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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE Red flowers of female Red Maple

Taking a closer look

FLORA By Ken Moore

In February, I love observing the daily swelling of buds, the bright coloring of stems and the flowering of tiny winter annuals on the ground and shrubs and trees above. Simultaneously, this constant assault of springtime awakenings makes me panic with the realization that wellintentioned chores and worthy projects set aside for the winter months are far from completed.

My moods of panic result in negative outbursts like "I hate spring!" and "spring is highly over-rated!" My annual vocal springtime pronouncements are by now expected by friends. My gardening friend, Sally, always thoughtfully reminds me that the word "hate" should be eliminated from one's vocabulary and she offers sincere condolences that I find anything but joy with the re-awakenings of spring.

On reflection, I realize that my indoor winter projects never get my necessary attention because there is so much of interest in the outdoors.

For instance, in spite of the continuing freezing weather, we

Local black history event this Friday at ArtsCenter

Hidden Voices, an ArtsCenter-based youth theater project debuts the result of a two-year collaboration between local students, university classes and the elders of the historic black neighborhoods of Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

The first part of the project, entitled Because We're Still Here (and Moving), opened last week with a photo and scrapbook show and the distribution of a walking map that details the landmarks of the neighborhoods.

On Friday, Hidden Voices premieres a multimedia event

telling the story of the local black community through poetry, rap, photos, stories, creative movement and music. Participants include students who worked collecting the stories of their elders and the residents themselves.

There will be three performances on Friday, at 10 a.m., 11:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Admission for the morning shows is \$6. The evening show is free, with donations encouraged.

Visit www.artscenterlive.org or call 929-2787 for more information.

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PHOTO BY TITUS HEAGINS

Longtime educators and community leaders R.D. and Euzelle Smith, for whom Smith Middle School is named, are just two of the individuals who contributed their stories for the Because We're Still Here (and Moving) project. This portrait is one of dozens of community members photographed for the project.



Virginia and Milton Julian have laughed their way through the differences.

Change wardrobes but keep your Valentine

Carrboro may look to businesses to help cover parking needs

by Kirk Ross Staff Writer

While stopping short of calling outright for a Chapel Hill-style special taxation district for downtown, Mayor Mark Chilton and members of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen said maintaining plentiful, free parking downtown will be difficult if funded only by the town.

At a work session on parking at Town Hall Tuesday night, the board reviewed a parking study being conducted in conjunction with the town by university planning students. The study will examine the availability, use and future projections for downtown public and private lots, and town planners are hoping it will deliver some additional insights into solving an anticipated crunch for parking spaces s downtown develops At least two projects in the pipeline will reduce spaces in widely used privately owned parking lots downtown — a lot leased by the town adjacent to the rail line on East Main Street and a portion of the Carr Mill Mall lot on

than current rules require. That move was met with protests, with several residents and business owners writing to the board asking that the development not be granted a reduction in parking.

The board of aldermen held a lengthy discussion on parking at its recent retreat, sketching out a list of discussion points including:

• the importance of free public parking;

• striking a balance between accommodating people who drive downtown versus encouraging everyone to drive downtown;

• a desire to maintain an environment where people can park and walk to multiple businesses;

• a desire to look at multimodal solutions;

• interest in the Blue Urban Bikes program;

• integrating public transit

are entering the peak season of flowering of Red Maples, Acer rubrum. During the next several weeks, we will be seeing dense red clusters on leafless branches. These clusters of tiny flowers can be fully appreciated only with a close-up view with a sharp eye. I make use of a 10x hand lens, though most any hand-held reading magnifiers will suffice.

Maple flowers lack the obvious petals we see on most flowering plants. A close look will reveal that these clusters contain only female or male parts on each flower. Now we're entering a botany lesson as well as taking a peak at the sex lives of plants. Maple trees are described as polygamous. Some trees have only male flowers, clusters of stamens; other trees have only female flowers, clusters of pistils. Sometimes a single tree will have perfect flowers - i.e., male and female parts in the same flower. The male tree of pollen-bearing stamens has an overall yellowish tint. The female flowers have

RECENTLY By Valerie Schwartz

Some of life's occurrences have a one-word explanation: Fate.

That's how Milton and Virginia Julian have looked at life since meeting one spring day in 1945 after Milton knocked on the door of his brother Ira's home and a delightful blonde responded.

"Who are you?" Virginia asked in her native Greensboro accent

Well, who are you?" Milton tossed back with a quickening heart. "Is Ira home?"

Ira, an attorney and owner of the Kent Street Bakeries in Greensboro and Winston-Salem, was away on a business trip and had asked his reliable employee, Virginia, who was working her way through college, to man-

age the Winston-Salem store in his absence and stay in his home with the maid and two of his children.

Milton, of Brockton, Mass., had just been discharged from the Army Air Force after serving for three and a half years during World War II. The youngest of five boys, he returned to Ira's home, where he had lived in

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Roberson Street. A more in-depth review of parking was initiated after the developers of Roberson Place, at the corner of Greensboro and Roberson streets, asked for less parking

 residential parking permits for downtown neighborhoods;

• the need to understand fiscal implications of any proposal.

The town is also collecting responses to a parking survey sent to local businesses.

On Tuesday, Chilton said that if the board is serious about maintaining free parking, it will have to find a way to pay for it that's fair.

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Learning by the book

by Susan Dickson Staff Writer

On a Wednesday morning in Day McLaughlin's fifth-grade classroom, the 10- and 11-year-old students are busy working on their first book, which will be published this summer.

For the book, each student is writing a story based on a memory told by a member of the black community. When asked what the hardest part about writing the story is, student Skylar Frisch expressed the struggles

of many writers.

"You have to find a part where you can stop it," she said.

And the best part of writing the story?

"You get to make up most of it," Skylar said. "You take some facts, and then you mix it into what might happen."

McLaughlin's gradfifth ers at McDougle Elementary School interviewed Lincoln High

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PHOTO BY AMY THOMAS

Members of the black community share stories with Day McLaughlin's fifth-grade class.

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INSIDE

Stop dumping deer carcasses in creeks, Saxapahaw man asks

Drought woes, Farm Bill focus of annual Ag Summit

by Susan Dickson Staff Writer

More than 100 farmers, county officials and community members gathered on Tuesday to discuss the drought and the changing face of agriculture at the 10th annual Orange County Agricultural Summit.

Rep. David Price expressed his concerns regarding the drought to the crowd at the Orange Enterprises Building in Hillsborough, which is being considered as a possible site for a shareduse value-added food-processing center.

"I am very concerned, as I know you are, about the news that the prospects for a turnaround [in the weather] are receding," Price said. "I of course firmly hope that that isn't the case."

Price said Congress is considering increasing emergency disaster assistance for crop and livestock producers, which could provide relief during the drought.

"It really is going to be necessary for us to prepare for an adverse situation," he said. "I know

that the people most affected are our farmers.

'We have a lot of work to do in this region, short-term and long-term, in preparing for our water's future," Price continued. "This is not a water-rich state. This is a state where we have to shepherd our resources very carefully."

Tom Konsler, environmental health director for Orange County, said that while well replacements have increased slightly recently, the increase is small compared to the spike in well replacements in 2002.

"Now we're seeing a pretty big spike in irrigation wells being drilled," Konsler said.

Board of County Commissioners Chair Barry Jacobs said the county is in the process of hiring a water resources coordinator who will focus on water conservation and public health efforts. Jacobs added that the coordinator will provide the county with scientific information about the county and its water "before we do things that will lead us in an irreparable direction."

The summit also featured presentations from Weaver Street Market and Whole Foods

representatives, who provided information regarding obtaining products from local farmers and the increasing demand for local foods.

"There is a lot more demand for product than there is local product," said Paul Griswold, a buyer for Weaver Street Market. "The news is good and the outlook is really bright. I just see an ever-expanding market on the East Coast."

Local growers provided information about their operations, also emphasizing the growing demand for local foods.

To meet the increasing demand for locally grown products, the county is working with Alamance, Chatham and Durham counties to establish a shared-use value-added food-processing center, where farmers and others could make value-added products such as jams, pickles or tamales.

Consultant Smithson Mills provided an update regarding plans for the facility. According to Jacobs, the county has applied for grants to fund the facility, which could be housed at the county-owned Orange Enterprises Building.

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This Week: February 15 — 21, 2008

Friday

The Beatles cover band Abbey Road Live! plays Cat's Cradle at 9:30 p.m. Tickets \$12, \$10 in advance.



Scenes and Monsonia at lack Sprat. Show at 10, tickets \$4 advance or \$6 at the door.

Sunday Six acts for \$5 at Cat's Cradle. Proceeds benefit the Carnivore Preservation Trust. Doors at 7. Playing: Joe Grizzley, Direkt

Frequency, Torched,

Casta, Doly Toro and Ascella Vega.

Monday

Celebrate George Washington and Abraham Lincoln on **Presidents Day!** Typically accomplished by shopping.

Tuesday The Dirty South Improv Festival starts today and lasts through Sunday. Check out the tons of comics and events at



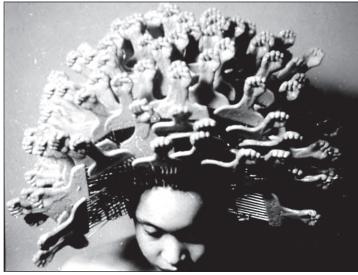
An entire play written and performed in 48 hours. One Song Productions performs at The ArtsCenter at 7:30. \$8, \$5 for students.

Wednesday



Check out Deep Dish Theater's production of the Pulitzer-winning political satire **State of the Union**. Information and tickets at deepdishtheater.org.

Arts Calendar



"Pick Wig," Lauren Kelley, Photograph, 20x24," 1999 is featured in the PepperPot show.

Carrboro

Because We're Still Here (and Moving): Mapping a World of Black History in Our Own **Backyard** — photography exhibit & interactive installation, Center Gallery. Acrylic paintings by DiGiulio, East Gallery. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St. 929-2787, artscenterlive.org.

Mixed media by Chief — a tribute to the artists' new daughter. The Beehive Salon, 102 E. Weaver St. 932-4483, thebeehive-salon.com.

Under the Big Blue Sky – works by self-taught artist Valerie Tan. Showing through Feb. CenPaintings by Laura Williams. Nested, 118-B E Main St. 338-8023, nestedhome.com.

Paintings by Mary Charlton and multimedia work by Miles Murray. Open Eye Café, 101 S Greensboro St. 968-9410, openeyecafe.com.

Controlled Chaos

— acrylic paintings by Catharine Carter. Through Mar 31. Panzanella, Carr Mill Mall, E Weaver St & N Greensboro St. 929-6626, panzanella.com.

Images from **Chatham County** — photography by

Dwain Ritchie. Weaver Street Realty, 116 E Main St. 929-5658, weaverstreetrealty.com.

Chapel Hill

Picturing the World: Carolina's **Celebrated Photojournalists**

tives on Public Justice — showing through May 4. Ackland Art Museum, S Columbia St & Franklin St. 966-5736, ackland.org.

PepperPot: Multi Media Installation, Meaning, and the Medium in Contemporary **Diasporic Art** — a contemporary multimedia exhibit featuring work

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tury Center. 100 N Greensboro

Bolin Creek and Woodlands:

Natural Treasures — photogra-

phy by Dave Otto. Carrboro Town

Works by Jamie Nervo - ev-

eryday events and characters with a

twist. Fleet Feet Gallery, 406 E Main

St. 942-3102, fleetfeetcarrboro.com.

The Road Home — new paintings

by Chapel Hill artist Melissa Miller.

NC Crafts Gallery, 212 W Main St.

942-4048, nccraftsgallery.com.

Hall, 301 W Main St., 942-8541,

townofcarrboro.com.

St. 918-7385, townofcarrboro.

com/rp/cc.htm.



"Church Hat," by Lynne Clarke is featured this month at Caffe Driade.

> by four outstanding young emerging artists. Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History. UNC campus. Opening reception Fri, Feb 22, 7pm. Through May 11. Call 962-9001 for more info.

Pablo Picasso — Imaginary Portraits. Showing through Mar 13.

Mall, S Estes Dr. 968-8008, animationandfineart.com Paintings by Lynne Clarke interesting found materials, strong

The Faces of Child Trafficking Photography by Angela Harper. Showing through Feb 25. FedEx Global Education Center, 301 Pittsboro St. 962-2435, international.unc. edu/GEC.html.

world-renowned artists. Turning Point Gallery, University Mall, S Estes Dr. 967-0402, harmonyfineart.com.

Paintings by Cat Moleski

work. Bagwell, Holt, Smith, Tillmar

Music Calendar



Davis Stillson plays The Cave tonight.

THURSDAY FEB 14

Blue Bayou Club: Lucy Summer & Bo Lankenau. 8:30pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Paleface. 10pm Cat's Cradle: Young Neil and the Damage Done, Heart of Glass. 9pm. \$8

The Cave: Early: Davis Stillson. Late: Dirty Little Heaters. The Pneurotics, Virgo 9. \$5

General Store Café: Club Boheme, 8pm

Local 506: Tripp, Jason Adamo, Luego, Jeff Crawford. 9:30pm. Price TBA.

Blue Horn Lounge: David Spencer Band. 10pm

9:30pm. \$12

The Cave: Early: New River Rock Skippers. Late: Rat Jackson, Spider Bags, Can Joann.

General Store Café: Keith Howard. 8:30pm

Local 506: Supastition, Tyler Hipnosis, Crash, K-Hill, Big Treal, Big Remo, Kooley High, DJ Forge. 10pm. \$7

Audibel, Arizona, 9:30pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Joshua Long Band. 10pm



MONDAY FEB 18

Cat's Cradle: Joe Lally with Edie Sedgwick, Fin Fang Foom. 9pm. \$10

Local 506: Bon Iver, Megafaun, Heather McEntire. 9:30pm. \$7

TUESDAY FEB 19

Blue Horn Lounge: Blue James Band. 9pm

Cat's Cradle: Relay for Life benefit: The Honored Guests, The Sammies, The Future Kings of Nowhere. 9pm. \$5

The Cave: Early: Zatch.

Local 506: Pinkie Swear Presents, Leslie & the Ly's, Totally Michael. 9pm. \$10

Nightlight: Lucas Abela (Justice Yeldham), Clang Quartet, Glass Witch, Vagina Teeth, Panicsville. 9pm. \$6

Reservoir: Can Kickers, Spiderbags, The Blue Moon Review.

WEDNESDAY FEB 20

The ArtsCenter: Lori McKenna with Mark Erelli. 8:30pm. \$24

Blue Horn Lounge: Daniel Lee. 10pm

Cat's Cradle: Can Joann, Grappling Hook, The Longshoremen. 9pm. Free.

The Cave: Late: Kindness of Strangers.

Local 506: Atlas Sound, White Rainbow, Valet. 9pm. \$10 Nightlight: Blag'ard, Scarlet Rider. 9:30pm

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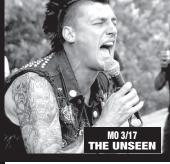
Nightlight: Sedona, East Company,

SATURDAY FEB 16

Cat's Cradle: Carbon Leaf. 9:30pm. \$16

Cat's Cradle: Abbey Road.

FRIDAY FEB 15



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M0 5/26 CLINIC**(\$13/\$15)

& Jones, PA, 400 Market St, Ste 103. 932-2225, bhspa.com Hillsborough

Winter Blues — art by the artists of Hillsborough Gallery of Arts. Through Feb 23. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts, 121 N Churton St, Ste I-D. 732-5001, hillsboroughgallery.com.

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ESTIVAL

It's a Dog's Life — whimsical paintings of canine shenanigans by Shannon Spoor Bueker. Carolina Brewery & Grill, 120 Lowes Dr, Pittsboro. Opening reception Sun, Mar 2, 4-6pm. Showing through Mar.

A Touch of RED — Chatham County Arts Council, 115 Hillsboro St. 542-0394, chathamarts.org.

The Cave: Early: The Cheeksters. Late: Puritan Rodeo, Birds & Arrows, Williams & Cavalry.

General Store Café: Coyote Ridge. 8:30pm

Local 506: Jeremy Fisher, Brooke Waggoner, Jim Bianco. 9pm. \$10

Nightlight: The Cardinal Heart, Ben Carr, Like Hell I Will, Miwa Gemini. 9:30pm

Open Eye Café: Doug Hoekstra. 8pm

SUNDAY FEB 17

Cat's Cradle: Joe Grizzley, Direkt Fequency, Torched, Casta, Doly

Toro, Acella Vega. 7:15pm. \$5 Local 506: Black Mountain, Blood on the Wall. 9:30pm. \$10

THURSDAY FEB 2I

Blue Horn Lounge: Bill West. 10pm

Cat's Cradle: Melissa Ferrick Trio. 9pm, \$16

The Cave: Early: 3 Feet Up. Late: Sol Driven Train.

General Store Café: Tony Galiani Band. 8pm

Local 506: International Pop Overthrow Festival: Down By Avalon; The Love Willows; Love Jones; Airspace; Midnite Sun; We Know, Plato; Brett Harris; SNMNMNM. 7:30pm. \$8

Nightlight: Love Language (Solo), Heads on Sticks, Monologue Bombs. 9pm. \$5



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Business survey conducted

To evaluate its garbage services and reduce waste, the Orange County Solid Waste Department is conducting an online survey for businesses. The survey can be found at www.co.orange.nc.us/recycling/news. The data will be used to improve waste services and respondents are eligible for prizes including gift certificates and parking tokens.

Banner missing again

A second Cackalacky banner on display in Carrboro was stolen again and the company is responding by giving away free bumper stickers at Cliff's Meat Market.

The stickers are available free while supplies last. For more information, visit www.cackalacky.com.

And, if you have the banner, please give it back.

Man charged in youth's death

The Alamance County man accused of killing a 16-year-old Mebane resident has been charged with felony death by vehicle, felony hit and run and driving while impaired.

Scott Steven Belling, 47, is being held in the Orange County Jail on \$70,000 bond.

According to N.C. Highway Patrol, the victim, Che Skaggs, was skateboarding with his brother in front of his house on Claibornes Road at about 5:15 p.m. when Belling's vehicle ran off the road and struck him.

Belling was apprehended at a convenience store about five miles from the scene of the accident. He had a 0.23 blood alcohol level, according to state troopers.

Physics demo

The UNC Department of physics and astronomy will hold the 8th Annual Physics Demo Show, Energy All Around Us! On March 1 at 2 p.m.

The show will address questions such as: Why do we need energy? Where can we find energy? How can we conserve energy? Physics professors and graduate students will perform fun physics demonstrations.

The event is fun and educational and is suited for all ages. The show will be held in Room 215 of Phillips Hall on the UNC campus and is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Dan Burke at dburke@physics.unc.edu. Seating is limited to 150 people, and groups of 10 or more should contact Burke ahead of time.

Drug and Alcohol awareness workshops

The Drug and Alcohol Awareness Team and the Chapel Hill Police Department will sponsor a series of workshops on parent education awareness of teen alcohol and drug issues.

CHPD crisis counselor Matt Sullivan will lead the

Mental health provider shutting down

By Taylor Sisk Staff Writer

Citing insufficient funding from the state, Caring Family Network - the primary provider of mental health treatment in Orange, Person and Chatham counties - announced it will be discontinuing most of its services within the next month.

Caring Family Network is a private agency that contracts to provide mental health and substance abuse services through the OPC Area Program. OPC is a local government agency tasked with providing oversight and management of mental health, developmental disability and substance

abuse services in the three counties. Prior to last spring, Caring Family Network had been serving approximately 1,000 clients in Orange County.

In May, the organization announced that due in large measure to rate cuts by the state for community support services it would be restructuring its services. The Medicaid rate reimbursed to organizations providing community support services previously had been \$60.96 an hour and was reduced to \$51.28. In June, it then announced a cutback in services.

Caring Family Network has now announced that community support and outpatient services will be discontinued at the end of this month and psychiatric and nursing services will no longer be provided after March 10, while therapeutic foster care homes will remain open.

Jim Martin, who previously served as director of Caring Family Network's Chapel Hill clinic, has been hired by OPC to oversee the transition of services. He said that OPC is currently in negotiations with two providers to pick up the Caring Family Network's service capacities in Orange County.

"I'm optimistic that we're going to get through this transition," he said. "Obviously, it's a big process, but we have a plan in place and we're going to work through it."

Schools maintain lowest drop-out rate in the state

The drop-out rate in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools in 2006-07 fell to 1.12 percent, the lowest drop-out rate of any school district in the state.

The number of drop-outs in the district fell to 41, from 57 students in 2005-06, a 28percent improvement. In North Carolina, the overall drop-out rate rose to 5.24 percent, a

slight increase from 2005-06. Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools has held the state's lowest drop-out rate for several years.

The number of suspensions in the district held steady, with 363 suspensions in 2006-07

and 366 in 2005-06. District officials attribute the drop-out rate improvement to the efforts made as a result of

the district's participation in the as to other students who are High Five Regional Partnership for High School Excellence.

According to a district press release, the district's three high schools have recently implemented strategies to thwart drop-outs, including identifying and providing support to students who struggle academically in middle school as well

prone to dropping out, such as those who are old for their grade levels.

In addition, the district recently added a Middle College program with Durham Technical Community College, as well as career and thematic academies.

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Man arrested after fatal shooting in Northside

The Chapel Hill Police Department have charged a Chapel Hill man with first-degree murder in connection with a shooting in the Northside neighborhood Tuesday afternoon.

William Albert Stroud, 27, of 222 Knolls St., was apprehended by police after he was located with his vehicle on Crest Drive. Police had received information that the suspect had fled the scene of the shooting, near Sykes Street and Gomains Avenue, in a burgundy Chevrolet Cavalier.

The victim, Marshall Ralph Brown, 51, was found by police lying on the ground with a gunshot wound to the back and died later at UNC Hospitals.

Stroud is being held without bond at the Orange County Jail.

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Covering summer reading choice

Book Selection Committee at UNC has selected Covering: The Hidden Assault on Our Civil Rights by Kenji Yoshino.

As part of its summer reading program, UNC asks all first-year and incoming transfer students to read a book over the summer and participate in small group discussions led by faculty and staff once they arrive on campus.

Yoshino, the Guido Calabresi Professor of Law at Yale University, specializes in constitutional law, law and literature and Japanese law and society.

In Covering, published in 2006, he uses his identity as Japanese-American and gay to illustrate sociologist Erving Goffman's notion of "covering" - downplaying stigmatizing identities in order to assimilate to the cultural mainstream. Yoshino challenges ideas about minority

The 2008 Summer Reading Program rights and the sometimes-damaging effects of social integration.

> A nine-member book-selection committee of students, faculty and staff began meeting last fall to consider books for this year's program.

> Committee chairman Peter A. Coclanis, associate provost for international affairs and Albert A. Newsome Professor of History, said the book would push students to rethink the definition of equality and how "covering" degrades everyone's civil rights.

> The committee chose Covering from more than 160 suggestions made by 224 students, alumni, faculty and community members.

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workshops, which will provide information on how to keep teens safe from the harmful consequences of substance use. All sessions will be held at 7 p.m. on the following dates:

- Feb. 20, McDougle Middle School;
- Mar. 6, Carrboro High School; and
- Mar. 11, Smith Middle School.

All sessions will contain the same material, so parents should pick the date and location that is most convenient for them. The workshops are free and open to the public. For more information, call 942-3300 or email dalepratt-wilson@nc.rr.com.

Work on McCauley Street to start

Work will begin next week on a new electrical duct bank to upgrade the connection between the electrical substation on Cameron Avenue and the main campus of UNC. The work will cause some traffic delays and changes in on-street parking along McCauley Street and a small stretch of Pittsboro Street.

Both McCauley and Pittsboro streets will remain open to traffic during the project, expected to end in late spring. When a lane needs to be closed because of construction, traffic will be directed by flagmen. Some on-street parking may not be available because of construction. Alternate parking is available between 5 p.m. and 7:30 a.m. in the nearby Wilson Court parking lot on the Carolina campus.

The trimming of low-hanging tree branches along the street is scheduled to begin Feb. 19, followed a week later by excavation for the duct bank.

Leaf collection ends Feb. 29

The Town of Carrboro will end its annual looseleaf collection on February 29. Loose-leaf collection is in residential areas only. Residents are requested to follow these collection service guidelines:

- Leaves may be raked curbside for collection
- Leaves must be free of all debris (leaves only)

• Leaves should not be placed in the street, drainage ditch, bike lane or on sidewalks

• Leaves may be bagged and placed curbside for collection (no more than eight plastic bags or unlimited paper bags, weighing no more than 50 pounds each)

Leaves may be bagged as of March 1 and placed curbside for pick up. The town will pick up no more than eight plastic bags or unlimited paper bags per household. Bagged leaves as of March 1 will be picked up according to your normal yard-waste collection schedule.

Residents may call Paul E. Hellwig, landscaping and grounds supervisor, if there are questions or concerns regarding loose-leaf collection service. He can be reached via email at grounds@townofcarrboro.org or by telephone at 918-7431.



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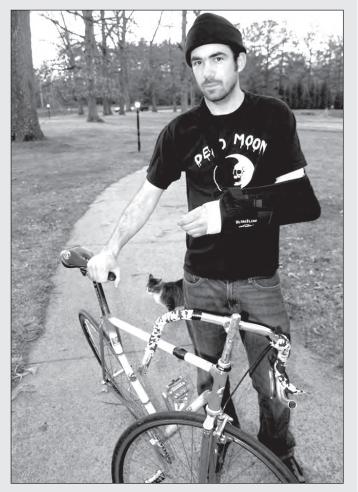


PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

Pictured above is musician Dave Laney. Last week, a car making a left from Main Street onto Fidelity Street struck Laney's bicycle broadside. He sustained a broken arm and foot. Gigs were cancelled. He's standing outside his home with his cat, Mittens, and what's left of his bike. The accident was one of several involving cars and bikes that have happened over the past couple of weeks. With weather warming and more bikers out on the streets, The Citizen would like to remind all drivers to keep a close lookout and to remind motorists to share the road.

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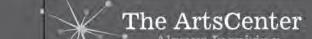
Healthy teeth for kids

The Orange County Health Department's Dental Health Program will host a free dental-education workshop for parents of children age 5 and under on Feb. 20 from 6 to 7 p.m.

The program is hosting the workshop as part of National Children's Dental Health Month. For the workshop, the dental staff of Dr. Avni Rampersaud will explain how nutrition, regular dental visits and proper brushing can lead to good oral health for children.

The workshop will be held at Rampersaud's office at 205 Sage Rd., Suite 202. Participants will be able to tour the dental clinic after the presentation.

To register for the workshop, call Rampersaud's office at 929-0489. A second dental-education workshop will be held March 11 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the office of Dr. Charles Mauney at 223 Timberhill Pl. To register for this workshop, call Mauney's office at 933-1007.



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1935 while establishing in-state residency before receiving a degree at the University of North Carolina. His plan was to return to Chapel Hill and complete a law degree that he was two years into.

"It was love at first sight," Virginia said. Milton, sitting next to her this past Monday, on his 90th birthday, nodded, then smiled, absorbed in the memory.

Milton went back to school, but six weeks into it decided to return to the haberdashery business. He had sold shoes and socks before the war, but now he joined his brother Maurice, who had started selling to servicemen training in Chapel Hill during the war, but was now serving clientele returning to school, at Julian's College Shop.

The conjugal knot was tied on Dec. 31, 1945 as Milton and Virginia were on their way to Florida. A woman by the title of "Ordinary" married them in McIntosh County, Georgia.

"Then all hell broke loose," Milton said, laughing. They had married outside of their faiths, and both Jewish and Methodist families were in an uproar.

Virginia has an answer for everything.

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"I immediately started having babies," she said.

"Virginia said when we were dating that she'd like to have a big family," Milton said brightly. She bore seven — five boys and two girls.

In 1947, Milton decided he wanted his own store; nine months later, after exploring opportunities elsewhere, he opened Milton's Clothing Cupboard, adding to what would become an era with seven men's clothing stores on Franklin Street.

"I started out across the street," Milton said. "We were sometimes not so friendly, but were mostly friendly competitors," he said of Maurice, who would later sell his store to his children, Alexander and Missy, who continue it as Julian's.

Milton expanded, with stores in Atlanta, Dallas and Charlotte, totaling six. With his attention on business, Virginia kept up with the children. As their family also expanded, they outgrew every size of apartment at Glen Lennox and in 1955 moved into a contemporary home designed by George Matsumoto that they built on Ledger Lane.

Shannon Julian, the third son, remembers those halcyon days: "It was pretty neat growing up in the tiny version of Chapel Hill. When I was 10, I thought I knew almost all of the full-time

residents. I always enjoyed some of the comments about Virginia. Here was this striking beauty driving around town in a babyblue Buick Skylark convertible with a mess of kids in the back."

Virginia's love of horses, fox hunting and dog training served her well in raising their brood.

Milton closed the door at 167 E. Franklin St. for the last time in 1992 (it's now home to Franklin Street Pizza & Pasta), at age 74. He sold the Charlotte store to his son Bruce; but he continues to clothe clients, meeting them in their homes or offices, where he takes measurements and, working with a tailor, delivers the goods a week or so later.

"Last week I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Charlie Nelms, getting new clothes for the chancellor of North Carolina Central University," Milton said.

Three mornings a week, the couple rises at 4:30 and arrives as the doors of the Duke Health and Fitness Center open, where they spend 75 minutes working out, followed by coffee with fellow members.

"I started it in 1981 when it was a new facility," Milton said. "Virginia started six months later. Now it's been 27 years, three times a week."

Virginia, 87, stays busy caring for four horses on property off Old N.C. 86 that she acquired in the late 1980s. A few years ago, they enlarged the smaller of two log cabins on the property, sold their house in town and moved out to the farm, up the hill from their daughter Jami and her family.

Virginia keeps a garden through the assistance of her "adopted son," David Weaver, who stops by regularly.

"They are the most wonderful people," Weaver said. "They're so funny — they're two people with such different opinions and views — it's somethin'."

They laugh their way through their differences.

"In my eyes there's no sweeter couple," Weaver said. "They're extremely special."

Contact Valarie Schwartz at 923-3746 or valariekays@ mac.com.

Community Calendar

Special Events

Lunchbox Concert Series — Thursdays, Feb 14-Mar 6. Bring lunch to the Century Center and hear live music from noon to Ipm. Free coffee provided by Open Eye Café. 100 N Greensboro St. Call 918-7385 or visit townofcarrboro. com/rp/cc.htm for more info.

Old Time Dixieland music by The Decatur Street Band. Sun, Feb 17, 3pm. Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill. Call 968-2070 for more info.

Kids

Toddler Time – At the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Thursday at 4pm. For more info, call 969-3006.

Preschool Story Time - At the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Saturday at 10:30am. All preschoolers are invited to this free program. For more info, call 969-3006.

ComedySportz 4 Kidz - Games

brooze@embarqmail.com.

English as a Second Language Conversation Club seeks volunteers to talk with groups of international students Fridays from 11:30am-1:30pm. University Methodist Church on Franklin Street. Call 967-1448 or email harwellja@

Health & Wellness

bellsouth.net.

Youth Health & Fitness Fair to promote healthy eating and living, offered by UNC Athletics and UNC Family Medicine in conjunction with National Girls & Women in Sport day. Sun, Feb 17, 11am. Woollen Gym, UNC campus. Youth who attend health fair are invited to attend the UNC Women's Basketball game against Florida State University at Ipm in Carmichael Auditorium. Call 800-722-4335 for tickets.

Community Grief Support Group, offered by UNC Hospitals' 967-5403. Classes begin Mar 4. Registration required. Email confidential inquiries to gbelder@bellsouth.net.

The Compassionate Friends: Self-help support after the death of a child. Free and open to all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Evergreen United Methodist Church. 11098 Highway 15-501. Call Julie Coleman at 967-3221 or visit www. chapelhilltcf.org.

Museums

Planetarium & Digital Theater Shows - Science LIVE Demos. Ongoing. Morehead Planetarium,

250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236, tickets 843-7997. Thu-Sat 10am-5pm, 6:30-9:15pm. Tickets \$5.25; \$4.25 seniors, students & children. For more info, visit www.moreheadplanetarium.org.

A Nursery of Patriotism: The University at War, 1861-1945. Exhibit on war's historic impact on UNC-Chapel Hill. In the Manuscripts Dept (4th floor), Wilson Library, UNC campus, through Feb 29. www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/universityatwar.html.

358-4201, salsa_4u2@yahoo.com. Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 4702 Garrett Rd, Durham (Hillsborough).

Ballroom - Dancing. 4th & 5th Thursdays, 7-9:30pm, \$2. 933-8982. Seymour Senior Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill, 968-2070.

Contra Dance — presented by the Carolina Song & Dance Association. With music and live caller Bree Kalb. Fri, Feb 15, 7:30pm workshop, 8pm dance. \$8 donation requested. Please carry a pair of clean, softsoled, smooth-soled shoes. Call 967-9948 or visit www.csda-dance. org.

Literary Discussion/ **Open Mic**

Open Mic - For poetry, music & short fiction. Tuesdays at 7pm, Market Street Books & Maps, Southern Village, 610 Market St, Chapel Hill. 933-5111, www.marketstreetbooks. com

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by DJ Doctor Tofu

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& improv for the 12 & under crowd. Saturdays, 5pm. \$10, students \$8, kids under 5 \$5. DSI Comedy Theater, 200 N Greensboro St, Ste B-11, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro, 338-8150, www.dsicomedytheater.com.

Express Yourself! - Art program for ages 3-8 & their caregivers. Weekly art projects for children & adults to explore their own creative paths; registration requested. Saturdays, 10:45-11:15 & 11:30am-noon. \$2. Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 933-1455, www.kidzuchildrensmuseum.org.

Volunteers

Meals on Wheels - Seeks volunteers to deliver meals and/or bake simple desserts for recipients in the Chapel Hill/Carrboro area. For more info, call 942-2948.

Goathouse Cat Refuge – Seeks volunteers to help with rescued cats & kittens. For more info, call Bonny at 545-2825 or email her at

Bereavement Support Services. Group will focus on sharing and moving toward healing in a safe, supportive setting. Mondays through Mar 10, 6:30-8pm. United Church of Chapel Hill, 1321 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Free and open to anyone, regardless of faith background. To enroll, contact Heidi Gessner at 966-0716 or hgessner@ unch.unc.edu.

Living with Advanced/Metastatic Cancer – A bi-weekly support group. Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month, 3:30-5pm. Drop-in, no charge. Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center, 111 Cloister Ct, Ste 220, Chapel Hill. 401-9333, www.cornucopiahouse.

org. NAMI Family-To-Family Education Program will host a series of 12 weekly classes for people who have family members with a serious mental illness. Classes offered in Chapel Hill. Contave Gove Elder,

Films

We Shall Not be Moved: A History of the Tillery Resettlement (2007) — A history of the New Deal resettlement community of Tillery, N.C. from slavery to present through archival film and video footage, historical photographs and narratives by Tillery's elders. Thu, Feb 21, 7pm. Free and open to the public. Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History. 150 South Rd, UNC campus. Call 962-9001 for more info.

Dance

Havana Nights – Cuban Salsa. Ist and 3rd Thursdays, 10pm. Mansion 462, 462 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill, 967-7913, www.mansion462.net.

Salsa/Mambo - 3rd Saturdays, lesson 8pm, dance 8:30-11pm. \$7, from Seven Perspectives — a national convention to address the functional and aesthetic interaction among public art, profession design disciplines, private development and government. Registration for the April symposium is \$60 before Feb 22, \$70 after that date. Visit www. publicartcollaborative.org for more info.

VITA, a free tax assistance program for low- to middle-income clients runs through Apr. For enrollement requirements or more info visit www.co.orange.nc.us/aging/VITA.asp.

Introduction to Buddhism.

Wednesdays through Mar 5, 7:30-9pm. Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center. 35 Perkins Dr, Chapel Hill. Call 933-2138 or visit www.piedmontktc.org for more info.

Weekly Peace Vigils. Fridays, 5-6pm. At the corner of Elliot Rd & E Franklin St. Call 942-2535 for info.

PETS OF THE WEEK



APS OF ORANGE COUNTY — Well, hello there! My name is Sweet Tea and I am a 2-year-old hound/shepherd mix. Not too big, not too small, just right at 50 lbs. I am a housebroken and playful lady. I love to romp around with other dogs and play tug-of-war with a rope toy. I love to be sweet-talked as I snuggle up to you as close as I can get. I came into a county shelter as a pregnant stray mama. We were some of the lucky ones; all of my babies were adopted, and now for ME! Visit me today at Animal Protection Society of Orange County, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at www.animalprotectionsociety.org.



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Recipe of the week BRENNIE'S BRUSSELS

Recipe provided by Market customer: Brendan Caine

Ingredients

- A dozen or so brussel sprouts
- I tablespoons of olive oil
- I tablespoon of butter
- 2 cloves garlic (minced)
- _ tablespoon salt
- I teaspoon of pepper (or more if desired)

Procedure



Wash brussel sprouts and cut off the base. Slice brussel sprouts in two, lengthwise. Heat olive oil and butter in a large (12 inch) skillet over low heat. Place brussel sprouts face down in skillet and allow them to cook for 15 - 20 minutes over low heat. The face of the brussel sprouts will begin to caramelize. They should be a dark brown, but not burned. Once Brussels are nearly caramelized, add garlic to the pan. Sauté and allow the garlic

to brown. Add water until the tops of the brussels are just barely exposed. Season the water with kosher salt and pepper. Raise the heat to high and continue to cook until water has mostly boiled off, stirring occasionally. These can be enjoyed hot or cold as leftovers. They're great in salads!

Total cooking time: 30 minutes *Available at Market _ _ _ _ _

OWASA to consider tighter restrictions

by Jack Carley Staff Writer

Tonight (Thursday) the OWASA board of directors will discuss a report calling for stage three water restrictions, which include surcharges, by mid-March if the area does not see more rain by the end of the month.

For homes, surcharges would multiply the cost of water depending on how much is used. For non-residential customers, the surcharge is an extra 25 percent.

Stage three restrictions also prevent almost all outdoor uses of OWASA water except for some construction purposes and a little bit of hand-watering three days a week. Service is cut off if more than 600 gallons are used by a household in a day.

The report says that the restrictions themselves will have a limited effect but that surcharges are intended to be a strong signal to customers to reduce demand.

The report, prepared by

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two embryonic winged seeds, ovules, having a common stalk, the style, splitting at the top into two curly tips, the stigmas. Wind-borne pollen from the stamens lands on the stigmas to fertilize the little ovules. The little ovules, in just a few weeks, grow to become those fun-to-watch and fun-to-throw winged "helicopter" maple seeds we know so well. The female trees are generally the ones with the brilliant red color.

Take a magnifying lens outdoors for a closer look. I promise you will find that nature has OWASA staff, recommends that the utility's board declare a stage three water shortage on Feb. 28 if reservoir levels do not reach 45 percent full by the end of the month.

Reservoirs are currently about 39 percent full and, without more rain, hold enough water for about six months.

Reaching 45 percent capacity would require about three to five more inches in the next two weeks, while weather forecasts predict below-average rainfall through spring.

OWASA suggests that customers try to reduce demand to 35 gallons per person, per day.

Public comment is encouraged at the meeting, which will be held at 8 p.m. tonight at the OWASA Administration Building at 400 Jones Ferry Rd.

The full report contains further details and can be found online at owasa.org/agenda/ agendameetings.asp

produced a beautiful work of art. It will help you to know that maples are opposite-branched so the flower clusters are opposite each other.

Alternate-branched elms, Winged Elm, Ulmus alata, Slippery Elm, U. rubra, and American Elm, U. americana, are also flowering now. Their tiny flowers are copper-reddish in color. Take a real close look at them and see if you can determine whether you have male flowers, female flowers or perfect flowers.

If you wait until official spring to take this closer-look adventure, you'll only be seeing elm and maple seeds covering the ground all over town.



ILLUSTRATION BY PHIL BLANK



WAITING ON BRUNCH .. ACME .

PHOTO BY KEN MOORE Opposite-branched Red Maple on the left and alternate-branched Winged Elm on the right

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Chapel Hill charges downtown property owners 9 cents per \$100 valuation to help pay for services and infrastructure and fund its downtown commission.

that the town consider working with developers who are planning to build parking decks as part of their projects. Chilton said he knows of at least two projects in which decks are being contemplated.

The scarcity of suitable sites

night, the board reviewed a set of proposals from the Northern Study Area Plan Implementation Review Committee for how to proceed with planning for the 3,800-acre Northern Study Area.

With one objective being and the cost of adding space to identify potential comwere underlined at the meeting mercial spaces, the committee it from being developed for a named three areas as ripe for a mixed-use development. The three sites are the 64-acre Hogan tract on Homestead Road, the 59-acre Hogan Heirs tract bordering Twin Creeks Park and Duke Forest and a 27-acre tract on the corner of Eubanks Road and Old N.C. 86 that is proposed for development by Adam and Omar Zinn. But the 17-member committee had a difficult time agreeing on several other recommendations and forwarded to the board competing proposals for how to proceed. One controversial idea is to allow for small-scale commercial development along the major

arterial roads. Another would eliminate the west side of Old N.C. 86 from consideration for the next round of development.

Chilton, a member of the committee, said he would like to see the area west of Old N.C. 86 downzoned to prevent

lead to sparse, large-lot development in an area that might work for commercial or denser development. Broun asked that a site on the west side of Old N.C. 86 that the committee said might be suitable for commercial development be added to the list of potential mixeduse sites to give residents in the

owners in the area and the

community at-large about the

be possible.

idea.

The board agreed that a community forum or a public hearing should be held on the ideas for the Northern Study Area to help flesh out community concerns and committee members' ideas on the how to move forward



Board member Jacquie Gist asked whether the town should consider a similar method to fund parking infrastructure.

Board member Dan Coleman said the town may also have to consider fees for some spaces - possibly some of the on-street parking.

Chilton said the town will have to strike a balance.

"Downtown parking benefits everyone," he said, "but to different degrees."

Since businesses downtown will receive a major share of the benefit, Chilton said, asking the business owners to help pay for the cost should be considered. Chilton also suggested

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in a brief presentation by James Harris, the town's community and economic development director, on the potential for a new town-leased lot behind the KFC on East Main Street. Fixing the lot to comply with stormwater rules would cost between \$20,000 and \$30,000 for roughly 26 additional spac-

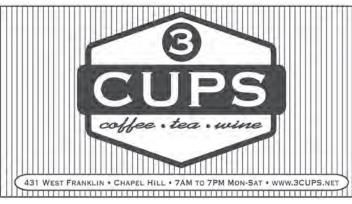
Town Manager Steve Stewart noted that estimate was before repair and improvements to the lot itself, which is not now in usable shape. That and the small number of spaces the town would gain make the project unlikely, he said.

In other action Tuesday

number of years. Coleman agreed with Chilton, saying that the area should grow more slowly.

But board member Joal Hall Broun said she was wary of the idea and that it might

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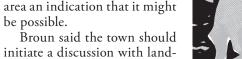
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FOR THE RECORD

Politicians seeming not to care

Politicians always like to quote the state motto that appears on the state seal in front of the Legislative Building in Raleigh when they are making speeches and promising to be responsive to the people they represent.

The motto is "Esse Quam Videri" — "To be rather than to seem" — a noble sentiment that is part of any definition of leadership. North Carolina would be much better off if more elected officials tried to live up to the motto, instead of only using it for rhetorical flourishes when asking for votes.

The last few days in the state's political and policy circles don't inspire much confidence that will happen. Saturday afternoon, several thousand people marched to the Legislative Building to support a 14-point policy agenda developed by the North Carolina Chapter of the NAACP and a coalition of more than 70 progressive organizations.

The 14 points include specific legislative demands like expanding funding for the Housing Trust Fund, more support for the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities, fully funding poor schools involved in the Leandro lawsuit and adopting the recommendations of commissions that investigated the 1898 overthrow of the local government in Wilmington and the state's forced sterilization of poor and African-American women that lasted until the early 1970s.

State lawmakers adopted part of the agenda in the 2007 session, allowing same-day voter registration at early voting sites and setting up a public financing program for candidates for three Council of State offices. The marchers came back to Raleigh to build support for the rest of the 14 points, and speaker after speaker explained in detail the coalition's proposal and the statistics that supported it.

Several candidates were on hand, including some current members of the General Assembly. No Republican legislators attended, but the *News & Observer* story about the event included reactions from House Minority Leader Paul Stam and Sen. Neal Hunt.

Stam said "there was nothing on the agenda that was practical or within our power or something I wanted to do." Hunt said he "guessed" he saw the agenda during the last legislative session, but didn't pay much attention to it.

Apparently Stam and Hunt don't believe there is an affordable-housing crisis in the state or agree with many of their fellow Republicans who have long supported the Housing Trust Fund to address it.

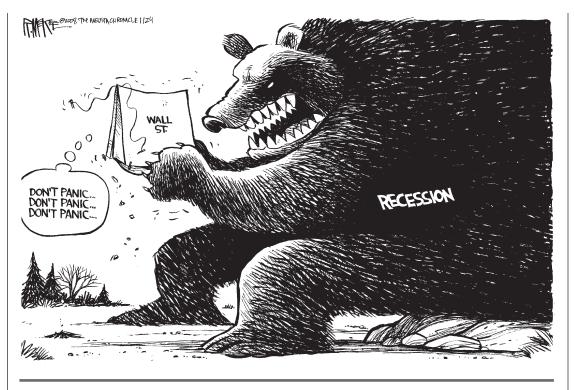
Neither seems bothered by the fact that Historically Black Colleges and Universities have been dramatically underfunded or that the state has yet to provide the sound, basic education to every child that the state constitution guarantees them.

Most troubling of all, neither seems to care what thousands of people in North Carolina want their state government to do. Stam claims that nothing on the agenda is practical or within his power, which is nonsense since the state budget that he debates and votes on affects almost every proposal.

Hunt's response is even worse. He can't be bothered to even pay attention to policy proposals that affect millions of people in North Carolina, including women who were sterilized against their will by the state as late as 1971.

There is significant legislative support for many of the items on the 14-point agenda, though adopting it won't be easy as long as it's okay for legislators to brush off ideas that bring 4,000 people to the Legislative Building.

Stam and Hunt and other politicians who so easily dismiss



Don't believe Duke's latest pitch

JIM WARREN

Climate change is causing extensive damage at an accelerating rate. Oxfam International reports that weather disasters have quadrupled in 20 years, with a quarter billion people impacted annually. Arctic sea ice could be gone by summer 2012 – further disrupting weather systems. And the world's top scientists recently amplified their call for urgent reduction of greenhouse gases.

Yet Duke Energy is beginning construction of a large coal-fired power plant near Charlotte, using crafty public relations to imply the new Cliffside plant would be "good for the environment."

With its January 29th approval of the plant, the Easley administration joined Duke's PR campaign. The trick: Masking the new unit's pollution behind upgrades already required by state law at an existing Cliffside furnace.

Also central to the ruse is the assertion that the new unit would be cleaner than four older ones to be retired. But those four furnaces combined are less than one-quarter the size of the new 800-megawatt unit, and they sit idle most of the time. mercury and 13- to 50-fold increases of other toxic metals such as arsenic.

Cliffside could fail before completion, as did six nuclear plants Duke tried to build in the 1980s. The project is particularly risky for stockholders and electricity customers due to an unstable energy market and global economy. Cliffside's cost estimate has already

"Recognizing the gravity of climate change, a statewide coalition of nonprofits cannot afford to rest until Cliffside is stopped."

doubled - to \$2.4 billion dollars. Upcoming carbon regulation will drive power bills even higher and Wall Street is reacting by tightening financing of coal-fired power. (Rogers supports carbon regulation for others, but is lobbying for Cliffside to be exempted.) Dozens of U.S. coal-power projects have been cancelled and are being offset by efficient, renewable energy alternatives that are proving highly successful in the free marketplace, even as coal and nuclear rely on billions in public subsidies. North Carolina doesn't need more electricity generation - just to stop wasting half of what is produced, as we belatedly must do with water. A 2007 state study confirmed we can easily save enough energy to offset growing demand while expanding renewables and creating tens of thousands of jobs. For far less than Cliffside's price tag, solar water heating could be added to every home in the region, nullifying the need for new plants.

Duke CEO Rogers talks about energy efficiency. But his long-delayed efficiency proposal seems designed for Duke to make exorbitant profit from modest programs, limit widespread energy efficiency and provide PR cover to build coal and nuclear plants.

As the nation's foremost climate expert, NASA's James Hansen, emphasizes: The best thing North Carolina can do to tackle accelerating climate change is to cancel this veritable global warming machine. We must do our part here, so the U.S. can help developing countries avoid repeating our mistakes.

Recognizing the gravity of climate change, a statewide coalition of nonprofits cannot afford to rest until Cliffside is stopped. We don't have time to wait for Duke's vague promise to become carbon neutral in a decade or so, because the new plant alone

GUEST COLUMN

No dumping

On a nature hike two weeks ago, I was totally grossed out when I glanced over the bridge railing over a small stream on a dirt road and saw five deer carcasses. Bloated and stinking, they spanned the pool created by the turbulence of water falling from the culvert under the road. The remains of three other deer and one hog were also in the ditches near this bridge. I had pointed out to the other nature lovers that horns had been removed from one skull with a hacksaw and small emerging tusks could be seen on the pig, but I didn't call anyone over to look at the gruesome scene below the bridge. This sight is all too familiar.

I was born in Durham and grew up roaming widely in the area as a child. As an amateur naturalist, I lead hikes and explore with others seeking to connect with the natural world. I know that hunters and hunt-club members enjoy the out-of-doors as much as I do and probably send more money to preserve "nature" than I have. This "guts in the stream" thing is not new. It is a pattern of behavior that must be passed on from experienced hunter to the novice, from father to son. I didn't have much hope that this misguided practice could be changed until I heard about hunt clubs up north arranging for dumpsters to be placed around counties in convenient spots so that carcasses could be placed in them and recovered for compost or animal feed. Apparently, some industries appreciate the raw (literally) materials for their products and help fund the dumpsters. This is a great solution to a longstanding problem of dumping deer carcasses in streams.

Even if the local hunters can't organize the dumpsters, a better method for disposing of their waste is hilltop dumping. Vultures in this area are constantly patrolling the countryside for rotting meat. Within a day or two, turkey vultures will sniff it out and black vultures will follow soon after. Behind my home last week, I watched as two Red-tailed hawks drove the dozen or so vultures away from and carried off a fox carcass.

the concerns of so many people seem not to be all that interested in helping the people they represent. That means they need to be reminded again and again about what the people want. Seventy organizations and the hundreds of thousands of people that make up their membership aren't going away. Time to plan the next march.

— BY CHRIS FITZSIMON

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deception increased as Duke ran an open letter from CEO Jim Rogers in full-page ads across its service area. Included are nine references to "global warming" and related terms, plus a statement that Cliffside will "eliminate 90% of regulated emissions." Since no other pollutant is mentioned, readers are led to believe the reduction refers to greenhouse gases.

In truth, the new unit would discharge six million tons of uncontrolled carbon dioxide each year – over 12 times more than the small units to be retired – five to 10 times more would offset most statewide efforts to reduce CO_2 .

People across North Carolina must continue calling on CEO Jim Rogers to be straight with the public and walk his green talk by cancelling this unnecessary plant. And we must demand that our leaders stand up to the giant power companies that have long used their financial influence and deceptive propaganda to stifle democratic decision-making.

Jim Warren is director of the North Carolina Waste Reduction and Awareness Network, www. ncwarn.org The critters out there are

hungry and ready to help us clean up our mess if we are only ready to alter our patterns a little bit to ease the risk to them. Roadsides and bridge crossings are confusing and dangerous places to have a meal. So next time, carry the leftovers from your hunting trip into the woods a bit farther and go uphill. Even better, follow the higher standard of the dumpsters. But please, please stop fouling our shared waterways with rotting deer corpses. Let's change for the better and end the misguided practice of carcass dumping in streams and rivers.

> —CHRIS CARTER Saxapahaw

LETTERS

HFCS offers benefits

The February 6 article "HFCS: A ban worth getting excited over" may mislead consumers about high-fructose corn syrup.

Dr. Walter Willett, Harvard School of Public Health Nutrition Department Chairman, told *The New York Times*, "There's no substantial evidence to support the idea that high-fructose corn syrup is somehow responsible for obesity."

New research continues to confirm that high-fructose corn syrup is safe and no different from other common sweeteners like sugar and honey.

High-fructose corn syrup is a natural sweetener and has the same number of calories as sugar. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration granted high-fructose corn syrup "Generally Recognized as Safe" status for use in food and reaffirmed that ruling in 1996 after thorough review.

High-fructose corn syrup offers numerous benefits, too. It keeps foods fresh. It enhances fruit and spice flavors. It retains moisture in bran cereals and helps keep breakfast bars moist.

Consumers can see the latest research and learn more at www. HFCSfacts.com.

Audrae Erickson President, Corn Refiners Association Washington, D.C.

Brushes With Life

Everyone who's ever picked up a paintbrush and touched a canvas knows the thrill and release of creation. The joy of pressing the shutter on an old Leica camera and hearing that click as you immortalize the look of a stranger or a towering building or golden-hued sunlight resting on the treetops. The nurture of knitting, the mood of music, the praise of poetry; these are the pleasures of being an artist.

There are artists who have spent hundreds of hours, thousands of dollars and millions of moments of inspiration to be what they considered to be "artists." Some measure their success in canvases sold or number of exhibitions or word of mouth in their communities. Many other artists don't consider themselves artists. They do their drawings in notebooks that never see the light of day, instead hibernating in bedside table drawers. They write poetry that plumbs the depths of angst and despair like Sylvia Plath. They create paintings that, like Van Gogh's, never get sold in their lifetime.

Anyone who can afford the materials can be an artist. Getting your art shown is another matter. The trick to getting your art shown is two-fold: You must have the confidence to put yourself out there and try and make a deal. And you must make someone believe in your art enough to display it to the world.

We mentally ill can be a shy bunch. Aside from bipolar mania, we generally keep to ourselves. But our dreams of being artists are realized with the Brushes With Life gallery. Here is a gallery that shows folk art, amateur art, outsider art, classically trained art, abstract art. The only way to have your work shown is to have a mental illness, which is seldom an asset.

Through creation, the mentally ill find peace. Art springs from the heart; but more importantly, the mind. A mind that is heavy with anxiety and pain can get a release from art like nothing else. The gallery is the best kind of therapy there is for those who struggle with mental health challenges. Joy is real when you overhear two strangers gush over a photograph you've taken, not realizing the artist is standing right next to them. Brushes With Life has grown over the years, developing a consistent roster of talented artists. Many of these artists you see in my film. Their journey through art is a way to relieve pain. We are all better off that they are expressing their pain. Turning pain into joy is the most productive occupation on Earth.

—Philip Brubaker

Editor's note: *Mr. Brubaker's film* Brushes With Life: Art, Artists, and Mental Illness *will be presented by the Nothing to Hide Mental Health Coalition and the Hillsborough Arts Council Thursday, Feb. 21, at* 7:30 p.m. at Sunrise Church, at the intersection of New Hope Church Rd. and I-40. For information, call Peter Kramer at 913-4055.

ELECTIONS

Foushee says she'll seek another term

by Kirk Ross Staff Writer

Between a packed board of commissioners meeting schedule and a four-class schedule at Carolina, Orange County Commissioner Valerie Foushee said this week she plans to find time to file for re-election.

Foushee, a former chair of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board of Education who won a seat on the board of commissioners in 2004, said she wants to continue to work on making sure school construction and renovations proceed at a proper pace. But should she win another term, Foushee, 52, said she wants to concentrate on county responsibilities that are not as visible as schools - including affordable housing, reducing homelessness and maintaining a health and human services safety net at a time when the

state's mental health system is in crisis.

"Affordable housing is still a passion for me," Foushee said in an interview Wednesday. The county and the towns, she said, have worked hard to make sure that there is a supply of affordable housing. Foushee said that while having a diverse supply of housing is important, making sure that agencies have the money to maintain the homes is a key part of the strategy.

Foushee said she's glad to see the county well on its way to revising its comprehensive plan, which has not been done on a large scale since 1981.

Identifying areas where the county is likely to grow and coming up with a strategy for those areas is an important part of managing growth, she said.

Developing the county's commercial tax base and growing economic opportunities

OBITUARIES

Mary M. Norwoodlones

Mary M. Norwood-Jones was born in Durham on May 9, 1933 to the late Nora M. Norwood. She attended Orange County Training School and graduated from Lincoln High School in 1951.

She was a member of First Baptist Church. At the age of twelve, she joined Rock Hill Baptist Church.

After graduating from Lincoln High School, she attended North Carolina College at Durham for Negroes, which is now N.C. Central University.

While attending college she was married to Edward E. Jones on August 21, 1952, in Conway, S.C.

Graduated in 1956 with a major in health and physical education and a double-minor in education and history, she taught in dependent military schools between 1956 and 1959 in Bad Kreuznach, Germany. After coming stateside in 1959, she taught and coached girls basketball at South Hampton County training schools in VA., and later taught in Washington D.C.

After teaching in Washington D.C. she worked with a very special delinquency-prevention program for twenty-eight years.

many, many years. Survivors include two daugh-

ters, Joni L. Jones-Callahan and Carol B. Jones-Ingraham (Edward); three grandchildren, Ashley Christina, Cardin Pompey and Denzel Edward; one sister, Martha N. Atwater Barbee; one brother, Thomas "Bubba" Norwood; sisters-in-law Barbara Jones Campbell and Lillie Mae Allen; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Friday February 8 at First Baptist Church. Burial was on Monday, February 11 at Salisbury National Cemetary. Arrangements by Jones Funeral Home in Chapel Hill.

Wiley H. Shearin

Wiley H. Shearin, Ed.D., 70, of Chapel Hill died sadly on February 5, 2008, at UNC Hospitals.

Born in Rocky Mount on May 23, 1937, he served in the U.S. Army in Germany, received a Bachelor of Science degree, Master's degree, and Doctorate in Education at UNC-Chapel Hill.

He is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth Shearin Hounshell, R.N. and her husband David W. Hounshell, of Raleigh; daughter Dr. Mary D. Shearin, of Greensboro; former wife, the author Erika V. Shearin Karres, Ed.D. and her husband Andrew M., Karres, of Chapel Hill; granddaughters Katherine Elizabeth Hounshell and Sarah Emily Hounshell, of Raleigh; and a host of other relatives in the U.S. and Germany. He was a long-time awardwinning principal in the Orange County Schools and a strong leader in the desegregation process of that system. He was devoted to his students and teachers, many of whom learned "the meaning of excellence" from

munity-watch program for him for the first time, according to them, and has been called an education visionary.

> He was a beloved father and grandfather and was cherished by his many friends. After his retirement he traveled extensively, kept current on cultural and political events, and became an even more loyal Tar Heel fan.

> Funeral services were held at Walker's Funeral Home in Chapel Hill on Saturday, Feb. 9, with the Rev. Jim Harry officiating. Burial followed at Chapel Hill Memorial Cemetery, and a celebration of his life and achievements was held later that day at A Southern Season.

The family requests that memorials be made to Central Elementary School Media Center, 154 Hayes Street, Hillsborough, NC 27278

Walker's Funeral Home of Chapel Hill is assisting the Shearin family.

Dorothy Phelps Vroome

Dorothy Phelps Vroome, 86, died Friday, January 25, 2008 at Springmoor Retirement Community. She was born on July 27, 1921 in Riverdale, NY to Albert and Mildred Phelps.

Mrs. Vroome is survived by three children: sons, Roy Vroome of Charlotte and Richard P. Vroome of Snowflake, AZ; daughter, Virginia Stelle of Raleigh seven grandchildren Ann Paul of Bedford Hills, NY, James Beattie of San Jose CA, Elizabeth Benson of Raleigh, NC, Darren Stelle of Leesburg, VA, Caroline Setliff of Raleigh NC, Kevin Vroome of Raleigh NC, Christine Hartsfield of Wilmington, NC; and twelve great grandchildren. She was predeceased by daughter, Joan Vroome Beattie in 1981, grandson, William Beattie in 2001, and husband, Ray in 2004 after 60 years of marriage.

are essential, she said, with an increase in the commercial tax base being critical to providing tax relief for homeowners.

Foushee said she has not decided whether to file for a District 1 seat or to run at large, but indicated she is leaning toward running for the at-large seat.

"In my time as commissioner, I've developed relationships with people from all over the county," she said.

She said she supported the idea of district representation, but wants to make sure residents understand that those elected from the districts will represent the whole county.

When she files, Foushee will join Chapel Hill-Carrboro school board chair Pam Hemminger, who has filed to run in the District 1 primary, and Tommy McNeill, of Durham, who has filed to run in the District 2 primary.

> Mrs. Vroome moved to Springmoor in Raleigh in 2005 to be closer to her family after having lived in Madison CT for 34 years. She was an avid gardener and bridge player, but more than anything else she loved her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A memorial service is planned for February 24, 2008 at 2:00PM in the chapel of Springmoor Retirement Community. The family wishes donations be made to Hospice of Wake County, 1300 St. Mary's St. Raleigh, NC.

Arrangements by the Cremation Society of the Carolinas. Online condolences @ www. cremnc.com.

Mary Talbot Korray

Mary Talbot Korray, 86, died at her residence on Saturday, January 26, 2007. Mrs. Korray was a homemaker. She is survived by her three children: Kathleen Sherman and spouse, James of Chapel Hill; Bruce Korray and wife, Deborah of Miami , FL; and son, James Korray of FL, and their families. She was predeceased by husband, Julian M. Korray.

Elections Briefs

Halkiotis running for school board

Steven Halkiotis, a retired assistant superintendent with Orange County Schools who served five terms on the Orange County Board of Commissioners, has filed to run for Orange County Schools Board of Education.

Halkiotis, who opted not to run for re-election as commissioner in 2006, recently retired from Orange County Schools, where he was the district's director of auxiliary services.

Clinton, Obama ask Edwards' support

Word filtered out this week that last Thursday Sen. Hillary Clinton paid an unannounced visit to John Edwards' Orange County home for a talk about the race for the Democratic presidential nomination. Edwards, who dropped out of the running in early February, won four delegates in New Hampshire, 14 in Iowa and eight in South Carolina. A meeting with Sen. Barack Obama, who swept this week's Potomac primaries, is being scheduled.

Carey leads Kinnaird in fundraising

Fundraising numbers reported by state Senate candidates Moses Carey and Ellie Kinnaird show Carey took in \$31,180 in the last seven months of 2007 and reported \$28,204 cash on hand. Kinnaird, the incumbent, raised \$6,065 and reported \$19,293 in cash on hand at the end of the reporting cycle. Kinnaird had considered retiring this year but announced in late October she would seek re-election.

Pittsboro voting to start

Absentee ballots will be available starting Monday in the new election between Pittsboro town commissioner candidates Hugh Harrington and Michele Berger. Harrington's six-vote victory last fall was challenged by Berger, and after it was revealed that at least 17 residents received the wrong ballots the county and state boards of election called for a new election. Election Day has been set for March 18, preceded by a month-long absentee voting cycle. Any voter registered in the town of Pittsboro at the time of the new election is eligible to vote in the special election. Following is the special election schedule: Feb. 18, Mail-In Absentee Ballots available; Feb. 22, Voter Registration Deadline; Feb. 26, Absentee Meeting; Feb. 28, One-Stop Voting Begins; March 15, One-Stop Voting ends (GS 163-227.2); March 17, Absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 pm; March 18, Election Day

Voting machine demo

The Chatham County Board of Elections will host a Voting Equipment Forum Feb. 27 at the Agricultural Auditorium in Pittsboro from 6 to 9 p.m. Any interested person is invited to attend. This forum provides an opportunity to view the voting equipment that is in use in Chatham County and to voice your opinions or concerns that relate to voting equipment.



She was an elected advisory neighborhood commissioner with a single membership district of 2,000 for six years.

She retired from the program in 1989 and continued to be an advocate for youths.

Then she moved back to Chapel Hill in 1991 and became very active in youth programs like Head Start, Hargraves Center, Northside Gym and First Baptist Church Youth Christian Fellowship.

She led the Northside com-

Dinner Sunday, March 2 💩 I PM

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Celebrating Orange County's Diverse Community Sit down with a stranger, leave with a friend

Lots of great entertainment and plenty of scrumptious food!

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TICKETS \$8 FOR ADULTS AND \$3 FOR KIDS

Tickets available at the Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle School, The Ink Spot in Carrboro, The Chapel Hill Museum Shop, The Chapel Hill News, Mama Dip's Kitchen, The Preservation Society of Chapel Hill. Market Street Books at Southern Village, Townsend, Bertram and Company at Carr Mill in Carrboro, Bon's Homecookin' & The Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce at 102 N.Churton Street

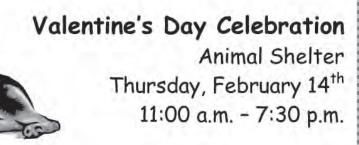
A large number of the tickets for the dinner are distributed to people who might not otherwise be able to afford to attend. You can feed a family of four with a \$22 donation!

ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY - Because there is limited seating for this event, tickets are only available in advance, so be sure to get your tickets before we sell out.

The Community Dinner is not a fundraising event, but rather an awareness raising event, designed to bring people from all walks of life together for an afternoon of great food and entertainment.

For more information visit www.communitydinner.org

Fall in Love with a New Pet at Orange County's Animal Shelter



Valentine's Adoption Celebration

Patterson Place PetSmart Witherspoon Drive Saturday, February 16th 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Please join us this Valentine's for one of our Adoption Celebrations, where you can Meet our Singles and Fall in Love!

SCHOOLS

Lunch Menus

FEB. 15-21

Every meal is served with a choice of milk. Breakfast is served daily.

ELEMENTARY

Friday — Macaroni & Cheese w/ Wheat Roll; Corn Dog; Sweet Yellow Corn; Tossed Salad w/ Dressing Tuesday — Sloppy Joe on a Bun; Cheese Quesadilla w/ Salsa;"Fun on the Run"; Spanish Rice; Broccoli Cuts; Strawberry

Cup Wednesday — Turkey & Noodles w/ Wheat Roll; Cheeseburger on a Bun w/ Lettuce & Tomato; Oven Baked French Fries; Coleslaw

Thursday — Cheese Pizza; Pepperoni Pizza; Ham & Cheese Sub; "Fun on the Run"; Sweet Yellow Corn; Fresh Banana

MIDDLE & HIGH

Friday — Chicken & Noodles w/ Wheat Roll; Meatball Sub; Garden Peas; Tossed Salad w/ Dressing; Fresh Banana

Tuesday — Rotini w/ Spaghetti Sauce & Garlic Bread; Hot Dog on a Bun; Collard Greens; Chocolate Pudding

Wednesday — Beef Burrito w/ Salsa; Chicke Patty Sandwich w/ Cheese; Sweet Yellow Corn; Tossed Salad w/ **Dressing; Chilled Apricots**

Thursday — Fried Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Grilled Cheese Sandwich; Mixed Vegetables; Chilled Pears; Fruited Gelatin

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BOOK FROM PAGE I

School alumni and other members of the local black community last November when they visited McLaughlin's classroom.

Euzelle Smith told students about the first horse race she went to, while former alderman Braxton Foushee spoke about protesting in segregated businesses on Franklin Street before integration.

"Most [of the memories] were about protesting, and the jobs that they had to do," student Carolyn Frederick said. "I knew that that had happened to people, but I thought it was interesting that the people it had happened to were in the classroom telling us about it."

Rhys Thomas said he chose to write about the memories of Curtis Harper, who told students about fighting white children when he walked through the white neighborhood to get to school.

Harper eventually befriended one of the white children, and the two pretended to fight in front of the other children.

"It seemed very interesting that they would get along," Rhys said. "They were fighting before, but now they get along."

McLaughlin's class two years ago did a similar project, resulting in the book Their History, Our Future. McLaughlin, who has taught for 25 years, including eight at McDougle, said she got the idea from another project she did with students.

"It all got started when the three little African-American boys I had the year before did a book on African-American entrepreneurs," she said.

The boys had wanted to enter an essay contest about African-American entrepreneurs, but McLaughlin realized they didn't





Rebecca Clark recalls childhood memories for fifth-graders Gena Weinberg (left) and Charlotte Deming.

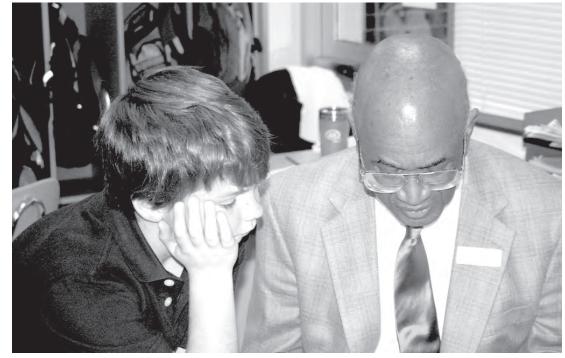
know who any local black entrepreneurs were.

To help them research the project, McLaughlin spent two teacher workdays taking the boys to different local black-owned businesses.

The boys brought a camera, took notes and distributed business cards, made for them by McLaughlin, to the different business owners.

With the information they collected, the boys put together a book, which they published using grant funding and dona-tions, and then sold. The book, which McLaughlin describes as "like a little directory of black businesses," was extremely well received, but left readers wanting more.

McLaughlin said members of the black community told her they were worried the stories and memories of the older black generation would get lost, so she had her students talk to black community members and write stories about their



Curtis Harper shares childhood memories with fifth-grader Daniel Margolis.

surely plugging along. After completing their stories, they'll draw illustrations to complement their writing.

known, McLaughlin said. McLaughlin, who grew up in Chapel Hill, said she too has enjoyed meeting the people she

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PHOTO BY AMY THOMAS

have been very, very grateful for this opportunity myself."

McLaughlin hopes the book will be printed by the end of the school year. After publica-

School Briefs

Toy donations

Carrboro High School chorus and orchestra parents will co-sponsor a toy sale with Carrboro Elementary School on Saturday at Carrboro Elementary from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The schools need toy donations for the sale. Donations may be made at the Carrboro High front desk by Friday or at Carrboro Elementary. Soft, cuddly toys will not be accepted.

Night of One-Acts

Students in the Chapel Hill High School Theater Arts program will present "A Night of One-Acts" on February 21 at 7:30 p.m. in Hanes Theater at Chapel Hill High.

Students will perform Kurt Vonnegut's The Lie, directed by Zoe Symon; Kismet and a Bell, written by Juliana Brecher and directed by Olivia Grinston; a scene from Serenading Louie, by Lanford Wilson; and Four Yorkshiremen, from Monty Python.

Tickets are \$3.

Future business leaders

Four students from the Chapel Hill High School chapter of Future Business Leaders of America placed in the recent Triad Regional competition held at Eastern Randolph High School in Ramseur.

Sixteen schools from 11 counties competed.

Chapel Hill High students who placed in the competition include Andrew Chan, first place in business calculations; Nick Ludlow, first place in business procedures; Kevin Bekolo, second place in future business leader; and Ben Bohlen, second place in public speaking II.

The students will advance to the state competition in April.

Battle of the Books

The 2008 Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Battle of the Books will be held March 7 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in the Culbreth Middle School auditorium.

The district's four middle schools will compete for the right to represent the district at the Piedmont Regional competition later this spring.

Battle of the Books is an exciting showcase of the reading talents of Chapel Hill-Carrboro students.

Energy physics show

The UNC Department of physics and astronomy will hold the 8th Annual Physics Demo Show, "Energy All Around Us!" on March 1 at 2 p.m.

The show will address questions such as: Why do we need energy? Where can we find energy? How can we conserve energy? Physics professors and graduate students will perform fun physics demonstrations.

The event is fun and educational and is suited for all ages. The show will be held in Room 215 of Phillips Hall on the UNC campus and is free and open

SPORTS



PHOTO BY GEORG T. GORDON

The Carrboro varsity Lady Jaguars basketball team poses at a pep rally. They lost Friday's game to Cardinal Gibbons, 65-27.



In Brief

College sports seminar

The East Chapel Hill High School Booster Club will host a seminar for district parents and high school students who are considering playing a sport in college on March 3 from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

The program will feature the personal experiences of a parent, student-athlete and a coach/administrator. Presenters will discuss recruiting and the college athletic experience.

The seminar will be held in the East Chapel Hill High School Media Center. For more information, contact John Austin at john.austin@emergent. net.

Got a Community Event you'd like us to know about? Send your suggestions to editor@carrborocitizen.com

Scoreboard

CARRBORO HIGH MEN'S BASKETBALL

Friday, February 8 (via Georg T. Gordon) Car: 16 9 17 14 = 56 CG: 19 19 7 17 = 62 Brad Dimac topped the scoring for the Carrboro Jaguars with 13 points, including one 3point bucket. Brooks Morgan contributed 12 points, including two 3-point baskets. David Brooks gave the Jaguars 11 points.

PHOTO BY GEORG T. GORDON The Carrboro varsity

Jaguars basketball team goofs off in front of the camera at a pep rally. They lost to CardinalGibbons on Friday, 62-56.

CARRBORO HIGH WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Friday, February 8 (via Georg T. Gordon) Car: 6 8 8 5 = 27 CG: 19 16 16 14 = 65 Madeline Gilmore was the top scorer for the Lady Jaguars with eight points on four 2-point baskets. Jasmine Palmer hit a 3point bucket for Carrboro.

to the public.

For more information, contact Dan Burke at dburke@physics.unc.edu. Seating is limited to 150 people, and groups of 10 or more should contact Burke ahead of time.

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THE MILL

Chilling out in Carrboro

UNC women's basketball Coach Sylvia Hatchell relaxes with an iced-tea at Tyler's Taproom on Main Street after her Monday evening radio show, which broadcasts live from the restaurant.

Hatchel, who celebrated her 500th win Feb. 7 after the third-ranked Tar Heels beat Clemson, 79-47, took in an intense Rutgers-Tennessee game with friends after her show. The Tar Heels take on Virginia on Friday. The next broadcast of Hatchell's show is Monday, Feb. 18 on WCHL-1360 AM

TJ & DJ



PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

High praise from many quarters for the free lecture delivered at the UNC Student Union last Friday by Paul Miller, aka DJ Spooky, aka That Subliminal Kid. Lots of fascinating clips and music, including a look at his remix of the movie *WattStax* woven together with Miller's views on art, music, history and remix culture. Those in attendance were also treated to free CDs and stickers.

Highest praise came, perhaps, from renowned black composer T J Anderson, who moved to this area about 18 years ago after a storied career at Tufts. Anderson, who joined UNC art professor Lyneise Williams and Miller for a Q&A afterward, called Miller a genius and told the audience that they'd been watching the future of art.

Thrift Store Find

What: A 1893 edition of Nathaniel Hawthorne's *Twice Told Tales* and a 1922 edition of *Birds of Eastern North America*. Both in decent condition.

Price: Dolla-fifty each

Where: PTA Thrift Shop, Carrboro

Still There: As of Wednesday, several racy detective paperbacks (some in plastic) and lots of old hard-cover adventure tales (*Trader Horn*).

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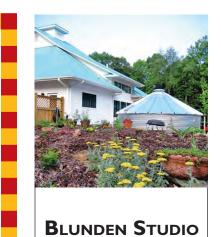
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