SUNDAY 40% chance of rain



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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE The stem of boneset protrudes through the center of its perfoliate leaves.

Boneset is engagingly

perfoliate

ORA BY KEN MOORE

oneset, Eupatorium

perfoliatum, is one of

those Native-Ameri-

can herbs reputed to

heal all ailments.

I like Paul Green's observa-

tions (Paul Green's Plant Book):

"A tea from its leaves or roots

made a fine tonic and it was

good for all kinds of diseases,

including urinary troubles and

doctors made bandages of the

crushed leaves and wrapped

then around a broken leg or arm to help it heal better,

Well, that just about says it all! Except, I have a recollection

from some old-timer that the

boneset name originated from

observing the leaves. The op-

posite leaves completely wrap

around the stem, which actu-

the middle of the leaves.

ally protrudes right up through

Leaves wrapping around a

foliate," thus the Latin species

epithet, perfoliatum. It's help-

describes a real physical char-

ful when the scientific name

acteristic; that's true of very

Back to the old-timer's

explanation. A plant leaf so

tightly joined at the center

suggested that the plant had

some special powers to heal

broken bones or at least assist in pulling the pieces back together. Well, that's the world

of herbal medicinal lore. Some described remedies are ef-

fective and some may merely be lore. I didn't use boneset

when, years ago, I broke my

ones that work for me!

wrist, but I do sometimes use

herbal remedies - at least the

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few plants.

stem are described as "per-

whence the name."

female disorders. It was said

that in the old, old days the

County to meet on library services

BY KIRK ROSS

Staff Writer

The Orange County Board of Commissioners will hold a work session tonight (Thursday) to discuss ways to improve and better coordinate library services.

The board is scheduled to meet at 7 p.m. at the Southern Human Services Center in preparation for a joint meeting with municipal leaders at the Sept. 24 Assembly of Governments meeting.

Tight budgets at town and county levels led to increased scrutiny of library funding. During budget talks in the spring, Carrboro residents and

town officials strongly opposed a county proposal to close the library at McDougle schools and shift staff to the new main branch library in Hillsborough.

The county's funding for the Chapel Hill Public Library has long been a sore spot, with town officials claiming the county does not pay its full share.

To save money this year, the Chapel Hill Town Council put off expansion at the library — one of the busiest per capita in the state. Several council members have said they would consider a plan to charge non-residents to use the facility if the county continued its funding practices.

The board of commissioners ultimately rejected the plan to close the Carrboro branch at McDougle and a similar small facility in Cedar Grove and committed additional funds to the library budget to keep them open and cover the cost of opening the new Hillsborough branch. The board also voted to increase the per capita funding for the library to the state average of \$22.44 in the fiscal 2011 budget. The budget for fiscal 2010, which began on July 1, raised the per capita funding from \$15.60 to \$19.80.

Commissioners also set aside \$50,000 in the county's capital plan as seed money for a future southwestern branch library.

Board nixes sludge forum

BY KIRK ROSS

Staff Writer

HILLSBOROUGH — After hearing a series of concerns raised about the issue of land application of biosolids, the Orange County Board of Commissioners decided not to go ahead with a public-education forum on the issue.

The county's board of health had suggested shifting \$10,000 set aside for an evaluation of the health risks of applying sludge on farmland to pay for an information forum.

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Back to School



PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

Susan Murray, a 2nd grade teacher at Carrboro Elementary, sets up a computer as she begins to get her classroom ready for the upcoming school year.

BY BETH MECHUM

Staff Writer

By now, most students have met their teachers, scoped out their classrooms, and bought the perfect mixture of notebooks, pens and pencils — so there's only one thing left to do: go to school.

Alarm clocks are back in operation for both students and teachers next week, as schools all around the area return to the grind.

Teachers have spent the past week getting their class-rooms in order by picking just the right desk configurations for the ultimate learning experience and ensuring their new batches of students will be in the perfect learning environments.

Of course, those classrooms will never be that pristine again

once the students arrive.

In the Chapel Hill-Carrboro school system, students in grades 1-12 return on Tuesday, Aug. 25 and kindergarten students on Thursday, Aug. 27.

In both the Chatham and Orange county school systems, students return Aug. 25.

And if parents, students and teachers alike aren't as excited about school as they think they should be, Back to School Day at University Mall should be just the thing to set the mood.

The event takes place Saturday, Aug. 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be school spirit wear to buy, places to sign up for booster clubs and PTSAs and time to meet and mingle with others embarking on a similar journey to a new school year.

As economy stalls, so does Carrboro's building boom

BY BETH MECHUM AND KIRK ROSS

Staff Writers

In late 2007, before swearing in newly elected Carrboro Board of Aldermen member Lydia Lavelle, the board and several citizens said so long to longtime board member Alex Zaffron, who had opted not to seek re-

election.

Zaffron, who helped guide a change in board policy that would result in a new direction for downtown, said he was content to leave, in part because several projects were in the pipeline that would turn into reality the vision of a denser downtown with mixed-use multi-story projects.

Throughout the next year, the town reviewed and approved a handful of those projects, including the massive 300 East Main Street, which includes a hotel, parking deck and new buildings along East Main Street and the rail line.

But less than two years after the changing of the guard, a sagging economy and tight credit have put several of those projects on hold, and just before their summer recess the board of aldermen granted extensions on conditional-use permits for a half-dozen projects town-wide, including some of the centerpieces of the new downtown.

Nathan Milian of Carr Mill Mall said one of those projects, the four-story, mixed-use Alberta, is ready to roll, with plans and engineering completed, a general contractor selected and marketing and presales already started.

"There are things that are in play that are out of our control, so the things that are in our control we completely have our arms around and ready," he said. "I think we don't have that far to go to get going. Our main concern at this point [is] if we have contracts with people, can they hold up their end of the deal."

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PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW Roberson Square, one of the recently approved downtown projects, remains up for sale.

PREPS PREVIEW

Ready for kickoff

BY BETH MECHUMStaff Writer

Staff Writer

While a lot of high students spend their summers taking vacations or sleeping in, football players don't have that luxury.

Drills and weights in the early morning are followed by play-book sessions and scrimmages in the late evening. While that does leave a lot of time in between for student-athletes to do what they want, generally what they want to do is rest in an airconditioned room.

It's a grind, but all that hard work will soon start showing results, as local high school teams prepare to begin the 2009 football season.

Chapel Hill High School will strive to build on a successful 2008 season, while Carrboro and

East Chapel Hill hope to bounce back from losing campaigns.

Carrboro High School

This is really the first year in the Carrboro High School football team's existence that it can be considered "experienced." The first year, seniors had not yet been enrolled in the school. Last year, the roster continued to be comprised largely of sophomores.

And even this year, there are only six seniors. But while they may be lacking older players, the Jaguars are more than stocked in game minutes. Fourteen juniors on the team have played three years of varsity football. That experience should prove valuable as the team tries to get past being the newcomers, and is looking at being a genuine contending force.

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PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW s the ball during a recent

Carrboro High School defensive back James Brown snags the ball during a recent practice. High school teams take to the gridiron next Friday for their season openers.

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MUSIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY AUG 20 Blue Bayou: John Saylor. 9pm.

Cats Cradle: Five Times August, Shannon McArthur, Shane Kelly, russell Howard. 7:30pm. \$10/12

The Cave: EARLY: Lake Isle. LATE: Elonzo, The Whalewatchers. \$5

General Store Cafe: Tony Gailani

Local 506: Drink Up Buttercup, Ezra Furman and the Harpoons, Tallest Trees-The Naked Light. 9:30pm. \$8

Weaver Street Market: After Hours with Jaafar

FRIDAY AUG 21

Blue Bayou: Swamp Doctors. 9:30pm. \$8/10

Caffe Driade: Megan Jean. 8pm Cats Cradle: Goathouse Cat Refuge Benefit with Tres Chicas, Luego, Gambing The Muse. 8:30pm. \$10/12

The Cave: EARLY: Jaafar. LATE: Blag'ard, Mumpsy, The Fakirs, Big

City Tap: Kitty Box and The Johnnys, The Breaks. 6pm

General Store Cafe: Red Rover. 8:30-Hpm

Harry's Market: Marko and the Rockers. 7-9pm

Local 506: Thee Dirtybeats, The Kingsmen. 10pm. \$6

Nightlight: The Bronzed Chorus, Juffage, Ultimate Optimist, Michael Thomas Jackson. 9:30pm. \$6

SATURDAY AUG 22

ArtsCenter: Bowerbirds. 8pm **Blue Bayou:** Crossover Blues

Band, Butter. 9:30pm. \$6/8 Caffe Driade: Crys Mathews. 8pm

Cats Cradle: Augustana, Cool

Ethan, Jonas Sees In Color. 8pm. \$15 The Cave: EARLY: Rodie Ray

LATE: Pinche Gringo, Mondo Topless, Rough Hands. City Tap: Sudden Affair. 8pm

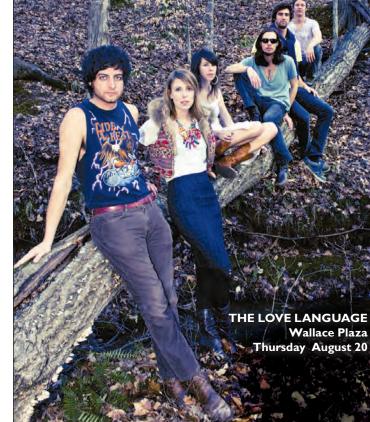
General Store Cafe: Leroy Savage and The Bottom Feeders. 8:30pm. \$5 **Local 506:** The Whiskey Smug-

glers, Lafcadio, Gambling The Muse.

9:30pm. \$7 **SUNDAY AUG 23**

The Cave: EARLY: Three Days In Vegas LATE: Western Civ, Sleeping In The Aviary. \$5

Southern Village: Skeedaddle.



MONDAY AUG 24

The Cave: LATE: Crackow Now, Today The Moon, Tomorrow The

Local 506: Cory Branan, Matthew Allen Schartz, Andy Bilinski. 9pm.

Nightlight: Systems, Vessels of Energy, Flashlights. 9:30pm. \$5

TUESDAY AUG 25 The Cave: LATE: Much is Given

Local 506: Dirt Nightlight: Jessica Hopper, Pink Flag. 9:30pm

WEDNESDAY AUG 26

Cats Cradle: Weiss Family, Damien Jurado, Psalters. 8pm. \$13/15 The Cave: LATE: White Knuckle

Trucker **THURSDAY AUG 27**

Blue Bayou: Spork Sausage. 9pm Cats Cradle: Mickey Cash, Willie Painter Band. 8:30pm. \$10

The Cave: EARLY: 3 Feet Up. LATE: The New Romans. \$5

East Main Summer Concert Series: John Howie, Jr. 4:30pm

General Store Cafe: Marie Vanderbeck Trio. 7-9pm

Local 506: Jason Kutchma, Stuart Mclamb. 8:30pm. \$5

Cats Cradle: Abbey Road LIVE! 9:30pm. \$15

The Cave: EARLY: Moonfisher. \$5 LATE: About Last Night, Martha

City Tap: Great Big Gone. 5-7pm. Andrew Marlin. 7

General Store Cafe: David Dyer and The Crooked Smile String

Quartet. 8:30pm Harry's Market: Mason Cleveland

Local 506: Embarrassing Fruits, Free Electric State, Veelee. 10pm. \$7 Nightlight: Rocket Cottage, Pros-

titute Hostage, Shards. 10pm Open Eye Cafe: Greg Koons. 8pm

SATURDAY AUG 29

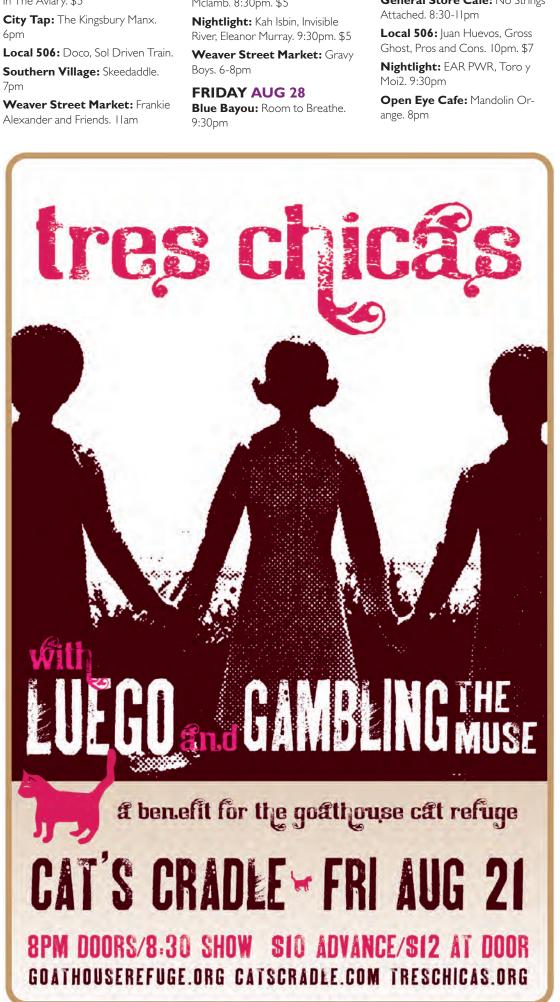
The Barn at Valhalla: K. Shridar, with Sandeep Hattangady and Moren Grunneton Surbahar. 7:30pm. \$18.

Caffe Driade: The Drowning Lovers. 8pm

Cats Cradle: Annuals, Birds of Avalon, Hammer No More The Fingers, The Never. 8:30pm. \$10

The Cave: EARLY: Acoustic Garage LATE: Rat Jackson, Aminal, Pistolero

City Tap: Starmount. 8-10pm General Store Cafe: No Strings





TH 8/20 FIVE TIMES AUGUST W/SHANNON MACARTHUR, SHANE KELLY AND RUSSELL HOWARD**

FR 8/21 GOATHOUSE CAT REFUGE TRES CHICAS, LUEGO, GAMBLING THE MUSE

SA 8/22 AUGUSTANA W/COOL ETHAN AND

IONAS SEES IN COLOR**(\$15) WE 8/26 WEISS FAMILY (OF MEWITHOUTYOU)

W/DAMIEN JURADO AND PSALTERS**(\$13/\$15) TH 8/27 MICKEY CASH, WILLIE PAINTER

BAND**(\$10) FR 8/28 ABBEY ROAD LIVE!

PERFORMING WITH HORNS & STRINGS**(\$15)

SA 8/29 ANNUALS,
BIRDS OF AVALON,
HAMMER NO MORE THE
FINGERS, THE NEVER
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FR 9/11 OWL CITY W/KATE HAVNEVIK AND

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W/SECRET MACHINES**(\$12/\$15)

WE 9/16 JAMES MCMURTRY**(\$15/\$18)

TH 9/17**(\$22/\$25) (SEATED SHOW)
MARGARET CHO

FR 9/18 WHO'S BAD? TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL JACKSON**(\$15) SA 9/19 ARROGANCE 40TH BIRTHDAY BASH WITH MANY SPECIAL GUESTS!

SU 9/20 CARRBORO MUSIC FEST MO 9/21 INGRID MICHAELSON**(\$15/\$17)

IMMORTAL TECHNIQUE

WE 9/23 THE BOOKS SHOW IS CANCELLED TH 9/24 MAE

W/LOCKSLEY, DEAS VAIL, FLOWERS FOR FAY**(\$12/\$15) FR 9/25 NEEDTOBREATHE

W/CROWFIELD AND **GREEN RIVER** ORDINANCE**(\$12/\$14)

SA 9/26 AN EVENING WITH THE MINUS 5, THE BASEBALL PROJECT AND THE STEVE

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WE 9/30 RA RA RIOT**(\$12/\$14) W/MAPS & ATLASES AND PRINCETON

TH 10/1 DAN DEACON* W/NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS FR 10/2 SIMPLIFIED**(\$10/\$12)

SA 10/3 WILL HOGE W/ALTERNATE ROUTES**(\$10/\$12) TU 10/6 CARBON LEAF/ STEPHEN KELLOGG & THE SIXERS**/(\$17/620)

TWO NIGHTS: WE 10/7 AND TH 10/8
ANDREW BIRD

W/ST. VINCENT(\$25)** FR 10/9 BLITZEN TRAPPER**(\$10/\$12)
TU 10/13 LUCERO W/AMY
LEVERE, CEDRIC BURNSIDE

& LIGHTNIN' MALCOLM**

WE 10/14 REVIVAL TOUR
CHUCK RAGAN,
JIM WARD,
TIM BARRY,
DAVE HOUSE,
JENNY OWEN YOUNGS
TH 10/15 BASSNECTAR**(\$18/\$20)

FR 10/16 **OM** W/SIX ORGANS OF ADMITTANCE AND LICHENS**

SU 10/18 BUILT TO SPILL**(\$20/\$22)

WE 10/21 DR. DOG W/JEFFREY LEWIS**(\$15)

SU 10/25 GALACTIC W/THE **HOOD INTERNET**(\$18/\$20)** M0 10/26 KMFDM

W/ANGELSPIT(\$20/\$23)** TU 10/27 PINBACK**(\$14/\$16)

WE 10/28 THE BLACK HEART PROCESSION**(\$12) FR 10/30 WHY? W/AU AND SERENGETI & POLYPHONIC**(\$10)

SA 10/31 TOUBAB **KREWE****(\$14/\$16)

W/EVIDENCE, TOKI WRIGHT, BK ONE** TH 11/5 THE JESUS LIZARD**(\$20)

FR 11/6 THE OLD CEREMONY** SA 11/7 CHATHAM COUNTY LINE**(\$12/\$15) SU 11/8 SAY ANYTHING, EISLEY, MONEEN, MINIATURE

TIGERS**(\$16.50/\$19) MO 11/9 BLIND PILOT W/THE LOW ANTHEM

TU 11/10 THE GET UP KIDS W/KEVIN DEVINE**(\$15) WE 11/11 LOTUS**(\$15/\$17)
SA 11/14 DAN AUERBACH
W/JESSICA LEA MAYFIELD**(\$15)

MO 11/16 MUMIY TROLL**(\$20/\$23) TU 11/17 PRETTY LIGHTS W/GRAMATIK**(\$14/\$16) SA 11/21 STEEP CANYON **RANGERS****

RESENTING

LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL) TH 9/10 FRUIT BATS W/PRONTO TU 9/22 STILL FLYIN' WE 9/23 ASOBI SEKSU

M0 9/28 SCHOOL OF SEVEN BELLS W/MAGIC WANDS TH 10/1 TWILLIGHT SAD
W/BRAKES BRAKES,
WE WERE PROMISED JET PACKS
WE 10/15 DAVID BAZAN W/SAY HI
TH 10/22 JER COONS

NIGHTLIGHT (CHAPEL HILL)
M0 9/7 THE CIRCULATORY
SYSTEM W/NESEY GALLONS AND
PIPES YOU SEE, PIPES YOU DON'T
SA 9/12 GOD'S POTTERY
WE 10/21 SEAWOLF
W/PORT O'BRIEN, SARA LOV

THE ARTSCENTER (CAR) SA 8/22 BOWERBIRDS W/MEGAFAUN TU 9/15 MISSING CATS FEATURING JOHN "JOJO" HERMANN AND SHERMAN EWING M0 9/21 **JOLIE HOLLAND** FR 10/2 GREAT LAKE

SWIMMERS
SU 10/4 COLIN HAY **COWBOY JUNKIES** TU 10/27 MIKE DOUGHTY (THE QUESTION JAR SHOW)

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News Briefs

Herrera resigns seat

John Herrera, who already had announced he was not planning to run for re-election, has resigned from the Carrboro Board of Aldermen. He has recently remarried and will be moving to Holly Springs.

Herrera was first elected in 2001 and won re-election in 2005. He is the second local municipal official recently to resign his seat. Bill Strom resigned his Chapel Hill Town Council seat on Aug. 1 and the council will be appointing his successor.

Herrera had opted not to run for re-election earlier this year and his term would have expired in December.

Bus service to Pittsboro to start

Starting Aug. 24, Chapel Hill Transit will expand its express bus service to provide weekday service between Pittsboro and Chapel Hill along US 15-501.

The full trip from downtown Pittsboro to the last stop in Chapel Hill will take less than 45 minutes.

For those who want to try out the route, the bus will be free through Aug. 31.

Passengers can buy a monthly pass for \$65. Passes will be sold at Chapel Hill Town Hall, Pittsboro Town Hall and Piggly Wiggly in Pittsboro (386 East Street).

The schedule for the new express bus, called the PX Route, and more information can be found on Chapel Hill Transit's website at chtransit.org

Board of aldermen return

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen will be returning from its summer break and resuming its weekly meetings on Tuesday, Aug. 25.

The Carrboro Citizen will post the meeting agenda online when it becomes available.

BOE members sworn in

Three new members were appointed to the Orange County Board of Elections. Selected for two-year terms were Billie J. Cox, chair; Brian Crawford, secretary; and Katherine Knight, member.

The board of elections in each county has three members, selected by the State Board of Elections, two of whom are nominated by the party holding the governor's office and one from the opposing party. Cox and Crawford are Democrats; Knight is a Republican.

Castillo murder trial continues

The trial of Alvaro Rafael Castillo, 22, of Hillsborough, who is charged with fatally shooting his father and opening fire at Orange High School, continues this week.

Castillo has pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity to the charges, which include first-degree murder.

Castillo's lawyers argue that Castillo suffers from mental illness and did not know right from wrong when the shootings took place.

District Attorney Jim Woodall has disputed the claim, contending that Castillo's plan was too methodical for him to have been psychotic.

The defense team will cross-examine Castillo's psychiatrist and then bring in its own witnesses to argue against testimony offered by the state. Closing arguments will follow.

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DOWNTOWN LIFE IN CARRBORO AND CHAPEL



Love tonight

Recently overheard at Open Eye: a discussion of an upcoming concert atop the Wallace Parking Deck. "Where?" "What deck, huh?" Some people call it the Rosemary Street parking deck to add a little location, but it is actually named for former Mayor James C. Wallace.

That aside, please note that Local 506 and the Downtown Partnership are sponsoring a concert tonight (Thursday, Aug. 20) with the Love Language and their friends Lost in the Trees and Mike Magic.

Things get going around 6 p.m. Jimmy would be proud.

If you see a U-Haul . . .

. . . give it a wide berth. This is that time of year when the town fills up in one frenzied weekend of dorm-opening hijinks. Unfortunately, many of those arriving have not a clue how to drive around here. It could happen anywhere to anybody, we just get it all at once en masse.

The official schedule via UNC's tip sheet is as follows:

"Students will be moving in Friday (August 21) and Saturday (August 22), but Saturday will be the busier day. On



PHOTO BY JULIAN BARLOW

Joe Carson plays a little banjo on the 100 block of Franklin Street.

Friday, South Campus residents with even-numbered rooms will move in. Saturday, all North Campus residents and South Campus residents with oddnumbered rooms are expected." Got that?

After move-in, parents and students will participate in the annual Chapel Hill ritual of driving around downtown looking for a place to park. Good luck, y'all.

As for the rest of us, take heart — Fall Break begins at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 21.

Mark yer calendars

This year's Carrboro Music Festival is Sunday, Sept. 20, starting at 1 p.m. The event will feature 24 venues throughout downtown Carrboro with more than 165 musical acts as well as a children's area with two large inflatable play areas, participatory games and music. There will be a free shuttle bus from Carrboro Plaza Park & Ride noon to 8 p.m.

Two bats test positive for rabies

On Tuesday, Aug. 18, Orange County Animal Services received positive rabies results for two bats from the North Carolina Rabies Laboratory. These are the 11th and 12th confirmed rabies cases in Orange County for 2009.

On Saturday, a resident in the vicinity of Davis and Orange Grove roads found two dead bats on her property. She called animal control to remove the bats for testing. The resident's cats had not been seen in contact with the bats, but possible exposure could not be ruled out.

As the cats involved in this case were not currently vaccinated against rabies, North Carolina law requires that they must be either destroyed or quarantined for a period of six months. The cats' owners are in the process of surrendering them to the county for euthanasia.

As a result of the positive test result, the case has been referred to a communicable disease (CD) nurse from the Orange County Health Department to evaluate the risk of rabies exposure so that the resident can decide whether to obtain medical treatment.

Bats are a public health concern because they are a primary host species of rabies in the area. Of the few cases of rabies in humans in the U.S. in recent years, in fact, most have been traced to bats. If there is any possibility of exposure from a bat, it is critical that citizens immediately contact their animal control program.

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Carrboro Mini Mart

Carrboro Family Vision

Open Eye Cafe Carrboro Branch Library Auto Logic Reservoir Carolina Cleaners

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UPS Store WHITE CROSS AREA Harry's Market Fiesta Grill White Cross BP

Vhite Cross Shell

CHAPEL HILL

DOWNTOWN Caribou Coffee/downtown Visitors Center Jiffv Lube Sandwhich/The Courtyard West Franklin town racks

(near Chapel Hill Cleaners) Internationalist Books Franklin Hotel łam's Restaurant

East Franklin town racks (near Subway) Courthouse Alley town North Columbia St. town racks (at bus stop)

UNC Campus UNC Student Union Bullshead Bookshop Davis Library / UNC UNC Family Medicine Carolina Inn

EAST Chapel Hill Post Office/ Estes Drive Caribou Coffee/ Franklin at Estes

Harris Teeter / University University Mall / Kerr Drugs

Owen's 501 Diner Bruegger's Bagels/ Eastgate Chapel Hill Public Library Food Lion/Ram's Plaza

NORTH Hunan Chinese Restaurant Chapel Hill Senior Center Southern Human Services **Carol Woods** Bagels on the Hill Eubanks Rd. Park & Ride That Coffee Place

Margaret's Cantina Aquatic Center Chapel Hill Mini Mart **SOUTH** N.C. Botanical Garden

15-501 South Park & Ride

Cup a Joe

Bean & Barrel/ Governor's Village Carolina Meadows/Café

MEADOWMONT AREA UNC Wellness Center Brixx Pizza Cafe Carolina The Cedars Young Simpson Underwood Friday Center Park & Ride

Amanté Pizza - Falconbridge La Vita Dolce Park & Ride bus stop

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Galloway Ridge

earrington House Inn

Weaver Street Market Maple View Farms

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Orange County Public Library Cup a Joe / outside box Daniel Boone Shopping Sportsplex Durham Tech/student **UNC Family Medicine**

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Community

Community Briefs

Film features local score

Sustainable Cinema, ChathamArts' 100-Mile Film Series, continues with Rocaterrania, Greensboro filmmaker Brett Ingram's award-winning documentary about the secret world created by prolific visionary artist Renaldo Kuhler, 76, a longtime illustrator at the N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences. The film shows Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Fearrington Village Barn and a g&a with the filmmaker follows.

For six decades, Kuhler has painstakingly portrayed the inhabitants and cultural history of Rocatterania, an imaginary nation he first created to cope with his unbearable loneliness as an alienated teen living with German immigrant parents in remote Colorado.

Ingram's film features an original score by Merge Records recording artists Shark Quest (Sara Bell, Laird Dixon, Chris Eubank, Chuck Johnson and Groves Willer), which won the Best Original Music in a Documentary award at the 2009 RiverRun International Film Festival in Winston-Salem.

Vote for the Farmers' Market

The Carrboro Farmers' Market is currently ranked number two in the country in the Love Your Farmers Market contest sponsored by Local Harvest. If they win, they receive \$5,000.

To vote, go to the Carrboro Farmers' Market website at carrborofarmersmarket.com and fill out the voting form on the homepage.

New bus service to Rogers Road

Chapel Hill Transit's HS bus route will be modified beginning on Aug. 24 to provide service to Rogers Road and Morris Grove Elementary School.

The expanded route will provide continuous service from 6:15 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Homestead Village stops will move to Seawell School Road and High School Road. EZ Rider and Feeder Service will continue to be available to residents in the Homestead

For complete information about the route and schedule changes, please contact a CHT customer service representative at chtransit@townofchapelhill.org or 969-4900.

Traffic changes on Hwy. 54

Motorists should be aware of changes to the traffic signal on NC Hwy. 54 (Raleigh Road) at Hamilton Road. The changes include a flashing yellow arrow for left turns on N.C. 54 to notify left-turning motorists that they must yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians before turning.

The flashing yellow arrow traffic signals consist of four arrow lights that are used exclusively for left-turning traffic. The arrow traffic signals are separate from the traffic signals containing circular lights for through traffic.

A solid red arrow means stop. A solid yellow arrows means stop if it is safe to do so. A flashing yellow arrow means turns are permitted, but you must first yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians must proceed with caution. A solid green arrow means turn left; oncoming traffic must stop.

Community Calendar

Contra Dance — The Carolina Song and Dance Association will

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

present a Contra Dance at the Carrboro Century Center. Newcomers workshop at 7:30pm, dancing at 8pm. Carry a pair of clean, soft-soled, smooth-soled shoes to wear at the dance. \$8 donation is requested. 967-9948 or www.csda-dance.org

Animal benefit — Tres Chicas. Luego and Gambling the Muse will perform at a benefit at Cat's Cradle for the Goathouse Refuge. The refuge, run by local artist Siglinda Scarpa and a dedicated group of volunteers, provides food, shelter and medical care for nearly 250 abandoned cats. 8pm, \$10

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Community Collection Day — Needed items include old computers, non-perishable food, school supplies, books, purses, paper products, cleaning supplies, diapers and more. Donations benefits more than a dozen local agencies. Sponsored by the United Way of Alamance County, the Times-News and Burlington Outlet Village. For a complete needs list visit www.

to 4pm at Burlington Outlet Village. **MONDAY, AUGUST 24**

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Borges at 110 — Celebrate the 110th birthday of Argentine writer, poet, professor, and librarian Jorge Luis Borges with the University Library and the UNC Department of Comparative Literature. The program will include tributes to Borges, along with a reading of Borges's short story, The Library of Babel, in 10 languages and much more. Free at the Pleasants Family Assembly Room, Wilson Special Collections Library. Call 962-1143 or visit www. lib.unc.edu/spotlight/2009/borges. html for more.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

Film Screening — ChathamArts' 100 Mile Film Series presents Brett Ingram's Rocaterrania. Admission is \$5 and \$3 for students at The Fearrington Barn at 7:30pm. chathamarts.org for more information.

Environmental Issues — Gary L. Saunders, Special Projects Engineer with the North Carolina Division of Air Quality Technical Services Section, will speak about environmental issues in Orange County at the Orange County Democratic Women's monthly general meeting. 7:30 to 9pm in the OWASA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

Community Room, on the lower floor of the Administration Building, 400 Jones Ferry Road. 942-0045 or I_foxworth_2000@yahoo.com for more information.

Ongoing



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

Compassionate Friends — Free self-help support for all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm, Evergreen United Methodist Church. 967-3221, chapelhilltcf.org

DivorceCare — Support group for those separated or divorced. Mondays, 7pm, Orange United Methodist Church. 942-2825, connect2orange.org

Garden Tour — Free tour of the N.C. Botanical Garden's display gardens. Saturdays, 10am, in front of the Totten Center at the garden. 962-0522, ncbg.unc.edu

Garden Walk — Discussions on fall planting, garden maintenance, design, and gardening for wildlife with bird and butterfly plants. Saturdays at 10am at Niche Gardens, 1111 Dawson Rd, Chapel Hill NC. Call for directions, 967-0078. nichega dens.com

Job Search Meeting — A networking and support group for job hunters. Wednesdays, 9:30-11am, Binkley Baptist Church, 1712 Willow Drive. 942-4964



Open-Mike Poetry — Tuesdays except first Tuesday, 7-9pm, Looking Glass Cafe & Boutique, 601 W. Main St. 636-5809

Kids

Toddler Time — Thursdays, 4pm, Carrboro Branch Library. 969-3006 Preschool Story Time — Saturdays, 10:30am, Carrboro Branch Library. 969-3006

Express Yourself! — Art program for ages 3-8 and their caregivers. Saturdays, 10:45-11:15am, 11:30am-noon, Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E. Franklin St. \$2. 933-1455, kidzuchildrensmuseum.org

Garden Story Time — Children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers are invited to come read themebased nature tales and participate in activities in the garden. Thursdays through Aug. 27, 10-11am, N.C. Botanical Garden. \$5 per family. Preregister 962-0522, ncbg.unc.edu

Coaches needed — Coaching applications are now being accepted for the positions of JV women's basketball coach and assistant field hockey coach at Carrboro High School. Please contact Athletic Director April Ross for additional information. She can be reached at aross@chccs.kI2. nc.us or 918-2200, ext. 25023.

Volunteers **RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program**

RSVPindex.asp

Seeks volunteers at least 55 years of age and older who would like assistance in finding an opportunity that matches their interests. 968-2056, co.orange.nc.us/aging/

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

Orange County Literacy

— Seeks volunteers to help with adult literacy, basic math and English language tutoring, creative writing workshops at local homeless shelters and family literacy workshops. New tutor training workshops every month. Skills Development Center,





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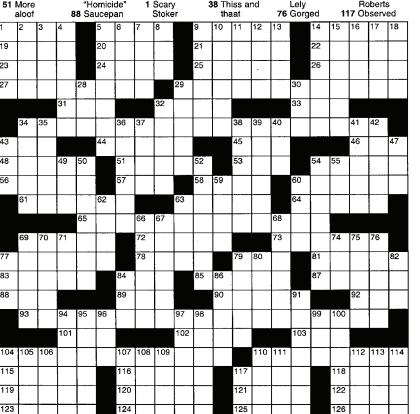
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by Linda Thistle

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PETS OF THE WEEK

PAWS4EVER - Meet **Rodney!**

He's a 6-month old German Shepherd/ bulldog mix. This young puppy already has some great leash manners. loves dogs and, like all puppies, loves to play! Rodney is a very



happy, shy boy who requires a little time to come out of his shell. Due to abandonment at an early age, we believe he has trust issues, therefore taking him a while to warm up. He is always friendly, never aggressive, enjoys playing, but also has a fear of dominance. He is just slightly unsure of the world around him. Rodney would benefit greatly from socialization and the free training classes offered with adoption. He would do great with other dogs and possibly cats. Has an extra dew claw on both feet ... silly and unique!. Please come by the shelter and take a look, at Paws4Ever, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at paws4ever.org

ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Meet

Cheshire! This handsome fellow is around 5 months old and waiting patiently for some lucky family to come by and scoop him up! He's a very mellow kitten who is curious about the world, but not overly demanding or assertive. He is social, but prefers to observe his surroundings before bothering to move from a cozy corner or comfy bed. This makes him a wonderful model, and will also make him a perfect addition to almost any home! Visit him at Orange County's Animal Services Center, 1601 Eubanks Road, Chapel Hill or call 942-PETS (7387). You can also see him online at co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption





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What's at Market?



Check out what's at the Carrboro Year-Round Farmers' Market . . .

FIGS, pears, butternut squash, concord grapes, apples, peaches, eggplant, shiitake mushrooms, melons, corn, heirloom and various varieties of tomatoes, basil, beans, tomatillos, okra, blueberries, bell peppers, zucchini, cucumbers, summer squash, new potatoes, kohlrabi, lettuce, onions, flour, garlic, cabbage, collards, fresh herbs, kale, arugula, sweet potatoes, pecans, herb and vegetable starters, flowers such as zinnias, sunflowers, lilies, and gladiolas, meats like goat, beef, pork, lamb, chicken, buffalo, and various specialty meats like liverwurst, bologna, hotdogs, etc, cow's and goat's milk cheeses, eggs, breads, doughnuts, tortes, pies, cakes, jams, and relishes.

FIG AND GRAPE SALAD Serves 2-4

From Kelly Clark, Carrboro & Southern Village

Farmers' Market Staff

This is a beautiful salad, and the blend of flavors brings out the best in the figs. Try the special crostini recipe that follows; it's a great compliment to the salad.

INGREDIENTS:

8-9 ripe figs, washed and dried carefully, halved if their small, quartered if they are large

I cup red or green seedless grapes, washed and dried,

halved lengthwise 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

I teaspoon orange zest, chopped fine

2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar Salt and freshly ground pepper

1/4 cup chopped pecans, lightly toasted

Bibb lettuce, washed and dried and torn into bite pieces

PROCEDURE:

Arrange the lettuce on individual salad plates, sprinkle lightly with olive oil. Right before serving, put the figs and grapes in a small bowl, add the remaining olive oil, a pinch of salt and a few grinds of pepper, and toss lightly. Divide the fruit among the plates, placing it in the center of the salad leaves. Dust with orange zest, and drizzle the fruit and lettuce with balsamic vinegar. Sprinkle the nuts over the top. Serve with crostini on the side.

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How well did you know Carrboro?

First off, our apologies to those of you who were going through last week's paper looking for the answers to our Carrboro quiz. We got so many responses and, due to a couple of typos in the version in MILL, we thought we'd give y'all another week to finish up.

Now that the pencils are down, we can say that the quiz reminded us that there are still quite a few folks who know the ins and outs and history of the place.

And we thought it was pretty tough. Our grand prize winner, Groves Willer, not only got all the answers right, but he got his response in first. He also managed to correct all our typos.

So congrats to Groves. He'll be getting a Carrboro Citizen mug and T-shirt and tickets for two to a show at The ArtsCenter. Other contestants turning in winning entries will be getting T-shirts as well. Thanks to everyone for showing us how much you know and love

Following are the answers.

- 1. Hilliard Caldwell was the alderman who said that merging Chapel Hill and Carrboro would be all right "as long as we call it Carrboro."
- 2. The portraits of Bernice, A.B. and Miles Fitch are on display in the office of Fitch Lumber Company (and
- 3. Uncle Tony Strayhorn was married to Aunt Nellie. 4. Cliff's last name is Collins.
- 5. The late Grady Sturdivant was The Friendly Barber. 6. UNC President Venable taught chemistry.
- 7. The Carrboro Civic Club is located on Bim Street (our typo threw a few of you off, but we didn't take any points off for this question).
- 8. The Alberta was a hosiery mill.
- 9. Both Mr. Willer and Settle Womble caught that Carr Mill Mall was actually in Building Number 4, which we did not list as a possibility. Hats off to them.
- 10. "General" Julian Carr was a private during the war. 11. The name of the hardware store at South Greensboro and Roberson Place was Andrews-Riggsbee.
- 12. In 1985, the future editor of this newspaper bought a Schwinn bicycle at Western Auto. (It was red, had big tires and was a really nice ride.)
- 13. In the song *Freight Train*, Elizabeth Cotten implores the listener not to let anyone know what train she
- 14. The most well-known resident of a Hogan farm (in this case, Chris Hogan's Magnolia View Farm) is

Bonus Question: The late John Mason was The Furniture Doctor.

SLUDGE

FROM PAGE I

Chris Harlan, chair of the board of health, said there was not enough money allocated to do the proposed research on the sludge application and an education forum would be a better use for the funds and might help "get everyone on the same page" so that the county can move forward and design and fund a better research program to answer questions about sludge and public health.

But several opponents of the applica-tion of sludge said they wanted to see the county move ahead with some kind of testing to see what's in the sludge being applied to more than 3,000 acres in Orange County.

Opponents of sludge application say they are concerned about the long-term effects of pharmaceuticals and anti-bacterial elements found in sludge.

Dr. Pam Groben, a UNC pathologist who lives in Bingham Township, said there is not enough scientific research on the health effects. She said she was not against the idea of a forum, but that the emphasis should be on gathering information.

"What we need is data," she said.

Myra Dotson said she is alarmed at the extent of sludge application in Orange County, which receives sludge from wastewater treatment plants in OWASA, Burlington, Cary and Durham.

"Orange County has 20 million gallons [of sludge] sprayed on its precious farmlands each year," Dotson told the commissioners. "We don't know what is in it."

She noted that industrial sludge from Burlington is sprayed in a concentration of fields just northwest of University

The commissioners voted 6-1 not to pursue the forum and instead to set up a work session to address the sludge issue using a memorandum drafted this spring by the county's Commission for the Environment to help identify some of the concerns. Commissioner Steve Yuhasz was the lone dissenter, saying that he agreed that a study could not be funded

and that the public was interested in hearing more about the issue.

One concern raised by the Commission for the Environment was how the state's permitting process makes it hard for the county to regulate sludge application. At least two sludge-application fields are within key parts of the watershed for both University Lake and Cane

Commissioner Barry Jacobs said he would like to see the county pursue enabling legislation to allow it to better regulate the practice.

Commissioner Mike Nelson agreed and asked that the county's legal staff offer some guidance as to how legislation would be worded and further regulation might be possible.

Bradshaw Quarry

The board heard from several citizens concerned about the imminent closing of the Bradshaw Quarry Solid Waste Convenience Center.

County officials decided to close the center, which gets the least traffic of the county's convenience centers, to save costs and shift personnel to other facili-

But residents who regularly use the center say it would cost them time and money to have to drive to the next nearest center.

The board asked representatives of the solid waste services department to look at other options, such as a temporary closure, and urged seeking "creative suggestions."

County buildings for sale

The board also agreed to put several properties it owns up for sale, approving a plan to seek bids on four properties. An appraisal set the prices for the four buildings as follows;

- Clerk of Court Annex, 112 N. Churton Street, \$450,000;
- Graham Building, 118 N. Churton Street, \$130,000;
- Homestead Road Community Center, \$275,000; and
- N.C. Hwy. 49 Old ABC Store, Cedar Grove, \$5,000.

OBITUARIES

Holly Jean Hougom

Mrs. Holly Jean Hougom Jones, 46, 101 Old Bridge Lane, Chapel Hill, died Friday, August 14, 2009. Mrs. Jones was born in Torrence, California. She attended the Hillsborough schools and graduated from Orange High School. She earned a degree from Wake Tech in x-ray technology and was employed at UNC Hospitals. In 1998, she married Kenneth (Ken) Jones.

Surviving are her husband, Ken Jones; her son, Adam Reed Jones of Chapel Hill; daughter, Hannah Katherine Jones of Chapel Hill; one step-son, Taylor Warren Jones of Chapel Hill; her parents, Rachel and John Hougom of Hurdle Mills; two sisters, Christie Reeves and husband, Kenneth, of Mt. Holly, and Sonja Tilley and husband, Wesley, of Hurdle Mills; two brothers, John Randall Hougom of Hurdle Mills and Larry Hougom of Hurdle Mills; and her maternal grandmother, Mabel Hasting of Alabama.

Jennie June Stoffolano Toscano

Mrs. Jennie June Stoffolano

Toscano, 79, of Chapel Hill, died Sunday, August 16, 2009 at the DuBose Health Center. Mrs. Toscano was a native of

Fulton County, New York, and was a retired public school teacher. She was of the Catholic faith.

Surviving are her husband, John Phillip Toscano, and a son, John Joseph Toscano.

John Lewis Beck Jr.

Mr. John Lewis Beck Jr., 77, 415 Mitchell Street, died Sunday, August 16, 2009.

He was a decorated Korean War veteran with the Navy and served on the aircraft carrier USS Rendova from 1950-54. He was a member of the Hillsborough Exchange Club for many years and was a Boy Scout leader. Mr. Beck was a member of First Baptist Church for 42 years, where he was a deacon, a Sunday school teacher, a member of the choir and taught the Royal Ambassadors. He will be remembered as a great loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Surviving are his wife, Sue Apple Beck; two sons, Paul Lewis Beck of Hillsborough and John Kevin Beck of Durham; one daughter, Pamela Beck Schaub of Hillsborough; eight grandchildren, Patricia Harris Heiderscheit, William Dale Harris, Patrick Todd Harris, Collin Lewis Beck, Stephanie Nicole Harris, Megan Sue Schaub, Danielle Lynne Schaub and Jackson Henry Beck; five great grandchildren, Gabriel Thomas Heiderscheit, Layney Morgan Harris, Margaret Ann Heiderscheit, Ava Caroline Heiderscheit and William Grey Harris; and one brother, David Lane Beck of Charlotte.

Antonio Marimpietri

There will be a memorial service for Antonio Marimpietri at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 14 at the Newman Center, 218 Pittsboro St, Chapel Hill, NC.

Anthony Kerrigan

Anthony (Tony) Kerrigan, 81, of Fearrington Village, N.C. passed away on August 6th after a long struggle with emphysema.

Tony, the son of Arthur and Edith Kerrigan, grew up in Katonah, N.Y. and was educated at Phillips Andover Academy and Yale University, '50. He was proud to have served in the United States Marine Corps and saw combat in Korea. Later, he joined Merrill Lynch, where he worked in sales and then as a floor broker on the American and New York Stock exchanges. Sensing the beginning of a seismic shift in the moral compass of Wall Street, Tony opted for early retirement. As a trustee of the Darrow School, he was instrumental in building alumni participation in school affairs and the success of its endowment fund.

Tony, a voracious reader, was happiest when delving into volumes of history, politics, religion and everything else that piqued his interest. Always eager to share his books, he dubbed his book shelves "Kerrigan's Lending Library." He also was an avid gardener and greatly enjoyed cheering on his sons' efforts on the soccer and lacrosse fields when they were young. He is survived by his wife,

Mary, of Fearrington Village; sons Geoffrey and Timothy, both of Portland, Ore.; and his beloved dog and friend, Willow.

Buford Hall

Buford Hall, age 88, died August 2nd, 2009 at the Du-Bose Center at the Cedars of Chapel Hill.

He was born in Georgetown, Kentucky on November 19, 1920, the son of the late Buford and Lora Forwood Hall. Buford was a graduate of Woodberry Forest School, the University of Kentucky and Harvard Medical School and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Esteemed by both colleagues and patients, Buford was a devoted, respected and published physician and teacher of cardiology with a long-standing practice in Hinsdale, Illinois.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Margaret (Peg); his three children, Richard, Lora (Chris) and Michael; three granddaughters; and his brother Marion. Buford was predeceased by his other brother, Joseph Hall.

His cremains will be buried in the Hall family lot in the Georgetown, Ky. cemetery. There are no services sched-

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Alzheimer's Association of Eastern N.C., 400 Oberlin Road, Suite 220, Raleigh, NC 27605.

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Our nation is the home of the world's premier medical research and development enterprise and its most advanced medical technology. The Research Triangle is at the forefront of much of this work — to cure cancer, treat chronic diseases and train world-class health care providers. But our best efforts to prevent disease and improve treatment are not translating into more affordable and accessible health care. Today, tens of millions of Americans go without basic health insurance, and even those who do have insurance face rising costs and cannot be certain that their current coverage will meet their future needs.

Since the uninsured drive up costs for everyone, our country is paying a steep price for our failure to address this crisis: an estimated \$100 billion every year. That translates into an average annual surcharge of \$1,017 that each insured family is currently paying to subsidize the care of the uninsured. These costs will only increase as the number of uninsured Americans continues to grow. North Carolina fares even worse than the national average, with 17.2 percent of our state's population going without health insurance.

And costs generated by our large uninsured population are only one example of our unsustainable status quo. We spend nearly 50 percent more per person on health care than any other country, with far worse outcomes than all other developed nations. Inefficiencies in the system will cost us as much as \$248 billion in lost productivity this year alone. Costs of employersponsored insurance plans are projected to increase by 84 percent in the next seven years, meaning most American households would spend nearly half of their annual income on health insurance. Twenty percent of employers are expected to stop offering health benefits in the next three to five years due to rising costs. And as individuals lose their coverage and are added to strained government programs, spending on Medicare and Medi icaid will double over the next decade and our federal government will go broke.

We must change our current course before it worsens for families, businesses, the federal budget and our national economy. Although taking action will not be easy, we simply cannot afford the cost of inaction. Our challenge is to fix what's broken without breaking what's already working well.

Congress is working diligently to complete health care reform legislation, and there is a good deal of debate about how to structure reform. Some want a single-payer system and some believe we should let the marketplace work on its own. I believe stability for American families is essential, and that means coverage that cannot be taken away, costs that will not threaten family finances or put insurance out of reach and quality care that lets people choose their own doctors. As legislation is developed, I believe it must adhere to the following principles:

Choice:

Families and individuals deserve choice. If you like your current plan, you should be able to keep it. If you are not insured or want to change your current plan, you ought to have access to a health care exchange that offers a menu of affordable, quality health care options: either private insurance plans or the fallback of a publicly administered health insurance plan. A publicly administered plan will not come between patients and their doctors as many private insurance companies do now by denying coverage and it will help keep rates low, so fewer have to rely on the fallback option. The American people should have similar choices to what is available for all federal employees, including members of Congress.

Accessibility:

Americans must have access to portable, secure health care plans and should no longer have to worry about losing coverage for themselves and their families if their employer drops their plan or they lose their job. Insurance companies should no longer be able to deny Americans coverage based on pre-existing medical conditions, age, race or gender.

Fiscal responsibility:

Any health care reform bill must be fiscally responsible in both the short and long terms. I am committed to making this bill budget-neutral.

We must pass health care reform that invests in our nation's future by providing families with high-quality care, giving businesses access to affordable plans for their employees and reining in government spending. I will read and analyze the bill and propose modifications to the bill carefully and will continue to participate actively in discussions shaping efforts to reform our broken health care system. I welcome your comments as this process moves forward.

David Price represents the Fourth U.S. Congressional District. He lives in Chapel Hill.

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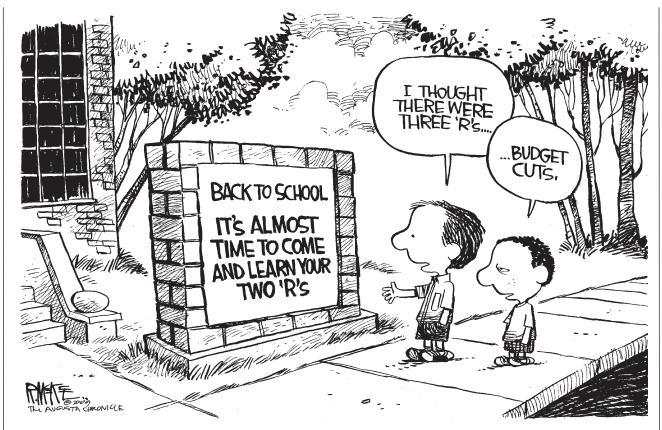
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Schools will do more with less

NEIL PEDERSEN

Although the goals and major strategies of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools will remain the same this school year, the environment in which we will educate children will be different. The district will be coping with reduced funding along with a number of other significant changes.

Due to a change in the eligibility date for entering kindergarten students, kindergarten membership will drop off this year. This will translate into a very modest net increase in total student enrollment across the district. In addition, the General Assembly is allocating

fewer teachers to school districts due to a shortage of revenues.

Consequently, will welcome only a few new teachers to our district, and we will have approximately the same number of students, but in fewer classrooms. No new schools will open this year and plans for moving forward with the construction of our next elementary school in the Northside neigh-

borhood are on hold. Unless we see many students transferring from private to public schools due to the economy, this will be one year when overcrowding does not demand our attention.

The downside is that many classes may be approximately two students larger, on the average, this year in grades 4-12. Although that may not sound like a significant increase, teachers and students will be impacted. For grades four and five for example, classes will average 28 students with a maximum of 31.



"We will focus on improving the quality of the instruction that occurs everyday in our classrooms and supporting teachers in the sharing of their expertise with colleagues."

> Most middle school core teachers will teach five instead of four sections, thereby leaving less time for planning, preparation, meetings and parent conferences. Course offerings are being reduced in our middle and high schools because we

Other reductions will be noticeable. Approximately \$650,000 is being cut from our central office budget, and the state may be cutting even more. This results in fewer administrative personnel and resources to allocate to schools. Professional development will be scaled back dramatically.

Another casualty of the recession is the elimination of salary increases for staff members. In addition, state bonuses, which have been a part of North Carolina's student accountability plan, will not be distributed to teachers in schools that met the standards last year.

Despite these reductions in resources, our expectations for enhancing the educational attainment of our students remain high. Federal standards for student achievement

> will continue to be raised. Our district's strategic plan will continue to be implemented, which includes annual benchmarks for increasing student achievement. Disparities continue to exist among student populations, and we are committed to all of our students achieving rigorous academic standards.

This year will not be characterized by new

programs and increased services for our students. Instead, we will focus on improving the quality of the instruction that occurs every day in our classrooms and supporting teachers in the sharing of their expertise with colleagues. There will be no backing off of the standards and expectations for which we hold ourselves accountable. We must do more with less.

Neil Pedersen is superintendent of Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools.

no longer have a sufficient allocation to staff low-enrollment classes. Some elementary music and art teachers will teach more sections, and world language instruction will not be offered to kindergarteners.

This is about more than health care

CHRIS FITZSIMON

It's not hard to figure out that much of the anger and rage on display at the town hall meetings on health care has little to do with the particulars of President Obama's health care reform proposals.

The signs bearing racist caricatures of African-Americans; references to Hitler, abortion and gun rights; and the demeaning images of immigrants are disturbing evidence of that.

The anger erupting into hysteria that seems to have caught people off guard is not that surprising considered in the context of the anti-government hate and paranoia created by the well-funded groups on the right and the fringe elements they enable.

When President Ronald Reagan declared in 1981 that "government is not the solution to our problems, government is the problem," it wasn't a particularly new sentiment. Reagan was just giving voice to the message pounded home by the right since long before Barry Goldwater's heyday in 1964.

The sentiment was then and remains today not just that government is the problem, but that government is the enemy. Any proposal that involves a role for the public sector prompts the talk of a communist takeover or Nazi Germany, phrases that also appear on signs at the current town halls.

A prominent right-wing Raleigh think-tanker often describes taxes as the government confiscating your

metaphor by describing it as government "holding a gun to your head." It's government waging a violent war

If that is your starting point, then any government program, investment or safety regulation is a threat to your life, a gun to your head. Former House Majority Leader Dick Armey said recently that Medicare is tyranny.

But that's where the right's master plan breaks down, at least for now. Polls show the vast majority of Medicare recipients give it high marks, a far higher percentage of people than those with private insurance who like their plans.

Medicare is not a gun to a senior's head; it is a way for them to see a doctor and get the medicine they need.

The right-wing infrastructure of think tanks, talk radio, extremist websites and shock troops work every day to undermine public confidence in government programs, but they haven't yet been able to fundamentally shake support for Medicare and public education.

The gun-to-your-head think-tanker wrote Monday that early-childhood programs, including Smart Start and More at Four in the state and Head Start on the federal level, do little if any good and ought to be abolished, maybe replaced with a tax credit, the right's solution for every problem.

He cites a study or two and twists the conclusions of a couple more in his

money by force, and completes the call to dismantle programs that help at-risk kids. There is a wide range of studies that prove the programs help kids get ready for school and make it more likely they will do well.

> And do we really need studies to know that it is better to make sure a child knows his or her colors and maybe the basics of reading before he walks into a classroom for the first

While the eruption of rage at the town halls may not be surprising, taken in the context of the right's decades-long rampage against government, answering it with a show of support for progressive health care reform

It's just not about health care. It's about child care, safety regulations, environmental protections, virtually everything government does to ensure a basic quality of life for people in America.

There's still a long way to go in many areas, but we are making progress. Allowing the hysteria of the wellorchestrated campaigns of fear and distortion to derail health care reform sets it all back and plays into the hands of the folks who want us to think that government is always a force for evil holding a gun to our heads, not a force for good making possible our pursuit of happiness.

This is far too big a battle to lose.

Chris Fitzsimon is executive director of NC Policy Watch.

The majority want health care reform

BARLOW HERGET

To quote that old Republican Ronald Reagan, There they go again."

I'm talking about the varied interests that are opposed to national health care reform. They know this is a critical time in the legislative process. The House Energy and Commerce Committee has adopted a plan and adjourned for summer recess. The Senate has also recessed, but has made real progress as well.

While the legislators are home listening to their constituents, we will see millions of dollars in advertising, pages of op-ed columns and letters to the editor, protests and tweets all trying to scare the public about changing the current system. The general theme is to convince Congress to wait a minute, slow down, don't do anything rash. This is all too expensive.

That's the opposition's moderate approach. In the case of partisan Republicans opposed to President Obama in general, they claim: defeat health care and you cripple Mr. Obama. No matter the tone, the objective is to kill health care reform.

These opponents have no alternative, no compromise, no deal-maker. They simply don't want to fix the system that a majority of Americans believe is broken.

That majority elected Mr. Obama last November to change the system. Yes, middle-class families who have insurance may be satisfied with their current coverage, but they worry their private insurers will drop them or limit their coverage.

The Great Recession leaves more and more such people every day without medical insurance, and in North Carolina, like the nation, medical bills are the single biggest reason now

for bankruptcy. Mr. Obama reminded people in Raleigh last week that the opponents' solution – to do nothing - will mean private medical insurance costs will continue to rise and the quality of medical care for all will decline. Remember, too, that our current system is the most expensive per capita in the world and our citizens health ranked 37th — even worse than Saudi Arabia's!

Congressmen and senators and voters should take the long view. History shows that major social legislation such as Social Security, Medicare, civil rights didn't end the world. They have changed our country for the better for the great majority of Americans.

Most free-market nations that are like the United States have national health care plans. They have economies as strong as ours. They have not fallen into the oceans.

And neither will this country if it fixes the current, inefficient, highoverhead system. That's the message voters should give their legislators these next four weeks.

Barlow Herget is a host and commentator at State Government Radio.

BIZ BEAT

Recession hits local economy

loan from the Town of Car-

rboro's revolving loan fund.

Earlier this year, Schlatter ap-

plied for and won a six-year, 3

percent loan for \$70,000 from

the town. (The Citizen received

a \$50,000 loan from the fund

Milian is hoping to find

"However, if I find another

The business was struggling,

qualified buyers to purchase the

type of tenant before that, then

the stuff will be packed up and

according to Schlatter's loan application: "With recent and

intense competition and with

a customer base that is still

growing, but that is spending

less (decreased revenue), we are

forced to look to programs and

outreach for sources of income.

To do so, we need additional

funds. We have been denied

loans at Wells Fargo, Self-Help

Credit Union, Fidelity Bank

designed in part to help local

businesses that cannot raise

get back the money it loaned

Schlatter is uncertain at this

said James Harris, the town's

economic development direc-

Fed: The end is near

capital through other means.

The revolving loan fund is

Whether the town will

'We have to wait and see,"

Last week, economists with

the U.S. Federal Reserve indi-

cated that the economy was sta-

bilizing, potentially signaling an end to the recession. Eco-

nomic data "suggests that eco-

nomic activity is leveling out,"

officials wrote in a statement is-

Market Committee remained

committed to keeping interest

rates low for the time being.

It voted unanimously to keep

the inter-bank interest rate in

the historically low 0.0 to 0.25

percent range. This is the differ-

ence between the rate at which

banks borrow money and the

What does that mean to

"Low-risk borrowers should

have reasonable borrowing

costs so long as the Fed keeps

rates low, but the rest of us will

find financing less available

than before the crisis for some

time," explains Ed Van Wesep,

assistant professor of finance at

UNC's Kenan-Flagler Business

continue purchasing mortgage-

backed securities directly ben-

efit many of us," Van Wesep

notes. "[It] makes it much easier

and cheaper to get a conform-

ing mortgage. This allows sell-

ers to sell houses more quickly,

buyers to buy more efficiently

and cheaply, and will hopefully

stem the tide of foreclosures to

The Fed also decided to

"The purchases of mortgage-

School.

backed securities.

some degree."

rate at which they lend it.

Even so, the Federal Open

sued Wednesday.

in the same cycle).

stored," he said.

and Wachovia."

items from the lenders.



MARGOT C. LESTER

The greater Carrboro metroplex has felt the recession's pinch less than other areas of the state and nation. But we're not totally immune. Just swing through Carrboro's two major shopping centers: Carr Mill Mall and Carrboro Plaza. The empty spaces are evidence of the recession's reach.

Laundry washes out

At Carrboro Plaza, the Stock Building Supply store has been shuttered since mid-May. The sign on the door says the closure is "due to economic conditions." Stock closed several stores throughout the South as part of its reorganization under Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Ferguson, the plumbing supply house, continues to occupy part of the space.

"It's a bit unclear right now as to what's going to happen with the showroom," says Terrill Wipper, who handles leasing for Carrboro Plaza. "Ferguson's has indicated they'd like to take a portion of that space, but we haven't reached an agreement. There's also some new-tenant interest in the 3,800-squarefoot Stock space."

Elsewhere at Carrboro Plaza, a 1,200-square-foot space is available between Curves and the Carrboro Community Pharmacy. The 4,800-squarefoot former Super Suds space also is on the market. The laundry closed last month after its lease expired.

"We've been working on a couple deals for that space for a totally different use," Wipper said.

Bead store unstrung

Over at Carr Mill, the Original Ornament closed earlier this month. According to a sign posted by property manager Nathan Milian, the store is closed "indefinitely," after 11 years at the location, and the space is available for lease. Store owner Casey Schlatter was unavailable for comment.

"Ms. Schlatter gave up," Milian says. "She turned in her keys and indicated she was filing bankruptcy, although we have not been notified as such. Apparently, one of her lenders called her line of credit and she couldn't pay it off and that was the straw that broke the camel's back. Beyond that, I do not know anything else.

Fixtures and inventory remain in the store because they were put up as collateral for a

PROJECTS

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If they can't, Milian said, "I don't think it's necessarily their fault. The issue is the lending climate is awful for residential, and its even worse for condominiums."

Milian said he sought an extension of the Alberta permit to give more time for credit markets to loosen and build presales.

He said he's watching how sales at two Chapel Hill projects East 54 and Greenbridge — go. If those projects, begun before the downturn, sell well, it would give lenders greater confidence about the local market.

"We are at the mercy of the financial institutions who lend money," Milian said, "and if Greenbridge looks like they are getting close, if their buyers are able to secure mortgages and close on those residential units there, then that might give some comfort to the lenders who are doing that project, and to other users, that urban-type condominiums are places that they can lend to."
Main Street Prop-

erties partner Laura Van Sant said she is starting to see some signs that lenders are gaining confidence. Van Sant said she expects work to start on the first phase of the 300 East Main project early next

"We're feeling pretty good about it," she said, with financing coming together that would allow for the demolition of the old Performance Bicycle building and houses behind it, the construction of a 150-room hotel and the first phase of the project's multi-story parking deck.



PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

The developers of 300 East Main Street say they expect construction to start early next.

Van Sant said after all the ef- an informal skate park. forts that went into the project, it was a difficult but necessary decision to wait out the storm before going forward.

"We wanted to make sure the economy was not falling off 11 retails spots, with a central

The five-story condo, retail and office project has been on the market for about a year. The plans calls for 18 condominiums, 11 office spaces and

that he once intended to renovate and rent out.

'We've demoed it, we're waiting for reconstruction," he said, "basically it's a useless building right now."

He's also been fighting with the county tax office on the tax value

> of the property. "That's the problem with this economy. I'm a perfect example," Mathews said. "My realtor said I might be able to get \$500,000 for it, so I'm selling for that. But no one really knows if it's worth that. It's

not an income-bearing piece of property, and they said, 'But derstand. How can you tax me

Main Street Properties partner Laura Van Sant said she is starting to see some signs that lenders are gaining confidence. Van Sant said she expects work to start on the

first phase of the 300 East Main project early next year.

to be wrapped up by 2011.

Some developers don't seem to be moving forward at all. These days, the only thing happening at the already-approved site for downtown's Roberson Square is

a cliff," she said. Plans now call courtyard and 65 parking spacfor the first phase of the project es. The property is listed at \$1.9 million.

> Outside of downtown, other Carrboro projects are on hold

> Bud Mathews said he'd like to sell his building on N.C. 54

you have it for sale, so we are going to go ahead and tax you on your sale price.' But I don't unon something that hasn't been sold yet?"

Biz Briefs

Calling all Carrboro

businesses Town of Carrboro will publish its Community Resource and Visitors Guide in the fall. To help support the local economy, the business listing in this year's guide will include home-based businesses. Businesses started in the last 12 months or not included in last year's listing are invited to provide information. Please submit the following information: in-

dustry/business type, business name, address, phone number and URL. To update listings from last year's directory, visit ci.carrboro.nc.us/ecd/pdfs/carrboroguide.pdf and then submit corrected information. All data should be sent to Robert Dickson at publisher@carrborocitizen.com by Aug. 30.

Housing numbers

It's not all bad news on the housing front. Zillow.com, the online housing data site, named Fayetteville the best-performing housing market in the U.S., charting a 13.4 percent annual increase in its Zillow Home Value Index to \$120,600 in

Here at home, Carrboro also fared well over the last 12 months, recording a 4 percent increase for an index value of \$237,600. Chapel Hill and Hillsborough, however, reported decreases in home values of 1 and 2 percent, respectively.

More detailed data is available at zillow.com/local-info.

Adam & Eve 2nd quarter

Apparently, sex doesn't always sell. Hillsborough-based Adam & Eve posted mixed results for the second quarter, with sales down 4 percent at mid-year. Year-to-date profits, however, are up 22 percent. That's been driven primarily by reductions in print/catalog production and better efficiencies from web and email marketing.

'We have also increased profits through more efficient search engine marketing and growth in our affiliate program," according to Chad Davis, marketing director, in a

The 40-year-old company has more than 10 million satisfied customers, making it the largest adult superstore in the nation.

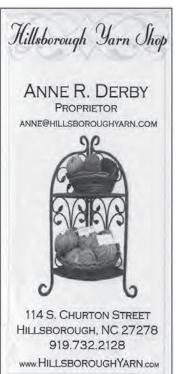
TSI Healthcare inks deal

Chapel Hill-based TSI Healthcare announced a partnership with RealMed Corporation to deliver RealMed EDI Revenue Management Services to TSI clients. Indianapolis-based RealMed will provide services including online ECS claims filing, editing and "scrubbing," ERA (Electronic Remittance Advice) and integrated OEV (Online Eligibility Verification). For its part, TSI Healthcare will introduce an estimated 500 providers to RealMed services within a year.

Create-a-Mall

Chapel Hill-based Merscom and New York-based companies Lifetime Digital and Roiworld.com released Create-A-Mall, a downloadable game that allows players to be challenged to become top-flight mall developers in six different cities throughout the world. It's the first game that allows players to use the money they've earned to buy jewelry, clothing or office decorations. Create-A-Mall is available for the manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$19.99, but will be offered at a special promotion rate of \$9.99 on both Roiworld.com and myLifetime.com.







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THU 8/27 — Ham & Cheese Sub on Wheat Bun; Chicken Tetrazzini w/Wheat Roll; Fun on the Run; Lettuce & Tomato Salad; Sweet Potatoes w/Apples; Seasoned Lima Beans; Chilled Pears

HIGH SCHOOL

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WED 8/26 — Chicken Patty w/Cheese; Sandwich on Wheat Bun; Baked Potato w/Chili and Cheese and Wheat Roll; Traditional Mixed Vegetable; Chilled Pineapple Tidbits; Chocolate Pudding

THU 8/27 — Barbecued Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Cheese Quesadilla w/Salsa; Vegetarian Baked Beans; Collard Greens; Grapes

Teachers shop

BETH MECHUM Staff Writer

More than 400 teachers in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro system who teach grades 6-12 got a little extra cash in helping them prepare their classrooms this year. The teachers received \$75 vouchers to shop at a three-day teacher supply store set up at the American Legion Hut in Chapel Hill with school supplies from Staples. "This is unexpectedly cool," Ormand Moore said. "We've been conditioned to expect lean times, and there is a pretty big bounty here." Moore seemed especially excited about the high-tech gad-

gets on sale as he held a prized jump drive in his hand. He spoke of how the teachers must keep up with the new types of media, and how expensive that can be. There also was a big display of hand sanitizer, which is expected to be more readily available in classrooms due to H1N1 virus scares in the county. Don Reinfurt of the East Chapel Hill Rotary Club said teachers showed up even before the 2 p.m. start time, clamoring for the school supplies. "You could just see the smiles on the teachers' faces," Reinfurt said. "They came up and told me thank you, but it's small compared to what they do."



School Briefs

CHCCS increases **lunch** prices

As a result of rising food and fuel costs, meal prices will increase this year in district cafeterias. Price increases do not affect those students who receive free and reduced-price meal benefits.

Breakfast prices increase by 10 cents. Students previously paid \$1.10 for breakfast. They will pay \$1.20. Adults previously paid \$1.55 for breakfast. They will pay \$1.65.

Lunch prices increase by 15 cents. Elementary students previously paid \$2.60 for lunch. They will pay \$2.75. Secondary students previously paid \$2.85 for lunch. They will pay \$3.00. Adults previously paid \$3.45. They will pay \$3.60.

Poetry Out Loud: national contest

All North Carolina high school teachers and students are invited to become a part of Poetry Out Loud, a national poetry recitation competition for high school students sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Poetry Foundation and the North Carolina Arts Council.

The contest occurs first at the classroom level, with recitation champions advancing to school, district, state and national levels. In 2009, Poetry Out Loud awarded more than \$100,000 in prizes to students and schools at the state and national levels. Visit nearts. org/poetryoutloud to view the selection of poems, along with additional information about the project. The registration deadline is Sept. 18 at 5 p.m.

Parent volunteers wanted

Parents interested in volunteering in their child's school or another local school an hour or two each week during the school day should visit chees. k12.nc.us.

Positions include a school reading partner, ESL volunteer, writing coach or general classroom volunteer helping in any grade level with math, science, social studies, home economics, physical education, special needs, art, music, language arts or foreign language. There are specific requests from teachers listed in the volunteer office in Lincoln Center. For more information, call 967-8211 x28281 or email volunteer@ chccs.k12.nc.us

Training for specific programs that require it is available in September.



PHOTO BY AVA BARLOW

Lavanya Rao received a \$300 scholarship from the Carrboro Civic Club in recognition of her volunteer efforts and actions to improve the community at large and the lives of others. Rao is a graduate of Carrboro High School and will attend North Carolina State University this fall. Some of her volunteer efforts included working in an orphanage in India and helping with the freshman transition program at her high school. She also worked with the Carrboro Design Team and volunteered after school at Scroggs Elementary School.

District completes summer renovations

For the last two summers, comply with health require-CHCCS has constructed new schools. The opening of these new facilities dominated backto-school news.

With community and economic growth slowing, the focus in the Facilities and Maintenance Department shifted to smaller infrastructure improvements at some of

the district's older buildings. The roof of Carrboro Elementary's Multipurpose Building was replaced, as well as the roof of the Lawler Building on the campus of Seawell Elementary. A severely deteriorated exterior staircase at Seawall was also replaced for safety reasons. Estes Hills Elementary School's kitchen floor was replaced after significant repairs were made to the plumbing system to repair leaking floor drains and to

ments.

District-wide, smaller projects such as painting, floor tile/carpet replacements, and gym floor refinishing also were completed.

Staff who work in the district's Lincoln Center Central Office were displaced from June to August as a new roof and windows were installed. These repairs were needed to replace the antiquated roof and window systems that leaked severely and were not energy-efficient.

The three roofing and window projects cost \$858,545 and were included in the district's Capital Investment Plan. These funds are allocated separately from the district's operating budget and target the maintenance of district facilities.



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woven wire

mesh?

Valeria Prudencio, left, and Araceli Bonilla, both teachers' aides at Carrboro Elementary School, move furniture in their classroom to get it ready for the upcoming school year.



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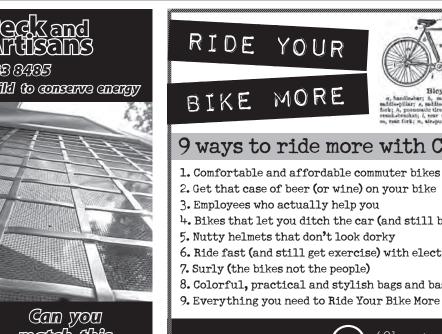
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KICKOFF

FROM PAGE

Coach Jason Tudryn said the chemistry of the team is ahead of where it was last year, something that comes from a team growing up together. The Jaguars already showed their maturity last year by taking home the Mid-State 2-A sportsmanship team award.

Last year's record: 1-10 Who's here: Returning at quarterback is Derek Bryant, who Coach Tudryn said had an especially good offseason in preparation. Elected team captain Christian Lopez will need to play big at lineman, as well as making an impact in the locker room.

Who's gone: No one meant more to a team last year than Mid-State 2-A Lineman of the Year Brandon Hunter did to Carrboro. The departure of Hunter, All-Conference honoree David Brooks and Cardin Jones will make for some big holes in the lineup.

Expectations: The Jaguars will really miss Hunter. This year should be another learning experience for the team, but the 2010 season is where the hard work should really start to pay off.

Chapel Hill High School

Chapel Hill High School will be faced with a new challenge this year, as it's been moved to the 3-A Carolina 6 Conference. The Tigers previously played in the 4-A PAC-6.

And that's not the only challenge being presented this season. Winston Washington is a first-year starting quarterback — and if that's not daunting enough, he'll also play on the other side of the ball as a cornerback.

That's a lot of responsibility, though Washington hasn't seemed to notice, thus far professing total confidence. He'll have to prove himself as a leader this year to make sure this 2009 season is about who's on the field and not the 22 seniors who are gone from last year's team.

Last year's record: 8-4

Who's here: If the Tigers are going to see success this season, Washington will have to make a big impact, and that will mean connecting with returning wide receiver Kyle Duffy multiple times a game.

Who's gone: Superstar athlete John Haus has moved on to play lacrosse at the University of Maryland, taking his experienced arm and game-management skills at quarterback with him. The intimidating presence

of defensive giant Jared McAdoo will be missing (though he'll still be in the area as a member of the UNC football team). Lineman Robert Crisp transferred to Raleigh Athens Drive and running back Stephen Moore graduated.

Expectations: It's a relatively young team, but expect them to still stay strong with experienced Head Coach Issac Marsh at the helm. Last year's team played with the death of Atlas Fraley on their minds, so a fresh start in a new conference should serve them well.

East Chapel Hill

East Chapel Hill Coach Darian Harris said he expects this year's football team to improve on last season, when the team failed to win a game. But Harris said victories aren't his measure of the team.

"My main thing is the kids getting better, learning the game of football and improving from week to week," he said.

Harris said the team has a fun energy, and he's hoping the relationships they've made off the field will make for great chemistry on it.

The Wildcats are a young team with mostly sophomores and juniors getting playing time, so Harris is expecting some bumps and bruises along the way, but expects mistakes to be cured by



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Freshman Douglas Parrish (29) and senior DeMarcus Powell (12) take a water break at a Monday morning football practice at Carrboro High School. Temperatures on practice days have reached over 100 degrees, so the team practices in the early morning.

the third or fourth week.

breakout year.

Last year's record: 0-11 Who's here: The Wildcats have one of the best kicking teams in the state with punter Ethan Keyserling and kicker Thomas Moore. Receiver Aquez Willis also is expected to have a **Who's gone:** Omar Mc-Fadden wore a number of hats on last year's team and was probably the Wildcats' best player.

Expectations: With a young team, the Wildcats could surprise a few conference rivals, but look for their overall inexperience to continue to show in

the loss column.

All local teams begin their regular seasons on Friday. Carrboro will be hosting St. Paul's High School at 7 p.m. Chapel Hill will be at South Granville at 7 p.m. And East Chapel Hill plays at Northwood at 7:30 p.m.

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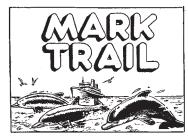
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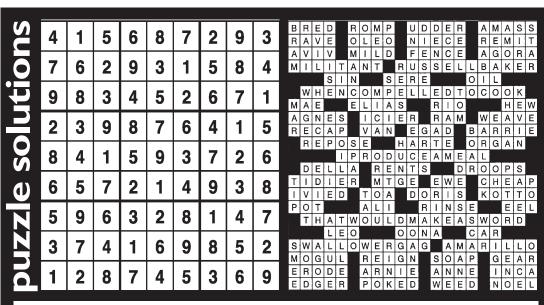




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— Dick Cheney, on President Obama's plan to close Guantanamo Bay

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FLORA

FROM PAGE I

Eupatoriums is a big genus in the composite (aster) family. Remember from past Flora columns that the composite family is a huge assemblage of plants characterized by a few to hundreds of little flowers tightly compressed into a flowering head.

A typical composite is the Black-eyed Susan with a compact head of tiny tube (disc) flowers, surrounded by a ring of showy ray flowers. Other composites, like dandelions, are tight clusters of only ray flowers and still others, like the Eupatoriums, are a broad, usually roundedflat top arrangement of hundreds of clusters of only tiny disc flowers. It takes a really close look to zero in on the individual disc flowers. Those threadlike structures extending from the tops of the flowers are the ripe stigmas of the female flower part, the pistil, reaching to grab some pollen from unsuspecting pollinators scrambling around on the flower heads.

At least two dozen species of *Eupatoriums*, generally called thoroughworts, are flowering in fields and along roadsides these last weeks of sum-

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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE It takes a really close look to detect the tiny disc flowers of boneset.

mer. The easiest of the white-flowering ones to identify is the boneset, because of those perfoliate leaves! Boneset commonly grows in ditches and wet meadows

throughout the state.

Tall stemmed Joe-Pye weed, with showy purple, dome-shape flower heads seen in roadside ditches these days, is also a *Eupatorium*. The botany types among you may be happy to know that Joe-Pye weed has recently been reclassified to *Eupatoriadelphus*. Tuck

that melodious name away for the next time you want to impress your friends.

Regardless what name you select, boneset, like Joe-Pye weed, is a beautiful garden plant, but few gardeners consider boneset for their perennial border or wild garden. They should; those white flower heads are beautiful and those perfoliate leaves, wrapping around the stems, are an engaging accent throughout the growing season.



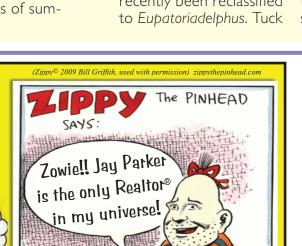
Old school, new school

he expression has been around for a long time, but lately you hear younger folks using the term more frequently. As it's used nowadays, "old school" calls up the original, pure and essential way of doing something — sort of retro, but with R.E.S.P.E.C.T. Like when I bring a film camera to class and some kid remarks, "Whoa, that's old school." That seems to be the spirit captured in this battered but beloved hand-painted Ford pickup parked outside the new Union Independent School in Durham during construction earlier this summer. One of the construction workers is clearly proud of his "roots ride."



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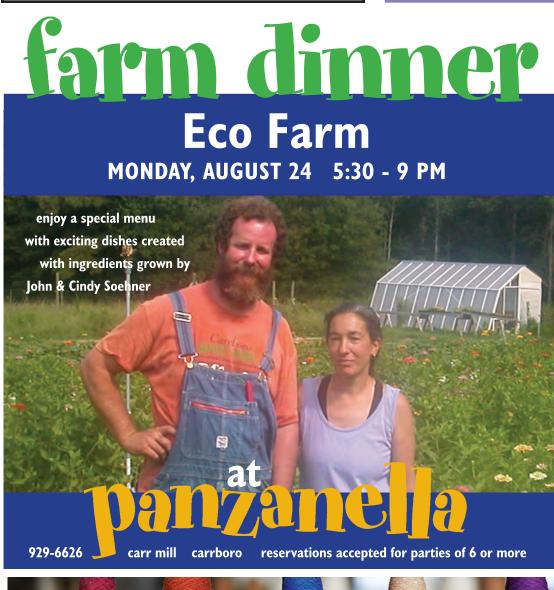


Tractor pull revs it up

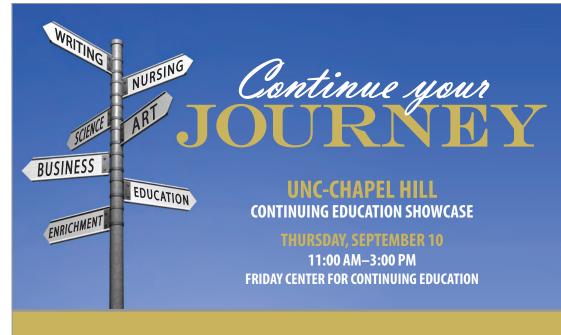
If you were anywhere near White Cross in the early evening last Friday or Saturday, you may have heard the roar of souped up John Deere's, Farmalls and Olivers. That's because last weekend marked the 13th Annual White Cross Tractor Pull. The event raises funds for White Cross Recreation, a group that maintains a gymnasium, playground and ball field for the community.

At left, Nick Pohlman, 6 years old, of Chapel Hill, holds the flag for the National Anthem at the start of events on Saturday night.

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