

Unproductive rally for jobs

In reaction to the Sept. 8 article " 'Energy advocates' rally against taxes": I was one of the 400 people attending the "Rally for Jobs" at the Memorial Civic Center in Canton.

I am also an "energy advocate." I drove from Akron to hear what the candidates are saying and doing about helping the economy in Ohio.

It turned out I was attending a Tea Party rally.

I heard emcee Matt Patrick say for U.S. Reps. Betty Sutton, Tim Ryan and John Boccieri to watch out this November. I heard leaders of industry and organizations talk down the clean-energy job market.

I did not hear anyone say what they are doing to improve the economy. Karen Wright, president and chief executive of Ariel Corp., a manufacturer of natural gas compressors, did not say if the company is increasing employment.

Did Karen Wright ride on the bus from Mount Vernon with the workers? Others commented about how many jobs are going to China.

When I came home, I looked at all the "gifts" I was given. Three of the things were a bag and two T-shirts. The bag with "Rally for Jobs" printed on it was made in China.

The white T-shirt with "Together We Power the Future" on it was made in Honduras and the blue T-shirt with "I am an Energy Citizen" was made in Mexico.

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