




This Weekend



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Skullcaps are almost hidden among other field plants. PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

Little blue flowers steal the show

Once again I offer apology to Jock Lauterer for delaying my response to his request to identify that 1943 yellow pressed-flower specimen of his Great Aunt Myra Baldwin (*The Carrboro Citizen*, “A Thousand Words,” 5/3/12).

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 hundreds of penstemons, I was not prepared for “closer looks” to so completely divert my attention away from the sea of white flowers.

Perhaps most noticeable, as bright-yellow flowers can be, were the numerous sundrops, *Oenothera fruticosa*, scattered throughout. Sundrops immediately came to mind when seeing Jock’s Great Aunt Myra’s pressed yellow flower, but that’s another story down the road.

Walking counterclockwise around the Big Oak Woods in the center of Mason Farm, you will encounter one here first, and another one there, along the ditch edge of the second open field to the right, a most beautiful blue wildflower.

Looking out into the open field you begin noticing quite a lot of these blue flowers, almost hidden in the taller grasses and sedges. There are many more this year, a sign that N.C. Botanical Garden staff are succeeding in managing those fields with fire and mowing to retrieve the floral diversity of former Piedmont prairies.

Scutellaria integrifolia, skullcap, was so named because early observers saw a resemblance in the flowers as well as the seed capsules to the dramatic helmets worn by ancient Roman soldiers.

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ONLINE

Family Dollar decision

Following the Carrboro Board of Adjustment’s move last week to postpone a decision on a Family Dollar store proposed for the intersection of Alabama Avenue and Jones Ferry Road, the board was again set to make a decision on the proposal on Wednesday night after *The Citizen* went to press. The proposal includes an 8,000-square-foot store and 26 parking spaces on a 1-acre parcel. Check carrborocitizen.com for a full report on Wednesday night’s decision.



A montage of images from past Rainbow Soccer programs depicts the history of the recreational league. Rainbow Soccer started in the spring of 1972 and celebrated its 40-year anniversary last weekend. PHOTOS COURTESY OF RAINBOW SOCCER

40 years of kickin’ it.

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

From a rag-tag group of teenagers and their younger siblings running around a soccer field to more than a thousand kids on organized teams in shirts representing every color of the rainbow, Rainbow Soccer has come a long way since it’s inception in 1972.

The organization’s philosophy – “to tone down the heavy emphasis on winning and competition, giving people an open and protected opportunity for a shared athletic experience” – has remained constant over the years, although the organization is starting to evolve.

The recreational soccer league celebrated its 40-year anniversary last weekend with a celebration and a send-off. Vicky

Brawley, who has been with the league since it’s inception, resigned from her position as director of Rainbow Soccer.

When Brawley first started Rainbow Soccer with her former husband Kip Ward, a soccer player at UNC, the only soccer teams in town were the UNC JV and varsity teams.

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Board shows support for FPG magnet

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

Although the item was on a work-session agenda, prohibiting a vote, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education indicated to administration and the public that they support a recommendation to turn Frank Porter Graham Elementary

School into a dual-language magnet school.

More than 180 parents, students and teachers attended last Thursday night’s meeting hoping to sway the board against accepting either of the dual-language administrative team’s report recommendations, which were to place a dual-language magnet school at Frank Porter Graham (FPG) and terminate the Mandarin Chinese

Dual-Language Program.

Because the large crowd quickly filled the meeting room’s 180-person capacity, two overflow rooms were needed to accommodate the remainder of those hoping to either address the board or show their silent opposition.

Fifty-six members of the public signed up to speak, prompting board Chair Mia Burroughs to limit com-

ments to two minutes; the public-comment session nonetheless exceeded two hours.

Cheryl Allen, an FPG parent, presented the board with a petition signed by 1,055 community members against turning FPG into a magnet school.

“We are not against dual-language education,” Allen said, “but we value

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PTA Thrift facelift approved

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

CARRBORO – In a move that will bring a major transformation to the intersection of Jones Ferry Road and West Main Street, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen gave unanimous approval to the redevelopment of the PTA Thrift Shop on Tuesday.

The project includes the redevelopment of the PTA Thrift Shop’s 1.4 acres, currently home to its shop and executive offices. As proposed, the redevelopment includes two new buildings totaling more than 26,000 square feet and 71 parking spaces. The first building – three stories encompassing about 21,000 square feet on the site of the current shop – will house the PTA

Thrift Shop, its offices and a drop-off and processing area for donations, in addition to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools’ Pre-K and Head Start offices on the third floor. The second building, about 5,000 square feet to the east of the larger building, will be leased out as retail, restaurant and office space.

Leasing space will provide a new stream of revenue for the thrift shop, enabling it to give more back to the schools, executive director Barbara Jessie-Black said. Last September, the PTA Thrift Shop gave \$265,000 to the schools.

The project will also enable the thrift shop to hire seven additional full-time employees, Jessie-Black said, while providing much-needed space

to make the thrift shop’s operations more efficient.

“This is going to make us a much cleaner and a much better neighbor from an aesthetic standpoint,” she said.

Though the board held a public hearing on the project, no one from the public spoke regarding the development.

To fund the project, the PTA Thrift Shop is conducting a capital campaign with a goal of raising \$5.6 million, including \$1.7 million from within the community. Thus far, the campaign has raised about \$167,000.

For more information, visit ptathriftshop.com

Residents praise, criticize 2020 draft

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL – Following the release of the latest draft of the Chapel Hill 2020 plan, residents spoke both in praise and critically of the draft, offering several hours of public comment before the Chapel Hill Town Council on Monday.

Chapel Hill 2020 – the town’s new comprehensive plan – was launched last fall as a process to reexamine the vision for the town and craft a plan for what Chapel Hill’s future should look like. From the outset, one of the primary goals of CH2020 leaders was to involve a large, diverse group representing all niches of the community, which they have seemingly accomplished through wide outreach.

The plan was intended to serve as a planning and visioning document creating a framework for the community to guide the council in

managing the town’s future over the next decade. It’s getting down to the wire on the plan’s timeline, which proposed that the final document be ready in June.

The document, available at chapelhill2020.org, lays out six themes – A Place for Everyone; Community Prosperity and Engagement; Getting Around; Good Places, New Spaces; Nurturing Our Community; and Town and Gown Collaboration. For each theme, the plan identifies goals and an action plan.

In addition to the themes and correlating action plans, CH2020 includes six “Future Focus” discussion areas – downtown, north Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard/I-40, south Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard/Homestead Road to Estes Drive, N.C. 54, north 15-501 and south 15-501 – with key considerations, action steps and community comments for each.

The future focus exercises have

drawn criticism from some members of the public, who said the resulting maps and documentation were not representative of all residents’ views.

Amy Ryan, a member of the Chapel Hill Planning Board, said she felt the plan would provide the town little guidance in making decisions going forward.

“The process was too quick and the discussion too diffuse to produce concrete results we can apply to town decisions,” she said. “We never had the opportunity for the hard discussions.”

Chapel Hill resident Janet Smith urged the council to view the document as a work in progress, noting that the plan’s vision statement “fails to mention the single defining characteristic of Chapel Hill – namely that we are a university town.”

“The university defines our very existence,” she continued.

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Some want tax increase to fund schools

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

In creating the 2012-13 budget for Orange County, finance and administrative services director Clarence Grier told the Orange County Board of Commissioners that his department strived to balance the budget without recommending a property-tax increase.

And although that goal was met, and there are no property-tax increases in the proposed budget, some Orange County residents want their taxes raised to provide additional money for the county’s school districts.

“We, the citizens, need to give you the resources necessary to provide the resources needed, even if that means a property-tax increase,” Krysia Lynes told the board Tuesday at their second public hearing on the proposed 2012-13 budget.

Lynes said she felt that both the Orange County Schools Board of Education and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education had asked the county for an increase that reflected the bare minimum of what was actually needed.

Both school boards asked the county commissioners to increase the per-pupil allocation as the state continues to cut education funding. The Chapel Hill-Carrboro board asked the county for an additional \$67 per pupil and the Orange County board

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Briefs

Police investigating sexual battery

The Chapel Hill Police Department is investigating two reported incidents of sexual battery that occurred on Church Street. In both incidents, the victims were females who were walking alone and reported being approached by a black male who grabbed their buttocks and then walked away.

The first incident occurred on Saturday at 3 a.m. and the suspect was described as being approximately 22 to 26 years old, 6 feet tall, weighing 170 to 180 pounds, with short hair, a muscular build and no shirt. The second incident occurred on Monday at 11:20 a.m. and the suspect was described as having short hair, around 6 feet tall and wearing a blue Polo shirt and jeans.

The police are asking anyone with information regarding the suspect or either incident to call either the CHPD at (919) 968-2760 or Crime Stoppers at (919) 942-7515.

Holiday closings

Most municipal offices will operate on holiday schedules in observance of Memorial Day. Schedule changes include:

- Carrboro, Chapel Hill and Hillsborough town offices will be closed Monday.
- Carrboro garbage scheduled for collection Monday will be collected Tuesday.
- Chapel Hill Transit will not operate on Monday.
- Solid waste convenience centers will be closed Monday.
- Chapel Hill garbage scheduled for collection on Monday will be collected Wednesday.
- The Chapel Hill Public Library will be open from 1 to 5 p.m.
- Hillsborough residential garbage scheduled for collection on Monday will be collected Tuesday.
- The Orange County Library will be closed Sunday and Monday.

Police seek suspect in bank robbery

The Chapel Hill Police Department is looking for information about a suspect in a bank robbery that occurred at the SunTrust Bank inside the Harris Teeter at 1800 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. at 3:45 p.m. on Saturday.

The suspect, described as a white male in his early twenties wearing a white T-shirt, yellow traffic vest and a red bandana, entered the bank and presented the teller with a note demanding money. The suspect then fled the bank in a dark-colored vehicle with an undisclosed amount of cash.

The police ask anyone with information about this suspect to call the CHPD at (919) 968-2760 or Crime Stoppers at (919) 942-7515.

OWASA budget public hearing

The public is invited to participate in a public hearing regarding OWASA's proposed 2012-13 budget and its five-year capital-improvement program and rates.

The public hearing is scheduled for today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at Chapel Hill Town Hall.

To view the proposed budget, visit owasa.org. Citizens can also provide comments via email to webmaster@owasa.org



2ND WIND OPENS ON MAIN STREET — Jerry Glass serves up food and beverage samples to patrons at the soft opening of the new sports bar on Main Street last week. 2nd Wind will hold its grand opening on Friday. PHOTO BY DUNCAN HOGE

SOCCER
FROM PAGE 1

Ward saw the need for soccer in the community when students from Chapel Hill High approached UNC players to ask for help in starting a high school team in 1971.

"Those kids would go out and scrimmage with the UNC players," Brawley said. "Kip was trying to figure out a way the kids could hone their skills. In his attempt to try and figure that out, to expose soccer to more kids and more people, Kip and the kids came up with the idea for Rainbow Soccer."

Being from London, Ward had grown up playing soccer and understood the positive effects starting sports at an early age could have.

In starting the league Ward recruited his friends, UNC teammates like legendary UNC

women's soccer coach Anson Dorrance and Brawley – who didn't even play soccer – to help him coach, referee and manage the league.

"Rainbow began open to everybody," Brawley said. "It didn't matter if you were an incredible athlete – you could be uncoordinated and just want to be with your friends. Any skill level was fine."

A founding member of the Chapel Hill High soccer team and Rainbow Soccer, Tim Peck remembers the league's beginnings.

"The first Rainbow Soccer team was mostly the high school team and the younger brothers and sisters of the team," Peck said.

"It was sort of a funny-looking team where you had all the different ages running around together."

Starting with around 60 kids and quickly expanding to 18

teams in its first season, Rainbow Soccer paved the way for leagues in the area while erasing stereotypes, exhibiting a tolerant environment in a county that was still desegregating its schools.

"Rainbow started in the early '70s when segregation was dying and everything was in a state of flux," Brawley said.

"Boys and girls were fine, blacks and whites playing on the same team were wonderful. Even if you couldn't pay anything you could still be involved as scholarships were available from the very beginning."

Despite being an experimental concept in Chapel Hill and Carrboro in the '70s, Rainbow Soccer was immediately embraced by residents and continues to be a staple in the community.

"Literally thousands of people have played Rainbow Soccer since it started 40 years ago," Peck said. "There is a huge soc-

cer tribe of which Rainbow is certainly the beginnings of."

Mike Hickey, who has been president of the Rainbow Soccer board of directors for three of his four years on the board, will be taking Brawley's place as director and wants to continue the league's fun, non-competitive environment while including more skills development for the players and coaches.

Additionally Hickey wants to focus more on the nonprofit aspect of the organization through fundraisers, to help "give back to the community that gives us so much."

"It is something that has been in place in this community and touched many, many lives over a long period of time," Peck said. "It is a huge family and a special experience."

To find out more about Rainbow Soccer, visit rainbowsoccer.org

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Interested persons should contact the Town Clerk's Office at 918-7309 or at cwilson@townofcarrboro.org for application forms. You can also check out current vacancies at <http://www.townofcarrboro.org/AdvBoards/PDFs/AdvisoryBoardMembership.pdf>

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Community Briefs



Book Harvest representative Elizabeth Greenlee (right) helps Jasmine and Angel Banda select books at Carrboro Elementary School on Monday. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

Well fed and well read

PORCH is partnering with Book Harvest to include books in its Food for Families deliveries this month. When parents come to pick up their bags of produce, each of their children will be given the opportunity to select up to 10 books to take home and keep as part of Book Harvest's Books on Break. To donate books visit bookharvestnc.org

Memorial Day events

To mark the beginning of Memorial Day weekend, Veterans of Foreign Wars members, joined by American Legion Post 6 veterans and Boy Scout Troop 835, will decorate the graves of veterans with flags on Saturday. Flag placement begins at 6:30 a.m. as the sun rises over Memorial Cemetery on Legion Road. In addition, a ceremony to honor victims of war will be held on Monday at 2 p.m. at the Carrboro Town Commons.

In other Memorial Day weekend activities, VFW veterans will distribute Buddy poppies at University Mall on Saturday from noon to 3 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. till 2 p.m. at American Legion Post 6, 1714 Legion Road.

Peace Officers Memorial Service

The 2012 Orange County Peace Officers Memorial Service will be held today (Thursday) at 4 p.m. at Chapel Hill Bible Church, 260 Erwin Road in Chapel Hill. The service honors Orange County and North Carolina police officers who have given their lives in the line of duty.

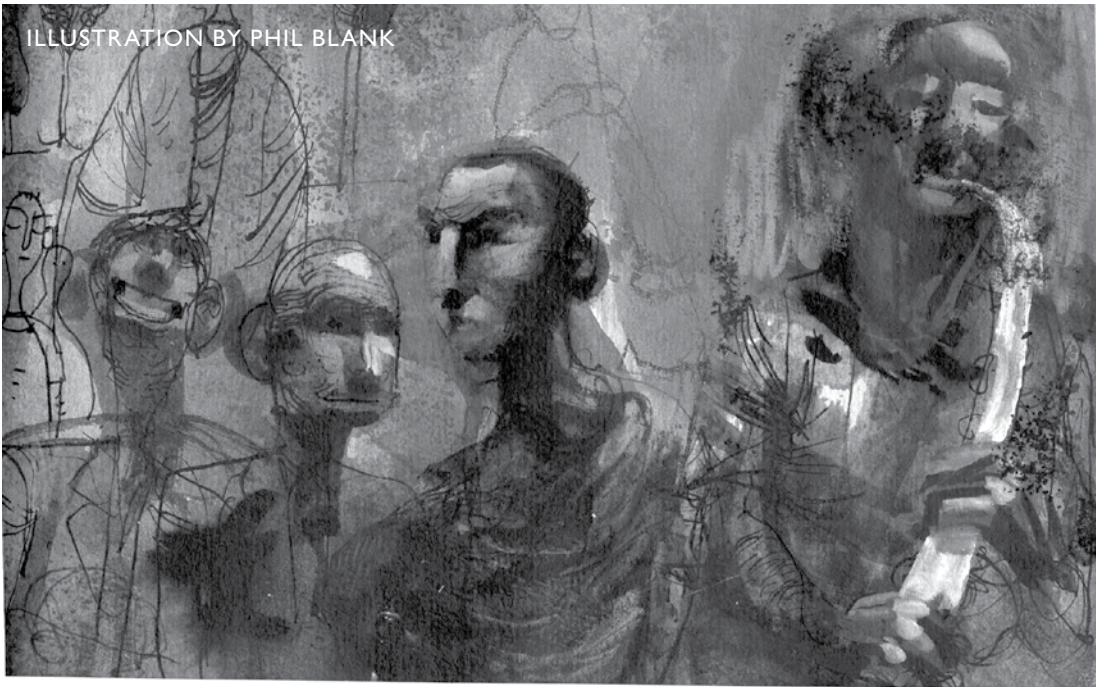
Up Close and personal

Creative reuse of old garments will be on display at "ReFashion," a fashion show presented Wednesday at 5 p.m. at the Seymour Center and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at University Mall.

Since January, a group of senior citizens has been working on a community art project, "Up Close & Personal," a 12-by-17-foot wall hanging, commissioned by the Chapel Hill Public and Cultural Arts office. The group collected donations of old clothing; cut them into panels; then stitched, screen-printed and embroidered them.

Transgender documentary

Planned Parenthood is presenting the Sundance Grand Jury-winning documentary *Southern Comfort* at The ArtsCenter today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. *Southern Comfort* follows the final year in the life of Robert Eads, a female-to-male transsexual. Diagnosed with ovarian cancer, Eads was turned down for treatment by two dozen doctors out of fear that treating a transsexual person would damage their reputations. During his final year, Eads fell in love with male-to-female transsexual Lola Cola, who will attend the Carrboro event for a Q&A. Proceeds from the event will go to Planned Parenthood's transgender services. To purchase tickets for \$10, visit ppcentralnc.org/lola



FEED BACK AT SAVAGE WEEKEND

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 saunas and drinking alcohol in pregnancy.

Dear HOUSE Calls, I love to go to hot springs and saunas. Is there any health benefit?

Inasmuch as health is about how you feel, and enjoying a sauna makes you feel better, then I guess it is good for your health. This may be because you almost have to relax in a hot tub (since it's hard to check emails or answer the phone). We also know that hot tubs can help with some forms of chronic pain like arthritis and fibromyalgia. If you are referring to the widely reported healing benefits of hot springs and mineral springs, we know of no research to support those claims – but if it feels good, there is not much downside. There are some risks associated with hot tubs, and those should

be heeded. Take care not to get dehydrated and follow suggested time limits (usually 10 minutes). Also avoid alcohol in the hot tub; it can impair judgment and contribute to dehydration.

Dear HOUSE Calls, I am eight weeks pregnant and wonder if you think an occasional glass of wine is OK. I've heard that alcohol in small quantities may be safe.

That is a great question, and one many of our patients ask during prenatal care. The major issue is fetal alcohol syndrome, which is generally associated with large quantities of alcohol. However, we know that alcohol is toxic to the developing brain, and we don't know of a level that is known to be safe. On the other hand, we don't know of harm associated with low-level consumption. Most doctors will advise you to avoid alcohol dur-

ing pregnancy. Let's think of it this way: We like to avoid drugs and other potential toxins during pregnancy – even drugs that are probably safe. With alcohol, we have a known toxin. If it is not important for the health of the woman or the fetus, why expose the fetus to the risk of a known toxin? We also suspect that the level of exposure is related to the fetal effects. It might be hard to measure if small amounts of alcohol were associated with mild changes to behavior, development and intelligence later in life. So we think it is safest to avoid alcohol.

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

Community Calendar

FRIDAY MAY 25

Christian Scott — To perform at Haw River Ballroom, as part of the Train-2-Trane Jazz and Blues Series. Proceeds will be split between the Children's Museum of Alamance County and the 2nd Annual John Coltrane International Jazz and Blues Festival. 8pm. \$20-25 hawriverballroom.com

Baudelaire in A Box — Episode 4, "Bad Luck," presentation with musical accompaniment by New Town Drunks, J Kutehma, Dexter Romweber and Curtis Eller. The ArtsCenter, 8:30pm artscenterlive.org

SATURDAY MAY 26

Rita Berman — Carla Shuford and Rita Berman, author of *Still Hoping, Still Hoping*, a biography of Carla Shuford, will sign copies of the book at the Chapel Hill Farmers' Market. University Mall, 9-11am

Ballot Box Blues — Presented by The Playwrights Roundtable. The ArtsCenter, 8pm

Dorcas Saunders — To sign copies of her book *Jimmy Joe Jam Went Joggin'*. EmPOWERment Inc, 109 N.

Graham St., 3pm

SUNDAY MAY 27

Consumer Workshop — Stop the Annual Rate Hikes Bill workshop, facilitated by NC Warn. United Church of Chapel Hill, 1321 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., 2-4pm (919) 951-5200

TUESDAY MAY 29

Canning Class — Safely Preserving at Home, a basic canning class to be offered on four nights. \$10 chatham.ces.ncsu.edu

Craig Johnson — To read from *As the Crow Flies*. McIntyre's Books, 6:30pm

Short Film Festival — ChathamArts Sustainable Cinema sponsors an evening of short films. Fearrington Barn, 7:30pm \$5 fearrington.com

Time Out — With host Bill Hendrickson and guests discussing the U.S. Constitution. WCOM 103.5FM 5pm

THURSDAY MAY 31

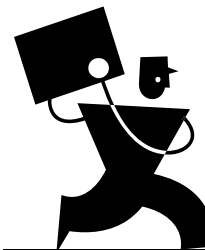
Friends of the Downtown — Monthly meeting features Peter Cummings, chair of RAM Real Estate.

Franklin Hotel, 10am

Film Showing — *A Moment of Clarity*, by local filmmaker Kevin Cullen, to be shown as part of National Mental Health Awareness Month. Varsity Theater, 6:30pm Free joshshopefoundation.org

Hope Project IV — Surviving Suicide, with personal stories and a question/answer period. Nightlight Bar, 7pm

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School Briefs

Chapel Hill High principal leaving

Chapel Hill High School principal Jesse Dingle is leaving the district to become principal of John Handley High School in Winchester, Va.

Dingle has been the principal of CHHS since July 2009; he will join the Winchester Public Schools District on July 1. Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools district administration will begin working with the CHHS School Improvement Team to receive input from the school community regarding finding a new principal.

Tech student state winners

The state winners from the Technology Students Association have been announced by the Career and Technical Education Department.

Winners from Chapel Hill High are Nikita Ermoshkine, Chris Chiesa, Manoj Paladugu, Caleb Roenigk and Kanishka Weerakkody, first place in animatronics; and Kanishka Weerakkody, first place in computer-aided design 3D engineering.

Winners from McDougale Middle are Derek Goss, first place in career prep; Taylor Castevens, Derek Goss and AJ Headen, second place in leadership strategies; and Kris Chellani, Taylor Castevens and Erika Shelton, second place in website design.

These students will advance to the national competition in Nashville in June.

High school ceramics exhibit

The N.C. Ceramics Student Exhibition 1: High School, presented by the North Carolina Pottery Center, is now open at the N.C. Pottery Center in Seagrove, and features pieces from two CHCCS students.

Shane Jones and Corey Risinger, both from East Chapel Hill High, have pieces in the exhibit, which will run through July 28.

Congressional art honors

Five local high school visual-art students were honored at a reception on May 3 as participants from Chatham and Orange counties in the Fourth District Congressional High School Art Competition.

Students honored are Kristen Hutchinson, a senior at Northwood High; Autumn Crawford, a sophomore at Orange High; Kaitlyn Dobbins, a sophomore at Orange High; Hannah Greene, a junior at Orange High; and Megan Kaltenbach, a sophomore at Orange High.

Hutchinson received second place for her photograph titled "Always Waiting," and it will hang

in U.S. Rep. David Price's office in Washington, D.C., for one year.

Football foundation scholars

Jared Lennon and James O'Grady from Carrboro High were named recipients of a National Football Foundation Scholarship.

Lennon and O'Grady, both linebackers, were team captains for the Carrboro Jaguars during their senior year. They were awarded the scholarships at the annual Bill Dooley Triangle/ East Chapter of North Carolina awards banquet on April 23.

Chemistry Olympiad

National chemistry champion Kevin Tie, a senior at East Chapel Hill High, has qualified to compete for one of four spots on the U.S. team bound for the 44th-annual International Chemistry Olympiad.

Tie will be attending a study camp June 5-20, where he will receive college-level training with an emphasis on organic chemistry. At the end of the camp, four students will be chosen to represent the U.S. at the International Chemistry Olympiad.

College-bound athletes honored

Twenty students from Chapel Hill High School were honored at the school's third annual College Bound Student Athlete Celebration last week. The students will be playing college sports in the fall.

The students and their respective sports and colleges include: Aaron Weber, tennis at Elon University; Alexa Mendes, swimming at Duke University; Allie Krasnov, swimming at Loyola University; Amoris Thompson, football at N.C. Wesleyan; Denzel Ingram, basketball at UNC-Charlotte; Haley Wilson, lacrosse at Queens University; Jessica Barfield, field hockey at Dartmouth University; Joey Duronio, swimming at Kenyon College; Katelyn Layden, volleyball at Campbell University; Katy Weinberg, equestrian at Davidson College; Lila Scott, basketball at Guilford College; Liza Schimmelfing, volleyball at Queens University; Lydia Renn, swimming at College of Charleston; Mark Morton, lacrosse at Berry College; Mitchell McLeod, cross country and track and field at Appalachian State University; Montrell Carty, football at N.C. Central University; Paul Whitford, lacrosse at Queens University; RJ Quick, football at Winston Salem State; Roscoe Burnette, football at N.C. Wesleyan; and Stephen Winsor, lacrosse at University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

CARRBORO HEADS TO STATE FINALS



Carrboro attacks on goal in Saturday's game against First Flight High with a header from Brighton Magee (#15), supported by Kenza Araba (#14), Kylie Tawney (#7) and Samantha Burch (#19). After defeating First Flight, 4-2, the Carrboro High women's soccer team trounced Swansboro on Tuesday in the 2A NCHSAA regional finals, 5-1. The Jaguars will take on the winner of the Cuthbertson-South Iredell game, played Wednesday night after *The Citizen* went to press. PHOTO BY TED SPAULDING

CH2020

FROM PAGE 1

A number of residents and stakeholders spoke to the council in praise of CH2020, noting, in particular, its success at reaching a large number of residents.

Whit Rummel said he viewed the plan as a jumping-off point for the town.

"I'm excited and enthusiastic about the role this plan is going to play in Chapel Hill's future," he said. "I think the quicker we get moving on the next stage of this, the more exciting it's going to be."

Council member Gene Pease said he thought the plan did a good job of representing the

"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

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 policy point of view would be very helpful," he said.

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

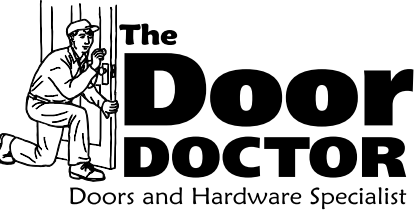
"We have a huge burden now as the council to take all

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," he said. The next step, he said, is for the council to look at the various areas identified for development or redevelopment and to create small-area plans.

"We will be able to say we know how we're going to grow," Czajkowski added.

The final plan will come back before the council for approval on June 25.

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43 Part 2 of remark

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DOWN

1 Blind part

2 Body-builder's pride

3 Need

4 Give it — (try)

5 Big —, CA

6 Reduce a risk

7 Little lake

ACROSS

99 Like Hawaiian shirts

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105 Saucy

106 It gets squirreled away

108 Beastly place?

109 Jacket

112 Gardener's friend

114 Speaker of remark

119 — Gay

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121 Kind of roast

122 He's left holding the bag

123 Enticed

124 Pewter base

125 Cunning

126 Layers

DOWN

8 "The — and I" ('47 film)

9 Word with folk or fine

10 Tenor

11 Durham denizen

12 Bobbin

13 Cupid, in Corinth

14 Sault — Marie, MI

15 Collapse

16 Ring — (seem familiar)

17 Aquarium fish

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24 Charged atom

26 Witty Wright

29 Spiritual guide

31 Lily of pharmaceuticals

32 Do or die?

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38 Self-important

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91 Augsburg article

92 End of remark

97 Wise guy?

98 Bother

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53 Distinctive period

54 Irving character

56 Hotels

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60 Toil

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66 Vittle statistics?

68 He's got plans for you

72 Skilled

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75 Big name in kids' music

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78 Get on

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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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A ray of hope in delay

CHRIS FITZSIMON

The full House was originally scheduled to give final approval to its version of the state budget on Wednesday, at least according to the budget schedule released by legislative leaders a few weeks ago.

That was the plan as late as last week after weeks of secret budget meetings that were confirmed by a right-wing think tank with close ties to Speaker Thom Tillis.

But a funny thing happened on the way to forcing a secretly written state budget through the House. A series of events, including public protests and private complaints about the lack of transparency, have slowed things down in what Republicans hoped would be one of the quickest legislative sessions in recent years.

House and Senate leaders were defending the secret budget process just a few days ago, brushing off criticism by saying they are merely making adjustments to last year's spending plan, not coming up with a whole new budget.

That's a strange line of defense from Republicans who routinely complained about the way the Democrats put the budget together when they were in power. And there are big budget issues facing lawmakers this session, primarily in education, as \$250 million in federal stimulus funding is ending.

The federal money pays for almost 5,000 teachers, and losing it would devastate many school systems that are already reeling from the cuts Republicans made last year.

There are many other complicated budget issues – a shortfall in Medicaid, calls to restore cuts to early-childhood and preschool programs and costs associated with a settlement with the federal government over the improper placement of people with a mental illness in rest homes – just to name a few.

Reportedly, some Republicans weren't very happy about being locked out of the budget process, and differences have arisen between the House and Senate, primarily over the education-reform proposal from Senate President Pro Tem Phil Berger that calls for funding a merit-pay plan for teachers and more investment in supports to help children in the early grades learn to read.

House leaders have said publicly that they are not interested in taking up Berger's plan this summer, preferring to consider his reform proposals in the 2013 session.

Tuesday afternoon a pro-voucher education group rallied outside the General Assembly in support of a misguided plan that House leaders will introduce soon to give tax credits to corporations who provide scholarships for students to attend private schools. That proposal is not part of Berger's plan.

Several House budget subcommittees did meet Tuesday morning to go over their wish lists, but the budget chairs didn't even seem to know how much money they have to work with. That doesn't sound like a budget process that will be over soon – and that's good news.

It gives lawmakers the chance to think twice about last year's cuts and to consider proposals by Gov. Beverly Perdue and public-interest groups to raise additional revenue to provide more funding for education and human services.

Together NC released a poll Tuesday showing that the majority of voters support new revenue, including a penny increase in the state sales tax, closing corporate tax loopholes and asking the wealthy to do more. That deserves a committee meeting or two.

It all adds up to an unexpected ray of hope in this summer legislative session.

The budget is clearly off the fast track. Now let's hope it veers back toward sanity and away from the dangerous direction it headed last summer.

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

CORRECTION

An article in last week's *Citizen* about Carrboro Board of Aldermen member Dan Coleman's departure from the board next year incorrectly reported how Coleman's seat would be filled. Legislation was enacted by the General Assembly that prohibits vacancy appointments unless the vacancy occurs in the last year of the term. At the next regular meeting after the vacancy occurs, the board will either call for a special election or opt to leave the seat open until the November election.



LETTERS

Thankful for EZ Rider

We are truly blessed in Chapel Hill for having EZ Rider. Through this free service, those who are unable to drive are able to be transported free of limitation and free to shop and to keep health care appointments and socialize. The drivers are caring and happy to serve us even if the job is difficult and can be trying at times. Many personal relationships have been formed.

We are very appreciative of the community that makes the quality of life so special. We are grateful and thankful for this service.

JEANIE ARNEL
Chapel Hill

Bravo, youth poets

Wow! Thanks to the youths who submitted their poems for the poetry contest. The poems revealed the depth of human spirit, a longing for joy and so much angst at the state of our world and inner landscapes. Despite being youths, their creativity expressed common issues that affect all of humanity. Most of us long for days filled with wonder, love, joy and peace. It's all there available for us to experience at any moment; why should we not have it all? We have become so busy with the "doing" that we forget to pay attention to just "being." We tend to fill our spare time trying to fill the void with TV, movies, books, drugs, sex, alcohol, etc. There is such a seeking afoot in society and there are so many teachers, books and DVDs available to aim us towards the lives we desire.

My favorite teacher, Prem Rawat (WOPG.org) shares a simple practice called "Knowledge," encouraging us to spend some time each day in silence. This practice quiets the mind and allows us to see and feel the world with the "eyes of the heart." It works! A favorite affirmation/prayer from an extremely peculiar little book *Handbook For The New Paradigm* is, "I am a human becoming, help me to become." Our lives are our great journey, a huge adventure. As Francine, a bicycling tour guide shared, "we'll weather the weather, no matter the weather, whether we like it or not." So, with these things in mind let us all set sail with peace and joy in our hearts and our eyes on the horizon. Yahoo!

SUZY LAWRENCE
Chapel Hill

Criticism of police misses important points

I love that Maria Rowan misses two important points in her ramble last week criticizing those we in the Carrboro community entrust with maintaining law and order:

1) The gardening activities of Carrboro Commune were preceded by three incidents of breaking and entering, engaged in by some of the same folks loosely affiliated with Carrboro Commune. It's a bit disingenuous to pass off their antics as throwing tea parties. And to act all surprised when our local constabulary behaves a tad nervously.

2) The Carrboro Police Department is under the direction of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen – folks elected by our community. When we criticize them, we are essentially taking issue with the community.

But then again, Maria does. She was quoted elsewhere recently as saying that she found Occupy Chapel Hill/Carrboro (of which I remain a supporter) "a little too middle-of-the-road" for her. She preferred being involved in Carrboro Commune because it emphasized challenging existing social structures.

And therein I suspect lies the tale behind last week's opinion – Maria's continuing quest to seek justification for her loosely affiliated friends to challenge the existing social structures of community in which they live. And to be left alone by the Police when they do so.

For myself, I prefer to engage with the folks with whom I live. It is more communal. And ultimately, much more likely to be rewarding. After all, as Maria herself points out, it's not as if Carrboro is some bastion of the hard right.

GEOFF GILSON
Carrboro

Balance interests of dual language, FPG

While I am a parent whose children neither attend FPG nor are enrolled in a dual-language program, the recent media coverage prompted me to read the dual-language report to learn more. I was surprised and somewhat saddened to learn that the school board is seriously considering dismantling a 50-year-old school that is already advancing the goals set forth by the dis-

trict.

While I applaud the school system for using dual-language programs to close the achievement gap, it defies logic that the system would target a school that is already closing the achievement gap, even with some of our most vulnerable students. I also do not understand how the report ignored the impact of this change on a sensitive immigrant population that has found a home at FPG.

Dual language and FPG have a lot in common – promoting and celebrating diversity, closing the achievement gap, addressing the needs of all students, etc. Common sense says we should find a way to promote dual language while keeping FPG a local neighborhood school.

SHAWN SULLIVAN
Chapel Hill

Dimon gambling lost big

The GOP, who gave us the laugh-a-minute production on choosing a presidential candidate a few months back, finally focused on Mitt Romney. Though largely funded by very rich conservatives who felt akin to an experienced former governor who brought Obama-like health care to Massachusetts and also, like his promoters, kept some of his embarrassing fortune in a Wall Street operation with a wee million or two in the non-taxed vault of a not-to-be-mentioned Swiss bank.

His nomination inspired the monied denizens of Wall Street where his wining ways encouraged the banking genius of JP Morgan Chase prexy Jamie Dimon to return to his favorite money sport – gambling - with the bank's money, of course! Jamie was also preaching to House Republicans on the unfairness of the Volker Rule, which suggested that banks stop using people's deposits to do exactly what the great Jamie – and friends – were doing. The Republicans, buoyed by the encouragement of Romney Righteousness, applauded Jamie's monied genius – and dumped the Volker plan into the Republican shredder used to destroy good ideas.

But it was too late. Dimon's dream of riches – added to his \$23 million 2012 salary – came up against the market fiend who tore off \$2 billion from JP's gamble which looks now to reach a \$5 billion loss. In turn JP's machinations have upended \$100 billion in what one commentator call "risky bonds." Even the FBI has asked to see how this remarkable activity came to pass. And that image of honest reporting – Rupert Murdoch's *Wall Street Journal* – assures us that Jamie's losses are nothing to get excited about.

Still one wonders how many jobs could be created by JP's small potato loss of \$5 billion. Can you hear us Jamie?

WILLIAM SOMMERS
Pittsboro

Support Dalton for governor

I am writing in support of the one candidate capable of governing North Carolina starting on day one, and that candidate is Walter Dalton.

Walter Dalton is a fighter and proven leader who understands the importance of investing in the future. He has spent his career in politics supporting innovative, efficient and effective education policy and programs. From his time in the state Senate to his service as lieutenant governor, Dalton has shown that bold and innovative leadership is what we need to be successful in North Carolina. His accomplishments, including laying the foundation for the state's early college program and spearheading the creation of a Small Business Assistance fund providing crucial loans to small businesses, show that Walter Dalton is ready to lead our state.

Most importantly, Walter Dalton has the experience and the leadership to lead our state forward. Meanwhile, the Republicans in Raleigh and Pat McCrory have and will continue to point our state in the wrong direction and have put our state at a crossroads. With your help and your vote, we can put this state back on track and move North Carolina forward. With your help and your vote, we will elect Walter Dalton as our next governor.

MATT HUGHES
Chair of the Orange County Democratic Party

A town-county disconnect

I had a funny feeling about this primary election. There were a lot more so-called "X" factors than usual.

The Amendment One vote was bound to drive up turnout, especially in Orange County, which was among the group of counties where amendment opponents wanted to drive turnout. That made it a little



unclear about how things would play out elsewhere on the ballot. But it didn't take a political sixth sense to figure that when it came to the county commissioner races, it was a tough time to be an incumbent. It's not just that the county budget has taken hits over the past few years from the General Assembly and the recession; the current board of commissioners has had to deal with a transition at the top of county management, a lot of thorny policy issues and an ambitious and costly capital project plan begun by previous boards.

When all you can do is try to make the best possible choices in programs and positions to ax and write the checks for the vision of previous administrations, you're not going to have a lot to hang your hat on. Add in a few tone-deaf moments on libraries, solid waste and changing the county/town split on the sales tax, and all the ingredients were in place for what we saw in the totals on Election Day.

I think what got under people's skin more than anything was the disconnect between the county and the towns. For many, it translated to a lack of leadership. We want our local governments to work together, not at odds – especially during times of scarce resources.

One of the big selling points for both Mark Dorosin and Penny Rich was their experience as elected officials in Carrboro and Chapel Hill, respectively. Neither was shy about pointing out that none of the current commissioners have served in a similar capacity.

Presuming that Renee Price, who obviously put together a very effective campaign in the primary, and Bernadette Pelissier can win out in the fall – and I am – the county board that takes over in December will be a much different beast than the one that's currently in office.

The new board arrives with rebuilding confidence among citizens and the elected boards around the county as a top goal. To tackle the problems ahead, particularly solid waste, the board will need all the co-operation it can get.

In addition to taking on some difficult issues, the new board also has a unique opportunity to shape the county's future. It will inherit a much leaner county government and a much more modest list of capital expenditures. As economic growth and revenues start to come back, the board won't be as hamstrung in seeing through new ideas and initiatives as well as restoring funds to programs hard-hit during the recession. And in policy matters, there is plenty of opportunity for new ideas and direction. In the coming years the board will have a chance to put its stamp on regional efforts in transportation as well as local initiatives in economic development, land-use planning, agriculture and the arts.

Most importantly, as was pointed out during the campaign, the new board of commissioners will have a chance to show this county's citizens and the rest of the state the kind of leadership we've been lacking. As times have gotten tough, we've let that slip.

We've also seen a rise in poverty in this county that few seem willing to acknowledge. It's hard to fault anyone who has had to deal with the tough combination of dwindling state support and a deep recession, but coming out of it we should be clear that we haven't compromised our long-term goals and long-held values.

The people have spoken. They've bought into Dorosin's "fair county," Rich's call for cooperation and Price's call for innovation and greater transparency.

Their new colleagues would do well to heed the message – 26,527 votes say they're on to something.

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LANGUAGE
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the system of neighborhood schools that flourish in Chapel Hill and Carrboro.”

Todd LoFrese, assistant superintendent for support services, addressed the large crowd before his presentation and acknowledged the level of community response. He also apologized for any anxiety and hurt feelings the report caused.

“Many people felt hurt and many are still feeling hurt,” LoFrese said. “I know that members of the Chinese community felt

stereotyped and that members of Frank Porter Graham felt disrespected.”

The dual-language administrative team, comprised of school principals and district administrators, released two reports, recommending expanding the Spanish dual-language program, creating a dual-language magnet school at FPG and having the board give a clear direction for the Mandarin program.

Many parents told the board they felt the report lacked data and didn’t address the risks of opening a magnet school.

“Without assessing who would come, you risk a half-empty mag-

net and overcrowding at other schools,” FPG parent Kathy Irvin said.

Initially, recommendations were made to cut the Mandarin program because of high costs and trouble finding and retaining teachers. However, Superintendent Tom Forcella told the board that due to increased community support and recent district outreach efforts, he believed sustainability issues could be successfully addressed, allowing the program to continue.

The majority of the board agreed and indicated they were in favor of keeping the Mandarin program, although board mem-

ber Annetta Streater expressed concern over the accessibility of the program.

While this decision pleased those in attendance, the board’s next decision did not.

“I believe we need to have a magnet. I believe it needs to be at Frank Porter Graham to extend services,” Burroughs said.

According to the dual-language report, which Burroughs and other board members said 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.

While many members of the public proposed turning the future elementary school 12 into the dual-language magnet school instead of FPG, Forcella cautioned that waiting for elementary 12 could take longer than anticipated, noting how elementary school 11 construction was delayed by several years.

“We do need a magnet school and I am not willing to wait for elementary 12,” board member Jamezetta Bedford said.

After a lengthy discussion, Burroughs told staff she felt the

board was inclined to support a dual-language magnet school at FPG.

However, throughout the meeting, Streater voiced her opposition, while board members Mike Kelley, Greg McElveen and James Barrett seemed hesitant in supporting the recommendation.

The board will vote on the recommendations on June 7. If approved, the dual-language magnet school would be the first magnet school in the district.

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Though in the mint family (*Lamiaceae*), with square stems and opposite leaves, this little beauty is not fragrant.

Skullcaps are common along ditches and in wet 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 spy it, is the spiked lobelia, *Lobelia spicata*. This one really surprised me, and I've gone back several times to visit the group I 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 get down on your knees to take in the beauty of spiked lobelias. It's hard to imagine this plant is in the bellflower family (*Campanulaceae*).

Like the skullcaps, lobelias also have useful medicinal qualities, and you may notice lobelia while walking the herbal aisles of our local markets.

While we continue to be blessed with cool, sunny days, take a closer look wherever you walk to find these two blue beauties.

Email Ken Moore at flora@carrborocitizen.com. Find previous Ken Moore Citizen columns at [The Annotated Flora \(carrborocitizen.com/flora\)](http://TheAnnotatedFlora.carrborocitizen.com/flora).



On closer inspection, skullcap flowers become truly engaging.
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A "closer look" reveals spiked lobelia's subtle beauty.
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Though 1-2 feet tall, spiked lobelias go almost unseen along forest pathways.
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Troop 39 to Canada, 1961

There will be a lot of old scouters in town this weekend to help Chapel Hill Boy Scout Troop 39 celebrate its 100th anniversary. Alas, the Ik Word guy will be in China on a Fulbright teaching assignment, but I will be with the Scouts in spirit. So here's my contribution to the festivities: the troop photo just prior to leaving for an August 1961 three-week canoe trip to the Haliburton Scout Reserve in Ontario, Canada. Gathered outside the fellowship hall of the sponsoring University United Methodist Church, the Otter, Eagle, Bison and Beaver patrols include, left to right, (to the best of my spotty memory): yr hmbl svt as Patrol Leader and newly minted Eagle Scout, along with Otter Patrol members Dave Harrison, Mark Burnette, Burton Craig and Alan Bream; then Eagle Patrol leader Eric Camiker (bean-pole in the center) dwarfing little Spence Horn and Graham Burch; third from the center right is Billy Horn; there's John Radford in the back of the seventh column; and Tito Craig front right. Forgive me; it's only been 50 years. The photo was made for the *Chapel Hill Weekly* by freelance photographer Bill Sparrow.



A THOUSAND WORDS

BY JOCK LAUTERER

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requested an additional \$220 per pupil.

In the proposed budget, the county allocates \$3,102 per pupil, which does not reflect the increase requested by the school boards.

Although the budget does not accommodate the school boards' full requests, Grier told the commissioners the county is allocating more money to both districts to reflect their increased enrollment projections.

Grier said in order to fully fund the two districts' requests, property taxes would need to be raised.

Six people chose to speak at the public hearing regarding funding for the school districts, and all six were in favor of a property-tax increase if it meant the schools would get the money they requested.

In addition to proponents of fully funding the school boards' requests, the board of commissioners heard from representatives of the Dispute Settlement Center.

The Dispute Settlement Center lost state funding when the

legislature eliminated funding for all mediation centers across the state, and came before the board to request \$60,000 to continue to operate.

"I know the value of the services that the Dispute Settlement Center provides," said former county Commissioner Moses Carey. "I urge you to find it within yourselves ... find it within the budget to support the request the Dispute Settlement Center has made."

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



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