



# C THE CARRBORO CITIZEN



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

Grancy graybeard (fringe tree), a popular small tree collected from the woods for African-American gardens, is often seen in Carrboro front yards.

## FLORA BY KEN MOORE

### Influenced by African-American gardens

Talking about the upcoming "African-American Gardening" presentation by University of Georgia professor emeritus Richard Westmacott, gardening friend Juel Duke and I discovered that we share a similar Southern gardening heritage.

Juel grew up near Norlina remembering seeing all the interesting and colorful plants and yard ornaments throughout rural Warren County. At the age of 3, I began spending my summers in Warren County with my widowed aunt who shared her small tobacco farm with two African-American tenant families.

As Westmacott describes in his book, the term "garden" in the rural South referred to an area away from the house managed for the production of vegetables. Flowers were grown in the "yard," generally in front of the house where, when there was time, families enjoyed sitting on the porch welcoming passers-by.

Backyards were generally used for practical activities, such as washing clothes, feeding the chickens and harvesting and processing vegetables. The yards were swept clean to prevent the growth of weeds and grass. There was generally a shade tree or two beneath which occurred the daily chores.

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## Transit, schools to benefit from stimulus

BY KIRK ROSS  
Staff Writer

**STATE** — Back in the district after six weeks focusing on the recently passed and signed stimulus package, Fourth District U.S. Congressman David Price said since his return he has heard a good number of stories of how the economy has reshaped the lives of constituents.

That was clear a few minutes into a conversation at Cup of Joe at Timberlyne in Chapel Hill, when a recent state government retiree approached him to ask if she should worry about the state retirement plan.

While noting that the pension plan is in the hands of the state government, Price tried to be reassuring. He said the stimulus package was designed in part to help states meet the challenge of flagging revenues and growing demand for services and provide relief for those hit by layoffs and cutbacks.

The link between the recent stimulus bill and state and local governments has been the theme of a series of town hall meetings Price is holding throughout the Fourth District, which includes all of Orange and Durham counties and portions of Chatham and Wake

counties. In an hour-long discussion with *The Citizen*, the congressman discussed the potential effects of the bill, along with what's next on the agenda for Congress and the Obama administration.

According to Price, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, signed into law by President Obama on Tuesday, means additional transportation and school funding at the local level as well as a sizeable contribution toward plugging the hole in the state budget.

School districts will receive direct payments for renovation and repairs through a formula based on

their Title One student populations. The bill also includes provisions to improve the marketability of state and local government bonds for infrastructure projects and a new bond-financing program for school construction, rehabilitation and repair. Many local governments and school systems in the state, including the Town of Chapel Hill and Chatham County Schools, have backed off construction plans in the past year because of concerns about the bond market.

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Lenore Yarger and Joan Walsh stand in support of the Chatham County Commissioners' resolution not to participate in the federal ICE 287(g) policing program.

PHOTO BY TAYLOR SISK

## Chatham rallies against ICE

BY TAYLOR SISK  
Staff Writer

**PITTSBORO** — Gary Phillips recalls a march held in 2006 in support of granting citizenship to illegal immigrants. The march began as a group of some 2,000, he said, and as they moved through neighborhoods toward the courthouse that number had doubled as Latinos gathered the courage to join, coming out of "basements and businesses."

"They were invisible people made visible," said Phillips, a Silk Hope resident and former Chatham County commissioner. "It was one of the most powerful experiences of my life."

Last Monday evening was a similar such occasion.

That evening, as the Chatham County Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order, it was announced that due to the fact that 35 people had signed up to speak, the customary 30-minute public

input session held at the beginning of each commissioners' meeting would be extended to 90.

The large upstairs room in the superior courthouse was filled to capacity, the walls lined to their length. What had brought the majority of these folks out was an announcement that the commissioners would hear comments concerning a resolution they had

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## Chapel Hill native an 'Idol' finalist

BY SUSAN DICKSON  
Staff Writer

**CHAPEL HILL** — Anoop Desai, a graduate student at UNC and a graduate of East Chapel Hill High School, has made it past the judges to the top 36 of the "American Idol" competition.

Desai performed with 11 other finalists Tuesday night, hoping to receive enough votes to put him in the top three of his group to go to the next round of the competition. Judges said his rendition of Monica's "Angel of Mine" was not his best performance, but said he has a "massive likeability factor" working in his favor.



PHOTO BY JASMINA NOGO

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Excitement was in the air as Anoops fan gathered at Players Tuesday night.

## Garden entering a new phase in a long history

RECENTLY . . .

By Valerie Schwartz

The struggles to begin the N.C. Botanical Garden were as troublesome for C. Ritchie Bell as the exotic invasives that now strangle many Southern gardens, but many of the details have burrowed as deeply as kudzu roots. Still, Bell was able to provide an oral history on Feb. 1 in the garden's Totten Center for members of the N.C. Native Plant Society.

"We had the garden as an idea," Bell said as he addressed several dozen in attendance. Bell was hired into the botany department in 1951 and served as the garden's founding director until his retirement in 1986. He said that Dr. W.C. Coker, who in 1903 became the first professor of botany at UNC, generated the idea.

Land south of the campus was dedicated for development of a botanical garden in 1952, and though "money was hard to come by," Bell said, the trustees passed a resolution to start a garden.

When it came to legislation, Bell had a hard time cutting through the red tape. In 1966, he presented a plan to Chancellor J. Carlyle Sitterson asking for \$70-80,000, but "the university, as always, was tight for money," Bell explained.

His funding request was turned down — but he and the future garden had a friend in William Lanier Hunt, who had "a friend in the state Legislature," and the bottom line, which Bell spelled out in detail, is that the university's budget for that year passed because money for the garden was included in it.

"That's how we lucked out and got the botanical garden started — political power and one telephone

call," Bell said before he thanked everyone in attendance for supporting the garden and sat down.

But the history lesson continued as Ken Moore, the first employee of the garden, hired in 1971, shared his early memories of the garden before Bell's successor, Peter White, led everyone on a tour of the Education Center projected for completion in June.

White's enthusiasm for the first LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) platinum building in the UNC system spread through the group even after traversing a muddy trench to stand in chilly breezeways that one of these days will sport rocking chairs and tea trolleys along with a view of the sycamore-studded nature trail.

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MUSIC CALENDAR



**FUJIYA AND MIYAGI**  
Cat's Cradle  
February 20

**THURSDAY FEB 19**

**Blue Bayou:** Bo Lankenau, Jo Gore. 9pm  
**The Cave:** EARLY: Aaron Berg, LATE: David Spencer Band  
**General Store Cafe:** Tony Gailani Band. 7-9pm  
**Local 506:** Two Planes, The White Cascade, Goodbye Titan. 9pm, \$6  
**Nightlight:** 919 Noise Showcase with Brian Howe, Phon, Nic Slaton, Joey Prinz, Weather Machine. 10pm, \$5

**Rezevoir:** Rockin' Ammonia Karaoke

**FRIDAY FEB 20**

**Blue Bayou:** Spoonful of Soul. 9:30pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** Fujiya and Miyagi, Project Jenny Project Jan. 9pm, \$12/14  
**The Cave:** EARLY: Sea Cow, LATE: Shakermaker, Tin Star, Batata Doce  
**General Store Cafe:** Tad Dreis. 8:30-11pm

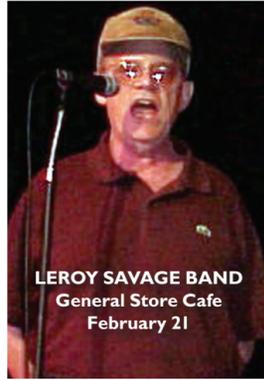
**Local 506:** Boxbomb CD Release Show, House of Fools, Lake Inferior. 9:30pm, Free

**Meymandi Concert Hall:** Pointer Sisters. 8pm

**Nightlight:** Joe Norkus, Saint Solitude, Grandmother Longlegs, Brass Bed. 10pm

**SATURDAY FEB 21**

**Blue Bayou:** Ape Foot Groove. 9:30pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** MC Chris. 11pm, \$12/14



**LEROY SAVAGE BAND**  
General Store Cafe  
February 21

**The Cave:** LATE: Aminor, Vinyl Strangers

**General Store Cafe:** LeRoy Savage. 8:30-11pm

**Local 506:** Joe Romeo and The Orange County Volunteers CD Release Show. 10pm, Free

**Meymandi Concert Hall:** Pointer Sisters. 8pm

**Nightlight:** Soundpainting Orchestra, The Circuitry Dance Patrol, Projexorcism. 10pm

**Open Eye Cafe:** Robert Funk. 8pm

**SUNDAY FEB 22**

**Cat's Cradle:** Dave Barnes, Drew Holcomb. 9pm, \$14

**The Cave:** Simian, The New Romans. 9pm, \$5

**Local 506:** Icy Demons, Whatever Brains. 9:30pm, \$8

**Rezevoir:** Cinemasophia, Sleep-sound, On The Beach

**TUESDAY FEB 24**

**Local 506:** Shannon Corey, Corey Hart. 9:30pm, Free

**WEDNESDAY FEB 25**

**Cat's Cradle:** And You will Know Us By The Trail of Dead, Funeral Party, Red Collar, Midnight Masses. 9:30pm, \$12/15

**The Cave:** Chatham County Luau featuring Taz Halloween and Stu Cole, David Spencer Band

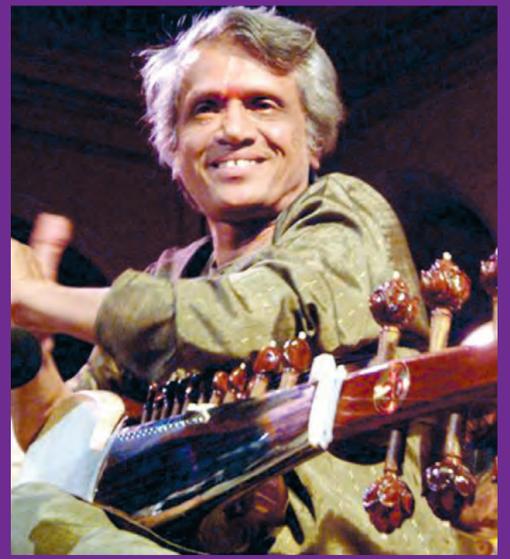
**Local 506:** Marah. 9:30pm, \$10

**Nightlight:** Arms and Sleepers, Andrew Weathers, Workday, School Night. 9:30pm

**THURSDAY FEB 26**

**Blue Bayou:** The Corduroy Road  
**Cat's Cradle:** Pico VS Island Trees, Slow Runner, Max Indian. 9pm, \$8/10

SPOTLIGHT



**K. SRIDHAR**

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K. Sridhar performs Saturday, Feb. 28th at 4 p.m. at The Barn at Valhalla located on "Duffy's Way" off N.C. 54 in Chapel Hill. Doors open at 3:30 p.m. and admission is \$18 at the door. For more information, call 929-2045 or email jckubacka@gmail.com. Learn more about K. Sridhar online at www.sridhar.org

**The Cave:** EARLY: Arielle Bryant, LATE: Illicitizen, Instant Jones, Hey Euphony

**General Store Cafe:** Marie Vanderbeck Trio. 7-9pm

**Local 506:** Western Civ CD Release Party, Mitch Easter, Embarrassing Fruits. 9pm, \$5

**Rezevoir:** The Alcazar Hotel (CD release), Puritan Rodeo, Jokes and Jokes and Jokes

**FRIDAY FEB 27**

**Blue Bayou:** Marla Vickers Band. 9:30pm

**Cat's Cradle:** Railroad Earth, Old School Freight Train. 9pm, \$18/20

**The Cave:** Southpaw with Kelley and The Cowboys

**General Store Cafe:** Blue Diablo. 8:30-11pm

**Local 506:** EARLY: Harvey Milk, Black Skies. 8pm, \$10. LATE: Final Fridays Dance Party with George

Brazil and DJ Forge. 11:30pm, \$5  
**Nightlight:** Pomegranates, Corey Hart, Polynya. 10pm

**SATURDAY FEB 28**

**Blue Bayou:** Blues World Order. 9:30pm

**Barn at Valhalla:** K. Sridhar. 4pm, \$18

**Cat's Cradle:** Appetite for Destruction (Tribute to Guns N Roses). \$11/13

**Carolina Theatre (Durham):** Joan Baez

**The Cave:** LATE: The Whiskey Smugglers, Lafcadio

**General Store Cafe:** Benyaro. 8:30-11pm

**Local 506:** Tim Barry, Austin Lucas, Josh Small, Smoke or Fire. 9pm, \$10

**Nightlight:** Waumiss, Billy Sugarfix, JaGhetto, Dave Walker. 10pm

**Rezevoir:** Mad Rad Dance Party

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**CAT'S CRADLE**

**FR 2/20 FUJIYA & MIYAGA**  
W/PROJECT JENNY, PROJECT JAN\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
**SA 2/21 D S I COMEDY FESTIVAL:**  
**DEATH BY ROO ROO, BEATBOX, MC CHRIS**  
(COMEDY AND CONCERT SETS)  
**SU 2/22 DAVE BARNES**  
W/DREW HOLCOLMB\*\*(\$14)  
**WE 2/25 AND YOU WILL KNOW US BY THE TRAIL OF DEAD**  
W/FUNERAL PARTY, RED COLLAR & MIDNIGHT MASSES\*\*(\$12/\$15)  
**TH 2/26 PICO VS. ISLAND TREES**  
W/SLOW RUNNER, MAX INDIAN\*\*(\$18/\$20)  
**FR 2/27 RAILROAD EARTH**  
W/OLD SCHOOL FREIGHT TRAIN\*\*  
**SA 2/28 APPETITE FOR DESTRUCTION\*\*(\$11/\$13)**  
**SU 3/1 BEN KWELLER**  
W/WATSON TWINS\*\*(\$16/\$18)  
**MO 3/2 TAPES 'N TAPES**  
W/WILD LIGHT\*\*(\$10/\$12)  
**WE 3/4 PRESENTED BY MYSPACE MUSIC**  
**BLACK LIPS**  
W/GENTLEMAN JESSE, THE MOANERS\*\*(\$10/\$12)  
**TH 3/5\*\*(\$10)**  
**THE MUSIC TAPES**  
W/NANA GRIZOL AND SUPERCLUSTER  
**FR 3/6 NEIL DIAMOND ALL-STARS**  
W/THE DAVE SPENCER BAND\*\*(\$10)  
**SA 3/7 ANATHALLO**  
W/FILTHY BIRD\*\*(\$10)  
**TH 3/12 VETIVER\*\*(\$12/\$14)**  
W/SIAN ALICE GROUP, MEGAFAN  
**FR 3/13 JUNIOR BROWN\*\***  
**SA 3/14 WOODS SCHOOL BENEFIT**  
W/ELI "PAPERBOY" REED, GREAT BIG GONE, LYNN BLAKEY & ECKI HEINS\*\*  
**TH 3/19 AC NEWMAN**  
W/THE BROKEN WEST\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
**FR 3/20\*\*(\$15)**  
**GENE WEEN BAND**

**SA 3/21 THE TING TINGS**  
W/HOTTUB\*\*(\$15)  
**TU 3/24 CUT COPY**  
W/MATT & KIM, DJ KNIGHTLIFE\*\*(\$16/\$18)  
**WE 3/25 GLASVEGAS IS CANCELLED**  
**FR 3/27 YO MAMA'S BIG FAT BOOTY BAND**  
W/THE MANTRAS\*\*(\$10/\$12)  
**SA 3/28 WXYC 80S DANCE**  
**TU 3/31\*\*(\$15/\$17)**  
**THE PRESETS**  
W/THE GOLDEN FILTER  
**WE 4/1\*\*(\$12/\$14)**  
**LANGHORNE SLIM**  
**TH 4/2\*\*(\$14/\$16)**  
**MATT WERTZ**  
**SA 4/4 ROCCO DELUCA AND THE BURDEN**  
W/HONEYHONEY\*\*(\$12/\$15)  
**TU 4/7 BRIAN JONESTOWN MASSACRE\*\*(\$15)**  
**WE 4/8 ROBYN HITCHCOCK & THE VENUS 3\*\*(\$15/\$17)**  
**SA 4/11 LUCKY, JON SHAIN TRIO, SALLY SPRING\*\***  
**MO 4/13 OF MONTREAL\*\*(\$18)**  
**TU 4/14\*\*(\$12/\$15)** STEREO TOTAL, LESLIE & THE LYS  
**FR 4/17 SIGNAL 2009 THE FOREIGN EXCHANGE\*\***  
**WE 4/21 RAUL MALO**  
OF THE MAVERICKS\*\*  
**TH 4/22 WORLD INFERNO/ FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY\*\***  
**TU 4/28 THE KILLS**  
W/THE HORRORS & MAGIC WANDS\*\*  
**WE 4/29 ALESANA**  
W/DROP DEAD GORGEOUS + MORE\*\*(\$13/\$15)  
**FR 5/1 REVEREND HORTON HEAT\*\*(\$10)**  
**SU 5/3 JUNIOR BOYS\*\***  
**WE 5/6 THE GASLIGHT ANTHEM, PELA AND GOOD OLD WAR\*\*(\$13/\$15)**  
**FR 5/8 LEZ ZEPPELIN\*\*(\$15)**  
**SA 5/16 TODD SNIDER\*\***  
ON SALE 2/20

**FR 3/13 JUNIOR BROWN**

**SU 3/1 BEN KWELLER**

**SU 3/29 AMANDA PALMER**  
THE ARTSCENTER

**FR 2/20 FUJIYA & MIYAGA**

**WE 3/4 BLACK LIPS**

**TH 6/4 THE DECEMBERISTS**  
MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM (RALEIGH)

**WE 3/11 DISCO RODEO**  
RALEIGH

**FR 2/27 RAILROAD EARTH**

**MO 4/13 OF MONTREAL**

**SU 2/22 DAVE BARNES**

**ALSO PRESENTING**

**LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL)**  
**FR 2/27 HARVEY MILK**  
W/BLACK SKIES, PONTIAK  
**SA 2/28 TIM BARRY (AVAIL)**  
/ AUSTIN LUCAS / JOSH SMALL  
W/SMOKE OR FIRE (ACOUSTIC)  
**SU 3/1 THRIVING IVORY**  
W/BARCELONA, COMPANY OF THIEVES  
**TU 3/10 LYDIA**  
W/BLACK GOLD, ALL GET OUT  
**FR 3/13 THE AIRBORNE TOXIC**  
EVENT W/ALBERTA CROSS AND  
HENRY CLAY PEOPLE  
**MO 4/13 APPLESEED CAST**  
**LINCOLN THEATRE (RALEIGH)**  
**FR 4/3 NORTH MISSISSIPPI**  
ALLSTARS  
W/HILL COUNTRY REVUE  
**TH 5/28 THE NATIONAL**  
THE ARTSCENTER (CAR)  
**SU 3/8 AND MO 3/9 TWO SHOWS!**  
(SUNDAY'S SHOW IS SOLD OUT)  
TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE FOR MONDAY!  
**RICHARD THOMPSON**  
**WE 3/11 KATHLEEN EDWARDS**  
W/CLARE BURSON  
**SU 3/29 AMANDA PALMER**  
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## News Briefs

### Volunteers sought for boards

The Orange County Board of Commissioners seeks county residents to fill vacant volunteer seats on the Recreation and Parks Advisory Council, the Orange-Person-Chatham Area Program Board and the Equalization and Review Board.

For more information about the volunteer opportunities or an application, contact the office of the clerk to the board at 245-2125 or athompson-rockett@co.orange.nc.us or visit www.co.orange.nc.us and click on "Volunteer Boards."

### Whooping cough at Carrboro Elementary

The Orange County Health Department has given an order to 220 students at Carrboro Elementary School to take a course of antibiotics to protect themselves from whooping cough after students at the school were diagnosed with the disease.

Letters were sent home with the students last week notifying parents of their children's exposure to students who were infected with whooping cough. Parents were notified that students would be excluded from school for 21 days, beginning Feb. 16, if they did not obtain the antibiotics.

As of Feb. 16, nine of the 220 students were not in school, but officials contacted the students' families, who all indicated they were in the process of scheduling doctor appointments and obtaining prescriptions with the intent to return to school.

### Spay neuter day

The Orange County Board of Commissioners has declared Feb. 24 as "Spay Neuter Day" in Orange County to encourage citizens to spay and neuter pets and to raise awareness about pet overpopulation in the county.

Orange County Animal Services has partnered with AnimalKind's "The \$20 Fix" program to offer low-cost and no-cost spay and neuter surgeries to pets of qualifying households in Orange County.

For more information on Spay Neuter Day or The \$20 Fix, call Sarah Fallin at 967-7383.

### Rabies clinic

The Orange County Animal Services Department will offer two low-cost rabies vaccination clinics this month.

Upcoming clinics are Friday, noon to 5 p.m., at the Orange County Animal Shelter on Martin Luther King Boulevard in Chapel Hill, and Saturday, 1 to 2 p.m., at New Hope Fire Station #2 on N.C. 86.

The vaccination fee is \$5, which must be paid in cash. One-year vaccinations will be offered at both clinics, but three-year vaccinations will only be offered at the Saturday clinic. Dogs must be on leashes and cats must be in carriers. Animals that may be nervous or unsettled should be kept in a vehicle for their vaccination. For more information, call 245-2075.

## Council gets first look at new developments

**CHAPEL HILL**—The Chapel Hill Town Council got its first look at three new development projects, including a 300,000-square-foot mixed-use project off Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

At a meeting Monday night at town hall, the council looked over concept plans for the Altemueller Mixed-Use Development, which would be located at 1641 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. between Weaver Dairy Road Extension and New Parkside Drive. The 12.9-acre site is located adjacent to the Northwoods V neighborhood.

The concept plan includes 110 residential units, a hotel, offices and retail spaces with parking for 280 vehicles.

The Altemueller farmhouse, built in the late 19th century, and several white oaks estimated to be more than 200 years old would be preserved under the plan.

Council members were generally pleased with the concept, which follows efforts to increase housing and commercial density along major transit corridors. But several expressed concern about how the large

heritage trees on the site would be protected. Jim Ward said the stand of trees was of similar size to those on Polk Place and McCorkle Place and would need a larger protection zone than the plan anticipates.

"I don't think many [trees] would survive," Ward said.

Also under review Monday were plans by the Episcopal Church of the Advocate to construct a worship center on 16.4 acres off Merin Road near the Billabong neighborhood.

Vicar Lisa Fishbeck said conversations with the neighbors

have been productive, with the major concern being parking along Merin Road during services or events. The first phase of the plan calls for a welcome center, administrative offices and a 75-seat chapel located near a large pond on the site.

The council also got its first look at the Murray Hill Multi-family Development at Meadowmont. The project would include 16 dwelling units with 40,000 square feet of floor space on a 1.17-acre site on Meadowmont Lane.

— Staff Reports

## ALDERMEN

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Board members said the amendment, if approved by the General Assembly, and later the board of aldermen, would not apply to condominiums and would not allow residents to put sustainable features in places where they wouldn't otherwise have the right to place something.

The board also voted 7-0 to introduce to the General Assembly a proposed charter amendment that would add sexual orientation, gender identification and gender expression to the list of bases upon which the board may prohibit housing discrimination.

The second proposed amendment drew no public comment.

"I just think it's really interesting and really neat that of these two amendments, the one that brought people out of the woodwork and the one that had the most controversy had to do with clotheslines and not orientation," board member Jackie Gist said. "I think that really says something about how we've evolved as a community over the last 20 years."



PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

Phillip Duchastel, left, enjoys a chat with Peter (who prefers his last name not be used) in front of Weaver Street Café on Friday. Peter, who is blind, takes E-Z Rider to downtown Carrboro three times a week to get out of his house and meet people. He says he enjoys living in Carrboro because it is an easy place to make friends.



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## McFee honored for writing about Appalachian South

### UNC NEWS SERVICES

UNC creative writing professor and poet Michael McFee has won the 2009 James Still Award for Writing About the Appalachian South.

The Fellowship of Southern Writers gives the prize biennially to recognize a writer with a significant body of work about Appalachia.

McFee, director of the creative writing program in UNC's College of Arts and Sciences, was born and raised in Western North Carolina and has written extensively about the mountains. His first book, *Plain*

*Air*, was published more than 25 years ago.

McFee has written nine collections of poetry, most recently *The Smallest Talk*. His first collection of essays, *The Napkin Manuscripts: Selected Essays and an Interview*, was published in 2006.

McFee, who earned bachelor's and master's degrees from UNC, began teaching at his alma mater in 1990.

His awards include the Thomas Wolfe Literary Award from the Western North Carolina Historical Association (2006) and the Roanoke-Chowan Award for Poetry from the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association (2001).

The late Still, the Kentucky writer often called the dean of Appalachian literature, won the first award from the fellowship for writing about the Appalachian South, in 1997. Other winners include *Cold Mountain* novelist Charles Frazier (1999), Western Carolina University professor and writer Ron Rash (2005) and Pamela Duncan (2007), formerly of UNC's Gillings School of Global Public Health.

The award will be presented April 3 at the Arts and Education Council Conference on Southern Literature in Chattanooga, Tenn.

## Cliff's Meat Market

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TIP Project No. U-2803 Orange County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) will hold a Pre-Hearing Open House and Combined Public Hearing on March 9, 2009 at Carrboro Elementary School, located at 400 Shelton Street, Carrboro, 27510.

NCDOT representatives will be available at a pre-hearing open house in the auditorium lobby between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to answer questions and receive comments relative to the location and design of the proposed project. Interested citizens may attend at any time during the above mentioned hours. Handouts and comment sheets will be distributed. The formal public hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium. The hearing will be open to those present for statements, questions and comments. The presentation and comments will be recorded and a written transcript will be prepared.

NCDOT proposes transportation improvements to SR 1919 (Smith Level Road) which include: widening Smith Level Road to three lanes (between Rock Haven Road and Culbreth Road), transition between three to four lanes (between Culbreth Road and BPW Club Road), and widen to a four-lane, median divided roadway between BPW Club Road and Morgan Creek. A roundabout intersection is proposed at the intersection of Smith Level Road and Rock Haven Road. Sidewalks and bicycle accommodations are proposed throughout the project.

A map displaying the location and design of the project and a copy of the environmental document – State Environmental Assessment / Finding of No Significant Impact - are available for public review at the Town of Carrboro, 301 W. Main Street, Carrboro, 27510. The map is also available online at: [www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/highway/roadway/hearingmaps\\_by\\_county](http://www.ncdot.org/doh/preconstruct/highway/roadway/hearingmaps_by_county).

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Ed Lewis, Human Environment Unit, at 1598 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1598, by phone (919) 431-6585, by fax (919) 431-2001 or by email at [elewis@ncdot.gov](mailto:elewis@ncdot.gov).

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this hearing. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. Lewis as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.



PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

Nadia Nasir, reciting "Blackberrying" by Sylvia Plath, won the Orange County district competition of the Poetry Outloud National Recitation Contest on Feb. 5 at Carol Woods. A senior at Cedar Ridge High School, Nadia goes to the state finals in Raleigh on Feb. 28. Competitors were Zekiah McMillan of the Partnership Academy, Shaina Riley of Cedar Ridge and Sarah Zavaleta of Carrboro High School.

## Community Briefs

### Community Dinner

The 12th annual Orange County Community Dinner will be held March 1 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the McDougle Middle School Cafeterium on Old Fayetteville Road.

The event seeks to cross economic, racial, religious and ethnic barriers while presenting a wealth of culturally diverse food and entertainment.

Tickets are available at McDougle School, The Ink Spot, the Chapel Hill Museum Shop, Cedar Grove Branch Library, the Carrboro Cybrary, Mama Dip's, the Preservation Society of Chapel Hill, Market Street Books, Townsend Bertram and the Hillsborough Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets are only available in advance and are \$8 for adults and \$3 for children under 10. For more information or to make a donation, visit [www.communitydinner.org](http://www.communitydinner.org)

### IFC benefit concert

The Chapel Hill Philharmonia and Chapel Hill Community Chorus will present a choral and orchestral music concert to benefit the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service. The performance will be on Feb. 22 at 8 p.m. in Hill Hall on the UNC campus. Admission is free, but there is a suggested \$10 donation to benefit IFC. Visit [www.chapelhillcommunitychorus.org](http://www.chapelhillcommunitychorus.org) and [www.chapelhillphilharmonia.org](http://www.chapelhillphilharmonia.org) for more information.

### Seminar for artists

The Orange County Arts Commission will present an Artists' Salon on the topic of "Making Money Online through Art." The event is free for artists of all disciplines and will be held on Feb. 27 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the West End Theater at The ArtsCenter in Carrboro. RSVP to [arts@co.orange.nc.us](mailto:arts@co.orange.nc.us) or 245-2335.

### Remembering Central High School

The Orange County Historical Museum will host a special event to honor its exhibit "Remembering Central High School: Looking Back, Facing Forward" on Feb. 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Bright Baptist Church, 211 W. Union St., in Hillsborough. There will be live music by the Central Community Band, soloist Jackie Thomas and the steel drums of Wilton Dubois, and a panel discussion. Visit [www.orangenchistory.org](http://www.orangenchistory.org) for more information or call 732-2201.

## Community Calendar

### THURSDAY, FEB 19

**Book Signing** — Barbara Fredrickson will read, sign copies and answer questions from her new book *Positivity*. 3:30pm, Bull's Head Bookshop at UNC Student Stores

### Reentry Partners Potluck

— Potluck and presentation by TROSA to provide transition and reentry services information for ex-offenders. 11am-1pm, St. Matthew's fellowship hall, 210 St. Mary's Road, Hillsborough. 644-1009

**DNA Talk** — Dr. Cynthia Powell, chief of the UNC Division of Genetics and Metabolism, will speak about DNA testing. 2:30pm, Robert and Pearl Seymour Center. Free, 968-2070

**Author Event** — The Hillsborough Literary Association will host a reading by Hillsborough author Frances Mayes. 7:30pm, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 210 St. Mary's Road, Hillsborough. \$12. 732-7451, director@burwellschool.org

**Dulcimer Players** — The Carolina Mountain Dulcimer Players will meet, beginners and experts welcome. 7pm, Carol Woods Retirement Community. ShirleyRay@aol.com. 929-5359

**Business After Hours** — The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce's monthly networking event. 5:30-7:30pm, The ArtsCenter. woodyard@carolinachamber.org. 357-9980

### FRIDAY, FEB 20

**Book Sale** — The Friends of the Chapel Hill Public Library will host a book sale to benefit the library Feb. 20-22 at the Chapel Hill Public Library. 4-7pm Friday (Friends of the Library only, you may join at the door), 9am-4pm Saturday and 1-3pm Sunday. 968-2780

**Contra Dance** — The Carolina Song & Dance Association presents a contra dance with live music by the Carolina Caterwaulers. Newcomers workshop at 7:30pm, dancing at 8pm, Carrboro Century Center. \$8 donation requested. 967-9948, www.csa-dance.org

**Computer Class** — A free class in Social Networking III. Basic computer skills required. 8:30-9:30am, Chapel Hill Public Library. 968-2780

### SATURDAY, FEB 21

**Mental Health Program** — The 31st annual Legislative Breakfast for Mental Health. 8:30-11am, The Friday Center. Free, donations appreciated. 933-8941, namoclistserv@gmail.com

**Computer Class** — A free class in Introduction to Microsoft Excel. Class size limited to 4. 9-10am, Carrboro

Branch Library at McDougle School. 969-3006 or [www.lib.unc.edu/cws](http://www.lib.unc.edu/cws) to register

**History Day** — Revolutionary War Living History Day will feature marching drills, musket-firing demonstrations, open-flame cooking and guided tours of Hillsborough's colonial and Revolutionary War sites. 10am-4pm, Alexander Dickson House, 150 E. King St., Hillsborough. 732-7741, www.historichillsborough.org

**Art Show** — The Seventh Annual Fearington Folk Art Show to benefit Chatham Outreach Alliance. Feb. 21-22, 10am-5pm, the Barn at Fearington Village, 100 Village Way, Pittsboro. \$5. 542-2121

**Hansel and Gretel** — Rags to Richis Theatre for Young Audiences presents *Hansel and Gretel*. 11am, The ArtsCenter. \$7, children 2 and under free. 929-2787, www.artscenterlive.org

### SUNDAY, FEB 22

**Geology Lecture** — UNC professor and author Kevin Stewart will host a lecture on the geology of Chapel Hill. 3-5pm, Chapel Hill Historical Society offices at the Chapel Hill Museum

**Pauli Murray Awards** — Orange County will host the 2008 Pauli Murray Human Relations Awards Ceremony. 3-5pm, The Little Theater at New Hope Elementary School, 1900 New Hope Church Road. 960-3875

**Green Film** — The Carrboro Greenspace Film Series will present *Who Killed the Electric Car*. 5:30pm, Southern Rail, East Main Street. [carrborogreenspace.org](http://carrborogreenspace.org). 951-5200

### MONDAY, FEB 23

**Bird Study** — The Chapel Hill Bird Club will host "Shorebird Conservation in the Southeastern United States; Semi-palmated Sandpipers, a Case Study." 7:30-9pm, Binkely Baptist Church

### TUESDAY, FEB 24

**Book Discussion** — The Contemporary Fiction Book Club will discuss *Half of a Yellow Sun* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, new participants welcome. 7pm, Carrboro Cybrary. 918-7387, [cybrary@co.orange.nc.us](mailto:cybrary@co.orange.nc.us), [www.co.orange.nc.us/library/cybrary](http://www.co.orange.nc.us/library/cybrary)

**Film Series** — Chatham Arts' 100 Mile Film Series presents *Brushes With Life* by local filmmaker Philip Brubaker. 7pm, Fearington Barn, 100 Village Way, Pittsboro. \$5, \$3 students. 542-0394, www.chathamarts.org

**Photo Night** — UNC's National Press Photographers Association and the School of Journalism and

Mass Communication will host PhotoNight XLIX featuring the work of Kristen Ashburn. 7:30pm, Carroll Hall, Room 111, UNC campus. Free and open to the public

**Poetry Reading** — Poet Lou Lipsitz, a Chapel Hill resident and former UNC professor, will read from selected works, including his unpublished collection, *If This World Falls Apart*. 3:30pm, Bull's Head Bookshop on the UNC campus. Free and open to the public

### WEDNESDAY, FEB 25

**DAR Meeting** — Clara Sue Kidwell, director of the American Indian Center at UNC, will speak at the meeting of the Davie Poplar Chapter of the DAR. 9:30am, Horace Williams House. 932-9688

### THURSDAY, FEB 26

**OC Democratic Women** — The Orange County Democratic Women will hold its monthly meeting with guest speaker Moses Carey, head of the Employment Security Commission. 7:30-9pm, OWASA Community Room, 400 Jones Ferry Road. l\_foxworth\_2000@yahoo.com. 942-0045

### FRIDAY, FEB 27

**Bluegrass Conversation** — Bluegrass musician Tim O'Brien will speak about his music and career. 10am, Hanes Art Center Auditorium, UNC campus. Free and open to the public. [smweiss@email.unc.edu](mailto:smweiss@email.unc.edu), 962-1345

### SATURDAY, FEB 28

**Mardi Gras** — The Second Annual Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball is sponsored by ChathamArts and the Abundance Foundation. 7pm-midnight, Chatham Mills, 480 Hillsboro St., Pittsboro. \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door: 542-0394, www.chathamarts.org

**Wine and Cheese** — The Hillsborough Wine Company will host a free cheese and wine tasting featuring local cheeses. 1-5pm, 118 S. Churton St., Hillsborough. 732-4343

**Casablanca** — Century Center Cinema presents the 1942 film with free popcorn and soda. 7pm, Carrboro Century Center. \$4

**Computer Class** — A free class in Introduction to Microsoft Excel. Class size limited to 4. 9-10am, Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle School. 969-3006 or [www.lib.unc.edu/cws](http://www.lib.unc.edu/cws) to register

### Ongoing

**Cancer Support** — Weekly support free of charge for cancer patients and family at Cornucopia House. [cornucopiahouse.org](http://cornucopiahouse.org)

### The Compassionate Friends

— Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Self-help support after the death of a child. Free and open to all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Evergreen United Methodist Church. 967-3221, [chapelhillctf.org](http://chapelhillctf.org)

**DivorceCare** — Mondays, 7pm. A support group for those separated or divorced. Orange United Methodist Church, 942-2825, [connect2orange.org](http://connect2orange.org)

**Computer Class** — Chapel Hill SeniorNet is offering a class in Spreadsheet Fundamentals. 9-11am Tuesdays and Thursdays Feb. 24-March 19, Robert and Pearl Seymour Senior Center. 968-2070 to register

### Kids

**Pajama Story Time** — Feb. 20, 7pm. Market Street Books, 510 Market St., Southern Village. 933-5111

**Toddler Time** — Thursdays, 4pm, Carrboro Branch Library. 969-3006

**Preschool Story Time** — Saturdays, 10:30am. Carrboro Branch Library. 969-3006

**Story Time** — Thursdays, 10:30am. Market Street Books, 510 Market St., Southern Village. All ages welcomed. 933-5111

**Express Yourself!** — Saturdays, 10:45-11:15am, 11:30am-noon. Art program for ages 3-8 & their caregivers. Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E. Franklin St. \$2. 933-1455, [kidzuchildrensmuseum.org](http://kidzuchildrensmuseum.org)

### Volunteers

**RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program** — Seeks volunteers at least 55 years of age and over who would like assistance in finding an opportunity that matches their interests. RSVP places volunteers with more than 100 nonprofit agencies in Orange County. 968-2056, [co.orange.nc.us/aging/RSVPindex.asp](http://co.orange.nc.us/aging/RSVPindex.asp)

**Meals on Wheels** — Seeks volunteers to deliver meals and/or bake simple desserts for recipients in the Chapel Hill/Carrboro area. 942-2948

**Hospice** — Training for those interested in being UNC Hospice volunteers. Fridays from Feb. 13-Mar. 20, 9am-12pm. UNC Health Care/Hospice Office, 1101 Weaver Dairy Road, Chapel Hill. To register, contact Mary Honeycutt, 542-5545 or [mhoneycutt@unh.unc.edu](mailto:mhoneycutt@unh.unc.edu)

### Black History Month

**Community Book Forum** — UNC English Professor William Andrews will lead a discussion of *The North Carolina Roots of African American Literature*. Feb. 20, 6:30pm, Carrboro Cybrary. 918-7387

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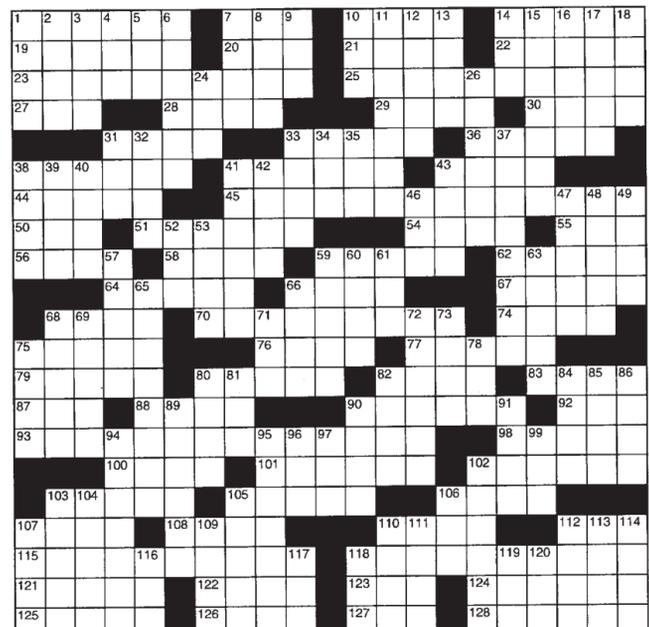
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## CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

For example, YAPHCYAPLM is WORDSWORTH. One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the two O's, Y for the two W's, etc.. Apostrophes, punctuation, the length and formation of the words are all hints.

**"Respect the Dead"**

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*Find the answer in the puzzle answer section.*

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★ ★ ★**

★ Moderate ★ ★ Challenging  
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## PETS OF THE WEEK

**PAWS4EVER**  
**— Lincoln** is a \*front declawed\* 4-yr-old orange-and-white male. He is a cat lover, no doubt about it! He can be caught cuddling with his cat friends, when his head is not tucked inside his owner's favorite pair of shoes. Once he trusts you, he may sit beside you in the mornings while you get ready for your day and wait for his lovely fur to be stroked. Lincoln enjoys wrestling with stuffed toys as well as chasing feather wands and batting around toy mice. He has lived in a home with many dogs and generally stays out of there way, but has been known to have playful wrestling matches with small dogs. Lincoln wants a home with at least one other cat to make his life complete and happy. Aside from a cat buddy or two, Lincoln is an independent sort who just wants a comfy spot to rest and a few toys to occupy his time. Will your home be a perfect match for him? Come see him at Paws4Ever, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at [paws4ever.org](http://paws4ever.org)

**ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES** — Meet **Samara!** This super cute lab mix is around 6 months old and still isn't quite sure of herself. She's a shy baby who has come around a lot at the shelter, but still needs a calm and gentle home to build her confidence! In return you'll have a loyal companion for life! Visit Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill or call 967-7383. You can also see her online at [www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp](http://www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp)

**RECYCLING IS GOOD FOR YOU!**

## Chapel Hill - Carrboro School Lunch Menus

FEBRUARY 20-26

### ELEMENTARY

**FRIDAY** — Cheese Pizza; Pepperoni Pizza; Sloppy Joe on a Bun; Garden Salad; Green Beans; Chilled Applesauce

**MONDAY** — Chicken Nuggets w/BBQ Sauce & Wheat Roll; Beef Tacos w/Salsa, Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato; Spanish Rice; Sweet Yellow Corn; Fresh Apple Halves

**TUESDAY** — Pork Egg Roll; Mozzarella Cheese Sticks w/Marinara Dipping Sauce; Fun on the Run; Brown Rice Pilaf; Asian Mixed Vegetables; Chilled Apricots

**WEDNESDAY** — Cheese Pizza; Pepperoni Pizza; Chicken Salad w/Crackers; Lettuce & Tomato Salad; Carrot & Celery Sticks; Steamed Broccoli; Fresh Banana

**THURSDAY** — Ham & Cheese Sub; Chicken Tetrazzini; Fun on the Run; Sweet Potato & Apples; Lettuce & Tomato Salad; Seasoned Lima Beans; Chilled Pears

### MIDDLE + HIGH

**FRIDAY** — Spaghetti & Meat Sauce w/Garlic Bread; Corn Dog; California Mixed Vegetables; Sweet Yellow Corn; Banana Pudding

**MONDAY** — Double Cheeseburger; Fishwich; Lettuce & Tomato Salad; Tater Tots; Peas & Carrots; Fresh Apple

**TUESDAY** — Three Cheese Baked Rotini w/Garlic Bread; Chicken Fajitas w/Salsa & Sour Cream; Vegetable Rice; Steamed Broccoli; Chilled Peaches

**WEDNESDAY** — Chicken Patty Sandwich w/Cheese; Baked Potato w/Meat & Cheese and Wheat Roll; Traditional Mixed Vegetables; Chilled Pineapple; Chocolate Pudding

**THURSDAY** — BBQ Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Cheese Quesadilla w/Salsa; Baked Beans; Collard Greens; Fresh Grapes

## McDougle Middle students mentored by ESTEEM

BY KAFI ROBINSON  
*Courtesy of the Carrboro Commons*

**CHAPEL HILL** — Though the program is only in its first full year, Esteemed Little Sisters has already had an impact on the lives of young girls at McDougle Middle School.

Esteemed Little Sisters is a mentoring program for at-risk girls founded by the UNC campus organization Encouraging Sisters Through Empowerment Education and Motivation (ESTEEM). Working in cooperation with McDougle Middle's after-school program, the mentors help with homework and studying. They also host talk sessions, plan games and do arts and crafts and many other hands-on activities that educate the girls about their lives.

"Last semester, we had them decorate their writing journals and we also had a Spa Day," said Dawn Sankary, ESTEEM's co-president. "We made smoothies,



PHOTO BY KAFI ROBINSON

Dawn Sankary, co-president of UNC's campus organization ESTEEM, plans games and talk sessions for the girls in Esteemed Little Sisters, a mentoring program held at McDougle Middle School.

Painted the girls' nails and let them lead an open discussion."

The program was founded when members of ESTEEM felt the need to share the skills they have learned with a younger group of girls. In response, ESTEEM teamed up with McDougle Middle's guidance counselors to create a group for

the younger students, based on ESTEEM's guiding principles.

"We work with a group of sixth and seventh graders and teach them life lessons: how to be a lady, body image issues, staying focused in school, how to deal with different types of relationships," said Sankary. "We just teach them how to be well rounded."

Sankary says that the primary goal of the program is to teach the girls lessons in a fun and active environment, something they might not otherwise get.

"The girls are really receptive to the mentors' help and they appreciate when we come," said Sankary.

For many of the girls, Esteemed Little Sisters is an outlet. It gives them a chance to receive assistance with homework and find a "big sister" who they can look up to. The mentors said that sometimes these girls just need someone outside of a school or home setting with whom they can talk.

"We saw some positive changes in these girls and hope that we see more this year as well," said Sankary.

*Kafi Robinson is a UNC student writing for the Carrboro Commons, a bi-weekly online lab newspaper for Jock Lauterer's Community Journalism class at the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.*

## School Briefs

### Blackwell receives award

Margaret Blackwell, executive director of exceptional children and student services for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, received the Felix S. Barker Award at the annual conference for the North Carolina Council of Exceptional Children on Feb. 5.

The award recognizes individuals who have shown outstanding leadership in the field of special education.

Blackwell joined Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools in 1997 after working for Guilford County Schools for 20 years. She holds a bachelor's degree from UNC-Greensboro in elementary education and a master's degree in special education from UNC-Chapel Hill.

### Rashkis students help grant a wish

Rashkis Elementary School students recently completed a service project to benefit the Make a Wish Foundation and a 6-year-old girl in Durham.

Krista Vann has sickle cell anemia and made a wish to go to the circus. Students in Christina Royster's fourth-grade class conducted a campaign entitled "Coins for Krista," in which they made posters and presented segments on the school's daily school-wide TV show, the *Raptor Report* to engage the entire school in the coin drive.

The students raised more than \$1,000 and Krista's wish was granted on Feb. 6, when she attended the Ringling Brothers/Barnum and Bailey Circus in Raleigh, where she received a special behind-the-scenes tour, souvenirs and a party for her family.

### Choral concert

Choirs from Chapel Hill, East Chapel Hill and Carrboro high schools and the East Chapel Hill High Chamber Orchestra will perform a concert on March 20 at 8 p.m. at UNC's Memorial Hall.

The students will perform Haydn's Paukenmesse, directed by the University of Michigan's Jerry Blackstone.

## MCDOUGLE

### 6TH GRADE - A

Emily Aleman, Gabriela Angeles-Paredes, David Archer, Melissa Bard, Allison Benedict, John Blue, Jonathan Brooks, Nicholas Brower, Adam Catrambone, Bryanna Chazotte, Shera Chellani Kevin Chen, Sarah Clabo, David Clark, Kyle Cocowitch, Rajeshree Das, Matthew Dayton, Charlotte Deming, Nora Dicker, Daniel Ferreira, Sarah Frank, Carolyn Frederick, Skylar Frisch, Angela Gasdaska, Helen Gaynes, Andrew Gillespie, Julia Haines, Grant Hastings, Clare Heine, Emily Himmelberg, Augusta Hollers, Ariel Kantor, Samuel Kennedy, Thomas Kennedy, Lia King, Anna Knapp Alexander Komada, Jade Macdonald, Daniel Margolis, Walter McFall V, Kailey McLaughlin, Brandon Miles, Andrew Miller Suzannah Mozier, Robin O'Lunaigh, Quinn Osment, Jerry Pcolar William Ragland, Molly Reed, Samuel Sisk, Mia Spencer, Wendi Su Rhys Thomas, Skye Tracey, Eileen Valverde Vindas, Davis Wall Eve Warner, Gena Weinberg, Nicholas Weinberg, Brandon Wendel Jeremy Werden, Benjamin West, Evan Whisnant, Landis Wipper Kefu Zhu

### 6TH GRADE - AB

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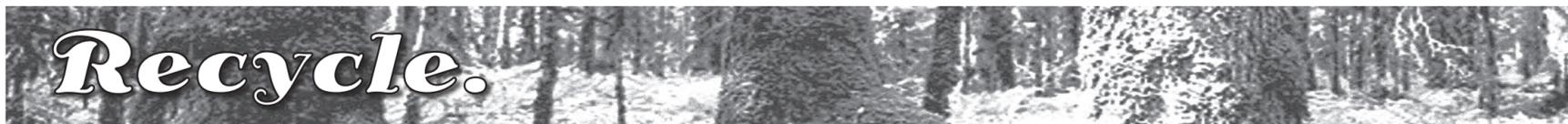
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## Notice of Public Hearing

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 7:30 p.m.** in the Town Hall Board Room to receive citizen comments on a draft ordinance that would establish a \$250 limit on campaign contributions to candidates for town elected offices. Information on the proposed ordinance may be obtained from the Town Clerk's office: (918-7309, E-Mail: swilliamson@townofcarrboro.org) located in the Carrboro Town Hall. Citizens are invited to comment.

**Sarah C. Williamson, Town Clerk**



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## FOR THE RECORD



## ICE on ice

Several weeks ago, the Chatham County Board of Commissioners took a rather brave step. At a time when immigrants are being bashed by a growing demagoguery, the commissioners declared no way, no how to joining in immigration enforcement under the Immigration and Customs Enforcement 287(g) program. The program was originally designed to detain and deport convicted criminals; but as we've noted before, traffic offenses now make up the bulk of ICE arrests in North Carolina.

Because it can be politically and financially profitable (although the finances are dubious), the program has quickly devolved. Intended to keep society safe, it has created an incentive for racial profiling and left thousands of broken families in its wake.

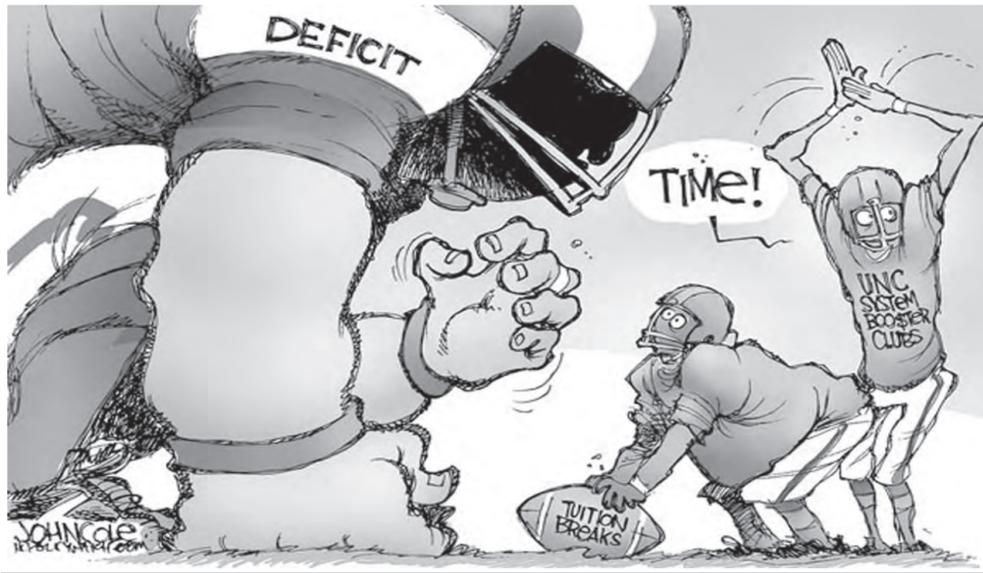
Thankfully, the people of Chatham County — not all, but a good many of them, including all of the commissioners — have seen what is happening in other counties and been repulsed.

There's pushback as well in Washington D.C. Congressman David Price said Congress recently ordered the inspector general of the Department of Homeland Security to look into how the 287(g) program is being implemented. Price said enforcement should focus on the criminals the program was intended for. He and others are quick to note that the biggest downfall is that the program could do the opposite of what was intended. Local law-enforcement agencies need the trust of their communities to effectively do their jobs. Local law enforcement being seen as the long arm of federal authority will only serve to alienate members of the immigrant communities. They will be less inclined to report crimes and criminal activity, giving gangs a safe haven to do their business.

The pushback in Chatham and the calls for scrutiny in Washington are a sign, perhaps, that there is a shift in immigration policy. As Price noted in a recent interview with *The Citizen*, the problems encountered by local governments as they try to deal with public safety and other issues that involve the undocumented are the result of the federal government's failure to enact a comprehensive and sensible immigration policy.

As a few hundred people in Chatham County proved the other night, there is a great deal of interest in putting an end to policies that are furthering the creation of a permanent underclass in North Carolina.

Chatham County residents have a right to be proud of standing up for some of the basic beliefs that this country was founded on. But all of us share in the shame of what grandstanding, political expediency, and quite possibly outright corruption, has wrought on the families who walk among us everyday, who attend our churches and schools and whose only crime is disrespecting a border for want of a better life.



## Considering connector roads

BY JAMES CARNAHAN

I disagree with Alderman Dan Coleman's statement (*Citizen*, 2/5/09) that Carrboro's Connector Roads Policy "fails in its stated goal 'to disperse newly generated traffic and to give a sense of connectivity and unity to the town as it grew.'"

I believe the policy will help us realize the stated goals incrementally over time, as more connections get made. In addition, I think it also achieves a critical unstated goal (according to an Environmental Advisory Board member who helped craft the policy): reduction of vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and the fuel conservation and CO2 reduction associated with VMT reduction.

While I agree a re-assessment of the Connector Roads Policy will benefit Carrboro, I would strongly oppose any effort to water it down. As it is, the ultimate build-out of the current policy will produce a limited grid, and compromises recently implemented in the cases of the Autumn Drive and Sweet Bay Place connectors undermine the goals that have evolved over decades of work on the policy.

I see revisiting the connector policy as an opportunity to strengthen it and ensure the desired outcomes. The Statement of Purpose Coleman cites from the 1986 policy document needs to be amended to include the objective of reducing trip lengths in order to save fuel and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The safety issue that postponed the Autumn Drive connection needs to be addressed. If safety can only be achieved by inclusion of sidewalks, then the town needs to consider ways to get these sidewalks built in a more timely fashion. Comments from neighbors of a possible connection on Claymore Road clearly indicate the need sometimes to upgrade roads when they become thru streets. Claymore is a N.C. Department of Transportation

maintained road; by what mechanism would we get pedestrian and safety improvements in such a case?

I think it is important in this conversation to have a clear definition of the term "commons." For me, "commons" comprises a broad spectrum of public realm facilities — infrastructure such as water, sewer, schools, transportation and a variety of open space including unimproved natural areas, large regional parks and small neighborhood and pocket parks; and paved public gathering places, large and small. Roads are certainly part of our commons, but they are purposefully planned, built and maintained primarily for the use of wheeled vehicles — bikes, cars and trucks. Some have proposed at recent hearings that bike and pedestrian paths should replace the proposed connections for motorized vehicles, but that would frustrate very important goals of the connector policy. Clearly, everyone would like to become less dependent on single-occupant car use — and paved vehicular roads support that goal by providing efficient routes for small transit vehicles: car pools, van pools and minibuses.

Comments heard from Claymore residents in the Colleton Crossing public hearing tell us something about our policy on required recreation amenities. Claymore's narrow cul-de-sac streets serve public gathering functions that will be lost if it becomes connected. Our ordinance needs to foster the creation of truly functional "commons" facilities. Here we see a need for paved public gathering space: small piazzas where folks can set their chairs to chat and younger children can bounce a ball.

Alderman Coleman's discussion about Robert Moses' and Durham's freeways seems a bit like comparing peas with pachyderms. Carrboro is nowhere as big as those towns, and we're talking about simple two-lane streets, not multi-lane high-speed thruways.

But in the case of Paris, the grand boulevards (which predate the automobile by decades) have emerged as a central feature of their commons. Not only do they enhance the movement of vehicles, including various forms of public transit, they also contribute immensely to the public realm Paris is famous for — the cafe society and street life created by expansive sidewalks generously lined with trees. On-street parking everywhere adds to a pedestrian sense of safety. Multi-story mixed-use buildings put a multitude of employment, cultural and institutional activities within walking distance of a multitude of residents. The Paris of the Piedmont has much to learn from our distant "namesake."

Coleman mentioned New Urbanist "tenets." I know folks in our community want planning policy guided by more than doctrines, and there are references available that attest to the importance of making these connections.

Consider, in closing, this from the executive summary of "Growing Cooler: The Evidence on Urban Development and Climate Change," by Reid Ewing, et al:

"One of the most comprehensive studies, conducted in King County, Washington, by Larry Frank of the University of British Columbia, found that residents of the most walkable neighborhoods drive 26 percent fewer miles per day than those living in the most sprawling areas. A meta-analysis of many of these types of studies finds that households living in developments with twice the density, diversity of uses, accessible destinations, and interconnected streets [my emphasis] when compared to low-density sprawl drive about 33 percent less."

*Carnahan is a member of the Carrboro Planning Board and a founder of The Village Project.*

## Invest in families to keep kids in school

CHRIS FITZSIMON

Speaker Joe Hackney presided at a news conference with fellow House Democrats Tuesday to announce that the lawmakers were renewing their commitment made two years ago to improve the state's high school graduation rate, though Hackney acknowledged that it's not clear funding will be available for new investments in dropout prevention programs.

The announcement came the same day as more bad news about the state budget emerged, tempering last week's excitement about North Carolina's share of the federal stimulus package. Elaine Mejia of the N.C. Budget and Tax Center gave a legislative briefing Tuesday afternoon that an upcoming BTC report will show that next year's shortfall could exceed \$4 billion, close to 20 percent of the state budget.

The finding is based on revenue and spending estimates presented by legislative economists in recent days. It assumes a 2 percent cost-of-living increase for teachers and state employees and a 1 percent increase for retirees.

Without any pay raise, the budget hole is \$3.8 billion. North Carolina's share of the stimulus package will help considerably, but could leave more than half the shortfall for state lawmakers to address. No wonder Hackney was reluctant to promise more dropout-prevention money.

Hackney said House education leaders would travel around the state to listen to suggestions from local communities and to check on some of the 120 community programs funded by grants from the General Assembly.

The grants were declared ineffective by the anti-public school crowd last fall for not improving graduation rates,

ignoring the fact that schools didn't receive the money until halfway through the school year.

Despite some slight improvement recently in the annual dropout rate, roughly three of every 10 North Carolina ninth graders leave high school without a diploma. Roughly half of African-American male ninth graders do not graduate, one of the most shameful statistics in our state.

Nobody disagrees about the devastating effect dropping out has on the students and the state. High school dropouts are three and a half times more likely to be incarcerated than high school graduates. One study found that each dropout costs the state \$4,000 a year.

Hackney readily admits that the dropout prevention grants are just part of the solution and that some may work and some may not. He mentioned other efforts the House would support, including Communities in Schools that last year provided case managers for more than 21,000 students at risk of dropping out. Ninety-eight percent of them stayed in school. The program is not yet available in every county and this year the group is asking lawmakers to fund graduation coaches in schools with the highest dropout rates.

It's just one example of what all lawmakers know but some are reluctant to admit, especially this year. Keeping kids in school saves money and lives, but it requires more investments up front, and not just in grants or the extra funding that ought to go to Communities in Schools.

All but one of the states that scored higher on math tests in 2007 have a lower percentage of children living in

poverty than North Carolina; all but two of the states that did better on reading do. The same trend exists when considering the percentage of children eligible for free and reduced lunches.

Poverty remains a powerful predictor of student success, whether the measurement is test scores or graduation rates. If lawmakers are serious about preventing dropouts, they must resist calls to balance this year's budget by slashing human service programs that need more investment, not less.

North Carolina's early-childhood programs for at-risk kids have received national recognition, but what happens to at-risk kids when they leave early childhood and enter middle school? Their risk often remains.

There are plenty of reasons kids give up and dropout and many must be addressed one on one. Linda Harrill of Communities in Schools has seen kids too embarrassed by their rotting teeth to speak up or even look up in class; she's also seen a student who didn't come to school because he didn't have any shoes.

Those stories cry out for more counselors, more school nurses, more programs like Communities in Schools and, maybe most importantly, more investments in child care, health care, affordable housing and other basic services that help families lift themselves out of poverty and come up with the money to take their child to a dentist.

That's the underlying message of Hackney's timely call for a recommitment to raising the graduation rate and invest in our schools, our students and our families.

*Chris Fitzsimon is the director of NC*

## Balanced effort needed

BY ROB THOMPSON

North Carolina's children are in a tough spot.

With a massive budget shortfall projected for the next fiscal year, all public programs are on the chopping block — including vital public programs that ensure our children grow up safe, healthy and well educated.

Child advocates tend to criticize those in power for not doing enough to ensure the well-being of our children, and I think we're usually right. However, North Carolina has made positive investments in families and children over past decades — public schools, early childhood care, abuse prevention, children's health care and many others. In short, we have been at our best when we've pulled together to build for the common good. We have created and protected these assets over many years, because they are the programs that provide all children with the opportunity to thrive now and in the future.

We must bring that community spirit to bear once again. North Carolina is currently faced with new economic pressures from the global economy, which, coupled with an outdated state revenue system, threaten our past progress. Absent assertive action to build upon our investments in children and families, North Carolina risks losing much of what it has gained.

Unfortunately, the rhetoric of many of our state's leaders suggests that we simply need to "trim the fat" off of supposedly bloated state programs to solve the budget crisis we confront. If we pursue that course of action in the face of a potential \$3 billion budget shortfall, we'll tear apart the fabric that supports all of North Carolina's children and families.

We need a balanced solution. While we must make wise, cost-saving budget choices, the fundamental root of North Carolina's fiscal troubles lies in how it collects revenue. For instance, large, multi-state corporations often pay little or no taxes on their income by taking advantage of loopholes in our tax code (these loopholes also put small businesses at a competitive disadvantage). Furthermore, we don't collect revenues on services, even though they account for the majority of our state's consumption.

The state's antiquated, inefficient and volatile revenue system plays an enormous role in the current fiscal crisis and, in turn, our ability to maintain the continuum of public systems and infrastructure that support our communities.

In the end, we must find a way to preserve permanently the collective investments we've made in our families and children. By combining wise choices on the spending side with a modernized revenue system, we can build upon the programs that make North Carolina a great place to raise a family. It is our responsibility to make wise decisions now, so that our next generation has the opportunity to grow to enjoy shared prosperity in the future.

*Rob Thompson is the executive director of the Covenant with North Carolina's Children.*

## LETTERS

## Coleman right on roads

Dan Coleman's comments on the connector road policy are very much on target. It is reassuring to see that the board of aldermen is beginning to recognize that the policy cannot achieve objectives that are intrinsically conflicting. You cannot preserve or enhance "connectivity" of adjacent neighborhoods if you destroy their quiet residential character by opening them to a large volume of vehicular traffic. It is unfortunate that the policy that has been in place for so long does not take into account the idiosyncrasies of each situation, and poses a threat to the quality of life in affected neighborhoods. This has put the board in the position of appearing insensitive to the concerns of the people directly affected by their decisions. Perhaps, with Coleman's scholarly recognition of the complexities of the problem, the Board can revise its longstanding rigid policy and take the time to examine the unique conditions in each situation where the issue arises.

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passed declining participation in the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287(g) program. The program is formally called the Agreements of Cooperation in Communities to Enhance Safety and Security (ICE AC-CESS) and provides money to local law-enforcement agencies to help identify illegal immigrants and process them for deportation.

The commissioners' resolution is nonbinding — Sheriff Richard Webster could still choose to participate. He's remained quiet on the issue. But the county isn't presently qualified to participate in 287(g). It would first require a larger jail.

If Monday night's commissioners' meeting is the measure, the majority of Chatham County residents supports the resolution against participation, and applauds the commissioners' courage in passing it. Of the 35 or so citizens who spoke, four were in opposition to the resolution (two spoke on other issues). In the course of these comments, the words of Shakespeare, Twain, Lincoln, Jesus, God, Shirley Chisholm and an anonymous radio comedian were invoked. Words from the inscription on the Statue of Liberty ("Give me your tired, your poor/Your huddled masses...") were twice spoken. Speakers on both sides of the issue were articulate and almost unflinchingly polite.

As Pittsboro resident Pam Cash-Roper described her opposition — questioning whether there had been reports from Latinos of abuse by local law enforcement and whether families had been separated by 287(g) — several voices from the gallery responded that yes, in fact, there had been. Cash-Roper paused in her comments, requested that she be allowed to say her piece; commission chair George Lucier asked for order and no further outbursts ensued.

Cash-Roper — a lifelong Republican who spoke at the Democratic National Convention, telling of the crippling medical costs she and her husband have encountered, then enthusiastically endorsing Barack Obama — said that while she opposed 287(g), she also opposed the resolution. "If we do not even qualify for 287(g), then why do we have this resolution?" she asked.

Cash-Roper said that comprehensive immigration reform is what is needed, "not

a resolution that divides this county." She said that she believed more citizens should have been allowed to provide input before the resolution was passed.

**Hate mail**

A larger contingent of those who oppose the resolution had been expected at Monday night's meeting. Commissioners had reported receiving hate mail.

According to an email sent out by Esther Coleman, director of the county's Human Relations Commission: "I have very good reason to believe that several groups identified by the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) and the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) as hate groups

sure, that population will almost certainly continue to grow, and, under current immigration policy, not all will arrive legally.

"When your bellies are growling and your children are crying," said Tim Keim of Pittsboro, "a line on a map means nothing."

Paul Cuadros is a professor of journalism at UNC and author of the book *A Home on the Field: How One Championship Team Inspires Hope for the Revival of Small Town America* about his experience coaching Jordan-Matthews High School's Latino men's soccer team to a state championship. He called upon students and graduates of the high school in the audience to stand.

These included a young man who's a Morehead-Cain Scholarship finalist and a young woman at North Carolina A&T who plans to become an FBI agent.

"This is the future of our county," said Cuadros.

"I'm so proud of Chatham County and so proud of the people gathered here tonight," Phillips said. "Ms. Roper," he added, turning to Cash-Roper, who'd spoken against the resolution, "I'm proud of you too — proud of your strength and your openness."

After all speakers had been heard, Lucier read a list of nine reasons the commission had adopted the resolution, first among them being that since joining would require a new jail, participation would be costly.

"We'd rather build schools than jails," Lucier said.

Additional reasons cited by Lucier were that joining would take resources away from other anti-crime measures that have proved effective, such as anti-gang programs; that evidence suggests that participation increases the incidence of racial profiling; and that the county must "honor" its diversity.

Phillips later called Lucier's comments — which were read on behalf of all commissioners — "a very brave statement."

In a Tuesday interview, Lucier reinforced the role that the encouragement of diversity played in the commission's decision: "It's important to embrace that diversity and not be afraid of it. One reason why we passed this resolution was to reflect this reality."

Gary Phillips recalls that day in 2006 when the invisible became visible:

"Now I see more and more people [in Chatham County] becoming more visible."

are fueling some of the communications that the Commissioners are receiving."

In response, emails were circulating across Chatham County in the days leading up to the meeting, calling on those who support the resolution to turn out in numbers.

They did. The resonance of applause for the more passionate speakers confirmed a clearly pro-resolution crowd.

Several speakers had arrived with statistics to back their claims.

Marty Rosenbluth of the Durham-based Southern Coalition for Social Justice said that 287(g) fails to do what it purports to do: apprehend and deport felons. According to Rosenbluth's comments, and information posted on the coalition's website, between January and September 2008 some 3,000 people went through removal proceedings. Of those, 56 percent were charged with vehicle violations.

Del Turner of Gulf said that ICE was appropriately named for its "cold treatment" of immigrants.

ICE, which is an agency of the Department of Homeland Security, has "itself assumed the role of a terrorist organization," Turner said, in that it targets immigrants and breaks apart families.

Implicit in the comments of many was recognition of the inevitable. Chatham County today has one of the largest Latino populations in the state. Despite any mea-

and she wanted to know everyone, too," he said. "She made the world a better place, and so when she died ... everyone sort of decided that we need to up our game. We need to do something to make up for the huge hole that is left by her passing."

While at UNC as an undergraduate, Desai was a member of the Clef Hangers, a popular all-male a cappella group. Clef Hanger members and alumni, as well as other UNC students, have started Facebook groups

and organized Idol watching parties in support of Desai.

Scott Morgan, a Clef Hanger alumnus, said when he first saw Desai perform as a freshman, he immediately noticed his "natural stage presence and amazing solo voice."

"The cool thing is that you could see the impact he had on the group," Morgan said. "Sort of like a rising tide lifts all boats type of thing.... It seemed like the whole group got a bit better when he was out front."

**RECENTLY**  
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The \$12-million project far exceeds imaginings held by Coker or Bell, but like them White and the current staff continue the search for dream-supporting money.

"It is a privately fund-raised building," White said. "There are no public dollars in this building. We've raised \$10 million and we're looking for the last \$2 million."

Naming opportunities that help create a legacy are one of the ways money is raised and, "We have some really neat spaces to inspire donors," White said.

The 29,696-square-foot Education Center includes three buildings connected by breezeways — the classroom building, public service building and (the only named building thus far) Reeves Auditorium, where one can visualize many enchanting gatherings in coming years. Tables and cabinets from the renovation of the chancellor's house will be brought in but more money is required for furniture



PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ  
Ken Moore (center), the first employee of the N.C. Botanical Garden rests his hands on the two men who served as his boss while shouldering the responsibilities of director, Dr. Peter White and his predecessor, Dr. Ritchie Bell.

and landscaping, which will take years to properly cultivate — with native plants of course.

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build schools  
than jails,"*

— George Lucier  
Commission Chair

**ANOOP**  
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Results were announced as *The Citizen* went to press Wednesday night; check [carrborocitizen.com](http://carrborocitizen.com) for results.

In an "American Idol" interview, Desai explained how the death of a friend — Eve Carson — encouraged him to pursue his dreams.

"She was one of those people that everyone wanted to know,

# Rites of Spring

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**Biz Briefs**

**Coworking catches on**

Business at Carrboro Creative Coworking continues to grow. "My very unscientific guess is a 5 percent increase in the past month," says owner-founder Brian Russell. He attributes part of the growth to time. The shared workspace has been open for several months now and word is spreading. But there's also the fact that businesses are tightening their belts. "I've heard from several people that they are downsizing their office requirements, and more people are making their businesses virtual," he says. "In a small office-based business, everyone can theoretically work at home. But they need a place to meet at once a week or once a month. We have workspace and meeting space, so we're filling those niches." For more information, visit carrborocoworking.com.

**Cliff's Meat Market honored**

Cliff Collins, owner of Cliff's Meat Market, has received the 2009 Pauli Murray Award in the business category. The award is given annually to a local business that works to create equality, justice and human rights for all citizens. Collins was nominated for reaching out to the Spanish-speaking community. "I don't doubt that his association with this fairly new community benefits him, but I think he has done an extraordinary job of reaching out to a less empowered group that has a lot to offer," wrote Tim Peck in his nomination. Cliff Collins will join other winners at an awards ceremony on Sunday, Feb. 22, from 3 to 5 p.m. at New Hope Elementary. The free event is open to the public. For more information, call 960-3875.

**PR nominations sought**

The North Carolina chapter of the Public Relations Society of America seeks nominations for its Inspire Awards. Submissions are welcome from public relations, communications and marketing agencies, teams and solo practitioners. Deadline is Feb. 27. Nominate online at www.ncprsa.org.

**Investors Title reports \$4 million loss in Q4**

Investors Title Co. (Nasdaq: ITIC) reported losses of \$3.9 million on \$12.3 million in revenues during the fourth quarter of 2008. The Chapel Hill-based company reported a net loss of \$1.1 million for the year, compared to a net income of \$8.4 million for 2007. Investors Title sells title insurance—policies that protect property owners' or lenders' financial stakes in

property against losses from liens, title defects and other challenges. If you own a home, for instance, you probably have this insurance, since most major lenders won't give you a mortgage without it. And therein lies some of the reason for the losses. The company wrote 20.4 percent fewer premiums in the final quarter. "We are closely monitoring

conditions in the current real estate market in order to best position the company during this downturn while being mindful of opportunities to enhance our competitive strengths and marketing position, and prepare ourselves for when the market stabilizes," said ITIC Chairman J. Allen Fine in a news release issued Tuesday. Other factors were \$2.2 mil-

lion in realized losses on investments and \$5.2 million in three large claims. "The largest, at \$3.3 million, was for unpaid mechanic liens by a large regional builder and the other two were both fraud-related, where funds intended to pay off mortgages were diverted out of trust accounts for personal use by individuals," Fine said. — Staff Reports

**PRICE FROM PAGE 1**

Price said transportation money in the stimulus plan should be beneficial to Chapel Hill Transit and the Triangle Transit Authority. North Carolina will see about \$900 million in transportation funding, Price said. "A lot of that is for bridges and highways, but there's also [money] for bus replacement that should help Chapel Hill Transit and TTA."

UNC-Chapel Hill and other research universities will also benefit from National Institutes of Health and National Science Foundation money in the bill. "It's hard to say how much, because those funds are competitively awarded," Price said. But researchers in the Triangle should be well positioned to win some of

the contracts. Price, a member of the House Appropriations Committee and chair of the subcommittee that oversees funding for the Department of Homeland Security, said he would like to have had more time with the bill and seen a higher degree of bipartisan support. None of his Republican colleagues in the House voted for the measure. One criticism was that the bill was pushed through in six weeks. "I would have liked to have had 12 weeks, but this is an emergency situation," he said. "Even six weeks seems like a long time when you're losing tens of thousands of jobs every day." The debate was often principled, he said, but also marked by stark differences in ideology, including a "pre-New Deal" mentality on the part of some opponents. The results of attempts at bipar-

tisanship are "not encouraging," he said. "The price of getting Republican support [on the stimulus bill] was pretty high." In the end, he said, the move probably trimmed the numbers of jobs created or retained due to the bill by hundreds of thousands. Price said that the stimulus negotiations are an example of how retirements and the recent election have reshaped the ranks of the House GOP. Few moderates remain, he said. "The Republican membership is pretty hard core." Looking ahead, Price said Congress and the president are likely to take up health care and energy policy along with winding down the war in Iraq. Several pieces of key legislation are also up for reauthorization in this session, including the Surface Transportation Act and No Child Left Behind, which,

he said, needs major changes. As part of the regular appropriations process, Price said he'll continue to find ways to strengthen the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Although he voted against including FEMA in the massive Department of Homeland Security, Price said it's probably not time to "unscramble the eggs." The congressman also favors a review of the way local sheriffs are working with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and expects the Obama administration to work toward more comprehensive immigration reform. Price said that getting local sheriffs and local governments involved in immigration issues is the result of the failure of the federal government to enact comprehensive reform. "It requires a federal solution," Price said.

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Cypress on the Hill co-owners Alex Gallis, fourth from left, front, and Jon McCallus, to his left, stand with their staff in front of their newly opened restaurant on West Franklin Street. The restaurant, which is located in the old Trail Shop building, officially opened on Feb. 5. A ribbon cutting was held Tuesday.

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## FARMERS' MARKET



### What's at Market?

**Check out what's at the Year-Round Farmers' Market:**  
Tulips, daffodils, lettuce, hydroponic basil, chard, spring onions, pac choy, flour, onions, garlic, arugula, beets, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, collards, fresh herbs, kale, leeks, mustard greens, salad greens, spinach, sweet potatoes, turnips, turnip greens, winter squashes, pecans, NEW chicken-sausage, maple sausage, smoked ham, smoked ham hocks, liverwurst, lamb, bacon, chicken, eggs, cow's milk cheeses, breads, doughnuts, tortes, pies, cakes, jams, and relishes

### Recipe of the Week

Potage of sweet potato, lentils, and sage  
Recipe Provided by Dorette Snover, chef and owner of C'est Si Bon Cooking School

- INGREDIENTS**  
2 tablespoons olive oil  
1 2/3 cups coarsely chopped onion  
1 large clove garlic, coarsely chopped  
6 slices prosciutto  
2 fresh sage leaves, chopped  
1 cup red lentils  
6 cups no-salt-added chicken stock  
1/8 teaspoon hot pepper flakes, optional  
4 cups cooked sweet potatoes  
2 cups heavy cream  
salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

**PROCEDURE**  
Heat oil in a heavy soup pot large enough to hold all the ingredients. Sauté onion until it begins to brown (about 10 minutes). Add garlic and sauté, stirring, for 30 seconds. Add prosciutto. Crisp and remove. When cool, chop and set aside for garnish.  
Add sage, lentils, stock and bring to a boil. Add hot pepper flakes, sweet potatoes, and heavy cream. Reduce heat and simmer for about 30 minutes until lentils are soft. Garnish with chopped prosciutto.

### Land & Table Briefs

#### Free Wine & Cheese

The Hillsborough Wine Company will host a free cheese and wine tasting on Feb. 28 from 1 to 5 p.m. The tasting will feature local cheeses from Hillsborough Cheese Company, and cheeses will be available for sale. The Hillsborough Wine Company is located at 118 S. Churton St. in downtown Hillsborough. For more information, call 732-4343.



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Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department is seeking experienced sport instructors to work the following half day camps. Pay is \$420 (head instructor) and \$360 (assistant instructor). All camps run from 8am-11am. Field Hockey, July 13-17(Asst) Field Hockey, June 29-July 3 (Asst) Taste of Sports, July 27-31 (Head & Asst) Ultimate Frisbee, June 22-26 (Head & Asst) Volleyball, July 20-24 (Head & Asst) For more info call 918-7376.

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- Walter Cronkite
- Les Paul
- Aaron Spelling
- Kirk Douglas
- C. Everett Koop
- Lloyd Bentzen
- Imelda Marcos
- Robert Moog
- Abigail Van Buren (Dear Abby)
- Lionel Hampton
- J.D. Salinger
- Gordie Howe
- Betty Page

12. Alive; 13. Alive  
9. Alive; 10. Dead; 11. Alive;  
5. Alive; 6. Dead; 7. Alive; 8. Dead;  
1. Alive; 2. Alive; 3. Dead; 4. Alive;



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Always go to other people's funerals, otherwise they won't go to yours. - Yogi Berra

