BARROW REPUBLICAN NEWS

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MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting - Mon., Jan 16 7:30 PM @ Winder Woman's Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.) Auburn City Council Meeting - Thur., Feb 2 7:00 PM Bethlehem Town Council Meeting - Mon., Feb 6 7:00 PM Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Feb 7 7:00 PM Barrow School Board Meeting - Tue., Feb 7 7:00 PM County Commission Meeting - Tue., Feb 14 7:00 PM Auburn City Council Meeting - Thur., Feb 16 7:00 PM Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 16 7:00 PM Statham City Council Meeting - Tue., Feb 21 7:00 PM County Commission Meeting - Tue., Feb 28 7:00 PM

VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (30)

Ken Young – Chr.	Scott Hang	Terry Raber
Larry Ballard – 1 st V.	C. Clay Pentecost	Teeny Hang
Ray Newman -2^{nd} V	.C. Jimmy Lomax	Will Dunn
Deborah Golder - See	c. Terry England	Phil Foil
Clay Kelley – Tr.	Mike Pentecost	Cal Neff
Bob Lanham – Asst.	Tr. John Reavis	June Miller
John Stevens	Lynn Stevens	Shane Coley
Dan Blechinger	Linda Blechinger	Don Lloyd
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Michael Howington	DuWayne Anderson	Bill Sailers

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Reg. \$ 15, Adv. \$ 25, Barrow 100 \$ 100, Barrow 360 \$ 360

All local elected Republican officials are expected to renew their membership each year!!!!!!!

7:30 PM ##

STEPHEN SIMPSON - CANDIDATE NEW 10th U.S. DISTRICT

MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 12/31/11)

Membership	'03	'04	'05	'06	'07	' 08	'09	'10	' 11
Regular	16	26	15	24	51	56	48	46	44
Advanced	66	74	55	50	61	75	68	58	59
Barrow 100	8	10	9	11	11	13	17	16	17
Barrow 360	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Total	90	110	79	85	123	144	134	121	121
Renewals	78	83	73	72	73	106	113	105	112
New	12	27	6	13	50	38	21	16	9

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WE"RE NOW TAKING 2012 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS & NEW MEMBERSHIPS

"The state of Illinois spends \$ 750 million a year providing state-subsidized babysitting for poor people. But Illinois, as we all know, isn't much for fastidious background checks, and it turns out that the state was paying rapists, child molesters, and other violent criminals to spend time alone with the children of the poor. From the government, here to help, etc." (*National Review*)

REPUBLICAN: THE FREEDOM PARTYLOWER TAXES ******* LESS GOVERNMENTEQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Jan 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Feb 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Mar 6 (Tue)	Presidential Primary
Mar 10 (Sat)	Prct. Mtgs/Cty. Convention
Mar 19 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Apr 14 (Sat)	District Convention
Apr 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
May 18-19 (Fri/Sat)	State Convention
May 21 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
June 18 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
July 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

Richard Nixon Birthday – <u>January 9</u> (Mon) M.L. King, Jr. Holiday – <u>January 16</u> (Mon) Roe v. Wade Day of Infamy – <u>January 22</u> (Sun) William McKinley Birthday – <u>January 29</u> (Sun) Ronald Reagan Birthday – <u>February 6</u> (Mon) Boy Scouts Founded – <u>February 8</u> (Wed) Abraham Lincoln Birthday – <u>February 12</u> (Sun) Presidents Day – <u>February 20</u> (Mon) George Washington Birthday – <u>February 22</u> (Wed)

2012 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Pat GrahamBob LanhamJune MillerRay NewmanKathy HopkinsBetty PetreeHenry PetreeKen YoungKen Young

WELCOME - NEW MEMBER

Jerry Hood

2011 – 2013 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS

Bethlehem Community Center	Jimmy Lomax
County Line Fire Dept.	Terry England
Bramlett Elementary	John Stevens
Westside Middle School	Linda Blechinger
Statham Fire Dept.	Mike Pentecost
Winder-Barrow High School	Bill Sailers
Holsenbeck Elementary	John Reavis
Lions Club	Terry Raber
Barrow County Rec. Dept.	Robert Lanham
Apalachee High School	Kathy Hopkins
Auburn Fire Dept.	Ellen Reed
Winder Community Center	Scott Hang
Cedar Creek Baptist Church	Will Dunn
County Line Elementary	June Miller
Bethlehem First Baptist Church	Cal Neff

CAMPAIGN YARD SIGN & TAGGING PRESENTATION

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012 REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

7:30 PM - WINDER WOMAN'S CLUB

RECOMMENDED FOR ALL INCUMBENTS & CHALLENGERS

Common mistakes can be avoided. The yard sign can be a critical tool in building name recognition. There will also be a look at a house-to-house distribution technique and mistakes to avoid. Make plans to attend and invite potential candidates!

Seven states have already lost delegates to the GOP National Convention next August because they violated RNC rules. Georgia now has the fourth largest delegation because we modified our state rules to comply with national rules.

FROM THE CHAIR

We had a great time at our 2011 Holiday Dinner on **December 5, 2011**. Public Service Commissioner Tim Echols addressed our gathering with helpful remarks. The food was great, and several won something from our collection of door prizes. We are looking forward to 2012!

We are now accepting 2012 membership renewals and new memberships. You can bring them to our next monthly meeting, or mail them to our P.O. Box 1054, Winder, GA, 30680-1054. Thanks for your continued support!

Voting members of the County Committee are reminded that their dues must be paid by **March 31, 2012** to continue to have voting privileges this year. This is a local Party rule.

The new 10th U.S. District GOP Executive Committee had a meeting on **December 15**, 2011 in Greensboro. In addition to our Mike Pentecost serving as Assistant Treasurer, I have been appointed as Parliamentarian (non-voting position). District Chairman Brian Burdette is continuing efforts to organize the new District in preparation for the conventions and elections.

The State Party has announced a joint effort with CNN to broadcast a GOP Presidential Candidate Forum on Thursday, **March 1, 2012**, prior to our Georgia GOP Presidential Preference Primary election on Tuesday, **March 6, 2012**.

While we are concerned about ballot integrity, we are also concerned about voter registration integrity. If you see an abandoned house, please record the address and send it to me (for now). Authorities can check for address updates and take corrective action, if needed, to make sure our local voter roll is correct. A recent pilot project revealed about 70 addresses which were forwarded for processing.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **January 16, 2012** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman's Club. Our speaker will be Stephen Simpson of Milledgeville who is running for the new 10th U.S. Congressional seat in 2012. Also, we will be covering information concerning our Precinct Meetings and County Convention on Saturday, **March 10**. There will be a signup list circulated (non-binding) of those members who want to be considered to serve as Delegates and/or Alternates to the 2012 District Convention (**April 14**) in Greensboro and State Convention in Columbus (**May 18-19**). [Final determination will be made at our County Convention on **March 10** by the convention delegates.] It will be worth your time. Make plans now to attend. Be early for a good seat.

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

"Innovation, Competition and The FDA" – Burton G. Malkiel – *Forbes* – 8/8/2011

http://www.forbes.com/forbes/2011/0808/opinions-capitalflows-burton-malkiel-innovation-competition-fda.html

"Red States Rising" – Alfred S. Regnery – *The American* Spectator – 9/4/2011 http://spectator.org/archives/2011/09/04/red-states-rising

"The Price of Abandoning Gold" – Charles Kadlec – Forbes – 9/12/2011

http://www.forbes.com/forbes/2011/0912/opinions-charleskadlec-capital-flows-price-abandoning.html

ABBREVIATED CALL FOR THE BARROW COUNTY <u>REPUBLICAN ELECTION DISTRICT</u> (PRECINCT) MASS MEETINGS

PRECINCT MASS MEETINGS

Pursuant to the Call of the Georgia Republican State Executive Committee for Precinct, Rule 9.2 District, County, Congressional District, and State Mass Meetings and Conventions, the Barrow County Republican Committee hereby makes and issues this, the Official Call, to all legal and qualified voters of Barrow County, Georgia, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, believe in its declaration of policies and are in sympathy with its aims and purposes, to unite under this Call in the selection of Delegates and Alternates to the Barrow County Convention to be held pursuant to this Call. There shall be Election District (Precinct) Mass Meetings on March 10, 2012 at 9:00 o'clock A.M. at 15 W. Midland Ave., Winder, Georgia, at the Winder Woman's Club, which shall elect Delegates and Alternates to the County Convention to be held on March 12, 2012, at same location. Registration begins at 8:00 o'clock A.M. on March 12, 2012. Anyone arriving after 9:00 A.M. will not be allowed to participate.

COUNTY CONVENTION

The Barrow County Convention is hereby called to convene at 15 W. Midland Ave., Winder, Georgia, at the Winder Woman's Club on Saturday, March 10, 2012, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of electing Delegates and Alternates to the Tenth U.S. Congressional District and State Conventions. Only those Delegates and Alternates elected in the respective Election District (Precinct) Mass Meetings held on March 10, 2012, shall be entitled to participate. The Convention itself shall be open to the public.

Ken Young, Chairman, Barrow County Republican Party

GAGOP RULE 7.6: RESTRICTIONS ON ENDORSEMENTS BY GRP OFFICIALS

"Members of the State Executive Committee, the State Committee, GRP employees, appointed GRP Officials, County Chairmen, members of any County Committee and members of any District Committee shall not use their official title in any manner in connection with their support of, any candidate for the Republican nomination for any public office in the State of Georgia in primaries where there is at least one other Republican candidate."

Violations of this rule will be considered conduct detrimental to the Republican Party. Offenders will be removed from the Party.

BACK WHEN WE WERE NEGROES

Charles E. Richardson, Macon Telegraph, July 31, 2011

There was a time until the early 1960s when the terms to describe those of African descent, like me – African-American or Black or Afro-American – were almost unheard of.

I remember a distinct conversation with a friend discussing descriptive terms for ourselves in 1963 or '64. The term

"black" was just coming into vogue and he didn't like it one bit. "Call me a Negro," he said, "but don't call me black."

Now, the word "Negro" (publications used a lower case "n") has almost become a pejorative, so I was a little surprised when my pastor, the Rev. Willie Reid, used it during Thursday's revival. "Back when we were Negroes," he said, and listed several things that were different abut black life in America back then.

That got me to thinking. Back when we were Negroes in the 1950s, "only 9 percent of black families with children were headed by a single parent," according to "The Black Family: 40 Years of Lies" by Kay Hymowitz. "Black children had a 52 percent chance of living with both their biological parents until age 17. In 1959 only 2 percent of black children were reared in households in which the mother never married." But now that we're African-Americans, according to Hymowitz, those odds of living with both parents had "dwindled to a mere 6 percent" by the mid-1980s. And check this, in Bib County, more than 70 percent of the births in the African-American community are to single mothers.

Back when we were Negroes and still fighting in many parts of the country for the right to vote, we couldn't wait for the polls to open. We knew our friends, family and acquaintances had died getting us the ballot. Dogs and fire hoses were used to keep us away and still we came. But now that we're African-Americans, in a city of 47,000 registered – predominantly black voters – more than 30,000 didn't show up at the polls July 19.

Back when we were Negroes, we had names like Joshua, Aaron, Paul, Esther, Melba, Cynthia and Ida. Now that we are African-Americans, our names are bastardized versions of alcohol from Chivas to Tequila to C(S)hardonney. And chances the names have an unusual spelling.

Back when we were Negroes, according to the Trust For America's Health's "F as in Fat," report, "only four states had diabetes rates above 6 percent, . . . The hypertension rates in 37 states about 20 years ago were more than 20 percent."

Now that we're African-Americans, that report shows, "every state has a hypertension rate of more than 20 percent, with nine more than 30 percent. Forty-three states have diabetes rates of more than 7 percent, and 32 have rate above 8 percent. Adult obesity rates for blacks topped 40 percent in 15 states, 35 percent in 35 states and 30 percent in 42 states and Washington, D.C.

Back when we were Negroes, the one-room church was the community center that everyone used. Now that we're African-Americans, our churches have lavish – compared to back-in-theday churches – community centers that usually sit empty because the last thing the new church wants to do is invite the community in.

Back when we were Negroes, we didn't have to be convinced that education was the key that opened the lock of success, but now that we're African-Americans, more than 50 percent of our children fail to graduate high school. In Bibb County last year, the system had a dropout rate of 53.4 percent.

Back when we were Negroes, the last thing a young woman wanted to look like was a harlot and a young man a thug, but now that we're African-Americans, many of our young girls dress like hootchie mamas and our young boys imitate penitentiary custom and wear their pants below the butt line.

If I could reverse all of the above by trading the term "African-American" for "Negroe," what do you think I'd do?