

Candidates Forum

Sunday April 6, 2014 - 1 pm

First Baptist Church

105 N West Street Fuquay Varina, NC (919) 552-9150

All candidates in the upcoming primary election have been invited to attend and participate. There will be a Q & A session with the public. This will serve as an opportunity for you to meet, speak and query those on the slate. You can submit your questions in advance (advisable). There will be a limited open mic during the Q & A. We encourage individuals, community groups, businesses and organizations to attend this important event. The offices on the slate are:

US House & Senate, NC House & Senate, District Attorney, Board of Commissioners, Clerk of Superior Court, Sheriff, Supreme Court Chief Justice, Supreme Court Associate Justice, Court of Appeals & District Court Judge.

If you have a question that you would like to submit in advance please email them to the church <u>firstbaptistfv@embarqmail.com</u>.



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The First Non Partisan/Countywide Candidates Forum to be Held in Wake County

FUQUAY VARINA, N.C. – First Baptist Church, located at 105 N West St., will host the first nonpartisan candidate forum on Sunday, April 6 at 1 p.m. All candidates in the upcoming primary election have been invited to attend and participate. There will be a question and answer session with the public that will serve as an opportunity attendees meet, speak and query those on the slate. We welcome and encourage voters, the general public and the media to submit questions in advance. There will be a limited open mic during the Q & A. We encourage individuals, community groups, businesses and organizations to attend this important event. The offices on the slate are US House & Senate, NC House & Senate, District Attorney, Board of Commissioners, Clerk of Superior Court, Sheriff, Supreme Court Chief Justice, Supreme Court Associate Justice, Court of Appeals and District Court Judge. Advance questions should be emailed to firstbaptistfv@embarqmail.com no later than March 30.

Dwight Spencer, Chairperson of the event, has been organizing these events for the past few years. "I find it is important for the candidates to have an opportunity to meet with voters and hear as well as respond to their questions and concerns." To date we have confirmed the following candidates: Ernest Reeves, Mark Harris (US Senate), John Crisco, Brenda Cleary, Virginia Conlon (US House of Rep), Apryl Major, Sarah Crawford (NC Senate), Rosa Gill, Lisa Baker, Margaret Broadwell (NC House), Jefferson Griffin, Nancy Freeman, Benjamin Zellinger (District Attorney), Jessica Holmes (Board of Commissioners), Joe Teague Jr, Frank Williams (Clerk of Court), Donnie Harrison, Willie Rowe (Sheriff) and Robert Hunter, Cheri Beasley (Supreme Court Associate Justice).

First Baptist Church of Fuquay leaped at the opportunity to host this event again. At our last forum, held in 2010, over 30 candidates attended. "This event was a huge success," said Rev. Dr. Reginald Lowery, Pastor of First Baptist. "We are providing this as a public service to the community. Part of our goal is to encourage voters to come out and to introduce the candidates and the issues affecting us as a community. Democracy is something we should never take for granted."

First Baptist Church, "Where everyone is someone and God is all," is 101 years old and has a membership spanning the Wake County area. Their website is www.firstbaptistfuquay.com.

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