

CHATHAM AREA REPUBLICAN WOMEN

Conservative Dynamic Leadership

NEWSLETTER



A Note from Our President

Welcome to 2026! The new year brings fresh new perspectives, new ideas, new goals, and a renewed vigor for life. The CARW is starting off the year in a large fashion. January's luncheon was beaming with new faces, well attended, and the presentations by the candidates for the Congressional seat were impressive. Not to mention, we had three new members join.

Speaking of joining, by now you have probably heard we have new membership levels available: The America First Club, The Patriot Club, The Constitution Club, and the current membership. I hope you will join CARW at one of these new levels. It will benefit the Club, and you'll receive special incentives as well.

Thanks,
Susan Speros.

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Next Meeting: February 4th, 2026

February Speaker: Billy Wooten

Savannah Country Club
501 Wilmington Island Road
Savannah, GA 31410

Member Price
\$35 cash/check, \$36.50 card

Social Time: 11:30AM
Lunch Time: 12:00PM
Meeting Time: 12:30PM

Non-Member Price
\$40 cash/check, \$41.50 card

Please RSVP by January 28th

Purchase or reserve a spot online. [Click here.](#)
RSVP to the Evite
Contact Patrice Cole.

**If you make a reservation and find you cannot attend,
please contact us to cancel at least a week in advance.
Otherwise, you will be responsible to pay for your lunch.*

*Please let Patrice Cole know of any dietary restrictions.
(912) 398-9795*

FEBRUARY SPOTLIGHT

Pat Straw

BOOK SUGGESTION

Stop in the Name of God
by Charlie Kirk



OUR FEBRUARY LUNCH SPEAKER

Billy Wooten

As supervisor, Wooten doubled the size of the staff at the Board of Elections Office, enhanced poll worker training, and established the election annex building, where all election equipment is now housed, maintained, and protected.

Wooten’s history with the Chatham County Board of Elections began in 1998. He brought a wealth of leadership and growth to the Board of Elections throughout his career.

NEW CLUB MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

REGULAR CLUB

- Yearly Dues: \$50
- Redesigned white CARW member badge.

CONSTITUTION CLUB

- Yearly Dues: \$75
- Redesigned red CARW member badge.
- One free raffle ticket.

PATRIOT CLUB

- Yearly Dues: \$100
- Redesigned silver CARW member badge.
- Members will be called to the lunch line after America First club members.
- One free raffle ticket.

AMERICA FIRST CLUB

- Yearly Dues: \$125
- Redesigned gold CARW member badge.
- Members will be called to the lunch line after the Speaker Table is called.
- Recognition in our newsletter and website.
- Members will be included in all correspondence on invitations to special events and luncheons.
- One advertisement in the newsletter for their business, in memory of, or candidate support.
- One free raffle ticket.



Membership levels are now available on our website: <https://chathamrw.org/membership/>

CARW SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Puttie Potts is the CARW Scholarship Chairperson. It is time once again to award a scholarship to a deserving young lady.

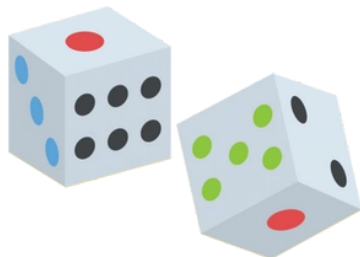
Each year the Chatham Area Republican Women award a scholarship to a high school female who will be pursuing a college degree and is involved in conservative community initiatives. The applicant may be attending any public or private high school in the Savannah, GA area and should be a registered voter if eligible.

I ask your assistance to make upcoming female high school graduates aware of this opportunity and encourage them to apply.

The scholarship application is on our website at chathamrw.org/scholarships/.

Applications are due by **March 1, 2026**. CARW will award the scholarship in May.

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AGAINST
GAMBLING**



Article by Jeanne Seaver

Opinion: Georgians deserve to be free of gambling’s harmful exploitation!

“As officials in Ohio, Massachusetts, and Vermont are trying to reverse the harms of state-sponsored gambling, Georgia is in the enviable position of being able to prevent the gambling harms those states are experiencing. Georgia can simply say ‘no,’ to gambling lobbyists who continually swarm under The Gold Dome.”

[Read the full article in The James Magazine.](#)

Georgia House & Senate PAGE Program: Now Through April 2nd

The Senate Page Program offers students age 12-18 a first-hand opportunity to visit the Capitol to observe and participate in the legislative process. Senate and House pages serve the Senators and Representatives by delivering important information and messages to them in the Senate Chamber during the legislative session day. Students can apply to serve as a page either through their Senator and Representative's office by going to www.legis.ga.gov/house/page-program and www.legis.ga.gov/news/senate/senate-page-program.



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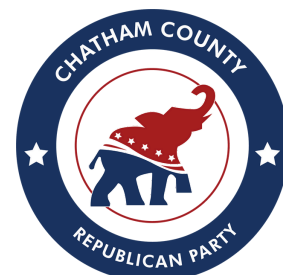
Chatham County GOP

Join and support the local Chatham County GOP. Become a member and attend their meetings.

Primary voting will be May 19, 2026. Be an educated voter and read about the candidates. We have information about each Republican candidate on the CARW website at chathamrw.org/elections.

**MEMBERSHIP
INCENTIVE
PROGRAM**

Every quarter, each member who recruits a new member within that quarter will have a chance to win a gift card!



PICTURES FROM JANUARY'S MEETING

Meet the Republican candidates running for Congressional District 1.



Kandiss Taylor



Jim Kingston



Matt Day



Brian Montgomery



Pat Farrell



Krista Penn

[Click here to view all GOP candidates running for offices in 2026.](#)