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USI Students Say 'NO' to the FED & IRS with Campus Tea Party and Will Appeal to the Founding Fathers' Wisdom in Doing So

On December 16, 1773, a brave multitude of colonial Americans, organized as the Sons of Liberty, dumped gallons of tea into the Boston Harbor in protest of, among other things, the oppressive and tyrannical taxation system the British Parliament was levying on the average colonist without their consent. After the 1773 Tea Act, the East India Company, sent to forcibly collect taxes within the colonies on behalf of the British Crown (Part II of the Tea Act), received the status of a tax-free monopoly by Parliament, which was all but the end of the world for colonial merchants who had to pay a 15% or greater tax comparatively. Let alone, taxes were ever-changing and leveled unjustly on the colonists and their goods. These factors contributed to a revolt at Boston Harbor that left Parliament reeling and ultimately led to a War for Independence in which America won.

Today, many students at USI are appealing to the wisdom of the Founding Fathers and those Patriots at Boston Harbor in saying "No" to the Federal Reserve System (FED) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) which continually diminish the livelihoods of each and every American. Tony Howard, Executive Chairman of the USI College Republicans commented "Today we face a similar situation to what our Founders did." He continued "We are being inflicted by the Federal Reserve's corrupt monetary policy of printing our Dollars' value away, which will eventually result in run-away inflation. We are also bogged down by a tax system, implemented by the IRS, which seeks to take our wealth and prosperity." In the nonpartisan spirit surrounding the nation-wide Tea Parties, Howard said "George W. Bush and Barack Obama are equally guilty in this and it is time that 'WE THE PEOPLE' gather together and show our opposition to these failed government entities – the IRS and the FED!" Students on campus have had it and they are taking action right along with others around the country.

On April 15, 2009 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. under the UC Bridge, the USI College Republicans (USICR) and other students will be holding an "End the FED/IRS Tax-Day Tea Party" on the USI campus. Conservatives and others will be gathering to not only dump the Federal Reserve's toxic treasury bills into to every gutter and dumpster on campus, but to say "we have had enough of the government wasting our money!" They will also call on the academia at the University of Southern Indiana to stop promoting, within their economics and finance classrooms inappropriately, these failed government policies based on Keynesian rhetoric and an anti-American big-government agenda. The USI College Republicans are stating: "We want the Federal Government to stop destroying our currency, to end its tyrannical and overbearing tax policies, and to follow the U.S. Constitution."

The USI College Republicans recently held a charity fundraiser on campus which the administration attempted to cancel, allegedly. It has come to the attention of USICR that except for the brave words of a vice-president to another member of the administration, that event was almost "indefinitely postponed". The charity event provided desperately needed school supplies to Iraqi children. Now there are serious concerns that an attempt will be made to stop an event that is actually controversial like an "End the Fed/IRS Tax Day Tea Party".

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