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joshforushouse.com.

Jim Roberts, an Army veteran and former pest control entrepreneur from Mount Airy, is running on issues like creating jobs, defending social security, preventing medical errors, and stopping "corporate domination" of public policy. He also rails against trade deals he says have cost jobs, which he promises to oppose or repeal.

"The average American working class family has been under assault for the last forty years and unfortunately their representatives in congress have been passing laws that are against their constituent's interests while their rhetoric is exactly the opposite," said Roberts on his website. www.jimrobertsforcongress.com

Charlie Wallin is an assistant food services director at Appalachian State University and has served as Democratic Party chair in the fifth district. His priorities include education funding, capping student loan interest, raising the minimum wage to at least \$10 an hour, banking oversight, and environmental issues.

"We have real issues and problems in this district that need to be addressed," said Wallin at a debate held at the Forsyth County Democratic Party headquarters earlier in May. "We need somebody who's serious and who wants to take on Virginia Foxx and wants to send her packing." www.charliewallinforcongress.com

Republicans

Virginia Foxx of Banner Elk is a conservative Republican first elected in 2004. She is running for her seventh term in the U.S. House of Representatives. Among her priorities are repealing the Affordable Healthcare Act and reducing the deficit. She opposes any action on immigration "before our current laws are effectively enforced and our border is completely secure." She's been endorsed by the National Rifle Association, Family Research Council, and National Right to Life. www.virginiafoxx.com



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Pattie Curran of Kernersville is an Army veteran and activist who's been interviewed by FOX News and News Max for her fight to repeal the Affordable Healthcare Act. Her other issues include religious liberty, reducing the deficit, gun rights, and enforcing immigration laws.



Curran

N.C. Supreme Court

Incumbent: **Robert H. (Bob) Edmunds**

Robert H. (Bob) Edmunds of Greensboro has served on the state Supreme Court since 2001. He's a Navy veteran with more than 30 years of judicial experience as a United States district attorney, a private attorney, and appeals court judge.



Edmunds

Michael R. (Mike) Morgan of Raleigh has served as Superior Court judge for the last 11 years. He was also a district court judge for five years and a state administrative law judge. He's a lifetime member of the NAACP and was among the first black students to integrate New Bern school system in 1964. www.judgemichaelmorgan.com



Morgan

Daniel Robertson of Advance has served as a law

clerk, general council of Bank of America and currently at his own private practice. According to a statement he sent to Ballotpedia, he's running for Supreme Court to ensure the law is applied equally to everyone "regardless of their wealth, power, connections or politics." ballotpedia.org/Daniel_G_Robertson



Robertson

Sabra Jean Faires of Wake County is an of counsel attorney at Bailey & Dixon, LLP. She was a plaintiff in the lawsuit that got this year's first-ever state Supreme Court retention election struck down, resulting in the judicial primaries on the June 7 ballot. sabrajeanfaresforjustice.com



Faires

South Ward City Council

Winston-Salem City Council South Ward

Incumbent: **Molly Leight** (who isn't seeking re-election)

Carolyn Highsmith is president of the Konnoak Hills Community Association. She's also vice-president of the New South Community Coalition and serves on the board of Neighbors for Better Neighborhoods. She's been a community advocate for years and helped organize the Ministers' Conference's effort to educate property owners on appealing tax reappraisals that devalued their land. She won the March 15 primary by just six votes, before the State Board of Elections ordered a re-election due to election errors. www.facebook.com/carolynforsouthward



Highsmith

John Larson is vice president of restoration at Old Salem Museum and Gardens. Larson, an Army veteran, is a longtime South Ward resident who has spearheaded efforts to preserve city landmarks and worked to protect the Main Street Corridor in the Business 40 improvement negotiations. He is a current member of the Creative Corridors Board and the Old Salem Residents Association. He is endorsed by current South Ward City Council Member Leight. johnlarsonforsouthward.com



Larson

Early voting Forsyth County

Government Center
201 N. Chestnut Street,
Winston-Salem

Thursday and Friday,
May 26 - 27: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Tuesday, May 31 - Friday,
June 3: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday, June 4: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Forsyth to get new voting machines by 2018

BY TODD LUCK
THE CHRONICLE

Forsyth County Board of Elections Director Tim Tsujii outlined the long process for getting new voting machines with Forsyth County commissioners on Thursday, May 19.

Tsujii addressed questions commissioners had about voting machines and what's being done to improve elections in Forsyth during a county budget meeting. According to HB 586, which was passed by the General Assembly in 2015, the county is required to switch to a paper ballot based system by January 1, 2018. Forsyth uses paper ballots, which are inserted into tabulator machines, on election days and touch screen voting machines during early voting, which do print results for voters to see, but don't use paper ballots.

Tsujii said the early voting machines can be replaced with similar machines that will produce ballots. Though tabulator machines meet the new paper-based mandate, they are past their prime and need replacing as well. Tsujii estimated replacing existing equipment would cost \$1.5 million. He said commissioners should also consider using one method of voting on both early voting and election days, which would simplify poll worker training and maintenance.



Tsujii



Martin

County Commissioner Don Martin said that the commissioners had held off on replacing the machines in the past because there's only one vendor selling state certified voting machines that can be used.

"Surely, the State Board of Elections recognizes that competition is part of America," said Martin. "We need an opportunity for people to bid on that."

Tsujii said that the lack of competition comes from state requirements to certify voting machines that include giving the State BOE the machine's source code. Currently there's still only one vendor with certified machines.

Voters shouldn't expect to see changes soon. Tsujii recommended waiting as long as possible so the county gets the latest available technology when buying the machines.

The state-mandated process for new voting equipment is doing a public demonstration of the machine, bringing a pre-

liminary recommendation to commissioners, doing a test pilot at one precinct during an election, getting State BOE approval, and then getting county commissioners' final approval on the new machines. In the tentative timeline given to commissioners as an example, the machines could be tested in the 2017 municipal election and then used in the 2018 election.

In the meantime, the Forsyth BOE is trying to prevent repeating errors from the midterm election. The State BOE ordered the South Ward City Council primary to be held again on June 7 because dozens of voters received the wrong ballot in a race that Carolyn Highsmith won by only six votes. The State BOE also ordered that 130 unsigned provisional ballots be counted after the signature line didn't print out and poll workers failed to get a signature. Tsujii said poll workers will be getting ballots from marked folders this time to avoid confusion and will

have provisional ballots on hand instead of printing them on the spot.

Tsujii told commissioners that training is also being redone. There will be

more opportunities for training and, instead of being lecture based, it will involve hands-on, simulation-based training.

"It's part of my job to

identify ways to make it easier and to simplify the process so they can do a better job," said Tsujii.

Summer challenging for blood drives

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The American Red Cross urges blood and platelet donors to choose their day to give and help ensure blood is available for patients all summer long during its annual summer awareness campaign, sponsored by Suburban Propane.

"Many Americans will be celebrating the unofficial start to summer this Memorial Day weekend, but seasonal activities that bring joy to so many can also lead to a shortage of

blood and platelet donations when regular donors become busy," said Donna M. Morrissey, director of national partnerships for the Red Cross Biomedical Services. "Patients don't get a summer holiday from needing lifesaving blood and platelet donations and are counting on generous volunteers to help maintain a sufficient supply this summer."

To encourage donations around the Memorial Day holiday, those who come to give blood or platelets from May 27-31 will receive a Red Cross T-shirt, while

supplies last. The Red Cross relies on volunteer donors for the 14,000 blood donations needed every day to support patients at about 2,600 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide. However, during the summer months, about two fewer donors schedule an appointment to give blood at each Red Cross blood drive than what patients need.

Get the free Red Cross Blood Donor App by texting "BLOODAPP" to 909999 or download it from the App StoreSM or the Google PlayTM store.



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June community health seminars, screenings and events

Visit WakeHealth.edu/BestHealth for class descriptions and other events. Events are FREE of charge and require registration, unless otherwise noted.

<p>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1 Advance Directives \ 2 to 4 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p> <p>SATURDAY, JUNE 4 Final Weigh-in for Wellness Challenge 8 am to 2 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p> <p>MONDAY, JUNE 6 Introduction to Healthy Indian Cooking \ 6 to 7:30 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p> <p>TUESDAY, JUNE 7 Mike Wells on 10 Things You Should Know about the Law 1:30 to 2:30 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p> <p>SATURDAY, JUNE 11 POUND: Rockout. Workout.™ Noon to 1 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p> <p>MONDAY, JUNE 13 Oh, My Hips and Knees! 6 to 7 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Davie Medical Center, Cardiac Classroom, Plaza 1, Highway 801 N, I-40 (Exit 180), Bermuda Run</p>	<p>Community Coffee Walks <i>Free Event</i></p> <p>WEDNESDAYS, JUNE 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 8:30 am and 6 pm For more information and registration, visit New Balance Winston-Salem or online at www.nbwinstonsalem.com.</p> <p>SATURDAY, JUNE 18 Zumba \ 1 to 2 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p> <p>FRIDAY, JUNE 24 Healthy Summertime Meals 5 to 6:30 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Davie Medical Center, Cardiac Classroom, Plaza 1, Highway 801 N, I-40 (Exit 180), Bermuda Run</p> <p>MONDAY, JUNE 27 Concussions in Youth Sports 5:30 to 6:30 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Davie Medical Center, Plaza 1, 4th floor Conference Room 1 and 2, Hwy 801 N, I-40 (Exit 180), Bermuda Run</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29 Line Dancing \ 4 to 5 pm Wake Forest Baptist Health Medical Plaza-Country Club, 4610 Country Club Road, Winston-Salem</p>
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