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Police Brutality Must Come to a Stop!

Nearly 200 people have been murdered by police wielding taserguns. The Southern Christian Leadership Conference has called for a national demonstration to take place in Gwinnett County calling for a moratorium on taserguns until more scientific knowledge can be gained on the potential for taserguns to mortally harm humans.

As anarchists, we say that taserguns are merely the symptom - the State and its police are the disease. Two lessons can be learned from the history of police: first, that police have always been agents which the ruling class has used to maintain power domestically; and second, that police have always been used to enforce colonialism. When the US, UK and France developed their original police forces, they were used to destroy any self-activity on the part of the working class, particularly strikes. These new forces were soon found to be useful for kidnapping alleged ex-slaves in the US and for maintaining hyper-exploitation in the colonies of the UK and France. The police have not changed for the better in the intervening 200 years - if anything, their new weaponry has made them far worse.

As anarchists, we believe that a world in which police have been abolished and people maintain control over their own communities is reachable. We encourage everyone to attend this demonstration. **Saturday November 12th**

From the SCLC website: The march will begin at 10:00 AM at Rhodes Jordan Park in Lawrenceville, GA and will culminate with a rally in front of the Gwinnett Justice Center on Langley Road. For more information on the SCLC March and Rally Against Police Brutality, Excessive Force, and Taser Gun Abuse, call 404.522.1420

Class Struggle and the War: *Fomenting Discontent Inside and Outside the Military*

As an organization, the Capital Terminus Collective is committed to the class struggle. That is, we advocate (and work towards) the working class taking the reins of society away from the ruling class, the corporate bosses and politicians. One of the primary changes one could expect to see following such a social upheaval, would be that goods would no longer be produced for the profit of the wealthy. Instead, they would be produced for use by the community. This is the only sense in which we are "communists". We abhor the crimes of Stalin and his ilk, but we do adhere to the ancient (pre-Marxist) maxim of, "From each according to his ability, to each according to his need". Our dues structure even reflects this commitment!

All of society is divided along class lines. In the work place, the bosses angrily stride from their offices, to intimidate the workers. Televisions and newspapers maintain a one-way dialogue with the citizenry, emitting a constant stream of noise that tells the individual how to think, but accepting no responses or contradictions. These are examples of fairly direct class dominance.

But in some instances, the class lines are patrolled in a more indirect manner. That is to say, often the bosses don't dare to confront the working class directly, and so they hire minions to do it for them. For example, on the streets of our communities, working-class police officers enforce the dictates of the politicians (who in turn take their orders from the corporate bosses), against fellow workers. And, in the streets of Baghdad and elsewhere across Iraq and the world, working class U.S. soldiers who own not one iota of stock in Exxon or any other oil company, do the corporations dirty work for them, against their impoverished fellow workers.

Soldiers, like beat cops, are members of the working class. It can be tempting to view them as the enemy. But (in the case of soldiers at least) the Capital Terminus Collective has opted for a less adversarial approach. Instead of shaking our fists at soldiers, impotently expressing our rage, we have chosen to foment discontent within their ranks. Our tactical approach to this end is two-fold. One is by counter-recruitment. The other is by "supporting the troops" who refuse to fight." (See an article in the inaugural issue of Atlanta Anarchist, *Supporting Sergeant Benderman*, as well as a brief description of our counter-recruitment leafleting activities at Grady High School football games.)



Counter-recruitment, of course, would be worthwhile as an end in itself. Any individual who can be dissuaded from serving as cannon fodder for the bosses, is one saved life. Any individual who can be convinced not to take a job as a hired killer, is one more human who can go to bed at night at peace with herself. But from a broader strategic viewpoint, encouraging young people not to join the military has the potential to actually hamstring the government's ability to wage war. If the U.S. military overextends itself- especially if it adds another front to those already being contested

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WHO ARE WE?

The Capital Terminus Collective is an anarchist-communist group in Atlanta, GA. We believe that there can and will be a revolution in which the people overthrow their rulers and create a society in which the oppressive forces of the state have been destroyed and in which everyone "Gives according to their ability and receives according to their need". We believe that a specifically anarchist organization can play an important role in organizing for this revolution and in fighting the "battle of ideas" with those who would create a new USSR or who would subvert the revolutionary movement into the Democratic Party. We encourage you to get in touch with us if you are interested in what we are doing, or to receive announcements.

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<http://www.myspace.com/capitalterminus>

or request to be added to our email lists:

<http://lists.riseup.net/www/subrequest/ERASE>

For a world without masters and with dignity for all people!

Curious about anarcho-communism? Check out www.anarkismo.net, a global news and discussion site.



Hammerfest 2005

On the weekend of October 1st and 2nd a neo-nazi group calling itself the Hammer Skin Nation held it's annual music festival, Hammerfest. It was held at a little known restaurant and bar called the Georgia Peach just outside of the unincorporated town of Draketown, in Paulding county Georgia.

That same weekend the NAACP held a march in protest of the racist slogans that the owner of the Georgia peach, Patrick Lanzo, has been putting on the marquee outside of his bar.

The march attracted roughly 50-60 people, who rallied outside the bar and protested the blatant racism of the owner. A counter protest held by the owner and with supporters from both the Hammer Skin Nation and the KKK attracted roughly the same numbers. However the two combined were nearly out numbered by the 100+ State Troopers, Paulding County Sheriffs, GBI, FBI and officers from the Department of Homeland Security.



The overwhelming response by the state was an interesting twist as the NAACP had been trying to get something done about the signs outside the Georgia Peach for two months without any recognition by the county government. But once the march was announced there seemed to be a change in the direction of the wind. Maybe the county was concerned about it's image? How would they be able to explain away a group of neo-nazi's and Klan members attacking a group of people who were standing up for their right not to be harassed and intimidated where they call home.

Prior to the NAACP's call for the march another call went out for anarchists, in Georgia, to organize against the neo-nazi music festival. Though there was a small response it culminated in a small network being formed with a focus on doing anti-racist and anti-fascist work. This group spent the two weeks before Hammerfest leafleting the surrounding areas with a flyer about the history of Hammerfest and the Hammer Skin Nation, including a list of arrests and convictions.

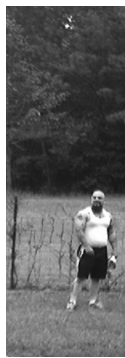
Thanks to the One People's Project, the newly formed anti-fascist network learned about the NAACP's plans to protest the sign outside of the Georgia Peach. The new network then sent copies of their flyer to the One People's Project and to local branches of the NAACP, to make their own efforts known and to offer their assistance.

Outside the Georgia Peach the NAACP held a small but lively protest. Though they didn't talk about Hammerfest they expressed their distaste for Lanzo's "off color" signs and committed themselves to fight against racism and to see it's outward expressions, like Lanzo's signs, removed. And even though they were subjected to racist music and the occasional "siege heil" from the Hammerskins the protestors stood their ground. Even when confronted by an over-zealous Nazi skinhead, who tried to pick a fight with the marchers as they marched back towards the church (where the march began), the marchers would not be intimidated. Afterwards the march continued unimpeded.

Hammerfest started late that day due to the road being blocked off by the police but continued as planned, attracting between 200 and. The numbers vary so widely, due to different reports from many different sources, Historically Hammerfest has drawn 200-300 people yearly.

Though the NAACP may have only focused on the sign outside of the Georgia Peach, their determination to keep on fighting against this outward sign of racism is inspiring. However without a clear message to the Nazi's that they are not welcome in our neighborhoods we give them our unexpressed consent to continue on with their activities. It's not enough to protest the signs Patrick Lanzo puts up, nor is it enough to protest Hammerfest, both are just symptoms of the disease.

We need to focus on the Georgia Peach and Patrick Lanzo and work with the surrounding communities and see it closed down. If it closes not only will the signs go away, the Hammer Skin Nation and the Klan will no longer have a place to hold their rallies and music festivals. But it can't stop there. These



racists will not just go away they will find somewhere else to go, so they'll have to be followed and exposed for who and what they really are.

However it is not just Patrick Lanzo or the Hammer Skin Nation, there are other organized racist groups in Georgia of varying sizes. So we need to be prepared for when they rear their ugly heads. We should not only organize against the Klan and the Nazi's, we should build a strong multi-cultural community to combat the effects of the social racism which feeds groups likes these as well as creates tension between residents of our communities.

By breaking down the walls built up between white, black, red, yellow and brown we'll be a stronger people, more capable of resisting racist incursion into our communities, and harder to separate in our day to day struggles in our communities and work places.

It won't be an easy struggle. Nothing worth struggling for, ever is.

If you'd like more information or are interested in joining the struggle against fascism and racism you can contact the Georgia Anti-Fascist Network at ga_antifa@yahoo.com.

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in Afghanistan and Iraq- then low enlistment rates could force the U.S. to slow down its drive to conquer, or conceivably even to abandon some conquests.

But there is a final, less obvious point in this strategic tack. Students of history (who study outside the corporate-approved channels) are aware than one of the major factors that forced the U.S. to abandon its conquest of Viet Nam, was mutiny within its own military forces*. To the extent that the left can succeed in convincing the youth of the U.S. NOT to join the military, just to that extent is George W. Bush forced to continue to send the same overworked, underpaid soldiers and Guardsmen back into combat. This can only increase the already-growing rate of desertion and mutiny, and so hasten the end of the war(s), to the benefit of all. Bush's recent use of troops to subdue the citizens of New Orleans in the wake of Hurricane Katrina (and to guard the gas pumps of south Mississippi from the citizens there) only serves to underscore His Majesty's predicament, and makes our own work that much more urgent and necessary.

Prole Cat, the Capital Terminus Anarchist-Communist Collective

Michael Bakuni 1814-1876

Declassed Russian aristocrat, propagandist and theoretician of the anarchist wing of the First International "Workingmen's" Association. His insistence that organized revolutionary Minorities should influence but never attempt to control mass movements of the working class led to clashes with Karl Marx and eventually a Marxist dissolution of the International. Not a communist, Bakunin was a tremendous influence on later generations of revolutionaries who laid the basis for contemporary anarcho-communism and anarcho-syndicalism.

Bakunin on revolutionary violence

"And after all the killings, the revolutionaries themselves came to the disappointing and melancholy realization that their cause had not been advanced a single step: that they have, by employing such methods, unwittingly prepared the triumph of the reaction"

"Philosophical Considerations" 1871 Bakunin on Anarchism Edited by Sam Dolgoff

Birmingham, Alabama
1930s

Strikes called by Birmingham based District 20, United Mine Workers, organized on basis of inter-racial industrial solidarity, shut down production and transportation in the coal mining communities of northeast Alabama. Featuring mass intergraded roadblocks and tent cities, the strikes infuriated the White Supremist elites and won improvements in living and working conditions.

"It is Union and Liberty, Alabama miners and the UMW" edited by Edwin L. Brown and Colin J. Davis

1940s-1963

Increasing levels of informal, class based militant opposition to racial segregation particularly on public transit. Inter-racial unionism continues in coal and iron mines, under increasing attack from job loss, racism and red-baiting

"Race Rebels, Culture, Politics and the Black Working Class" Robin D.J. Kelley

1963

Southern Christian Leadership Conference, under the direction of Martin Luther King Jr. mobilized and trained thousands of people in Birmingham's Black community for massive civil disruption against racial segregation winning important lasting reforms.

"Origins of the Civil Rights Movement, Black Communities Organizing for Change" Aldon D. Morris

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

oct 19

capital terminus study group (anarchy 101) meeting at joes cafe in the east atlanta village

oct 22

day of action against police brutality

nov 2

world can't wait walkout

nov 12

March against police brutality (for more information look at the story on the cover page)

nov 12

madratz! infoshop collective Bike in Movie and bike ride. starts at 530pm in little 5 points for a scavenger hunt and teh winner of the hunt chos es the movie.

nov 18-20

CLOSE THE SOA!

Converge on Fort Benning, GA Speak Out for Justice, Peace and Accountability Take a Stand Against The Racist System of Military Repression, Violence and Domination

if you'd like further information please contact us @ Capitalterminus@gmail.com

the media work group

the media work group is producing this newsletter and working on a website. we are also holding a monthly discussion group for people interested in anarchism. it was cancelled in september but is being picked up in october. The next study group is October 19th and will meet at Joe's cafe in the East Atlanta Village at 7pm. and will be held every 3rd friday of the month, there after.

at this next study group we will be discussing the following work(s): "Anarchism" by Peter Kropotkin (11th edition of Encyclopedia Britannica). This text can be found at the following web addresses and possibly at your local or College Library:

http://dwardmac.pitzer.edu/Anarchist_Archives/kropotkin/britanniaanarchy.html
or <http://anarchism.jesusradicals.com/library/kropotkin/britanniaanarchy.html>

Counter Recruitment Work Group

The counter-recruitment work group is busy flyering at grady high school each friday night, continuing it's work with the Georgia Peace and Justice Coalition.

Every friday evening we meet at Grady High School at 5pm and 8pm to flyer people attending the games and to inform students and their parents about the "no child left behind act" and their rights when dealing with military recruiters.

if you'd like to help out please contact us.

women's health work group

the women's health and self-defense work group is waiting for their instructor to heal up from an injury. Once he's better the self defense classes will begin. So please bare with us.

this is the first in a series of flyers being produced by the working group around the subject of women's health. feel free to reproduce it and hand it out or leave them around your school or wherever you hang out.



don't be a CUTI...

(Chronic Urinary Tract Infection)

ALWAYS PEE AFTER SEX

-nearly 80% of all Urinary Tract Infections occur within 24 hours of sexual intercourse.

-urinating after sex is a natural way for the body to cleanse itself.

-as urine flows through the urethra it helps to remove any UTI-causing bacteria.

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