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 Vol. 1 No 1

We welcome you to this first issue of the Town Crier Committee Report. In this publication we will strive to keep you informed of the activities of the Committee and to make you aware of ways in which you can participate. Members of our Committee have for some time now been engaging the public in the streets of St Augustine, FL. We dress in period clothes and walk the streets while boldly presenting full size Gadsden Flags. The sight of Revolutionary period clothing and the bright yellow flags give us the opportunity to promote the Tea Party and to educate the public on the values of the Tea Party and the lessons that can be learned from The Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States which we pass out as we move among the people. It is this one to one contact with the people which inspires Committee members to continue their efforts. We are blessed to see the awaking of America first hand.

During the recent rejection of the Republican Executive Committee control of our Tea Party, which erupted on August 23, 2011 the Town Crier Committee never missed an opportunity to promote the Tea Party in St Augustine.





We all recall the deep concern of this night in August. The question as to whether the Tea party movement would survive in St. Augustine was at issue.



Picture Village Inn 8-23-11 Photos by TCC Staff



Picture Village Inn 8-30-2011



After the chaotic meeting at the Ponce Mall failed,

reassembled at the Village Inn. The following week with Louis Rose, a parliamentarian, present the meeting of 8-23 was continued and the motion as to whether to accept the new Board of Directors was

members of the Saint Augustine Tea Party

Picture Village Inn 8-30-2011 Photos by TCC Staff



Photo by TCC Staff Photos by TCC Staff



St Augustine Record Photo

During this same week the Town Crier Committee organized an opportunity to greet the Governor on August 29, 2011 at Flagler College. While waiting for Governor Scott a good friend of the Saint Augustine Tea Party, Mr. Richard Willich stopped by to express his best wishes for the Tea Party and the activities of the Town Crier Committee.



**HCN Photo** 



Old Town September 2011 Photos by TCC Staff

## And this is what Town Crier is about......

It is about the good wishes and the thumbs up as we provide Constitution's to our fellow Citizens. People are waking up. They want to know who we support for President. They know we must stop Washington's take over. There is a new wind blowing and it is unfolding our colors.



St George Street September 2011 Photos by TCC Staff

Town Crier is where the Action is. Down Town is great... but we have other duties as well.

During the Town Hall meetings which preceded the Commissioners meetings and during Commissioners meeting the Town Criers protested the raising of the mil- rate. Here we have the Pink Slip protest outside the Taj Mahal.



County Commissioners Meeting September 6, 2011

Two days later the Town Criers greeted the Republican Executive Committee (REC) members as they entered their meeting. The protest was directed towards Eric West for his hostile takeover attempt. The Town Criers being intent to keep their friends inside the REC informed.



REC Meeting September 8, 2011

During the same time period the Town Criers took up positions during radio air time of the so called Tea Party show hosted by Eric West. The scene of the protest was the entrance of WFOY in St Augustine. The Saint Augustine Tea Party members had problems with a program using the Tea Party name, but having no input when funding were from unknown sources. This was particularly true since Mr. West is the recording Secretary of the REC.



WFOY Entrance September 2011 Photos by TCC Staff

While the protests where directed at Mr. West and to inform his radio guests of the situation, the Town Criers learned a valuable lesson. We discovered that placing a Gadsden Flag along the road attracted positive reactions. Though the entrance of WFOY is not a major traffic location, people using Old Moultrie Rd to drive home after work would blow their horns and give us the ever present thumbs up as they passed by. The activity served two functions. One, to show Mr. West that his actions had costs and, two, it provided an opportunity to promote the

Tea Party to people that were not aware of the radio show. The Town Criers have reach the conclusion that one can place a Gadsden Flag nearly anywhere and get positive Tea Party response and thus positive promotion.



Old Moultrie Rd September 2011 Photos by TCC Staff



County Commissioners Meeting 9-20-11 Photos by TCC Staff

After nearly four months of opposition from the tax payers, as opposed to special interest people who favored the increase, the Commissioners voted to raise taxes on the taxpayers of SJC. The Town Criers fought the good fight to the end.

## NOW WE WILL FIGHT TO REMOVE THESE PEOPLE ON ELECTION DAY



Greek Festival October 8, 2011 Photos by TCC Staff

The Town Criers were proud to help celebrate at the Greek Festival. On the day we were there rain deterred some but not the Criers. The Tea Party spirit takes it guidance from the founders. Snow didn't stop Washington crossing the Delaware ...could the Town Criers be stopped by Florida rain?



Then on October 15, 2011,we went to the Cracker Festival in Elkton.

SJC Fair Grounds 10-15-11 Photos by TCC Staff



Great Fun..... Great Tea Party Promotion 10-15-11 Photos by TCC Staff



How is this for an All American Image.....Go Tea Party



The next day we were at the Flea Market. We received double the sign ups from previous day. The event was a good way to get new members. We need volunteers to continue this event.

SJC Flea Market 10-16-11 Photos by TCC Staff



Old Moultrie Rd October 2011 Photos by TCC Staff

The Town Crier Committee continued its demonstrations at WFOY until the program was dropped. Toward the end of our protests it would be dark at the end of the radio show. The photo above shows us with generator powered lighting. Very effective with the public.... They loved it.



Old Moultrie Road October 2011 Photos by TCC Staff

## And that brings us back to St George Street and the one on one with the People......



Come join us! We are a small Committee with many tasks to do to preserve Liberty. .....Lance Thate

PS Our November report will contain details and photos of our encounter with the Occupiers. We had a full time photographer shadowing us. Our Town Crier event on the November 5<sup>th</sup> was the best ever. I can't wait to tell you about it. The Town Crier Committee was the only opposition offered to the Occupiers. There is a revolution going on. Come join the counter-revolution. Stand up for individual Liberty. Come visit the Saint Augustine Tea Party at <a href="https://www.SaintAugustineTeaParty.org">www.SaintAugustineTeaParty.org</a>