This is not, apparently, further proof of Republicans commingling with Tea Party activists. Wisconsin director for Americans for Prosperity Mark Block says Tommy Thompson is speaking at a tax day Tea party event today in Madison because the former governor just appreciates a good grassroots movement. Block says he hopes Thompson tells those attending that they're making a difference with their activism. He's also expected to say whether he's running for senate this year.

It was a year ago today that the Tea Party launched with Tax day rallies.