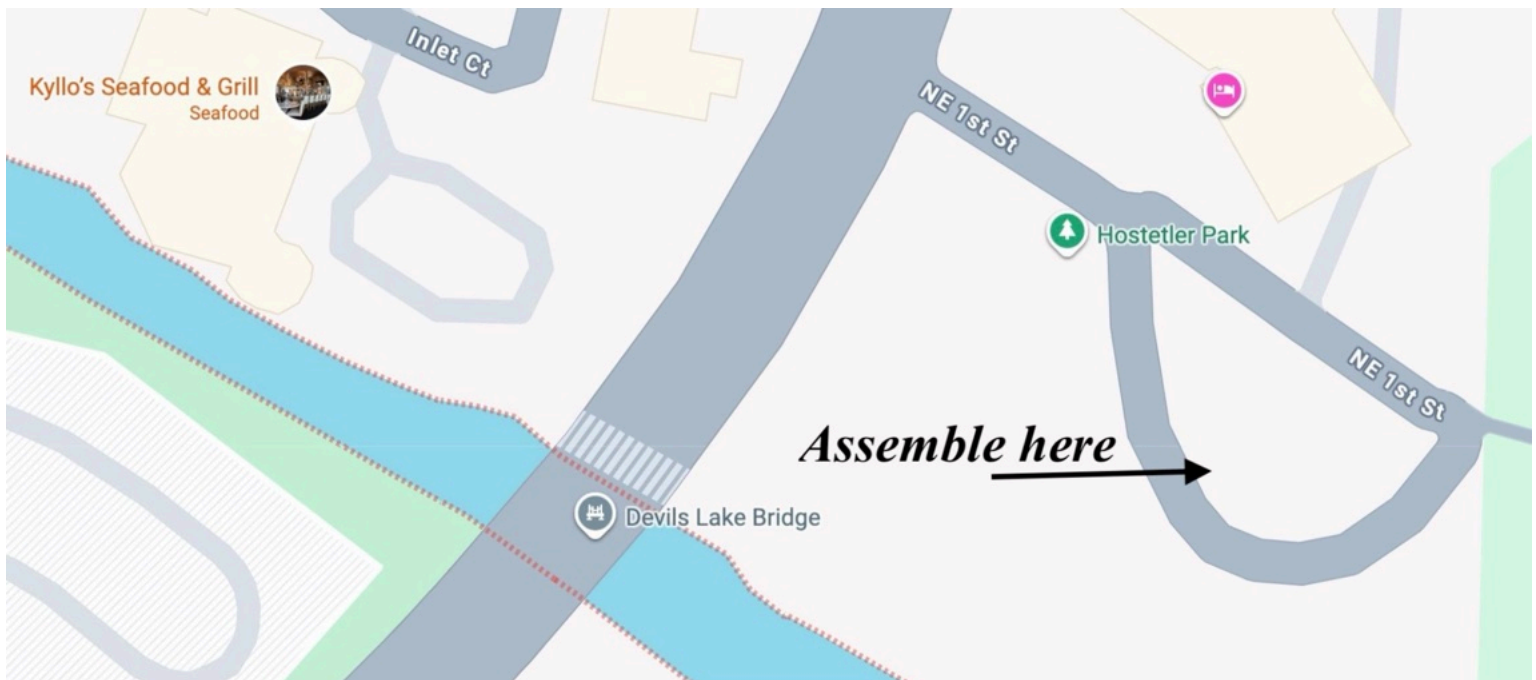
Please consider joining and supporting Signs of Corruption demonstrations as we roll them out. Corruption isn't a partisan issue, it's a "small-d" democratic one.

SIGNS OF CORRUPTION DEMONSTRATION

Sunday, June 14, is Flag Day, but it is also Trump's 80th birthday. He will celebrate by holding court at a UFC cage match on the White House lawn.

In contrast, we will have our first Signs of Corruption Demonstration to tell Lincoln City what is corrupt about the Birthday Boy. Look for SoC on Sunday at the D River Bridge, 2 - 3 pm. Hana Yoo designed the signs which were assembled by ILC members. Sign-holders: You've already been briefed, but ask Shar if you have questions. Others: Drive by and wave!

Prior to this demonstration, it's come to our attention that MAGA is planning on doing a Happy Flag/Trump Day car caravan starting at City Hall. They will drive their pro-Trump, flag-draped trucks through the city from noon - 2 pm and are sure to pass by NW 101 & 22nd. Show solidarity with the crew at Jerry's usual spot and wave a flag from noon to 1 (they will be provided). Expect a high volume of offensive gestures, foul words, and maybe black smoke, but remember: When they go low, we wave flags. Please join us. If you are a SoC Sign-Holder, you can do both; it's just a short drive to the gathering spot.



Throw A Watch Party!

In lieu of a protest this time around, NO KINGS is livestreaming ***Rise Up, Sing Out: A Concert for the First Amendment*** in NYC on Flag Day, Sunday, June 14th, 4:30 – 6 pm. For more information visit: <https://www.nokings.org/>



Committee for the First Amendment (CFA) hosts an uplifting evening of song, solidarity, and action to **join online**, supported by the No Kings Coalition & Indivisible.

HOST A WATCH PARTY!

Sun, June 14th, 4:30

Invite friends & neighbors over and celebrate!

<https://tinyurl.com/RiseUpSingOutstream>

All-star line-up of performers includes:

**Patti Smith, Bette Midler, Rufus Wainwright,
Miss Peppermint, Sasha Allen, Jane Fonda, Joy
Reid, Wilson Cruz, Broadway Inspirational
Voices, and more!**

Speech 🌟 Religion 🌟 Press 🌟 Assembly 🌟 Protest
Together, we celebrate the freedoms guaranteed by our First
Amendment and the people power it takes to protect them

POSTCARDS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

By Francie Meyers

Reclaim-Our-Vote Postcard Event! More Events to Follow...

Eight of us gathered on a recent morning at Peter's and my home in NW Lincoln City to write to voters in North Carolina on behalf of Reclaim Our Vote, a program run by the

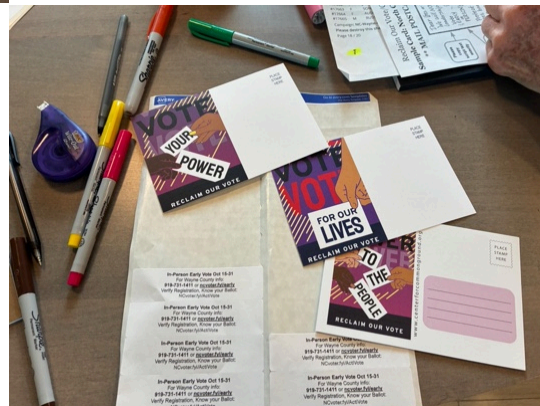
Center for Common Ground in VA. We wrote 180 postcards, affixing to each a label showing voters in Wayne County, NC, the phone # to call and the website to go to for voting info as well as an additional website where voters can verify their registration and find out what's on the ballot.

We wrote messages urging people to vote early and in person and to bring voter ID and friends to the polling place. Finally, we made clear what's at stake in

the upcoming midterms. We are targeting southern voters because of the recent SCOTUS Callais decision that overturned black majority districts.

Research has shown that postcards can have a significant impact on voter turnout — as much as 8.2% vs. 3.6%,

We plan to hold these postcard writing sessions one to two times a week into the fall and welcome other LC Indivisibles to join us! Refreshments and supplies provided. Email me for more information: fpmey66@gmail.com.



UNDERSTANDING THE OPPOSITION: WHITE CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM

The Threat is Coming from Inside the House

By Shar Walbaum

Have you heard Trump being prayed over by spiritual advisor, Pastor Paula White-Cain? Did you know that 72% of Evangelical Christians believe Trump is part of God's plan for the end-times? Perhaps you already know that the infiltration of the Republican Party by White Christian Nationalists started in the 1980s. That is what led us to this moment.

Five Pastors, One Question ***White Christian Nationalism: How Do We Respond?***

Thursday, June 18th, 6 p.m.
Congregational Church of Lincoln City
2345 NW Oar Place, Lincoln City, OR 97367

Chaplain Tim Mayne, Oceanside
Rev. Reginald Richardson, Portland .
Rev. Valerie Kendall, Pastor Mike Grogan, & Pastor Bill Mayne, Lincoln City,

Theocracy is a mode of government in which officials are seen as divinely guided and religious law is pre-eminent. Our democracy, in contrast, was founded on the separation of church from state and the embrace of religious pluralism. The effort to transform it into a theocracy is happening right here, right now. It is an old story – religious belief being exploited for political power. Can we derail it?

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Can we derail what is happening here? How? Five pastors will address that question.

ILC is hosting *White Christian Nationalism: How Do We Respond?* on Thursday, June 18, 6 pm, at the Congregational Church of Lincoln City.

Speakers and discussants include Pastor Michael Grogan, Congregational Church of Lincoln City; Chaplain Tim Mayne, Oceanside Chapel & Retreat; Rev. Valerie Kendall, Driftwood Fellowship; Rev.

Reginald Richardson, multi-church Adventist district in Portland; and Pastor Bill Mayne, Adventist congregations in Grand Ronde, Nestucca, and Lincoln City.

Between them, the pastors represent about 100 years of biblical expertise and can speak with authority on how Christian beliefs and scripture are being exploited for political ends. They will help us respond to the threat coming from inside the White House.

JULY 4

BY LAND AND BY SEA

Last year we did it on the Willamette River in downtown Portland. This year we'll meet at Devil's Lake State Park on East Devil's Lake Road, where we will launch our decorated watercraft onto the lake at 9 am, before the wind comes up. Then we'll parade around the lake till 11 am, showing our patriotism.

That afternoon, at 1:30, a car caravan will take shape at the Safeway parking lot, where vehicles can be festively decorated before parading through Lincoln City in celebration of our democracy.

Whether you prefer to show your support for the United States of America by hitting the road as part of our car caravan or by becoming part of our flotilla on Devils Lake, on July 4th let's stand up (or sit down) for the country we love.

PADDLE FOR DEMOCRACY



JOIN THE FLOTILLA: CELEBRATE DEMOCRACY FOR ALL AMERICANS

LINCOLN CITY INDIVISIBLE - PADDLE ON DEVIL'S LAKE
SATURDAY, JULY 4TH FROM 9:00 am - 11:00 am

LAUNCH FROM DEVIL'S LAKE STATE PARK

Just a short drive around the southern corner of the lake
205 NE East Devil's Lake Road, Lincoln City

There's a boat launch, fishing dock, restroom, picnic tables and a fire pit

BRING A KAYAK, CANOE, ROWBOAT OR SUP

BRING A FRIEND, YOUR FAMILY, YOUR DOG

BRING NOISEMAKERS, BUBBLES, ANYTHING FESTIVE

DECORATE YOUR BOAT WITH SIGNS, BANNERS, BALLOONS

SIGNS OF RESISTANCE

BE CREATIVE and HAVE FUN!!!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!





ILC Celebrates July 4th! Drive for Democracy



**Celebrate the birth of freedom and the Bill of Rights by
cruising through Lincoln City with horns, bells, flags,
bubbles, balloons, banners, & streamers**



The Plan

**1:30 pm - Gather to festoon & bedeck your vehicle
patriotic décor provided / bring some to share**

Assemble at the NE corner of Safeway parking lot
4039 NW Logan Rd, Lincoln City, OR

2 pm - Line up & ride out!

We'll cruise the streets of the city to celebrate USA's
250th, spreading joy by ringing bells, waving flags,
blowing bubbles & kisses, trailing streamers, &
honking horns



Questions? Ask Shar at sharwalbaum@gmail.com

Then on July 5th, after
participation in a walkathon to
benefit the Cascade Head
Biosphere Collective, and the
SOLVE beach clean up, we will join
together in Taft for our second
annual Hands Across the Sand,
which will culminate in forming
"8647" for drone capture.

The event will conclude with a
potluck picnic and songs from the
ILC Resistance Singers at the Taft
Pavilion.

Indivisible Lincoln City Hands Across the Sand & Beach Walk *from Roads End to Taft* Sunday, July 5th

ILC Cascade Head Biosphere Collaborative Walk-a-thon

Walkers begin at any beach access from NW 73rd to SW 44th

Friends & family donate based on number of access points passed

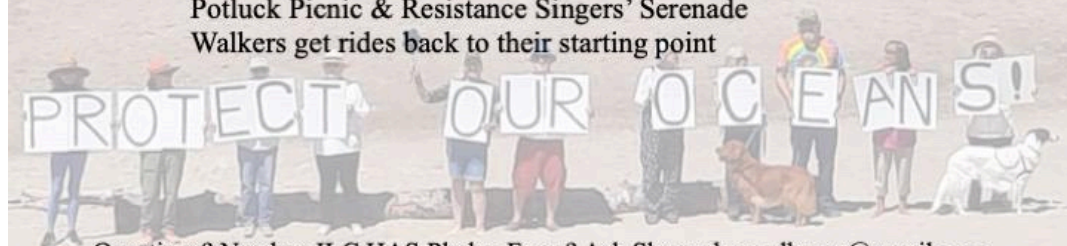
12 pm Hands Across the Sand 2.0

Form one long line, united in our love of sand & sea, showing unity
of purpose against threats to our marine environment

1 pm ILC Picnic Taft Waterfront Park Pavilion

Potluck Picnic & Resistance Singers' Serenade

Walkers get rides back to their starting point



Questions? Need an ILC HAS Pledge Form? Ask Shar: sharwalbaum@gmail.com



RESISTANCE SINGERS TO PERFORM ON JULY 5

By Roberta Baker

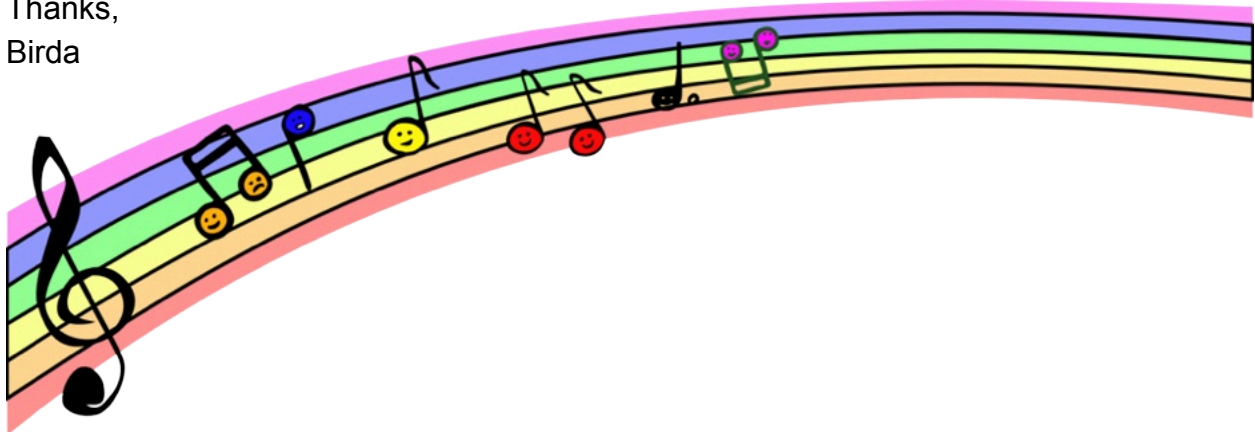
The recently formed ILC Resistance Singers is getting ready for our second gig! If you enjoy self expression through music, maybe you would like to join us. It would be great to have more singers and maybe more musicians!

We will be performing at the Hands Across the Sand event on July 5th. First, we will lead group singing on the beach. Then, we perform a set at the Pavilion.

All levels of singers are encouraged to join. We will have a few practice sessions and provide printed lyrics. See the song list below.

Please contact me if you'd love to come or if you need more encouragement!

Thanks,
Birda



For the Beach:

Ain't Gonna Let Nobody
This Land
We Shall Overcome

Pavillion Songs, in alphabetical order:

Imagine
No Nos Moveran
One Day
Study War No More
We Are Going
We Don't Want No More Deportations

ONE COMMUNITY ROLLS OUT

By Peter Inthout and Gary Hunt

One Community began when we recognized the need for stronger collaboration between our organization and local businesses in Lincoln City.

In October 2025, while passing out flyers for “No Kings 2.0,” we learned that many hotels, restaurants, and other businesses were not prepared for a possible ICE visit. A majority of business owners we spoke with expressed concern about how employees should respond and how to protect their safety.

Our Response

In response, we decided to offer Lincoln City business owners educational materials and training to help them prepare. We explored several ways to inform and share this information, including visiting businesses in person and sending a formal business letter. However, in-person outreach would have required more time and resources than we had available, and a letter alone did not seem likely to capture enough attention.

A helpful conversation with someone in the business community led us to a more effective solution: a “Rack Card.” This format allows us to present our message clearly and simply while giving business owners something practical they could keep on hand. The rack card explains our purpose, highlights the benefits of participation, and offers both educational materials and onsite training.

Putting the Plan into Action

With the help of our dedicated ILC team, the Rack Card project became a reality and strengthened our connection with the business community. Together, we completed the following steps:

- Compiled a list of 538 current businesses in Lincoln City
- Printed the rack cards
- Prepared envelopes with business names and addresses
- Stuffed, stamped, and sealed all 538 envelopes for mailing

Looking Ahead

The phrase “It takes a village” reminds us of the importance of community and our shared responsibility to create a safe and healthy environment. That spirit is reflected in the commitment of our group members and in the work we continue to do together.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of our ILC village. May we continue working together to build a healthier, safer, and economically stronger One Community.

ONE COMMUNITY

Stand With Your Neighbors.

Why Local Businesses Are Speaking Up

Immigrants are our coworkers, customers, and entrepreneurs. They fuel Lincoln City's economy, fill critical labor needs, and call this coast home. The proposed ICE Detention Facility in Newport is still a very real threat to our immigrant population and to your business.

1. **Protect Your Workforce** — Immigration enforcement disruptions hurt staffing, productivity, and morale across every sector.
2. **Defend Our Economy** — Visitor spending and local tax revenue depend on a community where everyone feels welcome and safe.
3. **Send a Clear Message** — A detention facility cannot operate without local contracts. Your name on this list matters.

Add Your Business to the List

Join fellow Lincoln City businesses publicly opposing an ICE detention facility in our county. It's free, takes two minutes, and shows our whole community where you stand.

Register Online

indivisiblelincolncity.org/one-community

Questions?

Contact Indivisible Lincoln City
indivisiblelincolncity.org/one-community
541-921-2586

Know Your Rights. Protect Your Business.

Free training for Lincoln City employers & their teams

What We Offer – At No Cost

- Know-your-rights handouts for employees and managers
- In-person or video training — what to do if ICE arrives at your workplace
- Resource links & legal contacts so you're never caught off guard

Why It Matters

Businesses that are *prepared* experience less disruption and greater safety for everyone — employees, customers, and owners alike. A 30-minute training is all it takes.

Ready to learn more?

Visit our website, select **One Community**, and request your free training today. We'll come to you.

indivisiblelincolncity.org/one-community

MEDIA CORNER

Here are some ILC members' recommendations on the latest good reads, podcasts, etc. to help keep us up to snuff on the latest developments and thinking in this confusing world. Share yours!



BOOKS

Best-selling political reads released within the past few months.

Jeffrey Sonnenfeld, *Trump's Ten Commandments* (April 2026)

Barbara McQuade, *The Fix, Saving America from the Corruption of a Mob-Style Government* (June 2026)

Andrew Wiseman, *Liars' Kingdom* (May 2026)

Ben Fountain, *Rasputin Swims the Potomac* (June 2026)

LINKS

Consolidated Oregon Indivisible Network (COIN) newsletter, The COIN Chronicle:
<https://thecoinchronicle.org/june-3-2026/>

Indivisible Oregon: info@indivisibleoregon.org

Lincoln County Democrats: <https://lincolncountydemocratsoregon.com/>

League of Women Voters of Lincoln County: <https://www.lwvlincolncounty.org/>

PODCASTS

I've Had It: <https://ivehaditpodcast.com/pages/episodes>

Democracy Docket: newsletters@democracydocket.com

The Jim Acosta Show: <https://jimacosta.substack.com/podcast>

The Borowitz Report:

https://www.borowitzreport.com/p/barron-trumps-energy-drink-fails?utm_campaign=email-half-post&r=99pw1&utm_source=substack&utm_medium=email

TV/YOU TUBE

Check out Jon Stewart's Daily Show:

▶ Jane Fonda - "Rise Up, Sing Out: A Concert for the First Amendment" | The Daily ...

TIMELY NEWS STORIES

Central Oregon Daily:

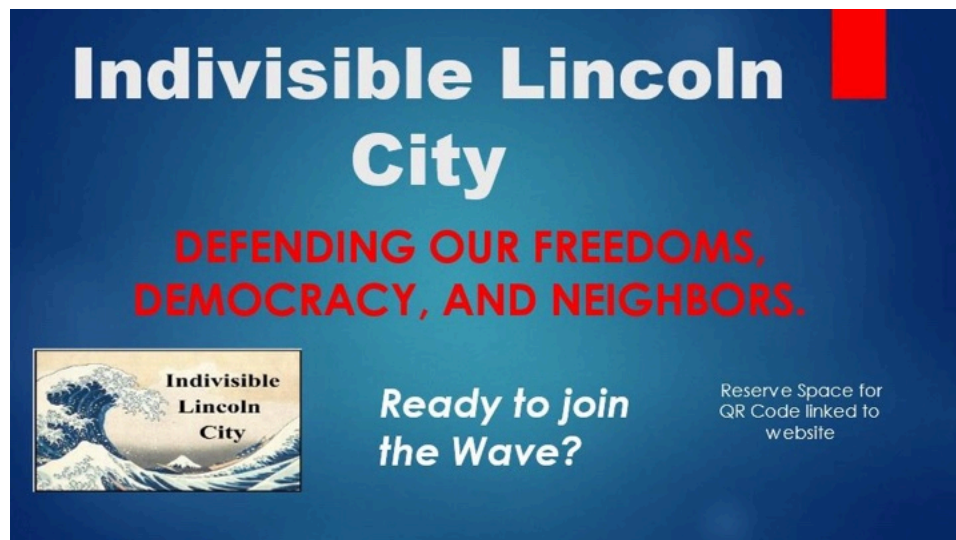
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ILC COMING TO THE THEATER NEAR YOU

In our ongoing effort to get the word out about standing up for democracy, the Bijou Theater will

begin running a bit of advertising for us. Check out the slide, designed by Joseph Youren.

Debut to be determined.



CALENDAR

DAILY: Join Jerry from noon to 1pm on the corner of Hwy. 101 and NE 22nd, Lincoln City.

Sun, JUNE 14: OUR FLAG STANDS FOR FREEDOM

2 – 3 pm Roll by D River on Hwy. 101 and NE 1st in Lincoln City and read **Signs of Corruption**, our birthday gift to DJT. Meet at Hostetler Park.

4:30 pm Rise up and Sing televised **Concert for the First Amendment**
Sign up to livestream. Throw a party to watch with friends

Thurs, JUNE 18: WHITE CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM PANEL

6 pm Congregational Church of Lincoln City, 2435 NW Oar Pl, Lincoln City, OR 97367.
This very important discussion is not open to the public;
like-minded friends are welcome

Tu, JUNE 30: ILC GENERAL MEETING

5 pm First meeting at Lincoln City Rec Center, 2150 NE Oar Pl, Lincoln City, OR. Plan for 3 parades – one to celebrate summer, one for Pride, & one for PIRATE PUPPIES, strategize to change minds

Sat July 4: DRIVING & PADDLING FOR DEMOCRACY

9 am Decorated boats launch from Devil's Lake State Park

1:30 pm Gather to decorate vehicles, line up, & ride out, NW corner of Safeway parking lot

Sun, JULY 5: HANDS ACROSS THE SAND & WALKATHON

Starting Now Walkers gather pledges to donate to Cascade Head Biosphere Collaborative; amount to be based on numbers of access points walker passes. Contact Shar for pledge form

Start time: Depends on where walkers choose to start walking

12 pm Walkers arrive at ocean beach at Taft, check in. All join hands to form a line, then form 8647 (wait for photos), sing

1 pm Go to Taft Waterfront Park Pavilion for potluck lunch, while being serenaded by ILC Resistance Singers

2 pm Volunteers provide walkers with rides home

AND FARTHER OUT...



Sat Sept. 5: PIRATE PUPPY PARADE TAKING SHAPE

Lincoln City Community Center, 2150 NE Oar Place. Hosted by the Oregon Coast Indivisible Alliance, we will have a parade of dogs sporting their best pirate attire, a best costume contest, and food after. We'll be in the main function room and the outside area on the south side, near the dog park. Parade will go around the block so we avoid 101. Won't be too long for little dogs.



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<https://www.tiktok.com/@indivisiblelincol>

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