## BARROW REPUBLICAN NEWS

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#### **MEETINGS**

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., <u>Jan 21</u>	7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman's Club (behind Winder Fir	re Dept.)
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., <u>Jan 3</u>	5:00 PM
Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Feb 4	7:00 PM
Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Feb 5	6:00 PM
Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Feb 5	6:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 7	5:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., Feb 12	7:00 PM
Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Feb 19	7:00 PM
Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 21	6:00 PM
Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Feb 21	7:00 PM
County Commission Meeting – Tue., Feb 26	7:00 PM

#### **VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE** (26)

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

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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

#### **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION**

Reg. \$ 15, Adv. \$ 25, Barrow 100 \$ 100, Barrow 360 \$ 360

LOCAL ELECTED REPUBLICAN OFFICIALS ARE EXPECTED TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP!

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January 21, 2019

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

MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON	(as	of	12/31/18	)
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Membership	'10	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18
Regular	46	44	63	39	36	26	30	26	26
Advanced	58	59	71	59	41	55	55	48	48
Barrow 100	16	17	13	8	13	7	9	7	6
Barrow 360	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1
Students			4	3	2	2	1	2	2
Total	121	121	152	110	92	91	96	84	83
Renewals	105	112	101	95	82	85	77	77	74
New	16	9	51	15	10	6	19	7	9

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#### WE NOW NEED YOUR 2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

2019 CONVENTIONS - SPRING CYCLE

PRECINCT MEETINGS COUNTY CONVENTION DISTRICT CONVENTION STATE CONVENTION

#### ATTEND JANUARY 21 FOR DETAILS

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Jan 21 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Feb 18 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Mar 9 (Sat)	<b>Prec Mtgs/Cty Convention</b>
Mar 18 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
<b>Apr 13</b> (Sat)	<b>District Convention</b>
<b>Apr 15</b> (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
May 17-18 (Fri/Sat)	<b>State Convention</b>

Monthly Meeting

**May 20** (Mon)

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Richard Nixon Birthday – <u>January 9</u> (Wednesday)
M.L. King, Jr. Holiday – <u>January 21</u> (Monday)
Roe v. Wade Day of Infamy – <u>January 22</u> (Tuesday)
William McKinley Birthday – <u>January 29</u> (Tuesday)
Ronald Reagan Birthday – <u>February 6</u> (Wednesday)
Abraham Lincoln Birthday – <u>February 12</u> (Tuesday)
Presidents Day – <u>February 18</u> (Monday)
George Washington Birthday – February 22 (Friday)

#### 2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Houston Gaines Dianne Craig Mike Pentecost
Stephanie Bramlett Richard Pepper Sara Pepper
Teeny Allison June Miller Bob Lanham
Harry Downing Scott Vickery Debbie Reid
Ken Young Terry England

#### **WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS**

Jim Townsend Jeffrey Westberg

#### 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 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

#### **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, **January 26, 2019**, 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 26, 2019 9:00 AM

#### FROM THE EDITOR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2019. If you want to renew, please bring yours to our January 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!

Please mark Saturday, **March 9, 2019** on your calendars and appointment books. That is the date for our 2019 Precinct meetings and County Convention at 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM respectively. We will be electing officers for the 2019-2021 term, and selecting delegates and alternates to the 2019 District and State Conventions. Recommendations will be made to the **March 9** Nominations Committee based on volunteer service over the last 2 years and likelihood of attending the District and State Conventions. We will also be forming the new County Committee (voting members) for 2019-2021.

## IN ORDER TO BECOME A VOTING MEMBER FOR 2019-2021, OUR RULES REQUIRE 3 THINGS: (1)

Advanced Membership (or greater), (2) being a delegate to the County Convention [March 9], and (3) notifying the new Chairman (2019-2021) that you want to be a voting member for 2019-2021 [note – some County Convention delegates do not wish to be voting members for various reasons]. Your presence on March 9 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 21, 2019** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman's Club. Our guest speaker(s) was not determined at press time Be early for a good seat. Bring a friend! It will be worth your time. Make plans to attend!

Ken Young

#### ADDITIONAL LINKS

"It's Our Constitution, Not Kavanaugh" – *AFA Journal* – Walter E. Williams – November 2018 – <a href="https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2018/november/it-s-our-constitution-not-kavanaugh/">https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2018/november/it-s-our-constitution-not-kavanaugh/</a>

"America's Youth Is Rising For Our Veterans" – *AMAC*Advantage – Robert B. Charles – Summer 2018 –

<a href="https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?i=511026#{"issue id":511026,"page":38}">https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?i=511026#{"issue id":511026,"page":38}</a>

"Nike Delivers Slap In The Face To Millions" – *AFA Journal* – Tim Wildmon – November 2018 – <a href="https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2018/november/nike-delivers-slap-in-the-face-to-millions/">https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2018/november/nike-delivers-slap-in-the-face-to-millions/</a>

# 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 declarations 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 9, 2019 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 9, 2019, at same location. Registration begins at 8:00 o'clock A.M., on March 9, 2019. 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 9, 2019**, 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 2019-2021 will also be elected. Only those Delegates and Alternates elected in their respective Election District (Precinct) Mass Meetings held on **March 9, 2019**, shall be entitled to participate. The Convention itself shall be open to the public.

Clay Kelley, Chairman Barrow County Republican Party

## WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE 2019 PRECINCT MEETINGS AND COUNTY CONVENTION

Many of our newer members may not be aware of the significance of our upcoming Precinct Mass meetings and County Convention set for Saturday, **March 9, 2019**, 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 Clay Kelley. At 9:00 AM on **March 9**, 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 2019-2021 (and other Precinct officers, if desired by the precinct meeting participants). The new Precinct chairperson will conduct the rest of the meeting. Each precinct meeting will then elect Delegates and Alternates to the 2019 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 9**, the current local Party Chairman Clay Kelley (serving as Temporary Convention Chairman) will call the 2019 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 2019 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 2019-2021 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 10<sup>th</sup> U.S. Congressional District Republican Convention to be held on Saturday, **April 13, 2019** in Watkinsville, Georgia. Delegates and Alternates will also be elected to the State Republican Convention to be held on Friday and Saturday, **May 17-18, 2019**, in Savannah, Georgia. Those who qualify and desire will also form the new County Committee (voting members) for 2019-2021.

Your participation in the 2019 Precinct Mass Meetings will strengthen the Barrow county Republican Party. With your help, we have made a major impact. Headed for **November 3**, **2020**, the next election cycle has begun.

Nearly every economic indicator is moving in the right direction, but the main exception is big and growing. The federal deficit came in at \$779 billion for the fiscal year that just ended; it had been \$666 billion the prior year. Democrats, naturally, pointed to the tax cuts as the cause of higher deficits. It's true that the tax cuts caused revenues to come in lower than previously projected. But it's also true that spending has been growing, with bipartisan support – and that the biggest driver of our looming debt problem is the growth of Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid, which neither party is willing to moderate. Trouble ahead, and we can't say we haven't been warned. (*National Review*)

Since news broke that Google is building a censored search engine for the Chinese market, the company has faced withering criticism from American officials and human-rights groups. Now the criticism is coming from inside the house. Google engineer Jack Poulson announced his resignation from the company, saying on an internal message board that the China project violated his "conviction that dissent is fundamental to functioning democracies." If only those circulating the controversial memos at Google were running the company rather than leaving it. (*National Review*)

### EXIT POLL DATA COULD BENEFIT GOP, DEMS

Mona Charen, Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Exit polls aren't always 100 percent reliable. For example, in 2016, the exit interviews suggested that Donald Trump would lose Florida, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and North Carolina by small margins. He won all of them.

Let's take it as given that 2018's exit polls are likely flawed in the same way. Still, they are among the most interesting polls because they reflect the views of actual voters – not "registered" or "likely," but the real McCoy. Margins of error we shall always have with us, but they shouldn't stifle all punditry.

Some of the data about this year's crop of voters is similar to what we've seen in past contests, but there are some trends that should give both Republicans and Democrats cause for reflection

A majority of voters (56 percent) were over the age of 50. This helped Republicans, as older voters skew more Republican. But it didn't help as much as it could have: Even among older voters, enthusiasm for Republicans was muted. Of those ages 50 and above, only half gave their votes to a Republican candidate. Among the younger set, by contrast, lopsided percentages voted for Democrats. The 18- to 24-year-olds gave 68 percent of their support to Democrats. Among the 25- to 29-year-olds, 66 percent voted Democrat. It was 59 percent among voters in their 30s and 52 percent among those in their 40s.

As in the past, white voters have tilted Republican, while minorities strongly favor Democrats. Fifty-four percent of white voters chose Republican this year, while 90 percent of blacks, 69 percent of Hispanics, 77 percent of Asians and 54 percent of other races voted Democrat. That Republicans have failed to make inroads with minority voters – who, come what may, will constitute a larger and larger share of the electorate in the years to come – will yet cause tears. But even in the shorter run, like 2020, this should make Republicans nervous.

Many politicos suggest that elections these days are decided by riling up and turning out the base, not by persuading the middle. Maybe that's right. But if it isn't, Republicans might want to look over their shoulder at what's happening with independents. Fifty-four percent of self-described independents voted Democrat in 2018, compared with only 42 percent in 2016. Among those calling themselves "moderates," 52 percent voted for Clinton two years ago, while 62 percent voted Democrat on Tuesday [Nov. 6 – KY].

Democrats, too, should comb these exit polls for clues to where they've gone wrong. Fifty percent of voters said Trump's immigration policies are either "about right" (33 percent) or "not tough enough" (17 percent). Portraying immigration policy as a contest between the big-hearted and the bigots is not going to serve Democrats well.

A solid 56 percent of voters oppose the suggestion that Congress should impeach President Trump. While 54 percent of voters have an unfavorable view of the president, that is nothing like the 90 percent disapproval among Democrats. Opinions of the Democratic Party aren't so hot, either. Only 48 percent have a favorable opinion of the Democratic Party (versus 44 for the Republican Party).

A number of high-profile, high-octane, lefty candidates were defeated – Beto O'Rourke, Andrew Gillum and (likely) Stacy Abrams. This should cue the Democrats to look to their right for more viable choices. In the Republican Party, alas, it was

mostly the moderates who were defeated – another artifact of Trump's rise. The sensible middle stills waits for a voice.

According to the global warming nuts, chocolate will soon just be a sweet memory. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA] – which we know is never wrong – claims cacao trees in West African rainforests are dying due to climate change, and will soon be extinct. As Food & Wine reports, NOAA predicts that due to rising temperatures, 89.5 percent of land used for cacao will not be suitable for farming by 2050. To foil this fictitious disaster, the Mars candy company is partnering with UC Berkeley scientists to "save" the cacao tree. To be a Lifesaver for Mars' brands like M&Ms and Twix, UC Berkeley will modify the DNA of the cacao plants so they can "survive rising temperatures" so farms won't be forced to "relocate to higher elevations." Some people will Snicker, asking if there's intelligent life on Mars. Others await the global warming hoax collapse – so NOAA goes extinct by 2050. Or at least disappears into Orbit. (Limbaugh Letter)

#### WORLDWIDE POVERTY NUMBERS EASING

According to World Bank standards, 1.1 billion people have been lifted out of extreme poverty since 1990. Barna group has gather statistics that demonstrate how faith and poverty activism go hand in hand. Practicing Christians are, on the whole, consistently generous with not only their money, but also their hours. Barna found that approximately one in four Christians has volunteered specifically to combat global poverty, as opposed to one in ten non-practicing Christians. Practicing Christians also more often report bringing food to a family in need (75% v. 55% in the course of a year), directly donating goods to the poor (72% v. 61%), volunteering to help those in poverty (47% v. 27%), and more.

Practicing Christians outpace all U.S. adults in a variety of actions to help the poor, both in the U.S. and abroad. The reported decline in worldwide poverty is reason to hope and incentive to continue chipping away at poverty and its effects. (*AFA Journal*, barna.com, 4/26/18)

Although most people realize by now that the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals [PETA] is three rings short of a circus, companies keep falling for their monkey business. According to AP, Nabisco knuckled under to PETA's demand that their animals "roam free in their natural habitats." What animals, you ask? Well, that's the elephant in the room. The "animals" PETA went rabid over are . . . drawings. The PETA clowns were antsy about the artwork on the animal crackers box. Yes, Nabisco's iconic Barnum's Animals box, enjoyed by small children since 1902, featuring a lion, elephant, gorilla, and polar bears in circus cages.

So the company redesigned the box, which now features a wildly improbable scene of a zebra, elephant, gorilla, giraffe, and lion strolling side-by-side in a grassland. The new art was approved by PETA Executive Vice president Tracy Reiman, who said it "reflects that our society no longer tolerates the caging and chaining of wild animals for circus shows." Instead, I guess "our society" tolerates zebras and giraffes being brutally slaughtered and eaten. Because, folks, a lion is a lion. And that's the way the cookie crumbles. (Limbaugh Letter)