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So we almost got this all organized before we sent it out, but we forgot a few things. Like the meeting notes (attached). And news from the outreach working group and the Twin Cities Sexual Assault Awareness Collective

Useful FAQs and information:

-bench warrants are a separate, criminal offense in addition to your original charge in MN (so if you've taken a bench warrant in lieu of showing up for a court date and want to now fight those original charges, you will have another criminal charge to deal with). They are hard to get rid of and can follow you around for a long long time. Bench warrant = bad.

-many people haven't heard from the courts since they were released from the jail. if this is your case, unless you've received a formal dismissal of your case with the charges dropped, you may still be charged and should make a habit of calling the county courts and checking to make sure you don't have a court date scheduled [without notification].

Outreach Working Group

People with the Outreach working group have begun making calls to all arrestees, hooking folx up with the resources, information, and general logistical/moral support needed to participate in fighting our charges and participating in court solidarity. You can reach outreach at rnc08outreach@riseup.net. Thanks!

TCSA

We are a group of twin cities residents who formed during the summer of 2008. The influx of protesters coming to our town for the 2008 Republican National Convention made a group dedicated to sexual assault awareness and advocacy a necessity for our community. Our collective desire has always been to be long term and sustainable. Right now we are building our capacity. We are challenging the effects of our own experience of living in a patriarchal rape culture. At the same time that we challenge ourselves, we strive to create community where healthy relationships, consensual interactions, and sex-positivity are cultivated. We are not offering support services at this time.

We are working toward:

- creating a culture of consent!
- survivor support
- perpetrator accountability
- continual community outreach
- preventative education
- taking care of each other, within our group
- commitment to self-care and our own restorative healing

To get involved, contact tcsaa08@gmail.com

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