Flora by Ken Moore

Little blue flowers steal the show

Once again I offer apology to Jock Lauterer for delaying my re- 
sponse to his request to identify that 1943 yellow pressed-flower 

Two blue-flowered beauties have taken center stage during my recent walkabouts.

Out at Mason Farm, enjoying butterflies and other pollinators visiting the hundreds and hun-
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completely divert my atten-
tion away from the sea of white flowers.

Since they are so common, no reference was made to them.

Perhaps most noticeable, as bright-yellow flowers can be,

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the flowers as well as the seed

thousands of flowers.

butterflies and other pollinators

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Carpe TeAn: 8:30pm, 8pm. The Depot: The Reagan Project. 11:30pm. East 54: Chris Reynolds, 5pm.
Lincoln’s Bar and Grill: Robert Harvey. 7:30pm.
Local 506: Stars and Strings. The Big Sleep. Sister Clay, 7:30pm. 8pm.
Nightlight: East 54.

FRIDAY MAY 25
Bynum Front Porch: J. Reve, 8pm.
Café Diósade: Equinox. 8pm.
The Gray Guys: 8pm.
Car’s Cradle: Von Tanne.

SATURDAY MAY 26
The Cave: Midwest sons.
City Tap: Circle City, 8pm.
Flashback: The Strange Spores.
Friday Market (Carr): Jennifer’s Coffee and Bar. 8pm.
Local 506: River City Extension. 9pm.
Nightlight: Local 506.
Southside: The late: honeychild, 7pm.

SUNDAY MAY 27
The Cave: Late: Honeychild. 7pm.
City Tap: Circle City, 8pm.
Flashback: The Strange Spores.
Friday Market (Carr): Jennifer’s Coffee and Bar. 8pm.
Local 506: River City Extension. 9pm.
Nightlight: Local 506.
Southside: 8:30pm.

TUESDAY MAY 29
The Cave: Late: Lion’s Head.
Local 506: Southern Soul, Count Basie Summer. 7pm. 9pm.
Nightlight: Local 506.

WEDNESDAY MAY 30
Nightlight: Virginia Alexandra and The Grape, Isaac Hardee. 9pm. $1.

THURSDAY MAY 31
The Cave: Late: Honeychild. 7pm.
City Tap: Circle City, 8pm.
Flashback: The Strange Spores.
Friday Market (Carr): Jennifer’s Coffee and Bar. 8pm.
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Bynum Front Porch: Zanzibar Live.
Local 506: Paul Motian and The William Mingus. 9pm.
The Cave: Late: Sats Kitt, Beyond Minds. 10pm.
The Depot: Josie And The Silverbacks. 11pm.
Waverly Market (Carr): Guardian. 7pm.
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SATURDAY JUNE 2
Southern Village: 303 W. Morgan, 560-3300.
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel; Frenzy; The Flatfoot 56.

CHESAPEAKE THEATER

The Lensmen: The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel; Prancer/Lair.
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In other Memorial Day weekend activities, VFV volunteers will distribute Buildy poppers at Vanity Mall on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A ceremony will be held on Monday at 8 a.m. at Chapel Hill Memorial Cemetery, and there will be an open house on Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Carrboro Civic Center.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY MAY 18

Christian Scott — To perform at Hope House Bathhouse as part of the “True Love and Blues” series. Please bring the following to the Cherokee Children’s Museum of Alamance: socks, underwear, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, soap, shampoo and conditioner. The group collected donations of old clothing, shoes, blankets, and mattresses.

TUESDAY MAY 22

Community Catwalk — A fashion show presented in downtown Carrboro. All proceeds go to a local cause. Tickets are $10 in advance or $12 on the door.

SATURDAY MAY 26

Rita Berman — Carla Shuford and Dorcas Saunders — Presented by the Playwrights Roundtable. The event will be held at the ArtsCenter, 8pm.

Memorial Day Schedule

Orange County Landfill

No curbside Recycling Services

Curbside recycling will be collected Monday, May 28 as regularly scheduled.

Have your bins out by 7AM!

The Solid Waste Administrative Office will be CLOSED on May 28.

The Orange County Landfill will be CLOSED on Monday, May 28.

All Orange County Solid Waste Convenience Centers will be CLOSED on May 28.

Normal operating hours will resume Tuesday, May 29.

Orange County Solid Waste Management

919-968-2779

recycling@co.orange.nc.us

www.co.orange.nc.us/recycling
A number of students and stakeholders spoke to the council in praise of CH2020, noting, in particular, its success at reaching a large number of residents. "We will be able to say we see a plan laid out for the council's next actions," he said. "I think the quicker we get moving on the next step of this, the more exciting it's going to be to us."

Council member Gene Pace said she thought the plan did a good job of representing the goals and values of the community, but that he would like to see a plan laid out for the council’s next actions. "What do we do with this from a council point of view, what is the next action?" he said.

Council member Matt Czajkowski said he felt CH2020 was the most exciting thing that has been seen in Chapel Hill since he joined the council, noting the level of community engagement.

"We have a huge burden now as the council to take all of that enthusiasm, all of that commitment and ... the hopes and dreams of the community and shape it into a more defined and specific vision." — Matt Czajkowski

The final plan will come before the council at an open meeting on June 25.
Thankful for EZ Rider  

This week, a two-year-old from the rural town of Lenoir is saving his family.

I am grateful for the EZ Rider.

As a parent, I know the importance of providing a safe and accessible transportation system for our children. The EZ Rider program is a great example of how we can work together to ensure that all families have access to reliable transportation.

The EZ Rider program provides adults and children with a range of services, including transportation to and from appointments, at home care, and emergency services. These services are essential for keeping our community members safe and healthy.

I am thankful for the EZ Rider program and the hard work of the volunteers who make it possible. Let's continue to support this important program in our community.

Robert Smith
Lenoir, NC
the system of neighborhood schools that flourish in Chapel Hill and Carrboro."

Ted Lo, assistant superintendent, acknowledged the level of community support.

"Many people feel hurt and many are still feeling hurt," Lo said.

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According to the dual-language superintendents, Burroughs and other board members and they supported, creating a magnet school and consolidating all the dual-language classrooms would enable teachers to collaborate and share resources more easily, while additional Spanish dual-language classes could be added to accommodate the large amount of interest in the program.

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Though in the mist family (Lamiaceae), with square stems and opposite leaves, this little beauty is not fragrant. Skullcaps are common along forest edges and damp fields and damp forests everywhere. You simply need to cast your eye occasionally on the ground during your walks to observe how special they are. In addition to their visual appeal, the medicinal properties recognized by the Native Americans are still valued. Another engaging plant, if you ferry it, is the splendid Lobelia striata. This one really surprised me, and I’ve gone back several times to visit the patch almost stepped on along a path in the shady forest. These delicately flowered plants, related to the brilliant, later-summer red cardinal flowers (Lobelia cardinalis), are frequently found established on green mossy hummocks along forest pathways. You will definitely have to take in the beauty of lobelia’s subtle beauty. A “closer look” reveals spiked lobelias go almost unseen along forest pathways. Look wherever you walk to be blessed with cool, green mossy hummocks, cardinal flowers, brilliant, later-summer red ered plants, related to the forest.

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Though 1-2 feet tall, spiked lobelias go almost unseen along forest pathways. Photo by Ken Moore.

A thousand words by Jock Lauter.

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Troop 39 to Canada, 1961

There will be lots of old souvenirs from the weekend to help Chapel Hill Boy Scout Troop 39 celebrate its 100th anniversary. Also, its Word guy will be in Cairo on a Frightening assignment, but I will be with the Scouting in April. So here’s my contribution to the festivities: the troop photo just prior to leaving for an August 1961 three-week trip to the Haliburton Scout Reserve in Ontario, Canada. Gathered outside the fellowship hall of the sponsoring University Methodist Church, the Otter Eagle, Bison and Beaver patrols include, left to right, (to the left of a blurry memory) John Preynolds as Patrol Leader and newly minted Eagle Scout Alan. Along with Otter Patrol members Dave Harrison, Mark Burnette, Burton Craig and Alan Brown; then Eagle Patrol leader Eric Cambier; Skulcap in the center (drowning) Mike Spence-Horn and Graham Bothum; third from the center right is Billy Horn; then John Preynolds at the back of the seventh column and Tim Craig from right. Fonge ma- rly’s only been 50 years. The photo was made for the Chapel Hill Weekly by freelance photographer Bill Sparron.

Oh crap! In order to fully fund the two districts’ requests, property taxes would need to be raised. People close to the public hearing regarding the funding for the school districts, and all of us are in favor of a prop-erty tax increase if it make the schools go to the money they requested.

In addition to proposals for fully funding the school boards’ requests, the board of commis- sioners heard from representatives of the Dispute Settlement Center. The Dispute Settlement Center last fund funding when the legislature eliminated funding for all medium-size counties across the state, and came before the board to support $50,000 to continue operations.

“I know the value of the ser- vice that the Dispute Settlement Center provides,” said former county Commissioner Moses Carey. “I urge you to find it within your- self to find it within the budget to support the support the Dispute Settlement Center has needs.”

The board of commissioners will hold a budget work session today (Thursday) and will adopt the 2012-13 budget June 19.

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