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 BARROW COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
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7:30 PM #####
 ##### September 16, 2019 #####

**BARROW COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD NIGHT
 ALL BOARD MEMBERS
 HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND**

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MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Sept 16 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Oct 1 **6:00 PM**
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Oct 3 **6:00 PM**
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Oct 7 7:00 PM
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Oct 8 **6:00 PM**
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Oct 8 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Oct 15 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Oct 17 **6:00 PM**
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Oct 17 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Oct 22 7:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 8/31/19)

Membership	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19
Regular	44	63	39	36	26	30	26	26	26
Advanced	59	71	59	41	55	55	48	48	45
Barrow 100	17	13	8	13	7	9	7	6	6
Barrow 360	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Students		4	3	2	2	1	2	2	3
Total	121	152	110	92	91	96	84	83	81
Renewals	112	101	95	82	85	77	77	74	68
New	9	51	15	10	6	19	7	9	13

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VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE (26)

Debbie Reid – Chrm.	Kathy Hopkins	David Gunter
Ken Young – 1 st VC	Terry Raber	Terry England
Leonard Koonce – 2 nd VC	Richard Pepper	Clay Kelley
Dianne Craig – Sec..	June Miller	Beverly Kelley
Teeny Allison – Asst. Sec.	Tim Walker	Pat Graham
Bob Lanham – Tr.	Randy Reid	Vanessa Green
Mike Pentecost – Asst. Tr.	John Reavis	Linda Reavis
John Stevens	Lynn Stevens	Power Evans
Gary Taylor	Janice Jones	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman	Debbie Reid	706-684-0065
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	email: lkoonce1967@gmail.com	
Secretary	Dianne Craig	678-367-9593
	email: dcbooklover332@gmail.com	
Asst. Secretary	Teeny Allison	770-231-7097
	email: teenyallison@gmail.com	
Treasurer	Bob Lanham	770-867-5459
	email: lanhamrj@hotmail.com	
Asst. Treasurer	Mike Pentecost	770-868-6046
	email: MCPWinder@aol.com	
C.C. Dist. 1 Rep.	Richard Pepper	770-725-2777
C.C. Dist. 2 Rep.	Gary Taylor	678-449-5775
C.C. Dist. 3 Rep.	Open	
C.C. Dist. 4 Rep.	Clay Kelley	770-560-4523
C.C. Dist. 5 Rep.	Tim Walker	770-231-2652
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!

2019 BARROW BBQ STRAW POLL RESULTS

TOP MAJOR ISSUES

- (1) ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
- (2) GROWING FEDERAL DEFICIT
- (3) ISLAMIC TERRORISM
- (4) FREE SPEECH SUPPRESSION
- (5) INCREASED GUN CONTROL
- (6) ELECTION FRAUD
- (7) JUDICIAL ACTIVISM
- (8) OPIOID CRISIS
- (9) THREAT FROM CHINA & RUSSIA
- (10) TRAFFIC CONGESTION

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sept 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Sept 21 (Sat)	Statham Sunflower Festival
Oct 21 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Nov 18 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Dec 2 (Mon)	Annual Holiday Dinner
Jan 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting

LOOKING AHEAD

Patriot Day – September 11 (Wednesday)
William Taft Birthday – September 15 (Sunday)
Constitution Day – September 17 (Tuesday)
POW/MIA Recognition Day – September 20 (Friday)
Rutherford Hayes Birthday – October 4 (Friday)
Chester Arthur Birthday – October 5 (Saturday)
Columbus Day – October 12 (Saturday)
Dwight Eisenhower Birthday – October 14 (Mon)
Theodore Roosevelt Birthday – October 27 (Sunday)
Navy Day – October 27 (Sunday)

2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Joe Robinson

WELCOME - NEW MEMBER

Linda Gochenouer



2017 – 2019 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS

Bethlehem Community Center	
Bethlehem Church – GA 211	Bronti Rudloff
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	Power Evans
Cedar Creek Baptist Church	
County Line Elementary	June Miller
The Church At Winder	

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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 21, 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, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019
9:00 AM**

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Our 26th annual barbeque was held on August 24th. It was a great affair, and it appeared that everyone had a wonderful time. It was festive, informative and, as always, the food was great.

The total amount of time and effort that goes into this important event is not known by one single person. From arranging for the things and people who need to be there, getting donations for the silent auction, setting up on Saturday morning, serving the food, manning all stations at the barbeque – it is a time and effort, exhausting happening. It is a symbol of how much our people care. A heart-felt thank you and bless you to all.

As everyone knows, this wouldn’t be close to the success it continues to be year after year without Ken Young. His expertise, passion and hard work for this event (and everything BCRP) is unique. Thank you for everything you do, Ken! [Editor’s note – many thanks for the kind words.]

My final thought is the pride that I felt when some of Randy and my friends, who had never attended before, told us how much fun they had, how they now want to make this an annual experience, and especially how nice everyone was. I was reminded again of how much I appreciate every one of you, how humbled I am that you entrusted me with my position, and how much I want to make this party a success.

Debbie Reid

FROM THE EDITOR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2019. If you want to renew, please bring yours to our **September 16** 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 great attendance on **August 19**. We heard from former 7th District Chairman, now Georgia RNC Committeeman, Jason Thompson, who gave us updates on the progress of the current Republican National Committee in preparing for the 2020 Convention in Charlotte, NC, and for the 2020 elections. [Editor’s Note – We have a good team from Georgia on the RNC with Jason, Ginger Howard (RNC Committeewoman), and GAGOP Chairman David Shafer.]

The 26th Annual Barrow Republican BBQ on Saturday, **August 24, 2019**, was another great success. We heard from Governor Brian Kemp, Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger, State Rep. Terry England, State Rep. Tom Kirby, State Rep. Houston Gaines, and State Sen. Frank Ginn. We enjoyed a lot of great food, music, and fellowship among many friends and new acquaintances. The Silent Auction set a new record for

funds raised. Many thanks to all who attended, worked, and supported our 2019 BBQ!

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **September 16, 2019** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. This has been designated Barrow School Board Night, and all of our school board members have been invited to attend. We will also consider proposed changes to our current platform. Please see page 4 of this newsletter. **ALTHOUGH INPUT IS WELCOMED FROM ALL ATTENDEES, ONLY VOTING MEMBERS WILL BE APPROVING.** And if you have not already done so, **please bring your BBQ ticket money and give it to our Treasurer Bob Lanham.** Bring a friend. Be early for a good seat! It will be worth your time. Make plans to attend!

Ken Young

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ADDITIONAL LINKS

“AOC Implies President Reagan A Racist” – *AMAC Advantage* – Dr, Mike Fuljenz – May/June 2019 – https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?i=585784#{‘issue_id’:585784,‘page’:36}

“It All Gets So Confusing: Lies and Truth, Poverty and Profit, Love and hate” – *AFA Journal* – Tim Wildmon – June 2019 – <https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2019/june/it-all-gets-so-confusing-lies-and-truth-poverty-and-profit-love-and-hate/>

“The Looming Threat of Cyberwarfare” – *AMAC Advantage* – D,J, Wilson – May/June 2019 – https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?i=585784#{‘issue_id’:585784,‘page’:38}

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TO INTERPRET THE CONSTITUTION, FIRST LOOK AT THE DECLARATION

George Will, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*

On this 243rd July 4 anniversary of the beginning of the best thing that ever happened – “The Great Republic” was Winston Churchill’s tribute – many of today’s most interesting arguments about America’s nature and meaning are among conservatives. One concerns the relevance of the Declaration of Independence to the contested question of how to construe the Constitution.

The crucial question is: What did the Founders intend – what was their foundational purpose? Mark Pulliam, who might disagree that this is the crucial question, certainly thinks the Declaration is not pertinent to construing the Constitution.

Pulliam, a lawyer and contributing editor of the excellent Law & Liberty blog, notes portentously that the Declaration is not mentioned in the Constitution. This, however, is as obvious as it is obviously irrelevant. Rather than belabor the Declaration’s assertions, the Constitution’s Framers set about creating institutional architecture that would achieve their intention: to estab-

lish governance that is properly instituted to “secure” the pre-existing natural rights referenced in the Declaration.

The late Judith Shklar (1928-1992), a Harvard political philosopher, correctly noted the “momentous novelty” of the Constitution’s first three words, “We the people.” They announced a “declaration of independence from the entire European past,” a root-and-branch rejection of all prior attempts to ground the legitimacy of government in anything other than the consent of the governed.

The Declaration did not mention majority rule, which the Founders embraced because they considered it, when public opinion is properly refined and filtered, the best – although hardly a certain – mechanism for protecting the natural rights affirmed in the Declaration. Those rights, not a procedure (majority rule), were their foundational concern.

The equilibrium of Madison’s constitutional architecture is currently in disarray, with congressional anemia enabling presidential imperiousness. The learned and recondite disputes currently embroiling many conservatives, disputes about various doctrines of interpretive constitutional “originalism,” are often illuminating and sometimes conclusive in constitutional controversies. But all such reasoning occurs in an unchanging context.

Timothy Sandefur, author of “The Conscience of the Constitution,” rightly sees the Declaration as the conscience because it affirms “the classical liberal project of the Enlightenment and the pervasiveness of such concepts as natural rights.”

Furthermore, Sandefur says, this explains the Constitution’s use of the word “liberty,” which “does not refer to some definitive list of rights, but refers to an indefinite range of freely chosen action.” Which means that the Constitution should be construed in the bright light cast by the Declaration’s statement of the Founding generation’s general intention to privilege liberty.

Pulliam dismisses as “inapt Biblical imagery” Lincoln’s elegant formulation that the Constitution is the frame of silver for the apple of gold, which is the Declaration. Lincoln’s mission was to reconnect the nation with its Founding.

Frames are important and silver is precious, but what is framed is more important and gold is more precious.

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Senate Democrats have defeated the Born-Alive Abortion Survivor Protection Act, which would require doctors to provide standard medical care to infants born alive in the course of attempted abortions. Forty-four senators voted no – every Democrat aside from Bob Casey Jr. (Pa.), Doug Jones (Ala.), and Joe Manchin (W. Va.) – preventing it from reaching the necessary 60-vote threshold. Senator Ben Sasse (R., Neb.), the bill’s sponsor, brought the legislation to the floor in response to Virginia governor Ralph Northam’s implied endorsement of letting some infants die. Democrats claimed the legislation is anti-abortion and redundant given existing law, but in fact it places no limits on abortion and no comparable federal law exists. Senate Democrats revealed that their dedication to abortion rights is so strong that they are willing to tacitly endorse infanticide.

(*National Review*)

