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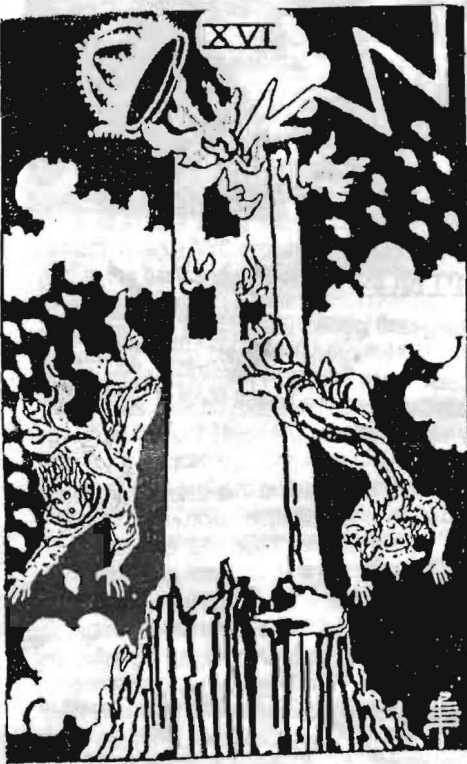
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## POLICE VIOLENCE

### A PEDAGOGY OF TERROR

The defenestrator is Philly's latest attempt at a radical paper, something (unlike bread) that Philly suffers a scarcity of. Following the anarchist tradition of throwing things out of windows (when we are not being thrown out of windows ourselves), we here at the defenestrator editorial penthouse feel that power, in its many incarnations and appearances has an appropriate place broken into pieces at the foot of the castle. Power spread around the people makes up for a good deal of editorial inspiration around these parts, as it does in our actions and those of our allies.

The thing about power is: although it can pervade so many aspects of existence, sometimes to the point where you think you just can't kick the entity out of your life, power also has a face. The architects of vertical power and the rulers in the tower can be found. Their identity is no secret, they flaunt their wealth and strength. If one can get close enough to them to shake their hand one is close enough to bloody their nose. And if one is close enough to bloody their nose, then maybe your within reach of a window. We here at the defenestrator are in the long process of throwing all power out of the window. Not just certain forms of political power. We want to tear it down and triumph over the ruins.



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"Why are you doing this to me? Why? Why?"  
-- Abner Louima, Haitian immigrant

"You niggers have to learn to respect police officers." -- NYC cops to Louima as they tortured him

(SAN FRANCISCO) -- The vicious beating and gang-rape of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima by New York City cops is a brutal reminder that the forces of "law and order" are the State's frontline fighters in an ever-escalating war on immigrants, communities of color and the poor.

After his arrest for a minor altercation on Saturday, August 9th outside the Club Rendez-Vous, a Brooklyn nightclub, the 30-year-old immigrant was savagely beaten by two separate carloads of NYC's "finest" as he was being transported to the local cop-shop. To drive home their point the cops stopped not once, but twice to continue their pedagogical exercise camouflaged as a beating. In this way the cops were certain Louima (a "nigger" and an "alien" to boot) would begin "to learn to respect police officers." But Louima's nightmarish enrollment in the NYPD's "street university" was only beginning. He had his reached his destination - Brooklyn's 70th Precinct.

Upon arrival, Louima was forced to strip naked in front of the desk sergeant and then led to a bathroom a scant few feet from the precinct's nerve center. According to some reports, 20 cops were on-duty and present at the station house at the time of the assault. Once he was dragged inside the lavatory, now doubling as a torture chamber, Louima was thrown to the ground where he was beaten and kicked again by more cops. Four, five? The exact number is still uncertain. This much is known, however: once Louima was forcibly restrained face-down on the floor, officer Justin Volpe shoved a toilet plunger up the man's rectum causing critical injuries to his intestines and bladder. Then Volpe, in a fit of murderous rage, shoved the plunger into Abner Louima's mouth breaking several of his teeth. In place of the usual finery reserved for the graduate -- a tasseled mortarboard and gown -- Louima was "awarded" a catheter and colostomy bag, courtesy of the City of New York.

Volpe and another cop, Charles Schwarz have been indicted by a grand jury and face up to 50 years imprisonment for their savage attack. Both cops had been suspended for

racist brutality in the past, yet the system allowed them to return to their posts to brutalize again. Despite the vicious nature of the attack, the Patrolman's Benevolent Association, the so-called cop "union" had no comment on the incident other than to dismiss the allegations and defend Louima's torturers! When criminals guard the roost anything and everything is possible -- and permitted. An investigator from the Brooklyn District Attorney's office told the New York Times that "there is a lot of pressure" on police from colleagues and union officials not to provide any information. The investigator said there were indications of an attempt to "cover tracks and clean things up." Indeed! The weapon used by the police torturers has mysteriously "disappeared." The investigator said: "We're not going to find it. It was gotten rid of quickly."

### STOP POLICE BRUTALITY!



OCTOBER 22 WEAR BLACK

And what of the powers that be, what was their response; after all, this is an election year? NYC Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Police Commissioner Howard Safir have vowed to "rid the department" of the supposedly "few rotten apples" who occupy minority and working class communities. Yet despite glib promises "to clean things up," only made because of intense community outrage and media scrutiny, they continue to describe the incident as an "isolated matter!" Haven't we heard this before?

The hypocrisy of statements such as these are underscored by the virtual open-season that Giuliani and Safir declared on minority and working class neighborhoods throughout New York. In "unfashionable" districts such as Flatbush, Harlem, Hell's Kitchen, Washington Heights and the South Bronx, largely populated by black, brown, yellow and poor white families struggling to survive capitalism's "free-market miracle," daily incidents of police violence are duly reported with numbing regularity -- to no avail; hardly a blip on the media screen.

Our criticism of the police must be properly framed, however; after all, a pedagogy of power is designed so that the poor will "learn to respect police officers" -- and more importantly, those who command capital's praetorian guard. Daily lessons for the poor, the marginalized and above all, for "youthful predators" include: wide-spread drug-dealing and corruption; savage beatings; sexual assaults; frame-ups; racist taunts and when all else fails, murder and systematic cover-up. One must never forget one's "station" nor assume that citizens have any rights that police need to respect. After all, police are "teachers" guiding us through the intricacies of race, class and the global market. But lessons such as those taught to Abner Louima are exceptional only to the degree they are exposed. As an entire generation is

deemed "lost" by the capitalist ruling class, those duly marginalized can and are considered "fair game" by killer cops who dish out their unique brand of "tough love" in defense of a seemingly immutable "order of things." The "thin blue line," a serviceable metaphor for a prison-industrial complex in process of transforming the whole society into a vast, gray, terrifying penitentiary where all hopes fade, wither and die.

What does this incident teach us about the nature and role of repressive state agencies? What lessons will anti-racists glean from an episode such as this? Do the police "defend" Blacks, Latinos, Jews, immigrants and queers from attack by the resurgent forces of fascism in our midst? While "liberal watchdog" groups

## defenestrated letters

Dear Defenestrator,

You have good ideas about squatting houses. Maybe you could squat a separate house specifically as a place for us to bring politicians to. We could throw them out the window and videotape them screaming "Ach, Ach, Oweh!" We will show no mercy.

You put together the logistics of the thing and I will volunteer to do media for it. We will send the tapes to news stations as warnings to politicians. Then we can have solidarity encampments in other states. See you soon, compañero,

**A. Shameless**

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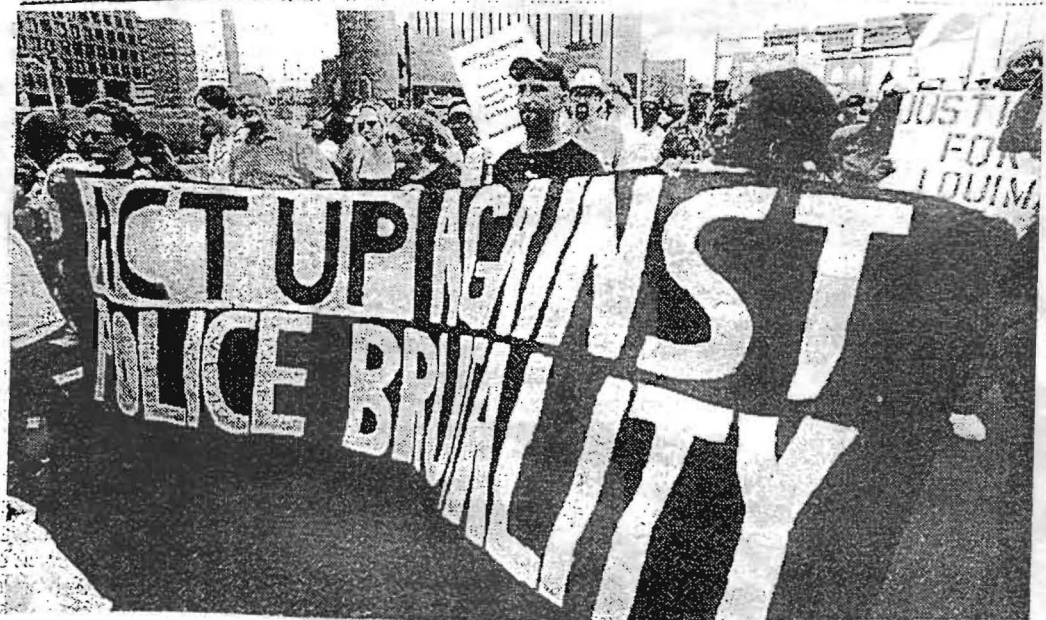
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urge anti-racists to rely on the police to "fight fascism," the worst of this bunch -- the more well-heeled who derive their raison d'etre from generous corporate grants -- continue to ignore and cover-up systematic police brutality and violence. Even more alarming, many so-called "anti-racist watchdogs" routinely conduct training sessions for police intelligence units and collaborate with the FBI. COINTELPRO with a happy face :) updated with 1990s "diversity-training" jargon! Anti-racists are well-advised to examine the ideological origins of so-called "community policing" schemes and other ruling class occupation strategies. You might be surprised. "Low-intensity conflict" practices, including PSYWAR techniques borrowed from the Pentagon, are designed to destroy any and all opposition to regressive economic and social policies instituted by ruling elites. Once

reserved for Third World nations during the Cold War, the implementation of the military's counter-insurgency doctrine to "fight crime" has become a permanent feature of life in the imperialist heartland itself.

The system of course, will attempt to defuse the firestorm of protest that resulted from this incident. But jailing sadistic cop torturers is not enough. If it would preserve their monopoly of violence, the State would toss Volpe and Schwarz into a tank filled with piranhas on prime-time TV! No amount of "diversity training" will change the nature or role of these savage armies of repression. An army of occupation whose mission is to "teach niggers to respect police officers" -- and more importantly, teach us all to fear the masters who hold the leash.

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## INTERNAL DEFENESTRATING

All right, so there was this defenestrator meeting at the A-Space to which not a whole lot of people showed up to, but some basic shit was decided. First off, we want to go **news print** pretty soon, maybe by next issue. By then we need to get a bit more organized, especially with raising cash for printing and getting some sort of production schedule worked out. As for now **we're having monthly open editorial meetings at the A-Space, 7:30 pm every first Monday of the month.** The defenestrator wants to be run by the entire anarchist scene and then some, so if you have any way to contribute, you should show up! There are benefits to organize, articles to write, fliers to bring, pages to lay out etc. By next issue, **the submission deadline will be this first Monday of the month meeting.** So either have your submission here by then or bring it by the meeting. We need to hear about what you are doing! So write about it! If there's a demo, a speaker, whatever looks like it would fit into this calendar, give us a flier! If you want to write an article, we would be much happier if it were laid out already or at least printed out for us in columns (.5 inch margins are nice) or give us a disk with it on.

**Getting cash** is also something we need to do, I estimate it will run a good couple hundred a month at least. If you like the defenestrator, you could easily put together a benefit show or rob a bank for this project.

**Collecting information:** The defenestrator is a good place to spread information about what's happening in your neighborhood, undercover cops, addresses of fascists, newspaper clippings, interesting graphics, etc. These are all things we are looking for plus more. If you happen to run

across something you would think would go well in here send it in, or drop it by!

Once we get our shit together, we'll start having regular layout, assembly and distribution dates/times set up. Volunteers especially needed for this too!

That's about it for now! May the force be with you!

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# PROTESTERS FLOOD STATION HOUSE WHERE IMMIGRANT SAYS HE WAS TORTURED

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 KATHLEEN SAMPEY, Associated Press Writer  
 NEW YORK (AP) -- Thousands of protesters marched on a police precinct Saturday where a Haitian immigrant says he was tortured and sodomized with a toilet plunger a week ago by two police officers.  
 "KKK must go!" the protesters chanted on a sweltering August afternoon. Demonstrators, many waving plungers, became increasingly hostile and shouted obscenities and insults at officers who stood impassively outside the 70th Precinct in Brooklyn.  
 There was a brief scuffle when some in the emotional crowd tried to storm the barricades outside the precinct, but police reported no arrests or injuries. Many in the predominantly Haitian crowd, which filled the block outside the station house, waved flags from their native land.  
 Police estimated the crowd at 4,000 people. Demonstrators engaged in exchanges with officers at the nightclub where the alleged victim, Abner Louima, was arrested for disorderly conduct last weekend.

Then they marched two miles to the precinct where they joined a second protest led by mayoral candidate Rev. Al Sharpton. The rally there began at about 12:30 p.m. and stretched into the early evening.  
 "They look the other way as if it is never going to happen to them," demonstrator Quincy St. George said of the surrounding police. "All of those on duty should be arrested because they heard (Louima) scream."  
 Louima said that when he was taken to the station house, officers sodomized him with a plunger in a bathroom while shouting racial slurs at him. As a result, the precinct commander has been transferred and 12 officers pulled off active duty as the investigation continues.  
 Officers Charles Schwarz, 31, and Justin Volpe, 25, were indicted Friday on charges of aggravated sexual abuse and first-degree assault. Both face up to 50 years in prison if convicted.  
 Police Commissioner Howard Safir told the CBS Evening News he believed other officers were involved.  
 "We have one or more individuals or more, at least two, maybe four, maybe five police officers

who committed a crime," he said. "They're criminals."  
 Outside the precinct, police Chief of Patrol Wilbur Chapman said: "The relationship between the police and the community has been fractured," he said. "But we're going to work very hard to restore the faith of the community in the 70th Precinct."  
 One protester was carrying a blown-up picture of Volpe with the words, "Devil in a blue suit." Volpe allegedly used racial slurs while assaulting Louima, and Schwarz allegedly held the 30-year-old man down.

Louima remained in an intensive care unit Saturday, recovering from a tear to his colon and a laceration to his bladder.  
 He watched the protest on television and "felt very good that people are upset about what happened and that they were making their voices heard," said his lawyer, Carl Thomas, who attended the demonstration.  
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# NATIONAL DAY OF PROTEST TO STOP POLICE BRUTALITY

## OCTOBER 22.

**WEAR BLACK!**

It's a nationwide epidemic--POLICE BRUTALITY--It's a national outrage. It has to stop!  
 Who's being protected and served when a cop in Newark, New Jersey guns down an unarmed pregnant woman? When US marines patrolling the Mexico-US border in Texas stalk and shoot a young man tending his family's goats? When a NYC cop shoots a 16-year-old in the back and gets selected as the officer of the month by his precinct? When San Francisco cops pepper spray a Black man to death? When Chicago cops gun down a deaf mute for refusing to obey their verbal commands while his mother and grandmother watch in horror? These foul murders are just the tip of the iceberg. Cops, La Migra, and prison guards brutalize and murder people all over the country and are almost never punished for their crimes against the people.

Who would punish them when the President brags about putting more cops on the street and building more prisons? When the US Congress passes more and more restrictive laws? When the whole court system works to exonerate brutal murdering cops? The INS treats immigrants like they're less than human. They cooperate with the police to criminalize them and brutalize and murder them at the border. The authorities treat our youth like permanent suspects who are guilty until proven innocent--if they survive to prove their innocence.  
 From arrest to trial to sentencing, the criminal justice system discriminates against Blacks, Latinos, and other people of color. Geronimo



Ji Jaga (Pratt) is out of jail, but Mumia Abu Jamal is still on death row and Leonard Peltier is still locked down, as are many other political prisoners.  
 It's up to us to stop this! People have been resisting from St. Petersburg, Florida, and Leland, Mississippi where people fought back against police murder, to Chicago, LA, NY, and

Pittsburgh where people are mobilizing against brutalizing, murdering cops. Last October 22nd in 45 cities across the US, thousands of people marched, rallied, and protested against police brutality in other ways. Many people wore black on that day. All this represents a good start.  
 But much more is needed. It's up to us to build a fighting, nationwide movement that can raise a giant stop sign against brutal, murdering cops and those who unleash and protect them. We need to make a big leap in building that movement.  
 On October 22nd, 1997, the 2nd National Day of Protest to Stop Police Brutality, Repression, and the Criminalization of a Generation, we will begin making that needed leap. On that day in cities all across the country, people of different nationalities will march, rally, hold poetry readings and other cultural events. Many, many people will wear black in solidarity with the protests and in memory of the victims of the police. Many will come from the experience of living our lives under the guns and billy clubs of brutal, murdering cops. Many others will come from different backgrounds, but we will all be standing together and saying police brutality must stop, NOW! And we will call on everybody who opposes this injustice and brutality to join with us in this important fight.  
 National Coordinating Committee of the Oct. 22nd Coalition to Stop Police Brutality  
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 160 First Ave. NY, NY 10009 212-822-8596  
 Oct. 22nd Coalition, Chicago 773-794-8114

# PENNSYLVANIA: COMMONWEALTH OR FATHERLAND? A CALL TO ACTION

What is going on in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania? Since the early 1990s, eastern Pennsylvania has gained a national reputation as a haven for organized racists and militias.

From Stroudsburg, PA down to Philadelphia and over to Harrisburg, the organized racist movement is gaining strength. First, it was the hooded members of Ku Klux Klan, and then it was the armed compound of Aryan Nation and Mark Thomas. Then it progressed to the development of the Philadelphia nazi racist gang known as Alpha. Along the way racist skinheads and militias came into play. Now it is the anti-Semitic ANU (American Nationalist Union) that are planning to descend on eastern Pennsylvania.

In September 1997 in New Hope, Pennsylvania, the organized racist movement and their not so distant cousins in the militias are planning one of the biggest racist events ever to be held in the Commonwealth. The Education & Vigilance Network has learned that the anti-Semitic racist-inspired gang known as the American Nationalist Union will be holding a regional conference at the Best Western motel in New Hope, PA. One of the listed speakers is Eustace Mullins, a long-time bigoted writer and racist organizer. One of the articles Mullins has authored was entitled "Adolf Hitler: An Appreciation". In the past couple of years, he has become a hit with armed militias. The ANU is the out growth of the anti-Semitic Populist Party, one of the largest and most influential hate gangs in the country. In 1988 the Populist Party ran David Duke as their presidential candidate.

The Education & Vigilance Network is asking people to join with us for a candle light vigil to be held outside the Best Western motel on Saturday September 20, 1997. The Best Western is located on route 202, 6426 Lower York Road, New Hope, PA.

If we don't start taking a visible stand against these 'hatemongers' then we have allowed them lay claim to eastern Pennsylvania by default. Let's go to New Hope with our message of diversity and a new hope for all of Pennsylvania, a new hope that we can build a Commonwealth that is free of bigotry and hate gangs. By working together we can ensure that Pennsylvania will continue to grow as a commonwealth of all people and not a fatherland for the self-appointed chosen.

If you wish to join with us call, email or write:

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**From Philly rides are being organized by Anti-Racist Action who can be contacted via (215)-569-2477 #8 (may be out of commission) . Also try the EVN at 814.274.8079**

## SEAC Mid-Atlantic Conference October 3-5

West Chester University will be hosting the fall 1997 conference of SEAC Mid-Atlantic, the region comprised of PA, NJ, MD, and DE. SEAC, the Student Environmental Action Coalition, is a student-run, student-led national network of progressive organizations and individuals whose aim is to uproot environmental injustices through action and education. It defines the environment to include the physical, economic, political and cultural conditions in which we live. By challenging the power structure which threatens these environmental conditions, SEAC works to create progressive social change on both the local and global levels. SEAC National serves as a clearinghouse of information, a disperser of funds and staffs' time, and a central location from which to field organize. SEAC's national office has just been moved to Philadelphia, PA, an area highly populated with students, activists, and community leaders working toward the common goal of environmental justice. SEAC's regional campaigns include environmental racism (focusing on Chester, PA), destruction of national forests (focusing on the Allegheny National Forest), and corporate support of military dictatorships (focusing on the Free Burma Campaign). For information regarding membership or the regional meeting, contact:

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# CRITICAL MASS

A MONTHLY GATHERING OF URBAN CYCLISTS IN SUPPORT OF BIKERS' RIGHTS

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### What is Critical Mass?

Critical Mass is informal gathering of urban cyclists who ride, en masse, through downtown Philadelphia in support of bikers' rights. Advocating the use of the bicycle as alternate means of transportation and educating the public about transit laws and regulations, the riders of Critical Mass attempt to demonstrate that the bicycle can be a more efficient, friendly, and enjoyable vehicle than any automobile.

### Who is Critical Mass?

The riders of Critical Mass span the spectrum of all cyclists. From commuters to couriers, from grandchildren to grandparents, all abilities, ages, and styles are encouraged and welcome. There are no "members" of Critical Mass, and there are no formal organizers. Nobody runs anything, and nobody is in charge. The participants of Critical Mass are simply those cyclists who show up and ride while promoting the virtues of the bicycle as a superior means of urban transportation.

### When is Critical Mass?

Critical Mass occurs on the last Friday of every month. The ride begins at 5:30 p.m., and generally lasts a little over an hour.

### Where is Critical Mass?

The riders meet at Dilworth Plaza, on the western side of City Hall (Broad and Market). The route changes every month, always ending at Kahn Park (11th and Pine). Routes for Mass are written up each month by anyone who is interested in drawing one up, there is no official route for any ride. Rides typically go through downtown Philly, sometimes wandering into Spring Garden, Old City, Society Hill, and other nearby regions. The ride is always low speed and easy terrain, suitable for riders of all abilities.



This is not the first time that New Hope has seen nazis and bigots in their town. In 1993 Ryan Wilson and his gang of nazis (US Nationalist Party) attempted to march through New Hope, Pennsylvania. Wilson is a Philadelphia based neo-nazi, who currently runs the Alpha gang. The only difference between the bigotry of Wilson and Mullins is the suits that they wear and the language they use.

access to clean needles saves lives by preventing the spread of HIV without increasing drug use.

the federal funding ban on syringe exchange has cost over 100,000 lives since the beginning of the epidemic.

clinton and shalala: it's time to lift the ban.

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# EMERGENCY ALERT!

## NOTORIOUS U.S. REP TOM COBURN'S ANTI-NEEDLE EXCHANGE AMENDMENT PASSED IN HOUSE BILL!

U.S. Representative Tom Coburn (R, Oklahoma-Coburn is infamous for his "HIV Prevention Act" which would have created a national registry of the names of all people with HIV) has been successful in passing an amendment to the House's version of the Health and Human Services Appropriations bill.

### NEEDLE EXCHANGE IN SERIOUS JEOPARDY!

There is a ban on the use of federal funds for syringe exchange. The federal government pays for most disease prevention efforts in the US. Studies have demonstrated that the lack of an adequately funded program of syringe exchange has caused 100,000 unnecessary infections.

Right now, US Secretary of Health and Human Services HHS Donna Shalala could lift the deadly federal funding ban with an executive order. We believe that this order may be issued after the budget process is completed (if enough activist pressure continues to be applied). Some positive movement from the administration was shown earlier in the year when HHS was authorized to release a report that admitted the ability of syringe exchange to dramatically lower rates of new infection without contributing to increases in drug usage.

Tom Coburn's amendment would remove Secretary Shalala's ability to lift the funding ban on syringe exchange. This would mean that only Congress would have the power to lift the ban. Effectively, this means that all hopes for federal funding for syringe exchange would be permanently crushed.

### PA SENATOR SPECTER TO PLAY KEY ROLE IN HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

## Needle Exchange Facts

- Needle exchange is simply exchanging used, contaminated syringes for clean new ones. There are over 100 needle exchange programs in the U.S., but most of them are small programs run out of the pockets of activists. No syringe exchange has come close to filling the need.

- The federal government pays for most disease prevention in the U.S. However, there is a ban on the use of federal dollars for syringe exchange.

- Conservative estimates place the cost of the syringe exchange funding ban at 100,000 lives. The percentage of new infections due to sharing needles is rapidly and steadily rising.

- The majority of people with HIV in Philadelphia are either injection drug users or the sexual partners of drug users. These infections could have been prevented if clean syringes were freely available.

- Numerous studies prove that needle exchange curbs the spread of AIDS. In ZIP codes with large syringe exchange programs, rates of new infection decline by one to two-thirds.

- Syringe exchange programs do not contribute to increases in drug use.

- No one becomes addicted to drugs because of needle exchange. In fact, needle exchanges serve as a bridge to treatment. For many drug users, needle exchange sites are the only point of contact with health care professionals. In Philadelphia, the single largest source of referrals to drug treatment programs is the city-funded syringe exchange.

- While many people stop using drugs at some point, there is no cure for AIDS.

- A new needle cost tax payers around nine cents. The cost of treating each person infected with HIV is hundreds of thousands of dollars.

#### TO FIND A LOCAL COORDINATOR:

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#### PARTICIPATE IN 10:30 AM PRAYER VIGIL

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#### TO SCHEDULE LOBBY VISITS:

ANDY STERN • GMHC ACTION: 212.367.1239

The Senate version of the appropriations bill did not include any restrictions on Shalala's authority to lift the ban. When House and Senate versions of a bill are different, they must go to a conference committee, where members of the House and Senate work out their disagreements. The conference committee meets the day after the Sept 17th national action in Washington. Please join us in action by making phone calls and attending the demonstration. Specter could stop the Coburn amendment and help end the federal funding ban on syringe exchange. Or he could allow extremists like Coburn to sink it for all time.

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**Ask Specter to "oppose" any restrictions on Shalala's authority to lift the federal funding ban on syringe exchange."**

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# a ratifesto

# - rats on the rise!

We rats have thrived for centuries on the abundant and senseless food waste of humans. In Philadelphia we are everywhere from the subways to City Hall, and we easily outnumber humans, but it seems that certain humans prefer feeding rats rather than feeding the growing number of hungry and homeless people in their midst. In fact in this "City of Brotherly Love" at a place call Love Park the city government has banned the feeding of humans—claiming that these actions draw rats.

This policy is not only an insult to humans and rats, but it is bullshit pure and simple. City Hall's policy is not about rats; it's about unwanted humans and how to get rid of them, especially those who have nowhere else to go! The rising number of poor and homeless men, women and children are a direct result of recent welfare cuts and the problem is getting worse.

And how are city policy-makers responding to this crisis? Heinously!! While the population of humans living on the streets grows the city places more and more restrictions on homeless people, limiting access to shelters. Meanwhile the city has no long term plan to create affordable housing, to rebuild neighborhoods, or to renovate the thousands of abandoned properties it owns. The city's lack of vision is indeed complicated by the depth of its denial. A human handing another human a sandwich is not a criminal act, it is a humane act. And we rats are deeply pissed that we have been scapegoated by the city.

A rat patrol will now act on behalf of hungry and homeless Philadelphians in defiance of the city ban.



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## FOOD NOT BOMBS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Food Not Bombs has become an important project in West Philly. A lot of people come for and depend upon the food. Also, there is a lot of involvement from people in the neighborhood. Most volunteers come to Food Not Bombs in the morning when we bag food. Sometimes we get overcrowded in the morning. However, Food Not Bombs needs a lot of support in other areas.

### FOOD

Food Not Bombs needs more food. Some weeks most of the food is gone after the first fifteen minutes of opening our doors. When wide scale food stamp cut offs happen in March, the food will go even faster. We need people to find more sources of food and pick them up.

In addition to produce and bread, we would like to be able to give out staples like rice, beans, pasta, flour, etc. Also, canned goods would help people eat throughout the week.

### VEHICLE

Food Not Bombs could really use its own vehicle. One persons truck currently does all the pickups for both West Philly FNB on Fridays and North Philly FNB on Tuesdays. This is a lot of stress to put on one person and an old truck.

### Funds

Food Not Bombs needs funds to use towards the needs mentioned here as well as many others. Food Not Bombs volunteers have often had to pay gas money out of their own pockets. Also, the A-Space is behind on its rent, and Food Not Bombs needs to contribute more to the space's upkeep. A benefit for Food Not Bombs is a great excuse to have a fun and informative show or dinner.

### STORAGE

Food Not Bombs could also collect and distribute more food if it had access to refrigeration and storage space.

### INFORMATION

Another aspect of Food Not Bombs I would like to see happen more is the sharing of information. Please bring fliers and information for us to place in the bags. Last April, Project Teach and other AIDS organizations did workshops at Food Not Bombs, and it would be good to organize similar events in the future.

These are just some ideas put forth by one Food Not Bombs volunteer. You can contact me, Spam, at 474-6459 box#7. Or just come by the A-Space Friday around 4.

# Rat

# Patrol

You are invited to lunch with us on

**Wednesday,**

**September**

**24th**

**at Noon**

**Love Park**

**15th & JFK**

in defiance of the  
City of Philadelphia ban  
on eating in Love Park.



# Radio mutiny joins IWW in struggle for Justice at Job Corps

Student employees of the Keystone Job Corps Center in Drums, Pennsylvania, who are now under constant scrutiny and surveillance by management, are fighting for their most basic rights and decent working conditions in a heated Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) campaign. One student employee has already been fired, and many more have been written up, disciplined or harassed in a brazen attempt by management to bust the union organizing drive.

Job Corps is a federally funded program administered by corporate contractors at this site MTC, a spinoff from the military contractor Thiokol. Its purported role is to train youth for the labor market, but at this site, the administration seems to see its role as more of a correctional institution. Conditions at the Job Corps Center bear a striking similarity to the conditions in today's prison system. Student employees have severely restricted freedom to move, freedom of association, freedom to organize or pursue grievances. They receive a meager stipend comparable to prison wages, less than 2% of the money that Job Corps receives for their training. The medical services provided to them are perilously inadequate, in some cases almost leading to death through medical neglect.

Job Corps student employees watched as their instructors unionized, and the janitors unionized to get their grievances heard by the administration. They realized that the only way that the administration would listen to them was through unionization. They solicited the IWW by phone, and IWW agreed to help them organize on campus.

Unfortunately, IWW organizers were strictly prohibited from going on campus. Student employees are allowed to leave campus only by special permission, and certainly not to go to a union meeting. Students caught with IWW fliers or organizing materials were disciplined severely. Local newspapers that carried articles about the union drive were banned from the campus. The administration did everything that it could to keep word of this campaign from reaching the student employees.

In order to get the IWW's message past the prison walls, they enlisted the assistance of Radio Mutiny, West Philadelphia's Pirate Radio Station. Radio Mutiny brought a small transmitter to a location outside the campus and broadcasted the IWW's 100 minute taped message to the student employees. With a few quick calls to union supporters on the inside, the whole campus

was soon listening to the broadcast. Apparently, the director stormed down the hallways demanding that people shut off their radios, to which the response was an increase in volume. The evenings program included us reading from the banned issues of the local paper The Standard Speaker, testimony from a friend of a young woman who was almost killed by the infirmary staff, a story from Solidarity Forever, the preamble to the IWW constitution, a bit from the Dario Fo play Mistero Bullo, and an excerpt from Matt Wilson's termination hearing. Plus lots of music: Last Poets, Rage Against The Machine, Utah Phillips, Public Enemy, Meat Beat Manifesto, Cypress Hill, Rhythm Activism, Funkadelic, Nine Inch Nails. The broadcast was very exciting to all involved, and helped to invigorate the union drive which has met with such severe and unconstitutional repression. There are plans for more broadcasts soon, and this event suggests daring new directions for the use of micro-radio to skip over the prison walls that surround more and more Americans.

As the military industrial complex declines, it is being supplanted by the corrections industry as the pork barrel from which the thuggish element in America's corporate economy feeds. Consequently, there is an explosion not only in the prison system itself, but also in programs like Job Corps which extend the incarceration model to educational institutions. At Radio Mutiny, we hope other microbroadcasters take up the powerful technologies that we have developed in the struggle for the rights of the incarcerated, the sequestered, and those otherwise held incommunicado by the powers that be. Thus far, we have the element of surprise on our side. People in power are so sure that nothing useful to the oppressed can come over their radio sets that these institutions often allow inmates to have radios, so that the pacifying effects of industrially produced culture can work its soporific magic on the people contained in these facilities. Let's take advantage of this assumption while it lasts! The revolution will still not be televised, but you may be surprised at what's coming in over your local pirate radio...



**LISTEN TO WPPR 91.3 FM WEDNESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY FROM 6 - 12 PM**

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE DEMONSTRATION

to murders in  
police custody or the signing of Mumia's execution date. Meet  
at noon by the Love Park Statue the day after police kill or  
Mumia's execution date is signed!

clip this and stick it on your fridge!

# THROWING ANARCHISTS OUT THE WINDOW

## THE DARK SIDE OF DEFENESTRATION

Couldn't help but be reminded of this excerpt from Clifford Harper's "Anarchy: A Graphic Guide". With our own American examples of government backlash towards activists like COINTELPRO, the Anti-Terrorism Bill and Effective Death Penalty Act, and the horrific examples in the streets of Philadelphia of police corruption and brutality, perhaps we had better watch out for open windows, too!

### ITALY 1969: A BAD YEAR FOR PRODUCTION

Italy, like most of the world, had experienced conflict in its universities, but the students had made strong contacts in the factories, especially Fiat, Turin, and Pirelli, Milan.

1969 began in the ordinary way with bosses and unions settling down to their ritual dealings over wages and productivity. Suddenly the giant Fiat works, known as the 'slave camp' erupted and thousands of young workers seized and occupied the factory. From behind their barricades, and in defiance of their union, the strikers imposed their own demands for higher wages and reduced work loads. During the 'Hot Autumn', this autonomous wildcat activity spread from Turin to Milan and throughout Italy.

The driving force of the struggles at Fiat were the newly-arrived southern immigrants. Outraged at the inhuman pace of the assembly lines, their first response was to refuse to turn up for work. In 1969, Fiat lost 20 million working hours as each day 10% of the 180,000 workforce failed to clock in. Strikes cost Fiat a further 20

million hours. But the workers soon developed even tougher forms of action against the hated conditions. The detailed knowledge of the complex factory enabled them to bring everything to a halt simply by staging a mini-strike at just the right point on the production line. Added to the continuous wildcats was an endless wave of spontaneous 'meetings' plus frequent costly sabotage.

Work wasn't the only target. For too long the unions had connived with the bosses to ensure that production was never interrupted. The young workers

now believed that their strength lay in their mass presence on the factory floor and not with isolated union officials left to negotiate in the manager's office. If management wanted to discuss charges, they must meet workers face to face on the factory floor - if they dared. This new approach to industrial

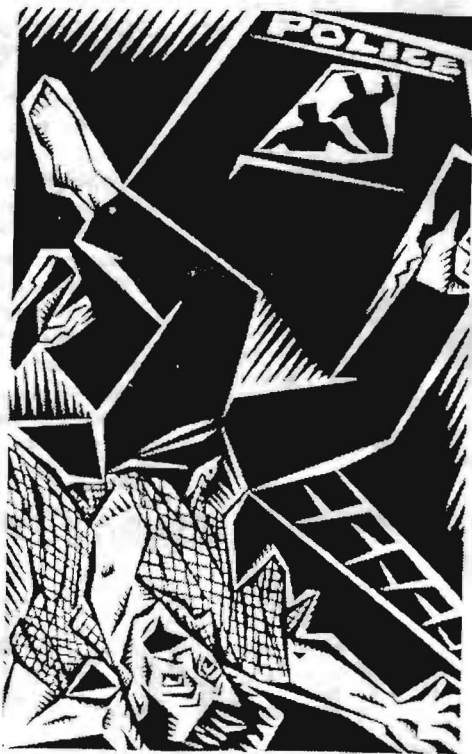
bargaining left the unions and challenged the bosses. As Agnelli, the head of Fiat, put it:

*"Today, indiscipline and illegality are rife: strikes, stoppages, and marches inside the*

*factory. Protests against speed-up conditions, gradings - against everything! The unions say they know nothing about it, and I can well believe it! These people aren't fighting for reforms - they want revolution!"*

To stop the success of 'these people', the state employed a new policy, the 'Strategy of Tension'. An atmosphere of uncertainty and fear was deliberately crated to ease the passage of harsher measures against radicals.

This 'new policy' was introduced in Milan on December 12, 1969. A bomb exploded in a crowded bank, leaving 16 dead and 88 wounded. This bomb and many that followed were the work of fascist groups closely linked to the Italian Secret Police. But anarchists were accused and heavy repression followed. Two Milan anarchists, Giovanni Pinelli, a railway worker, and Pietro Valpreda, a dancer, were arrested and interrogated. According to the police, Pinelli 'confessed' but managed in the presence of six police to reach a window, open it and 'jump' to his death four floors below.



**Do you like the idea of workers taking initiative from the shop floor to secure better working conditions? Check out the Industrial Workers of the World, "the Wobblies" a labor union not afraid of direct action.**

**We meet on the third Sunday of every month at A Space, 4722 Baltimore Avenue. For info call 215-724-1925**





# Defenestrator world news

## STUDENTS AND POLICE CLASH IN CHILE

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) - Police used tear gas and water cannons Tuesday to scatter university students protesting the upcoming 24th anniversary of the military coup led by Gen. Augusto Pinochet. Eduardo Morales, rector of the University of Santiago, said around 20 students were detained during the clashes with police. Students repeatedly took to the streets in front of two Santiago campuses, erecting barricades with classroom chairs and burning tires. Police quickly moved in. Similar protests occurred in recent years leading up to and on the day of the Sept. 11 anniversary. The government said unidentified "extremist groups are planning acts of violence" for Thursday and warned that it will mobilize 5,000 police to maintain order. The date was declared a legal holiday by the 1973-90 Pinochet regime.

## COLOMBIAN REBELS TAKE OVER POWER PLANT, HOLD HOSTAGES

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BOGOTA (September 4, 1997 00:45 a.m. EDT) - Marxist rebels stormed in one of Colombia's largest hydroelectric power stations on Wednesday and took at least 23 people hostage.

Army sources said the guerrillas smashed their way into the Guatapé plant, which supplies the nearby industrial hub of Medellín and much of northwest Antioquia province, just after nightfall and disconnected the main turbines.

Authorities were able to avert power cuts by drawing energy from smaller generators in the area, an army spokesman told Reuters.

"Several subversives entered the power plant and took over the site and took 23 workers hostage. They disconnected the turbines," a spokesman for the army's Fourth Brigade, based in Antioquia, told Reuters by phone.

"We have sent helicopters into the area but we will have to see what the situation is before we decide whether to go in or just wait until they come out," he added.

The spokesman said the hostage-takers were thought to be fighters of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), Latin

America's oldest and largest rebel army. The smaller Cuban-inspired National Liberation Army (ELN) is also known to operate in the zone.

The rebels were still holed up inside the power plant at 11:30 p.m. EDT, the army spokesman said.

Colombia's guerrilla forces regularly attack key oil facilities but rarely target hydroelectric power. About 80 percent of Colombia's energy comes from hydroelectric plants.

"We're extremely worried because this is one of the most important power generating plants in the country. We don't know exactly how the subversives gained entry," Mauricio Restrepo, manager of the Empresas Publicas de Medellín public utility company, told reporters.

"We have connected other power stations and at the moment we don't have any problems with electricity supplies to Medellín or other parts of the province," he added.

-- Colombian Guerrilla Movements On The Web:

ELN <http://www.voces.org>

FARC-EP <http://bum.ucsd.edu/~farc-ep>

## TROOPS CHASE KURDISH REBELS IN NORTHERN TURKEY

TUNCELLI, Turkey, Sept 8 (Reuter) - Thousands of Turkish troops are pursuing Kurdish separatist rebels in northern Turkey, where the guerrillas have begun to operate for the first time in 13 years of conflict, security officials said on Monday. "Up to 4,000 troops and around 300 members of the crack police unit launched an operation three days ago in a triangle of territory where the provinces of Sivas, Tokat, and Ordu meet," an official told Reuters. The troops were chasing about 50 members of the rebel Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) who had originally been based in the eastern province of Tunceli [Dersim], he said. Anatolian news agency said the Kurdish guerrillas were reported to have penetrated into the area after coming under attack in the mainly Kurdish southeast, where the group has been fighting for autonomy or independence. The PKK has not been active before in the northern provinces, some of which border the Black Sea. But the rebels have attacked security officials in the area in recent weeks in collaboration with far-left guerrillas. Anatolian said troops were also looking for 11

members of the leftist Revolutionary Peoples' Liberation Party-Front [DHKP-C] in the north. More than 26,000 people have died in southeast Turkey and northern Iraq in the conflict between troops and the PKK.

--- For A Free And Independent Kurdistan!  
KURD-L Archives -  
<http://bum.ucsd.edu/archives/kurd-l>

## PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY OF KURDISTAN WAR BALANCE • JUNE 97

During this month, the guerrilla carried out 106 ambushes, 54 armed raids, 33 attacks, 80 mine attacks, 4 assassinations, 44 battles, 17 roadblocks, and 50 acts of sabotage. There were a total of 388 military actions by the ARGK. During these military actions, the ARGK killed 18 enemy officers, 543 soldiers, 6 police, and 4 enemy agents. A total of 92 village guards were also killed in the fighting. During clashes in South Kurdistan (northern Iraq), 5 high-ranking KDP officials and 410 KDP peshmergas were killed. The Kurdish guerrillas also destroyed 1 helicopter, 66 army vehicles, and 1 armored vehicle belonging to the Turkish military. 13 KDP members and 40 village guards were taken prisoner. A total of 111 ARGK guerrillas lost their lives during fighting in North and South Kurdistan. 46 guerrillas were wounded. A total of 258 people in South Kurdistan joined the ranks of the ARGK guerrillas.

(Translated from Kurdistan-Rundbrief #15/97, 29.7.1997)

## BOMBING IN ATHENS PROTESTS OLYMPIC BID

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ATHENS, Greece (September 3, 1997 11:45 p.m. EDT) - A bomb destroyed a car belonging to the Cypriot embassy in Athens Wednesday, the second attack this week against the city's bid to host the 2004 Olympics, police said.

An anonymous caller told Athens radio the leftist Anti-Establishment Struggle guerrilla group set the car on fire with gas canisters to express its opposition to attempts to stage the Olympics in the city. No one was hurt.

The group also used gas canisters Monday in an attack on the building housing the headquarters of Greek Olympic Committee.

"It is a game by some youngsters throwing gas canisters to attract attention. There is no security threat," a Greek Olympic official told Reuters.

The International Olympic Committee will vote Friday on the venue of the 2004 Olympics among five candidate cities. Athens and Rome are considered the two favorites.

# DEFENESTRATION CALENDAR:



## SEPTEMBER

∞ events marked with a ∞ are taking place not in Philly  
 tiny things are "backwards" on the time line (of historical nature) quite large things we believe may take place "forwards" (ie. in the future) along the time line. WRITTEN WITH THESE LETTERS ARE RECURRING EVENTS EITHER SIDE OF "NOW". Please be aware of the trouble you may cause by visiting events to the left of "now".

### ongoing happenings:

**Radio Mutiny.** WPPR broadcasts on 91.3FM broadcasts Wednesday thru Sunday from 6:30 till midnight and some mornings at 7:30AM (yikes!) Commercial free and revolutionary. WPPR broadcasts via microtransmitter to West Philly. write: 4116 Chester Ave., Box 238, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Leave a message at 569-2477 box 6.

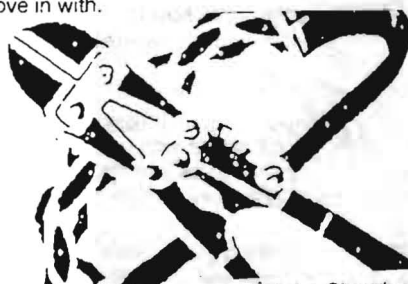
**Books Through Bars** packs up book to send to prisoners free of charge every first and third Tuesday of the month, 7:30PM at the A-Space (4722 Baltimore Ave. in West Philly)  
**Food Not Bombs** volunteers start assembling food packages at 10AM at the A-Space. Produce and Bread give-away happens at 4PM

**Anti Racist Action** meets second and last Sunday of the month at the A-Space.  
**Sunday Brunch** happens every Sunday at noon till we're out of food at Squirrel Squat, located at 4818 Baltimore Ave. in West Philly  
**Abolish the Death Penalty Vigil** happens Thursdays 12 noon in front of the DA's office, Broad and Arch Streets. Bring signs, banners and friends.

**National People's Campaign / All People's Congress** meets Wednesdays at 7PM at Calvary Chapel, 48th and Baltimore. (215)724-1618

**Refuse and Resist** meets every Tuesday at the Last Drop which is at 13th and Pine  
**International Concerned Family and Friends of Mumia Abu Jamal** meet Thursdays at the Urban Education Building at 4601 Market St. at 7PM

**Philly Squatters Aid** will meet Thursdays at 5PM at Squirrel Squat, 4818 Baltimore Ave. Here is where to find information on squattable houses, legal and practical information on squatting and maybe meet someone with whom to move in with.



**ACT UP** meets Monday night at the Church of the Epiphany 300 S. 13th at 7PM phone : 731-1844

**Critical Mass** bike rides happen every last Friday of the month. Please do come and feel free to bring bells, horns and flyers to pass around. Don't forget your bike! Last Friday of every month - 5:30 PM West side of City Hall (new location) 15th and Market

∞ **Save the NYU Chimps from vivisectionists!** Demonstrations every Monday this summer, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM at Bobst Library, Wash. Square SE corner of the park in NYC - cancelled only for heavy rain.

### September 1-October 26 URBAN NOMADS- Building a Poor

**People's Movement** Photography by Harvey Finkle. The Exhibit includes photographs oral histories, and appearances of the homeless and formerly homeless organizers of the Kensington Welfare Rights Union. At the Painted Bride Arts Center, 230 Vine St. more info call the PAinted Bride at 215.925.9914



homeless child, Kensington Welfare Rights Union Tent City - 1995

**14 Sunday Industrial Workers of the World** meet 4pm at the A-Space  
**Incident at Oglala: the Leonard Peltier Story** (video) Documentary about Native American political prisoner 9AM at the Philadelphia Ethical Society, 1906 Rittenhouse Square. info: 735-3456

**Direct Action To Abolish the Death Penalty.** presentation by Terry Rumsey at 5:30pm 4:30 potluck supper at the University Lutheran Church 3637 Chestnut St. Brandywine Peace Community 610-544-1818

**15 Monday Cafe Español** - speak spanish at the A-Space 7:30pm

IN CHINA... IT'S THE MOON'S BIRTHDAY OFFERINGS OF FRUIT ARE LEFT ON ROOFTOPS AND IN OPEN COURTYARDS... WITH LANTERNS BURNING ALL NIGHT ON HOUSES, PAGODAS, SHIPS AND RIVERBOATS. CHILDREN GET SPECIAL CANDIES. FLOWERS AND SEEDS FALL FROM THE MOON.

16 In 1923 the Japanese anarchist Osugi Sakae is murdered by cops

**16 Tuesday Philly Area Jewish Labor Committee Meeting** happens 5:30 at 1816 Chetnut St. info: 925-1766

∞ **Federal Lands Action Group Meeting** - 7PM at Wetlands in NY

**17 Wednesday ∞ DAY OF RECKONING** Demonstration to Demand Federal Funding For Syringe Exchange in Washington DC - noon at the offices of the US Department of Health and Human Services. Buses will be leaving from Philly, for more info get in touch with ACT UP Philadelphia 215.731.1844.

planning meeting every Monday at St. Luke's Church, 13th and Pine • Outside Philly contact Chris Lanier, Natl. Coalition to Save Lives Now at 212.213.6582 ncsln@dti.ne Affinity Groups forming! contact Paul Davis at 215.731.1844, box 2 or pdavis@critpath.org

BURMA : FESTIVAL OF MIN KYAWZWA. GOD OF DRINKING AND FIREWORKS

**18 Thursday IWW video night and discussion** : The Labor Movement in the South, past and future. 7:30 at the A-Space

### 19 Friday

**Peña Fundraiser** to celebrate Chilean independence and benefit grassroots groups in Santiago shantytown. Sponsored by Chilean Committee for Human Rights/Chile Service Project. At LaSalle University Ballroom, 20th and Olney Ave. 7PM info: Center for Community Learning 951-1932

**DropDead(RI), Diskonto(Sweeden), DisAssociate, Manual seven, Level of Destruction @ Stalag 13** 6:30pm (215)382-3037 Tony

**The Balanced Budget Scam** - discussion on how social cutbacks and "balanced budget" programs will affect the less monied of us. 7:30 at Pathfinder Bookstore, 1906 South St. (\$4 donation or \$2 students and unemployed)

LAKOTA AND OGLALA SIOUX CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF MATO. THE BEAR SPIRIT

**19-21 Allegheny National Forest Defenders Gathering** - stop the logging of National Forest, for more info call (814)226-4918 or adp@envirolink.org

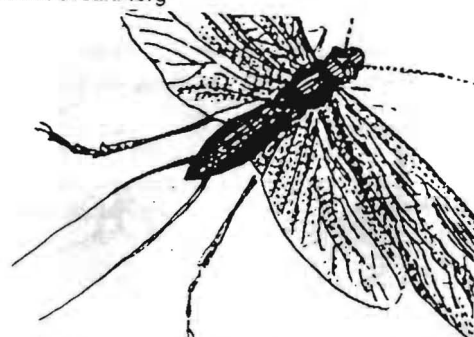
### 20 Saturday the American Nationalist Union

a far right hate group is conferencing in New Hope. Help Anti-Racist Action and the rest of us to confront them. Their thing starts at noon at the New Hope Best Western. Rides will be available from Philly, keep your eyes peeled! info: EVN/ARA North PA (814)274-8079

**ANTI FUR Demonstration Street Theatre and Music at Jaques Ferber Furs**, 12 pm till 4pm at 1708 Walnut St. HELP STOP THE SUFFERING - Vegan Resistance For Liberation call (215)-657-1744

**Warrington Community Garden fundraiser extravaganza with PORCH SALES, FLEA MARKET, BAKE SALE, BARBEQUE**, local artisans. Proceeds pay for the garden which is now a permanent GREEN SPACE. Goes from 10AM till 4PM. 1 block below Baltimore Ave. between 47th and 48th Streets. Raindate is Sunday the 21st.

∞ **FIRST STUDENT ACTIVIST ROUNDTABLE** Join student activists from NYC and the tri-state area to share info, energy and resources and to plan campaigns. We will meet twice monthly at the Wetlands Preserve on a weekend afternoon to work together for change. Noon till 3PM at Wetlands in NYC ∞ **Rally to Stop Cassini** noon to 8PM at the United Nations in NY info: 718-426-5361 or www.loveearth.org



**21 Sunday** Anti-Flag, Violent Society, Cancerous Regans and Shoutbus will be playing at Stalag 13 Starting at 4pm. info call Marybeth:(215)386-2753

∞Coalition to Abolish the Fur Trade's first Queens demo - 11:15 sharp! - walk through at Rego Park Macy's in Queens Ctr. Mall 12-2 Demo at Rego Park Macy's 2:00-2:15 march to Elmhurst Stern's 2:15-2:30 Demonstration at Elmhurst Stern's info: (917)313-8961

**22 Monday** Scribe Video Night showing "Laid To Waste" about Environmental Racism in Chester, PA, 7:30 at the A-Space  
Blanks 77, Quincy Punx, Wackerz, Anal Sausage.(mon)@Stalag 13 info Mike (215)462-5480

Pennsylvania Abolitionists United Against the Death Penalty meet at the Friends Center, 1501 Cherry St. at 6:30PM. info: 610-891-8968

**EQUINOX** - NIGHT GROWS INTO DAY

INUIT FESTIVAL OF THE SEA  
GODDESS

**23 Tuesday**

Plan actions or protests for October  
22nd Stop Police Brutality- All groups and individuals interested are invited! -Refuse and Resist! - 7:30pm at the A-Space  
∞ Animal Rights Action Team Meeting - 7pm at Wetlands in NY

**24 Wednesday** FOOD NOT BOMBS' Rat Patrol will serve lunch in Love Park at noon in costume to protest the city's ban on serving food in Love Park. Want to get involved? beep Tim at 577.9615 this date was changed from the 17th

**Jew Crew Cafe** -come hang out with radical Jews and their friends 7:30pm at the A-Space  
25 and 26 will be a Refuse and Resist National Council Meeting in NY

**26-29 Earth First** Midwest Regional Rendezvous will happen in the Shawnee Forest in Southern Illinois. For more info and directions, call (618)549-7387 or email:beanzARsIU.edu.

**26 Friday** CRITICAL MASS BIKE RIDE - meet at Dilworth Plaza, on the western side of City Hall (bRoad and Market) at 5:30PM - Bike Shit Up!!!!

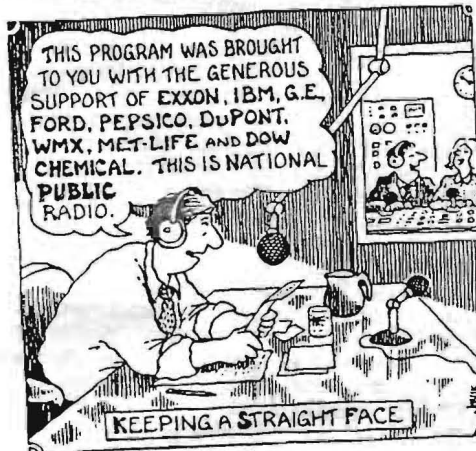


**27 Saturday** The Art of Tenbroeck Cripps -Reception at 6PM  
Ram Umbus, Jack Wright. @The Astrocade.

∞NY:Militant Animal Rights March to Macy's!!!! - 11:45 AM SHARP meet at 27th St. and 7th Ave. in Manhattan on the west side of the street. 12 Noon March up 7th Ave.stopping at crucial fur targets along the way, especially at Stern's in Manhattan MALL, followed by March to Macy's 2:30 demo at Herald Square Macy's info: Adam or James (212)966-5244

IN INDIA THE FESTIVAL OF VARUNI, GODDESS OF WINE

**28 Sunday** 2 films by Geunet & Caro "Delicatessen" and "City of Lost Children" 7:30 PM at the A-Space  
Peace Justice Environment Network Annual meeting featuring Amy Goodman investigative & war correspondent talking about the real reason "Democracy Now" got dropped by Temple U Radio. 2PM -4PM at the friends center 1502 cherry st. contact:843-7885



Warrior Woman ; Speaking Up, Standing Up; The Struggle in Canada (video)9AM at the Philly Ethical Society,1906 Rittenhouse Square . info:735-3456

OLD CHINESE CONFUCIUS DAY  
∞ Rally to Stop Cassini at the White House

**29 Monday** Anarchist Approaches to Child Care - 7:30 at the A-Space in 1921 the Cheka (Bolshevik Secret Police) execute anarchist Fanya Baron and anarchist poet Lev Cherny. Emma Goldman, friend and fellow anarchist was so outraged that friends had to dissuade her from chaining herself to a bench in the hall where the Third International was meeting to shout her protests.

MEXICAN FESTIVAL OF TEZCATZONCTL, CHIEF GOD OF INTOXICATIONS (CELEBRATION IN WEST PHILLY)

**30 Tuesday** PARANOID?? come to the surveillance cafe ! Bring articles and info 7:30 at the A-SPACE

∞Screening of "Nukes in Space" w. speakers on the Cassini launching of plutonium into space at Wetlands 7PM

CHEYENNE FESTIVAL OF MAHEO, GOD OF THE VOID

Oct. 22  
Wear black  
because of 100's  
of frameups in the  
39th district  
(to name one)

**October**

**early Octoberish INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST PEABODY COAL CO.**

- Join activists in North America, Europe and Australia to hit Peabody Coal Co., Lord Hanson and his subsidiaries, wherever they lurk in a world wide day of action against the British corporate, colonial destroyer of Black Mesa/Big Mountain, Arizona, USA. more info/updates call Turtle: (520)623-5252, email:tortuga@sw-center.org. PS: This call is most certainly not encouraging anyone to break any law of any state or to destroy property, occupy sites, delete files, barricade, banner, paint, reclaim, redistribute, cause general havoc and disruption or anything like that. . .

**1 Wednesday** in 1838 Trail of Tears: 4000 Cherokees die when forced to Oklahoma

**2** Nat Turner's birthday (born 1800) In 1968 500 rebel youth are killed by Mexican troops in Tlateloco

**3 Friday** Day of the Poet Word Wide First Friday at the Bride - Spoken Word festival open to all poets, MCs and low down rounders hosted by Kevin O'Neill. Reading sign up at 10pm . 10:30 PM at the Painted Bride Art Center on 230 Vine St. in Old City ; for info call:215.925.9914



Philadelphia Street Musicians Concert Benefit for Bread and Roses Community Fund. \$15-\$25 7PM at the Painted Bride Art Center, 230 Vine St.info:925-9929

**4 Saturday** Car Free Sunday ∞ International Demonstration to Cancel Cassini in Cape Canaveral, FL 1PM .On October 6th NASA plans to launch 73 pounds of deadly plutonium into space using technology prone to failure.

Nonviolence training to prepare for the Oct.20th CD action will go down from 10AM till 4PM at the Ethical Society, 1906 Rittenhouse Squareinfo:610-891-8968

VIRUS APPRECIATION DAY  
**6** FESTIVAL OF SPIRITUAL ANARCHY

**7** Chicago's Haymarket Statue (a memorial to police slain in 1886) bombed today in 1969

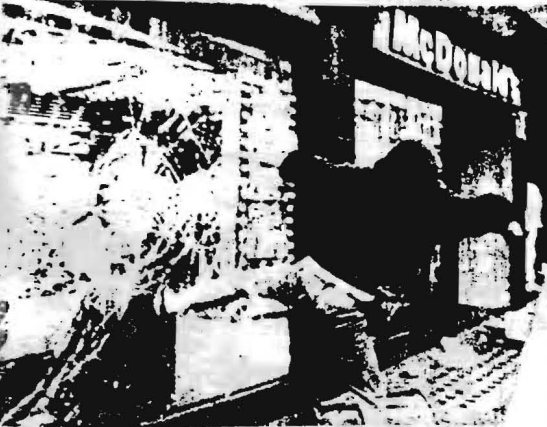
Joe Hill, IWW organizer was born today in 1879  
**8 WEDNESDAY** snuff, FOD, The Stuntmen, Khrissey. @?? Mike (215)462-5480  
Haymarket Stau bombed again in 1969

**9** Anti-Columbus Day  
10- INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY- AN ALTERNATIVE TO CELEBRATING 500+ YEARS GENOCIDE.

**10 Friday** -∞ NY: Protest the US Embargo Against Iraq -576,000 children already dead as a result of lack of nutrition, medicine and medical equipment. At present 75,000 Iraqi kids are in malnourished condition. meet 2pm at Columbus Circle, rally 3:30-6pm at Dag Hammerskold Plaza. info: 718-365-2894



**11-18** is a Week of Action Against McDonalds - when you and your friends make trouble for the evil clown



**12 International Moment of Frustration**, also Scream Day; Thirty second global scream at 1200 hours GMT. Barbara Ehrenreich - "The Armed Functions of Government" (video) 9AM at the Ethical Society, 1906 Rittenhouse Sq. A Day Without the Pentagon Campaign presentation by War Resisters League. 5:30 at University Lutheran Church, 3637 Chestnut St. info:610-544-1818

**Just Undo It! Taking Responsibility for Global Sweatshops** presentation by Medea Benjamin, co-founder of Global Exchange. 6:30pm at the White Dog Cafe, 3420 Sansom St. info:386-9224

In 1492 Arawaks discover Columbus and crew who return the favor with rape and pillage which continues till this day.

**14 Tuesday Cures Not Wars!** rally to re-legalize marijuana 4:30 pm at the Liberty Bell, 6th and Market. info: Jamie 222-4302 n 1982 Direct Action blows up Litton Systems plant in Toronto

**16 WORLD ANTI-MCDONALDS DAY** (ALSO UN WORLD FOOD DAY) - Ronald screams in pain

**17-19 ANTI-RACIST ACTION Conference.** Their yearly national conference will take place in Columbus OH at Old North High School. For information or registration call 614-424-9074

**18 Saturday Rally to Abolish the Death Penalty** called by the Pennsylvania Abolitionists. Cool music, hot poetry and street theatre will go down. Invited speakers include Jesse Jackson, Helen Prejean, Coretta Scott King, Pam Africa and

others. This starts at noon, west side of City Hall.

**Labor Teach In Speakers and Workshops** on re-igniting student and labor activism. 9AM - 5pm at Community College of Philadelphia, 17th and Spg. Garden. info: 751-8956  
**The Unseen + more @Stalag 13** 6pm \$5 @Stalag 13 info (609)694-0553

**19 Sunday Annual AIDS Walk** to raise funds for AIDS Fund. info:731-9255

**20 Monday SHUT DOWN AMERICA'S DEADLIEST D.A. LYNN ABRAHAMS!** Nonviolent Civil Disobedience Action called by the Pennsylvania Abolitionists. 8Am at 1421 Arch St. All participants must attend a nonviolence training. For more info call (610)891-8968

**22 NO POLICE BRUTALITY DAY NATIONWIDE PROTEST** on

the 72nd anniversary of the arrest of immigrant anarchists Sacco and Vanzetti, both innocent men were executed 7 years later in Boston. People all across America intend to protest the police state by organizing marches, walkouts, teach ins and other direct actions. Everyone is encouraged to wear black on October 22nd in memory of those who have been killed or attacked by police. Your organization is invited to endorse this action by contacting: Bay Area October 22nd National No Police brutality Day, 3145 Geary Blvd. #12, San Francisco, CA 94118. The *STOLEN LIVES Project* is making a list of all the people who have been killed by the police and INS from 1990 through 1997. Please send us the name, age and date of anyone killed by the police. CALL 1-800-882-11326

**24 Friday** ∞ A Day Without the Pentagon- Sunrise to Sunset vigil; and fast at Lockheed/Martin -USNAVY Aegis Warship Test Site, Centerton Road, Moorestown, NJ. noon vigil at Moorestown Friends School, Main and Chester. info: 610-5441818

**25 Saturday Million Woman March** Benjamin Franklin Parkway. info: 925-1677  
**Death Penalty Conference** 10am-5pm at Mandell Theatre Auditorium, 33rd and Chestnut St. info: 610-544-1818  
**State of The Union @stalag 13** Tony (215)382-3037

25 In 1919 during the Russian Revolution after brutal repression by the Bolscheviks. Cheka raids on Anarchist groups and the banning of the Anarchist Congress by Trotsky in June, underground anarchists retaliate by bombing Communist headquarters in Moscow.

**25-26 Pennsylvania's Environmental Congress.** Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA. The Congress co-ordinator is Susan Harrel, c/o Pennsylvania Wildlife Federation, 2426 N. Second St., Harrisburgh, PA 17110, email: susanh@paonline.com

**26 Sunday Barbara Ehrenreich: "War and Society"** 9am at the Ethical Society, 1906 Rittenhouse Sq. 27 - Today in 1889 Nestor Makhno, Ukrainian revolutionary and resistor to both white and red terror was born.

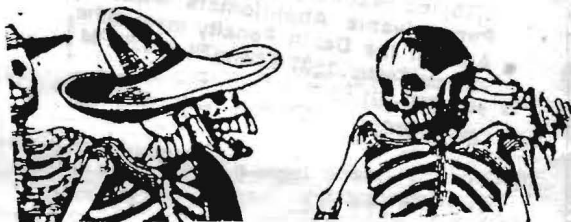
**31 Samhain-** All Hallows Eve - traditional day of the dead, also a day of havoc and fire - usher in a long winter for power tonight!

## NOVEMBER

An International Tribunal of speakers against the execution of Mumia will take place in November. Planning meetings are coming up.

## Venues

**Stalag 13** is an all ages, DIY punk venue located on Lancaster and 38th St. most shows don't run more than five bucks  
**The A-Space** is a collectively run anti-profit, pro fun café; meeting space, gallery and performance space (and much more) We encourage community participation in our events, most of which are FREE! We are located at 4722 Baltimore Ave. (Accessible by the #34 trolley). We also have plenty of parking for cars and bikes. Our phone # is 724-1469.  
∞ **Wetlands Environmental & Social Justice Activism Center** is at 161 Hudson St., NYC, NY 10013, three blocks south of Canal St. - take the 1,9,A,C or E trains to Canal St. (212)966-5244 or fax 9669821



**EMERGENCY RESPONSE DEMONSTRATION** to people murdered in police custody or the signing of Mumia's execution date. Meet at noon by the Love Park Statue the day after police kill or Mumia's execution date is signed!

Sept. 30, not 29th!  
4818 Baltimore. Nukes in Space is on just not true. They meet Thursdays at 5PM at Wednesdays and Thursdays last issue. That's Squatters' Aid was listed as meeting both on Space. Well they do, so there! Philly mentioned that Food not Bombs meets at A- corrections: Last issue it wasn't

