

# BARROW

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

**MEETINGS**

**Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Apr 18      7:30 PM**  
**@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)**  
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., May 2      7:00 PM  
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., May 3      6:00 PM  
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., May 3      6:00 PM  
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., May 5      6:00 PM  
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., May 10      7:00 PM  
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., May 17      7:00 PM  
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., May 19      6:00 PM  
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., May 19      7:00 PM  
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., May 24      7:00 PM

**VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (27)**

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	Richard Pepper	Sara Pepper
Mark Staley – Sec.	June Miller	Julia Bridges
Lucretia Hughes	Cal Neff	Tim Walker
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

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C.C. Dist. 3 Rep.	Cal Neff	770-307-4699
C.C. Dist. 4 Rep.	David Gunter	678-425-4127
C.C. Dist. 5 Rep.	Marty Rahinsky	770-868-8919
C.C. Dist. 6 Rep.	June Miller	770-867-5932

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 #####  
 ##### April 18, 2016 #####

**GINGER HOWARD for RNC COMMITTEEWOMAN**  
**CAROLINE EVANS for CHIEF MAGISTRATE**

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**MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON** (as of 3/31/16)

Membership	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16
Regular	56	48	46	44	<b>63</b>	39	36	26	18
Advanced	<b>75</b>	68	58	59	71	59	41	55	50
Barrow 100	13	<b>17</b>	16	<b>17</b>	13	8	13	7	8
Barrow 360	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Students					4	3	2	2	1
Total	144	<b>134</b>	<b>121</b>	121	<b>152</b>	110	92	91	78
Renewals	106	<b>113</b>	105	112	101	95	82	85	61
New	38	21	16	9	<b>51</b>	15	10	6	17

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[www.barrowgop.org](http://www.barrowgop.org)

**IT’S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016 !!!**

**2016 CANDIDATE FORUM**

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**MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016**

**7:00 PM**

**COLLEEN WILLIAMS THEATER  
 WINDER  
 CULTURAL ARTS CENTER**

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**REPUBLICAN: THE FREEDOM PARTY**  
**LOWER TAXES \*\*\*\*\* LIMITED GOVERNMENT**  
**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

<b>Apr 16 (Sat)</b>	<b>District Convention</b>
<b>Apr 18 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>May 2 (Mon)</b>	<b>Winder Candidate Forum</b>
<b>May 16 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>June 3-4 (Fri/Sat)</b>	<b>State Convention (Augusta)</b>
<b>June 20 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>July 18 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>Aug 27 (Sat)</b>	<b>Annual Barrow GOP BBQ</b>

**LOOKING AHEAD**

Army Day – April 6 (Wednesday)  
Tax Protest Day – April 15 (Friday)  
Ulysses Grant Birthday – April 27 (Wednesday)  
National Day of Prayer – May 5 (Thursday)  
Peace Officers Memorial Day – May 15 (Sunday)  
Armed Forces Day – May 21 (Saturday)  
Memorial Day Observed – May 30 (Monday)

**2016 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

Bill Reinhardt	David Gunter	Charles Powell
Richard Pepper	Sara Pepper	Jimmy Lomax
John Stevens	Lynn Stevens	Joe Goodman
Billy Parks	Rickey Bailey	Ronnie Morrow
Ren Buckland	Chris Sullivan	Teeny Allison
Lucretia Hughes	John Reavis	Linda Reavis
Kathy Hopkins	Mel Golder	Cal Neff

**WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS**

William J. Brown	Janice Gunter	Joe Rehonic
Natalie McCall	Jeff Hatcher	Christy Searcy
Joseph Gouge	Cynthia Salley	Gary Taylor
Harriett Campbell	Tyler Hollifield	

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**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
Lions Club	DuWayne Anderson
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

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**YOU ARE INVITED  
TO BREAKFAST!**

Everyone is invited to participate in a monthly political breakfast group. It is currently meeting at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Winder, on the Saturday following our monthly meeting. The next group breakfast will be Saturday, **April 23, 2016**, at 9:00 AM. Please make plans to attend, and bring a friend!

This is an informal group of conservatives who gather to eat, fellowship, and discuss the issues. This provides a chance for our members to meet, in addition to our monthly business meetings. It is a great way to recruit new members, and stay up on what’s going on.

**GOLDEN CORRAL - WINDER  
SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016  
9:00 AM**

**FROM THE CHAIR**

**WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2016.** If you have not already renewed, please bring it to our **April 18** 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 let me express my thanks to Clay Kelley, Richard Pepper, and Mark Staley for their help with candidate qualifying last month. Also, a big thank you to Mike Rice for letting us use the old law library for qualifying at Premier Brokers of Georgia on N. Broad St. in Winder.

A list of the 2016 GOP Primary match-ups is found on the next page. We have several contested primary races. We also have a few contests with local Democrats in November.

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We appreciate all who attended and participated in our 2016 Precinct Meetings and County Convention on **March 19**. We elected 26 delegates and 11 alternates to the District Convention in Greensboro on **April 16**. We also elected 20 delegates and 14 alternates to the State Convention in Augusta on **June 3-4**. The names of all these folks is found on the next page. We appreciate your willingness to represent our county.

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To provide exposure for our primary candidates in contested GOP races, we will host a Candidate Forum on Monday, **May 2, 2016** at 7:00 PM in the Colleen Williams Theater of the Winder Cultural Arts Center. **This is not a debate.** Each candidate will be given a few minutes to explain why they are running for their chosen office, and what they hope to accomplish if elected. It will be a good opportunity to meet our candidates and possibly pick up signs and other materials.

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We had a great meeting last month with great attendance. We heard from Vicki Willard, candidate for GA RNC Committeewoman, and Tim Sanders, candidate for Barrow County Chief Magistrate. We also got updates on the primary races for **May 24, 2016** and opposition in the general election in **November**.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **April 18, 2016** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speakers will be Ginger Howard, candidate for GA RNC Committeewoman, and Caroline Power Evans, candidate for Chief Magistrate.

Invite a friend! It will be worth your time. Mark your calendars! Be early for a good seat.

Ken Young

**ADDITIONAL LINKS**

“Young, passionate, pro-life” – *AFA Journal* – Anne Reed – January 2016 – [www.afajournal.org/recent-issues/2016/january/young-passionate-pro-life/](http://www.afajournal.org/recent-issues/2016/january/young-passionate-pro-life/)

“2016’s Silver Linings” – *Forbes* – Rich Karlgaard – February 8, 2016 – [www.forbes.com/sites/richkarlgaard/2016/01/29/2016s-silver-linings/#dfd80b06a664](http://www.forbes.com/sites/richkarlgaard/2016/01/29/2016s-silver-linings/#dfd80b06a664)

**PRIMARY BALLOT QUESTIONS**  
**FOR THE MAY 24, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION**

1. Would you support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to limit a member of the U.S. Congress, whether House or Senate or combined, to total of twelve (12) years of service?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

2. Would you support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to allow the removal of a U.S. Senator by a two-thirds vote of his or her state legislature?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

3. Would you support a convention of state delegations per Article V of the U.S. Constitution, which could propose amendments to the U.S. Constitution, requiring three-fourths approval of the fifty states for adoption?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

4. Would you support a higher state sales tax in exchange for the elimination of state income taxes?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

5. Would you support an amendment to the Georgia state constitution to allow legal gambling on horse racing?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

6. Would you support an amendment to the Georgia state constitution to allow legal gambling in casinos?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

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**2016 DISTRICT DELEGATES** (26)

|                  |                 |                |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| DuWayne Anderson | Charles Powell  | Tim Walker     |
| Deborah Reid     | Lynn Stevens    | Ralph Jones    |
| Tim Searcy       | Clay Kelley     | John Reavis    |
| Beverly Kelley   | Linda Reavis    | Richard Pepper |
| Leonard Koonce   | Mike Pentecost  | Ken Young      |
| Marty Rahinsky   | Lucretia Hughes | Ren Buckland   |
| John Stevens     | Sara Pepper     | David Gunter   |
| June Miller      | Paula Foil      | Julia Bridges  |
| Kathy Hopkins    | Beth Foil       |                |

**2016 DISTRICT ALTERNATES** (11)

|                   |                |               |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Joseph Gouge      | Gary Taylor    | Bill Reuter   |
| Harriett Campbell | Cynthia Salley | Terry England |
| Charles Futral    | Terre Behlog   | Teeny Allison |
| Ray Sommer        | Terry Raber    |               |

**2016 STATE ALTERNATES** (14)

|                |               |                   |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Gary Taylor    | Bill Reuter   | Harriett Campbell |
| Cynthia Salley | Terry England | Charles Futral    |
| Terre Behlog   | Teeny Allison | Ray Sommer        |
| Tim Walker     | Deborah Reid  | Lynn Stevens      |
| Ralph Jones    | Tim Searcy    |                   |

**2016 STATE DELEGATES** (20)

|                |                 |                |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Terry Raber    | Clay Kelley     | John Reavis    |
| Beverly Kelley | Linda Reavis    | Richard Pepper |
| Leonard Koonce | Mike Pentecost  | Marty Rahinsky |
| Ken Young      | Lucretia Hughes | Ren Buckland   |
| John Stevens   | Sara Pepper     | David Gunter   |
| June Miller    | Paula Foil      | Julia Bridges  |
| Kathy Hopkins  | Beth Foil       |                |

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**2016 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY RACES**

**Sheriff**

Jud Smith (I)  
Tim Walker

**Chief Magistrate**

Caroline Power Evans  
Tim Sanders

**Commission Chairman**

Pat Graham (I)  
Billy Parks

**Commission District 2** #

William J. Brown  
Kenny Shook (I)

**School District 8 (At-Large)** **Commission District 3** #

Rolando Alvarez (I)  
John McKay

Jeff Hatcher  
Roger Wehunt (I)

**State House District 116**

Terry England (I)  
Lucretia Hughes

**State House District 114**

Tom Kirby (I)  
Jonathan Melton

**U.S. Senate** #

Johnny Isakson (I)  
Derrick "TMOT" Grayson  
Mary Kay Bacallao

**Public Service Commission** #

Kellie Austin  
Tim Echols (I)  
Michelle Miller

**State Senate District 47**

Frank Ginn (I)  
Tyler Hollifield

**Unopposed In Republican Primary**

|                                           |                  |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Probate Judge                             | Tammy Brown      |
| Tax Commissioner                          | Melinda Williams |
| Coroner                                   | David Crosby     |
| District Attorney                         | Brad Smith       |
| Clerk of Superior Court                   | Regina McIntyre  |
| Commission District 1                     | Joe Goodman      |
| School Board District 2                   | Garey Huff       |
| School Board District 5                   | Lynn Stevens     |
| School Board District 6                   | Rickey Bailey #  |
| State House District 117                  | Regina Quick     |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> U.S. Congressional Dist. | Jody Hice        |

# has Democratic opposition in November.

**WHERE POVERTY COMES FROM  
(AND HOW TO DEFEAT IT)**

Rob Jenkins, *Gwinnett Daily Post*

Perhaps without meaning to, President Obama recently seemed to rebuke – wait for it – Jesus Christ.

Speaking at a “Poverty Summit,” Obama remarked that “our job is to guard against cynicism and not buy into the idea that the poor will always be with us.”

Of course it was Jesus who said, “Ye have the poor always with you.” And anyone who’s been paying attention for the last, oh, 2,000 years or so might conclude that He was merely stating a fact, not being “cynical,” as the president charged.

That doesn’t relieve us of our duty, clearly stated by Jesus elsewhere, to help the poor, which I take (in all fairness) to be Mr. Obama’s main point. But the real problem isn’t poverty itself so much as a cycle of poverty that traps generation after generation in economically depressed areas, with sub-standard housing and low-performing schools.

That doesn’t have to happen. My grandparents were dirt poor, raising seven children on a farm in rural Indiana. Since he had to work all the time just to keep food on the table, my grandfather – one of the smartest men I’ve ever known – was unable to complete college. But he and my grandmother instilled a strong work ethic and a love of education in their kids, most of whom went on to earn college degrees and do well in life. Their grandchildren, by and large, have done even better.

That’s what used to be known as The American dream. Simply put, it’s freedom, specifically economic freedom, which coupled with hard work is the only force in the history of the world that has proved strong enough to break the cycle of poverty.

That cycle persists where excessive government regulation limits economic freedom and the appetite for hard work has been dulled by misguided government policies that subsidize sloth.

If you want to know why we still have poor people in this affluent nation, ask yourself two questions: 1) Who perpetuates those misguided policies, and 2) who stands to gain from keeping people poor? The answer to both questions is the same: welfare-state Democrats.

Consider the city of Baltimore, which has been run by Democrats since the 1960s – and where, during that time, family income has fallen steadily while the poverty rate has increased (this according to U.S. Census statistics).

Is that merely incompetence on the part of the city’s elected Democrat leaders? Or is it something more insidious?

After all, Democrats boast loudly about being “the party of the poor.” But doesn’t that mean it’s in the party’s best interests to keep as many people poor as possible? After all, that’s their base, the key to their continued electoral dominance.

President Obama was right about one thing, at least: We do have a responsibility to help the poor. And the best way to do that is to elect leaders who value individual freedom over nanny-state interventionism.

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**FREUDULENT**

Those who want to join ISIS aren’t bad guys: they’re just misunderstood. So goes the reasoning at the FBI, which has decided to offer “counseling instead of handcuffs” for teenage suspects falling under the sway of the violent cult, according to *The Wall Street Journal*. “Nobody wants to see a 15-year-old kid go to jail if they don’t have to,” said an official. Nobody? I bet you could find a few Americans who’d rather see a plotting ISIS “kid” in jail before he detonates his backpack. But counseling bloodthirsty jihadists is “embraced by the Obama Administration” as part of “a broader initiative federal officials call countering violent extremism, or CVE.” This new approach was designed to address “a hard truth” – the “FBI cannot effectively investigate all of the thousands of Americans who are believed to be interested in Islamic state.” Maybe if they left Tea Partiers alone, they’d have resources to monitor terrorists. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

**AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL UNDER FIRE  
FOR POLICY**

Amnesty International, a human rights organization that has spent decades building a strong reputation standing against modern-day slavery, recently adopted a new policy supporting the global decriminalization of prostitution.

Several organizations that fight trafficking are putting pressure on Amnesty to rescind the policy. National Center on sexual Exploitation, Coalition Against trafficking, and celebrities such as Meryl Streep and Anne Hathaway argue that legalizing prostitution will only serve to normalize sex trafficking.

Statistics overwhelmingly favor keeping prostitution illegal. In every area and country where it is legal, violence against women drastically increases.

Lisa Thompson spoke on behalf of NCSE to OneNewsNow, AFA’s e-news source. She said, “In most places where you have legal regimes of prostitution, there are panic buttons in the rooms for women to hit in case a buyer gets violent. It alerts security who can rush in to give them assistance. That is a dead giveaway to the violence involved in prostitution.”

pornharms.com, 7/30/15; onenewsnow.com, 8/14/15

The last “Soldiers of Odin” to roam Scandinavia rowed long-ships and pillaged monasteries. But a group by that name has taken to patrolling streets in Finland and Norway, claiming that local law enforcement has proven itself inadequate to the task of protecting natives from the crime wave that has accompanied the surge of asylum-seekers arriving in Europe’s northernmost nations. “Drugs are being sold, girls are being touched, there are assaults and violence,” the group’s Norwegian spokesman told Agence France-Presse. That vigilantes are taking to the streets in famously open-armed Scandinavia is alarming – and a reminder that, if Europe’s official powers don’t aim to control the Continent’s refugee situation, far less savory elements will. (*National Review*)