# Coming up...

## **Queen City Indivisible General Membership Meeting**

Tuesday, August 5 | 5:30-7:30 pm

Queen City Brewery | 703 Pine Street | Burlington

We'll be talking together about what actions to do next. Help us plan, grow, build community, and do our part to defend Democracy, while supporting local businesses. Get a beer and some food and join us for this discussion!

#### Non-cooperation

Rallies are just the beginning. There are a lot of ways to combat autocracy. Lately, we've been thinking about non-cooperation: the deliberate withholding of labor, buying power, or other forms of participation from an abusive government or other authority. Boycotts and worker strikes are two well-known examples of what non-cooperation looks like in practice. Here's a list of some other ideas: <a href="https://freedcproject.org/non-cooperation">https://freedcproject.org/non-cooperation</a>. What would work for us in Vermont? Let's discuss on Tuesday!

#### Film: The Last Class

Monday, August 18 | 7:00 pm

Main Street Landing Film House (3rd floor) | 60 Lake Street | Burlington

Drawing on his lifetime in politics, former Secretary of Labor Robert Reich uses his class, "Wealth and Poverty," to offer a deeper look at why inequalities of income and wealth have widened significantly since the late 1970s, and why this poses dangerous risks to our society. Join us there!

\$12 General Admission | \$6 Student | Tickets at Vermont International Film Festival.

### What an autocrat does when things look bad

Erika McEntarfer led the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, the agency that produces key data on jobs and inflation. But, July's report showed a weakening economy, so President Trump fired her. The message is clear: any federal employees who dare to report bad news will have their careers destroyed. This maneuver, right out of the dictators' playbook, results in the government having progressively lower quality data and making increasingly bad decisions. No could tell Mao or Stalin or Hitler that things were bad and change was needed, leading to massive disasters. Now, no one can tell Trump either.

**Queen City Vermont Indivisible** is a group of concerned individuals seeking to preserve democracy, resist autocracy, and empower our community through nonviolent protests, actions, and local events.

Be well, take care of each other, have fun, and fight the good fight!

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