



# CHATHAM GOP

## Chatham County Conservative News

### Save the Dates

#### Election Day

November 7, 2017

#### GOP Holiday Party

December 5, 2017

#### Reagan Day Dinner

April 7, 2017

For a complete list, visit our [calendar page](#).

### Volunteer!

The Chatham County GOP is an all-volunteer organization of your neighbors who are interested in smaller and more effective government that follows conservative principles.

We need your help! Please consider where you can assist: fundraising, organizing and running events, meeting voters, writing articles and designing graphics, managing databases, and many more opportunities.

To volunteer, sign up at [http://www.chathamncgop.com/get\\_involved](http://www.chathamncgop.com/get_involved)

### Welcome!

Welcome to this year's 12th edition of your Chatham County GOP Newsletter. As always, we hope you are enjoying our publication. If you have any thoughts on how to make it more relevant to you, please let us know, and share this with your friends and neighbors!

### Chair's Corner

We are in the time of the year where we need Republicans and like-minded unaffiliated voters to stand up and consider running for office. Being an off year, 2018 is a Blue Moon Election; it is important that we have a really good voter turnout. Winning in these elections is important to determine the future of Chatham County. There are races for the Board of Commissioners, the Board of Education, a State Senate Seat, and a State House of Representatives seat. While these are the major contests, there are other races to consider. There are also committee openings that I email out from time to time. If you are interested in running for one of these races, or joining a committee, please contact me.

The 2017 Municipal Elections are almost upon us. If you live in Siler City ... don't forget to come out and **vote for John Grimes**. He is the incumbent and has done a great job and deserves your vote. We are also at that time of the year that we will start to rebuild our volunteer list. If you have been a volunteer before, or would like to volunteer, please go re-sign up to our volunteer page at <http://www.chathamncgop.com/> and sign up for those activities that you feel you can help us with. We are a volunteer organization and need your help.

Please also save the date for our annual Christmas Party. It will be on December 5th at a location to be announced soon.

I hope to see you around the county ...

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## Elections

**Local elections are on November 7.** The voter registration deadline has passed but you can still register with 'same day registration'. Same day registrants must provide proof of residence. Get information on voter registration at <http://www.ncsbe.gov/Voters/Registering-to-Vote>.

If you see any voter irregularities, report it to the NC State Board of Elections first at 919-733-7173. This website (<http://www.freedomworks.org/content/how-report-voter-fraud-crash-course>) gives a good summary of what to do if you suspect voting problems. Please also let us know!

## National Items of Interest

The so-called Russian intervention in our recent presidential elections has taken a change in course. Some reports say that the Clinton campaign and the DNC had a strong financial interest in 'opposition research', and that story now seems plausible. Perhaps all the noise previously about a Trump connection was just that – noise – and maybe we will someday see the truth coming out of our judicial system.

The US House of Representatives passed a budget resolution that opens the way for tax reform. This resolution includes rules that will allow the Senate to pass tax reform with a simple majority, instead of being deadlocked with a Democrat filibuster. Taxes are something that impact all of us, and it behooves everyone to keep a close eye on what our national representatives accomplish in this important matter.

## Chatham County Government

The 2017 State of The County report can be found at this website:

<http://www.chathamnc.org/home/showdocument?id=32180>. It makes for an interesting read to see where our tax dollars are being spent in the county.

## Getting Ready for Winter

If you have not gotten your **flu shot** it is not too late! While flu shots do not totally prevent the flu, they can lessen the chances of catching it, and reduce the symptoms if you are unlucky and come down with the flu. Most health plans cover all of the cost of the flu vaccine.

Are you ready to spend the next several days at home with just what is in your house right now? Winter is coming and with it comes cold and icy weather. How many times in the past have winter storms affected you or someone you know? Make plans now for when bad weather disrupts your life. Chatham County provides emergency text alerts through its CodeRED system. Sign up for these alerts ahead of an emergency at <http://www.chathamnc.org/index.aspx?page=810> and be notified about critical information. If you or someone in your family has special needs, sign up for Chatham County's SAFE program at <http://www.chathamnc.org/index.aspx?page=1895>

## Stay Informed!

Political awareness and involvement does not begin and end at the voting booth. It is OUR responsibility to remain informed about the issues impacting our families, our communities, our beliefs, our liberties, and our nation. Chatham County GOP publishes information and updates on our website and social media pages:

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