



# ALGOP NEWS

Winter 2018



2018 ALGOP Candidate School, ALFA Headquarters  
January 27, Montgomery, Alabama.

## Looking Forward to a Red 2018

The ALGOP has started 2018 off strong! Our state party qualified close to 700 candidates, launched a new website/online qualifying process and held a successful candidate training school in Montgomery for 130 Alabama Republicans.

This month our 2018 Winter Dinner, we will host over 500 ALGOP elected officials, candidates and Party members at the Renaissance Hotel & Spa in Montgomery, AL. Our keynote speaker for the dinner will be Pete Hegseth, *Fox & Friends* co-host.

Please consider joining your fellow Republicans at this event on Friday, February 23. Tickets are available at [ALGOP.org](http://ALGOP.org).

It's great to be a Republican,

Terry Lathan,  
Chairman, Alabama Republican Party



**2018 Winter Dinner**  
February 23 in  
Montgomery, AL.



**2018 ALGOP  
Candidate  
Qualifying**  
The ALGOP  
qualified close to  
700 candidates.



**Pete Hegseth  
ALGOP  
Winter Dinner  
Keynote Speaker**  
Come and meet  
Pete Hegseth, *Fox  
& Friends*, co-host

JOIN US AT THE

# Alabama Republican Party 2018 Winter Dinner

for an evening with **FOX AND FRIENDS** co-host

**PETE HEGSETH**



**February 23rd, 7:00 p.m. Montgomery Renaissance Hotel & Spa**

**PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS TODAY at [ALGOP.ORG](http://ALGOP.ORG)**

## 2018 Winter Dinner and Meeting Information

**Montgomery Renaissance Hotel & Spa**

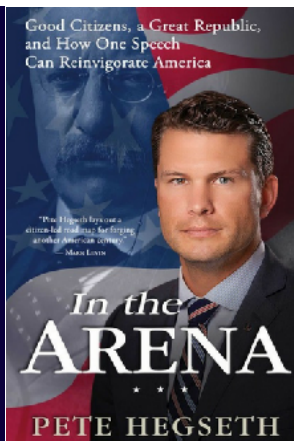
**Friday, February 23, 2018**

**General Reception: 6:00 P.M.  
Dinner: 7:00 P.M.**

**ALGOP State Executive Committee  
Meeting: Saturday, Feb. 24 – 10:00 A.M.**

**PURCHASE YOUR  
TICKET AND  
PRE-ORDER  
YOUR BOOK  
HERE**

Pete will be signing  
copies of his book,  
*In the Arena* after the  
dinner on Friday,  
February 23.



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# 2017 **ALGOP** Summer Luncheon & Meeting



The 2017 ALGOP Summer Luncheon and Meeting was held on Saturday, August 26 at the Trojan Arena on the campus of Troy University in Troy, Alabama. The keynote speaker was Rick Dearborn, Deputy Chief of Staff for President Donald Trump.



Rick Dearborn, Deputy Chief of Staff to President Trump spoke to ALGOP Summer Luncheon attendees about the Trump administration's accomplishments.



Governor Kay Ivey addressed ALGOP Summer luncheon attendees.



ALGOP member Judy Motlow and members of the South Baldwin Republican Women Color Guard enjoyed spending time together before the luncheon.



The ALGOP made gift baskets for Alabama teachers to reflect the luncheon's theme, "Honoring Alabama Educators."



Chairman Lathan presented a piece of Ladd Peebles Stadium (where POTUS had his historic rally in Mobile) to Rick Dearborn to give to President Trump.



600 Alabama Republicans from around the state attended the 2017 ALGOP Summer Luncheon.

# 2017 ALGOP

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The Alabama Republican Party celebrated 150 years at the Wynfield Estate in Montgomery on October 6. Elected officials, party members and Republican friends gathered to fellowship and highlight past accomplishments of our Party.



Governor Kay Ivey sponsored the cake for the event.



Photo props were fun and used to celebrate 150 years of the ALGOP.



Event attendees enjoyed celebrating 150 years of the Alabama Republican Party.



RNC National Committeeman Paul Reynolds, AL Senator Jabo Waggoner, Chairman Lathan & former ALGOP Chair Marty Connors cut the cake.



President Trump (Jerry Lathan), SEC member Tammi Taylor, Chairman Lathan and Amber Wade



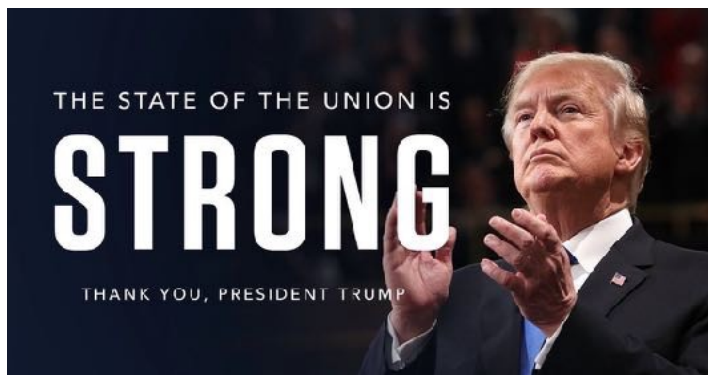
Shelby County GOP Chair Joan Reynolds, ALGOP District 2 Chair Sue Neuwen and ALGOP Secretary Elaine Ridenour



ALGOP Comms Director Katie Lansford, ALGOP intern Mychale Cooper, ALGOP Political Director Reed Phillips and former ALGOP Finance Director Zach Bowman



Party attendees enjoyed a night of fellowship while recalling what the Party has accomplished in the last 150 years.



## President Trump's first year by the numbers:

- ▶ 2 million new jobs created
- ▶ 184,00 manufacturing jobs
- ▶ 17 year high in consumer confidence
- ▶ 37 major trade deals between Chinese companies totaling more than \$250 billion
- ▶ \$700 billion authorized annually for defense
- ▶ 1,579 regulatory actions withdrawn or delayed saving taxpayers \$8.1 billion in lifetime regulatory costs
- ▶ Historic tax cuts, resulting in bonuses, pay raises, and increased employee benefits in hundreds of U.S. companies
- ▶ Removal of Obamacare penalties

### Alabama GOP State Legislature Leadership:

- ▶ **Del Marsh**, Al Senate President Pro Tem
- ▶ **Mac McCutcheon**, Speaker of the House of Representatives
- ▶ **Nathaniel Ledbetter**, House Majority Leader
- ▶ **Connie Rowe**, House Caucus vice-chair
- ▶ **Greg Reed**, Senate Majority Leader
- ▶ **Victor Gaston**, House Speaker Pro Tem

### Alabama Senate Republican Caucus

#### 2018 Legislative Agenda: "Fighting for Alabama"

- ▶ Income Tax Breaks
- ▶ Broadband and Telecom Service growth in Rural Alabama
- ▶ Ensuring Child Sex Trafficking is classified as a Capital Offense
- ▶ Alabama's Biggest Budget Item - Medicaid

Read the full agenda [here](#).

### Alabama House Republican Caucus

#### 2018 Legislative Agenda: "Flag, Family, & Country"

- ▶ Childhood Trauma and Domestic Violence Prevention Bills
- ▶ The Veterans Employment Act
- ▶ Parks for Patriots Act of 2018 (Free, Alabama state admission to all Alabama state parks for all active military personnel and veterans)
- ▶ Resolution urging respect to be shown for the U.S. Flag
- ▶ Resolution supporting construction of a U.S. - Mexican border wall
- ▶ Consideration of proposals by the Alabama Opioid Overdose and Addiction Council
- ▶ Prioritizing of rural development proposals and initiatives
- ▶ Providing unprecedented amounts of budget and fiscal information to taxpayers

Click [here](#) to view the agenda in its entirety.





# ELECTION YEAR 2018: ALGOP EDITION

## 2018 Election Dates

**February 27:** Special Primary Runoff Election House District 4 and Senate District 26

**March 27:** Special General Election House District 21

**May 15:** Special General Election House District 4 and Senate District 26

**July 17:** Statewide Primary Runoff Election

**June 5:** Statewide Primary Election

**July 17:** Statewide Primary Runoff Election

**November 6:** Statewide General Election

Register to  
vote HERE.

## 2018 ALGOP Candidate School

On Saturday, January 27 the Alabama Republican Party held a candidate training school for over 130 candidates at ALFA Insurance Headquarters in Montgomery, AL. Speakers covered various topics including ethics, election law, campaign finance, communications and much more. Alabama speakers included: Tom Albritton (Executive Director of the AL Ethics Commission), Brent Beal (Counsel for the AL Secretary of State), Ryan Cantrell/Michael Joffrion (American Federation for Children) Reed Phillips (ALGOP Political Director), Matt Hubbard (Cygnal), Chris Brown (founder of Red State Strategies), Candace Cooksey (Alexander Cooksey, LLC), Angie Stalnaker (founder of Virtus Solutions) and Katie Lansford (ALGOP Communications Director.)

Two RNC staffers, GOP Regional Finance Field Director Lauren Bosler, and Nick Lauritsen, GOP Regional data staff member, traveled from Washington, D.C. to speak to ALGOP candidates about finance plans and data.

RNC Regional Finance Director Lauren Bosler taught candidates how to create campaign budgets and fundraise.



RNC Regional Data staff member Nick Lauritsen showed ALGOP candidates how use data.



ALGOP Political Director Reed Phillips educated candidates on the importance of using GOP issues when addressing voters.



ALGOP Communications Director Katie Lansford spoke about the do's and don'ts of campaign messaging and social media.



# 2018 **ALGOP** Candidate Qualifying



2018 ALGOP Candidate Qualifying began on Monday, January 8, 2018 and ended on February 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Close to 700 candidates qualified to run with the Alabama Republican Party. Hundreds more qualified in their respective counties.

## Governor



Tommy Battle



Scott Dawson



Bill Hightower



Kay Ivey



Michael McAllister

## Lieutenant Governor



Will Ainsworth



Twinkle Andress Cavanaugh



Rusty Glover

## Attorney General



Chess Bedsole



Troy King



Steve Marshall



Alice Martin

## Chief Justice



Tom Parker



Lyn Stuart

**View ALGOP qualified candidates at**  
**<https://algop.org/elections/qualified-candidates/>**



# The **POWER** of the **RNC**

## A note from **ALGOP**

### Chairman Terry Lathan:

As Chairman of the Alabama Republican Party, I can attest firsthand to the power of the Republican National Committee. From off-the-charts fundraising to a powerful data bank, the RNC is changing the game when it comes to how political parties operate and succeed. RNC Chairman Ronna Romney McDaniel and President Trump work together to ensure conservative policies are advanced and that Republicans are elected to office. Under their leadership, the Republican Party is stronger than ever. With Alabama National Committeewoman Vicki Drummond and National Committeeman Paul Reynolds, we work closely with all the RNC resources and staff to help Alabama.



RNC Chairman Ronna Romney McDaniel, AL RNC National Committeewoman Vicki Drummond, ALGOP Chairman Terry Lathan and AL National Committeeman Paul Reynolds at the 2018 RNC Winter Meeting, Washington, D.C.



## **RNC Raises All Time Off-Year Record of \$132.5 Million in 2017**

*More money raised than any national party committee in off-year history*

**WASHINGTON** – Today, Republican National Committee (RNC) Chairwoman Ronna McDaniel announced raising \$11.1 million in December and \$132.5 million overall in 2017.

"Our strong fundraising numbers reflect voters' optimism and continued support as President Trump fulfills his promises to the American people," said RNC Chairwoman McDaniel. "In his first year, President Trump delivered a historic tax cut to the middle-class, slashed regulations, and grew our economy. We look forward to electing more Republican leaders to Congress who will support President Trump's winning agenda on behalf of the American people."

### **RNC Fundraising Fast Facts:**

Receipts for December 2017: \$11.1 million

Receipts for 2017: \$132.5 million

Total cash on hand: \$38.8 million

Debt: \$0

### **RNC vs DNC in 2017:**

RNC more than doubled the DNC: \$132.5M vs. \$65.9M

RNC has six times more cash on hand than the DNC

RNC has \$38.8M net cash, DNC has \$423K

RNC has \$0 debt, DNC has \$6.1M

###

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President Donald Trump addressed the Republican National Committee in a private meeting at the 2018 RNC Winter Meeting, Washington, D.C.



ALGOP Chairman Terry Lathan spoke with Vice President Mike Pence at the 2018 RNC Winter Meeting, Washington, D.C.



# HERD It Through the Grapevine



In August 2017, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce presented their prestigious "Spirit of Enterprise" Award to Representative Martha Roby and Representative Robert Aderholt.



Chairman Lathan with Cliff Sims, Special Assistant to President Trump at the Etowah County GOP Dinner.



AL Senate President Pro Tem Del Marsh served as an honorary starter at the Talladega NASCAR race October 2017.



Chairman Lathan was interviewed on Fox News August 2017 about the U.S. Senate Runoff Election.



In October 2017 Gov. Ivey was inducted into the Alabama Academy of Honor.



Chairman Lathan & Mobile County GOP Chair Adam Strange interviewed this summer with CNN regarding the U.S. Senate Election.



Alabama Senate President Pro Tem Del Marsh, Speaker of the House Mac McCutcheon, and radio host Dale Jackson at a political forum hosted by Yellowhammer News.

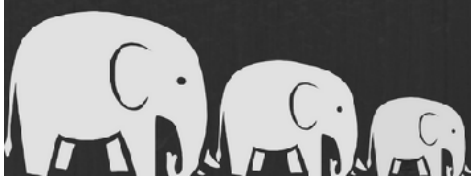


ALGOP SEC member Mike Oakley retired from the U.S. Army in November.



ALGOP member Mary Sue McClurkin was sworn in on the Indian Springs City Council as a new member. Watching the ceremony is Rep. Arnold Mooney and Burt McClurkin.





# HERD It Through the Grapevine



Elected officials and candidates at the Etowah County GOP Dinner, Gadsden



Madison County GOP Freedom Gala, Huntsville



Congressman Gary Palmer was awarded the Foundation for Government Accountability's *2017 Congressman of the Year Award*.



Cherokee County GOP Dinner, Centre



Former ALGOP SEC member Darlene Hutchinson Biehl was appointed by President Trump to be the Director of the Office for Victims of Crime. Alan Hansen administered the oath of office.



In September 2017 Senator Shelby received the 2017 *Dwight D. and Mamie Eisenhower Distinguished Citizen award* from the Army Distaff Foundation.



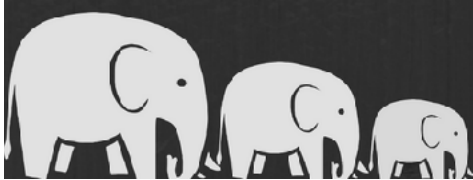
Congressman Mo Brooks received the *Freedom Fighter Award* from FreedomWorks. This award recognized Rep. Brooks' strong conservative voting record.



Chairman Lathan visited with Attorney General Jeff Sessions during a recent visit to Washington, D.C.



ALGOP SEC member Renee Powers (Chilton County) was appointed to the Fair Ballot Commission by AL Secretary of State John Merrill.



# HERD It Through the Grapevine



Wayne Reynolds, Limestone County SEC member, was sworn in as National Treasurer for the Vietnam Veterans of America at their national convention.



Representative Robert Aderholt recently traveled on Air Force Two with Vice President Mike Pence.



Rep. Martha Roby introduced Special Counselor to the President, Kellyanne Conway, at the closing breakfast for the 2018 GOP Retreat in Virginia.



The Shelby County GOP hosted their 2018 Lincoln Reagan Dinner in Hoover, Alabama.



Congressman Mike Rogers presented the Alexandria High School Volleyball Team a Congressional Record statement recognizing their 5A State Title win.



Congressman Bradley Byrne hosted his 100th town hall this year.

## We stand. They sit.

During President Trump's State of the Union address, Democrats sat down when Republicans stood as the nation heard the brave stories of Americans.



Senator Doug Jones stayed seated with his fellow Democrats while Republicans stood to applaud the progress President Trump has made to improve the lives of Americans from ALL walks of life.



Senate Minority Leader  
Chuck Schumer



House Minority Leader  
Nancy Pelosi



# Alabama Federation of Republican Women



The Knollwood Republican Women's Club won three awards at the AFRW 2017 Biennial Convention: Diamond Achievement Award, Alabama Membership Award and the Caring For America Small Club Award.



Vicki Bailey was recently elected as the new AFRW President. President Bailey is pictured here at the 2018 AFRW Legislative Days.



The South Baldwin Women's Color Guard at the AFRW First Ladies' Luncheon in Montgomery.



Congratulations to immediate past AFRW President Frances Taylor on her election as National Federation of Republican Women Secretary.



AL Chief Justice Lyn Stuart, Martha Brooks (wife of Congressman Mo Brooks), keynote speaker Dianne Bentley at the AFRW First Ladies' Luncheon in Montgomery



Republican Women of Coffee County received the State and National Caring For America Award at the AFRW State Conference in Prattville.



Awards presented to AFRW members and their respective chapters, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



The AFRW met in Montgomery at the state capitol building for their 2018 Legislative Days event.



# College Republican Federation of Alabama

## Alabama Minority GOP

## Young Republican Federation of Alabama



The University of Alabama College Republicans have a strong member turnout at their campus meetings.



AL Secretary of State John Merrill visited with the Troy College Republicans.



Jacksonville State University CR Social Media Chairman Baylee Spoon and Treasurer Melissa Juarez



Members of the College Republicans attended a Youth Leadership School, organized by the Leadership Institute in Birmingham, Alabama.



Representative Victor Gaston visited with the University of South Alabama College Republicans.



Alabama Minority GOP Chair Phillip Brown and AMGOP members met at a Birmingham bowling alley for a night of fun and fellowship.



The Capital City Young Republicans regularly host meetings with up and coming candidates in Montgomery.



# In memory of...



Congressman Jim Martin represented Alabama in Congress from 1965-1967.



Representative Jim Patterson was elected to represent District 21 in 2010.



ALGOP SEC Member and Kirk Day served as Cherokee County Probate Judge beginning in 2004.



Danny Joyner was a patriot who worked hard to promote conservative policies in Alabama.



Earl Cunningham was a longtime member of the Alabama and Shelby County Republican Party.

*"I thank my God every time I remember you."  
- Philippians 1:3*

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## New Year, New ALGOP.org



In December 2017, the ALGOP launched a brand new ALGOP.org. The website's redesign was created with the user in mind, which now includes a mobile friendly version. Additionally, for the first time in ALGOP history, candidate qualifying was online.

See your GOP candidates at:

<https://algop.org/elections/qualified-candidates/>