Rise and Resist General Meeting 10.8.19

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

Notes - Marlaine. Facilitators - Kellen & Alex

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

- 1. **IMMIGRATION ACTION AT YANKEE STADIUM:** : Elizabeth spoke and described the Yankee fans as mean and drunk. The results may be better if the action took place after the game. This was not her favorite action. They went to a bar after and were well received.
- 2. NYC EARLY WAKE UP CALL FOR RUDY GUILIANI: Jamie said there were about 15 participants including a bagpiper and a drummer. They had a nice selection of signage. There is a Local law about sound restrictions but Jamie believes that if the sound is not acoustic you can do it. Police showed up at 8:15 am but left them alone. Many neighbors were annoyed but others like it. Her point was some sometimes you have to annoy people to make a point. They

weren't certain Rudy was there but even if he wasn't his neighbors knew RAR protesters were there. Someone recorded video and gave it to RAR. It was posted and got over 7K hits.

- 3. **IMPEACHMENT MARCH:** Took place last Sunday 4:30-6 PM It started at Bryant Park and included a stop at FOX News. Most people enjoyed the action, they sang with Sing out Louise and chanted. It was a lot of fun.
- 4. **NEVER AGAIN PROTEST IN NEWARK:** Livvy and others from RAR joined another org in the rain last Thursday in Newark. It was at Ice Headquarters in support of the NEVER AGAIN action. They took a banner with them --it was raining but there was a sizeable group of over 100 people. There was CDO...RAR didn't participate in that. RAR stayed for over an hour. No arrest while they were there. IT was a powerful expression with a big emotional impact. Newark police arrested 8 people after they left. There were Trump trolls there as well.

LIVVY personal report back: she found lots of buttons and postcards while cleaning. Rise and resist stickers and little business cards. She told everyone to take what they thought they could use.

UPCOMING RAR ACTIONS:

IMMIGRATION VIGILS: NO RAIDS CLOSE THE CAMPS ABOLISH ICE There will be an action this Thursday in Washington Square Park, at 5:30 PM --- meeting by the Arch. It will be a silent protests with posters of kids in camps and banners. Refuse Facism will also have an action in the park at 4:30 PM. Jamie asked if everyone still wants to do these actions every other week. **The group said Yes.**

FACILITATION ANNOUNCEMENT:

Collected Rent \$104.00

October tasks need note taker and slide person next week
Upcoming events at Peoples Forum

ACTIONS GROUP MEETING TOMORROW ALL INVITED

CLIMATE EMERGENCY GROUP, XREBELLION.NYC started a wk of Rebellion. It started Monday, Oct 7. They did a great job. They had an ecological funeral and staged other things as well. They are very theatrical group.. It was wonderful, they had costumes and props. They staged a die-in fake blood and all. Some protesters were arrested. It ended at the stock exchange. WWW.Xrebellion.nyc/global-rebellion

ALFRED SMITH DINNER; Tues Oct 17th; a small gathering of the immigrtaion group and others met to plot an action. They wrote and sent a letter to the Cardinal it was signed by RAR. They talked about making the letter a petition and a flyer they can pass it out at the Alfred Smith

Dinner. Mattus is speaking at the event. It was also suggested to include a silent protest with the pics of the kids as part of it. **Time TBA.** There was discussion about specifically targeting Cardinal Dolan because he's been silent. He hasn't responded to the letter. They want to know why he isn't doing more. **Group voted yes.**

ELECTION GROUP: We're coming into an off year election and election group want to get the vote out. There is now early voting. The locations for early voting are different than election day sites. Times can vary as well. RAR is supporting Rank form voting. This is only NYC primaries now for the moment. Everyone gets to rank candidate 1-5 in the order they prefer. This only happens when the candidate have 50% of the vote. No run-off elections because of this change.

It discourages crappy campaigning, candidates have to have broader appeal. There are 4 other ballot proposals that are important as well. Civil review board of the police is one of them. Martin suggested sending this info to our mailing list.

Oct 13 IMPEACH NOW MARCH: RAR supported We the people's march this Sunday Oct 13th from 1-3 PM RAR and 3 other groups are hosting. Starts in Father Duffy Square between 45-47th on Broadway and 7th ave. The march will end at Union Square. This is part of a bigger action. The tide appears to be turning on impeachment and we have to keep the momentum. Especially with Congress being on break.

Martin wants to talk about messaging and asked for comments. He also mentioned that Thur, Carol Maloney has a town hall in Bushwick.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE COMMENTS:

- -- Mark said make the messaging broad, not just the Ukraine, call him on lies,
- --Marlaine suggested hitting hard on TRUMP'S Corruption
- --Elka is going to do her first march after becoming a citizen this wk and wants to **Make it more unifying**.
- --Jamie mentioned making **obstruction of justice** part of the messaging. **Message something more than just impeach.**
- --Julie would like to reach out to out-of-state visitors in Time Square, and tell them to call or write their Senators and Reps and tell them "They don't want to go down on Trump's Titanic
- --Tom talked about being upstate and they made signs that said, "Obey the Constitution Impeach it's led to good conversations with neighbors & farmers and it's helping. Congress is doing their job by impeaching

Major points made by the group: Be broad, hit corruption, lies, Obstruction of Justice, racism. Also reach out to others who impact elections in Red state.

Just a thought, SAVE OUR DEMOCRACY, IMPEACH TRUMP

FINANCE: Net worth 12k

EVENTS HOSTED BY OTHER GROUPS:

JAMIE MENTIONED AN EVENT TOMORROW WED, OCT 9TH FROM 2-3 PM 788 3RD AVE SHUMER AND GILLIBRAND'S OFFICE **DEFEND ROJAVA/ SUPPORT OF KURDISH PEOPLE**

Peace Activists Face 25 Years for Action at U.S. Nuclear Submarine Base Trial begins 9am, October 21st. Come to Georgia! https://kingsbayplowshares7.org/
On Wednesday, Oct, 16th at 5:30 pm there will be a Campaign Launch
#NYHomesGuarantee Hosted by Housing Justice for All the event will take place at 40 Irving Place between 16th and 17th Street.

Be part of the worldwide movement that is demanding basic income as the future of our economy. UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME Black lives matter and other groups will be be having the largest march ever on 10/26 at 1 pm, universal basic income. Check their website for locations international. https://www.basicincomemarch.com

WBAI is no longer WBAI...Pacifica has taken it over. Owner has locked it down. They are behind 3 mos in the rent. Want to find out where the injunction hearing is being held

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