

Wednesday, March 05, 2003

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<u>Media Schedule for March 5-6</u> Thousands Strike at Yale University Over Good Jobs for New Haven

New Haven, Ct.---After a year of bargaining, 4000 workers at Yale and its teaching hospital went on strike Monday, March 3. Workers are trying to secure fair wages, decent pensions, training and advancement opportunities, job security and a fair process for graduate student employees to unionize. The strike is an unprecedented and coordinated effort by clerical workers, graduate student teachers and researchers, custodians, food service workers, secretaries, technicians, community groups, the religious community and student groups to secure good jobs for New Haven.

Wednesday, March 5

12:00 p.m.

What: Rally at Yale's Phelps Gate, College St. between Chapel and Elm Who: John J. Sweeney, President AFL-CIO, John Olson, President Connecticut AFL-CIO

<u>Thursday, March 6</u>

11:00 a.m.

What: Classrooms in the Streets

Who: Hundreds of Yale undergrads, faculty, and striking graduate teaching assistants **12:00 p.m.**

What: Rally with Dr. Cornel West, Princeton Professor, prominent, controversial, African-American academic, philosopher, and author.

Who: Yale students, striking graduate student employees and other striking workers **1:30 p.m.**

What: GESO Teach-in, Yale in the 21st Century: Competing Visions

Who: Yale graduate student employees and guest faculty from other universities