Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 6.14.2022

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- Meetings: Every Tuesday at 7pm on Zoom. To sign up for the Zoom meeting click here

Facilitators: Kellen and Karin Notes: Alexandra

Good News!

Great publicity following the DeSantis actions

Chelsea Piers was so shamed by action they have pledged to donate proceeds to LGBTQ groups. Jenny: We need to follow up to make sure they do this.

Dana: Indict Action in DC; Department of Justice Garland; we brought Do Your Job banner 18 people participated; Adam Eidegger gave a speech which was on WBAI. https://pca.st/eo3ece5p#t=793.0

Kat: a tipster tipped off 31 people who were arrested for threatening violence.

Alvin and Wendy in the New York Times Sunday Section!

Upcoming/New Actions:

Immigration Action—Thursday June 16 at 5 pm—Staten Island Ferry

- Republicans are using this as a wedge issue
- Important to keep this going.
- Use this as a voter registration opportunity possibly.

Hochul BitCoin Moratorium: Food and Water Watch 5:30 30 Rockefeller Plaza

- Bill has passed against bitcoin mining in the State Senate and House, and Hochul is stalling on this.
- Food and Water Watch is focusing on environmental devastation in Seneca Lake.

RaR voted to endorse this action

June 18 Saturday - Poor People's Campaign - Moral March on Washington: US Mall in front of US Capitol

Optional events Friday night in NYC which will honor the people who died of COVID.

- There is still room to sign up for a bus to Washington DC. Here is the link: https://www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/june18/
- Saturday Faith Service, March following at 9:30 am; Event ends at 2:30 to return to NY
- FAQ for PPC march including Friday's dinner: https://www.poorpeoplescampaign.org/june18/mmfaq/
- - https://m.facebook.com/anewppc/
- NYSPPC will probably have it up there too: https://www.facebook.com/NYSPPC
- SPPC's twitter: https://twitter.com/unitethepoor?s=21&t=yrcyV-iDdAh9Sn4RGWK-gg
- YouTube: https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCjb0ffA2hjkGKLvOY EfhsA/featured
- Contact Ann R at her email address if interested: aerubin13@gmail.com

FOX Truth Tuesday June 21—Time: 10 am—47th St. and 6th Avenue

- Julie: Because the Plaza is sun drenched at noon, we need to move the time to the morning.
- We will meet next Tuesday at 10 am.

Chase Action—Thursday, June 23 at Time TBD (probably noon or 1 pm)—Astor Place Branch

- Jon: In line with our Chase actions, we are doing actions at branch offices.
- Astor Place is a huge branch which is full of rainbows.
- Theme will be: "come out from behind your rainbow and do something."

Elections Group update

- Sandy: Two weeks ago, we registered voters.
- We are focusing on progressive parts of Staten Island and Brooklyn.
- This Saturday we will go to the Farmer's Market in Bay Ridge in Brooklyn.
- Livvie and Judy Kirschner will be going
- Leave Manhattan at 11 to get to Bay Ridge, Brooklyn
- Contact Livvie for specifics: elizabethmann.livvie@gmail.com

Report Backs

June 14—FOX Truth Tuesday

- Julie: Messaging Fox can't handle the truth.
- Louder action than usual b/c of Fox's silence.
- Great chalking.
- A bystander lunged at Livvie who jumped back, wrenching her broken shoulder; she experienced severe pain. Went to MD for treatment.
- Discussion of using security vests.

June 8--INDICT Actions—New York and DC

- Jamie: Good turnout; we got a good reception, probably because of the January 6 Commission.
- We will decide in Actions as to whether we want to do more Indict Actions before next month. This may depend on the January 6 Hearings.

June 9--Vaccine Access

- Mark: Global access is being blocked particularly in lower income countries in the global south
- EU, Switzerland, UK and Germany are all blocking access.

- Letters delivered to US or German missions; in other places not accepted.
- We have done 10 events in the last 16 months.
- WTO is stalled; no is better than the plans that were being devised.

Thanks to Dann for creating this thread of the action:

https://twitter.com/riseandresistny/status/1536352158718763008?s=21&t=yrcyV-iDdAh9Sn4RG WK-qq

- https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1G5NEVR7-ILqy-kjk9yirWDorD_sC8AAX?usp=sharing
- Here is the link to a document summarizing our End Vaccine Apartheid campaign here in NYC over the past 16 months:
 - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1AJyEw KSVxp0yd-kyDmkvPKdE0zd8-VY/edit
- if you do quote tweet, comment, etc the hashtag to use is: #EndCOVIDMonopolies
- Secondarily use: #MC12

June 10 Say Their Names

- Jenny: Two weeks will mark the anniversary of George Floyd's murder, and we plan to read all the names of the people murdered.
- Friday June 24.

June 11 Saturday - March for Our Lives

- Sandy: Gun Control: Karin and Betsy came; Karin did chalking.
- 1000 to 2000 people marched over the bridge
- Many excellent speakers;
- Many young activists were involved, many generations.
- Kellen: K and Alexis did their marshalling debut in Saugerties.

June 12—DeSantis Actions—8 AM, 1:30 PM, and Post-GAG

- Jamie: We worked on it for about a month, slow to build momentum. Brad Hoylman and Eric Botcher contacted the press.
- At 8 am in the rain: Jewish Voices for Peace, UARF participated.
- We had a captive audience as people waited to get in, and then progressive Jews went after them. Gauntlet.
- Jon: Karin: 1:30 pm: About 200 people present
- We marched back and forth.
- People at the meridian where cars had to stop, there were lots of signs. Lots of honking.
- Excellent press coverage.
- We developed very organized signage.

June 12—GAG Action—How Many More Have to Die

- Kellen: 6th anniversary of the Pulse Massacre and many Human Beings represented Pulse and other massacres since 2016, including Buffalo, Urvalde, Boulder, Los Vegas, Parkland.
- Very powerful and moving to be "Human Beings" Very well organized.

June 13 Students Walkout over Gun Violence

Non-RaR announcements

Reclaim Pride Update—looking for volunteers for a variety of roles including marshals.

Click to fill out the Marshal signup form.

• Volunteer for a variety of other roles - from helping with wheelchairs, to setup/breakdown of tables, to coordinating supplies and collecting trash. Click to fill out the Volunteers signup form.

Discussion of need for closed captioning

- Miriam: sent a message after the last meeting in honor of Tim that closed captions aid people with hearing difficulties and support accessibility.
- Miriam recommended that someone write out the instructions to aid future facilitators

Jennifer Bartlett will be showing at Artist's Space this Saturday: 11 Cortlandt Alley, New York, NY 10013

- https://artistsspace.org/programs/i-see-words
- http://www.zoeglossia.org/

Kat: City Council/ committee on general welfare upcoming hybrid session re housing voucher/ housing stability type hearing. hybrid = testimonies via Zoom or/and written. email me for more info katcorbell19@gmail.com

Sandy: Link to the film **In Our Hands about** the million person action in Central Park in June 1982 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H1ZKcmE77yI

William: **Boycott of Martin's Potato Bread** because owners have donated majorly to gubernatorial candidate of PA, participant in Jan 6 riots

• Shake Shack uses them and won't stop.

Donna: **Department of Corrections:** Please sign the following letter on solitary confinement.

Hello friends:

We at the #HALTsolitary Campaign are writing to all of the organizations who have supported the HALT Solitary Confinement Law over the years. We are asking your organization (and/or you as an individual) to submit comments on DOCCS' deeply flawed proposed regulations on implementing HALT and more. Comments must be received by this Sunday, June 19 at Rules@DOCCS.ny.gov. Please see a template you can easily use for your comments here (Google Doc) or here (Word doc) (also attached). Feel encouraged to customize your comments to the extent you are able. Please submit your comments directly to DOCCS at Rules@DOCCS.ny.gov and also send a copy to caicadvocacyday@gmail.com.

MORE INFO:

The HALT Solitary Confinement Law was passed last year, March 31, 2021 and went into full effect March 31, 2022. DOCCS has proposed regulations purportedly for how the state will implement the HALT Solitary Confinement Law that so many people fought so hard to get passed and enacted. Instead, the proposed regulations would violate many of HALT's key provisions and, apart from HALT's provisions, would inflict harm on people incarcerated by for instance giving DOCCS more authority to deny people's visits with their families. Visits are

lifelines. Please see a summary of the key flaws of DOCCS' proposed regulations <u>here</u>, in case it's helpful.

Right now there is a public comment period for any person to offer comments on DOCCS' proposed regulations. All public comments must be received by June 19. We would like as many people and groups as possible to submit comments raising concerns like those in the above key flaws document. You can send those comments directly to:

Cathy Sheehan
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Department of Corrections and Community Supervision
1220 Washington Avenue, Harriman State Campus
Albany, NY 12226-2050
(518) 457-4951

Email: Rules@DOCCS.ny.gov

Please also send a copy of the comments to caicadvocacyday@gmail.com so the #HALTsolitary Campaign can compile comments that are submitted.

Thank you!

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