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This cicada sniffs wild quinine before taking to the treetops. PHOTO BY PARKER CHESSON

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

Some cicadas stop to sniff the flowers

As described in last week's Citizen, the media is abuzz with the sounds and sights of the 13-year cicada.

Members of Duke Garden's spring flora class must be among the first to have spotted the early emerging members of this now famous Brood XIX.

The class was surprised to find these engaging red-eyed cicadas already there scattered throughout the low prairie vegetation.

They had emerged from the ground the evening before and climbed up the nearest vegetation - that being rare wildflower species - to shed their outside skeletons under cover of darkness.

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County manager proposes no tax hike for now

BY JOSHUA LUCAS Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL - Property taxes won't have to go up this year, but inevitable increases are looming next year, County Manager Frank Clifton told the Orange County Board of Commissioners Tuesday night.

On the horizon are continuing human-services costs, already approved capital projects and long-delayed economic-development and capital costs, he said.

For the third consecutive year, Clifton presented a budget that in-

cludes no increases in property taxes and which holds spending essentially flat. The \$177 million budget got its first public airing at the Orange County Board of Commissioners meeting Tuesday night.

The proposed budget keeps the county's base property-tax rate at 85.8 cents per \$100 of assessed value on real estate and recommends maintaining the additional 18.84 cent rate for property within the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools district.

In pointing past this year's budget to the coming crunch, Clifton was blunt.

"We will be facing tax increases in the coming year," he said, largely because of water and sewer projects the county has already committed to building, but also because of other choices commissioners are facing.

"That's on the near horizon." The budget maintains current spending levels, with nearly half the budget going to the county's two school districts or to service debt on school capital costs. No layoffs are called for again this year, and provision is made for some small increases in employee health care costs.

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Food trucks may well be in Chapel Hill's future

BY SUSAN DICKSON Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL - Food trucks may be on the horizon for Chapel Hill, with a request from the Chapel Hill Town Council on Monday that staff develop draft regulations that would allow, within parameters, mobile food units in town.

The discussion stems from a petition last September by Lex Alexander, owner of 3CUPS cafe on Elliot Road, that the town change regulations to allow food trucks. Town regulations allow them downtown during town-sponsored events, such as Festifall, and on private property with special-events permits.

Carrboro and Durham allow food trucks within their jurisdictions, and Raleigh officials are considering changing regulations to allow the mobile food vendors.

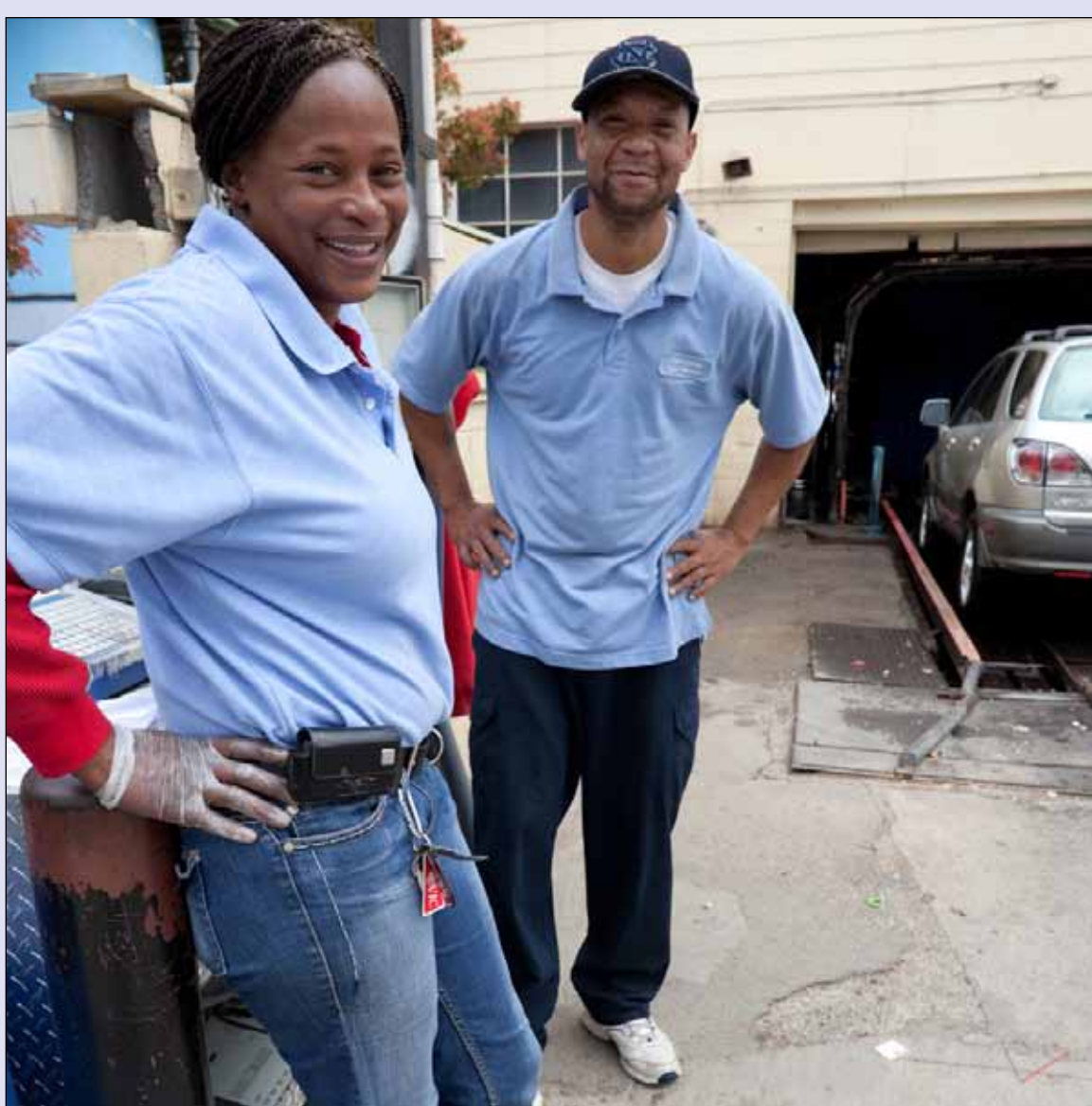
Some local restaurant owners oppose allowing food trucks, saying they present unfair competition in an already very tough restaurant market.

Kendal Brown, principal planner for Chapel Hill, told council members that possible issues include how to collect taxes from food truck sales and the town's inability to regulate the number of trucks in town at any given time.

Council member Laurin Easthom said she would like to look at spacing regulations so that food trucks wouldn't cluster in one specific area.

"I am sensitive to the businesses obviously that potentially could be affected, but I'm also thinking that, and I'm being convinced that, we're looking at possibly two different [groups of] people: People who want to get a fast meal are going to use the food trucks and people who want to go in are going to use the restaurants," she said.

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Dianna Alston and Bryant Royster wait on customers at Carolina Carwash. PHOTO BY ALEX MANESS

Chatham discusses proposed ICE resolution

BY TAYLOR SISK Staff Writer

The occasional derisive grunt and a word or two of protest here and there from the gallery notwithstanding, Chatham County residents and a few of their neighbors addressed immigration issues in generally calm and respectful tones Monday night.

The occasion was a public input session on a newly proposed resolution in support of cooperation with federal immigration officials. The session was held at the outset of the Chatham County Board of Commissioners regular meeting.

The resolution, if passed by the board, would repeal a resolution the pre-

vious board adopted in January 2009. That resolution declared the commissioners' opposition to participation in the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) 287(g) program, which provides money to local law-enforcement agencies to help identify illegal immigrants and process them for deportation.

The 2009 resolution states that the board of commissioners "stands in strong opposition to any local governmental agency contracting with ICE for the purpose of enforcing federal immigration laws."

The resolution now under consideration asserts that the previous one "inadvertently caused confusion within our community concerning the status of

Chatham County as a 'sanctuary county' and that the county 'supports the co-operation of local law enforcement with all Federal and State agencies.'

The board is scheduled to vote on the resolution at its next meeting, on June 6.

A county debates

The ICE resolutions have served as focal points in a sometimes-contentious countywide debate on immigration. Chatham County has seen a sharp increase in the number of immigrants, both legal and illegal, from Latin American countries in the past decade or so, and for the most part the integration of the new arrivals into the community has gone well.

Chatham County today has one of the largest Latino populations in the state.

But there are those who believe, as resident Paul Price put it in addressing the board Monday night, that "illegal is illegal. It cannot and should not be shaded in another color."

Twenty people spoke about the proposed resolution, 16 against and four in favor. Most speakers were Chatham residents.

Heather Johnson of the organization Chatham Conservative Voice questioned the motivations of those who supported the first resolution and oppose the proposed one.

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Landfill mitigation approved

BY JOSHUA LUCAS Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL - The Orange County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously Tuesday night to create a special fund to help pay for community projects in the Rogers Road area, near the county-maintained landfill some residents say has been the cause of noxious fumes, illegal offsite dumping and other community woes.

"We are here to right the wrongs of 40 years," said Robert Campbell, a Rogers Road community activist, one of several to offer limited support for the proposal. The activists urged the commissioners to pursue extending water and sewer service to the community, and some questioned whether the allocation would be enough.

"We don't mean to be dismissive," UNC epidemiologist and activist Chris Heaney said, "[But]

this proposal overlooks tipping fees accrued over 40 years."

The fund would begin with a \$750,000 allocation, with monies accrued through a \$5 surcharge on every ton of waste that trucks dump at the landfill. The commissioners approved that surcharge Tuesday along with the initial allocation.

The Town of Chapel Hill opened the landfill in 1972, but it is now owned by the county. At the time the site opened, some politicians told community members the site would close within a decade. County leaders have extended the life of the site several times and are considering doing so again.

The board Tuesday opted not to consider the longest-term extension possible for the landfill, effectively setting in place a plan to close the landfill within about three and a half years.

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Big Smiles, kids win

BY BROOKE PARKER Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL - Laughter and cheers filled the air as more than 800 children crossed the finish line to receive medals and prizes in the Swim for Smiles Foundation's triathlon at Chapel Hill Country Club on Saturday.

Swim for Smiles - the largest youth triathlon in the country - raises money for the N.C. Children's Hospital.

"We were extremely excited about the growth in our triathlon this year," said founder Gary Kayye. This year marked Swim for Smiles' largest participation to date.

Kayye and Laura Gondek established the Swim for Smiles Foundation in 2005 with a mission of "kids helping kids" through special multi-sport events such as triathlons and swim-a-thons. The foundation is dedicated to creating and carrying out events that are fun for kids while raising money for N.C. Children's Hospital.

The first Swim for Smiles, in 2005, was originally a dual swim meet featuring a team from Chapel Hill Summer Swim League and another from Durham Summer Swim League that raised money for the N.C. and Duke children's hospitals. The event has since transformed into the country's largest annual youth triathlon.

This year, the race weekend started with a party Friday featuring a speech by CBS Survivor contestant Kelly Bruno, the honorary starter of the race, who is a leg-amputee.

The two-day event for youth ages 5-19 was divided into two distances to allow for a maximum number of participants, with the short-distance race held Saturday and the long-distance race on Sunday. The foundation offered scholarships to more than 40 children to participate in the race. The Swim for Smiles organizers say they hope the kids will fall in love with triathlons, the largest growing sport in the world.

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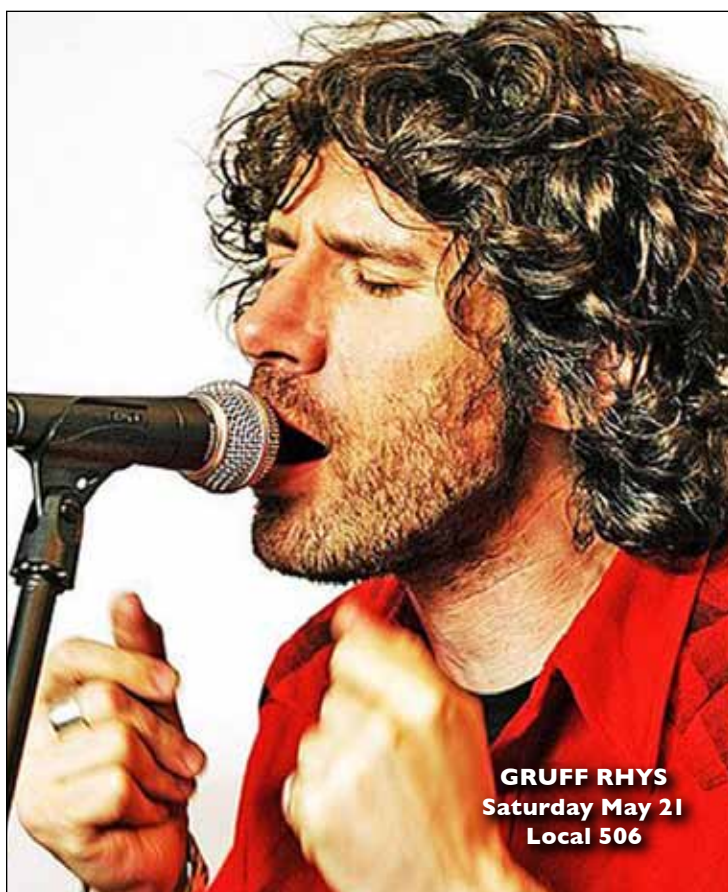
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# MUSIC CALENDAR



**GRUFF RHYS**  
Saturday May 21  
Local 506

### THURSDAY MAY 19

**The ArtsCenter:** Damon and Naomi, Amor De Dis. 8pm. \$12/10

**The Cave:** EARLY: Dead Sea Sparrow LATE: Mangosteen, Moonfisher

**City Tap:** E Train and The Rusted Rails. 7pm

**General Store Cafe:** Tony Galiani. 7pm

**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** DTL, Jeff Waters, Guilty Pleasure. 8pm

**Local 506:** Dale Earnhardt Jr./Generational. 9:30pm. \$10/12

**Nightlight:** Americans in France, Heads on Sticks, Le Weekend. 9:30pm

**The Station at Southern Rail:** Justin Johnson. 10pm

### FRIDAY MAY 20

**Bynum Front Porch:** The Hey Brothers. 7pm

**Caffe Driade:** Debonzo Bros. 8pm

**Carolina Inn:** Mick Mixon and The Franklin Street Band. 5pm

**Cat's Cradle:** Mac Miller, Rapsody, Mr. Invisible. 9:30pm. \$15

**The Cave:** EARLY: Brit Price LATE: Blood Red River, Phatlynx, Dust vs Dirt

**City Tap:** Tracy Wiebeck, Joe Bell and The Stinging Blades, Tristan Omand. 5pm

**General Store Cafe:** Laura Thurston. 8pm

**Jack Sprat Cafe and Bar:** Dead To Society, The Long Drive, The Bamfs. 10pm Free

**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** Fujiyama Roll, The Fooligans. 8pm

**Local 506:** Elizabeth and the Cata-pult, Harper Blynn. 9:30pm. \$9/11

**Nightlight:** The Riff, Nine Lives, Deluxe Handcuffs, Gentle Robot. \$5

### SATURDAY MAY 21

**The ArtsCenter:** Delta Rae Benefit Concert. 8pm. \$13/15/20

**Caffe Driade:** Loose Mood. 8pm

**Cat's Cradle:** The Old Ceremony, Dexter Romweber and the New Romans. 9pm. \$10/12

**The Cave:** EARLY: dAshton LATE: Blotter Benefit: Spiralfire, Stranger Spirits, The Vagabond Union

**City Tap:** Guilty Pleasures, Steph Stewart and the Boyfriends. 8pm

**General Store Cafe:** Rootzie.

**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** Supreme Fiction, Three Days in Vegas. 8pm

**Local 506:** Gruff Rhys, Y Niwl. 9pm. \$12/13

**Milltown:** Rhythmwerks, DJ Frankieboi. 10:30pm

### SUNDAY MAY 22

**The Cave:** LATE: Gentle Robot, The Dig

**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** Uncle Mountain, Corey Coleman. 11am

**Local 506:** 100 Yorktown, Young Cardinals, Lansdowne. 8pm. \$5/7

**Milltown:** Mason's Apron. 8pm

**Southern Village:** Dana and Susan Robinson. 7pm

**Weaver Street Market:** Dana and Susan Robinson. 11am

### MONDAY MAY 23

**The Cave:** LATE: Walter Lukens, Grand Child

**Local 506:** Japan Earthquake-Tsunami Relief Show; West Trinity, Doombunny, Lady and The Tramps Trio, Lisa Furukawa. 8pm

**Nightlight:** D Charles Speer and The Helix, Zachary Cale and The Rainband. 9:30pm. \$6

### TUESDAY MAY 24

**Nightlight:** Juan Huevos, The Memorials. 9:30pm. \$7

### WEDNESDAY MAY 25

**The Cave:** LATE: Neurovine, Joe Mejer, Fractal Farm

**Local 506:** The Death Set, Win Win, Smart Mouf. 9:30pm. \$9/11

**Nightlight:** Attic Orchestra, Candy Lee and The Sweets, Mangoseen. 9:30pm Free

### THURSDAY MAY 26

**Cat's Cradle:** Corrosion of Conformity, Scream, Devour. 9pm. \$16/18

**The Cave:** LATE: Science in the Cave, Animal Alphabet

**General Store Cafe:** Justin Johnson. 7pm

**Hanes Auditorium:** CHHS orchestra, Red Clay Ramblers. \$6 adults/\$3 students

**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** Dry River Trio, The Morning After; Erin Brown. 8pm

**Local 506:** Matthew Mayfield,

Nick White. 9:30pm. \$8

**Nightlight:** Dan Mac and the Bullet

### FRIDAY MAY 27

**Bynum Front Porch:** Dmitri Resnik and Bootleg Beat, Chatham County Slim and Papa Mike. 10am

**Carolina Inn:** The Gravy Boys. 5pm

**Cat's Cradle:** dub Addis, Alex Weiss and Different Drum, Diali Cissokho. 9:15pm. \$8/10

**The Cave:** EARLY: Pagan Hellcats LATE: Puritan Rodeo, Kelly McFar-

ling, Patrick Dyer Wolf

**City Tap:** The Breaks, Kitty Box and The Johnnys, Chatham County Slim and Papa Mike. 7pm

**General Store Cafe:** Tommy Edwards and Friends. 8pm. \$5

**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** Twiligher, Robobilly, Simple. 8pm

**Local 506:** Mishka, Anuhea. 9pm. \$10/12

**Nightlight:** Where the Buffalo Roamed, Collides, White Cascade, Battle Star Canada

### SATURDAY MAY 28

**The ArtsCenter:** Sacred Arts Tour 2011. 7pm

**Caffe Driade:** Onward, Soldiers.

**The Cave:** EARLY: Climb Jacob's Ladder LATE: Blag-ard, Transportation

**City Tap:** Leah from Not Dead Yet, Daniel Sean. 8pm

**General Store Cafe:** Mahalo Jazz. 8pm

**Local 506:** Audubon Park, Aimee Argote, Actual Persons Living or Dead. 10pm. \$7

## SPOTLIGHT: THE OLD CEREMONY



PHOTO BY D.L. ANDERSON

The Old Ceremony will perform at Cat's Cradle Saturday, May 21.

Occupying their own darkly lit corner of the musical world, these Chapel Hill-bred gurus create lush, literate rock. The Old Ceremony has toured more than six years with four albums under its belt — all filled with ominous rumblings and world-weary but hopeful characters. TOC is led by songwriter Django Haskins and includes bassist Matt Brandau, drummer Dan Hall, vibes/organist Mark Simonsen and violinist/keyboardist Gabriele Pelli. They say their sound is a combination of young love under pressure, hot air balloons and Estonian wedding songs.

Dexter Romweber and the New Romans will open for TOC to make the night quite a spectacle. The Carrboro band has metamorphosed into an ensemble of seven musicians with three backing vocalists. The band says, "We're always looking for strange new sounds and strange new surroundings to bring our music to you."

Be sure to make it to the Cradle to welcome these local artists. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Doors open at 8 p.m., with the show starting at 9.

## CAT'S CRADLE



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**TH 5/19 DAMON & NAOMI**  
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**MO 7/25 EELS\*\*(\$18/\$21)**

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ON SALE FRIDAY 5/20

**MO 8/6\*\*(\$14/\$17) CHATHAM COUNTY LINE**

**FR 8/19 ARCHERS OF LOAF**

**FR 9/16\*\*(\$14/\$16) ATARI TEENAGE RIOT**

**FR 9/23\*\*(\$16/\$18) MELISSA FERRICK**

**FR 9/30\*\*(\$15) WHO'S BAD**

**SA 6/11 THE DECEMBERISTS**  
RALEIGH AMPHITHEATRE

**FR 6/24 BEN SOLLEE**

**FR 5/20 SOLD OUT MAC MILLER**  
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AND MR. INVISIBLE

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W/DEXTER ROMWEBER AND THE NEW ROMANS

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## Briefs

### Town launches Twitter accounts

The Town of Carrboro this week launched several Twitter pages, which is the town's first foray into social media. The Twitter pages will serve as an additional resource to local residents and visitors for timely information about government services, programs and emergency communications. There will initially be three official Twitter accounts used by town staff: For general town-related information, follow @CarrboroTownGov; for specific Recreation & Parks Department information, follow @CarrboroRecPark; and for specific Fire-Rescue Department information, follow @CarrboroFireRes.

For direct contact to town departments, visit [townofcarrboro.org](http://townofcarrboro.org)

### Chatham budget proposed

Chatham County Manager Charlie Horne presented a proposed budget for fiscal year 2011-12 to the board of commissioners on Monday. The budget of \$82,883,972 is 4 percent lower than this year's and would maintain the tax rate at the current level of 62.19 cents.

The budget proposes substantial cuts while ensuring the continuation of core functions of county government, Horne said. County funding of K-12 schools would increase 2 percent, while the non-school operating budget would drop 8 percent with budgeting by departments and decreased human-services costs.

### CHT makes changes to A, T routes

Chapel Hill Transit implemented a minor adjustment to the detour on the A and Saturday T routes on Saturday.

With the adjustment, the A and Saturday T routes make a left turn from Severin Street onto Bradley Road, a left on Williams Circle and a right on Barclay Road. All stops along Bradley Road are closed during this detour.

For questions about the route change, call a CHT customer service representative at 969-4900 or visit [chtransit.org](http://chtransit.org)

### Early treatment prevents HIV transmission, study finds

A UNC-led research team has made a major discovery in the effort to halt the spread of HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Study results show that early initiation of antiretroviral treatment in people infected with HIV prevents them from transmitting the virus to their partners.

The study was designed to evaluate whether antiretroviral drugs can prevent sexual transmission of HIV infection among couples in which one partner is HIV-infected and the other is not.

Led by UNC's Myron S. Cohen, the research found that treating HIV-infected individuals with antiretroviral therapy when their immune systems are still relatively healthy led to a 96 percent reduction in HIV transmission to their partners.

### Weaver Street work continues

Water main installation in the west block of Weaver Street is nearly complete, with sections of the westbound lane closed as work moves toward Carrboro Town Hall, while the east block of the street will remain closed until late May or early June.

The yearlong project involves the replacement of the street's collapsing roadbed and the 80-year-old sewer line beneath it.

Pedestrian access remains open along both blocks of Weaver Street, though pedestrians may be directed to one side of the street or the other.

## BOA mulls water supply, growth limits

BY SUSAN DICKSON  
Staff Writer

**CARRBORO** — Following a March vote to deny the Orange Water and Sewer Authority's request to use its Jordan Lake water allocation, members of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen on Tuesday said they would consider limiting growth and development if necessary to avoid out-pacing water supply, and would request that Chapel Hill and UNC consider similar measures.

Citing concerns that there could be years of tight water supply leading up to the availability of water from the quarry at the American Stone Company in 2030, board member Dan Coleman initiated the discussion.

Board member Joal Hall Broun said she was concerned that Carrboro and Chapel Hill differed on certain philosophies,

and that it might be difficult to come to an agreement on development and water supply.

"We are all in Orange County and we are directly adjacent to Chapel Hill, but we have some policies that are different for Carrboro than they are for Chapel Hill," she said. "There are some things that we believe that Chapel Hill doesn't believe."

Coleman said that he felt it was important to have the discussion with Chapel Hill, pointing out that Chapel Hill is considering redevelopment of the area around Eastgate and Ram's Plaza, as well as other developments.

"They have big projects in the works in Chapel Hill," he said.

Board member Jacquie Gist also pointed out UNC's planned developments.

"I think the university would be part and parcel of that conversation," she said.

Earlier this year, OWASA requested to use its 5-million-gallons-per-day allocation of water from Jordan Lake, seeking approval from Carrboro, Chapel Hill, Hillsborough and Orange County officials. The authority can already draw from the lake through Durham or Cary in the event of an emergency, but the change would have allowed OWASA to use water through its own allocation.

Hillsborough and Orange County officials approved OWASA's request, while Chapel Hill and Carrboro denied it, saying additional water isn't needed and citing concerns about the water quality. Without Carrboro and Chapel Hill approval, the change won't take effect.

The state periodically reviews the allocations of water from Jordan Lake. OWASA says it needs to more aggressively pursue the

allocation from the state or risk losing it. The water would be used in the event of emergencies and to stave off tightening water restrictions during droughts, according to OWASA.

The board also agreed to lend its support to OWASA in lobbying state officials to allow the authority to keep its Jordan Lake allocation.

"What I'm suggesting is that we not leave OWASA to fend for itself," Coleman said, adding that board members should be willing to contact state environmental officials.

"I think it's absolutely essential that OWASA has the support of its local governments ... to retain our allocation and get access to it," said Ed Kerwin, OWASA executive director. Kerwin added that OWASA would communicate with the board when the support is needed.

## PORCH

**PORCH** — People Offering Relief for Chapel Hill-Carrboro Homes — celebrated its one-year anniversary on Monday with the launch of Food for Families, a program aimed at getting more fresh produce into the hands of hungry families during the summer months. Mayor Mark Chilton was in attendance, along with Carrboro Board of Aldermen member Lydia Lavelle and Chapel Hill Town Council member Penny Rich.

PHOTOS BY ALICIA STEMPER



Susan Romaine, one of the co-founders of PORCH, thanks volunteers at the beginning of the PORCH food sort on Monday at Lake Hogan Farms.



Food sorted for the Food for Families program awaits delivery.



Sharon Collins from Balloons & Tunes lends a hand to support hungry people in the local community.

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## Briefs

### Low-cost rabies vaccination

Orange County's Animal Services Department will hold a \$10 rabies vaccination clinic today (Thursday) from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Animal Services Center in Chapel Hill.

The vaccination will be good for one year, and the fee must be paid in cash. Dogs must be on leashes and cats must be in individual carriers. The Animal Services Center is located at 1601 Eubanks Road.

### Hog Day sets new dates

Hillsborough Hog Day, typically held the third week in June, is moving to May to take advantage of cooler weather and the springtime atmosphere. It will be held this Friday and Saturday in the River Park off East Margaret Lane.

Admission is free. Activities will be held Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., including a barbecue cooking contest, live music, children's games and plenty of food.

For more information, call 732-8156 or visit hogdays.com

### Words on the Move

Scott Huler, the 2011 Piedmont Laureate, will soon have a new medium to express himself: public transportation.

Chapel Hill Transit and Capital Area Transit have teamed up to present *Words on the Move*, a series of bus placards that pose thought-provoking questions written by Huler.

Bus riders are encouraged to submit their own questions at piedmont-laureate.com. Current placards can be viewed on the website as well.

### Muddy Water Watch Workshop

There will be a workshop for residents to learn how to monitor construction that affects Bolin Creek on Monday at 7 p.m. at Carrboro Town Hall.

The workshop will last two hours and will train residents to properly identify sediment- and erosion-control violations at active construction sites and report these problems.

The workshop is free, but space is limited. To register, email Julie at mcclintock.julie@gmail.com with your name, address and phone number.

### Cornucopia receives grant

Cornucopia Cancer Support Center will continue its in-home and hospice services thanks to a \$9,600 grant from the Home Health Foundation of Chapel Hill Endowment Fund of the Triangle Community Foundation.

Cornucopia's in-home services began in 2008 and provide home health care sessions, including therapeutic massage, polarity, reiki, yoga, meditation and movement support.

For more information about Cornucopia, call 401-9333 or visit cancer-support4u.org

### Free nature hike

There will be a free spring nature hike along Bolin Creek and the Winmore trails Saturday at 2 p.m.

Local photographer and author Dave Otto, a founding member of the Friends of Bolin Creek, will guide the hike. Hikers will meet at the Winmore roundabout at 2 p.m. and are advised to wear comfortable shoes.

For more information, visit bolincreek.org



The LIGHT Art + Design showroom and shop in the Greenbridge building is presenting its spring show, "For the Birds," through June 11, with work by more than 30 local artists. Pictured above are E.O. Wilson, who stopped by while in town to give UNC's commencement address, with gallery director Cindy Spuria; and, right, Spuria chatting with artists Susan Tice-Lewis and Leigh Suggs. Gallery hours are Wednesday-Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. and by appointment. Receptions will be held this Thursday and Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 2 to 6 p.m.

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## HOUSE Calls

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



This week we respond to questions about weight loss and peripheral arterial disease.

Dear HOUSE Calls, I need to know how to lose weight. I have tried so many things. What can I do?

This is so simple and so hard. We are so happy you are thinking about it. Food is energy, and if you take in more than you use, you gain weight. If you take in less than you use, you lose weight. So eat less or use more. It is that simple — and one of the hardest health issues for Americans today. Exercise by itself is a tough way to lose weight without some diet control. We may convert some fat to muscle, which makes us feel better and be healthier, but it is not likely to make a big difference on the scale. If you can really ratchet up exercise, like an hour or more six days a week, that can make a significant difference in weight. The other option is to eat less. Calorie reduction

is the key to losing weight. Make diet changes that you can consider permanent. Fad diets, like liquid diets, do not make a difference over the long haul. Higher protein and lower carbohydrate diets (like Atkins and South Beach) can help with hunger by blunting the body's insulin response. Much of eating is behavioral. If we can learn to eat the right foods in the right portions, and stick with it, we can lose weight. Programs like Weight Watchers can help by teaching people skills around portion control. There are also in-person and online motivational programs for losing weight, such as services that provide customized advice, coaching and motivational texting. For many people, weight control is a psychological issue, sometimes rooted in depression, a history of trauma or problems with impulse control. Getting help with these issues can be critical. Consider working with your doctor and a nutritionist. Good luck!

Dear HOUSE Calls, I'm in my 70s and recently have had increasing amounts of pain in my legs. I have high blood pressure and used to smoke. It gets worse with walking long distances and better with rest. Do you think I might have peripheral arterial disease?

It seems like you made a good diagnosis. Your pain pattern, high blood pressure and smoking history, as well as your age, make this a good first guess. This problem is caused by blockage in the arteries to the legs, which decreases blood flow and causes pain. It's diagnosed with an ultrasound of those arteries, a non-invasive test. It's treated with medications, a structured exercise program and sometimes surgery. It's fantastic that you already quit smoking. Tobacco use is a very important risk factor for this problem. Good luck.

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

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### CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

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

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Calendar

THURSDAY MAY 19

OC Democratic Women — Meeting with speakers Ellie Kin- naird, Verla Insko and Joe Hackney and a presentation from Susan Romaine. OWASA, 7pm 593-1904

World Watch — Connie Walker, General Manager of WUNC North Carolina Public Radio, will discuss, "Competing in the Age of Instant Global Communications." Seymour Center, 2:30pm Free 968-2070

Rabies Clinic — \$10 rabies vaccination clinic, sponsored by OC Animal Services. OC Animal Services Center, 1601 Eubanks Road, 1-4pm 968-2287

FRIDAY MAY 20

Book Sale — For Friends of the Library members. Chapel Hill Public Library, 4-6pm

Artists' Salon — Sponsored by the OC Arts Commission with guest Joy Javits speaking on "How to Present Your ... Art." The ArtsCenter, 6:30pm

Hog Day — 29th Annual Hill-sborough Hog Day. River Park, Downtown Hillsborough, 6-9pm \$5 hogdays.com

Bike Ride/Movie — 8-mile bike ride through Chapel Hill-Carrboro, followed by a showing of Breaking Away. Wallace Deck, 150 E. Rosemary St., 5:30pm townof-chapelhill.org

Planning Fair — Speakers will address financial- and health-planning issues that affect aging adults and seniors. Carrboro Century Center, 9am-3pm townofcarrboro.org

SATURDAY MAY 21

Golden Hour — Benefit for PORCH (People Offering Relief for Chapel Hill Carrboro Homes), which helps support five local food pantries. 506 Oak Ave., 6-8pm \$50 per household porchnc.org

Sidewalk Festival/Pet Adoption

— Framer's Market hosts "All Creatures Great and Small," with artist Stacy Lewis, beekeeper Ben Crawley and the opportunity to adopt a pet. Rams Plaza, 10am-3pm 929-7137

Book Sale — Open to the public. Chapel Hill Public Library, 9am-5pm

Spring Hike — With guide Dave Otto, along the Bolin Creek and Winmore trails. Meet at the Winmore roundabout, 2pm Free

Plant! Now — Disaster preparedness group, Plan!t Now, to share information on how to prepare for severe weather. A Southern Season, 10am-6pm 636-7540

Hog Day — 29th Annual Hill-sborough Hog Day. River Park, Downtown Hillsborough, 9am-6pm \$5 hogdays.com

Show and Swap Meet — Sponsored by The Dixie Jewels Insulator Club. Community Room at OWASA, 400 Jones Ferry Road, 9am-2pm Free 489-0909

BikeAbility Event — For special needs youth and adults. Bowles Parking lot, 10am-2pm townofchapelhill.org

SUNDAY MAY 22

Book Sale — Open to public. Chapel Hill Public Library, 1-4pm

Space Show Symposium — Part of Carrboro Branch Library's exhibit "Out There: Images of Earth and Space," with speaker Dr. Gerald Cecil, and artists Linda Carmel, Joey Howell, Shirley B. Little and Pat Merriman. 3:30-4:45pm 969-3006

Plant! Now — Disaster pre- paredness group, Plan!t Now, to share information on how to pre- pare for severe weather. A South- ern Season, 11am-7pm 636-7540

MONDAY MAY 23

Bird Club — Last monthly meeting for the CH Bird Club, with speakers David and Judy Smith. Binkley Baptist Church, 7pm Free

Time Out — With guests Pat Kiffney and Nancy Carnes discussing sustainable garden- ing and landscaping. WCOM, 103.5FM 5pm

TUESDAY MAY 24

Film Showing — The Last One by Neal Hutcheson, pre- sented by ChathamArts Sustain- able Cinema, with moonshine tasting and live music/moon- shine songs to be performed by Tommy Edwards. Fearington Barn, 7:30pm chathamarts.org

Tibetan Pageant — Tibet- an Monks of the Drepung Go- mang Monastery will perform a preview of the Tibetan Cultural Pageant. University Mall, 7pm Free monkstour.info

THURSDAY MAY 26

Film Showing — Scraps, by local screenwriter Kate Bur- gauer, to be shown. Carrboro Century Center, 7:30pm Free

Bocce Tournament — To benefit the Foundation for a Sustainable Community. The Farm 3:30-8:30pm Registration: lmonrison@carolina chamber.org

SATURDAY MAY 28

CPR Course — Sponsored by the South Orange Res- cue Squad. 9am-12pm Free Registration required: erin.fairh. spence@gmail.com

Used Book Sale — To ben- efit the scholarship program for camps and lessons at Blue Skies of Maplevue. Rocky Ridge Road Maplevue Ice Cream Store, 12- 4:30pm 933-1444

Ongoing

Cancer Support — Support groups at Cornucopia Cancer Support Center for cancer patients and their families. Cancersupport4u.org 401-9333

Cancer Support — Support groups and wellness programs sponsored by N.C. Cancer Hos- pital. unclineberger.org/patient/ support/supportgroup.asp

Legal Workshops — Third Thursday of each month, run- ning through October. The Women's Center, 6-7:30pm Free 968-4610

THE PASSIVE-AGGRESSIVE CRABAPPLE TREES —



THIS WEEK I SAW A WOMAN GET A SHOCKER BY THE CHECKOUT COUNTER OF A SUPERMARKET. IT WASN'T PAINFUL. I THOUGHT ABOUT DRAWING IT, BUT IT SEEMED TOO STUBBY FOR CARRBORO.

ILLUSTRATION BY PHIL BLANK

OBITUARY

Donald Sutton Patterson

Donald Sutton Patterson, 75, a longtime resident of Chapel Hill, died unexpectedly on Tuesday, May 10, 2011. Born Sept. 30, 1935 in Pekin, Ill., he was the son of the late John Sutton Patterson and Alma Grove Patterson. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Doris Oliver Patterson; his son, Donald Sutton Patterson Jr.; and two granddaughters, Abbie Worth Patterson and Nina Rouse Anderson.

Mr. Patterson graduated from Greensboro High School in 1954 and from UNC-Chapel Hill in 1958, where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. He then attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Navy, where he served for four years. After moving to Chapel Hill in 1964, he was employed by IBM until his retirement in 1996. He also served on Gov. Hunt's N.C. Foundation for Advanced Health Programs Inc. as an "on-loan" representative of IBM. Don was a member of The Church of the Holy Family, the Chapel Hill Kiwanis Club and a former president of the CHCC.

Mr. Patterson is survived by his wife of 30 years, Frances Yost Patterson; his daughter, Pamela P. Anderson and

husband, John, of Charlotte; daughter-in-law, Lisa O. Patterson of Cary; Mark and Christy Yost and Scott Yost, of Greensboro; Sharon and Gene Dente of New Jersey; and two brothers, J. Richard Patterson and wife, Anne Wayne, of Danville, Va., and Scott G. Patterson and wife, Robin, of Easton, Md. In addition, he is survived by eight grandchildren, Hayden and Sutton Patterson, Mary Oliver and J.T. Anderson, Parker and Reese Yost and Brandon and Sarah Dente.

Don was a loving husband, a wonderful father, an adoring grandfather and a loyal friend to many. His greatest delights were his grandchildren and the Carolina Tar Heels. He will be deeply missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to The Church of the Holy Family, The American Cancer Society or Step Ahead Inc., 54 Main St., Suite 201, Succasunna, NJ 07876.

Virginia Petty

In the morning hours of May 12, 2011, Virginia Petty, 84, was called home.

She was the daughter of the late Thomas and Maggie Canada. She was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene "Diddle" Petty.

She leaves to cherish her

memory Brenda Sturdivant, Cheryl Masters (Jim), Judy Petty and Kristi McClellan. In addition, she is survived by her five grandchildren, Patrick Bradley (Betsy), Jeff Masters (Crystal), Katie Masters, Heather Sturdivant and Lindsay McClellan. To her great-grandchildren Wyland, Jaylen and Chloe, she was known as "Granny."

She loved her family, life, flowers, helping others, good food and preparing great food for her family and others.

She was the final surviving member of her family. She was preceded in death by her four brothers, T.W., Leroy, Raybert and Raymond Canada, and her two sisters, Ruth Kicklighter and Betty Canada.

Virginia was a former member of Carrboro Baptist Church, where she served as a deaconess. She was an active member of Carrboro United Methodist Church. She was also an active member of the Carrboro Garden Club and the Carrboro Civic Club.

Services were held Saturday, May 14 at 2 p.m. at Carrboro United Methodist Church, with burial at Westwood Cemetery in Carrboro.

Memorial contributions may be made to Carrboro United Methodist Church, 200 Hillsborough Road, Carrboro, NC 27510.

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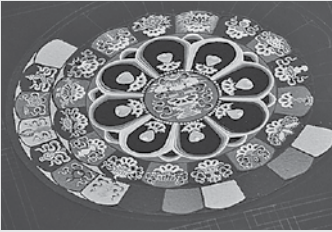
SACRED ARTS TOUR

Chapel Hill will welcome the monks of Drepung Gomang Monastery with the Sacred Arts Tour, opening on Sunday, May 22 at 523 E. Franklin St.

Over the course of five days, the monks will complete their sacred sand mandala, with a deconstruction ceremony on May 30. The mandala construction site will be open to the public May 22-30. The mandala is an ancient art form of Tibetan Buddhism. Mandalas are drawings in three-dimensional forms of sand. The word "mandala" is a Sanskrit word meaning "cosmogram" or "world in harmony."

The monks begin by consecrating the site of the mandala sand painting with approximately 30 minutes of chants, music and mantra recitation. Throughout the week, sand painting and butter sculpture classes will be offered for children and adults, with all proceeds going to support nearly 2,000 refugee monks living at the Drepung Gomang Monastery in Southern India.

The gallery will be open from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. daily. For more information, class registration or volunteer opportunities, visit monkstour.info



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## Keep your children well

Given the outrage some have expressed at the contest being held as part of the Adolescents Get Immunized campaign, this is a good time to remind everyone of the public health benefits of childhood immunization.

The campaign in question, a combined effort by the Orange County Health Department and Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, is aimed at encouraging our children to be inoculated against diseases including meningococcal disease, human papillomavirus (HPV) and tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap).

The contest portion of the effort would reward children who get vaccinated by making them eligible for prizes, including an iPod or laptop computer. As some of the critics have pointed out, this contest isn't fair to those children who are medically unable to take these vaccinations or whose family may have a religious bias against them.

It's also not fair to those children whose parents simply won't take the time to get their medically eligible kids inoculated. And it's this group that this contest hopes to flush out.

No child under 16 is supposed to be vaccinated without parental consent, and children under that age *will not* be vaccinated without parents taking action. If this contest can encourage eligible kids to nag too-busy parents into getting them protected through these vaccinations, it will have been successful.

No child likes getting shots, but maybe, just maybe, one child will get a vaccination that saves his or her life or prevents a disease from spreading to others.

This program, and the contest, is just another tool our county health officials are using to protect our children. These folks can use all the help they can get.

You don't need to wait for a contest. Protect your children – get them immunized.

## CORRECTION

A story in last week's *Citizen* about an Orange County Emergency Services study contained an error about missing information from the study. The study included information from all of Orange County's fire departments, and information from North Chatham's Fire Department was missing. *The Citizen* regrets the error.

## LETTERS POLICY

Letters should be no more than 425 words in length and must be accompanied by the author's name, address and contact information. We will publish one letter per author per month. Lengthy letters written in longhand will mysteriously become lost. Emailed letters are preferred. That said, send your letters to:

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## How high are your taxes?

DAN COLEMAN

If you are a property owner in Carrboro or Chapel Hill, your property taxes are too high. Readers may be shocked that I would say so, but they will also be surprised that it is not municipal taxes that I am referring to. It is your county tax bill that is too high, and not because of any mismanagement or malfeasance on the part of county government.

Confused yet? A little-understood fact underlying the above premise is that, throughout North Carolina, the county tax structure leads to residents of incorporated municipalities subsidizing residents of unincorporated areas.

In Orange County, roughly 60 percent of the county's local tax revenue comes from residents of Carrboro and Chapel Hill. Thus, for example, Carrboro and Chapel Hill taxpayers contribute most of the local taxes that support police protection for rural residents (via the county sheriff's office). At the same time, municipal taxpayers contribute the full cost of the towns' own police departments. This is just one of numerous examples that could be offered.

An equitable solution would be to have a separate tax district for the unincorporated areas to fund services they require. This would be similar to the rural fire-district taxes already in place. Such an approach would have the effect of lowering tax rates for municipal residents. However, given the political climate in the state legislature, such a proposal would not go far.

There are those who think that municipal property-tax rates are too high in their own right. Thus, during a recent WCHL forum, panel moderator Jim Heavner asserted that "we have the highest tax rate in the state." "No, we don't," Chapel Hill Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt quickly corrected.

According to N.C. League of Municipalities data on 2009-10 tax rates, for local municipalities ranked among the 500-odd towns in the state, Hillsborough was 22nd, Carrboro 76th, Durham 125th, Chapel Hill 170th and Mebane 195th. Given that Heavner was principally referring to Chapel Hill, one might wonder where he got such a wildly inaccurate idea.

It is worth noting that the level of commercial development is often viewed as a factor in lowering property-tax rates. Given that Hillsborough, Durham and probably Mebane have significantly larger commercial-tax bases than Chapel Hill or Carrboro, it seems hard to draw a clear conclusion along those lines. Tax rates are complex and are determined by a variety of factors. Local government in Orange County does well to consider how to increase the commercial-tax base, but it will not serve us to approach the question in a simple-minded fashion.

Meanwhile, back to Carrboro, where retiring Town Manager Steve Stewart just presented his third consecutive budget with no tax increase and no reduction in town services. This is accomplished during an ongoing recession and at a time marked by steep rises in fuel and health insurance costs. I have not seen a study on the topic, but I imagine this is a record few municipalities can match. Given that key open positions have been frozen, town staff must do more with fewer resources.

Carrboro residents should be pleased that we are getting an excellent value for our tax dollars. None of the towns with tax rates lower than ours (except Chapel Hill) receive fare-free bus service and few have such extensive sidewalks and bike lanes (though some may have other amenities).

One item I am particularly proud of is that, even in the current budget climate, staff has proposed a 1 percent increase in town aid to nonprofit agencies. All sorts of human-services agencies are hurting due to state cutbacks and declining donations. Although town support for any particular agency is quite small, we know this increase is appreciated and hope it will inspire those with the means to dig a little deeper to help our neighbors in need.

Even considering all of the above, the board of aldermen is interested in insights that citizens may have on the town budget. The proposed budget is available on the town website (on the "town documents" page) and we will hold a public hearing on Tuesday.

Dan Coleman is a member of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen.

## LETTERS

### Consider CVS implications

I'm very hopeful that the Carrboro Board of Aldermen will show us that they have a vision of our future that mirrors the needs and desires of all of Carrboro's citizens as they contemplate the consequences of allowing CVS a conditional-use permit (CUP) to build a store at 201 N. Greensboro St.

On the positive side, CVS would add 11,000 square feet of occupied retail space to the tax base (even as many retail spaces remain empty and thousands of square feet of previously planned mixed-use development is stalled). Shoppers would have a wider selection of cold remedies at the CVS, and the Harris Teeter could expand – perhaps increasing the Oreo selection (a paltry 21 feet of shelf space for only 16 varieties, when there are in fact 33 different kinds).

Now the downside: The neighborhood suffers. I live on Oak Avenue, which is classified a "collector" street, even though its physical and practical capacity are not "collector" grade in today's world – Oak Avenue is 29 feet wide, no sidewalks; new collector streets are specified to be 34 feet wide with sidewalks and bike lanes. We should be a "minor" street, with the lowest level of projected traffic, 100 cars or less per day.

But we have more than 600 vehicles a day, at last count, with two-thirds headed south (and in a hurry) to avoid the universally despised intersection of Greensboro and Weaver streets. Anything that makes it less desirable to drive through that mess (like the current construction) makes for even more traffic for us. The affected area is larger, of course, and I recommend a comprehensive study of downtown traffic.

Traffic is already plenty bad – Weaver Street Market's need for traffic-control assistance for backing trucks into their loading zone is a constant annoyance (and one of the reasons Oak Avenue is such a popular cut-through). Surely any major development on that corner requires considering that untenable situation, not to mention the impact of the maybe-it-will-happen-this-time 300 East Main project.

As you weigh this issue, please ask yourself, what kind of Carrboro do you see in 10 or 20 years? What is your vision of a town you'd like to live in? Tell me your vision, show me how approving this CUP takes us in that direction – or better yet, ask anybody who lives here what they think. The board needs a "compelling" reason to grant the CUP – if there is one, please, somebody, what is it?

CHRIS FRANK  
Carrboro

### Letter to Neil Pedersen

*Editor's note: The following is a letter to Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Superintendent Neil Pedersen regarding the district's immunization contest.*

I read with great interest your blog entry announcing a contest to reward adolescent students with the chance to get iPods or a laptop for getting vaccinated. I applaud the underlying intent, but the contest raises serious policy concerns:

1. The contest discriminates against children who cannot participate due to religious and medical exemptions to immunizations.
2. It erroneously places the incentive to vaccinate on children, when that decision is entirely up to parents.
3. It amounts to state endorsement of one choice from among two or more legitimate options for parents.
4. It amounts to state endorsement of private industry by encouraging the only choice from among two or more choices that supports pharmaceutical profits.

Since vaccines carry a risk of permanent injury and death – the federal Vaccine Injury Compensation Program has paid out more than \$2 billion to vaccine victims and their families to date – student vaccination decisions are serious ones that should remain solely in the hands of parents.

Did you know that the U.S. is the most highly vaccinated nation in the world, yet we are 46th in infant mortality? Or that Poul Thorsen, the researcher the CDC relied on for studies used to refute a vaccine-autism connection, was just indicted for 13 counts of fraud with the CDC and nine counts of money laundering? Or that former senior pharmaceutical scientist Helen Ratajczak recently reported that documented causes of autism include vaccination? Or that 95 percent of infectious disease mortality decline in the 1900s preceded vaccines? Or that polio increased substantially after the first mandatory polio vaccine, and that statistics were deliberately manipulated by the Public Health Service to give the opposite impression? With the utmost respect, the school district should not enter this politically sensitive and complex arena. By law, vaccination decisions and enforcement are up to parents and the health department, respectively; the best school policy is to leave them there exclusively.

We are all deeply saddened by the death of the Harrisons' daughter from meningococcal disease, but the school district might just as well protest adolescent vaccines in recognition of the 89 girls who have died from the Gardasil vaccine. For all of these reasons, this contest is bad policy and should be canceled immediately.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience with your decision on this matter.

ALAN G. PHILLIPS, ESQ.  
Chapel Hill

## Changes coming to OPC Area Program

JUDY TRUITT

OPC Area Program has asked to run a series of articles about changes that will be occurring in the public mental health care system over the next 18 months. This first article provides a historical perspective regarding the public system and outlines the organizational shift that will be occurring.

Many of you know that the public mental health, developmental disability and substance abuse system has changed significantly over the last 10 years. In that time, I am sure that you have seen, heard and possibly experienced concerns about the system's fundamental stability. We acknowledge that change is difficult and that change at a system level presents significant challenges to all stakeholders. So despite the fact that the purpose of this article is to lay the foundation for understanding yet more change, we believe that it is the logical culmination of the work that was started in 2005. We expect that this will bring much-needed stability and structure to our system and will position us to weather the current financial crisis and the impact of federal health care reform of the future.

OPC Area Program was established in 1968 under a North Carolina general statute that charged the agency with responsibility for both managing the public system, as well as acting as the primary provider of services for individuals who did not have access to private treatment options. That structure remained in place until October 2001, when House Bill 381 outlined a major transformation of the public system. The reform effort, spurred by demands at the local, state and federal level, redefined both management and service responsibilities.

Area programs like OPC were given responsibility for management of state and locally funded services. Management of Medicaid-funded services was given to Value Options, a private, for-profit vendor. Area programs initiated authorization systems that were designed to match consumer need with available resources and to train staff in the fundamentals of running a managed-care network. Service delivery was transitioned to private providers.

In April 2005, as part of the long-term plan, the state Department of Health and Human Services began operating a pilot project that once again joined management of state-funded and Medicaid-funded services under one umbrella. This was accomplished by implementation of a 1915(b)(c) Medicaid waiver at Piedmont Behavioral Healthcare, the LME covering Cabarrus, Davidson, Rowan, Stanly and Union counties. This pilot project has been successful, and the state, with the support of the General Assembly, has now made the decision to move forward with statewide expansion of this system.

The second article in this series will provide specific information about implementation of the statewide waiver. We will discuss the expected impact for consumers and service providers, explain how services will be approved and delivered and how funding for services will be managed. You can find more information about statewide implementation of the waiver, including the fact that OPC will be hosting a series of public forums, on our webpage at [opcareaprogram.org](http://opcareaprogram.org)

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**Imagineering downtown**

There's a lot to dwell on in the Chapel Hill Town Council's approval of IFC's new Community House.

One big decision coming down the road is the future of the old municipal building. The first step is giving it a name other than the old municipal building or the former men's shelter.

With the town's masterstroke of renaming the old library/former history museum building 523 E. Franklin St. in mind, let me be the first to suggest it be grandly rechristened as 100 West Rosemary — cause, well, you know they're going to do it anyway.

Some kidding aside, that piece of property should have a future — something useful and integral to the vitality of downtown. It should not just be a place to ease some of the overcrowding at Chapel Hill Town Hall or the police station or parks and rec, or whatever else is bubbling up during brainstorming sessions.

Like all of the town's older properties, the old municipal building needs a lot of work and ongoing TLC. Like the old library, there will probably be some suggestions that the town sell the property, given that it sits on prime real estate downtown. That might make some sense except that diagonally across the street is probably the most underutilized parcel of downtown land in the state — the cramped surface parking lot known affectionately as Parking Lot 2.

Redeveloped together, these two town-owned properties have the potential to change the dynamics of the downtown.

I remember Professor Howes noting the great underutilization of Lot 2 as my classmates and I in his introductory to planning class walked the downtown and contemplated its future. Howes was mayor at the time, so that assessment carried some weight.

Not long before I took the class, the town had rejected a large condominium and parking deck proj-

ect called Rosemary Square and opted to build the Wallace Deck in its place, with the idea of the roof becoming a public gathering space.

With the exception of a surge of use in its early years and the recent summer movie series, band concerts and other events, the deck never really took off as a public square. Putting Kidzu on top of it was a smart move in seeing that it finally gets the year-round utilization planners hoped for.

Aside from the novel use of concrete for groundcover and benches, the Wallace Deck is a little out of the action for most folks to be drawn to it.

So, let's dare to dream about doing something like the Wallace Deck on a much, much better spot — on that underutilized surface lot at the intersection of Rosemary and Columbia streets — already one of the most visible and accessible spots in downtown.

It's not hard to imagine a bright future for the place — some parking levels underneath and concentrated near the old NationsBank side, with commercial space and a transit hub. On top, a green roof — a true downtown green space — and one of those hippie grocery stores everyone seems to like so much.

And that old municipal building across the intersection? A great place for the new/old Chapel Hill Museum and Cultural Center.

And everyone lived happily ever after.

**Revenue suggestion**

With Chapel Hill Town Manager Roger Stancil eager for the council to consider new sources of revenue, let me suggest dropping a parking-enforcement officer off near the dog park parking lot when it's a nice sunny day with a bunch of soccer teams at play on the Southern Community Park fields.

When they designed the park, town officials swore up and down they would enforce prohibitions against on-street parking. Driving by the chaos the other day, I couldn't help wonder when that's going to start.

**Radishes**

One thing that was in easy reach at a recent art opening was a couple of large serving trays with radishes and butter on bread.

'Tis the season. A tour through the Carrboro Farmers' Market last weekend could easily have been titled "Cavalcade of Radishes." It's one of the more colorful times at the market, with plenty of types and shapes on display. The spring onions are in too. Feel free to offer me a mint.

**ICE**  
FROM PAGE 1

"What was the purpose of the original ICE resolution?" Johnson asked. "Was it to address a critical need in the county? Or was it to make a statement on a national issue?"

At the time the first resolution was passed, Johnson said, there was no apparent interest in instituting the 287(g) program in Chatham County, given that participation would require the construction of a new jail.

Johnson cited Marty Rosenbluth of the Durham-based Southern Coalition for Social Justice as being among a group of agitators who are trying to make Chatham County a battleground for immigration policy.

"Are the people here today speaking out against the new proposal really because they're interested in what's good for Chatham County," Johnson asked, "or because they see the potential for Chatham to be a test case on a national level?"

Johnson pointed out that Rosenbluth has been invited to the White House a number of times to speak on 287(g).

"I would question if the good of our citizens is really what's at hand here," Johnson said.

Rosenbluth came to the podium immediately after Johnson and pointed out that he had previously lived in Pittsboro and knew the community well. He then took ICE to task for its Secure Communities, or S-Comm, program. While the Chatham County Sheriff's Department isn't participating in the 287(g) program, it is cooperating with S-Comm.

Under S-Comm, fingerprints of individuals arrested by local law enforcement are automatically forwarded to ICE, regardless of the alleged charge. If the fingerprints match those of a person suspected of an immigration violation, the arrested person is detained.

Rosenbluth said that S-Comm was presented to communities as a means of apprehending the most dangerous felons. But according to ICE's own statistics, he said, of the 95,000 people who have been deported under the program so far, 27,000 fit into the "noncriminal" category.

More than 21,000 of those deported had merely crossed the border without permission or overstayed their visas, Rosenbluth said.

**No one illegal**

Several speakers voiced their support for legal immigrants in Chatham County, but echoed Price's belief that "illegal is illegal."

Ilana Dubester disagreed. "I believe that no human being is illegal," Dubester told the commissioners.

She challenged the assertion that Chatham County is considered a sanctuary, describing that as a notion that has been advanced exclusively through conservative channels.

"I urge you to withdraw this resolution," Dubester said, "and let us work together for a truly safe community for all Chatham's inhabitants."

**BUDGET**  
FROM PAGE 1

The county provides ample human-services programs, Clifton said, that exceed both state and federal standards. Those costs are taking their toll on the budget.

"We're at the point that we can't continue to do that without additional revenues," Clifton said.

The budget also represented a county ever more reliant on money from residential property taxes to pay its bills. More than three-quarters of the county's revenue comes from property taxes, a higher percentage than either Durham (58 percent) or Wake (66 percent) counties.

That balance of revenues reflects the county's overwhelmingly non-commercial tax base, and Clifton hinted that future economic-development efforts could create additional pressure for a tax increase.

Furthermore, the county has delayed taking on any large-scale capital projects

such as the construction or renovation of facilities. Eventually, those things have to happen, Clifton said.

"We're probably building up demand for the future," he said.

The commissioners will examine and discuss the budget at work sessions and public meeting in coming weeks, with a budget public hearing set for Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Southern Human Services Center on Homestead Road in Chapel Hill. The county hopes to have the budget up for a final vote by the board at its June 21 meeting.

In other county business, the board honored the South Orange Rescue Squad with a resolution designating June 4 as a day in the squad's honor and approved a resolution commending departing county health director Rosemary Summers for her years of service.

Summers accepted the honor to a standing ovation, and commissioners also praised her directly.

"We really have been privileged to have you," board Chair Bernadette Pellissier told Summers.

**ROGERS ROAD**  
FROM PAGE 1

But commissioners rejected a proposal by County Manager Frank Clifton to create an independent panel to set priorities for the new fund's spending. The board of commissioners, members said, can set those priorities itself based on several decades' worth of community recommendations.

Throughout the landfill's life, politicians from the county and towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro have asked each other to share a greater portion of the responsibility for helping the Rogers Road community. Commissioners didn't break that pattern Tuesday night.

"The towns have an equal moral authority on this," Commissioner Barry Jacobs said.

However, Commissioner Valerie Foushee said it's not the county's place to tell Chapel Hill and Carrboro what to do.

"If this board does what it believes is right to do, others will do the same," she said. "The towns have an obligation to step forward and take a position."

Irrespective of whether or not Chapel Hill or Carrboro do more work to extend services to the Rogers Road community, the problem is ultimately the county's, since it owns the landfill, Commissioner Earl McKee said.

"Whether or not the towns are on board is their choice to live with," he said. "We own it now. Let's move forward with it."

**SWIM**  
FROM PAGE 1

Overall winners Alex Werden, 17, and Rebekah Greengrass, 14, were granted free entry into the famous Escape from Alcatraz Triathlon in San Francisco next month.

At the finish line was a festival featuring free food, hydration and entertainment. Racer Jack White, 6, was thrilled, as he finished the race, to find three bounce houses, a bull-riding

machine, rock-climbing wall, magician, face painters and balloon-animal artists.

Kayye said he hopes to expand the Swim for Smiles Foundation outside of North Carolina, forming regional branches across the country. The foundation still plans to be strictly voluntary and "kids helping kids," all over the U.S., Kayye said.

"Every year, our goal is to increase the amount of money we donate to the Children's Hospital by maintaining a safe race where children want to come, and tell their friends about coming."

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## School Briefs

## Red Clay Ramblers at CHHS

The Red Clay Ramblers will perform with the Chapel Hill High School Orchestra on May 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Hanes Auditorium.

The Tony Award-winning band will perform some of its favorite tunes along with special arrangements for the CHHS Orchestra. The Ramblers have a long history at Chapel Hill High: Member Bland Simpson was president of the CHHS class of 1966, drummer Rob Ladd was in the CHHS class of 1983 and two band members' children are in the class of 2013.

Tickets are available at the door and are \$6 for adults and \$3 for students.

## Japan benefit

McDougle Middle School will host Kokoro 4 Japan, a benefit for Japan's disaster victims, on Friday from 3:30 to 6 p.m.

Events will include a student vs. faculty beach volleyball game, carnival games and a student talent show. Admission to either the volleyball game or the talent show is \$5. Carnival events are \$1 each.

The event is open to the public and all proceeds will go to disaster relief in Japan. Donations can be sent to McDougle Middle School, 900 Old Fayetteville Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27516, with "Kokoro" on the check memo line. For more information, email [jsparrow@chccs.k12.nc.us](mailto:jsparrow@chccs.k12.nc.us)

## CHHS wins green challenge

Chapel Hill High School has been named one of five winners of the Green Your School Challenge, which encourages teens to use technology to generate awareness and have a positive impact on the environment.

Sponsored by Hewlett-Packard and DoSomething.org, more than 2,500 schools led eco-friendly projects. Chapel Hill High students used Facebook to ignite discussions around climate change; hosted Earth Week events such as "Recycling Spies Day," which rewarded students who were seen recycling; and constructed a 12-by-12-foot cube representing the amount of carbon dioxide saved by recycling a week's worth of newspapers.

The students will receive \$1,000 grants for the programs and HP Pavilion dm1 notebooks.

## CHHS honors college athletes

Chapel Hill High School recently held its annual signing day event to honor its 28 student-athletes who will continue their education and sporting careers at the college level.

The students, their sports and their selected colleges are: Max Redfoot, wrestling, Limestone College; Emma Marlatt, golf, Queens University; Chris Gillespie, soccer, Guilford College; Jarod Styres, tennis, Lenoir-Rhyne University; Michael Elefante, baseball, Elon University; Peter Owens, baseball, Princeton Uni-

versity; Lee Gilliam, baseball, UNC-Greensboro; Sophie Kennedy, lacrosse, Temple University; Jenna Hornik, lacrosse, High Point University; Rebecca Goldbach, field hockey, University of Mary Washington; David Manning, lacrosse, Loyola University; Jordan Sudario-Cook, baseball, University of Rhode Island; Daniel Watson, lacrosse, Lenoir-Rhyne University; Brian Wistner, lacrosse, Navy Prep School to Naval Academy; Carlos Hill, football, Methodist University; Andrew Romaine, baseball, UNC; Scott James, baseball, Penn State University; Jamie Dell, soccer, UNC-Wilmington; Margo Flewelling, soccer, UNC-Asheville; Becca Malizia, soccer, George Washington University; Matt Evans, lacrosse, Virginia Military Institute; Daniel Nicoletis, lacrosse, High Point University; Kiaya Robinson, volleyball/track, Lenoir-Rhyne University; Michael Thompson, basketball, UNC-Pembroke; Chris Dong, swimming, University of Toronto; Ahna Weeks, cross country/track, Carleton College; Paul Noah, cross country/track, Middlebury College; and Asher Colburn-Hertzberg, cross country/track, UNC-Greensboro.

## Teachers of the Year

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools faculties have elected their Teachers of the Year. They are:

Elementary school: Rachel Schupack, Carrboro; Stephon Goode, Estes Hills; Nicole Dixon, Glenwood; Meghan Leonard, McDougle; Tina Mansfield, Morris Grove; Agnes Bernasconi, Rashkis; Jessica Thompson, Scroggs; and Donna Kauffman, Seawell.

Middle school: Jane Harwell, Culbreth; Mac Link, McDougle; Lisa Youngman, Phillips; and Andy Lathren, Smith.

High School: Mary Rogers, Carrboro; Holly Loranger, Chapel Hill; and Patty Berge, East Chapel Hill.

The teachers will be honored on Friday at the district's annual recognition reception, where the district Teacher of the Year and two honor teachers will be announced.

## School Lunch Menus

## Friday 5/20

Chicken Tenders, Wheat Roll, Glazed Carrots, Ranch Potato Wedges

## Monday 5/23

Baked Ziti, Local Mustard Greens & Yellow Squash Medley

## Tuesday 5/24

TACO BAR – Fajita Chicken, Beef Taco Meat, Southwest Black

Beans, Fiesta Rice, WW Tortillas

## Wednesday 5/25

BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Seasoned Green Beans

## Thursday 5/26

RICE BOWL – Sweet & Sour Chicken, Oriental Brown Rice, Steamed Local Cabbage, Peach Crumble

## Unequal justice from NCAA officials

BY EDDY  
LANDRETH  
Staff Writer



Officials who reside at the home office of the NCAA in Indianapolis, those figures perched atop the basket of snakes known as the collegiate sports bureaucracy, have suddenly decided, or so they say, to get tough with cheaters.

But how are we to interpret this announcement from an organization that allowed Cam Newton to guide Auburn to an NCAA football championship and collect the Heisman Trophy along the way? All the while, we could guess with strong probability that Newton, and possibly a number of his teammates, was bought.

Auburn did its best to deflect any serious investigation, and now it's the national champion.

How are we to understand the NCAA's sudden desire to embrace the rules when it allowed a portion of Ohio State's football team to barter for tattoos, cars and god knows what else, and to watch in horror as their coach knowingly lied to the NCAA when questioned in order to keep his guys eligible for their bowl game? Naturally, he wanted to defeat an SEC team, a league that obviously has received far more speed for its money than the Big Ten through the years and used it to whip Ohio State in bowl game after bowl game.

Now switch to Carolina.

The Tar Heels have had their own issues in the past year. The folks who root for anyone other than Carolina wish for the NCAA

to apply the death penalty to UNC, but let's examine the case and compare it to what is happening elsewhere in the country, particularly in the influential SEC.

First off, unlike Auburn's approach, UNC groveled before the NCAA, which did not create a positive atmosphere for Carolina.

Three members of UNC's 2010 team eventually conceded they took improper benefits (read: cash, trips and jewelry) from agents or their representatives. The school was not proven to have known of this activity until the admission of guilt from the players. From the outset, all the players questioned said school officials and coaches urged them to be truthful in answering the questions. Every player with any possible connection was brought in and grilled. Their cell phones were seized and their text messages searched.

Along the way, officials discovered possible academic fraud. A precedent-setting news conference was called, in which the chancellor and director of athletics fell on their swords and plead guilty, for all intents and purposes, before an investigation took place. The chancellor even went so far as to apologize to everyone who has ever been connected with UNC.

Players were suspended for games if there was any chance they had done something wrong. This applied especially to the once-in-a-lifetime chance to play LSU at the Georgia Dome in the season-opener on national television.

In the end, few players were found to have accepted improper help (a chancy definition when one hears what the NCAA called improper; who among us has never had a parent, friend or roommate read a paper for typos?). Nonetheless, some players missed games before they were found to be innocent. So they were pronounced guilty before being found innocent, losing games they can never recover.

Just remember too that football is a sport requiring virtually 12 months of work for a 12- to 13-game schedule, depending on whether the team is successful enough to play in the postseason.

By implying a major cheating scandal had occurred, when in fact it was confined to a rather small number of players, a disservice was done to the players found to be innocent, to their teammates who had to play without them, to the program itself and, most of all, to everyone with a degree that reads "the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill."

Those degrees were diminished, at least briefly, by this over-reaction. The NCAA gladly piled on and speared the stack of bodies, innocent or guilty.

Finally, there was John Blake, the assistant coach whose actions appeared to make it all worse. There is no doubt that Blake should not have had an ongoing association with a sports agent. He definitely should not have been recruiting players around the country for that agent, and taking money from that agent was, at the very least, a stupid thing to do.

But stop and think about Blake and his role. So far, nothing has been said or implied indicating that he paid any Carolina players. No evidence has been revealed that he was a party to paying the three players who lost their eligibility. And while taking money from an agent was not smart, there is nothing illegal or in violation of NCAA rules when a coach accepts money. He's already being paid handsomely to coach football.

In the end, Blake's actions were distasteful and reflected poorly on Carolina, but no evidence has been presented to this point that he broke any NCAA regulations. The biggest negative to Blake is the blind trust shown by his mentor, head coach Butch Davis.

Davis knew Blake had a sketchy reputation before he hired him, and Davis had to know how important following the rules and maintaining a spotless image is at Carolina.

Nevertheless, if the NCAA hammers UNC with sanctions it will once again reveal how mismanaged and inconsistent the so-called leaders of collegiate sports are.

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Two cicadas play hide-and-seek on blue indigo.

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**FLORA**  
FROM PAGE 1

There is no concern that the rare quinine and indigo plants will be harmed by the visiting cicadas. For the most part, they are harmless to vegetation, even to the trees on which they feed and deposit their eggs. That will be particularly difficult to appreciate when we become alarmed at the sight of brown tree canopies in another week or so.

In those numerous, though isolated, areas where hundreds and thousands of cicadas have emerged, large deciduous trees, primarily oaks, will be littered with hanging peripheral twigs of

brown foliage. The branch tips break and frequently fall to the ground because the female cicada has nibbled the twigs for nourishment and cut numerous slits to deposit eggs.

Healthy mature trees and shrubs will manage to survive this infrequent cicada occurrence. Serious harm may, however, result if cicadas choose recently planted ornamental trees and shrubs and fruit crops. You can protect smallish specimens by covering them with netting for the next several weeks. And, looking ahead, you can plan not to plant such cherished woody plants during years of anticipated large-scale cicada appearances.

Now, that's easier said than done, isn't it? You'll find lots of fascinating information on all the cicadas at [magiccicada.org](http://magiccicada.org). With a little browsing, you'll learn not to plant tender young trees and shrubs in Rockingham and Yadkin counties in 2013 and definitely not in the Asheville environs in 2017, because broods of 17-year cicadas are scheduled to arrive then.

So for now, simply enjoy observing and learning more about another phenomenon of nature over which we have little influence.

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This cicada bids farewell to its former self.

PHOTO BY PARKER CHESSON



**One Photograph's Story**

Every picture tells a story. Case in point: For more than 20 years, this black-and-white photo of Paul McCartney has hung in the office of Winston Cavin, a 22-year veteran of the N&O now serving as a much-beloved lecturer at the J-school. Up until recently, Cavin, a lifelong Beatles fan (12-year-old Winston actually saw the Beatles at their iconic American concert in Shea Stadium, August 1965), attributed the photo to "some kid from N.C. State." Cavin recalls that after McCartney's July 1990 Carter-Finley Stadium concert (which Cavin and his wife, Pam, also attended), the student-photographer begged his way into the N&O darkroom to develop the film and print the photos. Subsequently, this 8-by-10 glossy ended up with Cavin. Fast-forward to the present: Via an email from an old N&O associate, Cavin recently learned the identity of the photographer: It was the work of the late Chris Hondros, 41, a much-decorated combat photojournalist who was killed on April 20 during a rocket attack by government forces in Misrata, Libya, while covering the Libyan civil war. Hondros grew up in Fayetteville, took photo classes at the UNC J-School and graduated from N.C. State. As Cavin concludes, "It's a small world, small world, man." And getting smaller: This summer Cavin travels to China to teach journalism to staffers at China.org.cn.

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**COUNCIL**

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Council member Donna Bell said she did not think food trucks would ultimately take away from restaurant business.

"I don't believe that people dream of living their lives in a hot food truck, and it's the ones that are good that will survive, that will possibly set up brick and mortar," she said. "We aren't known as the foodie city for nothing. We won't eat just anything."

Bell added that the trucks could provide food for bar patrons during late-night hours when restaurants are closed.

Council member Penny Rich questioned how the trucks would be regulated and if the town would have to hire additional staff to do so.

"Who's going to be up at 2 o'clock in the morning to check it out?" she asked.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Ward said he would like to explore possible annual fees for the trucks, as well as incentives for vendors to use businesses in Chapel Hill to restock and clean their trucks.

Staff will return draft regulations to the council, with a possible September public hearing regarding the rules.

**Ephesus/Fordham redevelopment**

In other action Monday night, the board reviewed an Ephesus Church-Fordham Boulevard small-area plan and traffic analysis, which includes new and modified roads and the redevelopment of the area bounded by Franklin Street, Elliot Road, Legion Road and Ephesus Church Road to Colony Apartments and back to Fordham Boulevard.

The effort stems from a goal identified by the council to "enhance economic development efforts" and to create a small-area plan for the Ram's Plaza area. Chapel Hill economic-development officer Dwight Bassett told council members the framework includes proposals for increased connectivity, additional green space and mixed-use development.

Council members said they were concerned that redeveloping Colony Apartments would remove needed affordable housing in the area.

"I'm concerned that we end up gentrifying it and we take an important slice of this community and remove housing opportunities for them here," Ward said.

The council will consider including the plan in the town's comprehensive plan at a June 13 meeting.

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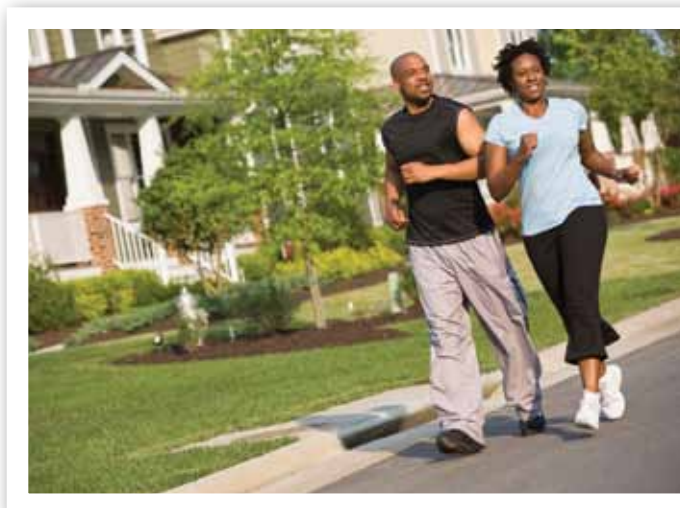
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