

## To Properly Mourn the Murder Victims at the Emanuel AME Church We Must Rededicate Ourselves to the Fight Against Racism

*Statement of the National Political Committee of Democratic Socialists of America (6/19/15)*

Democratic Socialists of America grieves the loss of the lives of nine innocent human beings who were all leading activists and mentors within the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church and the larger Charleston community. We express our solidarity with the members of the Charleston AME church and the larger black community of Charleston. The lives and names of the victims must not be forgotten: Cynthia Hurd, Susie Jackson, Ethel Lance, Reverend DePayne Middleton-Doctor, Reverend and State Senator Clementa

revolt were leaked to the authorities. The murder of today's parishioners is accurately described as an act of white racist terror; the choice of the site of this heinous act is unlikely to have been accidental.

The Black Lives Matter movement continues to contend correctly that these incidents are not isolated nor the work of deranged individuals. They are part of a centuries-long pattern of white violence against blacks, which takes the form of brutal physical coercion alongside economic and social exclusion. Not coincidentally, the confessed killer wore jackets with patches from apartheid South Africa and white-ruled Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe). These regimes were



On June 19, about 300 Atlantans marched from the Capitol steps to a service at Big Bethel African Methodist Church to mourn the victims of the racist massacre of the pastor and eight other members of Emmanuel African Methodist Church in Charleston. Georgia NAACP President and Moral Monday Georgia leader Rev. Francys Johnson spoke at the service, and MADSA members distributed #BlackLivesMatter buttons. Photos: Daniel Hanley

Pickney, Tywanza Sanders, Reverend Daniel Simmons, Sr., Reverend Sharonda Singleton and Myran Thompson.

The shooting, which was perpetrated by a 21-year-old white man, was shocking not only in the massive loss of life but also in the murderer's use of the hospitality of a prayer group to enter the historic Charleston AME Church. The "Mother Emanuel" church since its founding in 1816 has served as a safe haven and movement center for Charleston's black community. The original church was burned to the ground by the white community in 1822, once the plans of Denmark Vesey and other church activists for a massive slave



founded to maintain both racist ideology and white control of the economy and domination of black labor.

Democratic Socialists of America condemns not only the murder of these nine women and men but also the politicians, pundits and purveyors of injustice who refuse to acknowledge that this was an attack of racist terror. DSA believes it is more important than ever for everyone, particularly white people, to fight against racial injustice. The violence must stop, and we all must take part in stopping the racist attacks and murders of our African-American brothers and sisters. ♦

# Meeting and Greeting

You miss a lot when you miss MADSA's meetings. We've enjoyed growing attendance at both the general membership meetings held every other month on Saturday mornings at the Open Door Community, and at our study circle meetings (new name: Democratic Socialist Dialogues) held approximately every other month on Sunday afternoons, usually in downtown Decatur.

Most of the "business" items on our meeting agendas reflect MADSA's emphasis on collaboration with progressive grassroots movements. We hear reports from our members and allies about Moral Monday Georgia; Black Lives Matter; Athens Young Democratic Socialists and Athens for Everyone; the Coalition for the People's Agenda; Atlanta Jobs with Justice and the Fight for 15; Occupy our Homes Atlanta; Georgia for Bernie Sanders; the Georgia National Organization for Women; Freedom University; the Georgia Peace and Justice Coalition; and other important local progressive movements.

- Our March study circle addressed "Socialist Perspectives on Slavery and the New Jim Crow." Brandon Payton-Carrillo presented *The Half Has Never Been Told: Slavery and the Making of American Capitalism* by Edward E. Baptist and Dougie "the Abolitionist" Hanson presented Michelle Alexander's seminal work *The New Jim Crow*, followed by comments by a panel of activists and social scientists: La'die Mansfield, Milt Tambor, Bob Caine and Steve Wise, and a general discussion, moderated by Hope Adair.



- In April DSA members held an internal discussion of a proposed new national strategy document, to be revised and voted on at our national convention (see p. 3). All other meetings were, and almost always are, open to everyone – with a special welcome to new friends just checking us out. In fact, non-members received a special invitation to a MADSA open house at Manuel's Tavern in March, complete with lunch – putting the "social" in "socialist."

- In May we focused on "Running for Office as a Progressive in Georgia." Bob Walsh shared his experiences running for a seat on the Atlanta City Council, District 1, which includes some of Atlanta's poorest neighborhoods, Pittsburgh and Vine



City, and also one of its most gentrified, Grant Park. MADSA member Jeff Bragg summarized his run for supervisor in the Dekalb County Water and Soil Conservation District – which he won with some 90% of votes cast! Well, he ran unopposed for a job he described as an "elected volunteer," that is, a position with no salary, no expense account, not even an



office. Still, it does give him some clout, statewide, as a hedge against unscrupulous developers, who otherwise would run roughshod over environmentally sensitive wetlands.

- The June 21 study circle offered a public forum on Bernie Sanders' campaign, attended by about 50 people, including many first-timers. Moderator Megan Harrison introduced MADSA chair Milt Tambor, who outlined the history of democratic socialism in America that Sanders continues; highlights of Sanders' biography; and key strengths of his campaign. Daniel Hanley – like Megan a lead organizer of Georgia for Bernie Sanders – reviewed the issues that Sanders has so far not adequately addressed, notably racial injustice and immigrant rights, emphasizing that it is our responsibility as grassroots supporters to bring those to the fore. LGBTQ rights was another concern raised during the lively discussion that followed.

Future meetings: See "COMING UP," p. 6. ♦

# Atlanta DSA Helps Guide National Strategy

MADSA members and three guests from the Tuscaloosa Ala. DSA organizing committee participated in the Southeastern regional site of a two-day national conference by computer hookup on May 2 and 3. The nation-wide dialogue was convened to offer edits and amendments to a new proposed national strategy document intended to guide our organization for the next several years (current documents were updated in the late 1990s). Another draft will be released based on input from the conference, and eventually the results will be presented for further debate and voting at DSA's national convention in November. For details see <[http://www.dsusa.org/dsa\\_strategy-conference\\_brings\\_over\\_100\\_dl](http://www.dsusa.org/dsa_strategy-conference_brings_over_100_dl)> ♦



Atlanta participants included (L-R top) Ray Miklethun, Douglas Williams, Dan Turner, Jessica, Milt Tambor, Daniel Hanley, (L-R bottom) Travis Reid, Barbara Joye, Barbara Landay, Adam Cardo, and (not shown) Hope Adair, Brandon Payton-Carrillo, Ed Loring.

## Feeling the Bern: MADSA Helps Launch GA for Bernie Sanders

Earlier this month, Metro Atlanta DSA played an essential role in launching the Georgia for Bernie campaign kickoff event, which attracted national attention and over 130 activists from around the state. Hosted at the traditionally Democratic stronghold, Manuel's Tavern, the event aimed to celebrate Sanders' campaign announcement; gauge the apparently tremendous interest in Atlanta for an independent, grassroots campaign organization; and collaboratively plan concrete, impactful tasks to support the Sanders campaign.



Metro Atlanta DSA's organizing experience and early involvement was critical to building this new, inexperienced – yet youthful and highly energized – group and ensuring lively participation at the mass meeting. Initial planning sessions consisted mostly of DSA members, kick-off attendees, DSA members, local DSA chair, rousing speech on philosophy and his Atlanta, yet most agenda was defined by its participants. DSA members Megan Harrison and Daniel Hanley facilitated a democratic process to determine how the attendees would prefer to contribute to the independent campaign – whether through canvassing, coalition building, outreach to marginalized groups, social media, and so on.



The meeting room was filled beyond full capacity, yet this process was much less chaotic than anticipated, and working groups formed around the topics listed above. To ensure

that attendees left their teams with at least some concrete action items, DSA brought several pre-planned events to the meeting, including a socialist forum on Sanders and a tabling session at the Georgia STAND-UP anniversary. Some attendees volunteered for these; others planned their own action items and follow-up meetings independently.

After the long meeting, a still-energized contingent



marched with signs for Bernie to a nearby neighborhood festival. More events and meetings are expected in the near future, and those interested in more information can sign up on <http://georgiaforsander.com>, maintained by DSA member Jake Schenberg, or the Facebook groups "Georgia for Bernie Sanders" (for announcements) and "Georgia for Bernie Sanders campaign group" (for discussion). ♦

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# Fighting for \$15

By Joel Solow

In the months since April 15 – in which thousands of workers, students and community supporters across the South marched for \$15 and union rights for fast-food and all low-wage workers – the Fight For \$15 has only continued to grow, win major victories, and take action.

In late May, workers from across the South rallied at the McDonald's headquarters in Oak Brook, IL to deliver 1 million petition signatures directly to the company's annual shareholders' meeting, demanding that McDonald's do the right thing and give workers \$15 an hour and union rights. They shared their stories with Metro Atlanta DSA members, local students, and other community supporters who joined them for the two days of rallying.

In early June, fast food workers from all over the country converged on Detroit for a workers' convention where they shared the victories we've won over the last year, learned from each others' strategies and successes in organizing, and declared nationwide support for New York workers who are petitioning the wage board empanelled by Governor Andrew Cuomo to recommend a \$15 industry-wide standard wage for the fast food industry. An obscure state law allows NY governors to bypass the legislature (which has stood in the way of wage increases in the state) and set a living wage standard for entire industries, after hearing recommendations from an appointed panel.

While the national Fight For \$15 movement has rallied around NY's fight, workers also won a massive victory in achieving a \$15 minimum wage in Los Angeles, to be phased



Fighting for \$15 in Atlanta, April 15, 2015. L-R: Ed Loring, Ray Miklethun, Barbara Landay, Paul Segal, Travis Reid, Barbara Joye. Photo: Reid Jenkins

in over a period of a few years. \$15 initiatives are also under way in Kansas City and St. Louis, Mo. Finally, Facebook joined the list of companies that set \$15 as a minimum wage, with contractors and vendors to the social media giant also being required to pay their workers \$15.

As the movement looks forward to winning higher wages for fast food workers in NY – where the Fight For \$15 began – workers all over the country are emboldened in their own fights in the halls of power, in the streets, and in their workplaces. ♦

## How 'Bout Them Athens Young Socialists?

By Jake Schenberg

Athens now has a DSA presence. Over the past year, David Littman and I have worked to build a Young Democratic Socialists (YDS) chapter at the University of Georgia. We expect to be recognized as an officially registered student organization starting in the fall 2015 semester. At the moment, we have about half a dozen members from a diverse cross-section of the student body, including members from the Catholic Student Association and Palestinian Student Organization choosing to identify as YDSers.

We spent much of last year traveling. David and I road-tripped up to New York in September to take part in the historic Climate Action march with fellow DSAers. Four YDSers returned the following February, with generous help from Metro Atlanta DSA, to participate in the #YDS15 winter conference. We also hosted a YDS in Georgia leadership meeting at UGA this spring, when YDS National Organizer Betsy Avila visited Georgia, and brought along Georgia State University chapter leader Sean Kirk as well as a potential YDS leader at the University of North Georgia's Oconee County campus, located half an hour from Athens.

Athens has been bustling with activity since Tim Denson's mayoral campaign, which ended in a narrow defeat in May of 2014. Athens for Everyone, the progressive



Athens for Everyone, including UGa YDS supporters, at the Georgia Republican convention.

community organization that emerged from his campaign, has scored a number of victories recently. Most notable is the expansion of Athens Transit bus service to Sundays (previously busses only ran six days a week). Athens for Everyone has also been a significant participant in the campaign to expand Medicaid in Georgia, organizing a large rally outside the Georgia Republican convention in May at the Athens Classic Center to underscore the need for quality healthcare in our state.

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YDS@UGA is looking forward to an exciting 2015-2016 academic year. We are speaking with YDS chapter leaders and potential leaders at Georgia State, Georgia Tech, Emory, and the University of North Georgia about launching a coordinated campaign across our campuses

targeting the Georgia Board of Regents. Potential ideas include demanding a tuition hike freeze, restoring funding to the HOPE scholarship, and participating in the nationwide campaign to divest from fossil fuels. We are also very interested in the Bernie Sanders presidential campaign, and would love to have him come speak at UGA next year. ♦

# Occupy Our Homes Atlanta: New Focus on Communities

By Greg Ames

Occupy Our Homes Atlanta (OOHA) has changed focus, from individual foreclosures to whole communities. Currently we are working in the Peoplestown, Summerhill and Mechanicsville areas to support the continued availability of low-cost housing. OOHA helped organize tenant associations at both Boynton Village and Capital Vanira, in an effort to improve living conditions at these two site-based HUD properties. Recently, the owners of Boynton Village committed to significant improvements due to pressure from the tenant association and OOHA.



In an effort to mitigate the loss of low-cost housing due to the departure of the Braves from Turner Field, OOHA (as well as DSA) has joined the Turner Field Coalition. Membership has allowed OOHA to push back on gentrification efforts. This push-back effort has been strengthened by an extensive outreach effort in the communities. We have knocked on nearly every door in Peoplestown. This effort has been resident-led with OOHA support.

In spite of the change in focus, OOHA will still support individuals facing foreclosure and/or eviction in certain



MADSA members Nancy Daniels, Greg Ames and Adam Cardo are among OOHA activists supporting Boynton Homes tenants. Photo: Tim Franzen.

circumstances. In conjunction with Senator Fort's office, OOHA recently staged a press conference and petition delivery for a woman who was being evicted with eight children by WRI Property Management. Her goal was simply to gain an additional 30 days to find a new place to live. Public pressure resulted in a 60-day delay in the eviction process.

For more information, contact Greg Ames at [amesgr@outlook.com](mailto:amesgr@outlook.com) ♦

## COMMUNITY DAY

**Noon-4pm, AUG. 8, at Four Corners Park (Crews and Haygood Streets) in Peoplestown. Celebrate all of the Atlanta neighborhoods south of I-20. Live music, children's entertainment, community education, artists' market, food and back-to-school giveaways, all free! Sponsored by the SMP Housing Justice Movement, Peoplestown Revitalization Corporation, American Friends Service Committee, J. Dilla Foundation, Zulu Nation, OOHA, Peace by Piece, and Metro Atlanta Democratic Socialists of America.**

# Our Occupiers at the Carter Center

By Barbara Joye

*The Occupiers: The Making of the 99 Percent Movement*, by NYU graduate student Michael A. Gould-Wartofsky, may be the definitive book so far on Occupy Wall Street (OWS). A book signing and panel discussion this March at the Jimmy Carter Center in Atlanta included commentaries by two local interviewees: Occupiers Cecily McMillan and Nelini Stamp of Rise Up Georgia. They emphasized OWS's continuing influence on their lives and political work and on progressive movements throughout the U.S., such as Black Lives Matter, the Fight for \$15, and Occupy our Homes.

McMillan, in 2011 a Young Democratic Socialists coordinating committee member, described the excitement of Occupy, and also her struggle to promote the Demands Committee's proposal at one of the last OWS general assemblies. She thinks the committee was making headway in spite of a hostile front row of "blockers" who believed that making demands implies legitimizing the authorities. "But they heard us, we were getting there, until the eviction

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took place three days later. If we had only had enough time to talk it through!"

McMillan continued to participate in OWS-related events following the eviction. Later convicted of a felony for assaulting an officer who assaulted her while she attempted to obey police orders to exit an OWS reunion in the park, she served three months in Rikers Island prison – and became an advocate for prisoners' rights. She currently lives in Atlanta and is writing a memoir about her experiences, while serving a five-year probation. "It's never really been over for me," she says. ♦

(For a fuller account of the panel discussion see the Democratic Left magazine for Summer 2015.)



Photo: Reid Jenkins

L-R: Nelini Stamp, Michael A. Gould-Wartofsky, Cecily McMillan

## Get a Whiff of Activism with AROMA

By Misty Novitch

Although many people care about the state of the world, they might feel overwhelmed by the immensity of the problems of the world and feel paralyzed by the enormity of the tasks at hand. They may not know what to do or even where to begin. They may not even know what social justice activism is or how one goes about it. Activists don't always make it easy for new and interested folks to get involved, either. Social justice organizations, especially in the South, are often so preoccupied with holding onto the last remaining rights we won long ago that we don't spend a lot of time recruiting and developing new activists – we simply don't have time.

new, or existing activists. We work to provide a gateway for interested people to plug into our movements that are not always accessible beyond word of mouth. We work to develop solidarity amongst our diverse organizations, groups, and movements by building a warm and nurturing community of activists in which new folks can engage and be welcomed, whatever their passion.

Since February 2015, AROMA has been holding monthly Activist Meet-and-Greets on the last Thursday of each month at 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the Little Five Points Community Center. These activist socials have been a semi-structured evening of engagement, with food, drinks, introductions to activism and activists, and socialization with "activist speed-friending."

In addition to holding the monthly Activist Meet-and-Greets, AROMA provides a database of organizations along with their contact information at <<http://atlanta-activism.blogspot.com>> , and a weekly calendar of events shared on our facebook page at <<http://facebook.com/atlantaactivism>>. AROMA plans to provide introductory presentations to recruit folks who are not yet very engaged or connected, such as in classrooms, welfare offices, probation and juvenile centers, and churches, mosques, and other places of worship. AROMA would also like to more intentionally provide follow-up, or "case management," and leadership development for new and experienced activists by connecting folks with existing trainings that groups are providing locally and by engaging local activists to help keep up with and take responsibility for the development of these new activists.

AROMA is working to show people how they can be the change they want to see in the world. We invite you to help us in this effort by sending us new activists, helping to develop their leadership, and spreading the word about the work we do. ♦

Misty Novitch is a co-founder of AROMA and a DSA member in Atlanta. For more information on AROMA or to add activist events to the weekly calendar, please email [atlantaaroma@gmail.com](mailto:atlantaaroma@gmail.com) by each previous Sunday evening. You can also call or text Misty at 678-349-8904.



But if we are to win the world we want, if we are to transform every oppressive system and norm, we need a critical mass of people. We need to reach beyond our overworked, burnt-out, and too-few circles of activists and intentionally, systematically recruit new folks to help us do this work. Masses of people are ready to help us do this work that we cannot do alone – we need them. We need their ideas, hands, hearts, and minds, and we need them to be fully capable leaders.

Activist Recruitment, Organizing and Mentoring for Atlanta (AROMA) is a new organization in Atlanta that began developing in the fall of 2013. As the name suggests, AROMA works to recruit, organize and mentor potential,

# Moral Monday Georgia Getting Ready for 2016

by Barbara Joye

The Moral Monday Georgia movement, a coalition of more than 40 grassroots organizations including MADSA, made it through a difficult legislative session with several spirited rallies, educational sessions, lobbying, and two acts of civil disobedience resulting in about a dozen arrests, to protest the immoral bills being considered by the Georgia General Assembly. There were some wins – for example, the so-called Religious Freedom Restoration Act died (at least for now) – but a number of toxic bills became laws, as usual, and the Georgia Legislature has yet to accept one of our main demands: Medicaid expansion.



District" proposal to give him the power to take over up to 100 "failing" public schools (most on his list are in Metro Atlanta) and either turn them into charters or shut them down. Other issues will again include Medicaid expansion and voter suppression. For reports on MMGA actions during the 2015 session see [dsa-atlanta.org](http://dsa-atlanta.org) (scroll down). For MMGA news and announcements, see the MoralMondayGA Facebook page. ♦



This summer, MMGA activists are focusing on reinvigorating the movement by calling on coalition members to renew their commitment, improving our member database, and reorganizing the steering committee. A "go forward" session to review and celebrate our movement is being planned for September. One action item coming up: Educating voters about the referendum on Governor Deal's "Opportunity School



## Public Housing: An Alternative to Destruction

by Bob Wohlheuter

In March, about 50 people gathered in the Decatur Library to hear Prof. Larry Keating; Executive Director, Decatur Housing Authority (DHA) Doug Faust; and some DHA residents discuss the guiding principles and tangible successes of DHA's approach to public housing. Keating is professor emeritus in Georgia Tech's School of Architecture's city planning department and a member of MADSA. This was the fourth annual tour and discussion of Atlanta's distressed neighborhoods that he has led for MADSA members, students and other interested folks.

The audience, brimming with interest and provocative questions, included lots of graduate students and some faculty from Tech and Georgia State University. Operating with the same HUD rules and federal funding as the Atlanta

Housing Authority (AHA), DHA has taken a unique tack, premised on the idea that restoration and maintenance of physical housing embodies a long-term commitment to public housing, in a way that AHA's destruction of most of its public housing and use of the federal funds for "rent subsidies" in the private market does not. Such subsidies rest on a 12-month contract, and are subject to short-term economic situations and political whims.

Following the discussions, we walked through downtown Decatur to the Allen Wilson Terrace Revitalization site, and toured the Oliver House Building. Wilson Terrace was a 200-unit apartment originally built in 1941; the Oliver House component is now reserved for residents 62 and older. The project is a model for "green" technology and well-kept social housing. ♦

## COMING UP

### YDS SUMMER CONFERENCE HERE AUG. 7-9; HOUSING HELP NEEDED

Democratic socialist youth from all over the country will meet at the Decatur Recreation Center for a weekend of exciting speakers and workshops and socializing. MADSA is proud to welcome YDS to our metro area!

Check the event page to register and see more info as it is available: <http://www.ydsusa.org/ydsnatl>.

**\*SPECIAL REQUEST\*** Free housing is urgently needed for 40 YDS members, especially near MARTA or in a household willing to help with transportation (thanks to the Open Door Community for offering 10 beds!). If you can provide a bed or couch for the nights of Aug. 7 and 8 please contact Hope Adair at [hopeadair@gmail.com](mailto:hopeadair@gmail.com).

### MADSA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (OPEN TO ALL) AUG. 22

11 am at the Open Door Community, 910 Ponce DeLeon Ave. NE. Tim Kuhner, assoc. prof., Ga. State U. School of Law and author: Capitalism vs. Democracy, will discuss "How did democracy become a market?"

### DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST DIALOGUE (OPEN TO ALL) SEPT. 13

Discussion of Naomi Klein's *This Changes Everything: Capitalism vs. The Climate* and Pope Francis's encyclical, *Laudamus Si*. Place and presenters TBA.

Details will be posted on [dsa-atlanta.org](http://dsa-atlanta.org).

### DSA NATIONAL CONVENTION NOV. 13 – 15

Our biannual national convention will set priorities for the next two years, elect a new National Political Committee, and provide a variety of workshops, inspiring speakers, and socializing with comrades, at a rural retreat center in Western Pennsylvania. Check [dsausa.org](http://dsausa.org) for details as they develop.

### NINTH ANNUAL DOUGLASS-DEBS AWARDS DINNER WEDNESDAY NOV. 18

At this very popular event, a broad range of Atlanta progressives enjoy an evening together each year honoring leaders of our community, with food, great speakers and entertainment. This year's keynote speaker: Former UAW President Bob King. *Breaking news – new location:* Lofts at Castleberry Hill, 170 Northside Drive (next to Paschal's).

# EQUALITY

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**M**etro Atlanta DSA encourages our members to contribute to this newsletter. Let us know what's going on in your community – your struggles, inspirations, successes. Appeal for support, share pictures, ask questions, or editorialize.

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Equality's guest column

## QUIZ: WHO SAID IT? The Legacy of Democratic Socialism

Match the quote with the speaker:

Eugene V. Debs, Michael Harrington, Martin Luther King, Jr., Meyer London, A Philip Randolph, Bayard Rustin, Bernie Sanders, Norman Thomas, Cornel West, Howard Zinn

1. "The trouble is that we live in a failed system. Capitalism does not permit an even flow of economic resources. With this system a small privileged few are rich beyond conscience and almost all others are doomed to be poor at some level. That's the way the system works. And since we know that the system will not change the rules, we're going to have to change the system."

2. "The public sector of the economy must be expanded, the private sector of the economy must be contracted...we need some organization in this country that will carry on and maintain sound exposition of the economic qualities that are to obtain in the nation, and this can only be done by the Socialist Party, which is dedicated to democracy, and which believes that political democracy requires economic democracy, and that the two must go hand in hand."

3. "What I want people to do is to accept the fundamental ideals of American society, democracy and equality, and try to work out an economic and social system that fits them."

4. "If there is a technological advance without social advance, there is almost, automatically, an increase in misery."

5. "The American people will never knowingly adopt socialism. But under the name of 'liberalism' they will adopt every fragment of the socialist program until one day America will be a socialist nation without knowing how it happened."

6. "Our objective should be painstakingly, patiently but energetically, to build a movement that when it reaches a critical mass would shake whoever is in the White House or in Congress into changing national policy on matters of war and social justice."

7. "The best and most honest president could not fix America's broken pseudo-democracy because of the power of the billionaire class, including corporate-owned media. There's good news. History shows that the people can join together to say enough is enough. Billionaires cannot run everything."

8. "A democratic socialist society is the best hope for alleviating and minimizing racism, particularly institutional forms of racism...It depends on how well we understand the past and present, how courageously we act and how true we remain to our democratic socialist ideals of freedom, equality and democracy."

9. "I am for socialism because I am for humanity."

10. "As a socialist, instead of denying the existence of class struggle, I seek to minimize its bitterness."

Answers:

- 1) Martin Luther King, Jr. 2) Bayard Rustin 3) A Philip Randolph
- 4) Michael Harrington 5) Norman Thomas 6) Howard Zinn 7) Bernie Sanders
- 8) Cornel West 9) Eugene V. Debs 10) Meyer London

– Milt Tambor