

Mehserle Trial Intel Log

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15 JUN 10 9076	COMMUNITY GATHERING FLYER FROM INDYBAR PROMOTING A POSITIVE "SPACE."
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26 JUN 10 9076	YOUTH RADIO ARTICLE DISCUSSING "BLACK BLOC" ANARCHY GROUP
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30 JUN 10 1545 HRS	OAKLANDFORJUSTICE.ORG HAS A PRESS CONFERENCE (RIGHT TO ASSEMBLE) ON 1 JULIO @ F.O.P 11AM - 1145PM TONEY COLEMAN MICHAEL PACKSON
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# **WE DEMAND JUSTICE FOR OSCAR GRANT! The Whole Damn System is Guilty!**



**The killing of Oscar Grant, an unarmed 22-year-old Black man, was a cold-blooded murder. The trial of Johannes Mehserle cannot bring Oscar back. And the people must be able to express their outrage at this murder without being repressed or attacked by the police.**

Oscar Grant was one of at least 100 people killed each year by police in California. He was one of the many thousands brutalized or killed each year around the U.S. by police. What kind of system is this that treats people this way? It is a system of capitalism-imperialism... a system in which US imperialism is the most monstrous, most oppressive superpower... a system which brings horror upon horror, a nightmare seemingly without end, for the vast majority of humanity around the world. And, here in the USA itself, the police harass, brutalize and murder youth in the streets in the inner cities - over and over again - and they spit out their maddening insults, insisting that this is "justified," as if these youth are not human beings, have no right to live, deserve no respect and no future.

It was the outcry and outrage of the people, in many different ways, including the rebellion of January 7, 2009, that forced the system to arrest and bring murder charges against Mehserle. The truth is the people acted with justice on their side when they said "we are all Oscar Grant." The law fundamentally enforces a system of inequality and exploitation, including the oppression and subjugation of Black people, and "legitimizes" violence the police use to maintain the whole set-up. But the people understand that the only acceptable verdict is GUILTY OF MURDER. Anything else is UNACCEPTABLE.

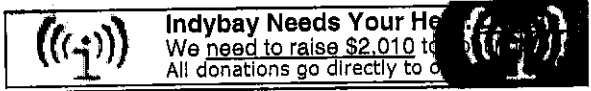
People must be able to express their sentiments, outrage, at this murder and the whole epidemic of police murder. They must not be threatened, attacked, hounded or harassed by the very police who are responsible for these murders in the first place.

**Gather at 71<sup>st</sup> and International in East Oakland at 6:00 pm on the day of the verdict. Speak out! Be there and elsewhere! And the people's verdict must be heard.**

**The system is rotten. We don't have to live this way.  
We need a Real Revolution!**

-- Revolution Club of the Bay Area

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**Title:** Oakland Organizers Defend Right To Assemble After Mehserle Verdict

**START DATE:** Thursday July 01

**TIME:** 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM

**Location Details:**  
14th & Broadway (at the flag poles in Frank Ogawa Plaza) Oakland

**Event Type:** Press Conference

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – JUNE 30TH, 2010**

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## Parable of Oakland Police Riot

The Oakland Police are planning to riot. This is the community consensus based on conversations at the crossroads. They shall be waiting for the crowd to gather in front of City Hall after the verdict is announced in the Oscar Grant murder trial. The consensus among the people is that the BART police officer shall not be found guilty of murder. The prosecution has been weak as water, with no real effort to convince the jury Oscar Grant was murdered in cold blood last New Year's day.

Oakland police have been planning for weeks how they will handle the expected protests. They have been training in riot control, the old condemned North County jail has been prepared to handle protesters. Even the jail above City Hall has been made ready. All downtown businesses have been told to close early on Thursday and don't leave cars parked in the downtown area.

OPD Chief Bates says he wants peace but is prepared for war. Mayor Dellums concurs. The religious leaders, aka Pharaoh's magicians, are in league with the police to keeps the masses calm.

Yet the consensus among the people is that, if anything, it shall be a police inspired riot, instigated by agent provocateurs, Cointelpro agents and undercover police. The police want a riot so they can justify not getting laid off, having their budget cut and forced to contribute to their retirement fund. A good riot will make them eligible for Federal funds such as gang abatement monies and other grants from criminal justice and Homeland security.

So the OPD is ready to whup heads and slaughter demonstrators after they are instigated by agent provocateurs.

As far as we're concerned, justice for Oscar Grant was granted by Louvella Mixon. Dr. Fritz Pointer said Mixon's shootout with the OPD allowed the Oakland masses to enjoy an "obscene pride" after years of police abuse under the color of law.

We are against all violence except in self defense. When the police stop acting like an occupying army and understand they work for the people and not the reverse, perhaps then, and only then, shall there be real peace in the hood.

The Supreme Court's decision to allow Americans to defend themselves with guns must be understood by reading the subtext: let them niggers keep killing each other, so long as they don't cross the line into the white community. If they cross the line, we're ready for them.

We know who sells guns to the brothers and sisters in the hood, and we know who allows the dope in. We cannot disassociate guns and drugs from politicians and developers who are eager to gentrify ghetto neighborhoods with buppies, yuppies and puppies. They will employ such tactics as gang abatement and eminent domain to ethnically cleanse the hood for the pseudo liberal black and white bourgeoisie.

A friend attended a gang abatement meeting full of whites. He wondered aloud where are the guvs who are targets of gang

We cannot view this problem solely in a local context, but it must be seen within the wider context of the global wars against the poor in Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen, Somalia and elsewhere. Through the tribal chiefs, America paid insurgents in Iraq to lay down their arms--that was the real surge, not the phony surge of General Petraeus, that was essentially the ethnic cleansing of neighborhoods in Baghdad, separating the Sunnia from the Shia by in numerous checkpoints, along with forcing four million internally and externally displaced refugees. In the most restive Anbar Province, Sunni insurgents were paid to lay down their arms and join the security patrols in their neighborhoods. This is the reason for the dramatic decrease in violence.

They are employing the same tactic in Afghanistan. The plan is to pay the Taliban billions to lay down their arms and pledge allegiance to the corrupt Karzai who is hardly the president of a nation but the Mayor of Kabul, the Capital. The Taliban shall be given jobs, housing and education.

Isn't this fantastic! Jobs, housing and education! Why not try this tactic in the hoods of America, specifically in Oakland, Mayor Ron Dellums, OPD Chief Bates, Attorney General Holder, President Barack Hussein Obama. But oh, no, you rather pay the Taliban because they are a threat to your national security, although there is more violence in the hoods of America annually than the combined violence in Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia.

Is not the violence in the hoods of America a threat to national security? Children can't go to school, men and women can't go to work and come home safely, worshippers can't attend church, the elderly are prisoners in their homes in the day and night. Where is the national security?

It is costing you one million dollars per soldier per year to occupy Afghanistan, yet you have not reported the killing of one Al Queda soldier on the soil of Afghanistan. And then you say you must stay in Afghanistan until you improve the army who is so illiterate they are too retarded to defend themselves, yet these are the people who ran out Alexander the Great, the Monguls, the British, the Russians, and soon they will run your asses out. Yet you tell us you must occupy their land until they are literate enough to defend themselves?

I rest my case. Let us pray for peace in the streets of Oakland, a valiant city, home of the Western Pullman Porters, home of the Black Panthers. Are you part of the problem or part of the solution?

--Marvin X

Academy of Da Corner 14th and Broadway, Oakland

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### **To Everybody Coming Out to 14th and Broadway on Verdict Day**

by Some anarchists

Wednesday Jun 30th, 2010 3:28 PM

Anarchist statement on the upcoming Mehserle verdict.

#### **SUP**

We are anarchists who live in the Bay. We are OUTRAGED by the murder of Oscar Grant, and we are pissed at continuing police violence and disregard of communities' health and safety. We're writing this letter to all the people who are going be in the streets the day of Mehserle's verdict.

#### **PEOPLE BEEN TALKING BEHIND OUR BACKS**

Some folks have been calling us "outside agitators". We wonder: outside of what? We are all faced by police violence whether we stay in the 510, the 415, the 925, the 209, the 831, santa rita, san quentin, or wherever. Except that we're from here. We live here, we contribute here, we have fun here, we get harassed here, and we fight back here. We are men, women, transgendered, black, white, whatever adjective you can think of. We are teachers, students, veterans, workers and the unemployed. We look out for each other. When people caught court cases after the January 7th uprising we were there. The anarchist community stepped up, strategized, and fundraised.

#### **THE PIGS STARTED THIS**

Straight up, we don't like that the police murder people. We don't want anyone to have the authority to murder people with impunity. In a society where the banks can take away our homes, where we're afraid to speak up to the boss, and where the cops can murder us face down and helpless on video and then call us the thugs, we are all Oscar Grant. Last year when people expressed themselves in the streets, we heard condemnation of property destruction but no rebuke of police aggression against peoples bodies. Lets not forget that the only reason Mehserle is on trial is because the people of Oakland rose up.

#### **KNOW THE REAL ENEMY**

Some of us will be with you at 14th and Broadway on the day of the verdict. We know that the pigs will be looking to cause trouble, but we're not going to give them an excuse. We want everyone in Oakland to come out to 14th and Broadway. We'll leave it to the will of the people assembled to decide what goes down there. Also, we just heard that Alameda County dropped at least \$675,000 on an LRAD 300X sonic weapon system, so bring earplugs.

#### **TO OAKLAND**

The pigs are already going door to door at businesses and community groups to get them to snitch on those who will stand up. We know this because our doors got knocked on. For us, snitching violates core principles and destroys the very trust we are trying to build. We hope that the orange-vest peace police will address the original cause of violence and face the REAL outside agitators, the OPD and BART Police. There's gonna be an army of pigs at 14th and broadway on the day of the verdict waiting to pounce on black people and people in black. We aren't so stupid as to value a few smashed windows over a community acting and speaking together. We'll respect the tone.

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#### **PLAN B**

If Mehserle is found guilty of murder it will be historic. If he is found not guilty, or given a slap on the wrist, our response will be historic. What happens in the streets will be determined by the people in the

streets, and we know that we won't be there alone. We say to the thugs at OPD, bring your chumps in body armor. The more Bay Area cops you bring to downtown Oakland to threaten and intimidate those expressing themselves, the more targets you leave exposed. It's open game on all your \$hit from now until the job is done. To everyone else, see you in the streets.

Written in solidarity with all disgruntled peoples fighting for freedom against this police state.

-Some anarchists

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## Oakland: Road To Riot? Rumors, Speculation Fuel Fear

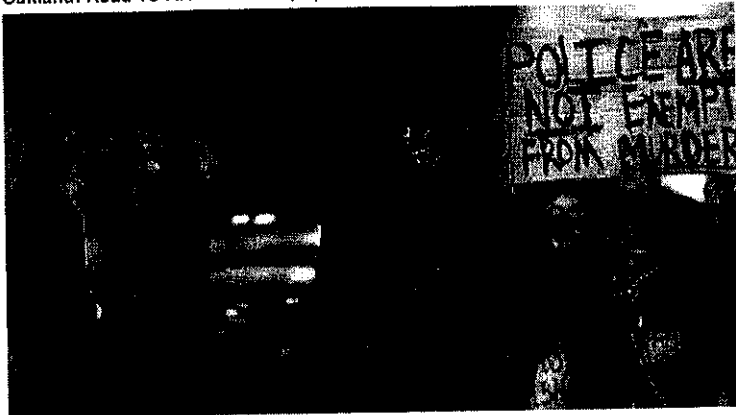


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By Noah Nelson June 24, 2010 at 01:45pm

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OAKLAND-- With a gag order over the murder trial of Johannes Mehserle for the shooting death of Oscar Grant III, speculation and raw disinformation have filled the void to stoke fears of a major riot in Oakland after the announcement of the verdict.

One form the rumors have taken is an email, purportedly sent from a San Leandro police officer to his sister, that paints the picture of law enforcement on edge, while getting some of the facts of the case dead wrong. What follows is a paragraph by paragraph dissection of the email, wherein we attempt to set the record straight and defuse some of the more hysterical speculations.

The text of the email is in blockquotes, with our analysis following in between. All emphasis in the quotes is added. The full text of the email, unedited, follows our analysis.

The BART shooting trial is almost complete in LA and some things have changed causing much concern for the East Bay area law enforcement agencies. First, the jury's instructions have changed and they are not allowed to consider lesser included crimes. What this means is the jury has to either find Johannes Mehserle guilty of first degree murder, or nothing. There is no way they can conclude he acted with malice and forethought.

**Patently false.** This rumor, along with the separate rumor that the jury is composed completely of Caucasians, are perhaps the most insidious pieces of disinformation that have emerged. As of this writing the jury has yet to receive instructions from trial Judge Robert J. Perry as to what charges should be considered. A motion has been made by defense attorney Michael Rains that the jury be instructed to only consider charges of second degree murder, and not the lesser charges of manslaughter. (For the record the jury is multi-ethnic, but has no African Americans on the panel.)

In fact Judge Perry is withholding his ruling until all evidence is presented, and only then will instruct the jury as to what charges they should consider. Until that time all charges from first degree murder to involuntary manslaughter are still on the table. It will likely advantage the defense if Rains' motion is granted. However, a conviction on first degree murder charges was never considered a likely outcome by any serious observer of the trial.

That a police officer would make such an elementary mistake- confusing first and second degree murder charges- brings the actual origin of the email into question.

Second, the prosecutors' expert witness, who was supposed to discredit Mehserle, made a surprise statement that he once, as a police officer, unintentionally pulled his gun and hadn't realized it. This was a huge backfire for the prosecution.

**Partially true.** Use-of-force expert for the prosecution Sean McCann did surprise court observers, and the prosecution, by testifying under cross-examination that he had once drawn his gun without realizing it. However on re-direct Alameda County Deputy District Attorney David Stein had McCann detail the entire incident, which involved McCann confronting a 6-foot-5, 280 pound suspect who was high on crack cocaine alone in a dark alley.

How this round of testimony played out with the jury is pure speculation, as no one is allowed to question the jury until after the verdict has been handed down.

Third, every friend of Grant's testified that they saw genuine surprise in Mehserle's face after the shot was fired, again adding credibility to Mehserle's case. The trial is moving very quickly and is expected to have a verdict by the 28th (next Monday), or very soon after.

**Truth mixed with speculation.** The testimony of Grant's friends is accurately characterized. However, it is still unknown as to when the jury will begin deliberations, let alone hand down a verdict. The current consensus among trial observers is that the defense may rest as early as today. This may then lead to a round of rebuttal witnesses from the prosecution, which may in turn lead to the defense calling more witnesses to repudiate their testimony. A verdict next week is, however, a definite possibility.

Oakland PD is expecting riots (to the degree of the LA/Rodney King riots) if/when a not-guilty verdict is read. This is not an exaggeration. Every law enforcement agency in the area is preparing for large scale crowd control and vandalism. We will only be given a two-hour heads-up before the verdict is public.

**Aparently true, with a major caveat.** It is known that the Oakland Police Department is preparing for major civil disobedience in the wake of the verdict. However, characterizing the scale of a potential riot as being on par with the Rodney King riot of 1992 in Los Angeles is pure speculation and fear mongering. Moreover this fear is based on a murder acquittal being pre-destined. Johannes Mehserle may be found guilty of manslaughter, a possibility no one seems to be preparing for.

Intel has been gathered indicating a "professional" protest group, called the Black Bloc, is planning to organize in the area. The Black Bloc is an anarchy group or style which frequently uses molotov cocktails and arson during demonstrations. They wear ski masks, gas masks, helmets and body armor and attack police.

**Questionable sourcing, broad generalizations, and disinformation.** Since the actual origin of the email is unknown (see our earlier questioning of its legitimacy) there is no way to tell if the "intel" referenced here is real or not. What is known is that the Black Bloc has traditionally had a presence at every major protest in the Bay Area pretty much since their debut at the "Battle of Seattle" during the World Trade Organization meeting in Washington state in 1999. "Their" last appearance was at the March 4th Day of Action in response to the UC budget cuts. The Black Bloc has a reputation for civil disobedience, and is in part a "generic" label for protesters clad in black and taking measures to conceal their identity.

The characterization that the Black Bloc relies on Molotov cocktails and body armor is more in line with what has happened with protests in Europe, than in the Bay Area.

PLEASE...once you hear the verdict, DO NOT go out unless you absolutely have to. BART will still be running trains, however, I strongly recommend you drive or stay home from work. BART stations and public offices, as well as downtown shopping centers are expected to be the targets for the rioters and vandals. Police services will be spread thin and the calls for service will be excessive. If you have errands to run, run them before Monday.

Please don't assume, just because you live in a quiet neighborhood or town, people won't use this as an excuse to do stupid stuff. It will be known police responses will be slower than normal, so don't take the chance. I will try and update this as soon as I have new info.

**Common sense mixed with fear mongering.** No one knows what will happen. Civil disobedience at some scale is likely, judging from the high running emotions and the history of this case in Oakland. That being said, if you will allow a moment of editorializing here, the expectation that there will be large scale rioting is just as likely to cause an incident as the actual verdict. An unconscious (at best) desire for confrontation on the streets of Oakland between protesters and police seems to be fueling the speculation. As if a venting of rage could somehow purge years of mistrust, death, hatred, and sorrow.

The end result of which would be a doubling down on tragedy.

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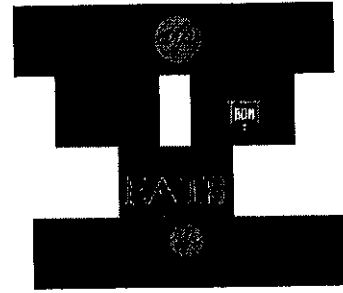
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#### The Full Email

One of the shelter volunteers has a brother in the San Leandro police force... he sent this to her:

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### Thank you-so needed!

Submitted by Anonymous on Fri, 06/25/2010 - 14:30.

Thank you Youth Radio! One of my friends forwarded me that email off a group list for West Oakland BART car-poolers. The car pool group was full of people fretting about whether it would be safe to leave their cars at West Oakland BART given the "impending violence". I looked all over the net for an article that could confirm any of the items in the email, and got nowhere. Your specific debunking was very helpful, and I forwarded it to the group.

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### good journalism

Submitted by Anonymous on Fri, 06/25/2010 - 11:33.

Thank you for this excellent piece of journalism that dispels fear mongering. Everyone is bracing for the worst. But maybe this tragedy can be transformed into a moment of real civil action-- a close examination of the relationship between law enforcement and young African American males. It's time, truly. Rioting will only reinforce tensions. Let's plan instead for a giant nonviolent rally in downtown Oakland with silence, candles, speakers, music-- joining together with what MLK called righteous indignation to honor the sacrifice of Oscar Grant and others like him.

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### Double standard?

Submitted by Anonymous on Fri, 06/25/2010 - 05:25.

You complain about rumors being spread, but you've written a whole so-called news analysis about a possibly fake email--it is at least not verified. You could have, and probably did, write it yourselves as a stalking horse.

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### I wish...

Submitted by noah on Fri, 06/25/2010 - 16:17.

I'm a fan of Snopes.com, but not enough to invent a rumor just to claim credit for debunking it. Will something happen in the wake of the verdict? Certainly. My calculation-- and the impetus for this post-- is that if everyone from law enforcement to the anarchist collectives are expecting a full scale riot we'll find ourselves with a nasty tasting self-fulfilling prophecy. Now is the only time for trying to gain some perspective here. I'd rather of not had that email come into my inbox from multiple sources in a single day. The RUMOR is loose, and it is quite literally my job to attempt to separate fact from fiction. As for the lack of details about the origin of the email, this was omitted to save face for the people who started the circulation of it. Enough people have been hurt by this shooting and it's aftermath already. -Noah

Nelson

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 Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 07:47.

I'll be out doing what needs to be done when the shit hits the fan.

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**poop, you mean.**  
 Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 11:47.

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**He's going to poop when shit**  
 Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 15:11.

He's going to poop when shit hits the fan?

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reply

**It's going to be weird when**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 08:49.

It's going to be weird when he gets convicted of something, although prolly not murder, and it saps all the energy from anything that should be going on in the street...dunno how to counter that though...

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reply

**Just counter it. The more**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 09:21.

Just counter it. The more people, the stronger the anarchist presence, the more possible that will be.

I know it ain't that easy. Especially in Oakland, there will be celebrations if Mehserle is convicted guilty. As anarchists of the community we're in a tight spot... on the one hand, we want to celebrate with the community and not diminish its joy at what it will perceive as a "victory." And in actuality, this IS a pretty landmark case. But we know it isn't a "victory" against the police state at all, and certainly not against the totality -- so how to strike the balance between being a supportive member of the community and having/acting on an anarchist analysis of the situation? It's something I've been asking myself since the start. I think emphasizing the perseverance of the police state and systemic police violence, even in the case of a guilty verdict, to members of the community is essential.

Hopefully, if folks come out from all over to support and grow our numbers, we will have enough of a presence to make our position regarding this whole mess known. Please organize a way out here if you can!

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reply

**"Socialist consciousness is**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 20:03.

"Socialist consciousness is therefore something that is brought into proletarian struggle from the outside and not something that grew naturally from within it. The old Hainfeld Programme was therefore quite right to say that it was the task of Social Democracy to introduce the proletariat to the consciousness of their conditions and of their tasks."

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reply

**Word.**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 15:54.

Word.

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reply

**just get people to**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 02:01.

just get people to understand the message that "there is no such thing as justice in an unequal society" and use that to riot under.

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reply

**LA has called for theirs to**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 10:28.

LA has called for theirs to be at the court house...

on the DAY OF THE VERDICT, we will be gathering at the courthouse.  
SREAD WORD ---->>> If you want to be put on a Text Message list to let you know when that day will be:  
Text "TRIAL" to 213-973-3434

>  
reply

**this is a goof. I txt'd it**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 10:46.

this is a goof. I txt'd it and the number belongs to some high school girl who is going crazy because of the bombardment of txt's she is getting.

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reply

**it was sent out by the LA**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 13:53.

It was sent out by the LA Coalition for Justice for Oscar Grant

I hate linking to fucking facebook, but here it is: <http://www.facebook.com/#/group.php?gid=259072433034&v=wall>. message was sent by primary organizer to everyone who is "friend" of group today

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reply

**person who died was twice**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 11:30.

person who died was twice convicted felon and current drug abuser.

person accused of murder was more productive than person who died.

these two persons had different skin colors.

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reply

**Courts are great places to**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 12:47.

Courts are great places to win great victories. And I would go so far as to say that the US revolutionaries of the 1700's were better than most of the 1800's - especially the piss-weak marxist 'revolutionaries' of the 1800's.

We can have human rights and civil liberties and libertarian socialism. In fact we MUST have them. They are our inalienable human and civil rights and a hell of a lot of good people died so we could use them. Its a good litmus test this - between the authoritarians and us. Pro2r

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reply

**shut up**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 12:59.

shut up

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reply

**WTF! Bring courts DOWN,**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 13:04.

WTF! Bring courts DOWN, justice is in the collective, not your hyped up kangaroo court!

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reply

**Yeah I agree. Fuck the**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 14:40.

Yeah I agree. Fuck the kangaroo courts.

Even the collectives in the aftermath of state and capital will have their own courts though. Authority will have to prove is self to be legitimate in an anarchist society like pulling a little girl to safety from the car flying down the road 50 mph in a residential area. It's an act of authority that proves it self to be a good thing even though it may be non-consenting at the moment. Sometimes there's not enough time to ask for permission to act in cases such as these. Police don't prevent crime. They only show up in the community after the crime has been committed. A well organized self governing community in a post apocalyptic aftermath would police it self more efficiently. Community self sufficiency and governance in every garden in every backyard will provide all the necessary security and safety needed. Yes people will be armed too. There will be good parts of the old world that will remain but all the other parts that have been centered around endless growth/greed and repression will go up in flames.

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reply

**The people prove themselves,**  
Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 23:18.

The people prove themselves, not an authority. If they cannot improve themselves, they become sheep, and become governed. A kangaroo court is a bitter parody, it has no intention of fairness, and that is why I used it, but also a dig at prorat2.

The courts now are a type of unconscious satire, without knowing it they project the pompous

elitist realm of the western capitalist war-machine, the authority oozes out of their gavel and robe. 'Fractured' was an interesting glimpse at the legal profession.

»  
reply

**I agree with your sentiment,**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 16:11.

I agree with your sentiment, but the term kangaroo court sounds like a pretty close description of current anarchist accountability processes

»  
reply

**current anarchist**

Submitted by anon on Thu, 2010-06-17 16:24.

current anarchist accountability process is 1 on 1

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reply

**"we demand a first degree**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 02:03.

"we demand a first degree murder conviction or we riot"

this needs to be the sentiment

»  
reply

**"We demand a riot, or we**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 02:56.

"We demand a riot, or we riot!"

-Barrack Obama during his days in the Weather Underground

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reply

**In West O today cops from**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 03:57.

In West O today cops from all over Bay Area are training for verdict day suppression by be smart/creative, not obvious/predictable  
Friday Jun 18th, 2010 10:27 AM

OAKLAND, Calif. -- On Thursday, a Bay Area anarchist group promised action when the verdict comes down in the murder trial of former BART police officer Johannes Mehserle.

Oakland police said they'll be ready no matter what sort of trouble breaks out on the street. On Friday they'll begin training for possible civil unrest that could arise after the verdict is announced.

Law enforcement officers will be coming to West Oakland from across the Bay Area to get ready for the possibility of a repeat of the rioting early January of last year in response to the killing of Oscar Grant.

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**And anarchists will prepare**

Submitted by Leo Trollstoy on Fri, 2010-06-18 16:26.

And anarchists will prepare by training to break department store windows, overturn newspaper boxes, set dumpsters on fire, spray-paint circle A's, attack 45 year old women from behind and vandalize random vehicles. After all, these tactics have always worked in the past to prevent cops from murdering people.

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reply

**true. thanks for the support!**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 17:58.

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reply

**hopefully he gets the death**

Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 15:57.

hopefully he gets the death penalty for this. All murderers of innocent people should be executed.  
»  
reply

**lol. i took that as sarcasm.**  
Submitted by anon on Fri, 2010-06-18 18:00.  
lol. i took that as sarcasm. i hope it was.  
If not: what about criminals? we are all guilty: jaywalking, speeding, shoplifting, or bank robbery, we are all guilty. should we be executed, too? should you be, as a criminal yourself?  
»  
reply

**the death penalty should be**  
Submitted by anon on Sun, 2010-06-20 10:31.  
the death penalty should be used against murderers, drug traffickers, white collar criminals(Bankers), and people involved in the trafficking of women to be sexually exploited. If we had this, we wouldn't have so many fuckers in prison sucking up our tax dollars.  
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# GUILTY OR NOT:

## Community Gathering on the Day of the Verdict:

6pm @ 14<sup>th</sup> & Broadway

### *What would justice for Oscar Grant look like?*

A guilty verdict will not bring Oscar's life back -- nor will a guilty verdict in and of itself change the reality of police oppression and violence that confronts our youth each day. If former BART police officer Johannes Mehserle is found guilty as a result of the trial currently underway in Los Angeles, it will be an historic occasion. But it will also be the exception that proves the rule in this so-called post-racial society.

Regardless of the outcome of the trial, we will come together as a community on the day of the verdict to provide a positive space for people to speak out and express their feelings and to continue working for justice -- in honor of Oscar and all the brothers and sisters that were on the BART platform with Oscar that fateful night on January 1, 2009.

We are in a unique position to organize folks to resist police brutality, to take the lessons we have learned in the past eighteen months and join with others around the state and the country to move forward with our fight. No matter what happens as a result of the trial, we know that police brutality and racial profiling are facts of life, particularly in poor communities.

On the day of the verdict, we want to create a safe space where our youth won't be left vulnerable or exposed to the risk of arrest because of the actions of others. We respect everyone's right to protest or not; what we do matters.

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# WARNING: JUSTICE FOR OSCAR GRANT IN DANGER!

On January 1, 2009 BART police officer Mehserle murdered unarmed, 22 year old father Oscar Grant, shooting him in the back while he lay face down on the train platform at the Fruitvale station while the murder was videotaped by dozens of people on the train and viewed by millions worldwide. The cover-up started immediately and continues in the courtroom, with the ex-cop changing his story, now saying he "intended" to pull his taser.

**WE MADE HISTORY.** Oakland's outrage and anger over Oscar's murder makes this the first time in California history that a police officer is going to trial for murder "in the line of duty." The dominoes are falling: the former DA and BART Chief of Police were forced to resign; BART fired two officers involved in the killing, took away officers' tasers, and is being sued for \$50 million for the murder of Oscar Grant.

**MEHSERLE'S LAWYER IS ANGLING FOR AN ACQUITTAL.** The defense doesn't want the jury to hear about any of the limited victories the people have won thus far. And the judge has already granted many of the defense's outrageous pre-trial motions. The defense wants jurors limited to conviction on 2<sup>nd</sup> degree murder or acquittal, and so far, their strategy is working. We can't expect justice with the defense attorney, Rains, former attorney for the "Oakland Riders," an ex-cop infamous for defending crooked cops. In Rains' first brief, he blamed Oscar Grant for his own death.

**THE PRO-COP JUDGE HAS A DISHONORABLE HISTORY.** Trial begins June 2 in the Los Angeles courtroom of Judge Robert Perry, a Republican appointed by Gov. Pete Wilson. Judge Perry handled the official cover-up of the LAPD Rampart/ CRASH scandal and freed dirty cop Rafael Perez among others.

**WILL THE D.A. BETRAY THE PEOPLE?** We, "The People," are inadequately represented by a District Attorney with no experience prosecuting law enforcement. Meanwhile the DA has barely objected to Mehserle's motions and has not vigorously prosecuted the case. DA O'Malley is supposedly a proponent of victims' rights, yet the DA hasn't supported Oscar Grant's rights as a murder victim. Is the DA trying to throw the trial? Remember the Oakland Riders case?

We are confronted with a serious situation, judges who can't judge, lawyers who ignore the law and DAs missing in action, but we cannot afford to lose. The outcome of this case will impact all police misconduct cases in the State of California for years to come.

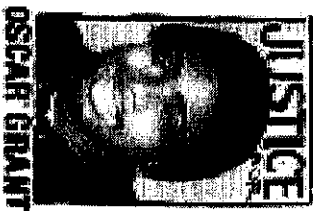
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## Sunset Altar and Candlelight Vigil, 8 pm -- June 1<sup>st</sup> -- District Attorney's office, 12<sup>th</sup> & Oak Streets

We are going to remind DA Nancy O'Malley that she believes in the "vigorous protection of victim's rights." Oscar was a murder victim, killed by BART police officer Mehserle. The killer cop is on trial not Oscar, the victim. The DA must respect Oscar's dignity and humanity as a son, brother, father, fiancé, worker, friend and community member. We are demanding that the DA vigorously prosecute Oscar's killer just as she prosecutes any other member of our community on trial for murder. **TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA: COME, BEAR WITNESS, SPEAK OUT!!**

**WHAT CAN YOU DO TODAY?** Call District Attorney O'Malley and tell her to respect all victims' rights, including Oscar Grant's, prosecute the Mehserle trial vigorously and to the full extent of the law and to prosecute former BART officers Pirone, Dominici and all others in law enforcement involved in the murder of Oscar Grant.

DA's Phone: (510) 272-6222, Fax: (510) 271-5157, Email: [askrcd-da@acgov.org](mailto:askrcd-da@acgov.org)  
DA's Mailing Address: 1225 Fallon Street, Room 900, Oakland, CA 94612



**COMMUNITY GATHERING -- DAY OF THE VERDICT**

**6:00 p.m. at 14<sup>th</sup> & Broadway, Oakland**

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