Rise and Resist General Meeting: 1.14.2020

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Meetings: Every Tuesday at 7pm at the People's Forum, 320 W 37th St, New York, NY 10018

Notes - Livvie, Facilitators - Sandy & Cherie

REPORT BACKS

Jan. 11, Sat, 2:00. Remove Trump action at Trump Tower (John)

Eve showed Wrolf's video of the day to enthusiastic applause.

No FB announcement. Banner drop upstairs, demo, chanting and signs downstairs. Banner made at Rick's using Lorenzo's friend's letter templates (T. Gilroy has templates). Rehearsed banner dropping at Lincoln Center, courtesy of Karin. Building was closed for an hour so action was moved to the sidewalk outside.

Jan. 13, Monday Cricket Valley Court Appearance (Sandy)

The case was postponed to Feb10 (or March), but the non-tower-climbing arrestees will only have to do 16 hours(instead of 50hours originally threatened) of community service in Dutchess County, will have a restraining order. Most arrestees are supporting the tower climbers, at whom the DA is throwing the book. TBD on Feb 10.

NEW ACTIONS

Jan 16 @ 5:30 @ Metropolitan Club Federalist Society NYC Gala

The occasion is Nikki Haley's book debut, but the ask is to have Federalist Society lose their tax-exempt status because they are engaging in political activity when they appoint lifetime incompetent judges. Grew from a few college campuses in the 80s and now has 60-70,000 members. Reagan first turned to them for judge suggestions, Bushes followed suit, today thanks to Trump more than 40% of appointed judges come from FS. Roe v. Wade is a big target for them. ALSO: Jan 15, @6:30 Poster party at 242 W. 38th 6th floor.

Jan 18. **Women's March.** There's two of them, one starts at Columbus Circle. The other one that starts at Foley Square at 10:00 am is the one that RaR is joining. 10-1:00 is performances

and speeches, then 1:00-3:00 march to Times Square to meet up with other March. It's a loong day and no one wants to be there all day. Mary proposes to make it a recruitment day. Livvie to provide Stop Shouting at the TV postcards to Jamie.

Jan 21. **Albany Day for HALT Solitary and Budget Justice.** Buses leave Walgreens at 4th Ave and 14th Street at 6:00 a.m., leave Albany at 5:00. Activists will be working to pass HALT Solitary legislation and to demand Budget Justice. Bus sign up here.

Climate Action Group: (Sandy).

Stamped letters to Jamie Dimon at his two homes to protest JP Morgan Chase investment in fossil fuel exploration were passed around and signed by everyone. They'll be mailed as part of a nationwide campaign against Jamie Dimon.

Voted to join

Swarm the Senate Report Back: (Julie, Barbara, Martin)

40-75 people meet every day at Hart Building and move out from there to protest, visit senators' offices, birddog senators. #RemoveTrumpNow and #WomensMarch are coordinating direct actions later this week. Info about buses and hostels is available from many places like remove45.org. From Julie: Herd on the Hill: letters to red states.

NEW ACTIONS

Jan 28. 9:00 a.m. 60 Center Elevator Action Committee (Sasha)

Court case is being delayed, justice delayed is justice denied, plaintiffs (like Sasha) are being harassed by \$1500/hour lawyers. Rather than continue to listen to delays in court they're taking it outside to City Hall. Walking there from City Center.

Vote for Action approved unanimously.

February 4. **State of the Union.** Actions had long discussions about what to say, what to do, and when. Theme is War is Not the Answer. Multi-faceted action on the day of the State of the Union address. No details worked out as yet due to constantly changing circumstances.

NY Health Care Act Letter Writing campaign in support of the NYHA. (Alexandra) Endorsed by Rise and Resist if the Health Care Committee vetted it. They vetted it, Martin will send it out to the Rise and Resist list.

NON RISE AND RESIST EVENTS

Act Up action, Noon, 1.19 at New York Times building about ridiculous AIDS reporting.

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