



It does not require a majority to prevail, but rather an irate, tireless minority keen to set brush fires in people's minds." –Samuel Adams

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SATP Committee members meet at Village Inn

Committee members of the SATP met to deal with the issues relating to their Tax Day Rally on April 14, 2012. This meeting will be the only scheduled Committee meeting prior to the event on April 14th. It was noted that Cindy Di Corrado, Events Chairman was not present at the meeting. Mrs. Di Corrado has announced that she will not be involved with the event. Her enthusiasm and dedication will be missed. It was apparent that numerous Committee members had been working independently on the issues that needed addressing. It was announced that in excess of 12 speakers have confirmed. The Heikkinens reported that staging, a sound system and tents have been secured for the event. Eddie Fleming revealed that 82 Tea Parties have been invited and that announcement flyers are ready for mass mailings. It was disclosed that the SATP and Town Criers now have a mailer service which will be sending 10,000 emails per month; the members were told that the service can be expanded as necessary. There was great enthusiasm shown for the upcoming Rally.



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Tea Party Members: Are you a Sheep in Wolf's clothing? The GOP hopes so.

Guess Editorial

Alex Snitker, Adrian Wyllie and Andrew Nappi

You have been hearing these words relentlessly during this election cycle and you will continue to hear them through Election Day, and beyond. This is the election that we decide if we stand on Constitutional principles or support the politicians who continually destroy our way of life, our Constitution, our Bill of Rights and our representative republic. Wait, didn't we hear that somewhere before? Wasn't 2010 supposed to be "the most important election of our lifetimes?" The 2010 election was touted as the return of a constitutionally limited federal government. During that campaign, you heard a cacophony from Constitutionally born-again politicians about the return to the founding principles that made our country great. Why this radical change-of-heart from the average American politician? Because you decided you were going to stop being sheep. You bared your teeth, you became the wolf, and you started howling for political blood. The politicians heard you, loud and clear. And, they were frightened...at least for a little while. They started telling you what you demanded to hear. These politicians told you they were going to stand up to President Obama and any of his attempts to violate our Constitution.

And, these politicians said they understood the proper role of government, and would reduce the size of government. And, of course, these politicians said they were going to Washington to challenge the political class. But then, it came time for them to actually sit in the hallowed chambers of Congress and begin making law. We saw that their Constitutional revelation was insincere and short lived. We saw that their definition of freedom meant slightly less enslavement than the other guys. We saw that their definition of capitalism meant slightly less socialism than the other guys. We saw that their definition of spending cuts meant slightly less spending increases than the other guys. Now, two years later, they're back. These crafty politicians think they have appeased the wolves. They think they've reduced your sharp teeth into nubs with their lofty promises and rhetoric. They think they've tamed you with like a circus beast, and that you will now perform on command. They think that the one or two small scraps they've thrown you have turned you back into the obedient sheep they want you to be.

So, have they succeeded? Are you a sheep in wolf's clothing?

If so, it's not your fault. Many people only started paying attention to politics after Obama's election. Not everyone understood then, or even understands now, the depth of corruption in Washington D.C. Many of you are only now beginning to understand that **there is no difference in the leadership of the Republican and Democrat parties**. Party leaders care nothing about the Constitution; nor the proper role of government; nor that **without Liberty, we have nothing**. The RepubliCrat duopoly cares only about influence, power and greed. In their eyes, the Constitution is simply a propaganda tool for their party agenda. Their idea of Liberty is your obedience as they legislate away our freedom, inflate away our savings, and negotiate away our sovereignty. And now, they are focused on turning the once powerful and independent patriot movement into an unthinking herd of GOP sheep. Sadly, many leaders of grassroots liberty organizations continue to be infiltrated by Republican party operatives posing as patriots. These infiltrators continue to distract and redirect our efforts to restore liberty into efforts to advance the GOP agenda, assuring us that they are always one in the same. These people have purposefully, and in some cases, quite masterfully led many a concerned patriot astray. Do you really want to believe and depend on the direction of these people again? It would be nice to believe these people are motivated by freedom and prosperity for all. But, the truth is that they actually want to corral you into the establishment herd. The irony is that they are misdirecting you back to the very same establishment they claim to oppose. They told you to vote principle before party, but then ensured only one party — and only certain members of that party — would be heard. Your leaders told you to ignore those Libertarians, Constitutionlists, and independents. They told you they are fringe. They told you they are extremists. They played then, and play now, upon your fears. They whispered like a serpent in your ear, "Don't listen to that person, they just want to split the vote." They hissed, "These people will do anything to keep the Republicans out of office." This did not happen without warning. There have been, and continue to be, those warning that the enemy is within our gates. The only question is: Who among us will choose to hear it? Now we see that those who warned of that our ranks had been infiltrated and compromised were correct. The actions of the very men and women that we elected to Congress have proven it.

April 7, 2012

Easter Weekend for the Town Criers

Photos by TCC Staff

The streets were filled with numerous 'snow birds' from all over the Country this weekend. Folks from, New York to California, from South Florida to Michigan, and the message is the same. The folks just do not have any interest in the GOP Primaries. One of the fellows pictured below, we will leave him anonymous, said, "I'd vote for an 'old yeller dog' before I vote for Obama". However, during the entire afternoon, not once was the name of one GOP Presidential Candidate mentioned. So, it looks like the public will hold their noses as they vote for yet another establishment Republican candidate. God help the 'Grand Old Party' when that candidate goes along with the GOP Washington crowd that's there now.



Check out our youngest Town Crier member, pictured at the upper right. It could be argued that it's a pirate hat, but Mom claims that the boy really dislikes Obama. Based on that disclosure we claim him as a Crier. To the parents of the children pictured on the left, do not allow your children within a thousand



feet of a 'Government School'. To the California school teacher shown on the right, are we correct in our assessment of the danger of a progressive government education? Shown left, is a picture of a Tea Party person from great State of Ohio.

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Will the good people of this country stand up and fight for the liberty that has been secured by the sacrifices of our forefathers? Or will they just roll over for the community organizer's executive orders and let the Congress trash the Constitution?



THERE IS NO LEFT OR RIGHT.
THERE IS ONLY TYRANNY AND FREEDOM.

April 10, 2012



Photo by TCC Staff

SATP General Meeting is all about the Rally

The general membership of the SATP met at the Village Inn on second Tuesday of the month. This meeting was, however, all about the upcoming Rally scheduled for April 14, 2012. It was announced that the speakers schedule was complete. Eighteen speakers had been invited and all have confirmed their appearance at the Rally which will be held at the

Castillo de San Marcos. In special attendance were Diane and Carl Doane from Fair Tax Organization and Deborah Ringhaver Lane President of the Abigail Adams Project. Both groups will be making a presentation at the Rally. In addition, staging, sound systems, tents and portable toilets were discussed. It was apparent that the Rally organization was proceeding according to schedule. The Rally start time of 11AM and the closing time of 4PM were confirmed.

April 11, 2012

SATP has sign party

Rod and Yvonne Heikkinen hosted a sign party at their home. The purpose of the event was to prepare fresh signage for TCC outings and for the upcoming Rally. It was apparent that all had a good and productive time.



Photo by TCC Staff

April 12, 2012



SATP Returns to WFOY This time for Air Time with Tim Constantine

The early readers of this publication will recall that SATP members protested the "We the People" show hosted by Eric West. The demonstrations took place during the life of the show at the WFOY location (for details see Vol. 1 no. 1 of the Town Crier Committee Report).

Today, SATP Chairman David Heimbold, and Lance Thate, Chairman of the Town Criers Committee, returned for an interview on the Tim Constantine Show. It was an opportunity for the officers of the SATP to promote the April 14 Tax Rally. Tim Constantine is scheduled as a speaker at the Saturday Tax Rally. A special thanks to Marty Miller for arranging this opportunity.



Photos by TCC Staff

April 12, 2012

Rally Promotion on US 1

SATP Members assembled at St Augustine's busy intersection of US 1 and Hwy 312 during the five O'clock rush hour to promote their up coming Rally.



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April 12, 2012



REC holds their monthly meeting.

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Chairman Harlan Mason introduced the candidates for the St Johns County Commissioners Seats. All the candidates claimed to be conservatives. We do not doubt their claim, but still one wonders where all the GOP progressives come from. An interesting question and answer session followed. Marty Miller announced the Saint Augustine Tea Party was hosting a Tea Party Rally on Saturday and that all REC members were invited.

A really interesting question was put to the six candidates about loyalty. There were six different answers. It seems to me that loyalty should have been first to the Constitution. However, no one took that position, even though they would have to swear to preserve protect and defend the Constitution if elected. The Constitution grants broad powers to local government and to the people. The mind set shown by the candidates is the same as we see in Washington. If local officials fail to demand constitutional governance, who will? Clearly the answer is the People. Lance Thate, Editor

April 13, 2012

Back to the promoting the Rally

SATP members were back to US 1 and hwy 312 today to promote their upcoming Rally.



Inflation is taxation without legislation

[Milton Friedman](#)

April 14, 2012

SATP's Tax Rally Day



Great Speakers, Great Support Organizations Well planned and executed event but no people

In spite of excellent weather, the public did not attend the Tea Party's third birthday party. Tea Parties had their official birth on Tax Day 2009. On April 15, 2009 over 1000 people attended a rally on this very site. In 2009, Easter was on the 12th and as a result the "Easter Snowbirds" were still here on tax day. This year Easter was early and the "Snowbirds" were gone. The organizers also were planning on the participation of the Tea Party network. They expressed concern that the GOP dominated network failed to support the newly liberated SATP's effort. It was noted that the REC controlled St Johns County Tea Party, though invited, did not involve itself. Eddie Fleming said he was concerned with lack of interest by the general public in recent Tea Party events and rallies nationwide. The Tea Parties gave the GOP a great victory in 2010, now Republican pundits are saying that the GOP does not have to concern itself with Tea Party issues or candidates as the Tea Party people have no other place to go. It was suggested that this may account for the general public's current lack of enthusiasm. Those who did attend the Rally were impressed by the quality of the program.



Photos above TCC Staff April 14, 2012



Photo by Putnam Co Tea Party

The organizers expressed appreciation for the Tea Parties who made the effort to participate. Most notably, Stan Owens and the Putnam County Tea Party members, Steve Hunter and Ocala's Tea Party Solutions, and Bob Root and the Taylor County Tea Party.



Photo by Putnam Co Tea Party

April 15, 2012

First Coast Tea Party

Honoring the Military rally on tax day

Despite live music, good speakers, a great location the rally was poorly attended. The planning and organization appears to be comparable to prior years. Though this is an election year of equal or perhaps greater importance than 2010, attendance does not compare to the 2010 turnout. Consider the photos below.



Photos by TCC Staff April 15, 2012



Photos by Lance Thate April 15, 2010

Apathy

The Tea Parties sent a million people to Washington DC and we were ignored!

The Tea Parties gave a great victory to the Republicans and we were betrayed!

The two political parties are now giving us a choice between a Communist and a Progressive!

Republican controlled Tea Parties are standing down!

The people have every reason to be apathetic; we have failed to beat the establishment.

We must fight anew; failure is not an option.

We will stand up for America this is no time for Apathy!!!!

April 19, 2012

April 19, 1775 Celebrated at Molasses Junction Tea Party Meeting



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The outbreak of the Revolutionary War was remembered on April 19, 2012 at the Molasses Junction Tea Party meeting. Pictured left are Janet and Bruce Smith and far left, Rick Haven. Their presentation recalls the events of the day from the perspective of three persons of the 1775 period. These patriots also appeared at the SATP Rally this past Saturday. Janet Smith made an inspiring appeal to those present to get involved with the repeal of sections 1021 and 1022 of the NDAA bill of 2012. The membership seemed to be moved.

The Historic City News reported that the Molasses Junction Tea Party (MJTP) was being re-energized according to their new organizer, Judy Mabry. It was noted that a high percentage of those present were members of the, REC controlled, St Johns County Tea Party.



Also in attendance were

Allan Kelso, Brain Iannucci, both running as Republicans for county commissioner seats and Kim Kendall a Republican candidate for the 17th district seat of the Florida House.

Our readers will remember that these same candidates were ever present at SATP meetings when the SATP was controlled by the REC's State Committeeman, Randy Covington. We hope that the Molasses Junction Group will be able to maintain its independence.

The Tea Party members were clearly concerned with the major problems that the historic speakers (pictured above) had addressed, but the candidates seemed more interested in discussing lesser issues such as they do on the network news outlets. Kim Kendall pleased the Tea Party members when she signed a pledge to repeal sections 1021 and 1022 of the NDAA. The candidates presented themselves as a Republican team that would help improve conditions in St Johns County. But, when asked about job creation, no clear plan appeared. They suggested that the need for a change in mind set was in order.

Tea Party people expressed a need for real people and real choices.

Discussions about beach access while our liberties are under massive attack at all levels of government did not satisfy many Tea Party members present.

A lot of members are losing faith in the Republican Party as their candidate's campaign as conservatives and govern as progressives.



New Mindset?

Kim Kendall talked about remembering, as a little girl, her Naval father's concern about the Bay of Pigs invasion as she tried to court the military interests. The only problem is that it is hard to remember things that occurred before you were born. According to Kim Kendall's bio she was born in 1967. This is not a new mind set. It's the mindset of a Hillary Clinton and the Bosnia sniper fire in 1996

If ye love wealth better than liberty, the tranquility of servitude than the animated contest of freedom, go from us in peace. We ask not your counsels or arms. Crouch down and lick the hands which feed you. May your chains sit lightly upon you, and may posterity forget that you were our countrymen!
Samuel Adams 1776



**The Government lies.
The Media promotes the lie.
And, most Americans buy the lie.
Don't you be one of them!
Join us and help save liberty!
The Town Crier Committee**

April 21, 2012

SATP Visits Oath Keeper meeting in Jax

Lance Thate, the Chairman of the Town Crier Committee (TCC), attended the regular monthly meeting of Oath Keepers in Jacksonville, Florida. Mr. Thate speaking on behalf of the SATP expressed a special thanks to the members of Oath Keepers for their support of the SATP Rally last Saturday. In addition, Mr. Thate revealed a proposed program for the TCC which is similar to the Oath Keepers mission. The Oath keeper's mission is to advise military and law enforcement personnel of their duties to the US Constitution. The action wing of the SATP is the Town Crier Committee. The TCC will be advising and reminding the elected officials and candidates for elective office of their duties and responsibilities to the Constitution. When asked if such behavior might upset some people, Mr. Thate replied, "It might upset some, but America is worth it." Mr. Thate is also a member of Oath Keepers.

April 21, 2012

The Town Criers not scheduled for duty today

The Chairman of the Town Crier Committee did not schedule activities for today. The overriding reason was to give over worked volunteers from the Rally activities a deserved rest. The second reason, which did not materialize, was that there was an 80 to 90 % chance of rain forecasted. The third reason was that the "Snow birds" have gone home, leaving St George Street with far fewer people. The above picture was taken about 2:30 PM at the entrance of St. George Street in downtown St Augustine, Florida.



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Editorial

Is the Tea Party Dead?

The main stream media, the pollsters, and the two major political parties are all quick to declare the Tea Party Movement dead. Establishment forces on both sides of the issues facing our Republic find comfort in minimizing the Tea Party faction.

At the inception of the Republican primaries, the Washington Times and the Zogby organization partnered to follow the Republican candidates. An early finding was that those who were sympathetic to the Tea Party were found to be far more pragmatic than expected. The poll found that 58 percent of the Tea Parties were ready to back anyone who could defeat Mr. Obama. According to the Zogby poll, those not sympatric to the Tea Party were more likely to be ideologically driven, with only about 40 percent saying "beating the president was more important than picking someone who shared all their views." We do not challenge the Zogby finding, but we feel that pollsters have failed to discern major structural issues within the Tea Party Movement. Those who see the Tea Party as just anti-Obama people lacking constitutional principles should consider what follows.

We all know that the "grass-roots" Tea Party movement had its start with the tax rallies in 2009 and the rallies up to and through the 2010 elections. The Tea Party had a great influence on electing Republicans. The Tea Parties have the ability to attract large numbers of people to their events, where the GOP does not. Seeing the value of the Tea Parties' usefulness, we believe that local Republican Executive Committees (RECs) started infiltrating the newly forming Tea Party leadership teams all over the country. Just how wide this spread is, is hard to estimate. As part of the Tea Party activists in NE Florida, we can report that power struggles between the Republican REC control and the original grassroots leadership is taking place here. The ideals of small government, constitutional governance and free enterprise are still rallying calls for the Tea Party among their membership. However, this is clearly not the agenda of the Republicans. Their REC's are only concerned with electing people with an "R" behind their name no matter what they stand for. When networks were set up to coordinate Tea Party leadership groups within Florida, the REC operatives again sought control. Not all Tea Party groups are controlled by the REC and many groups are now seeking liberation from the REC control.

An example, of one such Tea Party who has obtained its freedom, is the Saint Augustine Tea Party (SATP) in St. Augustine, Florida. At its inception, this local Tea party was infiltrated by REC members, with control in the hands of the local REC's State Committeeman.

When the members came to realize that they were being used by Republicans, they started asserting themselves. After the REC members lost control, they went on a campaign to destroy the SATP; they seized their assets and their mailing lists.

The Rec operatives tried to prevent them from using their name. They tried to cancel their meetings. They used strong arm tactics at their meeting place. When all that failed, they formed a new shell corporation controlled by the same REC members to give the Republicans a Tea Party image.

The 'polls' are distorted because of the infighting within the Tea Party leadership cells. It is the GOP voters that will vote for anyone who will beat Obama, not the Tea Partiers. The Tea Party movement is about Constitutional governance, Constitutional governance and Constitutional governance. It is all about the Founding Principles that gave birth to a Country based on Individual Liberty. If you see a Tea Party group coming out in a big and united way for one of the 'big government' Republican presidential hopeful, you have a big red flag. Tea Party groups free from REC control reject Mitt. However, support for Ron Paul is growing. Having been bullied by the GOP, the *real* Tea Partiers understand that their voice is not going to be heard by The Grand 'ol Party.

The numbers that make up the individual *free* Tea Parties is small in numbers (a thousand groups or so) but huge in influence.

To all Libertarians, let the word go out; "Help liberate your local Tea Party. Your Constitutional friends reside there."

The Tea Party is not dead. Not by a long shot. Just one stroll down St. George Street with the Town Criers, of the Saint Augustine Tea Party, will attract hundreds of adoring fans and thousands of pictures with families, couples, and curious tourists who want to be photographed behind the Tea Party sign...they see the Tea Party Movement as the Hope of the Nation. These photos are immediately put on the social network.

The question is: Will the Tea Party become the 'new' Party after the 2012 election? We think so.

If it is not, and no other Constitutional identity steps up to capture the "We the People" movement, then we will all live in the darkness of the "Total State" worse than Orwell's 1984.

By Lance Thate, Editor

April 28, 2012

H.M.S. Bounty in port this weekend attracts numerous visitors...

Town Criers well received by the crowd.



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Residents and visitors had the opportunity to tour the H.M.S. Bounty during this special St. Augustine 450th Commemoration event. The Bounty and the Rhythm & Ribs Festival at St Francis Field attracted large numbers to Historic downtown Saint Augustine on Saturday. The crowd showed great interest in the Town Crier members. The Town Crier Committee is the action wing of the Saint Augustine Tea Party. After a poor attendance by the public of the SATP's 'Rally at the Fort', some the Town Criers were concerned about the public's apathy and lack of support. But, as the day unfolded, the Town Criers reported that their acceptance



was one of the greatest ever. Each encounter with the public is unique. Sometimes the Criers educate, other times they listen. This week was definitely a time for listening as shown in the pictures to the left. According, to the Criers the public is centered on one idea and



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that is to remove Obama. This should be good news for the Republicans. That is, until you hear the public's comments on the Republican's front runner. There is no support for Mitt Romney. The general public is saying, "Mickey Mouse could beat Obama. Since Mickey isn't available, Mitt will

have to do." As though a progressive presidential candidate isn't bad enough, John Boehner has now spent more money than Polsi.... **What is the GOP thinking? It isn't. It's pretending this is a normal election and that they are the alternate ruling class.**

Public opinion: "Mickey Mouse could beat Obama. Since Mickey isn't available, Mitt will have to do."

The Town Criers enjoyed an overwhelming acceptance this Saturday. While there were pirates and re-enactors on the streets, it was the Tea Party signs and the Gadsden Flags that attracted the

The liberals are asking us to give Obama time. We agree...and think 25 to life would be appropriate.
--Jay Leno

public's attention and cameras. Note the parents trust their children being used as a part of our Tea Party movement as seen on the right. It would be interesting to see if they would join in with the Occupier's 99ers pictured below. The Town Criers think not.



According to a recent Occupy St Augustine Facebook posting, the



group meets on Saturday at 1 PM in the Plaza. It must be a small group as the Criers have not encountered anyone from their group since January 28th. A spokesman for the TCC did disclose, however, that a "mystery girl" has been shadowing the Town Criers and photographing the members from afar. Perhaps, this is the Occupy St Augustine movement. The Criers reported, however, that they do not take Occupiers lightly. It was reported the Occupier movement was taking training in Hawthorne, Florida. The Occupy movement nationwide plans more aggressive activities starting May 1st.



The Culpeper Minute Man Flag is now flying on St George Street.



The Culpeper Flag is similar the Gadsden Flag the Criers display. The major difference is the addition of Patrick Henry's "Liberty or Death". This flag represented a group of about one hundred minutemen from Culpeper, Virginia in 1775. Their unusual dress alarmed the people as they marched through the country. The words "Liberty Or Death" were in large white letters on the breast of their hunting shirts. **America is waking up!**

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Rallies are for politicians..... The Movement is in the streets!





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The SATP learned a lesson this month. Rallies were designed to impress those in power. Since the elite ignored them, the people are for the time being avoiding public events. That being said, the people want the Tea Party to be standing when the two existing parties fail to solve the Nation's problems. **GOP have you heard about the Whigs?**



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Come join us! We are a small Committee with many tasks to do to preserve Liberty. We are blessed to see the awakening of America.

Lance Thate

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