

Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 7.12.2022

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Facilitators: Kellen and Livvie **Notes:** Sandy 26 Attendees

GOOD NEWS

- Bannon still faces contempt trial
- Jan 6th Commission Hearings

UPCOMING/NEW ACTIONS

Thursday, July 14, 5PM Immigration Vigil - Staten Island Ferry Terminal

Jamie: Encouraging people to come. Immigration keeps falling out of the news cycle unless Gov. Abott does something particularly heinous. We're waiting on Biden to allow people to apply for asylum. One poster about immigrants who died in the truck in San Antonio. We need to remind people of this horrible event.

Livvie: Will have some negative Malliotakis signs and will register voters at the Immigration Vigil.

Thursday, July 14 at 6 pm to 7 pm at 9 PPW--Chuck Schumer Action with INBK

WTF, Chuck? Whose team are you on? Stop "playing ball" with Mitch.

We'll have cardboard Chuck. Going after the no chad Meredith message. She is an anti-abortion Republican; poised to be nominated by Biden to be a Federal Judge in KY. Asking that immigration folks come to the Schumer action afterwards. If this judgeship gets nixed, the action will pivot to another message. Possible connection between immigration and Schumer actions: Broken promises

Endorsement: ENDORSED

Relevant links related to Chuck Schumer Action with INBK

Wendy's newsletter with messaging on Meredith:

<https://mailchi.mp/50800d033450/a-charlie-brown-themed-protest-in-brooklyn-much-more>

https://www.mobilize.us/indivisibleNationBK/event/477292/?referring_vol=41156&rname=Wendy&share_context=event-detail-page-modal-chained-invite&share_medium=facebook&fbclid=IwAR3DIOcnZLtrVqoPuBbQ1qAPT_1cjZALMPO3xQQshR7xly8K7ZJmZ3n3bug

Indivisible Nation BK Facebook event page: <https://fb.me/e/22zBqX61B>

Friday, July 15 at 5 pm—Say Their Names at 96th St. and Broadway

Monday, July 18, 1PM First Malliotakis Monday action at 7716 Third Ave, Bay Ridge, Bklyn

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1236817060420673>

27 have responded so far/ only a handful indicated they are coming. Want people from the community there; will show up every Monday until the election. Will get some speakers. Want it to seem like a rally. Put Malliotakis on alert that there are groups working against her.

Will go between SI and So Brooklyn Malliotakis offices. Malliotakis Mondays. Patterned after Faso Fridays. Focus was to drive up his negatives. We want to constantly show up and drive up Malliotakis' negatives.

Get there by the R train to 77th St. in Brooklyn. 45 minutes from the West Village.

Tuesday, July 19—FOX Truth Tuesday at 10 am at 46th St. and Sixth Ave

Date, time, TBD. Mike Flynn action—Still relevant, still a problem. Suggested action in front of Times Square recruiting booth. Piggy-back on Fox Action. Looking for military participants. [From June 5 minutes. Endorsed in that meeting.]

Discussion on the Importance of taking care of yourself and others at hot and humid actions (hydrate!).

Work on normalizing self-care in actions in warm weather.

Julie: no more standing in the sun

Stu: Let an action begin and then reiterate it.

Sandy: Announce where there are restrooms nearby

Jamie: Am happy to keep track of bathrooms nearby

Would be good for us to have a 6 pack of water with us.

Maybe bring a few bottles of water and a few power bars; don't need a case.

We need to get over this "macho" attitude

People are hesitant to indicate they can't make it through a whole demonstration.

For street actions and can't stay for all of it, come for some of it. If you can't come for any of it, stop by and take a picture.

Maybe a couple of hosts bring water for all.

Discussion of Jan 6 hearings so far

Summarizing the hearings so far:

<https://chenev.house.gov/2022/07/12/chenev-closing-remarks-at-select-committees-seventh-public-hearing/>

<https://s2.washingtonpost.com/camp-rw/?trackId=597283faade4e21a847ec275&s=62cddfbbcf8a21601e721e7&linknum=4&linktot=48>

Related podcast: "will be wild"

<https://www.podbean.com/podcast-detail/42f5k-26130d/Will-Be-Wild-Podcast>

Jamie: The Committee is putting together a very good story. Republicans are scrambling to distance themselves from the hearings and seem to be fleeing a sinking ship.

Cherie: felt this was my favorite of all the hearings. They are building their case with Republican voices. Recommends listening to the opening statements. The closing statements were powerful as well

Susan: I think the most effective person who is speaking is Liz Cheney. Doesn't understand how Pat Cipilone took the job? Counsel to a madman?

Robert C: After Dec. 19 chaotic meeting, go wild, suddenly a lot of groups rallied around that cry. Trump pulled the trigger that ignited all of these groups.

Bill H: Pat Cipillone is a member of Opus Dei. Don't trust him. He is deep into the Church thing. On Jan. 5, while the meeting is going on in the Willard, Trump is in the White House with all the doors open. Trump wanted to hear all the supporters screaming and yelling. Pat C. Born in the Bronx and he has 10 kids.

Mark H: The folks who did that 4 year long podcast series, Trump Inc. have just done a new series called "You'll Be Wild". It's really interesting. They defanged the Dept of Homeland Security before the Jan. 6 events.

REPORT BACKS

July 4th Weekend--Hampton's Action Report Back—Tax the Rich

4 days of action by NY Communities for Change in the Hamptons

Rented a house for 30. Laura Esther Wolfson was jail support, 3 arrestable actions.

Traffic stopped in Southampton

Sat-non-arrestable at the beach in Billionaire's row—daily charge to go to the beach.

Shinnecock members want free access as promised

Saturday—occupied main intersection at East Hampton village. Lot of chanting, singing, Tax Rich. House the poor. 6 people arrested

Early Monday went to the airfield where private planes land. Blocked the entrance. One was 30 ft above the ground in a tripod. Couldn't drive and park to catch their planes.

The two newspaper articles below do a great job of summarizing these actions.

<https://www.nydailynews.com/news/politics/new-york-elections-government/ny-occupy-the-hamp-tons-protest-local-airport-tax-the-rich-climate-housing-20220711-seigxaaylfh3zib7m6sm5jnsbi-story.html>

Wake Up Billionaires, the Occupiers Are Coming for the Hamptons

<https://www.nytimes.com/2022/07/13/fashion/occupy-the-hamptons-protests.html?referringSource=articleShare>

July 6-- Monthly INDICT at Trump Tower

Last Wednesday, we went to Trump Tower. Different but more engaging than Foley Square. No pictures. Put out both banners facing traffic. Indict banner and Merrick Garland Do Your Job. Some police presence but could do what we wanted to do. 90% positive reaction.

Jenny: People are happy to see that we are saying what they are thinking.
Llrvie: Love when we engage people walking by.

July 8—Cancelled Say Their Names due to rain - every Friday at 5PM 96th and B'way
The Akron victim will be the focus of a future action. Will discuss doing the Riker's names.

July 10-- INDICT pop-up action right at CPW

We set up around the fountain. It was in the sun. It was quite hot. Got upbeat reactions; mostly thumbs up. People took pictures of the signs. There were police barricades when we arrived. We ended up early on going around the police barricades. The barricades separated us from the people we wanted to engage with. The police barricades got moved so we could interact more with the people. We had to defy the police barricade but we could have picked a shady spot. We should have ignored the barricades and stood in the shade.

July 11--Climate action—Manhattanhenge

We struggled to find something that people could get excited about. Banner was "The Climate Crisis is Earth's Sunset". Wore white masks and black clothing. A futuristic ghostly specter. With the lighting, the white masks illuminated us. Many wore eyeglasses outside the masks. Went into the intersection at Vanderbilt and 42nd St every time the light changed. Did it for the whole hour. Ray was interviewed for Spanish and Italian tv.

Stu: The action was better than I hoped. It photographed well. We put our RaR website on our banner for the first time. Great response from the crowd.

Paul: It was a very exciting action. Ray's message was important and relevant.

Ray: Add that when we assembled in Grand Central, about 20 cops showed up and waited and stared at us. They thought we were staying in GC.

July 12-- FOX Truth Tuesday at 47th & 6th Ave.

Holly noticed that Lauren Volpert was standing in the plaza with an aide. We went up to her and asked, Are you Lauren Volpert?

Jamie did some bird dogging. Jamie told her she was a threat to democracy?...Lauren was very unpleasant and unhappy. Jamie was challenged by the police and said: "I didn't touch her, it's a public plaza, it's my first amendment right and she's a public figure."

It was a great spirited action. Good showing. Got some great video footage.

Donna: At the end a woman with two kids showed up and they held some signs.

NON-RAR ANNOUNCEMENTS

NYC PSA

NYC released a PSA on what to do if nuclear bomb dropped on Manhattan. NYCAN will use it. Created a map Nuclear NYC.

Want to do a double decker bus. When the UN delegates come, will do a tour of the nuclear sites for the international delegation.

State Senate Candidate in Brooklyn

Mike D'Elia doing some work with David Alexis in Brooklyn—21st State Senate District. Inviting others to join him.

David Alexis is a rideshare driver, former home health aide, and co-founder of the nation's largest worker-owned business – the Drivers Cooperative. He's running to return the 21st District's State Senate seat to the people of Flatbush. <https://www.davidforbk.com/>

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