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BARROW COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY
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MEETINGS

Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., May 18 7:30 PM
@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Apr 2 **6:00 PM**
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Apr 6 7:00 PM
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Apr 7 **6:00 PM**
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Apr 7 **6:00 PM**
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Apr 14 7:00 PM
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Apr 16 **6:00 PM**
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Apr 16 7:00 PM
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Apr 21 7:00 PM
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Apr 28 7:00 PM

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	Jaret Sweatt
Mike Pentecost – Asst. Tr.	John Reavis	Linda Reavis
John Stevens	Lynn Stevens	Power Evans
Gary Taylor	Janice Jones	

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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!

7:30 PM

April 20, 2020

MEETING CANCELLED
DUE TO COVID-19 STAY-AT-HOME
RESTRICTIONS
PLEASE USE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS AT HOME

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MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON (as of 3/31/2020)

Membership	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20
Regular	63	39	36	26	30	26	26	26	20
Advanced	71	59	41	55	55	48	48	45	41
Barrow 100	13	8	13	7	9	7	6	6	5
Barrow 360	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Students	4	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	3
Total	152	110	92	91	96	84	83	81	70
Renewals	101	95	82	85	77	77	74	68	62
New	51	15	10	6	19	7	9	13	8

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**IT’S TIME TO RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP FOR 2020 !!!**

For a few days, the mayor of South Bend, Ind., had nothing to say. Presidential candidate Pete Buttigieg finally called the news “extremely disturbing” and said he hoped it would not become political. Ulrich Klopfer, who operated an abortion clinic in town before losing his license for legal and ethical violations, had recently died in Illinois, whereupon it had been discovered that his garage contained 2,246 “fetal remains,” as the news accounts put it. It is indeed disturbing that Klopfer kept the corpses of his victims. It ought to disturb us more that politics enabled him to rack up so many. (*National Review*)

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Apr 18 (Sat)	District Convention
May 18 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
May 29-30 (Fri/Sat)	State Convention
June 16 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
July 20 (Mon)	Monthly Meeting
Aug 15 (Sat)	ANNUAL GOP BBQ

LOOKING AHEAD

Army Day – April 6 (Monday)
Holocaust Remembrance Day – April 21 (Tuesday)
Ulysses Grant Birthday – April 27 (Monday)
National Day of Prayer – May 7 (Thursday)
Peace Officers Memorial Day – May 15 (Friday)
Armed Forces Day – May 16 (Saturday)

2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Jud Smith	Rickey Bailey	Tim Sanders
David Crosby	John Stevens	Lynn Stevens
Terry Raber	Gary Taylor	Janice Jones
David Gunter	Jaden Jordan	Bryant Wallace
Zachary Kennedy	Clay Kelley	Beverly Kelley
John Reavis	Linda Reavis	Clay Pentecost
Jaret Sweatt	Harry Downing	Jim Townsend
Charles Powell	Richard Pepper	

WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS

Vince Caine Kenneth Cooper Darlene Townsend

2017 – 2019 BARROW PRECINCT CHAIRPERSONS
NEW COMBINED PRECINCTS FOR 2020

Bethlehem Community Center	
Bethlehem Church @ GA 211	Bronti Rudloff
with most of County Line Elementary	June Miller
Hmong Alliance Church	John Stevens
Bramlett Elementary & Midway UMC	Dianne Craig
Covenant Life Sanctuary Church	David Gunter
Westside Middle & Cedar Creek Baptist	
Statham Fire Dept.	Richard Pepper
with Statham Elementary	
Winder First Baptist Church	John Reavis
with Winder Lions Club	
Winder Community Center	Power Evans
with WBHS, Rec. Dept.,	Bob Lanham
& small part of County Line Elementary	
The Church At Winder	Kathy Hopkins
with AHS	

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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, **June 20, 2020**, at 9:00 AM. (This is due to COVID-19 and State Convention.) 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 20, 2020
9:00 AM

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I'm not going to talk about the Chinese Wuhan Covid-19 corona virus this month. I think we are all overloaded with the constant barrage of information, opinion and editorializing on this subject. What I want to talk about is the Democrat response to the above.

From President Trump's first action – shutting down travel to/from China – the Democrat reaction has been exaggerated pearl-clutching and hyperventilating. "It is racist and xenophobic to stop travel to China!" went the talking point. Excuse me, but when the child down the street comes down with chicken pox. Do you invite them over for a slumber party with your child? Any loving parent protects their child from contracting any sickness that would make them uncomfortable or possibly kill them. Separation of people infected with disease and others just makes common sense. Because the origination of this virus was in a country whose people happen to be another race and we try to keep them away from our citizens, that becomes racism?

Even naming the virus after the originating locale is racist according to the Democrats and the media. Uhm . . . Lyme disease, MERS, West Nile, Norovirus, German measles . . . Side note – I hope all of you saw the close-up photo of the podium during one of President Trump's briefings. The word "corona" was crossed out with "China" written above. Priceless!

Also, let's remember five minutes ago, this same crowd was apoplectic about President Trump being so nice to and about Xi Jinping, and now they sound like his public relations firm. They repeat **Chinese** talking points – the virus actually emanated from the United States and was spread in China by our military – and are not holding the Chinese government at all responsible for this pandemic.

The biggest indicator that the Democrat Party is not serious about "caring for the people," are the bills being passed by the House to "help." Some of the provisions of these bills are election power grabs – ballot harvesting, same-day registration, etc.; publication of corporate pay stats by race; full offset of airline emission by 2025; climate change studies; federal \$ 15 minimum wage; community newspaper employee retirement plans; permanent paid leave; Postal Service debt bailout; and many others. These requirements show just how unserious these Democrat leaders are about helping the Americans who are being hurt by the constraints put on business by local and federal governments. Where are their brilliant solutions? They are much too busy condemning President Trump for everything and trying to push through their pet projects to acknowledge the circumstances some of our fellow citizens are trying to survive.

This is a stark look into a future controlled by the Democrat Party. Hopefully, even faithful Democrat voters can see the mendaciousness of their party leaders and will think twice about giving these people any control of our country. They don't care about people – only their hold on power.

Debbie Reid

FROM THE EDITOR

WE ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERSHIPS AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2020. If you want to renew, please bring yours to our **May 18** 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!

The District Convention will be Saturday, **April 18, 2020**, in Marswood Hall in Watkinsville. The State Convention will be Friday and Saturday, **May 29-30, 2020**, in the Cobb Galleria, Marietta.

PLEASE NOTE THAT REGISTRATION WILL END AT 9:00 AM ON SATURDAY, MAY 30, 2020, INSTEAD OF 10:00 AM AS IN THE PAST! BE EARLY IF YOU JUST ATTEND ON SATURDAY.

If you want to be considered for National Delegate or National Alternate, you must complete the on-line vetting registration on the GAGOP web site by APRIL 3, 2020! No consideration will be made if this is not done by the deadline, even if you want to be considered for a National At-Large Delegate or Alternate at the State Convention.

Our next regular monthly meeting will be Monday, **May 18, 2020** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speakers will be announced later. Hopefully, the COVID-19 restrictions will be lifted by then. Make plans to attend! Bring a friend. Be early for a good set! It will be worth your time.

Ken Young

Critics of school vouchers often say that public schools are hurt when students leave for private schools. Supporters of vouchers say the opposite: When public schools face competition, they’re forced to get their act together. A carefully designed study, recently released through the National Bureau of Economic Research, supports the latter view. As Florida’s private-school scholarship program has expanded over the past two decades, the study finds, outcomes for public-school students have improved – with the gains concentrated at the schools most subject to private competition, and among lower-income kids. Competition works: Who knew? (*National Review*)

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ADDITIONAL LINK

“Voting Fraud – Preserving the Integrity of Our Elections” – *AMAC Advantage* – John Fund – November/December 2019 – <https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?m=40499&i=632839&p=42>

“Leftist Battle Cry: Cancel All Things Conservative” – *AFA Journal* – Tim Wildmon – March 2020 – <https://afajournal.org/past-issues/2020/march/leftist-battle-cry-cancel-all-things-conservative/>

DISTRICT DELEGATES (24)

Ken Young	Clay Kelley	Beverly Kelley
Dianne Craig	Leonard Koonce	June Miller
John Reavis	Linda Reavis	Mike Pentecost
Kathy Hopkins	John Stevens	Lynn Stevens
Charles Powell	Janice Jones	Gary Taylor
David Gunter	Terry Raber	Vanessa Green
Teeny Allison	Josephine Jones	Power Evans
Jaret Sweatt	Randy Reid	Debbie Reid

DISTRICT ALTERNATES (0)

STATE DELEGATES (22)

Ken Young	Clay Kelley	Beverly Kelley
David Gunter	Teeny Allison	Mike Pentecost
Kathy Hopkins	Leonard Koonce	June Miller
Dianne Craig	John Stevens	Lynn Stevens
Terry Raber	Jim Townsend	Darlene Townsend
Debbie Reid	Randy Reid	Vanessa Green
Janice Jones	Gary Taylor	Power Evans
Jaret Sweatt		

STATE ALTERNATES (6)

John Reavis	Tim Walker	Josephine Jones
Charles Powell	Pat Graham	Terry England

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HOW TO LOSE GRACEFULLY

WHAT YOU CAN LEARN FROM DEFEATED CANDIDATES

Peggy Post

It’s election season. When the voting is over, the winners will celebrate. But what about the losers? Losing stinks. Losing is hard. Nonetheless, losing is a part of life.

So, what should a candidate do when the election is over and he has lost? Follow a few basic rules: Concede. Be polite. And don’t wallow. Abide by the three principles that all etiquette is based on – respect, consideration and honesty – as the basis for your actions.

It’s a tradition for the candidates to speak privately and for the defeated to concede with dignity. After that, any public remarks from the losing camp should be succinct and eloquent: “I’d like to commend the Rainsville campaign on their victory. I wish them the best.” Or, “We fought hard, but the people of Michigan chose a different path, and I respect their decision.” And don’t forget to thank those who helped you along the way.

Whether it’s an election or a promotion, corner office or bidding war that you’ve lost, don’t wait for the victor to come to you. Being a good loser shows you have integrity – something every good competitor needs to win.

JACK BREWER: BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2020
TRUMP'S POLICIES ARE BETTERING THE
LIVES OF BLACK AMERICANS

Fox News Opinion, published February 12, 2020

In the middle of historical progress being made for blacks in America, this should be the most celebrated Black History Month of our generation. Instead, we are in a fight against labeling as the words racist and white supremacy have poured into our politics and become normalized in our American culture.

New York City's billionaire former mayor Michael Bloomberg implemented stop and frisk policies which, as he said in 2015, would take guns out of minority kids' hands by throwing them up against the wall and frisking them. Bill Clinton and Joe Biden's 1994 crime bill is responsible for the mass incarceration of too many in the black community over the last 25 years. But some way and some how the Democrats have shielded their leaders like Bloomberg, Biden, Clinton and others by creating the illusion that all Democrats are allies to black people, regardless of their policies.

Unfortunately, some Americans and many blacks have been brainwashed to automatically associate President Trump's "Make America Great Again" with a dog whistle for "Make America White Again." Even Van Jones, who famously called Trump's 2016 presidential victory a "whitelash," has now reversed course and given credit to the president for his historical accomplishments for black Americans.

I truly believe that our blind faith in Democrats in the black community has fueled us to use our energy and emotions on only being concerned with what we think others are still doing to hold us back while ignoring the violence and evil we are bringing onto ourselves, as well. We have locked in our focus on white cops in our black communities who don't do a god job policing, yet most of us would never consider taking those same policing jobs ourselves. The effect has been widespread assaults and disrespect toward law enforcement, even good cops.

Trump is right: we needed to Make America Great Again – especially black America. We need black America to get back to the culture we had a generation ago which established the church as the foundation of our communities; when gospel and soul music filled the ears, hearts, minds and spirits of our children instead of the hip hop music that emboldens so many black youth to lose basic morality, commit crimes and disregard any fear of authority.

We need to get black America back to the days when we protected and valued black lives, versus manifesting war-like conditions in many of the largest black urban areas of the country. If only we could get back to when our black leaders dedicated their lives to advocating for issues affecting the black community, unlike today when most remain mute following dozens of their constituents being shot in the streets on a weekly basis.

So when Trump asked black Americans in 2016 "what do you have to lose?" I was listening. Since then, Trump has been writing himself quite the legacy with his policies that are helping black Americans.

Reversing mass incarcerations of blacks in America

By now many black Americans are aware that President Trump has taken bold steps to repeal the Democratic led 1994 crime bill. After almost three decades of mass incarcerating far too many blacks across America, the First Step Act is resulting in scores of blacks being let out of prison for nonviolent crimes. Now it's time to use the energy that we are putting into calling the president racist and redirect it to continue lobbying the local and state governments to follow President Trump's lead to end mass incarceration for nonviolent crimes.

Giving most money ever to historically black colleges

Can anyone guess which U.S. president has given the most money in history to American black colleges? Yes, that would be Donald J. Trump. Trump's executive order to give more money to our historically black colleges and universities than any president in history is something that was muted by most liberal media and sadly ignored by even the most prominent alumni of HBCs. Several of these schools were closing down and facing bankruptcy before Trump.

Investing in black communities across America

"Opportunity Zones" are leading the way for the Trump revolution to bring real dollars back to black inner cities across America. Despite the rhetoric from the left about the Trump tax cuts only benefiting the rich, this program can literally help resurrect the most underserved communities in America.

Addressing a health crisis for blacks with initiative to end AIDS by 2030

After securing a massive donation of billions in AIDS medication, President Trump then went on to place \$291 million in the FY2020 Health and Human Services budget focused on ending the HIV epidemic. Though blacks represent only 13 percent of the overall population, we represent 42 percent of new HIV diagnoses.

Creating jobs for underserved blacks

The Second Chance Act incentivizes American businesses to hire our former prison population and offers states millions of dollars to help ensure success transitions post-release. I've personally worked to help address this issue by creating a tailored business program for inmates. I guess it's pretty hard to dent progress for black America when we see unemployment drop to 5.4 percent.

My goal is to highlight the need to unify the country around the idea of standing up for one of the most underserved segments of the American population – our black brothers and sisters. We need Americans of all races to stand up for the basic principles that the bible teaches us in Proverbs 31:8-9, "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy."