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

MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Nov 21 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Dec 1 6:00 PM
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Dec 5 7:00 PM
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Dec 6 6:00 PM
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Dec 6 6:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Dec 13 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Dec 15 6:00 PM
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Dec 15 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Dec 20 7:00 PM

VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (27)

Ken Young – Chr.	Lucretia Hughes	Kathy Hopkins
Mike Pentecost – 1 st VC	David Gunter	Teeny Allison
Leonard Koonce – 2 nd VC	Richard Pepper	Sara Pepper
Mark Staley – Sec.	June Miller	Julia Bridges
Terry Raber – Asst. Sec.	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. 5 Rep.	Marty Rahinsky	770-868-8919
C.C. Dist. 6 Rep.	June Miller	770-867-5932

Barrow 10th 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 #####
 ##### November 21, 2016 #####

**JIM JESS, GEORGIA TEA PARTY
 OPPOSITION TO NATIONAL POPULAR VOTE
 PROPOSAL**

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 10/31/16)

Membership	'08	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16
Regular	56	48	46	44	63	39	36	26	30
Advanced	75	68	58	59	71	59	41	55	55
Barrow 100	13	17	16	17	13	8	13	7	9
Barrow 360	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Students					4	3	2	2	1
Total	144	134	121	121	152	110	92	91	96
Renewals	106	113	105	112	101	95	82	85	77
New	38	21	16	9	51	15	10	6	19

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**FROM THE WHITE HOUSE
 TO THE PEOPLE’S HOUSE
 TO THE STATE HOUSE
 TO THE COURT HOUSE
 TO THE SCHOOL HOUSE**

VOTE REPUBLICAN

GENERAL ELECTION DAY
 TUESDAY, **NOVEMBER 8, 2016**

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Nov 8 (Tue)	GENERAL ELECTION
Nov 21 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Dec 5 (Mon)	Annual Holiday Dinner
Jan 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Feb 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Mar 18 (Sat)	Prec. Mtgs./Cty. Convention
Mar 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Apr 22 (Sat)	District Convention

**2016 CONTESTED RACES
AFFECTING BARROW COUNTY**

President	Trump – R	Clinton – D	Johnson – L
U.S. Senate	Isakson – R	Barksdale – D	Barkley - L
10 th U.S. District	Hice – R	Leonard Ware –	Write-In
Commission Dist. 2	Brown – R	Dwight Acey – D	
Commission Dist. 3	Wehunt – R	Michael Pope – D	
School Board Dist. 6	Bailey – R	B.L. Mayweather – D	

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**POST-ELECTION DARK CLOUDS
ARE GATHERING**

Matt Towery, *James Magazine*, July/August 2016

After suffering through a Great Recession which rocked most citizens at a level they had never experienced, we’ve “enjoyed” a prolonged “recovery” of our nation’s economy and a long run on the bulls on Wall Street. As we know, economies typically run in cycles so it doesn’t take a genius to predict that there will be, in the future, a downturn in our economy and/or financial markets.

The real challenge is predicting when and just how hard the next round of economic hard times might be and for whom.

The answer? It will likely be soon after the November election ends – and pretty hard for all.

That is a bold statement, but I can back it up with a combination of historical patterns as well as with a bit of simple logic.

In recent presidential election cycles the economy has generally been relatively strong. For example, Bill Clinton rode a wave of a rebounding economy in 1996 and handed the Democratic mantle to Al Gore, who lost by “a chad” in another strong year for our economy. After a crash of the web-based economy and 9/11, the nation’s financial footing had rebounded again as George W. Bush won his second term in office. Fast forward to 2008. The economy was hardly an issue that year – until the contest reached its final weeks and a financial house of cards began to collapse at a rapid rate.

Recent history would suggest that during modern presidential election years both the economy and financials hang in there with all of their might, usually past the actual Election Day.

In some instances, both the economy and markets have doubled down with growth and expansion in years after a presidential contest. It appears highly problematic as to whether such will be the case after the 2016 contest.

That leads to the anecdotal evidence. In 2006, while still writing my national column for Creators Syndicate and returning from a speech in Florida, I noted empty high-rise buildings in Miami. They were all lighted with similar round bulbs designed to give the appearance of a vibrant skyline. The housing bubble was starting to burst, but Wall Street and Washington, D.C. were clueless. Fast forward to 2016. Miami has been on another tear of development geared to high end buyers. But in the last year one of the nation’s hottest markets is now cold as ice. There is a backlog of condominiums for sale in that market that is in the thousands and growing. Meanwhile development rages in other areas of Florida with a massive high end plan on the table in Tampa and a true skyscraper residential tower set for an already “on fire” downtown Saint Petersburg.

That is very much the pattern Tampa/St. Pete took in 2006 and which left the area with spanking new condos built for million

dollar sales but purchased at bargain basement prices after the home mortgage world and derivatives brought the nation to its knees in late 2008.

Usually these type of meltdowns start in the hot state of Florida and march to the north. With cranes dotting every section of Atlanta such a slowdown would not be without precedent. But even a meltdown of huge magnitude would likely leave Atlanta and Georgia in a stronger position than in the recent slowdowns. Our institutions, from Sea Island to Sun-Trust are all stronger than they were when the Great Recession hit and are stronger than similar institutions in other states.

However, be prepared for choppy waters after November. Money around the world is too cheap and government debt is far too high. We are quickly reaching a point at which the baby Boomer generation will be retiring on droves, claiming more benefits to be supported by a smaller workforce.

That matters as corporate revenues around the world remain stagnant or in decline. The combination of these could result in a severe reversal in our financial markets and slowdown in our global economy in the post-presidential election year, regardless of who wins the presidency.

Last fall, Clinton’s campaign website proclaimed that “every survivor of sexual assault” has “the right to be believed.” This spring, shortly after Juanita Broaddrick reiterated her 38-year-old rape accusation against Bill Clinton on Twitter – a claim that, in its detail and consistency over the years, remains troublingly credible – the campaign scrubber “You have a right to be believed” from its site. Not every survivor is equal, it turns out. (*National Review*)

BUTTS MATTER

A simple sign was put up this summer at Henderson State University [HSU] in Arkadelphia, AR. Under the school logo were the words: “The following will not be tolerated: PROFANITY, EXCESSIVE LOUDNESS, RUDE BEHAVIOR, SAGGING PANTS.” For students, the “sagging pants” crackdown (ahem) was a bridge too far. As reported by KATV, Daisha Haggans of the Black Student Association declared: “The group I’m representing was outraged by the sign.” Student Kristin Bell called the message “politically insensitive.” Both students demanded a “diversity office” at HSU “in order for issues like this to never be a problem.” The gutless suits at the school backed down, and after only two days administrators removed the sign. Apparently, wearing pants pulled below one’s backside is now a civil right at college. Someday, maybe they’ll champion the actual Bill of Rights. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

The Nation rose in defense of Donald Trump. It denounced commentators, many of them liberal journalists, who have expressed alarm at Trump’s warm embrace of Putin and at the signs that Putin in turn is rooting for Trump’s election. The overwhelming evidence that Russian intelligence groups were behind the recent hack and leaking of Democratic-party e-mails was dismissed as more “cheap neo-McCarthyism.” Credit where it’s due: The publication has proven remarkably consistent across the decades in turning a blind eye to Russian malevolence. (*National Review*)

**SCHOOLS TO PARENTS:
KEEP YOUR OPINIONS TO YOURSELVES**

Rob Jenkins, *Gwinnett Daily Post*, August 21, 2016

One thing parents of school-age children will hear frequently over the next couple of weeks is how badly the school wants your participation.

Don't be fooled. Trust me when I say, as a 25-year veteran school parent – my oldest started kindergarten in 1992 – that they really do not want your substantive participation.

Oh, they want certain things from you. Like your money. They definitely want that, whether for PTA or BETA club or fundraisers or sports teams or whatever. AND your time. They want that, too, to do things they'd rather not pay staff to do, like sit at the reception desk or take up tickets at ball games or shelve books in the library.

But what they definitely DO NOT want is your opinion – even when it concerns your own child. They're not interested in what you think about the curriculum or school policies or – heaven forbid – testing. You can keep those ideas, however sensible, to yourself.

That's because today's "professional educators," by and large, genuinely believe that they know more about what's best for children than you do. Not only that, but they know more about what's best for your own child than you do – and not just academically.

They think they know more about you about what your child should eat, what your child should wear, how your child should play and what your child ought to be doing when not at school (hence the excessive homework many teachers assign – and many administrators require).

If you don't believe me, just try questioning one of their policies and then listen to them struggle to keep the utter disdain for mere parents out of their voice as they babble some jargon-laden non-answer answer. I've observed this time and time again, in private meetings with teachers and administrators as well as in more public settings, like PTA meetings.

I've also witnessed it at the macro level.

Several years ago, I was invited to serve on a committee of parents, community members and professional educators charged with reviewing the countywide curriculum on an annual basis – something I gather is required for accreditation by the southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

It became obvious, within the first hour of the first meeting, that the "review process" was designed to minimize actual parent participation – if, by "participation," you mean "opening your mouth."

At one point, during a break-out session to consider a specific set of objectives, I pointed out how exaggeratedly technical and jargon-riddled the documents was. The facilitating educator responded, somewhat patronizingly, "Well, any teacher could understand it."

"Perhaps," I said, "but many parents could not."

To say that he did not see my point would be an understatement. He neither understood nor cared. That curriculum document was not written for parents (or students), but for the professionals, because only their opinion really matters. And don't you forget it.

Christian clergy throughout the United Kingdom should increase security at churches and take precautions for their personal safety. That's the recommendation of Nick Tolson, an official at the Home Office. One vicar has told the *Mirror Online* that authorities are urging clergy to avoid wearing clerical collars in public, although Tolson says he demurs from that particular advice. A parallel debate has arisen among observant Jews over the question of whether men should forgo wearing kippot on the streets of European cities where anti-Semitism has broken out in bloody violence or threatens to. Having largely eradicated Christianity from the Middle East, Islamists have announced in the clearest possible terms their intention to take their religious war to the West – and too many in the West have decided that the best defense is abject capitulation. (*National Review*)

HELL TO PAY

The Obama Regime has a new term for criminals: "justice-involved individuals." And in a growing number of blue cities, justice-involved individuals are given cash to *not* commit crimes. Because when liberals are in charge, crime literally does pay. *The Washington Post* reports that Democrat-run cities are eager to copy a program in Richmond, CA which gives convicted felons up to \$1,000 a month not to hold up liquor stores or break into houses. (Meanwhile good kids in the same community who attend school and don't sell drugs get squat.) Take 21-year-old Lonnie Holmes – please. He's been arrested for numerous violent offenses, and has done prison time. Thanks to Richmond's "grand in your hand" program, Lonnie now spends his days tooling around in his 2015 Nissan Versa smoking weed with his homies. "So far, the attention – and money – seems to be working for Holmes," chirps *The Post*. Other participants have been treated to expensive trips to London and South Africa, led by ex-con "mentors" who have unsupervised free rein over the program's budget. Paying ransom to thugs – the new cash-for-killers program. And guess what we'll get more of? Thugs. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

In a morbid twist on the concept of the suicide hotline, the Dutch legal and medical establishment, hearing a young woman cry for help as she stood on a figurative window ledge, reassured her that help was on the way: Would she like a push? Dutch doctors recently killed a patient in her 20s through legal injection because she suffered mental illness that included hallucinations and chronic depression resulting from sexual abuse. They declared her incurable but competent to make the decision to end her life. In the wake of her death, the *Daily Mail* reported on a 45-year-old woman who suffers from obsessive-compulsive disorder and, according to her sister, "dearly wants to die." And if modern medicine cannot cure her, killing her is certainly feasible. (*National Review*)

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