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Chatham, Orange talk water and transportation

Cooperation between local governments could mean initiatives from a bus to Pittsboro to an OWASA 'straw' in Jordan Lake

By Kirk Ross Staff Writer

Intergovernmental cooperation — along with baked chicken and a garden salad — was on the table Tuesday evening as representatives of Pittsboro and Chatham County joined counterparts from Carrboro, Chapel Hill, Orange County, UNC and the Orange Water and Sewer Authority for a quick dinner and a long discussion about regional plan-

Items on the agenda in-

cluded a look at a possible regional water effort, shared use of parks and expanding public transit in the fast-growing region along the U.S. 15-501 corridor from Pittsboro to Chapel

Chatham officials, including County Commissioner George Lucier, stressed that a burst of growth will require the county to greatly expand its water system. The county is projected to grow by 80,000 people by 2035 and has 16,000 homes approved but as yet unbuilt, most of them in the northern

section of the county.

OWASA officials already have a study underway and are in discussions with other water systems to explore ways to add to possible transfer capacity between it and other systems. Chatham officials want

OWASA and governments in

Orange County to consider joining with them in an effort to build a possible western intake on Jordan Lake. OWASA owns roughly 125 acres of land off Pea Ridge Road near a section of the

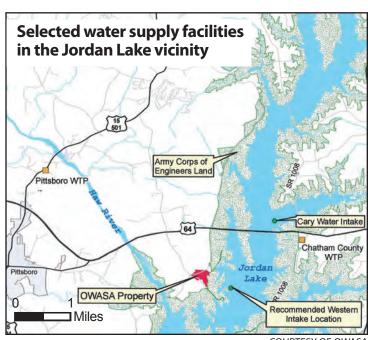
lake. The land was purchased in 1989, and a 1991 study identified an area nearby on the lake as an optimal place for an

Chatham already has a 50year agreement with the Town of Cary, which has an intake on the eastern side of the lake, for part of its allocation. But Chatham officials say they'll need to add additional capacity and are looking to OWASA, which has its own unused allocation of Jordan Lake water, and other local governments to form a regional partnership.

At Tuesday's meeting, Lucier and Chatham County Manager Charlie Horne said the corps and the state's Division of Water Quality have reiterated that there will only be two intakes allowed on the lake and that a regional partnership would be the preferred way to

OWASA executive direc-

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COURTESY OF OWASA



Training for the big one: Chapel Hill Transit driver Mike Schuster takes a training ride on the system's new articulated buses. The new buses are 20 feet longer than the system's regular rides and bend around curves.

As students return, transit system revs up new additions to its fleet

By Kirk Ross Staff Writer

There are a lot of things that mark the end of summer - Labor Day, putting away your white bucks, cheaper hotel rooms at the beach.

But around here, the end of summer, or at least the vacation part of it, is punctuated by an exponential increase in the drone of bus engines as they haul students and employees by the thousands to the heart of campus.

The university kicks back into gear next week with classes starting on Wednesday, and the bus system changes from a light summer schedule to the academic year's fullthrottle mission on the Monday prior.

This year, keeping up with an ever-increasing demand on a growing campus with shrinking parking, Chapel Hill Transit has a little more help. Make that big help, thanks to the purchase of three "articulated" buses.

"Articulated," explained transit director Stephen Spade, because they are divided into two sections and actually bend around corners.

The new buses will run heavier routes starting with two on the North-South run, from the Eubanks Road Park and Ride to the Southern Village Park and Ride, and the CPX route, from downtown to the Carrboro Plaza Park

They are 60 feet long, about 20 feet longer than the standard 38-foot buses used by the transit system. They also can pack in a lot more folks. A standard size bus has room for about 35 passengers in the seats and another 20 standing. Spade says the new buses can seat 60 passengers and has standing room for another 40 to 50.

To get used to the feel of them and prepare for their maiden runs, the buses have been on training sorties up and down Martin Luther King Boulevard.

Tom Mills, a 29-year CH Transit vet and the man who trains the drivers to operate the new buses, said they've drawn quite an interest.

"The high-seniority drivers are leaving their regular routes to get into one of these," he said during a recent

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One more weekend of waiting for CHS

By Kirk Ross Staff Writer

Chapel Hill-Carrboro school officials are waiting through one more weekend with fingers crossed that come Monday they'll get their final certificate of occupancy for Carrboro High School.

Although a new stoplight is in place on the corner of Rock Haven and Smith Level roads, it was not operating as of Wednesday afternoon. A fresh slab of asphalt on new turn lanes at the intersection had yet to be striped as well.

But school officials say that they expect to have the permits cleared on Monday, and with them be able to open access to the school. The school's staff has had access to the building since July, but students and parents won't be allowed in until the final certificate of occupancy is issued.

Schools spokesperson Stephanie Knott said she's been assured that an opening ceremony and convocation scheduled for Thursday should be able to go ahead as planned.

"Monday should be the day, so I'm told I shouldn't worry about the ceremony," she said Wednesday.

The Thursday ceremony will start at 6 p.m. with the ribbon cutting, in part to get the crowd out of the heat and to allow for those eager to see the building to have as short a wait as possible. Once the ribbon's snipped, there will be a convocation in the new gym with remarks by school officials, student leaders and an array of elected officials including U.S. Rep. David Price, North Carolina House of Representatives Speaker Joe Hackney, state Rep. Verla Insko, state Sen. Ellie Kinnaird, school

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Kleinschmidt mounts challenge to death penalty

By Taylor Sisk Staff Writer

When the state of Florida executed Angel Diaz on December 13, 2006, it took somewhat longer than anticipated. According to witnesses, 26 minutes into the lethal injection procedure, Diaz's body jolted. He winced, then shuddered. It was another eight minutes before he died.

Horrific, yes, and, says Mark Kleinschmidt, the tragic outcome of bad public policy - an outcome he fears could be repeated in North Carolina. Kleinschmidt, a Chapel Hill town council member, is the executive director of the Durhambased Fair Trial Initiative and is

representing Jerry Conner, one of seven death-row inmates who petitioned a state administrative law judge to examine the process by which the North Carolina Council of State recently approved changes to the state's execution protocol. The Council of State is comprised of the governor, lieutenant governor and the elected heads of

eight executive departments. The administrative judge, Fred G. Morrison Jr., ruled last week that the council should have allowed attorneys for the death-row inmates to speak at the meeting at which it decided on the changes and that the council must now reconsider.

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COMING NEXT WEEK



Carrboro High School special issue

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FLORA

By Ken Moore

An early-morning walk through the Chapel Hill Merritt Pasture near the James Taylor Bridge is a real pleasure. The wild part is gaining access to the rolling pasture site. You are well advised to plan your visit during the Sunday morning hours. There is a little parking available along the bikeway at the intersection of Culbreth Road and Highway 15-501. It's a challenging intersection to negotiate on foot, even with the traffic light, and though Sunday morning is light, please remain constantly alert to the speeding vehicles until you have

safely made it to the pasture. Eventually

the town will have the planned parking

and pedestrian safety measures in place so

that access to Merritt Pasture will not be

such a wild experience.

And wow, once in the pasture, thanks to town efforts, you will have a real "meadow" experience. Several years ago, Chapel Hill added to staff responsibilities by making a commitment to managing the Merritt open space to provide habitat for butterflies and other wildlife. Observant citizens had described the healthy population of Common Milkweed there and a few folks began monitoring butterfly activity associated with those milkweeds. Except for a general winter mowing of the whole pasture to prevent the occurrence of forest, separate areas have been staked to protect the milkweed populations during spring and fall having of portions of the field. Walking through the meadow one re-

Observing the Common Milkweed: A walk on the wild side

cent Sunday morning was a real adven-

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Common Milkweed standing tall in Arcadia Community

THE MILL

Big pull

A lot of folks just know White Cross as the home of Lloyd's Grocery, which still has a free air hose, and Fiesta Grill, one

WARP & WOOF

of the finest restaurants ever located in a steel building. (Try

the enchiladas molé. It's a little sweet, but it grows on you.) If you want to spend a

pleasant evening in White Cross or if you live there and want to catch up with a couple hundred of your neighbors, they'll be at the White Cross Recreation Center for the annual tractor pull.

The pull, which is the main way the Rec Center supports itself and its work for the community, is a two-day event. It's held Friday, Aug. 17 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 18 at 6 p.m. Admission is \$7, with kids under 12 free (that's a lot

If you're a big tractor fan, the night to go is Saturday, which can get as loud and roaring and full of whoops as anything at the State Fair.

If you're looking for an honest old-fashioned night of family fun, let us recommend Friday night, which is one of this area's finest cultural events. There's the "powder puff" competition where you'll see wives and daughters and granddaughters revving up the Farmalls and Deeres. And there's the pedal pull — a real hoot — that has everyone cheering as the kids pedal their toy tractors in hopes of taking home the trophy.

The night's capped off by a tractor procession of local

Of course, there's 'cue and dogs, but one word of caution — an enormous array of homemade deserts await you at the concession stand.

The center is across from Antioch Baptist Church on the Old Greensboro end of White Cross Road.

CAT'S CRADLE

FR 8/17 CD RELEASE PARTY ENDLESS

MIC, AFROBATIK W/DJ THERAPY, JOZEEMO AND DILLON

SA 8/18 REVERBNATION PRESENTS

ANNUALS, THE NEVER,

TU 8/21 ADRIAN BELEW

WE 8/22 WOLF PARADE (\$17)

W/PLANTS AND ANIMALS, NOOT

TH 8/23 THE WAILERS

FR 8/24 PIETASTERS

W/THE SLACKERS, STEADFAST

UNITED AND ANTAGONIZERS*(\$12)

SCHOONER W/ERIE CHOIR,

STRUGGLERS, NORTH

ELEMENTARY AND WES PHILLIPS

SU 8/26 THE FORMAT*(S15)

W/PIEBALD, LIMBECK, STEEL

TRAIN, REUBENS ACCOMPLICE

MO 8/27 BRUCE IN THE USA

[BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN TRIBUTE!]**(\$12)

TU 8/28 COREY SMITH (\$12/\$15)

TH 8/30 STARTING TUESDAY

W/BAUMER, DAVID SPENCER

(FROM SPENCERACUFF) **(\$12/\$15)

FR 8/31, SA 9/1 & SU 9/2
LOCAL WILD WEEKEND:
BENEFIT FOR PIEDMONT WILDLIFE CENTER
ROMAN CANDLE, HOBEX,
THE STRUGGLERS, BOXBOM,

FIN FANG FOOM, BIG FAT GAP, TRANSPORTATION, RED COLLAR KINGSBURY MANX (ACOUSTIC)

& MUCH MORE

TU 9/4 FLICKER LOCAL SHORT FILMS WE 9/5 MIDLAKE

W/DAWN LANDES"[\$10/\$12]

TH 9/6 REACH FOR THE SKYE BENEFIT

MOUNTAIN GOATS, BELLAFEA,

THE MOANERS, HOPE & ANCHOR

8/25 CD RELEASE PARTY FREE SHOW

This Week - August 17, 2007 - August 23

Friday

The ArtsCenter hosts Artists' **Salon**. This month's topic is "Time Management for Artists." From 6:30 to 9. RSVP to arts@ co.orange.nc.us

or 245-2335.



Saturday

DSI Comedy Theater brings you improv and local comedy in **Best Show Ever** at 9:30. \$10 admission.

Sunday

Paperhand Puppet Intervention presents "A Shoe For Your Foot" at the Forest Theatre. Shows

start at 6:30. Bring a blanket and picnic! \$10 for adults, \$7 for kids. Under 3 in free.

Monday

Markowski and Shake It Like A Caveman play The Cave. Free show!

Tuesday

Storied musician **Adrian Belew** will perform at Cat's Cradle. The cost is \$20 and the doors open at 7:30.

Wednesday

Local food? Yes, please. Farmers' Market today!

at market.

Check the Land and Table section for the Recipe of the Week and a listing of what's

Thursday CAT'S CRADLE

Illustrious reggae veterans **The Wailers** play Cat's Cradle. The show is \$26. Doors open at

8:30.

Arts Calendar

Carrboro

Artists' Salon - For artists of all kinds to meet, network & build a better arts environment for Orange County. This month's topic: Time Management for Artists. Guest panelists are visual artists Michelle Johnson & Leah Rade & actor Kenneth P Strong. Fri, Aug 17, 6:30pm. Free. The ArtsCenter, 300-G É Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, www.artscenterlive.org

Artist's Reception - The Mirror of the Noonday Sun. Come celebrate this new collection of paintings by Eduardo Lapetina. Mon, Aug 27, 5:30-7:30pm. Works on display through Oct 1. Panzanella, 200 N Greensboro St, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro. 929-6626, www.panzanella.

Ceramics by John Svara - Local potter's works on display through Aug 31. NC Crafts Gallery, 212 W Main St, Carrboro. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 1-4pm. 942-4048, www.nccraftsgallery.com

Paintings by Debbie Harris – Whimsical works incorporating the artist's love for jazz & animals. Through Aug 31. Open Eye Café, 101 S Greensboro St, Carrboro. Mon-Sat 7am-IIpm (Fri & Sat til midnight), Sun 8am-IIpm. 968-9410, www.openeyecafe.com

Chapel Hill

Travelogue – Landscapes, urban & natural. Paintings by Rachel Campbell, Jacob Cooley & Gayle Stott Lowry. Through Aug 18. Tyndall Galleries, University Mall, 201 S Es-tes Dr, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun by appt. 942-2290, www. tyndallgalleries.com

SA 9/29 & SU 9/30 CARRBORO MUSIC FESTIVAL

TU 10/2 OKKERVIL RIVER

W/DAMIEN JURADO"

WE 10/3 PINBACK W/MC CHRIS**

SU 10/7 THE GOOD LIFE**(\$10/\$1)

TU 10/9 STATE RADIO*(\$12)

FR 10/12 THE DONNAS**(\$13/\$15)

SA 10/13 DEL THE FUNKY HOMOSAPIEN, DEVIN THE DUDE**(\$18/\$20)

SA 10/20 MARY GAUTHIER**

WE 10/24 BORIS

W/DAMON & NAOMI, KURIHARA"

FR 10/26 STARS

W/YOUNG GALAXY"(\$15)

SU 10/28 SHE WANTS

REVENGE*(\$15)

MO 10/29 LUCERO, AVAIL

W/BOBBY BARE JR, SMOKE OR FIRE AND WHISKEY & CO."

WE 10/31 NADA SURF**

TU 11/5 JOSH RITTER

W/ERIC BACHMANN*(\$12/\$14)

SA 11/10 TOUBAB KREWE*

FR 11/16 BADFISH

TRIBUTE TO SUBLIME**(\$15/\$18

SA 11/17 TEGAN & SARA

TH 11/29 WILL HOGE FR 11/30 STEEP CANYON RANGERS*

ALSO PRESENTING:

LINCOLN THEATER (RAL)
SAT. NOV 10 REVEREND
HORTON HEAT,
HANK III AND ASSJACK AND
NASHVILLE PUSSY**

LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL) TUE. AUG. 21 - (58) LADYBUG TRANSISTOR W / PAPERCUTS, UN DEUX TROIS

THU. AUG. 23 AMY COOK W / MARY JOHNSON

SAT. SEPT. 8 - (\$8/\$10) OAKLEY HALL

SUN. SEPT. 9 - (\$12) DON DIXON (SOLO)

MON. OCT. 8 TWO GALLANTS W / BLITZEN TRAPPER

SUN. OCT. 14 - QUI

CAROLINA THEATRE (DURHAM) WED. SEPT. 12 - [\$21] - TIX VIA BOXOFFICE ANDREW BIRD W / AUGIE MARCH

ARTSCENTER (CARREORO) TUE, SEPT. 18 - (\$10/\$12) DO MAKE SAY THINK

Paintings & Mixed Media by Julie Armbruster & Keith Norval - Through Aug 21. Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr, Chapel Hill. Mon-Fri 10am-9pm (Fri til 6pm), Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 1-8pm. 968-2777, www.chapelhillpublicli-

Fabric Art by Alice Mogle & Sue Kopkind - Through Aug 22. Womancraft Fine Handcrafted Gifts, Eastgate Shopping Center, 1800 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun noon-5pm. 929-8362, www.womancraftgifts.com

Paintings by Lisa Jones - Through Aug 31. Caffe Driade, 1215-A E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Daily 7am-11pm (Sun 7:30am, Fri & Sat til midnight). 942-2333, www.caffedri-

Shapes of White - A 26-person exhibition exploring the variables of the color white through the eyes and hands of painters, photographers, sculptors & ceramists. Through Aug 31. Somerhill Gallery, 1800 E Franklin St, 3 Eastgate, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-5:30pm, evenings by appt. 968-8868, www. somerhill.com

Straight from the Heart - Paintings & mosaics by Maggi Grace. Through Aug 31. Market Street Books & Maps, Southern Village, 610 Market St, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 1-7pm. 933-5111, www.marketstreetbooks.com

Watercolors by Marilyn Strother - Through Aug 31. Cup A Joe, Timberlyne Shopping Center, 1129 Weaver Dairy Rd, Chapel Hill. 967-2002.

Works by Roshan – Acrylics applied to canvas using spatulas. Through Aug 31. Turning Point Gallery, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-7pm (Fri til 9pm), Sun noon-5pm. 967-0402, www.harmonyfineart.com

Beaches - Works by Chris Doyle. Through Sept I. Bill Hester Fine Art, 143-F W Franklin St, University Square, Chapel Hill. Tue-Thu 10am-6pm, Fri-Sun I Iam-7pm (Sun til 4pm). 960-0059.

Play More - Works by Michael Sanderson. Through Sept 9. Benjamin Vineyards & Winery, 6516 Whitney Rd, Saxapahaw (Chapel Hill). Thu-Sun noon-5pm. 336-376-1080, www.benjaminvineyards.com

Close Up: Far Away - Works by Sally Anger. Through Sept 12. Sizl Gallery, 410 Market St, Lobby & Ste 312, Southern Village, Chapel Hill. Thu 5-8pm, Fri-Sun noon-6pm (Sun til 5pm) and by appt. 960-0098, www.sizlgallery.com

3-D Sculpture – Exploring the 3rd dimension, from classical to modern. Through Sept 13. Animation and Fine Art Galleries, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill Tue-Sat 10am-6pm. 968-8008, www.animationandfineart.com

Skyscrapers - Mini-exhibition presenting a variety of interpretations of this modern icon. Through Sept 14. Free. Ackland Art Museum,

UNC Campus, Chapel Hill. Wed-Sat 10am-Spm (2nd Fridays until 9pm), Sun I-5pm. www.ackland.

Greetings from NC - A Century of Postcards from the Durwood Barbour Collection. Through Sept 30. UNC Campus: Wilson Library, 201 South Rd, Chapel Hill.

Handcrafted Items - Paintings, carvings, molas, textiles & fabrics, ceramics, beads & jewelry from West Africa, the Middle East, Central America & the US, collected over years of traveling. Ongoing. Dirt Road Gallery, 8218 Bright's Way, Chapel Hill. Sat & Sun I I am-6pm & by appt. 933-6999, www.dirtroad-

Heroes of Yesterday, Heroes of Today - The History of the Chapel Hill Fire Department. Ongoing. Chapel Hill Museum, 523 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Wed-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 1-4pm. Free. 967-1400, www.chapelhillmuseum.org

Hillsborough Honoring the Endangered Earth

 Mixed media by Pat Merriman & paintings by Jude Lobe. Through Aug 28. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts, 121 N Churton St, Ste 1D, Hillsborough. Mon-Sat 10am-5pm. 732-5001, www.hillsboroughgal-

Seeing Red - Works by Barbara Ziff. Through Aug 31. Artist's reception, Aug 31, 6-8pm. Open to the public. Orange County His-Hillsborough. Tue-Sat 11am-4pm, Sun I-4pm. Free. 732-2201, www. orangecountymuseum.org

Oil Paintings & Jewelry by David Sovero – Simplistic geometric forms with layers of rich color. Handmade jewelry. Ongoing. SoveroArt Gallery Studio, 121 N Churton St, Hillsborough. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm. 732-3056, www.soveroart.com

Pittsboro

Painting for Children - A celebration of play, whimsy, laughter & fun as seen through the eyes of NC's children's book authors & illustrators. Through Aug 31. Pittsboro Memorial Library, 158 West St, Pittsboro. Mon-Fri 10am-6pm (Tue til 8pm), Sat 9am-5pm. 542-3524, www.pittsborolibraryfriends.org

Reception for Painting for Children - Sat, Aug 25, 3:30-5pm. The General Store Cafe, 39 West St, Pittsboro. 542-2432, thegeneralstore-

Botanical Drawings, Paintings, Jewelry & Furniture – By Emma Skurnick, Kathleen Jardine, Norma Hawthorne & Douglas G Trimble Through Aug 30. ChathamArts Gallery, 115 Hillsboro St, Pitts-boro. Thu-Sat 11am-5pm, 1st Sun noon-5pm. 919-542-0394, www. chathamarts.org

Works by Jillian Goldberg - Acrylics & pastels featuring roosters. Through Sept 1. Fusions Art & Fine Craft Gallery, 53 Hillsboro St, Pittsboro. Mon-Tue by chance, Wed-Fri 10:30am-5:30pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Ist Sun I-4pm. 260-9725, www. pittsboroshops.com/fusions.htm

Music Calendar



Vocalist Susan Reeves will sing jazz Sunday at Southern Village.

THURSDAY AUGUST 16

Blue Horn Lounge: Velcro Shoes.

The Cave: Early: The Wild Animals.

Late: Sol Driven Train. Local 506: Megafaun, Digitata, Wil Donegon & The Apologies. 9:30pm. \$6

Reservoir: The Gondoliers, The Points. 10pm Weaver Street Market: Hot Tin

FRIDAY AUGUST 17

Roof. 6pm

Blue Horn Lounge: Dogwood Deddy. 10pm <u>Cat's Cradle</u>: Endless Mic, Akrobatorical Museum, 201 N Churton St, : tik with DJ Therapy, Jozeemo, Dil-

lon. 9pm. \$8 The Cave: Early: Imaginary Girlfriend. Late: Red Collar, The Vinyl Strangers, Death Even Becomes The Maiden.

Local 506: Dexter Romweber & The New Romans, Firecracker Jazz

SATURDAY AUGUST 18

Cat's Cradle: Annuals, The Never, Auxiliary House. 8:30pm The Cave: Early: Potato Gun. Late: Twilighter, LUĎ. Local 506: Dark Meat, Filthybird, Savage Knights. 10pm. \$7

SUNDAY AUGUST 19

The Cave: Jaguar Club, the Mani-• acs.

Open Eye Café: Mr. Billy. 8pm

Local 506: Octopus Project, Cinemechanica, Opening Flower Happy Bird. 9pm. \$8 Reservoir: Thunderlip, Barbarella.

Southern Village: Susan Reeves.

7pm : Weaver Street Market: The Todd Proctor Trio. I I am

MONDAY AUGUST 20

The Cave: Markowski, TBA.

TUESDAY AUGUST 21

Blue Horn Lounge: Randy Whitt &

Anthony Lener. 9pm Cat's Cradle: Adrian Belew, Saul Zonana. 7:30pm. \$20 The Cave: Early: Janet Bratter. Late: \$5. Dead To Society, Blood Red River, Simple. Local 506: The Ladybug Transistor, Papercuts, Un Deux Trois. 9pm.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 22

Blue Horn Lounge: Windy City Cat's Cradle: Wolf Parade, Plants And Animals, Noot. 8pm. \$17 The Cave: Early: Korby Lenker. Late: Green Mountain Grass, Jonathan

THURSDAY AUGUST 23

Blue Horn Lounge: Mark Wells & Jil

Christensen. 9pm Cat's Cradle: The Wailers, The Movement. 8:30pm. \$26 The Cave: Early: Schnitzel. Late: \$5. Mad Tea Party. Local 506: Amy Cook, Mary Johnson. 9pm. \$5 Reservoir: Colossus, Worn In Red, Constrictor, 10pm Weaver Street Market: Dom Ca-

UPCOMING:

Cat's Cradle: Del The Funky Homosapien. Saturday, October 13. 8:30pm. \$20, \$18 advance Cat's Cradle: Peter Bjorn & John, Clientele. Tuesday, September 11. 8pm. \$26, \$23 advance

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THE ATMOSPHERE MO 9/24 RYAN SHUPE AND THE RUBBERBAND (\$8/\$10)

TU 9/25 MAGNOLIA ELECTRIC W/WATSON TWINS

THE SEA AND CAKE

TH 9/27 ANIMAL COLLECTIVE

FR 9/28 OF MONTREAL W/PSYCHIC HEARTS*(\$15)

SUN. SEPT. 16 - W / LIARS INTERPOL

MEYMANDI CONCERT HALL (RAL)
TIX: TICKETMASTER OR MEYMANDI BOX OFFICE

SUN. SEPT. 30 (SOLO)

DASHBOARD

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EWS

News Briefs

Back to school day

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools PTA Council will sponsor its annual "Back to School Day" on Saturday, August 25 at University Mall.

Students and parents are invited to the gathering, which will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the mall on Estes Drive. Representatives from each of the district's schools will be available to provide information about starting back to school, organizing supply lists, PTA memberships, bus schedules and more. In addition, most schools will have spirit wear available for sale.

The event is sponsored by the PTA Council and University

Love Canal activist to speak in Saxapahaw

Lois Gibbs, executive director of the Center for Health, Environment and Justice, will speak on community activism next Sunday, August 19 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the River Landing Inn, located just outside Saxapahaw. Gibbs is best known for her successful effort, in 1980, to relocate 900 families away from Love Canal, in Niagara Falls, New York, beneath which 21,000 tons of buried chemical waste was found. After an alarming number of miscarriages and with children experiencing a range of serious health issues, Gibbs spearheaded an investigation that led to Pres. Jimmy Carter declaring a federal emergency. The relocated families were reimbursed for their homes.

Gibbs will focus her talk on doing battle with industries that pollute. Several local activists will also speak. The event is free. For more information, contact Sue Dayton at (336) 525-2003 or sdayton@swep.com.

Gibbs will then also be at a press conference and rally the following day, August 20, at 11:30 a.m., in front of the Old Capitol building in Raleigh.

Heat relief available

The Orange County Department of Social Services has received donations of window air conditioners from Orange Congregations in Mission and has purchased fans to help lowincome citizens cope with the heat. Orange County residents can apply at the Chapel Hill office located at 2501 Homestead Road or the Hillsborough office at 300 West Tryon Street

To be eligible, recipients must be at or below 200 percent of the poverty threshold. The income limit is approximately \$1,700 a month for an individual and \$3,400 for a family of four. Because of the limited supply, those requesting air conditioners must also have a medical need and the ability to pick-up

The agency also can help pay past-due utility bills to keep a resident's electricity from being turned off.

Cops to greet students

The Chapel Hill Police Department Community Services Unit will be greeting students in the community on Monday, August 20 as a part of its "Good Neighbor Initiative," designed to encourage students to become better integrated into the

Community Services officers and representatives from the Dean of Student Affairs Office will join volunteers from UNC-Chapel Hill and Empowerment Inc. in a walk through the Northside, Pine Knolls and Cameron-Mcauley neighborhoods, beginning at 3 p.m., to deliver information packets to new residents.

For more information, contact Lt.Kevin Gunter at 969-

By Susan Dickson

Staff Writer

Last Thursday, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education considered a possible expansion of the district's Spanish/ English dual-language program. Because it was a work-session item, the board made no decision regarding the expansion, but dual-language program staff will return to the board with more information for consideration at a later date.

Board members expressed mixed opinions about the pos-

Board member Mike Kelley said he was pleased that school officials were considering expansion of the program. "I'm very glad to see this proposal come forward," he said. "I have been concerned about it only being available to some students.'

The Spanish/English dual-language program is a languageimmersion program in which classrooms are 50 percent native Spanish speakers, 50 percent native English speakers. Students are taught in both languages. In the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools district, the Span-

ish/English dual-language program is only available to students

at Carrboro Elementary. The district also has a Chinese/English dual-language program at Glenwood Elementary, but because the program is very small it's available to students outside of Glenwood's district. Dual-language program staff proposed that the Spanish/

English program be expanded to another elementary school in the district for the 2008-09 school year. In addition, staff recommended that the program change to a magnet model in the 2009-10 school year in order to make it available to all students within the district.

"These kinds of programs are really important," said José Nambo, dual-language program coordinator. "We have started to see some positive results and positive trends."

Nambo said he often hears from parents who are moving to the area and want to know where to enroll their students in school so that they can be a part of the program.

Board member Jean Hamilton said she was concerned about the cost of the program and would have to see more specific cost comparisons with other language programs before approv-

"We need to be really mindful of these relative costs," Hamilton said, noting that the dual-language program is only available to some students, so costs should be tracked per student.

Board member Annetta Streater said she would like to see more African-American children enrolled in the program.

"My thinking is that there probably is not enough communication or there is some degree of anxiety or intimidation about the prospect of the child having to be introduced to a second language when there are already struggles with what is supposedly the native language," Streater said. "It's not being seen as an

Superintendent Neil Pedersen pointed out that the program was initially started in the district as "a better delivery system for the limited English-proficient students."

"This is a direction in which we honor the culture that the person brings, honor their language and want them to maintain that," he added. "It will be an asset to them."

Oak Avenue speed table under study

Board wants to expand language program

Carrboro transportation planners are studying traffic on Oak Avenue after the town's Transportation Advisory Board approved a plan to put a speed table on the well-traveled street.

Adena Messigner of the town's planning staff said the advisory board heard from petitioners in the Oak Aveneu area who asked for some relief from a growing number of cars using the road and driving too fast.

After a preliminary study of the road, the counts and speed were high enough to put the road in a category that would allow for traffic calming if residents re-

The road, which runs between Weaver Street and Greensboro Street, is heavily used by pedestrians and bikers, but is also an oft-used cut-through by drivers in

Some residents wanted to make Oak Avenue one way, but at its June meeting the advisory board opted instead to approve a plan to put a speed table with a textured surface on the road. The advisory board also asked the town to look into narrowing the Oak Avenue intersections at Weaver Street and Greensboro Street — possibly with planters — to discourage and slow down cut-through traffic.

Messinger said an analysis by the staff along with the advisory board's recommendations could go before the Board of Aldermen in October, giving a little more time to study traffic during a busier time "We need to finish up the data collec-

tion once school is back in session," she The speed table would be similar in

construction to one in the Lake Hogan Farms neighborhood.

— From Staff Reports

Piedmont Biofuels to pay town after spill

By Jack Carley Staff Writer

Piedmont Biofuels will pay the town of Pittsboro an estimated \$10,000 after a spill of about 150 gallons of glycerine into water discharged by the plant damaged treatment facilities and incurred state penalties.

Leif Forer, chief engineer at Piedmont Biofuels, said the company was working with the town to fix problems caused by the spill and

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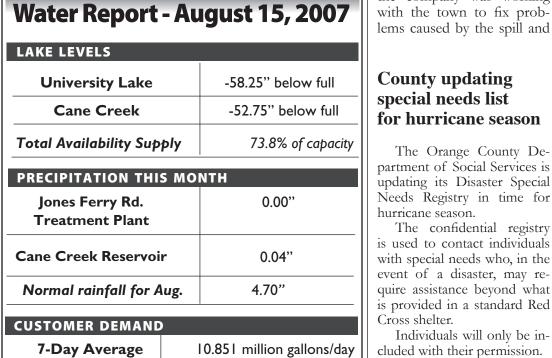
"If we caused a problem," Forer said, "we'll make good for it, and we'll figure out how to make it never happen again."

Piedmont Biofuels has since stopped discharging "washwater" — used in manufacturing biofuel — after it was also found that the washwater contained levels of organic material too high for the Pittsboro water treatment facility to process.

Pittsboro allowed Piedmont Biofuels to discharge washwater into Pittsboro sewers starting in March, Forer said. After the glycerine spill was found and the source of the organic content was identified in early June, Piedmont Biofuels stopped discharging

"What we didn't know at the time was that washwater was heavy-duty for what the plant was used to," said Forer. "What we now know is that the plant had been struggling but they weren't sure why. No one knew the washwater had anything to do with it."

Forer said the co-op has built a wastewater pretreatment plant, a measure that will allow washwater to be cleaned before public treat-



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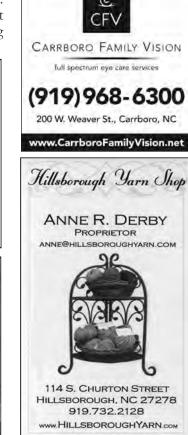
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Farmers' Markets

Carrboro Farmers' Market - Sat 7am-12pm through Dec 22; Wed 3:30-6:30pm through Oct 17. 932-1641, carrborofarmersmarket.com

Southern Village Farmers' Market - Thu 4-7pm through Aug 30 at Market Street on the Village Green.

Hillsborough Farmers' Market - Wed 3-6pm; Sat 7:30am-noon, Apr-Nov. 732-8315.

Fearrington Village Farmers' Market - Tue 4pm through Nov 20. 8 miles south of Chapel Hill on US 15-501, Fearrington Village, Chapel Hill. 542-4000, chatham.ces.ncsu.edu/growingsmallfarms/fearrington.html

Pittsboro Farmers' Market - Thu 3:30-6:30pm through Nov 29. Chatham County Fairgrounds, Pittsboro. chatham.ces.ncsu.edu/growingsmallfarms/ pittsboro.html

Saxapahaw Farmers' Market - Sat 5-8pm through Aug 25. On the hill over the river, Saxapahaw, Chapel Hill. rivermillvillage.com

Fundraisers & Benefits

Summertime Used Book Sale - The Carrboro Cybrary's summertime book sale continues until Aug 21. Help us promote Cybrary services to Orange County and pick up a great Mystery read at the same time! Call 918-7387 or email cybrary@co.orange.nc.us for

Cookout - Come out and support Internationalist Books. Thu, Aug 23, 6pm. Weaver Street Market, 101 E Weaver St, Carrboro. 929-0010, weaverstreet-

Special Events

Karen Knitters & Weavers - The Karen ethnic group from the mountains of Burma is known for their intricate woven bags, sarongs, scarves & wedding attire. Come watch them work. Sat, Aug 18, 10am. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, artscenterlive.org

Dancing Drums - Percussionist Beverly Botsford presents an interactive program of rhythm & world culture through music, story & dance. Mon, Aug 20, 2-2:45pm. 2nd session at 4pm. Pre-registration required. Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr, Chapel Hill. 968-2777, chapelhillpubliclibrary.

"Entertainment Adventures" will feature the American Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, August 19th at 3:00 pm. Bianca the Eagle; Adonis the barn owl and other live large birds will take part in a very informative and fun session. Free at the Carrboro Branch Library, 900 Old Fayetteville Road. (McDougle Schools' Média Center)Call 969-3006 for more information

Zoom In: Science at the Extremes -Morehead Planetarium's 1st-ever interactive visitor experience highlights the big & small of our universe. Designed for ages 8-13. Ongoing. Morehead Planetarium, 250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236, tickets 843-7997, moreheadplanetari-

Fishing for Kids - Tie knots, cast a line, catch a fish! Ages 5-15. Sat, Aug 18, 9am-Ipm. Occoneechee Mountain, Hillsborough. 383-1686, ils.unc.edu/parkproject/visit/ocmo/home.html

Storytime Science - Ages 4, 5 & 6 + parents. Gather around the "campfire" at Morehead Planetarium & Science Center as we read some of our favorite science-focused children's books; hands-on activity to follow. Sat, Aug 18, 10:30am. \$5; members \$4. Registration required, call 962-1236 or visit moreheadplanetarium.org for more info.

Teen Music Club - New discussion group for teens who love music. 6th grade & up. Thu, Aug 23, 7-8pm. Chapel Hill Public Library Conference Room (downstairs). 968-2777

Inside Art: The World Inside the Frame Works that let children & families explore art from inside the frame. Through Aug 26. Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Tue-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 1-5pm. \$4 ages 2+; memberships available. 933-1455, kidzuchildrensmuseum.org

Painting for Children Exhibit - Friends of the Pittsboro Memorial Library Gallery present "Painting for Children." A celebration of play, whimsy, laughter & fun as seen through the eyes of North Carolina's talented children's book authors and illustrators. Through the end of the month. Reeves Gallery, Pittsboro Memorial Library. 158 West St, Pittsboro. 542-3524, pittsborolibrary-

Outdoors

Weaver Street Market - Jazz & more! Summertime fun for all ages. Sunday brunch, every Sunday I lam-Ipm; Thursday nights, every Thurs 6-8pm On the lawn at Weaver Street Market,

Dragonfly Hike - Sat, Aug 18, 10am. Occoneechee Mountain, Hillsborough. 383-1686, ils.unc.edu/parkproject/visit/ ocmo/home.html

Sunset Hike – Enjoy the beauty of nature and a summer sunset. Sunday, Aug 19, 7:30pm. Occoneechee Mountain, Hillsborough. 383-1686, ils.unc.edu/ parkproject/visit/ocmo/home.html

Coker Arboretum Tours - Meet at the stone gathering circle near the center of the arbor for a guided tour of the century-old Arboretum. 3rd Sat of every month, Ham. Free. UNC Campus: Coker Arboretum, Cameron Ave, Chapel Hill. 962-0522, www.ncbg.unc. edu/coker.htm

Club Nova Thrift Shop - Club Nova promotes & provides opportunities for individuals living with mental illness. Pick up a volunteer packet at the shop or email cmorton@clubnova.org. Club Nova Thrift Shop, 103-C W Main St, Carrboro. 967-6985, www.clubnova.

Lectures

Fascism: How far towards it has the USA gone under Bush-Cheney? - Tue, Aug 21, 2:30pm. michael_pollock at yahoo.com. Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr, Chapel Hill. 968-2777, chapelhillpubliclibrary.org

Museums

Yoga in the Galleries - Tue, Aug 21, 12-Ipm. Ackland Art Museum, UNC Campus, 101 S Columbia St, Chapel Hill. Office 966-5736, recorded info 843-1611, www.ackland.org. Wed-Sat 10am-5pm (2nd Fridays until 9pm), Sun I-5pm. Free.

Skyscrapers - Mini-exhibition presenting a variety of interpretations of this modern icon. Through Sept 14. Free. Ackland Art Museum, UNC Campus, Chapel Hill. Wed-Sat 10am-5pm (2nd Fridays until 9pm), Sun 1-5pm. www. ackland.org

Theater: OpeningGiant Puppet Show - A Shoe For Your

Foot. Live performance featuring hand-made masks, stilts, cardboard creations & shadows. Outdoors, set to live music. Great fun for all ages. Bring something soft for your butt! 7pm through Sept 3; pre-show starts at 6:20. \$10; kids 4-12 \$7; 3 & under Free. UNC Campus: Forest Theater, 300 S Boundary St, Chapel Hill. www.paperhand.org

How I Got That Story - An "embedded" war reporter tries to get a handle on a culture he doesn't know while covering a conflict he doesn't understand. Aug 23-Sept 15. Deep Dish Theater, University Mall. 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. 968-1515, www.deepdishtheater.org

Comedy: Performance

InDecision Theatre Improv - Sat, Aug 18, 8pm. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, www.artscen-

Open Mic - 4th Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30pm. The Cave, 452 I/2 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 968-9308, www.caverntavern.

CageMatch - Competitive long-form improv with all the drama of pro wrestling! The audience votes & the winning team returns to face a new challenger 2nd & 4th Thursdays of every month. \$8; college students free. DSI Comedy Theater, 200 N Greensboro St, Ste B-II, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro. 338-8150, www.dsicomedytheater.com

Dance: ParticipatoryContra Dance – Fri, Aug 17, 7-11:30pm at the Carrboro Century Center. Lesson first, then the dance. Sponsored by the Carolina Song & Dance Association, www.csda-dance.org. \$7. For more info, contact Buz Lloyd at buzlloyd@ipass. net or call the Century Center at 918-

Tango - Fri, Aug 17, 8pm. Join the Triangle Tango Society for free tango lessons. Open Eye Café, 101 S Greensboro St, Carrboro. 968-9410, www.openeyecafe.com

Universal Peace - Sufi; no experience necessary. 3rd Saturdays, 7:30-9:30pm, \$5. 361-2383. Unity Center of Peace, 8800 Seawell School Rd, Chapel Hill. 968-1854.

Salsa/Mambo - 3rd Sat of every month Lesson at 8pm, dance 8:30-11pm. \$7. Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 4702 Garrett Rd, Durham (Hillsborough). 358-4201, salsa_4u2@yahoo.com

Free Style - Carrboro Dance Jam. Eclectic music with DJ Rovnitsky. Ist and 3rd Fridays of every month, 7:30-10:30pm. \$5-8. 698-8776. Balanced Movement Studio, 304 W Weaver St, Carrboro. 942-0240, www.balanced-

Ballroom Dancing - 4th & 5th Thursdays of every month, 7-9:30pm, \$2.933-8982. Chapel Hill Senior Center, 400 S Elliott Rd, Chapel Hill. 968-2070.

Contact Improvisation - Improvised contact with I or more dancers, no partner necessary. Beginners welcome. Sundays, 2-4pm. \$5. 967-5321, carolinacontact.ods.org. Balanced Movement Studio, 304 W Weaver St, Carrboro. 942-0240, www.balanced-movement.

Book Discussions Contemporary Fiction Club - Meets

monthly to discuss recent works of fiction. New members always welcome. For more info, call the Cybrary at 918or email cybrary@co.orange. nc.us. Next meeting: Mon, Aug 20 at 7pm. Join us in our discussion of The No. I Ladies' Detective Agency series.

Literary Readings/Open Mic Maggi Grace - State of the Heart: A

Medical Tourist's True Story of Lifesaving Surgery in India. Fri, Aug 17, 7-9pm. Market Street Books & Maps, Southern Village. 610 Market St, Chapel Hill. 933-5111. www.marketstreetbooks.com

Open Mic - For poetry, music & short fiction. Tuesdays, 7pm, Market Street Books & Maps, Southern Village. 610 Market St, Chapel Hill. 933-5111, www. marketstreetbooks.com

Story Time at the Carrboro Branch Library will present: "Lets Get Wet" Saturday, August 18th at 10:30 a.m. The library is located at the McDougle Schools' Media Center; 900 Old Fayetteville Road. Call 969-3006 for more information

Labyrinth added in hopes of spiritual growth

By Emily Silva Staff Writer

"Every time I walk past it, I get a good feeling," said Frank Jones, maintenance caretaker at Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Chapel Hill. His reference was to the most recent addition to the church's landscape: a labyrinth in the front garden's clearing.

Church member Gerry Guess funded the creation of the labyrinth in memory of her husband, Harry, after he passed away in January. With the help of N.C. State University students and other church members, Gerry's vision was made into a reality the entire community can enjoy.

The twisting pathway is an ancient symbol going back more than 3,500 years. It combines the imagery of a circle and a spiral into one set path, lined with small, mondo grass shrubs. A labyrinth's exact mathematical symmetry is symbolic of the desired balance in life and, as Gerry wished, links the maze-like walkway to religion and spirituality. "A labyrinth is different from a maze," said Aldersgate Pastor D.L. Evans-Jones. "It guides vou."

Guidance is what Evans-



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A labyrinth, seen above under construction, serves as a spiritual exercise for members of Aldersgate United Methodist Church.

Jones hopes to find in this new spiritual exercise, for both him and his congregation. "As you walk the labyrinth, let yourself be free to thought and prayer. Try to ignore the distraction of the traffic, because in life we are faced with many distractions and we must remember to keep along our path."

A concern of the Aldersgate community was the proximity of the labyrinth to Highway 15-501 (the church is located across from the

N.C. Botanical Gardens) and the unpleasantness of traffic noise for labyrinth walkers. But after walking the labyrinth, almost everyone says the noise seems to melt into ambient sound, similar to that of constant running water, and doesn't distract from concentration at all.

"Even with noise, you can be prayerful," Evans-Jones said. "It has to do with centering oneself. Center yourself in prayer."

Weekly **SUDOKU**

Editor's note: We are terribly embarrassed about the Sudoku fiasco of the last 2

issues. We trust these puzzles will somehow relieve any hard feelings caused by our error. Answers for the 2 Sudouku puzzles at right can be found on page 8. The answer for this week's Sudoku puzzle (below, left) can be found on page 7.

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<u>In Brief</u>

Tree pruning workshop

The International Society of Arboriculture Southern Chapter, in partnership with Elon University Botanical Garden, Duke Energy, Alamance County Cooperative Extension and the Bartlett Tree Expert Company is presenting a basic tree climbing and pruning workshop. A registration fee of \$35 per person includes lunch.

The workshop will be held at Yeager Hall at Elon University. Contact Dwayne Carter at (888) 339-8733.

Organic short

The Center for Environmental Farming Systems will sponsor an organic certification short course on August 22 as part of the center's Seasons of Sustainable Agriculture workshop series.

The workshop will be held at the center in Goldsboro and will be led by Tony Kleese of Eastern Carolina Organics.

The workshop will be held at the center in Goldsoro from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on August 22 and costs \$60 per

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participant or \$50 for Friends of CEFS members. For more information or to register for the workshop, visit www. cefs.ncsu.edu/calendar.htm or contact the center at 513-0954 or cefs_infor@ncsu.

Potluck reminder

The fourth "Potluck in a Pasture" summer supper will be held Sunday, August 19 from 6-8 p.m. at Harland's Creek Farm west of Pitts-

Featured artists include ceramicist Salinda Dahl, sculptor Susan Draughon, wood turner Joel Hunnicutt and potter Melody Troncale.

Visitors are asked to bring a potluck dish for eight made with at least one local ingredient as well as a copy of the recipe, a beverage, lawn chair or blanket and \$10 for adults (\$8 for members) and \$5 for children ages 6-12.

Proceeds benefit ChathamArts, a nonprofit county arts council that supports diverse arts and cultural programs in the schools and the community.

For more information or directions to the supper, visit www.chathamarts.org or call

Mark J. Rhoades

Dinner with Eco Farm

Panzanella will host a local farm dinner on Tuesday, August 21, featuring dishes created with ingredients grown at Eco Farm in Chapel Hill.

The event is from 5:30-9 p.m. The restaurant will provide a special menu using ingredients grown by Cindy and John Soehner of Eco Farm, which produces more than 70 types of organic vegetables, fruits, herbs and flowers.

Panzanella is located in the Carr Mill Mall on Weaver Street. Reservations are accepted for parties of six or more and patio dining is avail-

At right: Cindy and John Soehner and a waving Tulia of Eco Farm.



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FLORA FROM PAGE I

ture of discovery. There were a couple of Monarchs fluttering about. There were hundreds and hundreds of milkweed stems ranging from two feet to six feet. Some were still in flower – and what a sweet fragrance there – and some were exhibiting those odd-shaped warty green capsules that in the fall will turn brown and split open to send plumed seeds aloft on fall breezes.

Common Milk-The weed, Asclepias syriaca, is a handsome plant worthy of cultivating in the wild or a contained garden for its fragrance and visual appeal, as well as for attracting butterflies. Be aware, however, that, once established, the Common Milkweed will increase, freely moving about on its own by underground lateral stems. This is a plant for a carefree gardener, not one who keeps everything controlled and in line. I have enjoyed seeing them in gardens in the Carrboro Arcadia Cohousing Community and I have delighted in seeing them become established in that wonderful curbside garden outside Carolina Crafts Gallery. They must have become too aggressive there, however, for they were recently weeded out. I hope a few will come back. It was nice having that butterfly habitat in downtown Carrboro.

Other surprises in the Merritt meadow that morning were orange-flowered Butterfly Weed, white-flowered Moth Mullein and the pale summer-green of lots of Broom Sedge, that common native grass that turns fields copper brown for the winter months. There is so much more to observe in that open hilly meadow. Do visit it some Sunday morning.



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recipe of the week

Watermelon Gazpacho from Kelly Clark, Market staff

A sweet and fruity twist on a traditional summer soup. And look at how many ingredients are available at the Market! You can't get any cooler, or fresher, than this.

Ingredients

- 5 cups watermelon*, seeded and cut into chunks
- I 1/4 cup diced apple*, tossed with 2
- Tablespoons lime juice I/2 cup diced red onion*
- I/3 cup diced sweet pepper*
- 1/2 cup diced cucumber*
- I cup chopped tomato*, peeled with a vegetable peeler, and seeded
- I/3 cup chopped basil*
- I/3 cup almond, ground very, very
- I Tablespoon sherry vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- I/4 teaspoon pepper
- I teaspoon chili powder

*Available at market

Procedure

Puree the watermelon in a food processor. Add ground almonds, sherry, salt, pepper and chili powder. Mix well. Add apple, onion, sweet pepper, cucumber, tomato and basil. Mix well. Chill for several hours before serving.









SOAKED IT IN HOT WATER, AND USED IT TO MAKE SHELTERS, TO COVER THEIR CANGES, AND FOR FASHIONING MANY OTHER ITEMS





OPINION

EDITORIALS

For the Record

Paging David Price

One of the outcomes of the recent changeover in control of the House of Representatives is that Fourth District U.S. Congressman David Price (D-Chapel Hill) now holds the purse strings for the Department of Homeland Security. Well, sort of.

Price is the chair of the House Appropriations Subcommittee that oversees the DHS budget. DHS is a behemoth of a federal agency and includes a diverse group of agencies and missions — everything from immigration enforcement to the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The department's main role is to keep us safer. That's an expensive undertaking, of course, and to make sure the Democrats would keep flowing the funds his way, DHS Secretary Michael Chertoff made a point of visiting Price late last year after the elections.

So, we'd like to ask the congressman to ask his new acquaintance why in the world the feds feel compelled to start up an immigration crackdown while there's a war on, money's tight, resources are thin and FEMA's a shambles. Surely, DHS energies are better spent doing something other than strong-arming employers and disrupting the lives of people who are working for a living.

Politics seems to be the only reason why an administration in the twilight of years and down in the polls would choose to take out its frustrations in not passing an immigration reform bill on working families.

But DHS is warning of stronger enforcement in verifying Social Security numbers and promises to lean on employers who fail to follow up after being notified of number discrepancies. While that's likely to trip up a good number of people who have gotten by on fake numbers, it's also going to ensnare anyone with a typo or a mistake in their paperwork.

The effect on the economy, especially here in North Carolina, where many industries depend on immigrant labor — legal and otherwise — could be profound

You may recall the winter following 9/11 when a similar but less-intense crackdown than the one promised resulted in hundreds of grocery store workers and others in this area losing their jobs.

The result was not a slow exodus to the border, but just more people driven deeper into the underground economy to put food on their tables. Many immigrant families are a mix of green card holders, native-born U.S. citizens and the undocumented.

How breaking these families apart, disrupting workplaces and spreading fear in our communities and disarray in the economy makes us safer is beyond us.

We hope the congressman will put a call into Secretary Chertoff and remind him of the varied and nuanced definitions of the word security.

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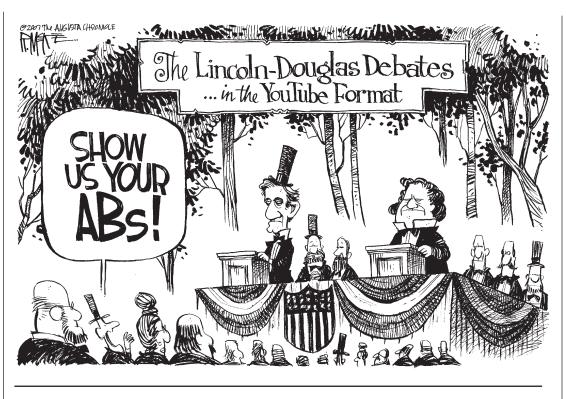
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Thinking ahead requires looking back

CHRIS FITZSIMON

The stage is being set behind the scenes for a special legislative session on transportation. Gov. Mike Easley and legislative leaders have been meeting to figure out how to build a consensus on how to raise new revenue for road improvements.

And unless something changes dramatically in the near future, roads are all that will be considered. There has been little talk of any other transportation solutions, like mass transit or addressing the sprawling development in urban areas that increases the demand for highways and other services.

State leaders seem unwilling to have a real debate about a comprehensive transportation strategy and the roads-only approach will demand billions more in state revenue in higher taxes or fees.

Earlier this year, the Department of Transportation announced that the state faces a \$65 million highway funding shortfall in the next 25 years, a figure that Gov. Easley called absurd. But a shortfall even half that size seems impossible to address.

The market fundamentalists are already peddling their anti-government alternative, advocating slashing the state's General Fund budget by hundreds of millions of dollars to pay for new highways. They not only want to end the \$170 million transfer from the Highway Trust Fund to the General Fund, they want to take far more out of the operating budget of schools, human services and other state programs to pay for road construction.

Let's hope that approach is quickly dismissed by a commission Easley is likely to create to work on possible funding solutions. Easley and whomever he appoints ought to start their deliberations by looking at the work of the last group that was supposed to come up with solutions to our transportation woes. But looking at that work would require them to find it.

The group was called N.C. Thinking Ahead, an 11-member commission appointed in 2005 after Easley heard from urban mayors complaining about transportation problems. The group was created to develop a plan to address the transportation funding shortfall, complete with looking at revenue sources. It was important enough to be cited in a 2005 publication from Easley's office touting his accomplishments as governor.

That report said that N.C. Thinking Ahead

hosted eight forums across the state and conducted an online survey, and that "Data from the regional forums and the poll will be incorporated into the group's final report." Reportedly, two outside consultants were hired to work with the project.

Minutes of a DOT committee meeting in November of 2005 show that a staff member predicted that all information from the regional meetings "will be summarized and reported to the task force by December 1, 2005."

Easley's DOT Secretary Lyndo Tippett hailed N.C. Thinking Ahead in speeches around the state that year, in March telling an audience in Charlotte that the group was working "to develop new ways to fund transportation improvements." A PowerPoint presentation by another DOT official at N.C. State said N.C. Thinking Ahead would study solutions to the revenue gap in the state's 25-year transportation plan.

Seems like all that would be valuable information now, as state officials are still trying to solve the same problem.

The regional meetings generated news coverage and press releases but the final report of N.C. Thinking Ahead is nowhere to be found. There's a reason for that. DOT public affairs director Ernie Seneca says that while "the agency has moved forward with some of the information that was presented," no report was produced.

Seneca didn't respond directly to questions about how the public was supposed to read a report that doesn't exist or why Easley listed N.C. Thinking Ahead as a major accomplishment of his administration if there was nothing actually produced by the commission.

The Southern Pines Pilot included a quote from Easley in a July 2005 story about N.C. Thinking Ahead. "Meeting transportation demands is a never-ending task," Easley said. "And we must continue to be creative and aggressive in our efforts to meet those demands."

Might also help to be aggressive in demanding that reports paid for by taxpayers are released to the public and don't just disappear into political thin air. There's a shortfall of more than just highway money in this administration's transportation policy. There's some accountability missing too.

Chris Fitzsimon is the Director of N.C. Policy Watch.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Breaking bread together

I was pleased to see that *The Carrboro Citizen* is covering the conflict over the "issue" of food at our town's really really free markets. This seems to be part of a larger conflict over public space occuring at other locations such as Weaver St.'s lawn and the Carrboro Greenspace.

I put "issue" in quotes because I think it is important to point out that the hundreds of diverse participants who have been coming to the markets have made food a central part of their giving, taking and skill-sharing for over three years, and only now has the town government seriously presented food as a "problem." Anyone who comes to these markets will realize that nearly every single person eats at the really free markets, and that a plurality if not majority of participants, from Carrboro bus drivers to Durham housing project residents to high school punks and political radicals, also brings food.

In other words, the food is central to the event itself. It would seem that these large groups of folks feel so passionate sharing food for free that they are willing to directly defy a town ordinance against uninsured food sharing.

Insurance for food-sharing at the Commons would cost hundreds of dollars a month. So in a broader sense, this "issue" cuts to the heart of an important question: Shouldn't we be able to gather on "our" (government-owned) commons and share food without paying exorbitant fees?

I can think of two more questions raised here. In the face of the overwhelming popular support which the really free markets and

their banquets receive, how can the town

government change its laws so that this event does not have to be "non-compliant"? If the current system which governs use of "public" space is too inflexible to allow for this unique and inclusive public event, a second, more troubling question is raised. What are Carrboro police planning (and willing) to do to stop hundreds of diverse Carrboro residents from breaking bread together?

John Stephenson Carrboro

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Exile on Jones Street

A Survey of Governance & Policy

KIRK ROSS

Is it that time already?

I hope you're ready, because the Southern primary season is right around the corner thanks to the South Carolina GOP's recent bid to maintain its first-in-South status. Responding to Florida's

decision to change its primary date, Palmetto State Republicans moved their primary up to January 19. (That's less than 160 days away, depending on when you read this.)

That backs up the train, since

Inat backs up the train, since Iowa insists on first place, New Hampshire follows closely and so on. As a result, the 2008 primary season is edging dangerously close to 2007.

Unlike their fellow South Carolinians, Democrats in S.C. say they'll keep their Jan. 29 primary date. That doesn't mean it'll be any less interesting though.

The S.C. had been a bellwether for the now-defunct Super Tuesday for some time—and the state rang the bell for Bill Clinton in 1992 when the soon-to-be president rolled over Tom Harkin, who had been campaigning with Jesse Jackson, and Paul Tsongas, who was considered Clinton's top challenger after Nebraska's Sen. Bob Kerry dropped out following dismal numbers in Georgia.

Clinton's decisive win there on the Saturday before the '92 Super Tuesday set him up for checkmate.

Scene: A ballroom after a rally in Columbia; dejected Kerry staffers throwing back a few with the Clinton crowd and everyone swapping tales about dirty tricks courtesy of Lee Atwater.

The Clintons have a solid set of connections in S.C., and not just former governor and Clintonera Secretary of Education Dick Riley and friends. Hillary Clinton has worked the state's historically African-American campuses since '92 and knows the political landscape.

This makes South Carolina her chance to score big against John Edwards and Barack Obama early on in the South.

Edwards, who has been concentrating mainly on Iowa for years now, needs a solid S.C. showing — not just because it's his home state and he's seen as the Southern candidate, but in order to prove that his anti-

poverty message is going to get

him votes in places outside of

union strongholds.

Obama has to prove that he can wrestle African-American support from the Clinton camp. If he doesn't, then he faces hearing Brit Hume and Tucker Carlson question his blackness ad nauseam.

Meanwhile, in N.C.

Theprimary for North Carolina remains May 7, proving once again what a civilized and humble bunch we are. But eagerness to delve into the races down ballot from the presidential primary has many a pundit scanning for early clues among the scraps of information available, especially the wide-open governor's race.

The latest campaign finance reports are doubling as tea leaves and show that State Treasurer Richard Moore has a slight edge over Lt. Governor Bev Perdue. Perdue has a mere \$3.4 million

on hand right now, while Moore has \$3.7 million, according to the latest reports.

That's still far more than either Fred Smith or Bill Graham (the wealthy lawyer from Salisbury, not the beloved preacher), who are spending away and only have \$171,313 and \$15,025, respectively,

as of the latest reports.

But the GOP candidates have skunked their Democratic counterparts in one category: money they've loaned themselves

Smith's report lists seven loans from himself for a total of \$386,455.

for their campaigns.

Graham, who is not the former host of Hour of Decision, wrote his campaign one check so far this year — for \$613,617.17.

Musta really worked the spreadsheet to get it down to the

last penny.

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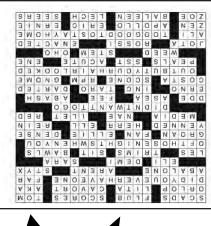
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This is the latest challenge to the state's use of the death penalty, which has effectively been suspended.

This showdown was put into motion when death-row inmate Willie Brown challenged the use of lethal injection, arguing that it created an unreasonable risk of a prolonged and tortuous death.

In April of last year, a federal judge, Malcolm Howard, questioned the constitutionality of North Carolina's lethal injection procedure, refusing to allow Brown's execution until the state could provide assurance that medical personnel would be "present and accessible" to Brown to ensure he would be unconscious prior to being injected with lethal drugs.

The state assured Judge Howard that it had revised its protocol to meet his concerns and that licensed medical personnel would be available to monitor Brown's state of con-

Howard thereby granted approval for Brown's execution, and Brown was put to death on April 21 of last year.

As far away as possible

In January of this year, two other death-row inmates, Marcus Robinson and James Edward Thomas, filed a motion challenging the state's lethal injection protocol. On January 25, Judge Donald W. Stephens of Wake County Superior Court issued an injunction staying the executions of Robinson and Thomas, writing that the Department of Corrections wasn't authorized to change the state's execution protocol without the approval of the Council of State.

On February 6, the council approved, by a vote of 7-3, a new protocol, which stated that "a licensed medical doctor shall be present at each execution. The doctor shall monitor the essential body functions of the condemned inmate and shall notify the Warden immediately upon his or her determination that the inmate shows signs of undue pain or suffering.'

But in the course of making its decision, the Council of State refused to hear arguments from the petitioning death-row inmates. Last week, Judge Morrison ruled that it was remiss in doing so and must now reconsider its ap-

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That's the first issue. A second issue, though, is that while the state had assured a federal judge, Judge Howard, that a physician would be on hand to monitor Willie Brown's vital signs to ensure he was unconscious before being injected with lethal drugs, the doctor who was present at Brown's execution didn't do so. As Morrison wrote in his decision: "The licensed physician present in the observation room during the execution was not asked to monitor the level of Brown's consciousness, did not do so, did not observe and read the values of the BIS monitor, and has never received any training on the use of the BIS monitor." The bispectral index (BIS) monitor referenced was used to measure Brown's state of consciousness.

In fact, Morrison wrote, the doctor "stood almost as far away as possible from the observation room window through which he could have observed Brown."

The procedures Judge Howard had been led to believe would be followed were

"Judge Howard was bothered by the protocol that was in place," said Kleinschmidt, "so it was changed. But then [the Department of Corrections] didn't use it in their next execution."

Thus, said Kleinschmidt, Judge Morrison is now efasking, "Okay; what would you have told the Council of State if given the opportunity?""

If allowed to speak

Kleinschmidt said had he been allowed to present arguments on behalf of his client, he would have suggested that the presiding physician had no intention of monitoring the vital signs of Willie Brown, because on January 18 of this year the North Carolina Medical Board released a position statement saying that "physician participation in capital punishment is a departure from the ethics of the medical profession." The statement read that while doctors could be present at an execution, they could not participate in any way, and that if they should do so they would be subject to disciplinary action by the board.

Kleinschmidt said he would have further argued against the use of BIS monitors in carrying out lethal injections, and in fact has submitted on behalf of his client a request to the Council of State that they be

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banned. BIS readings are not intended to be definitive indicators of levels of consciousness and trained personnel are required to accurately interpret them. Morrison wrote in his decision that had the doctor whose company manufactures the monitor known the state intended to use it in executions, he would not have sold it to them.

Kleinschmidt also would have called for a discussion of the particulars of the three drugs used in lethal injections sodium pentothal to render the recipient unconscious, pancuronium bromide to induce paralysis and stop the breathing and potassium chloride to stop the heart - and the potential of this cocktail to cause undue pain and suf-

Morrison writes in his decision that the American Veterinary Medical Association "has explicitly concluded that the use of neuromuscular paralyzing drugs, to include pancuronium bromide, solely or in conjunction with other drugs, is unacceptable as a means of euthanasia of animals."

Bad policy

The Council of State is tasked to approve hardware and personnel employed in the course of executions but, said Kleinschmidt, it hasn't received all the information it

"We believe that if the Council of State heard all the evidence, they would have determined this is bad policy,"

"We're generally pleased with Judge Morrison's decision," said Stephen Dear, executive director of the Carrboro-based People of Faith Against the Death Penalty. "This stalemate shows what a mess the state of the death penalty is in."

Dear questions why the state would ask doctors to participate in executions when its own medical board has judged such participation to be unethical: "What's the point of having a medical board if you're going to cherry-pick its decisions?"

"It's hard to know how things are going to play out next," Kleinschmidt said. The council has 60 days to consider the information presented in Morrison's decision, though an extension might well be granted. Gov. Mike Easley has said that he stands by the council's revised execution protocol and that the state would appeal Morrison's

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"We have 26 more buses in need of replacement," he said. "We have a pretty old fleet."

Spade said the hope is that the system can expand its capacity and its service. After large leaps in ridership following the conversion to a fare-free system in 2002, ridership has leveled off. Upgrading and expanding the fleet is a necessary step in increasing use, he said.

Chapel Hill Transit is also expanding its Nextbus system, which allows riders to log on to a real-time website that tracks where buses are and when they are expected at the stops. The system also has automated signs at 14 stops. Slade said three new automated signs will be added along Martin Luther King Blvd. and three more later

this fall once officials settle on the locations.

Spade said that while Chapel Hill Transit is one of the smaller systems to use Nextbus system, its website is the second-most hit, with about 2,000 visitors a day in peak

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tor Ed Kerwin said the utility has not planned on drawing

5-million-gallon-per-day allocation, mainly because of the cost of building a facility, which is estimated at \$40 mil-

"We've worked hard to not have to put a straw in Jordan Lake at all," he said. But contributing to a regional effort, he said, may be helpful down the road.

Transportation

With one park and ride lot just over the line in Chatham County, university officials are already contemplating ways to get more of its employees out of their cars.

Carolyn Elfland, associate vice chancellor for campus services, said the school has seen a steady decline in the number of its employees who live in Orange County. She said that in 2000, about 36 percent of UNC employees lived in Orange. That number has dropped to around 28 percent with many more employees coming in from Chatham and Alamance counties.

"We know we're losing population in the Chapel Hill Transit service area," she said. Lucier asked for help in

developing park and ride strategies along the 15-501 corridor. He said Briar Chapel, a development not far from Fearrington that will be twice the size of Southern Village, is going to be a likely source of many university employees.

"How do we get them on the bus sooner than later," he

One issue, Efland said, is that Chatham and Alamance counties are not in the Triangle Transit Authority and neither has a well-developed public transit system.

Pittsboro Mayor Randy Voller said he would like to see a bus running from downtown Pittsboro to the university.

Chapel Hill Mayor Kevin Foy said cooperation on park planning makes sense given the dearth of soccer fields and other facilities in the region. Foy said the town's new Southern Community Park is likely to draw participants from Chatham County, but Chapel Hill has no interest in checking IDs at the gate.

He suggested better coordination with Chatham, which is planning to build two parks in the northern half of the

Working to protect land along the Haw River for a greenway with canoe and foot trails is also under dis-

Moses Carey, chair of the Orange County Board of Commissioners, suggested that the counties might work together to buy prime lands in the area before they're snatched up by developers.

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