

# OCCUPIED:DAY 14



George Martin, an Ojibwe elder and veteran, was one of many demonstrators who came rallied in Ann Arbor to support the efforts of SCC protesters who have occupied the tower of the Union for more than 14 days.



The Rev. Al Sharpton's presence in Ann Arbor this weekend helped to boost the morale of SCC members.



After 14 days, stress has set in for some SCC members. Diego Bernal has not left the Union since the beginning of the occupation and will be forced to withdraw from his classes this semester.



As support for the SCC protest has been strengthening, members of the Native American community have donated items for use in a prayer space to give protection to the SCC members.



Tree Town Drum plays honor songs at a rally organized by SCC members. More than 150 people attended the rally on the first floor of the Union.

## PHOTOSTORY BY SAM HOLLENSHEAD

Not since the 1960s and 70s has the University of Michigan experienced the type of student activism that has been felt throughout campus during the past few weeks. First, members of the Students of Color Coalition took over the tower of the Michigan Union, then in the next week, members of Students Organizing for Labor and Economic Equality stormed the office of LSA Dean Shirley Neuman in an anti-sweatshop protest.

While SOLE has had their primary demands met, SCC members continue to occupy the tower in hopes of ridding Michigamua's presence on the seventh floor.

"We ask for nothing from the University administration but true and sincere equity," said SCC member Joe Reilly. "Allow the Michigan Union to live up to its current role as a unifying force for all students: make the Tower a public space."

Discussions between the SCC, Michigamua and the University administration continue in an attempt to resolve the situation. SCC members said they will remain vigilant and stay in the tower until their demands are met, what ever it takes.



SCC member Sabrina Charles sleeps on the fourth floor of the Union outside of the entrance to the tower.

BLACK

YELLOW

MAGENTA

CYAN