

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., Aug 21 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Sept 5 6:00 PM
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Sept 5 6:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Sept 7 6:00 PM
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Sept 11 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Sept 12 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Sept 19 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Sept 21 6:00 PM
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Sept 21 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Sept 26 7:00 PM

VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (29)

Clay Kelley – Chrm.	Lucretia Hughes	Kathy Hopkins
DuWayne Anderson – 1 st VC	Teeny Allison	Terry Raber
Leonard Koonce – 2 nd 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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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 th 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

August 21, 2017

**GUEST SPEAKER(S)
TO BE ANNOUNCED**

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 7/31/17)

Membership	'09	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17
Regular	48	46	44	63	39	36	26	30	26
Advanced	68	58	59	71	59	41	55	55	48
Barrow 100	17	16	17	13	8	13	7	9	7
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	84
Renewals	113	105	112	101	95	82	85	77	77
New	21	16	9	51	15	10	6	19	7

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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

Aug 21 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Aug 26 (Sat)	ANNUAL BARROW BBQ
Sept 16 (Sat)	Statham Sunflower Festival
Sept 18 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Oct 16 (Mom)	Monthly Meeting
Nov 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Dec 4 (Mon)	Annual Holiday Dinner

LOOKING AHEAD

Air Force Day – August 1 (Tuesday)
Coast Guard Day – August 4 (Friday)
Herbert Hoover Birthday – August 10 (Thursday)
Benjamin Harrison Birthday – August 20 (Sunday)
Patriot Day – September 11 (Monday)
William Taft Birthday – September 15 (Friday)
POW/MIA Recognition Day – September 15 (Friday)
Constitution Day – September 17 (Sunday)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - 2017

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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
Stham Fire Dept.	Richard Pepper
Winder-Barrow High School	
Stham 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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NO BREAKFAST IN AUGUST DUE TO THE BBQ

NEXT 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, **September 23, 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, SEPTEMBER 23, 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 **August 21** 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 good meeting with good attendance last month. We discussed the upcoming BBQ. There was no speaker. The package of proposed rule changes was approved.

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.

NEW FOR BBQ - SILENT AUCTION

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 (kenyoung276@hotmail.com or 770.827.2887) or Dianne Craig (dcbooklover332@gmail.com or 678.367.9593) as soon as possible. Due to a food price increase, we need to generate additional revenue from this.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **August 21, 2017** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman's Club. Our guest speaker(s) were not announced at the time of publication. We will make final preparations for the BBQ on Saturday, **August 21, 2017**. Bring a friend! It will be worth your time. Make plans to attend! Be early for a good seat.

Ken Young

ADDITIONAL LINKS

“Hail The (ED) Work-Around” – *Forbes* – Amity Shlaes – April 25, 2017 – <https://www.forbes.com/sites/currentevents/2017/04/18/hail-the-ed-work-around-2/#329eafd35746>

“Who's Next?” – *The Economist* – March 11th, 2017 – <https://www.economist.com/news/finance-and-economics/21718520-netherlands-more-risk-most-brexite-and-protectionism-retreat>

“Why Do The Leftists (Still) Rage?” – *AFA Journal* – Stephen McDowell – May 2017 – <https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2017/may/why-do-the-leftists-still-rage-part1/>

**CONSERVATIVE MOM BREAKS MARIJUANA
TABOO - SO SHOULD GOVERNMENT**

Michelle Malkin

Let’s talk about marijuana.

Specifically, let’s talk about how and why I came to be one of the countless parents across America (and around the world) who have let their chronically ill children try it.

A groundbreaking new study published last week in *The New England Journal of Medicine* reported on the health benefits of cannabidiol for children with epilepsy. The randomized, double-blind, controlled study found that among children with Dravet syndrome taking cannabidiol, the decrease in the frequency of convulsive seizures was 23 percentage points greater than the decrease in seizures among children taking a placebo.

Cannabidiol is one of hundreds of chemical components found in cannabis plants. Unlike THC, the most famous of marijuana’s compounds, CBD is nonhallucinogenic and nonaddictive. It doesn’t make you high. CBD can be extracted from hemp and sold as an oil.

My own interest in pediatric use of medicinal marijuana is more than academic.

When my daughter, Veronica, fell ill in late spring of 2015 – unable to breathe normally, bedridden with chronic pain and fatigue – she saw dozens of specialists. Among those doctors was a leading neurologist at one of Denver’s most well-regarded hospitals who treated intractable cases. The various drugs prescribed to my daughter weren’t working and had awful side effects.

To our surprise, the mainstream neurologist suggested Veronica try CBD. So we did our own independent research, talked to a Colorado Springs family whose son had great success using CBD to treat his Crohn’s disease symptoms, consulted with other medical professionals and friends – and entered a whole new world.

Two physicians signed off on our daughter’s application for a medical marijuana card. She became one of more than 360 children under 18 to join Colorado’s medical marijuana registry in 2015. And we became pediatric pot parents.

For Veronica, CBD provided more relief than all the other mainstream pharmaceutical interventions she had endured, and without the scary side effects.

Our experience showed us the importance of increasing therapeutic choices in the marketplace for all families – and trusting doctors and patients to figure out what works best.

It flies in the face of current science to classify CBD oil as a Schedule I drug, as the feds did at the end of 2016. Nor does it make sense to draw the line at CBD if some patients and doctors believe that the benefits of using THC therapeutically outweigh the potential harm.

As a lifelong social conservative, my views on marijuana policy may surprise some of you. I used to be a table-pounding crusader for the government’s war on drugs. When I worked in Seattle in the 1990s, I initially opposed efforts to legalize medical marijuana. I also opposed efforts to loosen restrictions on conducting studies on the potential therapeutic effects of using marijuana.

But the war on drugs has been a ghastly quagmire – an expensive and selective form of government paternalism that has done far more harm than good. What has this trillion-dollar war wrought?

Overcrowded jails teeming with nonviolent drug offenders. An expanded police state enriched by civil asset forfeiture. And marginalization of medical researchers pursuing legitimate research on marijuana’s possible therapeutic benefits for patients with a wide variety of illnesses. The Trump administration has sent mixed signals on a medical marijuana crack-down.

So let me be clear as a liberty-loving, conservative mom: Keep your hands off. Let the scientists lead. Limited government is the best medicine.

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“Sabir Mahfouz Lahmar, a native of Algeria, was arrested in Bosnia in 2001 on suspicion of plotting to blow up the U.S. embassy in Sarajevo and sent to Guantanamo Bay. Released in 2009, he has now been arrested in France on suspicion of working with a terrorist-recruiting network linked to the Islamic State. Lahmar is only the latest in a series. According to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 18 percent of the approximately 700 released Guantanamo Bay detainees are known to have returned to the Jihad; another 12 percent are suspected of doing so. Perhaps that much-maligned detention center isn’t such a bad idea after all.” (*National Review*)

WHO’S YOUR DADDY?

The World Health Organization [WHO] is supposed to be fighting disease, but instead has decided to fight for . . . the lovelorn. As reported by *The [UK] Express*, people who lack a sexual partner yet desire to have children are considered by WHO to be disabled. Because everyone has a “a right to reproduce.” Yes, under new WHO laws, single heterosexuals unable to find a hookup, as well as gay men and women wanting children, can now apply for in vitro fertilization [IVF] as “disabled.” They’ll be given the same priority as a couple seeking treatment for a medical condition. One-stop shopping: get your free IVF handicap stickers, escort services, and a disability allowance. Because liberalism is a *mental* condition. (*Limbaugh Letter*)

“In the graveyard of good intentions that is the U.N., Ambassador Nikki Haley has been a lively presence. She has denounced the boycott, divestment, and sanctions movement against Israel and declared that “the united States has Israel’s back.” She pinned blame for Syrian President Bashar al-Assad’s most recent gas attack on his Russian patrons: “Russia cannot escape responsibility for this If Russia had been fulfilling its responsibility, there would not even be any chemical weapons left for the Syrian regime to use.” Haley shows independence of mind. Her support of Israel aligns with Trump’s own, while her criticism of Russia runs contrary to his Putin-friendly rhetoric. Critics grumble that she takes positions with an eye to a future run for office at home. Oh, the scandal: an American diplomat who espouses opinions that express the convictions of the American people. (*National Review*)