

OCCUPY NDAA: Resist Martial Law

Town Clock Turnout Saturday March 3rd 4 PM

The **National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)** authorizes the indefinite imprisonment of American Citizens without charge or trial, violating the 5th & 6th amendments. This has been the frequent status of poor people in Santa Cruz but is now available on a democratic basis to anyone at the whim of the President or his cronies. **Occupy Santa Cruz [OSC]** endorses the rally, joining a national day of action against tyranny & torture.

Exploiting unused building space for corporate profit in a era of deepening unemployment and homelessness should be a crime. However, local authorities instead make it a crime to sleep outside or in a vehicle on any public property. This degrades the health, dignity, and safety of Santa Cruz's **1500-2000 homeless** people for whom there will be **less than 200 beds on April 15** when the Armory Winter Shelter closes.

Some OSC activists continue to maintain a presence at the OccuPlaza in front of the Courthouse on Water St. in spite of harassment, assault, and the seizure of the information table by Sheriff Phil Wowak's deputies. The 6 PM OSC General Assembly continues defy the unconstitutional 7 PM to 7 AM curfew Tuesdays and Thursdays.

D.A. Bob Lee continues his selective and harassing prosecution of OSC activists on inflated and inflammatory charges of "conspiracy", "vandalism" and "trespass". The charges appear to be **SCPD** payback for the embarrassing though brief and peaceful occupation of a 3 ½ year vacant bank building downtown, leased by **Wells Fargo Bank**, a major predatory lender, as speculative investment.

Five of the eleven charged are reporters for alternative media. **Total charges: 44; Total Felony charges: 22** Our District Attorney's Office may now lead the country as the False Felony Fabricating Capital of the Country, with Santa Cruz's **D.A. Bob Lee** charging more felonies against OSC activists than any other city, including Oakland and New York. Estimated cost: \$100,000 and rising.

Ed Frey, Gary Johnson, Linda Lemaster, & Chris Doyon, the **PeaceCamp Four** face 6 months jail for protesting the City's Sleeping Ban with **Judge John Gallagher's** backing the unconstitutionally vague PC 647e .

On Wednesday February 29, **Judge Ariadne Symons** banned **Robert Norse's** teddy bear "**Little Ed**" from court. The bear, clinging to Norse's bathrobe (also banned), was silent, well-behaved & may appeal.

Support Activist Robert Norse (and banned Teddy Bear "Little Ed") Arrest 8:15 AM Dept. 7 Tuesday March 6th

Other Court Dates

- PreTrial Hearing Shift: **Various OSC Defendants** 8:15 AM Dept. 7 Monday March 6th
- Jury Trial for **Gary Johnson** 9 AM Monday March 19th Dept. 2
- Pretrial Hearing **Santa Cruz Eleven** 9 AM April 23 Dept. 7

Other Local Protest and Solidarity & Events Actions:

- March Against Foreclosure Fraud March 11th 1 PM Courthouse steps on Water St.
- Mid-March: **Food Not Bombs** co-founder Keith McHenry speaks and marches TBA
- April 1 National Day of Action for the Homeless Right to Exist: Housekeys not Handcuffs TBA

D.A. Lee: Drop all charges against the Santa Cruz Eleven & the PeaceCamp Four ! 831-454-2400

OSC meets Tuesdays & Thursdays at 6 PM, Saturdays 2 PM on the steps of the County courthouse; Sundays at Main Post Office

More on *OSC* at <http://occupysantacruz.org/> & <http://www.facebook.com/groups/occupysantacruz/>

HUFF meets Wednesdays 10 AM to noon at the Sub Rosa Cafe at 703 Pacific Ave.

Free Radio Santa Cruz Updates Sundays 9:30 AM to 1 PM, 6 PM- 8 PM, Tuesdays 6-9 PM, Thursdays 6-8 PM 427-3772

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