

Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 3.15.2022

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Facilitators: Alex and Stu **Notes:** Livvie **Attendees** 32

We're reviving an earlier tradition - step up, step back - to encourage extroverts to take a beat and introverts to speak their piece.

Good News! Enrico "Proud Boy" Tariko was indicted. We like Daylight Savings Time!

Upcoming Actions:

- March 16, 6:30 - 8:00. 46th & Bway. **Break The Silence: Justice for Asian American Women.** Part of national actions on the anniversary of Atlanta slayings. Times Square. Not endorsed due to a short time but RaR will have a contingent with the Stop Asian Hate banner.
- March 24, 5:00. **Immigration Vigil.** Location tbd. Probably at Grand Central. The Thorny issue is the different treatment of white asylum seekers vs black and brown asylum seekers. Tricky messaging - to be discussed at Actions meeting tomorrow.
- Date tbd. 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **NY Indict** at Manhattan D.A. Bragg's office. (Formerly an add-on to indict actions, now its own action.) Demanding transparency from Bragg. We've learned the most used entrance. Probably less than \$200 in props, messaging and date to come.
Vote: Yes to sponsorship of NY Indict.
- April 6. Next **indict** action. Save the date.
- March 25 Fridays for Future **Climate Strike.** Sign up form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf_Xotv_0aPf5yYjeENhXrjgYCP3vDUn9r_Y6onmegZZKnplq/viewform
- April 22 **Vaccine Action** on the occasion of Pfizer's annual meeting.

Ukraine Discussion

- Because it's a vast topic, the Facilitation group agreed that the general meeting was not a good place for the conversation to take place. In the interests of making the conversation more useful, interested people are invited to form a subgroup to work on specific Ukraine actions. Virginia's friend Tusia can get money directly into the hands of Ukrainian refugees. Email her at virginia.vitzthum@gmail.com to participate. Robert offers the NYCAN group as a possible home for Ukraine actions.

Health Care Committee

- April 5, at Fox Lies, Vaccine action. Save the date - details coming. Global death toll officially 6M internationally, likely to be closer to 18M. USA is 1/3 of those deaths. Action is to call out the destruction of Fox lies. All are invited to Health Care meetings Monday at 6:00.

Decarceration Overview

- The Clean Slate Act was in the governor's budget and is likely to pass. Expunges records after release from prison: misdemeanors in 3 years, felonies in 7 years.
- Marvin Mayfield, CCA (Center for Community Alternatives) will be at next week's meeting to explain Assembly bills.
- Donna recommends a short New Yorker doc about parole. Link here: <https://www.newyorker.com/video/watch/the-dehumanizing-theater-of-the-parole-process>
- March 16, 11 a.m. 52 Chambers Street. Action with People's Committee on NYC incarceration laws.

Website Discussion

- Website has a lot of old stuff and missing new stuff. Jennifer is working with Megan from Students for Change to clean it up and bring it up to date. Jennifer needs a volunteer from each extant group to report to website people. Discussion about where NYCAN, for example, belongs, which groups are defunct, etc. HUGE job. How to acknowledge allies. List committees with committee emails and allied groups with their websites according to issue. Cherie working on archives - wants everyone to assemble meeting minutes for the archives. Mention all the coalitions that we're part of. Want to make the website public facing. Jennifer's still the lead - others will help.

Report Backs

- **March 4 - Elevator Group** - action at Rego Park Station with Riders Alliance demanding speeding up of elevator installation. Good press, Schumer was there.
- **March 10 - Immigration Vigil** - at Oculus. Police phalanx surrounded the vigil. Yablonsky (cop) at the end of the hour threatened three warnings and arrest. Cops had plastic handcuffs, but it wasn't really a serious arrest effort. Want to meet with RaR.
- **March 11- Vaccine Action** at NYSE. Global action on anniversary of the WHO naming pandemic. End Vaccine Monopolies. Speeches, signs, die-in. Pharma is raking in \$1M a day on vaccines. Some media coverage:

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/03/11/world/with-a-lot-of-the-world-yet-to-be-vaccinated-p-rotesters-demand-that-the-technology-be-shared.html>

<https://twitter.com/actupny/status/1502331470257561607>

Ann coordinated social media - videos, livestream. If people see other coverage please let her know.

- **March 11 Say Their Names** Daylight Savings Time new time (5:00) will begin on March 25. People continue to be killed.
- **March 13 Pop-Up Indict** at Columbus Circle, Pramila Jayapal stopped by. Good reception all around.
- **March 14 Just Look Up** action at 250 Broadway outside legislative offices.
- **March 15 Truth Tuesdays** with Gays Against Guns. Good crowd, high energy, great chants. Good reception from passers-by. Except for another shoulder check incident (the fourth). We must be aware that this is enemy turf. Also need real actors to volunteer for Fox Video. 2 adults and adult and child, white. Ask your friends. Virginia.vitzthum@gmail.com with your actors!

Non RaR Actions

- March 28-30, C.H.A.O.S. with NY Communities for Change. Alice Hu presented. Demanding four bills: Good Cause, Electric Buildings, Permanent Fund for Excluded Workers, Repeal 421-a. Aggressive actions, multiple days of road blocking. CD and support roles need filling. Messaging around the intersectionality of the crises. Overview: <https://cryptpad.fr/pad/#/2/pad/view/OaD36-3DL6e-KI72X-Zv2YwqBPKKEvRRaDXEvUs9PK0/>
Sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/MarchNYCActionsForm>
Good housing Video: <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/01/12/opinion/new-york-eviction-bill.html>
- March 17, 11:00 a.m. 28th St. & 8th Ave NYCAN will celebrate Bayard Rustin's birthday by urging Mayor Adams and Council Speaker Adams to implement Resolution 976 and INT 1621, NYC's unique disarmament legislation.
- March 16, 12:30. SE corner of 50th & Lex. The Center for BioEthics and Culture (anti-trans group) is having a conference in a NYC hotel. People called the hotel to get them to cancel the hate group, but the conference is still going on so people will be outside to confront.
- March 16. Two more #StopAsianHate actions here: <https://mailchi.mp/2e824ac00f13/stop-asian-hate-actions-for-wednesday-march-16>