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URI Students for Saving Social Security Hold Bake Sale

Kingston, RI – The University of Rhode Island Students for Saving Social Security chapter is holding a bake sale with a twist today. As part of the Coming Out Conservative Week, the group will be selling treats in the Memorial Union today, November 15, from 11 AM until 3 PM. The twist is that prices will be based upon each student's seniority, with freshmen paying the most per baked good.

“We're charging different prices to reflect the unfairness of the Social Security system,” says Ryan Bilodeau, leader of URI Students for Saving Social Security. “This is a system that young people are paying 12.4% of our income into, but we are not getting that money back in benefits.

“The bake sale is a great way for students to understand the way our retirement system works,” Bilodeau continues. “As the payroll tax increases, younger workers are forced to pay even more into a system that is already forecasting shortfalls. We hope to show students that there is an alternative to higher taxes and lower benefits.”

One way to create equality is to move toward a market-driven retirement program. Personal retirement accounts would allow individual workers to invest and own money. In addition, personal accounts would provide a higher rate of return.

“We hope that every time URI students buy cookies in the future, they remember that the Social Security system is crumbling,” says Ryan Doucette, a student at the University of Rhode Island.

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