

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., Feb 20 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Mar 2 6:00 PM
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Mar 6 7:00 PM
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Mar 7 6:00 PM
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Mar 7 6:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Mar 14 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Mar 16 6:00 PM
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Mar 16 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Mar 21 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Mar 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. 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

February 20, 2017

ALEX JOHNSON
CANDIDATE FOR GAGOP CHAIRMAN
STATE REP. TOM KIRBY

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 1/31/16)

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

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WE NOW NEED YOUR 2017 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

2017 CONVENTIONS - SPRING CYCLE

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

ATTEND **FEBRUARY 20** FOR DETAILS

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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)
June 19 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

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)
Change Clocks Ahead 1 Hour – March 11 (Saturday) – PM
National Medal of Honor Day – March 25 (Saturday)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2017

Gary Huff Terry Raber June Miller
Dennis Hevener Fe Hevener Bob Lanham
Marty Rahinsky Pat Graham Terry England
Tammy Brown Mel Golder Regina Quick
Caroline Evans Ray McIntyre Regina McIntyre

WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS

Josephine Jones Greg Howard

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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, **February 25, 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, FEBRUARY 25, 2017
9:00 AM**

FROM THE CHAIR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2017. Please bring yours to our **February 20** 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.

Saturday, **March 18, 2017** 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. 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!

We had a great meeting with good attendance to start of the year on **January 16**. We heard from Pat Graham, Barrow County Commission Chairman on county matters and the county manager form of government which began in 2013. We also heard from GAGOP First Vice-Chair Michael McNeely, who is running for GAGOP Chairman in 2017. We covered a good deal of material for our meetings on **March 18** as well.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **February 20, 2017** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman's Club. Our guest speaker will be Alex Johnson, who is running for GAGOP Chairman at the 2017 State Convention. We will also be making final plans for the meetings on **March 18, 2017**. Be early for a good seat. Bring a friend! It will be worth your time. Make plans to attend!

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

“A Reprieve To Rebuild The Republic” – *AFA Journal* – Tim Wildmon – January 2017 – www.afajournal.org/past-issues/2017/january/a-reprieve-to-rebuild-the-republic/

“Trump-Clinton 9.0 Earthquake” – *Forbes* – David Malpass – November 29, 2016 – www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2016/11/02/trump-clinton-9-0-earthquake/#10c34e9f58dc

“Full Steam” – *The Economist* – August 20, 2016 – www.economist.com/news/asia/21705373-if-long-standing-tensions-ease-south-china-sea-will-ensure-they-rise-elsewhere-full

“Cities Are The Future” – *Forbes* – Rich Karlgaard – November 29, 2016 – www.forbes.com/sites/richkarlgaard/2016/11/02/cities-are-the-future/#449cbcd3c19

**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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In a recent Sunday edition of the *New York Times*, Mark Lilla, a humanities professor at Columbia University and a distinguished political theorist, published an intelligent essay titled "The End of Identity Liberalism," in which he argued that "American liberalism has slipped into a kind of moral panic about racial, gender, and sexual identity that has distorted liberalism's message and prevented it from becoming a unifying force capable of governing." His prescription for reform would be eminently sensible – were there any liberals to be found on the left anymore. Instead, there are persons such as Damon Young, a columnist for *GQ* and *Ebony*, who dismissed Lilla's essay as "the whitest thing I've ever read," and Lilla's Columbia colleague, law professor Katherine Franke, who announced that Lilla was "more nefarious" than David Duke, because he was "making white supremacy respectable." In other words, the response to Lilla's article was precisely what he warned against. Along with last month's election, the Left seems to have most any sense of irony. (*National Review*)

TIME TO UNDO OBAMA'S DAMAGE TO THE NATION

Darrell Huckaby, *Gwinnett Daily Post*

Barrack Hussein Obama campaigned in 2008 on the promise to fundamentally change America – the greatest nation in the history of the world. He didn't promise to make a great nation even greater. He promised to fundamentally change it.

Voters in America didn't pause to wonder why one would want to fundamentally change the greatest nation in history. Instead, they elected Obama, not once, but twice.

With a mere 22 days left in his administration Obama is hell-bent on doing exactly that.

It is not enough that he has created a health care system that has raised prices so high that millions of middle class Americans can no longer afford the coverage they had before he took office.

It is not enough that he has given Iran, the world's greatest rogue nation, billions of dollars and a clear path toward nuclear armament.

It is not enough that his misguided comments and actions have created a greater racial divide that we have had in this country since the 1960s and put virtual targets on the backs of every police officer who bravely wears the badge.

None of that is enough for this man. He has also swelled the welfare rolls, increasing the number of Americans on food stamps astronomically and done nothing about illegal immigration. His plan to combat radical Islamic terror is non-existent. He has weakened America in the eyes of the world, allowed the Russians to re-emerge as a real threat to our country.

And now, on his way out the door, he has orchestrated a United Nations resolution aimed at weakening our greatest ally in the Middle East, Israel, a resolution that, if allowed to stand, is sure to embolden the enemies of that state and create chaos and even more instability in a region that is already rife with instability.

Even worse than the fact that Obama orchestrated the whole deal and then told the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations to abstain from voting, to try and hide his dastardly deception, is the fact that he and his stooge, John Kerry, are using language that elevates the Palestinians, whose leaders remain in lockstep with Hamas, a stated enemy of the Jewish race, to the same diplomatic level as the nation of Israel.

John Kerry spouts foolish rhetoric claiming that Israel cannot be a legitimate nation and a Jewish state simultaneously, while ignoring the 50 Muslim nations to Israel's east that have no pretension of offering justice to the minorities within their realm.

The fact is that Israel has repeatedly offered a two-state solution to the Palestinians, but they, time and time again, have refused to sit down at the bargaining table. Their leaders refuse to negotiate or recognize the legitimacy of a Jewish state.

Barrack Obama and John Kerry should be ashamed of themselves and the world needs to know that these two bitter politicians do not represent the views of most Americans.

I have long believed Obama to be the most overtly racist president in our nation's history and now he is proving that he is also the most openly anti-Semitic leader we've ever had the misfortune of electing to office.

Of course, the sad fact of the matter is that, here in this country, a number of people will assume that since Obama and Kerry did it, it has to be bad and will rail against the outgoing

leaders without having any understanding, whatsoever, of the issue. An equal number of people will assume that since Obama did it it needed to be done and will jump to his defense without knowing the difference between the West Bank of the Jordan and the west bank of the Yellow River in Porterdale.

Of course, the vast majority of Americans will just shrug and pay no attention to the situation at all, and that's what politicians have been counting on for far too long in this country. Elections have consequences. The ones in 2008 and 2012 had big, big consequences. They allowed our nation to be fundamentally changed.

Angry white men – and women and blacks and Latinos and Asians and people of every color, creed and persuasion – voiced their opinion that we need to begin the process of undoing the damage and changing our country back. Can Jan. 20 get here soon enough? Can Obama do even more damage that he has already done? Stay tuned. I believe he will give it his best shot.

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The truth is that Democrats made a series of deliberate choices to alienate white working-class voters during the Obama years. Stances on energy production, illegal immigration, and same-sex marriage that were within the mainstream of the party's even ten years ago had nearly disappeared from it by Obama's last year in office. Democrats knew that white working-class voters disliked their new progressivism, but they thought that the "rising American electorate" of Hispanics and young liberals would more than make up for any losses from this declining group. Turns out the math was faulty. Democrats wrote off these voters and are now expressing shock that the gesture was reciprocated. (*National Review*)

HOLD THE CORN

For decades, liberals were hot on ethanol. Biofuels would replace evil fossil fuels, they claimed, to solve global warming. Computer models (funded by the Department of Energy [DOE]) showed that biofuels were "carbon neutral." So, over the years, the federal government has shelled out billions of taxpayer dollars on ethanol subsidies. Then University of Michigan research professor John DeCicco decided to check the government's math; he did his own study. Well, oops, UPI reports DeCicco found that biofuels actually *increase* CO2 emissions. He calculated that from 2005 through 2013, crops grown for biofuels on U.S. farmland increased absorption of carbon by 49 teragrams – while burning the biofuels added 132 teragrams of carbon to the atmosphere. Since one teragram is *one million metric tons*, that's a whole lot of carbon. DeCicco's conclusion: corn made into ethanol and other biofuels "turned out to be a climate mistake." What a colossal, society-wide waste of time, money, and resources! Blame the flakes at the DOE. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

Senator Chris Coons, a Delaware Democrat, says he regrets voting to make filibusters of executive-branch nominees impossible. The Democrats made that change to help President Obama's nominees, making a simple majority enough to confirm them. Now, says Coons, many Democrats will regret the absence of "a terrific speed bump, potential emergency brake, to have in our system to slow down the confirmation of extreme nominees." It is a heartbreaking tale. Coons was elected to the Senate in 2010, and apparently nobody told him that someday a Republican might again be elected president. (*National Review*)