

# The Patriots' Truth

## Flint Hills TEA Party News

### ON OUR CALENDAR

**MEDIA COMMITTEE MEETING – MCALISTER'S EVERY WED AT 5:30PM**

Everyone is welcome – we ARE the Working Group

**DECEMBER 3 – KSU game – FHTP working Concessions**

**DECEMBER 10 – Flint Hills TEA Party monthly meeting – 9:30am –  
Manhattan City Library Auditorium – Welcome - You All Come!!**

**FAILED LIBERAL IDEAS** – LIBERAL IDEAS ARE A LOT OF THINGS: DANGEROUS, WASTEFUL, UNCONSTITUTIONAL, EVEN SOCIALIST AT TIMES. – The Heritage Foundation

But it's time to call a spade a spade: MOST LIBERAL IDEAS HAVE FAILED . . . *miserably!*

Liberals love to call themselves compassionate. So why do their ideas so often end up with catastrophic results on the people they're intended to help?

They call themselves progressive. Truth is, though, their ideas are recycled schemes that continue to blow trillions of dollars on bloated, failed programs that take the country backward.

They talk about personal liberty like they invented it. But everything they do butts into every corner of your personal life.

In short, many liberal ideas are recycled failures that backfire and can't get simple concepts straight.

In the following survey, you can rate how badly five liberal ideas have failed based on the threat you think they pose to freedom, opportunity, prosperity, and civil society in America.

When you're done, you'll have an opportunity to send a loud-and-clear message to Congress—**STOP THE FAILED LIBERAL IDEAS** that are bankrupting America, undermining the Constitution, and weakening the nation.

Now, call 'em as you see 'em . . . [WWW.FAILEDLIBERALIDEAS.COM](http://WWW.FAILEDLIBERALIDEAS.COM)

Check it out for yourself!! Sorry, those of you with NO internet can't check – it is NOT something I can cut & Paste!!

“All bleeding will eventually stop; that may not necessarily be a good thing.”

By an American Dr. on Obamacare.

**Review on what a Constitutional Convention (Con-Con) is:** Believe me you DO NOT want a Constitutional Convention to take place!!! I know, I thought it would be great, however, there are things you/we don't understand how it would actually work. To begin with “**WE the People**” would have **NO SAY** as to who would be our representatives for our state in a Con-Con!! “**WE the People**” would have **NO SAY** concerning what subject would be brought up for discussion!! “**WE the People**” would have **NO SAY** in the outcome of **ANY subject** discussed. Once a decision is made “**WE the People**” would have **NO WAY** to change, reject, modify, alter, adjust, correct, fine-tune in any way, shape, or form any decision made. Stop and think about it — is these really things **you** to want to give the Federal Government complete control over? With our present Government they would probably completely rewrite the Constitution to be what they want it to be and we would be absolutely helpless to stop them!!! Any time you have an opportunity to voice an opinion, sway another's opinion, explain what a Constitutional Convention **really is**, do everything in your power to discourage one taking place. **Please, explain and discourage anyone and everyone from pushing for a Constitutional Convention.**

A biker is riding by the zoo in Washington, DC when he sees a little girl leaning into the lion's cage. Suddenly, the lion grabs her by the cuff of her jacket and tries to pull her inside to slaughter her, right under the eyes of her screaming parents.

The biker jumps off his Harley, runs to the cage and hits the lion square on the nose with a powerful punch. Whimpering from the pain the lion jumps back letting go of the girl, and the biker brings her to her terrified parents, who thank him endlessly.

A reporter has watched the whole event. The reporter addressing the Harley rider says, 'Sir, this was the most gallant and brave thing I've seen a man do in my whole life.'

The biker replies, 'Why, it was nothing, really, the lion was behind bars. I just saw this little kid in danger and acted as I felt right.'

The reporter says, 'Well, I'll make sure this won't go unnoticed. I'm a journalist, and tomorrow's paper will have this story on the front page...

So, what do you do for a living and what political affiliation do you have?'

The biker replies, 'I'm a U.S. Marine and a Republican.' The journalist leaves.

The following morning the biker buys the paper to see news of his actions, and reads, on the front page:

## **U. S. MARINE ASSAULTS AFRICAN IMMIGRANT AND STEALS HIS LUNCH**

That pretty much sums up the media's approach to the news these days.

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### ***Our current situation - simply put...***

The folks, who are getting the free stuff, don't like the folks who are paying for the free stuff, because the folks who are paying for the free stuff can no longer afford to pay for both the free stuff and their own stuff.

The folks who are paying for the free stuff want the free stuff to stop, and the folks who are getting the free stuff want even more free stuff on top of the free stuff they are already getting!

Now... The people who are forcing the people who pay for the free stuff have told the people who are RECEIVING the free stuff, that the people, who are PAYING for the free stuff, are being mean, prejudiced, and racist.

So... The people who are GETTING the free stuff have been convinced they need to hate the people who are paying for the free stuff by the people who are forcing some people to pay for their free stuff, and giving them the free stuff in the first place.

We have let the free stuff giving go on for so long that there are now more people getting free stuff than paying for the free stuff.

Now understand this. All great democracies have committed financial suicide somewhere between 200 and 250 years after being founded. The reason? The voters figured out they could vote themselves money from the treasury by electing people who promised to give them money from the treasury in exchange for electing them.

The United States officially became a Republic in 1776, 235 years ago. The number of people now getting free stuff outnumbers the people paying for the free stuff. We have one chance to change that.

### **In 2012. Failure to change that spells the end of the United States, as we know it.**

#### **ELECTION 2012 IS COMING**

A Nation of Sheep Breeds a Government of Wolves!

I'M 100% for PASSING THIS ON!!! Let's take a stand!!! Obama: Gone! Borders: Closed!

Language: English only!! National Debt: Balanced Budget Amendment!!

Culture: Constitution, and the Bill of Rights! Drug Free: Mandatory Drug Screening before Welfare!

NO freebies to: Non-Citizens!

We the People are coming!!

We are riding toward the sound of the guns!! Are YOU riding with us?

**What will you do?**

"The problem with socialism is that eventually you run out of other people's money".

-----Margaret Thatcher

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# GOP Senators Introduce Nat'l 'Right-to-Work' Bill to Restrict Unions

Published March 09, 2011 | FoxNews.com

A group of conservative U.S. senators has introduced a bill to restrict unions from forcing workers to join and pay dues as a condition of employment.

The move on [Capitol Hill](#) comes as several states consider what's known as "right-to-work" legislation -- proposals that have met stiff resistance. Indiana Republicans recently shelved their right-to-work bill after it sparked protests at the capital and after Democrats fled the state to block it, mimicking the tactic used by Wisconsin lawmakers holding up Gov. Scott Walker's anti-union proposal.

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But [GOP](#) senators in Washington said national legislation is needed to stop the "strong-arm political tactics" they claim labor bosses are using to compel new employees into joining their ranks. They introduced the National Right to Work Act Tuesday.

"No American should be forced to join a union and pay dues to get a job in this country," Sen. [Jim DeMint](#), R-S.C., said in a statement. "Many Americans are already struggling just to put food on the table, and they shouldn't have to fear losing their jobs or face discrimination if they don't want to join a union. Forced-unionism shields unions from member accountability and has a detrimental effect on the [economy](#)."

Opponents of right-to-work legislation say the proposals would lower pay and hurt workers.

The American Federation of Government Employees, which represents federal workers, said in a statement Wednesday it would oppose the bill "in solidarity" with other unions, while noting it would not affect [federal employees](#).

For years, the country has been split about 50-50 between states that allow employees to decide whether to join a union and states that allow unions to require membership. Most southern and central midwestern states are right-to-work states, while the West Coast, New England and the northern Midwest comprise what critics call "forced-unionism" states.

Currently 22 states have right-to-work laws, according to the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation. [Research](#) by the National Conference of State Legislatures shows that several states in New England and in the northern Midwest are now considering right-to-work proposals.

Right-to-work advocates say states with those laws on the books are more conducive to economic growth.

DeMint was joined by seven other co-sponsors, including Sens. [Tom Coburn](#), R-Okla.; [Orrin Hatch](#), R-Utah; [Mike Lee](#), R-Utah; [Rand Paul](#), R-Ky.; James Risch, R-Idaho; Pat Toomey, R-Pa.; and [David Vitter](#), R-La.

Read more: <http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2011/03/09/gop-senators-introduce-national-right-work-restrict-unions/#ixzz1d8mQU4iJ>

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## Jacksonville, NC Police Ban Pro-Lifers from City Sidewalk

### 'In Case Car Jumps Curb'

NOVEMBER 8, 2011 by DA TAGLIARE

This has got to be one of the dumbest and lamest excuses for passing a city ordinance I've seen in a long time.

The city of Jacksonville, NC has passed an ordinance requiring pro-lifers in groups as small as 2 people to obtain a permit in order to pray outside the local abortion clinic. When Dr Bartolo and other pro-lifers gathered on the public sidewalk in front of the abortion clinic, the police asked them to move and sited the ordinance.

When asked to justify the ordinance, the police chief cited safety concerns in case a car ran off the street, jumped the curb and hit one of the protesters.

That makes as much sense as the city ordinance in Ft. Huachuca, Arizona that states it is illegal to shoot a buffalo on city streets. Not only are there no buffalo in or around Ft Huachuca but there never have been.

Peter Breen, spokesman for the Thomas More Society, said that their organization has filed a lawsuit against the city for the violation of the group's First Amendment rights to free speech and their right to

peaceably gather. In his comments, Breen stated,

"They have demanded that groups as small as two or three get a permit before they stand on a public sidewalk, public right of way, just to express their First Amendment rights and to pray. So these permit requirements for very small groups are overbroad; they're unconstitutional. We've got case law right on-point... The police chief claimed that a car could run off the road and hit the pro-life picketers, so they said that that would be unsafe – just in case a car ran off the road at that particular location."

This is one of many instances demonstrating just how far pro-abortion advocates will go, even to the point of violating the constitutional rights of others, to protect their murderous practices. I pray that not only does the Thomas More Society win the case, but that all of the city officials in Jacksonville that were involved in the passing of this ordinance, lose their positions in city government and are ordered to make restitution to the pro-lifers.

Read more: [Jacksonville NC Police Ban Pro-Lifers from City Sidewalk 'In Case Car Jumps Curb' | Godfather Politics](http://godfatherpolitics.com/1913/jacksonville-nc-police-ban-pro-lifers-from-city-sidewalk-in-case-car-jumps-curb/#ixzz1d8s3CPDC)  
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"Were we directed from Washington when to sow, and when to reap, we should soon want bread." --

Thomas Jefferson, Autobiography, 1821

## **Frankly Speaking** By Frank F. Clark **Reasons for Giving Thanks**

We are coming up on Thanksgiving again and many of us will eat turkey and watch some football. While it is good to celebrate with family, it would be good to review a few reasons why we should be thankful.

Thanksgiving started with the Mayflower Pilgrims who had landed at Plymouth, Massachusetts. They struggled with the weather, as well as a serious lack of food and supplies. But they believed that God had sent them here to establish a new land where they were not only free to worship God, but more importantly, to promote Jesus in their daily lives.

In spite of their struggles, they continued to praise God for his wondrous blessings. In return, God sent them a life saving provision in the form of a man named Squanto. Squanto was an Indian who had been captured by traders several years earlier and sold as a slave to Englishmen. He had learned the English language and many of the customs of the English. He then was able to affect a return to his own tribe only to find them totally wiped out by disease. This was the very location that the settlers had landed!

Squanto and his adopted Indian chief, Massasoit, began to teach the Pilgrims how to plant corn, harvest fish and prepare foods the way that Indians did. When the corn harvest arrived, the Pilgrims declared a feast to thank God for His great provision. This feast was coupled with much prayer to God and celebrated with the Indians who had so graciously helped them.

As Peter Marshall said in his book *The Light and the Glory*, "Inherent in God's call upon our forefathers to found a Christian nation was the necessity to live in a state of constant need and dependency upon His grace and forgiveness... in the early days of our history, it is astonishing to see how few people it took to begin a cycle of repentance, followed by the return of God's grace."

In Revelation chapter 3, Jesus upbraids the Laodicea church, because it thinks it is rich, and yet, it is poor and naked. America, which started with the Mayflower Compact, began with a covenant of dedication to God and His word. It has been blessed to have no less than five revival moves of the Holy Spirit, starting with the Puritan Revival in the mid 1600's. Yet, for the last generations, we have said that we can do it ourselves and we don't need God. How foolish we are!

Today, we tend to complain when even the poor among us are wealthy by the world's standards. God has been faithful to His part of the Mayflower Compact covenant. We are the ones who have moved away from Him. So, what do we have to be thankful to God for?

First of all, God established this land so that we have the freedom to praise Jesus and give God glory. We have the freedom and the resources to send missionaries to spread the Gospel to others. We have the ability to pray, read the Bible and attend church services without fear of arrest or death. Most Christians in the world today cannot say that.

We have the freedom to send our children to a Christian school or to homeschool where God's Word can be made paramount in every subject, recognizing God as the creator of the universe and man as His special creation. Many in the world do not have education at all.

We have the freedom to write editorials in the newspaper like this one. We have the freedom to vote and elect those who run our government, but many of us do not vote. We just complain instead of praying and voting.

We should be thanking God for the medical advances that have greatly extended our lives. I know of folks that have long outlived the age of their parents because of these advances, including my own wife. We should be thanking God that our families have the opportunity to live in peace with God's blessings. Yet, we complain and seek divorces instead.

We should be thankful that we are the wealthiest nation to ever inhabit the earth. We have cars to drive and great technology to help us do our jobs more efficiently, and make our homes more comfortable. Many in the world do not even have a dependable roof over their heads.

Let us not grumble against the Lord, but give Him thanks, even when things do not seem to go our way. That was the attitude of those Mayflower Pilgrims and look what that attitude brought to us through them. Without their vision for a nation dedicated to God, we would not have all that we have today. So, let us thank God for over 350 years of provision provided for us. Then maybe we will appreciate the turkey we eat a little bit more.

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## OBAMA'S AMERICA

By Dr. Thomas Sowell

The current Occupy Wall Street movement is the best illustration to date of what President Barack Obama's America looks like. It is an America where the lawless, unaccomplished, ignorant and incompetent rule. It is an America where those who have sacrificed nothing pillage and destroy the lives of those who have sacrificed greatly.

It is an America where history is rewritten to honor dictators, murderers and thieves. It is an America where violence, racism, hatred, class warfare and murder are all promoted as acceptable means of overturning the American civil society.

It is an America where humans have been degraded to the level of animals: defecating in public, having sex in public, devoid of basic hygiene. It is an America where the basic tenets of a civil society, including faith, family, a free press and individual rights, have been rejected. It is an America where our founding documents have been shredded and, with them, every person's guaranteed liberties.

It is an America where, ultimately, great suffering will come to the American people, but the rulers like Obama, Michelle Obama, Harry Reid, Nancy Pelosi, Barney Frank, Chris Dodd, Joe Biden, Jesse Jackson, Louis Farrakhan, liberal college professors, union bosses and other loyal liberal/Communist Party members will live in opulent splendor.

It is the America that Obama and the Democratic Party have created with the willing assistance of the American media, Hollywood, unions, universities, the Communist Party of America, the Black Panthers and numerous anti-American foreign entities\*.

Barack Obama has brought more destruction upon this country in four years than any other event in the history of our nation, but it is just the beginning of what he and his comrades are capable of.

The Occupy Wall Street movement is just another step in their plan for the annihilation of America.

"Socialism, in general, has a record of failure so blatant that only an intellectual could ignore or evade it."

Thomas Sowell (born June 30, 1930) is an American economist, social theorist, political philosopher, and author. A National Humanities Medal winner, he advocates laissez-faire economics and writes from a libertarian perspective. He is currently a Rose and Milton Friedman Senior Fellow on Public Policy at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University. Sowell was born in North Carolina, but grew up in Harlem, New York. He dropped out of high school, and served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War. He had received a bachelor's degree from Harvard University in 1958 and a master's degree from Columbia University in 1959. In 1968, he earned his doctorate degree in economics from the University of Chicago. Dr. Sowell has served on the faculties of several universities, including Cornell and University of California, Los Angeles, and worked for "think tanks" such as the Urban Institute. Since 1980 he has worked at the Hoover Institution. He is the author of more than 30 books.

\* George Soros, and his group are the main backer/pusher of all this trouble. My comment/title, DW.

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## Notes from November 19<sup>th</sup> Monthly Meeting of the FHTP

John Ford (Acting Moderator) called the meeting to order at 9:35am.

After opening announcements and the Pledge of Allegiance the opening prayer was given by Rex Miller.

There were no new attendee's or special guests.

The Treasury Report was discussed and a motion made by Daryl Wilson to pass the Treasury Report and it was seconded by Helen Poppe; motion passed with no objections.

A report on the Working Group was given which included discussing upcoming events and a primitive discussion of Spring 2012 events. The events discussed were: 1) Josh Charles – January 2012; 2) Political Gravity – December 3, 2011; 3) Finishing KSU Concessions with the Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> game; 4) Spring 2012 events – Rally in Riley; Tax Day TEA Party; Constitutional Scholarship Bee in February.

Future Moderator discussion was tabled and moved to Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Group discussed allowing John Ford to moderate that meeting as well.

New Business/announcements included: Chuck Henderson discussing the Super committee and Budget deficit issue.

Karla Parsons discussed earlier meeting dealing with Kansas Health Care Issues. (Kansas's citizens need to contact their State Legislative Representatives and Senators demanding they vote **against** the proposed Health Care Issues that they will be presented to them to vote on in the coming Legislative session.)

In closing the meeting Chuck Henderson lead all in singing "GOD Bless America".

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45am.

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## Have YOU Had enough?

I HAVE had MORE than Enough! When, at first the Occupy Wall Street was the darling of the Democrats and President Obama praised this protest, I had had enough. Now with the Religious Hate and threat of violence – the drugs, the rages, the deaths – Have you had enough? I have had enough! How about the bias liberal media that showed how *wonderful* this movement was, and How the Progressive liberals had an answer, the Occupy Wall Street for was the TEA Party ----.

We have poof the Unions are funneling money and support into these protests. The Unions who were bailed out with taxpayer money; Acorn is helping organize these groups with taxpayer money. Have YOU had enough? Or how about elected leaders such as Pelosi, Reed, Waters, Wrangle, etc. that heap vitriol on and at TEA Party peace protest. Then with hope and glee to what display live destructive protest of Occupy Wall Street is coming to. Will it be enough when the violence erupts out against innocent working Americans who pay their taxes, when that firebomb is thrown and riots escalate in the major cities? How about Topeka, Lawrence, Manhattan, -- will that be enough??!!

I heard a statement that these Occupy Wall Street people were mad? When, questioned they rambled on about not fair that they didn't have what 90% of working Americans have. Yet the ideal of working for and paying your way was as crazy as being self-responsible!! As first they were humorous in their protest and trying to be one of 99%ers Occupy Wall Street. When arrests were made on people with home made explosives and they have a protest member shoot at the White House. Have YOU had enough??!! How about when these Occupy Wall Street people realize that it is the progressive government that is the problem – not Wall Street?? Maybe the one who shot at the white house is one of the first to realize the true enemy of the Occupy Wall Street. When have you had enough of a President that plays the welfare class and race card that the "Have Nots" are owed by the "Haves"? It is unfortunate that the Occupy Wall Street are not knowingly mad. That means being mad with reason to be mad. TEA Party People, the time is NOW to be knowingly MAD, MAD at how a few elected officials are making a mess of our great Country!!! Will it be time to be knowingly mad for the TEA Party, when the Occupy Wall Street attacks a peaceful gathering? Will that be enough?? Now if YOU are like me, you have had enough let's get out there and take out this bunch of bums' next election!!! I didn't say: "take out to lunch" – I mean take out behind the barn, like Granddad would.

.....By Larry Tawney

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Well, my fine friends, today the fox is guarding the hen house. The wolves will be herding the sheep!

Obama appointed two devout Muslims to homeland security posts.

Obama and Janet Napolitano appointed Arif Alikhan, a devout Muslim, as Assistant Secretary for Policy Development. DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano swore-in Kareem Shora, a devout Muslim, who was born in Damascus, Syria, as ADC National Executive Director as a member of the Homeland Security Advisory Council (HSAC).

NOTE: Has anyone ever heard a new government official being identified as a "devout Catholic", a "devout Jew", or a "devout Protestant"...?

Just wondering.

Devout Muslims being appointed to critical Homeland Security positions? Doesn't this make you feel safer already?? That should make our homeland much safer, huh!?

Wasn't it "devout Muslim men" who flew planes into U.S. buildings just over ten years ago?  
Wasn't it a "devout Muslim man" who killed 13 at Fort Hood?

Please forward this important information to any who care about the future of our Country.

I have heard that most folks go on about their daily lives and forget about all corruption and what the government is up to in less than a week or they have been asleep their whole lives.

## **It's time to start waking everyone up. Our enemy is in the WHITE HOUSE!!!**

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This needs to circulate!!!

I think this is one email every American needs to receive.

The year is 1907, one hundred and 3+ years ago.

'In the first place, we should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith becomes and American and assimilates himself to us, he shall be treated on an exact equality with everyone else, for it is an outrage to discriminate against any such man because of creed, or birthplace, or origin. But this is predicated upon the person's becoming in every facet American, and nothing but an American... There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. **We have room for but one flag, the American flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language.**

**And we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people.'**

Theodore Roosevelt – 1907

*Every American citizen needs to read this!!*

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## **Nails in the Fence!!**

Make sure you read all the way down to the last sentence. (Most importantly the Last sentence).

There once was a little boy who had a bad temper. His Father gave him a bag of nails and told him that every time he lost his temper, he MUST hammer a nail into the back of the fence.

The first day the boy had driven 37 nails into the fence. Over the next few weeks, as he learned to control his anger, the number of nails hammered daily gradually dwindled down. He discovered it was easier to hold his temper than to drive those nails into the fence. Finally the day came when the boy didn't lose his temper al all. He told his father about it and the father suggested that the boy now pull out one nail for each that he was able to hold his temper. The days passed and the young boy was finally able to tell his father that all the nails were gone.

The father took his son by the hand and led him to the fence. He said, "You have done well, my son, but look at the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things in anger, they leave a scar just like this one. You can put a knife in a man and draw it out. But it won't matter how many times you say "I'm sorry", the wound will still be there. A verbal wound is as bad as a physical one.

God knows how many nails I'd have taken out of the fence by now.

God, also, knows how many nails I'd have put in the fence to begin with!! :-)

This was sent to me in honor of Friendship Week, which I don't know when it was, but know it should be every week. Remember that friends are very rare jewels indeed. They make you smile and encourage you to succeed. They lend an ear, they share words of praise and they always want to open their hearts to you. We can show our friends and they can show us how much we all care. Please, Friends, let's keep the nails out of the fence, but fight, struggle, and, together, we will succeed to bring our wonderful Country back to God, the United States Constitution, and We the People!!

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As we all get ready to decorate, let us remember this.....

I love Christmas lights. They remind me of the people who voted for Obama.

They all hang together; half of them don't work, and the ones that do, aren't that bright.

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## **Richmond, VA city government retaliates against TEA Party for pointing out double standard**

**American Thinker – November 29, 2011 -- By Rick Moran**

You may recall a few weeks back when the Richmond, VA Tea Party, angered that the Occupy Richmond protestors did not have to pay fees or incur other costs for use of the same city park that the Tea Party members shelled out \$8500 to use for their rally, sent an invoice to the city government demanding a refund. Now, in retaliation, the city has informed the group that they are to be audited.

### **Big Government:**

The blog [Virginia Right](#) reported that the city provided services such as portable toilets, trash pickup, etc. The incomplete invoices obtained from the city totaled \$7,000. This was only a portion of the actual costs to taxpayers because the costs of police, helicopter and incarcerations were not included. Also not accounted for was the 24-hour police protection of the Mayor's home after the Occupiers moved their camp next door to the Mayor's house. The Richmond Tea Party, conversely, paid for all services for our rallies, including the police, portable toilets, park fees and permits, amounting to approximately \$8,500.

Our actions apparently struck a nerve. Our invoice to the Mayor was covered by hundreds of news outlets, including the AP, Richmond Times Dispatch, Baltimore Sun, and the [Washington Post](#). On October 31, I appeared on Fox Business, Neil Cavuto's show, and was interviewed about our actions. Reportedly, at least two Richmond City Council members agreed with our plight. "I guess we'll be writing a check to the Tea Party people," said Councilman Bruce W. Tyler, as quoted in the Richmond Times Dispatch. "You can't treat one group different from the other. It's unfair."

On November 14th, representatives of [our Tea Party](#) attended the City Council meeting to speak to the Mayor and Council during the citizen forum. Mayor Jones, apparently too busy to listen to his constituents, got up and left before we spoke. He had no problem inviting members of the Occupy group to his office for a closed door meeting days later, at the same time refusing to meet with us.

His administration, however, found the time to send us an audit letter (provided in full below). No need for the city to audit the Occupiers, because, as the Mayor knows, all of their costs were provided by the taxpayers of Richmond ([via Gateway Pundit](#)). Here is the *[City Audit Letter Notification: The Tea Party folk are 100% correct and any court in the land would agree with them. So, the city, through this bogus audit, is seeking to intimidate and perhaps, destroy the Tea Party organization in Richmond for daring to stand up to the powers that be.](#)*

In the audit letter signed by Cynthia Carr, Field Auditor for the City of Richmond, it states that our Tea Party is delinquent in filing of Admissions, Lodging, and Meals Taxes with the city and as such our group has been targeted for a comprehensive audit. Well, aren't we special? In fact, as part of the [Business License](#) we have with the City, a form is filled out by our treasurer every month (as required). We have never charged admission or had lodging or meals associated with our rallies. Every month the forms are appropriately filled with zeros. Ms. Carr goes on to say that if we don't respond within 15 days, the City will make a statutory assessment-meaning they'll pick an amount to charge us.

So the City and Mayor apparently feel that the Richmond Tea Party has not paid its fair share for use of

Kanawha Plaza. We challenged the Mayor's unequal treatment between groups and he responded with even more unequal treatment.

*I'm sure there are plenty of lawyers out there who will rush to their defense. And no doubt, the mayor will rue the day he compounded his problems by pulling a petty bureaucratic stunt instead of addressing the legitimate concerns of his constituents.*

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## TEA Party Express: "Sal Russo – TEA Party Express"

[info@teapartyexpress.org](mailto:info@teapartyexpress.org)

### Barney Frank Announces Retirement in Wake of TEA Party Pressure

Dear Friends,

Some victories are obvious, like in 2010 when conservatives picked up an overwhelming 60 seats in the House of Representatives. Others are less apparent – **After two years of unrelenting pressure from the Tea Party Express, other Tea Party groups and patriots from across the nation Rep. Barney Frank announced that he will not seek re-election in 2012!**

He cited his apprehension at running in a difficult re-election campaign and the reality that he would have to continue to deal with a Republican controlled House of Representatives as reasons for his departure. **Both of these reasons are the direct result of Tea Party efforts!**

Since the burst of the housing bubble, Tea Party Express have been pressuring Frank to resign due to his unethical connections to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, as well as his hand in their collapse. On nearly every one of our bus tours, Tea Party Express has made it a point to hold a rally in Frank's Massachusetts district in order to say, "WE WILL DEFEAT YOU IN 2012!"

**Now, after years of spending trillions of tax-payers dollars, bailing-out failed banks, leading the charge for Socialized Medicine and job-killing regulations, Barney Frank is doing the most respectable thing of his career: RETIRING!** This is a huge victory for conservatives! As one of the most complacent, big-government politicians in Washington, Barney Frank sat at the helm as our economy plummeted.

Remember though, we have seen this sort of victory before. When Michigan Rep. Bart Stupak cast the decisive vote for ObamaCare in 2010, Tea Party Express held 9 rallies that exposed Stupak's betrayal and ultimately forced him out of office. The Tea Party Express is committed to holding representatives accountable for their actions. For too long, politicians have gotten away with corruption that hurts the American people.

Now, after united opposition of every tea party group has forced another liberal zealot out of office, we cannot lose our momentum! We must keep the heat on and take back the Senate and White House in 2012. With your support, we promise to not rest until this is achieved. Join us as we take America back!

**Please support the Tea Party Express so that we can continue to take on big liberals, such as Barney Frank, that oppose Tea Party principles. We need your help to keep the pressure on and defeat them at the ballot box or force them to resign.**

**We here at the Tea Party Express are guided by our 6 basic principles:**

**No more bailouts**

**Reduce the size and intrusiveness of government**

**Stop raising our taxes**

**Repeal Obamacare**

**Cease out-of-control spending**

**Bring back American prosperity and jobs**

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On my way home one day, I stopped to watch a Little League baseball game that was being played in a park near my home. As I sat down behind the bench on the first-base line, I asked one of the boys what the score was 'We're behind 14 to nothing,' he answered with a smile. 'Really,' I said. 'I have to say you don't look very discouraged.' 'Discouraged?' the

boy asked with a puzzled look on his face. 'why should we be discouraged? We haven't been up to bat yet.'

This, my friends, is the way the TEA Party people feel. *We haven't been up to bat yet!* The recent Republican times at bat wasn't as bad as this Democratic Obama time, but it was NOT really what the Conservative TEA Party is thinking either. We need to go back – way back – to a time when many of us don't remember. Oh, Yes, times have changed and we realize it can't and won't be like it was then, but we are striving to get as close to "back then" as we can. There are many things that have developed that we want to keep, but to take full advantage of the "good" things we need to eliminate many of the unnecessary spending and find a happy medium for everyone.

We all know many areas of the United States Government that needs careful scrutiny and redoing. There are unending areas that are costing way too much for each United States citizen. Every government employee needs to have their position and its expenditures reviewed and cuts made where indicated. Every government department needs the same scrutiny; many departments should just be eliminated. When the TEA Party is finished with the needed cuts in the Federal and State Expenses there will be **Balanced Budgets – both State and Federal** -- with monies left to pay off our Countries debts.

**That's the way GOD abiding Americans do things!**

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## **Morning Bell: Stop Obama's Big Union Onslaught**

By Mike Brownfield, November 30, 2011 at 10AM

What does it take to bring an airline to its knees? Uncompetitive union-negotiated labor contracts and a fundamental unwillingness to recognize that in a down economy, unions have a hard time raising wages without destroying jobs.

That was a lesson that unions refused to learn in the case of American Airlines, which yesterday announced that it has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, making it the last large U.S. full-fare airline to seek court protection from creditors. American was forced to take that action when the airline pilots union refused to budge on its demands for massive signing bonuses and wage increases. The airline's competitors are flying high in profits after restructuring union contracts in their own bankruptcy proceedings.

Unions also didn't learn any lessons after taxpayers bailed out General Motors and Chrysler, and then-White House "auto-czar" Ron Bloom gave the UAW preferential treatment in the restructuring process despite their contracts being largely at fault.

And, this is a lesson that still has not penetrated the walls of the Obama White House. The President's appointees to the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) want businesses to be unionized at all costs, even if it means harming both workers and the economy. They're trying to make it happen by ramming through measures that would help expand unionization in America.

Today, the U.S. House of Representatives will vote on the Workplace Democracy and Fairness Act, introduced by Committee on Education and the Workforce Chairman John Kline (R-MN). The bill protects the right of workers to decide whether or not to unionize. That's a right that the NLRB would like to drastically weaken.

One tack the Obama NLRB is taking is implementing "snap elections" which Heritage labor expert James Sherk says are designed to prevent employees from making an informed choice about unionizing.

The policy shortens the election period from six weeks to as little as 10 days, depriving companies of their ability to explain to workers the darker side of unionization, including strike histories, dues increases, and union corruption. Meanwhile, union leaders would have months to try to sell workers on their side of the story through rose-colored glasses.

The NLRB is [set to vote on the new rule today](#), but it's possible that their efforts could be forestalled if the lone Republican on the board resigns or withdraws participation in the vote, depriving the NLRB of the quorum it needs to issue regulations.

Their earlier gambit — known as “micro unions” — redefines who gets to vote on unionizing a particular workplace. Instead of workers with a shared “community of interest” forming a single bargaining unit and voting together on unionizing (think cashiers, shelf-stockers, and greeters at a grocery store), now the Obama NLRB has allowed unions to form cherry-picked bargaining units of their supporters. [Sherk explains](#) how the new rule would impact workers:

*If most workers at a store oppose unionizing, but a union has majority support among the cashiers, it can now form union of just the cashiers. The shelf-stockers and greeters would not get a vote.*

*Unionizing brings risks to the entire workplace. The Obama NLRB has allowed unions to selectively disenfranchise the workers who do not want to take that risk.”*

All of this is occurring despite the fact that only [one in 10](#) non-union workers say they want to unionize. What's more, unionized companies [invest less, are less competitive, and create fewer jobs](#) than non-union companies. Given these facts, it's no surprise that union membership has [shrunk to just 7 percent](#) in the private sector. Likewise, though, it's not surprising that the Obama NLRB is digging in and trying to foist unionization on all companies while it still can.

Kline's bill attempts to prevent that from happening by guaranteeing that union elections are not held until workers have at least 35 days to hear from both sides, ensuring that employers have at least 14 days to find legal counsel before any legal proceedings begin, preventing unions from cherry-picking which workers can vote, and protecting privacy by letting workers decide which contact information to release to union organizers.

Kline [says](#), “It's very clear to me that we're seeing the rights of employers and employees under attack.” And he's right. Workers have a right to organize unions, but they should have a right not to organize them as well. Reforms like the ones Kline is proposing help protect that right.

#### Quick Hits:

Despite declaring a moratorium on earmarks, some Members of the House and Senate have [tried to insert hundreds of spending provisions](#) into at least 10 bills in the summer and fall.

More than [200 Occupy Wall Street protesters were arrested](#) in Los Angeles early this morning after an unlawful assembly was declared and the protesters refused to leave. Few protesters now remain in the camp.

Some [two million workers in the United Kingdom went on strike](#) today in protest over proposed pension reforms. Workers in schools, hospitals, police stations, and airports are among those off the job.

Britain is [withdrawing its diplomatic staff from Iran](#) following the storming of its embassy in Tehran on Tuesday. British Foreign Secretary William Hague is expected to make a statement to Parliament on how the nation will retaliate.

The Grumpy Troll Restaurant and Brewpub is [one of over 22,000 companies that received \\$16,000 cash grants](#) from the federal government to install solar panels on their roofs. Read more at Foundry.org.

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**"I predict future happiness for Americans if they can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of taking care of them." -- Thomas Jefferson**

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