

# BARROW

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##### 7:30 PM #####

##### March 16, 2020 #####

JASON THOMPSON  
 GEORGIA RNC COMMITTEEMAN  
 JANIE JONES, CANDIDATE FOR  
 CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT

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**MEETINGS**

**Our Next Regular Meeting – Mon., Mar 16 7:30 PM**  
**@ Winder Woman’s Club (behind Winder Fire Dept.)**  
 Bethlehem City Council Meeting – Mon., Mar 2 7:00 PM  
 Barrow School Board Meeting – Tue., Mar 3 6:00 PM  
 Winder City Council Meeting – Tue., Mar 3 6:00 PM  
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Mar 5 6:00 PM  
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Mar 10 7:00 PM  
 Statham City Council Meeting – Tue., Mar 17 7:00 PM  
 Auburn City Council Meeting – Thur., Mar 19 6:00 PM  
 Carl Town Council Meeting – Thur., Mar 19 7:00 PM  
 County Commission Meeting – Tue., Mar 24 7:00 PM

**MEMBERSHIP COMPARISON** (as of 2/29/2020)

Membership	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20
Regular	63	39	36	26	30	26	26	26	16
Advanced	71	59	41	55	55	48	48	45	24
Barrow 100	13	8	13	7	9	7	6	6	3
Barrow 360	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Students	4	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	0
Total	152	110	92	91	96	84	83	81	44
Renewals	101	95	82	85	77	77	74	68	39
New	51	15	10	6	19	7	9	13	5

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

**2020 CANDIDATE QUALIFYING  
 PREMIER BROKERS OF GEORGIA  
 20 N. BROAD ST., WINDER**

**Monday MARCH 2 9 AM to 1 PM**  
**Tuesday MARCH 3 5 PM to 8 PM**  
**Wednesday MARCH 4 8 AM to Noon**  
**Thursday MARCH 5 5 PM to 8 PM**  
**Friday MARCH 6 8 AM to Noon**

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**Mar 16 (Mon)** Monthly Meeting  
**Mar 21 (Sat)** Prc. Mtgs/County Convention  
**Mar 24 (Tue)** PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY  
**Apr 18 (Sat)** District Convention  
**Apr 20 (Mon)** Monthly Meeting  
**May 29-30 (Fri/Sat)** State Convention

**VOTING MEMBERS – COUNTY COMMITTEE** (27)

Debbie Reid – Chrm.	Kathy Hopkins	David Gunter
Ken Young – 1 <sup>st</sup> VC	Terry Raber	Terry England
Leonard Koonce – 2 <sup>nd</sup> 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	Jaret Sweatt

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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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!**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

Change Clocks Ahead 1 Hour – March 7 (Saturday) - PM  
Presidential Primary Election – March 24 (Tuesday)  
National Medal of Honor Day – March 25 (Wednesday)  
Army Day – April 6 (Monday)  
Tax Protest Day – April 15 (Wednesday)  
Holocaust Remembrance Day – April 21 (Tuesday)  
Ulysses Grant Birthday – April 27 (Monday)

**2020 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

David Perkins            Isaiah Berry            Ben Hendrix  
Josephine Jones        Tim Walker            Ralph Jones  
Leonard Koonce        Janie Jones            Billy Parks

**WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS**

Jennifer Houston        Joe Coker

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**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  
**Satham Fire Dept.**            Richard Pepper  
with Satham 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, **March 28, 2020**, at 9:00 AM. (This is a change for March due to our Precinct Meetings and County Convention on **March 21**.) 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, MARCH 28, 2020**  
**9:00 AM**

**FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

A few random thoughts this month:

We knew the impeachment frenzy would not end with President Trump’s acquittal. They are now talking anew about Russia-Trump collusion, again with absolutely no evidence. There was apparently a briefing done by the intelligence community to the House Intelligence Committee conveying the information that the Russians were trying to interfere in the 2020 presidential election. (And, *shockingly!*, this information was leaked to the press. Adam Schiff, any of this sound familiar?) The media somehow spun this briefing into a story that the intervention was to be an advantage for President Trump over Bernie Sanders. (One would think that they would prefer a committed communist over an America-loving, capitalist incumbent, but whatever.) Oh, and again, we’re not smart enough to see through this “new” accusation. Three different intelligence officers spoke out that this interference had not been determined to be intended for Trump’s benefit. The lying and subterfuge continue . . .

There is new impeachment talk: this time, AG Bill Barr for “interference” with Roger Stone’s sentencing. (Note to those shrieking about that: Both President Trump and AG Barr are the bosses of the Department of Justice.) I don’t know that much about Mr. Stone or why he was charged, but the fact that the prosecutors were asking for more time than a typical murder conviction brings, makes me wonder how he received justice from our system. I would also like to know if lying in a court – perjury – is punished this way or if it is only because he lied to the “superior” minds of Congress. I’m hoping there will be a new trial ordered in the future – hard to see fairness from a jury led by a Democrat operative. Even better would be President Trump pardoning all those convicted in the investigation begun with “fruit of the poisonous tree.”

Okay, happy stuff!

How much fun is this Democrat primary? First, they are all trying to out-left each other and at the same time declaring they are not “socialist.” Good luck trying to move back to the center for the general election!

Mike Bloomberg got the treatment at his first debate – and let’s not forget that the rules were changed so that he could even participate. (A great Bloomberg commercial – can’t believe those words came out of my mouth! – was the result!) The Democrat establishment does not want Bernie to be the nominee – can’t have someone who proudly proclaims to be a socialist, even though he is actually a Bolshevik communist – when they are still trying to hide that their party and all of their candidates are indeed socialist. They know that independents who are crucial to their success will not swing that far to the left. They would also stand to lose a lot of union members who tend to vote Democrat – they like their private health insurance.

Finally, I love a good mike drop! Keith Ellison asked, on Twitter, who had an actual example of Bernie Bros being “unusually mean or rude.” Steve Scalise tweeted, “I can think of an example.” Boom!

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 **March 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!

Current 2019-2021 voting members of the County Committee are reminded that their renewals are needed by **March 31, 2020** in order to retain their voting rights per our local rules.

We had a great meeting with **great** attendance on **February 17**. We heard from Monica Franklin, Barrow County Election Supt., who explained the new voting machine with a demonstration, announced a reduction of 16 to 8 voting precincts with 2 new locations, and answered many questions. We passed resolutions supporting our veterans, stressing “republic” instead of “democracy,” and impeachment. The Chairman also appointed an Elections Committee, and we gave final approval to non-binding questions (see next page) for the May 19 primary ballot.

The dates for the 2020 Conventions have been approved by the State Committee. Our Precinct Meetings and County Convention will be Saturday, **March 21, 2020**, in the Winder Lions Club. 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, **March 16, 2020** at 7:30 PM in the Winder Woman’s Club. Our guest speakers will be Jason Thompson, Georgia RNC National Committeeman, and Janie Jones, Candidate for Barrow County Clerk of Superior Court. It will be worth your time. Make plans to attend! Bring a friend. Be early for a good set!

Ken Young

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**ADDITIONAL LINK**

“Is China An Increasing Threat To The US?” – *AMAC Advantage* – D.J. Wilson – November/December 2019 – [https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?i=632839#{"issue\\_id":632839,"publication\\_id":40499,"page":66}](https://digitaledition.qwinc.com/publication/?i=632839#{)

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**WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE 2020 PRECINCT MEETINGS AND COUNTY CONVENTION**

Many of our newer members may not be aware of the significance of the upcoming Precinct Caucus Meetings and County Convention set for Saturday, **March 21, 2020** at the Winder Lions Club, 354 E. Broad St.

At 9:00 AM on **March 21, 2020**, Precinct Chairpersons or Temporary Precinct Caucus Chairpersons will call the now 8 individual precinct caucuses to order. All participants at these meetings must be duly registered in accordance with State Republican Party rules and Georgia State election Code. Precincts without Chairpersons will elect these officers. All Precinct Chairpersons will then conduct the rest of the precinct meetings. Each precinct caucus will elect Delegates and alternates to the 2020 Barrow County Republican Convention. All Delegates will receive name tags for Convention usage.

When all of this is 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.

At 10:00 AM on **March 21**, the current local Party Chairman Debbie Reid will call the 2020 County Convention to order. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, Presentation of the State Call, and introduction of Dignitaries, Convention committees will be appointed and dismissed to conduct their work (Credentials, Nominations). During this time, there will be announcements and speeches in the convention hall.

After the Convention committees return and report, 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 18, 2020**, in Marswood Hall, Watkinsville, Georgia. Delegates and Alternates will also be elected to the State Republican Convention to be held on Friday and Saturday, **May 29-30, 2020**, in Marietta, Cobb County, Georgia.

At the District/State Conventions, Delegates and Alternates will be elected to the Republican National Convention, Monday through Thursday, **August 24-27, 2020**, in Charlotte, North Carolina, to nominate the next Republican President.

The Supreme Court has decided to allow the Trump administration’s “public charge” rule – which bars immigration by those who are likely to receive means-tested government benefits on a regular basis – to take effect while challenges to the rule proceed through the lower courts. The rule is a fair interpretation of the underlying statute and a sensible policy as well, so it is likely to be ultimately upheld in full. But at this early stage of the process, the main problem was that several judges had issued “nationwide injunctions” blocking the rule across the country. As Justice Neil Gorsuch laid out in a blistering concurrence, this increasingly common practice not only endows district-court judges with the power to set policy for the entire country but also is inconsistent with the judicial role, which is to resolve disputes among parties to a case. Lower courts are now on notice: The Supreme court is becoming less tolerant of such abuses. (*National Review*)

**REPUBLICAN PRIMARY BALLOT QUESTIONS  
FOR MAY 19, 2020**

Approved at the **February 17, 2020** monthly meeting

1. DO YOU SUPPORT OUR SHERIFF’S PARTICIPATION IN THE SECURED COMMUNITIES PROGRAM, WHERE ALL ARRESTED PERSONS ARE CHECKED, AND ILLEGAL ALIENS WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS ARE DETAINED FOR FEDERAL IMMIGRATION CUSTODY?

2. DO YOU SUPPORT ANY EFFORT TO INTRODUCE SHARIA LAW INTO GEORGIA LEGAL PROCEEDINGS?

3. WOULD YOU SUPPORT A PROPOSED 1 PERCENT TRANSPORTATION SPECIAL LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (T-SPLOST) ON ALL SALES, WHERE TAX GENERATED WOULD BE DEDICATED FOR LOCAL ROAD PROJECTS IN BARROW COUNTY AND ITS MUNICIPALITIES, THUS RAISING THE CURRENT 7 PERCENT TO 8 PERCENT SALES TAX?

4. WOULD YOU SUPPORT ENDING FEDERAL FUNDING TO CITIES, COUNTIES, OR STATES WHICH DECLARE THEIR JURISDICTIONS TO BE “SANCTUARY” FOR ILLEGAL ALIENS?

5. WOULD YOU SUPPORT A PROPOSAL TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF TERMS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS ON THE BARROW COUNTY COMMISSION TO THREE (3) FULL CONSECUTIVE TERMS OFFOUR (4) YEARS EACH?

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**THE LEFT FACES APOCALYPSE**

Rush Limbaugh, *The Limbaugh Letter*, January 2020

Excerpt of the last of his article

And after President Trump wins reelection in 2020, it’s full speed ahead. Donald Trump will not be your typical lame-duck President. Second-term Presidents are typically weak. Congress ignores them, since they’re not going to run again, they lose leverage. Trump will turn that tradition upside-down. His second term will be more focused, more energetic, and more productive than the first, and they already sense it.

After this impeachment debacle is in the rear-view mirror, Donald John Trump is going to feel liberated. Because after that, what else can they do to him? They will have thrown everything at him – and yet he will still be standing. This will backfire on them in ways they haven’t even calculated yet.

Can you envision an even more energized Trump? He’s been unstoppable even with every obstacle the left could muster. Picture him even more focused on his agenda than ever, more controlled – and looking to settle the score. Democrats are right to be afraid.

Put yourself in their shoes. They have believed they run, not just Washington, but the world. They run everything about the Deep State. It’s theirs. Here comes Donald trump. An unsophisticated buffoon in their view – and trounces them. They marshal every brilliant strategist and political asset and investigative tool and media weapon and lever of power and aim

them against him every day. Yet everything they’ve tried has blown up in their faces.

Donald Trump is still President, and he is laughing and smiling every day while rolling over them and tweeting about what idiots they are. They are furious and miserable, because they can see what’s coming down the pike. They’ve got no solution. They can’t stop the guy, even with the deck stacked in their favor. Talk about frustration! Uncontrolled rage and panic defines today’s Democrats and the American left.

Success itself is the best revenge. Knowing that we’re winning – and happy – totally dispirits these people. They are imploding, and I can’t tell you how wonderful it is to point that out to you.

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**LIBERAL REPORTER: TRUMP JUDGES ARE  
MOST QUALIFIED EVER**

“[B]ased solely on objective legal credentials, the average Trump appointee has a far more impressive resume than any past president’s nominees,” wrote liberal commentator Ian Millhiser. In an overtly anti-Trump post at vox.com, the writer admitted President Donald Trump’s judicial appointees are clearly more qualified than those appointed specifically by Barack Obama.

Millhiser said the president has “filled the bench with some of the smartest and some of the most ideologically reliable men and women to be found in the conservative movement.”

*AFA Journal*, lifenews.com, 12/26/19; vox.com, 12/10/19

The Trump administration has announced a new rule cracking down on “birth tourism”: the practice of coming to the U.S. for the specific purpose of giving birth there, which under this country’s policy of “birthright citizenship” makes the child a citizen. In essence, the new rule says that birth tourism doesn’t count as traveling for “pleasure” when it comes to tourist visas, and it directs consular officers to determine whether birth tourism is the primary purpose of a visit. These officers have been instructed not to ask women whether they are pregnant unless the officers “have a specific articulable reason to believe [the visa applicant] may be pregnant and planning to give birth in the United States” – but when there are signs that birth tourism is afoot, the burden will fall on the traveler to probe that there is a different reason for the trip. The rule’s effectiveness remains to be seen; among other limitations, it applies only to one type of visa. But it’s a commonsensical policy: If someone is coming to the U.S. merely to game our citizenship rules, that person should be denied a visa. (*National Review*)