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### **LIBERTY ALERTS:**

[Primary Election ballots were mailed out on July 12, 2017](#) with a deadline to lawfully submit your ballot by Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. Did you receive your ballot?

Important races in the primary:

**District 2:** Todd Donovan (current County Councilmember), Amy Glasser, **Daniel Collick**

**District 3:** **Cliff Langley, Tyler Byrd**, Rebecca Boonstra

**Port of Bellingham, District 1:** **Dan Robbins**, Michael Alvarez Shepard, Nicholas Kunkel

**Port of Bellingham, District 2:** **Ken Bell**, Doug Karlberg, Barry Wenger

**City of Bellingham, Ward 6:** Michael Lilliquist, Quenby Peterson

**City of Bellingham, At-large:** Roxanne Murphy, Jean Layton, Eric Bostrom

*Too many races that are only one or two candidates, so they’re virtually unopposed yet have a lot of influence on our every day lives.*

[Campaign launch for Mary Kay Robinson, July 18<sup>th</sup>](#)

Hosted by Families for Mary Kay

Command Aviation

4201 Mitchell Way

Bellingham, WA 98226

5:30 – 7:00 PM

Whatcom County Council At-large

[City Club Port of Bellingham Forum:](#)

July 26<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

3240 Northwest AVE (Northwood Hall)

Bellingham, WA 98225

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### **COMMON CENTS:**

Why do politicians think that they have any moral right to mandate what any U.S. Citizen can purchase in the private insurance market?

If the government wants to make a one-size-fits-all health insurance available to the general-public, then open community medical clinics, which people can access with vouchers, if they qualify as low income.

Otherwise, the Government needs to get out of the private insurance market and allow the consumer to buy insurance for their own personal needs from any legally licensed business. The public wants more insurers to sell them a variety of packages that the consumer market drives. If any insurer fails to deliver to the consumer what they have sold them, with today’s technology we are able to easily report their failure to uphold promised services to local and federal agencies, and then shut them down if they fail to make good on their policies.

More insurers will drive down the costs of insurance. And, more doctors and clinics will drive down the costs of medical services.

That’s the repeal and replace that is needed in America.

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### Introduction Jami Lund, from the Freedom Foundation.

What did the City of Seattle approve last week?  
Why is the Freedom Foundation taking this to court?  
Are you alone in this fight? Or, are there other groups like the Freedom Foundation who will push back against the efforts of the City of Seattle to bring a State Income Tax to the State of Washington?

*Washington State has ruled a graduated income tax as unconstitutional. According to Article VII, Section of Washington's Constitution "all taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of property within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax and shall be levied and collected for public purposes only." A 1933 State Supreme Court case also struck down the idea of creating an income tax.*

### Introduction of Evergreen State College (ESC) student.

How long have you attended ESC?  
Why did you choose ESC for your career path?  
When did you first become aware of the issues that the student demands and which sparked the protests this last Spring session?

What is your understanding of ESC's [Day of Absence](#)?  
Were you aware of the change being sought for the *Day of Absence* to be that all white students and staff stay off the ESC campus? The focus changed from a [voluntary day to build community around identity groups and choice, to a day that white space or white supremacy is removed from the campus](#). Yes or No?

Did you know or have classes with the ESC Biology Professor, [Bret Weinstein](#)?

### Comments written and stated by, Bret Weinstein:

"There is a huge difference between a group or coalition deciding to voluntarily absent themselves from a shared space in order to highlight their vital and underappreciated roles (the theme of the Douglas Turner Ward play *Day of Absence*, as well as the recent Women's Day walkout), and a group encouraging another group to go away," Weinstein wrote. "The first is a forceful call to consciousness, which is, of course, crippling to the logic of oppression. The second is a show of force, and an act of oppression in and of itself."

One involved a campus tradition called [Day of Absence](#), which is based on a [1965 play by that name by Douglas Turner Ward](#). The play is about an imaginary Southern town in which all the black people disappear one day. The idea behind the play is that societies with deeply racist ideas in fact depend on the very people they subjugate. The play is in some sense the inspiration for events like this year's national Day Without Immigrants.

"The president's carefully crafted statement is clearly intended to support a false narrative about the present state of our campus, and the extraordinary events of this past week," he said. "No one at the college has yet acknowledged that I and my students were specifically followed, harassed and doxed. If it is now safe to return, it is only because the intimidation campaign against us backfired so spectacularly and has now been called off as a matter of PR damage control."

Demands by the ESC Student Protestors:

- The start of mandatory diversity and cultural sensitivity training for all faculty members. (This measure was adopted with the agreement of the faculty union.)
- The creation of an equity/multicultural center.
- The hiring of a vice president or vice provost who will focus on equity and diversity issues. (The search for this position had already been started.)
- Adoption of a new policy where every official event at the college will start with an acknowledgment that Evergreen State is on land stolen from Native Americans.

**Discussion of the demands and how the protests and media attention affected the general student population and safety?**