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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE Folks like Sue Morgan and her family enjoy

dramatic features of nearby Occoneechee Mountain.



### Seven local natural wonders

ecently, D.G. Martin, columnist for The Chapel Hill News, described his list of seven natural wonders in North Caro-

lina. D.G.'s descriptions inspired my thinking about our local natural wonders.

Some of you spend an hour or two each week walking along a favorite woodland trail. I wonder how many of you choose a different trail each week. There are so many great walks close by that my wife, Kathy Buck, and I often have

# Board gets an earful over crosswalk safety

#### BY KIRK ROSS Staff Writer

CARRBORO — Anyone who uses the various crosswalks in downtown Carrboro knows that not all intersections are created equal in the eyes of local motorists.

Pedestrians in the mid-block walkways near Weaver Street Market and on North Greensboro near the Century Center see a little more respect than those trying to use the crosswalks just a stone's throw away.

The uncertainty of whether cars will stop and the ongoing battle of the right-of-way at major intersections were among the concerns raised at Tuesday

night's board of aldermen meeting at Carrboro Town Hall.

Carrboro resident Tom Henry said he and fellow pedestrians he's talked to have had numerous close calls and he'd like to see the town

step up enforcement to see that crosswalks and those traveling on foot downtown get a little more respect.

Henry said the crosswalks with the caution

paddles in the center of the roadway and crossings that have walk signals tend to be safer. He singled out the crosswalks on Greensboro Street as particularly unsafe.

Henry suggested the town try to work with the state Department of Transportation to outfit more crosswalks with paddles and encourage Carrboro police to ramp up en-

"It does seem to be a contradiction to me that Carrboro promotes itself as pedestrian friendly and yet the crosswalk laws are not enforced."

who violate the crosswalk laws.

Virginia Guidry said she would also like to see stronger enforcement.

"It does seem to be a contradiction to me that Carrboro promotes itself as pedestrian friendly and vet the crosswalk laws are not enforced," she said. Guidry agreed with Henry on the

problems with the Greensboro Street crosswalks. She said that at the crosswalk at Shelton Street and Greensboro Street on a busy Saturday

there are often angry forcement on speeders and drivers confrontations between drivers and those trying to cross the street.

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Hoops fans come to terms

## Food for thought

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Association of Educators took a handful of young writers and their teachers out to lunch on Wednesday at Elmo's Diner in Carrboro.

The students were selected as winners of the American Education Week Writing Contest, sponsored by the association.

Sylvia Cheeseman, a kindergartner at Glenwood Elementary School, won for her essay about her teacher, Katie Jiang. Elizabeth Yang won for her essay about Gary Falgout, her fifthgrade teacher at Seawell Elementary School. Caroline Liu, a seventh-grader, won for her essay about Jeremy Bellion, who teaches band and orchestra at Smith Middle School. Josie Hollingsworth won for her essay about Robert Johnsen, her civics teacher at Carrboro High School.

Seawell Elementary fifth-grade teacher Gary Falgout (left) shares a laugh with Smith Middle School band and orchestra teacher Jeremy Bellion and student Caroline Liu, who plays flute in the Smith orchestra. Liu said she was inspired to write an essay about Bellion because he keeps the work interesting and class time lively. "He's not boring," she said.

PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

## Transit concepts considered

difficulty choosing one.

Sometimes wide-open spaces are appealing; other times, secluded shady coves. There's quiet warmth in stands of green needlefloored pine forests; in contrast is adventure climbing to the heights of giant oak crowned ridges. Special trees beacon, like the twisty old chestnut oaks and mountain laurels of Occoneechee Mountain State Natural Area, the giant oaks of Big Oak Woods of Mason Farm Biological Reserve or the big loblolly pines in the Adams Tract.

Already I've listed three of my favorite local natural areas: #1, Occoneechee Mountain (enoriver. org) overlooking Hillsborough; #2, N.C. Botanical Garden's Mason Farm, south of Finley Golf Course; and #3, Carrboro's Adams Tract, extending from Wilson Park up and over and down through mature pine and oak-hickory-beechmaple forests to Bolin Creek.

Continuing my list of local natural wonders is #4, Carolina North, some 750 acres of diverse woodlands bordering the Bolin Creek corridor with miles of trails maintained by UNC (fac.unc.edu/ Carolinanorth).

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# with disappointing season

#### **BY BETH MECHUM** Staff Writer

"Three more wins until UNC has 2,000," Woody Durham exclaimed at the Celebration of a Century Alumni Game last Friday night at the Smith Center. Add in that win against N.C. State Saturday night, and now it's two.

That sounds impressive - and Woody certainly said it in a way that made it sound impressive - but you've got to imagine that for the planners of this year-long 100-year celebration of Carolina basketball, 2,000 wins by this point in the season was a foregone conclusion.

That game against College of Charleston was probably already checked in the win column, and at least one more ACC win seemed likely, if not a sure thing.

But players, coaches and fans alike have had to adjust their expectations. It hasn't been easy.

first solo exhibit.

For art's sake

support and networks keep him functional.

after brain surgery in 2004.

**RECENTLY** ....

**BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ** 

drive, but he can do so many things." He assists a coach

in training a wrestling team, plays basketball on a team,

sings in a choir, is learning to play guitar and has his

own lawn-mowing service. "Ben LOVES mowing," Kay

Gunter said, "If there were a strip of grass all the way to

California, he'd mow it!" Kay has been a stay-at-home

mom for Ben and his elder sister, Kate, and has become

adept at networking to find the best answers, helping

Ben live as independently as possible. A business partner

paints. She was an artist, and when he was a child they

Ben told me that his grandmother gave him his first

in the mowing business does the driving.

Newspapers are reporting that Deon Thompson won't leave his room and Marcus Ginyard's oncevibrant and positive twitter feed, chock-full of inspirational quotes, has been quiet of late. Roy Williams' unfortunate Haiti comments are fodder for blogs, and even the women's basketball team is unranked for the first time since 2001.

Fans, both young and old, grew accustomed to the Carolina way of at least being competitive year after year, and are now coming to terms with what almost all are calling a disappointing season.

Carrboro Mayor Mark Chilton, a former UNC student, puts things in perspective.

"It's definitely not as bad as Haiti, but it is bad," Chilton said. "When you win the national championship, you're going to get cleaned out by the NBA.

"I still have a lot of confidence in the coach and in the players that we've got. I'm optimistic, but it's not going to be a season we're going to look back and boast about."

Heather Hall, a UNC senior and avid Carolina fan since birth, said she's tried to stay confident all season, but that confidence took a big hit during the Maryland game, when she heard Maryland's fans' shouts of "NIT, NIT."

"I've always loved Carolina basketball and I'm really one of those people who sticks with the team through thick and thin, but this season something feels amiss, something's not right," she said.

That's a common question among UNC fans - what exactly is wrong? This year's recruiting class included one of the top five players in the nation, John Henson, and three other All-Americans.

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#### **BY BETH MECHUM**

Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL — Chapel Hill Transit will take a hard look at Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) for Chapel Hill's two busiest corridors, N.C. 54 and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, as part of the 2035 Long Range Transit Plan.

Both roadway corridors already exceed 3,000 riders a day, qualifying them for consideration for a higher order of transit. That's where BRT comes in.

At Monday night's town council meeting, Chapel Hill Transit director Steve Spade described BRT as, "Taking the concepts of light rail, which is the most efficient way of serving passengers, and adapting them to a less capital-intensive use of rubber-tired vehicles on paved roadways which are either exclusive roadways or mixed traffic."

Essentially, BRT has the benefits of light-rail transit, such as exclusive roadways or high-frequency service, but saves money by not using the rail.

In the town of Carrboro's comments on the same plan, the board of aldermen supported learning more about light-rail usage and making it a higher priority.

Those comments, along with Chapel Hill's, eventually will be reviewed and considered for the 2035 Long Range Transit Plan after the latest round of public hearings.

Spade also presented the shortrange transit plan, which he said would be more responsive to changes in transit in comparison with the long-range plan, which he referred to as a "vision."

Carolyn Elfland, UNC's associate vice chancellor for campus services, said the university supports putting less emphasis on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and more on N.C. 54.

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### Calm usually does not describe an artist at his or her Calm, happy and comfortable can all be applied to Ben Gunter, 27, at his first solo show at Carrboro Town Hall last week. Gunter greeted friends, family and supporters — many who had never seen his work — with hugs, high fives and relaxed smiles. For this young man, 'Ben was born with tuberous sclerosis," his mother, Kay Gunter, told me. "He was three months old when he had his first seizure." Seizures remain an issue even "It's just a small part of him," Kay said. "He can't

would go to the beach together and paint.

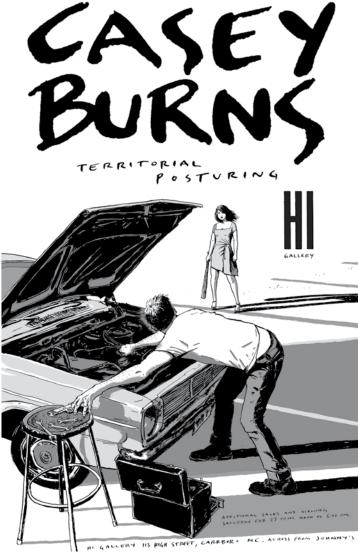
Ben loves colors, and when describing a piece of art he starts by naming the colors. When a friend asked what kind of paint he used, Ben answered, "Dark."

His teacher, Maggi Grace, of Carrboro acknowledged that he opts for few pale colors in his palette of ink, tempera and acrylic paints. "He chooses color with absolute certainty. There are no aesthetic norms; the world is open to him, with no reason to resist any notion that he has."

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### MUSIC CALENDAR



Casey Burns exhibition at Hi Gallery Friday, February 26 and Saturday February 27.

#### THURSDAY FEB 18

**Blue Bayou:** Clowns of Sedation. 9pm. Free

**The Cave:** LATE: Transmography, La Snacks, Knives. \$5

**General Store Cafe:** Tony Galiani Band. 7-9pm

**Local 506:** Joe Firstman, Ernie Halter, Todd Carey. 9:30pm. \$10

**Nightlight:** Applesauce, Zeke Graves. 9:30pm

#### **FRIDAY FEB 19**

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Blue Bayou: Crossover Blues Band. 9:30pm. \$6/8 Cat's Cradle: SWASO, Violet

Vector and the Lovely Lovelies, The Guns of El Borracho. 9pm. \$5/7 **The Cave:** EARLY: Great Big Gone LATE: A Rooster for the Masses,

General Store Cafe: Killer Filler. 8:30-11pm Harry's Market: Plan B. 7-9pm

**Local 506:** Laura Veirs and The Hall of Flames, Old Believers, Cataldo. 8:30pm. \$9/11

**Nightlight:** Gut Lightening, Juan Huevos, Senryu. 10pm \$6

#### **SATURDAY FEB 20**

Blue Bayou: Good Rockin' Sam. 9:30pm. \$6/8 The Cave: EARLY: Amy Alley

LATE: Tim Stambaugh Band General Store Cafe: String Machine. 8-10:30pm. \$5

**Local 506:** Dirty Little Heaters, Red Collar, Pink Flag. 10pm. \$7

**Open Eye Cafe:** Jay Brown. 8pm **Nightlight:** Monsonia, Actual Persons Living or Dead, Le Weekend.

#### **SUNDAY FEB 21**

ArtsCenter: Dave Alvin, Two Guilty Women. 7pm. \$18

**Cat's Cradle:** Donna Hidalgo's Heal Haiti Benefit: Donna Hidalgo, Chris Bryant, Sparkles, Selah Dubb, Moonfisher, Marcus Allen. 6:30pm. \$10

Local 506: Wylie Hunter. 9:30pm.

#### MONDAY FEB 22

**The Cave:** LATE: Dreambats, The Fooligans. \$5

**Local 506:** Leslie and The Ly's, Christopher the Conquered. 9:30pm. \$9/11

**Nightlight:** Sound Painting Orchestra Residency. 8-10pm. Free

#### TUESDAY FEB 23

**Cat's Cradle:** Cage The Elephant, As Tall As Lions, Morning Teleportation. 9pm. \$14/16

**The Cave:** LATE: Jim Smith and His Tall Buildings

**Local 506:** DJ Stay Puft. 9:30pm. Free

**Nightlight:** Soft Spot, Kellie Ann Grubbs, Jacquelyn Lee. 9:30. \$5

#### WEDNESDAY FEB 24

Cat's Cradle: The Clientele, Vetiver. 8pm. \$13/15

The Cave: LATE: The Lonely H

**Local 506:** Where the Buffalo Roamed, The Last Tallboy, Charming Youngsters. 9:30pm Free

Nightlight: Kevin Blechdom, Swamp Tease, Ancestral Diet, Taboo, Collection Of The Late Howell Bend. 9:30 pm

#### **THURSDAY FEB 25**

Blue Bayou: 15-501. 9pm. Free Cat's Cradle: State Radio, Big D and the Kids Table, Cobalt and the

Hired Guns. 9:30pm. \$15 **The Cave:** EARLY: Matt Kurz One.

\$5 LATE: Major Magick. \$5 General Store Cafe: Marie Van-

derbeck. 7-9pm Local 506: LUCKY, Bird and Ar-

rows, Mandolin Orange. 9pm \$7

**Open Eye Cafe:** Luke Weiler: 8pm **Nightlight:** Smell the Rott, Gringo, Cheezface. 9:30pm

FRIDAY FEB 26 Blue Bayou: Hell Camino. 9:30pm. \$6/8 **Cat's Cradle:** Sam Bush, Missy Raines and the New Hip. 8pm. \$20/23

The Cave: EARLY: Hwyl LATE: Wooden Toothe, Wild Wild Geese General Store Cafe: Jonathan

Byrd. 8:30-11pm

Harry's Market: Brian and Mary Lewis. 7-9pm

**Memorial Hall:** Terence Blanchard. 8pm. \$30-\$70

Whatever Brains, Invisible Hand, Naked Gods. 10pm. \$6 **Open Eye Cafe:** Luke Weiler.

Nightlight: Americans in France,

8pm

#### SATURDAY FEB 27

Blue Bayou: Armand & Bluesology. 9:30pm. \$8/10

**Cat's Cradle:** Rhythm Heals: N.E.D, Birds and Arrows. 8:30pm. \$20/25

**The Cave:** EARLY: John Harrison, Doug Keith LATE: Straight 8's, Gasoline Stove

General Store Cafe: Tommy Edwards and Friends. 8:30-11pm. \$5 Local 506: The Whiskey Smug-

glers, Aminal, Saint Solitude. 10pm. Marsh Woodwinds (Raleigh):

Hurray for the Riff-Raff. 8pm. \$10 Open Eye Cafe: Amy Alley. 8pm. Nightlight: Felix Obelix, The

Strugglers. 10pm. \$8 **The Station at Southern Rail:** Simmer Down Roots Reggae with

DJ Ras J. 10pm

#### 7he CAROLINA THEATRE

#### Durham's Historic Movie Palace

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#### SPOTLIGHT: DSI COMEDY

Mano Agapion and Mary Sasson performed at DSI Comedy Theater during their time as students at UNC, and had a homecoming of sorts Wednesday night at the N.C. Comedy Arts Festival. They are also performing stand-up at Jack Sprats this Thursday at 10 p.m. *The Carrboro Citizen* asked Agapion how it feels to be back home, and why he's just so funny.

The Citizen: What was your experience like in Carrboro?

*Mano Agapion*: Carrboro is an escape from the hustle of Chapel Hill. That might sound silly, but when I was a student at UNC an escape from the fast pace of college life was a necessity. Carrboro feels like a hobbit village and not in a backwards way. Carrboro is an enchanting hobbit village with organic groceries, fair-trade clothing and bikes... A community that supports creative endeavors, like the DSI Comedy Theater, is a safe, fun place to do improv or sketch. *TC:* What are you doing now?

*MA:* I'm living in LA. I make money as a script reader, which means that I get scripts from a boss person and I read, analyze, then write up a report on if certain scripts should be considered. For the most part, they are terrible. I know I'm reading a bad one when a script has the character description "Megan-Fox-esque." In my spare time, I'm doing both improv and sketch-writing at the Upright Citizens Brigade Theater in LA. Of course, I'm pursuing a career in getting paid to write funny stuff. It's competitive and requires a little bit of patience, but it's the funnest career path I can think of.

*TC:* Why do you do comedy?

*MA:* Being fat is the worst. Being tubby, weird and unpopular in elementary school, middle school and high school will make you search for the funny in your life. I feel that being marginalized in adolescence either makes a person miserable or it gives that person "funny goggles." Luckily, I opted for the latter at a young age. After I finally lost all the weight in college, my history gave me the cynical edge I needed to fully pursue comedy. Now I feel that my fatness was a really strange gift.

TC: Who are your comedic influences?

# *MA:* They include so many, but I would say Tina Fey, Patton Oswalt, David Cross, Kristen Wiig, Amy Poehler, SpongeBob Squarepants and my stereotypical Greek family. *TC:* What's your show like?

*MA:* Our show is a completely improvised half hour that takes place in a world filled with sassy secretaries, self-loathing bullies and gay robots.

#### MOVIES We suggest you call for exact show times

#### CHELSEA THEATER

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The Last Station; Crazy Heart; The Messenger; A Single Man

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#### THE LUMINA

**Southern Village, 932-9000** Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief; The Wolfman; Vantine's Day; Dear John; Up in the Air

#### **REGAL TIMBERLYNE 6** 120 Banks Drive, 933-8600

Percy Jackson and the Olympians: The Lightning Thief; The Wolfman; Valentine's Day; Dear John; From Paris with Love; Tooth Fairy

#### VARSITY THEATER

**123 East Franklin St., 967-8865** Avatar; Monty Python & the Holy Grail; Mary Poppins





# THE CARRBORO CITIZEN





# **News Briefs**

#### The Prep School Negro to be shown

The Prep School Negro, a documentary about a young black man's experiences while attending a prestigious, mostly white preparatory school, will be screened this Thursday at UNC. Director André Robert Lee, who made the autobiographical film, and executive producer and UNC alumna Barb Lee, will answer questions and discuss the film afterward. The free public program will be from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Nelson Mandela Auditorium of the FedEx Global Education Center on the corner of McCauley and Pittsboro streets.

#### Hillsborough State of the Town address

Hillsborough Mayor Tom Stevens will give a State of the Town address on Feb. 23 at 7 p.m. at the Central Orange Senior Center. This fourth-annual event is open to the public.

As in previous addresses, the mayor will outline major accomplishments of the last year, where the town is headed and how citizens can get involved.

#### UNC accepting donations for TABLE

Throughout the month of February, the UNC Visitors' Center will serve as a contribution drop-off site for TABLE, a nonprofit organization that brings college students and community volunteers together to help feed hungry children in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro area. Participating children receive loaner backpacks on Fridays containing a variety of healthy food for the weekend. Receiving food in backpacks, not grocery bags, allows children a sense of privacy. Empty backpacks are returned on Mondays to school or after-school programs for pick-up by TABLE volunteers.

Those who wish to make donations are asked to bring nutritious, nonperishable food items, such as canned vegetables, juice boxes, breakfast food and snack packs, to the UNC Visitors' Center.

#### UNC faculty member wins award

Jenny Huq received the Civic Engagement Professional of the Year Award, presented on Feb. 10 at Elon University. Huq is the associate director of the Carolina Center for Public Service and director of the APPLES service learning program at UNC.

The Civic Engagement Professional of the Year Award recognizes a staff person at a North Carolina Campus Compact member campus who has worked toward the institutionalization of service, created and strived toward a vision of service on campus, supported faculty and students and formed innovative campus-community partnerships.

Huq's work includes fostering the engagement of faculty, students and community organizations across the curriculum by offering more than 100 service-learning courses annually, nurturing and empowering student leadership that fulfills the organization's mission and managing program participation that is five times what it was in 2002.

# Sheriff files, District 2 race heats up

#### BY KIRK ROSS Staff Writer

Sheriff Lindy Pendergrass, who first took office in 1982, has filed for another four-year term.

Pendergrass, who makes his home in Chapel Hill, will face Hillsborough Police Chief Clarence Birkhead in the May 5 Democratic primary.

"Our success over these years has been achieved through a coordinated effort of the citizens and the enthusiastic effort of the hardworking members of the Sheriff's Office. This office belongs to not one but all citizens of Orange County," Pendergrass said in a statement released shortly after he filed. "It is my intent and whole-hearted commitment to continue to provide each citizen who resides in Orange County with professional law enforcement service."

Filing to run in the Orange County Board of Commissioners race was Renee Price of Hillsborough. Price, vice-chair of the county's Commission for the Environment and a former member of the county planning board, filed to run in District 2. She joins Rougemont farmer Earl McKee, who filed last week for the Democratic primary.

Filing in the District 2 Republican primary is Greg Andrews, 40, of Efland. Andrews owns a commercial and residential construction company based in Efland.

Under the district election plan approved by Orange County voters in a 2006 referendum, only residents of the district may vote in their party's primary. In the November general election, all county voters may vote on the district candidates.

The field of candidates also increased for the Orange County Board of Education, which also will be held on May 5. Former board vice-chair Brenda Stephens, who opted not to seek re-election in 2006, filed for a chance to return to the board.

Stephens retired from her position as director of the county's library system in 2008. She joins Will Atherton of Hillsborough and incumbent board member Debbie Piscitelli in the race for four seats on the board.

Making it official this week was North Carolina House Speaker Joe Hackney. Hackney represents House District 54, which includes all of Chatham County and parts of Moore and Orange counties.

"I have been fortunate in my legislative career to represent a district with people who care deeply about the success of our state," Hackney said in a statement issued last week. "They support environmental stewardship, strong agriculture programs and continued investment in education, and that's what I have worked for during my leg-

Hackney is serving his 15th term in the House. He was elected speaker in 2007 and just finished a term as president of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

### BOA

#### FROM PAGE I

North Carolina law requires motorists to stop when pedestrians are in a crosswalk.

In other action Tuesday night, the board:

• amended the town's parking code to prohibit parking along an additional stretch along the south side of Roberson Street near the town's recently leased parking lot;

• set a public hearing for March 23 on clarifications to the town's land-use management ordinances related to stream buffers and natural constraints and the notification of the public on public hearings;

• set its agenda for the board's annual planning retreat, which has been rescheduled due to snow and ice to Sunday, Feb. 28 at noon at the OWASA Community Room.

The agenda includes a preliminary outlook for the fiscal vear 2010-11 budget and an overview and discussion of the town's Vision 2020 plan.

#### COUNCIL

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"The university's top priority now is the 54 corridor," she said, citing the slowdown in development of Carolina North as making Martin Luther Boulevard more a longterm priority.

Elfland said the university supported the draft resolution to refer all comments to staff.

In response to Elfland's comments, council member Laurin Easthom asked for more transparency from the university.

We had an idea what Carolina North was going to do from years of work, but we don't have

# Edward **Jones**

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a plan or plans yet that have come to us about what's going to go out there on 54," she said. "So for us to just jump and say let's re-direct our efforts to 54, my question is why."

Residents Glenn Waters and and bicycle pathways finding a

"If bike connections are not incorporated into the shortrange transit plan, we won't have them," McClintock said.

all public comments and refer them to the town manager. Council member Jim Ward advised the council and members of the public to remember that

assumptions. "You have to be able to move ahead with imperfect

knowledge," he said. It was announced that there will be a public workshop at the Friday Center on

plans such as these are full of

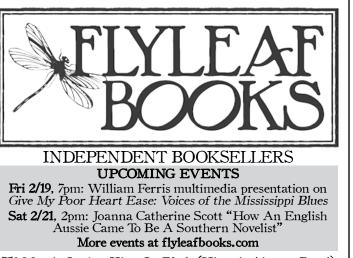
Feb. 25 from 5 to 8 p.m. to look at planning for the N.C. 54/I-40 corridor. The council also received

public comments about the proposed land-use management ordinance text amendment that would incorporate the minimum requirements of the Jordan Nutrient Strategy Rule for riparian buffer protection.

The town also received public comment on changing the rules of the riparian buffer program to comply with the Jordan Rules, as mandated by the state.

McClintock suggested that these buffers avoid pavement at all costs.

The town recessed the hearing and will continue it Sept. 20.





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place in the town's transit plan.

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### **WANTED:** SUGGESTIONS FOR CARRBORO COMMUNITY NEEDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-11 BEGINNING JULY 1

The budget process for reviewing community needs is underway. A public hearing to receive feedback from residents will be held on February 23, 2010. The Town Manager plans to submit a recommended budget to the Board of Aldermen on May 4, 2010. A public hearing to receive comments on the recommended budget will also be held on May 25, 2010.

The Board of Aldermen and the Town Manager welcome feedback from Town residents throughout the budget process. The final budget is planned for adoption on June 15, 2010. Carrboro residents may email written suggestions to the Town Clerk on the Town's website at swilliamson@townofcarrboro.org

Residents may write or fax in suggestions. You may write to the Town Clerk at 301 West Main Street, Carrboro, N.C. 27510, or fax comments to her at 918-4456.

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# Community

### **Community Briefs**

#### **Green building discussions** rescheduled

The Center for Sustainable Enterprise rescheduled its Feb. 11 discussion of innovations in green building, "Wanted: Radical Confidence: Why the Future is in Our Hands Today" with Rob Watson and Dennis Quaintance, for March 19 at 5:30 p.m.

The event is part of the center's Leaders in Sustainability series and is co-hosted and co-sponsored by the N.C. Triangle Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council.

A reception will follow the free event. Please respond to cse@unc.edu if you plan to attend. Parking will be available in the business school parking deck. For more information, call 962-1499.



#### **OWASA** community meeting

OWASA invites interested citizens to participate in a community meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 24 about sustainable management of OWASA's forest lands, including a draft plan for 490 acres of OWASA land near Buckhorn Road north of the Cane Creek Reservoir.

The meeting will be at 7 p.m. in the Maple View Agricultural Center at 3501 Dairyland Road in southwestern Orange County. A forestry consultant to OWASA and staff from the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission will make presentations and OWASA will receive comments and questions from citizens.

For more information, contact OWASA sustainability manager Pat Davis at 537-4210 or pdavis@owasa.org

#### Performance to include interaction with audience

Performances creating virtual and real theatrical experiences for audiences will take place Feb. 18-21 and Feb. 25-27 at UNC.

Collectively titled the Virtual Performance Factory, the short plays and performance pieces are by playwrights, screenwriters and video game writers from across the country. Actors will interact with the audience, and acgame and laptop computers.

The Feb. 18-20 shows are part of the CHAT Festival at UNC: Collaborations: Humanities, Arts & Technology. The festival, Feb. 16-20 at UNC, features lectures, discussions, exhibits and performances that explore ways in which new technologies are transforming the expression of the arts and humanities. The Virtual Performance Factory will be in Studio 6 of Swain Hall, located on Cameron Avenue, at 8 p.m. on

Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. on Feb. 21. Opening night, Feb. 18, is sold out. Tickets are \$10 for the public and \$5 for UNC students, faculty and staff, but admission is free to those with CHAT passes.

For tickets, call 962-2311. Tickets also will be sold at the door.

#### Taylor Branch to speak on **UNC** campus

Alumnus and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Taylor Branch will speak about his book The Clinton Tapes: Wrestling History with the President on Feb. 23 at UNC. The free public program in Wilson Special Collections Library will begin at 5:45 p.m. after a reception at 5 p.m. For program information, contact Liza Terll of Friends of the Library at liza\_terll@unc.edu or 962-4207.

The talk will be sponsored by the library's Southern Historical Collection, where recordings and transcriptions that led to the book are held as part of the Taylor Branch Papers.

The Clinton Tapes, published last year by Simon & Schuster, rests upon White House interviews Branch conducted between 1993 and 2001 with President Bill Clinton at Clinton's request. The conversations offered insight into the workings of the country's highest office and the mind of the man who held that position for eight years.

#### **Carrboro Parks Project** seeks input

The Carrboro Parks Project is seeking community feedback, new members and project ideas. If you have an idea for a new amenity at one of Carrboro's parks or are interested in joining the parks project, email info@carrboroparks.org or go to a general interest and brainstorming meeting on Feb. 25 at 7 p.m. in room 4 of the Century Center.

The Carrboro Parks Project is a nonprofit community organization that works toward improving the quality of life in Carrboro through the protection and improvement of parks and recreational facilities, including greenways and green space.

For more information about CPP and past

## **Community Calendar**

#### FRIDAY, FEB 19

Carrboro Technology Forum — The Carrboro Cybrary and Carrboro Recreation and Parks will sponsor a discussion about Twitter. Panelists include social media consultant Molly Buckley, Carrboro Creative Coworking owner Brian Russell, and ibiblio director Paul Jones. A list of recommended reading is available from the Cybrary. New and current twitter users are encouraged to attend. 6:30pm at the Carrboro Century Center. More info at 918-7387

Contra Dance — The Carolina Song & Dance Association presents a contra dance at The Century Center at 100 North Greensboro St. in downtown Carrboro. Live music will be provided. There will be a newcomers' workshop at 7:30pm, and dancing will begin at 8. Please carry a pair of clean, soft-soled, smooth-soled shoes to change into after arriving inside the hall. \$8 donation requested. Bring a partner or come without, all are welcome. More info at 967-9948, csda-dance.org.

#### **SATURDAY, FEB 20**

Friends of Bolin Creek Walk -Meet at Wilson Park off of Greensboro Street in Carrboro to look at several possible connections from Carolina North to Carrboro. Friends of Bolin Creek invite all who are interested in studying possible trail connections, or those who would simply enjoy a short nature walk, to join us for a morning exploring the beauty of the natural area, Ilam-Ipm.

#### **SUNDAY, FEB 21**

Immigration Events at CHICLE "Narrative Story Telling and the Latin American Immigrant Experience." Dr. Hannah Gill will discuss the importance of collecting the oral histories of new immigrants in North Carolina. Gill is an applied anthropologist with a specialization in Latin American/Caribbean migration studies. 5pm at CHICLE. This event is followed by a surprise film showing at CHICLE at 7pm, presenting an awardwinning film on immigration. More info at 933-0398.

Faith and Mental Illness -Faith Connections on Mental Illness presents ''Faith, Hope & Love: When One Suffers From Mental Illness 3-4:30pm at Binkley Baptist Church in Chapel Hill. A panel of local clergy and clients will address how one's faith and the faith community can play an essential role when dealing with the pain, isolation and stigma resulting from a mental illness. For more info, contact gbelder@bellsouth.net

#### MONDAY, FEB 22

Birding Falls Lake — At 7:30 p.m., the Chapel Hill Bird Club will feature a talk titled "Birding Falls Lake" by Brian Bockhahn at Binkley Baptist Church

in Chapel Hill. Bockhahn is a park ranger at Falls Lake State Recreation Area and an avid birder and naturalist. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more info contact Sue Wilson at 562-1670.

### **TUESDAY, FEB 23**

**Spreadsheet Fundamentals** – Chapel Hill SeniorNet is offering a class in Spreadsheet Fundamentals at the Seymour Senior Center starting Feb. 23. Class meets 9-11am Tuesday and Thursday until Mar. 18. For registration details and details, call 968-2070.

#### ChathamArts Sustainable

**Cinema Series** — A New Kind of Listening at 7pm, Fearrington Village Barn. Admission at door \$5/\$3 for students. Post-screening panel discussion withco-producers, local artists and disability advocates.

#### Ongoing

Cancer Support — Support groups for cancer patients and their families. cornucopiahouse.org

**Compassionate Friends** — Free self-help support for all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm, Evergreen United Methodist Church. 967-3221, chapelhilltcf.org

Yoga for Everyone — UNC Comprehensive Cancer Support Program presents Yoga for Everyone. Each class will include a full yoga practice as well as exploration of physical movement, meditation, breathing techniques, and relaxation. All levels are welcome. Classes will be held on Mondays from 11am-12:30pm. Carolina Pointe II, 6013 Farrington Road, Suite 101 in Chapel Hill. 966-3494.

Family to Family — A series of 12 weekly classes structured to help family members understand and support a family member suffering with mental illness. The class is free and sponsored by NAMI-Orange. Contact Gove Elder at 967-5403 or gbelder@bellsouth.net.

View and Realization of the Foundation Path — "The View and Realization of the Foundation Path" is a set of classes offered Wednesday nights, 7:30-9pm in February. The sessions take place at Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center in Carrboro. All are welcome. The classes are informal and designed for discussion with time for questions. A brief sitting

meditation will be included. Suggested donation for each class: \$5. More info at piedmontktc.org, 968-9426.

Walking Group — The Chapel Hill Area Women's Walking Group will meet every Wednesday at Weaver St. Market in Carrboro at 9:15 a.m. Then, there will either be a hike or carpool to the designated site. If questions, contact Julie at 967-3221 or Marilyn at 932-1411.

Garden Tour — Free tour of the N.C. Botanical Garden display gardens. Saturdays, 10am, in front of the Totten Center at the Garden. 962-0522, ncbg.unc.edu

Jazz at the Mall — University Mall presents free jazz concerts every Sunday, 2-4pm

Job Search Meeting — A networking and support group for job hunters. Wednesdays, 9:30-11am, Binkley Baptist Church, 1712 Willow Drive. 942-4964

Breastfeeding Café — An informal drop-in gathering of breastfeeding moms will be held every Monday from 1-2pm at the Red Hen. A La Leche repersenative will be there to provide information and answer questions, 201 Weaver St.

**Tutoring** — Hillsborough Police Department and UNC Habitat for Humanifty offer tutoring sessions for students in Orange County School's K-5 classes at the Community Policing Station, 501 Rainey Ave. Tutors are students from UNC. Call 732-2441, ext. 26 to register.



Beery Media, a Carrboro-based video production company, will screen its latest comedy short, Ben Pickle, a film that follows the adventures of 12-year-old Ben as he tries to navigate fantasy and reality during one hot summer day. It will be shown as part of the

tors and audience members will see or interact projects, visit carrboroparks.org with projections on multiple screens, a video

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N.C. Comedy Arts Festival on Thursday, Feb. 25 at 7:15 p.m. at the Varsity Theatre in Chapel Hill before the indie feature film Trust Us.

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### PETS OF THE WEEK

**PAWS4EVER** — Meet Sammy Single! Sammy is 4 years old and came to us as an owner surrender. He had a massive untreated



infection in his left ear. His ear canal had swollen shut from the inflammation, consequently, which left amputation as his best option. He is recovering quickly and is more than ready for his new home! As a shy guy, he would do best in a home with little commotion. We believe he is somewhat shy due to the pain he endured while in the "care" of his human. A little love and compassion would go a long way with this guy! Once petted, he will raise his rump and flip his tail, thoroughly enjoying the rubdown. As a result of the persistance of Paws4Ever, Sammy knows that most humans want the best for him. Shown the proper love and care, he would be an excellent pet in the right home! Please come by the shelter and take a look, at Paws4Ever, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at paws4ever.org

#### **ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Meet**

**Sherman!** If you are looking for a cat who has it all, look no further. Sherman is your man! This I-year-old domestic shorthair is a volunteer and staff favorite. He's not only incredibly handsome, he's also got a wonderful personality that will keep you entertained and fulfilled no matter what you're looking for. Want to play? Sherman has a favorite toy he will teach you how to use that can entertain him for hours. Want to cuddle? That's fine by him too. He's up for

whatever you want to do. And when you need your private time, he is happy to find a nice windowsill and curl up for a nap. You won't find a better mix than Sherman. Come see him today! You can visit him at Orange County's Animal Services Center, 1601 Eubanks Road, Chapel Hill or call 942-PETS (7387). You can also see him online at co.orange. nc.us/animalservices/adoption. asp.



# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

FRI 2/19 — Cheese Pizza; Pepperoni Pizza; Sloppy Joe on a Wheat Bun; Garden Salad; Seasoned Green Beans; Chilled Strawberry Applesauce

# MON 2/22 — Teacher work day, NO SCHOOL !

**TUE 2/23** — Sweet & Sour Chicken; Beef Taco Salad w/Salsa, Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato; "Fun on the Run"; Brown Rice Pilaf; Asian Mixed Vegetables; Chilled Apricot

WED 2/24 — Cheese Pizza; Pepperoni Pizza; Tuna Salad w/ Lettuce, Tomato & Crackers; Garden Pasta Salad; Steamed Broccoli; Fresh Banana

**THU 2/25** — Ham & Cheese Sub on a Wheat Bun; Roast Turkey w/Gravy; Wheat Bun; "Fun on the Run"; Cinnamon Mashed Sweet Potatoes; Seasoned Lima Beans; Chilled Pears

**School Briefs** 

#### 6TH GRADE - A: Leah Abrams Ling Aung

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#### 6TH GRADE - AB:

Chapel Hill High presents A Raisin in the Sun

Ticket prices are \$5 for students, \$8 for adults and free for CHCCS staff.

sity celebration on Thursday, Feb. 25 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Café Commons.

speak about his experiences as mayor and issues facing high school students.

ship. Students will also showcase music and performances that celebrate their history.

**Black History celebration at East** 

**Board holds planning conference** 

Kleinschmidt visits East

well as offering a positive role model for teens.

the operating and capital budgets were also on the agenda.

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The Chapel Hill High School Drama Department will present A Raisin in the Sun Thursday,

In celebration of Black History month, East Chapel Hill High School is having a cultural diver-

The school will provide the food, and parents and students are expected to provide the fellow-

The CHCCS Board of Education held a planning conference Feb.15-16. The board discussed

five district priorities: professional learning communities, effective use of limited resources, high

school instructional programs, the teacher evaluation process and task force recommendations for

Chapel Hill Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt visited East Chapel Hill High School on Feb. 17 to

The event was co-sponsored by East's Queer-Straight Alliance, Model United Nations and Stu-

dent Government Association and marks an initiative to involve high school students in politics, as

students with special needs. A mid-year update by Superintendent Neil Pederson and discussions of

Feb. 25 through Saturday, Feb. 27 at Hanes Theatre. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. each night.

Raven Burnette, Thomas Butcher, Thaddeus Carey, Amy Carpenter, Matthew Clawson, Peter Cohen, Evelyn Coleman, William Cordes, Robert Cox, Andrew Enyedi, Clare Feole, Jordan Fitzpatrick, Adam Fox, Brian Freiburghouse, Emma Friedman, Skylar Furey, August Gall, James Gildard, Breanne Hewitt, Andrew Hirasawa, Margaret Holroyd, Mariah Jacobs, Margaret Jarrett, Faith Jones, Matthew Junker, Abu Kamara, Eh Paw Kee, Caroline Kolk, Jaewon Lee, Aaron Lenchek, Rosa Leon, Avery Logan, K' Baw Lwe, Gabriel Lynch, Shengtan Mao, Harrison Marshall, Marisol Martinez, Caroline Mattucci. Andrew Mauch, Tyler McAfee, Elizabeth McEntee, Dean Merritt, James Merritt, Lydia Middlesworth, Nicholas Miller, Rosy Moo, Nancy Munguia, Julia Nyman, Brigid O'Kane, Lia Osborne, Jackson Overbeck, Ser Gay Paw, Abigail Rader, Hayden Ransbury, Andrew Richardson, Brandon Richardson, Cassie Richardson, Taukaila Riggsbee, Mackenzie Ruston, Marisa Sanders, John Schumacher, Michaela Simmons, Ji Yeon Song, Samuel Spreen, Julia Ann Squires, Samantha Strobin, Sophie Struckmeyer, Isaac Updike, Dante

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#### 7TH GRADE - AB:

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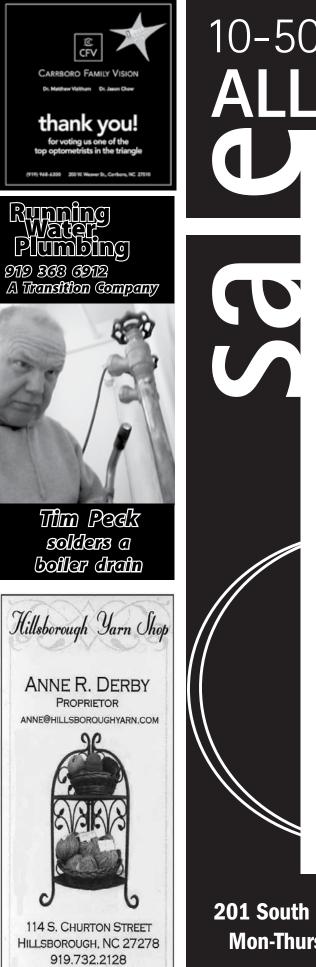
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#### 8TH GRADE - AB:

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(snow date March 14 at 1pm)

Join us as we celebrate the diversity in our community by sharing wonderful food prepared by local restaurants and diverse community groups and enjoying entertainment reflecting the cultural patchwork of our region.

### Advance Purchase Tickets is Required \$8.00 for adults \$3.00 for children 10 & under

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Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle School, The Ink Spot in Carrboro, The Chapel Hill Museum Shop, Cedar Grove Branch Library, The Carrboro Cybrary at the Century Center, Mama Dip's Kitchen, Chapel Hill/Carrboro Chamber of Commerce The Preservation Society of Chapel Hill, Townsend, Bertram and Company at Carr Mill in Carrboro & The Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce at 102 N.Churton Street.

Call 969-3006 for more info or online at communitydinner.org

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Don't pave it all

In her editorial ("Greenway should be for all to use," 2/11/10) Debbie L. Nichols paints those who want to preserve and protect Bolin Creek as — in no special order — heartless elitists whose agility is only matched by our callousness to the disabled, a cartel of landed gentry with a hidden agenda to make the forest our own private recreation area, a band of opportunists blind and neglectful to social justice and, showing no mercy, Republicans (ouch).

I certainly understand why providing improved access along Bolin Creek has merit. This is true already for the creek valley's less-steep sections. On the other hand, I know that not all public lands in our country, be they raging rivers or snowy peaks, can be made fully accessible. My personal view is that the benefits of keeping one part of Bolin Forest unpaved outweigh the benefits of paving it. Does this make me a swindler looking to wrap my selfish aims in the guise of environmental concern? Hardly.

I am a physician and many of those I care for have significant disabilities. I am also a middle-aged cyclist who knows that one day I too may become unable to traverse down to the creek and stroll along its banks. But, just as when I stood with friends and neighbors fighting the Orange County airport, I appreciate the value of stewardship of nature – even if it comes at the expense of what may be good for some people.

Being opposed to transecting this section of the forest is not about limiting access to the wilderness. It is about how to preserve a special and small corner of our community – one which continues to be enjoyed by many. The greenway was not originally proposed to remedy the inaccessibility of these woods to the physically disabled, and although that would be a positive byproduct of a concrete path, unlike Ms. Nichols, I feel that alone should not be the factor which trumps all others when deciding if it should be constructed.

> DAVID A. WOHL *Carrboro*

#### Do you know a Town Treasure?

The Chapel Hill Historical Society each year honors 12 individuals or couples as Town Treasures — those who have guided, taught, led and ministered to the communities of Chapel Hill and Carrboro. The Town Treasures are recognized in three ways: a black-andwhite documentary photograph taken by Catherine Carter, a lifelong Chapel Hill resident and renowned professional photographer; a brief biography published in an Historical Society display and distributed throughout the local media; and a reception at the Chapel Hill Museum and the Seymour Senior Center We invite nominations for Town Treasures for 2010. The Historical Society's criteria for nominees are that they be age 75 or older, have lived in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community for at least 20 years and have made a significant contribution to the community. If you have a nominee for Town Treasure, please send your nomination to ccarterphoto@mindspring.com. Include your contact information and explain in 50 words or less why your nominee should be considered. Thanks to all our citizens for their interest in documenting the stories of our community.



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# Not my vision

#### DAVE COOK

I am not writing for the people who walk fast along Bolin Creek, missing the black snake coiled in the sun. I am writing for the woods themselves, the character of them. Encroachment has probably eradicated the four-toed salamander, but I write for other living treasures of this creek and forest residing in or along the creek: the colony of snowbells, moth mullein, wild comfrey, showy orchis, the madtom, the pike and the prothonotary warbler.

Suffice it to say it's an extreme waste of public money to make a pathway wheelchair accessible from Estes Drive all the way to the high school. Suffice it to say that the compaction of soil by heavy machinery creating a cement greenway, and the 10-foot wide impervious surface itself coursing several miles, will do nothing good for stormwater run-off. (I served on the board of adjustment for Chapel Hill for a number of years, and there's a very good reason for keeping impervious surface out of a flood plain.)

From early on, the collective vision of the Friends of Bolin Creek was to preserve the woods for their own

sake, a *preserve*- that was the word we sought out and used. A woods within an urban environment --that's what we talked about. What a treasure! That we might visit there, leaving as little impact as possible, so that the woods and creek could have their perpetuating effect for generations. We talked about walking, about passive recreation; we didn't talk about the creek and its woods as a fast track for skateboards, roller-bladers and bikers. Some members didn't even like that there were mountain bikers blasting past.

Bike lanes? Put them by the road where they belong.

Wheelchair accessibility? Several smaller or shorter wheelchair accessible sections make more sense than several miles of it and would be better use of public money.

There is always the tireless energy of the dollar, of convenience and another way to use concrete. One of the most difficult things for us to learn is that there are limitations. If nothing else, the economics of these times are teaching us that money and resources are not to be wasted. It might be an urbanist's vision – streetlights to preor thinking of what new line can be drawn through the woods, to cut and belittle their intrinsic reason for being – but it's not mine. It was never ours when we talked about a preserve.

That's what inspired us when we suffered defeats in council meetings, sat through board meetings and attempted public outreach. Could others see the possibilities of the woods' subtle and benevolent presence, the trickle of the stream, the quiet light on the barks of trees, the possibilities of solitude inside the world busy all around us?

Ultimately we go to these woods to allow their effect on us, to replenish our souls. A forest has a subtle effect, and there resides there a lost connection for us, what is at the origin of our imaginations, our emotions and our spiritual well-being, a subtle effect ultimately benevolent and nourishing.

Dave Cook is a founding member of Friends of Bolin Creek. He is author of The Piedmont Almanac: A Guide to the Natural World, The Adventures of Crow-boy and Reservation Nation. He now lives in Durham and is program

#### FOR THE RECORD

# The misplaced stigma

#### **CHRIS FITZSIMON**

Here is a sobering statistic about the daily economic struggles faced by thousands of families in North Carolina. More than 1.2 million people in the state now receive food stamps. That is up 24 percent over a year ago.

And the real numbers are worse. The last study of food stamp participation found that only 63 percent of people in North Carolina eligible for food stamps were receiving them, ranking North Carolina 33rd in the nation in food stamp participation.

A recent New York Times story about food stamps tried to make the case that receiving food stamps no longer comes with a stigma and the program is now widely accepted as a way to help people make ends meet.

The story quotes Republican Sen. Richard Lugar who says that people now understand the country needs a strong food stamp program. But it also cites South Carolina Lt Gov. Andre Bauer's quote about food stamps, that his grandmother "told me as a small child to quit feeding stray animals. You know why? Because they breed."

It's a similar sentiment to that expressed during the welfare debate in North Carolina in the mid-1990s, when state Sen. Hugh Webster showed up at a news conference with bumper stickers that said, "Can't feed 'em, Don't Breed 'em."

Webster has long since retired from the Senate, but his offensive sentiment remains in North Carolina, cloaked in only slightly less offensive language. A couple of years ago, local talk radio hosts were beside themselves about a state outreach effort to encourage people who were eligible for food stamps to apply for them.

A prominent Raleigh think-tanker was equally upset, and criticized the efforts to increase food stamp participation, saying that maybe some people who were eligible didn't apply because they didn't think they deserved to get them.

CATHARINE CARTER ROSEMARY WALDORF *Historical Society board members* 



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The desecration of sacred places

#### TIM TOBEN

They stood in a cold rain outside the coal plant at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Thirty-five students and community protesters, listening to NASA climate scientist James Hansen acknowledge that our consumption of fossil fuels is a case of "intergenerational injustice." It was 22 years ago in 1988, before most of these students were born, when Hansen first testified before Congress that emissions from burning coal and oil were creating a greenhouse effect that

was altering our climate and could lead to catastrophic consequences for all species.

Commenters responded to reports of the student protest on Raleigh's newsobserver.com: "James Hansen is an eco terrorist. He should be ashamed of himself spreading this crap," wrote one.

"It is funny to see all of these brainwashed greenies standing out-

side, bundled to the hilt, and getting a taste of 'warming,'" wrote another.

Indeed, the winter cold snap affecting the East Coast, in particular our nation's capital, seems to have taken the heat off Washington to enact comprehensive climate and energy legislation. Meanwhile, 95 percent of all glaciers around the world continue to melt.

I served on the president's National Finance Committee from North Carolina. He has no more ardent supporter, but I was disappointed in his state of the union address, when he prefaced his remarks on climate change with, "I know that there are those who disagree with the overwhelming scientific evidence on climate change," followed by a snicker when the naysayers applauded. He left the impression that there was still some doubt about the science. But this is 2010, not 1988, and there remains no doubt among the broad scientific community.

So why have we not acted in 22 years? Why is global warming ranked 21st amongst public priorities for 2010 by the Pew Research Center? As my career has turned towards energy policy, I wrestle with that question. Last night, I heard the answer on YouTube. The late author Thomas Berry said: "The reason that the destruction continues around the planet is because we have forgotten the sacred dimension of

What if the oceans were considered sacred places, rather than "resources"? What if the Arctic was considered a sacred place, rather than a resource? What if the Appalachian Mountains were considered a sacred place, rather than a resource?

nature." Could it be that simple?

From the summer of 1999 until the spring of 2001, the Taliban threatened to destroy the giant Buddhas of Bamyan in Central Afghanistan. The world was outraged. Ambassadors from the 54 member states of the Organization of the Islamic Conference, including Pakistan, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, three countries that officially recognized the Taliban government, joined the protest to spare these "sacred places." In March, 2001, Mullah Mohammmad Omar ordered the statues destroyed. Anti-aircraft guns, artillery and dynamite reduced the sixth-century monuments to rubble. The U.S. used that act of "barbarism" to meld the Taliban to al-Qaeda and coalesce international forces against the Afghan regime.

What if the oceans were considered sacred places, rather than "resources"? What if the Arctic was considered a sacred place, rather than a resource? What if the Appalachian Mountains were considered a sacred place, rather than a resource? Would we not likewise react with outrage and gather the ambassadors of the nations together to find an alternative to their destruction? The Buddhas of Bamyan took 250 years to carve. Nature's sacred places, which provide our species and all others with fresh air, fresh water and the basis for healthy food systems, took 4.5 billion

> years to create. Those ecosystems are also our places of inspiration and meditation, not to mention the homes to millions of species that preceded us on this planet. By increasing our appetite for coal and oil, we are destroying many of those sacred places in less time than it took

to build the Buddhas of Bamyan.

The mathematician Brian Swimme writes that 30 years from now, the word "resource" will be the "r-word," just as today we have the "n-word." It is with the same disregard for the sacredness of the underlying beings that we commit what Hansen calls "intergenerational injustice." It is time for Congress to act on comprehensive climate and energy legislation, not to satisfy the thousands of lobbyists that position themselves to profit, but to respond to those students standing outside the coal plant at UNC and the generation they represent. It is time to give them and their children hope that they may still inhabit a world of wonder and beauty and sacred spaces, like the one we inherited.

*Tim Toben is chairman of the N.C. Energy Policy Council.*  Not getting enough to eat is apparently appropriate punishment for depression or lack of self-worth or even bad luck. Why should the government encourage people to find ways to feed themselves or their families?

Another North Carolina antieverything think-tanker recently derided farming interests for engaging in "protective lobbying" of the food stamp program because it benefits them financially, a statement that implicitly assumes that the food stamp program should not be protected.

The North Carolina bashers of the poor and the programs that help them have plenty of guidance from their pseudo-intellectual national counterparts. An economist with the Heritage Foundation calls the food stamp program "a fossil that repeats all the errors of the war on poverty." Errors like trying to help people who lose their jobs survive until they can find another one.

Then there's the loudest mouthpiece of the right, Rush Limbaugh, who said last year that the expansion of food stamp benefits by the Obama administration was part of its effort to expand the welfare state and to "take the nation's wealth and return it to the nation's rightful owners," which Limbaugh said was all part of the plan for "forced reparations."

Never underestimate the willingness of the right to try to use race to divide us, especially when millions of people of all colors are suffering.

The fact that almost two-thirds of the people in North Carolina who are eligible are getting help buying food is not something to criticize. It ought to be viewed as a step in the right direction that comes with a commitment to make sure the other 37 percent have every opportunity to sign up.

There's no stigma in getting enough to eat. Everybody deserves that. The stigma ought to come with spouting rhetoric that makes it harder for people to feed their families.

Chris Fitzsimon is executive director of N.C. Policy Watch.



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Grace said that where many painters struggle to blend colors without leaving sharp edges, "Ben just takes the brush, dips it in the red and paints; then he dips it into the blue without washing it. It's very spontaneous." After he has finished a piece (and Grace said he knows emphatically when it's finished), he looks at it to learn what he has painted, then provides the title.

"Ben has several things he really loves and weather is one of them," said a friend, Deborah Grammer. It's obvious in his titles: "Purple Rain," "Gigantic Tornado" and "It's Raining Again," among others.

"It's wonderful to see the confidence he has about the work he does — and he should," said Chris Beacham, who lives and works in downtown Carrboro (he's a policy consultant at RTS) and became an artist himself about four years ago during a mid-life crisis. He too is a student of Grace. "Maggi helped me through a very bad time in my life. She taught me how to think." He now chairs the Carrboro Arts Commission.

Danny Lloyd of Carrboro has known Ben all his life. "His father, Barrett Gunter, was a college roommate at UNC," Lloyd said. "We go to a lot of games together. Ben's a diehard Tar Heel basketball fan." Ben was happy to see Lloyd, who very much liked his art.

Ben and his father, an obstetrician/gynecologist at Durham Regional Hospital, enjoy a close relationship, and a highlight of the evening was when Barrett arrived with another group of supporters.

Afterwards, Barrett told me that by the end of the event about 60 people had visited. We were told that it was one of the best turnouts they've had and that nobody ever sells anything at these shows." Ben, however, sold four paintings.

"Ben, I think, sells himself a little bit short, but he and his art teacher, Maggi, have a pretty special relationship," Barrett said. "He's able to capture things. It's something he enjovs."

"His art is beautiful for art's sake - not because of his disability," Grace said.

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## **OBITUARIES**

#### Carolyn Roycroft Cobb

Carolyn Roycroft Cobb, 75, died peacefully at her home on Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010. She was preceded in death by her husband, Collier Cobb III.

Carolyn was born in Durham, N.C. on Dec. 7, 1934, the daughter of the late John Kinchen Roycroft and Bessie King Roycroft. She was a graduate of Calvert Method School (now Durham Academy), a graduate of Sullins Academy in Bristol, Va. and also attended the University of South Carolina. She was a member of the Chapel of the Cross Episcopal Church in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Carolyn was a devoted wife, mother and friend, and was involved in many organizations. She was a member of the Preservation Society and served as chairman of the first Preservation Society's Candlelight Tour. She was a member of the Chapel Hill Museum, the Debutante Ball Society and prior to her illness was a member of the William C. Coker Garden Club. Carolyn served as co-chair of the fundraising drive for the Durham Academy's Up-

#### HEELS

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"I'm excited to continue to watch them grow and continue to become better basketball players over the next three years," Hall said. "I think we have another national championship in the near future."

That's the kind of optimism that comes with the afterglow of a 2009 NCAA Championship season to look back on.

Katie Payne, a 2009 graduate still living in the area, was exper School, was a member of St. Mary's Parents Council and was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader. She was a member of the Cancer Task Force for North Carolina and was appointed by the governor to prepare a proposal regarding the needs of cancer patients.

In her younger days, she played tennis and was an avid golfer, even making a hole-in-one at the age of four. More recently, in her spare time she loved gardening, reading and playing with her puppy, Sweet Pea.

Mrs. Cobb is survived by her three children, Wesley Kenneth Cobb and wife, Linda, of Texas; Jennifer Cobb Wells and husband, Hugh, of Chapel Hill; and Bess Cobb DiPatri of Florida; and six grandchildren, Evan Elizabeth Cobb, Collier Cobb IV, William Walker Wells, Sunny Leigh DiPatri, Rachel Cobb Wells and Bryce Cobb DiPatri. She also is survived by an aunt, May King; two cousins, Kenneth King and John King; a sister-in-law, Nancy Cobb Lilly, and husband, Edward Lilly; a niece, Penn Lilly Haygood; two nephews, Edward Lilly Jr. and Stephen Lilly; and "cousin"

pecting a letdown anyway after a whirlwind 2009 season with players she considered her peers.

Carol Cobb Hamilton. The family would like to

give special thanks to all those who provided love and support through Carolyn's illness. Graveside memorial services will be held this Saturday, Feb. 20 at 11:00 a.m. at the Old Chapel

#### **Grace Wilson Perry**

Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Grace Wilson Perry, 96, of 2323 Frank Perry Rd., Hillsborough, N.C. died on Tuesday, February 2, 2010 in her home.

She was born on February 21, 1913 in Watauga County, N.C. She moved to Hillsborough, N.C. in 1949. She is now reunited with all who have gone on before her, her husband, Frank Perry; her parents, Raleigh and Mary Eggers Wilson; her son, Dwayne Perry; her grandson, Samuel Teague; her granddaughter, Kristin Hutchins; her brothers, Frank, Dean and Dave Wilson; and her sisters, Lena Pugh, Minnie Johnson, Beulah Powell and Nettie Potter.

She is survived by her daughters, Mary Carolyn Bishop and husband, Hubert, of Durham, N.C., Evelyn Jeanne Perry of

Hillsborough, and Judy Kadlac and husband, Gene, of Brooklyn Park, Minn.; her brothers Rev. Carl Wilson of Vilas, N.C. and Joe Wilson of Mountain City, Tenn.; and 12 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren and five greatgreat-grandchildren.

Grace loved the Lord and served Him all of her life. She had a Bible in every room of her home in case anyone wanted to read the Lord's word. She had been a member of Mars Hill Baptist Church since 1949. She loved to cook and was always trying new recipes, which Daddy would eat without complaint. She loved flowers, gardening and watching her bluebirds and hummingbirds. Another of her loves was traveling. She had been to all 50 states.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, Feb. 6 at noon at Mars Hill Baptist Church, officiated by the Rev. Jim Shaw and Rev. Ralph Harrell. She was buried in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Duke Homecare and Hospice, 4321 Medical Park Dr., Ste 101, Durham, N.C. 27704 or Mars Hill Baptist Church Music Fund.

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we going to win the national

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said. "It's a hard trans-

formation to make,

but my goal as a fan is

"I guess I'm just sort of taking on them. It's not like they are not trying; they are just a young each game as a journey in and of itself, as opposed to looking at it team trying to get their feet and from a point of view that Carotrying to find themselves."

Local sports columnist and Cat's Cradle owner Frank Heath has years of experience with the

"I guess I'm just sort of taking each game as a journey in and of itself, as opposed to looking at it from a point of view that Carolina fans often do, which is, 'Are we going to win the national championship this year?'"

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strong ties to Marcus Ginyard," Payne said. "It makes me sad that people are being so hard

up-and-down nature of college basketball and sounded quite serene about it all.

to be a fan in the moment." And of course as the saying goes, there's always next

year. It's a cliché most sports fans have grown to live by, and now Tar Heel basketball fans are no different.



"I felt like the players who were here during the majority of my four years here were my team, which is why I have such



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# Business

#### BIZ BEAT

# Do you have a need for speed?

#### MARGOT C. LESTER

If you've been hanging around Facebook or listening to WCHL, you've probably heard that Google's looking for a town (or maybe more) to test-drive it's über-high-speed Internet. Google will offer networks via an "open access" model, meaning that customers have access to several service providers. The initial stage of the program will run the superfast service only to homes.

Since most of us have migrated off dial-up (haven't we?), you may be asking yourself, do we need faster Internet? Yes, says local broadband activist Brian Russell, who started a Facebook group to encourage the Chapel Hill and Carrboro town governments to submit a request for information to be considered for the pilot program. Besides making it faster and easier to watch YouTube videos of cats playing the piano or to catch up on the Olympics you've missed while actually showing up at your job and working, there could be business applications once the service is extended for commercial use.

"This speed of bandwidth would do a lot to attract companies to our county," Russell asserts. "Fiber is an infrastructure incentive that can't be lost or taken [away] when a company fails."

Molly Ingersoll has an even grander view. She's a product manager on Google's alternative access team.

"In the same way that the transition from dial-up to broadband made possible the emergence of online video and countless other applications, ultra high-speed bandwidth will lead to new innovations – including streaming high-definition video content, remote data storage, distance learning, telemedicine, real-time multimedia collaboration and others that we cannot yet imagine," Ingersoll said via email. "If the Internet has taught us anything, it's that the most important innovations are often those we least expect."

Perhaps the biggest immediate benefit of winning the bid would be a cost savings for local governments.

"Fiber to the home requires the installation of cable in public right-of-ways," Russell says. "This is already being done in our community right now. It's the most expensive part of an end-to-end fiber network. Attracting a big company like Google to finance it would be a major win, both in innovation potential and money saved."

Chapel Hill and Carrboro officials have indicated an interest in pursuing the project.

"The type of service described by Google is a great opportunity for the Town to help facilitate the delivery of technological services to its residents," said Carrboro's information and technology manager Andy Vogel via email. "It is well within the scope of what we currently do and could easily co-exist alongside of our current fiber network."

# Carolina Fitness expands

Carolina Fitness quietly opened a new facility on Elliott Road last month. Owner David Gillespie expects more hoopla any day now when the final five pieces of a fat-busting, muscle-building Matrix system have been installed – as early as month's end. The new club will be the first on the East Coast to have the new circuit training apparatuses.

"It's better than anything I've ever seen," Gillespie says. Lest Carrberians feel left out, Gillespie says he's going to revamp the gym's Carrboro location too. "We'll be putting in 50 new pieces of cardio and doing a total facelift. We want to have the two

best clubs in the area."

Despite the down economy, the gym business has thrived.

"People need stress relief," Gillespie says. "There are a lot of business people and upper management in Chapel Hill and Carrboro who know the importance of fitness. They'll make the financial adjustments to keep their gym memberships." Besides, Gillespie continues, Carolina Fitness is a good deal. "Monthly membership's only \$29.95. That gives you the best club in town at a very affordable rate."

# Chapel Hill's office vacancy up

Last week, Chapel Hill Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt and others attended a presentation by office market consultant Ernie Bleinberger. The news was mixed. About 300,000 square feet of the total 2.2-million-square-foot office inventory is vacant, with 450,000 more square feet approved but unbuilt and another 200,000 in the planning stages.

"Our vacancy rate has grown when compared to previous years, but we have added close to 200,000 square feet in the last year and an additional 70,000 in the last two years," says Dwight Bassett, the town's economic development officer.

Chapel Hill's absorption rate, the change in occupied office inventory, is 80,000 square feet annually. A higher absorption rate indicates that more space is leased than vacated.

"Our goal is to grow our absorption rate and thus our overall office market," Bassett says.

#### Goodmon Awards nominations still open

Give some props to a local business or partnership that's made the Triangle a better place to live by nominating them for a Goodmon Award. Sponsored by Leadership Triangle and named



after business and community icon Jim Goodmon, the awards recognize outstanding achievement in improving the quality of life in our region. Nomination forms can be downloaded at leadershiptriangle.org. Entries must be received by Feb. 23.

#### Splinter Group announces new projects

Carrboro-based advertising, marketing and design firm The Splinter Group announced a handful of new clients and projects recently. The firm landed the Burlington Aviation account and will create a new brand identiy, ad campaign and website for the Alamance County flight-training company. The Group also is redesigning the website for carolinaperformingarts.org, creating a new site for The Crunkleton and developing a name and logo for a new beer that Carolina Brewery is crafting for the Durham Bulls. The firm recently completed branding and opening marketing for two new businesses in Chapel Hill: The Chocolate Door and Flyleaf Books.

#### Chatham Development Briefing scheduled for March 9

On Tuesday, March 9 from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., the Chapel Hill-Carrboro and Chatham Chambers of Commerce; Greater Chapel Hill Association of Realtors; and the Home Builders Association of Durham, Orange and Chatham Counties will host the fourth annual breakfast briefing at the Governors Club. Admission is \$25 for chamber members and \$35 for non-members. Register online at carolinachamber.org or by calling Laura Morrison at 357-9989.

# **Business Briefs**

#### Gaming company on FB

Chapel Hill-based Merscom Games (merscom.com) has developed a social-media game for Facebook, the company announced this month. The Crazies, a towerdefense game the company developed for the social-media site, is based on the movie of the same name.

Merscom also recently announced a game based on the movie *Shutter Island*.

#### **Business after hours**

The ArtsCenter will host the Chapel Hill Carrboro-Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours networking event Thursday, Feb. 18 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The event is free and open to all chamber members.

#### Sustainability event rescheduled

A look at innovation's role in the future of green building at UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business School that was canceled due to inclement weather has been rescheduled for March 19.

Kenan-Flagler's Center for Sustainable Enterprise will present Rob Watson, a pioneer of the modern greenbuilding movement, and Dennis Quaintance, owner of Proximity Hotel in Greensboro, in "Wanted: Radical Confidence: Why the Future is in Our Hands Today" at 5:30 p.m. in Koury Auditorium. The event is part of the center's Leaders in Sustainability series and is co-hosted and co-sponsored by the N.C. Triangle Chapter of the U.S. Green Building Council.

Watson is considered a founding father of Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), the recognized international standard by which green buildings are measured worldwide. He is chairman, chief executive officer and chief scientist of the EcoTech International Group, which provides green-building technologies and services in China, India and the United States.

A reception will follow the free event. Please respond to cse@unc.edu if you plan to attend. Parking will be available in the business school parking deck. For more information, call 962-1499.

#### Chatham development in focus

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce is holding its annual Chatham County Development Briefing on Tuesday, March 9 from 8 to 10 a.m.

Confirmed speakers include Sally Kost, chair of the Chatham County Commissioners; Dianne Reid, president of the Chatham Economic Development Corporation; and Bill Whitmore, president of the Greater Chapel Hill Association of REALTORS. There will also be a panel of Chatham County residential developers who will provide an update on their projects and local sales trends. Registration is \$25 for members of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro and Chatham chambers, HBA or GCHAR and \$35 for non-members. Registration includes a full breakfast and event materials.

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WORKSHOP: Vera Shanley, MD, a CHOPRA CENTER certified instructor, will be holding a Meditation workshop in Hillsborough the weekend of March 26,27,28. For workshop overview, details and price see www.veramindbodyspirit.com

#### ES **frank heath** NOT NC.

It's a wrap. The 2009-10 UNC men's basketball team's long journey into mediocrity and futility was cemented during the latter stages of the first half of Carolina's 78-61 loss to Georgia Tech Tuesday night.

With the Tar Heels trailing by "only" 14 points, 32-18, Tech freshman Derrick

Favors thundered in for a dunk off a pass from guard Maurice Miller. Then on the Yellow Jackets' next possession, following a missed foul shot by Carolina's John Henson, Miller himself drove for an easy layup against a day-late, dollarshort UNC defensive effort. Two Georgia Tech possessions later – after

several more missed shots by the Tar Heels – Favors got free for another dunk and the Tar Heels were, once again, down by 20 points in the first half.

The portion of Tuesday night's game that began with UNC behind 17-15 at the 10:59 mark of the first half and ended with the Tar Heels trailing 57-29 with 9:43 remaining may have been the worst, least-inspired stretch of basketball that I've ever seen a North Carolina team play.

Pick almost any area, and the Tar Heels were awful at it in this game. At one point early in the second half, UNC was nine of 40 from the field with 17 turnovers. The Heels ended the game 19 of 59 (32.2%), three of 15 from three-point range and having made a horrible 10 of 24 free throws.

They also allowed Tech to shoot near 50 percent for most of the game and were out-rebounded by five.

Why is this? Why does a team, with as much on the line as

there was for UNC in this game, play poorly and get rolled over? We will probably never know. Suffice it to say that whatever hopes Carolina had for reaching the NCAA Tournament with a late-season surge flew out the window with this loss.

But this should not be so much about how

It should be more about how the players and coaches of this Carolina team are going to react to and learn from the experience of being humbled in a way they would have little expected.

olina is playing basketball at this moment. Everyone, every organization or group, has its bad days, when things just don't work right, no matter how much effort is given toward making things perfect. Many other perennial winners – UConn, Indiana, Florida and Louisville, to name a few

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- are also struggling this year. It should be more about how the players and coaches of this Carolina team are going to react to and learn from the experience of being humbled in a way they would have little expected.

Back in 2003, UNC basketball players Jawad Williams, Melvin Scott and Jackie Manuel, then freshmen, struggled through a season similar to this one, where nothing that Carolina did seemed to work. During the darker moments of an 8-20 season, no one could have guessed that three years later Manuel, Scott and Williams would play integral roles for a national championship team.

It will not be long before North Carolina is back in the hunt for ACC and NCAA basketball titles. In the mean time, fans can be thankful for the many, many times the Tar Heels have entertained us and helped us understand how difficult it can be to get things right, and how great it can be when you do.

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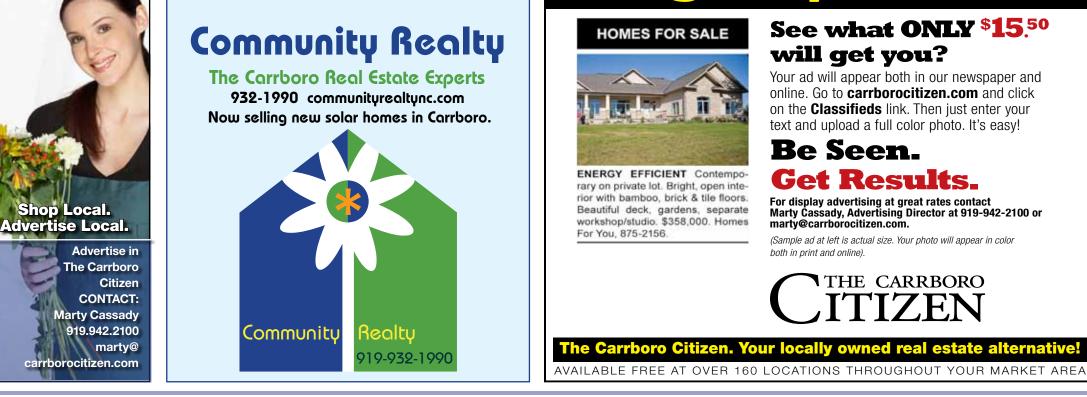
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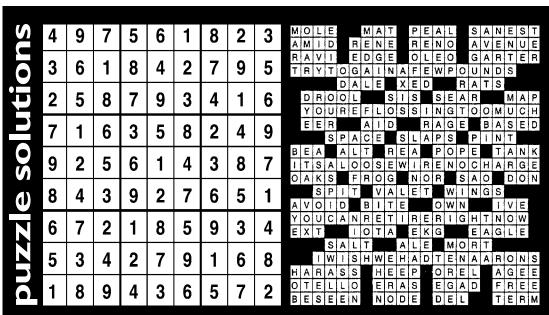
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#### **CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER:** Power of Positive Thinking?

I am not the first president to take up this cause, but I am determined to be the last. -Barack Obama, in his congressional address on health care.



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# Almanac



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE The winter beauty of open fields surrounding Mason Farm's Big Oak Woods is prelude to colorful wildflowers in warmer months.

### **FLORA**

#### FROM PAGE I

My #5 is Duke Forest, 7,000-plus acres of diverse forests between Durham, Chapel Hill-Carrboro and Hillsborough. You can walk a different trail every week for three months. Duke's forests (dukeforest.duke. edu) include natural features like rhododendron bluffs along New Hope Creek as well as demonstration areas of forest management practices.

My # 6 is the 93-

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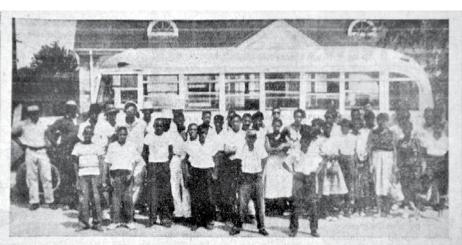
acre Battle Park forest stretching from Forest Theatre on UNC campus to Chapel Hill's Community Center. Trails in this historic forest are managed by the Botanical Garden and maps are available at several trailheads. (ncbg.unc.edu))

Another favorite, # 7, is Triangle Land Conservancy's Johnston Mill Nature Preserve (triangleland.org), between Chapel and Hillsborough. Trails course through mature pine and deciduous forests along New Hope Creek

and meander over higher ground featuring an unusual elfin forest of American beech.

There are others, I hope that some of you will take time to share with readers (editor@carrborocitizencom) descriptions of your favorite local natural treasure.

Most importantly, be appreciative of our natural treasures; some of the features, like laurel bluffs, are relicts of the ice age. Support the organizations that protect and manage them and explore all of them.



SWIMMING POOL-BOUND-Over 300 young prople have been on the Negro Community Center's weekly trips to the Chavis Park swimming pool in Releigh this summer. Last Wednesday afternoon about 60 made the trip on the Weaver Gospel Singers' bu . They're shown above just before leaving from the Community Center on Roberson Street. Mrs. Lucille Caldwell, Center director, will be on vacation all this month and the Center will be closed. It will reopen September 1. News Leader Photo

**Negro Community News** Sewer Bids

#### Swimming Pool Bound, 1954

magine living in a town with three public swimming pools, yet you are not allowed to swim in any of them. Sadly, for some older citizens of Carrboro-Chapel Hill that scenario doesn't take much imagination at all. In August 1954, Chapel Hill News Leader editor Roland Giduz made this photo of local black swimmers boarding a bus for the one-hour ride on two-lane Hwy. 54 to Chavis Park in Raleigh. When I asked the late great Roland why he took this photo for his paper, he said he believed that such reprehensible conditions deserved to be known by all his readers. Especially in "The Southern Park of Heaven."



### **A THOUSAND WORDS**

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- 🗶 10th Anniversary Cocktail
- 🗮 10th Anniversary Dessert
- Loor Prizes 10 prizes awarded weekly
- **A Panzanella T-shirts** long- & short-sleeve
- Free Balloons while they last

Join us for our **Open House on Saturday, February 27th.** We'll be **open all** day, starting at 11:30 am, welcoming old and new friends, and celebrating 10 great years as a community gathering place. Every guest who has a meal on this day, will receive a **free sweet treat**. All of the specials listed above will be available, along with Carolina Brewery's **Anniversary Draft Ale** at **\$3/pint**, and our special **Anniversary Cocktail** at **2 for \$10**. From **3 - 5 pm** we'll feature our delicious pizzas and salads only. And, from **10 pm to midnight** we'll have **live music**, performed by a few of the talented people you know.

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#### CHAPEL HILL

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