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

MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Nov 17 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Dec 1 7:00 PM
Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Dec 2 6:00 PM
Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Dec 2 7:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Dec 4 7:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., Dec 9 7:00 PM
Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Dec 16 7:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Dec 18 7:00 PM
Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Dec 18 7:00 PM

VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (21)

Ken Young – Chr. Scott Hang Kathy Hopkins
Mike Pentecost – 1st VC Ralph Jones Teeny Allison
Leonard Koonce – 2nd 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. 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

November 17, 2014

TODD REHM
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GEORGIA PUNDIT
POST – ELECTION ANALYSIS

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 10/31/14)

| 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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NOVEMBER 4 - GENERAL ELECTION

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

Voting @ Precinct Locations - **NOVEMBER 4**

VOTE

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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
Feb 16 (Mon) Monthly Meeting
Mar 14 (Sat) Prec. Mtgs./County Convention
Mar 16 (Mon) Monthly Meeting
Apr 18 (Sat) District Convention
Apr 20 (Mon) Monthly Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

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)
Pearl Harbor Day – December 7 (Sunday)
Bill of Rights Day – December 15 (Monday)

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2013 – 2015 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS

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|----------------------------|----------------|
| 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 October. We heard from State Rep. Tom Kirby (District 114) on his re-election bid, and Elizabeth Bettis, NE GA Regional Field Director, gave us an update on the Deal re-election campaign.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON NOVEMBER 4 FOR EVERY REPUBLICAN ON THE BALLOT

WE NEED YOU !!!

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, **November 17, 2014** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman's Club. Our guest speaker will be Todd Rehm, Executive Director of Georgia Pundit. He will be giving us a post-election analysis, and he will be preparing us for any potential run-off elections in December and January. Invite a friend! It will be worth your time. Mark your calendars. Be early for a good seat.

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

“Let's Prove Bloomberg Can't Buy American Liberty” – Wayne LaPierre – *The American Rifleman* – July 2014 – www.nrpublications.org/index.php/17788/standing-guard-51/

“The Current Spasm In Islam” – *Forbes* – Paul Johnson – August 18, 2014 – www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2014/07/30/the-current-spasm-in-islam/

“Apocalypse Not” – Stephen Moore – *The American Spectator* – July/August 2014 – www.spectator.org/articles/59573/apocalypse-not

The following is the conclusion of a report produced by the Eagle Forum entitled “**How Mass (Legal) Immigration Dooms a Conservative Republican Party** – A comprehensive review of surveys in immigrant communities showing their support for big government” (Second Printing – June 2014). Copies of the full report may be ordered from Eagle Forum, 316 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, Suite 203, Washington, D.C., 20003, www.eagleforum.org.

“While it is difficult to know how people will vote in the future, there are a very large number of surveys showing a strong majority of Hispanic and Asian immigrants and their children are supportive of an expansive role for government. As a result, they vote overwhelmingly for Democratic candidates. The current level of legal immigration, even without S. 744, will add nearly 15 million new potential voters by 2036, a large share of whom will favor the Left. If the level of legal immigration is not reduced by Congress, it will force Republicans to either permanently become a minority party or move to the left politically to accommodate the policy preferences of the new electorate immigration policy is creating.

Supporting amnesty and increased legal immigration in S. 744 will not just add millions of liberal-oriented voters; it will alienate the Republican base, working class whites, at least four million of whom stayed home in 2012. It is difficult to imagine a policy that could do more damage in both the short run and the long run to Republican electoral prospects than supporting legislation like S. 744.

This study finds no evidence that the social conservatism of the Republican Party is either attracting or alienating immigrant voters; they place little emphasis on such issues in deciding whom to vote for. Instead, it is the Republicans’ support for a smaller, less activist government that is so off-putting to a majority of immigrants. It is grossly unrealistic to imagine that better outreach will somehow persuade voters in immigrant communities that their strongly held policy preferences are wrong and they should vote for a Republican Party that they generally disagree with. To survive as a conservative party, Republicans will need to successfully push for a significant reduction in the flow of legal immigration that is adding so many new liberal voters.

Some Republicans may still feel that today’s immigrants will follow the pattern of the Great Wave immigrants (1880 to 1920), who mostly voted Democratic, but eventually became more Republican. But this view ignores that it took decades before a larger share of the Great Wave’s descendants supported a more conservative agenda. In the interim, immigrants, and their children and grandchildren provided a good deal of the political support necessary to pass both the New Deal and the Great Society. If history repeats itself, it will be a disaster for advocates of limited government. To the extent that Great Wave descendants did become Republican, it only happened after immigration was significantly reduced in the 1920s by restrictive legislation. This makes it all the more important to significantly reduce immigration as soon as possible.

The fact that a strong majority of voters in immigrant communities hold liberal views should not be seen as a flaw in their character. Their liberal views, while well to the left of the

average American voter, are still within the mainstream of American politics. Nor should their generally liberal views be trivialized as something that can be overcome simply by the right rhetoric or by running candidates from Asian or Hispanic backgrounds. These things may help, but immigrants and their children have their own political values and preferences that are sincerely felt. It would be ridiculous to suggest that a core Republican group, such as evangelical Christians, would vote Democrat in much larger numbers if only that party changed its rhetoric or modified its position on one issue. It is equally foolish to imagine that voters in immigrant communities will abandon Democrats, with whom they generally agree on a host of policies, if only Republicans would change their position on immigration.

Consultants and self-styled experts on immigrant communities have a vested interest in keeping immigration high and then offering their services to help understand these voters’ concerns. Their castigating of Republicans will be eagerly covered by a media that despises the average Republican voter and is delighted at their increased marginalization as a direct result of immigration’s electoral impact. Neither the media nor these “experts” will mention the two most obvious facts: first, immigrants are mostly liberal in their view of government, so no change in rhetoric on immigration will have much of an impact on how they vote. And second, their arrival is entirely a discretionary policy of the federal government, as is amnesty for illegal aliens. Instead, immigration levels will be treated as a given, like the weather or the tides, meaning that Republicans will simply have to change their positions or become electorally irrelevant.

Republicans must respond with a message that calls for lower immigration, but that is not disparaging of our fellow Americans who were born abroad. One way to do this, which is both valid as a matter of policy and also politically appealing, is to frame the issue as standing up for wage earners who are harmed by immigrant competition – especially immigrants already here. Some 60 million working-age Americans are not working, and most Americans are very skeptical of the view that the country needs more workers. Wages for American workers, particularly those without a college degree, have declined or stagnated over the last three decades as immigration has grown. Most Americans feel that if employers have trouble finding workers they should recruit Americans by paying higher wages.

Arguing for less immigration on populist economic grounds would also help neutralize the perception that Republicans are unconcerned about the working class. Equally important, orienting the party toward a position of low immigration would place the Democrats on the defensive. Republicans could rightly argue Democrats are serving the interests of businesses that want to bring in additional immigrants instead of raising wages. Combined with other measures directed against corporate welfare and cronyism, this can turn the tables on the Left.

Reducing immigration would not only help American workers, it would also take pressure off overcrowded public schools and hospitals. Lower immigration levels will also facilitate the assimilation and integration of immigrants and their children, making them more likely to vote Republican over time.

Doing a better job of reaching out to immigrant communities is undoubtedly important. It is especially vital to find alternative means of communicating with voters in immigrant communities, ways that go around the established left-wing elites in labor unions, foundation-funded non-profit groups, and elsewhere.

But given the strongly liberal views of a significant majority of immigrants, such efforts are likely to have only a modest payoff, at best. As important as outreach is, the first priority must be to reduce levels of future immigration. Only in this way, by reducing the federal government's importation of voters who disagree with the GOP's agenda, can Republicans remain electorally competitive as a conservative party.

This isn't the place to spell out in detail what a low-immigration policy would look like, but its broad outlines would be to limit family immigration to the spouses and minor children (i.e., no special immigration rights for adult sons and daughters and adult siblings), eliminate the visa lottery, limit skilled immigration to truly exceptional talents, and admit only genuine refugees who have absolutely nowhere else to go. Future legal immigration could be reduced by half from the current level of over one million a year and still allow the admission of more people than any other nation in the world.

Republicans, mainly at the behest of employers, have supported large-scale immigration for decades. As many have observed, the GOP faces a choice: It can either change its position on legal immigration or it can change its position on almost every other issue."

DON'T BE HATIN': OBAMA'S "ACTS OF LOVE"

"Stop bein' mad all the time. Stop, stop, stop this – stop this hatin' all the time. C'mon"

Barack Obama, speech at Kansas City, slamming the GOP lawsuit, Politico

You're the President of the United States. If you're going to say *hating*, there's a "G" in that word. Use it.

"Stop this hatin'?" Who does that appeal to? The low-information crowd. They think it's cool and hip. Just check out the video of that event on YouTube; Obama's dropped "Gs" are huge low-information crowd pleasers.

Republicans are constantly pleading, "Please hear us! Please, we are NOT – in caps and underlined – NOT GOING TO IMPEACH!" Doesn't matter. Obama tells whooping Democrat crowds that Republicans "gotta stop the hatin'."

Let me ask you: Was it an act of love when the President turned the IRS loose on the Tea Party?

Was it an act of love when the President repeatedly lied to the nation, including the very people hooting him in Kansas City: "If you like your doctor, you can keep your doctor; if you like your insurance plan, you can keep your plan"? Over the course of three years, 25 different times, Obama personally lied to these same people raucously applauding him. Was that love?

Was it an act of love when the President repeatedly promised that your health insurance premiums would come down \$2,500 a year? Do you lie to the people you love? Or do you lie to the

people you consider suckers? You lie to the people you think are stupid enough to believe you.

Was it an act of love when the President opened the southern border to tens of thousands of unskilled illegals, many with criminal records or illnesses – dumping them in states without informing the governors? Was it an act of love when the President weakened our defenses, built up our enemies, alienated our allies, and went around apologizing for America?

Was it an act of love when B. Hussein O. presided over a gun-running scheme to Mexican drug lords that caused the death of a U.S. border agent? Was it an act of love when the President disappeared as our consulate was lethally attacked in Benghazi, our Ambassador and other Americans murdered? Was it love when he blamed a video, and had the filmmaker jailed? Love?

I don't know about you, I'm in no mood to listen to this angry, lawless man do schtick about hate while he's dismantling the country. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

"Shortly after leaving office in 2011, Jennifer Granholm, the former governor of Michigan, joined the faculty at the University of California, Berkeley, her alma mater. This semester she's leading a seminar on 'creating jobs through better government policies for innovation and education.' It's a curious teaching assignment when you consider Michigan lost 576,900 jobs during her eight years as governor. For 45 consecutive months during that period, Michigan led the nation in unemployment. Granholm presided over annual deficits of \$1.5 billion and supported tax hikes that just might have had something to do with Michigan's loss of businesses and population under her watch. Berkeley seems to have taken too much to heart the saying that those who can't, teach." (*National Review*)

"In 2008, a new class of Democratic senators was elected, promising to advance Barack Obama's program to improve economic conditions for the middle class. Phil Gramm, a former senator himself and an economist, has run the numbers, and his report in the *Wall Street Journal* is brutal: If the so-called recovery had been even averagely robust, 14 million more people would be working than currently are. The real incomes of middle-class households have declined by thousands of dollars a year. In newly Democratic Colorado, incomes are down 13.5 percent; women's incomes fell during the recession and then fell even further during the recovery; African Americans, among the most reliable Democratic voters, have seen their incomes reduced by a tenth – i.e., decimated; middle-class Hispanic households have seen their incomes reduced to levels not seen since Phil Gramm was a young House Democrat. And the poor are worse off, too: The incomes of the poorest fifth of Americans have declined every year since 2008. President Obama famously promised to 'spread the wealth around,' Democrats cheered, and he followed through – the Washington suburbs now include the three wealthiest counties in the United States, and Bentley Motors has moved its U.S. headquarters to the capital area. Phil Gramm used to teach economics at Texas A&M; perhaps he could offer Democrats some remedial lessons." (*National Review*)