

1984-Style Laws Hit Vulnerable Homeless Women

Bookshop Santa Cruz sponsored a public reading of George Orwell's *Nineteen Eighty Four* recently, while banning disfavored activists. **Casey Coonerty** previously prosecuted a low-income woman, Susan Worth, for trespass for using the publicly-funded bathroom there costing her hundreds in fines. At an earlier event, **Neal Coonerty** threatened a "banned" journalist & photographer with him.

- **Don't try reading 1984 on the Pacific Avenue sidewalk or its sidestreets...**

If you're outside the small "Performance Pens" that "allow Free Speech" on less than 2% of the Pacific Avenue sidewalk, while merchants get 100% access to display their (illegal) advertising signs.

- **Don't try reading 1984 in any of the City's "public" parking lots or garages ...**

Just being there is a crime—other than to "park or retrieve a vehicle" or walk directly through, thanks to Ryan Coonerty in 2007. It's illegal for a mother to sit with her children, read a book or wait for a friend.

- **Don't try entering the Bookstore Santa Cruz to read 1984 in the city-funded bathroom...**

Owners Casey Coonerty Protti, Ryan Coonerty and Neal Coonerty banned female activists for protesting Coonerty's repressive laws, and then stopped "the banned" from using publicly funded restroom facilities.

- **Don't try reading 1984 at night in any public area of Santa Cruz...**

because falling asleep after 11 PM is a \$198 crime under the City's long-standing Sleeping Ban, supported by the *Downtown Association* & the Coonerty family.

- **Don't try reading 1984 aloud on City Council grounds after 10 PM...**

Where female Freedom Sleepers were cited for exercising the right to peaceably assemble there.

- **Don't try reading 1984 while standing on the levee path along the San Lorenzo riverbank...**

Because the **Mauro Garcia's** Parks and Recreation Rangers will tell you to "move along" or be cited.

- **Don't try reading 1984 near the library, in the parks, or in the Pogonip if you look poor...**

Because uniformed thugs make poor women feel unwelcome and may confiscate survival gear.

- **Don't try reading 1984 under the bridges while trying to get out of the rain...**

Because the 'homeless removal' "mosquito" sonic devices will make you ill to evict you.

- **Don't bother to try to read 1984 outdoors at Westside Safeway or a Mission St. café...**

They've removed or restricted outside seating to drive away homeless "loiterers".

- **Don't try to read 1984 in one of the Westside laundromats...**

Homeless women trying to wash and dry your clothes after a deluge are not welcome.

- **Don't dare to read 1984 in the Public Library during the day or outside at night...**

Councilmember Terrazas and Mathews' rules and laws may ban you from there without trial.

- **Don't try to read 1984 to your children in your vehicle at night...**

Sleeping with your family in a vehicle is a crime on any public street in Santa Cruz.

- **Don't try to read 1984 to your family if you live in a Spanish-speaking neighborhood...**

SCPD Police Chief Vogel's undercover ICE agent may direct BearCat door-busters to your house.

- **Don't try reading 1984 in a public bathroom after midnight...**

The three often-filthy and ill-maintained portapotties have no washing facilities or disabled access.

Say NO to local 1984 policies!

For more information on the specific laws, policies, and events mentioned above, contact Norse of HUFF (Homeless United for Friendship & Freedom) 831-423-4833 www.huffsantacruz.org 3-8-17