

BARROW

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 BARROW COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
 P.O. BOX 1054 WINDER, GA 30680-1054

MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Oct 20 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Nov 3 7:00 PM
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Nov 4 6:00 PM
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Nov 4 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Nov 6 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Nov 11 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Nov 18 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Nov 20 7:00 PM
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Nov 20 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Nov 25 7:00 PM

VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (21)

Ken Young – Chr.	Scott Hang	Kathy Hopkins
Mike Pentecost – 1 st VC	Ralph Jones	Teeny Allison
Leonard Koonce – 2 nd VC		Charles Chase
Deborah Golder – Sec.	June Miller	Julia Bridges
Clay Kelley – Tr.	Charles Powell	Jimmy Lomax
Bob Lanham – Asst. Tr.	John Reavis	Linda Reavis
John Stevens	Lynn Stevens	Marty Rahinsky
DuWayne Anderson		

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C.C. Dist. 3 Rep.		
C.C. Dist. 4 Rep.	Ralph Jones	770-867-2270
C.C. Dist. 5 Rep.	John Stevens	770-995-5865
C.C. Dist. 6 Rep.	June Miller	770-867-5932

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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

ALL LOCAL ELECTED REPUBLICAN OFFICIALS ARE EXPECTED TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP YEARLY. THANKS!

7:30 PM

October 20, 2014

STATE REP. TOM KIRBY (DISTRICT 114)
 MARTHA ZOLLER (PERDUE CAMPAIGN UPDATE)
 ELIZABETH BETTIS (DEAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE)

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 9/30/14)

Membership	'06	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14
Regular	24	51	56	48	46	44	63	39	35
Advanced	50	61	75	68	58	59	71	59	41
Barrow 100	11	11	13	17	16	17	13	8	13
Barrow 360	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0
Students							4	3	2
Total	85	123	144	134	121	121	152	110	91
Renewals	72	73	106	113	105	112	101	95	81
New	13	50	38	21	16	9	51	15	10

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FOR NOVEMBER 4 GENERAL ELECTION

Last Day to Register to Vote - **OCTOBER 6**

For Absentee Ballot Applications - call 770.307.3110

Early In-Person Voting Begins - **OCTOBER 13**
 Monday-Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM

County Annex, 233 E. Broad St., Winder, GA, 30680

Early Voting Ends - **OCTOBER 31**

Special Saturday Voting - **OCTOBER 25**
 9 AM – 4 PM, 233 E. Broad St., Winder, GA, 30680

No Early In-Person Voting - **NOVEMBER 3**

Voting @ Precinct Locations - **NOVEMBER 4**

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Nov 4 (Tue)	GENERAL ELECTION
Nov 17 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Dec 1 (Mon)	HOLIDAY DINNER
Dec 2 (Tue)	State General Run-Off
Jan 6 (Tue)	Federal General Run-Off
Jan 19 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

Rutherford Hayes Birthday – October 4 (Saturday)
Chester Arthur Birthday – October 5 (Sunday)
Dwight Eisenhower Birthday – October 14 (Tuesday)
Theodore Roosevelt Birthday – October 27 (Monday)
Navy Day – October 27 (Monday)
Change Clocks Back 1 Hour – November 1 (Saturday) PM
Warren Harding Birthday – November 2 (Sunday)
GOP Elephant birthday – November 7 (Friday)
Marine Corps Day – November 10 (Monday)
Veterans Day – November 11 (Tuesday)
James Garfield Birthday – November 19 (Wednesday)



2013 – 2015 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS

Bethlehem Community Center	Jimmy Lomax
Bethabra Baptist Church	Marty Rahinsky
Bramlett Elementary	John Stevens
Westside Middle School	Linda Powell
Satham Fire Dept.	Leonard Koonce
Winder-Barrow High School	
Satham Elementary	
Holsenbeck Elementary	John Reavis
Lions Club	Terry Raber
Barrow County Rec. Dept.	Bob Lanham
Apalachee High School	Kathy Hopkins
Midway Methodist Church	
Winder Community Center	Ken Young
Cedar Creek Baptist Church	Scott Hang
County Line Elementary	June Miller

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2014 CONTESTED GENERAL ELECTION RACES

	<u>REP</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>LIB</u>
U.S. Senate	Perdue	Nunn	Swafford
10 th U.S. District	Hice	Dious	
P. Service Comm.	McDonald	Blackman	Gilmer
P. Service Comm.	Everette		Monds
Governor	Deal	Ja. Carter	Hunt
Lt. Governor	Cagle	Stokes	
Sec. of State	Kemp	D. Carter	
Attorney General	Olens	Hecht	
Insurance Comm.	Hudgens	Johnson	Metz
Labor Comm.	Butler	Shipp	
Agriculture Comm.	Black	C. Irvin	
GA School Supt.	Woods	Morgan	
GA House District 114	Kirby	Thomas	
School Board District 1	Krause	Kinney	

REFERENDUM QUESTION (Yes or No)

Shall property owned by the University System of Georgia and utilized by providers of college and university student housing and other facilities continue to be exempt from taxation to keep costs affordable?

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT # 1 (Yes or No)

Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to prohibit the General Assembly from increasing the maximum state income tax rate?

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT # 2 (Yes or No)

Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to allow additional reckless driving penalties or fees to be added to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust to pay for care and rehabilitative services for Georgia citizens who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal injuries?

FROM THE CHAIR

We had a good meeting with good attendance in September. We heard from Michael McNeely, GAGOP First Vice-Chair, Agriculture Commissioner Gary Black, and our 10th U.S. District nominee Jody Hice. Under our new spending resolution, we gave another \$ 250 check to the UGA CRs to support their efforts in the fall campaign.

Many thanks to our volunteers who worked during the Statham Sunflower Festival on **September 20** (Mike Pentecost, Regina Quick, Mark Staley, Marvin Keech, Nancy Keech, Marty Rahinsky, Scott Hang, June Miller, Julia Bridges, Ken Young). We passed out small Georgia state flags, along with campaign yard signs and materials.

We are pleased to announce that our current Congressman Dr. Paul Broun will be our guest speaker at our Annual Holiday Dinner which is scheduled for Monday, **December 1, 2014**, at 7:00 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Please make plans to attend. The cost will be \$ 10.00 per person. Contact me to make reservations. Let’s have a full house in appreciation for Paul Broun!

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **October 20, 2014** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speakers will be State Rep. Tom Kirby (District 114), Martha Zoller, Sr. Policy Advisor (Perdue campaign update), and Elizabeth Bettis, NE GA Regional Field Director (Deal campaign update). Be early for a good seat. Invite a friend! It will be worth your time. Mark your calendars.

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

“Georgia Higher Education Excels; Education, Workforce Issues Remain” – Josh Belinfante – *James Magazine* – July/August 2014 – www.insideradvantage.com/james-magazine/2014-07/

“Peace Through Weakness – The U.S. and Japan Sputter” – *Forbes* – David Malpass – July 21, 2014 – www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2014/07/02/peace-through-weakness-the-u-s-and-japan-sputter/

“What GOP ‘Establishment’?” – Grover g. Norquist – *The American Spectator* – July/August 2014 – www.spectator.org/articles/59572/what-gop-‘establishment

LETTER FROM A YAF STUDENT

(Editor's note – Due to our support of the Young America's Foundation/Reagan Ranch group and obtaining copies of the Declaration of Independence/U.S. Constitution to distribute in our county, we received the following letter.)

Dear Gentlemen:

Ronald Reagan once said, "*Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.*"

Most kids my age take their freedom for granted. They do not understand the sacrifices that had to be made to ensure their well-being. Unlike them, I understand first-hand what it really means to fight for freedom and to seize every opportunity that I have as an American.

My name is Satya Ath, I am 14 years old, and my parents were survivors of the Killing Fields in Cambodia.

Both of my parents were around my age when communism took over their country. They were separated from their families and forced to work in the rice fields. They were deprived of food and had to "steal" food from their own backyards, since everything was owned by the government. Every single day was like another day in hell.

They watched as the Khmer Rouge soldiers killed more and more people. Each day, they saw another one of their friends getting killed; sometimes by gun, sometimes by knife. The worst was entering the torture chamber called S-21 or Tuol Sleng. My mother witnessed her own father (my grandpa) getting taken away by the Khmer Rouge soldiers. He was blindfolded and tied to a tree with a gun pointed to his head. My mother also watched as her baby sister died in the arms of my grandma because of the lack of nutrition. These were just the few things that my parents suffered through. They endured these atrocities for nearly 2 years before planning to escape.

To get out of Cambodia, they had to get to the Thai border first. The journey there was not easy. They walked through jungles that were set with booby-traps and mines. They crossed through rivers with water up to their necks and slept in the forests at night. When they finally got to the Thai border, they had to stay in refugee camps for three years. Later on, World Relief came and sponsored my parents and their families to come to the United States.

My parents came to the United States with absolutely nothing. They were around 16 or 17 years old, with no education. They could not speak English, and they had no money. On top of that, they had just experienced horrific things. They had to seek help from someone. They lived on welfare for about one year, but they soon realized that welfare was established to help them get off their feet and not to live off of it for the rest of their lives. After that one year, they stopped seeking welfare.

My mom went on to attend college, earn her bachelors degree, and worked as a children's social worker. My dad, earned his Ph.D. and currently works for the department of defense.

My parents' story shows me not only that freedom is not free, but also that the American dream is still alive. They came to America with just the clothes on their backs and made a life for themselves. Through their hard work and perseverance, my parents have given me a life that I am so blessed to have. For me to even think about going to college is a miracle itself. Their

story shows that anything is possible with hard work and freedom.

My generation is just beginning to understand your conservative values. They are starting to see, first-hand, what a tyrannical regime looks like. Never before have my peers been more interested in learning about America's Founding fathers and the values upon which this country was built. This is why I hope, through my experiences, I am able to reach out to young people and share with them the values my parents instilled in me.

Because of your support of the Young America's Foundation (YAF), you have given me more than I could possibly ask for. YAF has taught me to not only believe in this country but to also believe in myself. The topics that the Foundation's speakers discuss really tied in with what my parents had experienced. Now, as I am learning what it means to be a conservative, I definitely feel that I need to share these ideas with my peers. The ideas I learned at my first conference were far more than what I have been taught in class.

I am hoping to start a YAF chapter at my high school to help students realize that what they have here in America was not just handed to them, but also fought for. My goal in the next year is to get the chapter up and running and to create activism in my community. I hope that by promoting conservative ideas in my small town, I am able to further the Movement. In addition to running a YAF chapter, I am also looking forward to joining Air Force JROTC. My parents fought for their freedom and now I intend to do the same.

Thank you so much for your support of Young America's Foundation. I am grateful to know that you believe in me and in my generation. You are making a difference in so many lives. My story is just one example. Without you, YAF, and my loving parents I would not be where I am now. I would not have been able to share my story with you and with my fellow students. Now I am no longer dreaming of the "American Dream," but I am living the American Dream thanks to you.

In gratitude,

Satya Ath

Dear Republican Party,

Thank you for your contribution toward my campaign. I am delighted to say the funds will be used for signs and registration for the Sunflower festival and Star festival.

Thank you again for the help. I look forward to the challenge and hope the results on Nov. 4 are in my favor!

Yours truly,

Debi Krause
Candidate, School Board Dist. 1

All Republicans in the Statham area and surrounding precincts in School Board District 1 need to vote for Debi Krause as your new school board member. The Party gave her \$ 200 for her general election campaign against a Democrat. If you can help with her campaign, financially or otherwise, please contact her or chairman Ken Young. Thanks!

“ Hamas fires missiles at Israel regularly. With like regularity, the Israeli missile-defense system, Iron Dome, shoots them down. Thus do the missiles keep from hitting Israeli innocents. We Americans should consider the lesson. In the early days of missile defense, the Democratic party was spectacularly immature. Three months after Reagan launched our program, Senator Ted Kennedy told the kids at Brown University, “ We cannot found national policy on fond memories of radio serials, dreams of the Old West, and the thrilling days of yesteryear. We must reject the preposterous notion of a Lone Ranger in the sky, firing silver laser bullets and shooting missiles out of the hands of Soviet outlaws.” You will not hear such sniggering from the Israelis. Rocket attacks are too serious. In a world of Iran, North Korea, and other such actors, we should be serious too.” (*National Review*)

STUDENT LOANS TRIPLE IN 10 YEARS, TAXPAYERS SUFFER

Data compiled by analyst Mark Kantrowitz has revealed a startling increase in student loan debt. According to a report in the Wall Street Journal, loan-holding 2014 graduates will be responsible for repaying an average of \$33,000 each. That compares to under \$10,000 in 1993.

While the government reports a net cash inflow of \$ 135 billion over the next 10 years resulting from various student loan programs, critics argue the government’s involvement has created an atmosphere of easy credit, soaring tuition costs and massive debt for individual students and U.S. taxpayers.

The government uses accounting rules spelled out in the federal credit Reform Act which allows use of expected discounted numbers for calculating whether the loan will ultimately cost the government money or result in a profit.

A Congressional Budget Office Report released May 22, 2014, revealed that if the government used fair-value accounting, which considers real market risks, federal student loans could not be reported as cash inflows. Instead those loans would actually cost the government \$88 billion over the next 10 years, a difference of \$223 billion.

AFA Journal, July-August 2014

theblaze.com (5/23/14), policymic.com (5/17/14)

“ Australians, having decided that they do not wish to become poor and miserable, have thrown out their so-called carbon tax, which is in fact a tax on energy – and therefore, in effect, a tax on everything. It is the first developed nation to have inflicted such a tax on itself and then to have seen reason. The tax was put forward by a Labor government that promised it would fund substantial tax cuts elsewhere and expanded welfare benefits; but of course the tax intensified the burden on Australians, who did not much notice their increasing cost of living . . . until the economy went soft, the mining boom petered out, and financial trouble in the rest of the world took some of the momentum out of the Aussies’ sails. There are two lessons here. The first is that a carbon tax is not a tax on pollution or on greenhouse gases – it is a tax on modernity, from food to fuel to manufactured goods to home utilities. The second and perhaps more important lesson is that, in a world that contains (1) China, (2) India, and (3) vast amounts of coal waiting to be consumed, even a painful tax on a handful of national economies is going to do

nothing to reverse worrisome climate trends. Global warming is global, and not subject to local regulation – not in Australia, not in the United States. Australia has repealed its carbon tax; we should save ourselves the trouble.” (*National Review*)

“ Amid all the things being said on all sides about the massive, illegal influx of children from countries in Central America, we have yet to hear some American parent saying, ‘ I don’t owe it to anybody to have my child exposed to diseases brought into this country, no matter what problems exist in other countries!’ ” (Thomas Sowell)

“ The left’s obsession with controlling all aspects of life never changes. In June, out of the blue, the Food and Drug Administration [FDA] ordered cheese makers to stop using wooden boards to age cheese – a technique in use for centuries. In the modern era of pasteurized cheese, those who still use the wooden boards for artisan, non-processed cheese have a fervent following, according to *Forbes*. Enter FDA bureaucrat Monica Metz, who in one fell swoop issued an executive decree – without legal authority and without the mandatory public commentary – banning the practice. Case closed. For the small businesses who’d invested a fortune in equipment, staff, and overhead, too bad. Stuff happens. After furious pushback from cheese makers and fans, the FDA temporarily paused their bureaucratic assault, but don’t expect the feds’ bullying to go away. It’s what they do.” (*Limbaugh Letter*)

“ Despite TV pundits who say that public opinion polls show Barack Obama is in trouble, the president is not in the slightest trouble. He is doing whatever he feels like doing, regardless of the constitution and regardless of how many people don’t like it, because he is virtually impeachment-proof. The country is in huge trouble and real danger because of his policies, but he is not.” (Thomas Sowell)

“ Forty people were shot in Chicago on the third weekend in July. At least 60 were shot, and 17 killed, over the Independence Day weekend. Mayor Rahm Emanuel has learned well from his time in the Obama administration: He has given many speeches, and done nothing. Governor Pat Quinn, a feckless enough man in his own right, has offered to send in the state police – but not until the mayor asks for them. In the meantime, both men are talking a great deal of rubbish about so-called assault weapons (which play a very minor role in Chicago’s street violence) and background checks – in a city in which most shootings are performed by men with prior criminal histories. Chicago has strict gun laws and limp enforcement: Hundreds of criminals picked up on gun charges were released after serving little or no time only to commit more serious violent crimes upon discharge. The mayor and the governor are quick with a platitude, but their fundamental unfitness for governance is getting people killed. If Illinois had any self-respect left, both would have been driven from office long ago.” (*National Review*)