Rise and Resist General Meeting 10.15.2019

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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 - Stu and Cherie

Welcome - NYPD or Law enforcement - Please identify yourselves, Journalists - please identify yourselves if you are reporting on this meeting. To general membership: Just because people have not self-identified as NYPD or Journalists doesn't mean that there aren't police or journalists present. We welcome journalists and their media entities, but we ask that they identify themselves in the event that people do not want to be recorded.

Please put your phones away; let's remain present.

Folks who are in spaces like this normally speak a lot. We ask that you step back, and give space to people who may not be as comfortable speaking in a group to step up. We ask new folks to feel empowered to ask questions, to speak up, and to participate.

Report Backs:

Oct 8. Supreme Court Action. (Alexis) Washington D.C., in support of ACLU defending the 3 LGBTQ rights cases. Legal action and NVCD. 133 people arrested. Delays on the NJ turnpike meant people joined the CD late. Arrested within half an hour, quickly, no cuffs.. Washington DC is "post and forfeit" usually, but this time people weren't allowed to pay until that evening, the next day, some haven't paid at all. Housing works will pay all fines. Good support, not disruptive enough.

Oct. 16. Immigration Vigil. (Rick) Washington Square Park. Good weather, good action. Trolls were getting attention of all kinds, but were kept away by the police. Refuse Fascism and trolls

got into it a little. Jamie learned that 30 foot extendable metal poles are now legal for actions as long as flag is not waved!

{Next Immigration Vigil: Oct 24, 5:30 - 6:30, Trump Hotel, Bway between 60 and 61.}

Oct. 13. Impeach March. By The People. (Matt, Jamie, Alexis) Matt from By The People said 400-600 in NYC. 60 actions across the country. Effective action, good collaboration with RaR. 40 marshals needed, only had 20. RaR is doing more collaborative actions now, and Alexis and Jamie end up doing marshal trainings for small groups. Everyone should recruit more people for the trainings - bring a friend! Note that no one has to talk to the press and everyone has the right to ask interviewers for press credentials. How to get Refuse Fascism to not disrupt our actions? Marshals can chat with them.

Upcoming Actions

Oct. 17, Thursday, 6:00. Hilton Midtown, 54th & 6th. Immigration Action at Al Smith Dinner protesting Cardinal Dolan and the Catholic Church's failure to protect immigrants. Letter to Dolan will be handed to all attendees. Quiet action. Usual immigration props.

Oct. 16, Wednesday, 6:00. Poster Party at Actions meeting 256 West 38th Street, 12th floor, to make posters for the Al Smith Dinner action.

Oct. 20, 2:45-4:00, Sunday, Metropolitan Republican Club, 122 East 83rd. (Jamie) Newt Gingrich is having a book launch party. Promote via email, not Facebook, to avoid Proud Boys and trolls. \$45 ticket includes food and a copy of the book. Possible inside action will be discussed at Actions tomorrow.

VOTE: to sponsor action. Passed.

Cyrus Vance v. Trump court case. Oct. 23, Wed., 9:30 a.m., 40 Foley Square. Vance wants Trump's personal and corporate tax records to figure out if Stormy Daniel payment violated state tax law. Trump's case is that he's immune from prosecution, and can't even be investigated. Outside and inside actions.

Vote: to endorse the action. Passed.

Oct, 17. Close Rikers Demand. 12:30, speak-out at Chambers & Center, 1:15, go inside council chambers. Banner drop. (Vidal, Serena) Want to pressure City Council to vote to close but with modifications like investment in neighborhoods. Vidal is a Riker's survivor, has been working on the Close Rikers campaign for 4 years since he got out. Pressuring DeBlasio. Rikers is not overcrowded but is still hell, built on a toxic landfill. City has 12000 jail beds now, the bill gets the number down to 3800. Dissension about the bill because it doesn't close all jails (?).

Nov 2-11. Tick Tock Convergence at the White House. (Laurie Arbeiter) Nov 2, noon, gather at Lafayette Park, march to White House, stay until Nov 11. People's convergence, self-organized, demanding Trump's removal. Info at ticktocktimesup.org. People can get involved through Laurie.

Patricia Okoumou maternity support. Contact Elka.(She's having a boy!)

Drivers License Action. Oct 24, 4:00 pm. Close the Camps and Cosecha doing it. CD people meet in NYC Penn Station at 2:45. See Close the Camps FB event for details. CD will block traffic at Newark Penn Station to pressure NJ legislators to approve drivers licenses for undocumented immigrant.

Report Back, non-RaR.

Oct. 10. Extinction Rebellion Times Square Sailboat Action. 13 people glued to boat in mid-intersection. Stopped traffic for 2 hours, 62 arrests total. The 13 gluers were held for 31 hours. Worldwide, police are cracking down harder on XR people. Conversation expanded to policing in general in NYC and worldwide.

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