

BARROW REPUBLICAN NEWS

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

MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Jan 16 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 2 6:00 PM
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Feb 6 7:00 PM
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Feb 7 6:00 PM
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Feb 7 6:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Feb 14 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 16 6:00 PM
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 16 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Feb 21 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Feb 28 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. 3 Rep.	Cal Neff	678-753-2912
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 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

January 16, 2017

**PAT GRAHAM, BARROW COMMISSION CHAIR
MICHAEL McNEELY, GAGOP FIRST VICE-CHAIR
CANDIDATE FOR GAGOP CHAIRMAN**

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 12/31/16)

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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WE NOW NEED YOUR 2017 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

2017 CONVENTIONS - SPRING CYCLE

**PRECINCT MEETINGS
COUNTY CONVENTION
DISTRICT CONVENTION
STATE CONVENTION**

ATTEND **JANUARY 16** FOR DETAILS

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LOWER TAXES *** LIMITED GOVERNMENT**
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Jan 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Feb 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Mar 18 (Sat)	Prec. Mtgs./Cty. Convention
Mar 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Apr 17 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Apr 22 (Sat)	District Convention (Grnsboro)
May 15 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
June 2-3 (Fri/Sat)	State Convention (Augusta)

LOOKING AHEAD

Richard Nixon Birthday – January 9 (Monday)
Roe v. Wade Day of Infamy – January 22 (Sunday)
William McKinley Birthday – January 29 (Sunday)
Ronald Reagan Birthday – February 6 (Monday)
Boy Scouts Founded – February 8 (Wednesday)
Abraham Lincoln Birthday – February 12 (Sunday)
Presidents Day – February 20 (Monday)
George Washington Birthday – February 22 (Wednesday)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2017

Bill Brown Ken Young Dianne Craig
Clay Kelley Beverly Kelley Preston Kelley
Teeny Allison Richard Pepper Sara Pepper
Carlo Cellucci Sally Cellucci

WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS

Pat Byrum Isaac Merola

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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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POLITICAL BREAKFAST

Everyone is invited to participate in a monthly political breakfast group at the Golden Corral Restaurant in Winder. The next group breakfast will be Saturday, **January 21, 2017**, 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, JANUARY 21, 2017
9:00 AM**

FROM THE CHAIR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2017. If you want to get a jump on renewing your financial commitment with the local Party (where we think your money is best spent), please bring yours to our **January 16** 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!

Please mark Saturday, **March 18, 2017** on your calendars and appointment books. That is the date for our 2017 Precinct Meetings and County Convention at 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM, respectively. We will be electing officers for the 2017-2019 term, and selecting delegates and alternates to the 2017 District and State Conventions. I will be making my recommendations to the **March 18** Nominations Committee based on volunteer service over the past 2 years and likelihood of attending the District and State Conventions. We will also be forming the new County Committee (voting members) for 2017-2019.

IN ORDER TO BECOME A VOTING MEMBER FOR 2017-2019, OUR RULES REQUIRE 3 THINGS: (1) Advanced Membership (or greater), (2) being a delegate to the County Convention [**March 18**], and (3) notifying the new Chairman (2017-2019) that you want to be a voting member for 2017-2019 [note – some County Convention delegates do not wish to be voting members for various reasons]. Your presence on **March 18** is critical, if you want to be a voting member for the new 2-year cycle!

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **January 16, 2017** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speakers will be Pat Graham, Barrow County Commission Chairman, who will give us an update on county matters and the county manager form of government which began in 2013, and Michael McNeely, GAGOP First Vice-Chair, who is running for GAGOP Chairman at the 2017 State Convention. Make plans to attend! Be early for a good seat. Bring a friend! It will be worth your time.

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

“Trump Vows to Protect the Second Amendment” – *Americas 1st Freedom* – Allan D. Cors – October 2016 – <https://www.americias1stfreedom.org/articles/2016/9/27/trump-vows-to-protect-the-second-amendment/>

“MetLife Takes The Lead” – *Forbes* – Amity Shlaes – November 8, 2016 – www.forbes.com/sites/currenthevents/2016/10/19/metlife-takes-the-lead/#3462e7a31044

“Medalling Prosperity” – *The Economist* – August 20, 2016 – www.economist.com/news/finance-and-economics/21705313-if-olympics-teach-anything-about-growth-i-there-are-no

“Is The World Too Prosperous?” – *Forbes* – Paul Johnson – November 29, 2016 – www.forbes.com/sites/currenthevents/2016/11/02/is-the-world-too-prosperous/#7957a00278fb

**ABBREVIATED CALL FOR THE
BARROW COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
ELECTION DISTRICT (PRECINCT) MASS
MEETINGS**

Pursuant to the Call of the Georgia Republican Party State Executive Committee for Precinct, Rule 9.2 District, County, Congressional District, and State Mass Meetings and Conventions, the Barrow County Republican Committee hereby makes and issues this, Official Call, to all legal and qualified voters of Barrow County, Georgia, who are in accord with the principles of the Republican Party, believe in its declaration of policies and are in sympathy with its aims and purposes, to unite under this Call in the selection of Delegates and Alternates to the Barrow County Convention to be held pursuant to this Call. There shall be Election District (Precinct) Mass Meetings on **March 18, 2017** at 9:00 o'clock A.M., at 354 E. Broad St., Winder, Georgia, at the Winder Lions Club, which shall elect Delegates and Alternates to the County Convention to be held on **March 18, 2017**, at same location. Registration begins at 8:00 o'clock A.M., on **March 18, 2017**. Anyone arriving after 9:00 o'clock A.M. will not be allowed to participate.

COUNTY CONVENTION

The Barrow County Convention is hereby called to convene at 354 E. Broad St., Winder, Georgia, at the Winder Lions Club on Saturday, **March 18, 2017**, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of electing Delegates and Alternates to the Republican Tenth U.S. Congressional District and State Conventions. Party officers for 2017-2019 will also be elected. Only those Delegates and Alternates elected in their respective Election District (Precinct) Mass Meetings held on **March 18, 2017**, shall be entitled to participate. The Convention itself shall be open to the public.

Ken Young, Chairman
Barrow County Republican Party

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**WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE
2017 PRECINCT MEETINGS AND
COUNTY CONVENTION**

Many of our newer members may not be aware of the significance of the upcoming Precinct Mass Meetings and County Convention set for Saturday, **March 18, 2017**, at the Winder Lions Club, 354 E. Broad St., Winder. The following is information to explain what will be happening on this important date.

Temporary Precinct Meeting Chairpersons will be appointed by the current Barrow GOP Chairman Ken Young. At 9:00 AM on **March 18**, these people will call the 16 individual precinct meetings to order. All participants at these meetings must be duly registered in accordance with State Republican Party rules and Georgia State Election Code. The first order of precinct meeting business is to elect new Precinct Chairpersons for 2017-2019 (and other Precinct officers, if desired by the precinct meeting participants). The new Precinct Chairperson will conduct the rest of the precinct meeting. Each precinct meeting will then elect Delegates and alternates to the 2017 Barrow County

Republican Convention. All Delegates will receive name tags for Convention usage.

When all of the elections are completed, the paperwork (in triplicate) will be processed and routed to the appropriate local Party representatives. Other precinct business may take place at this meeting. It will be a good time to get acquainted with other Republicans in your precinct, and plans for future precinct work can be discussed.

At 10:00 AM on **March 18**, the current local Party Chairman Ken Young (serving as Temporary Convention Chairman) will call the 2017 County Convention to order. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, Presentation of the State Call, and Introduction of Elected Officials, the convention will elect the 2017 Permanent Convention Chairperson and Permanent Convention Secretary. Convention committees will then be dismissed to conduct their work (Credentials, Nominations, Rules). During this time, there may be announcements and speeches in the convention hall.

After the Convention committees return and report, the 2017-2019 Barrow County Republican officers will be elected. These include County Chairperson, First Vice-Chairperson, Second Vice-Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, and Assistant Treasurer. The Convention will then elect Delegates and Alternates to the 10th U.S. Congressional District Republican Convention to be held on Saturday, **April 22, 2017** in Greensboro, Georgia. Delegates and Alternates will also be elected to the State Republican Convention to be held on Friday and Saturday, **June 2-3, 2017**, in Augusta, Georgia. Those who qualify and desire will also form the new county Committee (voting members) for 2017-2019.

Your participation in the 2017 Precinct Mass Meetings will strengthen the Barrow County Republican Party. With your help, we have made a major impact. Headed for **November 6, 2018**, the next election cycle has begun.

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The Left has discovered a new type of malaise: fear of having sons. A *New York Times* writer says that upon the birth of his son, he dreaded having to counter “a sports and gaming culture that exalt[s] alpha domination (and aggressive male reflexes); and a tight-lipped John Wayne ethos that breeds alienation and, too often, depression. . . . All of the dread and loathing I’d always felt about the limiting script of traditional masculine norms came flooding back.” And raising boys isn’t just really, really hard; it’s boring, too. As another enlightened dad explains, “I’m much more interested in the challenge of helping a girl or young woman transcend sexist conditions.” He comes out, however, for overcoming this fear: “Men like me abdicate our responsibility by letting other men – the ones who don’t always encourage the broader, deeper humanity within males – raise boys.” We fear that these men are not especially well suited to raising either boys or girls. (*National Review*)

BARROW COUNTY PRESIDENTIAL VOTES

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2016</u>
TOTAL	24,615	25,255	29,174
REPUBLICAN	17,613 71.55 %	18,719 74.12 %	21,108 72.35 %
DEMOCRAT	6,651	6,019	6,580
LIBERTARIAN	280	433	1,143
OTHER	71	84	343
TURNOUT %	72.82	72.09	78.60
REPUBLICAN LESS DEMOCRAT MARGIN	10,962	12,700	14,525

**TRUMP’S CHANCE TO CHANGE
THE NARRATIVE**

Cal Thomas, *Gwinnett Daily Post*

Donald Trump’s impressive victory in Tuesday’s election offers him a rare opportunity to change the narrative.

Secular progressive policies at home and abroad are not working. The establishment has had its chance – multiple chances, in fact – to fix things, but it has failed, or didn’t try, under Republican and Democratic administrations. Voters are taking a big chance with Trump, but things have gotten so bad that the election shows many millions of Americans are willing to try something new.

Trump achieved what most of the experts, the ruling class, the major media (including most pundits and once again the pollsters), Republican leaders and many others thought was impossible. He not only won back the Reagan Democrats, including nearly half of the union members who cast ballots, but he also had coattails, allowing Republicans to maintain control of both houses of congress.

This was more than a change election. It was a revolution. Now the question becomes: What will the Republicans do with it? If Trump is smart, he will call on the GOP congressional leadership to write the legislation that will achieve his objectives. These include the repeal and replacement of Obamacare, immigration reform and building the wall, school choice for the poor, rebuilding inner cities and infrastructure, and nominating conservative judges to the Supreme Court and lower courts.

The election vindicates the decision by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell not to hold hearings on President Obama’s nominee to the Supreme Court, Merrick Garland, until the election results were known. Garland will never join the high court.

The courts may be saved from secular progressives for years to come and the Constitution respected again. That is victory by anyone’s definition.

An added bonus is that Trump can use executive orders to immediately reverse President Obama’s executive orders, which he used to bypass Congress. An even bigger bonus is that the Clintons have been swept out of politics. Foreign donors to the

Clinton Foundation will likely close their checkbooks now that Hillary won’t be able to do anything for them.

The left will demand that Trump “reach out” and work with Democrats, but that is a trap. Recall what Democrats did when they won the White House, the Senate and House in 2008. They rammed through legislation that reflected their worldview. Trump should do the same, but without triumphalism. He must prove his policies work and can achieve the goals he has set: economic growth, more private-sector jobs, bringing corporations home from overseas with a lower corporate tax rate, and defeating the Islamic State. The only reason to have power is to use power. Democrats understand this. Too often, timid Republicans don’t. They must use it now, or they will lose it.

Trump’s victory is part of a global movement to throw off incompetent leaders, to reduce the size and cost of government, and restore countries to the values that have made them uniquely British, German, French and American. It also is a victory of a culture that eschews the coarseness and crudeness of the likes of JayZ and Beyonce and the Hollywood elites. Mogul Barry Diller says he will leave the country, for which many will be grateful, especially if he takes others who promised to leave if Trump won with him.

Now comes the hard part. Because Trump’s background is neither politics nor government, he must call on those with such experience to help him. Vice President-elect Mike Pence is the perfect starting point. Pence’s years in Congress and his executive experience as governor of Indiana make him the go-to guy for navigating the labyrinth that is Washington. He may turn out to be the most consequential vice president since Dick Cheney.

All the pieces are now in place to yank America back from the brink. This is an opportunity that comes along once in a century. Success will silence the critics, who won’t go quietly and accept defeat. If Trump succeeds in all he has promised, he will have saved the country from disaster. It will be said of him that he really did make America great again.

ICE ICE BABY

Happens every year. Explorers trying to prove the beautiful and pristine Artic ice is threatened by global warming . . . run smack dab into massive Artic ice. Unexpectedly, Polar Ocean Challenge, funded by a London financial firm, set out to “increase the world’s attention on the effects of Arctic climate change,” which is leading to “permanent irreversible” melting of the sea ice landscape. But even though leader David Hempleman-Adams chose the summer ice-melt period to circumnavigate the Arctic, he was thwarted by mountains of icebergs. That’s cold. Stubborn Mother Nature keeps refusing to go along with the global warming scam. Breitbart reports the Polar Ocean Challenge was delayed six weeks in the Laptev Sea, according to the crew’s logs, by “ice, ice, and more [expletive deleted] ice.” One crew member wrote, “Ice is a vindictive substance and refuses to leave us alone.” But maps of Arctic Sea ice coverage clearly show polar ice *growing* since 2007, the year Cambridge professor Peter Wadhams first predicted “an ice-free Arctic Sea” was just around the corner. The truth is, around the corner is more ice – where these expositions keep getting stuck. (*Limbaugh Letter*)