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DECEMBER 2018



From L to R: Business and Data Administrator Rudy Scott, Political Director Reed Phillips, ALGOP Intern Janey Whitney, Finance Director Shannon Whitt, Chairman Terry Lathan, Congressman Gary Palmer, Communications Director Katie Lansford, and Chief of Staff Harold Sachs at the 2018 ALGOP Christmas Open House in Hoover

Dear Republican friends,

We hope you and your family had a very merry and peaceful Christmas. As this year draws to a close, I want to say again how grateful we are for your continued help and support throughout this past year. Another record-breaking GOP election is in the history books with 2020 up next to make even more gains for our Party.

We are stronger than we've ever been - thanks to you and your dedication to our Republican policies and candidates. That being said, we will not take one moment for granted as we move toward the 2020 Alabama U.S. Senate election and the U.S. Presidential race.

The ALGOP will head toward our next election cycle with "2020 vision". We will work with a deep passion to unseat Doug Jones and help re-elect President Donald Trump. That combination is a winning goal for Alabama and America. Our mission begins now.

It's great to be a Republican and Happy New Year,

Mrs. Terry Lathan  
Chairman, Alabama Republican Party

## BECOME PART OF OUR TEAM



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MONTH. WE NEED YOUR  
HELP TO KEEP OUR  
MAJORITY STRONG.*

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# ALGOP CONGRESSIONAL CORNER



U.S. Senator Richard Shelby's wife, Dr. Annette Shelby, was appointed to the Kennedy Center Advisory Committee by President Trump.



U.S. Congressman Bradley Byrne attended the Keel Laying Ceremony for the USS Mobile at Austal Headquarters in Mobile.



U.S. Congressman Mo Brooks was the keynote speaker at the Satellite Industry Association's conference in Washington, D.C.



U.S. Congressman Mike Rogers attended the signing of the *Frank LoBiondo Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018* at the Oval Office in the White House with President Trump.



U.S. Congressman Robert Aderholt joined U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue to announce the USDA's new ReConnect Program in Washington, D.C.



U.S. Representative Martha Roby questioned Google CEO Sundar Pichai during his testimony to the House Judiciary Committee regarding the company's privacy policies and advertising data.



U.S. Congressman Gary Palmer presented the Congressional Gold Medal to the family of Jack Welch, who served in the Office of Strategic Services during World War II as part of Operation Carpetbagger.

## ALABAMA GOP LEGISLATIVE



## LEADERSHIP UPDATE



**Alabama Senator Dick Brewbaker (L) and Senator Shay Shelnutz (R) were recognized as two of the most conservative senators in Alabama in 2018: [Read more here](#)**

**McCutcheon announces committee chairs: [Read more here](#)**

**Legislative leaders say infrastructure will be top 2019 priority: [Read more here](#)**

# TEAM GOP



Alabama State Representative Jim Carns was inducted into the Greater Birmingham HomeBuilders Association's Hall of Fame at their annual gala in Birmingham.



The Escambia County GOP celebrated their wins at their 2018 election party in Brewton.



Alabama Senator Gerald Dial received the Clay County ALFA Award for Excellence.



Alabama Agriculture Commissioner John McMillan won ALFA's 2018 'Service to Agriculture' Award.



ALGOP Legal Counsel Greg Cook was named to the 2018 Super Lawyers Top 50 Birmingham list.



The Dale County GOP gathered food to donate to Backpack Buddies of Alabama's Fall Food Drive.



Alabama Secretary of State Merrill spoke at the DeKalb County GOP Christmas Party in Fort Payne.



South Baldwin Republican Women President Becky Vasko presented the SBRW Hosey Award for Excellence to member Kathy Albers.

# TEAM GOP



The Mid Alabama Republican Club held a GOP legislative swearing in ceremony at their November monthly meeting in Vestavia.



ALGOP Political Director Reed Phillips spoke to members of the Shelby County Republican Party at their quarterly executive meeting in Pelham.



Alabama Republican Party Chairman Terry Lathan and husband Jerry Lathan, (left) attended the 2018 White House Christmas Reception in Washington D.C. Chairman Lathan also spoke to HUD Secretary Ben Carson and his wife Candy.



Republican Women of Coffee County President Johnna Roberts (left) & RWCC VP for Hospitality Jan White participated in the Wreaths Across America program at Meadowbrook Cemetery in Enterprise.



The Montgomery County GOP had a great turnout at their annual Christmas party in Montgomery.



The Greater Birmingham Republican Women hosted a Christmas party in Hoover with the Jefferson County GOP.

# ALABAMA REPUBLICAN PARTY 2019 WINTER DINNER

WITH KEYNOTE SPEAKER COL. MARK TILLMAN  
PILOT & COMMANDER OF AIR FORCE ONE ON 9/11  
BIRMINGHAM, AL FRIDAY FEBRUARY 22ND  
SHERATON HOTEL BALLROOM DINNER 7 PM



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**About our keynote speaker:** Colonel Tillman served as the nation's 12<sup>th</sup> Presidential Pilot as the commander of Air Force One under President George W. Bush for eight years. He protected the president on September 11, 2001 by keeping him from harm's way and connecting the flying Oval Office with first responders and national leaders during the 9/11 attacks. He commanded more than 200 Air Force One Presidential Missions and four war-zone trips. Colonel Tillman is a captivating storyteller with a first-hand account of remarkable moments in history from the cockpit of Air Force One.



You are invited to the Gulf Coast Inaugural Celebration for

*Kay Ivey*

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2019  
6:00 PM**

The Lodge at Gulf State Park  
21196 E Beach Blvd  
Gulf Shores, AL 36542

In lieu of purchasing a ticket, attendees can opt to bring four children's books. The books will be donated to the Alabama Literacy Alliance.

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### JANUARY 12, 2019

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
Gulf Coast Inaugural  
Celebration at the Lodge at  
Gulf State Park  
**Purchase your tickets [here](#).**

#### JANUARY 14, 2019 INAUGURATION DAY

10:00 a.m.  
Swearing In Ceremony at  
Alabama State Capitol Steps

12:00 p.m.  
Parade starts at Alabama  
State Capitol



# EXECUTIVE UPDATE

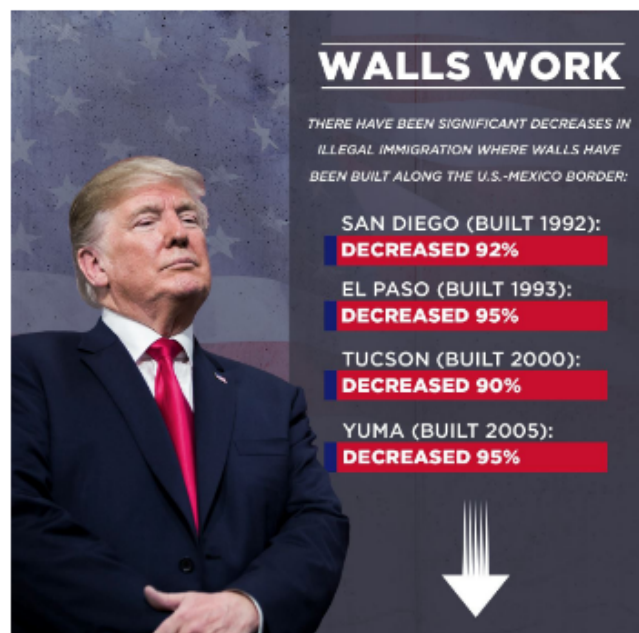
## PROMISES MADE, PROMISES KEPT

- UNDER PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, THE U.S. ECONOMY HAS ADDED OVER 4.1 MILLION NEW JOBS.
- THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE REMAINED AT A HISTORIC 3.7 PERCENT IN NOVEMBER, NEARLY A 50-YEAR LOW.
- UNEMPLOYMENT FOR HISPANIC-AMERICANS AND AFRICAN-AMERICANS REMAINED NEAR, OR AT, HISTORIC LOWS IN NOVEMBER.
- CNN'S CHRISTINE ROMANS: JOB GROWTH IS "ON TRACK TO BEAT 2016, WHICH WAS A VERY GOOD YEAR."
- WAGE GROWTH IN NOVEMBER WAS UP 3.1 PERCENT OVER THE PREVIOUS YEAR, MATCHING THE GAIN IN OCTOBER, WHICH WAS THE LARGEST SINGLE-MONTH RISE SINCE 2009.
- STRONG WAGE GROWTH "REAFFIRMED THE DURABILITY OF PRESIDENT TRUMP'S ECONOMY."

Source: Republican National Committee



President Trump visited Arlington Cemetery on Wreaths Across America Day to honor the memory of our nation's heroes.



# ALGOP in the NEWS

**Outer Continental Shelf Governors Coalition names Kay Ivey chair**

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**Secret Experiment in Alabama Senate Race Imitated Russian Tactics**

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**INSIDE THE STATEHOUSE: Winners and losers in this year's election**

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**ALGOP chair Lathan on report  
Democrats used Russian tactics to  
support Doug Jones: 'Deeply disturbing'**

By Sean Ross



In a statement to Yellowhammer News, Alabama Republican Party chair Terry Lathan responded to the revelation that Democratic operatives executed a covert, “deceptive” digital campaign copying “Russian tactics” in support of Doug Jones’ candidacy in 2017.

“It is alarming and deeply disturbing that Democrats took part in this sham,” Lathan said.

She also spoke to the claims by participants in the Democratic shadow operation that their efforts were a “small experiment” meant to manipulate Alabama’s voters.

“It is unconscionable that Alabamians were part of their social experiments,” Lathan added.

She further outlined, “This serves as a moment of warning to everyone- unknown unverified social media posts, ads or messaging should be highly scrutinized. Also, it is a fair question to specifically ask Doug Jones if he had any knowledge about any of these reprehensible actions. Alabamians will not take kindly to anyone, whether it be an individual, group or business entity, seeking to manipulate us. I hope the Democrats would agree on this as well.”

You can read about the newly revealed Democratic tactics [here](#).

Jones has since reacted to the original report, saying he was “outraged” and that he had no prior knowledge of the operatives’ actions. He also called for an investigation by the Federal Elections Commission and Department of Justice.