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Shock and awe



Bobby Kimbrough emotionally reflects on becoming the first African-American sheriff in the history of Forsyth County.

Forsyth County elects its first black sheriff

BY TIMOTHY RAMSEY
THE CHRONICLE

Incumbent Sheriff Bill Schatzman was seeking his fifth term as Forsyth County Sheriff this election season. Following a decisive victory in the Democratic Primary, challenger Bobby Kimbrough carried that momentum to a victory over Schatzman in the midterm election Tuesday night.

In an intimate setting surrounded by family and friends, Kimbrough held his Watch Party at the Carolina Ale House. As the crowd eagerly watched every poll update, you could feel the excitement in the room as he inched closer to this ultimate goal.

When the race was finally called in his favor, the room lit up and Kimbrough was finally able to exhale.

"It has been a long journey and I have learned a lot on the journey, meeting a lot of good people along the way," said Kimbrough.

Kimbrough recalled an interaction with a high

school student from Mt. Tabor High School who would be voting for the first time. He saw the young man defending him on social media, which he says gave him extra motivation.

"It touched me that I had made such an impact on an 18-year-old kid and first-time voter. I was amazed by that and it has also been a learning experience as well as a strengthening experience, because from that I realized that the county is somewhat divid-



ed, but also one of the greatest counties on the planet."

With that division present, Kimbrough said it is of the utmost importance to "build bridges" and have everyone sit at the table to discuss how to make Forsyth County a better and safer county for all.

Kimbrough won by nearly 9,000 votes, with 100 of 101 precincts reported at the time of this article. He said that shows that people are not just voting according to party affiliation, but are voting for their best interests.

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Council's Besse optimistic about the future

BY TEVIN STINSON
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In the battle for District 75 in the N.C. House of Representatives, incumbent Donny C. Lambeth escaped with a narrow victory over Dan Besse late on Tuesday night.

From the time the votes starting rolling in until the race was officially called, Besse and Lambeth were separated by only a few votes. With more than 60 percent of all the precincts reported, the two were only separated by one percentage point. At the time of publication, final totals showed Lambeth finished with 17,400 votes and Besse with 15,336.

Lambeth, a Republican, has served as the Representative for House District 75 since 2012. Before that, he served as president of the Lexington Medical Center and Davie Hospital until his retirement in 2012. He is probably most known for his stint as a member of the Winston-Salem Forsyth County Schools Board of Education, where he served for 18 years as board chairman.

As a member of the legislature, Lambeth worked to reform Medicaid and was instrumental in restructuring the state's mental health program. Lambeth recently

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DD Adams poses with McKenzie Ziegler and Sydney Swaim at a Watch Party held at Vintage Sofa Bar.

DD isn't done

Adams loses to Foxx, but plans to run again

BY TODD LUCK
THE CHRONICLE

City Council Member DD Adams lost to longtime incumbent Republican



Rep. Virginia Foxx on Tuesday night, but she says she's far from done.

On the night when

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BUSTA'S PERSON OF THE WEEK

Family and local church honor Miss America 2019

BY BUSTA BROWN
THE CHRONICLE

"I knew when I met her, she was going to be Miss America," said Miss America Board Member Mack Hooper. Mack had the standing-room-only audience at Mount Zion Baptist Church laughing

as he shared details about his confidence in Winston-Salem native Miss America 2019 Nia Franklin. "I knew if she made the top 15, she was going to win, and that's what happened. She made the top ten and after she sang, I had 300 texts saying 'it's over.'" The audience laughed and cheered. "... and I thought to myself, it is over, it's

done and over with."

I was fortunate to witness Nia Franklin's angelic voice as she sang "Quando m'en vo" from the opera, La Boheme this past Sunday at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. It was an afternoon filled with tears of joy, laughter, and

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