

Rise and Resist General Meeting: 5.28.2019

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Notes - Livvie, **Facilitators** - Alexandra and John

REPORT BACKS

Deutsche Bank/Trump hearing, Foley Square - Jamie & Rick

May 22. Friendly atmosphere in the court. They held up anti-Trump signs - Reuters and AP picked up on it. Trump had no case. The judge knew it, decided against Trump.

Impeach Action at Federal Plaza - Paul

May 23. "No one is above the law." In front of George Washington Statue.

ERT - Endorsed event RE: Trans people - Betsy

May 24. In Washington Square Park. NY Trans Advocacy Groups. Drawing attention to murders of black trans women. Half a dozen RaR people went, GAG, lots of other groups and lots of younger people.

UPCOMING ACTIONS

Immigration Action at Staten Island Ferry Terminal

May 30, 5:30 - 6:30. Seeking Asylum is Not a Crime. One of a series of immigration actions in different locations so the issue doesn't get lost. (Kids keep dying.) Expect pushback at ferry. (Suggestion: do one at 125th street MTA train platform). (Suggestion: take banner to photogenic places instead of commuter places.)

NEW ACTIONS

Ken Karp - proposing a June 14, **2020 Trump Birthday party**. Intent to humiliate & expose Trump. Wants it huge, with a Mayoral Proclamation, with celebrities and fundraising. No enthusiasm, lots of suggestions

Alexis and Dann - Harriet **Tubman stamp** to imprint \$20 bills. How to do? Buy other people's stamps that are made to perfectly fit the Jackson face on the bill.

Vote: Buy three \$20 stamps. Passed. (Settled on purchasing 2 stamps after meeting)

ELECTIONS

Livvie - The NYS legislature is still in session with important bills to pass. Asked that people go on makenytrueblue.org/events to find stuff to do to support passage of HALT Solitary, CCPA, Fair Elections, Green Light (drivers licenses for undocumented people), and other progressive legislation that's in danger.

RECLAIM PRIDE

Mark Milano, Dann - referred back to 2017 when RaR was at the front of Pride Parade, 2018 when RaR was booted to the back, which led to RaR and others wanting to create their own, non-corporate, non-police, old-school gay pride parade. What issues to stress? Trans rights, International lgbtq suppression like South African corrective rape, USA suppression of gay people, multi-issues?

Numbers: Are there enough people to both marshal and be part of the RaR contingent? Why not train Reclaim Pride marshals and let RaR people march as a group? RaR is a major sponsor and should have a presence. Impeachment as a Reclaim Pride issue? Visitor from ??? an online impeach group: impeach is the most important thing.

Discussion of stuff: no one wants to do new t-shirts. Use existing banner alone or with existing posters. Print new posters. Make handmade signs. Print a new half-sheet flyer.

Votes:

- 1. Banner with a contingent behind it. Passed.**
- 2. Print 20 new posters about international despots. Defeated.**

NON-RAR ACTIONS

350.org, May 30, 10-11am. 59 Maiden Lane in front of Comptroller Tom DiNapoli about Exxon. 100 foot banner. Asking for NYS divestment from Fossil Fuels. (Cherie)

School Climate Strike. Last week, Columbus Circle to Times Square, 11 minutes of silence for 11 years remaining to take action. (Stu)

Impeachment March. June 1. Washington DC. impeachmentmarch.org. Impassioned speech (Robert Lopez from People United for Liberty)

Ramsey filmed Eric Garner's murder, is in jail, often in solitary, please send him nice stuff to Ramsey Orta, 16A4200, Collins Correctional middle Rd. P.O. Box 340, Collins NY, 14034. (Katrina)

Refuse Fascism invites to talk about book How Fascism Works by Jason Stanley @ Revolution Books, 437 Malcolm X Blvd. May 30, 7-9 (Gail)

Andy Z Revolution Club fundraiser for National Revolution Tour, @ Revolution Books, 437 Malcolm X Blvd. June 1 3-5.

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