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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE Trumpet vine flowers are bold and attract

Residents await new James Street sidewalk

by Susan Dickson Staff Writer

After nearly five years, construction could begin this fall on a James Street sidewalk that residents say is

long overdue. George Seiz, director of Carrboro Public Works, said that despite delays and design challenges he hopes sidewalk construction will begin this fall,

with completion of the project about

six months later. The James Street sidewalk is part of a sidewalk bond project approved by voters in 2003. The project includes 0.65 miles of sidewalks, from West Main Street to Hillsborough Road. The sidewalk is planned for the west

The 2003 referendum authorized the town to spend up to \$4.6 million

side of James Street.

on sidewalks and greenway trails, and James Street was one of the areas initially identified for the project's phase one sidewalk projects.

However, phase one included 20 projects throughout Carrboro. In addition, the James Street sidewalk project has faced design challenges with topography, utilities and drainage that have taken more time to sort out than those of other projects, Seiz said.

With a post office at one end of the street and the McDougle schools near the other end, pedestrian traffic on James Street is fairly heavy. The street has speed bumps and stop signs to slow down through traffic, but residents say it's not enough.

"[Pedestrians] walk with their pets, they walk with their strollers and

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PHOTO BY JORDAN TIMPY

Carrboro resident Joe Bray jogs every day along James Street where sidewalk construction was approved in a bond referendum five years ago, but has yet to come to fruition. "Sidewalks would make it much safer for kids and runners," Bray said. "I do believe it would be money well spent.'

A native vine for hummingbirds and goldfinches

ight now I celebrate the native trumpet vine, Campsis radicans. Some folks call it trumpet creeper or cow-itch vine. There are likely other names associated with this common weedy vine with bright-orange, tubular flowers that are guaranteed to attract hummingbirds. Keep an eye out for the occasional peach- or yellow-colored variations. The flowers seem to hang in the air, singly or in clusters, at the tips of long stems reaching down from varying heights, be it low fence posts or abandoned barn chimneys.

One of my favorite specimens is a vine on a utility pole on Weaver Dairy Road between Carol Woods and Timberlyne Shopping Center. That vinecovered pole looks like a mopheaded giant having a bad-hair day when it's covered with those orange flowers reaching out all around.

Equally dramatic is the trumpet vine-covered privet hedge in front of Peck and Artisans Studio between Auto Logic and Akai Hana restaurant in Carrboro. Owner Tim Peck is sophisticated enough to allow it to creep onto his building.

I am fortunate to have one that sprouted at the base of the tall cedar post on which my mailbox is mounted. It's now reached the top, and is sending orange flowers out from way up high as well as having some lower-reaching stems to tickle the postman at the letter box.

My very favorite urban specimen trumpet vine is the robust one along the front driveway on Rosemary Street just opposite Padgett Station. I enjoy watching it produce flowers for weeks

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Racist graffiti troubles town employee

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New UNC Chancellor Holden Thorp (center) with Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy (right) and John Woodard, owner of Sutton's Drug Store. Thorp and Foy had lunch together at Sutton's Wednesday.

Thorp takes the reins

Chancellor Holden Thorp had a hectic first few days on the job, huddling with faculty members, convening his inaugural meeting with the chancellor's cabinet, having breakfast with student leaders and picking up the key to South Building from his

On Wednesday, his schedule took him off campus and onto Franklin Street for lunch with Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy at Sutton's Drug

While waiting for his lunch date to arrive, Thorp took in the street scene and received a number of hearty congratulations.

He reports that he's moved into his office, but that he and the family plan to take their time moving out of their Carrboro home and into the chancellor's quarters. He also reports no lack of Carolina Blue ties, which seem to be a popular gift to give a new chancellor.

John Woodard popped out to shake

his hand and told the new chancellor that his appointment was a rarity in the town.

"First time we've ever had a search [for a chancellor] where everybody's happy," he said.

Thorp smiled and told Woodard he'll do his best not to mess that up. - Kirk Ross

(You can read the text of Thorp's letter to the university community, along Longtime Sutton's pharmacist with former Chancellor James Moeser's farewell message, on Page 6.)

CHS parents want answers

by Susan Dickson Staff Writer

Carrboro High School teachers and parents say they don't understand Superintendent Neil Pedersen's recent decision to replace Principal Jeff Thomas and that district administrators owe them more of an explanation.

The district announced June 18 that Thomas has been reassigned to the district's central office and that Rodney Trice, the district's director of curriculum and instruction, would serve as interim principal. The release announcing the change did not indicate why Thomas was being replaced.

Thomas served as principal of Carrboro High since 2006 and opened the school last August. Prior to his work at Carrboro High, Thomas served as assistant principal at Chapel Hill High School.

Parents were notified of Thomas' replacement in a phone message, while faculty received an email. Some parents and teachers have come out in support of Thomas' performance at the school and want to know why administrators replaced him.

Pedersen said his decision was based on unsolicited feedback from staff and parents, as well as the results of surveys that indicated both students and teachers were unhappy with their experiences at Carrboro High. Pedersen said survey results influenced his decision to replace Thomas, in that he used them to either confirm or refute individual perceptions. He said his decision was also based on his work with Thomas, as he and other central

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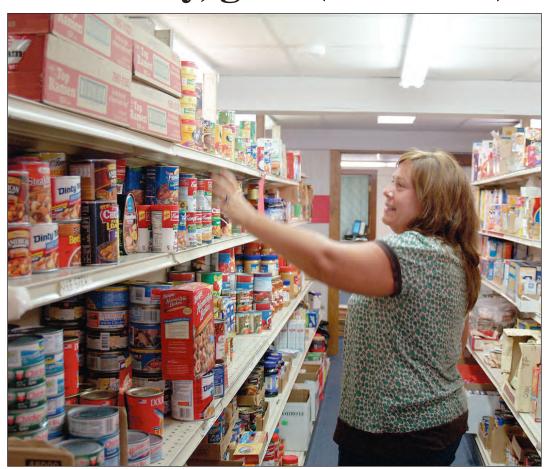


PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

Josie Hartman reaches for a can from a well-stocked shelf at the Inter-Faith Council Food Pantry in Carrboro. "It doesn't take long to deplete the supply," Hartman said.

RECENTLY ...

By Valarie Schwartz

Word came on Monday that shelves at local food pantries were bare. John Dorward, associate director of the Inter-Faith Council (IFC), gladly reported that its food pantry in Carrboro remains in good shape for this time of year. "I'm happy not to have to show you empty shelves," he said as we walked into the pantry, which contains three long aisles stocked with non-perishable items.

The story was vastly different in Pittsboro, where Tina Gaines, director of the Salvation Army, said that donations were greatly needed.

"We're still able to meet the need, but sometimes it's tough," she said, adding that the Salvation Army has had to purchase \$300 to \$400 worth of food during the past two months in order to meet demand.

Approximately 1,100 jobs were lost recently with the closing in early June of the Pilgrim's Pride chicken processing plant in Siler City, but Gaines said that "things started getting worse about a year ago."

The pantry at Evergreen United Methodist Church just south of Manns Chapel Road in northern Chatham has seen "a tremendous increase in the last six months," according to its coordinator, Diane Lassiter. It's a small pantry (truly a closet, she said), which provides food from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday except the first week of each month. Members can receive food 12 times a year.

"People arrive as early as five, though we don't encourage it," she said.

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Land & Table

FARMERS' MARKET

Check out what's at the **Carrboro Year-Round** Farmers' Market **JUST TO NAME A FEW...**

SATURDAY MARKET: 7 a.m. - Noon

Blueberries, peaches, blackberries, plums, tomatoes, corn, eggplant, arugula, zucchini, yellow squash, cucumbers, potatoes, basil, cabbage, kale, onions, garlic, carrots, fennel, vegetable and flower starters, sunflowers, snap dragons, zinnias, sweet williams, lilies, campanula, and many more flowers, baked goods (including vegan and gluten free options), breads, jams, wines, grass fed beef, pastured pork, pastured chicken, grass fed lamb, buffalo, sausage, chorizo, ground bison, raw milk cheeses, smoked cheeses, goat cheese, jams, jellies, pottery, hats, rugs and more!

Recipe of the Week:

CURRIED CRUCIFERS WITH ALMONDS

from Kelly Clark, Market Staff

My favorite curry powder is Pierre Franey's homemade version from Cuisine Rapide, but your favorite curry will do fine. (Chicken, Thai Basil, Crucifers and Peaches can be found at the Market!)

INGREDIENTS

Half cup chopped almonds – (use whole raw almonds, blanch, remove skins, then chop)

One cup chopped broccoli flowerets* One and three-quarters cups chopped cauliflower flowerets* One-quarter cup golden raisins, plumped in water or fruit juice, drain before using

One-quarter cup chopped onion* One-half tablespoon curry powder

One and one-half tablespoons olive oil, divided

PROCEDURE

The almonds, broccoli and cauliflower flowerets and onion should be chopped to the equivalent size of the dried raisins.

Bring a pot of water to boil. Separately, blanch the broccoli and cauliflower flowerets until crisp-tender. Remove the flowerets from the boiling water with a strainer and stop the cooking by plunging in cold water. Drain and set aside.

Heat one tablespoon of the olive oil in a small pan, add the curry powder, stir to blend and cook one minute. Set aside.

In a pan large enough to hold all ingredients, heat the remaining tablespoon of olive oil. Add the chopped onions and sauté until just tender. Add the almonds, broccoli and cauliflower flowerets and the drained raisins to the pan. Toss to combine. Add the olive oil and curry powder mixture. Toss until the vegetables are well coated. Heat the mixture thoroughly. Serve hot, or chill well and serve cold.

*Ingredients Available at Market

Pasture potluck draws mellow crowd

by Catherine Rierson Staff Writer

A modest crowd gathered last Sunday evening for ChathamArts' Potluck in a Pasture at Bill Dow's Ayrshire Farm in Pittsboro, the oldest certified organic farm in North Carolina, to share savory dishes of homegrown ingredients and to support local art.

Guests enjoyed a farm tour; a buffet spouting with such homemade dishes as corn risotto, cucumber salad and berry cobbler; and a meet-and-greet with local artists, and were given original recipes and unique growing tips from those on the forefront of organic farming.

"I think agriculture is its own kind of art, and when there's a chance for people to see what's going on with it, I'll fall for it," Dow said.

Some sat in the grass, mingling and munching between rows of tomatoes and bell peppers, while others admired artists' work under the shade of bowing branches.





PHOTOS BY CATHERINE RIERSON Top Right: Jeff Gannon, son Ossie, and baby Matilda enjoy potluck treats. Above: Rows of green pepper plants soak up the sun.

The night marked ChathamArts' third annual Potluck in a Pasture, an event designed to encourage relationships between artists and the community and the appreciation of lo-

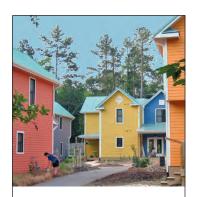
ChathamArts board member and founder of the potluck project Daryl Walker said that proceeds from the event go to funding projects like artist residencies in local schools to advance art in the core curriculum.

"Art isn't just enrichment, and some just don't get that," Walker said. "Too many students don't have the opportunity to learn from art."

ChathamArts provides community-based programs to inspire involvement with the arts, including an artist directory, arts in education programs, classes by and for artists, community events and festivals, a gallery of locally produced art in downtown Pittsboro, grants for community arts programs and partnerships with other local organizations.

"There's nothing better than a night to share local agriculture and invite local artists to share their art in a beautiful

This summer's next Potluck in a Pasture is Sunday, Sept. 14, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Jordan Lake Farm.



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L&T Briefs

Watershed cleanup

A partnership of Chatham County organizations will receive about \$200,000 from the state Department of Environment and Natural Resources and the federal Environmental Protection Agency to restore and protect the Rocky River and Tick Creek watersheds.

The Watershed Education for Communities and Officials Program at N.C. State University will work with Chatham residents to improve water

The partnership includes Chatham County's Environmental Resources Division, the N.C. Cooperative Extension Service-Chatham County Center, Chatham County Soil & Water Conservation District, N.C. State University and the Rocky River Heritage Foundation.

rin at Christy_perrin@ncsu. edu or 515-4542.

Plant, meet computer

UNC will launch a new botany program that hopes to mingle nature with technology. The curriculum is called BOT 2.0 and will combine botany and environmental conservation with social computing and information man-

agement. Part of the course itself is delivered through Web 2.0 blogs, wikis, Facebook and MySpace, while the other part is delivered through handson training in the field. The invitation-only program will include 17 students from Ala-For information about the mance Community College, program, contact Christy Per- N.C. Agricultural and Technical State, N.C. Central, N.C. State University and UNC-Chapel Hill and starts late this month.

> The program was created by Jane Greenberg and Alan Weakley of UNC with the help of a \$192,000 grant from the National Science Foundation and seeks to improve learning retention by more actively involving students.















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News Briefs

Holiday schedule

Several town and county services will close for the July 4 holiday. There will be no trash collection, but no change in the recycling schedule. The county landfill is closed, as are the waste convenience centers. Friday's trash will be collected one day early, on Thursday, July 3.

Triangle Transit and Chapel Hill Transit buses will not run. Libraries are closed. Parking meters are off. The Wallace deck and town-owned parking lots are free. Town Hall, the Century Center and the public works offices are closed.

July 4 lake hours

University Lake and the Cane Creek Reservoir are open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. for fishing, boating and more on July 4. University Lake will also be open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday through Monday and Cane Creek will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday. Both are alcoholfree facilities. Small private boats without gasoline engines may be used but must first be checked by a lake warden and should be cleaned beforehand. For more information, contact Eric Barnhardt for Cane Creek at 942-5790 and Bob Glosson for University Lake at 942-8007. OWASA's offices will be closed July 4.

Library hours reduced

The hours of operation for branches of the Orange County Public Library System were reduced starting July 1. Changes

- The Carrboro Library at McDougle School will be closed on Mondays. In addition, Tuesday-Thursday hours have been reduced to 5-8 p.m.;
- The Main Orange County Public Library's Saturday hours have been reduced to 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and
- The Cedar Grove Library will be closed on Saturdays, and Monday-Thursday hours have been reduced to 11 a.m.

Other hours not noted have not been changed. For more information, visit www.co.orange.nc.us/library/orange or call 245-2525.

Carson autopsy released

An autopsy report released Wednesday confirmed that Eve Carson, former UNC student body president, was shot at least five times with two weapons. According to the report, it appears Carson held her hand over her face as the shooter fired a shotgun that sprayed birdshot through her hand and into her

The report by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner noted bullet entries in her right cheek, shoulder, arm and buttocks, and shotgun wounds in her right hand and head. It said she was found in sweatpants and a T-shirt, lying on her back toward her left hip with her head resting atop her arm.

A confidential informant told police that murder suspects

Demario Atwater and Laurence Lovett Jr. entered Carson's home through an unlocked door, forced her into her Toyota Highlander and drove her to an ATM. The informant also said that she heard Atwater say he shot Carson once after Lovette shot her numerous times.

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Town employee wants answers regarding racist graffiti

by Rich Fowler Staff Writer

Jerry Neville is a Carrboro native, UNC graduate and has worked for the Town of Chapel Hill for over twenty years. For the last seven years, he has volunteered at the Hargraves Community Center, teaching tennis to local kids on Saturdays.

He works in the brand-new Town Operations Center in the Traffic Engineering department, and for the last two months, every time he's gone to the men's room, he's had to look at racist graffiti targeting him and using the Nword.

"I've been singled out personally. My rights have been violated, and months were allowed to pass by, and nothing was done about it," Neville said. "My name was on that wall, and I've been threatened to be hung.'

Neville brought his complaint to the Chapel Hill Town Council at its most recent meeting. He said that in the new Town Operations Center building, vandalism and racism had gone on unchecked.

He said that while steps were being taken to protect the facility against further vandalism now, he had heard nothing about his wellbeing. "Clearly the facility is not the only victim here. In this case, hurt," Neville said.

Alan McSurely, legal redress chair of the local NAACP, has asked what the Chapel Hill Police and the town manager had done about the incident in the last two months.

"Nobody has told Jerry anything about a police investigation. The chief said they can't provide any information about that investigation," McSurely said.

Town Manager Roger Stancil said he was sorry that Neville had had to endure the graffiti. "I can assure you that we're pursuing it with due diligence and that we will con-

you have a human being being Neville about how we are pursuing our investigation," he said.

Council members were upset that it had taken so long to remove

"I'm appalled that he had to come and bring a petition," council member Bill Thorpe said.

Council Member Mark Kleinschmidt said, "If something like that is up for five minutes after its discovery, then it's five minutes too long."

"We're going to be away from this desk, but we're going to be here [in the community] all summer long," Thorpe added, "and I want a report back way before we tinue to communicate with Mr. meet again, because this is nasty."

SIDEWALK

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baby carriages, they walk for recreation and exercise," said Allen Spalt, a long-time James Street resident and former Carrboro alderman. "They walk to get to the post office and shopping center, they walk to get to the school.

"As we try to become a truly walkable community, it's necessary to have a lot more sidewalks."

Spalt added that residents of a nearby adult group home often walk down James Street as well.

"It is a situation that is just waiting for a disaster," he said. "It's just waiting for tragedy."

At this point, Spalt said, it's time to build

"I know things take a long time, but all that having been said, early this year I talked to the town about it and was pretty much assured that it would be done this year," Spalt said. "I figure five years is long enough."

Spalt and other James Street residents appealed to the board of alderman in June and Seiz and other town officials met with James Street property owners to discuss plans for the sidewalk Monday night.

Residents had wanted to make sure that the sidewalk was designed so that it wouldn't make the street appear wider, so motorists wouldn't drive faster. In addition, they wanted the sidewalk to be built as close to the road as possible, to minimize the impact on the trees on the side of the road.

Seiz said staff made modifications to the plans to respond to the concerns of the residents and presented the changes to property owners Monday night. The plans were wellreceived, Seiz said, and he hopes to move forward promptly.

However, the town still needs to obtain some easements from property owners and work with utility companies to iron out any utility conflicts, Seiz said.

We're trying to expedite that so we can actually get [the sidewalk] under construction in the fall," he said.

In the meantime, Spalt said, he hopes an accident won't happen.

Glen Lennox seeks neighborhood conservation district

by Rich Fowler Staff Writer

Glen Lennox area residents are one step closer to getting a Neighborhood Conservation District. At its meeting last week, the Chapel Hill Town Council allowed residents to go forward with the NCD process, which allows the planning department to hold an informational meeting for area

The NCD petition was filed soon after Grubb Properties, the owner of the Glen Lennox apartments and shopping center, announced a plan to redevelop the area into a high-density neighborhood similar to Meadowmont.

But at the council meeting, Clay Grubb, president of Grubb Properties, said he didn't think the plan was sensitive to the history of Glen Lennox.

"I apologize," Grubb said. "We were not prepared to submit that plan, but we felt like we had no choice at the time. That was a plan that was done hastily."

He said he'd be happy to halt plans while all parties involved talked it over.

Grubb said he didn't feel the NCD process was fair, because his company owns the 440 apartment units and shopping center, which make up a little more than one-third of the area.

Mary Dexter, who filed the original petition, said the proposed Glen Lennox redevelopment plan wasn't the only reason for an NCD. "We're working on saving a neighborhood, not just apartments," she said. Dexter said area residents were concerned about teardowns and "McMansions" in their neighborhood.

"We have common historical values, we have common architectural values," she said. "We are a neighborhood, and you are part of it."

The next step is that the planning board will schedule a meeting to tell landowners how the NCD process works, what it protects and what it doesn't protect. Notices will be sent to all landowners within a 500-foot radius of the proposed NCD before the meeting.

There are currently six NCDs in Chapel Hill, including one in Northside and the most recent one in Coker Hills.

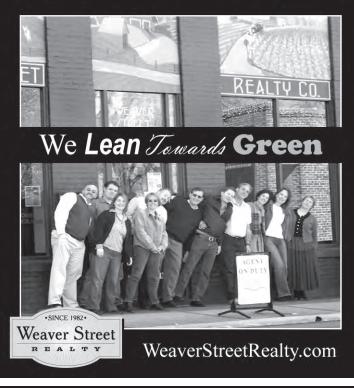
The council took no action on a proposed moratorium on development along NC 54 east of 15-501 up to the town limits. Projects already under construction as well as those still in the application phase would not be stopped by a moratorium.

Because of the way the development process is set up, the proposed redevelopment of Glen Lennox, along with any other future proposed projects along NC 54, would still be subject to a moratorium if the council chooses to pass one when it meets again in the fall.

Michael Collins, vice chair of the planning board, said the board unanimously supported the original petition for a moratorium on NC 54. "The applications seem to be coming fast and furious," he said. Collins said that perhaps it was a good time to step back and discuss what the council and citizens want along the road.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Ward said that passing the moratorium now wasn't an either/or issue. He said that passing one right now wouldn't be effective, because the town would wind up losing a lot of time under a moratorium when the council wasn't in session.

"It has our attention, and it will gain more attention and thought over the next few months," he said.









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Last week they served 83 people and are experiencing food shortages. In addition to donations from congregants, Harris Teeter provides them produce on Tuesdays and they buy food from the N.C. Food Bank in Durham.

"The best way to help us is through financial donations," Lassiter said. "The money goes the farthest because of how inexpensively we can obtain food through the food bank, and grocery stores give us discounts too."

During this time when every dollar gets stretched, they can do more with it food-wise. "We can get a lot more food than the average person can with the dollar."

The food pantries all receive support from local churches and temples, which typically see a reduction in attendance during summer months as people take vacations, thus reducing the amount of food coming into the pantries. Local grocery stores (including Trader Joe's, which Dorward said has been very helpful)

contribute year-round, but as the needs of the people increase, the pantry shelves empty faster.

"We've seen an increase in client volume," said Josie Hartman, client services representative of the Community Program at the Inter-Faith Council. "As rent, gas, food, utilities and prices go up, the more folks need help getting through." She has worked with volunteers and clients for a year-and-a-half, but she volunteered as a client interviewer for six or seven years before taking the job. She said that they serve as many people in a day as they can, sending up to 100 bags of groceries a day out the door.

Chris Moran, IFC executive director, said that through May the distribution rate of food is 28 percent higher than last year.

"Food is a big deal right now," Moran said. Surveys conducted among the clients showed that only half of the 1,348 food pantry members (a number which grows every month) return every month. "If everybody came back every month, we'd be out of food," said Moran.

Contact Valarie Schwartz at 923-3746 or valariekays@mac.com

Noticias en breve

Día de Independencia

Festeje el día de la independencia de los EEUU. Celebramos el aniversario 232 del país el viernes, 4 de julio. Celebración en Carrboro empieza a las 10.30a.m. en Carrboro Town Commons. Actividades preliminares en Weaver Street Market desde 9.30a.m. Premios para mejor disfraz, registración a las 10. Desfile al Town Commons a las 11a.m. Actividades para la familia. Fuegos artificiales y música en vivo en el estadio Kenan de UNC de 8-10p.m. Gratis.

Otras celebraciones en el Triángulo incluyen desfile para niños en el parque central de Durham, 10a.m.; la celebración en Durham Bulls Athletic Park (con costo); actividades, fuegos artificiales y música patriótica de la orquesta sinfónica del NC en y preguntas al betsy@ Booth Ampitheater en Cary, desde las 3p.m. Todas cel-

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Computer classes — free computer classes: Internet, Email, Word, Excel, Powerpoint, NC Live. Registration required. Wednesdays, through Aug. 6, 7pm Century Center 918-7387 cybrary@co.orange.nc.us

The Music Man — Summer Youth Conservatory presents the musical. July 24-27. Thu-Sat 7pm, Sun 2pm. Tickets and information at 962-7529 or playmakersrep.

Faith

Buddhism — Buddhist teachings and meditation with Gen Tilopa of the Kosala Buddhist Center 7-8:30pm Wednesday evenings. June series is "The Kadampa Buddhist way of Life." \$10. First class free. 711 W. Rosemary St (above Carrburritos). meditationinchapelhill.org 967-1861.

Advent Lutheran — Summer Sunday worship 10am. 230 Erwin Rd, Chapel Hill. 968-7680. adventlutheranch.org

Outdoor activities

Guided Tours — of the N.C. Botanical Garden's Plant Collections, every Saturday at 10am. Free.

Gardening Advice — The Orange County Master Gardeners provide a variety of gardening and landscaping information. Home Garden Clinic at the NC Botanical Garden's Totten Center on Wednesdays and Fridays from noon to 2:00pm. Call in gardening or landscape questions at 962-0522 or speak with

a Master Gardener in person. Bring in cuttings or photographs of damaged or stressed plants.

Kids

Toddler Time — at the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Thursday at 4pm. 969-3006

Preschool Story Time — at the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Saturday at 10:30am.

Express Yourself! — art program for ages 3-8 & their caregivers. Saturdays, 10:45-II:I5am, II:30am-noon. \$2 Kidzu Children's Museum 105 E Franklin St 933-1455 kidzuchildrensmuseum.org

Nature Tales: Storytime in the Garden — N.C. Botanical Garden. Thursdays, 10-11am. Children 3-5 Children must be accompanied by an adult. \$5/family.

Volunteers RSVP 55+ Volunteer Pro-

gram — seeks volunteers to match other volunteers with opportunities for public service. 968-2056

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

English as a Second Language Conversation Club

seeks volunteers to talk with groups of international students Fridays from 11:30am-1:30pm. University Methodist Church on Franklin St. 967-1448, harwellja@ bellsouth.net

Health & Wellness Living with Advanced/Meta**static Cancer** — a bi-weekly

support group. Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 3:30-5pm. Drop-in, no charge. Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center. 401-9333, cornucopiahouse.org

The Compassionate Friends: Self-help support after the death of a child

free and open to all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Evergreen United Methodist Church. 967-3221. chapelhilltcf.org

Museums Planetarium & Digital

Theater Shows — science

LIVE Demos. Ongoing. Morehead Planetarium, 250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236, tickets 843-7997. Thu-Sat 10am-5pm, 6:30-9:15pm. moreheadplanetarium.org

Dance

Swing — July 5: DJs Shermalyn Green, Laura Windley, \$7 members, \$9 others, \$3 students. July 19: music by Edsel 500. \$9 members, \$11 others, \$4 students. 7-8pm lesson with paid admission. Dance 8-11:30pm. Triangle Dance Studio, 2603 South Miami Blvd, Durham. triangleswingdance.org

Havana Nights — Cuban Salsa. Ist and 3rd Thursdays, 10pm. Mansion 462, 462 W Franklin St, 967-7913, www.mansion462.net

Salsa/Mambo — 3rd Saturdays, lesson 8pm, dance 8:30-IIpm. \$7, 358-4201, salsa_4u2@ yahoo.com. Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 4702 Garrett Rd, Durham.

Ballroom — 4th & 5th Thursdays, 7-9:30pm, \$2. 933-8982.

Seymour Senior Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill,

Carrboro DanceJam — freestyle dance to an eclectic mix of music. First Fridays. Balanced Movement Studio. 304 W Weaver St, upstairs. Smoke & alcohol free. Call 968-8776 for more info.

Lectures, Discussions & Open Mics

Open Mic —poetry, music & short fiction. Tuesdays, 7pm, Market Street Books & Maps, Southern Village. 933-5111, marketstreetbooks.com

Literary

The Book Thief — Contemporary Fiction Book Club meets to discuss the Markus Zusak novel. July 29, 7pm. Carrboro Cybrary, 918-7387. cybrary@co.orange.nc.us

Journey to the Center of the **Earth** — The Movie/Book Club meets to discuss the film and Jules Verne novel. See the movie or read the book and join in. Carrboro Cybrary. 918-7387. cybrary@ co.orange.nc.us

Eat, Pray, Love — On Thursday, Aug 14, 7:00pm, the Carrboreaders Non-Fiction Book Club meets to discuss Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for Everything Across Italy, India, and Indonesia by Elizabeth Gilbert. We always welcome new participants. Carrboro Cybrary, 100 N. Greensboro St., 918-7387, cybrary@ co.orange.nc.us, www.co.orange. nc.us/library/cybrary

Everything is Illuminated

— Contemporary Fiction Book Club meets to discuss the Jonathan Safran Foer novel. Carrboro Cybrary. 918-7387. cybrary@ co.orange.nc.us

Do you have anything for one of our calendars? Send your submissions to calendar@carrborocitizen.com



Carrboro resident Mark Dorosin is the guizmaster each Wednesday at Trivia Night at The Station.

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This week's answer appears on page 7.

Citizen **Cryptoquote** By Martin Brody

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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

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MARK DOROSIN'S TRIVIA FROM HELL

THIS WEEK'S CATEGORY:

19th Century History

I. In 1831, who led the biggest slave rebellion in US history, murdering 57 whites in Virginia before being captured?

2. Who wrote Uncle Tom's Cabin?

3. In what city, in 1848, did Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott organize the first women's rights convention in US history, which issued the radical Declaration of Sentiments demanding equal rights?

4. The first US passenger railroad began service in 1828. What was the

5. What midwestern college became, in 1832, the first co-ed college in the

US, and in 1841, the first to confer degrees on women? 6. During the 19th century, four presidents were members of the Whig

7. What popular phrase was used in the 1840s to justify the US territorial expansion across North America to the Pacific?

8. What was the nickname of the volunteer cavalry brigade that Teddy Roosevelt led up San Juan Hill during the Spanish American War?

9. What 19th century politician made a legendary speech at the 1896 Democratic national convention, in which he said, "You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns, you shall not crucify mankind upon a

10. What president led the US into the Mexican American War in 1846?

PETS OF THE WEEK

APS OF ORANGE COUNTY —Hi, I'm a cute

party. Name two.

kitten and **U-turn** is my name! I'm Smoke Tabby & White, female and 9 weeks old. I am social, sweet and play ful! Come visit me and some of my kitten friends in the APS kitten nursery. Come see me at Animal Protection Society of Orange County, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-



2300. You can also go online at www.animalprotectionsociety.org

ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES – Meet Douglas! This

4-year-old lab mix is a fun guy who loves people and adores going on walks! He's a playful boy who will do well as a member of an active family where he can finally get all of the love and attention he wants and deserves. Stop by Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill or call 967-7383. You can also see him online at www.co.orange.nc.us/ animalservices/adoption.asp.



Jennings Bryant; 10. James Polk (Carolina native and UNC graduate) Fillmore, Zachary Taylor; 7. Manifest Destiny; 8. Rough Riders; 9. William Seneca Falls; 4. B & O; 5. Oberlin; 6. WH Harrison, John Tyler, Millard TRIVIA ANSWERS: I. Mat Turner; 2. Harriet Beecher Stowe; 3.

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Community Briefs

Kidzoom creativity exhibit

'Kidzoom: The Power of Creativity" will open on July 11 at Kidzu Children's Museum. The exhibit uses creative work by local artists and crafters to teach children about the importance of creativity in everyday life. Admission is free on opening day and a grand opening takes place at 10 a.m. The exhibit includes three creation zones entitled the "Green Thumb," teaching about garden produce and markets, the "Build-A-Dream" construction zone and the "Kidoodle Moodle" art studio. The exhibits are bilingual. Museum members are invited to a preview on July10 from 10 a.m. to noon. Kidzu Children's Museum is a nonprofit organization working to teach children through play. See kidzuchildrensmuseum.org for details.

Burrito bash benefit

The General Store Café in Pittsboro will host the Claws & Hooves Burrito Bash on July 15. The bash benefits the Carnivore Preservation Trust and the Heads Up! Therapeutic Riding Program. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door. A ticket gets you a burrito, chips and salsa, music by Regina Hexaphone and entrance to the silent auction of art, jewelry and more. The Carnivore Presentation Trust is a sanctuary for big cats and offers walking tours. The Heads Up! Program provides horseassisted therapeutic services. Information at cptigers.org or headsuptrp.org.

July blood drives

The Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold several blood drives throughout the month of July. Dates include:

July 16, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at the UNC Student Union Great Hall;

• July 16, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., in a bus in the parking lot behind UNC Hospitals off Manning Drive;

• July 17, 1 p.m.-5:30 p.m., at 2500 Hwy. 86;

• July 18, 3 p.m.-7:30 p.m., at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at 400 Country Club Rd.; and

• July 26, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at the New Hope Volunteer Fire Department at 4102 Whitfield Rd.

For more information, visit www.ocncredcross.org.

CHS football conditioning

The Carrboro ball team is offering speed, strength and conditioning classes every Monday through Thursday during two sessions, from 8 to 10 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the CHS weightroom. The sessions are open to all CHS students in grades 9-12. A current physical is required. Please contact Jason Tudryn, jtudryn@chccs.k12.

nc.us or 918-2200 ext. 25049 with questions.

CHS football preseason camp

The Carrboro High School football team will run a free preseason football camp July 28-30 for all students in grades 9-12 interested in playing football at CHS next season. The camp will focus on fundamentals and conditioning. Please contact Jason Tudryn at jtudryn@chccs. k12.nc.us or 918-2200 ext. 25049 to register.

CHS needs trainers

Carrboro High School is accepting applications for the positions of head and assistant trainer. Candidates must be NATA certified. Please contact CHS Athletic Director April Ross at 918-2200 ext. 25023 for details and an application.

Platelets urgently needed

UNC Hospitals is urgently seeking platelet donors. Because of two patients in critical condition, platelets are in high demand. Donation typically takes about two and a half hours. Donors are usually given snacks and shown a movie. The donated platelet supply is then administered to patients with cancer, liver disease and transplanted organs; premature babies; trauma and burn patients; and patients undergoing open-heart

To be eligible to donate:

· You must weigh at least 110 pounds and be 17 years

· You must bring a photo ID with you when you do-

· You will have to pass a mini physical. This includes having your blood pressure, pulse, temperature and iron levels checked.

· If you have traveled outside the U.S. or Canada you must say where you went, when you went and how long

· If you are on any medicaat the Piedmont Electric office tions, you should call before coming in, as you may be deferred.

· Finally, you should be feeling well the day of your donation and have been healthy for at least three days prior to that.

Donated platelets are good for only five days, so donations are constantly needed. To schedule a donation appointment, please call 966-

Hoop Jam

The Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department will host the Hoop Jam with Julia Hartsell on July 20 at 3 p.m. at the Carrboro Branch Library (at McDougle Middle School). Hoop for fun and health with hoopstress Hartsell while Scott Crews provides live musical accompaniment. Call 918-7364.

Library cutbacks raise questions

by Kirk Ross Staff Writer

A tight budget year has led to cutbacks in many county functions including local libraries. But Carrboro officials and library supporters are concerned that the Carrboro branch library at McDougle Middle School took a much bigger cut than its counterparts elsewhere in the county.

"It is absolutely shocking," Nerys Levy said of the action announced last week by the county. Levy, who chairs the Library Art Committee and is an organizer with Friends of the Library, said that more than 30 patrons — students, parents and others — had to be turned away Tuesday when they showed up at the usual opening time. In all, Carrboro lost seven of 24 total

hours to the cuts. The library is now closed on Monday and Friday and open from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. on

Levy said that the cuts in Carrboro were magnified because the library is not open as much as others.

'There were never enough hours to begin with," she said, adding that with high gas prices and the added travel patrons are more likely to give up on the idea of using a library altogether.

Carrboro Mayor Mark Chilton said he is drafting a letter to the Orange County

Board of Commissioners asking for an explanation of the process used to determine

Chilton said while he appreciates the county's need to cut costs he doesn't understand why the cuts in Carrboro were as broad as they were.

Other reductions for the Orange County Public Library System include closing the Cedar Grove Library on Saturday and a drop in Saturday hours for the main branch in Hillsborough from to 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hours at the Carrboro Cybrary and the Chapel Hill Public Library remain un-

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office staff had worked closely with Thomas over the past two

Both parents and faculty members said they have requested more information regarding Thomas' reassignment from district administrators, but have been told personnel information cannot be released.

In addition, according to Tom Brown, chair of the Carrboro High science department, faculty members were told Thomas would not be able to speak with them if they tried to contact him.

Under North Carolina personnel law, public schools are required to provide limited information regarding personnel, including date of employment, salary increases or decreases, promotion and demotion information and an employee's current office or station. However, administrators can choose to release additional information only when it is "essential to maintaining public confidence in the administration of [the employer's] services or to maintaining the level and quality of [the employer's] services."

Mark Barroso, parent of a rising sophomore at Carrboro High, said he had few interactions with Thomas and didn't know whether he was a good principal or not, but wanted to know why he was replaced.

"My beef is with how No Pedersen keeps parents in the dark about major personnel decisions at all the schools," he said. "In all of the schools that my daughter has been in, the principals have left for various

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—Mark Barroso, CHS parent

reasons and parents never know why. We're left to guess and imagine what the reasons are."

Barroso's daughter has attended Frank Porter Graham Elementary School, Culbreth Middle School and Carrboro High. Each of those schools' principals changed while she was there.

"It's a major thing to change principals at a school. It affects every aspect of that school," he said. "For us to not know what's going on, I think, is just trou-

Pat Lewis, former chair of the English department at Carrboro High, said she resigned her position because she had been told by district administrators in the spring that Thomas would be given more time as principal to grow and develop the new school, but later learned he would be replaced.

"I had trouble believing anything that anybody was going to tell me," she said.

Lewis said eight of nine Carrboro High department heads replacement, but were denied.

Early troubles

There were several documented incidents in the high school's first year, including a

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dispute over a no-hat policy and a fight among three students caused by one student's raciallycharged comments.

Jan Gottschalk, a journalism teacher at Carrboro High, said that despite the difficulties the school had really found its stride by the end of the year.

"I left for spring break with this very positive feeling that things were turning around," she said, citing a meeting with district administrators.

"Mr. Thomas really did listen to students when they wanted to make changes," she said. "Students saw that change could be made. It was a wonderful learning experience."

Gottschalk and other teachers said the high school student climate survey used by district administrators was administered in January, and that students were much happier at their new high school later in the year. The climate survey indicated that students at Carrboro High were less happy at their school than students at the district's other two high schools.

By the end of the school year, Gottschalk said, "the feelings had changed greatly."

Ellen Medearis, parent of Molly Superfine, Carrboro High's co-president, said Thomas was a good principal, and that some students and teachers weren't used to his disciplinary style of administration.

"He's a man of his word," she requested to speak with district said. "He's a man of principle."

Medearis added that opening a new school is hard for admindemic culture at the school."

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istrators, teachers and students, and that the decision to replace Thomas was hasty.

"I think that one year of a school being open ... is not enough to make that kind of a judgment," she said.

Parents of Carrboro High students have also expressed concern about recent notifications that several advanced placement and honors courses would not be offered at Carrboro High next year because of a lack of enrollment.

"They've cut a lot of the AP courses at Carrboro High, so there's this brain drain that's happening," Barroso said. "A lot of the best and the brightest are transferring out, making Carrboro a mediocre school."

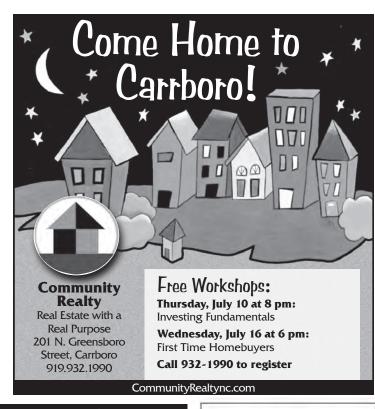
Courses that have been cut include AP chemistry, AP physics, AP human geography, honors biology II, honors physics, AP Latin, AP German, German III, German IV, AP Spanish literature and AP French.

Carrboro High students can take courses not offered at Carrboro High at the district's other two high schools but must provide their own transportation. Some parents and students are considering requesting transfer to another high school where the courses are offered.

Barroso said he is concerned that the transfers will cause the academics at the school to deteriorate.

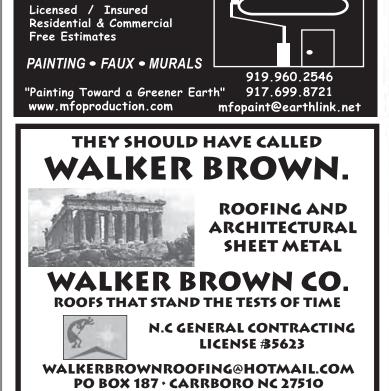
"I think if affects every student when the cream of the crop goes to another school," he added. "It's all part of the aca



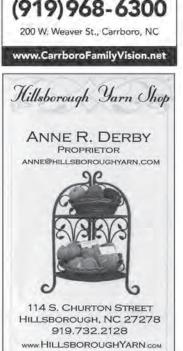








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FOR THE RECORD

Transparency in education

Whether you check the box on the census form indicating you've done post-doc work or dropped out of high school and went into a trade, the importance of a good education for your children is a shared value in this community.

Parents here are passionate about their kids' education, which makes the schools a focal point of interest and scrutiny. For the most part, the district does a good job of keeping parents and students informed. But there's been a troubling lack of communication regarding the major changes at Carrboro High School, where the reassignment of Jeff Thomas, the school's inaugural principal, was announced via a terse email to the media.

We got that into print the day it came out, but found it difficult to get any further details. There were plenty of inferences one could draw from the results of satisfaction surveys, but nothing definitive. Naturally, our phones have been ringing and the town is buzzing.

In our subsequent issue — last week's — Superintendent Neil Pedersen confirmed that the surveys and unsolicited complaints had something to do with it. But like a lot of administrators in these situations, Pedersen is unwilling to offer the details because it is a personnel matter. Thomas isn't talking either; apparently he's not permitted to do so.

State law limits the amount of information that's required to be divulged in these situations. It does, however, allow further information to be revealed should it be in the public interest.

We believe that a little more information is needed and, indeed, in the public interest. Rumors are flying and parents and students are frustrated. Some learned ahead of time of the reassignment. Others had no clue what was coming.

This is not the first time a high-level departure at the schools has been inadequately explained. One parent we talked to has witnessed the same scenario — a principal leaving without much notice or detail as to why — at every level of his daughter's education.

In Thomas' case, it is all the more frustrating because the school is so new, such a focus of local attention and a somewhat fragile place without the traditions and strong internal institutions to bolster it in times of trouble.

To find out in the dead of summer that Carrboro High School is now in search of a new principal and will be led in the interim by someone who is relatively unknown in the Jaguar community can't be comforting. The students and parents at CHS deserve more than to read about their principal's departure in a news release.

A cornerstone document

We invite you to take a moment and read the transcript of the Declaration of Independence. Yes, it's a little difficult to follow in spots, but those first few graphs are dynamite and perhaps did more to change world politics than any other set of sentences.

Some parts about King George may seem a bit arcane, but they make good reading as well. The various indictments of his majesty laid the groundwork for the political framework that followed the founding of this country. In 1776, the founders were a good deal away from knowing what kind of country they wanted, but they knew what they didn't want.

The document is not perfect, certainly not by today's standards (re: merciless Indian Savages). And the fact that the lead author was writing about liberty while possessing human beings in chattel slavery is without question a profound paradox.

The Declaration is the kernel from which this nation sprung and a loud and clear message to the world that despotism could and should be challenged. Most of us know about self-evident truths and life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. But not enough of us understand tyranny — even when it's staring us in the face.



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The Declaration of Independence

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The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America,

When in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness .-- That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, --That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security.--Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world.

He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good.

He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them.

He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only.

He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures.

He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people.

He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected; whereby the Legislative powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands.

He has obstructed the Administration of Justice, by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary powers.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone.

He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone, for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries.

He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harrass our people, and eat out their substance.

He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures.

He has affected to render the Military indepen-

dent of and superior to the Civil power.

He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation:

For Quartering large bodies of armed troops among us:

For protecting them, by a mock Trial, from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States:

For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the

For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent: For depriving us in many cases, of the benefits of Trial by Jury:

For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences

For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies:

For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws, and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments:

For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever.

He has abdicated Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us.

He has plundered our seas, ravaged our Coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our peo-

He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation.

He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands.

He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages, whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions.

In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people.

Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our Brittish brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which, would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.

LETTER

Editor's note: following are letters to the Carolina community from former Chancellor James Moeser and his successor, Holden Thorp.

Out with the old

Dear Members of the Carolina Faculty and Staff:

As the curtain is about to close on my tenure as chancellor, one of my hardest tasks is to find a suitable way to acknowledge all of the good wishes and thoughtful observations that so many of you have shared with me about the last eight years.

Together we have accomplished a great deal during that time, from the physical transformation of the campus through a record-setting private fund-raising campaign, from improving faculty resources to bettering educational opportunities. Through it all we have affirmed our status as a proudly-public university and kept our commitment to the people of the state of North Carolina.

Every person who works at Carolina has a role in making us one of the nation's finest universities. One of the very first things that we noticed when Susan and I arrived was the pride and care that people on campus had for this University, and how everyone participated in creating that very special culture that we call the Carolina Way.

Working together we have preserved that culture and taken the University to new levels of achievement and prestige in the world.

We have celebrated our successes, cheered our students as they graduated and come together in times of trouble to support one another. I am proud to call you colleagues and to know that even after I'm no longer chancellor, you will remain my colleagues as I join the faculty. Thanks to your efforts, I will continue to work at one of the nation's finest universities. I can imagine no better future.

Thank you for making Susan and me a part of the Carolina family. While we are looking forward to some time away from Chapel Hill, we are also looking forward even more to our return. Thomas Wolfe was wrong; you can go home again.

"Hail to the brightest star of all." And farewell.

JAMES MOESER

In with the new

Dear Carolina Students, Fac-

Today is my first day as your new chancellor, and - as you've heard me say before - I'm thrilled to have the best job in American higher education. Patti and I so appreciate the kind e-mails, notes and letters that we received from so many of you since my election in May.

Your encouragement and confidence inspire us as we prepare for our new duties.

We all wish James and Susan Moeser the very best during their year away on leave. I look forward to the energy that James will bring to his new duties as a faculty member and fellow at the Institute for the Arts and Humanities when he returns to campus next year. He has been an extraordinary leader for the University and a wonderful mentor to me.

Today I'm having breakfast with a group of student leaders organized by Student Body President J.J. Raynor, convening the Chancellor's Cabinet, and meeting with Faculty Chair Joe Templeton and Employee Forum Chair Tommy Griffin. This week, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost Bernadette Gray-Little and I will launch a series of meetings with our deans as part of a process to help me listen to the University's academic leaders and faculty discuss Carolina's future. I plan to ask a

lot of questions and seek advice about what's best for our future.

I'm excited about the opportunity to help make a great university -America's first public university - even better. I look forward to sharing my thoughts about those prospects during my installation address in October.

Thanks again for all of your support.

HOLDEN THORP

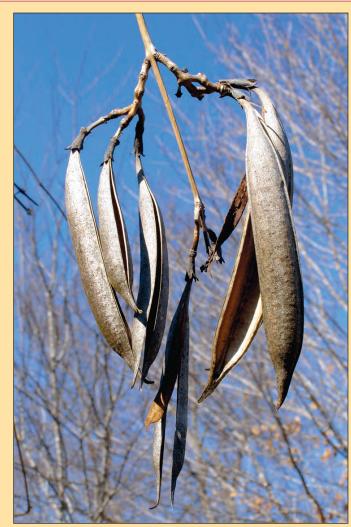


PHOTO BY KEN MOORE Trumpet vine seed pods attract goldfinches and provide winter

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interest.

during these long, hot, dry, summer days.

The trumpet vine provides a special winter season bonus. Don't prune it back in the fall. Leave the bare stems reaching out into the winter landscape for architectural interest with the four-to-seveninch-long brownish, dry, beanpod-like fruit hanging at the tips. In

early December, keep a keen eye on those seed pods. This past winter, I enjoyed watching goldfinches hanging onto those pods energetically extracting the papery winged seeds from within those barely open pods. If you feel the need to prune the stems back, hold off until late February.

To see more drought-tolerant native vines worthy of cultivation in the home landscape, visit the vine-covered arbor along the south side of Coker Arboretum along Cameron Street. In addition to the trumpet vine, you'll find the red tubular flowers of coral honeysuckle, Lonicera sempervirens, and the orange-red flowers of cross-vine, Bignonia capreolata, both of which also attract hummingbirds. In contrast, you'll find blue-flowered clusters of the re-blooming native wisteria, Wisteria frutescens. Watch closely. Hummingbirds most likely will also go for the nectar in the fat clusters of blue flowers, because those flying nectar-lovers aren't restricted to tubular red and orange flowers.

If you aren't lucky enough to have these native vines occurring naturally for you, the local nurseries carry one or more of them, including named cultivars. Southern States in Carrboro has a great cultivar of trumpet vine as well as the other vines described here. Also check out Niche Gardens, which usually has native vines in stock. These dramatic vines are too satisfactory not to have one or more growing in your garden.

Hairdo art winners chosen



PHOTO BY JORDAN "Lola's Prom Night Catastrophe," far left, a painting by Holly C. Wright done with acrylic on canvas, won first place in the Beehive Art Challenge as the best artistic representation of a

The white walls inside the Beehive Hair Salon are now decorated with brightly painted canvases, detailed embroidery and other interesting works of art submitted to the Beehive Art Challenge.

The contest spanned the month of June, giving participants time to create their own unique artistic representation of the classic beehive hairdo. All ages were encouraged to get creative, with prizes for all submissions.

From the 17 entries of various size, medium and style that were received, seven top winners were chosen for display inside the shop for the

month of July. Additionally, the top three winners received gift certificates to the salon: \$100 for first place, \$75 for second and \$50 for third.

beehive hairdo.

All submissions will be put on display for the 2ndFriday Artwalk on July 11 from 6-9 p.m. —Jordan Timpy

Eno fest celebrates river health

by Susan Dickson Staff Writer

This year's Festival of the Eno "critter" says a lot about the river this three-day event celebrates.

The 2008 logo – the mayfly – is more than just an insect design for a t-shirt. The mayfly can be found in the Eno River, which is a good sign of the health of the

"Mayflies don't tolerate high levels of pollution," said Maddiey Straubel, assistant coordinator of the festival. "The fact that they're lurking about in our river means we're doing a pretty good job of keeping our river clean."

The Eno River Association, started more than 40 years ago

to protect the Eno River, sponsors the Festival of the Eno at West Point on the Eno City Park in Durham. This year's festival is the 29th, and festival coordinators expect over 30,000 visitors.

"It's great for the money it brings in [for the Eno River Association], but we really look at it as a community event and a way to spread our message," Straubel

The festival features more than 100 performers and features craft demonstrations, dance workshops, a sustainable home and garden expo and canoe and kayak rentals.

The festival hosts a children's area as well, with storytellers, puppets, a giant chess set, handson clay, games and more. Kids can also learn about water health and participate in macroinvertebrate catch and release.

A wide variety of food will also be available.

The festival runs from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Tickets at the gate are \$15 for a one-day pass or \$35 for a three-day pass. Children 12 and under and seniors over 65 are admitted free.

Free parking is available at Durham County Stadium at 2700 N. Duke St. Shuttle buses will run continuously to and from the festival.

For more information, visit www.enoriver.org.



WATER WATCH * WEDNESDAY, JULY 2 * Source: OWASA

LAKE LEVELS UNIVERSITY LAKE: 4' 4" below full **CANE CREEK RESERVOIR:** 4' 3.75" below full

PRECIPITATION THIS MONTH **JONES FERRY WATER TREATMENT** PLANT: 0"

CUSTOMER WATER DEMAND Past 7 days (average): 9.967 million gallons Past 30 days (average): 9.660 million gallons

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281 days worth (about 9 months), based on average

in the last 30 days and assuming no further rainfall.



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