

## Rise and Resist General Meeting - Zoom Edition - 12.6.2022

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  - Meetings: Every Tuesday at 7pm on Zoom. To sign up for the Zoom meeting [click here](#)
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**Facilitators:** Jamie and Stu **Notes:** Wendy

### Links shared before the meeting:

- [Indivisible Activate NYC weekly newsletter.](#)

### GOOD NEWS

- Trump's lawsuit over Mar-a-Lago raid rejected.
- Trump Corporation found guilty on all counts.
- Special prosecutor subpoenaed state officials.
- Officers and parents honored for Jan. 6 Capitol defense refused to shake hands with McConnell and McCarthy.

### UPCOMING ACTIONS

#### **Protest Against Police Targeting Mentally Ill/Homeless, Thursday, Dec. 8, 12 PM, City Hall Steps**

- Housing Works, Communities United for Police Reform, VOCAL-NY
- Will discuss banner in Actions committee tomorrow. (Democracy Dies in a Police State)
- [Event page](#)

#### **NY Young Republican Club Gala, Saturday, Dec. 10, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM, 583 Park Ave (63rd St)**

- Majorie Taylor Greene is an honoree. Donald Trump Jr., Steve Bannon, Roger Stone, Peter Navarro, Erik Prince, and Rudy Giuliani will be attending.
- We will probably bring Indict/Greasy Grifter messaging.

#### **INDICT TRUMP, Sunday, Dec. 11, 3:30 PM - 4:30/5 PM, Trump Tower**

- Noon - 6 PM midtown 5th Ave is car-free on three Sundays in December
- Signs, Christmas lights, crime scene tape

**Immigration Action, Sunday, Dec. 18, 12:15 PM, 58th/5th (Fountain in front of Plaza)**

- Mary and Joseph procession to St. Pat's
- "Mary and Joseph were seeking asylum" theme

**Climate Action, Saturday, New Year's Eve, flyering with actions for 2023, Grand Central**

- Probably around 3 PM or 4 PM

**DISCUSSION OF RISE AND RESIST MISSION**

- We should rewrite mission statement because the original was focused on the Trump regime.
- Trump is out of office but Trumpism isn't gone. Trump is a symptom of last fight of the white supremacist patriarchy, going out violently, in all its permutations. Our "White Supremacy Is Terrorism" banner sums it up.
- Violent, capitalist oppression is the through-line of all the issues we deal with.
- We should keep mind that we can't be all things to all people. Go back to our name – resistance is key.
- Leon says we should take on things that might be local but speak to the bigger issues (such as Rikers).
- Mike's summary: To defeat Trumpism, we resist policies and practices that are detrimental to the human rights and needs of the working class and poor majority. We counter Trumpism by challenging the billionaire class, big corporations, and elitism, even though the reality of big money dominating our politics is a huge challenge.
- Reminder: People should do as much as they can/want to do. No one is obligated to go to every (or any) event. We understand that many people can't do actions during business hours.
- To be discussed further.

**REPORT BACKS**

**New York Times Dealbook Action, Wednesday, November 30**

- Photos were shown from inside the Deutsche Bank Center (formerly Time Warner Center). Dealbook event included problematic people like Netanyahu, Larry Fink of Blackstone, Mike Pence, Mark Zuckerberg.
- The group walked through the mall to the entrance of the event and asked to talk to NYT reps but they didn't come down.
- Security and police both asked the group to leave but we explained we were only going to be there an hour and that they would have to call SRG and give us official warnings of arrest, so they backed off.

- Attendees were seen taking photos of signage. Stu points out that this is a good example of what we were talking about with regards to our mission – planting a thought that these things aren't right, that profiting by giving a platform to the worst of the attendees is something that should be discussed.

### **Say Their Names, Friday, December 2**

- Weekly event is 4:30 PM at 96th & Broadway (weather permitting)
- The new “White Supremacy Is Terrorism” banner is easy to hang and really stands out.
- Jenny asked a cop to move her car that was blocking the banner and she moved it!

### **New York For Abortion Rights protest at Old St. Pats, Saturday, December 3.**

- The NYPD's SRG team was there, violently arresting people for slow-walking.
- We watched video of one of the SRG's arrest, with a protestor thrown down and swarmed by cops.
- The next clinic defense will be Saturday, January 7.
- We should keep attending and observing. We could potentially keep picketing in front of the church as organizers rather than get into the scrum.

### **Truth Tuesdays at Fox, Tuesday, December 6**

- Every Tuesday at noon at 48th and 6th.
- Great turnout for rainy day
- Julie noted that hostile people she deals with while handing out fliers are increasingly likely to concur when she says “So white supremacy is working out for you?” They're more willing to claim racism.

### **NON RAR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Schumer demo re Manchin side deal, Dec. 8, Brooklyn.

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