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C THE CARRBORO CITIZEN

New Orange County airport under consideration



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

An *Aphrodite fritillary* is just one of several butterfly species attracted to the common milkweed.

FLORA By Ken Moore

The art of nature

Perhaps it's really the nature of art! Art and nature were inseparable during the recent two-week Session 3 at Penland School of Crafts in Western North Carolina. Fifteen different studios — including glass blowing, metal sculpture, ceramics, photography, weaving and sketching — demonstrated that images and experiences of nature were dominant sources of inspiration expressed in the works of instructors and students.

Robert Johnson's "Nature Journaling: Art for Nature Freaks" was clearly all about nature. I was fortunate to be Robert's botanist assistant. We enjoyed day-long field trips, including viewing rare Gray's lilies atop Roan Mountain's grassy balds and close-up encounters with tiny sundews and bladderworts in a hidden mountain sphagnum bog. We brought examples of common species back to the studio to help us with continued detailed drawing.

The flora star was none other than the common milkweed, *Asclepias syriaca*. Not only did the several stems displayed on the botanical specimen table persist in good condition, but the fragrance of the flower clusters perfumed the entire studio, making quite an impression with numerous visitors from the other studios. Not surprisingly, many of the students labored happily on botanical details of this milkweed, common throughout the state.

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District reinstates some axed CHS advanced courses

by Susan Dickson
Staff Writer

Several weeks after school officials announced that about a dozen advanced placement and honors courses would not be offered at Carrboro High School next year, Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools officials say they will make changes to offer several of those courses.

Carrboro High students and parents said that Carrboro High would become a "second-class" school without offering the AP and honors courses and asked district officials to reinstate the courses.

The school district allocates teachers to schools based on enrollment, and because Carrboro High School has fewer students than the other high schools it has fewer teachers as well. Few students signed up for certain AP and honors courses at Carrboro High, so school officials decided not to offer them.

The courses included AP chemistry, AP biology, AP physics, AP human geography, honors biology II, honors physics, AP Latin, AP German, German III, German IV, AP Spanish literature and AP French.

However, school officials have now decided to offer several of the courses that had higher enrollment, including AP chemistry, AP biology and AP Latin, according to Superintendent Neil Pedersen.

Pedersen said officials are also considering offering several other courses, including AP French.

"I really do think that the addition of these courses will address most of the parents we've heard from," Pedersen said, adding that three or fewer students had signed up for most of the other courses that would not be offered.

Pedersen said not all AP and honors courses are offered at Chapel Hill and East Chapel Hill high schools either.

"It happens at other high schools," he said. However: "It's a little bit more challenging at a smaller school."

School officials told students they could take the courses at one of the district's other two high schools, but would have to provide their own transportation. In addition, students can take certain courses online, Pedersen said.

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PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

Ken Nagel, a teacher for the Green Awakening Project and a science teacher at Apex High School, helps students Cherry Bell and Quentin Fuller design a model bridge.



PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

Green Awakening Project students Ruth Pineda and Mariela Martinez construct a model bridge.

Freshmen take on green tech

by Susan Dickson
Staff Writer

This summer, rising freshmen from schools across Orange County are taking advantage of a new approach to learning math and science, building solar cars and constructing model bridges as part of the Communities in Schools Green Awakening Project.

For the project, Communities in Schools staff worked with Chapel Hill-Carrboro and Orange County school staff to identify rising high school freshmen who traditionally do not enter advanced math and science classes.

Thirty-five students entered the four-week program, which concludes Friday with a recognition ceremony.

David Kahler, a graduate student at Duke who helped develop the curriculum for the

program, said he and other program staff wanted to get students to participate in science and math studies with an environmental emphasis.

"That helped shape a lot of the activities that we designed for this camp," he said. For instance, students designed and built small bridges that would hold a plastic "truck," using as few materials as possible to ensure less waste and to maintain a certain budget.

In addition, students made speakers to play music from iPods using two breadboards and wires.

"Most of the lessons that accompanied that were about recycling electronics," Kahler said.

Stephanie Bland, director of programs for Communities in Schools, said the program really focused on engaging the students.

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Lessons from a little birdie

RECENTLY . . .

By Valarie Schwartz

It's not easy being green. Even growing blueberries as a measure of creating biodiversity in my yard turns out to have a downside. I planted two blueberry bushes three or four years ago and during the first few years, because they take time to get established, I freely shared the meager bounty with the birds and squirrels. Last year, I started wanting more than the few leftovers I could nab each morning to decorate my yogurt, so after seeing some black netting at Southern States, I brought it home and placed it over the two plants (having since planted a third bush in a different part of the yard that I left for the birds).

That all worked out fine, until one morning, while looking for some ripe berries, I found a wren trapped in the netting. With a heart beating almost as fast as the bird's, I quickly released it from its prison, and off it flew, perhaps perching safely on a nearby limb to watch while I immediately removed the netting.

No more of that, I now remember thinking.

Before the end of last summer, something worked over that blueberry bush, completely denuding it, so that this year it produced only leaves. With only one large bush to work with, and apparently forgetting the bird-trapping incident of last year, I pulled out the netting as the berries were getting close to blue. It made for tricky picking when they ripened, but in two days of reaping it produced nearly a pint of delicious berries.

Then, one evening last week, while preparing to play a little pre-dinner badminton with my partner, I heard a commotion coming from the bush and looked to find a Carolina wren so twisted up in the netting that I called out to John to come help. As he held the small creature and I worked at the jumble, the bird continually refilled its lungs, each time exhaling with a high-pitched screech, while I tried my best to untangle it. After getting scissors

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PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

The blueberry bush sans bird netting

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Fresh Fig Ice Cream

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MUSIC CALENDAR

SPOTLIGHT



ASIAN CAFE

Nick Purbrick, Kyle Jonson, Aaron Summer, Anthony McCarthy and Marcus McCarthy (from left to right) along with Claire Walker (not pictured) have come a long way since forming their band Asian Café in 2003. Not only are they preparing to release their third full-length album early next week, but their high-energy blend of ska and punk rock earned them a spot on the Kevin Says stage at this year's Warped Tour in Charlotte on July 14.

THURSDAY JULY 10

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 8pm

Local 506: Paper Route, Brooke Waggoner. 9:30pm

Nightlight: The Men Who Control The Weather, Captain of Industry, Chiaroscuro. 9:30pm

The Cave: The Club Is Open Festival feat. Rat Jackson, Maple Stave, Beloved Binge. 8pm

Reservoir: Rockin' Ammonia Karaoke. 10pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Tain Collins.

General Store Café: Jazz with Club Boheme. 8pm

FRIDAY JULY 11

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: Langhorne Slim, The Moaners. 9:30pm

Local 506: The Club Is Open Festival feat. Kerblöki, Hammer No More

Fingers, The Pneurotics. 10pm

Nightlight: Judge Schreiber's Avian Choir, The Hem of His Garment, Bicameral Mind. 10pm

The Cave: EARLY: Davis Stillson. LATE: Joe Romeo & The Orange County Volunteers.

Open Eye Café: Monologue Bombs. 8pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Jule Brown Band. 10pm

General Store Café: Great Big Gone. 8:30pm

SATURDAY JULY 12

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: The Club Is Open Festival feat. Roman Candle, Red Collar, Future Kings Of Nowhere, Lud, American Aquarium. 8pm

Local 506: Daylight Dies, Soupreacher. 10pm

Nightlight: Shannon Donavan, Misty Lynn and the Big Beautiful, Matt Jones. 10pm

The Cave: EARLY: The Woos. LATE: Regina Hexaphone, Pillow Fighter.

Reservoir: Jimmy and the Teasers, Pinche Gringo, The Barberries, Echoes From the Vaults. 10pm

Open Eye Café: The Marla Vickers Band. 8pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Blue Diablo. 10pm

General Store Café: Sourwood Sweet. 8:30pm

SUNDAY JULY 13

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 3pm

Cat's Cradle: The Club Is Open Festival feat. Ben Davis and The Jetts, I Was Totally Destroying It, Aminal Music, Shakemaker, Salvo Hunter.

Local 506: Music Trivia Night. 8pm

Monday July 14
The Cave: Cicada Omega, Virgo 9.

Blue Horn Lounge: Open Mic Night. 9pm

CLUB IS OPEN MUSIC FESTIVAL CONTINUES

Jack Sprat, Fuse, Reservoir, Local 506, Cats Cradle
This series of shows benefits Carolina for Kibera. Kibera is a sprawling slum outside of Nairobi, Kenya.
The sponsors have lined up dozens of bands from Carrboro, Chapel Hill, Raleigh and Durham. Full schedules and music at myspace.com/theclubisopenfestival08



Red Collar / Cat's Cradle / July 12

TUESDAY JULY 15

Nightlight: The Boy Bathing, Graves of Fairmont, Andrew Octopus.

The Cave: Mamie Minch, Dayna Kurtz.

Blue Horn Lounge: Jamie Purnell. 8pm

WEDNESDAY JULY 16

Cat's Cradle: The Bars & Tone Experiment: Local Films and Local Bands feat. Wembley, Maple Stave, The Octobers, Grappling Hook. 8:30pm

Local 506: Nomo, Polylina. 9:30pm

Nightlight: Birds and Arrows, Shakemaker, Theodore. 9:30pm

The Cave: Abe Reid.

Blue Horn Lounge: Dogwood Diddy. 9pm

THURSDAY JULY 17

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 8pm

Local 506: Brett Harris, Oscar Begat.

Nightlight: Irata, Darwin Deez, Lake Inferior. 9:30pm

The Cave: EARLY: Andy Brasher. LATE: If You Wantas, Sugar In The Dirt.

Reservoir: Sic Alps, Minchia, Jokes&Jokes&Jokes.

Blue Horn Lounge: Bill West.

General Store Café: Jazz with the Tony Galani Band. 8pm

FRIDAY JULY 18

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: DubConscious, DJ Ras J. 9:30pm

Local 506: Caltrop (CD Release), The Curtains of Night, Diamond Studs. 10pm

The Cave: EARLY: Tammy Rochelle. LATE: Sleepsound, Goodnight Man.

Blue Horn Lounge: David Spencer Band. 10pm

General Store Café: One Sun. 8:30pm

SATURDAY JULY 19

ArtsCenter: 10 by 10 In The Triangle: An international festival of new, 10-minute plays. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: Girls Rock NC: NC Girls Rock Camp Showcase. 7pm

Local 506: Timbre, The Busy World, Elf Owl. 9pm

Nightlight: Bellflur, Vinyl Cordova. 10pm

The Cave: EARLY: Cory & The Giants. LATE: Puritan Rodeo, The Hotdamns.

Open Eye Café: Rodie Ray. 8pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Steve Jack Band. 10pm

General Store Café: LeRoy Savage Band. 8:30pm

CAT'S CRADLE

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FR 7/11 LANGHORNE SLIM

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FR 8/15 THE FAINT

W/JAGUAR LOVE, SHY CHILD**(\$20/\$22)

SA 8/16(\$16/\$18) THE MELVINS**

W/BIG BUSINESS

MO 9/29 **(\$17) STEREO LAB

MO 10/13 GIRL TALK

W/GRAND BUFFET, HEARTS OF DARKNESS**

FR 10/17 CHATHAM COUNTY LINE(\$12/\$15)**

MO 10/20(\$15/\$17) COLD WAR KIDS**

TH 11/13 BADFISH

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TH 7/24(\$15) HIEROGLYPHS TOUR**

W/SOULS OF MISCHIEF, PEP LOVE, CASUAL+MORE

FR 7/25 TILLY AND THE WALL

W/RUBY SUNS**(\$12/\$14)

MO 7/28 SHE & HIM

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TU 7/29 IMMORTAL TECHNIQUE (HIP HOP)

W/DJ GI JOE, POISON PEN, DA CIRCLE, J ARCH**(\$12/\$15)

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SA 8/16(\$16/\$18) THE MELVINS**

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News Briefs

Village voices

Sen. Ellie Kinnaird is scheduled to discuss her campaign to retain her NC Senate District 23 seat on Monday, July 14 at 4 p.m. at Town Hall Grill.

Town Hall Grill, located in Southern Village, is hosting a nonpartisan community-issues forum called "The Village Voice," featuring political candidates in a series of seven events. The forum is sponsored by The North Carolina Center for Voter Education and MyNC.com.

Attendees are invited to reserve seats online at www.thetownhallgrill.com.

Rabid skunk

A skunk found in Hillsborough tested positive for rabies on Tuesday at the State Laboratory of Public Health.

The skunk was submitted after a resident in the vicinity of Larkspur Lane and Miller Road saw one of her two dogs with the skunk in its mouth.

Animals exposed to rabies who are not vaccinated must be either destroyed or quarantined for six months.

So far this year, Orange County Animal Services has received 11 positive rabies tests. If any possible exposure to a bat, raccoon or skunk is suspected, contact Animal Control at 245-2075 or call 911.

Disc golf challenge

Zach Ward, owner of DSI Comedy Theater, has issued a challenge to the disc golfers of Carrboro. Ward says that if donations to the Carrboro Parks Project, a nonprofit advocating for parks and greenways in town, reach \$4,200 by October, he will match his own \$4,200 for an 18-hole disc golf course at Anderson Park. To donate, see www.carrboroparks.org

Domestic abuse support group

The Family Violence Prevention Center of Orange County offers an evening domestic violence support group.

The group meets on a drop-in basis and is provided for women who have experienced abuse in a relationship. The support group is free and confidential and provides women with the opportunity to learn about abusive relationships and gain support from women in similar situations.

Free childcare is provided for participants. For more information, call the Family Violence Prevention Center at 929-7122 or toll free at (866) 929-7122.

Hillsborough train

The town of Hillsborough may get a train station. The N.C. Department of Transportation and Amtrak have said that a rail stop there may be financially viable, after Mayor Tom Stevens, at the behest of a number of citizens, asked for a formal study of the possibility. Before Hillsborough would get a stop, the town would have to work through a complex long-term transportation plan as well as seek funding. Early estimates put construction costs between \$1 and \$6 million.

Bill could trigger search for new Orange County airport

by Kirk Ross
Staff Writer

The North Carolina House and Senate will need to work out differences for a bill that would allow the University of North Carolina and UNC Health Care to create an airport authority, but supporters anticipate that some form of the legislation will pass this session.

The Senate passed its version earlier this month. This week, the state House modified the bill to more narrowly tailor it to efforts to site and build a new airport in Orange County.

Kevin Fitzgerald, executive associate dean for finance and administration with the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Medicine, said that among the changes the House adopted is language that specifies Orange County as the site for a new airport.

On Wednesday, the Senate voted not to concur with the House version, a formality that paves the way for a conference committee to be named to work out the differences.

Fitzgerald said the two versions of the bill will need to be reconciled, but he expects to see some form of the measure emerge from this summer's short session.

After that, he said, it will be up to the chancellor and the board of trustees and the board of governors to agree to move forward to set up an airport authority.

"My sense is that they would move ahead with this," Fitzgerald said.

Once in place, the new authority would need to pursue federal funding for the project and begin a site search. Fitzger-

ald said that the main goal for now is to get the governing authority into place. He said it is likely a five-to-ten-year process to get a new airport in place.

The new airport would replace Horace Williams Airport and become home to the university's Med Air operations, which is used by the school's Area Health Education Centers program.

The Horace Williams land has been identified as a prime area for part of the university's Carolina North project.

An airport proximate to the university and the medical school was last explored in 2005, but UNC's board of trustees opted instead to move Med Air's airplanes and offices to Raleigh Durham International, a shift opposed by some legislators, AHEC doctors and Med Air employees.

At a legislative hearing last year, Med Air pilots and AHEC clinicians said taxing rules at RDU along with the additional travel time to and from the airport would reduce the amount of time doctors could spend in clinics around the state.

In late May, Sen. Tom Apodaca, a Hendersonville Republican and the chamber's deputy minority leader, introduced legislation that would explicitly prevent the closure of Horace Williams Airport until a new airport "within 10 nautical miles" of Horace Williams is ready for use by AHEC. That legislation, which also would freeze university spending on planning, design and materials for a hangar at RDU, has stalled for now in the Senate appropriations committee.

Gullywashers have crews cleaning up trees and debris

A series of heavy weekend thunderstorms downed trees and clogged stormwater systems throughout southern Orange County.

David Poythress, Carrboro's streets superintendent, said public works crews for the town have been cleaning sand, gravel and plenty of sticks and other debris out of storm drains and culverts.

Poythress said damage from the storm was relatively light.

The heaviest damage in Carrboro came from a sweet gum, roughly 18 inches in diameter, which crushed a car and blocked Morningside Drive. Other significant damage was on West Poplar, where part of a large ash tree crashed into the road Sunday.

Public works and landscaping crews in Chapel Hill removed 20 fallen trees on Friday and Saturday along 12 streets, including Estes Drive and Library Drive where five

utility poles came down.

Rain gauges at the Orange Water and Sewer Authority's Jones Ferry Road water-treatment plant recorded 1.66 inches of rain Friday night, 2.6 inches Saturday and .45 inches Sunday — a combination that exceeded the combined rainfall recorded at the plant in June, July and August of 2007. — Staff Reports

Study ties ending drinking to depression

UNC News Services

Scientific evidence has long suggested that moderate drinking offers some protection against heart disease, certain types of stroke and some forms of cancer.

But new research shows that stopping drinking — including at moderate levels — may lead to health problems including depression and a reduced capacity of the brain to produce new neurons, a process called neurogenesis.

The findings from the Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies at UNC appear online in the journal *Neuropsychopharmacology*.

"Our research in an animal model establishes a causal link between abstinence from alcohol drinking and depression," said study senior author Clyde W. Hodge, Ph.D., professor of psychiatry and pharmacology in the UNC School of Medicine. "In mice that voluntarily drank alcohol for 28 days, depression-like behavior was evident 14 days after termination of alcohol drinking. This suggests that people who stop drinking may experience negative mood states days or weeks after the alcohol has cleared their systems," Hodge said.

The mice were tested for depression-like behavior using a widely recognized method called the Porsolt Swim Test. The mice are placed inside a beaker filled with water and allowed to swim for six minutes. Mice are good swimmers and have no problem completing this task. The amount of time they spend immobile (floating and not swimming) is measured as an index of despair or depression-like behavior. The more time a mouse spends immobile, the more "depressed" it is thought to be.

"This research provides the first evidence that long-term abstinence from moderate alcohol drinking — rather than drinking per se — leads to

a negative mood state, depression," Hodge said.

The study also found that the emergence of depression was associated with a profound reduction in the number of neural stem cells (cells that will become neurons) and in the number of new neurons in a brain region known as the hippocampus. This brain region is critical for normal learning and memory, and recent studies show that the development of neurons in the hippocampus may regulate mood, Hodge said.

According to the researcher, the negative mood state in mice may represent depression in humans and appears to be linked to a diminished capacity of the brain to form new neurons.

"Thus, people who drink moderate alcohol socially, or for potential health benefits, may experience negative mood or diminished cognitive abilities due to a loss of the brain's ability to form new neurons," he said.

But the study also found that treatment with an antidepressant drug during 14 days of abstinence prevented the development of depression and restored the capability of the brain to produce new cells.

"Treatment with antidepressant drugs may help people who suffer from both alcoholism and depression by restoring the brain's ability to form new neurons," Hodge said. "Moreover, this research provides an animal model of alcohol-related depression with which we can begin to fully understand the neurobiology underlying co-occurring alcoholism and depression, and thereby develop successful treatment options. At this point, it appears that blunted neurogenesis may underlie the effects of abstinence from alcohol drinking on mood, but understanding the mechanisms by which this occurs is a key challenge for future research."

Nominations open

Orange County is accepting nominations for the 2008 North Carolina Awards for Outstanding Service.

The awards recognize and identify outstanding volunteers who have made a significant contribution to their community. Orange County will select five individuals, businesses or groups to be recognized for their outstanding contributions. One of the five individuals from each county will be nominated for the N.C. Outstanding Volunteer Medal-lion award.

Nomination forms are available at the front desk of the Seymour Center on Homestead Road or online at co.orange.nc.us/aging/RSVP/index.asp. Residents can also obtain nomination forms by contacting the Orange County RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program at 968-2054.

To nominate a volunteer, return a completed form to RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program, The Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Rd., Chapel Hill, N.C., 27516. Forms can also be emailed to kpporter@co.orange.nc.us or faxed to 968-2093. Forms must be submitted no later than August 1.

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Hecho a mano: El arte del libro cien libros hechos a mano en diferentes países de América Latina. No son libros normales- los libros toman formas diferentes: maleta, tigre, etc. Expuesto de los libros desde el lunes, 14 de julio hasta el 30 de septiembre. Tour del expuesto el 23 de julio a las 5.45p.m. Incluye libros hechos por los siguientes talleres:

Taller Leñateros (Mexico), Ediciones Vigía (Cuba) y Eloisa Cartonera (Argentina). Coleccionado por Teresa Chapa. Wilson Library, en el campus de UNC. Más información al 962-3948 Para ver unos libros en Internet: http://www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/2008/hecho_a_mano_images.html

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Community Calendar

Special Events

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 www.youthmakersrep.org

Chatham County Junior Drama Club — starts July 16, lasts six Wednesdays. Kindergarten through 11 years old. \$45. Meets at the General Store Cafe. Information and registration at smallhand-workshops@yahoo.com

Faith

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

Tibetan Buddhist Meditation & Mind Training — Wednesdays, 7:30-9pm in July. Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center, 35 Perkins Drive off Weaver Dairy Road in Chapel Hill across from Timberlyne Shopping Center. www.piedmontktc.org 933-2138.

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 Saturday at 10:15am. 969-3006

Preschool Story Time — at the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Saturday at 11am.

Express Yourself! — art program for ages 3-8 & their caregivers. Saturdays, 10:45-11:15am, 11:30am-noon. \$2 Kidz Children's Museum 105 E Franklin St 933-1455 kidzchildrensmuseum.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 Program — 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/Metastatic 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. chapelhillctf.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 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. 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 10pm. Mansion 462, 462 W Franklin St. 967-7913, www.mansion462.net

Salsa/Mambo — 3rd Saturdays, lesson 8pm, dance 8:30-11pm. \$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, 968-2070

Carrboro DanceJam — free-style 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 New Library Hours — Carrboro Branch Library: closed Monday and Friday. Tuesday-Thurs 5-8pm, Saturday 10am-2pm, Sunday 1-5pm.

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 July 31, 7pm

Eat, Pray, Love — On Thursday, Aug 14, 7:00pm, the Carrboroaders 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

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MARK DOROSIN'S TRIVIA FROM HELL

THIS WEEK'S HINT:

Brat Pack

- Who sang the hit theme song from "St. Elmo's Fire" (Man in Motion)?
- Ally Sheedy, whose post BP career was limited, made a big comeback to rave reviews in what 1998 film in which she played a lesbian drug addict photographer?
- "Pretty in Pink" lovers Andrew McCarthy & Molly Ringwald reunited in 1988 to again play class-conflicted, star-crossed lovers in what film?
- In 1987's "Mannequin," Andrew McCarthy played Jonathan Switcher, a young man who has the misfortune to fall in love with a mannequin. Who played the mannequin?
- On what TV show did Molly Ringwald get her start?
- Besides Emilio Estevez and his brother Charlie Sheen, name two other Young Guns.
- Demi Moore and Rob Lowe starred in what 1986 romantic dramedy based on the David Mamet play "Sexual Perversity" in Chicago?
- In the 1983 film "Class," who played the Mrs. Robinson rip-off mother of Rob Lowe, lover of his roommate Andrew McCarthy?
- What was the name of Judd Nelson's 1990s TV series, in which he co-starred with Brooke Shields?
- In 1988's "For Keeps," what Brat Packer plays Darcy, feisty editor of the high school paper who decides that she and her boyfriend are keeping the baby?

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ACROSS

1	Forum
5	Wolf gang?
9	Drive the getaway car
13	Positive thinker
18	Lipinski
19	leap
20	Interoffice communique
21	Hickman or Strawberry
22	Canadian coin
23	Ordinary
24	"Trinity" author
25	Kind of paint
26	Start of a remark by Don Marquis
30	Narcs' org.
31	"Agnus" author
32	Cinema sled
36	Lineman's tool
40	Seville shout
42	Renown
45	Debut recording
46	Atmosphere
47	Discontinues
49	Sharpens a skill
51	Choose, with "for" wear
52	Part 2 of remark
57	Cartoon canine
58	Part 3 of remark
59	Delany and Wyrler
60	Time of your life
63	Head line?
65	Susann or Shake-speare
69	Entreaty
70	Mrs. Eddie Cantor
73	Prom date
76	Gulliver's first name
78	Portly things done by Friday
79	Wattle's partner
81	Speculation
83	Conductor Klemperer
84	Gold brick?
86	Pageant prop
89	Part 4 of remark
90	Sixth sense
93	Part 5 of remark
99	Mellow
101	Studio sign
102	"— Breath You Take" ('83 smash)
103	Computer image
104	Man the bar
106	Belarusian city
108	Cote cutie
109	Bartered
111	November 11th honoree
113	Stirrup site
115	Create a chemise
116	End of remark
125	Monastery bigwigs
128	Tivoli's Villa d'—
129	Neighbor of Can.
130	Concept
131	He had things done by Friday
132	— breve
133	Unusual kingdom
134	It's nothing
135	Off the plate
136	Basketball's Willis
137	Black
138	Sal's son

DOWN

1	Baja bite
2	The yoke's on them
3	Passed-on item
4	Choir member
5	Whales
6	Maui greeting
7	Poirot's concern
8	Handle
9	Tickle
10	Wodehouse's Wooster
11	Send out
12	Pier of reggae
13	Dieter's discomfort
14	Cleared the slate
15	Cardigan part
16	Pipe cleaner?
17	Building wing
21	Signifies
27	HST's predecessor
28	Crusader kingdom
29	Persian, presently
33	Early epic
34	Ref
35	Speck
36	Talk-show pioneer
37	Mechanic's offering
38	Pressing need
39	— de Cologne
40	Above, to Arnold
41	Installed tile
43	Unsuited
44	— Gatos, CA
47	Basilica
48	Italian rumber
50	Diffident
53	Kind
54	Use a toboggan
55	Handle harshly
56	"Alley —"
61	Indian export
62	Toque or topee
64	Piggy
66	Medical grp.
67	Uproar
68	Price twice
70	Infamous Armin
71	Singer
72	Enhance
74	Generator parts
75	Stumble
77	Isolated
80	Tropical snake
82	Connecticut campus
85	Spinks stat
87	Go back
88	"— Good Men" ('92 film)
90	Decorate glass
91	Oxford, e.g.
92	Await judgment
94	As a group cover?
95	Canvas
96	Nuremberg numeral
97	Cinnabar
98	— the season ..."
99	Wilderness trans.
100	"Holy smoke!"
105	Unseat
107	Pot
109	Dairy cow
110	Be obligated
112	Boca —, FL
114	Winning
115	Burning bit
117	Have on
118	Presque —, ME
119	Mata —
120	Dash
121	— up (evaluate)
122	Actress
123	Barbara Wolfe
124	New Mexico resort
125	Parker of football
126	It may be padded
127	Except

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This week's answer appears on page 7.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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In Brief

Football league

The Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department will be sponsoring a youth football program. Kids age five and six can compete in a flag football league. Ages 7-12 will be grouped in tackle leagues. Registration is now being accepted at the Recreation Department at 100 N. Greensboro St. in the Century Center. Hours are weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Non-Orange County residents can register July 14. The fee is \$52 for county residents and \$91 for out-of-county residents. A birth certificate is required and registration is first-come, first-serve. Practice starts in late July and games start in September; the season ends in late October.

School PR award

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Community Relations Department recently received two awards from the National School Public Relations Association for publications produced for community members.

The district's *Learning Skills: Scope and Sequence* publication received the NSPRA's 2008 Award of Excellence in the special purpose publication category. The district's 2005-06 Annual Report earned the NSPRA's Award of Merit in the annual report category.

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Students can also apply to transfer to one of the district's other high schools, which some parents said could create a "brain drain."

"I think it affects every student when the cream of the crop goes to another school," said Mark Barroso, parent of a rising sophomore at Carrboro High. "It's all part of the academic culture at the school."

Pedersen said Carrboro High would maintain its high standards and level of academics.

"I would very much disagree with any characterization of Carrboro High School as offering a lower level of academics," he said. "The offerings at Carrboro are rigorous and extensive."

The controversy comes amid swirling rumors and disputes concerning the recent replacement of Jeff Thomas, former principal of Carrboro High. 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 released.

Some parents and teachers have come out in support of Thomas' performance at the school and want to know why administrators replaced him.

However, district officials say personnel privacy laws prevent them from releasing information regarding Thomas' reassignment.

Pedersen said he expects that Carrboro High will have a new principal in place by the start of the school year, adding that the School Improvement Team is forming a selection committee for the principal selection process.

"Our goal would be to simply get off to a positive start at the beginning of the school year with strong leadership, building some of the relationships that evidently need to be addressed based on feedback from last year and building people's confidence and pride in the school," Pedersen said. "I think what everybody would like to see when they return to school would be that the school is prepared for them, well organized, and that there's a positive and upbeat message that's being conveyed to all of the stakeholders."

"I think if we can accomplish that, we'll be off to a good start."

In the meantime, Trice said he is busy preparing the school for the students' return in August.

"I think we have a pretty strong administrative team here," he said. "There's a lot of support that's being provided."

FOR THE RECORD

Library cuts a symptom

The recently announced cuts at the Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle Middle School are certainly getting some attention. Patrons and library supporters alike are saying that less staff and fewer hours — the result of a tight county budget — are the wrong direction.

The county is cutting hours in Hillsborough and Cedar Grove as well, but we agree that the cuts seem to fall hardest in Carrboro. The question is what to do now.

For many years, there has been talk of a larger, more centrally located library in Carrboro. Yet the effort is truly daunting — and expensive. And with county and town taxes already a serious concern and a lot of capital projects already in the queue, there's not a lot of hope that there will suddenly be a pot of gold from which to pay for a new library.

So on the surface this doesn't seem like the best time to start trying to build community, financial and political support for a full-size, centrally located Carrboro library. Rather, it probably makes more sense to keep building support slowly, behind the scenes, and wait for a better moment.

Because there is, clearly, one over-arching reason for pushing ahead: We need it.

Just ask the dozens of parents and kids turned away at McDougle last week or those who showed up to find the place now closed on Mondays. They're just the tip of the iceberg.

The cuts at McDougle are a symptom of tight money and priorities elsewhere. There is little to lead us to believe that substantial county support is on the horizon.

Great ideas rarely arrive with perfect timing and too many die on the vine, especially when they require combined action by two or more government entities.

This is a town that has already proven that it will use a library, and a town that is facing an increasing need for one thanks to a growing population of young families and retirees.

Our downtown is vibrant, growing and inviting, but it lacks the public space; quiet; and the all-ages, walk-in opportunities for learning, dreaming, scholarship and exploration that only a library can offer.

The time has come to start in earnest the process that will lead to a new library.

Fizzled

The Fourth of July went well until around dusk when the heaviest rain we've seen in a good while washed out plenty of evening festivities.

We've heard more than a few complaints about the Kenan fireworks display, most of them surrounding the fact that they were snuck in during a lull in the storm and after most folks went home. Many were convinced they were going to return the next night. But the town announced Saturday morning that despite the rain the fireworks had happened.

If it makes you feel any better, the rain date would have been a washout as well, since Saturday night featured another lightning-lit soaking.

Rain notes

The weekend rains were scattered thunderstorms and so the drenching was not universal. But in most places in Carrboro and south of town, more rain fell this weekend than in the entire summer of 2007.



The slow death of the Carrboro Branch Library

On July 1, at 3:30 p.m., 30 Carrboro Branch Library patrons arrived at the McDougle School to find the doors locked. This included a family of five children with books in hand, senior citizens arriving on public transportation and library regulars. The newly posted sign on the door stated the revised hours — Closed Monday; open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 5–8 p.m.; Saturday: 10–2 p.m.; and Sunday: 1–5 p.m. — reducing the library hours to a total of 17. Many of those waiting stated it would not be convenient to return at 5 p.m. or later that day. At the same time, three library employees were terminated due to cuts in funding, some with over 10 years of service to the Carrboro Branch Library. Another two had their hours severely cut back.

On May 20, the 2007 Orange County Library Task Force presented its final recommendations to the Orange County Board of Commissioners. At that meeting, Dr. Evelyn Daniel, chair, stated as a priority the need to establish a southwest branch of the Orange County Library that is a full-time, free-standing facility to meet the great need as determined by the task force. She emphasized the importance of libraries to all Orange County communities, particularly during these difficult economic times.

The commissioners thanked the task force for its fine work and noted that most of the task force members had served on the 2000, 2004 and 2007 Library Task Forces, with the recommendations reflecting the sum of eight years work. Commissioner Mike Nelson asked the county manager when this report would be discussed and was informed there would be an October work session where discussions on implementing the plan would begin.

No indication was given at the May 20 meeting that at the end of June, a mere six weeks later, the county would cut the operating budget of the Carrboro Branch Library and would cut the temporary employee budget by 62 percent, forcing the Carrboro Branch Library to reduce by 34.6 percent (down to 17 from 26) its hours of operation. This decision effectively locks up 22,000 books and periodicals and limits computer access to library patrons and Orange County taxpayers. These cuts are on top of cuts made during the 2007-2008 fis-

cal year, when funding cuts for the Carrboro Branch Library "temporarily" effectively removed the Spanish-speaking outreach position from the library.

While all county agencies are experiencing budget cuts, the pain has not been equitable. The Orange County Public Library in Hillsborough received less than a 1 percent reduction in its hours of operation (down to 60 from 64) and an astounding increase of \$55,000 in its overall budget. These disproportionate cuts are outrageous when you consider the population base in southwest Orange County, along with the promise of the commissioners to serve the library needs of ALL County residents and the recommendations of the 2004 and 2007 library task forces.

Carrboro is the largest town in North Carolina without a free-standing, full-service library. The consequences of the limited Carrboro Branch Library hours of operation have affected the Chapel Hill Public Library as well. The strain on its services were well documented in an article published in the *Chapel Hill Herald* on June 8, where Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy requested an increase in financial support from the county for the Chapel Hill Library, stating "that 40% of users live in the County but outside of Chapel Hill." (He was unsuccessful.)

For 21 years, the Friends of the Carrboro Branch Library have worked to bring a library to Carrboro. The Carrboro Branch Library opened in 1995, sharing space in the McDougle Schools' media center. The friends have raised funds through book and bake sales to increase and improve programs and services. This was accomplished with minimal support from the director of the Orange County Public Libraries and the elected members of the board of county commissioners and Town of Carrboro through many administrations.

It is time for the mayor, aldermen and citizens of Carrboro to lead the charge for restoring library services and providing a full-time library to southwest Orange County residents. Contact the mayor, aldermen, Orange County commissioners and your neighbors. Without the support of everyone, our library will have a slow death, and southwest Orange County will never have the library services it needs and deserves.

FRIENDS OF THE CARRBORO BRANCH LIBRARY

Campaign finance reform should help transform democracy, not just limit spending

CHASE FOSTER

Long before the recent decision by Sen. Barack Obama to forego participation in public financing, there has been a growing consensus that our current system of presidential public financing is in need of repair. All serious candidates — including McCain in the primary and Obama in the primary and general — will continue to opt out unless the system reflects the reality of modern political campaigns, including skyrocketing costs and earlier primaries.

But we need to do much more than merely write candidates a bigger check if we want to expand the program's public benefit and maintain its public support. The system needs a complete overhaul that bars all big money and special interest donations, better leverages the power of grassroots support and truly allows the public to own the election process.

Under our current system of public financing:

- * Candidates can raise hundreds of millions of dollars from big donors and special interest groups in the primary and still receive public financing in the general election as long as they limit their spending in September, October and November. This is long after big-money contributions have already made their mark and does little to dilute the influence of powerful, moneyed interests.

- * Public money in the primary is received through a dollar-for-dollar match of a donor's first \$250, but candidates can still collect \$4,000 checks and PAC money. Having a full public-financing program where candidates are only allowed to collect small contributions and must raise this money from tens of thousands of voters to be publicly financed would make the process far more democratic.

- * The presidential public-financing system provides no protection from privately financed opponents or independent expenditures. Obama's decision might be very different if there was a "matching money" component and McCain received a dollar-for-dollar match on everything Obama raised over \$85 million.

Thankfully, there is a tried and tested model of public financing called Voter-Owned Elections — available in North Carolina and states across the nation — that would fix many of the failings of the presidential public-financing system and create a program worthy of public support.

Under Voter-Owned public financing, candidates rely solely on small-donor and public support, receive matching money if they're outspent by nonparticipating opponents and in order to receive public money are barred from accepting all contributions of more than a few hundred dollars. It's a way of giving candidates and the public a real alternative to the special interest money chase and ending the reliance on special interest cash that has tainted elections from the White House to the courthouse.

In North Carolina, Voter-Owned Elections are available for appellate judges and some of our statewide executive offices, including commissioner of insurance. So far, these programs have been a success, with high and diverse participation and dramatic reductions in expectation-laden special interest contributions. By making \$10 and \$20 donations meaningful, cutting off the dependence on special interests and big donors, and making it possible for any qualified candidate with community support to run for office, public financing fulfills its public mission. Real and perceived corruption is reduced, wealth is less of a determinant of who runs for office, elections are patently more publicly oriented and our government comes one step closer to the ideals of self-representation.

Whether you see Obama's decision to forego public financing as a self-interested renegeing on a promise or an understandable decision considering the circumstances — or both — we should all be able to agree that after 30 years without updating, a major presidential public-financing overhaul is needed. Rep. David Price has introduced legislation (The Presidential Public Financing Act of 2007) that would dramatically improve the presidential public-financing system and make it closer to the Voter-Owned Elections model.

This proposal would give the public real benefits for their public investment: issue-based, grassroots campaigns that focus on the concerns of voters and campaigns with substantially less big-dollar contributions, PAC money and bundled money. By updating presidential public financing in a way that allows the public to more fully own the process, we'll be investing in a system that gives us an important tool to fulfill the promise our democracy holds.

Chase Foster is the coordinator of North Carolina Voters for Clean Elections.

Standing up for all kids

CHRIS FITZSIMON

One of the most contentious issues in the General Assembly in the last two years has been something that doesn't seem all that complicated: protecting kids from being harassed or bullied at school.

The House voted Wednesday to reject the Senate version of the anti-bullying bill, making it likely that a conference committee will be appointed to work out the differences between the House and Senate proposals.

The House plan includes sexual orientation in a list of characteristics most commonly targeted for harassment. That ignited a ferocious protest from the religious right last year that intimidated the Senate leadership into deleting the entire list from the bill.

During the debate last summer, House Minority Leader Paul Stam equated being gay with pedophilia and Rep. Mark Hilton wondered why the bill protects people who choose to be a certain way.

When the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School Board was debating a local version of the same anti-bullying policy in the spring, one speaker said it was all about indoctrination about homosexuality, while others quoted the Bible to oppose "the homosexual agenda."

Jameson Taylor with Pope Civitas Institute said this week that the House bill provides "special protection for homosexuals," and referred to the "homosexual/ACLU" lobby that supports the list of categories.

Stam and Hilton and Taylor make the case themselves for why sexual orientation must be included as a category of students more likely to be harassed at school. They are being harassed during the debate.

Does Stam believe all gay men and lesbians are pedophiles or that being gay should be a crime? Wonder where Hilton gets his information that people choose their sexual orientation? It sure sounds like gay students are at risk if parents of their classmates have those views.

And going to school without being beaten up or harassed is hardly a "special right or protection"; it's a fundamental one that all students deserve. But the opposition has nothing to do with bullying anyway; it is part of a larger crusade to defend discrimination in our society against gay men and lesbians.

Sadly, some politicians who know better have been unwilling to vote to protect kids because of fear of retribution at the polls by the religious right. Taylor also seemed upset that Rep. Rick Glazier, the bill's sponsor in the House, said the legislation was about protecting "all God's children," an odd phrase for religious people to find objectionable, unless they think God picks and chooses which children to love.

A survey last year in Charlotte found that 40 percent of students thought bullying was a problem at their school. Charlotte is one of 26 local school systems that have adopted anti-bullying policies on their own that include sexual orientation, not waiting for the General Assembly to act.

These school systems are in both traditionally liberal and conservative counties, which must drive the homophobes especially crazy. But children in every county deserve protection from violence and harassment that's made more likely by the misinformation and offensive claims by people like Stam and Taylor.

Good for the House for standing up for kids and for giving the Senate one more chance to protect them.

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and cutting away most of the black netting, it escaped John's hands and took off — but not into the sky. We again captured it and worked more on removing the "vest" of net still remaining across its tiny scapulars and chest. The last cut, releasing the net from across its breast, set its wings free, and away it broke before I could remove the netting. Again it did not take flight but took off under the garden plants with the two of us scrambling after it, but not fast enough before — like a poof! — it disappeared into a dense patch of vines growing over a mostly rotted woodpile.

The little guy was so terrified we didn't try to find it, afraid that it would only hurt itself worse trying to escape us again. That's the last we know of it, I'm sorry to report. We went on to play some badminton, finding it unavoidable to think about, as on three occasions the shuttlecock (birdie) got caught in the court net and the nets of our rackets (a first).

The next day, after a fitful night, I removed the netting, giving the blueberries to the creatures of our yard. It had occurred, as I'd lain awake thinking about the little bird, how lucky I was that it was a feathered friend that got stuck instead of the squirrel that had momentarily become tangled the week before. That would have been a horrendous ordeal! The wren that made a nest in the hanging plant on our front porch has won out. That too had been covered in the netting, for all the good it did. I'd already removed one partial bird nest, but when I saw the second one, I gave up, still wondering if I'll even attempt watering the plant once eggs are laid and babies hatch.

It seems that as diversity builds in my garden, some of the creatures attracted to it for that reason become my nemeses. Don't even get me started on the rabbits (or deer)!

So, this chapter in "going green" has proven that a bird in the hand is better than one in the bush. And if the blueberry bush bird turns out to be the same one from the hanging plant, I guess I might have killed (or at the very least terrified) one bird with two — nets — or something like that.

Kermit the Frog doesn't know from hard. Being on this side of green comes with innumerable challenges and, I'm afraid, far more lessons to be learned.

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OBITUARIES

Peter Chase Robinson

The Reverend Peter Chase Robinson died Monday morning, the day after his 84th birthday at his home at the Forest at Duke in Durham. He was born in Mendham, NJ to The Rev'd Clayton Earle Bullis and Susan Jeanette (Chase) Robinson, and spent most of his growing up years in Coolemeec, NC. Peter was a graduate of UNC - Chapel Hill and General Theological Seminary in New York. Midway through seminary he suffered "religious indigestion" to pursue a career in his first love, journalism, having worked at several papers in high school and college. He became managing editor of the Enfield Progress, where he met his wife, the late Mary Young Robinson. After his fill of journalism he decided to return to seminary. Peter was ordained an Episcopal priest May 30, 1952. His first pastoral call was to St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Sanford. He then went to Greensboro as founding rector of St. Francis Episcopal Church, taking it from small mission parish to a thriving faith community. He remained at St. Francis for 20 years. Peter served St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Goldsboro, and then he retired to Durham and assisted on the pastoral staffs of St. Philip's Church in Durham and Church of the Holy Family, Chapel Hill. The real backbone of Peter's ministry was his wife, Mary Young, who skillfully organized his affairs and gave him unfailing support.

A beloved priest, Peter Robinson faithfully served God's Church for over 50 years. Blessed with superb people skills, he had a gift for making others smile and laugh, and in his folksy style was at ease in the company of those from all walks of life. He radiated warmth and kindness, and he was "huggable." Peter was a genuine pastor, with endless patience to listen, console, and impart gentle advice and wisdom. He took seriously his ministry of hospitality to "all sorts and conditions of men" - in the words of the Book of Common Prayer, being open, accepting and non-judgmental. His sense of humor was rich and earthy, and he was a great practical joker. As a veteran newspaperman, Peter wrote beautifully and succinctly, especially noted for his memorable annual Groundhog Day letter.

Peter was perhaps happiest when spending time at his rustic mountain cabin, "Simeon Stump" along the Blue Ridge Parkway. A stimulating conversationalist, he loved being with family and friends over a fine meal and libations. He always went out of his way to express profuse gratitude, never failing to say "thank you" for any act of grace directed toward him. Peter Robinson touched the lives of countless people in his role as husband, father, grandfather, priest, teacher and friend.

Surviving are his children, Susan Carol Robinson of Raleigh, Michael Robinson of York, SC; and grandsons, Cody, Chase and Patrick Robinson. His wife Mary Young predeceased him in 1999.

A requiem Eucharist will be offered 1:00 PM Friday from the Church of the Holy Family, 200 Hayes Rd. Chapel Hill. A service of interment will be held 4:00 PM Friday in the churchyard of St. Francis Episcopal Church, Greensboro. Donations in Peter's memory may be made to the Church of the Holy Family, or true to his belief in generosity, to any charitable organization of one's choice.

Daniel Abbott Murphy

Daniel Abbott Murphy, 86, of 1304 Willow Drive, died Wednesday morning at his home. A native of Manchester, NH, he had lived in Chapel Hill for many years.

Mr. Murphy was retired from the US Army, retiring in 1982 as a Major. Serving during World War II he received many decorations and citations. He was past commander of VFW Post 9100 and American Legion Post 6 in Chapel Hill.

He was the last surviving member of his immediate family. He was predeceased by his wife, Elizabeth Gaither Murphy and his daughter, Burgess Murphy McSwain.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, July 9, 2008, in the Chapel of the Cross in Chapel Hill, officiated by Rev. Tammy Lee. Greaveside funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 10, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. in the Western Carolina Veterans Cemetery in Black Mountain, NC with full military honors.



PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS
Student Cherry Bell tinkers with a set of speakers she built as part of the Green Awakening Science Camp at Smith Middle School.

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"One of the things that keeps them excited is that all the projects are hands on," she said. "They have these connections in the real world and the scholarly work."

But the students didn't spend all their time in the classroom: They took field trips to N.C. State University, Duke University and N.C. Central University to learn about different environmental and scientific issues.

At N.C. State, for example, students learned about gene isolation by testing their own DNA.

"They got to find out whether or not they were genetically predisposed to being morning people or night people," Kahler said.

At Duke, students toured a "smart home," which is designed to be environmentally friendly.

Students said they enjoyed the program because of all the hands-on projects they completed.

Mariela Martinez, rising freshman at Cedar Ridge High School, said she really liked building the solar cars.

"We did a 12-meter race," Martinez said. "It was fun."

She added that they also built

solar ovens using information they learned in the classroom portion of the program.

"We've been learning how to use the sun to save energy," Martinez said.

Cherry Bell said her favorite project was the one in which they made the speakers that they connected to iPods.

"You had to pay real close attention," she said. "If not, it wouldn't work."

Although the summer program concludes this week, students will continue the project throughout the school year at their respective high schools. Staff divided the students into teams based on which high school they will attend so that they can continue to work together at school.

"The program is not only to improve [the students'] interest in math and science, but also to help with the ninth- and tenth-grade transition," Bland said. "Kids need to be part of a team to excel."

Dustin Deal, a program assistant with Communities in Schools, said they hope to get more support for the program as it grows into the high schools.

"Eventually, we'd like for green businesses and biotechnologies to adopt the high school programs," he said.

The summer program was

funded by grants from Strowd Roses, the Triangle Community Foundation, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and the Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

Deal added that they hope to run the summer Green Awakening Project again next year.

"Things are looking up," he said. "It should be here next year."

Student Quentin Fuller said he enjoyed the interactive aspect of the program.

"It's more fun because it's more hands on," he said.

Program teachers include engineering students from Duke, N.C. State, Clemson and UNC, as well as teachers from Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, Orange County Schools and area charter schools. Rising juniors and seniors from local high schools served as peer mentors for students in the program.

Mark Moore, one of the teachers in the Green Awakening and a teacher at Woods Charter School, said he became interested in the program because of its unique approach to teaching.

"I just thought the program was a really interesting idea," he said. "It's definitely a non-traditional approach that really works."

Attempted scams reported in Chatham

The Chatham County Council on Aging says that reports of banking scams are on the rise, after having received another last week. An elder Chatham resident received a phone call from someone claiming to work for Wachovia. Then another person,

posing as an "account specialist," asked for account and personal information. In this case, the target was fooled, but only for a short while. She managed to put a hold on her checking account and open a new one without losing any money.

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Recipe of the Week:

SIMPLE BREAKFAST BRUSCHETTA

Recipe Provided by Market Customer Sacha Knowles

INGREDIENTS

- 2 local eggs (I used the blue araucana eggs)
- 1 clove garlic
- 1 Teaspoon Vietnamese Chili Garlic sauce
- French bread or any available bread
- 1 Tomato - I used a Cherokee Purple but any tomato will work
- 1 Tablespoon Honey
- Salt and Pepper to taste

PROCEDURE

Slice 2 pieces of French bread and toast. Drizzle with honey and rub one naked clove of garlic into the crisp ridges of the French bread. Slice tomato and set aside. Cook your eggs - I fry my eggs over easy, but any style of eggs will work fine. While the eggs are cooking, sprinkle the chili garlic sauce on top and salt and pepper to taste. Like a bruschetta, layer the tomatoes over top the crisp bread and gently lay the eggs on top of the tomatoes. Eat and enjoy with a morning cup of coffee.

**Ingredients Available at Market

Eat local: Our friend the fig

Chef Bill Smith of Crook's Corner offers words of wisdom on figs.

The local wild fig is called a turkey fig. They are easy to gather and are just now coming in.

As the fruit ripens, it turns from green to brown, shedding the fuzz from its skin. It will soften and should come right off of the tree. To double check, there is a little opening at the bottom of the fruit. Pink or red coloring there will indicate ready ripeness. Gather should be easy, as fig trees are generally short and have no thorns to worry about. It's possible to be allergic to fig tree latex, so if you notice skin irritation put on some rubber gloves.

Figs are ready to eat (with a little rinsing) right off the tree, but also go great with many things. Things like ice cream.

Smith shares his recipe: Wash and slice the fig and then warm it a little on the stove until it turns a rosy color. Toss the warmed figs into vanilla ice cream and use a fork to mash the two together. The ice cream will store well in the refrigerator for a few days, and not so well outside of one.

"Everybody should have a fig tree," advises Smith.

Figs are a great way to eat local and the trees aren't difficult to maintain, he explains.

Also, some fig folklore from Smith: "When I was growing up, when everybody made oysters — I grew up on the shore — they would pile the shells around the fig tree for fertilizer. I don't know if it works, but everyone thought it did. Everyone just knew to do it."

For more fig flavor, stop by Crook's Corner for Smith's Soft Bellevue, a dish made with figs, country ham and mint vinaigrette.

In a 153-gram serving of figs, you'll find: 120 calories, 11 percent of your daily potassium, 17 percent of your daily fiber, 8 percent of your calcium and 4 percent of your daily iron need. So eat up, they're healthy!

—JACK CARLEY



In Brief

River critters

The Haw River Watch Project will host a "Finding River Critters" event on the Haw River in Saxapahaw Saturday.

River Watch Project coordinator Cynthia Crossen will

teach participants how to measure a stream's water quality by identifying the number and type of water bugs and doing simple chemical tests.


The event is free and open to the public. Participants should bring waterproof boots or water shoes and be prepared to be in and around the river.



Participants will meet at the Saturdays in Saxapahaw information desk, and the event will run from 4 to 6 p.m., weather permitting. For directions or for more information, contact Crossen at 967-2500 or riverwatch@hawriver.org. In the event of rain, the demonstration will be canceled.




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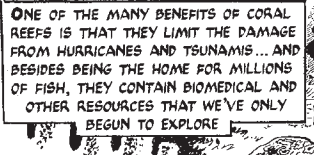
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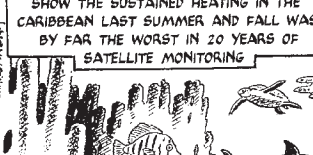

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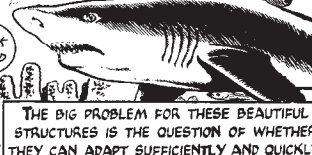
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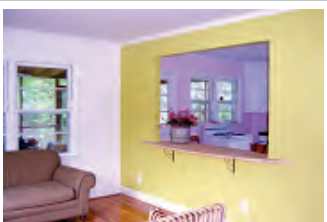


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Penland art student Ryann Rathbone's floral design inspired by the poke milkweed.

FLORA
FROM PAGE 1

In addition to serving as host plant for the monarch and other butterfly species, the common milkweed has a fascinating heritage of edible, medicinal and utilitarian uses. One of my favorite sources of facts and stories of native plants is *Tom Brown's Field Guide: Wild Edible and Medicinal Plants*. The beginning of his description of the "personality" of the milkweed from his early-childhood experiences should encourage you to

check out this informative and enjoyable reference: "Gathering dried milkweed stalks in late fall for cordage always turned into a fun-filled adventure. We picked a day that was bright and sunny and filled with mild but gusty wind — a day we were sure that the milkweed skeletons were turning from green to gray. This graying was the best indicator of the finest cordage, especially when it was meant for leaders on our fishing lines. Gathering consisted of cutting the old stems, stripping the old leaves and scattering the para-

chute-like downy seeds. This seed sowing was usually done with the utmost artistic movements."

Brown goes on to describe the laborious preparation of the milkweed as a delicious pot-herb, but I would proceed with great caution before I would ever pursue such an adventure.

A few of the hundreds of milkweeds in Chapel Hill's Merritt Meadow are still in flower. There are probably a great variety of butterflies hovering about out there. In Carrboro, there are some handsome plants to attract butterflies in the curbside garden of N.C. Crafts Gallery and in the wild garden along the Frances Shetley Bikeway.

It was a second milkweed, the poke milkweed, *Asclepias exaltata*, with leaves very similar to American pokeweed, that really fired up the students' artistic creativity. Occurring only in the western mountain counties, poke milkweed has creamy-colored flowers hanging in loose, open clusters, in dramatic contrast with the common milkweed's tight clusters of pink flowers. Drawings of the poke milkweed took a turn more toward graphic design rather than the botanical accuracy students sought for the common milkweed. Taking a closer look at milkweed flowers can make artists of us all.



Story and photos by Jordan Timpy

Rain may have dampened the fun at the Kenan Stadium fireworks display this Independence Day, but the sunny morning and afternoon were perfect for the all-day festivities at the annual Carrboro 4th of July Celebration.

Beginning at 9:30 am, the American spirit swept over Carrboro, evident in the copious displays of flags and red-white-and-blue attire. Bikes, trikes, wagons, scooters and baby carriages were decked out in stars and stripes and other patriotic decorations as they paraded down Weaver Street to the Town Hall grounds to kick off the festival.

An archway of balloons and a sign that read "Fun Zone" marked the entrance to the grounds, which were transformed into a wonderland for the occasion. Kids enjoyed a magic show, an inflatable obstacle course, a painting wall and face painting, to name a few of the activities.

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