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SATURDAY 30% Chance of T-Storms 83/63
SUNDAY 70% Chance precip 77/58

THE CARRBORO CITIZEN



Heels in DC Page 10



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

Individuals flowers of mountain laurel deserve a closer look.

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

Spectacular wildflowers in the Piedmont

A friend visiting last week from the Carolina mountains inquired of some locals about locations of spectacular wildflower displays here in the Piedmont.

I didn't have opportunity to convince my friend otherwise because he was intent to be on his way on a two-week journey chasing wildflowers in the eastern coastal swamps and savannahs.

I had wanted to show him the spectacular mountain laurels, Kalmia latifolia, of Oconeechee Mountain, but he was not interested in a plant so common around his home turf.

I described the far-as-the-eye-could-see display of Dutchman's breeches on the Flat River north of Durham. I described the river bottom, white with spring beauties, along the Eno River at Hillsborough.

SEE FLORA PAGE 10

Carrboro library cuts on the table

County budget proposal drops tax rate to 85.8 cents

BY KIRK ROSS Staff Writer

HILLSBOROUGH — The Orange County Board of Commissioners debated proposed cuts in services Tuesday night, including the permanent closure of the Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle Middle School.

The discussion came after a presentation by County Manager Laura Blackmon of a proposed \$177,589,039 budget for fiscal 2010, a drop of \$5.4 million, or about 3 percent, from the budget adopted by commissioners last year.

The proposal sets a tax rate of 85.8 cents per \$100 valuation for the budget year beginning July 1, down from the current rate of 99.8 cents due to this year's property revaluation.

County budget director Donna Coffey said the budget picture is somewhat better than the last outlook provided for commissioners, as a result of updated numbers from the property revaluation and due to a lower than anticipated drop in sales tax revenue.

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PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

Lili Vargas makes use of the computers in the Cybrary in downtown Carrboro. In the background are Eric Rankin, left, and Heber Hernandez. The Cybrary was spared in proposed cuts to library services and would be the closest public library for Carrboro residents should commissioners agree to close the Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle School.

Manager recommends no tax increase

BY SUSAN DICKSON Staff Writer

CARRBORO — The Carrboro Board of Aldermen got its first look at Town Manager Steve Stewart's \$19.1 million fiscal 2010 recommended operating budget on Tuesday, which includes a revenue-neutral property tax rate of 58.94 cents per \$100 of property valuation.

While the tax rate provides no increase in revenue for the town, taxpayers could see an increase in their tax bills, depending on how the recent revaluation affected their property values.

The budget includes \$19,075,434 in recommended general fund expenditures and revenues, with prop-

erty and sales tax accounting for 73 percent of revenues. The budget year begins July 1.

Town officials expect sales tax revenues to decrease by more than 9 percent in the coming fiscal year in addition to a significant reduction in grant funds from the state, equaling about 2 cents on the property tax rate.

"I'm hopeful that we will do better than this, but every month for the past number of months we've seen a decline overall, so we want to be very conservative and very safe," Stewart said.

The recommended 58.94 cent tax rate was adjusted down from the fiscal 2009 rate of 68.63 cents to account for the recent property

revaluation. This year's revaluation produced a tax base of nearly \$1.9 billion, compared with about \$1.6 billion in fiscal 2009.

Stewart said that while the tax base is larger than that of last year, the adjusted tax rate would level out town revenues from property taxes.

"We don't get any more money out of the revaluation," he said. The town's key interests in creating a budget, Stewart said, were to avoid a tax-rate increase while maintaining current service levels and active employees' jobs and benefits and continuing with long-term planned capital initiatives.

SEE TAXES PAGE 3

Carolina North hearing highlights traffic impact

BY KIRK ROSS Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL — More lanes along sections of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, traffic circles there and on Estes Drive and at Rogers Road and Homestead Road, speed tables in Elkins Hills and other neighborhoods and even a "minor restriping" in downtown Carrboro are among the possible ways to mitigate a surge in traffic predicted to accompany the buildout of Carolina North.

A traffic impact study on the university's proposal to develop an academic mixed-use campus on its Horace Williams property was reviewed Monday night at Town Hall as the Chapel Hill Town Council opened three public hearings on the project.

One hearing looks at the details of a proposed new zone called U-1 for University 1. The other two hearings are on the request to rezone 643 acres of the Horace Williams property to the new zone and the extensive development agreement that's been the subject of negotiations between town and university officials for more than a year.

Town and university officials hope to complete an agreement on the project prior to the council's summer break.

In his introductory remarks, David Owens, a planning and zoning expert with the School of Government who has worked with the town on the negotiations, said the new zone and the development agreement go hand in hand. While there has been considerable progress since ne-

gotiations started in February 2008, there remain several details to work out in some of the 25 separate subject areas.

In his initial walk-through of the project, Carolina North executive director Jack Evans said the development plan and the new zone would allow the university and the town "certainty, timeliness and predictability" during the buildout of the project. For review of the potential impact of the project, studies have focused on two interim phases — one that supposes 800,000 square feet of construction by 2015 and another for 3 million square feet by 2025.

The traffic impact analysis was the first detailed look at how the development might alter the local landscape. Traffic engineering consultant Chris

Conklin said that by far the biggest impact will be due to new commuters coming into town from elsewhere in the Triangle. About 60 percent of the anticipated new jobs would travel from outside Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

Most of those traveling into the area will use either I-40 or U.S. 15-501 or both to get to Carolina North, Conklin said, with many of them likely to funnel into the Eubanks Road park-and-ride lot and on to buses for the final leg of the journey.

Conklin noted that many of the intersections around the project are already congested and even without Carolina North are expected to reach unacceptable levels of delays by 2015.

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Dreaming dreams for our youth

RECENTLY... By Valarie Schwartz

During our lives, we are introduced to countless people, some whose names we never catch or quickly forget, others who seem to instantly become a part of our circle. For me, Elaine Jerome became the latter when we met last December at a Seymour Center event.

At that introduction and in every phone conversation or meeting since, she has spoken of the concern that has become her driving force — finding a way for this community to provide more offerings for its young people.

"The seniors have been given so much in this community," Jerome said. "Why isn't someone speaking up for the teenagers?"

She moved here in 2000 to live near her daughter Andrea Jerome, married to Matt Barrett, and their daughter, Amarandi. Andrea and Matt met when they were teenagers and both were students at The American Academy in Athens, Greece, where Matt's father was a Fulbright Scholar and administrator, and Elaine, a registered nurse and health educator, was

director of health services. That was in the late 1960s and early '70s, but the couple did not marry until 1991, and settled in Carrboro to raise Amarandi, now 16. Though they also maintain a home in Greece, they picked Carrboro because that was where Matt's mother, Riva Econopouly, had settled.

Elaine, who is the daughter of Greek immigrants and was married to a Greek-American, joined her family here after retiring from the Department of Human Services in Princeton, N.J.

"For two years, I would not go to the senior center," Jerome said. At 74, when she moved here, she considered herself too young to hang out with seniors and instead volunteered in the after-school program at Scroggs Elementary School. "Then I discovered the unbelievable opportunities offered at the senior center."

She had painted all her adult life, but at the senior center Herb Slapo introduced her to pastels, followed by classes in oil painting with David Sovero, who further expanded her creative expression.

"Elaine came to my house to work with my daughter, teaching her art," said Joy Javitz, a friend who stopped by Jerome's Carrboro apartment af-



PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

Elaine Jerome wants to help youth find their way.

ter running an errand for her. Javitz's daughter, Jackie, and Amarandi have been friends since age 2. "She's a fabulous counselor for young people."

Though shocked by recent school dropout rates, Jerome recognizes how traumatic the teen years can be and how easily some can lose their sense of direction.

"My objective is a teen center, and to have students involved in creating it," she said, noting that discussions about a teen center during the planning stages for the Carrboro Century Center were dropped once it was completed.

She spent the winter talking to people and looking for others willing and able to expend energy and pursue grants and other funding, but she leaves for Greece in two weeks, where she will spend the summer with her family. She has a list of names of interested people she will contact after she returns.

"My dream is for a teen center on Main Street in every small town in the United States with the theme 'Give us a voice,'" Jerome said. She plans to start in Carrboro.

If you want to be a part of her campaign or have ideas for her, write to her at elainejerome@gmail.com. When she returns in August, she hopes that other interested people will help provide a new sense of direction for meeting this need that would help keep kids in school, off the streets and away from destructive behaviors that lead to accidents, arrests and worse.

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MUSIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY MAY 14

The ArtsCenter: The Wood Brothers

Blue Bayou: Orange County Cadillacs. 9:30pm, Free

The Cave: EARLY: The Vinegar Creek Constituency. LATE: Boat Burning

General Store Cafe: Blue Concept. 7-9pm

Lincoln Theater: Josh Kelley. 8:30pm

Local 506: The Thermals, Shaky Hands, Point Junction, WA. 9pm

Milltown: Matthew Barber. 8pm

FRIDAY MAY 15

The ArtsCenter: Brandi Carlile, The Noises 10. Sold out

Blue Bayou: Andy Coats Trio. 9:30pm

Cat's Cradle: MC Chris, Whole Wheat Bread, I am the Dream. 9pm

The Cave: EARLY: Muddy Honcho. LATE: Scatterbones

City Tap: EARLY: See No Weevil LATE: Doctor Oakroot

Franklin Hotel: Chris Reynolds and Berkeley Grimbald at Roberts. 8-11pm

General Store Cafe: Wells Family Band. 8:30-11pm

Harry's Market: Milagro Saints. 7-9pm

Local 506: Horse Feathers, Joe Pug. 9:30pm, \$8/10

Nightlight: Max Indian, Embarassing Fruits, Liza Kate, Mount Moriah. 9:30pm

SATURDAY MAY 16

Blue Bayou: Good Rockin' Sam. 9:30pm, \$8/10

Cat's Cradle: Todd Snider, Elizabeth Cook. 8:45pm, \$15

The Cave: EARLY: Blue Diablo LATE: Tripp, Transmission Fields, The Tomahawks

City Tap: Windy City Slim with Ken Yow. 8-10pm

General Store Cafe: Gillen and Turk. 8:30-11pm

Local 506: Here Are The Young Men, Mr. Suit, DJ Canon. 10pm, Free

Nightlight: The Moaners, Curtains of Night, Wizzerds of Rhyme, In The Year Of The Pig. 9:30pm

Open Eye Cafe: Caruso. 8pm



MANDOLIN ORANGE
The Cave
Tuesday May 19



GEORGE STRAIT
Time Warner Pavilion
Saturday May 18

Time Warner Cable Music Pavilion: George Strait. 8pm

SUNDAY MAY 17

The Cave: Mississippi John Doude's Voodoo Panther. \$5

Meymandi Concert Hall: Tri-

angle Brass Band. 4pm

Nightlight: Bellafea, Caltrop, Screaming Female. 9:30pm

Regency Park: The Del McCoury Band. 12:15pm

Rezevoir: Blacklist Royals

Weaver Street Market: One Sun. 11am-1pm

MONDAY MAY 18

The Cave: LATE: The Dig

Local 506: Her Space Holiday, City Light. 9:30pm, \$10

TUESDAY MAY 19

Cat's Cradle: Ben Sollee, Anni Rossi. 8:30pm, \$12/14

The Cave: LATE: Mandolin Orange

Local 506: The Burning Hotels, Teh Vodak. 9:30pm, \$5

Rezevoir: Wizardry, Blag'ard

WEDNESDAY MAY 20

Cat's Cradle: Clutch, Wino's Band, Maylene And The Disasters. 8:30pm, \$25

The Cave: EARLY: Blair Crimmins LATE: Ricky Stein, The. 44

Local 506: It's Just Vanity

Nightlight: Alcazar Hotel, Mixel Pixel. 9:30pm

THURSDAY MAY 21

Blue Bayou: Bill West. 9pm

Cat's Cradle: Jukebox The Ghost, Jenny Owen Youngs, The Winter Sounds. 9pm, \$8/10

Captain John's Dockside: Chris Reynolds Swing "N" Jazz Trio. 6-8:30pm

The Cave: LATE: Battle Rockets, Husky

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

Local 506: Mr. Lif, Grieves, Willie Evans, Jr, Social Memory Complex. 9pm, \$10

FRIDAY MAY 22

The ArtsCenter: Paddy Keenan, John Walsh. 8:30pm, \$14/16

Blue Bayou: Tinsley Ellis. 9:30pm

The Cave: EARLY: Happenstanza LATE: Big Daddy Love

City Tap: LATE: Bill Hicks

Franklin Hotel: Chris Reynolds and Berkeley Grimbald at Roberts

General Store Cafe: Frizz Wheel. 8:30-11pm

Local 506: Lemming Malloy, I Was Totally Destroying It, Gray Young. 10pm, Free

Open Eye Cafe: Shawn Deena, Andi Morgan. 8pm

Rezevoir: Colossus, Blackholicus, Gollum

SATURDAY MAY 23

Cat's Cradle: The Old Ceremony, The Love Language. 9:30pm, \$10

The Cave: EARLY: Esterhaazy

City Tap: Starmount. 8-10pm

General Store Cafe: Bluematics. 8:30-11pm

Local 506: Boxbomb, Barbarella, En Serenade. 9:30pm

Regency Park: Concert Singers Of Cary. 7:30pm

Meymandi Concert Hall: Triangle Youth Brass Band And Ensemble. 8pm

Open Eye Cafe: Jaafar. 8pm



HER SPACE HOLIDAY
Local 506
Monday May 18

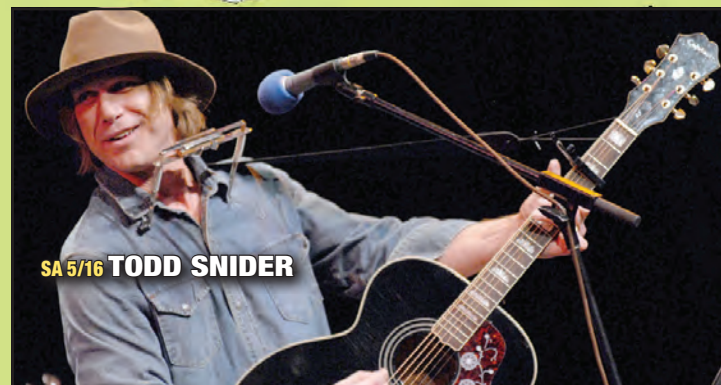
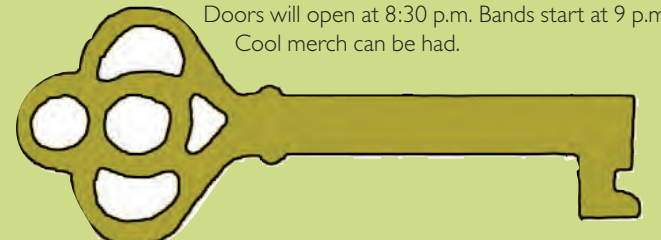
SPOTLIGHT

BENEFIT FOR HOLIDAYS FOR QUINCE

Chapel Hill label Holidays for Quince Records will be throwing down this weekend, celebrating its second anniversary with a three-night block party of shows at Nightlight.

Friday night's festivities will also serve as a release party for Liza Kate. Joining her will be the Embarrassing Fruits, Mount Moriah and Max Indian. Saturday night's lineup is the Wizzerds of Rhyme, the Moaners, the Curtains of Night and In the Year of the Pig. On Sunday night, it'll be Bellafea, Caltrop and the Screaming Females.

Tickets are \$6 per show or \$15 for a weekend pass. Doors will open at 8:30 p.m. Bands start at 9 p.m. Cool merch can be had.



SA 5/16 TODD SNIDER



FR 6/6 ENGLISH BEAT



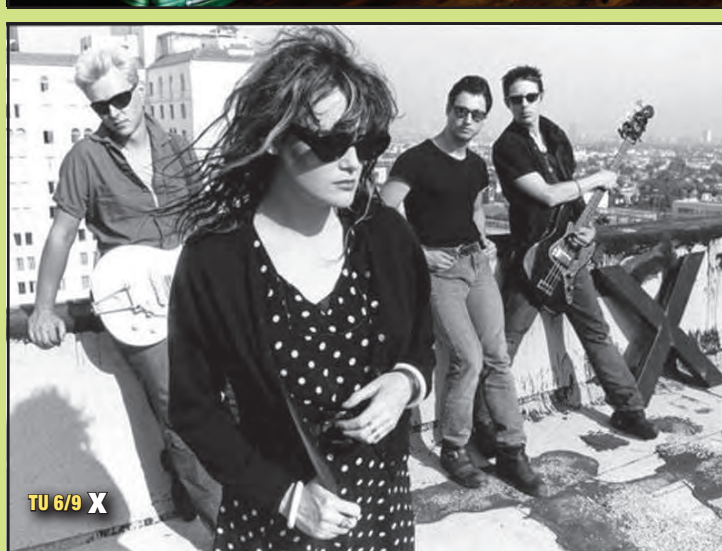
WE 6/10 PAUL THORN



SA 5/30 JOSH RITTER



SA 5/23 THE OLD CEREMONY



TU 6/9 X



TU 5/19 BEN SOLLEE

FR 5/15 MC CHRIS(\$12/\$14)**
W/WHOLE WHEAT BREAD, I AM THE DREAM

SA 5/16 TODD SNIDER
W/ELIZABETH COOK**(\$15)

TU 5/19 BEN SOLLEE
W/ANNI ROSSI**(\$12/\$14)

WE 5/20 CLUTCH(\$25)**
W/WINO'S BAND AND THE SONS OF DISASTER

TH 5/21 JUKEBOX THE GHOST / JENNY OWEN YOUNGS
W/THE WINTER SOUNDS**(\$25)

FR 5/22 DANCE PARTY !! L IN JAPANESE
(NO ALCOHOL SERVED)

SA 5/23(\$10) THE OLD CEREMONY**
W/THE LOVE LANGUAGE

MO 5/25 FLICKER
LOCAL SHORT FILMS

FR 5/29 ISIS W/PELICAN AND TOMBS(\$15/\$18)**

SA 5/30(\$15/\$18) JOSH RITTER**

SU 5/31 DAVID COOK
W/RYAN STAR**

TH 6/4 BK3 (BILL KREUTZMANN, JAMES "HUTCH" HUTCHINSON AND SCOTT MURAWSKI)
W/THE BREW**(\$18/\$21)

FR 6/5(\$17/\$20) ENGLISH BEAT**
W/URBAN SOPHISTICATES

SA 6/6 TAB BENOIT**
W/MEL MELTON & THE WICKED MOJOS
PRESENTED BY BLUE BAYOU CLUB

SU 6/7 LONELY HEARTS
WORLD TOUR

EASY STAR ALL-STARS
W/GUEST TRUMYSTIC**(\$14/\$16)

TU 6/9(\$20/\$23) TOTAL REQUEST LIVE!**

X (JOHN DOE, BILLY ZOOM, EXENE CERVENKA, DJ BONEBRAKE)

WE 6/10 PAUL THORN(\$15)**

TH 6/11 GRIZZLY BEAR
W/HERE WE GO MAGIC**(\$14)

FR 6/12 JENNY LEWIS
W/DEER TICK**(\$18)

SU 6/14 MEAT PUPPETS
W/RETRIBUTION

GOSPEL CHOIR(\$14/\$16)**

MO 6/15 PORTUGAL. THE MAN(\$5)**

TU 6/16 PEACHES
W/DRUMS OF DEATH**(\$18/20)

FR 6/19 CONNELLS
W/MAYFLIES USA**(\$15)

SA 6/20 CAMERA OBSCURA(\$15)**

FR 6/26(\$15) NYLON SUMMER**
MUSIC TOUR FEATURING PATRICK WOLF

W/LIVING THINGS, PLASTICINES, JAGUAR LOVE

SA 6/27 HOLSAPPLE & STAMEY
ALBUM RELEASE PARTY

FR 7/3 THE ORB**

FR 7/10 BOMBADIL
CD RELEASE PARTY**(\$9/\$12)

FR 7/18 GIRLS ROCK SHOWCASE**

WE 7/22 + TH 7/23 FR 7/24 + SA 7/25 @ CAT'S CRADLE
AND SU 7/26 @ MEMORIAL HALL

XX MERGE**

WE 8/12 AKRON/FAMILY(\$10/\$12)**

TU 9/1 HOT TUNA ELECTRIC(\$25/\$28)**
W/OLD SCHOOL FREIGHT TRAIN

ALSO PRESENTING

LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL)
MO 7/13 HANDSOME FURS
TH 7/16 REEVES GABRELS

THE ARTSCENTER (CAR)
FR 5/15 BRANDI CARLILE
SOLD OUT!

SA 8/22 BOWERBIRDS
W/MEGAFAUN

LINCOLN THEATRE (RALEIGH)
TH 5/28 THE NATIONAL
W/COI **SOLD OUT!**

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News Briefs

White Cross murder case dropped

Evidence presented Monday in Orange County District Court showed that brothers Steve and Ronnie Ramirez were acting in self-defense when they shot and killed Thaddeus Jerrod Harris in March.

As a result, a judge ruled that there was insufficient evidence to send the cases to the Superior Court. The Ramirez brothers had been charged with the murder of Harris after Orange County deputies found him dead from multiple gunshot wounds at the Ramirez home at 2120 Gemena Road, not far from American Stone Quarry.

According to District Attorney Jim Woodall, Harris entered the Ramirez home for a drug deal and fired a gun before he was shot.

Ransom Street closed until Nov. 1

Both lanes of Ransom Street between Patterson Place and McCauley Street will be closed on Monday until Nov. 1 as work continues on the steam tunnel serving UNC.

The steam tunnel runs along a UNC-owned right-of-way running parallel to and north of McCauley Street, crossing Columbia, Pittsboro and Random streets to connect the campus near Sitterson Hall to the Cogeneration Facility on West Cameron Avenue. The original steam tunnel was installed in 1939 and needs replacement.

Road closure and detour signs for both vehicles and pedestrians will be posted along the affected route. All residents in the area will have full access to their homes at all times via the detours.

Police seek info in strong-arm robbery

The Chapel Hill Police Department seeks information regarding a strong-armed robbery in the parking lot of Borders Books on Fordham Boulevard on Friday around 5 p.m.

According to police, a suspect grabbed the victim's purse and pushed her, and a second suspect ran up beside the first suspect before they jumped into the back of a 1999 white Lexus with gold trim and a Maryland license plate. Police described the first suspect as a medium- to dark-skinned black male about five feet 10 to five feet 11 inches tall, overweight with short hair and wearing a grey t-shirt and loose-fitting pants, and the second suspect as a tall, slim black male.

The driver of the car was a light-skinned black male with a mustache and longer hair, and a fourth suspect in the car was identified as a black male, according to police descriptions.

Police ask anyone with information relating to the incident to contact the Chapel Hill Police Department at 968-2760 or Crime Stoppers at 942-7515. Calls to Crime Stoppers are confidential and anonymous and callers may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000 for information leading to arrest.

Rabid bats found in Chapel Hill

Two bats found in Chapel Hill tested positive for rabies recently at the State Laboratory of Public Health.

The first bat was submitted after residents in the vicinity of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Weaver Dairy Road saw their cat with its paw on a bat in their driveway. The second bat was submitted after residents in the vicinity of Meacham and Damascus Church roads found it dead on their kitchen floor. All three of the residents' cats had access to the kitchen where the bat was found.

In both cases, the cats were currently vaccinated against rabies and received rabies booster shots within 72 hours of exposures, which is required under North Carolina law. Animals exposed to rabies that have not been vaccinated or do not receive rabies boosters within 72 hours must either be destroyed or quarantined for six months.

So far this year, Orange County Animal Services has received six positive rabies tests. If any possible exposure to a bat, raccoon or fox is suspected, call Animal Control at 245-2075 or call 911.

Swine flu forum

Dr. James Thomas, associate professor of epidemiology at the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health, will discuss the H1N1 virus at a science forum today (Thursday) at 7 p.m.

Thomas will discuss H1N1 — the virus commonly known as swine flu — in the context of epidemics and pandemics.

The forum is free and open to the public and will be held in the Morehead Planetarium's Banquet Hall. For more information, visit moreheadplanetarium.org or call 962-1236.

Millhouse Road transfer station site proposed

BY TAYLOR SISK
Staff Writer

The Orange County Board of County Commissioners is holding a work session tonight (Thursday) with county staff and representatives of Carrboro, Chapel Hill and Hillsborough to discuss plans for a solid waste transfer station.

The agenda calls for discussion of the proposed site off

N.C. 54 in the White Cross community, but it is also expected that commissioners will hear from Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy regarding his suggestion last week of a Chapel Hill-owned location on Millhouse Road north of the new Town Operations Center as a possible alternative to the N.C. 54 site.

Foy's suggestion has upset residents of the Rogers-Eubanks neighborhood, who say

Millhouse Road lies within that historically black community, which has been home to the county landfill for 37 years. With Eubanks Road having been removed from consideration as a potential site, some residents, including members of the Rogers-Eubanks Neighborhood Association (RENA), were angered by the Millhouse Road proposal.

On Friday, Foy took a group

of residents on a tour of the site, after which RENA sent an open letter to Chapel Hill and county officials stating that residents had been polled and were "adamantly against" a transfer station on Millhouse Road or anywhere else in the Rogers-Eubanks vicinity.

The meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the Southern Human Services Center on Homestead Road.

TAXES FROM PAGE 1

"The economic crisis is felt by everybody in this community, and putting this budget together we tried to be very sensitive to that," Stewart said.

The budget represents an increase of \$595,059 over fiscal year 2009. The increase includes non-recurring revenue and expenditure increases in installment proceeds to purchase vehicles and equipment, a transfer from the capital

reserve fund to finance street resurfacing and income generated from recurring revenues.

To keep the tax rate down, Stewart recommended that only the Human Services Grant Funding program be expanded, with an increase of about \$10,000.

Stewart also recommended the temporary suspension of the town's pay-for-performance plan.

"No town employee would receive any salary increase," Stewart said. He added the town wouldn't see an increase in health insurance rates be-

cause town staff put out a request for proposals on health insurance plans.

Stewart also recommended the town continue a soft freeze on vacant positions.

According to Stewart, the town could potentially fill vacant police officer positions with grants from within the federal economic stimulus plan. Other opportunities from the stimulus plan include possible funding for sidewalk projects, bus shelters, bike lanes, fire substation funding and more.

Board members said they

were pleased with the budget and commended Stewart for preparing a budget that included a revenue-neutral tax rate while maintaining services.

Board member Dan Coleman said Carrboro's budget should serve as a model for other municipalities.

"It's pretty remarkable to be able to maintain the status quo," board member Lydia Lavelle said.

The town will hold a public hearing on the manager's recommended budget on May 26 at 7:30 p.m. at Carrboro Town Hall.

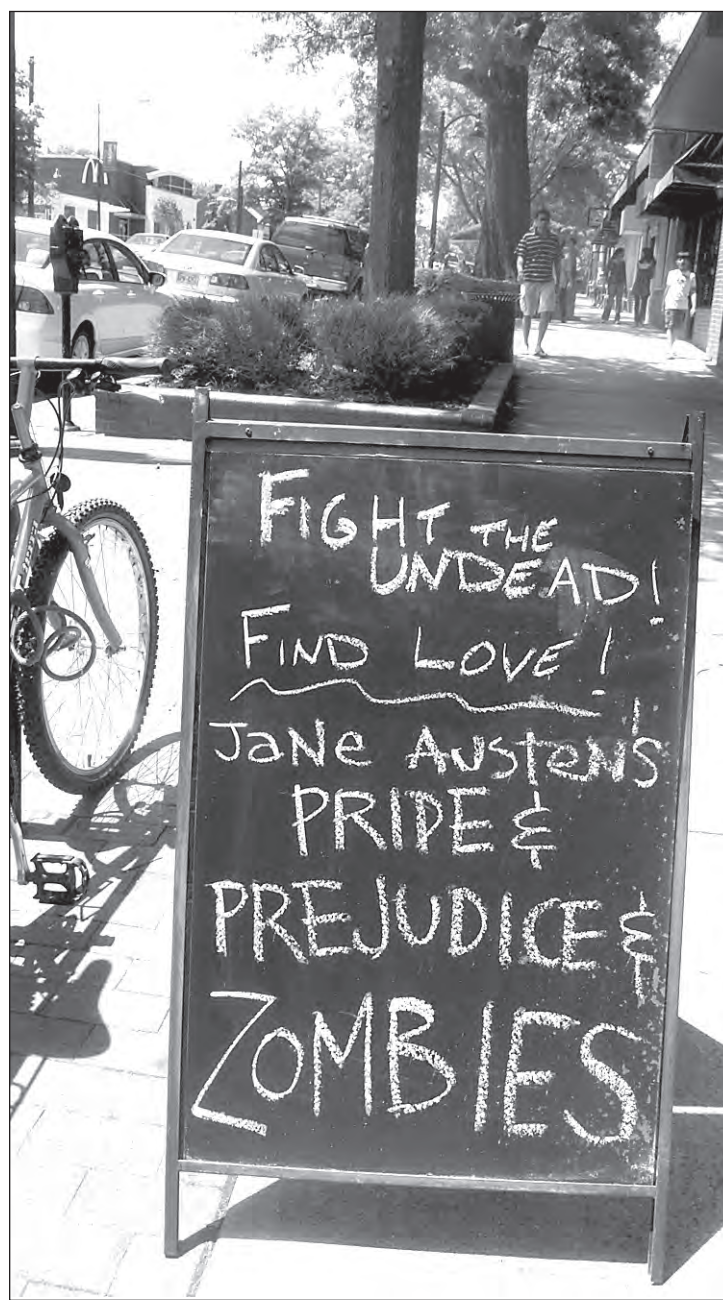
DOWNTOWN LIFE IN CHAPEL HILL AND CARRBORO



What kind of a graduation is it when you can't shake hands? The answer to that is that it's "one during a swine flu outbreak." Even though we've seen only about seven cases in North Carolina, the threat of the H1N1 flu virus and the vector potential of tens of thousands of travelers packed into Kenan Stadium took all the touchy-feely out of commencement. No handshakes, no neck hugging and, if you don't mind, please go ahead and hood your own self.

Lovely ceremony, though, and all available online, including Archbishop Tutu's speech, which reminded us that the best thing any commencement speaker — even a Nobel Prize winner — can do on Mother's Day at Kenan is give that fidgety crowd something to chuckle about.

All in all, better than last year, which lasted five or so



minutes, also had no hearty handshakes and sent the Class of '08 into the world quite wet behind the ears.

- A reminder that as of last Saturday, the buses are now on summer schedule through Aug. 24. For downtowners, that means CW and J end earlier in the evening — around 7 p.m. or before, depending on the stop. The F route is unchanged.

- Chapel Hill Comics had an interesting sales pitch on its street sign this week: "Fight The Undead! Find Love! Jane Austen's *Pride & Prejudice* & *Zombies*."

- We checked, and the architect who designed the entrance ramps for the reconstructed McDonald's was not Tony Hawk.

- Under further tales of reconstruction, we're likely to hear a good bit about the future of Granville Towers and University Square in the not too distant future. University officials and an as-yet-unnamed development company are in contract negotiations.

Once the deal is signed, UNC and partner are expected to start laying some ideas on the table. Look for a rather large parking deck and access off of Cameron to be major points of discussion.

Ideas? Suggestions? #@\$%&? Visit [Big City online at carrborocitizen.com/BigCity](http://BigCity.carrborocitizen.com) and leave your mark on the sidewalk.

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Community Briefs

Animal services facility set to open

The new Orange County Animal Services Center will open at noon on June 1.

The state-of-the-art facility at 1601 Eubanks Road will house the animal shelter, animal control and administrative staff under one roof. Construction began early last year.

Animal services will operate the animal shelter and animal control in their existing locations until the close of business on May 27. Lost-pet searches and reclaims will be permitted at the new facility from noon to 5 p.m. on May 30.

For more information, visit co.orange.nc.us/animal-services

Bolin Creek greenway workshop

The Town of Carrboro will hold a workshop on Wednesday from 4:30 to 7 p.m. to gather input as staff develops conceptual plans for greenways along Bolin Creek and Jones Creek.

The workshop will be at the Homestead Community Center at 600 Homestead Road.

Town staff, project consultants and members of the Greenways Commission will be available to discuss the projects at both workshops.

For more information, visit townofcarrboro.org/AdvBoards/Greenways/ResourceInfo.htm

Mental Health Advocacy Day

The Coalition will hold an Advocacy Day and Rally to advocate the protection of services and funding for mental health, developmental disability and addictive disease services on Wednesday at the General Assembly in Raleigh.

The Coalition represents individuals and organizations in North Carolina that advocate for persons needing services and support for mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and the rally will begin under the tent on the Legislature lawn at noon.

For more information on the event, contact Erin McLaughlin at 981-0740, ext. 507 or erin.mclaughlin@mha-nc.org

Community Calendar

THURSDAY, MAY 14

Resume Workshop — Free resume review and help. 2-4pm, Chapel Hill Public Library. 968-2780 to schedule an appointment

FRIDAY, MAY 15

Contra Dance — Presented by the Carolina Song & Dance Association with live music by Pan Riggs, Bobb Head and Buz Lloyd with caller Dean Snipes. 8pm (7:30pm lesson), Carrboro Century Center, 100 N. Greensboro St. \$8 donation. 967-9948, csda-dance.org

Artists' Salon — Piedmont Poet Laureate Jaki Shelton Green will serve as moderator for the Piedmont Poets' Roundtable, the May Orange County Arts Commission Artists' Salon. 6:30-9pm, ArtsCenter West End Theatre. RSVP to 245-2335, arts@co.orange.nc.us

Gallery Talk — Libby Chenault, rare-book collection librarian, will give a gallery talk featuring the exhibition "Joycean Generosity, Joycean Books." 3:30-4:30pm, Wilson Library, Melba Remig Saltarelli Exhibit Room, UNC campus. 962-1143, lib.unc.edu/spotlight/2009/joyce_gallery_talks.html

Meet the Author Tea — The Friends of the Chapel Hill Public Library will host Dawn Shamp, author of *On Account of Conspicuous Women*. 3:30pm refreshments, 4-5pm program, Chapel Hill Public Library. 968-2780

Greek Festival — Santa Barbara Greek Orthodox Church will sponsor Greek Festival 2009 with Greek food music, dance and more to benefit the Building Fund, American Red Cross and ECHHS Scholarship. May 15-17, East Chapel Hill High School, 500 Weaver Dairy Road. \$1 admission. 682-1414, stbarbarachurchnc.org

SATURDAY, MAY 16

Mosaic Workshop — Participants will create their own fun and eco-friendly hanging ornament using recycled materials. 11am-1pm, Carrboro Branch Library. Free. Register 969-3006, co.orange.nc.us/library

Flower Framing Workshop — Chapel Hill Garden Club member Jenny Bryant will demonstrate how to create your own frames-and-flowers masterpiece. 11am, Yesterday and Today Frame Shop, Boone Square, Hillsborough. Free. 732-7741, historichillsborough.org

Learning Disability Workshop — The Family Advocacy Network will sponsor a free seminar for parents of children who struggle academically or are diagnosed with learning disabilities. 10am-noon, Orange United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 1220 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Preregister by May 13. 942-8083 or julie@mhaorangeco.org

Puppet Show — The Emerson Waldorf School will present the last of its Spring Puppet Show Series with "Queen Bee: One Bee and Three Surprises." 10am, 6211 New Jericho Road. Free, donations accepted. 967-1858, emersonwaldorf.org

Sidewalk Sale — The Downtown Hillsborough Spring Sidewalk Sale will showcase sale items of downtown merchants. 10am-4pm on May 16 and noon-5pm on May 17. 732-7741, historichillsborough.org

Tar Heel Yard Sale — Tar Heel Treasure, a yard sale of things left behind by UNC students, will benefit the Eve Marie Carson Scholarship Fund. 7:30am-3pm, Carolina North Complex, near the intersection of Municipal Drive and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Cash only. tarheel-treasure.unc.edu

SUNDAY, MAY 17

Andes Music — David Sovero will present Ameri-Kantu, a program featuring sounds and sights of Peru. 3pm, Seymour Center. 2551 Homestead Road. 968-2070

Painting Pandas — Learn how to handle the brush, ink and water and then paint the panda step by step at this family workshop. 1:30-3pm, N.C. Botanical Garden. \$25 for one child and one adult. 962-0522 to register, ncbg.unc.edu

Poetry Program — The annual meeting of the Friends of the Chapel Hill Public Library will feature a program with Jaki Shelton Green, the Piedmont Poet Laureate. 3-5pm, Chapel Hill Public Library

MONDAY, MAY 18

Book Group — The Chapel Hill Public Library Monday Night Book Group will discuss *The Professor and the Madman* by Simon Winchester. 7pm, Chapel Hill Public Library Conference Room. 968-2780

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Bird Club — Tom and Barbara Driscoll will discuss their birding adventures in Madagascar at the Chapel Hill Bird Club meeting. 7:30pm, Binkley Baptist Church. 942-7746

TUESDAY, MAY 19

Book Discussion — The Carrboro Readers Non-Fiction Book Club will discuss *The Geography of Bliss: One Grump's Search for the Happiest Places in the World* by Eric Weiner. 7pm, Carrboro Cybrary, 100 N. Greensboro St. 918-7387, co.orange.nc.us/library/cybrary

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

Education Center Tour — N.C. Botanical Garden director Peter White will lead a hard-hat tour of the Education Center under construction at the garden. 2pm, N.C. Botanical Garden. 962-0522 to reserve a place, ncbg.unc.edu

Resume Workshop — Free resume review and help. 10am-noon, Chapel Hill Public Library. 968-2780 to schedule an appointment

THURSDAY, MAY 21

Job Search Workshop — Increase your employment options with tips and strategies for finding jobs online. 6-7pm, Chapel Hill Public Library. Free. 968-2780

Bicycle Clinic — The Town of Carrboro will sponsor a free bicycle clinic for youth ages 6-12 with safety tips, rules of the road basic maintenance and an obstacle course. 3-5pm, Carrboro Town Commons. 918-7329, amessinger@townofcarrboro.org

Galapagos Lecture — UNC geography professor Stephen Walsh will discuss plans to establish a research outpost on the Galapagos Islands. 2:30pm, Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Road. 968-2070, co.orange.nc.us/aging/index

SATURDAY, MAY 23

Used Book Sale — Sale to benefit Blue Skies of Maple View summer horsecamp scholarship program. Maple View ice cream store on Dairyland Road, Hillsborough. 933-1444, dpmbleskies@hotmail.com

Mason Farm Walk — Ken Moore will lead a leisurely walk around Mason Farm with old photographs and stories of John Terres' 1981 guided walk of the old farm. 9am-noon, Mason Farm. \$10, \$5 N.C. Botanical Garden members. 962-0522 to register, ncbg.unc.edu

Ongoing

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

The 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

DivorceCare — Support group for those separated or divorced. Mondays, 7pm, Orange United Methodist Church. 942-2825, connect2orange.org

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

Garden Walk — Niche Gardens hosts guided garden walks with discussions on spring planting, garden maintenance, design and gardening for wildlife. Saturdays, 10am, 1111 Dawson Road, Chapel Hill. Free. 967-0078, nichegardens.com

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

Open-Mike Poetry — Tuesdays except first Tuesdays, 7-9pm, Looking Glass Cafe & Boutique, 601 W. Main St. 636-5809

Computer Classes — Free computer classes: Computer and Web Basics, Intro to Email, MS Word, Powerpoint, Excel, and an Open Project Workshop. Wednesdays May 20-June 24, 7pm, Carrboro Cybrary, 100 N. Greensboro St. Registration required. 918-7387, cybrary@co.orange.nc.us, co.orange.nc.us/library/cybrary

Kids

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

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

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

Garden Story Time — Children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers are invited to come read theme-based nature tales and participate in activities in the garden. Thursdays through Aug. 27, 10-11am, NC Botanical Garden. \$5 per family. Preregister 962-0522, ncbg.unc.edu

Volunteers
RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program — Seeks volunteers at least 55 years of age and over who would like assistance in finding an opportunity that matches their interests. 968-2056, co.orange.nc.us/aging/RSVPindex.asp

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

Orange County Literacy Council — Seeks volunteers to help with adult literacy, basic math and English language tutoring, creative writing workshops at local homeless shelters and family literacy workshops. New tutor training workshops every month. Skills Development Center, 503 W. Franklin St. 933-2151

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WHEREABOUTS

CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

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

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Peas & Shoots & Shrimp ~ Serves 4

Recipe Provided by: Kelly Clark, Market Staff

This is easy – especially if you treat the shrimp as peel and eat! By the time you cook the rice the water is nicely flavored with mint and shrimp. During dinner, keep a bowl of lemon water close by to help keep your fingers clean. Be sure to use your peas as soon as you can after purchase. They will be sweeter if you do.

- 8 cups water 5 sprigs mint (I prefer peppermint)
- 1 tsp salt 1 lb fresh shrimp, in the shell
- 2 lbs English pea pods, shelled, or 1 pt shelled English peas
- 8 oz. pea shoots, rough chopped
- 1-2 Tbls butter 2 Tbls chopped mint 4 Tbls chopped chives

Procedure:

In a medium-sized pot add 5 sprigs of mint to 8 cups of water and bring to a boil. Add 1 tsp salt. Blanch the shelled peas in the boiling water for 3 minutes, then remove the peas reserving the water and the mint sprigs. Shock the peas in cool water to stop the cooking, drain and set aside. Bring the water back to a boil and add the shrimp – in the shell – to the water and cook for 3 minutes or until the shrimp is just done. Remove the shrimp – reserving the water. Set shrimp aside. Remove the mint sprigs from the water, and return the water to a boil. Add 1 cup of rice to the boiling water; reduce to a sturdy simmer, and cook the rice for 15 minutes, or until the rice is done. About 5 minutes before the rice is finished, melt the butter in a medium pan, add the peas and sauté until the peas are warmed. When the rice is done, drain it well and add the rice to the peas along with the pea shoots. Toss lightly, then add the chopped mint and chives and toss again. Serve with rice.

Massey Award recipients honored for service

UNC honored six employees with the 2009 C. Knox Massey Distinguished Service Awards

The awards were presented at a luncheon last week by Chancellor Holden Thorp, who selected this year's recipients based on nominations from the campus community. In addition to the award citation, each honoree will receive a \$6,000 stipend.

This year's recipients are:

• **Pamela Breeden**, an outgoing and dedicated housekeeper known fondly as "Ms. Pam" to the students in Spencer Residence Hall;

• **Darryl Gless**, a professor in the department of English who specializes in Shakespeare and Spenser and was the first dean for Fine Arts and Humanities, oversaw the development of the First Year Seminar Program and helped develop the Robertson Scholars Program;

• **Victoria Madden**, a research specialist in the department of pathology and laboratory medicine known for her contributions to electron microscopy imaging;

• **Jane Smith**, associate director of university events in university advancement, who organizes and manages the myriad of university special events;



Pamela Breeden



Darryl Gless



Victoria Madden



Jane Smith



Timothy Taft



Annu Wu

• **Timothy Taft**, a professor of orthopedics in the School of Medicine and director of sports medicine, who is recognized as one of the country's top surgeons; and

• **Anna Wu**, director of facilities planning and a university architect who helped guide planning and design for Carolina's \$2.1 billion capital program

— a mix of new construction, environmental management and renovations to the historic campus. — *Staff Reports*

HEARINGS FROM PAGE 1

According to the study, about 10,000 additional trips — about half by automobile — are expected to be generated by 2015. The additional transit use by then will put the North-South bus route at capacity, requiring at least two more buses and between 400 and 500 additional park-and-ride spaces. By 2025, the trip-generation number will rise to 40,000, driving the need for about 10 additional buses, a likely restructuring of the transit routes and about 1,500 additional park-and-ride spots.

The study supposes there will be roughly 5,000 additional park-

ing spaces at Carolina North, an amount that raised concern among several council members.

"I can't imagine that much parking at the heart of town," councilmember Bill Strom said.

Also at Monday's hearing, members of Neighborhoods for Responsible Growth, a group that has hosted several neighborhood focus groups and a recent community meeting on Carolina North traffic, urged the council to push for measures to reduce the impact on nearby neighborhoods.

NRG chair Madeline Jefferson said the council should also set up a mechanism to regularly measure the impact of the actual project and hold up construction if the results are out of line with expectations.

NRG member Alan Snaveley also said the council should have some way of responding in case plans for traffic mitigation fail.

"Citizens want safeguards in place when plans for the development don't work out," he said.

Peggy Rich said her neighbors in Ironwoods are worried that a lot more traffic on Estes Drive and Homestead Road will affect the safety of students walking to and from school.

Doug McLean asked the council to seek more ways to improve bicycle and pedestrian access to the site, particularly for people coming by bike from Carrboro.

"In order to do this, we have to think big and have to think big at the beginning," he said.

The council continued all three public hearings until June 15.

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FOR THE RECORD

Pushback brings results

If there is anything more tedious to plow through than a traffic impact analysis (TIA), please don't forward it on to us.

In a lot of instances of public policy, the devil is in the details. A TIA is pretty much all details and the devil is in trying to make sense of it.

So credit the earnest citizens from Neighborhoods for Responsible Growth (NRG) for giving the recently issued traffic impact analysis for Carolina North a good going over and for finding ways to connect the potential results of the new development to the people who will most experience them.

By meeting with neighborhoods closest to the project and walking them through the impacts, the NRG has done a great public service in raising both awareness and understanding.

It's long been noted that Carolina North is a massive undertaking, but finding ways to explain how that affects the everyday lives of residents, commuters and those who will live and work at the place is difficult.

The NRG effort can't be defined as NIMBY by any stretch of the imagination. There's no attempt being made to put up roadblocks to the university's long-range goal of an academic mixed-use development. The goal of reasonable, well-managed growth is of mutual benefit to those already here and those who will arrive in the years to come.

No plan is perfect, and it's up to all parties to get involved and strike a balance that meets a variety of goals. As we have seen in the development of a plan for the main campus, pushback from those most closely affected by projects often yields better results for all parties.

As a result of its location, Carolina North will have an impact on neighborhoods unlike anything imagined here in a very long while.

Public input and involvement is the surest way to make certain that maintaining a high quality of life now and into the future remains an overarching goal.

Thanks again

Many of us are still a little exhausted by basketball season but certainly not tired enough for one more thing to cheer about, especially if it's the team's trip to the White House for a visit with the First Fan.

President Obama won more than a few nods of approval and probably a good number of votes in Carolina country after he donned some sweats and worked out with the Tar Heels during last year's primary. He also proved an astute observer of the game by picking the Heels to go all the way. And the fact that he got a dig in at Duke by doing so was icing on the cake.

So it was not the usual champs-at-the-White-House visit when the first president in our history with a decent jump shot paid homage to the Heels. Looked like a good bit of fun from our vantage and definitely something to cheer about.

We'll start.

Tar! . . .

CORRECTION

An article about Carrboro greenways in the May 7 issue of The Citizen gave incorrect information regarding the construction schedules of greenways along Bolin and Morgan creeks. According to town transportation planner Adena Messinger, conceptual plans of greenways along both creeks could be finished by the end of this year, barring unforeseen delays.

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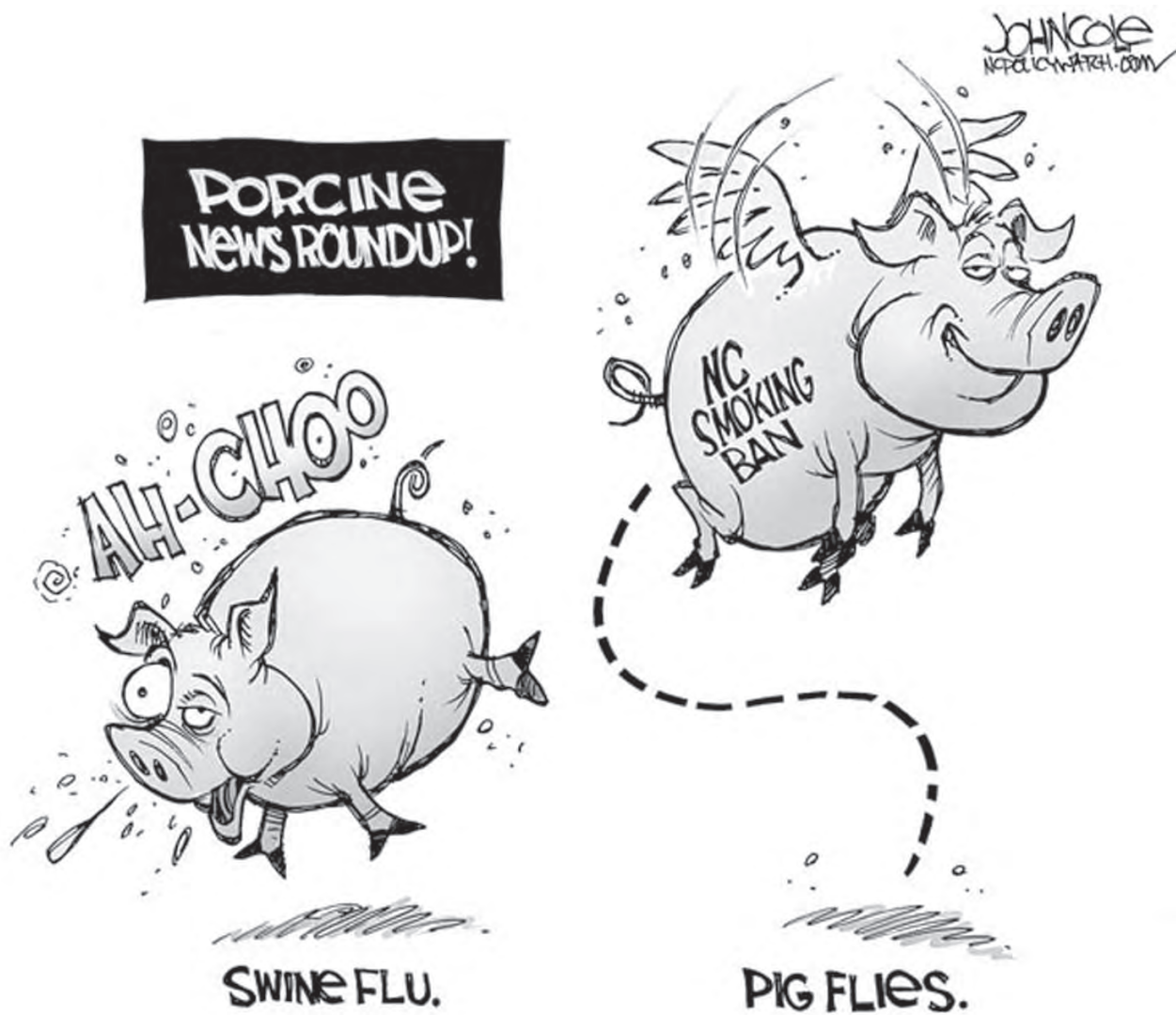
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Comprehensive sex education will equip our children to survive

PAIGE JOHNSON

If a 13-year-old enrolls in eighth-grade Spanish, should her parents fear she'll start packing her bags for Madrid as soon as the semester is over? Not likely. Yet opponents of comprehensive sex education often use similar reasoning in their opposition to allowing schools in North Carolina to offer it.

They claim providing young people with information about the effectiveness of birth control in preventing unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted infections will somehow encourage teenagers to have sex. The opposite is true.

Research shows that comprehensive sex education actually equips young people with the skills necessary to delay having sex while also preparing them to make more responsible decisions when they do. This is partly why poll after poll shows strong support for comprehensive sex education, particularly among parents.

If the Healthy Youth Act becomes law, parents in every school district in North Carolina will be given the option of choosing comprehensive sex education for their seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders. If they prefer, they may choose an abstinence-until-marriage curriculum.

After four committee hearings and a spirited floor debate, the North Carolina House recently passed the Healthy Youth Act. It now heads to the Senate, where opponents vow to continue their fight against giving parents this option.

Opponents of comprehensive sex education who believe abstinence-un-

til-marriage should be the only curriculum in North Carolina schools miss the point time and again.

The cornerstone of comprehensive sex education is building lifelong skills. For instance, comprehensive sex education teaches the importance of using birth control effectively. The vast majority of sexually active people will use birth control at some point in their lifetime. Knowing how to do so effectively is essential knowledge — even

Proponents of the current abstinence-until-marriage law often cite a decline in teenage pregnancy after the law was passed as proof of its effectiveness. North Carolina's rate of teenage pregnancy did go down after 1995. However, the decline was part of a national trend of plummeting teenage pregnancy rates that began in 1991.

In fact, while North Carolina's rate of teenage pregnancy decreased by 31 percent from 1991 to 2005, some states with comprehensive sex education saw an even larger decrease. For example, teenage pregnancy rates in Maryland, which offered comprehensive sex education, decreased by 41 percent during this same time period.

Last year, the rate of teenage pregnancy started climbing once again. The bottom line is that North Carolina has never dropped out of the top 10 in terms of states with the highest teenage pregnancy rate. Statistically speaking, the future for these young parents is bleak. Teenage parents are more likely to drop out of school, be poor and be imprisoned. The same is true for their children. They deserve better.

The Healthy Youth Act is a start. Parents will be able to review the curriculum and choose for themselves. Perhaps just the act of reviewing the materials will spur parents on to have much-needed but difficult conversations with their children about sex. It couldn't hurt.

Opponents of the Healthy Youth Act need not fear giving parents a choice unless what they really fear is the choice parents across North Carolina will make.

Paige Johnson is the director of public affairs at Planned Parenthood of Central North Carolina.

Almost 30 percent of teenage pregnancies in North Carolina are repeat pregnancies.

For couples who use birth control for the first time on their wedding night.

For far too long, providing comprehensive sex education in North Carolina has been bogged down in divisive politics. Since 1995, when the General Assembly replaced comprehensive sex education with an abstinence-until-marriage curriculum, legislative efforts to restore comprehensive sex education statewide have failed despite alarming statistics surrounding teenage pregnancy.

North Carolina has the ninth-highest rate of teenage pregnancy in the country. Almost 30 percent of teenage pregnancies in North Carolina are repeat pregnancies. And despite the fact that abstinence-until-marriage has been the standard curriculum for a decade, 69 percent of North Carolina's high school seniors report having sexual intercourse at least once.

Richard Burr's dismal record on health care

ADAM LINKER

When politicians get nervous that they have done nothing to advance a cause dear to many of their constituents, the savvy politico will file a bill with a catchy name to misrepresent his or her voting record. That way, the politician can at least claim that he or she did something. The proposed alternative bill is always a dead letter — a political smokescreen with no co-sponsors, no support and no hope of passing. Former Sen. Elizabeth Dole tried this technique after voting against the expansion of children's health insurance. Sen. Richard Burr tried it with universal health care.

Now that Burr has officially launched his reelection campaign, you can be sure that every time his terrible record on health care is mentioned he will note his authorship of the Every American Insured Health Act.

Of course he wants all children to have health insurance, he will say. His vote against children's health insurance had absolutely nothing to do with insurance industry opposition to the bill. It's just that he wants to do something "comprehensive."

The only problem is that his bill is not even close to comprehensive. (It also has no chance of passing, unlike

the children's health insurance program.) In fact, of all of the bills filed in Congress that purport to provide universal coverage, Burr's bill is the least comprehensive. On his website, Burr touts the fact that the nonpartisan Lewin Group estimates that his legislation would cover 22.3 million more uninsured by 2010. What he fails to highlight is that this would still leave some 26.6 million people uninsured at an additional cost to the federal government of \$161.3 billion.

The Burr plan fares particularly poorly in comparison to the ideas of President Obama and Montana Sen. Max Baucus. The Lewin Group estimates the Obama and Baucus style reforms would cover an additional 44.9 million, leaving only about 4 million uninsured at a cost to the federal government of \$103.9 million.

Burr's plan is the old idea of providing tax credits to buy insurance. He would give incentives to states to establish high-risk health pools and allow the sale of stripped-down insurance products that only cover a few medical services. He would not ban insurance companies from charging more for pre-existing conditions. He would not ban age grading of insurance products. He would not require anything like community rating.

More importantly, Burr does not propose any real solution to controlling the growth in health care costs. This is critical because we will never insure everyone unless we do something about the steep year-to-year increases in health costs. In fact, Burr's proposal would quickly cover a small group of the uninsured — but the gains would be unsustainable. Unless he is prepared to massively increase the value of his health tax credits every year, then his plan would eventually take us back to where we are right now.

Like many timid politicians, Burr does not want to propose cost-control ideas because those tend to upset special interests. Instead, he says we should use more electronic medical records, eat some vegetables and take an extra lap around the track.

So don't be fooled when Burr starts talking up his proposals for health reform. The truth is that he has done nothing for the uninsured. He has done nothing for children. And he has done nothing constructive in Congress for health care besides offering up an empty bill with a snazzy title.

Adam Linker is a policy analyst at the N.C. Health Access Coalition.

Will you?

Editor's note: Following are the closing remarks at UNC's commencement by Archbishop Desmond Tutu, a leader in the South African anti-apartheid movement and winner of the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize.

If we are family, how can we ever justify spending such obscene amounts on budgets of death and destruction? When we know that just a small fraction would enable children everywhere, our sisters and brothers, to have clean water to drink . . . we have enough food to eat, we have a decent home, we have a good education, we have affordable health care. How could we possibly, how could we? And God says, "Please, please, will you help me?"

And you, you fantastic people over there. God says, "Go on dreaming. Go on being the idealistic people you are. Go on being the ones who believe that poverty can indeed be made history. Go on believing that it is possible to eradicate hunger. How can we live and sleep comfortably, knowing that millions of our sisters and brothers go to bed hungry? God says "Please, please, help me; help me to make this world a little more compassionate. Help me, please, help me to make this world a little more gentle."

Don't allow yourselves to be affected by the cynicism of oldies like us. Dream, dream, dream of a world that is going to be without terror because there will be people . . . nobody will have become so desperate, desperate because of poverty, of disease, of hunger.

God says "Please, please help me. Please help me. Will you? Will you? Will you? Will you? Will you?"



At least they have jobs

State employees are riled about a 0.5 percent pay cut? Kinnaid thinks its "very unfair" to lower-income workers? You've got to be kidding me. Someone making \$30,000 per year is looking at a pay cut of about \$12.50 per month. And bunching the pay cut into the end of

They should be happy they have jobs. With benefits. There are many of us in North Carolina who have neither.

this fiscal year means that same employee will lose about \$35 per paycheck for two months. Big deal. They should be happy they have jobs. With benefits. There are many of us in North Carolina who have neither. Are any of these state workers actually angry enough to quit their jobs, thereby creating some openings for us unemployed? I sure hope so. But I doubt it.

MIKE MCKINNEY
Carrboro

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Cutbacks planned for solid waste centers

BY RICH FOWLER
Staff Writer

Orange County commissioners want to look at the daily use at each of the county's solid waste convenience centers before deciding which days or hours to cut.

At a budget work session Tuesday night commissioner Barry Jacobs said he was wary of shutting down the centers on Sunday, saying that even though they are only open for four hours they are heavily used on that day. He asked for a breakdown of daily use at the centers in time for the next budget discussion.

As part of \$690,000 in proposed budget cuts, the Orange County Solid Waste Management Department has recommended reducing hours and days of operations for solid-waste convenience centers and the permanent closing of the Bradshaw Quarry Road center.

In an interview Tuesday prior to the budget meeting Gayle Wilson, solid waste department director, said the Bradshaw Quarry Road site was chosen because it was a small site that was the least-used of the convenience centers. Closing the center could save the county approximately \$120,000 in 2009-10 and around \$141,000 a year afterwards.

"We're not just arbitrarily recommending service reductions," Wilson said. "This is in response



John Halton brings his recyclables and garbage to a convenience center on Ferguson Road, off Old Greensboro Highway, on a recent weekday morning.

PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

to the board of commissioners' direction to staff to seek out opportunities, services and programs that may be underutilized to try to reduce our expenditures in next year's budget, and try to reduce the demand on property taxes."

Other proposed cost-saving changes include:

- Closing convenience centers an hour early (sites would close at 6 p.m.);
- Closing solid-waste convenience centers on Sundays, Wednesdays and Thursdays;
- Eliminating free tipping permits at convenience centers

to county residents who bring in oversized loads; and

- Eliminating mattress drop off at solid waste convenience centers (citizens and businesses would be responsible for delivery of old mattresses to the landfill).

The Bradshaw Quarry Road center would close for good on Oct. 1, the same day that the changes to hours and days of operation would go into effect.

Not accepting mattresses at convenience centers will save the county around \$33,000. Wilson said that mattresses were too light for the considerable space they

take up and were too costly to haul from convenience centers to the landfill.

Under the permit program, residents who brought oversized loads to convenience centers could get permits to cover tipping fees for up to three truckloads of waste at the county landfill. So instead of paying the usual tipping fee to the county for using the landfill, permit holders could dump three free truckloads at the landfill. Killing the permit program will save around \$47,000.

To further keep expenditures down, the department won't expand the number its curbside recycling routes this coming year. It will only expand curbside recycling in to new homes on already-serviced streets or new streets in already-serviced areas, according to Rob Taylor, recycling programs manager for the county.

Right now, around 60 percent of the county's unincorporated areas get curbside recycling service.

Recycling in the municipal areas of the county is handled by an outside contractor, so any service expansion will be unaffected by budget cuts.

Taylor said that a small amount of small-business recycling expansion could occur, to the extent that the department is able to handle it.

For more information about Orange County's solid waste programs, visit their website at co.orange.nc.us/recycling

OBITUARIES

William Bruce Holt

Mr. William Bruce Holt, 79, 7206 Bradshaw Quarry Road, Mebane, died Friday, April 24, 2009 in UNC Hospitals.

He taught at Elon College and Alamance Community College. He was a veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard.

Surviving are his wife, Nancy F. Holt, and two sons, Mike Holt and Brian Holt, both of Snow Camp.

A celebration of his life is being planned and will be held at a later date.

Arrangements by Walker's Funeral Home of Hillsborough, 204 N. Churton Street, Hillsborough, NC 27278 (919) 732-2121.

Gudrun Gross

Gudrun "Goodie" Gross, 87, died peacefully on April 17 at the Lebanon Valley Brethren Home in Palmyra PA.

Born January 27, 1922 in Berlin, Germany, the beloved daughter of the late Felix Weber and Martha Hänslar Weber, she worked as a secretary, survived the bombing of her home, became a refugee fleeing the Russians and finally was reunited with her family in Witten-Annen. After the war she worked there for a British company as a secretary, assisting with interpretation and foreign correspondence. She married her American pen pal, Richard Gross, in 1951, emigrated to Cherryville, PA in 1952 and became a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1955. She lived in Chapel Hill, NC from 1967-76, where her husband worked for the NC Heart Association. She also lived in Cambridge, MD, Keene, NH, Asheville, NC and Elizabethtown, PA.

As a minister's wife, she designed and ran the Sunday childcare programs, organized countless church events, gave kind and loving support to many in need and cheerful friendship to all. She worked in public day care in Asheville, NC, as a library assistant in the Acquisitions Dept. of Wilson Library at UNC-CH, and in accounts receivable at the Big M of Middletown, PA.

Besides her husband of 57 years, she is survived by her daughter, Monika Gross, and son-in-law, Tom Dessereau, of Manhattan, her son, Wolfgang

Gross, of Melbourne, FL, three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to Alzheimer's Disease Research (www.ahaf.org) or the Lebanon Valley Brethren Home, to which the family is grateful for her good care (www.lvbh.org). A celebration of Gudrun's life and happy spirit will be held at the family home in Elizabethtown, PA on June 20th.

Kourtney Peterson

Kourtney Kean Peterson, 58, of Chapel Hill, passed away, surrounded by her husband and sons, on Mother's Day, May 10th, after a sudden illness. The daughter of Sam and Martha Kean of Toledo, Ohio and Altamonte Springs, Florida, Kourtney was born April 18, 1951 in Toledo. She graduated from Sylvania Northview High School, held a Bachelor's Degree in Anthropology from the University of Toledo (Cum Laude) and a Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling from Bowling Green State University. She worked as a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor both in Toledo and in Chapel Hill, where she moved in 2003. Kourtney enjoyed tennis, sailing and time with her family and dogs. Left behind are her husband, Robert A (Rob); sons Christopher Peterson, 19, and John Kolasinski, 26, of Columbus, Ohio; brothers Jay Kean, of Port Saint Lucie, Fla. and John Kean of Toledo; and her Whippet, Matey.

Kourtney dedicated her life to adults in need. She will be remembered forever by her family, friends, colleagues and the hundreds of people she helped out of difficult situations. The family asks you to honor her memory with donations to the Caramore Community, a structured support program restoring rich and satisfying lives to adults with mental illness (Caramore Community, 550 Smith Level Road, Carrboro, NC 27510 - Caramorecommunity.org), or to the High School Sailing Program at the Carolina Sailing Foundation (Carolinassailingfoundation.org).

There will be a memorial service at the Caramore facility at the address above on Thursday, May 14th from 5 to 7 p.m.

COUNTY FROM PAGE 1

Under the budget proposal, the county plans no cost-of-living pay increases, a 12-month hiring freeze and suspension of 401K contributions for non-law enforcement personnel. Major service cuts in the budget include reductions in solid-waste services (see story page 7) and the closure of library branches in Carrboro and Cedar Grove. Under a library restructuring plan, employees at those branches would move to the new main branch in Hillsborough and the collections would be dispersed.

Quizzed by commissioners about the restructuring, county library director Lucinda Munger said the actual savings are much larger than the numbers listed in the budget because if the branches were not closed the county would have to staff four new

positions at the new main library.

The prospect of the closures did not sit well with Commissioner Mike Nelson, who said he could not support a budget that closed library branches. Nelson said most of the proposed service cuts elsewhere in the budget make sense. "This one doesn't really fit the others," he said of the library cuts. "I think we need to take a step back and look at other alternatives."

Commissioner Steve Yuhasz said the board should keep an open mind on the cuts, noting that while the budget only shows a \$37,000 savings, the cost of adding the new employees rather than shifting them from the closed branches would be about \$250,000.

Blackmon said she would be concerned about how the funding for the two branches would play out. The branches are already underfunded and have reduced hours, she said.

"If you want to do a branch library, you have to do it right," Blackmon said.

Several Carrboro residents concerned about the branch library closures were in attendance at the meeting, including McDougale school librarians Carolyn White and Nancy Margolin. White said in addition to the closure, she was worried about what will happen to the collection, which has more than 18,000 items and is valued at around \$445,000.

White said the proposal to disperse the collection, which has been added to with grants and gifts and reflects the interests and needs of the local community, doesn't make sense.

In response to the proposed closure, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen agreed to hold a special meeting Monday a 6 p.m. at Town Hall to discuss concerns about library services cuts.

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School Briefs

Rashkis students win math awards

Rashkis Elementary School student Albert Kim received the George Lenchner Medalion from the Math Olympiads, a nonprofit public foundation devoted to engaging children in creative problem-solving activities.

Kim, a fifth-grade student, received the award for his perfect score on all Math Olympiad contests this year. He was one of only 46 children out of 90,000 elementary students around the world who participated in the Math Olympiads to receive this award.

Rashkis fifth-graders Kristina Choi, Nathaniel Lai, Jai So and Thomas Wang and fourth-grader Jopsy Bayog won silver award pins for scoring in the top 10 percent of all participants. Kim also won a trophy as the team's high scorer. Wang won the team honorable mention trophy for earning the second-highest team score. Bayog won a trophy for being the top-scoring fourth-grader.

In addition, the Rashkis Math Olympiads team was named to the fifth-grade National Meritorious Achievement List for being in the top 20 percent of all fifth-grade Math Olympiad teams participating this year.

Fifth-grade team members include Chris Cai, Marc Chiuurco, Catherine (Sohyeon) Cho, Kristina Choi, Albert Kim, Nathaniel Lai, Madison Lewis, Evan Moore, Hyun Park, Rabina Sawhney, Jai So, Austin Wang, Thomas Wang and Aidan Zimmermann. Fourth-grade team members include Christopher Balog, Brooke Bauman, Jopsy Bayog, Isabel Bravo, Louie Chiuurco, Seoyoon Choi, Carter Collins, Abhishek Dasgupta, Kevin Huang, Paul James, Danny Kaminsky, Kayla Kern, Seong Hoon (Peter) Kim, Allison Lai, Hannah Marchuk, Veronica Munn, Kakeru Nagai, Hallie Orr, Dana Park, Linnea Van Manen, Charlotte Waechter and Kendra Zhong.

Students represent AVID

Students from Chapel Hill-Carrboro schools recently represented the Chapel Hill-Carrboro AVID Program at the

first annual AVID Day at the General Assembly in Raleigh.

Chapel Hill High senior Latesha Farrington, East Chapel Hill High senior Jonathan Smith, Carrboro High sophomore Ben Rose and Culbreth Middle eighth-grader Arianna Jacobs met with members of the General Assembly to share their AVID experiences and raise awareness among legislators of the program's effectiveness in making college available to all students.

AVID is a college-readiness system designed to increase the number of students who graduate and enroll in four-year colleges. Chapel Hill-Carrboro was the first school district in North Carolina to adopt AVID.

Dual-language info session

Frank Porter Graham Elementary School will host an information session about their Spanish-English Dual-Language Program on Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Participants will learn about the curriculum and daily schedule, meet the teachers, meet parents of other students in the program and register for the program.

Translation and childcare will be provided.

ECHHS Rising Senior Parent Night

East Chapel Hill High School will hold Rising Senior Parent Night on Monday at 7 p.m. in the East Chapel Hill High Media Center.

The counseling department will discuss the college-application process, specifically how counselors deal with recommendations and forms, match schools, the college admissions process and managing the process and anxiety.

Phillips nurse receives award

Edwina Zagami, school nurse at Phillips Middle School, has been named Preceptor of the Year for 2008-09 for the UNC School of Nursing Undergraduate Program.

The award recognizes her "years and hours of clinical preceptor work." She will receive a certificate and a \$200 professional development award.

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MONDAY — Hamburger on a Bun; Fish Nuggets w/Wheat Roll; Lettuce & Tomato Salad; Tater Tots; Peas & Carrots; Apple Halves

TUESDAY — Three-Cheese Baked Rotini w/Garlic Bread; Chicken Fajitas w/Salsa & Sour Cream; "Fun on the Run"; Vegetable Rice; Steamed Broccoli; Chilled Peaches

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

THURSDAY — BBQ Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Grilled Cheese Sandwich; "Fun on the Run"; Baked Beans; Collard Greens; Fresh Grapes

MIDDLE & HIGH

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MONDAY — Beef & Cheese Nachos w/Salsa; Chicken Nuggets w/BBQ Sauce and Wheat Roll; Baja Black Beans; Chilled Apricots; Fresh Apples

TUESDAY — Pork BBQ on a Bun; Chicken Tetrizziness w/Wheat Roll; Coleslaw; Green Beans; Chilled Pears

WEDNESDAY — Meatball Sub; Sweet & Sour Chicken; Brown Rice Pilaf; Asian Mixed Vegetables; Fried Gelatin

THURSDAY — Fried Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Mozzarella Cheese Sticks w/Marinara Dipping Sauce; Carrot & Celery Sticks; Broccoli w/Cheese Sauce; Fresh Oranges



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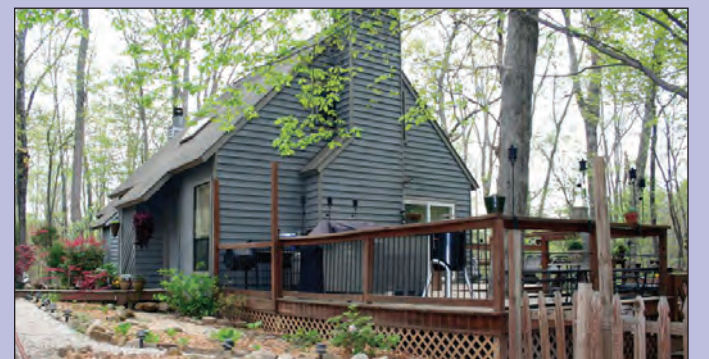
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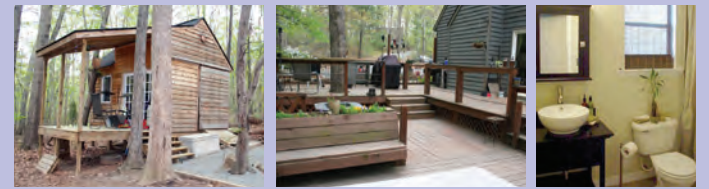
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FLORA

FROM PAGE 1

This past weekend I discovered a spectacular new trail. The 2.2 mile Occaneechee Mountain loop trail begins at the western edge of the official parking area and leisurely meanders around the western mid-slope of the mountain dominated by mature rock chestnut oaks, *Quercus montana*. I was so engaged in the various flowering patches of fetterbush, *Lynnia mariana*, and deerberry, *Vaccinium stamineum*, that I was downright startled when I looked up to see, in full flower, alone in the open forest, a specimen of tree-form mountain laurel. My objective of the walk was to view the mountain laurel that is usually in full flower on Mother's Day. Far out from the north-slope and mountain-top population of laurel, this fine specimen was a surprising sentinel of the spectacle to come.

I soon found myself dwarfed beneath a canopy of flowering laurel with, in places, a groundcover of galax, *Galax aphylla*, so characteristic of the mountains farther west.



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

A sentinel mountain laurel announces a spectacular flower display further beyond.

The laurel seemed to be at peak, but many buds were still closed. A closer look at just-opened flowers will reveal 10 dark burgundy-red stamens imbedded in the petal surface. Examining older flowers, you will discover stamens in an inverted curved position, having sprung upward, when ripe, tossing pollen out onto unsuspecting insect pollinators.

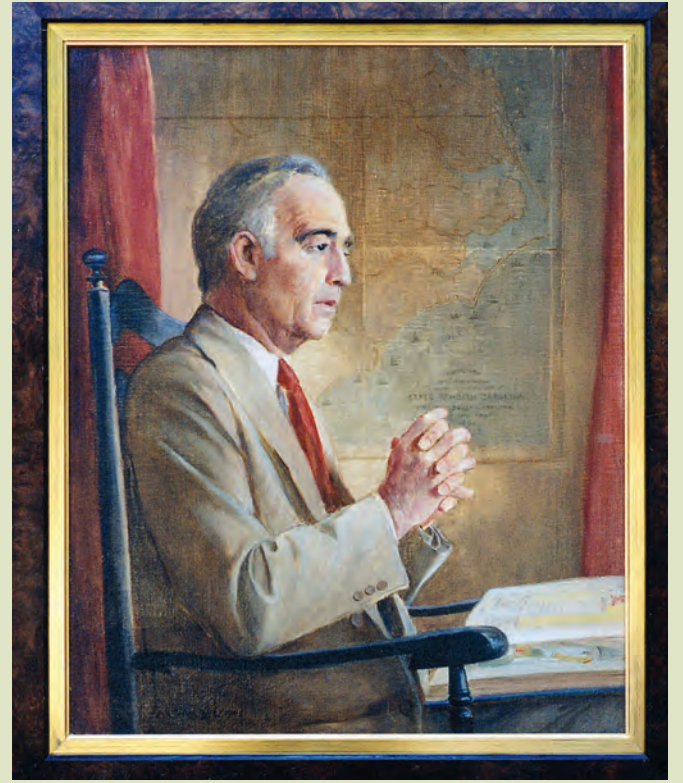
I felt myself in the heart of the Carolina mountains. Some many thousands of years ago, I would have

been correct. How fortunate we are that a few "relict" plant communities still linger nearby on sites where just a few degrees of temperature differences and slope orientation allow a few characteristic mountain species to survive following the last southern glacial episode.

The mountain laurels are still in flower. Get out in the next week to see them, and make note that we do have spectacular Piedmont wildflower displays!!

As a photo detective, I love a picture containing an enigma.

In 1945, my grandfather Charlie Rush sat for this portrait painted by Philadelphia portrait artist Arthur Bye. I grew up idolizing my granddad, the head librarian at UNC's Wilson Library from 1941-55. After his death in 1957, I took solace in his portrait, which hung in my Grandmother Lionne's home until her death in 1991. I lost track of the portrait until 2001, when we moved back to Chapel Hill and discovered it hanging in the head librarian's office in Wilson! Now, fast forward to last week, when my wife was surfing the Smithsonian website and came across a cache of Lionne's letters to my great Aunt Olive Rush, a renowned Santa Fe painter. And there in a 1962 letter from Lionne, I was shocked to read, "Yes, I am in the background by the books - I didn't know I was to be in the picture!" That



Where's Lionne? 1945

revelation sent me dashing back to Wilson to search for my grandmother hiding in the background. But alas, no Lionne! At least, I don't see a woman's face or any books! Aha! When the canvas was mounted, the books (and Lionne) must have been cropped out by the frame. So the only way we'll ever know for sure is to un-frame the portrait. And since the likelihood of that ever happening is highly unlikely, I'll have to be content with imaging my Grandmother Lionne lurking back there behind the frame.



A THOUSAND WORDS

BY JOCK LAUTERER

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Saw Art

Seven Springs resident Jeffery Lee, an artist who makes sculptures from logs using a chainsaw, was in town recently promoting his business, Work Art. Most of the pieces are from a single log, he said. These pieces were patterned after the band Donna the Buffalo, who recently played at the Shakori Hills Festival in Pittsboro.

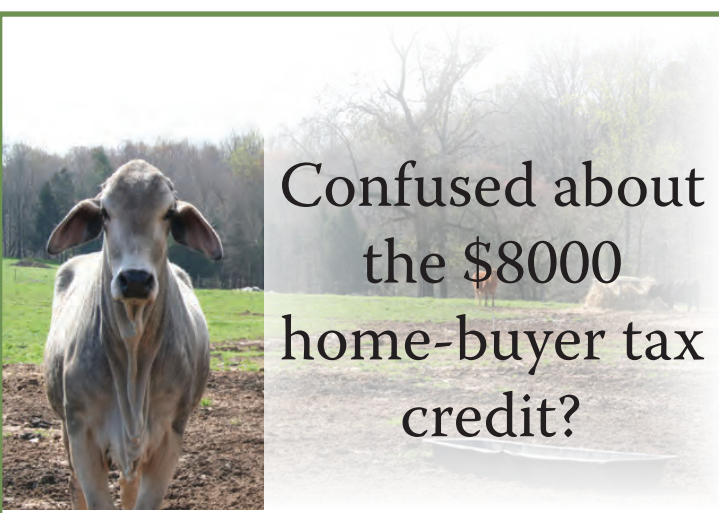
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TAR HEELS HEAD TO D.C.

The UNC men's basketball team traveled to Washington this week to meet with President Barack Obama at the White House, where he congratulated the team on the 2009 NCAA Division I National Championship. Coach Roy Williams and team members presented Obama with a UNC jersey with his name and the number 1 printed on the back. The seniors also gave the president a picture of him with the team. Obama played a pick-up game with the team on a campaign visit to Chapel Hill last year and picked the Tar Heels to win the national championship this year.

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