

# 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., June 19                      7:30 PM**  
**@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)**  
Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., July 3                      7:00 PM  
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., July 6                      6:00 PM  
Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., July 11                      6:00 PM  
Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., July 11                      6:00 PM  
County Commission Meeting – Tue., July 11                      7:00 PM  
Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., July 18                      7:00 PM  
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., July 20                      6:00 PM  
Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., July 20                      7:00 PM  
County Commission Meeting – Tue., July 25                      7:00 PM

**VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (29)**

Clay Kelley – Chrm.	Lucretia Hughes	Kathy Hopkins
DuWayne Anderson – 1 <sup>st</sup> VC	Teeny Allison	Terry Raber
Leonard Koonce – 2 <sup>nd</sup> VC	Richard Pepper	Sara Pepper
Mark Staley – Sec.	June Miller	Beverly Kelley
Debbie Reid – Asst. Sec.	Tim Walker	Dianne Craig
Bob Lanham – Tr.	Charles Powell	Ken Young
Mike Pentecost – Asst. Tr.	John Reavis	Linda Reavis
John Stevens	Lynn Stevens	Marty Rahinsky
David Gunter	Gary Taylor	Janice Jones
Terry England	Pat Graham	

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairman	Clay Kelley	770-560-4523
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Secretary	Mark Staley	770-539-0976
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Asst. Secretary	Debbie Reid	706-684-0065
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Treasurer	Bob Lanham	770-867-5459
	email: <a href="mailto:lanhamrj@hotmail.com">lanhamrj@hotmail.com</a>	
Asst. Treasurer	Mike Pentecost	770-868-6046
	email: <a href="mailto:MCPWinder@aol.com">MCPWinder@aol.com</a>	
C.C. Dist. 1 Rep.	Lucretia Hughes	404-422-2558
C.C. Dist. 2 Rep.	Gary Taylor	678-449-5775
C.C. Dist. 3 Rep.	Open	
C.C. Dist. 4 Rep.	David Gunter	678-425-4127
C.C. Dist. 5 Rep.	Dianne Craig	678-367-9593
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 #####

##### June 19, 2017 #####

**BARROW COUNTY SCHOOLS SUPT.  
DR. CHRIS McMICHAEL**

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**MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON** (as of 5/31/16)

Membership	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17
Regular	48	46	44	<b>63</b>	39	36	26	30	25
Advanced	68	58	59	71	59	41	55	55	48
Barrow 100	<b>17</b>	16	<b>17</b>	13	8	13	7	9	6
Barrow 360	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Students				4	3	2	2	1	2
Total	<b>134</b>	<b>121</b>	121	<b>152</b>	110	92	91	96	82
Renewals	<b>113</b>	105	112	101	95	82	85	77	75
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New	21	16	9	<b>51</b>	15	10	6	19	7

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

## ANNUAL REPUBLICAN BBQ

**5:00 PM - SATURDAY - AUGUST 26, 2017  
WINDER LIONS CLUB - 354 E. BROAD ST.**

**2018 STATEWIDE CANDIDATES  
& OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**ADULTS - \$ 15.00                      AGES 6-12 - \$ 7.50  
AGE 5 & UNDER - FREE**

**CONTACT KEN YOUNG  
FOR TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION  
SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

<b>June 2-3 (Fri/Sat)</b>	<b>State Convention (Augusta)</b>
<b>June 19 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>July 17 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>Aug 21 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting
<b>Aug 26 (Sat)</b>	<b>ANNUAL BARROW BBQ</b>
<b>Sept 16 (Sat)</b>	<b>Statham Sunflower Festival</b>
<b>Sept 18 (Mon)</b>	Monthly Meeting

**LOOKING AHEAD**

D-Day – June 6 (Tuesday)  
George H.W. Bush Birthday – June 12 (Monday)  
Flag Day – June 14 (Wednesday)  
Independence Day – July 4 (Tuesday)  
Calvin Coolidge Birthday – July 4 (Tuesday)  
1<sup>st</sup> Official Meeting of Republican Party – July 6 (Thursday)  
George W. Bush Birthday – July 6 (Thursday)  
Gerald Ford Birthday – July 14 (Friday)  
National Korean War Vets Armistice Day – July 27 (Thursday)

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2017**

Debi Krause            Mark Still            Suzanne Angle  
Cal Neff                Joe Goodman        Frank Ginn

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**2017 – 2019 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS**

Bethlehem Community Center	
Bethabra Church	Marty Rahinsky
Bramlett Elementary	John Stevens
Westside Middle School	David Gunter
Statham Fire Dept.	Richard Pepper
Winder-Barrow High School	
Statham Elementary	
Winder First Baptist Church	John Reavis
Winder Lions Club	DuWayne Anderson
Barrow County Rec. Dept.	Bob Lanham
Apalachee High School	Kathy Hopkins
Midway Methodist Church	Dianne Craig
Winder Community Center	Terry Raber
Cedar Creek Baptist Church	
County Line Elementary	June Miller
The Church at Winder	

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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, **June 24, 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, JUNE 24, 2017**  
**9:00 AM**

**FROM THE EDITOR**

**WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2017.** If you have not already renewed, please bring yours to our **June 19** 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!

We had a great meeting with good attendance last month. We heard from our State Sen. Frank Ginn who gave us updates from the recent session of the General Assembly. We also discussed a possible change in caterers for our BBQ which is scheduled for Saturday, **August 26, 2017**, at 5:00 PM in the Winder Lions Club.

The Platform Committee (Chairman Lynn Stevens) and the Rules Committee (Chairman Mike Pentecost) will both meet at 7:00 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club on Monday, **June 5, 2017**. The BBQ Committee (Chairman Ken Young) is set to meet on Monday, **June 12, 2017** at 7:00 PM. The location will be determined and sent to this committee.

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Our Annual Republican BBQ is set for Saturday, **August 26, 2017**. **This is our largest fundraising event each year, and we need to sell or buy as many tickets as we possibly can!** Sponsorships are also available. We are inviting our Congressman Jody Hice and a large number of 2018 statewide candidates and elected officials to attend and speak at our BBQ this year. We are expecting a very large crowd, with candidate tents lining the front sidewalk into the Lions Club. As a special addition to our regular BBQ activities, we will be having a Silent Auction. If you have notable items to donate for this, please contact me or Dianne Craig as soon as possible. Due to a food price increase, we need to generate additional revenue from this.

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Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **June 19, 2017** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speaker will be Barrow County Schools Supt. Dr. Chris McMichael. He will give us an update on the current status of our local public schools. We may also have some work committee reports. We hope to have BBQ tickets available at this meeting to distribute to our members. Make plans to attend! Be early for a good seat. Bring a friend! It will be worth your time.

Ken Young

**ADDITIONAL LINKS**

“The Internet Leveled the Playing Field During 2016 Election” – *American Hunter* – Allan D. Cors – January 2017 – <https://www.americas1stfreedom.org/articles/2016/12/23/the-internet-leveled-the-playing-field-during-the-2016-election/>  
“Revolution At Labor” – *Forbes* – Amity Shlaes – January 24, 2017 – <https://www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2016/12/13/the-greatness-of-the-pudzer-choice/#3e5c4ccc6ba1>  
“The Regulators’ Bad Day In Court” – *The Weekly Standard* – Abby W. Schachter – December 12, 2016 – [www.weeklystandard.com/the-regulators-bad-day-in-court/article/2005644](http://www.weeklystandard.com/the-regulators-bad-day-in-court/article/2005644)

**2017 STATE DELEGATES** (22)

AUGUSTA

Ken Young	Clay Kelley	Terry Raber
Lucretia Hughes	Teeny Allison	Bob Lanham
Kathy Hopkins	Leonard Koonce	June Miller
Dianne Craig	John Stevens	Lynn Stevens
Mike Pentecost	Beverly Kelley	David Gunter
John Reavis	Linda Reavis	DuWayne Anderson
Richard Pepper	Sara Pepper	Tim Walker
Debbie Reid		

**2017 STATE ALTERNATES** (9)

Gary Taylor	Janice Jones	Cal Neff
Wayne Grimes	Josephine Jones	Terry England
Janice Gunter	Bronti Rudloff	Joe Rudloff

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**'PROGRESSIVES' ARE LOOKING BACKWARD**

Thomas Sowell, *Gwinnett Daily Post*

People who call themselves “progressives” claim to be forward-looking, but a remarkable amount of the things they say and do are based on looking backward.

One of the maddening aspects of the thinking, or non-thinking, on the political left is their failure to understand that there is nothing they can do about the past. Whether people on the left are talking about college admissions or criminal justice, or many other decisions, they go on and on about how some people were born with lesser chances in life than other people.

Whoever doubted it? But once someone who has grown up is being judged by a college admissions committee or by a court of criminal justice, there is nothing that can be done about their childhood. Other institutions can deal with today’s children from disadvantaged backgrounds, and should, but the past is irrevocable. Even where there are no economic differences among various families in which children are raised, there are still major differences in the circumstances into which people are born, even within the same family, which affect their chances in later life as adults.

For example, among children of the same parents, raised under the same roof, the firstborn, as a group, have done better than their later siblings, whether measured by IQ tests or by becoming National Merit Scholarship finalists or by various other achievements.

The only child has also done better, on average, than children who have siblings. The advantage of the firstborn may well be due to the fact that he or she was an only child for some time, perhaps for several formative years.

By the time people have grown up and apply to college, all that is history. Nothing that a college admissions committee can do will change anything about their childhoods. The only things these committees’ decisions can affect are the present and the future. This is not rocket science.

Nevertheless, there are people who urge college admissions committees to let disadvantaged students be admitted with lower test scores or other academic indicators.

Those who say such things seldom even attempt to see what the actual consequences of such policies have been. The prevailing preconceptions – sometimes called what “everybody knows” – are sufficient for them.

Factual studies show that admitting students to institutions whose standards they do not meet often leads to needless academic failures, even among students with above average ability, who could have succeeded at other institutions whose standards they do meet.

The most comprehensive of these studies of Americans is the book “Mismatch” by Sander and Taylor. Similar results in other countries are cited in my own book, “Affirmative Action Around the World.”

When it comes to criminal justice, there is much the same kind of preoccupation on the left with the past than cannot be changed. Murderers may in some cases have had unhappy childhoods, but there is absolutely nothing that anybody can do to change their childhoods after they are adults.

The most that can be done is to keep murderers from committing more murders, and to deter others from committing murders. People on the left who want to give murderers “another chance” are gambling with the lives of innocent people. That is one of many other examples of the cruel consequences of seemingly compassionate decisions and policies.

Ironically, people on the left who are preoccupied with the presumably unhappy childhoods of murderers, which they can do nothing about, seldom show similar concern about the present and future unhappy childhoods of the orphans of people who have been murdered.

Such inconsistencies are not peculiar to our time, though they seem to be more pervasive today. But the left has been trying, for more than 200 years, to mitigate or eliminate punishments in general, and capital punishment in particular. What is peculiar to our time is the degree to which the views of the left have become laws and policies.

A long overdue backlash against those views has begun in some Western nations, of which the recent election results in the United States are just one symptom. How all this will end is by no means clear. Just as the past cannot be changed, so the future cannot be predicted with certainty.

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**MAMMOTH MISTAKE**

To “save the earth” from global warming, a father-son duo in Siberia are deep in the weeds to create Pleistocene Park, an Ice Age paradise. Oh, and they plan to reanimate the extinct woolly mammoth. Ross Andersen, *The Atlantic’s* senior editor, visited eastern Siberia to meet mad Russian scientists Sergey and Nikita Zimov – who are “trying to stave off catastrophic climate change” by growing the mammoths in the lab, so herds of them can run around knocking over trees, turning the Siberian forest into grasslands. In turn, the grasslands will cause the Arctic to absorb less heat, thus slowing the thawing of the permafrost. Follow? Of course, the original mammoth-happy Ice Age ended 12,000 years ago, when the earth went through a warming cycle – with no SUVs. Besides, if forests cause the earth to warm, why are climate warriors trying to save the rainforests? Hmm? Regardless, Nikita Zimov has already corralled bison, musk oxen, and wild horses into his radical geoengineering scheme, and is just awaiting the big woolies. Running the mammoth-creation project is geneticist George Church from Harvard, working with altered elephant genomes. No surprise that this hot mess is being funded by our own National Science Foundation and the European Union. Someone tell these guys: we’ve seen the movie – it does not end well. (*Limbaugh Letter*)