



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

Town Crier Committee Report

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Today, this publication starts its second volume. When we mailed our first issue it went to about 80 persons. It was 8 pages and covered a three month period. We never expected to produce a second volume. At the time, the Saint Augustine Tea Party was under attack. The sole reason for creation of that first issue was to demonstrate that the grassroots Tea Party was still alive in St. Augustine and to show its members and the opposing Republican forces that we were still active and functioning. The Tea Party mailing list of about 1800 names was retained by Randy Covington, a Republican Operative. We believe that list was used to promote his Republican candidates and his own political ambitions.



The St Augustine Record

Today, the twelfth issue was mailed. It consisted of 18 pages of our activities and covered just one month. Our new mailing list was constructed from scratch. We estimate that last month's issue was placed in the hands of 24,706 individuals based on our direct mailing, known forwards from other groups to their membership lists and, also, based on the number of web-site hits. The Editor

October 3, 2012



Leftist Media Stunned by Obama's Poor Debate Performance

Well guys, it's the difference between a Business Man and a Community Organizer. Obama minus a teleprompter is an



are you getting it now?

October 6, 2012

The St. Augustine Record's Douglas Jordan Accompanies the Town Criers.....

The Editor of the St. Augustine Record, Peter Ellis, assigned Douglas Jordan to accompany the Town Crier's activities today. Mr. Jordan has covered SATP events in the past most recently the Tea Party Express Rally last month.

Today there were two first time Criers present. Bobbie Jordan and Evelyn Roberts joined today's Town Criers and are pictured on the right. Seven Town Crier members took to the streets today in spite of several bouts with rain. Between the showers the Town Criers greeted enthusiastic visitors to St. Augustine.



Photos by TCC Staff

"Mitt, America Gets It Why don't you?"



October 7, 2012

We Will Talk or We Will Fight.....

Parliamentary Procedure is the Cornerstone of Liberty

Guest Editorial by Louis William Rose

Recently, both the Democrats and the Republicans have violated their own rules in convention. The Republicans prevented the nomination of Ron Paul for president by changing the number of states necessary to do so from five to eight in mid-convention. The Democrats ignored the necessity of a two thirds majority in order to reinsert the word "God" and the recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel into their platform. Why should we care?



Louis William Rose Photo

The word "parliamentary" comes from the Old French, eleventh century "*parlement*" translated as "talking" and the suffix "ary", again from the French "of or belonging to." The word parliamentary means a way of talking. Even so, we rarely consider the question, "as opposed to what?" Well, the answer is, "fighting" of course. We will talk or we will fight.

The day to day legislative process of our constitutional republic depends upon parliamentary procedure. When Patrick Henry made his famous "Liberty or Death!" statement, he was speaking in favor a motion to form a militia in Virginia, in anticipation of having to defend his state from the same type of oppression his countrymen were experiencing in Massachusetts, at the hands of the British. It is interesting to note that when the motion eventually passed, a few individuals who had voted against it were placed on the committee to organize the militia. The Virginia burghers understood that for an organization to be successful everyone had to support its decisions once they were made.

Even as we acknowledge that there are some subjects that may only be discussed at the point of the sword, we take comfort in the fact that most questions, no matter how emotionally charged or politically divisive can be settled to everyone's satisfaction, a least for a time, by the proper use of parliamentary procedure. However, I say to you that this practice has been largely abandoned across the entire spectrum of American political life. I think it is precisely because of this that we are seeing the terrific anger and ill will toward those of differing opinions in our nation.

Take for example the typical town hall meeting or "listening tour" as they are called by the politicians who arrange them. To my mind, mass meetings of this kind would be properly tasked with passing resolutions so that the representative might be instructed in what course to follow. Such resolutions are newsworthy and would hold the politicians accountable for their actions, for example, "Citizens meeting with Councilwoman Jones at the library last night, passed a resolution stating that she should support the measure to build a new hospital."

But we don't do this sort of thing anymore. Instead each person speaks for a few minutes, gives their opinion and sits down, while the representative looks on intently and nods appreciatively. Then, because no decision has been taken and nothing has been recorded, she may go her own way and do precisely what she wishes. It is the same in the social clubs where rarely is heard an opinion beyond that which is voiced by the "leadership." It is the same, I believe, in the majority of political executive committees of all stripes at the county and state levels. Instead of debating resolutions on political ideology, or discussing questions of whether or not to endorse this candidate or that action taken, they have become public relations committees; cheerleading squads for dictatorial central planners chosen by money and station. These oligarchs issue their policy decrees and coronate the candidates that are to be supported. Understand that

in Florida, as in many other states it is the law that proper parliamentary procedure be followed in these meetings, and yet often only the appearance of it remains. When concerned citizens stand and insist upon

their rights, they must often adopt the most belligerent attitudes to gain a point of order. Lawsuits and occasionally violence has ensued. Certainly acts of violence occur not too infrequently in legislatures all over the globe when the basic rights of the minority are disenfranchised. Our own state legislatures and the Congress itself pervert their own procedures until the "leadership" has gotten such a stranglehold upon them that it is nearly impossible for the will of the members (and the citizens they represent) to be freely expressed. It is precisely this type of disenfranchisement of the minority that leads to frustration and smoldering feelings of ill will.

It is important to realize that the widest possible participation is essential to finding the answers to the problems before us. If we can agree that humans have feet of clay, that no one individual has all the answers, it follows that government from the top down is doomed to fail. Whether ruled by a monarchy, or a super-committee, or an elite group of the rich and powerful, the capacity for fatal error is always present. Greed, hubris, and personal ego are always in play perverting political outcomes, even those that are born of the best intentions. By allowing multiple decisions to be made at the lowest levels, and by seeking intelligent input from the greatest number of people we give ourselves a better chance of achieving the goal of being right at least fifty-one percent of the time. Mistakes made in the individual counties and states do not have to be duplicated across the nation, and are easily changed in the next legislative session. Successes may be duplicated from state to state, with necessary changes made for differing environments.

Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas said, "Procedure is more than formality. Procedure is, indeed, the great mainstay of substantive rights." Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter concurred saying, "The history of liberty has largely been the history of the observance of procedural safeguards." As such, parliamentarians consider ourselves the guardians of liberty, tasked to teach parliamentary procedure. We desire to teach it not only as an excellent system of deliberative decision making and conflict resolution, but as the right of every individual to be unafraid to have their voice heard, and at the end of the day to have had it stand for something. We desire to teach children this "way of talking", and our youth the ideal of polite discourse and debate. We wish to demonstrate in our social circles and in the political arena that true representation means that ideas flow from the members *upward* to the leadership, and that the first duty of the individual is to speak if they have something to say. It has never been enough just to go to polls to vote. Participation in the available deliberative assemblies, executive committees, public meetings and boards open to citizens is a duty as necessary and perhaps as onerous as taking out the trash, but it must be done or our government will be surrendered to the greedy, the criminal, and the power hungry. Accordingly, the first duty of representatives is to listen to the orderly voice of their constituents and consider the people's will before their own. The inspired leader seeks to embolden the citizens he or she represents to become leaders in their own right by encouraging and listening to their ideas, and putting them into play. This is the beauty of parliamentary procedure, where every member is valued, where every voice is heard, and from out of that mutual esteem and solemnity the desire to work to support the will of the majority is created. This is the cornerstone of liberty, for without civility and mutual respect for the individual, without the consideration of the rights of the minority as well as the majority, all that remains for us is to go to war.

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Louis William Rose

Symbols Count!



Here we have not only the Feds controlling the States, but Obama himself. Looking at the logo the 'O' for Obama also resembles a padlock. A lock on Liberty if you will. Obama it will not be 'Forward', it will be the cry of old,
"Give me Liberty or Give me Death"



It is still about Liberty or Tyranny!

October 9, 2012

American Majority Presents its Activist Training Program to SATP.....



American Majority addressed the SATP at its regular meeting at the Village Inn on October 9, 2012. Dena Espenscheid had been the scheduled speaker, but

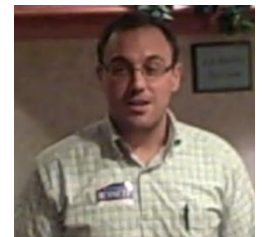
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American Majority made a substitution at the last moment. Representing the organization was its State Director, Lonny Leitner. Mr. Leitner, above left, laid out American Majority's program to help new leaders be successful by providing the tools and resources they will need in order to run a victorious political



campaign. Bill McClure, pictured upper right is the unopposed candidate for County Commissioner District 3. He welcomed the support of the SATP when he takes office. Josh Cockrell, shown below, is campaign manager for Rachael Bennett candidate for County Commissioner District 5. He stated that Rachael Bennett shares the values of the SATP. Bruce Maquire, see photo left, candidate for St. Augustine City Commission - Seat 1, was also in attendance. The SATP has an interest in the City Commissioners

relationship to the North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (NFTPO). Members of the Tea Party believe that the NFTPO has Agenda 21 connections. Mr. Maquire has expressed concerns, in the past, with UN intrusions in local affairs.



October 10, 2012



Molasses Junction Tea Party Hosts a County Commissioner Candidates Debate

Photo by TCC Staff

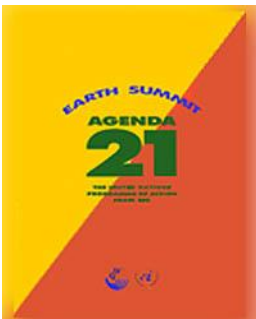
The Molasses Junction Tea Party (MJTP) hosted a County Commissioner Candidate Debate on October 10, 2012. Rachael Bennett, Randy Brunson, Merrill Roland and Cyndi Stevenson were scheduled to attend. Commissioner Cyndi Stevenson failed to make an appearance. The audience consisted of disproportional numbers of Republican Executive Committee (REC) members. The actual members of the MJTP, without REC connections, were less than half of those present. Noteworthy, REC members present were Commissioner Ron Sanchez, State Committee Woman Becky Reichenberg, REC Treasurer Bob Veit and two Mosquito Control Candidates, Gary Howell and Bob Smith. Charles Metcalf, MJTP Chairman, acted as the moderator. The MJTP conducted the debate to the satisfaction of all in attendance.

The overall response from all three Candidates in attendance was that, taken as a whole, the County is in good shape or is moving in the right direction. There were supportive words for the existing Commissioners, the Sheriff's Department and for those in the school system. When the moderator asked, "Why are you seeking office?" the three candidates responded with answers which revolved around a desire to serve their community as part of the team.

The moderator posed a question about Agenda 21. All the Candidates were opposed. In another question about grants, the Candidates expressed the point that taking grant money is wrong. But, in one way or another, they justified taking grant money because the proposed projects would not get done without it. Their response was, "after all, it was paid in and we should get our share back".



After the moderator finished with his questions, Mr. Metcalf opened the questions to the floor. All but one question was from MJTP members who were not Republican activists. One man asked why those doing the paying must give salaries and benefits higher and greater than those which people are receiving in the private sector. He asked, "Where in the private sector can one work 8 years and then retire on a full pension?" The three Candidate's reaction was that they did not know about this. They insisted that their focus was on what they can give, not on what they would receive. Another man stood up and said, "I don't think any of you have the 'cojones' to do what's necessary." In a follow up question by this reporter, I gave them a chance to expand the comments on Agenda 21 and the connection between the UN's Agenda and Federal Grants. The responses were unchanged and varied little.



In the closing remarks, Rachael Bennett, speaking to her fellow Candidates, and the audience said, "I thought we would receive tougher questions." The reaction to that comment from the 'grassroots' Tea Party people, seated around me, was that a lack of

tough and informative answers creates a lack of interest. Dave Heimbold, Chairman of the Saint Augustine Tea Party, who was in attendance commented, "The frustration of the grassroots Tea Party members was visible. The comments by the Candidates were directed to the REC Establishment and not the Tea Party...as in, 'Elect me. I'm not going to rock the boat'. Apparently, they have little understanding that Agenda 21 is 'globalism', directly from the UN, introduced by 'study groups', and forced down our throats by local career politicians. Also, that grant money is the drug of choice, for 'central planners'. The status quo seems to be alive and well in St. Johns Country".

October 13, 2012

Everyone Knows it.....The Town Criers Say it!



The St. Augustine Record back to cover the Town Criers Activities



Photos by TCC Staff

The young boy pictured here is Kagen Lee Davis. This is Kagen's second appearance; he is our youngest Town Crier Committee member. Children like Kagen are Obama's victims. Will they be serfs on the land their forefathers died for?



America what are you going to do?
Will you stand up for this boy's Liberty?

Media Spin...

We all know that the print media news divisions would be better described as organs of propaganda. Many understand that this occurs from the great newspapers, such as the New York Times, down to the smaller local papers and all points in between. The progressive movement is in complete control of the print media. The easiest way for the progressives to manipulate the news is simply fail to report issues they do not wish to deal with. If public pressure forces them to report it, they report it with a few misstatements of facts that encourage the reader to reach the conclusion desired. A third way to distort facts is to bring into disrepute the individuals associated with the article, in order to cast doubt on the veracity of the news. The Saint Augustine Tea Party has experienced all three methods at the hands of The St. Augustine Record staff. When you are part of the story you know



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the truth of that story. Then, when you see a distortion of the event in print, it becomes really clear that the press failed to perform its 'Fourth Estate' function of neutrality and objectivity. An example of this behavior can reviewed in an article titled It's About Truth Peter which appeared in this publication Volume 1 Issue 11. See archives in Town Crier tab, www.saintaugustineteparty.org. The most recent occurrence is the story regarding the Town Crier coverage on St. George Street. Our past three outings have had the Press and their photographers present. The interest of The Guardian in the Town Crier activities, three weeks ago, resulted in an article in this publication which can be viewed on the web site above. Volume 1, issue 12 was sent to our mailing list on October 2, 2012. Members of the Town Crier Committee received verification of mailing at 12:08 AM. The e-mail promoted The Guardian's coverage verses the failure of The Record to cover this story. That e-mail was directed to Peter Ellis, who is the editor of The St. Augustine Record. After 15 months of ignoring the Town Criers weekly activity, we believe that, this prompted Mr. Ellis's request for an opportunity to cover the Criers. We received his request October 2nd, at 1:28 PM. He assigned Doug Jordan as the reporter. Doug Jordan is a freelance writer who writes for The Record from time to time. Mr. Jordan was the reporter who wrote the article about our recent Tea Party Express event. We feel that we got fair treatment in his article. As a result, the Town Criers agreed to have Mr. Jordan cover our activities. October 6th Doug Jordan witnessed the broad acceptance of our presence with the 'Big Red Sign' which states, "Obama is a Communist". Mr. Jordan took numerous photos of the exchanges between the public and the Criers. Two, three, four couples and more, at any one time, lined up to photograph the sign and then requested to hold the sign, allowing Town Crier Committee (TCC) staff to take pictures of them. The written text is accurate, as far as it goes, but the real story is in the photos. According to Doug Jordan, he had no input in the selection of the pictures. The photos used in the slideshow and on the front page were taken by Daron Dean. A review of Daron Dean's website suggests that no one on the TCC staff has the experience, education, equipment or skill that Daron has. Yet, his pictures do not tell the story. "Why not?" ask the Town Criers. The TCC staff has been telling the story with photos for over a year. In conversation with Mr. Dean, the question was asked, "Who made the picture selection?" His response was, "The editor." Mr. Dean confirmed that Peter Ellis made the final selection of uncomplimentary photographs of the Town Criers.



Record's Editor Spins the News

For the past fifteen months, TCC staff has been recording the activities of the Town Criers using photos. While our experience is in a growing mode, we have reached a stage of being able to accurately reflect a day's activity. We believe that Daron Dean's skill level exceeds our level and certainly is capable of telling the story. His pictures didn't. Let's talk thumbs. Both days, there were hundreds of thumbs up, with only a few thumbs down. The picture on the front page article in the Record is a thumbs down photo. No thumbs up photos are shown. In one picture, 90% of the story is distorted. In the slide show, there is a picture of a Town Crier trying to untangle a thread from his flag which looped around a button on his vest. Then there's a picture of two Criers talking to each other, on a near empty street though, both days, the streets were filled and the crowds of people continuously engaged the Criers. Plus, there's the shot that makes one Crier look like he is 'Goose-stepping'. Compare your photo selection, Mr. Ellis, with ours. One set is the truth of the situation, as witnessed by 100s of thousands of people since we started, and the other set is just your leftist spin which people are rejecting in ever greater numbers. One thing is sure, the progressive spin will be publicly exposed. Publications like this one will continue to turn the spot light on the media propaganda. The 'Fourth Estate' is emerging again.



Photo by Clikier.com



So, it's Mission Accomplished... Mr. Ellis!

To summarize, Peter Ellis contacts the Town Criers with the request to cover their activities. He assured a thorough and respectful reporter, in the person of Doug Jordan. The Criers believe Mr. Jordan was, perhaps, a bit overwhelmed by their acceptance from the public on October 6th. He took numerous photographs. Then Doug Jordan advised the Criers that he needed to return the following week. This time, he returned with two St. Augustine Record photographers. Peter Ellis selects nine pictures, submitted by Record photographers, which distort the story and marginalize the Town Criers. That's what the Record does...champions the Left and ridicules the Right. [Editor's Note: Town Crier slideshow, 7 pictures. Biden slideshow, 205 pictures. The majority of the Biden pictures are many, many repeats of the same subject with little, if any, variations. The whole Biden story could have been told with about ten to fifteen pictures.] The Town Crier events should have been told with about forty photos in its slideshow.

Now some might say that the Criers ate 'sour grapes', but the Criers really never expected a tolerant exposure. Their main goal was to get the 'Big Red Sign' on the front page of the local progressive publication, The St. Augustine Record. To that end, Mr. Ellis, we say, "Mission Accomplished".

Lance Thate,
Chairman TCC

October 20, 2012

The Town Criers Welcome Joe Biden to the City



Photos by TCC Staff



The Town Criers welcomed Joe Biden with the 'Big Red Sign; the sign, which states that Obama is a Communist, made its debut on US 1. The high volume of traffic on US 1 provided an opportunity to expose the sign to 1000s of cars per hour. About 50% of those passing by responded. The people agreeing with the Town Criers responded with a thumbs up. Those who did not, showed their disapproval with their middle fingers according to Crier spokesman. That is typical crude liberal behavior. Approval was about 80%. Due to the close proximity of the

Biden event, several Democratic operatives came by to check out the Criers. It appeared that they had no vice presidential greeting organized so the first people Biden saw, as he made his arrival, were the Town Crier opposition. The Obama operatives showed hate and contempt which was very visible.

Into the Enemy Camp

Today is also a first for confronting the Obama base. The Town Criers had never been in a situation where they mingled with organized supporters. Carrying a sign which states that, "Obama is a Communist," into a crowd of dedicated Democrats is not necessarily a disclosure to them. One women said, "Yes he is, but, he's a good one."



As Biden Departs

Photos by TCC Staff

The Town Criers joined a small group of Obama supporters to wave goodbye. As Biden's limo passed by, "Biden took note of the 'Big Red Sign' and gave thumbs up; perhaps he didn't have his glasses on. On the other hand he wasn't laughing either," a Town Crier disclosed.

October 23, 2012



Ken Wood Featured Speaker at SATP

Ken Wood teaches Constitutional Training to Naval and Marine Officers here and in Hawaii. He has had 7 deployments to the Persian Gulf, 2 deployments on the



Photos by TCC Staff

Carriers George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Ken is passionate about the Constitution.

He is also a member of Oath Keepers. Ken spoke about the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. Speaking for about an hour, he demonstrated an extensive knowledge. It was an exciting evening! After the formal meeting closed, the question and answer sessions continued till nearly closing time for the Village Inn.



October 27, 2012

Town Criers Major Attraction on St. George Street....



The Criers are photographed by the public from every direction. Cars stop in the middle of the street and take shots from open windows. Shots from the trolleys and of course from the people they meet in the



Photos by TCC Staff

Streets. The Town Criers dress in period clothes because of the historic nature of St. Augustine, Florida. In fact, the Criers are not the only people dressed in period clothing, but they are the ones who get the attention. It's not really the Criers that get the attention; it's their Tea Party signs and their Gadsden Flags. There is a movement back to

raditional values and the Crier's Constitutions are eagerly received. "We are either going back to embracing individual liberty or 'Forward' to tyranny. Pray God that America wakes up," stated the Town Criers.





**“Non-Professionals,” Covington, Smith and Howell promise they will be
 “Smashing Mosquitoes and Friends of Obama.”**

“Childlike Behavior” says Dr. Eddie Fleming, Ph.D.

Professional Mosquito Control Personnel, as we currently have on the Anastasia Mosquito Control District, make it their duty to provide disease prevention for the babies, children, adults and animals that reside and visit our beautiful St. Johns County.

The “Anastasia Mosquito Control District Professional Practices” contribute to St. Johns County by providing a safe environment for our residents and an especially comfortable environment for the millions of tourists visiting St. Johns County.

The facts speak for themselves:

- \$669,000,000** in tourist dollars spent in St. Johns County.
- \$40,000,000** in sales taxes left on the table in Saint Johns County.
- 6.5 million** Overnight visitors and tourists per year.
- 24%** of St. Johns County Residents work in the tourist business.

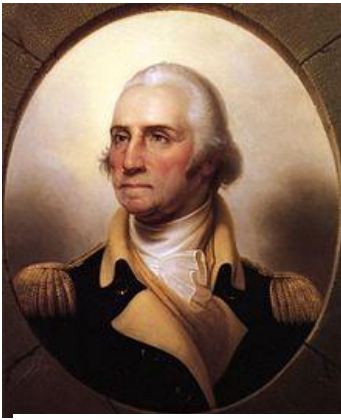
Anastasia Mosquito Control District has had no human cases of mosquito borne disease since 2003. We have and continue to safe guard not only 6.5 million plus visitors but also 195,000 residents on a daily basis for an average of \$2.17 per month on homes valued at \$200,000.

How do you think 24% of our workforce would continue paying their bills and care for their families if we had 26 people with West Nile, like our neighboring county to the North?

Please do not try to fix something that is not broken. Please Vote for the following

Mosquito Control Professionals:

Anastasia Mosquito Seat 1	Vivian Browning	YES
Anastasia Mosquito Seat 3	Janice Marie Bequette	YES
Anastasia Mosquito Seat 5	Paul Linser	YES



**Whose values
will
Prevail?**



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SAINT AUGUSTINE TEA Party**

There is a revolution going on. Come join the counter- revolution. Stand up for individual Liberty.

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.

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