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Silver spotted skipper is one of several butterflies attracted to swamp milkweed. PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

our weeks ago (Flora,

7/8), I featured swamp

milkweed, Asclepias incar-

nata, because of the pair

of milkweed leaf beetles

that hung around for weeks and

weeks. My milkweeds have com-

pleted flowering for this year, and

those two beetles, who did finally

On a recent visit to the N.C.

Botanical Garden, I was delighted

weeds in pots still flowering in the

numerous butterflies flitting about and feeding on flower nectar. I had

not remembered butterflies much

attracted to the single milkweed in

Garden demonstrated that hav-

ing several of these milkweeds in

proximity somehow creates an

terflies, as well as other pollina-

tors. I plan to have several plants

grouped together growing in my

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garden next year. I visited the garden again this past weekend

and those flowers are still at-

tracting butterflies.

irresistible attraction for but-

The spectacle at the Botanical

my garden.

sales area. Adding to the beauty of those pink flowers were the

to find dozens of swamp milk-

get together, are now gone.

More butterfly

magnets

Weaver Street rebounds

BY SUSAN DICKSON

Staff Writer

After reporting a \$1.2 million loss last year, Weaver Street Market announced a profit of \$300,000 for the fiscal year that ended in June, and could provide dividends to members by the end of next year, market officials announced last week.

The cooperative grocery store,

which has about 15,000 members and 250 employees, has three stores, in Carrboro, Hillsborough and Southern Village. The store reported huge losses last year, which board members attributed to the recession, new competition and the opening of new facilities.

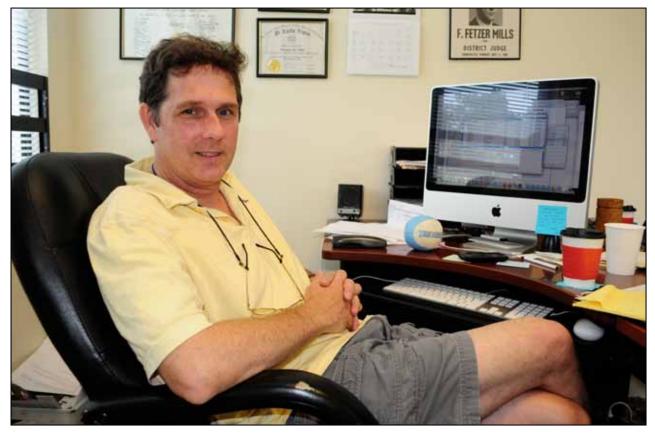
After the losses in the previous fiscal year, the board decided to change the way owners received benefits.

"We switched from a discount at

the cash register to a patronage dividend, which basically means that the returns to members come at the end of the year," market founder and general manager Ruffin Slater said. "Since last year we didn't pay out those discounts, we kept that money and put it back into the co-op."

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On the road to November



Thomas Mills strategizes in his Carrboro office.

PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

A few moments with ...

BY KIRK ROSS Staff Writer

A Sunday afternoon, and Thomas

Mills is doing something he doesn't often find time to do: relax. With his wife, Jenae Tharaldson, and their two children, Lucy and

Atticus, up north visiting her family

and the summer doldrums temporar-

ily influencing the world of politics in which Mills is often immersed, Sunday was unusually quiet. A little downtime might have come earlier had Mills' top client, N.C. Secretary of State Elaine Marshall,

not been faced with a runoff against former state Sen. Cal Cunningham in the race for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate.

Ultimately, Marshall's second victory looked easy, but it dragged the campaign season out an additional six weeks. It also put to rest any notion

that Cunningham's perceived favor now," he said. with the national Democratic Party leadership would trump Marshall's name recognition and populism.

In the days immediately after the win, praise was heaped on Mills, who has been immersed in the nervewracking world of politics and elections since 1994. Known locally for his work for former Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy and state Sen. Ellie Kinnaird, and around the state for work in state legislative races, Mills suddenly found himself in the national spotlight, with pundits such as The Washington Post's Chris Cillizza tipping their hats.

Since then, although he was running a campaign against the D.C. establishment, taking two primaries in a row has seemed to smooth over any hard feelings.

Asked how winning decisively has influenced the relationship, Mills beamed a bit. "We get along just fine

After the election, he didn't waste much time in the stratosphere and readily admits that while he believes Marshall is the right candidate for the right time, it'll be a tough fight through November.

Politics is no longer about lining up endorsements and expecting organizations to deliver their constituencies.

"Voters are far more independent," he said. "You have to reach out to ev-

Between now and Election Day, the volatile environment and uncertainty about who will actually show up at the polls means there's a lot of work to do.

"I'll be spending a lot of time in the voter files between now and then, trying to get an idea of what the electorate looks like," he said.

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Towns, schools, gear up

BY KIRK ROSS

Staff Writer

Come next week, we'll have a hectic start to another school year. It always is.

The influx already has begun, with graduate students and offcampus dwellers the first to arrive. Also returning are late-summer vacationers with school-age children.

Classes for Chapel Hill-Carrboro and Orange County schools start Aug. 25 and the university welcomes back returning students starting next Wednesday with the beginning of the annual Week of Welcome (WOW), which includes more than 100 on-campus events.

Meanwhile, Chapel Hill Transit is preparing to switch over to a new schedule reflecting several route changes to handle more student ridership as well as several changes made during the last budget cycle to improve the bottom line.

And Chapel Hill Police are preparing for the return of students as well with a discussion with bar owners scheduled for today (Thursday) about alcohol enforcement. Close to two dozen citations have been issued for serving underage customers over the past month in a joint CHPD and ALE crackdown

Police officers and community volunteers also will go door to door on Aug. 23 as part of a town-gown sponsored Good Neighbor Initiative designed to build greater ties and respect between students and their neighbors.

Key dates and schedules to keep

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools: • Aug. 17-24 – Teacher workdays

• Aug. 25 - First day of school for grades 1-12

• Aug. 25-26 – Kindergarten ori-

• Aug. 27 – First day of kinder-

• Sept. 6 – Labor Day Holiday

Note that school bus schedules change frequently during the month of August. Visit the district's website at chccs.k12.nc.us for upto-date schedules. Schools also post printed copies of their schedules.

Orange County Schools • Aug. 25 – First day of school • Sept. 6 – Labor Day Holiday Visit orange.k12.nc.us for more

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The return of the trolley

In the twilight of the 20th century, the trolleys still crisscrossed the downtown streets of Chapel Hill and Carrboro. Two of them, to be exact.

And though, in truth, they were only buses made to look trolley-like, their quarter-per-ride fare offered an inexpensive trip along the lively meridians running between downtown Carrboro and Chapel Hill. A trolley much like the one that

rolled the local thoroughfares starting in 1989 will ferry passengers through the

downtowns once again for this month's and the Chapel Hill/Orange County 2ndFriday Artwalk (see spotlight on page 2).

John Huffstetler, who bought Chapel Hill's two trolleys in 2001 and then refurbished them for rentals, said one of the town's old rides is now stationed permanently in Charlotte, but that one just like it is headed to town.

Thanks to the combined work of The ArtsCenter, which manages the Artwalk, Visitors Bureau, Huffstetler's Olde South Trolley service, based in Kan-

> napolis, is donating the rental on the 26-passenger wonder in hopes of drumming up more wedding and special events business.

The trolley, which in addition to a lot of windows has a nifty little spot on the back for riding and viewing, will run the following route, starting at The ArtsCenter at

information.

• 501 West Franklin St.; University Square parking lot;

• Horace Williams House parking

• back to The ArtsCenter.

For more information, contact the visitors bureau at 968-2060 or visitchapelhill.org

For information on the Artwalk, visit 2ndfridayartwalk.com

– Staff Reports

Good news, bad news at Meals on Wheels

By Valarie Schwartz

The local Meals on Wheels (MOW)

program has good news and bad news. The good: The food delivered to

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area shut-ins can hardly be any fresher now that it is prepared next door to MOW headquarters in Binkley Baptist Church, at the K&W Cafeteria. Until earlier this year, it had been prepared each day in Wake County.

"Bless K&W," said Stacey Yusko, MOW's executive director. "The food is fresher and I never worry about it being there. They put their heart and soul into it."

And the food looked it. The offering on the day I stopped in last week was a salmon patty, macaroni and cheese, yam soufflé, cornbread, a pint

of milk, canned peaches and the choice of a peanut butter cookie, brownie or sugar-free oatmeal cookie (every day's menu includes a dessert for the diabetic). K&W charges MOW \$3.75 per

Whole Foods donates desserts once a week from its bakery, but the other four days are covered by 40 local volunteer bakers, two of whom each day provide the desserts on a rotating basis. Trader Joe's provides free fruit on Mondays and Fridays.

The bad news?

Funding is down (no news flash there) and the demand for service by those who cannot pay is up. Since December, the daily total has risen from 70 to 90 meals.

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Meals on Wheels volunteers Kathy Nanry, left, and Kim Olson check the status of people, like Mary Lou Chambers, right, on their routes before collecting meals for delivery.

PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

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Coming next week: Eddy Landreth rides again

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THURSDAY AUG 12 Blue Bayou: Under The Sun. 9pm.

Cat's Cradle: Brave Combo, Killer

Filler: 8:30pm. \$12/15 **City Tap:** Jack Maverick and His

Wild Rebels. 7pm East 54: The Moaners. 5:40pm General Store Cafe: Bourbon

Street Jazz. 7pm Local 506: The Hell NO, Sujiyama

Roll, Barron. 10pm. \$5 Nightlight: Noveller, Horseback,

UnFact. 9:30pm. \$6 Resevoir: Wild, Wild Geese. 10pm

Weaver Street Market: Milagro Saints. 6pm

FRIDAY AUG 13 Blue Bayou: Willie Painter Band. 9:30pm. \$8/10

Caffe Driade: Climb Jacobs Lad-

Cat's Cradle: Mission Of Burma. 9pm. \$16/18

The Cave: EARLY: The Tell Tale Heart LATE: Internationalist Books Benefit with Salt to Bitters, Humble

City Tap: Tracy Wiebeck, Joe Bell and The Stinging Blades. 7pm

General Store Cafe: Big Al and the Marching Rams. 8:30pm

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: The Strugglers, Lions at Lunchtime. 8pm Local 506: Delta Rae, Jo Gore and the Alternative, Chris Bryant. 8pm.

Nightlight: Alcazar Hotel, Justin Robinson, Mary Annettes, Bird and Arrows. 10pm

Open Eye Cafe: Knives of Spain

SATURDAY AUG 14

Blue Bayou: Jacob Johnson Band. 9:30pm. \$8/10

Caffe Driade: Radio Silent Auc-

The Cave: EARLY: Jimmy McGinley LATE: 100 Yorktown

City Tap: The Fairlanes. 8pm General Store Cafe: Room To Breathe, 8pm

Local 506: The Legendary Shack Shakers. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Nightlight: Danny Mason and The Fuse Band. 9:30pm. \$5

Open Eye Cafe: Amy Alley

SUNDAY AUG 15 Cat's Cradle: Memoryhouse, Twin

Sister. 8:30pm. \$10

The Cave: LATE: Simeon, Onward Chariots. \$5 Milltown: Puritan Rodeo. 7:30pm

Southern Village: The Laura Ridgeway Duo. 7pm

Weaver Street Market: Mark Cool and the FolkStars, Joe Woodson and the Bean Trees. Ham-Ipm.

MONDAY AUG 16 The Cave: LATE: Nightmare River

Local 506: Evan Garmon and Friends, Miles To The Clouds. 9pm.

TUESDAY AUG 17 Blue Bayou: Open Mic Nite w/ Bill West. 8pm

The Cave: LATE: Firehouse Rhythm Kings. \$5

Local 506: Shoot First, Dead To Society, Bad Idea. 9:30pm. \$5

Memorial Hall: Y o-Yo Ma.

Resevoir: White Cascade, Telltale,

WEDNESDAY AUG 18 Cat's Cradle: Chiddy Bang, Don-

nis, XV, 2AM Club. 8:30pm The Cave: LATE: Halley Devestern

Local 506: Warpaint, Old Bricks. 9pm. \$9/11

THURSDAY AUG 19 Blue Bayou: Chaz Depaolo.

Cat's Cradle: Lou Barlow and The Missingmen, Wye Oak. 9:30pm. \$12

The Cave: LATE: Charles

City Tap: Marc Brown. 7pm General Store Cafe: Tony Galiani

Local 506: Miniature Tigers, Aminal, Jordan and The Sphinx. 8pm.

Nightlight: Inspector 22, Hume. 9:30pm

FRIDAY AUG 20

Blue Bayou: Spoonful of Soul. 9:30pm. \$8/10

Caffe Driade: Bob Segal. 8pm The Cave: EARLY: Rodie Ray LATE: Taz Halloween, Kittybox and the Johnnys

City Tap: See No Weevil. 7pm General Store Cafe: Swang Brothers. 8pm

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Saloudos Compay. 8pm

Local 506: The Dead Mirrow. 9:30pm. \$8

Nightlight: Free Electric State, The Sky Drops, White Cascade. 10pm **Resevoir:** Blix, monsonia, Death Came Down the Mountain, HOG, Black Skies, Colossus

Talullahs: LATE: Vincents Missing Ear. Darien

Westend Winebar: EARLY: Scarlet Virgina LATE: Crystal Bright and the Silver Hands, Why Not Be

SATURDAY AUG 21 ArtsCenter: Carolina Casbah! 7:30pm \$15

Blue Bayou: Harvey Dalton Arnold Blues BAnd. 9:30pm. \$8/10 Cat's Cradle: dub Addis, Jamrock.

The Cave: EARLY: Jodie manross LATE; Judy Woodall's MuleTrain, Iones Sisters

City Tap: Uniontown. 8pm General Store Cafe: Black

Swamp Bootleggers. 8pm

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Orga-

nos, Wages. 8pm Local 506: Wembley, North

Elementary, Electric Owls Nightlight: Pinche Gringo, Wild Wild Geese, Shithorse, Shortstack. 9:30pm

Open Eye Cafe: Loose Mood.

Resevoir: Make, In the Year of the Pig, Systems, Ruscha, The Curtains of Night, Caltrop

Talullahs: LATE: Dark Water

Westend Winebar: LATE: Ashley

Durham's Historic Movie Palace Film Schedule August 12 - 19

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SU 9/5**(\$10/\$12) ABBEY ROAD LIVE!

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WE 9/8**(\$18/\$21) CHARLATANS UK W/SHERLOCKS DAUGHTER

TH 9/9**(\$25/\$28)
CORINNE BAILEY RAE W/FILTHY BIRD

FR 9/10 MATT HIRES W/WAKEY WAKEY**(\$10) SA 9/11 WHO'S BAD?**(\$15) (MICHAEL JACKSON TRIBUTE)

TH 9/16 SHOOTER JENNINGS & HIEROPHANT**(\$15/\$18)

FR 9/17
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MO 10/11 THE VASELINES W/JEFFREY LEWIS**(\$15)

TU 10/12 STEPHEN KELLOGG AND THE SIXERS W/SMALL PON AND ROY JAY**(\$15/\$18)

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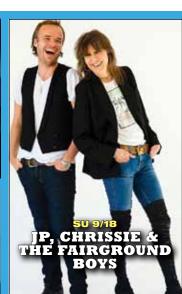
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SPOTLIGHT: 2ndFriday Artwalk



One of Kevin Dixon's "origitals"

It's a rare occasion when one gets to experience so many different types of art - including a puppet intervention, free drum lessons and a Gilgamesh graphic novel series – all in one evening. This month's 2ndFriday Artwalk in Carrboro and Chapel Hill has all that and more.

Among the openings are: "Work: In progress, Work-in-progress. Work, in progress Workin' in progress," a show coinciding with the grand reopening of The Artery; Kevin Dixon's comics and "origitals" at the Carrboro Century Center; drum lessons and sing-a-longs with Matt Vooris at The Beehive; traditional icons by Karolina Danek at Jessee's; masks by Paperhand Puppet Intervention at The ArtsCenter's East End Gallery; and sprit animal paintings by Dale A. Morgan at the North Carolina Crafts Gallery.

The Artwalk takes place Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. For more information, visit 2ndfridayartwalk.com

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One need not be indigent to receive meals; but of that total, 75 current clients need their meals subsidized in some way. The clients who pay \$4 or \$4.50 help some in defraying the costs. United Way used to provide much greater assistance, but its donation has dropped from almost \$30,000 in 2002 to \$12,000 this year, to be paid out over two years.

"Our meals from K&W cost \$7,000 a month," Yusko explained. "Our recent contributions provide \$3,000 a month, leaving a \$4,000 shortfall."

Yusko became executive director only a year and a half ago, when she combined those duties with the bookkeeping component she had done for MOW for the previous six years, so she knows the financial picture well. "Last year was the first time in 10 years that we had to apply to our towns for money,"

she said. Since 1976, MOW has provided hot meals for the people of all ages in our area who have found themselves "shut-in" after surgery or an accident or due to age-related declines. Be it temporary or permanent, some people are simply alone, with limited resources. MOW puts them on somebody's radar.

Five days a week as the drivers and assistants for each of the nine routes arrive, Yusco greets each with a bit of information about someone on their route as they pack up their insulated bag of meals, a piece of cornbread and dessert for each client, plus a cooler containing pints of milk. A weekly roster of between 65 and 70 volunteers keeps the meals rolling. There are about 25 volunteer substitutes who might receive a call if a regular is unable to make it. At the end of their routes, they return with the empty coolers and bags and report anything unusual they encountered.

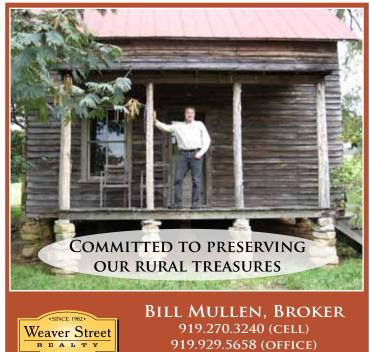
With all these volunteers and generous providers, you might wonder how you could lend your talents. At the top of Yusco's wish list is a grant coordinator or someone with a knowledge of grants to help identify sources for private or corporate funding or to help her negotiate through the federal grant website. This could be as simple as sending her an email with some suggestions.

She also will accept any donations of time for required tasks, and she's looking for more clients - especially those who can afford to pay more than the cost, thereby helping to subsidize others. And of course, any financial donations will be greatly appreciated.

Pam Drake, a native of England, has been an MOW volunteer for 30 years. "Every Wednesday," she said. "That's always been my day." To help, call Yusco at 942-

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

2948 or visit chemow.org







Briefs

Gran inauguración

Fourth District U.S. Congressman David Price and Mayor Mark Chilton will be among the guests on hand at Carrboro Plaza this Friday at 10 a.m. to mark the grand-opening celebration of the Latino Community Credit Union's Carrboro branch and the new office of El Centro Hispano, located nearby.

Campus connector discussion

A Carolina North "Campus-to-Campus Connector" meeting will be held today (Thursday) from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the Chapel Hill Public Library. The public is invited to review the draft recommendation for the campus-to-campus connector for Carolina North and share input.

The meeting continues discussions on potential locations for a greenway and bike-path connection between the Carolina North Campus and the main UNC campus. The final recommendations will be presented to the town council in September 2010.

You can review the draft recommendation at ci.chapel-hill. nc.us/index.aspx?page=1356 and send an email with comments to carolinanorth@townofchapelhill.org

UNC's Pettigrew found dead

Former track star and UNC assistant coach Antonio Pettigrew was found dead early Tuesday morning. The cause of death has

Pettigrew, 42, was reported missing by his wife.

Chatham County sheriff's deputies found Pettigrew in the back seat of his car parked on the N.C. 751 bridge at Jordan Lake.

"Although we are still learning the circumstances, we are deeply saddened to learn of Antonio's death," UNC Athletic Director Dick Baddour said on Tuesday.

Pettigrew was a 10-time All-America performer and four-time Division II NCAA champion in the 400 meters. He was entering his fourth season on the staff at Carolina.

Chatham EDC gets \$50,000

The Chatham County Economic Development Corporation has been awarded a \$50,000 Golden LEAF Foundation grant for job creation and retention. The money will be used to hire an economic development specialist who will work to attract and retain jobs in Siler City and Western Chatham in industries such as food processing and green business and to look for new opportunities that fit with the area's strengths.

N.C. 54 Park-and-Ride becomes UNC lot

Starting this week, you'll have to have a valid UNC permit to park at the N.C. 54 Park-and-Ride lot. On Sunday, the popular lot off N.C. 54 and Friday Center Drive will become a UNC permitted lot.

Chapel Hill Transit is directing customers to its other park-and-ride lots, including;

- Eubanks Park-and-Ride Eubanks Road, one-half mile west of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.;
- Carrboro Plaza Park-and-Ride behind Carrboro Plaza at N.C. 54 and Old Fayetteville Road; and
 - Southern Village Park-and-Ride just off U.S. 15-501. For information call 962-3951 or visit parking.unc.edu

ArtsCenter reopens after electrical fire

BY SUSAN DICKSON

Staff Writer

— The ArtsCenter will reopen today (Thursday) after being closed for more than a week due to an electrical fire.

The fire, which an employee noticed around 7:30 a.m. on Aug. 4, caused no structural damage and no injuries. The fire started in the electrical panel controlling the heating and cooling system. "There was a mechanical failure that we could not have detected,"

ArtsCenter director Ed Camp said Tuesday. "It's related to the heat that we've experienced." ArtsCenter staff had originally

planned to reopen the center on Tuesday, but electricians discovered another problem, which delayed the reopening. ArtsCamp classes were cancelled through this week.

"We really hate that we had to cancel class," Camp said. "We know that parents rely on us." Canceling classes, he said, was "our greatest disappointment."

Camp does not yet have an estimate for the damages caused by the fire, but said that insurance would cover both damages and loss of business.

'Just loss of business alone, we're looking at a significant amount there," he added.

Camp hopes to organize a Saturday or Sunday program "where children can get that art experience that they missed." The ArtsCenter will issue refunds to parents for canceled classes. When they heard about the fire,

space for ArtsCamp. They were very gracious to offer

University Mall staff offered

us that," Camp said. Unfortunately, the logistics were too difficult to arrange on short notice, but ArtsCenter staff members were able to put parents in touch with camp counselors who were willing to babysit. And much of The ArtsCenter's work did go on, as staff members worked from home.

'We feel very fortunate, all things considered," Camp said.

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And mostly, he'll be on the

Although he used to work out of his comfortable, sprawling and occasionally toy-strewn home in old Carrboro, Mills now heads to an office at 605 Main St. to plug in his headset and meet the day.

He recently found out that he spent 95 hours on the office phone in July - not a particularly hot month in politics. "That doesn't include the cell phone; add another 15 to 20 hours on," he said, looking a little like a marathoner talking about the joy found in the uphill portion of a race.

A Wadesboro native and one of four rowdy sons of a now-retired superior court judge, Mills was

around Democratic Party politics from a young age.

He also was no stranger to this community. His mother, whose maiden name was Penny Martin, is a Chapel Hill native who lived near Gimghoul Castle and later in a house where the parking lot of the Carolina Inn in now located.

Mills came to school here in 1981, worked jobs as a carpenter and got involved in social work. He and his first wife, Katherine, and their daughter, Jasper, moved to Cleveland County for a while. That's where Mills started to get involved in legislative races. He moved back to town in 1996 to be closer to Raleigh and a growing number of clients.

Here he's been in some tough races, helping Kinnaird defeat Howard Lee in a redistrictingdriven primary between two

popular incumbent state senators and Kevin Foy in his first race for mayor against fellow council member Lee Pavao in an open race for the seat. In the statewide races, he likes to make sure Carrboro and Orange County come in big for his candidates, as evidenced by his corralling for Marshall of a wide majority of local elected offi-

cials during the primary. He's fond of saying that win or lose he enjoys a good fight, and while he understands his role is to advise candidates rather than shape policy, he prefers to work with candidates more akin to his rural Democratic Party roots.

Marshall's candidacy appealed to him. "She's remarkably accomplished and still humble about her accomplishments."

And Marshall, who grew up on a farm in Maryland, also balances

ullet V Route – will no longer serve

Stadium Drive and Ridge Road.

The route will continue from the

Student Union on South Road

to Pittsboro Street to Manning

the rural and urban forces in the state, he said.

'While everybody in North Carolina may not have come from a farm," Mills said, "they wish they did."

The proof of all the work – and hundreds of hours on the phone – will be in November. Until then, vou might see Thomas Mills surface from time to time – dropping by Weaver Start Market in the mornings, where he catches up on all things Carrboro, popping over to the Looking Glass for coffee or riding up to Johnny's for his favorite tamales.

And if for some reason in the heat of the bare-knuckle battle fixing to begin you might think it odd that Mills is still smiling, please remember: he might be in the fight of his life, but he's loving every minute of it.

SCHOOLS

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- Aug. 18 Residence halls open for returning students
- Aug. 20-21 First year students move in
- Aug. 23 Good Neighbor
- Aug. 24 Classes begin
- Sept. 4 First football game (LSU in Atlanta)

• Sept. 18 – First home game (Ga. Tech) Chapel Hill Transit:

Bus routes and schedules will change starting Aug. 23. New schedules will be available online and in printed form on Monday. Major changes include:

- F Route the first two a.m. trips will begin at 6:20 and 6:55 at McDougle School instead of Weaver Street Market;
- M Route the route will be discontinued;

Drive; and

• DM Route - the Saturday DM route will be renamed the Saturday D and will no longer serve the Chapel Hill Public Library and Pine Knolls.

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Instead of offering a regular discount, the market provided weekly specials only available to member-owners.

The response from members has been very positive, Slater said, adding, "I think that the most common response was understanding the rationale.'

Although the co-op did show a profit this year, the board decided not to offer dividends to its members because of the deep losses of the previous year, but indicated that members could receive dividends after the end of

board of directors report, the by reducing the cost of goods, freezing new hires for certain positions and trimming administrative expenses.

"When people left, we were careful analyzing if we needed to replace that job," Slater said.

The store also ramped up its sales by offering more local, organic products and extending its

operating hours. For the fourth quarter of the fiscal year, sales were up 4 percent over last year, According to the market's according to the board report.

But some employees have exco-op saved about \$750,000 by pressed concern at how the comchanging the discount model. pany realized the savings, citing Weaver Street also found savings larger workloads for less pay. The co-op put a freeze on raises the past fiscal year, which the board recently lifted, while employees filled in the gaps for empty positions. Some employees also worked earlier and later hours to staff the store during its extended

"I think that the employees have really been key to the

turnaround, because it's been a situation where when we've had positions that we didn't replace, we had to figure out ways to get the work done," Slater said. "We're lucky to have such a dedicated staff.... They really, really stepped up

and have been really stellar." Slater added that the community's support also has made a difference in the co-op's financial situation.

"I think that just shows the power of the co-op model, where the workers and the shoppers have the best interest of the coop in mind," he said.



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Briefs

Hey, kids! Meet your neighbors

The Town of Chapel Hill and UNC are encouraging students living off campus to participate in the annual Good Neighbor Initiative.

Now in its seventh year, the year-round Good Neighbor Initiative encourages students who live off campus to meet their neighbors and work with them to build community and keep neighborhoods clean and safe.

This year's initiative will begin on Aug. 23, when community volunteers, students and Chapel Hill police officers walk door to door in many of the neighborhoods surrounding downtown Chapel Hill on Monday. The group will start at 4:30 p.m. from the Hargraves Center and move out into the Northside, Pine Knolls and Cameron-McCauley neighborhoods. Visits to homes of students and year-round residents will include a welcome message and information about community services, local ordinances and alcohol laws and good-neighbor practices.

A Good Neighbor Block Party and Neighborhood Night Out event at the Hargraves Center is scheduled for Sept. 23. The initiative is sponsored by the Town of Chapel Hill, the Chapel Hill Police Department, Empowerment Inc., the Downtown Partnership, several downtown businesses and UNC's Dean of Students Office and Office of University Relations.

Puppet workshop

If you're getting ready for the annual Hillsborough Handmade Parade next month, you may want to brush up on your puppet making.

The Hillsborough Arts Council will offer a puppet-making workshop this Saturday and next from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Hillsborough United Church of Christ on the corner of Davis Road and Old N.C. 86.

The workshop is for all ages. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Participants will meet fellow puppet makers, learn new skills, create their own design or help others.

Participants should bring their ideas and materials such as large pieces of cardboard or lightweight fabric. Tools will be available.

For more information, call Mark at 602-2550 or visit hillsboroughartscouncil.org to register online.

Local dinner

The fine cooks of Carrboro United Methodist Church will serve up dinner made from some of the freshest foods in our area on Aug. 22 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The Community Family Feast features an emphasis on locally grown and produced foods. Admission is free but donations to United Methodist Women's Missions Giving Fund are encour-

The women's group supports several local and global missions, including Freedom House, NAMI, Meals on Wheels, the IFC/Project Homestart, A Helping Hand, Burmese Women's Work and Prison Match. Information about these organizations will be available at the dinner. The church is located at 200 Hillsborough Road in front of Carrboro Elementary School. Call 942-1223 for more information.

Wachovia awards grant to **Community Home Trust**

The Community Home Trust was announced last week as the receipt of a \$2,500 grant award from Wachovia. The grant will be used to support the long-term maintenance of Community Home Trust homes.

'This is our second grant from Wachovia and it comes at a very opportune time," said Community Home Trust executive director Robert Dowling.

The home trust has been trying to gather funding in support of the long-term maintenance of home trust homes.

Chatham Habitat celebrates completion

Chatham Habitat for Humanity will celebrate the completion of the Westmont community in Siler City today (Thursday) from 6 to 7 p.m.

The Westmont community was developed by Chatham Habitat for Humanity, which has constructed 33 houses there since 2003. Siler City Police Chief Gary Tyson and Habitat board president Dick Forbis will speak at the celebration. In addition, the community's public spaces, including two parks, a regulation size basketball court and a walking trail, will officially be turned over to the Westmont Homeowners Association.

For a map and directions to the Westmont community, visit chathamhabitat.org/maps-directionssilercity.html. For more information about the celebration, contact volunteer manager David Snyder at 542-0794, ext. 228.

HOUSE Calls

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



This week we respond to questions about fish oil and ear wax build up.

Dear HOUSE Calls,

I'm writing to find out more about fish oil for cholesterol. My doctor said it might help, but I am not sure how much to take. Can you clarify the benefits of fish oil and how much you recommend?

Fish oil clearly lowers triglycerides, which are associated with heart disease (this is not the LDL or "bad cholesterol," which is even worse). In research studies, supplemental fish oil also seems to decrease the risk of heart disease. The American Heart Association recommends that healthy adults eat fish at least twice weekly. To lower triglycerides, we recommend two to four grams per day of fish oil. We usually have people start with one gram in the morning and one gram at night. If you are trying to reduce overall cholesterol, this will not have a dramatic impact on your numbers, but it is likely good for your overall cardiovascular health, particularly if

you have high triglycerides. Please do talk with your doctor. Some side effects warrant caution, such as the potential of slightly increasing a tendency to bleed. A study published last year recommended 500 mg per day of fish oil if you don't have any heart problems and 800-1,000 mg per day if you have heart disease. One prescription brand, called Lovaza, contains 1,000 mg of fish oil per pill.

Dear HOUSE Calls,

I get a lot of wax in my ears.... I mean, a lot! Every six months, I have to go to my doctor's office for an ear wax removal that is a huge relief and improves my hearing dramatically. How can I avoid this?

This is a real nuisance. Unfortunately, some people just make more wax than others. A variety of both treatments and preventive measures are available over the counter. The treatment measures will be similar to what your doctor does. They usually include a medicine to soften the wax and a

syringe or bulb to squirt warm water in the ear. If this works for you, it may save you a trip to the doctor. However, your doctor has more tricks and tools if this is not working. Some of the same products can be used in small quantities as a weekly preventive. These include medicines that contain carbamide peroxide (Debrox, Murine and others), mineral oil, ear candles and docusate sodium liquid (usually used as a stool softener but also effective for wax build up). Some of our patients have used olive oil for this purpose. Many people want to clean their ears with a cotton swab, but this can push wax further in the canal and pack it down. There is also the risk of damaging the ear drum. We recommend prevention over treatment.

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

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

"Quite an Allowance"

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Weekly **SUDOKU**

Find the answer in the puzzle answer section.

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging **★★★** HOO BOY!

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PETS OF THE WEEK

PAWS4EVER — Oliver is

a 17-month-old tricolor treeing walker coonhound/beagle. Oliver looks larger in his picture than he actually is, but he only weighs approximately 25 lbs. Oliver is an avid explorer and loves, loves, loves to play. He listens well to come and sit. And while a little rambunctious when first coming indoors, he calms down very quickly. Oliver has shown a great love for all toys that squeak and/or bounce. He also has a very cute snore when



he sleeps. This little charmer is sure to do great in most any home; he's all too happy to give kisses, play in the yard or settle in for a nap and a snuggle. Oliver is housetrained and even signals he needs to go out by tapping the door. Contact Paws4Ever, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane or call 304-2300. You can also go online at paws4ever.org

ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Meet

Howser! For some reason, Treeing Walker hounds seem to be among the breeds often overlooked when it comes to adoption. Perhaps it is because they are traditionally thought of as hunting dogs, or

perhaps people think



they are too large or energetic. Whatever the reason, it certainly is a shame. Walker hounds are among the most laid-back and docile of dog breeds. They're gentle, traditionally quiet dogs who are eager to please, extremely adaptable and usually get along with other animals and people of all ages. Howser is no exception. This 4-year-old walker hound is among the most loveable and wonderful animals available for adoption right now. He's patient, calm, quiet and gentle, and would make a wonderful addition to almost any home. If you've never thought about adopting a walker hound before, perhaps it's time to start. Come meet Howser today at Orange County Animal Services, 1601 Eubanks Road in Chapel Hill. You can also see him and other adoptable animals online at co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp

Calendar



THURSDAY AUG 12

Sherman's March — Locally Grown's movie night at the Wallace Parking Deck. 6pm. Free

FRIDAY AUG 13 Renee Scheltema film -

"Something Unknown is Doing We Don't Know What," a film about the science of psychic experience, will be shown at Stedman Auditorium, Duke Center for Living campus. Sponsored by Rhine Research Center. 7-9pm. rhine.org/events

SATURDAY AUG 14 Ecotourism Field Trip — Learn

about bald eagles at the Jordan Lake Wildlife Observation Platform

FARMERS' MARKET

doughnuts, tortes, pies, cakes, jams, and relishes

3 ripe peaches, pitted and quartered (do not peel)

I medium sized cantaloupe OR 1/2 a large cantaloupe

cantaloupe are in abundance at the Carrboro Farmers' Market!

Check out what's at the Carrboro Year-Round

What's at Market?

Farmers' Market . . .

Cantaloupe Soup

1/4 to 1/2 cup dry white wine

Puree all of the above in a blender

Ingredients:

Procedure:

juice of I large lemon

off Martha's Chapel Road. 9-10am. For registration, visit cccc.edu/ecd/

Cornucopia Grand Opening — The organization celebrates its new center. 5517 Durham Chapel Hill Blvd., Suite 1000, Durham. Free. cancersupport4u.org

Palmer Farm Day — Legendary fiddler Joe Thompson performs at Charlotte Hawkins Brown Museum in Sedalia. 10am-4pm.

Emotional Freedom Technique Workshop — Learn useful life

skills in the fundamentals of EFT with guided instruction, lecture and handson experience. Tanous Library, Rhine Research Center: 10am-2pm. rhine.

Botanical Garden Building

Tour — A behind-the-scenes look at the Garden Education Center. Ipm.

Karen Martyrs Day — Remembering the lives of men and women who have died in the struggle of the Karen people of Burma. Karen cultural music and dance provided by the Chapel Hill Carrboro Karen Youth and traditional Karen food. 10am-2pm, Carrboro Elementary School. Free

MONDAY AUG 16 Adult Evening Book Group — Kabul Beauty School: An American

New Item this Week: SPRITE MELONS, anaheim and poblano peppers,

APPLES, okra, figs, watermelons, zinnias, celosia, sunflowers, hydrangeas, lilies, tomatoes,

melons, peaches, corn, blueberries, plums, potatoes, beans, onions, swiss chard, garlic, sweet

potatoes, potted herbs and veggie starters, summer squash, zucchini, eggs, parsley, purslane,

sun-dried tomatoes, cornmeal, carrots, lettuce, arugula, wheat flour, garlic, salad mixes (spicy

and non), fresh herbs, pecans, meats like goat, beef, pork, lamb, chicken, buffalo, and various

specialty meats like liverwurst, bologna, hotdogs, etc, cow's and goat's milk cheeses, breads,

This was a breeze and I want to share it! Wonderful in late July and August when peaches and

Chunk I ripe, medium sized cantaloupe OR 1/2 of a large cantaloupe. Return I cup of peach

mixture to blender and, working in batches, puree the cantaloupe. Pour both mixtures

together, stir, chill, and garnish with mint leaves and/or blueberries. Serve very cold.

Woman Goes Behind the Veil, by Deborah Rodriguez and Kristin Ohlson. Chapel Hill Public Library Conference Room. 7-9pm. Free

"Pathways" on WCOM-FM — Keith Daniel and Jesse Huddleston discuss the "Pathways" program. 103.5 FM wcomfm.org

TUESDAY AUG 17 Job Search Strategies Work-

shop — Six-week program that covers job search plan, resumes, elevator speeches, networking, interviewing, social media and more. Tuesdays and Thursdays, Aug 17 - Sept 29. 1-4pm. Free to unemployed. Contact mike@ mikekomives.com

THURSDAY AUG 19 Fantastic Mr. Fox — Locally

Grown's movie night atop the Wallace Parking Deck, 6pm Free

TGI Thursday at FRANK Gal**lery** — Ken Simon, improvisational flutist. 5-8pm. Free. frankisart.com

Dulcimer Players — The Carolina Mountain Dulcimer Players welcome beginners and experts. Carol Woods Retirement Center, 7pm. 929-5359, ShirleyRay@aol.com

FRIDAY AUG 20

Sat: 7am-Noon • Wed: Now open 3:30-6:30pm

Southern Village open 3:30-6:30pm

Recipe Provided by Market customer, Susan Reda

1/2 tsp salt

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1/4 tsp ground cinnamon

dash of ground nutmeg

Contra Dance — Music by The Avant Gardeners with caller Keith Cornett-Eustis. Newcomers' workshop at 7:30pm; dancing begins at 8pm. Carrboro Century Center. csda-dance.org

Community

Cupcake Festival — See who goes home with bragging rights of "Chapel Hill's Most Luscious Cupcake." Horace Williams House. 7pm

Artists' Salon —Writer's Grants with Krista Bremer. Sponsored by the Orange County Arts Commission. West End Theatre, The ArtsCenter. RSVP required. 968-2011, arts@ co.orange.nc.us

SATURDAY AUG 21

Carolina Casbah Belly Dance **Showcase** — Gala performance featuring professional Middle Eastern dancers and musicians from throughout central North Carolina. Adults/\$15, Child/\$5. The ArtsCenter. 7:30pm. accmednc.org

Colossal Yard Sale — Binkley Baptist Church in partnership with Barbee's Chapel Harvest Word Ministries will be raising funds to benefit Habitat for Humanity in Orange County and Family Health Ministries in Haiti. Binkley Baptist Church.

Dance - Participatory

Ballroom — Fourth and fifth Thursdays, 7-9:30pm. Seymour Senior Center, 2551 Homestead Road, Chapel Hill. \$2. 968-2070.

Carrboro DanceJam — Freestyle dance. First Fridays, 8pm, Balanced Movement Studio, 304 W. Weaver St., upstairs. 968-8776.

Ballroom Dance — Second Saturday of every month, recorded music. Triangle Stardusters, 8-11pm, \$7/ StarDusters members and students, \$12/others. Couples and singles are welcome. Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 4702 Garrett Road, Durham. 942-7232

Pleasant Green Community Center, \$8/\$6 student, ncsquares.com

Shag Dancing — Every Monday. Beginner class at 7pm, dance at 9pm. Free lesson first Monday of the month, 6pm. General Store Cafe.

Tango — Learn and practice Tango with the Triangle Tango Society. Open Eye Cafe. 8pm

Ongoing

Cancer Support — Support groups for cancer patients and their families. cornucopiahouse.org

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FROM THE EDITOR

How we used to roll

The old saw about the transient nature of this community goes something like, "After five years, you're a local and after 10 a native."

So for those of us recalling a more laid-back and sanguine downtown in Chapel Hill and Carrboro - yeah, we're talking late '80s/early '90s - the old green trolley often comes to mind.

For only a quarter, you could ride clean to Carr Mill Mall and back and up and down the hill to and from the hospital.

The trolley, essentially a bus with wooden seats and rails and lots of brass work, may have been mocked a bit as being as faux as some of the "colonial" buildings along West Franklin Street, but it did afford a quick, predictable trip between the two downtowns and campus.

The idea, spearheaded by the now defunct Downtown Commission, was to bring hospital employees downtown for lunch without the hassle of parking and to increase the foot traffic near eateries and shops in Carrboro and Chapel Hill.

It worked to limited success, but it did give us all an insight into what more affordable and plentiful public transit might look like.

High maintenance costs and a change in organization for downtown sidelined the trolleys. Free bus service rendered them obsolete and they were sold off, parts and all, in 2001.

Yes, it's kind of nostalgic to see the trolley come home for a night for this month's 2ndFriday Artwalk (see front page). We hope that it might inspire those in a capacity to do something to get on board the idea of a dedicated downtown shuttle, even if it's something as simple as better branding for the downtown routes already in service.

Tuning in to Carrboro

It's always been one of the odder quirks of local media that The People's Channel, an organization founded and nurtured here in Carrboro, was not available on cable in its birthplace.

It's odder still that there were separate cable channel setups for Carrboro and Chapel Hill long after Time Warner started operating both systems.

Nevertheless, the omission has now been corrected and we're happy to report that Carrboro residents can now enjoy the unique local programming from the fine folks at TPC on Channel 4. To celebrate their local launch, TPC is having a neighborhood party on Saturday at the Orange County Social Club from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Visit TPC.org for schedules and lineups and all that.



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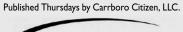
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FULL COVERAGE.

A once-in-our-children's-lifetime opportunity in education

In mid-sized, middle-class school districts like ours all around the country, the transfer of power goes beyond the civil and the orderly to the positively uneventful. Most of the time, no one even notices as Dr. Stay the Course replaces Dr. Status Quo. Most districts like ours run exactly the way their residents like them to – without controversies or questions or change of any kind. After all, if it ain't broke, why fix it?

At the end of this school year, our superintendent will retire after having served for almost 20 years. It would not be unlikely for his successor to enjoy a similarly long and stable tenure; such is the luxury of running a district so well-endowed and so well-protected from the pressures many other districts face.

While some of us like to dream from time to time of grassroots revolutions, we've learned as we've grown up that, in schools at least, change comes only from the top, if it ever comes at all. As such, this coming school year will likely mark the last time in the learning lives of the current generation of children in our community that we can reasonably hope to make a difference in the quality of the education they receive. If, as they say, luck is where preparation meets opportunity, let's hope we're lucky enough to recognize the possibility in this moment and prepare ourselves to make the most of what is surely a once-in-our-children's-lifetime opportunity.

It is my hope that we will not settle for passionless compromise, rocking-chair comfort or even stalwart competence. Instead, it is my hope that we strive for excellence. Why do our children deserve anything less than the best superintendent in the nation?

To this end, I hope we make a national search and that we make requests of the finest organizations in America who are now preparing the finest American superintendents. The Broad Foundation, New Leaders for New Schools, Harvard University – these are just a few of the organizations that have recognized a need to deliver to our nation's school districts a new generation of leaders.

For the most part, these are not people who have come up the old-fashioned way; few began their careers as classroom teachers, inching up the ladder, rung by traditional rung. Most are much more ambitious, much more willing to challenge the traditions that suppress success. Many of these people have been large-company CEOs. They are dynamic individuals now seeking to serve citizens instead of stockholders by bringing immense talent, extraordinary experience and unusual drive to the task of creating transformative change in education.

I don't imagine that most people here feel the need for anything remotely resembling transformative change. But I do. I see the obvious need, of course, as do we all, in the extraordinary achievement gap we have created and maintained seemingly as long as anyone can remember. But I see it too in the learning lives of even our top students.

They're not being challenged. The teaching they receive is, in many cases, too comfortable, too predictable, too "inside the box" and because many of our kids are so smart, and because they can learn the system as well as they learn the curriculum, it's far too easy for them to succeed. They too deserve a richer and more dynamic education that will prepare them more fully for life in the world.

Our district has immense resources and a thriving community of educational experts from which to draw on. We should be a national leader in education innovation; we should be teaching, learning and leading on the cutting edge of reform. But when I visit our classrooms, when I talk to kids - especially the older ones - and chat with teachers, I'm not convinced that the community with the highest taxes in the state is getting anywhere near its money's worth. We're not just shortchanging ourselves financially, though; we're short-changing ourselves as a community, and the costs going forward in divisiveness, apathy and lost opportunities for our children will mount.

It is an auspicious time for us, an opportune time, a perfect time to admit to ourselves that we really do want to raise achievement for all kinds of minds in this district, and that the first and most important step in doing this is choosing the right leadership. If we hire a typical superintendent, we can be assured of typical results. For us, that may mean, at best, clinging to where we are - and at worst, dropping a notch or two in the years to come if we are unable to patch old holes, adapt to new standards or respond to changes in the socio-economic make-up of our community. Why take the risk of losing ground when we could just as easily, and with infinitely more pride and honor, seek the reward of extraordinary achievement for all?

We need a new leader with a new vision for our schools, someone who sees his or her role not as a curator of the past but as a catalyst of the present and a creator of the future. We need someone who communicates with clarity and with power, someone who inspires us with ideas we've never even dreamt of, someone who delivers extraordinary results with ordinary dignity and everyday discipline. Such leaders are available. Such

leaders are willing. Are we? We have before us a once-in-our-children's-lifetime opportunity. What will we do with it? Will we play it safe like almost every other mid-sized middle-class district in America? Or will we work a little harder for our kids and our community? In 20 years, I want to tell the young adults around me that when the moment came, I fought as hard as I could and won the best educational future I could imagine for them. I'll bet that you want to tell them that too.

Steve Peha is founder and president of Carrboro-based Teaching That Makes Sense Inc. He blogs for The Citizen at carrborocitizen.com/ education

LETTER

Co-op concerns

As an active worker-owner with Weaver Street Market cooperative, there is no one who wants to hear good news about The Weave more than me. Provided it is genuine good news. And in that regard, the 2010 Report of the WSM board of directors gives rise to certain concerns.

I am concerned as to whether or not the reported \$300,000 profit for 2010 takes into account the \$1 million in bank interest that needs to be paid (each year) on our continuing \$8 million long-term debt.

I am concerned that there is no announced plan for tackling the remainder of that longterm debt other than continuing to ask the coop's workers to work harder for less - which the board of directors and the corporate office of WSM have done these past three years.

And I am concerned that there is no meaningful appreciation of the fact that it is the sacrifice and hard work of those same workers that has been the primary cause of any financial turnaround in Weaver Street.

Two years ago, the annual meeting of WSM's owners supported my call for a Financial Review Committee to devise options for dramatically reducing the debt, rather than simply demanding year after year that the coop's workers work harder for less. The board ignored the expressed wishes of their owners and refused to form the committee.

If we were to erase our long-term debt (and the annual interest payment of \$1 million), we would be able instead to invest that \$1 million in improved product and customer service, and we would no longer have to go on making impossible demands of our already overstressed workers.

> GEOFF GILSON Weaver Street worker-owner

No evidence of death penalty discrimination

ELLIOT CRAMER

Chris Fitzsimon writes that, "Race plays a role in determining who receives the death penalty in North Carolina, specifically the race of the victim of a crime." The claim is that murderers of whites are more likely to get the death penalty than murderers of blacks. What he neglects to state is that 94 percent of the murderers of blacks are blacks themselves, while 72 percent of the murderers of whites are white. As the News and Observer has editorialized, this supposed discrimination could be remedied by sentencing more blacks to death. Few supporters or opponents of the death penalty would advocate that.

The study Fitzsimon cites has not been published nor peer reviewed. In fact, it is simply dreadful. Under state law, juries must balance 11 possible aggravating circumstances, such as kidnapping and robbery, against mitigating circumstances, such as age and prior criminal history. The authors consider only two of the 11 statutory aggravating circumstances and do not consider mitigating circumstances at all. They equate murder in the course of a carjacking with a rape-murder-kidnapping. The authors do not claim that black murderers are more likely to get the death penalty than white murderers once aggravating circumstances are taken into account. Murderers of whites (mostly white) are more likely to get the death penalty because they are likely to have more aggravating circumstances and fewer mitigating

Fitzsimon states that, "The findings also reinforce the conclusions of a similar study released nine years ago ... [that] was widely reported at the time and fiercely attacked by cranks and death penalty supporters." I am the most prominent critic of that study and I am neither a "crank" nor a "death penalty supporter." Unlike the authors of these two studies, I am a scientist and statistician and have been studying statistical issues of the death penalty for 20 years.

On April 19, 2001, the News and Observer reported that Chris Fitzsimon, then executive director of the Commonsense Foundation, which sponsored the study,

The authors consider only two of the 11 statutory aggravating circumstances and do not consider mitigating circumstances at all.

"twice invited critics of the study to examine the data." To this day, he and the authors have refused to make the data public and the report has never been published, despite submissions to a number of scientific journals. What do they have to hide?

There is no valid evidence that "race plays a role in who receives the death penalty" and not even opponents of the death penalty claim that blacks are more likely to get the death penalty than whites when aggravating circumstances are taken into account.

Elliot Cramer is professor emeritus at the UNC Psychometric Laboratory and has been involved as a consultant to the state on the death penalty and in discrimination cases.

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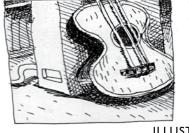
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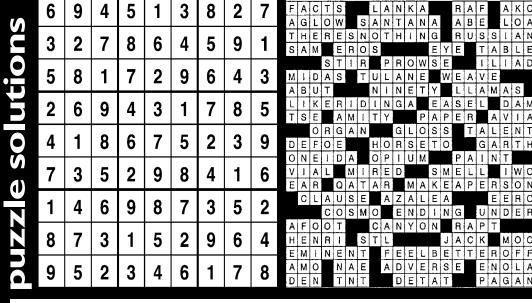








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Eastern tiger swallowtail taking nectar from ironweed heads of tubular disc flowers.

PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

FLORA FROM PAGE I

Another wildflower that is a magnet for various species of butterflies is ironweed, Vernonia novaboracensis. Like swamp milkweed, it's another tall wildflower common along streams and in wet meadows. Ironweed is easily cultivated and surprisingly tolerant of drought. I planted one in a flower border a few years back and now, from self-seeding, I have several new plants

growing nearby. They have grown tall during our recent dry spells and now multiple clusters of brilliant purple flower heads attract numerous swallowtails and skippers.

It's great fun to sit in the late afternoon near those purple-topped stems with binoculars in hand to focus on the butterflies as they flit about and alight on those flower heads. A beautiful contrast is the rusty-colored hue, hence the name ironweed, of the seed heads that begin forming soon after pollinators have performed their function.

Of course, you don't need binoculars to take a closer look at the butterflies and other pollinators on the heads of the ironweed. Those insects are so engaged in extracting nectar from the flower tubes that you can practically touch them. And with a keen eye, you can zoom in on the details of those clusters of disc flowers. You may even notice the split, curled tips of the stigmas of the pistil (female part of the flower) extending from each flower tube.

Using a 10-powered hand lens is always a big help when you take this kind of closer look.

Though both swamp milkweed and ironweed are fairly common in moist habitats throughout the state, they are surprisingly seldom noticed unless you are driving on back roads in the mountains, where in low meadows you'll spot the brilliant purpleflowered ironweed contrasting with the yellow of goldenrods and the tall pinkish domes of Joe-Pye weed. In our vicinity, keep your eyes alert along edges of roadside drainage ways and open meadows. You'll most likely have to rely on seeing them in gardens, or, better yet, grow your own.

Email Ken Moore at flora@ carrborocitizen.com.



o I'm driving through my neighborhood on the way to work and I see the weirdest thing: There goes the neighbor's trash cart tooling down their driveway under its own steam. Stopping the car, I grab my camera and chase the rolly-cart down the driveway – only to discover the trash cart's tiny power source – little 5-yearold Ava doing her chores. You go, girl!



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BY JOCK LAUTERER

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