

The San Jose Occupier

Hot Water Drive-Thru Goes Live!

Drive By, Pick Up Empty Thermos, Return Full

Winter is coming and we are ready! This week we launched the **Hot Water Drive-Thru**. If you live close to our site, you can drive by with blinkers on, and ask if hot water refills are needed. Take the bag of thermos bottle, boil at home and bring them right back full and ready to make noodles, instant coffee, tea, hot chocolate... yum! It costs nothing to do, and these simple acts make a big difference while protesting in the cold.



Wish List (see website)

- Donate in person, or at wepay.com/donate/306804
- 6 more Airtots or Thermos for the Hot Water Drive-Thru
- FOOD from local businesses (breakfast, vegetarian, non-perishables)
- poster supplies (markers & foam/poster board)
- "for-sale" easels for signs

Wearing Our Hearts On Our Sleeves

"Ask Me" Signs Worn Around Town, People Interested



It's as grassroots as it gets: a 4x6 card pinned on our sleeve, saying:



These simple cards are already making a difference: people passing by our site are asking more often about our movement, and

we've even been asked by shoppers at Staples and Safeway. If there's no chance to talk, at least it gets people to our website. Are you wearing the Occupation on your sleeve? Grab a card today and get ready to tell our story!

Occupy Coalition Invades Chase, With TV Filming

This week a coalition for the "Week of Actions In Solidarity with the Occupy Movement – Occupy Silicon Valley Streets!" was put together at the South Bay Labor Council. We flooded the Chase branch on Santa Clara in front of TV crews. After a failed attempt to expel the demonstration, the manager finally spoke to three Chase customers in our group. We look forward to more joint actions as we grow and build support. We are the 99%!!!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Building a Sustainable Social Movement: Lessons, History & Discussions (Ian Martin & Adam Welch)
Sun, Nov 13, 2:30-4:00pm -- City Hall Plaza

How have past and recent social movements in the US struggled with questions such as coalition building, co-optation, leadership and structure? Giving snapshot presentations of examples and lessons from the Black Panther Party, the Feminist movement, and the 2006 Immigration movement, we will end with small group discussions on 'How can we build a sustainable Occupy San Jose movement?'

Learning from Past Social Movements (Gil Villagran)
Mon, Nov 14, 7-9pm -- San Jose Peace & Justice Center (48th S. 7th)

Successful socio-political movements are long term, often lifetime commitments to building a better world. Join us for a discussion of these movements: The 1960s Civil Rights, Anti-Vietnam War Peace, Farmworker Strike/Boycott and Chicano Moratorium Movements.

A Conversation About Power & How It Works (Patrick O'Connell)
Wed, Nov 16, 8:30-10:00pm -- City Hall Plaza

It's exciting that we're beginning to discuss power in our society. But, most of us are so used to domination and obedience that we just accept things. Without a replacement, we are stuck with them. This will be a conversation about domination, shared power, and how we make the shift.

TUESDAY TALKS

Testimonials from activists from OSJ & the larger South Bay.

Tue, Nov 15, 8:30-10:00pm -- City Hall Plaza

You may have met or seen **Shaunn** around at the occupation. She is a regular overnight occupier, and as it turns out has been an activist since her college days when she got involved in organizing political groups on her campus and programs for feeding the homeless. Come meet Shaunn as she kicks off the series for us.

Disability Justice(Sarah Triano)
Mon, Nov 14, 3:30-6:00 pm -- City Hall Plaza

Silicon Valley Independent Living Center will be visiting Occupy San Jose to show their support and to learn about ways to get involved. They will do a mini teach-in on disability justice and why the Occupy Movement is important to them. Afterwards, we will open a discussion to explore the role of folks with disabilities within OSJ, how they can get more involved, and ways they can offer support.

The Role of the Media in US Democracy (Spencer Graves)
Thu, Nov 17, 8:30-11:30pm -- City Hall Plaza

In this teach-in, Spencer Graves will discuss the power of the media and its role in US Democracy. In particular, he will talk about how rising income inequality in the US since 1947 has correlated with media consolidation and runaway inflation in the costs of political campaigns. In addition, he will reflect on the failure of the Anti-Vietnam War movement to challenge the power of the media to shape our society.

Move to Amend Teach-In (Richard Hobbs)
Fri, Nov 18, 6:00-7:00pm -- City Hall Plaza

Want to learn how corporations attained legal personhood and gained the right to buy elections? Want to learn what you can do to change this? Come hear about the history behind these developments and the future Occupy the Courts day of action on January 20, 2012.

The Rise of Disaster Capitalism
Sat, Nov 19, 5:00-7:00pm -- City Hall Plaza

Naomi Klein's book "Disaster Capitalism" very clearly shows the plan of free market capitalism and why it can only be imposed on societies. This discussion will explore what disaster capitalism is, and what we need to be watching out for when it starts to be imposed on us.

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