

Former UNC President Kemp Plummer Battle (1876-1891) beside newly planted Davie Poplar Jr. in March 1918. Davie Jr. now stands tall and proud between Davie Poplar and Davie Poplar III.

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FLORA BY KEN MOORE

UNC's Noble Grove

Most folks are familiar with the 200-plus-year-old tulip poplar *Liriodendron tuliperifera*, affectionately known as the "Davie Poplar." It lives in the center of UNC's McCorkle Place, the campus quad between Franklin Street and South Building. It was beneath that singular tree that legend credits the founding fathers' selection of the site for the state's university.

Davie Poplar contemporaries still standing include a mighty double-trunked male American holly, *Ilex opaca*, a former state champion post oak, *Quercus stellata*, and a statuesque persimmon, *Diospyros virginiana*.

To honor these noble trees and hundreds of planted specimens on the UNC campus, the university has published an 80-page guide, *The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's NOBLE GROVE: A walking Tour of Campus Trees*. It's available at Student Stores and the N.C. Botanical Garden's gift shop.

The guide describes four walks encompassing the four main quads of the campus. The descriptions of 100 specimen trees include original forest giants, newly planted native and exotic species and cultivars, with line illustrations by Bonnie Durr. The text by Michael Durr, nationally known horticulturist and professor emeritus of horticulture at the University of Georgia, provides specific references to cultivars suggested for landscape use and facts about size and location of significant campus specimens.

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County eliminates 21 vacant positions

Officials say more reductions to come

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

The Orange County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously on Tuesday to eliminate 21 vacant county positions, warning of more potential staff reductions to occur in coming months.

"The reality is that if a lot of people don't take the retirement program we're offering now, we're looking at some forced ... reductions," County Manager Frank Clifton said. "Tonight begins the first step in that process."

County officials are anticipating major budget shortfalls this year as commissioners have requested a budget that includes no property-tax increase and sales-tax revenue is down across the state. Recent budget pro-

jections include a \$13.4 million differential between county department requests and estimated revenues.

According to Clifton, the county will likely reduce staffing from 908 to about 825 positions, for approximately \$5 million in savings. The county offered early retirement incentives to certain staff members last year and has extended that offer to about 110 more this year.

"It's going to be a fairly dramatic reduction in staff positions," he said. "If a bunch of those people qualify and take those incentives, we can re-evaluate that."

County human resources director Michael McGinnis said the county has developed a list of other vacant positions that could be eliminated as well.

As the county eliminates and reorganizes positions across departments, officials plan to create an internal labor pool, with any jobs that come open in the next few months to be only available to current staff members. Clifton said the county plans to let departments know of likely positions to be eliminated.

Of vacant positions, only those that are part of core operations will be spared from scrutiny, Clifton said.

"We're making sure that everything we do works the way we think it will and that we avoid as much direct impact on services as we can," he said. "I can tell you it's a lot easier to deal with vacant positions than to look people in the eye and tell them they're not going to have a job in six months."

The eliminated positions, which will provide about \$450,000 in savings this fiscal year and nearly \$1.3 million in savings for fiscal year 2010-11, span various county departments, including public works, county commissioners, the visitors bureau, human resources, the health department, parks and recreation, the register of deeds, planning and inspections, aging and Orange County public transportation, the sheriff's office, solid-waste management and tax administration.

"Eventually, it will fall back to the public because they'll see delays or a lack of response," Clifton said.

The commissioners will hold a budget work session tonight (Thursday) at 7 at the Link Government Services Center, 200 S. Cameron St., Hillsborough.



PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

UNC police officer J.S. Carroll and volunteer Brittany Tharrington hand out safety tips to students Chris Mizelle (left) and Keenan Jenkins at the pedestrian crossing at South Road and the Student Recreation Center. Wednesday was the annual Yield for Heels pedestrian safety event on campus. Volunteers, including representatives of the university's Highway Safety Research Center and UNC police, greeted pedestrians at four busy intersections with t-shirts and tips for keeping the interaction of traffic and people as safe as possible.

EMS not meeting goals

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

Orange County Emergency Services is failing to meet performance goals and will remain unable to do so unless additional resources are allocated to the department, according to a recent EMS report.

The report, presented at the assembly of governments meeting on March 25, states that it takes an average of 17 minutes for a paramedic to reach a patient in Orange County, five minutes more than the goal

set in 2001. In 2009, an ambulance was unavailable 220 times when a county resident called for one.

"The basic fact is that if we have deficiencies in public safety; we have to fix them as quickly as possible," Orange County Commissioner Barry Jacobs said. "There are some issues, one being that we may not have the money to do the kind of fix that we need to do."

According to the report, EMS calls for service have increased from less than 7,000 in 2000 to more than 11,500. The county had three

24-hour ambulances and one peak-load ambulance in 2000 and now has four 24-hour and one peak-load ambulance.

The county population has increased by 13 percent since 2000, while calls for service have increased 68 percent, which emergency personnel attribute to the county's aging population. Meanwhile, the number of dispatchers assigned to each 12-hour shift has increased only from 6.25 to 6.5.

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Board considers changes in pay

BY KIRK ROSS
Staff Writer

CARRBORO — On the heels of an appeal from a coalition pushing for an increase in the town's living-wage policy, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen heard an extensive report on proposed changes to its pay and promotions policies at a meeting Tuesday night at Town Hall.

John Anzivino, senior vice president of the public-sector consulting firm Springsted, presented a series of options for the town to consider in restructuring how it assigns pay rates for different types of jobs.

About 18 percent of the town's workforce — 28 positions — was below the minimum wage set for their pay classification, according to Anzivino.

Anzivino said the estimated annual cost of raising the 28 salaries would be \$26,191.

The study, the first comprehensive review of Carrboro's pay structure in seven years, focused in part on how to structure the fire department, which has grown over the past few years in preparation for the opening of the town's second fire station.

The Springsted proposal reduces the number of supervisory positions and reduces the overall positions proposed for the department from 42.5 full-time positions to 39.5 positions.

Springsted also was asked to study a proposal for a "housing wage," which is akin to a living wage and takes into account Orange County's relatively high housing costs.

To help close the gap, Springsted proposes raising the town's minimum wage to \$11.78.

Prior to the wage presentation Tuesday, Justice United, a coalition of local congregations and faith and social-justice organizations, appealed to the town to raise its living wage to \$13 an hour, with an eye toward eventually reaching \$15.31 an hour — a figure proposed for Orange County by the National Low Income Housing Organization.

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Public policy with a passion

BY RICH FOWLER
Staff Writer

Talking to John Quintero is always an educational experience. He keeps a constant eye out for what's going on in the local, state and national economy, and the way he explains it all shows his deeper concern for the people behind the numbers.

He doesn't look at the economy or politics as just abstract concepts; he sees them as tools people need to make their lives better. And when he analyzes those tools, he uses a straightforward measuring stick: "Are we delivering results for the individuals in our society?"

A lot of Quintero's passion for public policy work came from a childhood spent in parochial school on Long Island, in Rockville Center, New York. Lessons about work and the dignity of work left a lasting impression on him. And as he got more involved in volunteer work through college at Notre Dame, he

got more interested in helping people through public policy.

Now Quintero runs a business in Chapel Hill as an independent economic and public policy researcher and consultant, and that perspective gives him a unique take on the issues facing our community and our state.

"I've always had that interest in how people come together to try to work through hard issues and figure out what is probably the best thing to do in terms of delivering benefits or solving problems that benefit everyone."

A few years after he got his master's degree in public administration from the UNC School of Government in 2002, he started working at the N.C. Budget and Tax Center, part of the N.C. Justice Center, where he started meeting state policymakers and getting exposed to state issues.

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JOHN QUINTERNO

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Hillsborough rail station plans

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MUSIC CALENDAR



FREDDIE T. & THE PEOPLE
The Cave
April 10 at 7:30

General Store Cafe: Bourbon Street Jazz. 7-9pm
Local 506: Spiritual Rez. 9:30pm \$8

Nightlight: Gray Young, True Womanhood, Gross Ghost. 9:30pm

The Reservoir: Blag'ard, The Matt Kurz One, Enoch

FRIDAY APR 9

Blue Bayou: Lockdown Blues Band. 9:30pm \$6/8
Cat's Cradle: Bowerbirds, Midtown Dickens, Veelee. 9:30pm. \$10/12

The Cave: LATE: Swang Bros, Kelley and The Cowboys

City Tap: Dexter Romweber. 7-10pm

General Store Cafe: Lynn Blakey. 8-10:30pm

Harry's Market: Sun Butler and Dale Dickie. 9pm

Local 506: Luego, The Beast, Dirty Little Heaters. 9:30pm. Free

Nightlight: In the Year of the Pig CD Release Party with Golden Fire Pig Orchestra, Monsonia, Hiss Golden Messenger

SATURDAY APR 10

Blue Bayou: Tokyo Rosenthal CD Release Party. 9:30pm. \$6/8

Cat's Cradle: Corey Smith, Sons of Bill. 9pm. \$15/20

The Cave: EARLY: Freddy T. & The People. \$5 LATE: Dark Water Rising, Danny Mason and Friends

City Tap: Gasoline Stove. 8-10pm

General Store Cafe: Kelley and the Cowboys. 8-10:30pm

Local 506: Red Sparrows, Doomriders. 9pm. \$10/12

Milltown: Cannonballz. 10pm

The Station at Southern Rail: Windy City Slim and the Sunnyland Rhythm Kings

SUNDAY APR 11

The Cave: LATE: Jill King

Local 506: Acid Mothers Temple, Over-Gain Optimal Death, Clang Quartet. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Milltown: Wednesday Night Klezmer Collective. 7-9pm

MONDAY APR 12

Local 506: The Applesed Cast, Dreamend. 9pm. \$10/12

Nightlight: White Mice, Suffering Bastards, Cheezface, Ex-Monkeys, Big Nuss. 9:30pm

TUESDAY APRIL 13

Cat's Cradle: Monotonix, The Thermals, Past Lives, Bellafea. 8:30pm. \$12/13

Local 506: Tim Brantley, Shawn Fisher. 9pm. \$8

Nightlight: Finn Riggins, Where the Buffalo Roamed. 9:30pm

WEDNESDAY APR 14

The ArtsCenter: Todd Snider. 9pm

Cat's Cradle: Roman Candle, The Ravenna Colt, The Parson Red Heads. 8:30pm. \$10

The Cave: LATE: Morning Fuzz

General Store Cafe: Fungiflags perform for Waldorf School Fund-raiser. 6:30-8:30pm

Local 506: Aloha, Pomengranates, Ben Davis and The Jetts. 9pm. \$10

Nightlight: Tim Sparks, Tim Carless, Lynn Blakey. 9:30pm

THURSDAY APRIL 15

BaDa Wings: Tim Stambaugh. 9pm

Blue Bayou: Will Baker and Sticky Wickets Tax Party (Benefit for disabled Vets) \$5

Cat's Cradle: Allen Mask, Addictive Nature, K.O. Kid. 9:30pm. \$8/10

The Cave: EARLY: Arlene McCann LATE: Ashley Raines and The New West Revue

City Tap: Chris Titchner. 7-9pm

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

Local 506: Gossip Grows On Trees

The Reservoir: Colossus, Of the Sun, Zardoz

FRIDAY APRIL 16

Blue Bayou: Chaz Depaolo. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Cat's Cradle: Jedi Mind Tricks, Dow Jones, Skyblew. 9:30pm. \$16/18

The Cave: EARLY: Pagan Hellcats LATE: Pinche Gringo, Grinder Nova, Midway Charmers

General Store Cafe: The Hotwires. 8-10:30pm

Harry's Market: Tea Cup Gin. 7-9pm

Local 506: Xiu Xiu, Tune Yards.

SATURDAY APRIL 17

Blue Bayou: Willie Painter Band. 9:30pm. \$8/10

The Cave: EARLY: Nikki Meets the Hibachi, Matthew Brookshire

City Tap: The Swang Brothers

General Store Cafe: When Cousins Marry. 8-10:30pm

Harry's Market: Puritan Rodeo. 7-9pm

Milltown: DJ Family Vacation. 10pm

Local 506: Chris Pureka, Xylos. 8:30pm. \$10/12

Nightlight: The Love Language, Harlem

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W / SONS OF BILL

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News Briefs

Public session for downtown

Chapel Hill and the Downtown Partnership will host a public planning session to discuss the future of Chapel Hill's downtown today (Thursday) from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the second-floor Great Room at the Top of the Hill Restaurant. The town and the partnership hired Raleigh-based architectural design firm Kling-Stubbins to craft a development plan for the downtown area. Kling-Stubbins partnered with engineering firm Stewart Engineering as well as economic-development consultant Strategy 5 to assist with the project. The sessions are open to anyone interested in meeting with the consultants to share ideas for the downtown's future.

UNC wins grant to expand in Bingham

UNC announced on Tuesday that it had been awarded \$14.5 million in stimulus funding to expand genetic research at its Bingham research facility.

Research supported by the Bingham Facility focuses on hemophilia and muscular dystrophy. The grant, funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) from the National Institutes of Health, will fund the construction of 30,000 square feet of new buildings at the Bingham Facility. The buildings, to be completed by 2013, will house animals and support the infrastructure of the facility.

The facility has drawn criticism from neighbors after reports of wastewater spills in Collins Creek and improper disposal of chemicals by contractors during an expansion project.

Citizens United forum

The Progressive Democrats of North Carolina will present a community forum this Sunday to discuss the recent "Citizens United" Supreme Court decision. Speakers will include UNC professor of law Gene Nichol, UNC professor of law and director of UNC's Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity; Chase Foster, director of the N.C. Voters for Clean Elections; and the UNC Young Democrats.

Chapel Hill deer population-control forum

The Chapel Hill Town Council will hold a public forum to discuss strategies aimed at culling the town's deer population on April 19 at 7 p.m. at Chapel Hill Town Hall. The forum will feature a panel of experts from the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission (WRC), the Orange County Health Department and others. Panelists will discuss environmental effects of the deer population, potential health risks related to deer overpopulation and the feasibility of an urban bow hunt. The council voted on Jan. 11 to apply for a 2011 urban archery permit from the WRC but has not implemented bow hunting as a deer-control strategy. The public is invited to attend the forum to offer their views to the council.

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PHOTO BY FAYTHE CANSON-CLARK

Crowds gathered in downtown Pittsboro last weekend to underscore the community's determination to rebuild after the loss of the county's historic courthouse, which was gutted by fire on March 25. Among those on hand to rally the citizenry Saturday were [l to r] emcee and Economic Development Corporation board member Jeffrey Starkweather; Goldston firefighter and town board member Wayne Woody; county commission chair Sally Kost; Commissioner Tom Vanderbeck; EDC board chair Joe Glasson (at the mic); Commissioner Carl Thompson; commission vice-chair George Lucier; and Lt. Steve Maynor of the Chatham County Sheriff's Department.

Changes proposed on new mental health care rules

BY TAYLOR SISK
Staff Writer

Lanier Cansler, secretary of the state's Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), has proposed four changes to the forthcoming implementation of a new designation of mental health care provider in North Carolina, called critical access behavioral agencies (CABHA). The department announced last November its intention to implement the new designation on July 1, subject to approval by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

These new mental health care facilities must meet newly stipulated requirements in order to provide certain critical services, and in a letter to the N.C. Legislative Black Caucus published in Wednesday's edition of the

Winston-Salem Journal, Cansler listed four changes to those requirements that his department has now submitted for CMS's consideration.

These changes seem to address some of the concerns raised by mental health care advocates from across the state. Smaller service providers expressed concern that they will be driven out of business under the CABHA model, citing, in particular, the requirement that each CABHA have at least a half-time medical director onsite, depending on clients served. Small providers contend that such a requirement is unnecessary and unaffordable for all but the largest providers.

According to Cansler's letter, the potential changes the DHHS is discussing with CMS are to:

- provide an additional tran-

sition period of up to six months to establish or join a CABHA;

- provide greater flexibility for smaller providers to subcontract with CABHAs to provide services;
- provide an option for an eight-hour per week medical director for small CABHAs; and
- evaluate opportunities for additional flexibility for local management entities to contract with small providers to enhance access to services.

The concept behind the CABHA model is to create a new definition and description of mental health care providers to offer a comprehensive set of services to people living with mental illness. CABHAs must provide four core services: case management for those with men-

tal illness or a substance-abuse problem, comprehensive clinical assessment, medication management and outpatient therapy. They also must provide two additional services from a list that includes intensive in-home care, therapeutic family services, day treatment, psychosocial rehabilitation, a mobile crisis team and six others.

Mental health care consumer advocate Martha Brock said she felt Cansler's letter "reflects needed changes," most particularly in allowing for an eight-hour-a-week medical director for smaller CABHAs.

However, she said, "it does not address the question of why the clinician has to be a psychiatrist and where these psychiatrists are going to come from given the shortage and lack of funds for hiring them."

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SATURDAY, APR 10
3rd Annual Celebration of Earth Action Day — Learn how our lifestyle choices affect the earth. Free shuttle service from Eastgate, University Mall, Varsity Theater, Carolina Coffee Shop and the UNC Credit Union. 12noon-5pm. Free. www.townofchapelhill.org/earthday

Wachovia Tar Heel 10 Mile Race — To support cancer research. Information at Fleet Feet Sports

Square Dance — With NC Squares. Live music with Buz Lloyd and Randy Johnson and the Carolina Cutups, caller Glenn Bannerman. Pleasant Green Community Center. 7:30 lesson, 8pm dance. \$8/\$6 student

Women's Chorus Silent Action — The Briar Club. 7-10pm. \$15. Info: wvcinfo@yahoo.com

Carrboro High School Bands Fundraiser — Boosters for Carrboro High School's award-winning bands are holding a fundraising yard sale to support the bands' programs, travel and other expenses. Market Street Village Green, Southern Village, Chapel Hill. Books, music, clothing, household items, furniture and more. 10am-2pm

SUNDAY, APR 11
Art In The Garden — To benefit N.C. Therapeutic Riding Center. Finnabar Farm, Hillsborough. 12-5pm. www.greenponygarden.com

N.C. Botanical Gardens Guided Hike — Children welcome, please leave pets at home. 2-4pm. \$5

Music From the Civil War Era — Performed by The Huckleberry Brothers. NC Museum of History. 3pm. \$5

MONDAY, APR 12
Digital Camera Workshop — NC Botanical Garden. 1-4pm. Registration 962-0522, www.ncbg.unc.edu

TUESDAY, APR 13
Carrboreaders Book Club — Discussing "Something for the Pain: Compassion and Burnout in the ER," by Paul Austin. Carrboro Cybrary. 7pm

"The Secrets of the Songs: Jimmie Rodgers and his Legacy"
 — Talk presented by Jocelyn R. Neal, Associated professor in the department of music and adjunct associate professor of American Studies at UNC, followed by old-time country musician Matt Kinman performing the works of Jimmie Rodgers. Wilson Special Collections Library. 5pm.

WEDNESDAY, APR 14
Carrboro Farmers' Market — Change in hours as well as Culinary Series. Now open from 3:30-6:30pm. Learn to cook seasonal local ingredients from top local chefs.

Meet the Candidates Forum — Candidates for the Orange County Board of Commissioners, presented by the PTA Council. 7-9pm. Chapel Hill Town Hall

Waldorf School Fundraiser — General Store Cafe. 10% of meals purchased this evening go to the Waldorf School. Performing will be: The Finifugals. 7-8:30pm

National Poetry Month — Local poets will read from their works. Bring dinner, enjoy free coffee and desserts. Carrboro Century Center. 6:30pm

FRIDAY, APR 16
Contra Dance — Music by The Carolina Cut-Ups. Carrboro Century Center. Lesson at 7:30, dancing at 8pm. \$8

SATURDAY, APR 17
Arts and Crafts Show — Presented by the Hillsborough Arts Council. Handcrafted items by 32 local artists. Visitor's Center. 10am-4pm. Free admission

ABC Sale at Chapel of the Cross — Attic, basement and closet tag sale. All proceeds go to local needy non-profit organizations. 9am-2pm

Youth Opera Auditions — Seeking girls and young women, ages 12-19, for opera on female bullying. Bring one prepared song. Paul Green Center for Dramatic Arts, Rm 101. 11am-4pm

Annual Used Book Sale — St. Thomas More School Gymnasium to benefit St. Thomas More School's Library. 8am-noon. Free admission



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

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

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

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

Walking Group — The Chapel Hill Area Women's Walking Group meets every Wednesday at Weaver St Market in Carrboro. 9:15am. Information: Julie (967-3221) or Marilyn (932-1411)

Saludamos Group Walks — Every Saturday. Front of El Futuro. 9am

Job Search Meeting — A networking and support group for job hunters. Wednesdays at Binkley Baptist Church. 9:30-11am

Breastfeeding Cafe — An informal drop-in gathering of breastfeeding moms will be held every Monday from 1-2pm at The Red Hen. A La Leche representative will provide information and answer questions.

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

Wish Granting Volunteers Needed — Make-A-Wish Foundation of Eastern North Carolina needs Wish Granters to visit the family and help determine the wish of the child while explaining wish procedures and using their creative side to make the wish truly magical. Wish Granters see first-hand the impact a wish can make on a child with a life-threatening medical condition. For more information, contact Lisa at 919-821-7111 or lbrinkerhoff@eastncwish.org

Send your submissions to calendar@carborocitizen.com

Community Briefs

Free shuttle to Earth Action Day
 Chapel Hill Transit will provide a free shuttle to the Earth Action Day celebration on Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. at the Southern Community Park.

The shuttle is an extension of the Saturday DM route and will operate from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., departing every 30 minutes from the Shops at Eastgate with stops at University Mall, Varsity Theatre/Carolina Coffee Shop and the Credit Union on Pittsboro Street.

For more information about the shuttle, contact Chapel Hill Transit at 969-4900 or chtransit@townofchapelhill.org. For more information about Earth Action Day, visit townofchapelhill.org/earthday

Recycling volunteers needed
 Orange County Solid Waste Management needs volunteers to help set up and clean up recycling and compost collection at Earth Action Day, Chapel Hill's annual Earth Day celebration, on Saturday.

The event will be held at Southern Community Park from noon to 5 p.m. Volunteers are needed from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. to help distribute and monitor recycling bins throughout the day and to help event attendees sort their trash correctly.

To volunteer, contact Muriel Williman at mwilliman@co.orange.nc.us or 968-2788.

Energy rebate
 Looking to replace an old refrigerator or dishwasher? Get 15 percent back by replacing it with an Energy Star-rated appliance over Earth Day weekend, April 22-25. Through the North Carolina Energy Star Appliance Replacement and Rebate Program, residents can receive 15 percent rebates on certain Energy Star-rated appliances, including clothes washers, dishwashers, refrigerators and freezers, if they are replacing older appliances.

Through this \$8.8 million program funded by the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the North Carolina Energy Office estimates that enough electricity will be saved to power 536 homes for a year. For more information, visit the North Carolina Energy Office website at energync.net

UNC group to focus on Latino community
 UNC Chancellor Holden Thorp will announce a new Carolina Latino Collaborative at a free public ceremony on April 10 at 1 p.m. in the Craige North Residence Hall off Manning Drive.

The collaborative, composed of administrators, faculty, students and community members, will explore how the campus can become more inclusive of Latino communities and cultures. In addition, the group will facilitate events that seek to foster initiatives in scholarship, education and community engagement.

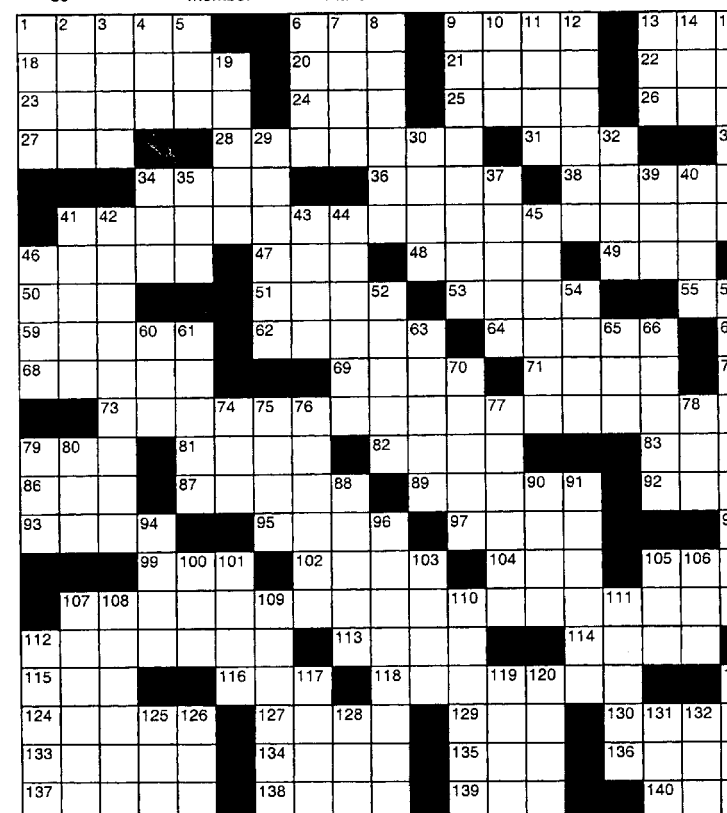
The ceremony will feature music, dance and art in addition to Thorp's remarks about the collaborative. For more information, visit clc.unc.edu

Exhibit, program to feature Jimmie Rodgers
 The Southern Folklife Collection at the Wilson Special Collections Library at UNC will host a free public program and exhibit opening on country-music pioneer Jimmie Rodgers on April 13.

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CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

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PETS OF THE WEEK

PAWS4EVER — Godiva is a 12-month-old Labrador retriever/weimaraner. She is fit, got buns of steel, a gorgeous coat and eyes that you could get lost looking into. Now can you expect to find anyone better looking than me? Well, lemme tell ya, you got a tough job ahead of ya. Other than being just a little vain, I am a very happy girl! I love to hop and dance around the yard with my new friends here. We like to hang out, when we aren't busy playing tag or a fun game with a toy, that is. I'm still working on my leash manners, but it's not my fault! Before I ended up a county shelter, no one took care of me. But that is all behind me now and I am looking for a human family that will take care of me, and we can bury my past behind me. So if you are in need of a breathtakingly gorgeous girl, with the personality to match, give me a call. Well, I guess you'll have to call the humans here, but they will make sure I get the message. Till then, WOOF. Contact Paws4Ever, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at paws4ever.org



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Community Briefs

Jocelyn Neal, UNC associate professor of music and adjunct associate professor of American studies, will discuss "The Secrets of the Songs: Jimmie Rodgers and His Legacy." Neal's talk will be followed by a performance by old-time country musician Matt Kinman.

A reception and viewing of the new exhibit, "Jimmie Rodgers: The Father of Country Music," will begin at 5 p.m., with Neal's talk at 5:45 p.m. For more information, contact Liza Terll, Friends of the Library, at liza_terll@unc.edu or 962-4207. The Southern Folklife Collection is located on the fourth floor of Wilson Library.

Gallery opening this weekend

The Franklin Street Arts Collective will celebrate the opening of its new gallery, FRANK, on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

The gallery, at 109 E. Franklin St., aims to provide a centrally located venue for area artists in the heart of Franklin Street and will display and sell two- and three-dimensional artwork. FRANK will also offer educational programs to foster public interest in the arts.

Admission is free. Featured artists will be available to answer questions and discuss their work.

Music on the Porch

UNC's Center for the Study of the American South will host Music on the Porch on April 15 from 5 to 7 p.m. on the porch of the Love House and Hutchins Forum at 410 E. Franklin St.

The event will feature the music of Catherine Edgerton and Kym Register of the Midtown Dickens, Shirle Koslowski of Free Electric State and Pierce Freelon of The Beast. Glenn Boothe of Local 506 will serve as emcee, moderating a discussion with the musicians.

Music on the Porch aims to bring together local and not-so-local musicians for evenings of conversation and performances that explore the relationship between music and the sense of place that defines the South. The events are free and open to the public.

County recruiting for employment program

The Orange County Department of Social Services is recruiting employers to participate in a state-administered subsidized employment program. The county will match employers with qualified employees and will pay 100 percent of the salaries for those employees through Sept. 30.

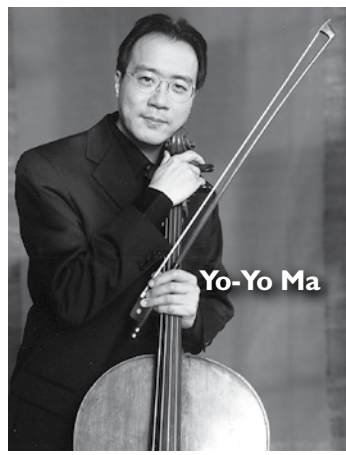
Interested employers must sign a contract with Orange County and agree to help coach employees. Prospective employees are unemployed Orange County residents living at or below 200 percent of the poverty level with a child under the age of 18 at home. Prospective employees have experience in a variety of fields, including clerical work, custodial work, customer service and various labor trades.

The program is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. For more information or to become a participating employer, contact the Orange County Department of Social Services at 245-2800.

Pollitt memorial service

A memorial service for UNC Kenan Professor Emeritus Dan Pollitt will be held Sunday, April 18 at 2 p.m. at the William and Ida Friday Center, 100 Friday Center Drive in Chapel Hill. Pollitt passed away on March 5 after a brief period of declining health.

Carolina Performing Arts announces 2010-11 season



UNC News Services

CHAPEL HILL — At the start of its sixth season, Carolina Performing Arts at UNC is building more than just its newest season. It is building vital relationships with artists and audiences in an expansive program showcasing internationally acclaimed artists in 49 performances.

Featuring a lineup of returning artists and new series programming, the 2010-11 season focuses on nurturing relationships with influential artists, from world-class orchestras to celebrated dance companies, and building on its audience's trust in its programming.

Five performances in the new Carolina Performing Arts season will be part of the 2010-11 Carolina Creative Campus initiative—a year-long, university-wide discussion facilitated by the Office of the Executive Director for the Arts. This year's theme, "Voices of Dissent," explores the ways people speak up, go against and think differently. It is a conversation examining what protest looks like, sounds like and feels like, and it asks questions of why and how people speak up and out in the world.

Performances that will be part of the conversation will be by the Latin-, hip-hop- and rock-influenced band Ozomatli, whose members met through their affiliation with the Peace and Justice Center of Los Ange-

les (Oct. 1); South African legend Hugh Masekela (Oct. 11); *Black Watch*, based on interviews with members of the legendary Scottish regiment who served in Iraq (Feb 9-13); and "Blues at the Crossroads," a retrospective on legendary bluesman Robert Johnson featuring guitarist Dave "Honeyboy" Edwards (Feb. 16).

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SEASON INCLUDE:

Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble

Tues., Aug. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

The Silk Road Ensemble, composed of internationally renowned musicians, composers, arrangers, visual artists and storytellers from more than 20 countries, presents innovative performances that explore the relationship between tradition and innovation in music from the East and West.

McCoy Tyner Quartet

Thurs., Sept. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

A former member of the John Coltrane Quartet with four Grammy Awards and nearly 80 albums, Tyner renders a sophisticated blues-based modern jazz that has become one of the most identifiable sounds in improvised music.

Earl Scruggs with special guests The Red Clay Ramblers

Wed., Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

From Bill Monroe's Blue Grass Boys to the Foggy Mountain Boys and Flatt & Scruggs (the most successful instrumental duo in bluegrass history), banjo legend Earl Scruggs is one of the most important figures in American music. North Carolina's own Tony Award-winning Red Clay Ramblers are among the very best of the string-band revival groups, rooted in old-time mountain music as well as bluegrass, country, rock, New Orleans jazz, gospel and the American musical.

'Dynamic Korea: Dance and Song,' Chae Hyang Soon Dance Company

Tues., Sept. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

With dazzling color and grace, the movements of Korea's gorgeous classical dance tradition reflect the essential rhythms of life in Korea, handed down from generation to generation.

Ozomatli

Fri., Oct. 1 at 8 p.m.

With a reputation for serious party-rocking, these Grammy-winning Los Angeles culture-mashers blend their notorious urban-Latino collision of hip-hop, salsa, dance hall, cumbia, samba and funk.

Hugh Masekela

Mon., Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m.

A defining force in world music and the human rights struggle, Hugh Masekela's riveting live performances are unforgettable. An inspiration in the fight to end apartheid, this iconic South African's hit song "Bring Him Back Home" was an anthem for the Free Nelson Mandela movement.

Mariinsky Orchestra with Valery Gergiev, music director and conductor

Wed., Oct. 13 at 8 p.m.

Mahler Symphony No. 4 and Symphony No. 1

Thurs., Oct. 14 at 8 p.m.

Mahler Symphony No. 6

The gripping performances of

Russia's Mariinsky Orchestra embody the legends and spirit of St. Petersburg. Founded during the reign of Peter the Great and recognized as one of the world's super-orchestras, it is one of the oldest musical institutions in Russia, with a distinguished history covering more than 200 years.

Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra with Wynton Marsalis

Fri., Jan. 28 at 8 p.m. and Sat., Jan. 29 at 8 p.m.

The first jazz composer to win the Pulitzer Prize in music, New Orleans native Wynton Marsalis also was the first artist to win jazz and classical Grammy Awards in the same year. His Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra features 15 of jazz music's leading soloists and draws from an extensive repertoire, including the masterworks of Ellington, Mingus, Coltrane and other great jazz composers.

Beijing Dance/LDTX 'Unspeakable'

Tues., April 12 at 7:30 p.m.

'All River Red' and other works

Wed., April 13 at 7:30 p.m.

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The Handsome Family • SAT 6/19

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Kevin Welch • SUN 6/27

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NATIONAL POETRY MONTH

Poetry On Your Plate

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100 N. Greensboro St.

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Poem in Your Pocket Day

Thursday, April 29, 9am-5pm
Carrboro Cybrary
100 N. Greensboro St.

Visit the Cybrary on Thursday, April 29th and receive a poem to put in your pocket and share with friends. Local poets are encouraged to submit their pocket-sized poems for distribution. Submissions are due by Tuesday, April 27th.

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FROM THE EDITOR

The now old joke goes like this: There are 10 kinds of people in this world — those who understand binary and those who don't.

I love living in a town brimming with geeks and gadgeteers. The Heathkit catalog was a treasured childhood read. And as the son of an engineer, I got pretty comfortable being around the machines from CRTs to power-plant turbines.

Things change, and, if you've been paying attention for, say, the last 50 years, a lot of that has been driven by the increasingly expedited mining and dissemination of information.

At one point in 1969, Dad's office was in a room with dozens of two-inch tape machines the size of refrigerators all lined up and tied into a giant processor, which printed stuff out on a Teletype.

A couple of decades later, when we both had PCs, he would say, "That computer on your desk has more power than that whole room did." Now he says my phone is way more powerful.

The news industry has had a rapid transition as Moore's Law kicked in. Although I'm still not convinced that the transition to offset printing is not the biggest change in newspapers in the past 100 years, figuring out the relationship of web and print has certainly been the greatest cause of consternation.

One great advantage we at *The Citizen* had in starting a paper in the modern age is that we were able to build both our paper and web presence at the same time. The distinction, though, is that unlike the print edition, there are no examples of classic community websites or good old-fashioned blogs to use as touchstones.

What we did have going for us is the aforementioned geek community who were able to guide us through producing a site that reflects our community. Some of that isn't so visible — we use an open-source platform, a souped-up Wordpress theme. We've also stuck to the idea that the site should be open, free, not cluttered with bells and whistles and flashing ads and easily searchable. We hope you find it so.

Like the paper, our website and blogs are a work in progress — running a website is a little like building a plane in the air. Thanks to volunteers Mike Li and Lucy Butcher we've been able to keep it all aloft and refreshed.

Recently, you may have noticed a major change in the layout and design of the site. That's the result of graduate work by Michelle Langston. Michelle, a Chapel Hill native, was this paper's first hire. She's a capable designer and very imaginative coder. We were able to collaborate in both web and print to get both going at the same time. When she decided to go to grad school, she focused on the idea of creating a free, open-source web template for small newspapers and community news operations.

Over the past year, I've had the delight of collaborating with her on the project. And, coincidentally, on the same day we received an award for having the best small newspaper website in the state, *The Citizen* began testing out Michelle's latest design.

After this shakedown cruise, she plans on adapting a generic version of the theme for download, something that could help any small newspaper or news operation struggling to get its footing on the web.

So feel free to stop by and kick the tires and slam the doors. Tell us what you want in a website. We learned a lot from our readers and visitors in refining our last design, so please chime in. I'm at editor@carrborocitizen.com

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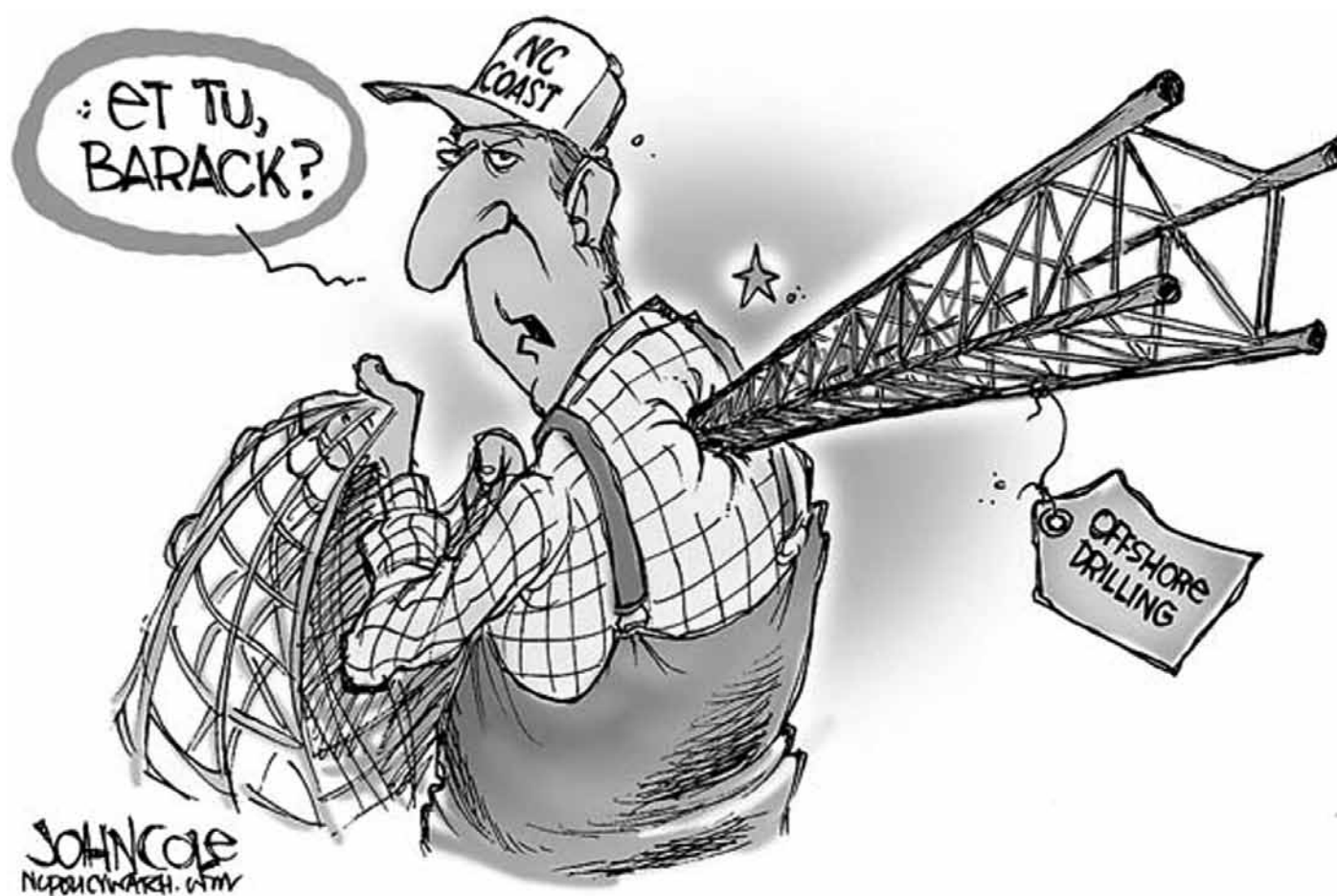
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The point and politics of ethics reform

CHRIS FITZSIMON

The latest package of ethics reforms announced by Gov. Beverly Perdue Monday won't clean up all the problems in Raleigh. And it certainly won't end the skepticism about public officials that was reinforced Monday morning as the counsel to former-Gov. Mike Easley appeared in federal court to plead not guilty to 57 charges of fraud and corruption.

But Perdue's proposals would make more important changes in the pay-to-play patronage system that has long plagued state government and slow down the revolving door between policymaker and lobbyist and between the regulators and the regulated.

Perdue wants all 4,000 appointees to state boards and commissions to disclose more information about their pasts and wants governors to have the ability to remove appointees at will, including people appointed by previous administrations.

She would prohibit people doing business with the state from donating to the campaigns of the political officials who oversee their contracts and extend a ban on accepting gifts to more

state employees, including the staff of the General Assembly. State officials convicted of a felony related to his or her position would lose their pension.

Perdue can implement some of the changes with an executive order, while others need legislative approval. A version of some of the proposals passed the House in the last General Assembly session but never came up in the Senate, a point that was hard to forget Monday as no senators joined the four members of the House on hand for Perdue's announcement.

New Senate Majority Leader Martin Nesbitt said the Senate wasn't opposed to the reforms last year. It simply ran out of time to consider them. It will have plenty of time this summer.

Far more disturbing and predictable was the reaction of N.C. Republican Party Chair Tom Fetzter, who called Perdue's reasonable proposals "a smoke and mirrors act to distract the public from the controversy surrounding her own campaign."

It's not clear what controversy Fetzter is referring to, unless it is the self-reported corrections Perdue has made to her campaign filings that include previously unreported campaign flights.

Republican candidate Pat McCrory also amended his campaign reports to include unreported flights.

Maybe Fetzter is referring to his grassy knoll allegations about contributions Perdue received from several executives of an out-of-state company, though there are many examples of similar out-of-state bundling by McCrory's campaign. Maybe it's just a matter of time before Fetzter starts referring to the "controversy surrounding the McCrory campaign."

Good government activists applauded Perdue's latest proposals. Jane Pinsky with the Coalition for Government and Lobbying Reform called it a wonderful step forward while adding that there is still more to do.

Damon Circosta, executive director of the N.C. Center for Voter Education, said it really didn't matter if political considerations played some role in Perdue's announcement. And that must be what's driving Fetzter crazy.

Pushing tougher ethics reform is good politics and it is the right thing to do. Good for Perdue.

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



Carrboro ordinance street-lighting changes

GILES BLUNDEN

As Carrboro seeks to update the area lighting section of the ordinance, there are two major pollution issues to consider.

The first is pollution created by increased electrical demand or wattage. Since all new electrical demand will currently be provided by Duke Energy's coal fired power plants all of the health risks associated with burning coal on massive scales will be increased proportionately. These well known risks start at the source of coal extraction and end at the increased stack pollutants from nitrous oxide to CO₂.

In an attempt to increase security it has been suggested that the light pole height be raised from 15 feet to 25 feet. To start with there is no factual data to show that increased area lighting reduces crime. It does however decrease fear of crime and

that is an important issue since perception is what drives our actions.

In the example presented by the town staff the new 25 ft light would be a 250 watt Duke Energy standard area light. Herein lies the problem. First as the light source moves away from the lighted surface the amount of light diminishes by the square of the distance. It takes a lot more watts to light a surface from 25 feet than it does from 15 feet. The second part of the problem is using Duke Energy lights. Since Duke energy profit is derived from the sale of electricity it is in their interest to have higher wattage lights.

Here is an example for comparison. In Arcadia we have five 12 foot high area lights that provide security. These lights have 13 Watt compact fluorescent bulbs. Over twenty years these five lights will use 5,694 Kilowatts of electricity which in turn will produce 13,096 lbs of CO₂. If these

lights were replaced with the 250 watt Duke Energy lights suggested for the ordinance study over the same 20 years they would consume 109,500 Kilowatts of electricity which again in turn would produce 251,850 lbs of CO₂. Almost twenty times as much pollution. Can we really in good conscience think about doing this with Peak oil and global warming on the horizon.

The second form of pollution is a bit more abstract, that is glare and night sky pollution both are lifestyle impacts. Anyone who has flown into RDU and looked down has seen the tremendous amount of reflected light from street lights. It is so bright you can see it from satellites. That is wasted light going into the night sky.

A shielded 250 watt light at 25 feet will still shine brightly into your 12 foot second story window and certainly temporarily effect your night vision at eye level. The

12 foot high Arcadia lights use a fixture called Glare Buster to specifically shield the night sky and the windows of adjacent homes.

My recommendation for the ordinance, as a way to protect us and our grandchildren from both pollution types, would not be to restrict the height of the lights at all but restrict the lamp wattage to 20 watts and restrict glare. This way as you raised the height of the lights you would need to go to more efficient lamps such as LEDs. If this is not politically feasible then the standard height should be restricted to 15 ft with minimum glare with a relatively simple procedure available for raising the height when fear of crime is a perceived issue but keeping the wattage the same by increasing the efficiency of the lamp.

Giles Blunden is an architect and a resident of Carrboro.

LETTERS

Too many hungry kids

I applaud *The Citizen's* recent article by Alexandra Sirota on childhood hunger in our state. With the current emphasis on childhood obesity nationally, it's easy to forget that childhood hunger is a much bigger problem locally. Recent local statistics on subsidized school-meal registration suggest that over 25 percent of Chapel Hill-Carrboro elementary school-age children are at risk for hunger — especially on days and times of the year when free or reduced-cost school meals are not available.

As a community, what are we going to do about this? True, local food pantries, free community meals, food stamps and other social services are available. However, if you are 8 years old, you have NO CONTROL over whether your parents take advantage of these resources to provide food in the home! You're not even old enough to get a job.

TABLE Inc., a local nonprofit, urges community members to support its programs to put nutritious food directly into the hands of local hungry youngsters and to support the ongoing good work of the IFC and St. Joseph's Bread Ministries as well.

One out of four Chapel Hill-Carrboro children going hungry? Completely unacceptable for a community such as ours!

JOY MACVANE,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
TABLE Inc. Carrboro

ENDORSEMENT LETTERS

The Carrboro Citizen welcomes letters of endorsement for candidates in the 2009 municipal and school board elections.

We ask that you keep letters in support of individual candidates to 325 words and multiple candidates to 375 words.

As with our general letters policy all letters must be accompanied by the author's name, address and contact information. We will publish one letter per author per month. Typed letters are preferred and email even more so. Lengthy letters written in longhand will become mysteriously lost.

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"I think I developed a niche and a reputation for myself as someone who does high-quality work and who's fairly thoughtful about these issues and brings a somewhat different perspective."

After working at the Justice Center for four years, Quinterno decided to open South by North Strategies this past summer. The name refers to his move to Chapel Hill from New York.

"People had been asking me for a while if I could help them with things, and after having spent a lot of time saying no, I decided to start saying yes."

Now he provides research and communication services for public agencies and nonprofits. He specializes in economic and social policy, because a lot of times organizations want to get involved in an issue but don't have the staff to research it.

Business has been good so far, even in a down economy, but Quinterno feels that as long as he continues to find good clients and good projects he should be fine.

"I pretty much started in June, I've been working fulltime, and I'm still here almost a year later. So that's progress in and of itself. That's a victory."

Recently he finished working on a study on how to help improve the skills of low-income workers in the South for the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation. The report, titled "When Any Job Isn't Enough: Jobs-Centered Development in the American South," looks at the way job creation has shifted in the South from unskilled manufacturing jobs to more highly skilled jobs that require better-trained workers and how Southern states are trying to train those workers.

So what does Quinterno think about the unemployment situation in Orange County? "Our unemployment rate is probably at one of the highest levels that's been recorded in the last 25 to 30 years, and it's about 6 percent, maybe a little bit under. That's a level most places would aspire to even under the best of circumstances. I'm not trying to minimize the fact that it's severe here, by our relative standards. But the fact is that even though it's bad here now by historical standards, it's still pretty good in the grand scheme of things."

But he warns that if state governments don't get federal aid in balancing their budgets this year, there could be more painful job losses in the state workforce, and that could have local effects.

"I think that's going to matter to the folks in the Chapel Hill-

Carrboro area, given the importance the university plays as an employer. I knew several folks in research capacities who were laid off from the university last year as a result of the budget, and I think we could see more reductions coming next year without additional assistance."

According to Quinterno, the overall economy is slightly better than it was last year. "I think we've had a level of improvement and stabilization, if you will, and that's owing to a variety of developments and factors, not the least being a massive intervention across the board through public policy, particularly at the federal level."

But he warns that high unemployment will delay any recovery. "I would not say we're completely out of the woods, and I would say that long-term recovery or long-term growth is looking very weak, largely because of the just terrible shape the national and state labor market happens to be in."

Quinterno doesn't think national or state unemployment numbers will recover anytime soon. "We're looking at a multi-year period. And it may not be for another three, four, five years, depending on where you set your benchmark, until we get to where we were in December 2007."

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County EMS requested about \$1.5 million annually for personnel and equipment increases. The request would fund 10 paramedics, 10 emergency medical technicians and nine dispatchers, as well as an equipped ambulance.

Jacobs said he wanted the county to look at the service model to determine if other models would be less costly for the county.

However, he added, "You don't want to hassle over things like budget and service models when you're having chest pains."

Orange County Board of Commissioners vice chair Bernadette Pelissier said she doubted the county would be able to fund the entire request this year, but that it could potentially be spread over

several budget cycles. "We have asked the manager to come to us with a budget without a tax increase, which means we're going to be having some substantial cuts," she said. "I see EMS as an essential service. Unfortunately, a lot of the services the county provides are essential services."

But emergency personnel have said the request can't wait with EMS and fire personnel stretched thin. Fire departments are dispatched on emergency calls as first responders and often arrive before an ambulance. They cannot leave patients until paramedics arrive, which leaves the department understaffed to attend to its own calls.

"This is something that can't wait for multiple budget cycles," Carrboro Fire Chief Travis Crabtree said. "It needs to be attacked, and attacked hard."

Crabtree said the county has to ask for ambulance assistance from neighboring counties almost every day, adding that his department has waited up to an hour for an ambulance to arrive on a scene.

He said the 29 positions requested by EMS are the minimum needed for the county to provide adequate service, but that the department really needs about 60 additional positions.

He added that as the county's population gets older, it would be nice for EMS to get a little bit ahead of the curve. Crabtree's department already responds to about three calls a day to one local assisted-living facility alone.

"For now, we continue on," Crabtree said. "We're going to keep on helping the public in any way we can.... Ultimately it's the county's responsibility to provide EMS service."

agreement on water and sewer boundaries. The proposal affects plans for water and sewer service areas around Hillsborough, Efland and Mebane, including an economic-development region near U.S. 70 and I-40.

The board approved the proposed Hillsborough changes, but board members asked for more information on the Efland and Mebane changes.

Board member Dan Coleman said he could not support the plan, saying he was concerned that the county was ignoring economic development in Chapel Hill and Carrboro and placing too much emphasis on economic-development areas elsewhere.

Board member Joal Hall Broun said the board should approve the change as requested since it had been under study for

a year and was part of a small-area plan developed by county and Efland officials.

Board member Rande Haven-O'Donnell, who is Carrboro's representative on the county's economic-development commission, said the addition of water and sewer service around Efland and Mebane are an important part of a strategy to attract green industries to the county.

Several companies have expressed an interest in locating to Orange County, she said, and the improvements would help lay the groundwork for recruiting them.

Also on Tuesday night the board: approved an agreement with the North Carolina Department of Transportation on the design and construction of a section of the Bolin Creek Greenway that runs from Wilson Park to Estes Drive Extension.

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Board member Jacquie Gist said she agreed with the organization's approach, saying that businesses and public bodies that keep wages low are being subsidized by the rest of the community through social services and other public support. Carrboro, she said, shouldn't be among that group.

The board sent the report on to Town Manager Steve Stewart, who is crafting this year's budget based in part on the report's recommendations. Stewart was asked to consider the impact of the \$11.78 wage as well as Justice United's \$13 per hour request.

In other action, the board delayed signing off on part of a proposed change to an inter-local

OBITUARIES



Lisa Claire Elvington

Lisa Claire Elvington, 48, died on March 27 after a courageous battle with cancer. Lisa Claire was a loving mother of daughter Emma Nicole, the light of her life, beloved wife of Ron Kunkel, devoted daughter, professional, volunteer and wonderful friend to many. She is survived by her parents, Brice and Carolyn Elvington, of Fair Bluff, N.C.

Lisa Claire graduated from West Columbus High School in Cerro Gordo, N.C. in 1979, where she was the valedictorian of her class. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy (1984) and a Master of Science in Pharmacy Administration (1988) from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. During her undergraduate studies, she was a Johnston Scholar and a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Lisa Claire had a highly distinguished career in marketing and marketing research at Glaxo, Inc. and Glaxo Wellcome from 1988 to 2003.

Everyone agrees that Lisa Claire considered her brightest moments the opportunity to love and raise her daughter, Emma. She was so very proud of Emma's achievements — winning a writing contest, selling the most Girl Scout cookies and performing a solo at the Christmas program at church, to name a few. But mainly she loved Emma for being Emma, the remarkable, beautiful girl she is on both the inside and out.

Lisa Claire loved life, lived it fully and found beauty in every situation. She had an amazing

spirit of generosity, always offered a listening ear and shared her wonderful sense of humor. She loved good literature, music, art and gardening. In recent years, she was an active volunteer at Emma's school and a Girl Scout leader. Lisa Claire loved adventure and traveled the world from the Alps to the Grand Canyon, yet was a true Carolina girl who cherished mountain and beach trips with her family. Always larger than life, she loved life's simplest treasures and was a reminder to us all of what is really important in life — family, friends and giving back.

The family wishes to say a special thank you to neighborhood friends, church friends and Chapel Hill friends who have provided so much love and comfort during this difficult time.

An open memorial service was held on Tuesday, March 30, at 2 p.m. at the University United Methodist Church at 150 East Franklin St., Chapel Hill, with a reception following immediately afterwards in the fellowship hall.

On Wednesday, March 31, at 11 a.m., there was a graveside service in Fair Bluff at the Powell Cemetery, with a reception immediately afterwards for family and out-of-town guests at the Fair Bluff Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made in Lisa Claire's name to either the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation for breast cancer research (komen.org) or the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America for Crohn's research (ccfa.org).

Douglas Phillippi

Douglas Edward Phillippi, 49, of Carrboro, N.C. died at his

home on Monday, March 29, 2010, following a 13-year bout with Lou Gehrig's disease.

Doug was born on August 26, 1960 in Oakridge, Tenn., the son of the late Charles Phillippi and of Cassie Phillippi. He grew up in Charlotte, N.C. On September 25, 1984, he married Stephanie Stines, who faithfully loved and cared for him through the worst of his illness. Before illness took his physical abilities, he worked as an executive chef. His truest passions, however, were pastel portraiture, the guitar and his family. He was loved by many and will be deeply missed.

Survivors include his loving wife, Stephanie S. Phillippi; three sons, Jason Edward of Chapel Hill, N.C., James Aaron of Eugene, Ore. and Charles Andrew of Carrboro; his mother, Cassie T. Phillippi of Charlotte; five siblings, Danny Phillippi of Charlotte, David Phillippi of Wilmington, N.C., Dennis Phillippi of Memphis, Tenn., Debbie Phillippi of Charlotte and Dawn Wolfe of High Point, N.C.; and numerous nieces, nephews and dear friends.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 10, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. at Binkley Baptist Church. A reception at the church will follow.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the ALS Association, Jim "Catfish" Hunter Chapter, 120 Penmarc Dr., Suite 101, Raleigh, N.C. 27603; or to Binkley Baptist Church c/o Pastor Discretionary Fund, 1712 Willow Drive, Chapel Hill, N.C. 27514.

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

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ELECTION NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH NC CODE 163-33(8), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: to the qualified voters of Orange County, the NC Primary Elections will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2010 to vote for Federal, State, Judicial and County Offices. The polls for the May 4 Primary election will be open from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. Residents who are not registered to vote must register by April 9, 2010 to be eligible to vote in this election. Registered voters who moved within Orange County should notify the Board of Elections, in writing, of their address change by the same date. Any qualified voter may vote prior to Election Day, at one of the One-Stop voting locations listed below. At these locations voters may also request one-stop registration and voting on the same day. Locations And Times For One-Stop Absentee Voting Hillsborough Location: Orange County Board of Elections Office 208 S. Cameron St, Hillsborough Dates and Times: Thursday & Friday, April 15th - April 16th, 8:00 am-5:00 pm Monday - Friday, April 19th - April 23rd, 8:00 am-5:00 pm Monday - Friday, April 26th - April 30th, 8:00 am-5:00 pm Saturday, May 1st, 8:00 am-1:00 pm Chapel Hill Location: Morehead Planetarium 250 E. Franklin St, Chapel Hill Dates and Times: Thursday & Friday, April 15th - April 16th, 8:00 am-5:00 pm Monday - Friday, April 19th - April 23rd, 8:00 am-5:00 pm Monday - Friday, April 26th - April 30th, 8:00 am-5:00 pm Saturday, May 1st, 8:00 am-1:00 pm Voters may request their ballots be mailed to them. This request must be submitted in writing to the Orange County Board of Elections, PO Box 220, Hillsborough, NC 27278, and received at the board office by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday April 27, 2010. Citizens with questions concerning registration, absentee ballots, location of polling sites or other related matters, should call the board office between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm or inquire at our website at www.co.orange.nc.us. The Orange County Board of Elections will hold Absentee meetings in the board office at 208 South Cameron Street, Hillsborough, NC at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, April 20, April 27, and May 4. The Orange County Board of Elections will meet at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 in the board office at 208 South Cameron Street, Hillsborough, North Carolina to canvass the votes cast on Tuesday, May 4 in the Primary Elections. If a second Primary is needed it will be held Tuesday, June 22, 2010. One-Stop Voting for the second Primary will only be held at the Hillsborough Location and will begin on June 3 and end on June 19.

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School Briefs

Math honors earned by local students

Students from Chapel Hill High School qualified to advance to the state level in the North Carolina Math Contest held March 25 at NC A& T University. The state contest will be held at UNC-Greensboro on April 29. The students are Jonathan Siekierski, first place; Arun Ganesh, third place; and Vincent Zhu, 10th place. The team from Chapel Hill High School also placed first in Algebra II.

Hall of Fame inductions this month

The Chapel Hill High School and Lincoln High School Hall of Fame will induct a new class of members at the induction dinner scheduled for Saturday, April 24 at 6 p.m. in the CHHS cafeteria.

Inductees include Xan Funk, field hockey; Timothy Mann, football; Jack Maultsby (in memoriam), football; Gordon Neville, basketball; Jake Reynolds, wrestling; Ron Benson, coach; and Ron Olsen, coach.

Tickets to the induction dinner are \$20 each and should be purchased by April 17. For more information about the event, call 929-2106, ext. 2108.

Estes Hills students support Haiti

Students at Estes Hills Elementary have established a relationship with young people in Haiti through a parent at their school. Tony Roche is a local physician and father of Estes Hills students. He worked in Haiti last month and delivered t-shirts, books and bookmarks from Estes Hills students. The items delivered to Haiti were made by a Cool Friends Club of fourth-grade girls.

Model U.N. at UNC

UNC News Services

Students from all four Chapel Hill-Carrboro middle schools will participate in a Model United Nations conference on Friday, debating Iranian nuclear development.

About 120 students will participate in the event at the Carolina Center for Educational Excellence, a facility of the School of Education at UNC. The center is adjacent to Smith Middle School in Chapel Hill.

A Model U.N. simulates the United Nations. Students take on the roles of diplomats and

participate in a mock session of U.N. proceedings.

Bill McDiarmid, dean and Alumni Distinguished Professor in the School of Education, and Mike O'Shea, president of the Model U.N. Club at UNC, will be among those speaking at a welcoming ceremony at 9 a.m. in the school. The public is invited to the welcoming and a closing ceremony, with award presentations, at 2:15 p.m. at Smith.

The Model U.N. will begin in the center at 9:30 a.m. As representative ambassadors, the students will present speeches, debate with peers,

negotiate with allies and draft resolutions. The students will represent countries that are members of the U.N. Security Council. All have researched their country's culture, history, politics and position on Iranian nuclear development.

Participating middle schools will include Culbreth, McDougle, Phillips and Smith. The conference is organized by the UNC Model U.N. Club in cooperation with the School of Education, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools and the West Triangle Chapter of the United Nations Association.

★★ Election Notes ★★

Senate candidates to visit Stone Center

A forum for candidates running for North Carolina's U.S. Senate seat will be held at the Sonja Haynes Stone Center on the UNC campus on April 13 at 7 p.m.

The forum, co-sponsored by the center and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro branch of the NAACP, will be held in the center's auditorium and moderated by WTVD's Fred Shropshire.

Democrats Cal Cunningham, Ken Lewis, Elaine Marshall, Marcus Williams and Libertarian Michael Beiter have agreed to participate. Republican Richard Burr is currently unconfirmed as a participant.

Candidates will be encouraged to share their views on education, jobs, health care and foreign policy.

Parking is available in the deck under the FedEx Global Education Center, off McCauley Street near Pittsboro Street, and in the Ram's Head deck off Stadium Drive.

Additional forum co-sponsors are Balance & Accuracy in Journalism, Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, Elders for Peace, Orange County Democratic Women, Orange County Peace Coalition, Orange/Chatham County Progressive Democrats, Triangle Women's International League for Peace & Freedom, UNC Black Faculty and Staff Caucus, UNC Black Graduate and Professional Student Association, UNC Executive Branch of Student Government and UNC Young Democrats.

Early voting starts April 15

Early voting in federal and county primary races and for the Orange County Board of Education opens next week at 8 a.m. at the county elections offices at 208 South Cameron St. in Hillsborough and the Morehead Planetarium in Chapel Hill.

- The hours for the two sites are:
- Thursday, April 15-Friday, April 16, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;
 - Monday, April 19-Friday, April 23, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;
 - Monday, April 26-Friday, April 30, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;
 - Saturday, May 1, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The one-stop early-voting sites are open to all registered voters in Orange County. You may also register and vote the same day at the sites.

PTA forum

The PTA Council will sponsor a forum for candidates for the Orange County Board of Commissioners from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14 in the council chambers of the Chapel Hill Town Hall at 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. The forum will be televised live on government access Time Warner channel 18 and will be taped and available for viewing on <http://ptacouncil.com>.

Representatives from the PTAs of all schools in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro school district make up the PTA Council.

Six of the seven candidates have agreed to attend: Joal Hall Broun, Alice Gordon, Barry Jacobs, Earl McKee, Joe Phelps and Renee Price.

The council asks that interested parties submit questions for consideration at ptacouncil.com

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News Briefs

Murder suspects arrested

Three suspects have been arrested and charged with first-degree murder after allegedly throwing a victim from a car in North Orange County on March 29.

Demarus Carver, 19, of 315 Oakdale Drive in Hillsborough and Jemeison Torain, 21, of 2616 Coleman Loop Road in Hillsborough turned themselves in late on March 29. Police took Rodney Fearington, 19, of 100 Timbers Lot, Apt. 1, Hillsborough into custody on March 30. The suspects allegedly threw the victim from the car before speeding off.

The victim, Paylor James Daniels, 19, of Olin Road in Orange County, was transported to Duke Hospital, where he later died.

Cars, lawnmowers stolen from school district

More than \$83,000 worth of lawnmowers and automobiles were stolen from the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools central office on Merritt Mill Road last week.

Police recovered one of the vehicles but are still looking for the other stolen lawnmowers and automobiles. According to police, suspects stole three John Deere 777 riding mowers, one John Deere 935 riding mower and three Steele weed eaters, valued at about \$53,000. In addition, suspects took about \$30,000 worth of automobiles, including a 2003 white Ford SRW Super-Duty, a 1993 white Chevy, a 1989 green vehicle and a 1983 red vehicle. Suspects accessed the parking lot where the mowers and vehicles were kept by cutting a chain on the gate to the lot.

According to police, officers have reviewed surveillance footage from the scene and the investigation is ongoing. Chapel Hill police officer Leo Vereen encourages anyone who sees suspicious activity to call 911.

Chatham County finds short-term locations for court offices

Chatham County has found short-term locations for Superior Court sessions and court offices displaced by the recent courthouse fire, county officials announced on Monday.

Superior Courtroom sessions will be moved to the county's Agriculture Building Auditorium, while the Chatham County District Attorney's Office will move to 60 West St., former offices of the Andrews Law Group. In addition, county Probation Services will move to 45 West St., an office building next to the General Store Cafe. Superior Court Judge Allen Baddour will move into a room in the lower level of the Agriculture Building.

According to county officials, the county will continue to search for a more permanent space for Superior Court until the new Judicial Center is built. This fall, Chatham County will break ground on a new Judicial Center, which was planned before the fire in the Historic Courthouse occurred and will house all court officials and all courtrooms, including Superior Court sessions. Construction is expected to take 18 to 24 months.

Hillsborough wants your ideas on downtown rail station plans

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HILLSBOROUGH - ORANGE COUNTY RAIL STATION TASK FORCE

The Town of Hillsborough has invited the public to submit comments on draft plans for a passenger rail station on the town-owned site off Orange Grove Street.

In addition to the rail station, the plans include an arts and cultural center, fire station, multi-level parking garage, office space, cinema, park land and townhouse condominiums. The plans for the 20-acre site also include space for a police station within the rail station.

Under the plans (which can be viewed on the town website, ci.hillsborough.nc.us), Hillsborough Youth Athletics Association ball fields located on the property would need to be relocated.

A transportation network and land uses are also proposed for the adjacent prop-

erty to the south, located immediately behind the Daniel Boone shopping area, commonly referred to as the Collins property.

In addition to the rail station, the plans include an arts and cultural center, fire station, multi-level parking garage, office space, cinema, park land and townhouse condominiums.

The Rail Station Small Area Plan Task Force presented the conceptual plans at an open house on March 31 and plans to present a finalized site plan and report to the Hillsborough Board of Commissioners in late spring.

The town has specifically

requested input regarding the overall site plan, the plan's proposed transportation network and the proposed land uses, as well as any other concerns. The town asks that citizens separate their comments for the Hillsborough tract-site plan and the Collins property conceptual plan.

The town is accepting public comments on the plans until April 16. Comments can be submitted online at ci.hillsborough.nc.us/content/rail-station-small-area-plan-comment-card/; faxed to senior planner Tom King at 644-2390; mailed to Tom King, Town of Hillsborough, P.O. Box 429, Hillsborough, N.C., 27278; or submitted in person at Hillsborough Town Hall at 101 E. Orange St.

— Staff reports



Brush fire threatens house

Firefighters from the Carrboro, New Hope and Orange Grove fire departments responded to a vehicle and brush fire in the Rogers Road neighborhood on Saturday.

The fire, which originated at 1806 Purefoy Road, broke out around 4 p.m. Saturday after a vehicle fire spread to nearby woods. Although the fire came very close to a house, no structures were damaged and no one was hurt. The crew was able to extinguish the fire after being on the scene for about two hours.

The National Weather Service issued warning of increased fire danger this week due to the unseasonably warm temperatures and low humidity levels.

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Visit fridaycenter.unc.edu/pdep/wbi or call 919-962-2643 for more information.

New restaurant to showcase Indian flavors and local farmers



PHOTO BY CATHERINE RIERSON

Austin McCall spooning some of Vimala Rajendran's kerala kozhi stew onto his plate as the smiling chef entertains her guests at her last community dinner before the restaurant opens in April.

BY CATHERINE RIERSON
Courtesy of the Carrboro Commons

with food activism, plans to honor localism and sustainability in her business by bringing local farmers' produce to the table.

"When it's a private, catered event, food and knowledge isn't available to the whole community," she said. "In a restaurant, everyone can have access to organic, local food."

The idea of a restaurant has long been marinating in Rajendran, but it was the ever-increasing demand for her food, in a kitchen already brimming with hungry guests, that impelled her to begin the endeavor now.

Her new collaboration with young food activists has also been a factor.

"What food activists do now, we've always done in my family," Rajendran said. "It's a great partnership with the youth because I

already have some of the knowledge they're seeking. In this inter-generational communication, we can learn from each other."

Rajendran buys her meat and produce from farms like Ever Laughter, Eco Farm and Cane Creek, which are all within a 15-mile radius of town. When the restaurant opens, she plans to continue using pork from Cane Creek and Cliff's Meat Market chicken, which is brought fresh daily from Siler City and butchered in-house.

"I try to bring an edible presence from the local farmers' bounty to the community, and I want to do that with my restaurant too," she said.

Her cooking techniques remain faithful to Indian tradition. She cooks from scratch, first roasting fresh, whole spices, then grind-

ing them down to a powder to season the meat and produce she plunges into enormous woks and vats she lugged from India.

"I make everything from scratch, which is why all my food tastes so authentic and wholesome," Rajendran said.

Most of the restaurant's menu will be Indian cuisine, but Rajendran said it will also include Southern staples like pork barbecue and cabbage from Cane Creek Farm as a way to pay homage to her adopted community.

"I lived here for over two decades without being able to see my family in India," she said. "The people of this place became my family. It was the proverbial Southern hospitality, and I was the beneficiary."

The final community dinner she hosted featured several items on trial for her restaurant's menu: Kerala kozhi stew, a chicken curry swimming in coconut milk, fennel and curry leaves; Appam, a rice and coconut fermented pancake; Vatana usal, a whole pea curry; an egg roast with whole eggs atop a caramelized onion base; tomato-carrot chutney with tamarind; and, finally, her notorious cardamom brownies.

The last time Rajendran went to India, everyone in her family was buying pre-packaged bags of curry.

"I was the only person in my family who knew how to grind down whole spices," she said. "It really is a dying art."

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



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Frittata of Turnip and Swiss Chard

Recipe Provided by Dorette Snover, Chef and Owner of C'est Si Bon Cooking School

Ingredients

3 turnips, peeled and ribboned
salt and pepper to taste
olive oil
5 eggs, room temperature
sea salt and pepper to taste
1 bunch swiss chard

Procedure

Break the five eggs in a bowl and using a whisk or a simple kitchen fork mix well, add a glug of olive oil, swiss chard, add to eggs, mix all well, and set aside.

Prepare the turnips as per chef's instructions. season with salt and pepper. heat olive oil in a large heavy skillet till hot. Add turnips and when caramelized remove to a bowl. Raise heat on pan to medium high. add egg mixture to very hot pan. Using a fork stir the eggs in a circular motion towards the center. Eggs will cook very quickly. When the bottom of the frittata is well set, level the eggs and cover with a lid to cook the top, keeping heat on medium. When completely cooked, slide off onto a pretty round plate. Add the turnips and serve warm and garnish with a young spring cheese.



Land & Table Briefs

Wednesday market

The Carrboro Farmers' Market is starting up its Wednesday afternoon market next week, April 14. The market runs from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Carrboro Town Commons.

Chef Ricky Moore will be opening the mid-week market with the first event in the new Carrboro Market Culinary Series.

The series is a local foods teaching and tasting event designed to highlight uncommon uses of commonly available local seasonal ingredients.

For the opening event, Moore, a former Iron Chef contender, will take on chard. "Chard is an ingredient that many people feel they know how to cook already, but there are many ways to cook and eat this beautiful green," he said.

Eno River Market open longer

The Eno River Farmers Market in downtown Hillsborough is now on summer hours. The market, located on East Margaret Lane, is open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. New vendors on hand this year include Spoon, Sunshine Life, Box Car Farms,

Serendip Farm, Lil Country Grower, Carolina Heritage Farm, Winking Moon Studios, John Mathivet and The Accidental Baker.



Mural on display

Saturday marks the official for the debut of the Bolin Creek Mural from noon to 5 p.m. at Earth Action Day at Southern Community Park.

The 8' x 24' work by local artists Emily Weinstein and Dale Morgan, with help from many others, was supposed to have been painted at the Bolin Creek Festival last October, but heavy rains forced cancellation.

A group of artists gathered the following day and roughed out the mural and Weinstein and Morgan spent the winter working to finish the mural at space donated by University Mall.

Edible plant walk

Herbalist Kim Calhoun will lead a medicinal- and edible-plant walk on Saturday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. along the Lower Haw River State Natural Area Trail.

Participants will walk from the Bynum pedestrian bridge to the trail, learning about some of the edible, drinkable and medicinal plants growing in yards, fields, forest floors and canopies and along the river's edge.

The fee is on a sliding scale of \$10 to \$20, with half of the proceeds going to the Haw River Assembly. Participants must register by today (Thursday) by calling or emailing Germane at the Haw River Assembly at 542-5790 or germane@hawriver.org





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The next 2ndFriday Artwalk will take place at galleries and businesses throughout Carrboro and Chapel Hill on Friday from 6 to 9 p.m.

In the Center Gallery at The ArtsCenter, participants can view the "Hidden Voices — Home Is Not One Story" exhibit, which highlights stories from those who have experienced homelessness and housing instability in North Carolina. The community-based project explores the challenges faced by those in transient housing and includes portraits and self-portraits, handmade box homes that tell individual stories and prayer flags. The ArtsCenter is located at 300-G E. Main St.

Chinese artist Alice Zhao's work will be on display at Moving to Better Health, 309 W. Weaver St. Born in Hubei Province in China, Zhao has practiced Chinese brush painting and calligraphy for more than 20 years. Her art has been featured in both China and America.

Admission to all Artwalk events is free. Artwalk brochures, maps and information are available at any participating art location. For more information, visit 2ndfridayartwalk.com



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This former state champion 200-year-old post oak still stands proud near Person Hall on the UNC campus.

FLORA
FROM PAGE 1

Mike Dirr will be on campus April 22 for a "walk and talk" celebrating UNC's trees. The walk, beginning at the front steps of Wilson Library at 3:30 p.m., is free; no registration required. A reception and viewing of the special exhibit, "Noble Trees, Traveled Paths: The Carolina Landscape Since 1793," follows in Wilson at 5:00 p.m. Mike's talk, this year's Gladys Hall Coates University History Lecture, follows at 5:45 p.m.

The engaging exhibit of text, illustrations and photos, describing the evolution of

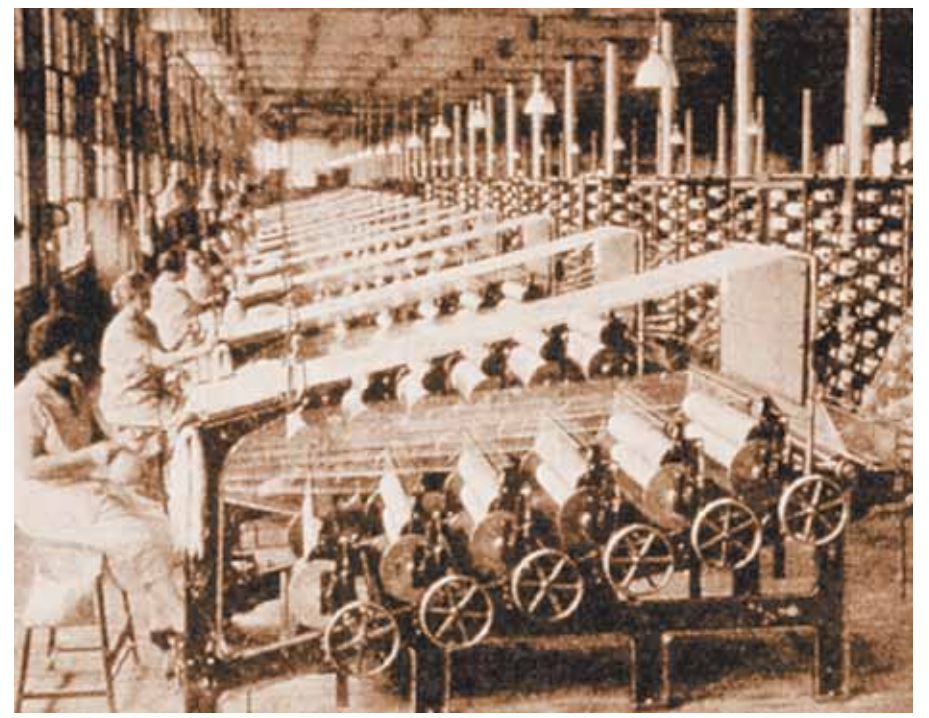
the campus landscape and the many people who played significant roles in that evolution, continues through May 31, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays in Wilson's North Carolina Collection Gallery.

One text panel from the exhibit: "To Have a Good Influence upon the Manners of Young Men" Letter (facsimile) from Elisha Mitchell to Trustee Charles Manly, December 27, 1849. In the letter below, Mitchell, in his role as University bursar or business officer, notifies Manly of improvements made to the grounds in the years from 1847

to 1849. Of particular interest is the expectation that well-manicured grounds will improve the manners of the students:

"The improvements extending over a large space do not make a great show at any particular spot, yet a good deal has been accomplished and the heaviest part of the work done. The giving of some grace and beauty to the approaches to the buildings and to the walks around them is supposed to have a good influence upon the manners of the young men and to impress strangers favorably."

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Mill days

When local historians Richard Ellington and Dave Otto look at this photograph of women textile workers at Carrboro's old mill (circa 1920?), they wonder what those workaday lives were like. Otto and Ellington are putting together a first-of-its-kind visual history book of Carrboro — and they need our help. They are looking for photos and stories from people who either worked in the mill or who have family who worked there. Ellington says of this photo: "These machine operators were identified as spinners. (You will note that the operators are women. They were usually paid less than men, so they were utilized in most mills, wherever possible, to keep down the cost of operations). The individual line feeder spools can be seen on the right-hand side of the photo. Based on the location of the windows behind the operators, I suspect that this equipment was located in the main part of the mill that now stretches from Panzanella to Elmo's. It could have been on either the first or second floor. This photo appears to date from the 1920's." The mill, today's trendy Carr Mill Mall, was in semi-continuous operation as a textile operation until about 1959. Folks are encouraged to contact Richard at 967-4168 or 698-8591 or at richard_ellington@unc.edu

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Area gets a dusting

After an unseasonably cold late winter, an early-April heat wave has left many in the Piedmont wondering what happened to spring. On Tuesday, temperatures at Horace Williams Airport reached 90 degrees, beating a record of 87 set in 1986.

Coupled with the heat has been a long dry spell and the annual pollen dusting. Decks, sidewalks and shoes turned light green as the pines got frisky. Tree pollen counts were listed as very high all week and the Weather Channel listed Raleigh as one of its allergy hot spots.

Water use has shifted considerably as well. January and February saw above normal rainfall but March ended more than an inch below normal and April has yet to produce precipitation. Some rainfall is possible along with a cold front headed through the state on Thursday and Friday. Beyond that, clear warm weather is forecast to return for the next week.

Although reservoirs remain at 100 percent of capacity, the Orange Water and Sewer Au-

thority is reporting a steady increase in water use. OWASA customers used an average of 6.8 million gallons per day in March. This week, water use jumped to 7.7 million gallons on Monday and 8.3 million on Tuesday.

The hot dry air has also led to an increase in ozone levels, with Code Orange conditions declared in Charlotte and Code Yellow conditions declared for the Triangle. Code Yellow indicates that the outside air is unhealthy for people with chronic breathing difficulties. State air-quality officials have suggested that residents take the following measures to reduce air pollution:

- Limit driving by riding the bus, walking, bicycling or postponing trips.
 - If you drive, avoid idling for long periods of time, stay within speed limits, combine errands to reduce the number of small trips and use vehicles with higher fuel economies.
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