A billion years to raise the tree frog
A hundred million years of lovers curling against each other in sleep
Half a million years of campfire sparks ascending to the stars
Twenty-one centuries since Spartacus and his fellow slaves brought Rome to its knees
Two centuries since the Luddites demonstrated the proper treatment of workplace technology
One hundred and twenty years since the Chicago government used the Haymarket disturbance to justify the execution of seven innocent men: “Hang these men and you kill Anarchy in this country!”
A century since anarchist Leon Czolgosz proved them wrong by assassinating President William McKinley
Eighty years since Henry Ford tried to buy off workers with the weekend
Fourteen years since the rioters of Los Angeles showed what it takes to get justice in this country
Six and a half years since the WTO protests shattered plate glass in Seattle and complacency across the world

One day to gather in our communities, to celebrate the coming of spring and the potential of resistance
Counting the days to our next chance to make history
Eleven weeks to the international day of action against climate change called to coincide with the G8 meetings in Russia
Eight months to plan unpermitted marches and rowdy street parties for New Year’s Eve
Thirty-three months to prepare a surprise for the next Presidential Inauguration
A decade to establish radical social centers and free schools in every community
Twenty years to explore everything that can be accomplished while wearing a mask
A generation to replace grocery stores with gardens and cough syrup with licorice root
A century for dairy cows and toy poodles to go feral
Five hundred years to melt down cannons into wine goblets, water pipes, and sleigh bells
A millennium for the dandelions growing out of the sidewalk to become redwoods
…and the rest of eternity to enjoy