

Call notes

Below are some brief notes on Anat's thoughts from our managing editor, Michael Berk

Tinkering at the edges of the old ways is not going to yield a new result. The most fundamental truth of life is that the future is made out of the decisions that we make collectively. We make the future.

Moments of extraordinary rupture — like this one — are moments of extraordinary possibility. Don't let this one go.

- *Resistance, refusal, and ridicule* are the things to keep in mind.
- Pick a thing, and stay the course. You can't do it all: That can be education, it can be policing, it can be immigrant rights. Make it *something*, not everything.
- Go as local as possible about that thing: If it's education, for example, decide with your friends and neighbors to go to the school board meeting, and you can make statements, and you oppose any efforts to implement the draconian agenda in your town. And you make that clear to everyone.
- Wear your beliefs. Get a "Fabulously Fighting Fascists" T-shirt. They want to suck your joy, your uniqueness, your being. Don't let them do it.
- Put up a billboard that shows people — even in the middle of nowhere — how you feel and why you're having a better time. *Show, not tell.*
- Join a union, or support union efforts — it's one of the most important keys to fighting autocracy

Want to get involved, whether that's by participating in protests, organizing, or educating yourself and those around you?