

Civics for Adults Update, April 12, 2022

Free, virtual.

Beyond Voting: Elections and Campaign Finance Sunday, April 24. 2:30-4

- Right to vote?
- Voter suppression
- Election 2020 and beyond
- Redistricting / gerrymandering
- Electoral College
- Alternative voting systems
- Campaign financing issues and tracking

I also give a clear picture of the events related to the effort to undermine the 2020 election. I use hard data and quotes from judges, etc. It's a fascinating story and might help folks begin to talk with those who believe that 2020 was stolen. Please pass the word.

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Upcoming on May 19 – Citizen Activism 101

Selected Civics for Adults Facebook posts:

Anything on your mind that you would like to share with your Congressional Senator or Representative? Let them know. Go here to find out your elected officials in Congress.

<https://www.congress.gov/members/find-your-member>

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This election expert is very worried about the 2024 election. April, 2022.

I have respect for this academic. I've been following him for a while and watched seminars in which he was a guest and/or host. <https://www.cnn.com/2022/04/05/politics/election-expert-2024-ctzn/index.html>

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New Ken Burns' historical special on PBS, **Benjamin Franklin**. Cool!

<https://www.pbs.org/kenburns/benjamin-franklin/>

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The latest **Terrorism Threat report from the Department of Homeland Security**.

#1 The proliferation of false or misleading narratives, which sow discord or undermine public trust in U.S. government institutions.

https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/ntas/alerts/22_0207_ntas-bulletin.pdf

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Worried about the state of democracy? Here are some reasons to be optimistic instead

The importance of our role as active citizens is clear: "...the democratic attributes that remained stable or even increased generally involved independent organizations that monitor government actions. Such autonomous checks and balances include things like civil society participation — citizen involvement in political and nonpolitical associations and in public debates — free political parties, civil liberties, and media integrity."

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/world/worried-about-the-state-of-democracy-here-are-some-reasons-to-be-optimistic-instead/ar-AAUvibj?ocid=msedgntp>

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The Year in Inequality in 10 Charts. Dec, 2021.

We owe it to ourselves to be aware of these stats.

https://inequality.org/great-divide/year-in-inequality-10-charts/?fbclid=IwAR36Z9ahZ0FITfciMBOK_5dWSNtXF-MBbkUpDMp5MPF5AikP8i_voUu8Pfk

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Wondering about inflation? This will help clarify...

Why corporations are profiting from rising inflation. PBS Newshour segment. April 12, 2022.

<https://www.pbs.org/video/inflation-and-profits-1649800070/>

More at <https://www.facebook.com/Civics-for-Adults-1490728887922036>

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Flyer describing workshops: https://static.s123-cdn.com/uploads/2516289/normal_5fe8c854352d5.pdf