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March 20, 2017

MICHAEL WELSH
CANDIDATE FOR GAGOP CHAIRMAN
GINGER HOWARD
GA NATIONAL COMMITTEEWOMAN

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MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Mar 20 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Apr 3 7:00 PM
Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Apr 4 6:00 PM
Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Apr 4 6:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Apr 6 6:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., Apr 11 7:00 PM
Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Apr 18 7:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Apr 20 6:00 PM
Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Apr 20 7:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., Apr 25 7:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 2/28/16)

| Membership | '09 | '10 | '11 | '12 | '13 | '14 | '15 | '16 | '17 |
|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Regular | 48 | 46 | 44 | 63 | 39 | 36 | 26 | 30 | 9 |
| Advanced | 68 | 58 | 59 | 71 | 59 | 41 | 55 | 55 | 27 |
| 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 | 42 |
| Renewals | 113 | 105 | 112 | 101 | 95 | 82 | 85 | 77 | 37 |
| New | 21 | 16 | 9 | 51 | 15 | 10 | 6 | 19 | 5 |

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VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (27)

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 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 |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

| | | |
|-------------------|---|--------------|
| Chairman | Ken Young | 770-867-5748 |
| | email: kenyoung276@hotmail.com | |
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| | email: MCPWinder@aol.com | |
| Second Vice-Chair | Leonard Koonce | 706-351-7441 |
| | email: lkoonce1967@gmail.com | |
| Secretary | Mark Staley | 770-539-0976 |
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| Asst. Secretary | Terry Raber | 678-492-6792 |
| | email: terryraber.lcm@comcast.net | |
| Treasurer | Clay Kelley | 770-560-4523 |
| | email: BKCONSLT@comcast.net | |
| Asst. Treasurer | Bob Lanham | 770-867-5459 |
| | email: lanhamrj@hotmail.com | |
| C.C. Dist. 1 Rep. | Richard Pepper | 770-725-2777 |
| C.C. Dist. 2 Rep. | DuWayne Anderson | 404-285-0978 |
| 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!

WE NOW NEED YOUR 2017 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

2017 PRECINCT MEETINGS
2017 COUNTY CONVENTION
SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017 - 9:00 AM
WINDER LIONS CLUB
INVITE A FRIEND TO JOIN US !!!

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

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| 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 |
| July 17 (Mon) | Monthly Meeting |

LOOKING AHEAD

Change Clocks Ahead 1 Hour – March 11 (Saturday) – PM
National Medal of Honor Day – March 25 (Saturday)
Army Day – April 6 (Thursday)
Tax Protest Day – April 15 (Saturday)
Ulysses Grant Birthday – April 27 (Thursday)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2017

David Perkins Leonard Koonce Gary Taylor
Bobby Patterson Bill Reinhardt Harriett Campbell
Mike Pentecost Clay Pentecost Mark Staley
DuWayne Anderson Charles Powell

WELCOME - NEW MEMBER

Janice Jones



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, **March 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, MARCH 25, 2017
9:00 AM**

FROM THE CHAIR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2017. Please bring yours to our **March 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 last month. We heard from State Rep. Tom Kirby who gave us a legislative update. We also heard from Alex Johnson, 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, **March 20, 2017** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speakers will be Michael Welsh, 12th GOP District Chairman, who is running for GAGOP Chairman at the 2017 State Convention, and from our Georgia National Committeewoman Ginger Howard. **Per our rules, we will also be affirming our membership dues levels, and voting members for 2017-2019 will caucus into County Commission District groups to elect their representatives to the new Executive Committee.** Be early for a good seat. Bring a friend! It will be worth your time. Make plans to attend! Be early for a good seat.

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

“Enhanced Interrogation” – *AMAC Advantage* – George Spangler – bt.editionbyfry.com/publication/?i=380770#{"issue_id":380770,"page";40}}

“Democrats Look To California Gun Laws As Model For Nation To Follow” – *The American Hunter* – September 2016 – www.americas1stfreedom.org/articles/2016/08/25/democrats-look-to-california-gun-laws-as-model-for-nation-to-follow/

“Frank Immigration Talk” – *Forbes* – Amity Shlaes – December 20, 2016 – www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2016/11/30/frank-immigration-talk/#2813c34430a1

**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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Trump supporters attacked college student Yasmin Seweid on the New York City subway, calling her a "terrorist" and screaming at her to "take that thing off" – a reference to Seweid's hijab; shamefully, no one on the crowded subway car came to her aid. In Ann Arbor, a man threatened to set a University of Michigan student on fire unless she removed her head covering. In Louisiana, two men, one wearing a Trump hat, beat another Muslim college student before stealing her wallet and her hijab. "I was very shaken up . . . I'm definitely traumatized," Seweid told the *New York Daily News*. "I'm really scared." The only problem? None of the three incidents actually happened. Seweid lied to her parents, the press, and the NYPD (she has been charged with filing a false police report, a misdemeanor), all to avoid trouble for staying out past curfew and drinking with friends. There are acts of bigotry in America (more are directed at Jews than Muslims), but crying wolf about Islamophobia only feeds the Left's fever dreams while causing normal Americans to take the next claim with an extra grain of salt. Threats and assaults – religiously motivated or not – should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. As should the hijab hoaxers' filings of false police reports. (*National Review*)

CASINOS WILL RESULT IN POOR GEORGIANS

Kyle Winfield, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*

There is only one sound reason for supporting the introduction of casinos in Georgia. And it has nothing to do with jobs, scholarships or shiny new buildings.

Those supposed benefits will be fleeting, if the experience of other states is any guide. No, the only sound reason to support legalizing casinos is if you believe Georgia needs more poor people.

The one indisputable fact about casinos is the vast majority of people who walk into them leave with less money in their pockets and bank accounts. Everything else – about job creation, economic development and higher tax revenues – is speculative. Counting on those things is a roll of the dice.

For the people in other communities where the gambling industry has already arrived, those dice increasingly have been crapping out.

Despite what you might hear, this isn't mostly about coaxing more money from the pockets of out-of-towners. If it were, we'd put some slot machines near the gates at Hartsfield-Jackson and be done with it.

As numerous academic studies show, the largest share of casino gambling revenues, anywhere from a plurality to a majority, come from a tiny number of so-called problem gamblers who live nearby. These aren't conventioner, tourists or wealthy folks with money to burn. They're people already inclined to live at the margins of society.

Now, society is being asked to give them one last shove over the edge.

The gambling industry itself has cited studies indicating "only" 1 percent of American adults are problem gamblers. Considering the majority of these are bound to be concentrated in areas near a casino – other research suggests they tend to live within a 10-mile radius of casinos – this figure surely understates the magnitude of the problem in these areas. So does the fact it represents the narrowest definition of problem gambler. Other studies suggest the problem afflicts at least twice as many people.

But let's take the industry's preferred figure at face value and suppose a casino in metro Atlanta would lead to "only" 1 percent of our people to develop a gambling problem. In a region of 5 million, that's 50,000 people.

Fifty-thousand people who will be in greater danger of foreclosure or eviction. Fifty-thousand people whose marriages or relationships will be rocky or broken. Fifty-thousand people whose children will be more subject to neglect and abuse. Fifty-thousand people who will be more reliant on welfare programs and private charities.

Fifty-thousand people – plus the problem gamblers who would develop near the proposed second casino (which, given the language of the bill, would almost certainly be in Savannah).

The millions of dollars casino proponents dangle in front of you in the form of scholarships – including scholarships for low-income Georgians, their latest bauble – come from someone. The evidence is clear: The vast majority of that money would come from other Georgians, most of whom can't afford it.

Speaking of that new scholarship program for poor Georgians: Isn't that a rather ironic incentive to welcome an industry that would create more poor Georgians? I guess they know their market after all.

If the house always wins, everyone else on balance loses. Legislators, and their voters, need to ask themselves if they really believe a state can make itself more prosperous by making its people poorer.

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BIRD BRAINS

You've heard that cow farts cause global warming. Now comes news that seabird poop causes Arctic cooling. That's according to a new study from Colorado State University atmospheric scientists Jeff Pierce and Jack Kodros, as reported by Science Daily. Through observation and computer modeling (which we know is never wrong), the researchers found that ammonia from seabird guano produces atmospheric particles. These form cloud droplets that "reflect sunlight back to space for a net cooling effect." Yes, reflective poop clouds are good for the planet – but alas, according to LiveScience, the discovery is "not an effect that is going to counteract global warming." Of course not. Because the whole bird-poop-cools-the-Arctic process is "complicated," says Science. Here's something that's *not* complicated: the manmade-global-warming agenda is full of crap. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

Philadelphia mayor Jim Kenney, a Democrat, is angry that the price of soda has risen in his city. He blames local businesses for passing on to consumers the cost of a new soda tax that he championed. Retailers are "gouging their own customers," he told a local radio station in January. Kenney apparently thinks sandwich shops and grocery stores, which now must pay a 1.5 cents-per-ounce tax on soda and other sugary beverages at the wholesale level, should eat the cost. He blames soda consumers, too. "It's not an elixir of life that you need to drink every day or you will die, so if you don't want to buy it, don't buy it." It seems that Kenney neither grasps the basic laws of economics nor cares about their effects. (*National Review*)

LATIN BATTY

When a student at the University of Southern Maine [USM] scrawled some graffiti, heads rolled and cops were summoned. But not because campus property was defaced. No, the hubbub ensued over the message: a phrase in Latin, "*Deus Vult*," meaning "God wills it." Apparently, Crusaders said this. In the 11th century. So Latin is no longer a dead language; it's a hate crime. As reported by *The Portland {ME} Press herald*, the student wrote the phrase in tiny letters on a desk and wall in the student government office. Immediately, bat-crap-crazy lib crusaders deployed. USM President Glenn Cummings condemned the "anti-Muslim graffiti." Student body vice president Mike Raymond called the phrase "coded language" designed "to intimidate a specific group of people." Counselors were made available for distraught snowflakes. A rally was held to support Muslim students. Ultimately, a campus police report was sent to the Maine Attorney General's office, to investigate the graffiti as a possible hate crime. Two student senators were accused of a coverup and resigned as *personae non gratae*. So what other *bona fide* Crusader-Latin terms will be *deletus*, terminated, by genius universities? *Alma mater*? *Quid pro quo*? Meanwhile, *Deus Vult*. (*Limbaugh Letter*)