

## Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 1.3.2023

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**Facilitators:** Jennifer and Paul **Notes:** Sandy

### GOOD NEWS!

Trump's taxes finally released.

Fraud charges have resurfaced against Santos in Brazil

McCarthy has lost on the third ballot

Lula is back in charge in Brazil

Here's Bolsonaro and the KFC:

<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/photo-bolsonaro-eating-kfc-florida-192123580.html>

### UPCOMING ACTIONS

#### 1/6/2023 Friday—INDICT action 1PM at NYPL steps

Facebook event page

69 people responded so far

It's a big anniversary. Remove the coup caucus from public office; invoke the 14th amendment.

We'll have a video track on a truck that highlights many aspects of the Jan. 6 insurrection.

Mary Hawkins, Rick, and Jon put it together. It has a route through Manhattan.

Want to see if I can video the truck at various stops. Maybe go to Trump Tower after the Library as well as Fox, Times Square, Trump Tower. Will finalize route later this week.

It's an 8-hour job. The truck is going to be a learning experience. Jackie asked what happens if on lookers ask questions at locations other than the NYPL. The driver is just a driver, not necessarily an activist and likely won't be able to answer questions.

Some QAnon and friends may come to counter protest. Need to be prepared to deal with and contain any disruptive folks. Jennifer, Paul, Stu, and Virginia will help marshal with Jamie.

#### 1/6 Friday--Say Their Names resumes at 4:30PM at 96th & Bway

Has been off for three weeks. This Friday will be the first one in a month. 4:30 pm start.

#### 1/12 Thursday--Immigration Vigil at 5PM in Grand Central Terminal

At Actions will talk about the big posters that will be needed. Title 42 can be kept in place until a SCOTUS ruling is made so it can be studied etc.

This really isn't a legal issue per John Roberts. It's a matter for Congress. Must stay in place for now which probably means another 5 months or so. Unclear what will happen on the border. Ukrainians and Cubans are coming but Venezuelans, Haitians are turned away.

### **1/16 Monday (MLK Day) --Rikers Vigil at 5PM in Times Sq. Subway Station**

(Concourse between the shuttle and the #1, #2, #3 trains).

Crowd may be lighter than before. Mayor seems to be renegeing on the plan to close Rikers. We need a Plan B.

## **REPORT BACKS**

### **1/21 Wednesday--Elevator Actions at MTA Board Mtg.**

20th floor 2 Broadway, talking about service cuts and people were mad. Good turnout. Lot of union workers. Lot of people spoke about masking, demanding that requiring masks in the subways. Many spoke about maintaining elevators.

**\*Say Their Names did not occur on 12/23 and 12/30**

### **12/29 Thursday-- Rally to remove Santos from Congress at Nassau County Courthouse**

About 100 to 150 people showed up. Lots of press coverage. Some great signs including Fake Jew, Real Goniff; Santos has a Masters in BS. Several effective speakers. Linda Schulman who is a child of a holocaust survivor and had a son killed in the Parkland Shooting was particularly effective. It ended with Zimmerman speaking basically saying that the people of NY3 deserved better. Email addresses of attendees were collected. It is expected that this press conference was the first of many steps to getting Santos to step down or be removed from the House.

### **12/29 Thursday-- Drag Story Hour protest outside Jackson Heights library**

Jamie: Proud Boys, Guardians of Divinities did a protest. Community people and RaR came to do a counter protest with signage. Great signs: Drag the hate away, protect the children from hate, we support drag story tellers, love is power, libraries are for everyone.

The antis said—stop drag queen story hour

Someone on our side grabbed one of the protestors' signs. Someone was arrested as a result. Formed a solid line of cops between the police and them. The action garnered a lot of press coverage.

We were joining others and Jackie got attacked by A Christian White Nationalist—young, white and female. They looked great and had umbrellas as barriers. They grabbed Jackie and blew noise makers in her face. Jackie felt under attack.

This was a public event and many more people on our side showed up than anyone expected. There's a learning curve for these actions, especially when we're joining others, many of whom we don't know.

We were successful because we got there first. The opposition looked like deer in the headlights because there were so many of us.

[NYPD gives Proud Boys free subway rides after Drag Story Hour protest \(nydailynews.com\)](https://www.nydailynews.com/news/politics/nypd-gives-proud-boys-free-subway-rides-after-drag-story-hour-protest-article.html)

[Proud Boys got free subway ride from NYPD following drag queen story hour disruption - LGBTQ Nation](#)

**12/31 Saturday-- Don't Drop the Ball on Climate Change**

Sang Auld Lang Syne and did some chanting. 25 showed up at GC. Time is running out. We must fight climate change. Make 2023 the year you resolve to fight climate change. The only problem were all the announcements over the loudspeakers.

Perfect climate action is to mark the passing of the calendar. Every year that passes, the more trouble we're in. 3 pm would be a better time next year. Had some Xr people and others. Crowd was with us, photographing us, it was a positive upbeat event. Singing and dressing up is fun and good. A call for more chanting in general, more singing, higher energy things besides signs.

**12/27 & 1/3 Truth Tuesday at FOX "News" every Tuesday at 12 noon**

6 people in the rain. Stayed 26 minutes. Jenny, Julie, Alexandra, Kim, Jamie, Joan

**1/3 Tuesday-- City Hall rally about Ousting Jay Jacobs**

Very good showing from RaR with 10 attending. We got lucky in the rain with the overhang at City Hall Signs said: Thanks to New York, We lost the House. Great speakers, nice performance by Jay Jacobs and Kevin McCarthy characters. IDC, failure of the NYS Democratic Party, George Santos all came up. Throw Jay Jacobs out, throw Jay Jacobs out. The only media we saw was Telemundo.

RaR Elections group is thinking about our role on the outside. The insiders are working to reform the Democratic Party. We can work with those on the outside to educate and raise awareness of this important issue.

**NON-RAR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**1/7 Saturday--Abortion Clinic Defense Action**

This is a clinic defense for abortion rights.

SATURDAY, JAN. 7

ABORTION-CLINIC DEFENSE - NYC

WHERE: MOTT AND PRINCE STREETS (Old St. Pat's Cathedral)

WHEN: 8 AM ET SHARP

<https://www.instagram.com/p/Cm9kRlyO7B7/>

**1/19 Thursday--Invest in our NY** coalition on tax the rich...Launching with a demo at 740 Park Ave. Jan. 19 at noon. More details to come. If we're serious about forcing the Democratic Party to be more progressive, we really need to stand up for several key issues. First fight re: LaSalle. Next big fight is for the budget and Hochul has promised no tax increases.

**1/22 Sunday--Women's March**—50th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade in DC. There will be busses From NYC.

**Ongoing for now**--We should all still be calling our state senators to protest Hochul's judicial choice, Hector LaSalle —if your senator hasn't come out against him yet. <https://www.nysenate.gov/find-my-senator>

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