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Black-eyed Susan blooms and southern shield fern fronds contrast nicely with one another. PHOTO BY MATT GOCKE

BY KEN MOORE

A stroll in the garden

Editor's Note: This week's Flora is written by guest columnist Matt Gocke, nursery and greenhouse manager at the N.C. Botanical Garden.

As nursery manager at the North Carolina Botanical Garden, I periodically venture out of my containerized world and into the various habitats and landscape displays the horticultural staff have worked so hard to establish and maintain over the years. And I am constantly surprised by the amazing succession of cool blooms, leaf shapes and plant forms.

Though the next big spectacle in the garden will occur later this fall, there are still many native plants in bloom or fruit that warrant attention. For instance, today as I walked through the green cattail gate towards the Totten Center, I was immediately drawn to the right, where bright yellow black-eyed Susans (Rudbeckia fulgida var. fulgida) lined the grit path in front of the arching, light-green fronds of southern shield fern (Thelypteris kunthii).

Next I wandered to the entrance of the Sandhills habitat to check on one of my favorite plants, scarlet wild basil (Clinopodium coccineum). Its almost neon-red tubular blooms, similar in appearance to those of salvias, were still sporadically present. This plant has been in bloom constantly since late spring and adds a nice splash of unexpected color.

Now procrastinating, I decided to explore more on the southern side of the Totten Center and immediately stepped on a soft, slippery fruit that looked a bit like a small potato and oozed light-orange pulp. It was a ripe paw paw (Asimina triloba) fruit. Some describe the fruit as having the taste and texture of something between a mango and a banana. Everyone with enough space in their yard should grow some paw paws!

Pressing on, I decided to head once again through the cattail gate and into the new Piedmont habitat garden occupying what

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Kendall Alston, 5, and her mother, Melinda Alston, walk big brother Jace, 8, to Morris Grove Elementary School on Monday.



Class of 2025! Wendy Rigsbee photographs her son, Lucas, as he arrives at Morris Grove Elementary School for his first day of kindergarten.

PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

Schools open more crowded than projected

BY ROSE LAUDICINA Staff Writer

Students in Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools went back to school Monday and, according to district officials, the transition was a smooth one, though enrollment is higher than

"Everyone had very positive things to say about the opening day," Superintendent Tom Forcella said.

'We had a great first day," Car-

rboro Elementary Principal Emily Bivins said. "The parents all seemed very happy and the kids came in excited about being here."

Chapel Hill High School interim Principal Melodie Parrish also said the first day back was a very successful transition into the school year.

"It was just wonderful," Parrish said. "Parents, students and staff were

SEE BACK TO SCHOOL

Charter school questions unanswered

BY TAYLOR SISK

Staff Writer

to a decision on approval by the State Board of Education, elected officials and concerned local residents say that communications with the proposed school's local board of directors and the national for-profit company that will co-manage it remain inadequate.

"If you want to be part of a community, you've got to communitize your conversation," Carrboro Board of Aldermen member Randee Haven-O'Donnell said on Tuesday, "and that's

not happening." The State Board of Education is scheduled to make a final determination on the Lee school on Sept. 6. The board's Public Charter School Advisory Council has recommended 25 charter schools for approval across the state. If the board grants approval, the applicants will enter into a planning and training program with the state, with decisions for final charter approvals coming no

later than March of next year.

The school was originally granted fast-track approval to open for the 2012-As the Howard and Lillian Lee 13 school year, one of nine schools ini-Scholars Charter School moves closer tially approved after the General Assembly lifted the 100-school cap on charters

> But its applicants were unable to find a location for the school and notified the state board that they would need to delay its opening. They then had to resubmit an application for the 2013-14 school vear.

> A location has now been proposed in Claremont South, a development planned for the south side of Homestead Road. A Claremont plan that has been revised to include the school will go before the Carrboro Board of Aldermen this fall. That plan has drawn criticism, with neighbors and others voicing concerns about traffic and the environ-

The Lee school will be administered in partnership with for-profit, Michigan-based National Heritage Academies (NHA), which operates more than 70 charter schools across the coun-

try, including five in North Carolina. NHA-run schools frequently don't offer a comprehensive transportation plan.

The school's charter application states that, "When parents choose to provide transportation to their child, they also give themselves an additional opportunity to be involved in the dayto-day life of the school and to develop a deeper rapport with teachers, school leaders and other families."

It further states that a dean will be designated as the school's transportation liaison to coordinate carpooling.

"Neighbors are really concerned about the potential additional traffic caused by the charter school," said Julie McClintock, president of the Friends of Bolin Creek.

McClintock said that the increased hard surfaces would reduce infiltration and would wash rainwater laden with pollutants into the nearby creek.

The proposed school, she said, 'would put even greater stress on an already-impaired Bolin Creek."

First signs

Controversy began to surround the Lee school prior to discussions of its location. The school's stated objectives are to close the racial and economic achie ment gaps, "prepare students for a rigorous high school and college preparatory program" and alleviate overcrowding in the elementary schools.

But the local chapter of the NAACP wrote a letter to the State Board of Education in December 2011 stating that the "NAACP stands firmly on the position of no diversion of taxpayers' money from our public schools to support the NHA's profiting from building a new school here."

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education wrote a letter to the state board the following month expressing its concern that "establishment of the proposed new school in 2012 could divert \$4.6 million or more in scarce resources at a time of severely constrained budgets."

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Town to appeal ruling on cell phone, towing laws

BY SUSAN DICKSON Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL – Earlier this month, a judge struck down Chapel Hill's towing and cell phone ordinances, but the town council is standing behind both laws and will appeal the rulings.

Last week, the Chapel Hill Town Council met in closed session with Town Attorney Ralph Karpinos to discuss the town's options regarding Superior Court Judge Orlando Hudson's ruling earlier this month that the town could not enforce its ordinance prohibiting cell phone use while driving or its towing ordinance.

Hudson ruled that the town's cell phone ordinance was preempted by state law because the legislature has enacted laws regulating cell phone use among teens and bus drivers. In addition, Hudson ruled that Chapel Hill's towing ordinance regulates trade, which is prohibited under state law.

Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt said

the council came to a consensus last Wednesday to appeal the ruling regarding the towing ordinance. In addition, the council voted 6-3 to appeal the decision regarding the cell phone ordinance, with council members Matt Czajkowski, Laurin Easthom and Lee Storrow dissenting. The cell phone ordinance would have prohibited the use of cell phones or any additional technology while operating a car in town, carrying a \$25 fine for violation.

Both Czajkowski and Easthom had previously voted against the ordinance, which the council approved in a 5-4 decision in March. Kleinschmidt and council member Gene Pease had also voted against the ordinance, but voted in favor of appealing the judge's ruling.

There are questions about municipal authority that are implicated by this judge's order, and I'm disturbed

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Small business incubator moves forward

BY ROSE LAUDICINA

Staff Writer

Orange County and the Town of Chapel Hill are teaming up to attract more small-business startups and entrepreneurs to downtown Chapel Hill.

The two entities, with the help of UNC, are partnering to create and help subsidize a small-business incubator located at 321 W. Rosemary St.

Last week the Orange County Board of Commissioners unanimously voted to move the project forward by giving County Manager Frank Clifton the go-ahead to work with the town to sign the necessary inter-local agreement documents.

"Our goal is to nurture entrepreneurship," said Steve Brantley, Orange County economic-development direc-

While Chapel Hill is a desirable location for many small-business startups, especially those that come out of UNC, the space that is available is often too expensive for the startups to rent. With the lack of affordable locations for these businesses, the town and the county end

up losing out as the businesses choose somewhere more affordable, which more often than not ends up being in Durham, Brantley said.

"I think there are a lot of entrepreneurs that are coming out of the university and graduating, and they have a lot of great ideas," Clifton said. "They don't need a lot of space, but some place bigger then a garage or their apartment," he

Former Chapel Hill economicdevelopment director Dwight Bassett recognized this loss and started formulating an idea for a small-business incubator when he was working with 3 Birds Marketing to help them find a bigger space in Chapel Hill so they could ex-

3 Birds Marketing occupies the space at 321 W. Rosemary St., formerly home to the nightclub Avalon, but has outgrown the office space. While the company wants to move to another location in Chapel Hill, they still have four years on their lease and could not afford to move into a new space and pay

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Community

Community Briefs

Farmer Foodshare receives \$450k

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation has awarded a three-year grant of \$450,000 to Farmer Foodshare, a nonprofit organization dedicated to connecting local farmers with people who need fresh, healthy, local food.

Farmer Foodshare will use the grant to strengthen its infrastructure and expand its work to reach more communities throughout North

For more information about Farmer Foodshare, visit farmerfoodshare.org

Summer cat adoption special

Orange County Animal Services is holding a cat adoption special through the end of Labor Day Weekend, offering all adult cats and select kittens for only \$50.

The special includes a group of cats and kittens that Animal Services took in from a hoarding case in Iredell County. More than 200 cats were being kept in a 900-square-foot house in poor living

For more information, visit orangecountync. gov/animalservices

County campus info meetings

Orange County will host two public information meetings on Tuesday to present a concept

plan for development of the Southern Orange County Government Services Campus.

The first meeting will take place at the Robert and Pearl Seymour Center from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., and the second meeting will take place at the Southern Human Services Center from 7 to

Orange County aims to finalize a master plan by the end of the year that will provide a development framework for centralized, convenient and accessible government facilities located within one

Photo contest winners

The Orange County Department of Environment, Agriculture, Parks and Recreations (DEAPR) has announced the winners of its first nature photography contest.

In the adult division, first place went to Richard Robinson of Hillsborough for "Fews Ford." Lisa Tate of Efland won second place with "Early Morn Swing" and Steve Cook of Chapel Hill won third place for "Yard Critter."

In the youth division, Kirby Lau of Hillsborough won first place for "Butterfly Blues" and third place for "My Paintbrush." Second place went to Delaney Morley of Chapel Hill for "My Home Road."



JUST LIKE THAT- THE BEACH WENT BERGMAN

HOUSE Calls

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

This week we respond to questions about bee pollen and medical billing.

Dear HOUSE Calls, Does bee pollen help with a common cold? Where can I get it?

Bee pollen is a "nutraceutical." It is not a medication but it can be sold in health-food stores and is often promoted and taken for certain health benefits. It contains the pollen that is brushed off the backs of bees, and it may also contain a bit of bee saliva. It is promoted to help with things ranging from alcoholism to allergies. We don't know of much solid clinical data supporting its use, and we have had some patients that have tried this for allergies without success. It does contain some antioxidants and vitamins, similar to what you would get in your diet and from a multi-vitamin. However, bee pollen carries more risk for

Dear HOUSE Calls, I recently had a physical with my doctor. I expected that it would be covered by my insurance plan but got a bill for \$126. In addition to my annual wellness exam and preventive

impurities and inconsistency.

testing, we discussed my high cholesterol and back arthritis. I asked my doctor why I got stuck with the bill, and he mentioned something about modifiers. Can you explain what's going on here?

First off, most doctors don't work for themselves anymore. We are still responsible for our work and how we bill, but we receive regular training in how to improve the accuracy of our billing so that we are neither overcharging nor undercharging. Second, your health insurance is primarily a contract between you and your insurance company. We file your bill as a service, which will delay collections by 30-90 days and often results in underpayment. Imagine how much time the doctor spends with a completely healthy person for an annual visit – perhaps 15-20 minutes. Now what if the patient comes in every three months for their diabetes, but each December, they want the diabetes visit and their annual wellness visit? That visit will take more time. It does seem reasonable that the doctor and practice should be compensated for that time. If

we just bill for a wellness exam or a routine visit, we will be compensated much less than if we bill for both. So doctors can do this by listing both codes and using a "modifier" to let the insurance company know this occurred. Many insurance companies will not cover both services on the same day. The doctor has no idea what the insurance company will do with this bill; there are just too many different plans. What we like to do if the visit is long and seems to focus more on non-wellness problems is to describe this situation to the patients, warn them they might get a bill and offer to take care of both issues on the same visit or have them come back another day. This is surely confusing, and requires good communication on our

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

NOW OPEN!

Community Calendar

THURSDAY AUGUST 30 Family to Family — First of a 12week class structured to help families understand and support loved ones with mental illness. Dogwood Room, Seymour Center, 6:30-9pm Free (919)967-5403

Friends of the Downtown — Monthly meeting with speaker Bubba Cunningham. Franklin Hotel, 9:30am Free

FRIDAY AUGUST 31

Art Reception — For Possibilities, works by Susan Hope, Renee Leverty and Michele Yellin. Hillsborough Gallery of Arts, 121 N. Churton St., 6-9pm

Latin Jam — Betto teaches popular Latin dances, such as mambo, salsa, cha cha and merengue. Carrboro Century Center, 7:30-9pm \$3 (919)918-7364

Movie Night — Presents Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. Bring you own seating. Burwell School Historic Site, 8:30pm Free (919)732-7451

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Woody Durham — To sign copies of his book Woody Durham: A Tar Heel Voice, Bull's Head Bookshop. 10:30am-noon

Music Hall — With host Rocco, featuring the "Best of the Best" in popular American music. WCOM 103.5 FM, 9am-noon

Streamwatch — John Kent to lead the New Hope Creek monitoring for pollutants. 8am jnkent25@gmail.

SUNDAY SEPT 2

Art Reception — For Summer Stories by Kate Ladd and Cindy Bainbridge. Carolina Brewery Pittsboro,

MONDAY SEPT 3

Time Out — With host Bill Hendrickson and guest Jacque Menache, founder of The ArtsCenter and WCOM. WCOM 103.5 FM, 5pm

WEDNESDAY SEPT 5

Photography Exhibit — Opening reception for Barbara Tyroler's Beijing Impressions, Portraits of a Changing Landscape. Fedex Global Education Center, 301 Pittsboro St.,

THURSDAY SEPT 6

Parenting Workshop — The Five Love Languages of Children: Love Lost in Translation, helps parents strengthen the relationship with their children. Caribou Coffee, 1406 E. Franklin St., 10am-noon Free Trianglecounseling@gmail.com

Volunteer Training — The first of five sessions for UNC Hospice volunteers. 480 Hillsboro Street, Suite 800, Pittsboro, 8:30am-noon (919)542-5545

Innocence — The Heart's Desire sponsors the first of six "films for the second half of life." Seymour Center,

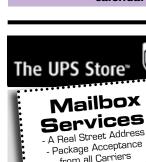
Audubon Society — Monthly meeting with potluck dinner. N.C. Botanical Garden, 6:30pm Free newhopeaudubon.org

FRIDAY SEPT 7

Computer Classes — Seymour Center, 9am seymourtechcenter.org Say Goodbye to Fear — Based

on the book Tapping into Ultimate Success, by lack Canfield, the Meridian Tapping technique teaches how to remove fears, doubts and upsets that prevent success. Chapel Hill Chamber of Commerce, 11:30amlpm (919)969-7818

Send your Community Calendar submissions to calendar@carrborocitizen.com



in Chapel Hill

THURS August 30 3:30 – 6:30 pm

Farmers Market: PESTO Day! Enjoy free tastes of Basil Pesto, made for us by Chef Isaiah Allen of II Palio Ristorante. Sample Pesto on pasta and on fresh veggies. Pick up our Pesto recipe, and learn about how you can incorporate this flavorful sauce into your menus. Along with wife Whitney, Isaiah is also the proprietor of Rocky Run Farm. and will be selling basil at the market.

Find the last of the summer tomatoes, eggplants, summer & winter squashes, okra, cucumbers, shiitakes, sweet & hot peppers, green & yellow beans, peaches, muscadines, apples, mozzarella cheeses & cheesecakes from Lindley Farm Creamery, fresh-baked cakes, scones & brownies from Big Bundts, lavender products from Laurent Lavender, and returning this week, beer from the Carolina Brewery FREE EVENT svfarmersmarket.com

FRI & SAT August 31 & September 1

Lumina Outdoor Movies \$4 The Dark Knight Rises (PG13)

SUN September 2 6 pm

'Sundays at Six' Music Series: Better Off Dead (B.O.D.) Get out your tie-dye! Celebrate the spirit of Haight-Asbury with this popular Grateful Dead tribute band. Keep your cool with chilled beer & wine from the Carolina Brewery Brew Van. FREE EVENT



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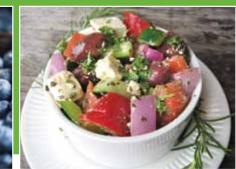
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Briefs

Labor Day closings

In observance of Labor Day on Monday, most municipal offices will be closed. Schedule changes include:

- Chapel Hill Transit will not operate;
- Triangle Transit will not operate;
- Orange County Solid Waste Convenience Centers will be closed;
- the Orange County Landfill will be closed;
- Carrboro residential refuse scheduled for Monday collection will be collected on Tuesday;
- Chapel Hill residential refuse scheduled for Monday collection will be collected on Wednesday;
- Hillsborough residential refuse scheduled for Monday
- collection will be collected on Tuesday; University Lake and the Cane Creek Resevoir will be
- open for recreation; the Orange County Public Library will be closed; and
- the Chapel Hill Public Library will operate on limited hours from 1 to 5 p.m.

Estes Drive closed Friday

NCDOT will close a portion of Estes Drive at the railroad crossing on Friday so additional repairs can be made to the crossing by Norfolk Southern Rail Road.

The crossing will be closed from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and there will be a signed detour route for motorists to follow.

Police arrest break-in suspects

The Chapel Hill Police Department has arrested and charged four individuals for being involved in a residential breaking and entering on Mt. Bolus Drive on Aug. 23.

Desmun Lamon Sutton, Demetrius Darnell Sutton and Joshua Rayshawn Melvin, all from Durham, were each charged with felony breaking and entering, possession of stolen property and larceny. Moses Emanuel Whitfield of Durham was also charged with the same three felony counts in addition to one count of resist, delay and obstruct after fleeing

All four were transported to the Orange County Jail under a \$5,000 secured bond.

Resident bitten by rabid skunk

Orange County Animal Services received its ninth positive rabies test of 2012 on Aug. 23 after a resident in the vicinity of Mt. Sinai Road and Turkey Farm Road was bitten in the foot by a rabid skunk.

The resident was bitten in the foot as the skunk made attempts to enter her house, and she was taken to the hospital and will begin post-exposure prophylaxis that protects people

WCHL begins broadcasting on 97.9

After broadcasting on 1360 AM for more than 60 years, WCHL has added a new channel and is now broadcasting on

By switching to an FM frequency, WCHL will be able to broadcast on a stronger signal with greater sound quality.

To celebrate the move, WCHL will be hosting Chapel Hill's first food-truck rodeo at the VilCom Center on Weaver Dairy Road today (Thursday) from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Old Sterling Drive closed

Portions of Old Sterling Drive will be closed for resurfacing Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 4-8.

The first phase of resurfacing has already begun and is affecting Old Sterling Drive from Sage Road to Drew Hill Lane. Construction on that section will be completed on Aug. 31. The second phase will run from Sept. 4-8 and will affect Old Sterling Drive from Drew Hill Lane to Eastowne Drive.

The road will be closed 24 hours a day and construction will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Project sparks water, density concerns

BY ROSE LAUDICINA

Staff Writer

Neighbors of the proposed Dunhill subdivision – a 26-home development on 68 acres at 2301 Mt. Sinai Road - expressed concerns about the project's well system and its impact on their water supply at the Orange County Board of Commissioners quarterly public hearing on Monday.

"If there is excessive well use on a well that is very close [to ours] it could have an affect on our well," resident Mary Jo Fyfe said. "We do not want it to go dry just because of a new housing development. That is our major concern."

Fyfe said that according to her estimations, her property's well is about 300 feet from a well that is drawn into the development

Diana Walstad, whose property also borders the proposed subdivision, shared stories with the commissioners about her well

going dry and her concern that neighboring developments were using too much water.

Walstad specifically warned commissioners about geothermal pump-and-dump wells, which she said waste water. A geothermal pump and dump is an open loop system that can be used for heating and cooling homes. Water is pumped from a well through a geothermal pump to heat or cool a house and then dumped outside into either a ditch, pond or other acceptable drainage area after the necessary temperature has been extracted from the water.

While Walstad brought up her concern relating to the Dunhill subdivision, she asked commissioners to look at banning this pump-and-dump system from all future developments.

Jeff Akin, division president for David Weekly Homes, the developer of the project, addressed Walstad's concerns directly by going on the record to say that no

pump-and-dump systems would be allowed in the development.

Akin admitted that the developers did have some concern over water usage and supply in the area.

"Our understanding is that the water in this area is a little bit spotty," Akin said.

Plans for the 68.5-acre development show the subdivision's 26 homes being served by one community well, as opposed to each house having it own well, although developers did say that individual wells could be an option.

Neighboring resident Donna Jean Benson told commissioners that she was not only concerned with water supply but was also worried about the density of the development, since it would be located in the county's rural buffer.

"I'm kind of wondering what's the point of the rural buffer," Benson said, adding that she thought she would enjoy the benefits of living in the rural buffer zone. "It looks like a nice project, but it just

seems a little too dense."

Plans show that each home would be built on a two-acre lot. The developer has included two open lots – one for a picnic shelter and the other to protect an existing stream running through the property, as well as a 75-foot buffer from Mt. Sinai Road.

Many residents, including Benson, want the developers to redesign the subdivision with fewer houses on larger lots, but the commissioners provided no direction for the developers to do so.

Commissioner Steve Yuhasz voiced his opinion about subdivisions like Dunhill having to go through a lengthy process to get a special-use permit.

"I think it is silly to make them go through this expensive and time-consuming process," he said.

The commissioners will vote on a special-use permit for the development at their Nov. 20 meeting.

CHARTER SCHOOL Failure to

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But Haven-O'Donnell, an educator for 37 years, said that she is not categorically against the charter school. "Life has taught me there are all kinds of schools and you can't say that a particular kind of school isn't going to work for somebody," she said.

Fellow board of aldermen member Dan Coleman said that having the school in Claremont "on the face of it, from a tax standpoint, seems advantageous."

But both Haven-O'Donnell and Coleman had concerns early on. Coleman felt the location was wrong for a school with an objective of helping minority students, saying that it should be closer to where more minority students live.

He also, unsuccessfully, urged his colleagues on the board to take an official position echoing the sentiments conveyed in the local school board's letter to the state.

For Haven-O'Donnell, the for-profit model raised concerns about a departure from the "very basic premises from which public schools function," while using public monies.

Is the profit motive in conflict with a goal of providing the best public education possible, Haven-O'Donnell and others have asked? And if there's a problem, who's accountable?

communicate

Angela Lee is the school's lead applicant and the daughter of Howard and Lillian Lee. Howard Lee was the first black mayor of Chapel Hill, a state senator and chair of the State Board of Education, and Lillian Lee was a longtime educator.

Howard and Lillian Lee, Haven-O'Donnell said, "are the gold standard as far as educators go." She said she knows they wouldn't put their names on something they don't believe in.

But from the beginning, Haven-O'Donnell said, it seemed as if the school was "going to be introduced to the district rather than be woven into its fabric."

There's been very little conversation between the school's local representatives and the community. Over the past several weeks, The Citizen's requests to Angela Lee and other board members for responses to questions have not been met. Without responding directly, Lee eventually referred questions to an NHA spokesperson.

"If people don't want to respond in a public arena to questions, there's an issue of transparency there," said Linda Haac, a member of Save Bolin Creek who serves on Carrboro's transportation advisory board. "And that's troubling."

According to Matt Ellinwood, a policy advocate for the N.C. Justice Center's Education and Law Project, North Carolina law states that charter schools must be operated by private nonprofit organizations, but doesn't prohibit nonprofits from contracting with for-profit educational management organizations.

It's important though, Ellinwood said, "to ensure that for-profit companies are not operating charter schools with the nonprofit functioning as a 'shell."

This seems especially concerning in the context of the Lee school, he said, in that questions about the operation of the school have been referred to NHA.

"The big question," Ellinwood said, "is who is really running this

'Campus of the future'

A lack of communication at the local level has had at least two consequences, Haven-O'Donnell said.

The first involves a "cookie-cutter approach" to the school facility proposed - a facility that NHA would own and lease to the Lee school. Schools should be built to last 50 years, and are built that way in this district, she said, but the one proposed at Claremont would not

"Look at Morris Grove or look at Rashkis," Haven-O'Donnell said. "The school they're looking to build is not even in the same ball-

"Were I this developer," she said, "I would probably go back to

the drawing board."

The second issue, she said, involves an integration of the school into the system.

"There is a formidable school complex" in the vicinity of the proposed site, Haven-O'Donnell said, citing Seawell Elementary, Smith Middle, Chapel Hill High and the Carolina Center for Educational Excellence.

"The worst thing is that you get this school that's an isolate from what could potentially be a fusion of educational campuses up in that area. That, to me, should be a goal - to create "an integrated educational campus of the future."

Of what that integration would require, Haven-O'Donnell said, "The people who should be asking that question are not asking it," acknowledging that it must be a two-way initiative, but adding, "You would hope that if the school is interested in coming [into this community], they would initiate that conversation."

When issues like this arise, Haven-O'Donnell said, "you've got to sit down with the people in the community. ... If something doesn't feel like it fits with the efforts of the community, you've got to sit down and have a conversation.

"There are a lot of questions," said Haac, "and they need to be answered. And if they're not answered, then that raises even more questions."

Next week: More questions

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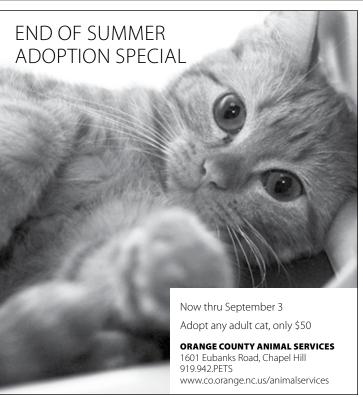
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THE CARRBORO CITIZEN

BACK TO SCHOOL

FROM PAGE I

just superb. It all went very smoothly – the students had their schedules, everybody knew where to go and the hall was clear by the tardy bell."

While overall everyone was left with positive feelings about the first day back, there were a few anticipated challenges for the district and the schools.

A challenge for the district again this year is the severe overcrowding many of the schools are experiencing, especially at the elementary-school level.

"The biggest challenge for us is that we are just so full," Bivins said. "We continue to be overcrowded; we just have a lot of kids."

Although the overcrowding is something the schools were prepared for, it is not an issue that the district can solve until elementary school 11 opens in August 2013, meaning that for the current school year working in cramped quarters and learning in over-capacity classrooms is a reality that the teachers, students and administrators are going to have to accept.

According to Forcella, attendance numbers for the first few days of school indicate that enrollment is way above what the state projected - nearly 200 students more than projections.

"Seawell right now is probably the most crowded of all our schools," Forcella said, "but until elementary 11 opens we just don't have any space to place the kids."

To help alleviate overcrowding at Seawell Elementary, Forcella



Teacher Samantha Howard welcomes 5-year-old Lily Kornegay on her first day of kindergarten at Morris Grove Elementary School. Lily chose to be greeted in sign language. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

said the district could either move new students to another school in the district that is not as over capacity or they could provide additional staff to help with instruc-

To deal with the extra students attending Carrboro Elementary this year - Bivins said they have around 40 more children this year then last - the school had to create classrooms out of non-traditional classroom spaces, move offices into closet-like spaces and put some resources, like Spanish instruction, on a cart. Additionally, the administration office has consolidated from two rooms to

"No one in this school has their own office anymore," Bivins said. "Everyone is just squished; but we know that it's only for a year, so we're going with it."

"However, for having a lot of kids, I thought it went really smooth," she said of the start of the new school year.

The newest challenge the district faces in the 2012-13 school year is the implementation of a new Common Core curriculum. The Common Core standards focus on English, language arts and mathematics and provide students and teachers with a set of expectations and skills that students should master to become college-ready. Forty-five states and three U.S. territories have adopted the Common Core curriculum, but this is the first year the CHCCS district will be implementing the standards.

"This is a year of significant professional training and development," Forcella said. "We are doing a lot of work to provide a lot of training focused on instruction and Common Core. ... This is probably the most intense professional training we have done."

School Briefs

Schools

School board names interim principal of Chapel Hill High School

Earlier this month, Melodie Parrish, a retired N.C. school administrator, was named interim principal of Chapel Hill High School.

Parrish has 37 years of experience working in schools and school administration. She has served in roles including PE teacher, ISS teacher, assistant principal, test coordinator, technology coordinator and director of accountability and SIMS (Student Information Management System). Parrish has held several interim administrator roles since her retirement.

Parrish has a bachelor's degree in health and physical education with a minor in classical languages from Campbell University and a master's degree in education administration and supervision from North Carolina Central University.

Parrish began work Aug. 17.

BRMA receives \$250k

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate (BRMA) program has received a \$250,000 grant from Oak Foundation, an international organization based in Geneva, Switzerland. This is Oak Foundation's second contribution to BRMA.

BRMA plans to use the grant to operate tutorials and provide academic assistance to students who face struggles in school. The funding will also allow the program to expand and hire a new staff member.

CHCCS hires new school administrators

At the Aug. 9 school board meeting, Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools appointed four new administrators and approved transfers of two ad-

Nyree Sullivan and Marian Dillahunt will be the new English/language arts coordinators. Sullivan will be in charge of grades K-6 and Dillahunt grades 7-12.

Corretta Sharpless was appointed as assistant principal at Estes Hills Elementary. William Evans Jr. was appointed as assistant principal at Culbreth Middle School.

Julie Hennis was transferred to Chapel Hill High School as its new dean of faculty and instruction. She worked previously as assistant principal of CHHS and Carrboro High School.

Ivry Cheeks has been transferred to Phoenix Academy High School as the dean of students. Cheeks worked previously as an assistant principal at CHHS.

Chapel Hill High School to host Tiger CHill Carnival

Chapel Hill High School will host its first annual Tiger CHill Carnival on Sept. 15 from 4 to 8 p.m. (with a rain date of Sept. 16 from 2 to 6

The event will take place at the parking lot near the CHHS football stadium.

Tiger CHill will include booths, inflatables and games, food kiosks, local-artisan craft sales and live music and dance.

Proceeds from the event will be used to support high school clubs, teams, bands and organizations.

Teachers benefit from supply store

On Aug. 22 and 23, the East Chapel Hill Rotary Teacher Supply Store was open to provide Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools teachers with materials for their classrooms.

The store served 425 teachers. It is funded by a \$15,000 grant from Staples as well as grants from the East Chapel Hill Rotary, Public School Foundation and the Sunrise Rotary Club.



New community-relations director

Jeff Nash has been named the new Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools executive director of community relations.

Nash comes to CHCCS from Durham Public Schools, where he worked as a communications specialist. He began his career with Wake County Schools as a teacher. He also worked for Wake County Schools as a basketball coach, assistant principal and senior administrator of communications. He holds a bachelor's degree in education from SUNY College at Buffalo and a master's degree in educational administration from N.C. State University.

Notebooks for scholarships

Thrill City, Sacrificial Poets and the Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate (BRMA) program are coming together to raise money for the Blue Ribbon scholarship fund while also raising awareness about the area's underserved public school popu-

The three organizations have designed a special back-to-school accessory, a notebook called the Thrill City Book.

The notebook is made from 100 percent recycled sheets of paper and costs \$5, and for every Thrill City Book sold \$1 will be donated to the Blue Ribbon scholarship fund. To purchase the notebook, visit thrillcitybook.com

School Lunch Menus

FRIDAY 8/31

Elementary School: Sloppy Joe on a whole-grain bun, seasoned turnip greens, mashed potatoes, fresh apple wedges

Middle and High School: Macaroni & cheese w/breadstick, hamburger, turkey corn dog, cheeseburger, meatball pizza, hummus & veggie plate w/tortilla chips

MONDAY 9/3

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TUESDAY 9/4

Elementary School: BBQ chicken,

59 Parasite

whole-grain breadstick, steamed broccoli, seasoned yellow squash, peach crumble, raisins

Middle and High School: Fajita chicken or beef taco on a whole -wheat tortilla, hamburger, buffalo chix poppers w/dinner roll, chicken filet sandwich, primavera pizza, breaded chicken Caesar salad wrap

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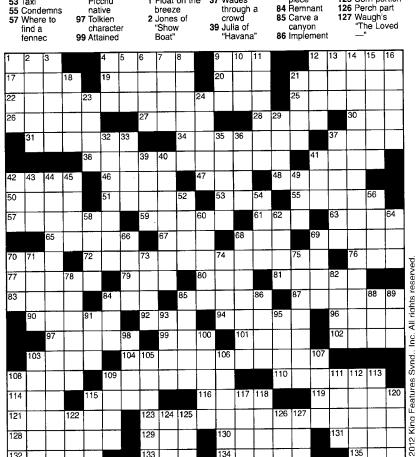
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Citizen **Cryptoquote** By Martin Brody

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by Linda Thistle

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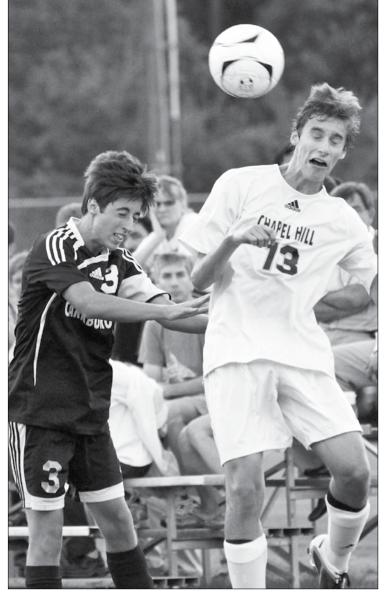
Jaguar Mikey McPeak challenges Chapel Hill defender Chandler Weedon at the CHHS goal

The Carrboro High School men's soccer team logged its first win of the season with a 2-0 victory over Chapel Hill High on Monday. Jaguars Nico Krachenfels and Mark Rovner each scored a goal. Carrboro takes on Walter M. Williams High tonight (Thursday) at home at 7, while Chapel Hill will play Springside Academy at home at 7:30.

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Jaguar Thar Thwai goes up against Chapel Hill defender



Carrboro's Garrett Parker and Chapel Hill's Alex Walker go up for a

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This notice has been made with reference to Federal Register dated March 21, 1979, Volume 44, Number 56: Kathi Breweur, Director of Career and Technical Education. Any questions regarding CTE or this notice can be address to kbreweur@chccs.k12.nc.us

The above named persons can be contacted at Chapel Hill - Carrboro City Schools, Lincoln Center 750 S. Merritt Mill Road Chapel Hill, NC 27516 (919.967-8211).



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Se hace esta notificación en relación con el Registro Federal fechado del 21 de marzo, 1979, Volumen 44, Número 56: Kathi Breweur, Directora de Educación técnica y profesional. Cualquier pregunta sobre esta notificación o la CTE puede ser la dirigida a kbreweur@

Se puede contactar a las personas indicadas en Escuelas públicas de Chapel Hill y Carrboro, Lincoln Center 750 S. Merritt Mill Road Chapel Hill, NC 27516 (919.967-8211).

Game day has finally arrived

BY EDDY LANDRETH

Staff Writer

The time is here for the debut of the Larry Fedora era in Carolina football.

The first-year coach will lead



his team in the seasonopener on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. against Elon. When

Fedora

looks at all Eddy Landreth that has occurred since he was announced

as coach late last fall, he said the team's eagerness and attitude have pleased him the most. "They're hungry," Fedora said. "They have been hungry for someone to care about them.

They've been eager to please. "They want to do things the way we ask them to do them."

They're hungry for something positive to happen in their lives.

In order to prepare for this first game, the Tar Heels had scrimmages the past three Saturdays, including a mock game this past week. Fedora said when he says mock game, he means from the time the players wake up to meetings to the pre-game meal and so on, right down to executing on offense, defense and special teams.

'We made a lot of mistakes [in the mock game]," Fedora said. "I'm glad we weren't playing this past Saturday. But that is why we do it.

"We do everything, as far as how you get out of bed in the morning. When you come down to the meeting, what you're going to look like. You're not going to look like you just got out of bed. You're going to look alert and be ready to go.

"Every single detail was covered in that day," Fedora said. "We did it all. Everything had to be done. Traditionally when you do something like that, the focus isn't where we would want it to be as a coaching staff. Therefore, you see the mistakes that are made throughout the day and on the field."

The breakdowns provide ammunition for the coaches to show why they went through such an elaborate rehearsal.

"We were able to come back in and say, 'That is why we were doing this," Fedora said. "The mistakes we made, we cannot allow this Saturday [in the first game]. It was a great experience for everybody involved."

Fedora said that star running back Giovani Bernard will add "They're hungry. They have been hungry for someone to care about them. They're hungry for something positive to happen in their lives. They've been eager to please. They want to do things the way we ask them to do them."

—Larry Fedora

punt returns to his duties this season. Bernard is an excellent runner when he can get into the open field and force tacklers to go one-on-one with him.

"I love it," Bernard said. "I wouldn't do something I don't love, and I think that is the mentality you have to go into it. You have to love what you do. Returning punts is what I'm doing, and I love it.

"I played baseball in high school, so tracking something down in the air for a while is something I'm used to. Being a football player, you have to be able to do that, add to your game in different ways.
"It's new for me," Bernard

said. "And I think I'm doing a pretty good job. There are little things I need to work on, but that will come with experience."

On the defensive side of the ball, senior linebacker Kevin Reddick said the important factor is to play hard and to do so without fear.

"We just need to play at a high-intensity level," Reddick said. "That is our main thing. Go out there and play with high intensity, have fun and it will come natural to you. We don't need to go out there and play uptight."

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This is a highly non-traditional method of seeking new ownership, but unlike any other publication with which I've been involved *The Citizen* belongs mostly to the readers, and it's the readers who should have first crack at continuing what we've begun.

I have no interest in seeing this newspaper acquired by someone who would change its focus from nuanced, community-focused journalism. Those folks can go start their own publication.

This newspaper has always been about the journalism, pure and simple. And you readers have emphatically told us again and again that you like what we're doing. For example, in 2012 we have distributed an average of 7,315 papers per week, with an average pickup of 90 percent. In the free newspaper business, that's a huge number.

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Make no mistake about it – *The Citizen* has been a financial burden. That's definitely a part of the weariness I'm feeling. The contrast of our strong readership success with these financial issues,

however, while highlighting the challenges facing our industry, presents a manageable conundrum. Manageable, that is, by the right person or group who sees the value of what we've built here, and who has the energy and resources to take on this task.

Who will it be? Am I the only person who believes our community deserves quality locally owned and operated long-form journalism, and is willing to back up that belief with money and time? I sure hope not.

Here's the punch line: If a qualified successor isn't soon found, *The Citizen* will cease publication sometime in the fall. Not before, however, we bring you another awesome Carrboro Resource Guide (9/6) and Carrboro Music Festival special section (9/27).

So call me, send an email or stop by the office. Your newspaper needs you.

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A need for due diligence on new charters

CHRIS FITZSIMON

One of the items on the agenda for the state board of education next week is the possible approval of 25 more charter schools to open in the fall of 2013.

That's how many new charters the N.C. Public Charter School Advisory Council has recommended that the state board approve, using a ranking system that evaluates the charter applications on things like their mission statement, discipline policy, business plan, etc.

There are currently 108 charter schools in operation in the state. The cap of 100 was lifted by the General Assembly in 2011 and eight of the nine schools approved on a fast-track application program are opening this

If the board approves all 25 of the recommended schools, that means the state will have 134 charter schools up and running next year, a 34 percent increase since 2011.

In case you are wondering who is responsible for overseeing all of those schools to make sure they are living up to their promises and spending their state dollars properly, that would be the Office of Charter Schools in the Department of Public Instruction.

That office consists of two full-time employees and four consultants. That's absurd for an office charged with overseeing 100 schools, much less 134.

And that's not the only issue that ought to give members of the state board pause at their next meeting. There are other serious issues about the schools that are not reflected in the simple rankings used by the advisory

council when coming up with their recommendations. Sixteen of the 25 schools have no transportation plan other than requiring families to make sure their children make it to school. That makes it impossible for many families to even consider some of the charters that are supposed to be open to all students.

Eighteen of the schools have not identified a facility they will use to hold their classes. That seems like information the state board would need to make an informed decision about the schools.

Then there are the serious concerns raised by the local school districts, particularly in urban areas, of the impact the charters will have on their enrollment and funding. Guilford County Schools officials are worried that the charters that may open in their county will duplicate specific programs and curriculums already offered by the traditional public schools.

That certainly seems like a relevant point for the board to address. Charter schools were billed as schools of innovation, not schools that copy innovations already created by traditional public schools.

There's plenty more that board members ought to consider. Four of the schools were found by the advisory council to be inadequate in their plans to serve students with special needs, again making the schools unavailable to some students.

And finally, there's the question of who is running the schools and who is making the decisions about how they are run. Seven of the 25 recommended schools will turn over either the day-to-day management or various operations to for-profit companies, with five of the corporations not even in North Carolina.

Are charters about providing an education or making a profit for an out-of-state company?

Sarah Ovaska of N.C. Policy Watch reported last year that two officials of a right-wing foundation based in Oregon that gives money to a Rutherford County charter school sit on the school's board, making decisions about how millions of North Carolina taxpayer dollars are spent.

Supporters of expanding charter schools often remind skeptics that charters are actually public schools

That's right, and members of the state board of education should remember that next week when considering the new round of charters for approval.

They are public schools funded by public dollars. That demands public scrutiny and accountability, not to mention the need for answers to a lot of troubling questions before any decisions are made.

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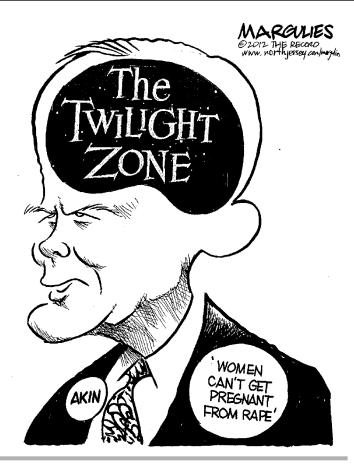
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Test your downtown knowledge (answers)



Sorry about the tough quiz, folks. Not many passing grades among the few folks to send in their answers. The idea was to highlight the fact that there are so many stories, facts, ideas and people who can get lost in the

That's kind of what local newspapers are all about. Here's hoping this one lasts. Now on to the answers.

- Heading from campus toward Hillsborough, the streets in order are Cameron, Franklin, Rosemary and North.
- 2. Two men who have run establishments downtown have had the nickname "Papa D." What are their actual names and their establishments? Papa D – Edward G. Danziger – ran Danziger's restaurant on Franklin Street. Papa D – soonto-be county Commissioner Mark Dorosin - ran the nightclub Hell on Rosemary Street.
- Name two bookstores that were located in the 100 block of either East or West Franklin. The Intimate was in the middle of the 100 block of East Franklin, and Logos, a Christian bookstore, was located at 100 West Franklin.
- Where did Marty Ravellette hang out in the mornings? Born with no arms and hailed a hero after saving a woman at an auto wreck, Marty used to go to Sutton's Drug Store about every morning. They still miss him there. Me too.
- Where was the Sidetrack tavern? Where the Armadillo Grill is now located in Carrboro
- Where did the sidetrack it was named for go to? A large mill operation located in the area off Roberson Street that is now a large parking lot for Carr Mill Mall
- Name one of the two people who tackled Wendell Williamson and the intersection where it happened. (Sorry about 22. the typo on the name in the print version.) Bar manager William Leone and attorney Bob Epting tackled Williamson as he tried to reload his weapon at the corner of Henderson and Rosemary streets.
- Where did former Chapel Hill Mayor Jimmy Wallace teach? Over in Raleigh at N.C. State
- What large downtown structure is named for him? **The** Wallace Parking Deck on Rosemary Street
- 10. Where and when was Chapel Hill's first civil rights sit-in? On Feb. 28, 1960, four weeks after the famous Wool-

worth's sit-in in Greensboro, a small group of Lincoln High School students refused to leave the whites-only sitting area at the Colonial Drug Store, which was located on Franklin Street where the West End Wine Bar

- 11. Say something Catbaby would say. "Hey Cat," "Whataya say Caaaat," or simply "Caaaaaaat" are acceptable
- 12. Carrboro used to have a Western Auto store. Where was it? About where Acme is now. I bought a red Schwinn there before it closed.
- 13. What was the first name of the late, great Friendly Barber? Grady. We miss him too.
- 14. In what famed Chapel Hill clothing store did Doug Clark and the Hot Nuts play on Hot Diggity Days? Julian's
- 15. What building is named for Doug's mother? The old UNC laundry building, located next to the cogeneration plant on Cameron Avenue is named for Kennon Cheek and Rebecca Clark.
- 16. Where was the Dairy Bar? The one downtown was located in The Courtyard facing Franklin Street in the space that used to house Pyewacket's takeout space.
- What is the name of the big hill you travel down heading east from downtown on Franklin Street? Stroud Hill
- 18. What is the shared last name of Bill, Matt, Sheila and Moreton? **Neal**
- 19. When did Julian Carr buy the mill in Carrboro? 1909
- 20. What did Professor Venable teach? Chemistry
- 21. Where is "Chapel Hill's Oldest Tavern?" The Cave is located at 452 and 1/2 West Franklin Street.
- Whereabouts on the hill was the original New Hope Chapel? Near the spot where the Carolina Inn now rests
- 23. The parade of history mural in Porthole Alley ends with a sink and the signature "R Mutt." What does this name refer to? Sorry, no real Chapel Hill connection here. It refers to surrealist Marcel Duchamp, who used the name R Mutt as the signature on his work "Fountain."
- 24. Where was the first automatic traffic signal in Chapel Hill located? At the intersection of Columbia and Franklin streets, installed in 1923. It was the top story on the front page of the inaugural issue of the Chapel Hill Weekly.

Favoring the jocks (just don't get caught)

WILL BARBER

Those of us who have been in academe for a while are quite familiar with the favoritism afforded to university athletes, especially football players.

Early in my teaching career at a major Texas university I began receiving telephone calls at the end of the semester from coaches asking for favors to help their athletes remain eligible to play. After I turned them down a couple of times, they quit calling.

I remember relaying these conversations on to my department head. He said, "Don't worry about it - you'll probably be receiving more phone calls. They are looking for professors who will cooper-

Twenty-five years later, after retiring from university teaching, it happened again. This time the athletic department and faculty members had become a little more sophisticated, and in one particular case had help from the registrar.

I had received a phone call from a large state university in North Carolina asking me to teach part-time. I accepted the position as an adjunct professor, teaching three popular courses to mostly juniors and seniors.

Most of my students were working while at the same time carrying a full load of courses. They were struggling to balance grades and pay for school. They received no special favors.

At the end of the semester I received the usual grade sheets from the registrar's office. As I entered the final grades I noticed there were two students on one course sheet whose names were not familiar. I looked at my roll book and their names did not appear. They had never attended class.

I asked my department head for an explanation.

Department head: "Oh, that's OK, Dr. Barber. These are students who are taking your course as an independent study." Me: "What? Wait a minute. They never attended the class.

How can they receive credit for a class they never attended?" Department head: "Oh, they were assigned a paper for their independent study. You can read it if you like."

Me: "I can't enter a grade for these students. They never attended class. Besides, a final paper does not equate to a student receiving credit for a course they never attended. There was no instruction at all, only a flimsy paper. That's not quite ethical!"

Department head: "Oh, don't worry, we can take care of that. I will assign a final grade."

I left his office steaming mad. It seemed, after talking to the department head, that it was standard practice

Later in the day a couple of students dropped by my office to wish me a relaxing vacation. A copy of my roll sheet was on my

desk. I asked them if they had ever heard of these two students. "You don't recognize those names Dr. Barber? They're both football players. That's funny; we never saw them in class. Wish

When I delivered my grade sheets to the registrar's office the next day, I asked about the two mystery entries on my class roll. How did they get there? I told the registrar they had never attended class. They hadn't dropped the course - if they had, they wouldn't be on my final grade sheet.

Registrar: "Oh, don't worry about that Dr. Barber. That happens sometimes when people can't attend a class regularly. We do this a lot for our athletes who have to stay eligible."

Me [raising my voice a couple of octaves]: "This is making no

Registrar: "You must be a new faculty member, Dr. Barber!" I left the registrar's office wondering how many no-show courses were being offered by faculty members at this university courses where no instruction was offered and the only requirement was to submit a paper at the end of the semester.

So many people were involved: faculty, department heads, athletic departments and in my case, the registrar's office.

I was not asked to return the next year. And I never found out what grades were entered for the athletes who appeared on my roll sheets, but I can guess.

I still think about the hundreds of students who have been enrolled in my courses over the past 25 years. They graduated without any special favors; nobody was writing their papers for them and none bolted from school to receive million-dollar salaries. They worked very hard to get an education.

The blame in all of this, including the recent scandal in the athletic department at UNC, lies not with the athletes but with faculty members, department heads and athletic departments willing to cheat the system in order to keep athletes academically

As one coach told me at a party once: "Athletic departments, and that includes even high schools, will do anything to keep their players eligible. Nothing will change. Unless there are major reforms, the cheating will continue; just don't get caught."

Will Barber is a former professor of psycholinguistics and a resident of Chapel Hill.

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LETTERS

People Offering Relief for Chapel Hill and Carrboro Homes, or PORCH, is an allvolunteer, grassroots, nonprofit organization whose mission is to collect more food for the hungry in the community. We are writing in support of the PORCH Food for Families Program, as well as a new program designed to provide each of the schools in our district supplemental

snacks for students. PORCH has been supporting Karen and Burmese families through their Refugee Relief Food Program for a couple of years, and they have been slowly expanding to serve more families in extreme poverty. All of the schools in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools district have families who are living in extreme poverty. The additional food provided by PORCH, especially the fresh fruits, vegetables, milk and eggs, is an incredible resource for

these families. Chapel Although Hill is a resource-rich community, families need to know how to navigate many systems to get all the resources they need. Many of the families who are receiving support through PORCH are not only living in extreme poverty, but they are overwhelmed by the challenges of getting additional help due to various barriers such as low literacy skills, transportation issues, learning English as a second language, etc.

We are very grateful that PORCH's Food for Families program is operating in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community. PORCH has given school social workers food to give to families in extreme poverty before school breaks and snacks to use for children in poverty, and for this we are thankful on behalf of the children and families with whom we work.

We also are appreciative of the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service's (IFC) food pantry (ifcweb.org), TABLE (tablenc.org) and the Food Bank of Central and Eastern NC (foodbankcenc.org), which are organizations that help families and children with whom we work with food assistance as well. IFC has a food pantry where families can receive monthly food help, TABLE provides food to children through local afterschool programs and the Food Bank of CENC provides food to CHCCS' Child Nutrition Department to provide weekend backpacks to children in some of the CHCCS elementary schools. Through a variety of ways, all of these agencies help meet the food needs of the families and children we serve, and for this we thank them and the individuals, community and religious organizations that support them.

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CELL PHONES

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by this order and the way it limits municipal authority," Kleinschmidt said. "It has greater impact on the way our community operates and the way I think communities across the state operate. It has greater impact than just the cell phone ordinance."

Storrow previously voted in favor of the ordinance, but voted against appealing.

"I did vote for the ordinance when we passed it," Storrow said. "I thought we had compelling evidence that using cell phones behind the wheel was a public-health

However, Storrow said he felt

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it was time to move on, given that the council has a number of important priorities to focus on this

"I think we have to consider what authority we have as a municipality and what authority we don't," he added.

The ruling stemmed from a challenge to the laws by George King of George's Towing and Recovery, who held that the ordinances could cause his business irreparable harm. Since May when Hudson issued a temporary restraining order – the town has been unable to enforce either ordinance, and the town has received a number of complaints regarding George's Towing, with some drivers reporting being charged as much as \$250.

The council had approved changes tightening the town's towing ordinance - which dated back to at least 2002 - in February, responding to concerns about predatory towing practices. The changes would have limited towing fees to \$125 town-wide; required towing companies to accept multiple forms of payment, including credit and debit cards; and required that one sign be posted at every third parking space and a sign be posted notifying drivers of video surveillance, in addition to signage previously required at the entrance to the lots.

Kleinschmidt said that, just as he was with the cell phone ruling, he was concerned about the implications the judge's ruling on the towing ordinance would have on municipality authority.

"Our authority on towing I think generally comes out of our police powers and not just this specific statute that the judge references," he said. "It's bothersome to me, as the mayor, as a lawyer. If this is how the limits of municipal authority are going to be defined in North Carolina, then we need to know that with a higher degree of confidence."

Hudson's decision leaves similar towing ordinances in other North Carolina towns and cities including Carrboro - susceptible to challenge.

Storrow said that while he voted against appealing the cell phone ruling, he supported the town's appeal of the towing ordinance decision.

"There are multiple municipalities in North Carolina that regulate towing, so I think we have a responsibility to the state to appeal that decision," he said.

Unlike the towing ordinance, the cell phone ordinance – which would have regulated the use of both handheld and hands-free devices while driving - would have been the first of its kind nation-

Kleinschmidt said the town is seeking a stay order that would allow Chapel Hill to enforce its towing ordinance while the litigation is pending.

INCUBATOR

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rent at both locations, Clifton said.

To help 3 Birds Marketing, the town came up with a plan to find a use for their former space – the home for the town's first smallbusiness incubator.

While the project is primarily being coordinated by the town, Orange County will be providing \$10,000 each quarter to assist with rent for the facilities. In total, the county will provide \$140,000.

"The tenants would be paying some rent," Clifton said, "but we will subsidize rent for the small businesses as they start up and get running."

Clifton said the space is ideal for a new business with an employee base consisting of the founder and perhaps one or two employees, and there will be room for six to eight of these companies Nelson said. in the 4,000-square-foot building.

"This is just for small, one- or two-person enterprises that need a place to start getting their business off the ground," Clifton said.

Eventually, Clifton said he hopes the businesses that get their start through the incubator will invest back into the community by creating jobs and permanently locating in Órange County.

Aaron Nelson, president of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce, said he believes the incubator will bring multiple benefits to the downtown community, from creating jobs to boosting Chapel Hill's reputation for supporting creativity and innovation.

Nelson also said that while it will be great to have a place for innovators from UNC to start their businesses, he also thinks it will help draw people in from outside the university community.

"People want to be in a place that supports things like this,"

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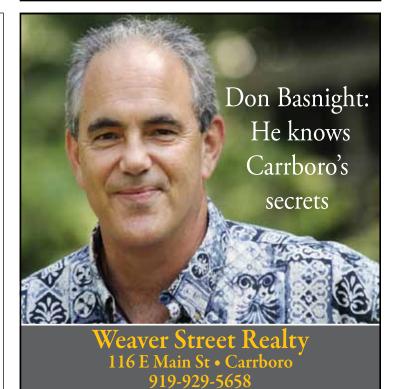
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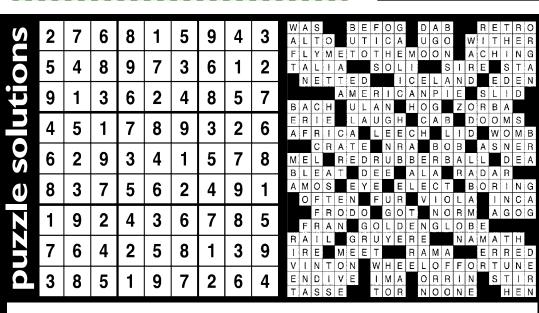


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CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: What Would Joe Friday Say? Facts and truth really don't have much to do with each other. - William Faulkner, quoted in the



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Pink blooms, purple berries and yellow spikes of obedient plant, American beautyberry and goldenrod PHOTO BY NCBG STAFF

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was once part of Laurel Hill Road. There, six different species of native sunflowers (Helianthus spp.) and two species of rosinweed (Silphium spp.) branched over top with dozens of small, bright-yellow flowers. Equally grand was the mix of airy ornamental grasses, such as hair grass (Muhlenbergia capillaris) and little bluestem (Schizachyrium scoparium), with a variety of smaller herbaceous perennials blooming in shades of pink, purple and white. Species included in this floral display were obedient plant (Physostegia virginiana), scaly blazing star (Liatris squarrosa), stemless ironweed (Vernonia acaulis) and wild quinine (Parthenium integrifolium).

And then it struck me, as I found myself at the edge of the daily plant sale area on the west side of the Education Center – the fall plant sale is less than three weeks away. (See the garden's website for details at ncbg.unc.edu). Yikes! I better get back to work!

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Little blue stem in the Piedmont habitat garden

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"Mother May" Marshbanks, 1962

reached town that May Marshpassed at 95 down in Buies Creek, it set off a flurry of Internet chatter among old Chapel Hill High School grads, who, like me, remember "Mother May" for the strong, yet accessible and caring principal that she was. Classmate Becky Tatum Hilstad (class of '63) said it best: "I don't think we appreciated at the time how very unique and special she was. I know I was pretty much terrified that I might ever get called into her office and fortunately managed to avoid that! Now I know that her style was a good thing for us all and have nothing but admiration for this great lady." Great lady, indeed; she was the state's first woman principal of a public high school, and her years at the helm, 1955-70, spanned some tumultuous times. Her moniker, "Mother May," was one born of a healthy mix of fear and respect. These two photographs from my musty, dusty albums capture two sides of "Miz Marshbanks" - grinning with satisfaction as Rusty Edmister receives his diploma at commencement in 1962, and then there's our principal caught at a candid moment, rake in hand, on the front lawn of CHHS (presentday University Square) during a campus-wide clean-up day. Thank you, Mother May.



A THOUSAND WORDS

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