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BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

ike the poplar leaves starting to pile as the drought yellows and drops them to the ground, people are starting to pile around town.

First the university students arrived, piling their stuff into their living spaces and their young selves out onto streets. About 35 students learned that first weekend that drinking on a Chapel Hill street or while underage pi.les up misdemeanors on their record.

This week, people piled up around schools all over the place. The line forms on the bypass outside of St. Thomas More School around 2:40, with cars backed up to the overpass before the bell rings, letting the children loose.

In the afternoons around the high schools they are piling out — out of the buildings, into the parking lots and onto the streets in cars filled with kids ready to burst at the seams from holding everything in all day.

Along Smith Level Road, the kids are piling onto the rural road to walk home from Carrboro High School on a sidewalk that doesn't go far; they complete the trip home on steep grassy areas along the

Wherever you go any time of day, there are more people and cars. Even in the neighborhoods, the children seem to have popped out of nowhere. Where were they all summer? The teenagers messing around on a motor scooter across the street right now — where have they been? They didn't sleep the whole darn summer away did they?

As the daily patterns change, so does the light. We can see that slant of the sun in the sky by day, and lack of sun when we rise. We know that evenings will now hold more meetings, more work, more of the stuff that fuels and feeds the growth of our communities and ourselves.

But where's the energy and drive for adults that returned to our kids when this seasonal change brought new books, pencils and faces?

Maybe we simply need the season to change in a way that means we can wear a black shirt outside without melting; that we can stop searching radar maps for an isolated downpour over our house and garden; that our Southern slice no longer looks parched and singed.

There's a psychological season found with the beginning of school, when fear grips many a belly with the anxiety of everything that's new — the schedule, the teachers, the school building — it's there for parents as well as children. But for the adults, we also feel some other tug, a whisper really, of "Labor Day, Labor Day, Labor Day," because we

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Board looks at housing, downtown development

By Kirk Ross Staff Writer

In their first meeting back after the summer break, members of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen picked up where they left off, reviewing another large downtown project and considering the best means of adding the town's stock of affordable housing.

Tuesday night at Town Hall, the board, all sporting recently acquired Carrboro Jaguars T-shirt, opted to

continue deliberation on the proposed Alberta project — a four-story residential and retail building on the corner of Roberson Street and Sweet Bay Place. The project by Carr Mill Invest-

ment Limited Partnership totals 46,340 square feet, with 6,772 square feet of retail on the ground floor, 23 residential units and 69 parking spaces. Of the residential units, there will be three one-bedroom units, 17 two-bedroom units and three threebedroom units.

While the project has received favorable reviews as it's made its way through the town advisory board process, residents in the area, especially those along nearby Carr Street and Maple Avenue, are worried about the construction phase and the longterm impacts of it and other multistory downtown projects.

"We already have big traffic nightmares in Carrboro," Maple Avenue resident Mitch Virchick said in an interview Wednesday. "As walkable as Carrboro is and as walkable as [the board] wants Carrboro to be, cars are a fact of life."

Virchick said that with several large projects planned for downtown, the hundreds of new residents will add to an already serious congestion problem.

"Downtown Carrboro's already a bottleneck," he said. Virchick said he'd like to see the town revisit opening a connection to the Roberson Place neighborhood through the

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School bells ring

By Susan Dickson Staff Writer

Despite enrollment being somewhat higher than projected, the first day of school across the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools district went unusually well as more than 11,000 students headed back to class, school officials

"So far, everything's running relatively smoothly," said Steve Scroggs, assistant superintendent for support services with Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools. "We're knocking on wood right now."

The district's enrollment was 11,581 on Monday – 236 more than district officials had projected. However, enrollment fluctuates as schools determine which students are actually attending class, and district officials expect the numbers to decrease slightly.

Still, the difference between projections and enrollment is considerable, and school officials may need to find additional resources.



PHOTO BY JOCK LAUTERER

There were plenty of officials and dignitaries on hand, but school board chair Jamezetta Bedford got the honors at the ribbon-cutting ceremony at Carrboro High School last Thursday. More photos from the festivities are on page 4.

that much," said Stephanie Knott, assistant superintendent for community rela-

If numbers remain 100 or more above projections at the end of the second month

tional funding from the state, Scroggs said.

The district saw the widest disparity between projections and enrollment at the high school level, he said.

"High school growth has of school, the district will taken off," said Scroggs, add-'It's unusual to see it off be eligible to apply for addining that the number of stucciancity, and the first day of

dents enrolled in the district's high schools is 140 more than previously anticipated.

Carrboro High School has 627 enrolled students, while school officials had projected 561. But because the school is brand new, it's far from

classes there was a success, despite some issues in the parking lot.

Parents dropping their kids off were confused by the school's traffic pattern,

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Really, really insured, the market continues

By Taylor Sisk Staff Writer

Resolution has been found. The Really Really Free Market will resume operations at the Carrboro Town Commons this Saturday, at 2:30 p.m., as previously arranged, and will be allowed to distribute food, thanks to an agreement that a local nonprofit will provide insurance coverage.

'We're happy that we can help," said Jillian Johnson, co-director of Students United for a Responsible Global Environment (SURGE) Network, the Durham-based organization that has stepped up to provide the insurance so that Really Really Free Market participants can continue to distribute food to attendees.

The sharing of food at the Free Market without insurance became an issue at last month's gathering when town officials - including Town Manager Steve Stewart, Chief of Police Carolyn Hutchinson men – were on hand as a uniformed police officer shot video footage of food being passed about. Stewart said at the time that participants had been adequately warned about distributing food without insurance: "We went to extra efforts to advise them of the rules."

Board of Alderman Alex Zaffron wrote in an email to his colleagues on the board and to town staff: "These folks have been given every opportunity to meet us halfway ... I suggest we take immediate corrective action, if required."

Alderman Dan Coleman has since been in conversation with several members involved in the market, who, Coleman said, "didn't want to be in a position of conflict with the town over this issue." Coleman said he told these individuals that the most straight-forward approach would be to find an entity that would sponsor the market and provide the insurance.

Enter SURGE. Founded on the UNC campus

and at least two members of the Board of Alder- in 1998, SURGE is a nonprofit network of groups at high schools, colleges and universities that engages in resource development toward progressive political change in North Carolina. SURGE administers a fellowship program that helps student activists work in their own communities.

"We're happy that we have the capacity to provide the coverage," Johnson said. She said she's confident there will be no issues with the food distribution. "People have been distributing food at the market since its inception and there's been no problem."

No problems in terms of food-safety issues – but the situation was unquestionably in danger of turning to confrontation at this month's market, inasmuch as some participants had said they would continue to bring food for distribution.

The Board of Aldermen had a closed session scheduled on their Tuesday night agenda at which

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Appreciating sumac from Carolina to Maine

FLORA By Ken Moore

I was not looking forward to the long drive to visit cousins in New England, but the tediousness and hazards of highway travels can be pleasantly calmed by viewing roadside vegetation along the way. Like any wild botanist, I'm most content when identifying plants at 60-plus miles per hour. That's why my wife prefers to drive. That's fine with me, and she remains much calmer.

Along the way we enjoyed many patches of sumac. In some states, mowing crews had left the patches; sadly, in others, similar patches had been mowed or killed by herbicide application.

It was like the sumac at our Carrboro mailbox followed us all the way to the edge of our cousin's island cottage deck. The smooth-stemmed Smooth Sumac, Rhus glabra, grows throughout the Eastern states and overlaps with its hairy-stemmed bigger cousin, Staghorn Sumac, Rhus typhina, in the Northern states and our Carolina mountains. Sumac patches add dramatic landscape effect along roadsides through all the seasons. Green foliage layers during spring

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Maine Island deck-level Sumac.

THE MILL

WCOM radio host Tom Arnel says he's set up a series of "musical debates" with candidates for Carrboro Mayor and Board of



Aldermen. Arnel's 5-6 p.m. Saturday slot called "The

Placeholder Show" will features the candidates spinning discs and, perhaps in some cases, just plain spinning. That's 103.5 on your FM dial. Here's the lineup: Sept. 1: Katrina Ryan & Chuck Morton Sept. 15: Joal Hall Broun &

Sharon Cook Sept. 22: Dan Coleman & Mark Chilton Sept. 29: Lydia Lavelle & Frank Abernathy Oct. 13: Brian Voyce



Speaking of radio, WCHL is going all out in broadcasting local high school football games. At Chapel Hill High's opener, 'CHL's Johnny Jones even took to the stands with a wireless mic to interview a proud Tiger parent midgame.



Following the moves of other local music clubs, Local 506 is experimenting with new smoking rules intended to keep tobacco clouds from the main event room. Smoking is still allowed up front in the bar area. Owner Glenn Boothe has been polling patrons about making the ban complete.



Katrina Ryan, who is running for the Board of Aldermen, has opened a gelato store called Sugarland in the former Julian's space in the 100 block of Franklin Street in Chapel Hill.



Tall man, short answer. The answer to the recently asked question, "Hey, wasn't that tall fellow who just walked by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar?," is yes. We have it on good authority that the all-time scoring leader of the National Basketball Association (38,387 points), recently spent some time in our fair town. And that's all we'll say about that.



Hat tips to OrangePolitics. org, alt.music.chapel-hill, anonymous basketball fan, Ron Stutts and Johnny Jones.

This Week - August 31, 2007 - September 6 **Friday** Saturday

Cat's Cradle hosts a benefit weekend for the **Piedmont** Wildlife Center.

Shows Friday, Saturday and Sunday, \$10 all weekend, or \$5 each night.



Sunday

The Cinematics, **Carina Round** and **Hammer** No More The Fingers play Local 506. Show starts at 9 p.m. and admission is ten of your American dollars.





Monday It's a new

month, so The ArtsCenter has new exhibits. Check out the ArtsCenter Faculty Show, running until October 15.



Tuesday

Poetry open-mic at the Open Eye Cafe. Coffee + Rhymes.

Wednesday

The Kosala Mahayana Buddhist **Center** offers a meditation class. Starts at 7 p.m. Free enlightenment!



Music Calendar



Thursday

Five bands at Cradle: Reach for the Skye, Mountain Goats, Bellafea, The Moaners and Hope & **Anchor**. Doors at 8:30 p.m. \$10 admission.

Arts Calendar

Tim

Stambaugh

and the

Redneck

Explosion

play The Cave

around 10. Free

bluegrass!

Carrboro

Brushes with Life - Art, artists & mental illness. Through Sept 9. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, artscenterlive.org

In Memoriam: A Life in Art Works by Ramell Moore. Through Sept. 9. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, artscenterlive.org

Background Music for Birds -Mixed media paintings by Renee Seaman Treml. Sept 1-30. NC Crafts Gallery, 212 W Main St, Carrboro, Mon-Sat 10am-6 pm, Sun I-4pm. 942-4048, nccraftsgallery.com

Turned Wood Bowls - By Steve Noggle. Sept 1-30. NC Crafts Gallery, 212 W Main St, Carrboro. 942-4048, nccraftsgallery.

The Art of Open Studio - Paintings by 12 artists from the Carrboro ArtsCenter Open Studio painting group. Through Oct 1. Carrboro Century Center, 100 N Greensboro St, Carrboro, 918-7385.

Chapel Hill

2nd Friday Art Walk Preview - One-week preview of works from the Chapel Hill/Carrboro 2nd Friday Art Walk galleries. 1st Fridays thru 2nd Fridays. 410 Lobby & Gallery of Southern Village, 410 Market St, Cha-

Gallery Talk - Thu, Sept 6, 6:30-7:30pm. Tyndall Galleries, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. 942-2290, tyndallgalleries.com

Faces - Small exhibition of paintings, collages, photographs & prints. Through Sept 9. Free. Ackland Art Museum, 101 S Columbia St. UNC Campus. Chapel Hill. Wed-Sat 10am-5pm (2nd Fridays til 9pm), Sun I-5pm. Office 966-5736, recorded info 843-1611, ackland.

Practicing Practicing Contemporaries: Studio Art Faculty at UNC-CH - Works in sculpture, photography, prints, drawings, designs & other media by UNC studio art program faculty. Through Sept 9. Free. Ackland Art Museum, UNC Campus, Chapel Hill. ackland.org

Play More - Works by Michael Sanderson. Through Sept 9. Benjamin Vineyards & Winery,

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6516 Whitney Rd, Saxapahaw (Chapel Hill). Thu-Sun noon-5pm. 336-376-1080, 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, sizlgal-

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, animationandfineart.

Skyscrapers - Mini-exhibition presenting a variety of interpretations of this modern icon. Through Sept 14. Free. Ackland Art Museum, UNC Campus, Chapel Hill. ackland.org

Mixed Media by Lyde Zavaleta -Through Sept 16. Horace Williams House, 610 E Rosemary St, Chapel Hill. Tue-Fri 10am-4pm, Sun I-4pm. 942-7818, chapelhillpreservation.com

Lilly Oncology on Canvas: Expressions of a Cancer Journey -Traveling exhibit of art created by people affected by cancer. Sept 6-20. NC Children's Hospital, 101 Manning Dr, Chapel

Light Seeks Its Own Path - Paintings by Elizabeth Cate Pringle. Through Sept 29. Tyndall Galleries, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun by appt. 942-2290, tyndallgalleries.com

New Works by Roberta Marasca & Steve Cote - Sept 1-30. Creative Metalsmiths, 117 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Mon-Fri Ham-6pm, Sat Hoam-5pm, Sun noon-5pm. 967-2037, creativemetalsmiths.com

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

Of Field, Forest & Fancy Works by The Guild of Natural Science Illustrators Carolinas Chapter. Through Sept 30. Free. Chapel Hill Museum, 523 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Wed-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 1-4pm. 967-1400, chapelhillmuseum.org

Oil Paintings by Cynthia & Richard Lucas - Through Oct 25. Margaret's Cantina, I 129 Weaver Dairy Rd, Chapel Hill. 942-4745, margaretscantina.com

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 Iam-6pm & by appt. 933-6999, dirtroadgallery.net

Hillsborough

Works by Melissa York & Ellie Reinhold — Paintings & clay sculptures. Aug 30-Sept 2. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts, Mon-Sat 10am-5pm. 732-5001, HillsboroughGallery.com

Cooperative gallery created & owned by local artists - Featuring original paintings, photography, clay, sculpture, fabric, wood, glass, jewelry & other traditional & contemporary fine arts & crafts. Ongoing. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts, 121-D N Churton St, Hillsborough. Mon-Sat 10am-5pm. 732-5001, HillsboroughGallery.com

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, soveroart.com

Pittsboro

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

Chatham Artists Guild - 2-D works by 16 juried guild artists. Through Sept 30. Carolina Brewery, I20 Lowes Dr, Pittsboro. 545-2330, www.carolinabrewery.com. For more info, visit chathamstudiotour.com.



"Fearrington Rooftops", by Rita Baldwin. Works by Baldwin and other members of the Chatham Artists Guild will be on display through Sept. 30 at the Carolina Brewery in Pittsboro.

Hip-hop act Dirty5Thirty will perform at Cat's Cradle Friday.

THURSDAY AUGUST 30

Blue Horn Lounge: Blue Marble Beat. 9pm

Cat's Cradle: The War, Baumer, David Spencer. 8:30pm. \$10 The Cave: Early: Functry. Late: Transistor Sun, The T's.

Local 506: Chris Pureka, Judith Avers. 9pm. \$10 Weaver Street Market: Contrazz.

FRIDAY AUGUST 31

Blue Horn Lounge: Millhouse.

Cat's Cradle: Shakermaker, Butterflies, The Strugglers, Dirty5Thirty.

The Cave: Early: The Fidgets. Late:

Tim Stambaugh & The Redneck Local 506: Kill Tim's Grass, mör-

glbl. 9pm. \$12 Open Eye Café: Russel Howard.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER I

<u>Cat's Cradle</u>: Embarassing Fruits, Big Fat Gap, Hobex, Transportation, Fin Fang Foom. 7:30pm. \$5 The Cave: Early: Pete Waggoner. Late: Sleepsound, By'r Lady. Local 506: Weedeater, Caltrop,

The Curtains of Night, 10pm, \$8

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 2

<u>Cat's Cradle</u>: Ships, Drowsies, Red Collar, Boxbomb, Never, Roman Candle, 4pm, \$5

Local 506: The Cinematics, Carina Round, Hammer No More The Fingers. 9pm. \$10

Weaver Street Market: The Donnybrook Lads, 11am

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 3

Love Craft, 9pm, \$8

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 4

Local 506: Tiger City, Stylofone

Blue Horn Lounge: Tokyo Rosenthal. 9pm

The Cave: Late: John Saylor. Local 506: Au Revoir Simone, Oh No! Oh My!, Violet Vector & The Lovely Lovelies. 9pm. \$10

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 5

Cat's Cradle: Midlake, Dawn Landes. 8:30pm. \$12 The Cave: Late: Proclivities, TBA. Local 506: Neil Hamburger

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 6

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Cat's Cradle: Reach for the Skye, Mountain Goats, Bellafea The Moaners, Hope & Anchor The Cave: Early: Dan Montgom-

ery. Late: \$10 The Jack Show. Local 506: Jason Isbell & The 400

Hundred Unit, Sons of Roswell 10pm. \$5

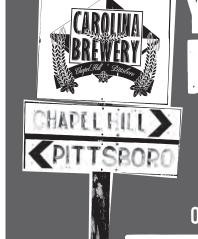
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Cat's Cradle: Del The Funky Homosapien. Saturday, October 13 8:30pm. \$20, \$18 advance Cat's Cradle: Peter Bjorn & John Clientele. Tuesday, September 11 8pm. \$26, \$23 advance Local 506: Dirty5Thirty, Nathan Oliver, Sleepsound.. Friday, September 21.10pm Local 506: Sweater Weather. Kapow! Music. Friday September 7

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News Briefs

Ballentine subdivision approved

The Carrboro Board of Aldermen unanimously approved the Ballentine subdivision — a 96-unit project off Old N.C. 86 near the new Twin Creeks Park.

The plan for the subdivision, which is being built by M/I Homes, includes 62 single-family homes and 34 townhomes. Seventeen of the townhomes would be set aside as affordable units under an arrangement between the developer and the Orange County Land Trust.

The approval at Tuesday night's Board of Aldermen meeting came after the board heard concerns about how an access road to the site, which will be shared with the park, will affect traffic on Old 86.

New county construction website

Ongoing county construction project updates are now available at a new county website.

County residents can view information regarding the status of county construction projects at www.co.orange.nc.us/con-

The website provides pictures, information and updates for county construction projects.

County appoints new HR director

Orange County Manager Laura Blackmon has appointed Michael McGinnis as the county human resources director.

McGinnis comes to the Orange County Personnel Department from the City of Durham, where he served as human resources manager. He has lived in Orange County since 1991

McGinnis has a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University, a master's degree from UNC-Greensboro and 25 years of human resources experience. He holds professional certifications including Senior Human Resources Professional and Certified Human Resources Professional from the International Personnel Management Association.

McGinnis will begin work September 17.

County commissioners agenda

The Board of County Commissioners will meet for a work session tonight at 7:30 at the Southern Human Services Center on Homestead Road. Here's the agenda:

- Update on Legislative/General Assembly Actions
- Proposed 2008-18 Capital Investment Plan and 2008-09 Budget Timeline
- County Capital Funding Policy and 2008-18 Capital Plan

OWASA Water Advisory

The Orange Water and Sewer Authority has declared a water supply advisory for its customers.

The advisory does not formally impose water use restrictions but indicates that restrictions may become necessary if water supply conditions don't improve.

OWASA already has year-round water use restrictions, which remain in effect during a water supply advisory unless they are replaced by additional limitations during a water short-

For more information, visit www.owasa.org.

Domestic violence forum

The Human Services Advisory Commission will sponsor a forum on domestic violence on September 12 from 8 a.m. to 2

The theme for the 18th annual HSAC forum is "Domestic Violence Hurts the Whole Community." Last year's forum, which was focused on the aging population, raised more than \$1,000 for Senior Care of Orange County.

To register for the forum, contact Corinthia Barber at cbarber@co.orange.nc.us or 245-2301 by September 7. The registration fee is \$25 and covers materials, continental breakfast, boxed lunch and snacks.

The forum will be held at the Chapel Hill Bible Church on Erwin Road.

Belafonte to speak at UNC

Hollywood legend Harry Belafonte – an award-winning singer, actor, producer and humanitarian - will discuss "The Importance of the Arts in America" Sept. 24 at 7 p.m. at the university.

The free public lecture, presented by the college and Carolina Performing Arts, will be in Memorial Hall. Free tickets are required and are available now at the hall box office on Cameron Avenue, or by calling 843-3333.

During a career spanning four decades, Belafonte recorded 40 albums and appeared in 28 films and more than a dozen television shows. He's made headlines for his human rights activism, became close friends with Martin Luther King Jr. and Nelson Mandela and raised funds globally for the civil-rights movement and the fight against South African apartheid.

Water Report - August 29, 2007

University Lake	-69.25" below full -66.50" below full 68.2% of capacity			
Cane Creek				
Total Availability Supply				
PRECIPITATION THIS MONTH				
PRECIPITATION THIS MONTH				

Jones Ferry Rd. Treatment Plant	0.92″			
Cane Creek Reservoir	0.37"			
Normal rainfall for Aug.	4.70"			
CUSTOMER WATER DEMAND				

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Source: OWASA

County looks at planning update

Watchdogs emphasize sustainability, economic development in long-term plan

By Susan Dickson Staff Writer

The Board of County Commissioners on Monday took their first official look at a draft of the county comprehensive plan update, which will guide Orange County through 2030.

The commissioners heard public input on the plan update - which includes goals and a draft of the county profile - and returned the plan to the planning board for further revision. The comprehensive plan has not been updated since 1981.

In fall 2006, the commissioners approved the process for the plan update, which will occur in two phases. County boards are working on Phase I, focusing on the development of the plan goals and the county profile, which will provide statistical information about the county.

According to planning staff, the plan will guide future legal and policy decisions, as well as growth and development within the unincorporated areas of the county. In addition, the plan will serve as the statutory basis for the county's landuse regulations and zoning districts.

Commissioners emphasized the need for clear, consistent language throughout the plan update, but commended the comprehensive-plan staff for their work

"This is really an impressive plan of work and effort," Commissioner Barry Several residents expressed concern

about sustainability within the county and

stressed the importance of sustainable elements in the plan.

Carrboro resident Marty Mandell said that while the plan already includes goals focused on sustainability, it should define 'just what sustainability means."

"Sustainability should be the main goal for the new comprehensive plan," she added. "More and more people are realizing that sustainability is at the heart of

"In order to protect the basic needs of human beings, we have to understand the balances of our world. What we do affects each other."

James Carnahan, a resident of Carrboro and a member of the board of the Village Project — a group that advocates for ecologically sound and equitable development practices — said the goals should be reflected in all elements of the plan, with a focus on sustainability as the county grows and changes.

The plan covers eight main elements, including county profile, economic development, housing, land use, natural and cultural systems, recreation and parks, services and community facilities and transportation.

"It's really important, I think, to talk about the outcomes of growth and development," Carnahan said. "I think it's important that the language reflect that."

Ben Lloyd, a resident of the Efland area and a former county commissioner, said that while the county had created several economic development plans over the years, little development has occurred in certain areas.

Economic development would create new jobs and a larger tax base, he added, saying that Orange County has increased property taxes for the past 19 years in a row, with a 524 percent increase over the past 24 years.

"That's all we can stand, folks," Lloyd told the board. "What do you intend to

While several county boards and organizations are participating in the plan update process, other local organizations have vowed to keep a close watch on the plan as the update is completed.

The Comprehensive Plan Coalition was formed by a group of local organizations. According to the coalition, the groups will meet to discuss the differing interests of the groups and develop com-

Represented organizations include the Community Action Network, the Village Project, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service, the Homebuilders Association of Durham, Orange and Chatham counties and Walkable Hillsbor-

The planning board will revise the plan and return it to the board of commissioners for review on September 19. Phase II of the comprehensive plan update will begin in October and focus on the plan's elements, other than the county profile, as well as the plan's objectives.

According to county staff, the plan update will be completed by August 2008.

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town-owned Rand Road as part of an effort to expand connectivity to downtown.

Even though he's concerned about the impact, Virchick said he's not opposed to the Alberta project.

At the board meeting Tuesday, Martha Arnold, also of Maple Avenue, asked the town to maintain the screening along the edge of the property. The plants that make up the screen, she said, are beginning to die off. She also asked that the town think carefully about the proper mix of retail and residential when it comes to downtown properties. "I sure would like to see mixed use mean more than one to eight commercial to residential," Arnold said.

The board is scheduled to take up the Alberta project again at its meeting next, Tuesday at Town Hall. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

One item the board will have to decide before the project can move forward is how to deal with affordable housing. Town rules require that four units in the project meet affordability criteria. Instead of offering the units through the Orange County Land Trust, though, Alberta's developer wants to submit a payment in lieu, something the board has been increasingly reluctant to

But Land Trust executive director Robert Dowling asked the board to consider the idea since the Land Trust is looking at an influx of roughly 100 condominiums through projects recently approved in Chapel Hill.

"How many condos do we need and how many condos can we possibly sell?" he said.

Dowling told board members that one-bedroom condos may prove harder to move than homes and town homes with multiple bedrooms and that it's more complicated due to fees and assessments to ensure that condos will remain affordable over time.

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"This is the first time we've dealt with affordable condos downtown. It's hard to say how hard or easy they are to sell." — Carrboro Mayor Mark Chilton

The amount of money the it's clear the board will need payment in lieu option would yield has not been determined as yet, but Dowling offered an estimate of roughly \$30,000 per unit.

Carrboro Mayor Mark

to set up some guidelines and procedures for dealing with payments in lieu.

While the board will take the Land Trust's situation into account, Chilton said there is Chilton said Wednesday that a strong desire to make sure affordable housing is being built. "This is the first time we've

dealt with affordable condos downtown," he said. "It's hard to say how hard or how easy they are to sell."

Chilton said one argument in favor of not accepting the payment in lieu and requiring that Alberta include the affordable units is that board members have consistently heard concerns raised about how expensive it is to live downtown.

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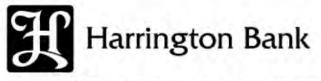
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SCHOOLS

Lunch Menus

September 3 - 7 Every meal is served with a choice of milk. Breakfast is served daily.

Elementary

Monday – Labor Day Tuesday – Baked potato w/ or without meat and cheese; Chicken nuggets with barbecue sauce and wheat roll; broccoli cuts; fruited gelatin

Wednesday – Cheese pizza; Pepperoni pizza; Hot ham and cheese sandwich; green beans, chilled fruit cocktail, chocolate pudding

Thursday – Sloppy Joe on bun; Turkey and dressing with gravy and wheat roll; green peas, fresh orange Friday – Hamburger on a

bun w/lettuce and tomato; Chicken and rice casserole with wheat roll; tossed salad w/dressing, apple halves

Middle & High

Monday – Labor Day Tuesday – Beef & Bean Burrito w/Salsa; Chicken Nuggets w/BBQ Sauce and Wheat Roll; Steamed Carrots; Fresh Apple

Wednesday – Oven-baked BBQ Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Double Cheeseburger on a Bun w/Lettuce & Tomato Collard Greens; Tossed Salad w/Dressing; Fruited

Thursday – Cheese Quesadilla w/Salsa; Pork Egg Roll; Spanish Rice; Garden Peas; Fresh Orange

Friday – Chicken Patty w/Cheese on a Bun; BBQ Pork on a Roll; Baked Beans; Fresh Banana

Info: 967-8211 ext. 270



A rather warm evening didn't wilt the enthusiasm for the opening of Carrboro High School last Thursday. It was an event so exhilarating that most of the students, teachers and parents sat patiently through a half-dozen speeches congratulating them on their new school. (Well, most of the students anyway.) Featured entertainment included the newly minted Jaguar band (at right) led by director Frank Jones.



FIRST DAY FROM PAGE I

which includes two roundabouts and allows only right

Traffic seemed to run more smoothly the second day at Carrboro High, and students

seem to be settling into their new high school, Knott said, adding that they were "extraordinarily well-behaved as they arrived in the morning." "It's great to see kids in

that school building," Scroggs

Projections and enrollment were closer at the elementary school level. However, as district officials expected, seven of nine elementary schools are above capacity. Relief will come in 2008 with the opening of the new elementary school in Carrboro.

Besides enrollment issues, the district ran into few glitches on Monday.

Scroggs said there were issues with school buses, which

grants, including projects for

is fairly normal at the start of the school year. At the end of one bus's route Monday afternoon, five children remained on the bus, and not a single one spoke English.

School staff determined where the students needed to go and they eventually made it home safely.

"By the end of the week,

we'll have everything ironed out," Scroggs said.

Other issues were small and easy to fix, he added.

"As expected, you always have a few kids who show up at the wrong school," Scroggs said, noting that the district also had "kids who just showed up and we didn't know they were enrolled."

School Briefs

McDougle names interim principal

McDougle Elementary Assistant Principal Nathan Hester has been named the school's interim principal.

McDougle Elementary Principal Tekeisha Ford left the district last week after accepting the principal's job at Burton GeoWorld Elementary Magnet School in Durham Public Schools.

Prior to his work at Mc-Dougle, Hester served as assistant principal of Ephesus Elementary from 2003-06 and as a French teacher at Ephe-

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NATHAN HESTER

sus from 1997-2002. He holds a bachelor's degree in French education from UNC and a master's degree in school ad-

Elmo's to support local education

Beginning September 4, Elmo's Restaurant at Carr Mill Mall will donate 10 percent of its sales on the first Tuesday of each month to local educa-

Funds will support teaching awards in math, science and scores increased from 601 to foreign language and teacher 604. Writing scores fell from

English language learners. Donation dates are Sep-

tember 4, October 2, November 6, December 4, January 8, February 5, March 4, April 8 and May 6.

District SAT scores highest in the state

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools students posted the highest SAT scores in the state this year, despite a 12-point drop from 2006 scores.

Students averaged a reading and math composite score of 1185, down four points from last year's all-time high of 1189. Chapel Hill-Carrboro scores do, however, remain above state and national averages: North Carolina students averaged 1004, while the national average was 1017.

Including the new writing portion of the test, the district's composite was 1757, down from last year's 1769.

Reading scores dropped from 588 to 581, while math 580 to 572.

Student participation in the SAT increased from 93 percent to 96.8 percent of eligible students in the district.

East Chapel Hill High students averaged 1193, while Chapel Hill High students scored 1176. In 2006, Chapel Hill High students averaged 1202; East Chapel Hill High students, 1175.

Scores varied widely across different ethnic groups in the district. Asian students averaged 1285; white students, 1202; Latino students, 1081; and black students, 901. Latino and black students scored higher than the state and national averages for their ethnic

Books for Carrboro Elementary students

All Carrboro Elementary School kindergarten students received both an English and Spanish copy of the children's classic The Very Hungry Cater*pillar* on the first day of school

Students received both

copies of the book regardless of whether they are enrolled in the school's dual-language program. Parents received handouts detailing the importance of modeling positive reading habits at home and reading aloud to children of all ages, and strategies to improve literacy for students and parents.

The program was funded by a grant from the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Public School Foundation. Carrboro Elementary has found funding through a variety of sources in order to keep the program in place for the next four years.

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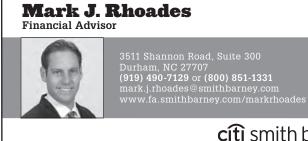
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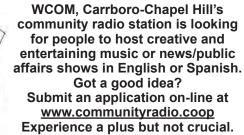
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Showing their spirit



At the Carrboro Board of Aldermen meeting Tuesday night, Randee Haven-O'Donnell, Joal Hall Broun and Jacqueline Gist joined their fellow aldermen and town staff in wearing Carrboro High School jerseys and t-shirts — showing they can indeed all agree on something.

Community Briefs

Land Trust receives donation

Pickett Land & Building Company recently donated \$10,000 to the Orange Community Housing and Land Trust.

The Land Trust will use the funds for longterm maintenance of Land Trust properties, which are sold to low-income buyers at affordable rates. Pickett Land & Building focuses on building traditional North Carolina homes with sustainable green building techniques and ma-

The Land Trust is a nonprofit provider of affordable housing and has 128 homes in Orange County.

Prostate exams offered

UNC Health Care will offer free prostate exams September 19-20 from 1 to 7 p.m.

UNC is providing the exams as part of Na-

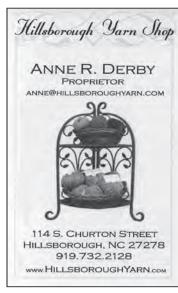
tional Prostate Cancer Awareness Week, Sep-

Appointments are not required, but are encouraged. To make one, call 966-1316. The exams will take place at the UNC Hospitals' Urology Clinic on the second floor of N.C. Memorial Hospital.

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know, whatever the calendar says about fall beginning on Sept. 23, just like we know summer didn't (psychologically) begin June 22, fall begins after Labor Dav.

So, we'll pile on a few more days of denial, enjoy the three-day weekend ahead, then fullspeed ahead, back to the routine that helps us efficiently toil until new life rips us from its numbing effect with spring — and we hear the new whisper: "Memorial Day, Memorial Day, Memorial Day."



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Carrboro Film Festival Calls for Submissions

The deadline for submissions is drawing near August 30th. The 2nd annual Carrboro Film Festival is seeking submissions from filmmakers who have breathed in the good, local air of **Orange County.**

The August 30th deadline is \$15 per submission. Late deadline is September 20th, \$30.

The only requirements are that the filmmaker at one time in life had a brush with Orange County and that the film is no longer than 20 minutes. Films can be in any created format: film, video or other.

Submission forms are on www.carrborofilmfestival.com. The film festival will be held on Sunday, November

18th at the Century Center in Carrboro, North Carolina.

For more information, go to

www.carrborofilmfestival.com/ pets of the week

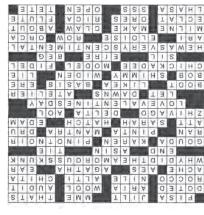


ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Meet Felicity! This 8-week-old beauty is as cute as they come, and she is determined to let you know!! She's a feisty little thing who loves to play and will surely make you laugh with her hilarious bouncing around! Felicity is also deaf, so she'll need a special home who can understand how to communicate with her in other ways! Stop by Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill, or call 967-7383. You can also see her online at www. co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp.



APS OF ORANGE COUNTY — Meow, meow! I'm Sun a 4-month-old black and white kitten. I am an explorer who likes to climb. With the proper handling and care, I will grow up to be good with cats, kids and dogs. Are you a first-time cat owner? If possible, please consider taking home two kittens. Believe it or not, it'll be easier on you (and your home) if I have playmates. I do have a littermate at the adoption center as well. To visit me or any of my friends, go to www.animalprotectionsociety.org or call 304-2300. The APS is located at 6311 Nick Rd., Mebane.

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Community Calendar

Got an event you'd like to see in our calendars?

email us at: calendar@carrborocitizen.com or drop us a line: P.O. Box 248, Carrboro NC 27510 Please send calendar items no later than one week prior to publication.

Farmers' Markets

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

Southern Village Farmers' Market - Last week! Thu, Aug 30, 4-7pm, at Market Street on the Village

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, chatham.ces.ncsu.edu/ growingsmallfarms/pittsboro.html

Special Events

After Stonewall - The Triangle Progressive Documentary Series presents a chronicle of the LGBT experience from the Stonewall Riots of 1969 to today. Dinner served. Wed, Sept 5, 6:30pm, Free. 960-6886, www.surgenetwork.org/ filmseries. Internationalist Books, 405 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 942-1740, internationalistbooks.

Chasing the Rain: My Treasure for the World's Most Beautiful Mushrooms - Slideshow of beautiful and exotic mushrooms from all over the world presented by photographer & educator Taylor Lockwood. Tue, Sept 11, 5pm.Wilson Library, UNC campus. For more info, call Liza Terll at 962-4207 or visit lib.unc.edu/spotlight/ lockwood.html

Free Cholesterol Screening September is National Cholesterol Education Month, and the Health Education & Cardiac Rehabilitation departments at the UNC Wellness Center at Meadowmont are offering screenings. Thu, Sept 13 & 27, 7-10am. For more info, call 966-2860.

Buddhist "Change Your Mind" Day - All are welcome to this free family event with kids activities and talks by seven Triangle Buddhist groups. Sat, Sept 15, 10am-1pm. Piney Wood Park, off East Woodcroft Pkwy, Durham. For info and directions, compassiongardening. blogspot.com

Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center will participate in the nationwide Meditation-Thon (see www.kagyu.org/meditationthon.php) on Sunday, September 9, beginning at 9:45am with Shinay sessions every half hour from 10am-Noon. An Open House will follow from Noon-Ipm with edible delights. 35 Perkins Drive off Weaver Dairy Road in Chapel Hill. www.piedmontktc.org. 933-2138.

St. Paul A.M.E. Church Women's Missionary Society 101 N. Merritt Mill Road Chapel Hill Saturday, September 8, 2007 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. YARD SALE EXPLOSION! Come One, Come All! - Come early for coffee and donuts! We have scoured our CLOSETS and CUPBOARDS, BOOKCASES and BASEMENTS FOR TREASURES for you!

Nature Tales - Story Time at the Garden. Kids ages 4 & 5 gather around in the Botanical Garden to share stories about nature. Every Thursday at 10am; outing & activity afterward. Children must be accompanied by an adult; no more than 3 children per adult please. \$5 per family. 962-0522, www.ncbg.unc.edu

Express Yourself! - Art program for ages 3-8 + caregivers allows children & adults to explore their own creative paths through openended weekly art projects. \$2; registration requested. Saturdays, 10:45-11:15 & 11:30-noon. Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 933-1455, www. kidzuchildrensmuseum.org

Zoom In: Science at the Extremes Morehead Planetarium's Istever 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, www. moreheadplanetarium.org

Jack & the Beanstalk - Sat, Sept 8, I Iam. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro, 929-2787, www. artscenterlive.org.

Story Time at Carrboro Branch presents: "Jimmy's Overcoat" Saturday, September 1st at 10:30 am. The library is located at 900 Old Fayetteville Rd. at the McDougle Schools Media Center. For more information call 969-3006

Come join Miz Moon for a very special Back-to-School Toddler Time with the Teeny Tiny Teacher!

Toddler Time will take place at the Carrboro Branch Library on Thursday, September 6 at 4:00 PM. All toddlers are invited to this free

program. For further information,

telephone the library, 969-3006.

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

Opening of the 20th Annual Sculpture in the Garden Exhibition - A special gala reception. Preview the art and meet the artists, enjoy refreshments and acoustic guitar entertainment. NC Garden, Fri, Sept 14, 5-7pm. Free. For more info, call Laura Cotterman at 962-0522.

NC Botanical Garden Guided Tours - Meet at the stone gathering circle in front of the Center. Every Sat, 10-Ham. 962-0522, www.ncbg.unc.

Niche Gardens - Guided Garden Walk every Saturday at 10 AM. Discussions on fall planting, garden maintenance, design, and gardening for wildlife with bird and butterfly gardens. FREE, rain or shine. IIII Dawson Road, 8 miles west of Chapel Hill, off Old Greensboro Hwy. (919) 967-0078 www.nichegardens.com

Volunteers

Orange County Literacy Council Invites anyone interested in tutoring adults & ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) learners to attend an interest meeting. Wed, Sept 5, 10-11am. Skills Development Center, 503 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill & First Baptist Church, 210 W King St, Hillsborough. 933-2151, 732-0868, www.orangeliteracy.org

Ronald McDonald House - Seeks volunteers for tasks around the house for families & community service projects. 913-2040, www. chapelhillrmh.net

Chatham Animal Rescue Education - Seeks foster caregivers to provide quality, temporary, inhome care for homeless kittens & cats from Chatham County until they can be permanently adopted. Short-term (as brief as a week) & longer-term needed. fosteracat@ chathamanimalrescue.org. PO Box 610, Pittsboro. 542-5757, www. chathamanimalrescue.org

18th Annual Haw River Learning Celebration. A volunteer-run nature science event with 4th graders from local area schools. Runs from Sept 22-Oct 12 at 3 sites on the Haw River. We need people to come for a day, camp for a week (camping crew has the most fun), provide a meal for the crew, donate money to go towards a meal, among other necessities. No experience needed - we train. All you need is to enjoy nature, enjoy being with kids, and have a good disposition. Contact: Aakara Weigand, 919 542-5790, info@hawriver.org, or visit http:// hawriver.org.

Fueling Up on Low-Fat Foods -Reduce your risk for cancer. Learn practical ways to keep your fat intake down and your fiber intake up. Part of a series of cooking classes offered by the UNC Wellness Center at Meadowmont. Wed, Sept 5, 6-7:30pm. To register, call 966-5500. Free for members; \$8 for non-members.

Discovering Dairy Alternatives/ Replacing Meat - Learn alternative sources for the valuable nutrients found in dairy & meat. Part of the UNC Wellness Center's series of cooking classes aimed at fighting cancer risk. Wed, Sept 12, 6-7:30pm. To register, call 966-

Solar Electricity for Homeowners & Professionals - Day course on introduction to solar electricity. Area green building experts educate consumers & builders on today's solar technologies. Sat, Sept 8, 9am-Ipm. This course will be the second in a green building series conducted by GreenPros in collaboration with Central Carolina Community Instructors will be Ed Witkin of Carrboro Solar Works and Bob Kingery. To register, call CCCC at 919-542-6495 ext. 223.

Meditations for a Peaceful Mind

- Gen Kelsang Tilopa, resident teacher of Kadampa Buddhism in NC, shows how with simple regular meditations & contemplations, everyone can have a peaceful mind. Wed, Sep 5, 7pm. Free. Kosala Mahayana Buddhist Center, 605 W Main St, Ste 206, Carrboro. 967-1861, www.meditationinchapelhill. The Galapagos - Lecture & photo

presentation by accomplished science communicator Roger Harris. Sun, Sept 9, 5pm. Part of the CHICLE Cultural Program. 101 E Weaver St, Carrboro, 3rd floor. Free and open to the public. For more info, call 933-0398.

Cholesterol and Heart Risk - Phil Mendys, Pharm D, adjunct professor of Medicine & Pharmacotherapy in the Division of Cardiology at UNC, discusses the "numbers" behind the assessment of cardiovascular disease and risk assessment. Thu, Sept 13, 6-7pm, UNC Wellness Center at Meadowmont. For more info, email Stephanie at scrayton@ unch.unc.edu

Genetics and Family History for Cardiovascular Diséase – By Dr. Cam Patterson, Chief of Cardiology at UNC Hospitals & Director of the Cardiac Genetics Clinic.Friday, Fri, Sept 14, 12:30-1:30pm, UNĆ Wellness Center at Meadowmont. For more info, email Stephanie at scrayton@unch.unc.edu

Museums

Mini-exhibition Skyscrapers presenting variety 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 I-5pm. www.ackland.org

Planetarium & Digital Theater Shows - Science ĽIVE Demos. Ongoing. Morehead Planetarium, 250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236, tickets 843-7997. Thu-Sat 10am-5pm, 6:30-9:15pm. \$5.25; \$4.25 seniors, students & children. www. moreheadplanetarium.org

Heroes of Yesterday, Heroes of Today: The History of the Chapel Hill Fire Dept - Ongoing, Free. Chapel Hill Museum, 523 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 967-1400, www.chapelhillmuseum.org

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

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. Through Sept 15. Deep Dish Theater, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill, 968-1515. Visit www.deepdishtheater.org for show times & ticket info.

Speed the Plow - An exploration of the politics of gender & power. resented by the Free Association Theatre Ensemble. Some adult content. Aug 30-Sept 1, & Sept 7-8, 8:30pm. \$15; seniors/students/ teachers \$12. Email FATEinfo@ gmail.com for online discount code. Market Street Books, 610 Market Street, Chapel Hill. 933-5111, www.marketstreetbooks. com

Contra - Bring clean, soft-soled shoes; no partner needed, lesson 7:30. Ist Sat of every month, 8-11pm, 8. 932-6050, TCDancers.org.CarrboroCentury Center, 100 N Greensboro St, Carrboro, 918-7385.

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.com

Israeli Folk - Ist Mondays, 7:30-9pm, \$5. Chapel Hill Kehillah, 1200 Mason Farm Rd, Chapel Hill, 942-

Free Style - Carrboro Dance Jam with eclectic music by DJ Rovnitsky. 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7:30-10:30pm, \$5-8. 698-8776. Balanced Movement Studio, 304 W Weaver St, Carrboro. 942-0240, www. balanced-movement.com

Comedy
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students \$7. The Arts Center, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, www.artscenterlive.org

Literary Readings/Open Mic Books Sandwiched In - Athletic Shorts by Chris Crutcher. Wed, Sept 5, 11:30am. Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr, Chapel Hill. 968-2777, www. chapelhillpubliclibrary.org

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

Open Mic—Music.Wed,Sept 5,8pm-midnight. Blue Horn Lounge, 125 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 929-1511, www.bluehornloungechapelhill.



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EDITORIALS

For the Record

Yesterday was the second anniversary of Hurricane Katrina and with it came another reminder of how inadequate the response by those we trust to respond was

It is also a reminder — or should be — that even this far inland we have to take precautions ourselves and not be caught unprepared. That starts with each household having an emergency plan and a hurricane kit.

If you think you don't need those things, then chances are you moved here after Hurricane Fran. Those of us who lived through that storm know firsthand how important water, food, batteries and a way to stay in touch can be on such occasions.

If you need information on developing a family disaster plan and assembling a hurricane kit, pay a visit to the Red Cross and National Weather Service websites for tips.

You might want to get on it soon — a glance at the weather in the tropics this week will tell you there are a few ill winds — and they're blowing this way.

The Home-team crowd

Citizens of Carrboro found themselves doing a bit of good-natured wincing when repeating the football score from last week's Carrboro High School home opener against Burlington Cummings, who proved to everyone just why they won the Division I-A state title last year. Yep, it's hard to say "89 to Nothin" without adding "Ouch."

To borrow from last week's headline about the loss the week before in the season opener, last Friday's game was another learning experience.

It was also the rebirth of high school football in Carrboro (for more on this, read Jock Lauterer's column on the Comments page) and, with that, the start of a whole new Friday night ritual. So a tip of the hat to those who showed up with lawn chairs in hand to boost the team's sprits. The Jaguars will get better, of course, but feel free to cheer them on now. Let them know there's a whole town that's proud they're suiting up with the word CARRBORO across their chests.

New *Citizen* columnists

After a series of conversations about life, liberty and the pursuit of good stories, *The Citizen* is happy to announce that we've signed on Valarie Schwartz as a regular, weekly columnist. Val moved here in January 1994 right after surviving the Northridge quake. For the past 10 years, she wrote the "Neighbors" column for the paper over in the big city and has logged countless hours getting to know our neighbors and the institutions and goings-on of this

Asked about why she's grown so fond of this community, she replied: "I love this area because everything required for a worthwhile existence (entertainment, good food, safe environment) can be found without the hassle that comes in many other places — and it usually doesn't matter how you're dressed because values outstrip fashion

We look forward to reading about her new encounters and welcome her to our family of writers.

Then, next week, we'll be introducing you to a new column by Margot Lester and Steve Peha that focuses on issues in education. Margot's an actual native of the area, and a few years back managed to convince her new husband to give up the left coast for the Piedmont. The couple run Teaching That Makes Sense, an education reform and advocacy company that has worked with districts across the country. Their "Education Matters" column will appear each month on these pages.

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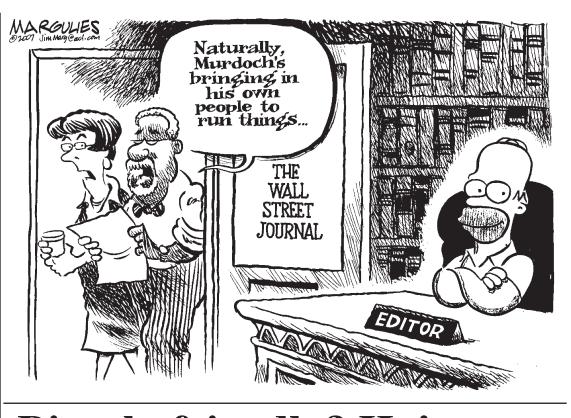
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Bicycle-friendly? Ha!

PHILIP DUCHASTEL

I noticed a sign attached to the Carrboro "Welcome" sign on Estes Drive the other day. It read, "A Bicycle-Friendly Town." And Carrboro even has a Bicycle Friendly designation from a national bicycle group. Which got me thinking about that and asking myself, "Are we really a bicycle-friendly town?" And what about our sister town of Chapel Hill? And what about UNC?

If we look at the bikeways maps that are available from the towns, they are full of multicolored lines showing an extensive network of bikeways to and fro. Some of these are excellent bicycle/pedestrian paths that are off-road altogether.

Can we thus pride ourselves, as we officially do, with being avant-garde in the cyclist realm? I daresay, no! Even Carrboro, with its official designation, earned only the lowest level of awards, bronze. We can do better.

Look again at the bikeways map, and three things immediately jump out. One, most of the lines do not connect when we approach downtown. Two, there are few bikeways around our schools. Three, the residential suburbs are pretty bare.

Take Carrboro, for instance. There are quite a few bikeways, mostly bike lanes on major roads that come towards downtown - towards Weaver Street Market, which is a popular attraction in many ways. But then the network disintegrates. Cyclists are expected to fight for some right-of-way alongside fast big cars. Bike-friendly? Ha!

If we planned better bike access to our schools, we would be encouraging our youngsters to take the bike rather than the big yellow bus. And we complain about child obesity in this country? There should be a vast network of bikeways radiating out of the school areas in our towns, not as it happens in one case: a mere one on-road bike lane along a short stretch of Seawell School Road.

Now, it is true that we have plans to make things better. Carrboro is even setting up a one-year bicycle planning study that promises to shake the world. Alas, the problem with plans is that they often grow stale unless political champions come forth to see them through.

All in all, we are pretty sorry towns when it comes to bicycles. Oh, no worse than most, but that is a poor excuse for this unhealthy state of affairs.

It is pretty plain to see how we got here. We are still a car-driven society and despite all our proclaimed oomph about going green, the car is still king and you bicyclists just have to watch out and keep in your place, too!

There is a way around this predicament, though. It will take some guts, but it should be done. We have just got to unseat the king-car if we truly do value a green future and a better way of life for all.

Two roads to get there should be taken. One, plan for bicycles in all new developments to be built in the future. Insist on it by building it right into our town codes. This is a simple matter that fits in nicely with new developments as mixed-use villages, as all new developments should be.

Two, put it straight into the older parts of town, even if that means at the expense of the car! In Carrboro, for instance, connecting all those bike network lines coming into downtown could be accomplished by rethinking the traffic flows in the old mill area. The streets just north of Weaver Street could all be made single-lane one-ways with ample bike and pedestrian paths alongside. Even better, these streets should be considered as potential woonerf areas, where cars travel at the speed as pedestrians. Some specific ideas to consider can be found at http://pduchastel.googlepages. com/chcbikeways.

Imagine Franklin Street around Columbia being a single lane, with the rest of it becoming pedestrian and bicycle ways. With outdoor cafés and umbrellas and trees! Must this just be a pleasant dream, or can we be bold enough to go for it?

And wouldn't it be great if UNC finally made a move to cater to bicycles in a major way? Currently, students on bicycles have to meld with students on foot on the pedestrian pathways. Not too bad, but not ideal either. And officials keep talking about how to reduce commuting, ha!

We talk a lot in these towns of ours, we dream a lot, but will we be bold enough to put the car in its place and keep it from continuing to ruin our more genteel lifestyles? Let's be bold!

Philip Duchastel raises chickens in Carrboro.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Really Really Free Market clears hurdles

Since the beginning of the Really Really Free Market in Carrboro in 2004, town officials have presented many hurdles to get over in order to have an event where people give things away. First we were told the event would hurt local businesses, and we had to convince town staff that it was more likely to help by bringing people into town. Then we were told it would hurt the PTA thrift store, and I had to get a letter of support from the director of the PTA. We were told we couldn't have the event more than twice a year, and unless we wanted to pay more than \$100 the event could only last four hours. Then we were told we couldn't have a donation box at the event to collect money to cover the \$100 fee. Then we had an issue with the banners, and then there was the blowup over the re-purposed yard signs. There were threats from the town attorney, visits from town staff with cameras — and then from police with video cameras — and attempts to move the event to Sundays by town staff and aldermen. We have been prohibited from using the power (which is unfortunate because some people like to bring sewing machines to hem and repair clothing, power tools for woodworking projects, crock pots for stews, etc.). We have been prohibited from using the bathroom (but the owner at Citgo has kindly welcomed RRFM participants to use his). And of course, most recently, we have been prohibited from sharing food. (Of course, if we had enough money, we could pay to lift these restrictions.) Throughout all of these complications, there have been meetings with town staff, presentations at aldermen meetings and a public hearing ... all in order to have an event where people give things away.

While some elements within town government have been twisting and turning to make things difficult, other elements within town

government have been bending over backwards

to make things easier. They have announced an anonymous donor to cover the fees, facilitated a new policy for using the Town Commons without fees and are now helping to coordinate an agreement with SURGE to get around the food issue. I would like to thank Helen of the Recreation and Parks department, Alderman Dan Coleman and Mayor Mark Chilton for being the most active supporters of the event throughout its history in Carrboro.

Vinci Daro Carrboro

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Tell us a story

Letter from the Editor KIRK ROSS

First off, thanks again for reading, writing, suggesting, advertising and supporting our advertisers. We're still on the grow and still fine-tuning this wondrous new vehicle. As we look toward fall,

there are a few plans we want to share with you, mainly because our readers will play a key role in helping them unfold. The first is an effort to

gather stories, something any newspaper worth its salt should be doing on a daily

In addition to the types of things you've read in *The* Citizen so far, we're looking for a special kind of story - the kind that without warning might just fade

As I've wandered Carrboro and its environs, I've run into so many folks who have memories of the town that are of a richness that beg for recognition. It's also been clear that, uncaptured, many of these memories will disappear with time.

The role of any newspaper is to not only document the events of the present but to explore and uncover the past. Some of the stories I've heard of late are actually recollections of recollections — stories from our elders' elders that dip back into generations long gone.

Consider this an appeal to our readers to not let these stories disappear. If you've heard a tale that needs retelling, we'd like to hear it. And if you know a person with an insight, observation or reflection on what once was, we'd like to meet them.

We not only want to write things down, but collect them in their original form as well, and with recorders in hand we hope to allow visitors to our website to listen in as the history of this area is told through the voices of those who lived it.

So tell us a story. We're all ears.

In other in-house news:

Sports update

In hopes of launching a sports section this fall, we've had a series of conversations of late with individuals knowledgeable about local sports. We've learned a lot about the types of coverage and the rather large range of possibilities. Obviously, the local schools and the rec leagues are a good place to start. And we're going to keep our eye on Carolina thanks to the ongoing efforts of our sports columnist, Frank Heath.

We'd like to hear more ideas for how we should take on this endeavor – both in print and online. So, if you've got some thoughts on the subject, please drop me a line.

• Cat got your tongue? One quick note about letters to the editor: We need more of them. We know you have an opinion about things. Lord knows we heard enough of them when the sudoku ran all crazy two weeks in a row. And, don't forget there's an election around the corner. Do any of you folks running have supporters who'd like to tell us why to vote for you? Is everyone happy with traffic, taxes, growth, the governments and the price of gasoline?

There. Consider yourselves goaded.

COMMENTS

What would Cat Baby say?

JOCK LAUTERER

Cat Baby would have loved the return of high school football to Car-

That's right, Friday night's inaugural football game at the new Carrboro High School off Smith Level Road was not the first high school football game played in Carrboro.

Not by a long shot. Back in my day, the downtown Chapel Hill High School, located at the site of today's University Square, had no football field of its own. We had to truck across town to venerable old Lions' Park off Fidelity Street in Carrboro for our "home" games.

An apartment complex now occupies the site of that Spartan athletic venue, as I remember it: a humble field and simple bleachers ringed by a corregated iron fence.

But it was home to the Wildcats, and, to return to the theme, "Cat Baby" — the ubiquitous town character, unquenchable Chapel Hill High School sports fan and veteran newspaper boy, George Cannada.

Cat Baby may not have been the brightest bulb in the box, but what he lacked in mental firepower he made up for with loyalty, steadfastness and his own brand of humor.

How Cat Baby got his handle, you'd have to ask local historian extraordinaire Bland Simpson to be sure. Maybe it had to do with the '50s pop expression of "cool cat." Or maybe it came from the Wildcats' team name, shortened to "Cats." And since George was the quintessential CHHS fan, perhaps it was he who made the linguistic leap. He said "Cat Baby" all the time, so that's what we

Who really knows? What every Chapel Hill High School kid from our era does know is that the sound

Caaaaaaaaaaat! could only come from one person.

And that evolved into Caaaaaaaaat Baaabbeeeee!

And then, Whattaya say, Cat Baby!

This eponymous greeting was invariably issued from a generous mouth half-filled with "chawin" tobacco or a cigar, and a merry look on the big man's face.

If you saw the ad from Cliff's Meat Market and Fortress Fencing on page 4 of last week's CHS special section, either you "got" that message, or perhaps you're just now beginning to understand why a simple paperboy could become a local legend. (Check out Cat Baby's framed photo hanging over the bar at the Carolina Coffee Shop). Or ask Chapel Hill natives of a certain age to regale you with a Cat Baby story; I think we all have at least

In any event, before he died at age 58 in 1993, George Cannada left his indelible mark on this community.

For now, we'll stick to the high school football theme, because that's the subject of the week: How Cat Baby would have loved a new high school in his hometown of Carr-

Back in the early '60s, we Chapel Hill Wildcats had no real mascot, no live growling wildcat on a chain nor any furry foamy critter look-alike prancing around the sidelines. The fact is, we didn't need a mascot like

We had Cat Baby!

And Cat Baby's crowning moment of joy, a ritual that would send us students into paroxysms of laughter and glee, would occur at the opening of every football game. You know the drill: the band plays the fight song; the team bursts onto the field, fronted by the cheerleaders...

But all this must be led by the team's mascot. UNC has Rameses.

Dook has its Blue Devil. But for CHHS, we had, you guessed it, CAT

Running for all he was worth, head thrown back, generous button-busting stomach stuck out like a ship's prow carving the waters, arms and legs pumping like pistons, running out in front of his team. What a sight.

I wonder if I wasn't the only old poop out there at Friday's night football game at the new Carrboro High School imagining that I could see the merry ghost of George Cannada leading the way as the Jaguars took the field. Maybe a new generation will pick up his salutation for a school cheer.

Whaaaaddddaaaya Caaaaaaaa Baaaaaaabbbbby!

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A 26-year-old George "Cat Baby" Cannada leads the CHHS football team onto Carrboro's Lions' Park field in 1963.

OBITUARIES

Ruth Solomon Wright

Ruth Solomon Wright, age 89, died August 25, 2007 in Chapel Hill after several years of declining health. Born in Pressman's Home, Tennessee in 1918, she had lived in Chapel Hill since 1948 and was a homemaker for the majority of her life.

She was pre-deceased by her husband of 60 years, O.J. (Jack) Wright, an infant daughter, Irene, her parents, Robert and Martha Solomon and her siblings, Clyde, Grady, Mae, Eula, Gladys, Nellie, Robert, Grace and Clara.

Survivors include her children, Ronald J. Wright and wife Jerri of Chapel Hill, Joyce W. Jenzano and husband Jim Bawen of Durham, Linda W. Tingen and husband Norman of Prospect Hill, N.C., and Roger B. Wright and wife Pat of Raleigh. Also surviving are 14 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and many

devoted nieces and nephews. Wright had a love for her family and friends. She loved to provide for them by cook-

ing many special recipes and always sending something special home with each one. She had an inquisitive and curious mind about nature and loved to grow flowers and vegetables. These, too, she shared with all. Her flower garden was always a sight to behold with its variety and color. Ruth had great creativity which was not only obvious in her flower garden but also in her handiwork as she designed and sewed clothes, created household decorations and—most notably—

her quills. Wright was a charter member of Farrington Road Baptist Church in Chapel Hill and loved her church family. She taught a children's Sunday School class for 33 years and served as keeper of the communion tablecloths for 20

Visitation will be Tuesday, August 28, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m. at Walker's Funeral Home in Chapel Hill. Funeral service will be held Wednesday, August 29 at Farrington Road Baptist Church at 11 a.m. Rev. Jim Greenlee will conduct the

service. Entombment will be

in the Markham Memorial Gardens Mausoleum.

Willis Hampton Knight

Willis Hampton Knight, age 83, died Sunday, August 26, 2007 at Laurels of Chatham Nursing Home in Pittsboro, N.C. after several years of declining health.

Preceding Knight in death were his parents, Hampton and Cara Hobby Knight, brother Everett Knight and sisters Elsie McBane, Edna Caldwell, Lillian Knight and Helen Campbell.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 53 years, Glynn, son Floyd Hampton Knight and wife Tracy of Raleigh, and daughter Sarah Knight Henderson and husband Keith of Chapel Hill. Also surviving are grandchildren, Joshua Knight of Raleigh and Cadwick and Lauren Henderson of Chapel Hill. Several nieces and nephews

also survive. Knight was a long-time member of Carrboro United

Methodist Church. A graveside service will be held in the Lystra Baptist Church Cemetery located on Lystra Road in Chatham County on Tuesday, August 28, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. Rev. David Woodhouse will conduct the service assisted by Rev. Mary Knight Ashe of Raleigh.

Friends are invited to attend and can meet with the family in the Lystra Church sanctuary following the service. There will not be a visitation service prior to the service. The family request that flowers be omitted.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the Laurels of Chatham staff and to community Hospice for their loving care of Knight. To all the wonderful friends who offered their support, love and prayers, the family will be forever grateful.

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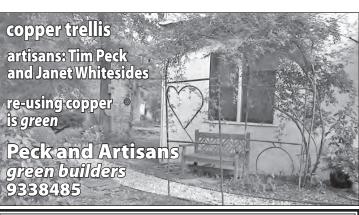
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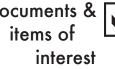
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Thursday, August 30, 2007 LAND & TABLE

'eye opening' tour of Honduras

By JACK CARLEY Staff Writer

Scott Conary knows coffee. He knows it well enough to be head judge for the World Barista Competition in Tokyo which is like the Olympics, only more aromatic.

The co-owner of the Open Eye Cafe knows it well enough to teach to even the people who actually grow coffee what it takes to make a good cup. And for 16 days in Honduras, that's what he did.

Conary was flown to the Honduran mainland in late June. A grant from USAID, organized by Winrock International, a non-profit working toward economic development, covered the flight and

There, in coordination with IHCAFE, the Honduran Coffee Association, he toured coffee-growing regions dispensing advice on how to prepare the perfect bean and brew the perfect espresso.

Conary explains, "It was an overview of the entire coffee industry of Honduras.

"I spent 14-hour days just constantly going from one place to the next. Every day."

growers understand what he called "the connection between process and product." "They know growing, they

Conary was helping small

know milling, the only thing they're missing is the connection of what they're doing and what it means in the end."

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Because stock markets treat

coffee as a commodity, farmers have less incentive to prepare quality beans, Conary explains. "There's really no connection to quality ... it's just marketdriven price. That's the disconnect that farmers have."

Because he also co-owns the Carrboro Coffee Company, the roasting wing of the Open Eye (you may have smelled it in the mornings), Conary was able to help small farmers roasting with relatively basic equipment.

"I was amazed at the stuff I saw and what people were doing with it," he said, "they're completely winging it." But by helping small producers find better equipment — and making a few quick fixes here and there — Conary hopes to

Ironically, Conary says, Hondurans don't drink the best coffee.

"They grow it, they sell it, it gets shipped out of the country.... Whatever's left, that's what they drink. So they have no idea — the best coffee is gone."

And with the best being exported, the culture of coffee shops has had trouble in developing countries. Conary taught classes in brewing espresso to the growing "café culture," in Honduras, where rising baristas are improving their techniques and their beans.

The work also has a social aspect. If farmers can't make enough money to keep farming, they are more likely to move to large cities that cannot support them. Slums

those tight conical seed heads.

Wow, always something new to

without proper infrastructure for sanitation and other basic needs are the inevitable result.

shade-grown coffee in Honduras.

"People are migrating to the cities because, generally, they're not making the money they need farming. And that's part of our goal, too - to prevent that kind of thing from happening ... to get people to stay in their communities and farm them."

PHOTO COURTESY SCOTT CONARY

Conary says he will return in the picking season (in Honduras, November to February) and continue the work.



Open Eye Cafe co-owner Scott Conary hangs out on a deck overlooking

Female flowers before they close to form seed cones similar to last year's remaing seed cone.

all of us must avoid contact with the closely related poison ivy, Rhus radicans, poison oak, Rhus toxicodendron and poi-

nents. Fortunately, most of us son sumac, Rhus vernix. Visit are not allergic to these edibles the Botanical Garden to see and the safe sumacs, but most all three of these ones to be avoided and please make every opportunity to appreciate and enjoy our several "safe" native

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and summer, red seed cone accents in late summer, brilliant red/orange foliage in the fall and red cone-topped bare stems during the winter months - truly a plant for all

I was thankful for the sumac that volunteered along our wild front bank. It took just a couple of years to establish colonies up and down on both sides of the drive and now it's moving across the waist-high lawn toward the house. I don't mind hacking it down where I prefer some other wild plant to locate itself. A more controlling gardener will have less patience with the exuberance of sumac. I have both male and female patches. The males will not produce those red seed cones. For the first time this year I enjoyed observing the dramatic closing of the open branches of little yellow female flowers to form Sumacs are a popular plant

for fall color in English gardens and there are several notable cut-leaf cultivars, such as R. glabra laciniata and R. typhina laciniata for fashion-conscious Sumacs are valued for more

than their beauty. Daniel Moerman's Native American Ethnobotany devotes several pages to a rich medicinal heritage. A refreshing tea concocted from the crushed berries is enjoyed by many. Food uses are engagingly described in Euell Gibbons' Stalking the Wild Asparagus, Tom Brown's Field Guide to Wild Edible and Medicinal Plants and James Duke's Handbook of Edible Weeds.

Sumacs are members of the Cashew plant family, Anacardiaceae, which provides us with the popular cashews, pistachios and mangos. Be aware, however, that parts of some of the plants in this family contain poisonous compo-

In Brief

River Critters

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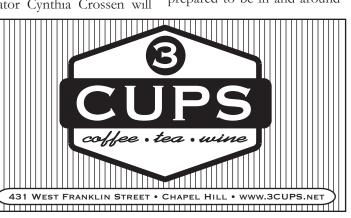
River Watch Project coordinator Cynthia Crossen will

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

ILLUSTRATION BY PHIL BLANK

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

Participants will meet at the Bynum Beach parking lot, and the event will run from 10 a.m. to noon, weather permitting. For directions or for more information, contact Crossen at 967-2500 or riverwatch@ hawriver.org.



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are just a few varieties available; purslane, squash - summer and winter varieties; tomatoes - Big Beef, Early Girl, Enchantment, Little Cherokee, and Sungolds are just a few varieties available; vegetable and herb seedlings, bedding and landscape plants, cut flowers, succulent houseplants; pastured-based meats - beef, buffalo, chicken (limited quantities,) goat, lamb, pork; charcuterie: bacon, bratwurst, breakfast sausage, chorizo, country ham, hot and sweet italian sausage; eggs, fresh and aged cow's milk and goat's milk cheeses, honey, pecans, pickles, jams, jellies, wine, prepared foods, and crafts.

*Produce availability dependent on weather conditions

recipe of the week

Great Gosh It's Gumbo from Dorette Snover of C'est Si Bon Cooking School

Ingredients

- 4 pounds onions*, chopped
- 4 stalks celery, chopped 4 cups fresh okra*, chopped
- 3 pounds bell peppers*, washed, seeded and
- chopped 4 cups Roma tomatoes*, chopped
- 4 tablespoons minced garlic 2 whole chickens*
- 3 pounds sausage*, diced, sautéed, and drained
- 3 pounds fish fillets 4 pounds small shrimp, peeled
- 4 tablespoons dry mustard
- 3 tablespoons dried oregano or 6 fresh tablespoons oregano*, chopped
- 3 tablespoons dried basil or 6 tablespoons fresh basil*, chopped
- 2 pounds veg oil or lard* 4 cups flour
- 8 cups cooked long grain white rice
- I cup fresh parsley, minced *

Procedure Poach chickens in water to cover in a large pot. Once cooked, let cool and then debone, reserving meat and poaching liquid. In the biggest pot in the house add the onions, celery, okra, bell peppers and tomatoes. Cover with poaching liquid from chickens and slowly simmer for I-I/2 to 2 hours. Add everything else save for fish, lard, flour, rice and parsley and simmer for 45 minutes. Add fish fillets and simmer 15 minutes more. While fish simmers melt lard in a heavy skillet and add flour. Whisk for at least 20 minutes over medium high heat or until flour browns into a "roux." add the hot roux a bit at a time to the gumbo pot. Prepare for splashes, spits, smoke and what you might think of as obscene noises. Stir with a slotted spoon until decently mixed. Serve gumbo in big bowls with a "softball" size lump of rice in the middle. Top with parsley.

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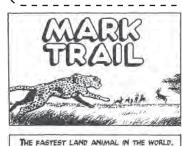
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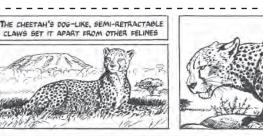
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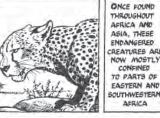
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Sports

Davis era dawns

FRANK HEATH Sports Columnist

Shortly before 6 p.m. this Saturday, with - if tradition holds—an audible cannon-boom as players rush onto Kenan Stadium, the Butch Davis era of North Carolina football will commence.

The Tar Heels will, one guesses, manage to subdue James Madison's Dukes that evening, and that win will buy Coach Davis approximately two years to settle in as North Carolina's biggest coaching savior since at least Roy Williams. I say two years because that's how many 1-10 seasons UNC fans endured at the outset of Mack Brown's standard-setting tenure in Chapel Hill. But, truth be told, Davis has the potential to be a bigger star than Brown ever allowed himself to become during his time at Carolina. And hopefully, for UNC fans, to win slightly sooner.

Davis arrives with coaching and recruiting credentials that are practically without match in today's collegiate ranks-which makes him Carolina's biggest-ever catch in that department before ever having coached a game. He also arrives with the sort of momentum that only a nine-month welcoming build-up and a full class of talented incoming recruits can generate. (Partial credit ought to go here to the ousted John Bunting, who secured original commitments from many of this fall's freshmen.)

Another reason Davis may have a line on becoming more revered than Tupperware is that the new coach is plopping himself down in the Southern Part of Heaven at a subtly balanced moment in UNC sports history. This stems from the fact that even though UNC fields a combined 26 teams in men's and women's sports, only men's basketball and football amongst those have ever maintained a durable place in the wide swath of Carolina fans' imaginations. And Coach Williams' basketball team, as most

sports fans are well aware, is entering a high-stakes season that will carry with it the expectations of a serious shot at a national title.

Such expectations, while far from alien to the Tar Heel players and fans, can give rise to the stifling sort of pressure – and unconditional disappointment if they go unmet - that can batter the enthusiasm and confidence of even a coach as good as Williams or players the caliber of Tyler Hansbrough and Ty Lawson. It happened to an extent with Williams at Kansas, and even though Roy got the monkey off his back by winning it all here in 2005, a second straight season in '07-'08 of missing the mark at UNC could bring some of the doubters and naysayers back out of the bushes. "Will he ever win another?" they will ask.

All this basketball stuff, while unrelated to what may happen this fall over at Kenan, can only help to buy Coach Butch more breathing room to establish his place at UNC. Because while many Carolina fans profess to live and die by Tar Heel basketball, those same fans have been known to not so rarely drift also into visions of Orange Bowl grandeur that could – in a pinch – substitute for Final Four dreams.

And if a picture sharpens over the next five or six years that no single "heir apparent" waits in the wings to replace Williams atop the basketball program, that Carolina Blue nation will no doubt welcome an insurance policy in the form of a consistently high-performing football team.

So the table is set for Davis, although it remains to be seen if he is the real deal or just a guy who had a good run a decade ago at a football school. But if his initial slickness in recruiting at UNC can serve as an indicator, Davis may well be what they say he is.

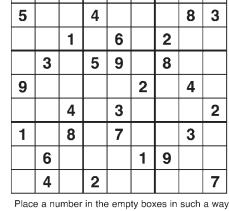
Speaking of those other 24 sports at UNC ... The women's soccer team looks talented as ever, and should be poised for another serious run at a national title. The pre-season No.1 Tar Heels open their season on Saturday as well, tackling South Carolina on Fetzer Field at noon.

Carolina, with a mind-bending 19 NCAA championships since 1981, returns 20 letter winners and eight late-season starters from last season's team, which won the NCAA title 2-1 over Notre Dame. Carolina will need to replace its two most consistent offensive threats from 2006 - threetime All-American Heather O'Reilly and '06 ACC Tournament MVP Elizabeth Guess – but the Tar Heels have back several experienced junior and senior all-stars as well as four players who were Freshman All-Americans in '06.

The UNC defense, which returns basically intact from a year ago, has the potential to be stifling. Junior midfielder Yael Averbuch, Carolina's second leading scorer last year, and center back Jessica Maxwell, a fifth-year senior, look to be this team's leaders.

In his 29th year, Coach Anson Dorrance will almost assuredly pad his gaudy 629-28-18 record, but nothing short of NCAA Title No. 20 will be considered a success for these women.

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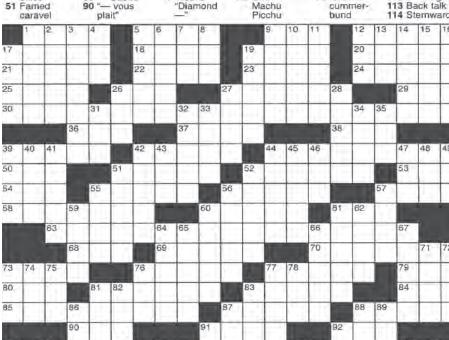
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The way the ball bounces

Despite a thorough 89-0 drubbing at the hands of defending 2A champions Burlington Cummings, the first-ever football game at Carrboro High School was the social event of the season.

Below, parents, family members and fans lined the home-side track in lawn chairs, enjoying the relative cool of the evening. Especially taking his ease was 5-year-old John Caraher, right, stretched out on the asphalt watching the ac-

At left, Jaguar defense end Dequan Bradley (80) chases a loose ball after batting down a Cummings pass, as fellow Jaguar Brandon Hunter (74) looks on.

All photos by Jock Lauterer.





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time they had planned to discuss an investigation into market activities. That session proved unnecessary after Stewart had received the certificate of insurance earlier that day.

"It appears they've met the requirements," Stewart said Wednesday afternoon.

Coleman said that many among town officials appreciated the spirit of sharing on which the Really Really Free Market is founded and hoped

to continue to accommodate its use of the Commons.

Resolving the matter, said Coleman, "was just a matter of keeping the lines of communication open."

Coleman said he's encouraged by the fact that the Really Really Free Market sign that's now standing across Main Street from Town Hall indicates that the market begins this Saturday at 2:30. Starting time for the Really Really Free Market had been another point of contention between participants and the town, in that the Carrboro Farmers' Market isn't over till noon and some Free Market participants had begun setting up before the Farmers' Market was cleared out.

Farmers' Market manager Sheila Neal said, though, that her rapport with Free Market participants has always been positive. "I've just had to ask them to wait.... They've always obliged my requests.

"I've always found them to be really cooperative."

"I would hope that this is now settled," said Coleman, "and that everyone can put the issue behind them."

"We're optimistic," said Stewart.



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Harrington opens new branch

Ben Lucas, branch manager, left, and Larry Loeser, president, in front of Harrington Bank's new office at 1203 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. The branch officially opened for business last Monday. Look for a story on Harrington Bank's expansion efforts in the **Business Extra section of next** week's Citizen.

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