

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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Arise in the Name of Liberty......

A new year begins, today. Never, in the memory of Americans still living, has liberty been so close to extinction. The storm clouds of tyranny blow from Washington DC. The Democrats believe that the recent election gave them a mandate to impose their Marxist philosophy with less than a half a percent margin (50.4%). And the Republicans have forgotten that we are a Constitutional Republic. It has become abundantly clear that the politicians of both parties are determined to impose their progressive views on



the American people. It matters not whether they are in concurrence with the people. The very essence of being an American is enshrined in the concept of individual Liberty. For Americans, it has always been about Liberty. Liberty holds a special place in the hearts of Americans. In the long line of American history, no soldier ever fought for the collective. They fought and died for Liberty.

The tentacles of Washington's tyranny, expressed in the endless executive orders and constant streaming of regulations imposed with bribes of grant money upon states, have all but neutered our Constitution. The legislative branch, following suit now, believes there are no laws that it cannot enforce. And the judicial, rising above the limitations of Article III in the Constitution, imposes, with impunity, their dictatorial pronouncements.

Disregard and disrespect for the Constitution are alive and well in the State houses, as well. Don Gaetz, Florida Senate President, in a New York Times article, alienated Constitutionalists by declaring the concept of nullification as 'kooky'. In a confrontation on December 3, 2012 with KrisAnne Hall, a constitutional attorney,



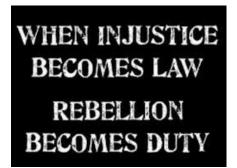
Sen. Gaetz suggested violence should be used against 'nullifiers'. He later recanted his statement. At the same committee meeting mentioned above, Chris Smith, the Senate minority leader, also challenged the Constitution as an imperfect document. Given that the U.S. Constitution is so widely disrespected by politicians, they now openly defy it. One of the activities of the Town Crier Committee is to hand out, to the public, pocket editions of the Constitution. They are eagerly sought after by the public. This arrogance on the part of the elected officials may, yet, acquaint them with still another word that they're not accustomed to hearing frequently from the public. That would be the word, impeachment, for failure to honor their oath of office.

In 2013, the Town Criers will continue to warn the American public of the ever expanding assault on their Liberty.

Consider the following:

- 1) That a dictatorial autocrat is already seated in the Presidency;
- 2) That the Democratic Party is a progressive party whose ultimate goal is Communism;
- 3) That the Republican Party is a Top-Down Statist Party, useless as a means of correcting the Federal Government;
 - 4) That the remedy is in 'We the People'...... A 'Bottoms Up' solution;
- 5) That the 50 United, Free and Independent States must and should nullify each and every un-constitutional edict coming from Washington;
 - 6) That the 50 States and the People are the 'agents of change' to the compact known as the Constitution of the United States;
 - 7) That the Bill of Rights, the first ten amendments to the Constitution are, and always have been, the peoples protection against the monstrous power grabs of the General Government, now known as the Federal Government.
- 8) That it's up to the 50 States and the People to change or abolish this totally dysfunctional, money hungry, out-of-control beast; and the stake in the heart of this beast is **Nullification**;

The agents of reformation are the States and the People.



So, the Awakening will be one of our themes as, 'We the People', will attempt to 'awaken' our reluctant State Governors and Legislators to the fact that they already have the Constitutional right and duty to nullify each and every federal law, edict and bureaucratic order from D.C. that infringes on their rights as Free and Equal States.

It's Now or Never. Liberty and Freedom cannot coexist with central planning. Either Liberty prevails or our future will be that of the Enslaved.

Will you join us?

TCC Editorial Staff



January 8, 2013

The Saint Augustine Tea Party held its General Meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at the Village Inn in St Augustine, FL.

Its first General Meeting, of the New Year began with the recital of Benjamin Franklin's address to General George Washington and the Continental Congress in Philadelphia in 1776.

Chairman Dave Heimbold addressed the immediate need to follow up on

Governor Scott's meeting in D.C. with HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. According to newspaper reports of the AP, Scott has "softened his criticism" of Obama care. Heimbold, speaking for the SATP, repeated his comments that he made at the Select Committee on the Affordable Care Act, in Tallahassee; that the State of Florida should 'divorce' itself from Obama care in total.

Guest speaker, Ed Gordon, was politely received as he delivered his passionate presentation of his Plan to Energize the Tea Party. Mr. Gordon did not pull any punches when he dramatically made his recommendations. The gist of Mr. Gordon's presentation was that America has been muzzled in talking about its experiencing Liberty through the Constitution of the United States. "It is not about political parties winning but abiding in the principles of the Constitution", he said.

The next General Meeting of the SATP will be January 22nd according to Mr. Heimbold.

January 16, 2013

Some Things Never Change...

Politicians of the Left Distort, Lie and use Children to Spread their Evil.



These children haven't any idea of the US Constitution and its 2nd Amendment. 'Union Teachers' don't bother with such details.

Here are some of Obama's Heroes Abusing Children



















UNCONSTITUTIONAL LAWS ARE NOT LAWS!

"Those who hammer their guns into plows will plow for those who do not." Thomas Jefferson



Free men do not ask permission to bear arms.

January 19, 2013



Gun Appreciation Day in St. Augustine Florida

Town Criers Back on the Streets



Photos by TCC Staff

The Town Crier Committee, a committee of the Saint Augustine Tea Party (SATP), organized a Gun Appreciation Day event, today. Support for the 2nd Amendment was planned across the country. Gun shows, gun dealers, firing ranges, and State Capitals were the sites for the demonstrations. The events were attended by persons numbering from a dozen or so to several thousand. There were numerous events across Florida. In St. Augustine, Gun Appreciation Day took place along US 1 South in front of Ace Firearms. The arms dealer is located at 2570 US 1 South, St. Augustine, Florida. This location was chosen, not only, because of the high visibility along US 1 but also to show our appreciation for the quality service Ace Firearms provides to the community. Several members of the Putnam County Tea Party and their Chairman, Stan Owens, also engaged in the 'gun rights' demonstration.

Second Amendment alive and well in St. Johns County.....

Based on the continuous support of the passing motorists along the highway, the Second Amendment is alive and well in St. Johns County. There were numerous thumbs-up and honking horns to show support. In



addition to the public support, the local print media, The St. Augustine Record, sent a reporter and photographer to cover the event. An accurate account of the day appeared on the front page of the Sunday Record.



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January 19, 2013

The Jacksonville Chapter of Oath Keepers holds its First Meeting of the Year....

Constitutional Expert Ken Wood Featured Speaker

The Jacksonville Chapter of the Oath Keepers held its first meeting of the year this morning. The well attended meeting met at 8909 Bay Meadows Road, Jacksonville, Florida. According to Mike Austell, Oath Keeper Florida State Chapter President, the Jacksonville Chapter meets on the third Saturday of each month. Meetings start at 10:00 AM. Mr. Austell stated, "There has been a great increase in



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inquiries regarding Oath Keepers and new people attending since Obama started his 'Gun Control' efforts."

Ken Wood presented his views regarding the Declaration of Independence, the US Constitution and the main point of his discussion, the Bill of Rights. Of particular interest, were his comments regarding the importance of the 2nd Amendment. In his view, the founders considered an armed population as a major part of national defense. An invasion of a country with its citizens armed would be less

likely. Mr. Wood used the attack on Pearl Harbor as an example. The Japanese invaded all of the attack points in WW2, except Pearl Harbor. The reason he cited was that the American population was armed. "Without the 'Right to bear arms', the Founders believed that the other rights recited in the Bill of Rights could not be defended," Mr. Wood said. The Oath Keepers in attendance received Ken Wood's views and opinions with a standing ovation.

January 22, 2013

SATP holds its Second Regular open meeting of the year.

The Saint Augustine Tea Party (SATP) held its second open meeting of the year at the Village Inn on January 22, 2013. The main order of business was the discussion of future activities for the Town Criers on St. George Street. It was reported that the Town Criers and SATP members experienced a very positive response to their

defense of the second amendment on the previous Saturday on Highway US 1 South. This occurred on January 19, 2013. The Town Criers have been absent from St. George Street since the beginning of the year due to numerous members experiencing this season's flu epidemic. It was announced that the Town Criers would begin their activities on St. George Street on Saturday the 26th. The Town Criers will continue to hand out U.S. Constitutions. Their signage will be in support of the second amendment. The sign pictured here was displayed at the meeting. Many similar signs and flags with "Come and Take It" were displayed nationally during the "Gun Appreciation Day" events on January 19th.



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January 25, 2013

An open letter to Sen. Marco Rubio

Senator Marco Rubio 317 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20570

Dear Senator Rubio:

I am one of your constituents from Suwannee County in Northern Florida. Like you, I am very concerned for the future of our country. The Democrat Party - and the country - has been taken over by people who are completely disconnected from reality. Barack Obama couldn't be *more so* the wrong man, in the wrong place, at the wrong time, with all the wrong ideas and intentions for America. The icing on this unfortunate cake is that he is not even eligible to the office he holds, because his background simply does not comply with Article II, Section I of the U.S. Constitution.

As a conservative with understanding, reverence, and respect for the founders' Constitutional instructions, you alone, among all 310 million Americans, have been serendipitously placed in a position to come to your country's aid in this, her desperate hour. Please do not take my words lightly. I know you are a religious man, therefore you know that God places doors before us, doors which we can open, provided we just have the courage to open them. God makes challenges for us, and He does not make mistakes.

Senator Rubio, you have publicly stated on many occasions that you are not interested in being President or Vice-President. I believe you have done this because you know in your heart you are not Constitutionally eligible to those High Offices. I believe your respect for the U.S. Constitution is infinitely greater than that of too many currently elected officials on both sides of the political divide. I believe you have too much honor in you to use this unconstitutional Obama electoral precedent as your springboard to High Office, as badly as this country now needs a man of your example, integrity, morality, wisdom, vision, and character *in that High Office*.

Nevertheless, there is a great service you can do. You can undertake a ceaseless public pursuit of the fact that Barack Obama's Presidency is a fraud perpetrated upon the U. S. Constitution and the American people, that he is ineligible to that High Office for the same reasons that you are ineligible, and that he and his fellow democrats full well know this. In a perfect world, this national discussion would lead to Obama being thoroughly discredited. He'd be disgraced and forced from office, and the Democrat Party would be severely wounded over its complicity in the fraud.

That outcome, of course, is unrealistic. However, your efforts in this vein could very well put Obama and the democrats permanently on defense, and he'd be the lamest and least 'effective' of lame ducks for the remainder of his second term. Perhaps he wouldn't have time to desecrate any further that which he took a solemn oath to preserve, protect, and defend. The incredulity of it all is suffocating.

Senator Rubio, I would very much appreciate meeting in person with you for a few minutes, to discuss this further, completely at your time and place of convenience. I believe God has placed before you a very special door in American history. Can you see it?

Sincerely yours,

John Knapp

O'Brien, Florida

Town Criers Back on St. George Street

The St. Augustine Tea Party's Town Crier Committee has a unique opportunity to engage the public. In the historical area of St. Augustine, Florida welcomes visitors from all over the Country on a year-round basis. This gives the Town Criers an opportunity to connect face-to-face with the people to see what concerns them politically. The 2nd Amendment gets a 90% approval rating. Gun ownership is sacred. "Do not touch!"

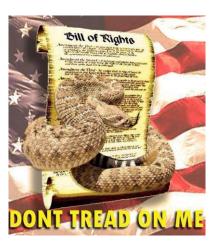


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56 Continual Weeks of Service

After 56 continual weeks of service prior to the election, the committee decided to give its members a well deserved rest. The last time the Town Criers engaged the public in the historic district was on November 17, 2012 for the festive 'Nights of Lights' event. According to a Town Crier spokesman, "The extended holiday was used to evaluate future activities for the committee."

Obama's exploitation of the tragedy at Sandy Hook creates Constitutional crisis......



Obama's exploitation of the tragedy at Sandy Hook, and his arrogant insistence not to waste a crisis by assaulting the Second Amendment, has provided the issue that can unite Americans in their defense of the Constitution. A Town Crier spokesman said, "America is arming. The nationwide ammo shortages reflect this. Americans know that uncertain times lie ahead. They are preparing. Obama has sold more guns and ammo than he will be able to confiscate should it come to that. The people that the Criers are meeting on St. George Street have no intention to disarm regardless as to what Obama or the Congress does. Numerous people volunteered that they were adding to their ammo supplies and are concerned with the shortages." The Second Amendment signs were received by the public with great enthusiasm. Obama may have created an issue that he will live to regret. The

Town Criers believe that an armed public will not submit to his Communist agenda. The Country is at a crossroads. The Progressive agenda cannot be fully implemented with the Second Amendment and the Constitution intact.



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Non Compliance to the Progressive Agenda may soon be the Future....

The Resistance Begins: New York Gun Owners Refuse to Register

The Town Criers reported that a disproportional number of visitors this weekend came up to the Criers and identified themselves as New Yorkers. Some of them

are pictured below. The general consensus is that Gov. Cuomo and the New York Legislators may have set into motion the greatest act of civil disobedience in New York State's history.

People from other parts of the country who approached the Town Criers suggested that they will not register anything that the United States Constitution guarantees you cannot 'infringe' upon. Public comments clearly show that the concept of an armed populace is deeply rooted in the American spirit. And, they clearly understand that it is not about hunting and sport shooting. Obama, the Congress and the United States Supreme Court need to take note. Bill Clinton recently made reference to this emotional fact. A sample of them is pictured below.

The disarming of a population is a major plank in the 'Communist Manifesto'. On St. George Street in St. Augustine, Florida, the public is speaking loud and clear. "Back off the 2nd Amendment or else."

The Pictures shown here is only a small sample..... Many photos go directly to Face-book!

The pictures below only represent a small part of the photographic activity of the day. Large numbers of photographs were taken by the public for Face-book, distribution. In between the photographic sessions, the committee distributes pocket editions of the U.S. Constitution. The numbers of Constitutions distributed have greatly increased since the election. The question is, remarked a Town Crier, "Will Americans fight for liberty? We believe these people will."

Will the American People be led to the slaughter like sheep, or will they stand and fight?





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January 29, 2013

The Saint Augustine Tea Party canceled its committee meeting so members could attend the Republican Liberty Caucus meeting in Jacksonville, Florida.....



The St. Augustine Tea Party (SATP) canceled its January 29th committee meeting, so its members could attend the Republican Liberty Caucus meeting in Jacksonville, Florida. The SATP normally conducts open meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month and committee meetings on all other Tuesdays at the Village Inn in St. Augustine, Florida. However, this meeting was canceled so members could take advantage of the special program at the

Republican Liberty Caucus (RLC). The RLC, which meets on the last Tuesday of the month, scheduled a program concerning the finding of common ground between Social Conservatives, Libertarians and Tea Parties. The discussions were centered on a panel with occasional comments from the floor. The panel consisted of Rick Hartley, Duval County's Republican State Committeeman, Mike Jackson, Duval County's Republican Vice Chairman and John Stevens, RLC Vice Chairman. Mr. Stevens is also the elected St. Johns County Republican State Committeeman. The Republican Party of Florida refused to seat this elected official. Some members of the Tea Party and members of the RLC believe that Mr. Stevens' failure to be seated is based on his Libertarian views.

This reporter observed that consensus was found in the concept of small federal government based on the Constitution, as originally written, and on fiscal responsibility. Some RLC members found problems with social issues and military questions.

According to Jon Anderson, RLC Chairman, the RLC encourages its members to join local Republican Executive Committee's with the purpose of turning those committees from their establishment control. The RLC's focus on the Republican Party is "change from within". From the floor, Dave Heimbold, Chairman SATP, expressed the idea that local RECs can be moved from external pressure as well.

"This has been the experience of the SATP in its 18 month fight to be free of Republican control," Heimbold said. He went on to announce, "Earlier, today, the Corporation which Republican operatives formed with the purpose of controlling the Tea Party movement in St. Augustine, Florida, was transferred back to the proper officers of the SATP. Heimbold concluded, "It took a court order for the St. Augustine Tea Party to be freed from Republican control."

A Federal Government based on the Constitution, as originally written and on Fiscal Responsibility, is common ground enough to start with.....

St. Augustine Tea Party members met with the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the RLC after the close of the meeting to offer support for their actions. Is it internal pressure or external pressure? Both were observed at this meeting. Yes, both approaches, and more, will be necessary to reform the Republican Party. It was agreed, by all, that Conservatives and Libertarians need to come together in order to defeat the Progressive agenda.

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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.

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