# BARROW REPUBLICAN NEWS

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#### **MEETINGS**

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., <u>June 15</u>	7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman's Club (behind Winder Fir	e Dept.)
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., <u>July 2</u>	7:00 PM
Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., <u>July 7</u>	<b>6:00</b> PM
Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., <u>July 7</u>	6:00 PM
Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., <u>July 13</u>	7:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., <u>July 14</u>	7:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., <u>July 16</u>	7:00 PM
Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., <u>July 16</u>	7:00 PM
Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., <u>July 21</u>	7:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., <u>July 28</u>	7:00 PM

#### **VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE** (26)

Ken Young – Chr.	Terry Raber	Kathy Hopkins
Mike Pentecost – 1 <sup>st</sup> VC	David Gunter	Teeny Allison
Leonard Koonce – 2 <sup>nd</sup>	VC Cal Neff	Tim Walker
Mark Staley – 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	Dennis Hevener	Fe Hevener
Richard Pepper	Sara Pepper	

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Barrow 10<sup>th</sup> District Rep. DuWayne Anderson

#### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

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

LOCAL ELECTED REPUBLICAN OFFICIALS ARE EXPECTED TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP!

7:30 PM

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June 15, 2015

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#### STATE REP. REGINA QUICK VIRGINIA GALLOWAY FAITH & FREEDOM COALITION

<b>MEMBERSHIP</b>	COMPARISON	(as	of	5/31/15)

Membership	'07	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15
Regular	51	56	48	46	44	63	39	36	18
Advanced	61	<b>75</b>	68	58	59	71	59	41	52
Barrow 100	11	13	17	16	17	13	8	13	7
Barrow 360	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Students						4	3	2	2
Total	123	144	134	121	121	152	110	92	80
Renewals	73	106	113	105	112	101	95	82	76
New	50	38	21	16	9	51	15	10	4

## www.barrowgop.org

### ANNUAL BARROW GOP BBQ

5:00 PM - SATURDAY - AUGUST 22, 2015 WINDER LIONS CLUB - 354 E. BROAD ST.

U.S. REP. JODY HICE & OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

ADULTS - \$ 15.00 AGES 6-12 - \$ 7.50 AGE 5 & UNDER - FREE

# CONTACT KEN YOUNG FOR TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

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### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

June 15 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
July 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
<b>Aug 17</b> (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
<b>Aug 22</b> (Sat)	ANNUAL BARROW BBQ
Sept 21 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Oct 19 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
<b>Nov 16</b> (Mon)	Monthly Meeting

#### LOOKING AHEAD

D-Day – <u>June 6</u> (Saturday)

George H.W. Bush Birthday – <u>June 12</u> (Friday)

Flag Day – <u>June 14</u> (Sunday)

Independence Day & Cal Coolidge Birthday – July 4 (Saturday)

George W. Bush Birthday – <u>July 6</u> (Monday)

Gerald Ford Birthday – <u>July 14</u> (Tuesday)

#### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2015**

Rickey Bailey Car

Carlo Cellucci

Ben Hendrix

Suzanne Angle

Charles Chase

#### WELCOME - NEW MEMBER

Caroline Evans

#### 2015 – 2017 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS

Bethlehem Community Center Jimmy Lomax Bethabra Baptist Church Marty Rahinsky **Bramlett Elementary** John Stevens Westside Middle School Linda Powell Statham Fire Dept. Leonard Koonce Holsenbeck Elementary John Reavis DuWavne Anderson Lions Club Barrow County Rec. Dept. Bob Lanham Apalachee High School Kathy Hopkins Winder Community Center Terry Raber County Line Elementary June Miller The Church at Winder Cal Neff

#### 2015-2017 BARROW WORK COMMITTEES

**ELECTIONS** - Ken Young (Chair)

John Stevens, Mike Pentecost, Clay Kelley, Later Additions

**PLATFORM** - Lynn Stevens (Chair)

Julia Bridges, June Miller, Lucretia Hughes, Mike Pentecost, Clay Kelley

**RULES** - John Reavis (Chair)

DuWayne Anderson, Cal Neff, Bob Lanham, John Stevens

**FINANCE** - Clay Kelley (Chair)

Bob Lanham, Ken Young

**RESOLUTIONS** - Ken Young (Chair)

Lucretia Hughes, Mark Staley, John Stevens

**MEMBERSHIP** - Bob Lanham (Chair)

Marty Rahinsky, Kathy Hopkins, David Gunter

**HOLIDAY DINNER** - Teeny Allison (Chair)

Kathy Hopkins, Linda Powell, Linda Reavis, David Gunter Tim Walker

**ANNUAL BBQ** - Ken Young (Chair)

Clay Kelley, Scott Hang, Mike Pentecost, Linda Reavis, John Stevens, Lynn Stevens, Leonard Koonce, Mark Staley, Teeny Allison, David Gunter, Marty Rahinsky

#### FROM THE CHAIR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2015. If you have not already renewed, please bring it to our June 15 meeting, mail it to our P.O. Box 1054, Winder, GA, 30680-1054, or go on-line to our web site for a credit/debit purchase. Please be encouraged to upgrade your membership to a higher level, if possible. We appreciate your support!

We had a great meeting last month with great attendance. We heard from State Rep. Terry England and State Sen. Frank Ginn. They gave us their report on the 2015 General Assembly session.

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Our 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Barrow Republican BBQ is scheduled for Saturday, **August 22, 2015**, at 5:00 PM in the Winder Lions Club. Our new Congressman Jody Hice will be one of the main speakers. More information will be forthcoming. We are looking for BBQ sponsors for that day. Please contact me as soon as possible for availability and prices. I am hoping we can have as many GOP presidential campaigns as possible represented on **August 22**, to make available candidate information. It is critical for our members to sell/buy as many tickets as possible.

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17 of our 20 delegates and 3 of our 16 alternates attended the recent State GOP Convention in Athens. All 3 alternates were upgraded to voting status, so we had 100% voting strength. John Padgett (Clarke) and Michael McNeely (Douglas) were relected as Chairman and First Vice-Chair, respectively. Debbie McCord (Columbia) was elected as Second Vice-Chair, Kirk Shook (Oglethorpe) was elected as Secretary, Layla Shipman (Floyd) was elected as Asst. Secretary, Mansell McCord (Fulton) was elected Treasurer, and John Wallace was elected as Asst. Treasurer.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **June 15**, **2015** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman's Club. Our speakers will be State Rep. Regina Quick. She will give us her report on the recent session of the General Assembly. We will also hear from Virginia Galloway, Regional Field Director for the Faith & Freedom Coalition. There will be some BBQ planning items. Mark your calendars. Be early for a good seat. Invite a friend! It will be worth your time.

Ken Young

#### **ADDITIONAL LINKS**

"The race is on" – *AFA Journal* – Tim Wildmon – April 2015 – www.afajournal.org/recent-issues/2015/april/the-race-is-on/

"Jobs Alone Aren't The Answer" – *Forbes* – Amity Shlaes – March 23, 2015 –

 $\underline{www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2015/03/04/jobs-alone-arent-the-answer/2/}$ 

"One Catastrophe At A Time" – *Forbes* – Paul Johnson – April 13, 2015 –

 $\frac{www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2015/04/01/one-}{catastrophe-at-a-time/}$ 

#### THE TRUTH ABOUT "SAME-SEX MARRIAGE"

Frequently Asked Questions and Reasonable Answers From Alliance Defending Freedom

#### **Marriage and Civil Unions**

<u>Question</u> – "How does a same-sex 'marriage' threaten your marriage?"

<u>Answer</u> – We are not just talking about one marriage . . . the cost of redefining marriage for a nation of more than 300 million people means drastic and potentially irreversible consequences for the future of marriage, family, and child-raising.

Marriage is not "all about me." The threats to marriage as an institution will harm society, especially children. Advocates of redefining marriage display a narrow self-interest by measuring marriage only on how laws make them feel.

Attacks on marriage have already had a devastating effect on adoption services, family law, divorce law, child custody, public schools, religious freedom, free speech, and freedom of conscience.

<u>Question</u> – "Why do you oppose civil unions or domestic partnerships as well? All that does is give some rights and benefits to same-sex couples like hospital visitation and health coverage."

<u>Answer</u> – These are emotional ploys used to elicit support for marriage counterfeits. The truth is that most "rights" same-sex "marriage" advocates claim they are denied are readily available

In most states, hospital visitation can be solved with simple forms that don't even require a lawyer.

All people should be permitted by law to assign financial, medical, and legal responsibilities to the person of their choice regardless of the nature of their relationship. We don't have to redefine marriage to make that happen. In most places, these rights already exist.

"Civil unions" inevitably lead to demands for same-sex "marriage." Same-sex "marriage" advocates are on record – they believe that these marriage counterfeits are "separate and unequal." Any public "support" should be considered as purposeful deceit.

#### Religion

<u>Question</u> – "How can you possibly claim same-sex 'marriage' would impact religious freedom?"

<u>Answer</u> – It is not a claim – it has already happened. Here are just two examples that Alliance Defending Freedom is litigating:

The Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association is being prosecuted by the New Jersey Civil Rights Commission for discrimination because it declined to open its places of worship for a "civil union" ceremony. While the same-sex couples found suitable beachfront places for their ceremonies, they still sought the legal persecution of the ministry. Our attorneys are defending the ministry's First Amendment-protected right to use its property in a manner consistent with its Christian beliefs.

Elaine Huguenin, a photographer in Albuquerque, New Mexico, received a request to photograph a same-sex "commitment" ceremony. Because of her deeply held religious beliefs, Elaine

respectfully declined. The two women easily found a photographer for their ceremony, which they were able to have with no problem. But the women decided to attack Elaine for not endorsing their ceremony, filing a complaint with the New Mexico Human Rights Commission, which found her guilty of "sexual orientation discrimination" and ordered her business, Elaine Photography, to pay nearly \$7,000 in attorneys' fees. Alliance Defending Freedom has appealed the case in the state Supreme Court on Elaine's behalf.

<u>Question</u> – "As long as they are not forcing churches to perform and/or recognize the union then what difference does it make?"

Answer – Religious freedom and free speech will be harmed in numerous ways that stop short of forcing churches to perform ceremonies. Could a church be forced to rent an adjacent hall or room for same-sex 'marriage'? Could a pastor be criminally charged with "hate speech" (as has occurred in Sweden) for preaching on homosexual behavior? Based on the cases that Alliance Defending Freedom is already familiar with or engaged in, the answer to each question is "yes."

Many same-sex "marriage" advocates have already indicated that churches and clergy that refuse to perform same-sex "marriages" should be punished. So false assurances ring hollow.

#### **Privacy and Rights**

<u>Question</u> – "Why shouldn't same-sex couples have the same rights as everyone else? They just want to marry the person they love."

<u>Answer</u> – The purpose in recognizing marriage is to create stable homes with both a mother and a father for any children who ether the home. Marriage is about a child's right to have a mom and a dad, not adults' demands for state approval of any relationship.

The ability to marry "the person I love" is already legally restricted in many ways beyond same-sex "marriage":

A person cannot marry someone already married.

Someone who is already married cannot find a third, fourth, or fifth person to marry, whether the person "loves" all of those additional parties or not.

A person cannot marry a close blood relative.

A person cannot marry a minor.

If same-sex "marriage" is fabricated, these sensible and important restrictions would be struck down using the same reasoning employed by same-sex "marriage" advocates.

Question – "Denying same-sex couples their fundamental rights is bigoted. How is this different than when African-Americans were denied their rights before the civil rights movement?"

<u>Answer</u> – Any attempt to compare the good of marriage to the evil of racism is unworthy of serious discussion. It is contemptible to equate the hard-fought victories of the civil rights struggle with the attempt to impose a redefinition of marriage on society.

Race doesn't matter when it comes to marriage. Gender obviously does. In order for there to even be a marriage, by definition, both a man and a woman must be involved. Marriage is color-blind, but can't be gender-blind.

<u>Question</u> – "Why are you against equal rights for 'gay people?" Why do you want to make 'gay people' second-class citizens?"

Answer – We are *for* marriage. We are not "against" anyone. Same-sex "marriage" advocates are <u>not</u> asking for "equal rights" . . . rather they are *demanding* that society as a whole be forced to embrace the idea that moms and dads are meaningless to children.

The real second-class citizens become children whose need for both a mom and a dad are ignored in favor of adult self-interest.

#### Children

<u>Question</u> – "Why do heterosexuals think they can love and raise children and families better than I can? How dare they judge me and my fitness as a parent or loving partner?"

<u>Answer</u> – The defense of marriage isn't a "judgment" on anyone. Instead, marriage is a wise acknowledgement of the distinct differences between men and women, and reinforces the truth that both sexes bring irreplaceable gifts to family life.

It is a tragedy when a child loses a mother or a father due to accident or disease. Same-sex "marriage" advocates are asking society to purposely and permanently deprive children of either a mother or a father.

## SEVEN CONSERVATIVE VALUES TO PASS ON TO YOUR KIDS

#### Rush Limbaugh

- 1. Cultivate self-reliance, which is the foundation of self-government. In the meantime, your parents are in charge. Until you pay your own rent, be humble.
- Accept the responsibilities of life. This includes doing your homework.
- 3. You are a skull full of mush... your job is to learn how to think, not feel. Master accurate spelling, math, and history even if your teachers don't make you.
- 4. Be skeptical especially when a liberal talks about the following: Campaign finance reform. Taxes. Ronald Reagan. The 1980s. Capitalism. Global warming. Russia, China. The Cold War. The ozone hole. Abortion. Condoms. The school lunch program. The poor. The children. Medicare. Any "crisis." America's past. The American Dream. Your freedom.
- 5. Teel the truth. Listen to the truth. Believe the truth.
- 6. Lighten up. Humor is the spice of life, and the reason liberals exist.
- Trust in God. And give thanks every day that you live in the United States of America – the greatest country in the history of the world.

#### 12 WAYS TO PREPARE FOR DEFLATION

Rick Newman, U.S. News & World Report July 21, 2010

#### The curse of falling prices

When prices of some things fall, consumers get a break. But widespread deflation can trigger a destructive cycle in which profits plunge, companies cut jobs and pay, spending plummets, and stagnation sets in. Some economists worry that may soon happen in the United States. Here's how to prepare.

- 1. **Pay off debt** With deflation, debt gets more expensive over time, taking a bigger and bigger bite out of your real income. So the less debt you have going into a period of deflation, the better.
- 2. **Keep cash on hand** Today's puny interest rates on money market and checking accounts are a big turnoff. But with deflation the calculation changes, since even a zero percent interest rate is better than depreciation.
- 3. **Resist the lure of falling prices** The early days of deflation are typically marked by prices that seem too good to be true. Hold your powder. Prices could fall further, and a few months later you might wish you had kept more cash around.
- 4. **Don't spend money before you get it** Cost-of-living adjustments on Social Security and other payments could be zero or even negative under deflation. Lending could fall off too. So take nothing for granted.
- Anticipate "no" Raises are disappearing, and under deflation, many employers could cut pay. Instead of complaining, make yourself more valuable and seek ways to get promoted.
- 6. Find a second source of income A second job for a few hours a week could bring in some extra spending money. Consult, tutor, get a night job, or sell unneeded stuff on eBay.
- 7. **Don't "invest" in a home** Deflation could perpetuate the housing bust, so spend the minimum amount you need to be comfortable, and save the extra money for investments that are more liquid and less risky.
- 8. **Be wary of stocks** Stocks generally go up or down in tandem with economic growth, and deflation usually means slow growth or recession.
- 9. **But pay attention to dividends** In a weak economy with a jittery stock market, stocks that pay dividends can be a hedge against potential losses elsewhere.
- 10. **Double down on bonds** The safest corporate and government bonds pay low rates, but if deflation occurs, a low return suddenly looks pretty good because it protects principal and offers a bit of appreciation.
- 11. **Be more productive** The best way to survive deflation is to use technology and other innovations to become as efficient as possible. That will help you stand out in the workplace and find time for a second job if necessary.
- 12. **Stay optimistic** Slow growth can feel agonizing and deflation can be punishing, but it will end. When a real recovery finally happens, those who have sharpened their skills and conserved cash will be the ones who get ahead.