

# STOP THE NAZIS!

## RALLY AT HUMBOLDT PARK

Humboldt Park (Howell And Oklahoma)

Saturday Aug. 27, 1 PM

Car Caravan from Northside to Meet At 12 Noon At  
Martin Luther King Park 15th & Vliet  
to travel together to Humboldt Park

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During the last few years, Milwaukee citizens have witnessed a shameful sight: Brown-shirted Nazis peddling their paper White Power and openly demonstrating on the streets. On Saturday Aug. 27, at 1 pm the Nazis will be rallying against busing at Humboldt Park (Howell and Oklahoma). We encourage everyone to join the counterdemonstration.

### WHY ARE THE NAZIS DANGEROUS TODAY?

The National Socialist White Peoples' Party (Nazis) may look like a bizarre leftover from a political movement that has died and can never be reborn. The horrifying slaughter of millions of Jews, Catholics, Protestants, socialists, communists, trade unionists, and non-Germans, and the racial and anti-Jewish hatred all seem part of a tragedy that could never be repeated-- especially in the US.

But it is terribly dangerous to ignore the small Nazi movement growing in America. Hitler and his storm troops were viewed as harmless cranks when they first appeared. In a few years however, the brown-shirted, goose-stepping gangsters had become an army several hundred thousand strong. Through murder, lies and manipulation they silenced their opponents won the support of millions of Germans, and took over the government. The political system of fascist dictatorship has never been limited to Germany. In Chile, South Korea, Iran, and many other countries millions of people live under fascist dictatorships.

### BUT FASCISM COULD NEVER HAPPEN HERE ..... COULD IT?

Though the US Nazi party may never grow as strong as Hitler's crew, it is the most vicious part of a right-wing movement which threatens the well-being of all of us. If unopposed, this movement could someday come to power in the US. Right now, this right-wing movement is a diverse collection of groups whose activities range from fighting for the open shop to fighting against the ERA and the right of women to have abortions. Though still fairly divided, these groups are becoming increasingly unified around sexist, racist anti-union politics.

The Nazis and KKK represent the most extreme wing of this movement. Their most dangerous role is promoting racism within the working class. In Milwaukee, the Nazis have openly distributed racist hate literature at several high schools. At Washington High School, their activities caused fist-fights between whites and blacks. In two Chicago neighborhoods, Nazis have assaulted and terrorized blacks for over two years. And in Boston, the Nazis and KKK helped feed the racist hysteria that interfered with the desegregation of that city's schools.

The right wing is getting stronger because America's capitalist economic and political system is in crisis. The system is increasingly unable to provide people with jobs, decent housing, health care and education.

As working people fight more strongly for a decent life, the ruling class of monopoly capitalists will desperately start looking for a way to defuse and weaken the people's struggles. At least part of the ruling class will promote fascist groups as the solution-- encouraging them to more strongly attack the democratic rights of blacks, Latins, Jews, gays and the whole working class. While posing as the "white man's friend" and the champion of the little guy, Nazis and their type channel people's frustrations with the system down self-defeating paths of hatred. Blacks, Jews, leftists and dissenters become the scapegoat for a system that is breaking down. The heat is taken off the real enemy and the working class is so divided by racism, sexism and anti-communism that it cannot defend itself.



All cancers start small

#### WHAT WOULD IT MEAN IF FASCISM CAME TO POWER IN THE US?

Under a fascist dictatorship, the US government would protect the interests of the large capitalists by terrorizing any threat to the system. Our political liberties would be done away with. Our trade unions would be destroyed or become government puppets. The government would keep wages down to increase profits, and jail or murder working class activists, revolutionaries and militant people of color.

#### EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE DANGEROUS, DON'T THE NAZIS DESERVE FREE SPEECH?

The ideas of the Nazis have led to the death of millions, the growth of racial hatred and anti-Semitism. The political system they advocate denies freedom to anyone. The Nazis must be viewed as a cancer that will continue to grow and hurt all of us unless stopped completely. They have no right to speak.

#### HOW CAN THE NAZIS BE STOPPED?

The key to stopping the Nazis and other right wingers is an unbreakable unity among the people and an uncompromising struggle against racism, the most dangerous threat to this unity. The unions, especially, as the most basic unit of working class organization and power, must oppose racism on the shop floor and in the whole of society. Part of a truly anti-racist stand includes support for the integration of Milwaukee's deliberately segregated schools.

Based on this unity, the anti-fascist forces should educate people about fascism and why it poses a threat to us. If Nazi violence becomes an immediate danger, anti-fascist forces should help threatened groups defend themselves.

The roots of the fascist danger lie in the capitalist system. Its periodic crises breed right-movements by causing frightened people to look for a repressive government to solve their problems. When faced with such a crisis, the ruling class may use a fascist dictatorship to hold on to power.

The danger of fascism will always be present until the working class replaces capitalism with a socialist system that puts people's needs before profit and is run on the principle of cooperation rather than competition.