

Chelsea Stands Up Against the War!

10/30/07

(Standup Week 129)

Tuesday, 6pm–7pm

Why are we in Iraq?

Not because of weapons of mass destruction.

Not because Iraq was involved in 9/11.

Not because Iraq was a threat to our national security.

What have we gotten?

US military dead: 38,38 US military wounded: 28,124

Iraqi civilians killed: 82,703* Money spent on war: \$472 billion

Who are we?

Chelsea Neighbors United to End the War has pledged to “Stand Up” until the war ends and the troops come home safely.

Every Tuesday evening at 6 pm (rain or shine), **Chelsea Neighbors United to End the War** assembles on the northwest corner of 8th Avenue and 24th Street to facilitate “*Chelsea Stands Up Against the War,*” a community protest against the war in Iraq.

We carry banners, signs, and candles as we gather for one hour each week to protest the war in Iraq. We distribute this newsletter, peace buttons, collect signatures on petitions and speak with our neighbors about the need to end war in Iraq. The *Stand Up* make a dramatic statement to passing vehicular traffic on 8th avenue.

Chelsea Neighbors United to End the War is an all-volunteer organization that wants to build the broadest possible neighborhood consensus. With that goal in mind, the organization is open to all and functions by consensus.

Chelsea Neighbors United to End the War is not formally affiliated with any other organization but is willing to work with all groups and individuals who are committed to ending this illegal and immoral war fought by our fellow citizens, paid for with our tax dollars, and prosecuted in our name.

*The recent Johns Hopkins/Lancet report places the figure at 655,000+



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It Is Up to Us to End The War

By Chuck Zlatkin

On Saturday October 27th tens of thousands of Americans in 11 cities rallied and marched, calling for an End to the War in Iraq and the return home of American troops.

It was the fifth anniversary of the congressional vote to cede war making powers to President Bush. In New York City 50,000 people braved torrential rains to rally and march against the war.

Chelsea Neighbors United to End the War and Chelsea for Peace joined together to have a feeder march to the rally site at Union Square. Peace groups, unions, and community groups from all over the metropolitan area carried signs and banners calling upon our elected officials to stop funding the war.

Unfortunately, the media coverage of this action was far from complete. The New York Times and the New York Post failed to cover it at all. There was one picture with a caption in the New York Daily News. Newsday was the only paper in the area with sufficient coverage. On television and radio there were some decent pieces on the war, but nothing that captured the essence of the day.

The European press and the Internet gave much more in-depth coverage of the turnout and the issues involved. At the same time as this anti-war action was happening, most of New York's Democratic elected officials were attending a rally in Harlem for Hillary Clinton.

Stopping the funding is the way to end this war. Call our elected officials on a regular basis to tell them to vote no more funding for this war!



Representative Jerrold Nadler (8th CD), who represents Chelsea in Congress, joined the Stand Up on 12/19/06.

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