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The red-eyed tiny bluet is a gem of a flower.
PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

Died and gone to heaven

It was the first weekend in April last year that I thought I’d died and gone to heaven when chancing upon carpets of the tiny little red-eyed, purple-petaled bluets carpeting the sacred ground of the Sparrow Cemetery out on Mt. Carmel Church Road.

Not to be confused with the common bluet, also called Quaker Ladies, *Houstonia caerulea*, this red-eyed little gem of a flower is called the tiny bluet, *Houstonia pusilla*.

I made a mental note to return this year to see the hundreds upon hundreds of tiny bluets spreading across that quiet, revered landscape. Two weeks ago I checked to see if they had begun to appear.

Since everything seems to be several weeks ahead this spring, I was not surprised to find them already cheerfully in flower. They were not, however, at peak, so you can still see them.

If you explore the higher ground of the cemetery you will discover that you must step carefully to avoid crushing them.

If the sunlight is angled just perfectly, you may see them as pale-purple carpets across the open grassy surface. The flowers are so small (1/8-inch across) that you’ll have to drop to your knees to get a closer look at the intense blood-red eye.

Tiny bluets are annuals that move around the landscape, seeking openings in yards in early spring before the grasses grow tall enough to shade them.

Most folks are familiar with the pale-blue bluet, the Quaker Ladies, also called the common bluet, which is two to three times larger than its tiny cousin. The common bluet is distinguished by its yellow eye. It is

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Gardeners question police presence

BY ROSE LAUDICINA AND SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writers

When Carrboro was first introduced to a group calling themselves the Carrboro Commune in February, they were occupying the vacant building at 201 N. Greensboro St. to protest a two-story CVS development proposed for that location.

For their second public protest, the Carrboro Commune returned to the same site on Saturday, but this time, instead of trying to take back the building, they took back the earth. Though the event seemed to pass relatively peacefully, several days later protesters, police and members of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen are reflecting on the demonstration – some with praise and some with criticism, for both protesters and police officers.

Trading bandanas that obscured their faces for face paint and spray paint for sidewalk chalk to spread their message, participants on Saturday grabbed shovels and rakes and expressed their opposition through gardening.

In an event they called Guerrilla Gardening, a group of about 40 commune members, collaborating with

members from Carrboro Greenspace and Croatan Earth First!, planted herbs and medicinal plants in front of a chain-link fence that now surrounds the building.

“We are just a loose affiliation of citizens that are interested in creating ways to live outside of capitalism,” commune member Vincent Gonzalez said.

“This is really about getting the community together to support one another and to do activities against the CVS,” he added.

While the chain-link fence – erected after the previous occupation to prevent trespassing – limited where their shovels could dig, it didn’t keep protesters from tossing seed bombs over it to disperse their message.

Demonstrators hoped their seed bombs – essentially, balls of clay filled with either dirt or compost and seeds; in this case, wildflower seeds – would break open once tossed over the fence, scattering the seeds on the property.

In addition to gardening, participants decorated the fence with long colorful woven garlands; hung decorations from the trees; made bird-feeders out of seeds, peanut butter and pinecones; and posted a sign that read, “Garden everywhere.”



Demonstrators hang a banner at Carrboro Commune’s Guerrilla Gardening event on Saturday while a number of police keep watch on the event.
PHOTO BY ROBERT DICKSON

The event not only stopped curious passersby, it also brought out numerous local elected officials checking out what was going on and a contingent of police officers keeping a close watch on the event.

“I wanted to witness this prominent Carrboro event,” board of aldermen member Dan Coleman said. “As elected officials, it is important to be

here and witness what is going on.”

Coleman also said he had some concern over the number of police present at the event, a concern echoed by fellow aldermen member Sammy Slade, who also attended the event.

“It is a concern of mine to see so

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Carrboro police officers Michael Metz (left) and Chris Attack hoist a bike out of the basement of Carrboro Town Hall. The Carrboro police donated 59 stolen and lost bikes to the ReCYCLERY on Friday.
PHOTO BY DUNCAN HOGE

Police ReCYCLE bikes

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

It took Carrboro police two years to accumulate 59 bikes, and less than 20 minutes to get rid of them.

For the second time in four years, the Carrboro Police Department chose to donate the bikes they have been accumulating to the ReCYCLERY NC, a local nonprofit organization that teaches bicycle-repair skills and provides bicycles to children and adults without them.

Five police officers and four volunteers

from the ReCYCLERY extricated the bikes from their holding cell beneath Carrboro Town Hall and stacked them in the back of pickup trucks to be driven the short distance to the ReCYCLERY on Friday afternoon.

“Ninety-nine percent of the bikes turned in are found property,” Lt. Anthony Westbrook said as he stood in a dimly lit room underneath Town Hall filled wall to wall with bikes.

“By North Carolina state law we are required to hold them for 60 days,” Westbrook said. “Then after that we can either auction

them off with the proceeds going to schools or donate them to a 501(c)(3) charity.”

While the department has auctioned off bikes before, this time they turned to the ReCYCLERY to donate the bikes.

“This just seems like a natural partnership,” said Richard Giorgi, a founding member of the ReCYCLERY.

“Where else would they donate them to, but somewhere in their backyard?” he added. The ReCYCLERY NC was founded to teach

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Student-housing project criticized

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL – Members of the Chapel Hill Town Council expressed strong concerns about a student housing development proposed for Homestead Road on Monday, citing issues similar to those raised with another development proposed for the same site two years ago.

The council heard a concept plan for The Retreat at Homestead, a development with 180 two-story units on 39.5 acres proposed for 2301 Homestead Road, to the west of the county’s Southern Human Services Center. As planned, the project, proposed by Athens, Ga.-based Landmark Properties, would include 799 bedrooms and 809

parking spaces, as well as a number of amenities, including a clubhouse, fitness room and pool.

Council members noted similarities between The Retreat and The Cottages of Chapel Hill, a student-housing complex proposed for the same site in 2010.

However, The Retreat would sit on a slightly larger site than The Cottages, which were proposed for a 33-acre site. Town staff said the increase in site size could affect whether the project would require a rezoning.

Developers for The Cottages never submitted a development application with the town after receiving negative feedback from the council regarding the project’s concept plan.

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County talks light rail cost-sharing

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

To keep moving forward with plans for a light rail system and expanded bus service between Orange County and Durham County, the Orange County Board of Commissioners first have to figure out how they want costs to be shared between the two counties.

“The question right now is what is a fair and equitable distribution between Orange and Durham,” Commissioner Steve Yuhasz said.

There are five cost-sharing options on the table, all of which were discussed with two Triangle Transit representatives at the commissioners’ work session last Thursday.

Options ranged from Orange County paying for just the number of

stations located in the county, which is four out of 17, to the county paying for the amount of the 17.4 miles of track laid within county lines.

“From informal talks with Durham, we decided we want to have a cost-sharing principal that both parties could see as fair and was simple to explain,” board Chair Bernadette Pelissier said.

The cost-sharing proposal is part of the proposed Orange County Bus and Rail Investment Plan (OCBRIP), and would be the largest expense in the plan.

Additional expenditures within the OCBRIP are expanded capital projects, such as new park-and-ride lots and a possible Amtrak train

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MUSIC CALENDAR



THURSDAY MAR 22
The Cave: EARLY: Aquariums, Lance Whalen
City Tap: Jo Gore and The Alternative. 8:30pm
The Depot: Jonny Lipford. 8pm
Linda's Bar and Grill: Robert Griffin. 7:30pm
Local 506: Polica, Baobab. 9pm. \$10
Memorial Hall: Herbie Hancock and His Band. 7:30pm
Nightlight: Vannevar, Lizzy Pitch, Michael Barrett. 9:30pm. \$5
Southern Rail: Doug Largent Trio. 7pm. Transportation. 10pm

FRIDAY MAR 23
ArtsCenter: Lunasa, Leyla McCalla. 8pm
Cat's Cradle: Youth Lagoon, Dana Buoy. 9pm. \$13/15
The Cave: EARLY: Plankton Feast LATE: Joe Taylor, Mikingmihrab
City Tap: Tommy Edwards, Andrew Marlin. 9pm
The Depot: See No Weevil. 8:30pm
The Kraken: Phatlynx, P-90's. 9pm
Local 506: 500 Miles to Memphis, Omar Bajwa. 9:30pm. \$7/9
Nightlight: Bitter Resolve, Backwoods Payback, Order of the Owl. 9:30pm. 46
Open Eye: Creganne. 8pm
Southern Rail: Alex Bowers and Friends. 7:30pm. The Sexual Over-tones. 10pm
Wilson Library: Tribute to Mike Seeger with John Cohen, Alice Gerard, Ginny Hawker, Tracy Schwarz. 6:30pm. Free
SATURDAY MAR 24
Bean and Barrel: Something For

Now. 9pm
Cat's Cradle: Caltrop, Pipe, Black Skies, Dave Heumann. 9:15pm. \$5/7
The Cave: EARLY: Triple Fret LATE: Climb Jacob's Ladder
City Tap: Laura Thurston. 9pm
The Depot: Justin Johnson. 8:30pm
The Kraken: Crumb Catcher. 9pm
Local 506: John Howie Jr and The Rosewood Bluff, The Bayonets, Sarah Shook and The Devil. 9pm. \$7
Open Eye: Be the Moon. 8pm
Southern Rail: The New Romans. 9pm

SUNDAY MAR 25
Cat's Cradle: John Mark McMillan, Songs of Water, Jude Moses. 8pm. \$12/15
Local 506: Frontier Ruckus, Hoots and Hellmouth. 8:30pm. \$10/12
Southern Rail: Mahalo Jazz. 5:30pm
MONDAY MAR 26
Local 506: The Protomen. 9pm. \$12
Nightlight: Blind Boy Paxton, Boo Hanks. 7pm. \$5 donation

TUESDAY MAR 27
ArtsCenter: Leo Kottke. 8pm
Cat's Cradle: Dom Kennedy, Rich Hill, Poly. 9:30pm. \$15
The Cave: LATE: Tin Pan. \$5
WEDNESDAY MAR 28
The Cave: EARLY: Don and Brian LATE: Supercollider
Local 506: Guitar Wolf, The Transistors, Exquisite Corpse. 9pm. \$12/14
Southern Rail: Gmish Klezmer. 7pm



THURSDAY MAR 29
The Cave: LATE: Phil Venable, B-Side Project, The Bastages
City Tap: Tracy Wiebeck. 8:30pm
The Depot: Rock Bottom. 8pm
Local 506: Reptar, Quiet Hooves, Casual Curious. 9pm. \$8/10
Southern Rail: Killer Filler. 9pm
FRIDAY MAR 30
The Cave: EARLY: Hearts of Knotty Pine LATE: Grant Hart. \$7
Cat's Cradle: Toubab Krewe, Marco Benevento. 9pm. \$15
City Tap: Andy Coats. 9pm
The Depot: Mudbones. 8:30pm
The Kracken: Pikeys, Jujudo. 9pm. Free
Local 506: John Wesley Harding, Rick Moody, Joe Pernice. 8:30pm. \$15
Nightlight: Last Year's Men, ZOMES, Wesley Wolfe, Snake. 9:30pm. \$10

Open Eye: Boys in the Well. 8pm
Southern Rail: Alex Bowers and Friends. 7:30pm
SATURDAY MAR 31
ArtsCenter: Darrell Scott. 8pm
Cat's Cradle: Orquesta Gardel. 9pm. \$10/12
The Cave: EARLY: Strange Little Folk LATE: Some Army
City Tap: Dmitri Resnik. 9pm
The Depot: Boys From Carolina. 8pm
Local 506: Wylie Hunter and The Cazadres, Onward, Soldiers, The Tomahawks. 9:30pm. \$6/8
Nightlight: Shirlette and the Dynamite Brothers, Shit Horse. 9:30pm. \$10
Southern Rail: The Pagan Hellcats. 7pm

SPOTLIGHT: BAOBAB



Experimental folk artists Baobab will perform at Local 506 tonight (Thursday), March 22.
This unique band composes calming rhythms with combinations of guitar and electronic beats. Some say Baobab is reminiscent of Devendra Banhart. They will open the evening for experimental-pop group Polica, which features two of the best drummers today. Polica's vocalist Channy Leaneagh will make you stay all evening in awe.
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THE LUMINA
Southern Village, 932-9000
21 Jump Street; The Artist; Dr. Seuss' The Lorax; John Carter; The Hunger Games
REGAL TIMBERLYNE 6
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21 Jump Street; John Carter 3D; Dr. Seuss' The Lorax 3D; Act of Valor; Journey 2: The Mysterious Island 3D; The Hunger Games
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SU 3/25 **JOHN MARK MCMILLAN** W/SONGS OF WATER, JUDE MOSES**(\$12/\$15)
TU 3/27 **DOM KENNEDY** W/RICH HIL, POLY, JOSHUA GUNN**(\$15)
FR 3/30 **TOUBAB KREWE** W/MARCO BENEVENTO**(\$15)
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SA 5/5 **BEACH HOUSE****(\$20)
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SU 5/27 **PARLOTONES** W/RYAN STAR
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Briefs

Whooping cough in schools

Six recent cases of pertussis, or whooping cough, have been reported at Carrboro and Mary Scroggs elementary schools. Whooping cough is a highly contagious infection of the respiratory system characterized by severe coughing spells. When the person inhales after coughing, a “whooping” sound is emitted. Other symptoms include sneezing, a runny nose and a low-grad fever. Babies and pregnant women are most particularly at risk. Generally after one to two weeks, a minor cough will advance to heavy coughing spells lasting a minute or more. The Orange County Health Department urges you to contact your doctor if you are concerned your child has whooping cough.

New Orange County dialing rules

Beginning March 31, in order to make local calls in and around Orange County, callers must dial the seven-digit phone number and the three-digit area code. Due to a growing need for telephone numbers in the area, the N.C. Utilities Commission has approved the addition of a new area code. Because the new area code, 984, will be applied in the same geographic area that uses the 919 area code, it will be necessary to dial the area code plus the seven-digit phone number when making calls in Raleigh, Durham and Orange County. It will not be necessary to dial a 1 or 0 when dialing local calls, and emergency services can still be reached by dialing 911.

Police seek info in Timberlyne shooting

The Chapel Hill Police Department is seeking information about a shooting, which occurred on March 18 at the Timberlyne Apartments near building E, located at 200 Westminster Drive. Police responded to reports around 3:30 a.m. of shots fired, but no injuries were reported. Anyone with information about the shooting or those who were involved should call the Chapel Hill Police Department at 968-2760 or Crime Stoppers at 942-7515.

University Lake and Cane Creek Reservoir open Saturday

University Lake and the Cane Creek Reservoir will be re-opening for recreational use, including boating, fishing, sunbathing and picnicking, on Saturday. Saturday is also Lightning Brown Day, designated by OWASA to honor the late Mr. Brown, a community activist and member of the OWASA Board of Directors. On Lightning Brown Day all boat rental, boat launching and lake use fees, with the exception of electric trolling motor rentals, will be waived.

A VERY HAPPY ST. PATRICK’S DAY



Southern Rail celebrated St. Patrick’s Day with its annual kilt march around Carrboro, led by bagpiper Yance Covington. From left: Carrboro Board of Aldermen member Sammy Slade, Brian Stewart, Jim Smith, Mike Benson and Chip Hoppin

Budget woes hit school technology

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

At a public hearing last Thursday on the 2012-13 budget, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education heard from school technology specialists expressing concern that the money allocated for technology upgrades would not be enough to meet increasing demands. Because of a new mandate coming down from the state that will require the district to switch to computerized testing by 2014, Ray Reitz, chief technology officer for the district, said that the money in the budget allocated for upgrades will go toward purchasing laptops for testing. For next year, Reitz said the technology upgrades budget

would be getting \$202,000 from the district’s Capitol Improvement Plan (CIP), \$95,000 from the quarter-cent sales tax funds and \$271,000 in funds that were left over from this year’s budget in anticipation of the new mandate. “We need to start as soon as possible to meet this mandate, building up not only the amount of devices we have, but also beefing up support and Internet access,” Jason Bales, the technology specialist at Culbreth Middle School, told the school board. In order to support a 2-to-1 computer-to-student ratio, Reitz said he estimates the district will need around \$500,000 annually. That does not include funds necessary to make other much-needed upgrades, he said.

“We’re just having to adjust our priorities and make this a priority,” Reitz said. “We’re just not doing some major projects that we said we were going to do this year,” he added. Due to the low level of funding for technology, Bales and Kevin Harvey, the technology specialist for Smith Middle School, told the board it falls on the schools to come up with the money necessary to keep up with technology demands. Because each school does its own fundraising through bake sales and grant writing, the amount of money each school receives differs, meaning that across the district there is what Bales calls a “hodgepodge of different technologies,” causing each child

to have a different experience. “It is easy to find ways we’ve fallen behind,” Harvey said. “A child’s experience between two classrooms or grade levels can be drastically different.” However, unless additionally money is allocated for technology upgrades, this inequality of experiences and resources across the district will not be able to be resolved. “I know that the budget is tight and in better economic circumstances this wouldn’t even be a debate,” Bales said, “but we’re all working to support the needs of our 21st-century learners.” The school board will vote on the 2012-13 budget proposal on March 29.

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Sunday, March 25 | 2-4PM

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RECYCLERY
FROM PAGE 1

repair and maintenance skills to anyone who wants to learn and promote bicycles as a safe mode of transportation. Community members who attend free workshops at the ReCYCLERY have the opportunity to build their own bike out of parts that have been donated to the organization as long as they complete a certain number of volunteer hours.

Through donations like the one from the Carrboro Police Department, the ReCYCLERY is able to keep a steady array of bikes to be fixed up or used as parts.

In addition to teaching maintenance skills, the ReCYCLERY donates repaired bikes to children and sponsors a youth cycling team called Spoke N Revolutions, which works with underserved youth.

While donations come in waves, with bicycles in varying conditions, Giorgi said this donation from the police department contained a lot of high-quality bikes, including one he valued at around \$700, which would most likely be fixed up instead of broken down for parts.

In addition to receiving bikes from the police department, the ReCYCLERY will be getting four new volunteers.

As part of a new program being implemented in the department called Fit for Duty, Westbrook said four out of 38 sworn officers, including himself, will be attending Thursday night workshop classes to learn about bicycle maintenance and earn their own bikes to help them get into shape.

Through the Fit for Duty program, the department is also partnering with Whole Foods to learn healthy eating and Fleet Feet to help officers meet the new department-mandated fitness standard.

“We hope it will increase efficiency,” Westbrook said of the new program.

While Westbrook said he hasn’t ridden a bike since high school, he is optimistic and looking forward to earning a bike he can use on long-distance rides and bike races. Giorgi too was optimistic.

“Everyone remembers how to ride a bike,” he said.

Heels bear increasing adversity

BY EDDY LANDRETH
Staff Writer

North Carolina is headed back to St. Louis, site of the Tar Heels’ 2005 national championship.

Unfortunately, it’s probable that Carolina will be without the nation’s top point guard, Kendall Marshall. Marshall broke a bone in his right hand when he hit the floor hard in the Tar Heels’ 87-73 victory against Creighton in the round of 32 on Sunday.

Marshall underwent surgery on Monday.

The injury deflated the excitement from the team after it had earned another trip to the round of 16.

“When you go to the Sweet 16,” coach Roy Williams said, “it’s supposed to be a lot more fun than this.”



Eddy Landreth

degree to which he was injured until Williams closed the door in the locker room and broke the bad news.

“I was a little bit shocked, a little blindsided,” said freshman point guard Stilman White, who will be one of the players trying to replace Marshall. “Kendall’s our captain. He’s our floor leader. We’re all just a little bit down about it, but hopefully he’s good to go next weekend.”

“Coach just told us he has a fracture in his wrist and people

have played with this injury, but right now that’s all we know, so we have a whole week to prepare for whatever.”

The tournament will continue for the Tar Heels so long as they win. No more. No less.

Top-seeded UNC (31-5) will meet 13th-seeded Ohio on Friday at approximately 7:47 p.m. at the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis. The winner of that game will advance to Sunday’s round of eight, with a trip to the Final Four in New Orleans on the line.

With a week to prepare, and four probable future National Basketball Association players on the floor, the Tar Heels should be able to defeat the Bobcats. UNC has a decided size advantage at all positions.

If nothing else, UNC should win this one with rebounding and defense. A committee

of wing players should be able to advance the ball. In times of stress, Carolina could even throw over the top of Ohio to John Henson and Tyler Zeller.

White, Justin Watts, Reggie Bullock, P.J. Hairston and Harrison Barnes could all help in bringing the ball up court.

The games that come after Friday’s against Ohio are the most tenuous. The Tar Heels are not doomed, but their chances at winning the national championship took an even greater hit than Marshall’s wrist.

Marshall has developed into a total player offensively. He led the team in scoring against Creighton with 18 points. He’s been making that more and more of a habit.

He leads the nation in assist-to-turnover ratio at 3.48, which is the second best in ACC history. He is second only to Scott Machado of Iona (9.9) in assists per game, with 9.8.

Before the injury, Williams recently said that if Marshall continues to develop his scoring and strengthen and sculpt his body he would become an amazing force.

“He’d almost be illegal,” Williams said.

All of that could still happen in the future, but for now the question is whether Carolina will find a way to win without Marshall.

Zeller, the ACC player of the year, said that in the last several years UNC has been conditioned to push ahead. Life after the national championship season of 2009 has not been an easy ride.

“We’ve been through a lot with the Wear twins, Larry [Drew], Will [Graves],” Zeller said. “We’ve had three or four injuries this year. We all know that no matter what, we’ve got to play on Friday – whether Kendall plays or not. We’ll have to regroup, and somebody’s got to step up at that point guard position if he can’t play, and we’ll see what we can do.”

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OAK-POPLAR NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC CIRCULATION STUDY
CONCEPT PLAN FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO JONES FERRY ROAD
Carrboro Board of Aldermen meeting

DATE: TUESDAY, MARCH 27
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
WHERE: CARRBORO TOWN HALL
301 W. Main St.
Room 110




The **West Main Street Road Diet and Pavement Marking Study** consists of a traffic and safety analysis and pavement marking concept for reducing the number of motor vehicle lanes on W. Main St. between Hillsborough Rd. and W. Weaver St. in order to add bike lanes and reduce the number of motor vehicle lanes pedestrians must cross.

The **Oak-Poplar Neighborhood Traffic Circulation Study** analyzes traffic and safety issues in the neighborhood north of W. Weaver St.

The **Concept Plan for Improvements to Jones Ferry Road** is an NCDOT concept consisting of new bike lanes, medians, and crosswalks, as well as reduced motor vehicle through lanes, with a goal of improving safety in the corridor.

For more information, email jbrubaker@townofcarrboro.org or call 918-7329.

AGENDA: CARRBORO BOARD OF ALDERMEN PUBLIC HEARING



**TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2012
7:30 P.M., CARRBORO TOWN HALL**

A. PUBLIC HEARING
(1) Public Hearing on the Draft Oak-Poplar Neighborhood Traffic Circulation Study and West Main Street Road Diet
(2) Public Hearing on a Concept for Safety Improvements in the Jones Ferry Road Corridor
B. MATTERS BY TOWN CLERK
C. MATTERS BY TOWN MANAGER
D. MATTERS BY TOWN ATTORNEY
E. MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS

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School Briefs



Amy Glaser of Outside In 180, a Triangle-wide LGBT teen advocacy group, gives the keynote address at the Amendment One conference at Carolina Friends School. PHOTO COURTESY OF RANDALL WILLIAMS

Students on Amendment One

Student leaders from Raleigh, Chapel Hill and Durham met at Carolina Friends School on Sunday to discuss Amendment One. The event included speeches from Maxine Eichner, law professor at UNC; Chris Speer of the Human Rights Campaign; Terri Phoenix of UNC's LGBTQ Center; Brianna Oleson of the Durham People's Alliance; and Chapel Hill High student Nolwenn Renault. Much of the organization for the event was done on Facebook, and the idea stemmed from a class at Carolina Friends School called Democracy, Leadership and Amendment One.

CHHS/LHS Hall of Fame ceremony

The Chapel Hill High-Lincoln High Hall of Fame will hold its annual Induction Ceremony and Dinner on Saturday, April 14 at 6 p.m. in the Chapel Hill High cafeteria. Dinners are \$25 per person, and orders are due by April 6 and may be mailed directly to Chapel Hill High School, to the attention of the Hall of Fame. For more information, call 929-2106, ext. 2108.

This year's inductees are: for football, Glenn Blackburn, Charles Farrington and Eugene Hines; for basketball, Caleb Kimbrough; for wrestling, Jared Campbell; for swimming, James Jamerson; and for

tennis, coach Nick Walker.

Young Authors Project winners

The North Carolina Reading Association 2010-11 Young Authors Project, "The Treasures of North Carolina," held its award ceremony Saturday at the Raleigh Convention Center. Winners were honored with medallions and copies of the state publication containing their writing.

CHCCS winners were: from McDougle Elementary, Julia Charney, Grace Dodge and Claudia Reiter; from Rashkis, Ada Duan Siqu; from Frank Porter Graham, Angel Anna Koshy, Ashley Hong and school nurse Janice Anderson; from Scroggs, Annie O'Brien; and English/Language Arts coordinator Karyn Gloden.

CHHS student plays in All-Star game

Chapel Hill High senior Denzel Ingram was in Myrtle Beach, S.C., last week to play in the North Carolina-South Carolina All-Star Basketball Game. He was one of 10 players selected to represent North Carolina. He was honored with his parents at a banquet for the event last Thursday night, took part in a three-point contest Friday and played in the all-star game Saturday.

All-State Orchestra members

Twenty-six CHCCS middle school students have been named to the 2012 All-State Orchestra. They auditioned March 3 in Cary by performing a solo, scales and sight-reading. They will perform with the All-State Orchestra on May 5 in Pinehurst.

Students selected are: from Smith, Vijay Dey, Eashwar Mahadevan, Julia Gao, Emma Garval, Daniel Reed, Deil Cho, Catherine Cho, Anastasia Freedman, Jared Weber and Youngwoo Yu; from McDougle, Shoyma Mitra, Alexander Parks and Robert Fernald; from Phillips, Nathan Chen, Sherry Chen, Sean Kang, James Oh, Evan Jiang, Daniel Yu, Nathaniel Lai, Caroline Noell, Jeffrey Zhong, Aidan Zimmerman, Iris Wang and Joseph Oh; and from Culbreth, Rachel Lloyd.

Phillips orchestra honored

On March 7, the Phillips seventh- and eighth-grade orchestras performed at the Eastern Regional Music Performance Adjudication in Fayetteville. Students performed two selections for judges, "Andante and Alla Breve," by Telemann and "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," by Richard Stephan. The orchestra was also rated on sight-reading as part of their score. The judges awarded straight superior ratings for Phillips.

CHHS coach named Coach of the Year

Chapel Hill High coach Sherry Norris has been named the 2012 NCHSAA Toby Webb Female Coach of the Year. The award seeks to recognize and honor coaches who have had an impact on the lives of student-athletes, and students in general, by encouraging them to succeed and be well-rounded. Winners receive a \$2,000 cash award and commemorative plaque, and will be recognized at the NCHSAA Annual Meeting on May 3. Coach Norris has been with the school for 35 years, and has served as head volleyball coach, head women's basketball coach, head softball coach and assistant athletic trainer.

Odyssey of the Mind winners

Odyssey of the Mind is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students from kindergarten through college. Glenwood Elementary had four teams participate in the local competition this year, and the "To Be Or Not To Be" team placed first in their division and qualified for the state finals at Wingate University on March 31. The team members are Madeleine Min-ton, Benton Copeland, Asher Kirkpatrick, Langston Luck, Eva Nobel and Kelly Wang.

School Lunch Menus

FRIDAY 3/23

Teacher Workday

MONDAY 3/26

Elementary: Penne Pasta w/Meat Sauce, BBQ Sandwich, Chicken Caesar Salad, Oven Fries, Seasoned Green Peas, Raisins, Fruit Cocktail

Middle and High School: Penne Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Steamed Broccoli, Ham & Cheese Biscuit w/Tater Tots, Sausage Pizza

TUESDAY 3/27

Elementary: Chicken Fajita Burrito, Cheeseburger, Fruit & Cheese Plate w/Yogurt, Corn Cobettes, Seasoned Pinto Beans, Rosy Apple-sauce, Chilled Peaches

Middle and High School: Fajita Chicken, Beef Taco Meat, Torti-llas, Brown Rice, Southwest Black Beans, BBQ Pork Sandwich w/ Oven Fries, Twisted Cheese Stix w/Pizza Sauce

WEDNESDAY 3/28

Elementary: Double Stuffed Cheese Pizza, Breaded Chicken Caesar Wrap, Garden Salad, Cucumber Cup w/Dip, Mixed Veg-etables, Banana, Pineapple Cup

Middle and High School: Chicken Pot Pie, Blueberry-Apple Crumble, Baked Sweet Potato, Meatball Sub w/Mashed Potatoes, BBQ Chicken Pizza

THURSDAY 3/29

Elementary: Meat Lasagna w/Garlic Bread, PB&J, Taco Chef Salad, Caesar Side Salad, Glazed Carrots, Fruited Jell-o, Orange Smiles

Middle and High School: Meatball Pizza, Jamaican Jerk Chicken or Roasted Chicken, Cornbread, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Peas & Carrots, Baked Turkey corn Dog w/Baked Beans



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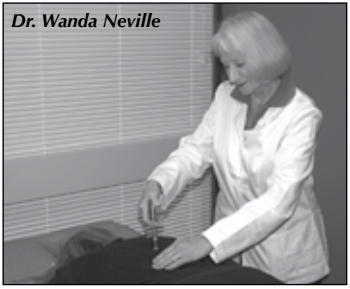
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10 Priam's kingdom
14 Daddy duck
19 Adams or Sedgwick
20 Napoleon's fate
21 Something to skip?
22 De Valera of Ireland
23 Start of a remark by Dan Post
26 Rectly singer
27 Sprindled
28 Part of a suit
29 Pastoral poem
30 Sherbet flavor
31 Norm
32 Rib —
34 One of "Them!"
35 Dirty
37 Part 2 of remark
45 Colleague of Dolly and Loretta
46 Mature
47 Peachy-keen
48 Plumb crazy
49 "Maria —" ('41 song)

51 College growth
52 Before, to Byron
53 Mendicant monk
54 Utter
56 See 90
59 Dispute
61 Pigment
62 Hibachi residue
63 Oaf
65 "Love — the Ruins" ('75 film)
66 Part 3 of remark
69 "I Got a Name"
73 Add info.
74 Mil. group
76 Genesis vessel
79 "Little —" ('64 hit)
81 "Be my guest!"
82 God with a trident
84 Storms
85 — Dinh Diem
87 Paw part
88 Jergens or Astaire
89 Field of knowledge
90 With 56 Across, common appetizer

92 Chimney part
93 Dual tool
94 Part 4 of remark
97 Domino or Waller
98 Herriot title start
99 "Excuse me"
100 Western st.
101 Mugabe of Zimbabwe
105 Whetstone
107 Out of control
109 She's a sheep date
112 Venerate
113 End of remark
117 "The Kiss" sculptor
118 One of the Waughs
119 "East of Eden"
120 Imminent
121 Upright
122 Michael of "Cabaret"
123 Unkempt
124 "Vissi d—" ("Tosca" aria)

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1 Sport
2 O'Brien or Skinner
3 Mortgage, e.g.
4 Beer barrel
5 Baseball's Derek
6 Shaft
7 Freshen a fuchsia
8 Cover girl
9 Kapaa keepsake
10 Auto transaction
11 Actress Schneider
12 Fall birthstone
13 Craving
14 Lack
15 "— Lama Ding Dong" ('61 tune)
16 Prayer finale
17 Hong —
18 "The NeverEnding Story" author
24 — Office
25 Regret audibly
30 In the know
31 Nero's instrument
32 Duplicate
33 Savored the seilian
34 Fall flower
35 David of "Dark Shadows"
36 Too tubby
37 Twist and turn
38 Bee flat?

39 Born
40 You'll get a kick out of it
41 Texas landmark
42 Symbol
43 Buttercream, e.g.
44 Laramie or Sumter
45 Devour
46 Dostoevsky
50 — carte
53 "Fee, Fi, Fo, —, . . ."
55 Leading man?
56 Container
57 Arm bones
58 Annie of "Designing Women"
60 Jets and Sharks
63 Opening
64 UK honor
67 Delayed
68 Worn down
69 Cugat
70 Mississippi or Missouri
71 New York city
72 Bk. offerings
75 It's in the bag
76 Skilled
77 Romeo and Juliet
78 Banjo locale
79 Grouch
80 Register

82 Hogan or Hindemith
83 Perfect
86 Word with baby or snake
87 Horner's fruit
90 Sensed
91 New Jersey town
92 Adversary
95 One who no's best?
96 "What a relief!"
97 Charlattan
100 Uncool
101 Hard to find
102 Miasma
103 Pontend
104 Rohmer or Carmen
105 Sign of sanctity
106 "Glad All —" ('64 hit)
107 Carpenter's tool
108 Knight's quaff
109 Kind of pitcher
110 "Huh?"
111 Bronte hero-ine
113 Horse hash
114 Endorses
115 Duncan's denial
116 "Jurassic stuff"

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by Linda Thistle

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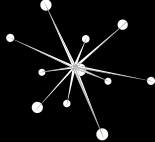
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RESOLUTION

Editor's note: The following is a resolution approved by the Carrboro Board of Aldermen on Tuesday asking UNC to sever its ties with WRDU, Rush Radio.

RESOLUTION
CONSIDERING
WRDU RUSH RADIO

WHEREAS, radio personality Rush Limbaugh attacked, insulted, and denigrated Sandra Fluke by calling her a slut and prostitute; and

WHEREAS, radio personality Rush Limbaugh said Fluke has “so much sex it’s amazing she can even walk” and suggested that she post sex videos online in payment for having the government subsidize her birth control. “If we are going to pay for your contraceptives – and thus pay for you to have sex – we want something for it. We want you to post the videos online so we can all watch,” in response to Sandra Fluke’s testimony in support of Obama’s contraceptive health care plan; and

WHEREAS, WRDU, Rush Radio, is the home of Tar Heel sports network and broadcasts The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill basketball and football; and

WHEREAS, statements such as this encourage and support the objectification of women and support a climate that threatens the rights of women to control their reproductive rights and exercise their sexual self-determination; and

WHEREAS, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has a long history of being an advocate for women’s rights to self determination; and

WHEREAS, statements such as these promulgate misinformation about human reproduction, sexuality, and health and thereby undermine the University’s mission to increase understanding in the areas of public health and medicine;

NOW, THEREFORE the Carboro Board of Aldermen requests that the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s Board of Trustees and Chancellor Thorp sever ties with WRDU, Rush Radio, until and unless WRDU, Rush Radio severs ties with Rush Limbaugh.

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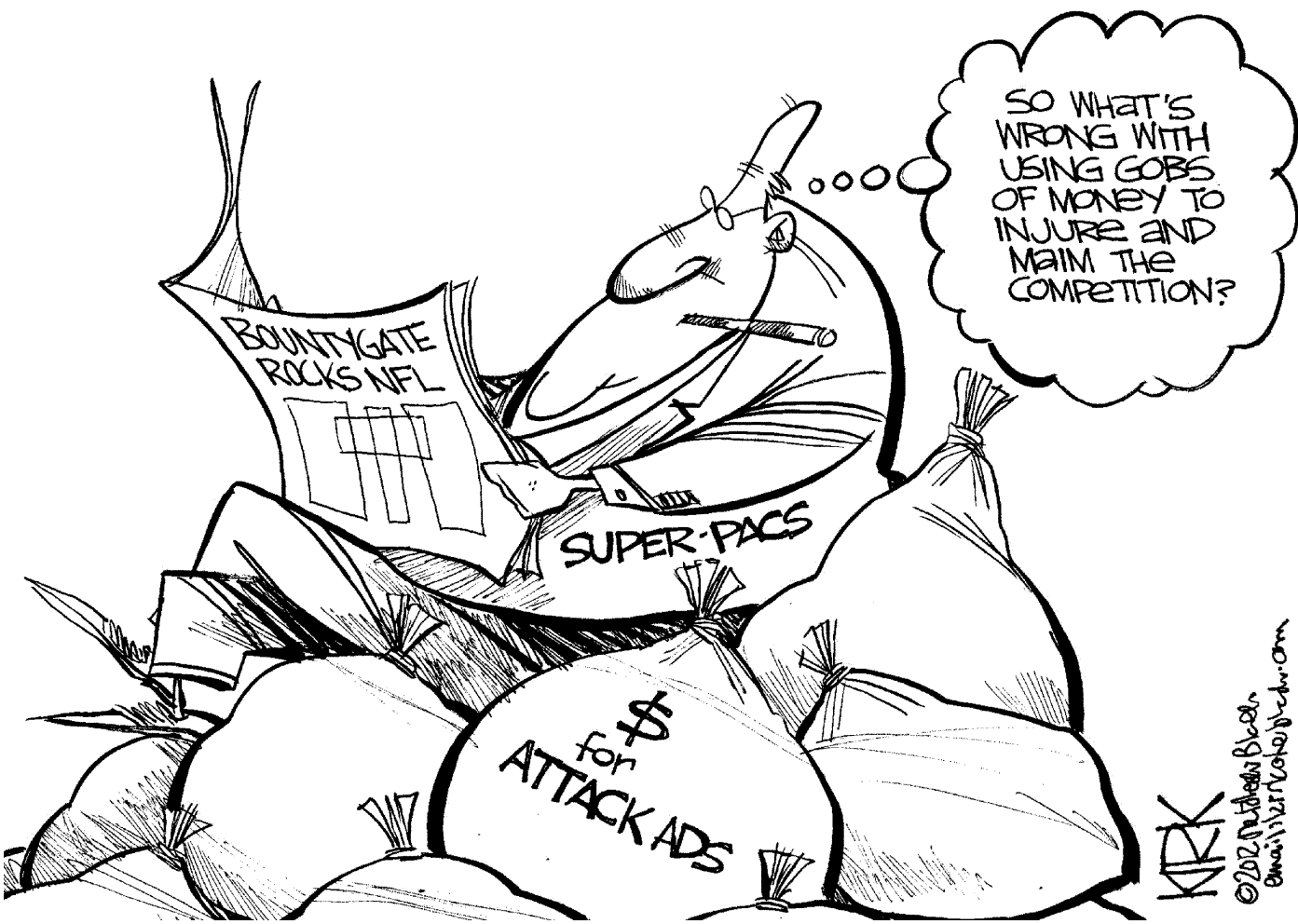
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LETTERS

Dumpsite vote rushed

Decades of disrespect of a historic community were continued in the rushed vote by the Orange County Commissioners to avoid cleanup of debris in the Rogers Road community.

On Tuesday, March 13, 2012, with little advance notice to the community, the county commissioners voted not to clean up the largest legacy dump sites. Owners of multiple parcels freely granted access and were told they would be “kept in the loop.” They received no notice that a vote would take place at the March 13 meeting.

The “research” used as the basis of the decision was superficial. County staff walked property and took photos. The county did no further investigation. No testing was done, no excavation, no digging, no soil sampling. There is no basis for any assumption that there are “toxic” materials, no documented basis for concern about liability. Previous visits by the State Department of Environmental Resources and the Town of Carrboro indicated that the waste consists only of “inert materials,” mainly old construction and demolition debris such as concrete. There are state funds available to assist in the cleanup where it impacts streams. It is not apparent that the county looked into this option.

After the initial visit, promised information was not provided; owners were never contacted again, never invited to meetings on the topic and not informed there would be discussion or voting on the use of cleanup funds. They were not invited to discuss the situation with the commissioners.

It is too early to close this discussion. The topic should be reopened by the commissioners after the next elections. There are many more decisions to be made about how we address the needs of the Rogers Road community, foremost among them, sewer service to the whole community, coming up from the Carrboro side and available to serve other neighborhoods as well.

Lip service should stop, and social service should begin.

DAVID BELLIN
Carrboro

Fracking study doesn’t support conclusion

There’s a significant disconnect between state officials who claim fracking *can* be conducted safely in North Carolina and the evidence, or lack thereof, contained in their own recently released 350-page study.

I have just read the “N.C. Oil and Gas Study” conducted by the

Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Department of Commerce. Regarding their findings, I can only say, with apologies to Gertrude Stein, “There’s no there there.”

In fact, the page addressing the troubling question of how to protect the rights of rural landowners is blank.

What’s more, concerning environmental safety, the report shows that DENR, like the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, does *not* have sufficient information at this stage about the use of this new technology to make any claims about its safety.

Yet, the report concludes: “DENR believes hydraulic fracturing can be done safely as long as the right protections are in place.”

The problem is, DENR did not provide the scientific evidence required to support this belief. As this report acknowledged, “[T] his analysis is constrained by the limited information available at this time.”

I thought DENR was a fact-based, not a “belief-based,” organization. EPA, with considerably more scientific resources at its disposal, will not even complete its study of just one issue regarding fracking – water quality – until 2014.

House Speaker Thom Tillis has stated he was open to hearing “the business case” for or against fracking. Yet, the Department of Commerce, in its section of the state report, was not able to make a case one way or the other.

The report’s economics review section reads: “This analysis is not intended to indicate a position by the North Carolina Department of Commerce (Commerce) for or against . . .”

Maybe I’m missing something, but I thought the whole point of promoting natural gas fracking was that it would be an economic boon for the state.

At best, Commerce projected that fracking might result in an additional 858 jobs statewide after six years. That’s not much of an economic benefit considering the likely economic costs. Unfortunately, while the study estimated financial benefits, it failed to put a dollar figure on a list of expected costs, including conflicts with competing industries (local farms, wineries, retirement communities, arts), impacts to local infrastructure (roads and housing) and services (law enforcement, emergency services, schools).

I appreciate the hard work DENR and Commerce employees put into this rushed and underfinanced study. But it’s an affront to all North Carolinians that the objective contents of the study were ignored or distorted to reach an unsupported conclusion.

JEFF STARKWEATHER
Candidate for N.C. House District 54

Chartering a fast track to segregation

CHRISTINE BISCHOFF

Recently, the State Board of Education approved nine new charter schools. Without knowing how these schools will impact student body diversity and racial isolation in our public schools, and over objections from local school districts, the board voted to “fast-track” the approval of these nine applications.

One of the biggest concerns about the approval of these schools is that they are likely to cause re-segregation of students by race and income. Indeed, if statewide and national data and trends are any indication, re-segregation will inevitably occur as a result of chartering these schools. Sadly, however, it won’t be the state board that suffers the effects of this re-segregation – it will be our students.

The fast-tracking of these charter applications is the state board’s response to a new state law that removed a cap that had limited the number of charter schools statewide to 100. Many charter school proponents argue for the rapid expansion of charter schools in order to promote “competition” for traditional public schools. This, of course, is in contrast to the original supposed objective for charters: to create “laboratories of innovation” that could aid traditional schools. In keeping with this shifting rationale, the fast-tracked schools have just four months to plan before opening rather than the typical one year of planning time.

But, of course, charter schools are public schools that are funded with taxpayer dollars. They are part of the public-education system, even though they are not subject to many of the rules, regulations and statutes that apply to traditional public schools.

Attendance at charter schools is optional for all students. However, because of the limited availability of transportation, the inability of some charter schools to provide services for students with special needs and the unavailability of services such as access to the Free and Reduced price lunch program, the choice of attending a charter school is illusory for many students.

Enrollment data demonstrate that white students in North Carolina are disproportionately enrolled in charter schools. During the 2010-11 school year, statewide enrollment at traditional public schools was 53 percent white, 26 percent black and 13 percent Hispanic, compared to charter school enrollment, which was 62 percent white, 27 percent black, and 6 percent Hispanic.

Perhaps even more concerning than the disproportionate enrollment of white students in charter schools is the racial isolation that also occurs. According to research by Dr. Helen Ladd at the San-

ford School of Public Policy at Duke University, in 2011, 37 of the charter schools in the state were more than 80 percent white, and 26 of the charter schools in the state were more than 80 percent minority.

Nationwide, charter schools are more racially isolated than traditional public schools in virtually every state and large metropolitan area in the country. During the 2007-08 school year, 70 percent of black charter school students and 50 percent of Latino charter school students attended charter schools that were 90-100 percent minority, compared with only 36 percent of black students and 38 percent of Latino students in traditional public schools.

These trends are extremely problematic because research shows that student body diversity provides educational and societal benefits to students. For example, a diverse student body promotes cross-racial understanding, breaks down racial stereotypes and eliminates bias and prejudice. In contrast, students attending racially isolated schools often lag academically behind their peers who attend more diverse schools, and racially isolated schools frequently have fewer effective teachers, higher teacher turnover rates, less rigorous coursework and inferior facilities and other educational resources.

According to the state’s charter school law, within one year after a charter school opens, the population of the school “shall reasonably reflect the racial and ethnic composition of the general population” residing within the school district in which the school is located. Yet, even in light of this statutory requirement, the nine recently approved charter school applicants did not have to provide projected school enrollment by race and ethnicity. As a result, it is impossible to determine if any of the newly approved charter schools will attempt to satisfy this statutory requirement. Furthermore, it is difficult to imagine how charter schools that ignore this statutory requirement will be held accountable, considering the State’s Office of Charter Schools has only four full-time employees responsible for overseeing every charter school in the state.

Put simply, the approval of the nine “fast-track” charter schools takes our state a giant leap backward in its historical pursuit of integrated public schools. Battles won a half-century ago may well now have to be refought.

And our children, the future leaders of our state and our nation, will suffer the effects of this fast-tracked re-segregation.

Christine Bischoff is an attorney at the North Carolina Justice Center’s Education and Law Project.

Gas prices wag the election-year dog

ROBERT REICH

Gas prices continue to rise, which is finally giving Republicans an issue. Mitt Romney is demanding the president open up more domestic drilling, the super PAC behind Rick Santorum just released a new ad in Louisiana blasting the president on gas prices and the GOP is attacking the White House on the Keystone XL Pipeline.

But the rise in gas prices has almost nothing to do with energy policy. It has everything to do with America’s continuing failure to adequately regulate Wall Street. But don’t hold your breath waiting for Republicans to tell the truth.

As I’ve noted before, oil supplies aren’t being squeezed. More than 80 percent of America’s energy needs are now being satisfied by domestic supplies, and in fact, we’re starting to become an energy exporter. Demand for oil isn’t rising in any event. Demand is down in the U.S. compared to last year at this time, and global demand is still moderate given the economic slowdowns in Europe and China.

But Wall Street is betting on higher oil prices in the future – and that betting is causing prices to rise. The Street is laying odds that unrest in Syria will spill over into other countries or that tensions with Iran will affect the Persian Gulf, and that global demand will pick up as American consumers bounce back to life.

These bets are pushing up oil prices because Wall Street firms and other big financial players now dominate oil trading.

Financial speculators historically accounted for about 30 percent of oil contracts, and producers and end users for about 70 percent. But today speculators account for 64 percent of all contracts.

Bart Chilton, a commissioner at the Commodity Futures Trading Commission – the federal agency that regulates trading in oil futures, among other commodities – warns that too few financial players control too much of the oil market. This allows them to push oil prices higher and higher – not only on the basis of their expectations about the future but also expectations about how high other speculators will drive the price.

In other words, a relatively few players with very deep pockets are placing huge bets on oil, and you’re paying.

Chilton estimates drivers of small cars like Honda Civics are paying an extra \$7.30 every time they fill up – and that money is going into the pockets of Wall Street speculators. Drivers of larger vehicles like the Ford Explorer are paying speculators \$10.41 when they fill up.

Funny, but I don’t hear Republicans rail against Wall Street speculators. Could this have anything to do with the fact that hedge funds and money managers are bankrolling the GOP as never before?

Wall Street isn’t bankrolling Democrats nearly as much this time around because the Street is still smarting from the Dodd-Frank Wall Street reform law pushed by the Democrats, and from the president’s offhand remark in 2010 calling the denizens of the Street “fat cats.”

The Commodity Futures Trading Commission is trying to limit how much speculators can bet on oil futures, a power it was given by Dodd-Frank. It issued a rule in October, but it won’t take effect for another year.

Meanwhile, Wall Street has gone to court to stop the rule. It’s already won a stay.

As rising gas prices start wagging the election-year dog, the president should let America know what’s really causing prices to rise.

Robert Reich is Chancellor’s Professor of Public Policy at the University of California at Berkeley.

BY KIRK ROSS

The demographic breakdown of voters in Orange County pretty

That heavy turnout in the primary, especially among minority

If it were a normal year, those turnout numbers from the 2008 primary would be hard to even get close to. But with a still-active GOP nomination fight, Amendment One and contested gubernatorial primaries in both parties on the ballot, turnout isn't likely to slide as much as you might think. It might not be as exciting as '08, but there's too much on the line not to show up.

An N.C. resident who is qualified to vote but who misses the 25-day deadline for voter registration may register in their county of residence and vote at a one-stop site during the one-stop absentee-voting period.

"I understand your perspective. I can completely see your perspective. I know that the police have another perspective, which I also understand, and I'm wondering if some conversations maybe between a few people from your

Slade thanked Malekin and Reeves for coming to the meeting. "We are the place where people

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HOUSE Calls

Practicing family physicians from the UNC Department of Family Medicine have teamed up with *The Carrboro Citizen* to bring you a weekly feature responding to your questions about health and medicine. Send your questions or comments to yourhealth@unc.edu



This week we respond to questions about Viagra and Weight Watchers.

Dear HOUSE Calls, These are tough economic times, and with Viagra being \$10 a pill, I have been researching alternatives. Is the Extenze pill effective?

You are right that Viagra and some similar pills can be very expensive, and we understand why you might want to investigate other options. We have seen the early-morning infomercials too, but if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. Extenze is an herbal supplement with amino acids and ginseng and a combination of other herbs, especially yohimbe, which has long been used to promote libido and erectile function. The manufacturers claim the product increases the size of the penis, enhances performance during intercourse and increases stamina. There is no evidence that any of this is true; however, there may be a placebo effect for some people. It may be worth spending your money on something actually proven to

work. One tip with Viagra: Most people can use a 50mg dose. Ask your doctor to write a prescription for the 100mg dose (which is the same price per tablet as a 50mg pill) and use half each time.

Dear HOUSE Calls, My sister lost 18 pounds with Weight Watchers. I am so impressed that I am thinking about trying it. Do you recommend this or any other particular program? I am a 40-year-old woman with a desk job and need to lose about 30 pounds.

We are pretty big fans of Weight Watchers. All of us have successful personal, family or friend experience with this program. We even had a Weight Watchers program at our family medicine center for a while. Basically, most diet programs work, with some harder than others and some more expensive than others. The most important element of any diet program is that you learn new habits and stick with those habits – forever. That is a tall order. Part of the Weight Watchers

program is teaching portion control, which is a critical lifelong skill for people struggling with their weight. There have been a variety of studies comparing the effectiveness of commercial diet programs, and Weight Watchers often comes out at or near the top for the combination of effectiveness and sustainability. Medical weight loss programs are somewhat more effective, much more expensive and less sustainable over time. It sounds like you might not be that active. Try adding a walk in over lunch. Congratulations for thinking about doing something great for yourself.

HOUSE Calls is a weekly column by Dr. Adam Goldstein, Dr. Cristy Page and Dr. Adam Zolotor on behalf of Your Health and the UNC Department of Family Medicine.

Community Briefs

CH library selling pavers

The Friends of Chapel Hill Public Library is selling personalized stone pavers to be installed in the front plaza terrace of the expanded and renovated library in Pritchard Park.

Up to 320 pavers will be sold for \$150 each through Aug. 31. Names can be engraved on the pavers, and the money raised could pay for a full year of children’s programming, purchase 350 new books or fund an enhancement to the building.

For more information on the paver project, visit friendschpl.org.

Mentoring training for attorneys

Local attorneys of the N.C. Judicial District 15B Bar comprised of Orange and Chatham counties will conduct a training program for its members who are serving as mentors in the Bar’s inaugural mentoring program in the Chapel Hill courtroom at 3 p.m. on Friday.

Executive director of the chief justice’s commission on professionalism Melvin F. Wright will be the keynote speaker.

The goal of the mentoring program is for experienced lawyers to provide new and transitioning lawyers with shared skills, experiences and ethical values expected of lawyers practicing in North Carolina.

No Shame Theatre opens

No Shame Theatre Carrboro will have its official opening Saturday at 10 p.m. at The ArtsCenter, presenting short performances by writers and performers who sign up on the spot.

No Shame features a wide variety of performances and is intended to be a forum for writers and performers who have something to say and

need a place to say it. All performances will be original and last five minutes or less.

Tickets are \$2 at the door, sign up is at 10 p.m. and the show begins at 11 p.m.

Field day PORCH benefit

The businesses of Southern Village, led by The Tumble Gym, will hold their third annual field day for children to celebrate the first day of spring from 2 to 4 p.m. on Saturday on the Village Green in Southern Village.

The event will feature more than a dozen active outdoor games and a small prize presented to each child who participates. The afternoon is free and open to the public. Participants are asked to bring canned goods or non-perishable foods to donate to PORCH, a local hunger-relief organization.

In the event of rain, the field day will be held Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Carrboro native develops “EcoRoom”

Alexis Goldman of Carrboro, a senior at Guilford College, developed a program called EcoRoom to consult with students on how to decrease energy consumption in their dorm rooms, and will attend the Clinton Global Initiative University in Washington, D.C., at the end of the month.

Goldman is an environmental studies major and a committed sustainability advocate. She came up with the idea while she was an intern for Guilford College Energy Team, designed to educate students about environmentally responsible decisions.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY MARCH 22

Book Signing — Rita Berman and Carla Shuford to sign copies of Berman’s biography of Shuford. Event repeats on March 24. Tom Robinson’s Seafood, 12-2pm

Larry Diamond — To speak on democratization. Fedex Global Education Center, 5:30pm

Low-Cost Rabies Clinic — Public Market House, Hillsborough, 5-7pm \$10

FRIDAY MARCH 23

Rising Stars — Rising Stars Vocal Showcase competition. Carrboro Century Center, 7pm

Transactors Improv — Presents Spring Fling. The ArtsCenter, 8pm artscenterlive.org

Barbara Becker — To present a talk on Unraveling Starlight: William and Margaret Huggins and the Rise of the New Astronomy. Celebration Assembly of God Church, 114 Weaver Dairy Rd 11am

Stephen Hren — To speak on Tales From the Sustainable Underground: A Wild Journey With People Who Care More About the Planet Than The Law. Internationalist Books, 7pm

Sierra Club Forum — Presents candidates for OC Board of Commissioners. Carrboro Town Hall, 7pm

Nancy Mayer — To discuss Essential Legal Documents Everyone Should Have. Seymour Center, 11:15am Free 968-2070

SATURDAY MARCH 24

Seed Swap — Bring seeds, share seeds and make seed bombs. Carrboro Farmers’ Market

Field Day — Field day for children in celebration of the first day of spring. Village Green at Southern Village, 2-4pm Requested canned good or non-perishable to benefit PORCH bev@bpropnc.com

Movie Matinee —Orange County Main Library, 2pm Free

Garden Expo — First annual Growing Healthy Families Garden Expo to teach how to grow healthy foods in home gardens. Hillsborough Walmart entrance, 10am-2pm Free 245-2440

SUNDAY MARCH 25

Film Showing — In celebration of Women’s History Month, the Women’s Center will show Meinrad Craighead’s *Praying With Images* and Brant Holsenbeck’s *Blackbirds, Bottle Caps, and Broken Records*. Orange County Public Library, Hillsborough 2-4pm Free womenspace.org

MONDAY MARCH 26

Bird Club Meeting — With speaker Dr. Alan Feduccia. Binkley Baptist Church, 7:30pm Free

TUESDAY MARCH 27

Parenting Class —Helping your baby and child learn to sleep at night. UNC Family Medicine, 590 Manning Drive, 6-7:30pm Free ibiggs@unch.unc.edu

Film Showing — *Southland of the Heart*, presented by Chatham Arts’ Sustainable Cinema. Fearrington Barn, 6:40pm \$5 info@chathamarts.org

Mandala Workshop — Rachel Galper will help students aged 11-19 created mandalas. OC Main Library, 6:15-7:45pm Free 245-2537

Whispering Pines — Shana Moulton shares her alter ego Cynthia, a confused, hypochondriac agoraphobe and her interactions with the everyday world. Continues through March 28. Memorial Hall, 7:30pm \$20

WEDNESDAY MARCH 28

Bridge Studio Workshop — To demonstrate the use of acting and art activities to improve communication and life skills for youth and young adults in the autistic and developmentally disabled community. The Bridge Studio, 1016 Tallyho Trail, 6-7pm Free 933-7380

THURSDAY MARCH 29

Friends of the Downtown — Presentation by Scott Maitland on starting, maintaining and growing businesses in downtown Chapel Hill. Top of the Hill Great Room, 10am Free

Mary Floyd-Wilson — To deliver a lecture on Maidens Call It Love-in Idleness: Potions Passion, and Fairy Knowledge in *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*. Wilson Special Collections Library, 5:30pm Free

FRIDAY MARCH 30

Latin Dance Night — Sponsored by Rhythmwerks and The ArtsCenter. The ArtsCenter, lesson 9:30pm/dance 10pm \$10

Book Sale —Friends of the library only on Friday, open to the public Saturday and Sunday. OC Main Library, Hillsborough

Egg Hunt — Flashlight egg hunt for ages 11-14, bring your own basket and flashlight. Wilson Park, 8pm Free

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- April 19: Is Consciousness Merely Neurological?, William Lycan, 7–9 pm
- April 26: Reaching the Brain through Music, Elizabeth Fawcett, 7–9 pm
- May 3: Making Memories, Kelly Giovanello, 7–9 pm

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station in Hillsborough, new and expanded bus service and dedicated bus lanes along Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

However, while the projects included in the OCBRIP would offer expanded transit options for the county, the question of how to pay for everything is still partially unknown.

Orange County Planning Director Craig Benedict told commissioners that revenue used for the OCBRIP could come from a \$7 vehicle tag tax, a \$3 Triangle Transit fee and some rental car-tax and sales-tax revenue.

An additional source of revenue, mentioned by Benedict and the board, could come from a half-cent sales tax, which could be put on the November ballot if

approved by the commissioners.

After discussing at length the five options, the commissioners favored option three, which proposes Orange County would pay approximately \$316.2 million, with 50 percent of the cost coming from federal funding, 25 percent from the state and 25 percent – \$79.05 million –from local funding. In this option, Durham County would pay approximately \$1.06 billion, with \$265.45 million coming from local funding.

“Certainly, I would like to pay less and have them pay more,” Yuhasz said. “If this is to go forward, I think we need to finally say this is an OK place and it might not be as good as I would’ve liked ... but it is better than where I started.”

The board will vote today (Thursday) at their 7 p.m. meeting to approve the proposal for continued discussions with Durham.

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Yellow-eyed common bluets prefer mossy beds.
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a perennial and is most frequently spied along bare woodland trails and scattered on mossy banks. If you maintain a moss garden by keeping

fallen leaves raked away during fall and winter, you most likely have the pale-blue, almost white Quaker Ladies happily holding court on your moss carpet right now. They return year after year on mossy grounds.



Taking a closer look at a wild field pansy makes one smile inside.
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I don't recall seeing these two different bluets growing together, and I'm wondering if they may have different soil preferences. The mossy carpets holding Quaker Ladies occur on naturally acidic ground, while the tiny bluets appear more commonly with grasses in yards that are not very acidic. I'll have to keep thinking about that.

Another good spot to find tiny bluets is along the old farm road bisecting the second set of fields at Mason Farm Biological Reserve. A little farther along you'll find Quaker Ladies, by themselves, scattered along shady edges. While you're out practicing

close-to-the-ground "belly botany," keep an eye out for the little wild field pansy, *Viola bicolor*, that varies in color from white to purple, with dark stripes and a yellow center. Sometimes they are numerous enough to appear as carpets of color on the ground, and lying on such a carpet is another died-and-gone-to-heaven kind of experience.

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Jim Chris, 1940-2012

Just an image of three happy guys and a breakfast grill, with the big man in the middle with one arm draped affectionately around the shoulder of a younger man. Don't know who took the picture or the identity of the two younger men. (Ye Olde general manager Daisy Maness dates the photo to the early '90s.) But the large framed photo has been hanging in the back of Ye Olde Waffle Shoppe for as long as I've been going there. And now, since the recent passing of James Peter Chris, longtime owner of "Ye Olde," this simple snapshot has become something of an icon. I say icon because the photo speaks volumes about the sense of community, which, though not officially on the menu of the Franklin Street landmark, is standard fare. "Jimmy" Chris leaves behind a 40-year legacy of fellowship, inclusion and good times as well as "Good Food, No Yoke."



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John Williams, a representative for Landmark, said the development could help ease the student-housing burden in Chapel Hill.

"We know that our communities draw students out of existing single-family neighborhoods like the Northside neighborhood here in Chapel Hill," he said.

However, both neighbors of the site and council members expressed concerns about the project's distance from campus and the traffic it could bring to Homestead Road.

Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt said he didn't think developments like The Retreat would draw students out of neighborhoods like Northside, because they want to live close to campus, noting his recent conversations with the newly elected UNC student body president.

"Students who choose to live in Northside in single-family homes, if we want them out, we need to create dense student-housing development in the downtown," he said.

Council member Donna Bell said she felt that the project didn't meet the basic principles the council had said it wanted to prioritize, since while it would include dense development, it also would include parking for a car per resident.

"I understand the argument that there's a need for the car per head because the development is so far out. I reject that," she said. "The number of people there is not as problematic to me as the number of cars."

Tom Swanekamp, president of the Homestead Village homeowners' association, said he and his neighbors were "focused on encouraging appropriate and responsible development along Homestead Road," but that The Retreat is "simply the repeat of a bad idea."

Others said the site's distance from public transit and services would force residents to use their cars to go anywhere.

"The Retreat is an environmental disaster for our community and our town," said Homestead Village resident Jaleh Hagigh.

The developer has not yet submitted an application with the town.



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