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Spring Gardening
Special Section Inside



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

Harbinger of spring: flowers of Hepatica

FLORA By Ken Moore

Marking the emergence of spring

You have to take care to avoid stepping on the Hepaticas when you approach the bench to sit and enjoy the sights and sounds along

New Hope Creek at the old mill site. It's springtime on Triangle Land Conservancy's Johnston Mill Nature Preserve; Hepaticas and other spring wildflowers are emerging.

Johnston Mill Nature Preserve is just one of several that Triangle Land Conservancy (TLC) manages throughout Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Orange and Wake counties. It is well worth your investigating the website, www.tlc-nc.org, for site descriptions and a schedule of seasonal interpretive walking and canoe excursions in these preserves.

The 296-acre Johnston Mill Nature Preserve is my favorite because it has so many diverse habitats and there are some really interesting botanical features there. Those Hepaticas are one of them. *Hepatica americana*, commonly called Liverleaf, usually occurs on mature forest slopes above the flood plain. Here in the Johnston tract, they are scattered among the carpets of Trout Lily, *Erythronium americanum*, and Spring Beauty, *Claytonia virginica*, on the low-lying areas bordering the creek. The traditional first sign of spring is the emergence of the Hepatica flower just above the forest leaf litter. The blue color of that flower is indescribable. When you spot the flowers, look for the three-lobed evergreen leaves, which turn deep burgundy before they decompose to make way for the new leaves.

Another spring harbinger, Spicebush, *Lindera benzoin*, is easy to spot throughout the flood plain; look for tiny lemon-yellow flowers on the bare branches of head-high shrubs. Those inconspicuous flowers produce brilliant red berry-like fruit in late summer.

A second interesting feature for me is the warty bark of *Celtis laevigata*, commonly called Hackberry or Sugarberry. The smooth trunk of this tree is usually covered with wart-like corky growths, but a particular grove of trees near the old Johnston Mill

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PHOTO BY ISAAC SANDLIN

Freshmen Julie Ivey (left) and Caitlin Hughes at last week's candlelight vigil for Eve Carson.

Campus Mourns

Arrest comes a week after Carson's death

by Kirk Ross & Emily Burns
Staff Writers

In the recorded history of this community, few stories have been sadder.

With barely a week having passed since the murder of Student Body President



Eve Marie Carson, emotions are still raw; and as campus gears up after its spring break, there will be time again on Tuesday to remember a bright and personable student leader whose life ended violently near the intersection of Hillcrest Drive and Hillcrest Circle in the early-morning hours of Wednesday, March 5.

Police said Carson, an Athens, Georgia native who came to Carolina as a Morehead-Cain scholar, was shot multiple times, including at least once in the head. Days into the investigation, police released photos of two "persons of interest" seen using Carson's ATM card and driving what appears to be her 2005 Toyota Highlander.

Yesterday (Wednesday), Durham police arrested and transferred into Chapel Hill Police custody Demario James Atwater, 21, who was charged with first-degree murder in the case. Police also issued a warrant for Lawrence Alvin Lovett Jr., 17, whom they believe to be the man seen driving Carson's vehicle in an ATM surveillance video. Lovett, who has also been charged with first-degree murder, had not been apprehended at press time and is the target of an intense manhunt.

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Downturn felt sharply by local homebuilders

[Editor's note: This is part of an ongoing Citizen series on how debt and mortgage problems and the slowdown in the economy are affecting local markets.]

by Kirk Ross
Staff Writer

As the subprime mortgage crisis morphed into a debt crisis and led to a slowdown in housing markets across the country, many here were optimistic that the area would once again be insulated from the fallout.

The dynamic of a growing university, an attractive public school system and a market that by nature has a good deal of turnover remains. But the optimism that the local market would ride out the storm unscathed has waned. Even the most upbeat realtors will acknowledge some pain. Many are leading sellers through what Weaver Street Market's Gary Phillips describes as "reality therapy," telling them to expect much more time on

the market and a more modest assessment of the return one can expect.

But while realtors and sellers are being hard hit, the worst of the impact is being felt by homebuilders, especially mid-sized builders who have been riding the housing boom in Chatham County (see article this page).

Nick Tennyson, executive vice president of Home Builders Association of Durham, Orange and Chatham counties, said that the slowdown has created a large inventory of homes. Spec house builders and builders who need to keep large crews busy are finding more and more of their cash tied up and are having to make large monthly payments on homes they'd hoped to have sold by now.

Making that worse, he said, is that the glut is being seen in larger homes. "How many people want something priced \$750,000 to \$800,000? The pool of buyers is

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Development stutters in Chatham County

by Robert N. Eby
Chatham County Line

Reflecting the slowdown in the national economy, development in Chatham County, both residential and commercial, is stuttering. While some projects are still moving ahead, many have slowed down and a few have been abandoned. New residential building permits for Chatham County, including Pittsboro but not Cary, which had been averaging 138 per quarter since the fourth quarter of 2004, dropped sharply in the fourth quarter of 2007, to only 62. This is despite the fact that more than 10,000 home sites have been authorized.

The one exception is in Cary's part of the county, where the Amberly development is moving ahead

briskly. During the last half of 2007, Cary issued 198 permits for homes inside of Chatham County, while Chatham issued only 189 permits.

Residential developers selling only land seem to be doing better than those who are selling both lots and homes. Chapel Ridge's original 660 lots, priced largely in the \$100,000 to \$150,000 range, are 98 percent sold, according to Jens Hoeg, Bluegreen Corporation's vice-president of sales. His efforts are now focused on selling lots in The Estates at Chapel Ridge, which was originally approved as The Woodlands, before being purchased by Bluegreen. According to Hoeg, those 170 lots should be sold within the next 15 months.

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PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

Marianne Principe has reclaimed her life with Journey's help.

Up and going out and abroad

RECENTLY . . .

By Valarie Schwartz

At first it seemed to her Dogwood Acres neighbors that Marianne Principe was an assistance dog trainer, as they were seen walking each morning. Usually the first with a greeting to others walking along, she clearly had her sight, though the beautiful Golden Retriever, with its harness and "Do Not Pet" sign, was obviously an assistance dog.

Assistance dog, indeed — "Journey" has been assisting Principe with her balance since going to live with her in October 2006, providing her with stability since her equilibrium was suddenly robbed in January 2005.

"It happened in an instant," Principe said. She was fine one second and the next she was so dizzy she had to lie down — and ever since, she has not been able to get up without severe dizziness. She frequently must keep her eyes closed during conversations to control the vertigo and nausea that sweep through her body as the result of an infection-damaged vestibular nerve.

The only way to correct it is through a risky, low-success-rate surgery.

She stumbled upon the treatment that has brought her back a life — getting Journey.

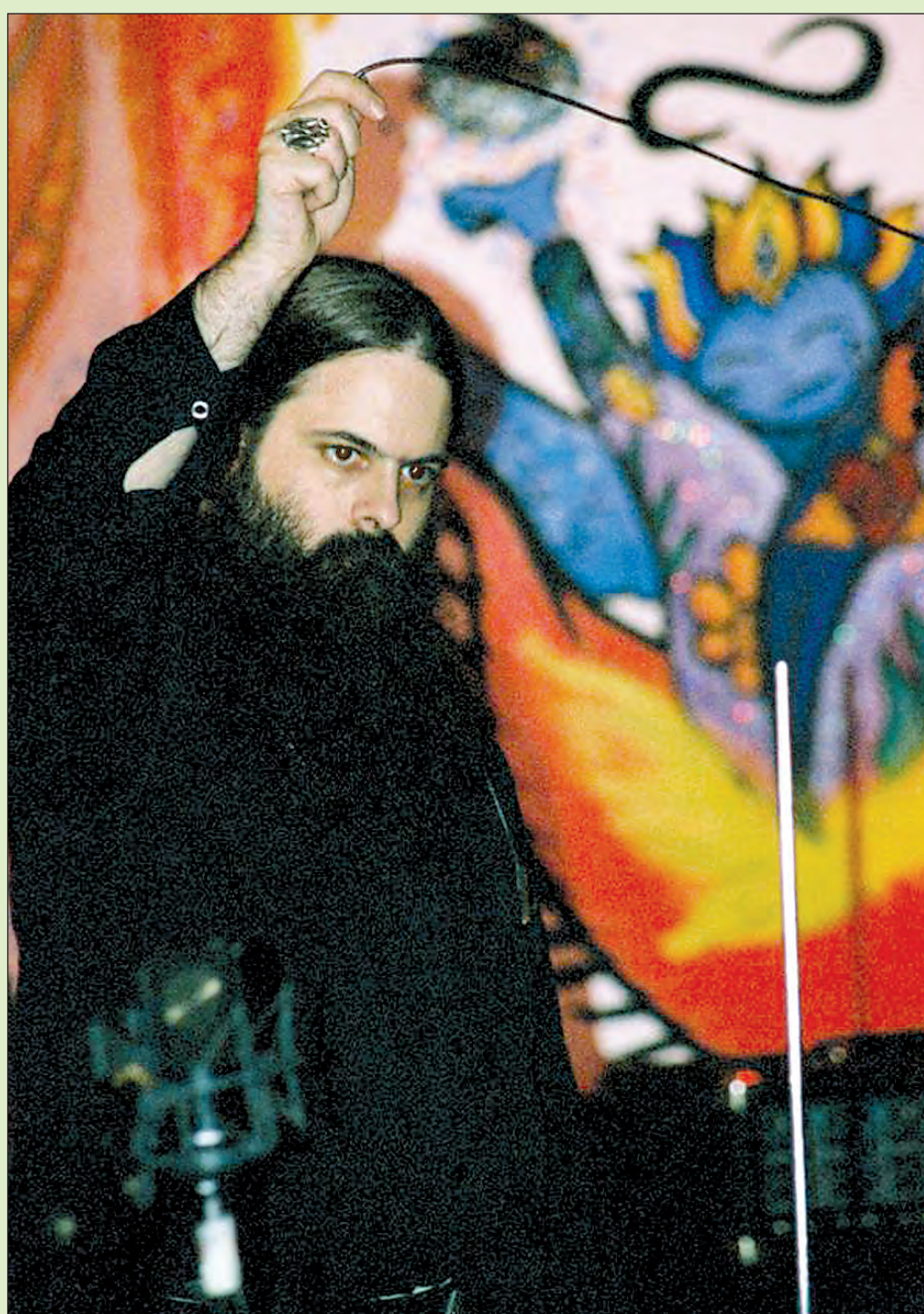
"They thought I'd have a typical recovery after one year of physical therapy," Principe said of the diagnosis of vestibular neuritis. After a year, she was no better, and as she continued therapy a new test became available that indicated she had experienced all the recovery she would have. "In most cases, the other nerve compensates for the damaged one, but that didn't happen. What's left of the damaged nerve sends out erroneous, distorted messages that confuse the brain." It leaves her spinning and nauseated.

She may seem familiar to many after working for 12 years as the nutrition department buyer at Whole Foods. She tried to continue her job there, which was also the center of her social life, but it was more than she could handle.

Life became PT, and when she could watch with

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SPOTLIGHT: FOLK ELECTRONICA IN BYNUM



Subscape Annex

MAYBE MUSIC

The Bynum General Store will host "Maybe Music" on Saturday March 15 from 6 to 9 p.m. The concert features seven local electronica artists: Craig Hilton, Joe Hendrix, Kah Isbin, Pacific Before Tiger & Andrew Morino, Markus Maerk, Subscape Annex and Bicameral Mind. The artists represent diverse genres including experiment folk, theremin and throat-singing. The Bynum General Store is at 950 Bynum Road. Admission is \$5, tickets are available at CD Alley.

MUSIC CALENDAR



Check out Quintron & Miss Pussycat at Local 506 this Sunday, March 16.

THURSDAY MARCH 13

Blue Horn Lounge: Paleface. 10pm
The Cave: Early: Davis Stillson. Late: Town Mountain, \$5
General Store Café: Club Boheme. 8pm
Local 506: Pulsoptional, Phon, Craig Hilton. 9pm. \$6

FRIDAY MARCH 14

Blue Horn Lounge: Hwyl. 10pm
Cat's Cradle: Hobex, Great Big Gone, Lynn Blakey & Ecki Heins. 7:30pm. \$10
The Cave: Early: New River Rock Skippers. Late: Joe Romeo & The Orange County Volunteers.
General Store Café: Gravy Boys. 8:30pm
Local 506: Fan-tan, Max Indian, The Love Language. 10pm. \$6

SATURDAY MARCH 15

The ArtsCenter: Cris Williamson & Friends. 8:30pm. \$39
Blue Horn Lounge: Lucy Sumner & The Third Seconds. 10pm



Hobex performs at the Woods School Benefit this Friday, March 14 at Cat's Cradle.

The Cave: Early: Chris Chutz & Steph Hayes. Late: Skeeter Brandon, \$10.
Cat's Cradle: DJ Forge Dance Party. 9pm. \$10
General Store Café: Blue Diablo. 8:30pm
Local 506: Kaze, The Rawkus 50. 10pm. \$7
Nightlight: Cantwell, Gomez, and Jordan, United States, Woman, A New Dawn Fades. 9:30pm. \$6

SUNDAY MARCH 16

The ArtsCenter: David Wilcox. 8:30pm. \$23
The Cave: The Zou. 9pm
Local 506: Black Lips, Quintron & Miss Pussycat, The Gondoliers. 9:30pm. \$10

MONDAY MARCH 17

Blue Horn Lounge: Open Mic. 9pm
Cat's Cradle: Unseen, A Wilhelm Scream, Luchagors. 6pm. \$12
The Cave: The Shamrockers.
Local 506: Tilly & The Wall, Capgun Coup, Midtown Dickens. 8:30pm. \$10

TUESDAY MARCH 18

Blue Horn Lounge: Blue James Band. 10pm
Cat's Cradle: Sons and Daughters, Bodies of Water. 8:30pm. \$12
The Cave: Late: The Blue Moon Revue.

Local 506: Holy F, A Place to Bury Strangers, Red Collar. 9pm. \$12
Nightlight: New Town Drunks, Geva Alon, Paris Falls. 9:30pm
Reservoir: Your Favorite Assassin, Dr. Powerful. 10pm
WEDNESDAY MARCH 19
The ArtsCenter: Solas. 8:30pm. \$24
Blue Horn Lounge: Tokyo Rosenthal. 10pm
The Cave: Late: Instant Jones, Western Civ.
Local 506: Le Loup, The Ruby Sins, The Busy World. 9pm. \$8
Nightlight: Your Favorite Assassin, Smooch and the Big Hug, Stuntiditch. 9:30pm

THURSDAY MARCH 20

Blue Horn Lounge: Blake Tedder. 10pm
Cat's Cradle: Ingrid Michaelson, Bob Schneider, Cary Brothers, Joshua Radin, AM, Chris Denny. 7:30pm. [SOLD OUT]
The Cave: Early: The Woos. Late: Hege V, Hwyl, \$5.
Local 506: Dub Trio, Foreign Islands, Grappling Hook. 9pm. \$8
Nightlight: Icarus Himself, The Nothing Noise, The Men. 9:30pm

Send your calendar events to calendar@carrborocitizen.com

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TU 3/18 SONS AND DAUGHTERS
 W/BODIES OF WATER**
TH 3/20 SOLD OUT
HOTEL CAFE TOUR
FR 3/21
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 W/BUKUE ONE**
SA 3/22
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 W/MISS MARY WANNA, RACHEL RIOT**(\$10/\$12)
MO 3/24 TRUTH IS HERE TOUR:
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 W/BK ONE, ABSTRAKT RUDE, TOKI WRIGHT**(\$10/\$12)
WE 3/26 THE CLUB IS OPEN:
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TH 3/27 BADFISH: A TRIBUTE TO SUBLIME
 W/SCOTTY DON'T AND HIGH AND MIGHTIES**(\$15/\$18)
FR 3/28 WXYC 80S DANCE
SA 3/29 15 FAMILIES BENEFIT: DIRTYTHIRTY, BLOUNT HARVEY + MORE...
MO 3/31(\$15)**
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 W/PANDERERS
TU 4/1 CARIBOU(\$10/\$12)**
WE 4/2(\$16/\$18)**
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FR 4/4 GARY LOURIS
 W/VETIVER**(\$16/\$18)
SA 4/5 GOODBYE TO SCHOOLKIDS: SCHOONER, NORTH ELEMENTARY, SAMES, WIL DONEGAN, MICHAEL RANK/MARK E. SMITH + MORE...
TU 4/8 BASSNECTAR
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WE 4/9(\$13/\$15)**
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TH 4/10 BETWEEN THE BURIED AND ME
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FR 4/11 SIGNAL FEST: [TBA]**
SA 4/12 SIGNAL FEST: CASTLE VANIA, VILLIANS(\$15)**
TU 4/15(\$14)**
DAVE BARNES
WE 4/16(\$20/\$22)**
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SA 4/19 WCOM BENEFIT
SU 4/20 EISLEY
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 W/STREET DOGS, BRIGGS + MORE
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SA 5/10 POLVO(\$10)**
TU 5/13 AND WE 5/14 DRIVE BY TRUCKERS(\$20/\$22)**
TU 5/20 THE PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA(\$17/\$20)**
MO 5/26 CLINIC(\$13/\$15)**
TU 5/27(\$2/\$23) ON SALE 3/14**
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News Briefs

Easter trash collection

The Town of Carrboro will be closed on Friday, March 21. There will be no garbage collection that day; Friday's garbage will be collected one day earlier. There will be no change in the curbside recycling schedule.

OWASA considers delaying surcharges

Because water supplies have reached 57 percent due to recent rainfall, the OWASA board of directors will meet at 3:30 p.m. today (Thursday) to discuss delaying the rate surcharges associated with the stage three water shortage declared on Feb. 28.

If not delayed, the surcharges for water use would go into effect on March 17. At the Feb. 28 meeting, OWASA staff recommended that stage three restrictions be removed if lakes are 60 percent full by April 1.

District fights dorm

UNC's Wesley Foundation was criticized when it unveiled plans to build a 70,000-square-foot five-story Methodist dorm where its current building stands now on Pittsboro Street. Residents of the Cameron-McCauley historic district opposed the move to a bigger building. The current building is only 17,000 square feet now.

Alternative plans were presented Monday and suggested either a smaller, four-story building or a property swap with the Office of Undergraduate Education and academic advising offices at 223 E. Franklin St. — which would then be bulldozed and replaced with either the five- or four-story building.

UNC director honored

John Sanders, former director of the Institute of Government at UNC, was honored Feb. 21 by the North Carolina Bar Association as the 2008 recipient of the John McNeill Smith Jr. Constitutional Rights and Responsibilities Section Award.

The award honors a person who has demonstrated extraordinary commitment to the ideals embodied in the constitutions of the United States and the state of North Carolina. Sanders was the principal staff person for the 1968 North Carolina State Constitution Study Commission, which produced the state's present Constitution.

Michael Crowell, a professor at the school, presented the award and had submitted the nomination. Crowell said of Sanders, "For decades he has been recognized as one of the most knowledgeable people in the state on the history and meaning of the state Constitution."

Local economy

The Orange County Economic Development Commission will host its annual "State of the Local Economy" event at the Carolina Club in Chapel Hill on Wednesday, April 9 from noon to 1:30 p.m. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. The guest speaker is Charles Hayes, president and CEO of the Research Triangle Partnership. Tickets are \$30, a table is \$275.

For more information, visit www.co.orange.nc.us/ecodev or contact Yvonne Scarlet at 245-2325 or yscarlett@co.orange.nc.us.

Registrations can be mailed to Yvonne Scarlet, Orange County Economic Development, PO Box 1177, Hillsborough NC 27278 and must include name, company name, address, phone or fax number, email and any special dietary requests. Checks are payable to Orange County Economic Development. Registrations must be received no later than April 3.

Special education night

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools will host an Exceptional Children District Parent Night, "Navigating the Special Education Process," on March 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Carolina Center for Educational Excellence on the Smith Middle School campus.

To register or for more information, visit www.chccs.k12.nc.us or call Karen Patillo at 967-8211, ext. 234.

Grieving parents find comfort in Compassionate Friends

By Emily Burns
Staff Writer

Four and a half years have passed since Olivia Royal Petty, then 25, was killed in an automobile accident, but her mother Daphne Hill said that it sometimes feels like it has been just four and a half weeks.

For parents who have lost a child, Hill said, the grieving process never stops.

"We are always thinking about our child in the back of our minds," said Hill, co-founder of the Chapel Hill Area Chapter of The Compassionate Friends, an international self-help support group for adults dealing with the loss of a child or sibling.

"We just want to say, 'Talk about it,'" she said.

With nearly 600 chapters across the nation, TCF strives to create small, close-knit communities in which grieving adults can come together to remember their loved ones, share coping skills and develop lasting friendships with others who have experienced similar loss.

"I think The Compassionate Friends is still a new idea for many people," said Julie Coleman, who co-founded the Chapel Hill chapter with Hill in 2005. "We want people who need the help to know that we are here."

"We try to let everyone speak. We learn from every member, and every member learns from us," said Coleman, whose son Justin Lord Coleman died in 2003 at the age of 27.

At most monthly meetings, the first hour is reserved for group discussion of a single topic, such as what coping skills have been most effective. The last half-hour is reserved for more intimate, one-on-one conversations between members.

Through their experiences with the organization, Hill and Coleman have learned that many adults who have lost children find it difficult to express their emotions, especially as time passes and their friends and family assume the grieving process is over.

Both Coleman and Hill said they have found acceptance and comfort through their involvement with TCF, and the organization has offered the type of support they need.

For Hill, TCF meetings offer an opportu-



PHOTO BY EMILY BURNS

Julie Coleman, left, sits with Daphne Hill and pictures of their children. The two founded the Chapel Hill chapter of The Compassionate Friends, which helps parents cope with losing a child.

nity to keep memories of her daughter alive. She is able to show the same pictures and tell the same stories over and over, and someone is always there to listen.

"People have to have this because it hurts too much not to," Hill said.

"I can be in a bad mood or a good mood or no mood, and I can feel total acceptance," Coleman said.

Coleman also said she has gained an extended family through her involvement with the organization.

"We've all been through the same things," she said.

Hill first learned of TCF through a fellow teacher at Pittsboro Elementary School. Soon after, she learned that Coleman was also interested in forming a local chapter.

Hill called Coleman in the spring of 2005 to ask if she would like to meet to discuss the possibility of forming a chapter together.

That same afternoon, they met for the first time in Coleman's kitchen, talked about their children and began to make plans for their own chapter. The first meeting of the

Chapel Hill Area Chapter was held Oct. 17, 2005 — exactly two years after Justin Coleman passed away.

In addition to providing a local support network, the organization offers other opportunities for its members from across the nation and the world to come together.

TCF hosts a Worldwide Candle Lighting and regional and national conferences each year. This year's national conference will take place in Nashville, July 18-20.

The Chapel Hill Area Chapter of The Compassionate Friends meets at 7:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at Evergreen United Methodist Church, 11098 Hwy. 15-501. The next meeting will be held Monday, March 17.

Any adult who has lost a child or sibling is invited to attend the meeting and to participate or listen, and there are no membership dues or obligations.

For more information, visit www.chapel-hilltcf.org or contact Julie Coleman at 967-3221.

OBITUARIES

Hazel Felker Kiser

Hazel Felker Kiser, 83, died Friday at Duke Hospice in Hillsborough.

She was born in China Grove, N.C. on September 14, 1924 and moved to Kannapolis as a child. She graduated from Canon High School in 1942. In 1952, she moved to Chapel Hill with her husband. She was formerly employed by Village Family Medicine as the office manager. She also worked for Central Carolina Bank and was a former church secretary for Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Chapel Hill, where she was a member for over 50 years.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Barbara and

Richard Bryson of Yadkinville; and her son and daughter-in-law, Dale and Margaret Kiser of Pittsboro.

Funeral Services were held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

on East Rosemary Street in Chapel Hill Tuesday.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Duke Hospice at the Meadowlands (<http://dhch.dukehealth.org>) or to the US Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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Ron Liberti's works will be on display March 17 at Wilson Library as part of the exhibit "Paper Trail: The Poster Art of Casey Burns and Ron Liberti."

Carrboro

El Sur Comes South — Pedro Lash with Los Artistas & local sonideros; Center Gallery: Kardelen (Snow Drop) — Works by Pelin Yazar Canez, Orhan Alpaslan, Asuman Dogan, Atanur Dogan and Nihal Kececi to celebrate International Women's Month; The ArtsCenter: 300-G E Main St. 929-2787, artscenterlive.org

Kardelen: Turkish-American Artists Celebrate International Women's Month — Paintings by Pelin Yazar Canez and Orhan Alpaslan. March 9 - 30, 2008 East End Gallery at The ArtsCenter. Reception: Friday, March 14, 2008, 6 - 9pm.

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

Collaborative works by Tori Ralston and Community Independent School students. Showing through Apr 1. Century Center: 100 N Greensboro St. 918-7385, townofcarrboro.com/rp/cc.htm

Bolin Creek and Woodlands: Natural Treasures — photography by Dave Otto. Showing through Mar. Carrboro Town Hall. 301 W Main St. 942-8541, townofcarrboro.com

Partners in Art — oil paintings and drawings by Fleet Woodley, and photography, mixed media and haiku by Sherry Woodley. Through March. Fleet Feet Gallery. 406 E Main St. 942-3102, fleetfeetcarrboro.com

"Primary Colors" — watercolor and acrylic paintings by Chapel Hill artist Miriam Sagasti. Showing through Mar 31. Annual Wood Show — turned bowls, vessels and wooden creations by the Gallery's favorite wood artists. Showing through Mar 31. NC Crafts Gallery. 212 W Main St. 942-4048, nccraftsgallery.com

Sight Unseen — photography by local, legally blind photographer Tim O'Brien. Artist's reception Fri, Mar 14, 6-9pm. Paintings by Darius Quarles in the side room. Open Eye Café. 101 S Greensboro St. 968-9410, openeyecafe.com

"Controlled Chaos" — contemporary acrylics by Catharine Carter. Showing through Mar 31. Panzarella. Carr Mill Mall, E Weaver St and N Greensboro St. 929-6626, panzarella.com

Images from Chatham County — photography by Dwain Ritchie. Showing through the first week of April. Weaver Street Realty. 116 E. Main St. 929-5658, weaverstreet-realty.com

Chapel Hill

Picturing the World: Carolina's Celebrated Photojournalists; Showing through Apr 6. Perspectives on Public Justice. Showing through May 4. Ackland Art Museum. S Columbia St and Franklin St 966-5736, ackland.org

Mixed media by Nevton Diniz. Showing through Mar. Caffé Driade. 1215-A E Franklin St. 942-2333, caffedriade.com

"Flora, Friend and Foe" — watercolors of wildlife by Dale Morgan,

and paintings of botanical subjects by Claire Miller. Showing through Apr 29. Totten Center; N.C. Botanical Garden, Old Mason Farm Rd. Call 962-0522 or visit ncbg.unc.edu for more info.

Expressions of life, love and faith through paintings and pottery — works by Judith Ernst. Showing through May 30. FedEx Global Education Center: 301 Pittsboro St. 962-2435, international.unc.edu/GEC.html

Paper Trail: The Poster Art of Casey Burns and Ron Liberti — Pleasants Family Assembly Room (2nd [main] floor), Wilson Library, UNC campus. Opening reception Mar 17, 5:45pm. <http://www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/2008/posters.html>

"Marking Transcendence" — collage landscapes, calligraphic pieces in Hebrew and English, and abstract and representational pieces by Galia Goodman. Showing through Apr 29. The Community Church of Chapel Hill Unitarian Universalist, 106 Purefoy Rd. Call 942-2050 for more info.

Nancy Jacobsohn's "Thirteen Horses—The Journey" — a collection of pieces reflective of the artist's journey from a career as an art educator and museum administrator to a full-time artist. Artist's reception Fri, Mar 14, 6-9pm. Turning Point Gallery, University Mall. S Estes Drive. 967-0402, harmonyfineart.com

Southern Village

Paintings by Cat Moleksi — bright, insightful and contemplative oil paintings. Showing through Apr. Bagwell, Holt, Smith, Tillman & Jones, PA. 400 Market St., Suite 103. 932-2225, bhspa.com

Hillsborough

Look B4U Leap — new work by the Gallery's member artists. Show runs through March 22. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts. 121 N Churton St, Suite 1-D. 732-5001, hillsboroughgallery.com

Black & White — work by the Gallery's member artists. Opening reception March 28 from 6-9 p.m. Through April 19. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts. 121 N Churton St, Suite 1-D. 732-5001, hillsboroughgallery.com

Pittsboro

Annual Pottery Invitational — works by Mark Hewitt, Ruth Morgans, Siglinda Scarpa, Doug Dotson, Janet Resnick and others. Through Mar 31. ChathamArts. 115 Hillsboro St. 542-4144, www.chathamarts.org

The Joyful Jewel features the eclectic, wild, intricate, jewelry of Jody Jameson's "Seed Bead Therapy," through March 31. Eight other local artists are also represented. Gallery & Studio (Mariah Wheeler) hours are: Thurs. 2 - 6pm, Fri. & Sat. 10 - 6, 1st Sundays 12 - 4, and for Pittsboro Studio Stroll, we're open 'til 8pm 4th Fridays. (919) 545-6836. 45 West St, Pittsboro.

New works by David Sovero. Showing through Mar 31. Fusions Art and Fine Craft Gallery. 53 Hillsboro St. 260-9725.

Community Briefs

Music benefit

Cat's Cradle will host a benefit for the Woods Charter School Music Department on Friday, March 14. Playing are Hobex, Great Big Gone and Lynn Blakey & Ecki Heins. Doors open at 8 and admission is \$10.

N.C. Fund premiere

The premiere screening of the documentary *Change Comes Knocking: The Story of the N.C. Fund* will take place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 at Union Auditorium on the UNC campus. The showing will be followed by a discussion with filmmakers and professors. The documentary tells the story of the anti-poverty North

Carolina Fund established in 1963 by Gov. Terry Sanford. Fund employees worked to empower poor NC blacks and whites against a background of national racial unrest. The film was made by Durham's Video Dialog Inc. and sponsored by the Southern Documentary Fund.

Musical art

Wilson Library will hold a panel discussion and live music performance as it opens its new exhibit, "Paper Trail: The Poster Art of Casey Burns and Ron Liberti," a show dedicated to poster art produced for the local music scene. The event is at 5:45 p.m. Monday, March 17 in Wilson Library. The two artists will

speak alongside Frank Heath, owner of Cat's Cradle. Performing will be Billy Sugarfix, Lud and Regina Hexaphone. The event is free and open to all. The show will be on display from March 17 through May 31. Call 962-1345 for information.

Library book sale

The Friends of the Library will hold a book sale from Thursday, March 27 to Saturday, March 29. Thousands of books in all categories will be available, but particularly in art, history, biography and fiction, along with classical music CDs. Pre-K through 12th-grade teachers with identification are entitled to a 50 percent discount. Proceeds will benefit the University Library Endowment. On, Thursday only members of the Friends of the Library

may buy. Friday is open to all, and Saturday is a Bag Day Sale, in which all books are \$3 for a bag. More information at <http://www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/2008/BookSale.html>

Egg hunt

The annual Orange County Egg Hunt for children will be held Saturday, March 15 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at Homestead Community Park in Chapel Hill. The egg hunt is for children aged 2 to 10. Homestead Community Park is off Northern Park Drive off Homestead Road.

The celebration is free. Entertainment begins at 9:30 with the Sand Box Band and the egg hunt starts at 10:30 a.m. and will include over 20,000 eggs for three different age groups. The Easter Bunny will also be there.

Community Calendar

Special Events

Annual Orange County Egg Hunt for children ages 2-10.

Sat, Mar 15, Homestead community Park, 100 Northern Park Dr, Chapel Hill. Children's entertainment begins at 9:30am and the 20,000-egg hunt begins at 10:30am. Games and a meet-and-greet with the Easter Bunny will follow. Sponsored by the Town of Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department. Call 968-2787x208 for more info.

Outdoor activities

Guided garden walk at Niche Gardens.

Saturdays through June, 10am. Discussions on spring planting, garden maintenance, design & gardening for wildlife with bird and butterfly gardens. Special emphasis on drought-tolerant plants. Free, rain or shine. Niche Gardens, 1111 Dawson Rd, Chapel Hill. Call 967-0078 or visit www.nichegardens.com for more information.

Kids

The ArtsCenter Summer Youth Conservatory

Partnership between Playmakers and The ArtsCenter puts children and teens in Playmakers productions. This year, "The Music Man." Auditions from 9am-9pm Sat Mar 15 and 9am-7pm Sun Mar 16. Audition forms online at www.artscencenterlive.org.

1st Annual Spring Break Men's Soccer Camp.

Mar 24-27, 9am to noon, UNC Campus. Open to boys ages 6 to 14. \$150. Registration Mon, Mar 24, 8:30am, Finley Fields. Bring ball, shin guards, water, snack & small towel. Call 962-0466 or visit www.tarheelblue.com for more info.

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

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

ComedySportz 4 Kidz

— Games & improv for the 12 & under crowd. Saturdays, 5pm. \$10, students \$8, kids under 5 \$5. DSI Comedy Theater, 200 N Greensboro St, Ste B-11, Carr Mill

Mall, Carrboro, 338-8150, www.dsicomedytheater.com.

Express Yourself!

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

Volunteers

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

English as a Second Language Conversation Club

seeks volunteers to talk with groups of international students Fridays from 11:30am-1:30pm. University Methodist Church on Franklin Street. Call 967-1448 or email harwellja@bellsouth.net.

Health & Wellness

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

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

Free health seminar — Natural approaches to hormone replacement therapy. Tue, Mar 11, 6:30-8pm. Chapel Hill Community Center, 120 S Estes Dr. Register at www.trianglecompounding.com/Events.htm or by calling 858-0809x415.

Museums

Planetarium & Digital Theater Shows — Science LIVE Demos. Ongoing. Morehead Planetarium, 250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236,

tickets 843-7997. Thu-Sat 10am-5pm, 6:30-9:15pm. Tickets \$5.25; \$4.25 seniors, students & children. For more info, visit www.moreheadplanetarium.org.

Dance

Havana Nights — Cuban Salsa. 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 10pm. Mansion 462, 462 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill, 967-7913, www.mansion462.net.

Salsa/Mambo — 3rd Saturdays, lesson 8pm, dance 8:30-11pm. \$7, 358-4201, salsa_4u2@yahoo.com. Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 4702 Garrett Rd, Durham (Hillsborough).

Ballroom Dancing

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

Discussions, Lectures & Open Mics

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

No Man's Lands reading

with author Scott Huler, a book with a new take on the journey of Odysseus. Tue, Mar 18, 3:30pm. Bull's Head Bookshop, 207 South Rd, UNC Campus. www.scotthuler.com.

Our Bodies, Ourselves: Pregnancy and Birth reading and signing with Judy Norsigian, executive director of Our Bodies Ourselves, and Miriam Lobbok, director of Center for Infant and Young Child Feeding and Care. Thu, Mar 20, 1:30pm. Bull's Head Bookshop, 207 South Rd, UNC Campus. Visit www.ourbodiesourselves.org for more info.

Towards Objective Truth and Universal Ethics

— Speaker Randy Best of the North Carolina Society for Ethical Culture. Mar 16, 11am. The ArtsCenter, 300 E. Main St, Carrboro. Free.

Films

Uncovered: The whole truth about the Iraq War film documentary presented and discussion by the NC Society for Ethical Culture. RSVP 490-6304. Thu Mar 20. 7pm. Caribou Coffee, 1408 Franklin St, Chapel Hill.

The Borders Trilogy & Letters from the Other Side

— films

with immigration themes. Sun Mar 30 5pm. Chicle. 101 E. Weaver St. Suite G-1 Third floor. www.chi-cle.com

Other

Public Art 360: A Symposium from Seven Perspectives

— a national convention to address the functional and aesthetic interaction among public art, profession design disciplines, private development and government. Fri & Sat, Apr 11 & 12. \$70 registration fee. Visit www.publicartcollaborative.org for more info.

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

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

Chapel Hill Town Council

— invites the community to contribute ideas to the design of a "big picture" economic development strategy for the town of Chapel Hill at meetings throughout March. Meetings: Thu, Mar 6, 3pm at Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, 104 Estes Dr.; Tue, Mar 11, 7pm at Christ United Methodist Church, 800 Market St, Southern Village. Visit www.townofchapelhill.org/economic_development for more info.

Open house — Pittsboro Montessori Preschool. Sat, Mar 8, 11am-1pm. Families welcome. 886 Hamlet Chapel Rd, Pittsboro. Visit www.pittsboromontessori.com or call 542-0091 for more info.

Digital Camera Basics — For Beginners. Learn the basics of purchasing and using a digital camera from amateur photographer John Sehon. Mon, Mar 10 & Mon, Mar 17, 9am to noon. Totten Center, NC Botanical Garden, Old Mason Farm Rd, Chapel Hill. Call 962-0522 to register or visit <http://ncbg.unc.edu/pages/26/> for more info.

Cat Adoption Day at Goathouse Refuge in Pittsboro. Sun, Mar 16, noon to 5pm. Refreshments included. 680 Alton Alston Rd, Pittsboro. Call 542-6815 for more info.

RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program seeks volunteers to match other volunteers with opportunities for public service. Other volunteer opportunities are available. For more information call 968-2056.

Got a Community Event you'd like us to know about?

Send your submissions to calendar@carrborocitizen.com

PETS OF THE WEEK



APS OF ORANGE COUNTY — Hey there, I am Joshua and I am a 2-year-old, Tricolor male Collie Mix. I am a long-legged, long-nosed, handsome boy who will make you do a double-take with my looks alone. I am a housebroken and am absolutely perfect with other dogs. I am respectful of cats also! The staff here is confident that with some good exercise sessions I would be ready to cuddle with you when it's time to chill at the house. I love people so much, so if you are looking for a dog that is pretty independent, that's not really me. Run with me, play with me, and then some snuggle ... that's what I'm about. I've heard some say that I am 'a big harmless goofball. Come see me at Animal Protection Society of Orange County, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at www.animalprotectionsociety.org.



ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Billy Reuben is a 2-year-old black & white boy who would love to go home with you! This big boy is handsome and he knows it! He is an independent guy and would love a home where he can feel free to explore and lounge as he pleases — though a nice ear rub from time to time never hurt! Stop by Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill, or call 967-7383. You can also see him online at www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp.

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SATURDAY MARKET: 8 a.m. - Noon

What's at the market?

Check out what's at the Carrboro Year-Round Farmers' Market . . .

Just to name a few . . .

Green onions, green garlic, greenhouse strawberries, broccoli, collards, turnips, beets, sweet potatoes, chard, kale, spinach, lettuce, broccoli raab, arugula, mustard greens, butternut squash, acorn squash, red kale, radishes, vegetable and flower starters, tulips, daffodils, anemones, pussy willows, ranunculas, baked goods (including vegan and gluten free options), breads, jams, wines, grass fed beef, pastured pork, pastured chicken, grass fed lamb, buffalo, sausage, chorizo, ground bison, raw milk cheeses, smoked cheeses, goat cheese, jams, jellies, pottery, hats, rugs and more!



Recipe of the week

Captain John's Family Recipe:

LOW COUNTRY LAMB CHILI

Recipe provided by **Farmers: Robert and Henry Pope**

Robert and Henry Pope raise grass-fed free-range Dorper lambs and sell their product at the Carrboro Farmers' market. This is a family recipe that dates back to 1863 when Captain John Pope learned how to cook country vittles. This dish has been enjoyed by the Pope Family for 140 years!

- 1 med. onion, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 3 tablespoons of olive oil
- 3 lbs. of ground lamb
- 4 cans Margaret Holmes corn, tomato, okra mix, undrained
- 4 cans condensed tomato soup, undiluted
- 2 cans (about 14 oz. each) diced tomatoes
- 1 Captain John's andouille sausage
- 1 tablespoon Tabasco (more if you like it spicy*)
- Salt/pepper to taste
- Shredded cheddar cheese

Brown onions, garlic, and ground lamb in oil over medium-high heat, stirring to break up the meat. Add corn, tomato, okra mix, tomato soup, diced tomatoes, andouille sausage, Tabasco and salt/pepper. Simmer 2-3 hours. Serve with shredded cheddar cheese, if desired.

* Captain John prefers Tabasco over other hot sauces because of its low sodium content.

*Available at Market

L&T Briefs

Haw workshop

The Haw River Watch will host a Macro-Micro Workshop on Saturday, March 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bynum Beach. River Watch volunteers will teach those interested about collecting and inspecting water samples for microscopic creatures (with an interlude for lunch). Examining the creatures can provide information about water quality. RSVP and get more information from Cynthia Crossen at 967-2500 or riverwatch@hawriver.org

Agriculture talk

The 3CUPS coffee shop will host a forum on Wednesday, April 9 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss gaps in local agriculture infrastructure. Leading the discus-

sion are Tim Philpott, food editor for the environmental website Grist and founder of Maverick Farms, and Jennifer Curtis, project director for NC Choices, which promotes sustainable local farming. The discussion will focus on continuing to expand local agriculture. The event is free.

Splendid table

Cookbook author and radio personality Lynne Rossetto Kasper will visit the Fearington Barn on Thursday, April 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. to read from her book *The Splendid Table's How To Eat Supper*. She hosts the radio show *The Splendid Table* and writes a column called *Ask the Splendid Table* for newspapers. Her third, and latest, book features simple and complex recipes and cooking advice. The event is free and open to the public

and sponsored by McIntyre's Fine Books. More information at www.fearington.com

Market times

Well, they've gone and once again prematurely sprung daylight-saving time on us, so let's call it spring. And by way of making it official, your local farmers' markets are swinging wide their doors.

The Orange County Farmers' Market is now open on Saturdays at its new location at 120 East Margaret Lane in Hillsborough (just behind the sheriff's department). On Tuesday, April 1, at 4 p.m., the Fearington Farm-

ers' Market will reopen for its 13th season, offering locally fresh items every Tuesday up to Thanksgiving.

And the Southern Village Market will reopen May 1. No excuses now. Eat right.

Spring garden tour

The Chapel Hill Garden club will hold its biennial Spring Garden Tour Saturday, April 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday April 13 from noon to 4 p.m. The tour is self-guided and includes 10 private gardens. Refreshments, exhibits, a raffle, live music, demonstrations and plant sales will be held at the Botanical Garden. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 day of. Children's tickets are \$5, day of only. For information and tickets, contact the Botanical Garden at 962-0522 or visit www.chapelhillgardentour.net

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out feeling sick she found comfort in television shows like *Dog Whisperer with Cesar Millan*.

"I watched his show to be entertained and uplifted," she said warmly. Then one day, he did a show on assistance dogs, which led her to New Life Mobility Assistance Dogs in Moravian Falls (www.nlmad.org), where she was matched with 4-year-old Journey. New Life only uses "shelter" dogs that are screened, and those passing the criteria are trained.

"Getting Journey was life-changing," Principe said as he dozed at her feet. He gets her up and out every morning and evening, which has given her a harder workout than physical therapy ever required. And because she has him to hold onto, she can now run her own errands and get herself to and from doctor's appointments through the use of E-Z Rider.

"I've found a whole lot of quality of life. E-Z Rider service is unsurpassed," she said.

Her life will change even more in two weeks when she and Journey hop on a few airplanes and fly to the French Riviera for three months, where they will live with her son, Shepherd Dobson, as his first child is born, making Principe, 56, a grandmother.

A recent trial run for the trip proved successful.

"We spent three hours at RDU and flew to Philly," she said. "He loved every minute of it. He loved the baggage carousel the most." Journey has his European Union passport and a microchip. For both, it will be a first trip to Europe, though Principe, a California native who lived in 12 states before moving to Chapel Hill in 1989, has been to India twice.

"This whole trip to France is an incredible gift," she said.

But not as great a gift as Journey.

"He's such an angel," she said. "There's nothing about him that I would change. He's perfect in every way."

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


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MARK TRAIL



LAST YEAR WAS A TERRIBLE YEAR FOR WEATHER-RELATED DISASTERS, AND HOPEFULLY IT HAS TAUGHT US NOT TO RISK NATURE'S FURY WITH ONLY THE SIMPLEST METEOROLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE.



THE ANIMALS ARE ACTING STRANGE, MARK!

YES, THEY SEEM TO SENSE WHEN A STORM IS NEAR!



WE'D BETTER GET INSIDE AND CHECK ON THE WEATHER IN OUR AREA, WE DON'T WANT TO GET CAUGHT UNPREPARED!



WE KNOW THAT TORNADES CAN HAPPEN AT ANY TIME, BUT BETWEEN MARCH AND JULY IS WHEN MOST OCCUR IN THE UNITED STATES.



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FOR THE RECORD

Editor's note: Following is the statement by Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy regarding the death of Student Body President Eve Carson delivered on behalf of the Town Council at the start of Monday's council meeting.

We begin this evening's meeting by acknowledging the grief and pain that we are suffering at the loss of our colleague and friend, Eve Carson.

Eve was the president of Carolina's student body, which is how many of us came to know her. But the more we got to know her, the more we understood what an extraordinary person she was, and how broadly and deeply she touched the lives of people in Chapel Hill and beyond.

Eve's death represents for us a terrible, incomprehensible loss. She was a person who embodied what is beautiful in this world, and it was a joy to know her. Her having been taken from us rips from us our greatest hopes and our greatest dreams and our greatest aspirations for what the world might become someday.

We are diminished by the loss of Eve, and we know it.

We mourn this day, but we will carry on. We will soldier on. We have Eve's memory and spirit to help us carry on. But we will always remember Eve; we will always cherish Eve; and Eve will always be with us in Chapel Hill, to challenge us with her beauty and grace, her intelligence and charm, her compassion and idealism.

Eve's spirit will challenge us to be a place where youth can flourish and hope can endure and evil will be forever banished. And although we cannot replace Eve, we do know that she was a person who mattered in this world by the work she did, and she was destined to do great things. Rather than have those things remain undone, each of us can look to pick up a piece of the work that Eve did, and to do the work she would have done, the way she would have done it.

My colleagues on the council and I have been a part of the sorrow of our community, and we have reached out to Eve's family and to our colleagues on campus and beyond. We have extended to Chancellor Moeser our deepest sympathy to the campus community, and we have sought to comfort everyone in our town. Each of us has suffered, individually and collectively, a harm that is deep and piercing.

Yesterday, my wife Nancy and I attended Eve's memorial service at her hometown in Athens, Georgia. We had the opportunity to meet Eve's mother, Teresa, her father, Bob, and her brother, Andrew. We told them how much Chapel Hill valued Eve and how heartsick all of us are.

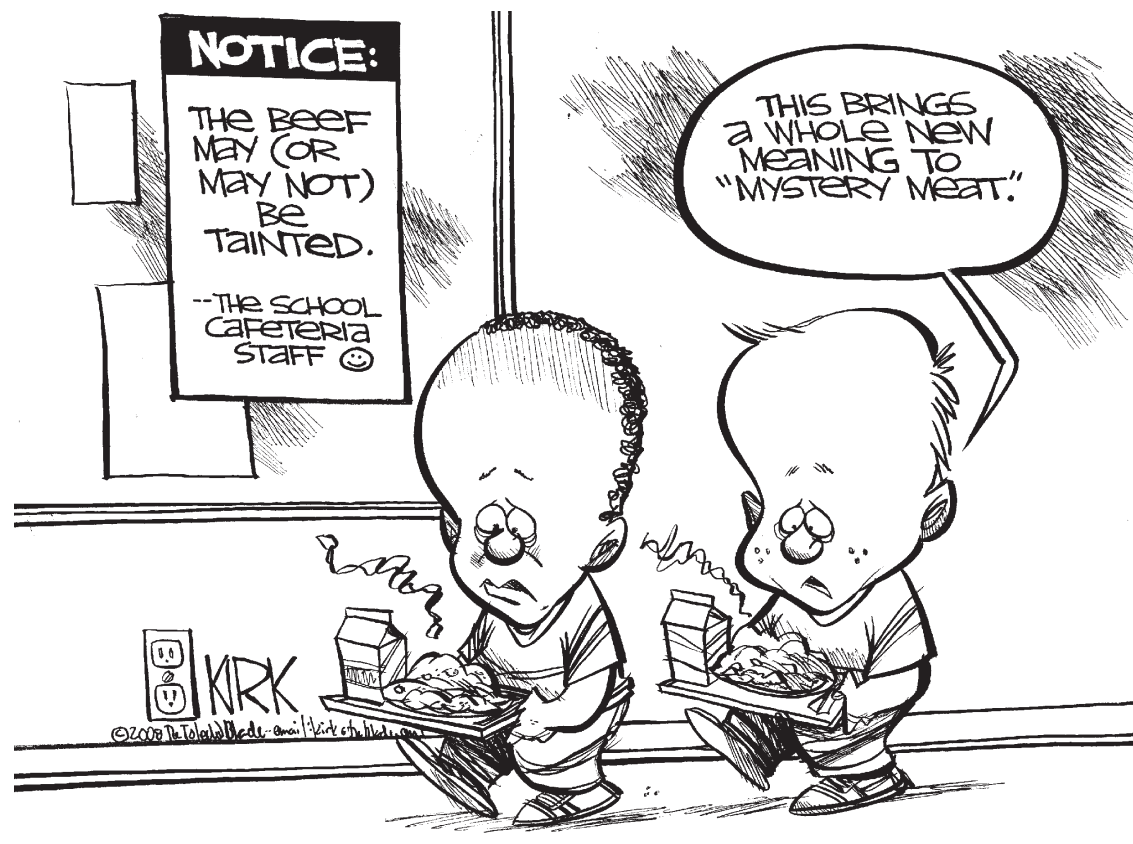
Eve's family was very gracious, and even under the burden of such surpassing grief thanked us, and all of you for your thoughts and your support.

Athens and Chapel Hill are now forever bound. We are bound by the thread of the life of a lovely young woman who touched us as she graced this world.

Please join me in a moment of silence to remember Eve; but I hope that this moment will resonate around the world, and that our moment will awaken this world with our cry of grief at this senseless death.

I would also like to call attention this evening to the assistance that is available to everyone in our community who is coping with this tragedy and who needs assistance. Our town has a crisis unit, housed in our police department, that is ready to help, and I ask you please to call them to seek that help if you need it. Contact information is available on the town website or by calling Town Hall.

In addition, the university has counseling available and people ready to assist members of the campus community during this difficult time.



The wrong tax and the wrong time

MARK ZIMMERMAN

Orange County has always prided itself on being a progressive community that strives for fairness. When the Orange County Commissioners chose to add a referendum to the May 6 primary election ballot imposing a new sales tax on property, known as the transfer tax, it abandoned those principles.

The transfer tax is a regressive tax that will disproportionately impact lower-income homeowners, place an unnecessary burden on affordable housing and nonprofit organizations and unfairly concentrate our taxes on a minority of our fellow citizens. The way it works is that when you sell your home or some land, Orange County will take 0.4 percent of your selling price before giving you the rest of your proceeds.

Why is the transfer tax regressive? It is well documented that most fixed-rate sales taxes are regressive. The transfer tax is nothing more than a fixed-rate sales tax on your property. Lower-income homeowners pay more of their income for housing, particularly in a high housing-cost county like Orange. Their homes also account for more of their total assets than higher income households. The lower one's income and lower the price of one's home, the greater the impact this transfer tax has on a family's finances.

Home ownership is one of the best ways for families to raise their standards of living. It is just bad policy to strip them of the equity they worked so hard to earn just because they have to move.

Live in an affordable housing unit? You'll have to pay. Live in a Habitat House? You'll have to pay. Building an affordable house? The transfer tax may be paid multiple times by the original property owner, the developer and then the builder. Suddenly that home is no longer so affordable. Own a church or a nonprofit? You don't have to pay property taxes but, sorry, you'll have to pay this transfer tax.



"Why would we choose to add a new tax on which we cannot depend? Why would we add more costs to people selling their home in this real estate market?"

No property sale is exempt from the transfer tax.

Why is the transfer tax unfair? The proceeds from this tax will support us all. But the tax itself is piled high on the shoulders of just a few in each year. We shouldn't tax a minority to pay for the majority.

This problem in principle has an onerous practical effect. By not spreading the burden out to everyone, which would minimize its impact on any one person, the weight of this transfer tax on those who sell their homes is dramatic. For the average home seller in 2007, the transfer tax bill would have been \$1,371. If the equivalent amount of money was raised by regular property taxes,

it would take 14.3 years to pay off that one transfer tax bill.

There are other problems with electing the transfer tax. Its revenue is historically unpredictable and unreliable because it is tied to the real estate market. Real estate is experiencing some real challenges right now, meaning revenue estimates from the transfer tax have already dropped significantly, down 13 percent so far. Why would we choose to add a new tax on which we cannot depend? Why would we add more costs to people selling their homes in this real estate market?

The transfer tax is a bad idea. So, how do we get more revenues? First, we should continue to push for better fiscal stewardship. Second, we should revisit another new revenue option the commissioners considered, the restoration of the 0.25 cent sales tax. This tax would have minimal individual impact; the average person would only have to pay around \$5 per year for an equivalent amount raised by the transfer tax. And this sales tax exempts food and medicine, making it much less regressive. Third, we need to get serious about attracting, nurturing and retaining responsible commercial development in our economic development zones, which have lain fallow for too long. Until we have a more diverse tax base, the commissioners will continue to tax our homes and property, one way or another.

As for the transfer tax, it is certainly not the right tax. It is certainly not the right time. It is not right for Orange County, now or in the future. There are better, fairer alternatives. I urge each of you to vote no on this referendum in the May 6 primary.

Mark Zimmerman owns the Re/Max Winning Edge real estate brokerage in Chapel Hill and is vice president of the Chapel Hill Board of Realtors. He is also spokesperson for Citizens for a Better Orange County.

LETTERS

Dinner Thanks

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of the Eleventh Annual Community Dinner celebrating Orange County's cultural diversity, held on Sunday, March 2.

The fact that between five and six hundred people attended the event bears testimony to the multicultural goodwill present in our very diverse community.

Furthermore, more young people than ever volunteered to help at this year's dinner and their presence was noted and much appreciated. It is encouraging to know that so many people in our midst have open hearts and minds at a time when fear, hatred and suspicion are competing elements.

NERYS LEVY, CHAIRPERSON, Community Dinner Committee.

Article was off-base

If the sentiment expressed in Peha and Lester's article "Paper, pencil and chalk" (3/6/08) is the same perspective held by our school systems' administrators, our children are being done a great disservice.

The authors admit "technology has revolutionized almost every aspect of our lives," yet they conclude "we may all serve children better with paper, pencil and chalk." They reach this conclusion by arguing that the technology we use isn't designed for education.

The statement that there is no software appropriate for education is simply false. Peha and Lester offer the proprietary Microsoft Office suite as their only example of how ill-suited technology is for the classroom. I am currently subscribed to 10 blogs whose sole purpose is to discuss creative, easy, usually free educational software tools on a daily basis — and I'm not even a teacher (or an education consultant, for that matter).

Even if it were true that there is no good educational software, where is digital literacy supposed to come from if not in our schools? Do the authors really mean to suggest that it is OK for our students to graduate with no tech skills other than the ability to create a MySpace profile? Almost every growing sector of the economy, outside of the low-wage service industry, requires some kind of technological fluency. Taking technology out of schools

Thoughts on CHHS cheating scandal

HOLLY HARDIN

Spending time trying to hunt down graduates who may have had access to Chapel Hill High School keys and discussing how to curb cheating only addresses this problem at the surface. We need to ask ourselves, what about our educational system is causing our students to cheat? Should the students be held accountable for this problem or did the problem exist before it reached their level?

Any system with a GPA/ranking system unjustly assigns more value, and often respect, to "higher-level academic" courses than to courses that are developmentally appropriate for an individual student or to courses in the arts. Schools that use this system put students, regardless of motivator (self, parent, school), in a situation where they are pressured to perform in classes that may not be a best fit.

Certainly this pressure can push some to succeed, albeit not all, but is that what we want motivating our students to do well?

We live in a highly competitive society, but why is only that portion of society seeping in? We also live in communities where people collaborate to find answers and produce goods/services/entertainment, where citizens find their niche rather than practice all trades and, ideally, where people value varying talents.

Moving away from traditional grading and a one-size-fits-all standardized curriculum towards a more project-based, student-constructed model is the direction we must take to allow students to be intrinsically motivated and allow them to find meaning and purpose in their work. Additionally, an authentic, experiential approach to education, where students investigate and work on real issues, would provide students with an actual goal and investment in the broader community, not just a grade.

Learning does not have to exist inside a classroom with time-tested materials; the greatest learning comes out of planning, implementing, sharing and mistakes made along the way. The skills gained in such a program could encompass traditional subjects while also building lifelong learners, problem solvers, critical thinkers and responsible participants in a global society, as well as actually preparing our students for this highly competitive society so often referred to. Or perhaps, even show them that not everything is about competition. Although a radical change, it's time we started to take action.

Yes, I too hope the "school community will learn from the incident," but working to curb cheating is only a solution at the surface; the true solution lies in changing our current approach to education.

Holly Hardin is the science teacher at Community Independent School in Pittsboro and a member of the Cedar Rock Cooperative in Carrboro.

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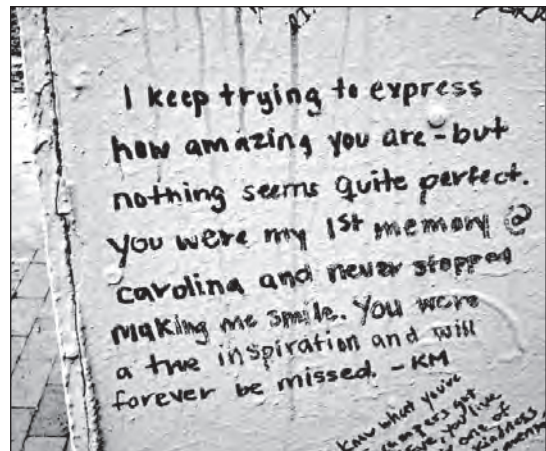
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Demario James Atwater (l) and Lawrence Alvin Lovett Jr. (r) have been charged with first degree murder in the case. Atwater was arrested Wednesday. Lovett is still being sought.



Flowers and notes at the makeshift memorial to Carson behind the Campus Y



One of the many messages left on campus last week.

CARSON
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He is described as a black male, 5 foot 7 inches tall and weighing 150 pounds. Anyone with information concerning his whereabouts is urged to call 911 or Crime Stoppers at (919) 942-7515. Lovett is considered armed and dangerous.

A RARE SILENCE

News of Carson's death filtered out slowly at first, with initially only a handful of officials informed that the shooting victim found that Wednesday morning was Carson.

But news spread quickly on Thursday, and a rare silence fell across the campus as thousands of students, faculty, staff and members of the

community gathered in Polk Place to honor Carson's memory.

"Eve Carson personified the Carolina spirit," Chancellor James Moeser said when he addressed those gathered in the quad.

"She did it perhaps more profoundly than anyone I've ever known in my whole time here," he said.

Following Moeser's address, people laid thousands of flowers at a makeshift memorial behind the Campus Y and wrote memories of Carson and the impact she had on the community on painted cubes nearby.

Carson, 22, was elected student body president in February of last year. In addition to her involvement with Student Government, she was a member of the Board of Trustees, had held a number of leadership positions in other campus organizations and volunteered extensively throughout the Triangle and overseas.

She was buried in her hometown Sunday in a service attended by hundreds, including fellow students and school officials and Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy.

According to those who knew her, Carson had a profound impact on everyone she met.

"She was such a genuine person, and she put her heart into everything she did," said senior Chris Kearns, a Roberson Scholar from Morris Plains, N.J.

"Every time you talked to her, it just brightened your day."

Kearns met Carson during the first week of his freshman year, and the two had been close since then.

Kearns and about 20 other UNC students who were close to Carson spent last Thursday evening comforting one another at a makeshift wake they held at one student's home.

"She would have never wanted her friends to be grieving for too long," said Kearns, adding that he and his friends even laughed together as they remembered their friend.

"This town, this community, this university has suffered an enormous loss," he said. "It's going to heal, but it's going to be different."

"If you want to remember her and honor her, do things you care about, put your heart into them, and appreciate the people around you as much as you can."

With the school still on break, the Carolina campus is a quiet place. Quiet enough to hear the flag at Polk Place — now at half-mast — tossed by wind.

School returns to session on Monday. A memorial service to honor Carson will be held Tuesday at 4 p.m. at the Smith Center.

CHATHAM
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Likewise, one of the newer developments, The Hamptons, has sold 11 lots priced in the \$220,000 to \$300,000 range. Steve Young of Windjam Development reports that six lots have been bought by builders and five by individuals. The first home, priced at \$1.25 million, is under construction.

Briar Chapel, which sells lots only to builders, has delayed its opening by about six months, according to Mitch Barron, Newland Communities' vice-president of operations. Builders are showing caution about buying a large number of lots; Barron is currently signing up the four he wants to have on-board before home building commences.

Other developers/builders — such as R. B. Fitch (Farrington Village), Randy Voller (Chatham Forest), Holland Gaines (The Legacy), Jason McCoy (Parks at Meadowview, Crescent Communities) and Lynn Thomas, realtor for Orleans Builders (Legend Oaks) — say that sales are suffering because potential buyers cannot sell their current homes. They are waiting for the day those buyers take the rubber bands off of their checkbooks.

The building moratorium in Pittsboro, necessitated by a lack of wastewater-treatment capacity, is keeping many developers

idle. There is talk of various combines of developers fronting the cost for new wastewater-treatment facilities, but so far nothing concrete has been submitted to the town. The biggest player, by far, is Preston Development, controlled by Jim Goodnight, owner of SAS. Preston now owns more than 7,200 acres, including the River Oaks project (which was abandoned by Toll Brothers), according to planning director David Monroe. This property, which stretches from the Haw River on the northeast side of Pittsboro around the eastern side of town to the Moncure Road, is about five times the size of Pittsboro at present. Preston has been silent as to its plans for what is, by several fold, the largest development ever assembled in the county.

Pittsboro subdivisions with allocated sewer capacity — Powell Place, Potterstone Village and Chatham Forest — continue to sell to builders but at a reduced pace. Bryson Powell of Powell Place (East West Partners) says that homes selling for \$150,000 to \$250,000 are moving most rapidly. Powell has also recently signed a contract for construction of a 180-unit apartment complex.

An abandoned project is Belmeade, on the western edge of Pittsboro, which had been projected by Crescent Communities to be a gated community of about 200 homes sell-

ing for more than \$1.0 million each. Crescent is keeping alive its permit for The Sanctuary on the Haw, next to Bynum, by installing infrastructure at a minimum pace.

There are few signs of life for commercial development along US 15-501 and US Bus. 64. Where out-parcels have been sold, the buyers have not started to build. Existing properties such as Cole Park Plaza, Chatham Crossing and Chatham Downs all have "space available" signs prominently displayed at the roadside. There are no takers as yet for Briar Chapel's retail/commercial tracts on 15-501; Jesse Farrington's Pittsboro Place, opposite Farrington Village; and Williams Corner, north of Lystra Church Road. American Asset Corporation is seeking approval for a planned retail/commercial development opposite Northwood High School. Every project says it will have a drugstore, a sit-down restaurant, a bank and a gas station/convenience store on its outparcels. That seems like more than available customers can support.

Robert N. Eby is a Chatham resident who closely monitors the development scene and writes about it for Chatham County Line.

This story appears courtesy of Chatham County Line.

HOUSING
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not as deep."

Once recently passed federal legislation raising the cap on jumbo loans from \$450,000 to \$750,000 takes effect, that may ease somewhat, Tennyson said, but for now it's a buyer's market and buyers are in a mood to negotiate.

"The other big negative," Tennyson said, "is people who have decided they want to live here, but have got a piece of property they've got to sell somewhere else."

Tennyson said there is some hope on the horizon with predictions that nationwide the market will finally bottom in the third quarter of this year.

Michael Chandler, a local custom builder who works on only a few homes a year, said local builders are seeing a lot of clients adjusting their timetables.

"Many are not motivated to get started," he said. "There's a loss of urgency in buyers." The media has fueled the sense, he said, that it's an "ultimate buyer's market."

Builders around here have gotten a bit unaccustomed to having clients balk at prices, Chandler said. "It used to be

you'd say, 'Here's what it's going to cost.' Now we're being pressured on price."

Still, he said, the Triangle market is among only a few nationwide that are holding their value, and locally the market continues to appreciate.

But the downturn is likely to force some changes for local homebuilders. Spec builders are hurting and people with investment property better be in for the long haul, Chandler said.

Phillips said the spec builders are feeling the squeeze.

"There's way too much inventory," he said. Small artisan builders continue to do well, but those who need to stay on a pace of 10 to 20 houses a year, he said, are having to make tough choices as they absorb monthly payments on homes that haven't sold.

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro market is slower but still fairly healthy, Phillips said, but Chatham is a different story.

"Cash has become king in a way we haven't seen in a long time," Phillips said.

In his own business, Chandler has taken on some remodeling jobs, a move many builders may have to consider, even though the profit margins on smaller remodeling jobs are nothing like that for a house.

Locally, the market shift, concerns about the size of one's carbon footprint and the soaring cost of energy may accelerate the market into more green remodeling and green building.

"There's a great opportunity to move into green remodeling," Chandler said. "Enough with McMansions. How about some more energy-efficient remodels."

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March 15-16 See Seussical the Musical to See Who Will Save Who-Ville

by Felipe Labrade

"And oh, the places you'll go! You're on your own, you know what you know, don't worry about how fast or how slow! Be certain you step with caution and tact, 'cause life is one great big balancing act! And will you succeed? You will, yes indeed!"

The advice Hunches, one of Dr. Seuss's most famous characters, gives doesn't just apply to the characters in Seussical, Carrboro High School's first musical production. Putting on a traveling musical is a "Great Big balancing act!" for all of its students and faculty directors.

Seussical debuts on Saturday, March 15th at 2:30 and 7:30 pm. On Sunday, March 16th the cast will perform at 3pm.

All three performances will be in the school commons. The next week Mrs. Linefsky,



from left: Kira Frescoln, Bridget Gallagher, Caroline Polley, Kenneth Jjombwe, Elliot Darrow, AJ Poole, Mary Mossison, and Tosin Olufolabi

the director, will take her cast to perform at Carrboro Elementary, and _____.

Seussical is a combination of most of Dr. Seuss's short stories for children. The main character Jojo, played by Bridget Gallagher, imagines himself locked in a mythical city. Soon he encounter conflicts with many of the familiar characters from Dr. Seuss classics such as Horton from *Horton Hears a Who!*, Yertle from *Yertle the Turtle*. "We had really good people in the auditions, and if people would have done worse it would have made the decisions so much easier," said Mrs. Johnson, the musical director of the show.

The cast is involved in an incredible undertaking. Sixteen students are taking multiple characters so they can have 50 characters in total. But that is not the only challenge that they will face. Because the musical is so fast paced, the crew will be exhausted

physically. Mrs. Johnson explained that there is no real "back stage" so no one will ever actually be off the stage. "We will also have to adapt to the different stages that we will be performing on."

Mrs. Johnson explained that the reason that they are taking the musical on the road is because Carrboro doesn't have a theater, so they decided to do a traveling musical.

Kelly Casey and Corinne Nesbitt are in charge of costume design. The CHS Apparels class, taught by Tara Miller, will use these designs and more than 60 yards of fabric to create backdrops and costumes. Honors Art students will be learning to make the block prints used in the show and its promotion, and Troy Morelli will be responsible for the show's props.

No question about it—producing "Seussical" is indeed one "Great Big Balancing Act!"

The Perfect Match: CHS and Momma Gratch

by Victoria Kerstetter

"The best thing about her is that she'll go to a football game and just cheer. Not knowing anything about football or if her team scores or not, she still just cheers for everyone."

Can you guess which member of the CHS faculty Assistant Principal Julie Hennis is describing? Many juniors and sophomores would likely guess counselor Mary Gratch.

Ms. Gratch entered college as a chemistry major, but during her freshman year at college, she and her father got into a big fight, and she changed her major to child development.

After graduating, Ms. Gratch moved to Florida, where she became a bartender! Every night she listened, to people's problems. But a friend saw more, and suggested Ms. Gratch go into counseling.

Ms. Gratch said it was very hard to leave Chapel Hill High and all of the students that she had helped over the years. But she was excited about coming to CHS to be part of what she hoped would be the best school for kids.

Ms. Gratch said, "The goal for having such a small school was to create a different school. We should be trying new things. CHS should be more adventuresome and creative."

She also said that, as a school, we need to work on the issue of respect. "We need to develop a genuine respect between adults and students." But she also said that respect is one of the "real positives" at CHS. The faculty members who take the time to get to know the students have created strong bonds of respect and understanding.

Ms. Gratch said that she really likes listening and helping students deal with their problems. "While it can be difficult to hear about some problems students are experiencing, this time shapes students into who they will be."

Ms. Gratch added, "I can see the students grow through the years and mature, and I like to think that I was a part of it."



Ms. Gratch gives advice to one of her many visitors.

No matter who you ask about Ms. Gratch, you will always get a positive response. Junior Alma Stott said, "Ms. Gratch is so open and friendly and does what ever is in her power to help you. She'll listen to

anything you have to say."

Fellow junior Ben Berolzheimer had similar opinions: "She's really good at listening and really seems to understand what's going on with us." He also said Ms. Gratch helped him switch classes to get him a schedule that would help him do better.

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Carrboro Swim & Dive Team Makes a Splash



From left: Shelby Banning-Arndt, Ken Ryan, Emily Tysinger

Congrats to the 2007-2008 Swimming & Diving Team for a great season! Both the men's and women's teams placed third in 1A/2A States. One outstanding swimmer, Emily Tysinger, placed second in the 100 freestyle and received the Mid-State Conference Women's Swimmer of the Year. Junior Ken Ryan also had an incredible season, winning the 50 freestyle and the 100 backstroke, as well as winning the State Meet Men's MVP award.

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Wednesday — Hamburger on a Bun w/ Lettuce & Tomato; Fish Nuggets w/ Wheat Roll; Baked Beans; Sweet Yellow Corn; Fresh Banana

Thursday — Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce & Garlic Bread; Grilled Cheese Sandwich; Garden Peas; Fresh Orange; Apple Cobbler

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Tuesday — Beef & Macaroni w/Wheat Roll; Turkey & Cheese Wrap; Tossed Salad w/Dressing; Fresh Orange

Wednesday — Oven Baked BBQ Chicken w/ Wheat Roll; Ham & Cheese Melt; Potato Wedges; Green Beans; Fresh Banana

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School Briefs

Honorable orchestra

Haesu Jin, a senior violist from Chapel Hill High School, performed Feb. 29 in Albuquerque, N.M., as a member of the National Honors Orchestra.

Jin joined 120 other students from around the country. She is a private viola student of Petra Beranyi and plays in the Chapel Hill High School Orchestra directed by Barbara Smith.

Tiger fundraiser

The Chapel Hill High School annual Tiger Open Golf Classic fundraiser will be held April 5 at the Challenge Golf Club in Graham.

The 18-hole scramble tournament will include novelty contests, a raffle, prizes and food.

Proceeds from the event will help fund a major upgrade of the school's conference and state championship trophy display cabinets.

To register, contact Jim

Williams at 270-8920. For corporate sponsorship opportunity information, contact Lynn Duffy at duffys4@bellsouth.net or 969-8554.

History bowl champs

McDougle Middle School's North Carolina History Bowl team won the regional competition at the Charlotte Hawkins Brown Historic Site on Feb. 20.

Team members include Chris Chiesa, William Knapp, Chris Rupert and Hugo Sowder. They will compete in the North Carolina History Bowl State Competition on May 14.

The team is coached by Louise Peters and Cissy O'Neal.

Musical crew

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools students recently took part in the 2008 North Carolina Eastern Regional High School Orchestra.

Students selected for the orchestra include: Taylor Marlow and Margaret Neville, Carrboro High School; Audrey Baron, Re-

becca Clemens, Caitlin Collins, Paula Espinosa, Grace Haaland, Susan Lee, Irene Li, Nick Lloyd, Jenny Lu, Will Myers, Sara Outing, Fei Fei Wang and Trevor Wignall, Chapel Hill High School; and Isabel Blue, Emelie Chen, Dian Chen, Mary Hu, Young-Eun Hyun, Matthew Lee, Abigail Lin, Rachel Naylor, Wehwa Oh, Emer O'Reilly,

Yang Pan, Whin-Hae Yoon, Angela Yu and Lucia Yu, East Chapel Hill High School.

The students rehearsed Feb. 22-24 in Fayetteville, where they performed a concert.

Best essays

The Orange County Human Resources Commission recently announced the winners of the Human Relations Month essay

contest.

Tristin VanOrd won first place, while Alex Cecil and Jenny Jin both won third place. The winners, selected from 170 entries, are all taught by Nancy Kindem of McDougle Middle School. The students read their essays at the Pauli Murray Human Relations Awards.



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This week's answer appears on page 5.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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<p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Clerical garments</p> <p>5 Rhine wine?</p> <p>8 Put on a happy face</p> <p>12 Like Mozart's flute</p> <p>17 86 Across, e.g.</p> <p>18 Address Joanne</p> <p>19 See</p> <p>19 Down</p> <p>21 Hersey setting</p> <p>22 Elvis' canine?</p> <p>24 Verdi opera</p> <p>25 Like Kansas?</p> <p>26 Big beginning</p> <p>27 Quire part</p> <p>29 Cadet sch.</p> <p>31 Tierra — Fuego</p> <p>32 Felons, for instance</p> <p>34 Like Peter or Catherine</p> <p>37 Oxford omega</p> <p>38 Archaic preposition</p> <p>39 General's gear</p> <p>41 Vitamin bottle abbr.</p> <p>42 Finn's creator</p> <p>44 Meyers of "Kate & Allie"</p>	<p>45 Plastic — Band</p> <p>46 Choose, with "for"</p> <p>48 Syrup source</p> <p>51 Freda Payne's jewelry?</p> <p>56 Change for the better</p> <p>59 Roofer's need</p> <p>60 Los —, CA</p> <p>61 Islamic holy book</p> <p>63 "Mia 18" author</p> <p>65 "The Crying Game" star</p> <p>66 Isinglass</p> <p>69 Flat hat</p> <p>70 Tiny parasite</p> <p>71 Cask</p> <p>72 Lingerie purchase</p> <p>75 The Cyrkle's plaything?</p> <p>78 Accounting abbr.</p> <p>79 Computer acronym</p> <p>80 They may be bright</p> <p>81 Blunder</p> <p>82 Barbecue</p> <p>84 Blow away</p> <p>85 Push a product</p> <p>86 "Manon" melodies</p> <p>88 Confederate president</p> <p>92 Goldfish, e.g.</p> <p>94 Profundity</p>	<p>96 Jimmy Gliner's house?</p> <p>99 Early computer</p> <p>101 Souffle</p> <p>102 TV-listing abbr.</p> <p>103 Fragrant neckwear</p> <p>104 Material</p> <p>107 Fairy queen</p> <p>109 Made milder</p> <p>112 Farrow of "Alice"</p> <p>114 Arthur or Bonaderet</p> <p>115 Proclamation</p> <p>117 American poet Charles</p> <p>119 Blocks the way</p> <p>121 Angler's basket</p> <p>123 Fido's dinner, perhaps</p> <p>125 Katmandu's country</p> <p>127 Stop working</p> <p>130 Jan & Dean's resort?</p> <p>133 Speak one's mind</p> <p>134 Semitic tongue</p> <p>135 Child welfare org.</p> <p>136 Baseball's Cabell</p> <p>137 That's no bull!</p> <p>138 "Bon voyage" site</p>	<p>139 Evergreen tree</p> <p>140 Cry of distress</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 — Wednesday</p> <p>2 Weaver's need</p> <p>3 Plan</p> <p>4 Burned a bit</p> <p>5 Count up</p> <p>6 Tennyson's — "the Bar"</p> <p>7 Laurie of DeLuise "Wooster"</p> <p>8 Trade</p> <p>9 East ender?</p> <p>10 Coach Parseghian</p> <p>11 Computer selection list</p> <p>12 Paving material</p> <p>13 Hullabaloo</p> <p>14 Rick Nelson's event? ("73 film)</p> <p>15 Private</p> <p>16 "The Friends of Eddie —"</p> <p>19 With 19 Across, popular polka</p> <p>20 Wagner's father-in-law</p> <p>23 Challenge</p> <p>28 Tomorrow's turtle</p> <p>30 Litter sound</p>	<p>33 Classy doc?</p> <p>35 Decorate</p> <p>36 Sticky stuff</p> <p>39 Evangelist Roberts</p> <p>40 Recess</p> <p>43 Holm or Hunter</p> <p>44 Actors' org.</p> <p>47 Up or down item?</p> <p>49 Mil. rank</p> <p>50 Largest antelope</p> <p>52 Comic DeLuise "Wooster"</p> <p>53 Spouse of Isis</p> <p>54 Yoga position</p> <p>55 Uninteresting</p> <p>57 Zones</p> <p>58 Perennial bestseller</p> <p>62 Waves of grain color</p> <p>64 Dieter's dishes</p> <p>67 Handed over</p> <p>68 Mr. Rochester's ward</p> <p>70 Chilean pianist of the 1920s</p> <p>73 Atkinson of "The Black Adder"</p> <p>74 Don McLean's dessert?</p> <p>76 Fiennes of "Quiz Show"</p> <p>77 Olympic troublemaker</p> <p>83 Super Bowl sound</p> <p>86 Winning</p> <p>87 Some NCOs</p> <p>89 "The Sheik" star</p> <p>90 Laid on buttercream</p> <p>91 Aspen item</p> <p>93 Crony</p> <p>95 Heavy reading?</p> <p>97 Utter</p> <p>98 Julia of "The Adams Family"</p> <p>100 Bakery buy</p> <p>105 It's in the bag</p> <p>106 Stern</p> <p>108 Squabble</p> <p>109 Relished a roast</p> <p>110 From "Dead End Kid" Leo</p> <p>112 Underworld judge</p> <p>113 Like a lummoX</p> <p>116 Hands</p> <p>120 — aerobics</p> <p>122 Catch sight of</p> <p>124 Fill the hold</p> <p>126 Chemical suffix</p> <p>128 McGwire stat</p> <p>129 Indignation</p> <p>131 Unretired</p> <p>132 Fashion monogram</p>
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Bravo, Heels!

By Frank Heath
Sports Columnist

Bravo, Heels!
Following Tywon Lawson's severe ankle injury early in February, there were a lot more questions about this UNC basketball team than answers. Sure, the Tar Heels still possessed the talent — as they very often do — to compete against top opposition on any given night.

But when North Carolina looked in the mirror after losing to Duke in Chapel Hill on Feb. 6, all the Tar Heels could say to themselves was, "We gotta do better than this." If what Carolina sought from that moment was the best opportunity to attain our goals, to meet its expectations and to fulfill its — and our — hopes, the Tar Heels would need to figure out ways to improve their defense, sharpen their half-court offense and solidify their overall focus.

ACC and NCAA championships, just like victories at Cameron and substantial league winning streaks, don't just arrive because a team "deserves" them. In the end, these things must be worked toward, competed for and earned.

During its final eight regular-season games, as Carolina traversed the second half of the treacherous ACC schedule, the Tar Heels passed through something of a metamorphosis. At one point a team that seemed unsure of its identity or even of its legitimacy within the college basketball landscape, the Carolina Tar Heels gradually became

a group that could say to itself, "We believe we can do this." Then, finally — by the time of their season-finale victory at Duke last weekend — they completed a transition to what looks like a confident, mature and potentially overpowering force.

And how did this happen? Carolina identified what it needed to do in order to get back into the mix for the ACC regular-season title, and ultimately the 2008 National Championship, and then it set about to do just that.

Since Carolina began its current eight-game win streak, there have been numerous bumps — even some craters — in the road. What is impressive about these Heels — more so even than their natural basketball abilities, which are significant — is the level of character the players and coaches have shown — and in some cases, actually developed — in confronting and overcoming those obstacles as they presented themselves.

While Tyler Hansbrough has been an amazingly steady and improving force throughout the season for UNC, guys like Danny Green, Quentin Thomas, Marcus Ginyard and Deon Thompson also have taken it upon themselves to increase their contributions and help fill key roles. This became more critical mid-season when Carolina's other key offensive players — Lawson and Wayne Ellington — either were missing from the court or were not able to produce each night at their accustomed all-star levels. The Tar Heels' transition has been an impressive example of a group of individuals ultimately bonding as a team.

This is not to predict that UNC no longer possesses the potential to fall on its face, or that this very thing may not happen even as early as this Friday during the ACC Tournament. No one has a crystal ball, and just because something has worked before does not mean it should be relied upon as the answer for tomorrow or the future.

But with their play during the past month, this UNC basketball team has already succeeded in at least one very impressive

accomplishment: The Tar Heels have demonstrated among themselves and to the larger world that watches that they are indeed capable of the type of play and determination that we all hoped for and (maybe unfairly) even expected from them entering this season.

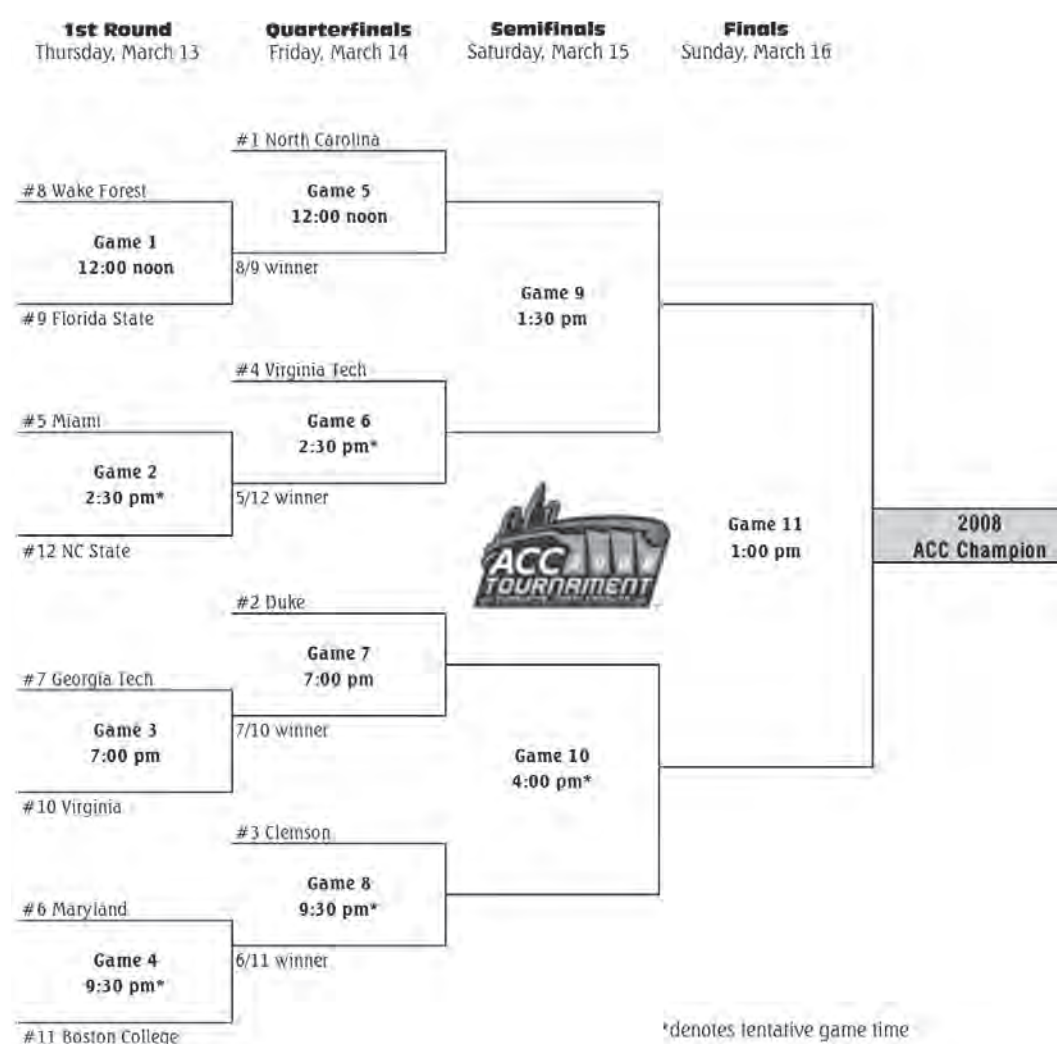
The pressure placed on people in the public eye can make it extraordinarily difficult to live up to the legacies and shoulder the high expectations, the hopes and the dreams of the multitudes. Each flaw or mistake in these arenas is magnified, while proper channeling of talents and maintaining a 20/20 perspective, and sometimes even perfection itself, can suddenly transform into baseline "givens." For every member of a team to be able to react positively under this sort of pressure and expectation is, in itself, a high achievement.

One hopes that the players and coaches who make up this team — which has worked so hard to climb back up from being a perceived also-ran a month ago to a team that many now see as having the best chance to win this year's national championship — will use that recognition of their accomplishments as a launch pad.

Recent events have imparted a sobering backdrop and sense of perspective for college athletics. The horrible death near campus of Student Body President Eve Carson, along with subsequent investigations, have touched multitudes and given all of us — not least, those directly involved with UNC basketball — reason to pause and recall that basketball is just a game.

But by the same token, the shining example that Ms. Carson set during her life — through her perseverance, achievement and pursuit of understanding and betterment for everyone and everything around her — is not one that can be ignored by anyone in any endeavor. And there's little doubt that her memory is a lamp that every member of this Tar Heel team will carry close for a long time to come. So, in the same spirit I imagine Eve Carson would have said it had she still been here to cheer, Go Heels!!

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CARRBORO HIGH SCOREBOARD

Carrboro High Women's Soccer
 March 10
 (via Tony Blanford)
 Carrboro defeated Raleigh Charter, 2-1, after two periods of extra time.

Raleigh goal by C. Morgan, assist H. Deters. Carrboro goals V. Aldana, M. Cranfill. Assists by P. Kennedy, V. Aldana. Shots: Raleigh Charter 19 Carrboro 22 Saves: Raleigh Charter 15, Carrboro 6 Corner kicks: Raleigh 5 Carrboro 3

Sports Briefs

Jaguars second in first golf match

(via Linda Thomason)
 Carrboro High School's men's golf team played in their first-ever Mid-State conference golf match Monday 3/10 at Hillandale Golf Course. The Jaguars finished second out of 8 teams competing. Cardinal Gibbons finished first with a score of 147, followed by Carrboro HS (162) and Graham HS (164). The next Mid-State match is Monday 3/17 at Occaneechee Golf Club.
 Team Results:
 Cardinal Gibbons 147
 Carrboro HS 162
 Graham HS 164
 Northwood HS 170

Orange HS 174
 NCSSM 178
 Cedar Ridge HS 178
 Raleigh Charter HS 184
 Individual leaders were:
 Ryan Lavelle (Cardinal Gibbons) 36
 Dan Hamilton (Cardinal Gibbons) 36
 Tommy Lamoreaux (Graham) 36
 Chris Hause (Cardinal Gibbons) 37
 Rich Leeper (Carrboro) 38
 Chris Blake (Cardinal Gibbons) 38
 Ben Thomason (Carrboro) 38

Baseball fundraiser
 Terry Sturdivant has been a lifelong baseball fan — and a Yankees fan, at that — an act he admits was a bit of rebellion against his father, a Red Sox loyalist.

So when Sturdivant Tire and Auto at White Cross decided to focus its philanthropy, helping local baseball seemed pretty natural.

Sturdivant reports that the annual fundraiser in which he donates 10 percent of new tire sales for high school baseball programs is in full swing with a promised goal of \$500 for each school. "We're doing really well," he said.

This year, Carrboro High School joins Chapel Hill, East Chapel Hill and Northwood high schools in the fundraiser. Teams have used the money for equipment, jerseys and tournament travel. The special runs through April. Call 942-4413 or visit 942tire.com for information.



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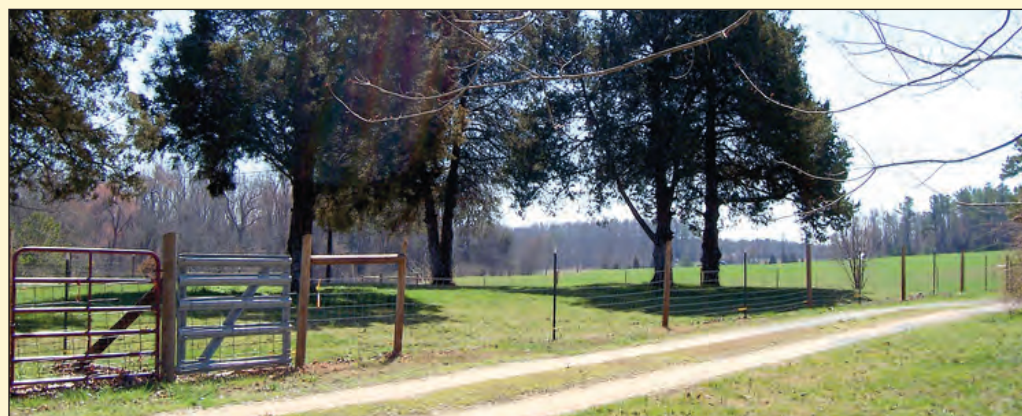
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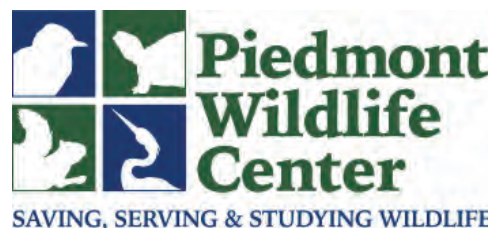
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5K Run for Wildlife Sunday, April 13th

Lake Crabtree County Park in Morrisville

1-mile Fun Run at 8:30 5K Run at 9:00

Registration: online at active.com or event day at 7:30
Fees: \$25 for the 5K, \$15 for the Fun Run (by April 11)
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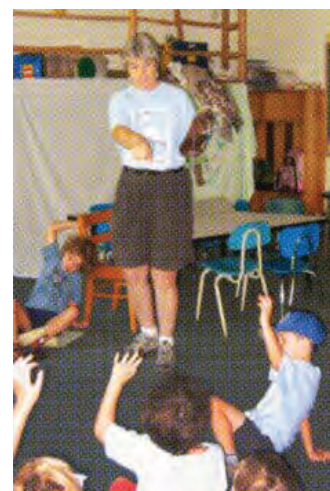




PHOTO BY IDA PHILLIPS LYNCH
New Hope Creek meanders through the Johnston Mill Nature Preserve where the Triangle Land Conservancy will host a 25 year Anniversary Open House this Saturday.

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site sports such dramatically warty bark that they are easily imagined to be characters from a Tolkien-esque plot. You have to see them to believe them!

And another seeing-is-believing feature is the Liliputian forest of American Beech, *Fagus grandifolia*, high up on the Bluff Trail. Normally, beech trees occur on the moist lower slopes, not high up on dry ridges. Here, however, a few large beech trees near the top of the slope were blown down during Hurricane Fran in 1996. Those trees were loaded with beech nuts. Each time I visit, I visually try to excavate the roots to determine whether that dwarf beech forest is the result of hundreds of sprouting

beechnuts or vegetative sprouts from the extensive far-reaching root system of those original trees. It could be a combination of both.

More a wonder than a feature is the old, blown-over sycamore, *Platanus occidentalis*, on the creek bank. Though much of its massive root system is exposed, the tree, another Tolkienesque image, continues to survive and is a living demonstration of the complexity of a single-tree root system.

There is so much to see, and I advise you that if you don't get outside now you'll miss the awesome emergence of spring.

This coming Saturday, March 15, TLC is continuing its 25th year anniversary celebration with an all-day "Open House" at the Johnston Mill Nature Preserve. All are welcome,

young and old, families and friends, to join in on this day-long walking celebration. What an appropriate way to pay tribute to TLC for protecting over 10,000 acres of natural areas in our region.

From 9 to 11 a.m., volunteer birders stationed throughout the preserve will help visitors spot and identify the many birds that migrate through or call Johnston Mill home. The roster of bird species here is so diverse that the preserve has been made a part of the North Carolina Birding Trail.

During the afternoon, from 1 to 4 p.m., volunteer naturalists and botanists will take over, helping visitors spot the Hepaticas and other features of spring. Spring is proceeding so rapidly now that there are budding surprises with each passing day.

All day long, volunteers will be on hand to greet visitors and share information about TLC. Parking for the open house is available at both entrances to the preserve: on Mt. Sinai Road and on Turkey Farm Road. For personal safety, TLC advises visitors to park on the shoulder of Turkey Farm Road if the lots are full. Visit the website for a Johnston Mill locator map.

THE MILL



SCENES FROM THE 2008 COMMUNITY DINNER

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Lincoln Languasco, a member of the Peruvian dance group sponsored by Asociación Peruano-Americana de Carolina del Norte, and his daughter Zilia wait for dad's turn on stage at the McDougle cafeterium, and organizer Nerys Levy offers a hug to Master of Ceremonies Ron Stutts during the recent Community Dinner.



WATER WATCH * WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12



LAKE LEVELS

UNIVERSITY LAKE: 0' .25" below full
CANE CREEK RESERVOIR: 12' 1.25" below full

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