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I decided to do a little digging into the sponsors for an upcoming astroturfed "anti-war" (viz. pro-Russia) protest (Rage Against the War Machine).

Here are these organizations and front groups listed, as well as their principals.

The protest demands are typical Kremlin fare.

-  **Libertarian Party** (www.lp.org)
Key People: **Angela McArdle**
-  **[Movement for a] People's Party** (www.peoplesparty.org)
Key People: **Nick Brana**
-  **Libertarian Mises Caucus** (www.lpmisescaucus.com)
Key People: **Michael Heise**
-  **Peace in Ukraine** (www.peaceinukraine.org)
Key People: **Marcy Winograd** of CODEPINK
-  **Action 4 Assange** (www.action4assange.com)
Key People: **Andrew Zigmund** [Smith]
-  **Liberty Speaks** (www.libertyspeaks.world)
Key People: **Irene Mavrakakis**, **Jorge Besada**
-  **Libertarian Radical Caucus** (www.lpradicalcaucus.org)
Key People: **Anna Mosashvili**
-  **Punk Rock Libertarians Podcast** (www.punkrocklibertarians.com)
Key People: **Jared Schneiderman**
-  **World Beyond War** (www.worldbeyondwar.org)
Key People: **David Swanson**
-  **Center for Political Innovation** (www.cpiusa.org)
Key People: **Caleb Maupin**
-  **American Student Union** (www.americanstudentunion.org)
Key People: **Caleb Maupin**
-  **Libertarian Party of Virginia** (www.lpvfa.com)
Key People: **Jennifer Leatherbury**

1 Not One More Penny for War in Ukraine

The Democrats and Republicans have armed Ukraine with tens of billions of dollars in weapons and military aid. The war has killed tens of thousands, displaced millions, and is pushing us toward a nuclear WW3. Stop funding the war.

2 Negotiate Peace

The US instigated the war in Ukraine with a coup on its democratically-elected government in 2014, and then sabotaged a peace deal between Russia and Ukraine in March. Pursue an immediate ceasefire and diplomacy to end the war.

3 Stop the War Inflation

The war is accelerating inflation and increasing food, gas, and energy prices. The US blew up Russian gas pipelines to Europe, starving them of energy and deindustrializing their countries. End the war and stop increasing prices.

4 Disband NATO

NATO expansion to Russia's border provoked the war in Ukraine. NATO is a warmongering relic of the Cold War. Disband it like the Warsaw Pact.

6 Slash the Pentagon Budget

Half of the federal discretionary budget goes to Pentagon. The military budget is \$857 billion per year, and the Pentagon just failed its fifth straight audit. The Pentagon can only account for 39 percent of its \$3.5 trillion in assets. Cut the military budget in half and return those funds to the American people.

7 Abolish the CIA and Military-Industrial Deep State

The CIA and deep state are an unelected permanent government of intelligence agencies that run our country outside of constitutional and democratic control. They surveil Americans, manipulate the media, curtail free speech, blackmail politicians, infiltrate activist organizations, torture people, overthrow governments, and assassinated President John F. Kennedy. Abolish the CIA and deep state and restore a government of, by, and for the people.

8 Abolish War and Empire

War and empire subjugate billions of people around the world to enrich a small group of elites. In just the past two decades, the US has waged and backed wars in Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, Palestine, Yemen, Ukraine, and other countries. End all US wars and regime change. Stop all military aid to other countries. End deep state. Stop all US military operations. Stop all US

5 Global Nuclear De-Escalation

The war in Ukraine has brought us to the edge of WW3 and nuclear war with Russia. US intelligence agencies estimate a one in four chance of nuclear war, which would plunge the world into nuclear winter and kill almost all life on Earth. Adopt a no-first-strike nuclear policy. Drawdown nuclear weapons worldwide.

9 Restore Civil Liberties

Restore the constitutional liberties taken from us in the name of war and empire, including freedom of speech, the press, and assembly. End mass surveillance, repeal the Patriot Act, and restore the right to privacy and habeas corpus.

10 Free Julian Assange

The US is charging Julian Assange with espionage and criminalizing our right to publish information that challenges the military-industrial deep state. He is imprisoned in the UK and being extradited to the US. The CIA plotted to assassinate him for exposing US war crimes. Free Julian Assange and all political prisoners.

The speakers include many of the usual crowd, including convicted child predator Scott Ritter, who's become a very active cheerleader for Putin's war against Ukraine.

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POLICE CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Docket Number:	Date Filed:	OT/IL/Section Number:	Complaint/Incident Number:
			20090221M0001
Defendant Name:	First Name:	Middle Name:	Last Name:
	WILLIAM	SCOTT	RITTER JR

AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On February 7, 2009 your affiant being an Detective with the Barrett Township Police Department, was conducting undercover operations and investigating the crime of internet sexual solicitation of children via the computer.

While conducting the investigation, your affiant purported to be a 15 year old minor female named "Emily". Your affiant was then contacted by an individual who identified himself as "delmarstfun". "delmarstfun" typed that he was a 40 year old male from Albany, NY. The conversation was initiated by "delmarstfun" in a chat room on Yahoo Instant Messenger.

During the conversation "delmarstfun" was advised that I was a 15 year old female from the Pocono, PA. The conversation was sexual in nature. During the conversation "delmarstfun" stated that he wanted me to give him another picture so he can continue to "watch". Shortly after he provided the purported 15 year old female a link to his web camera. The camera displayed a male's face and upper body area. A short time later "delmarstfun" adjusted the camera and focused on his penis area where he began to masturbate. Your affiant asked him if he had a phone number I could call him at. "delmarstfun" also provided a call phone number of [REDACTED] during chat. The wireless number carrier is Nextel.

He then continued to masturbate on web cam and he again asked how old I was. He was advised again that I was 15 years old. He said he didn't realize that I was 15 years old and turned off his web camera. He stated that he did not want to get in trouble. He said I was "fantasizing about fucking you". I told him "guess u turned it off 'sp". He then replied "you want to see it finally". He then again sent a link to his web camera. The web camera showed him masturbating again and then ejaculating.

I then called the wireless phone number "delmarstfun" provided your affiant and he was advised I was a Police Officer with Barrett Twp Police Department. During conversation "delmarstfun" provided his personal information as WILLIAM SCOTT RITTER JR of Delmar, NY.

Your affiant obtained several photographs of Ritter and compared the photographs of the "known" RITTER to the web camera video that your affiant obtained while Ritter was masturbating on Web camera. They were of the same person.

On April 22, 2009 your affiant secured a court order for Nextel Wireless to provide

I, DET. RYAN VENNEMAN (RLV), BEING DULY SWORN ACCORDING TO THE LAW, DEPOSE AND SAY THAT THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE FOREGOING AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.

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(Signature of Affiant)

Sworn to me and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 2009.
Date _____, Magisterial District Judge

My commission expires first Monday of January.

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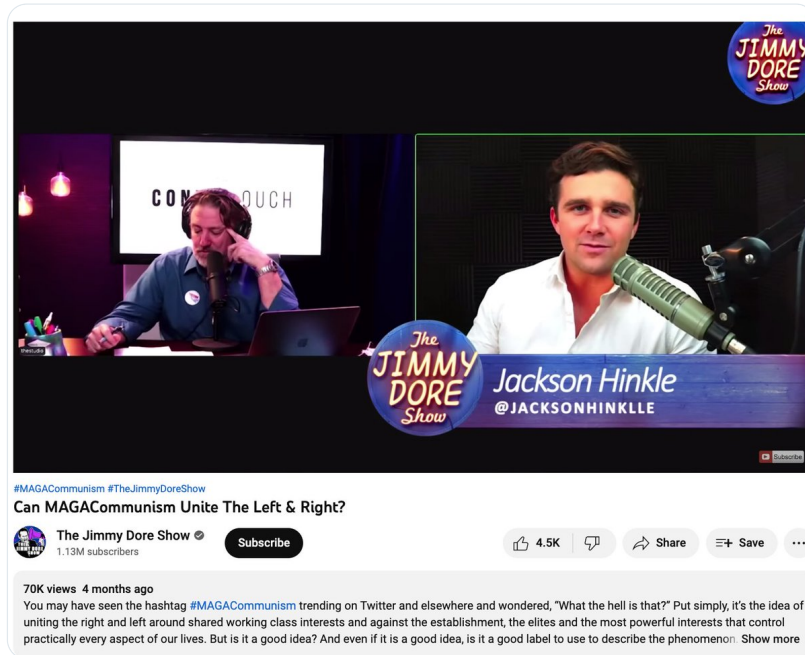
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AFFIDAVIT OF PROBABLE CAUSE CONTINUATION

subscriber information for the wireless number of [REDACTED]. On October 13, 2009 your affiant received the subscriber information confirming the wireless number was assigned to William RITTER of Delmar, NY on February 7, 2009.

Then there's also Jackson Hinkle of MAGA Communism fame. Here he is explaining this new political syncretism to Jimmy Dore (another slated speaker).



The screenshot shows a YouTube video player with two video thumbnails. The left thumbnail shows a man at a desk with a laptop and a sign that says 'CONOUCH'. The right thumbnail shows Jackson Hinkle speaking into a microphone. The video title is 'Can MAGACommunism Unite The Left & Right?'. The video has 4.5K likes and 70K views. The description discusses the hashtag #MAGACommunism and its meaning.

#MAGACommunism #TheJimmyDoreShow
Can MAGACommunism Unite The Left & Right?
The Jimmy Dore Show 1.13M subscribers
4.5K likes
70K views 4 months ago
You may have seen the hashtag #MAGACommunism trending on Twitter and elsewhere and wondered, "What the hell is that?" Put simply, it's the idea of uniting the right and left around shared working class interests and against the establishment, the elites and the most powerful interests that control practically every aspect of our lives. But is it a good idea? And even if it is a good idea, is it a good label to use to describe the phenomenon? Show more

Another listed speaker: Daniel McAdams of the Ron Paul Institute (RPI), who before joining RPI was reportedly working for "the now-defunct British Helsinki Human Rights Group, a pro-Kremlin NGO that defended dictators against human rights abuse charges".



Ron Paul Institute for Putin's Priorities

Former congressman's think tank pushes pro-Kremlin line

<https://freebeacon.com/politics/the-ron-paul-institute-for-putins-priorities/>

McAdams's prior work at a dictator-defending, pro-Kremlin NGO is consistent with his denial of Russian war crimes in Bucha.



https://www.youtube.com/embed/9RIW_3R3CJc

As for the sponsoring groups listed, the Libertarian Party is one main sponsor, and 3 other sponsors are affiliated with the Libertarian Party.

There's also the People's Party, a.k.a. Movement for a People's Party, listed as a main sponsor (I'd never heard of it either).



The Movement for a People's Party is headed by Nick Brana, a former Bernie Bro, who is unabashedly pro-Putin on his Twitter feed.



Nick Brana - #PeoplesParty archive.li/q0M7w
5,302 Tweets

RAGE AGAINST THE WAR MACHINE
War Rally - Washington, D.C. FEBRUARY 19

Nick Brana - #PeoplesParty
@nick_brana

National Chair, @PeoplesParty_US. Former National Political Outreach Coordinator, Bernie 2016; Electoral Manager, Our Revolution

Washington, DC peoplesparty.org Born July 5 Joined April 2013

5,055 Following 18.4K Followers

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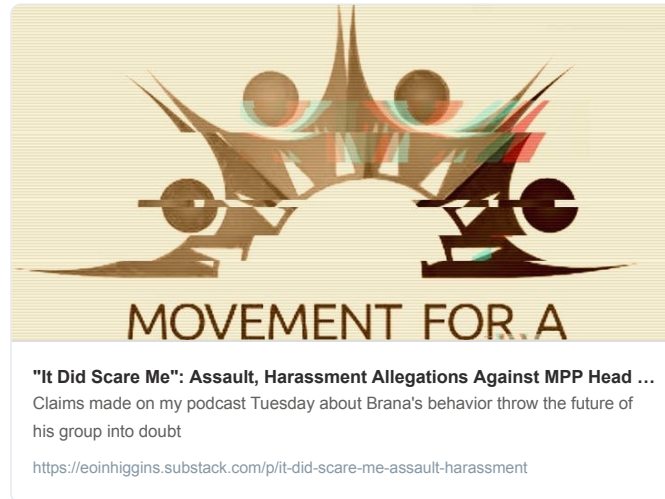
Nick Brana - #PeoplesParty @nick_brana · Oct 1, 2022
Because's he's not only winning the war. He's uniting the world against American hegemony.

bloomberg.com
How Does Putin Stay So Popular While Losing the War in Ukraine?

372 690 2,625

Apparently Nick Brana is facing accusations of sexual misconduct from a former party member.

And sadly, there is still another person I have yet to mention affiliated with this protest for which there are credible allegations of sexual misconduct.



Moving on, there's another sponsor called the Center for Political Innovation (CPI), a Marxist-Leninist group founded and led by Caleb Maupin.



Caleb Maupin's CPI was responsible for this commie cringefest in Chicago last summer.



Caleb Maupin is also a big fan of Aleksandr Dugin of Russian Nazbol Party fame. They've even met!




<https://www.youtube.com/embed/oods2wkTScY>

Caleb Maupin is the other character for which there are sexual misconduct allegations from former members of his groups.

archive.ph/ZpB3h

Moving on, the American Student Union (ASU) is another listed sponsor. The name is a homage to an old Soviet front group but it seems as if there's no operational continuity between the two.

ASU's earliest tweets say that it is one and the same as "SYNA". CPI is also mentioned.

 **American Student Union** archive.li/m4QXW
Established in 1935

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Welcome!

The American Student Union (ASU) is a national student organization with an anti-imperialist and working-class political orientation. We seek to build a new America—of the people, by the people, and not for the big capitalists and imperialists. With the decline of American unipolarity and the devastating economic crisis we are in, it is clear that the students of America need solutions. American students find themselves caring for their parents, brothers, and children. They find themselves working multiple jobs for little pay while in school. They find themselves in serious debt and with little future prospects. Facing these titanic struggles, American students, now more than ever, are ready for socialism. The ASU seeks to unite the students of America through peace, jobs, and democracy.


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The **American Student Union (ASU)** was a national *left-wing* organization of college students of the 1930s, best remembered for its protest activities against *militarism*. Founded by a 1935 merger of *Communist* and *Socialist* student organizations, the ASU was affiliated with the *American Youth Congress*. **The group was investigated by the Dies Committee of the United States House of Representatives in 1939 over its connections to the Communist Party USA.** With the group's Communist-dominated leadership consistently supportive of the twists and turns of *Soviet* foreign policy, the Socialist minority split from the group in 1939. The organization was terminated in 1941 and reformed in 2022.^[1]



Agnes Reynolds and Joseph P. Lash of the American Student Union before the Dies Committee, 1939.

Organizational history [\[edit \]](#)

 **American Student Union** archive.li/RmDxY
@ASUNational

This is the national account for SYNA. We need a New America built upon peace, unity and socialism.

1:51 AM · Jul 20, 2021

3 Retweets 8 Likes

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 **American Student Union** archive.li/IpTjI
@ASUNational

If you want to join SYNA email us here. We are organizing across the country alongside the CPI!
syna.national@gmail.com

6:46 PM · Jul 21, 2021

1 Retweet 3 Likes

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SYNA (Students and Youth for a New America) is another Caleb Maupin project, founded in 2016.

Ergo, Caleb Maupin's menagerie of front groups appears to comprise SYNA, ASU, and CPI, despite the fact that ASU and CPI are actually listed as separate sponsors for the protest.

4A. Nick's (Flame of Liberation) Statement: archive.ph/ZpB3h

To be clear I am not writing this statement to shed light on abuse that I faced, because I do not believe that I was a victim of anything of much significance, but I am writing this to establish how far back I and Caleb go in political organizing and that I have verified the statements made by the other members who were abused by Caleb Maupin.

I had considered Caleb Maupin to be a close comrade since the year 2014 (I was 19 years old at the time). For the past 8 years I had consistently defended him and promoted him. I first began organizing with Caleb Maupin in the Spring of 2014 when he was a prominent member of the Workers World Party (WWP). He was eventually pushed out of WWP in late 2015. He would go on to form Students and Youth for a New America in 2016. After learning about SYNA I eventually joined the group in early 2017. Eventually Member 1 also joined SYNA in 2017. She contributed a tremendous amount to SYNA. I considered her to be a very committed comrade. She brought so many of her friends to SYNA events to introduce them to our politics and to try to get them involved in organizing with the group. Eventually in late 2018 Member 2 joined SYNA.

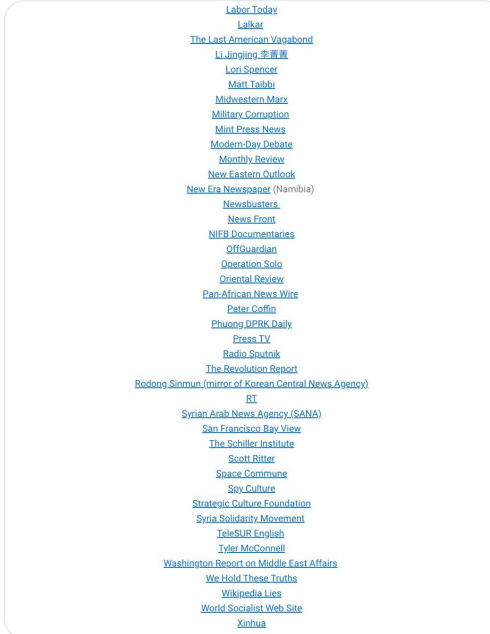
During this period CPI (Center for Political Innovation) started up. Although CPI did not exist as a formalized concrete group as it exists now, we would sometimes hold events in the name of CPI and sometimes in the name of SYNA, such as 'The History of Socialist Activism in the United States' which occurred in October 2018. Going forward we would have events sometimes in the name of CPI and sometimes in SYNA's name. One of the best actions I think that CPI did

What really caught my eye was the "Reccomended news and views" section of Caleb Maupin's ASU website.

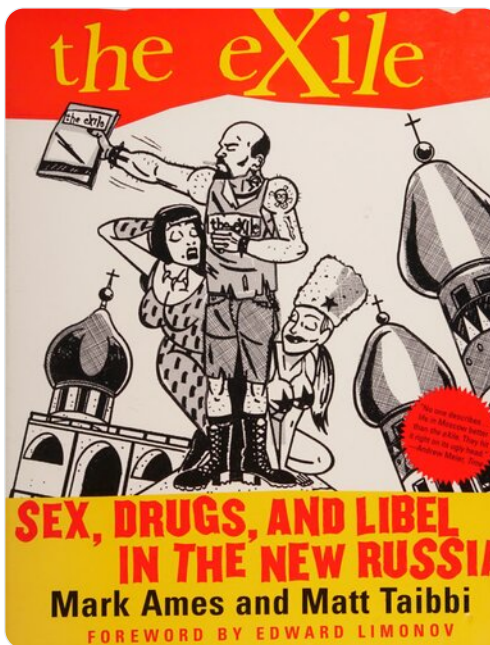
It's a who's who of Kremlin and Soviet Bloc propaganda outlets, some official state news agencies, and some alt media.

@propornot will have a field day with this.

Recommended news and views (no affiliation)

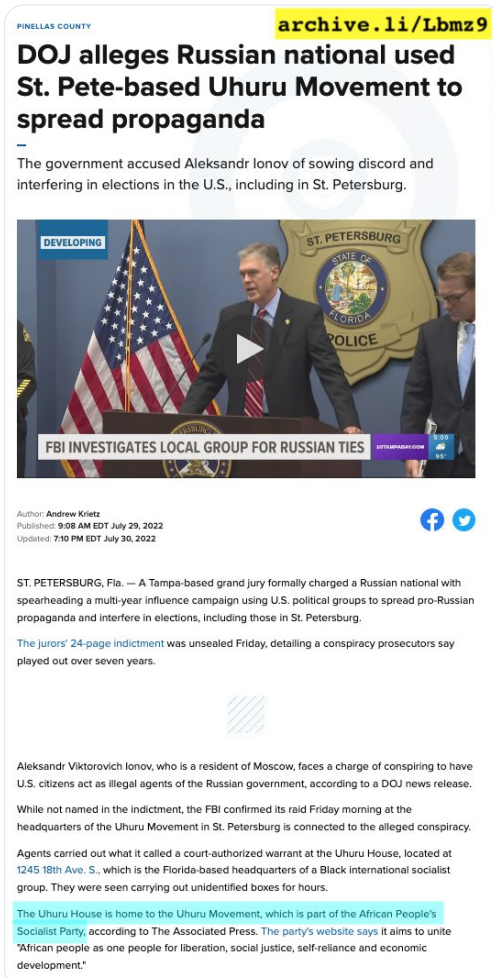
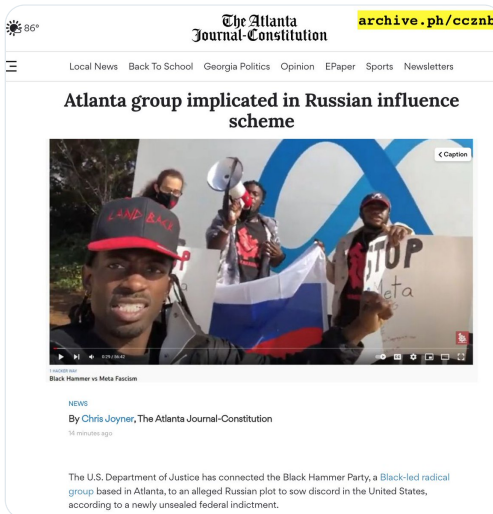
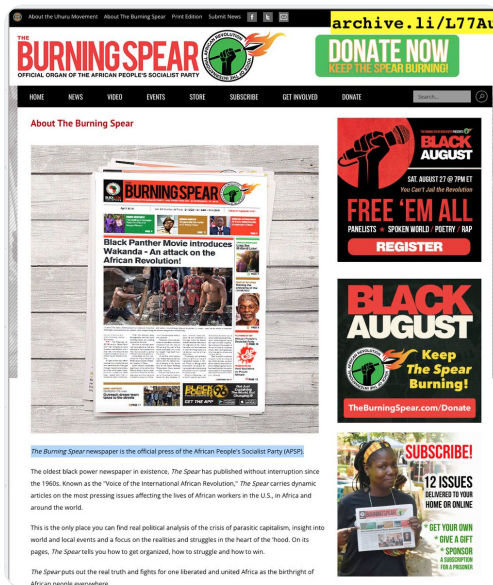
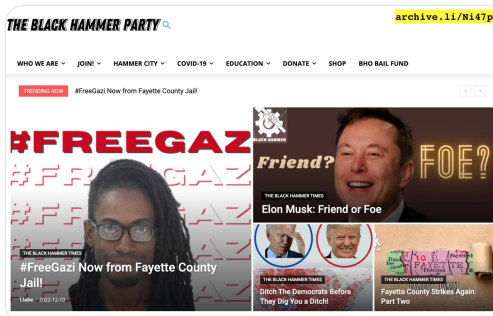


Maupin's reading list includes Matt Taibbi, who "once worked for a former KGB general" in Russia. Presumably Taibbi is referring to his stint at the eXile in Moscow with Mark Ames, which they wrote a book about. Btw, I'm told the book details sexual misconduct by Taibbi and Ames.



Two other sites on Maupin's reading list deserve mention: Black Hammer and The Burning Spear (a publication of the African People's Socialist Party).

Both organizations were busted by @FBI last summer for operating as fronts for the KGB, handled by Aleksandr Viktorovich Ionov.



To close the chapter on Caleb Maupin and his front organizations, here's him praising Lenin on Russia Today.



There's one other sponsor for the Rage Against the War Machine protest which is quite interesting: Action 4 Assange (A4A).

A4A claims to be "decentralized" but appears to be largely under the direction of Andrew Zigmund Smith.



Would you believe that Andrew Zigmund Smith even appeared on [@TuckerCarlson](#) on 9 Apr 2021 to talk about his group Action 4 Assange?



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/yPxWxPX7js8>

Interestingly, the footage that rolled during [@TuckerCarlson](#)'s interview with Zigmund Smith included a photo of a demonstration promoting the Seth Rich disinfo campaign which was amplified by Assange (meant to bury the fact that foreign actors hacked the DNC and Podesta emails).



This [@TuckerCarlson](#) interview in which the Seth Rich disinfo was slyly promoted (9 April 2021) came well after [@FoxNews](#) had already paid a seven-figure settlement to Seth Rich's family for their prior amplification of this disinformation.



Fox paid seven figures to settle lawsuit over bogus Seth Rich conspira...

The settlement between Fox News and Rich's parents, Joel and Mary Rich, was publicly disclosed Tuesday, but with no details about the terms.

<https://www.yahoo.com/video/fox-paid-seven-figures-to-settle-lawsuit-over-bogus-seth-...>

The Action 4 Assange Youtube channel contains clips from a pro-Assange demonstration they held on 8 Oct 2022.

In an ironic twist, both the aforementioned convicted child predator Scott Ritter and self-styled trafficking survivor advocate Eliza Bleu shared speaking slots.

@Action4Assange
4.97K subscribers

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Eleanor Goldfield sings for #HandsOffAssange

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