

SAY NO TO RACIST VIOLENCE

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF CHICAGO

We the undersigned are concerned and angry about the rise of racist activity in Chicago. The ku klux klan and nazis have targeted Chicago as fertile ground for organizing. They have already expanded from their traditional southwest side base to Lakeview, Uptown, and the northwest side. Several new white supremacist groups have established themselves here in recent months.

Two years ago, on the heels of a mayoral campaign marked by overt racism, we saw a sharp increase in racist graffiti and a cross-burning. Today, white-supremacist groups have escalated their violence as they assault people, distribute racist literature to school children, and openly harass those who oppose them. At the same time there has been an alarming increase in the number of firebombings of Black people's homes and of attacks on Black people in all-white sections of the city. We need to support the human rights of Black people. This racist violence must stop!

We will not sit idly by as the klan and nazis promote white supremacy and anti-semitism. They have no "right" to organize for race war nor to carry out racist attacks. Bitter experience has shown us that ignoring groups such as the klan and nazis will not make them go away. We call upon the rest of Chicago to join us to say no to racist violence.

DID YOU KNOW...

- Marquette Park Summer - Fall**
Two Black families' homes were firebombed, in separate incidents. A Black mother and her two children were physically assaulted while waiting for a bus.
- Uptown September**
A Black man was beaten to death. A member of the Rebels, a white supremacist gang, has been charged. Earlier in the year, a young man was murdered after ending his membership in the Rebels. A sixteen-year-old gang member was charged with that murder.
- West Foster mid-June**
Swastikas and other graffiti were painted on a synagogue and a stink bomb was thrown inside. The synagogue's garage windows were also broken. This is one of numerous attacks at the same location.
- South African Consulate September 26**
Neo-nazis and klansmen picketed in support of apartheid, the South African system of racial oppression. A black man who opposed them was beaten up the next week by two white men.
- Lincoln Park September 28**
Neo-nazis and klan members attacked anti-racists who were gathering to paint over racist graffiti; three anti-racists required hospital treatment.
- Daley Plaza November 1**
Arthur Jones, a well-known local and national neo-nazi leader helped to organize a rally by Civilian Military Assistance, a group that funds the contras in Nicaragua.
- Lakeview February 8**
35 klan & aryan nations members picket a program about growing right-wing violence.
- Lakeview Fall**
A gang of neo nazi "punks" covered the area with swastikas and white power stickers, and attacked progressive youth at "punk" music concerts.
- Lincoln Park June 1985 & 1986**
Klan & nazis rally against Gay Pride Day. Another anti-gay rally is scheduled for June 29, 1986.

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Public Eye Magazine
National Lawyers' Guild Civil Liberties Committee
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Disarm Now Action Group
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on Central America
Eight Day Center for Peace and Justice
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Revolutionary Communist Party
EVA RESULTE (BAND)
National Committee to Free Puerto Rican Prisoners of War
Vietnam Veterans Against the War
Organization for a Marxist-Leninist Workers' Party
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Saturday, June 21
12:00 Noon
Corner of Clark & School

OPPOSE THE KLAN & NAZIS ON GAY PRIDE DAY
Sunday, June 29
1:00 P.M.
Lincoln Park
Free Speech Area