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Young creeping cucumber berry is evident before the flower fully opens.

PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

Sometimes native vines seem invasive

When asked by a Flora reader some weeks ago why I did not focus on vines, I didn't realize that my response would be to become as compulsively focused as I have been lately. Please forgive, forbear and above all, take note.

While notorious exotic invasive wisteria, Japanese honeysuckle and oriental bittersweet are so obviously evident everywhere, the presence of our important native vines can easily slip beneath our cursory visual radar.

Now that I have been focusing on native vines, I am realizing that just about all of them are climbing or sprawling about somewhere on my home turf. From time to time, one or more of these natives become so vigorous that one could view them with the same disfavor we hold for the aforementioned exotics.

In *Bringing Nature Home*, a book we should all read, biologist Doug Tallamy provides perspective on why our native vines may seem out of control. "In the old days, woody vines were restricted to edge habitats where there was plenty of sun. When a tree fell or a fire opened a gap in the woods, viney species would use the trees on the opening edge for support as they climbed into the canopy for sunlight. When the forest gap closed, the seeds from the vines no longer germinated, or if they did, the seedlings were unable to thrive in the shade of the closed canopy. So vines were ephemeral in their impact on the trees of mature forests."

Today the fragmented forest of human-altered landscapes has

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Chapel Hill could ban phoning while driving

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL — In a move that could lead to a ban on cell phone use while driving in Chapel Hill, the Chapel Hill Town Council voted 6-2 to draft a local ordinance of such a regulation for consideration.

Council members Laurin Easthom and Gene Pease voted against the measure. Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt was not present due to illness.

In June, Krista Slough, a UNC student who was seriously injured in a car accident last year, and Joe Capowski, a resident who witnessed the accident, petitioned the council to consider the ban. Capowski alleged that the driver of the car that hit the victim was talking on her cell phone at the time of the accident.

In February 2010, council member Penny Rich had raised a petition for such a ban, but the council postponed the measure while waiting on a

report from the N.C. General Assembly, which was considering restricting talking on cell phones while driving but has not acted on the matter. Texting while driving and the use of cell phones by drivers under 18 are both already illegal in North Carolina.

Council members expressed concern regarding whether the town had the authority to regulate cell phone use while driving, as well as the town's ability to enforce the regulation.

"I think there's clearly a concern throughout this country, and I think throughout the world, in terms of using cell phones in vehicles while they are moving," council member Matt Czajkowski said. "The issue that we're facing is the pragmatic question of whether we can do it in Chapel Hill or not."

Town Attorney Ralph Karpinos said he would request an opinion from the state attorney general's of

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Chefs at the Market



Il Palio chef Adam Rose prepares food for the hungry crowd at the Carrboro Farmers' Market's ninth annual chefs event on Saturday. For the event, a group of chefs from eateries throughout the area provided market goers with a free taste of what can be prepared using local ingredients. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

Board mulls anti-lingering ordinance

BY SUSAN DICKSON
Staff Writer

CARRBORO — In a discussion regarding Carrboro's controversial anti-lingering ordinance, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen on Tuesday struggled to find a solution to issues surrounding the ordinance and the problems that led to its creation.

The board approved an anti-lingering ordinance for the intersection of Davie and Jones Ferry roads in November 2007, after residents of the surrounding neighborhood complained of public consumption, public urination and garbage in the areas around the intersection. Day laborers, many of them Latino, often gather at the intersection in hopes that contractors will come by and offer them work. The ordinance prohibits waiting at the intersection from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

On Tuesday, the board asked staff to explore the possibility of hiring an outreach officer to staff the corner, and also to look at limiting the times during which employers could hire day laborers, instead of limiting when residents could linger at the corner.

In June, the board voted to take an-

other look at the ordinance. Earlier that month, the Southern Coalition for Social Justice sent a letter to the town alleging the ordinance's unconstitutionality, stating that the ordinance is "overbroad and vague" and has interfered with workers' ability to obtain employment during the late-morning and early-afternoon hours.

On Tuesday, Carrboro Police Chief Carolyn Hutchison reported that the number of complaints stemming from the corner had steadily decreased since the ordinance was instituted, though a large portion of complaints received by Carrboro police still come from that general area of town.

Several board members said they felt they were dealing with two different issues — the need for a center for day laborers and loitering at the corner by those who aren't looking for work. Over the past several months, Orange County Justice United and leaders in the Latino community have been discussing the possibility of establishing some sort of day-laborer center.

"I'm worried that we're confusing the two issues because they're located physically in the same place," board member Jacquie Gist said. "If we had [a day-laborer center], I think we'd still have some problems on that corner, because I'm afraid that the problems on that corner are not from the people that are going there to get

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Budget cuts take further toll on mental health system

BY TAYLOR SISK
Staff Writer

This story is the fourth in a series about the real and potential effects to Orange County residents of state budget cuts. This week, we look at the mental health system.

These are especially trying days for North Carolinians living with mental illness — particularly those without the means to pay for much-needed services — and for those who provide these services.

Last year, the state Department of Health and Human Services announced that it was making yet another sweeping overhaul of our mental health care system, meaning most providers either had to amp up their operations or lose public funding.

Now comes a new round of budget

cuts. These cuts, said Tim Brooks, co-director of Carolina Outreach, a local nonprofit offering programs for young people with behavioral issues and their families, "represent a whittling away of the very thin margins that we have already been facing."

When reform of the state's mental health care system in 2001 brought privatization, many veterans of that system warned that mental health care was a tough place to make ends meet while effectively providing the services that are critical to hundreds of thousands of people in this state.

That assertion continues to become more evident.

Harder still

Money for services funded by the

state for those not eligible for Medicaid is limited in the best of times, but will be more so in the next two years. Medicaid funding has also been cut. (The Medicaid program is operated jointly by the state and federal governments, with the feds paying approximately two dollars to every dollar the state puts into it.)

The money for services funded strictly by the state flows through local management entities (LMEs). OPC Area Program is the LME that serves Orange, Person and Chatham counties.

With the 2011-12 budget, the legislature stipulated that LMEs must use their existing fund balances to offset reductions in service funding. According to OPC area director Judy Truitt, the LMEs were required to backfill a \$25 million reduction in service dollars, and

were "strongly encouraged" to backfill an additional \$20 million.

Truitt said that OPC's share of that \$25 million is \$954,257, and its share of the additional \$20 million is \$612,198.

"At this point," Truitt said, "we are planning to cover both the required and recommended adjustments." She said that she doesn't anticipate a "change to the continuum of care in our communities."

"We had been forewarned about the likelihood of cuts that could range between 5 and 15 percent," said Julie Bailey, interim executive director of Mental Health America of the Triangle, of her organization's state funding. A delay in receiving the money from the state has been more of an issue than the reduction.

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Volunteers for Youth helps young residents succeed

RECENTLY ...
BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

People here have historically taken action in response to negative trends.

In 1974, a rape crisis center was established after a series of rapes of elderly women; a women's center was started in 1978 when meeting the needs of struggling women became a national hue and cry; and in 1982, Volunteers for Youth (VFY) was started in response to a rise in juvenile crimes, at the recommendation of concerned members of the Orange County court system.

Susan Worley has been the executive director of VFY since 1988. She grew up in Chapel Hill, the daughter of a professor.

"I love this town," she said. "It was a great place to grow up and for my kids to grow up. Yet some people here live with dire circumstances that are hard for the rest of us to understand."

VFY has three programs to which it can credit its continued success in turning lives around.

First-time offenders aged 11-17 can be referred to Orange County Teen Court; if they

have admitted guilt to a misdemeanor offense like shoplifting, disorderly conduct or involvement with drugs or alcohol. An adult plays judge, but all other court roles are played by teens, including the jury, which metes out constructive punishments, like jury duty at Teen Court or community service, especially if restitution is required.

VFY is paired with several nonprofit organizations with which the teens complete community service, like in a community garden, with volunteer supervisors who ensure that the youth learn about responsibility and accountability during the completion of their assignments.

The most compelling of VFY's programs is the Volunteer Mentor Program, where high-risk young people aged 7 to 17 referred to VFY are matched with a mentor. The first match was made in August 1988, and a few months ago, the pair, Tami Williams and Ginny Fowler, attended a VFY open house together.

"Ginny was 11 when they were matched," Worley said. "They have become adult friends."

A major turning point came early on, when



A match made in (the Southern part of) heaven in 1988 between volunteer mentor Tami Williams and then 11-year-old Ginny Fowler still connects these two women.

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County talks EMS

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MUSIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY SEPT 15

The Cave: EARLY: Laura Thurston
LATE: Transportation, Minor Stars

City Tap: Jo Gore and The Alternative. 8pm

General Store Cafe: Tony Galiani Band. 7pm

Local 506: Simplified, Patrick Clare. 9:30pm. \$8

Southern Rail: Outside Soul. 10pm

FRIDAY SEPT 16

The ArtsCenter: Los Lonely Boys, The Kicks. 8:30pm

Caffe Driade: Danielle Ate The Sandwich. 8pm

Carolina Inn: Mel Melton and The Wicked Mojo. 5pm

Cat's Cradle: Atari Teenage Riot, Otto Von Schirach, Mecanikill. 8:30pm. \$14/16

The Cave: EARLY: Wesley Cook
LATE: The Benjamin Raubinsons, The Ill Family, Wide Eye Mischief

City Tap: Killer Filler, Justin Johnson. 7m

General Store Cafe: String Peddlers. 8pm

Local 506: The Apache Relay, River City Extension. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Southern Rail: Alex Bowers and Friends. 7:30pm

SATURDAY SEPT 17

Caffe Driade: Saludos Compay. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: Girls, Nobunny, Papa. 9pm. \$14/16

The Cave: EARLY: Rodie Ray
City Tap: See No Weevil. 8pm

General Store Cafe: Hank Bowman Band, 8pm

Local 506: Neon Indian. 9:30pm. \$13/15

Southern Rail: Lee Gildersleeve and Bad Dog Blues Band. 6pm

Southern Village: Breakfast Club

SUNDAY SEPT 18

The Cave: LATE: Lomesome City Travelers

Cat's Cradle: Mat Kearney, Leagues. 8pm. \$20/23

Local 506: The Low Anthem, William Elliot Whitmore. 8:45pm. \$13/15

Milltown: Andrew Marlin, Jeff Stickley. 8:30pm. Free

Southern Rail: Dave Spencer Band. 8pm. Free

Southern Village: B.O.D. 7pm

Weaver Street Market: Joe Woodson. 11am

MONDAY SEPT 19

Carolina Student Union: Alvin Youngblood Hart, Eddie Shaw and the Wolf Gang, Jody Williams, Henry Clay. 7:30pm

Local 506: Jim Ward. 9:30pm. \$8/10

TUESDAY SEPT 20

The ArtsCenter: Adrian Belew Power Trio and Stick Men Feat. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: Meat Puppets, The Weeks, Bustello. 8:30pm. \$13/15

Local 506: Secret Chiefs 3. 9pm. \$15

Nightlight: Lam!Lam! Snakes Say Hiss, Weekend. 9:30pm. \$5

Southern Rail: Mysti Mayhem. 10pm

WEDNESDAY SEPT 21

Caffe Driade: Southern Routes. 8pm

The Cave: LATE: Shane Cools

Cat's Cradle: Wild Beasts, BOBBY. 8pm. \$15/17

Local 506: Nick 13, Brett Detar. 9pm. \$12

Nightlight: The Moaners, Hotchacha, Summer People. 9:30pm. \$5

THURSDAY SEPT 22

The ArtsCenter: Climb Jacob's Ladder. 8pm

The Cave: EARLY: Salem Ezz
LATE: Ollie Ox

Cat's Cradle: Megafaun, Perry Owen Wright. 9pm. \$12

City Tap: Mebanesville. 8pm

General Store Cafe: India Cain,

Keith Allen. 7pm

Local 506: Jswiss, Skyblew, Jabea, Driquet London, Dasan Anahu. 9pm. \$6

Nightlight: RoRo Drums, Ti Femme

Southern Rail: Stephanie Niles. 10pm

FRIDAY SEPT 23

The ArtsCenter: Woody Witt and The Quantum Mechanics, Seven Steps. 8pm. \$23

Carolina Inn: Lizz and The Big Band. 5pm

The Cave: EARLY: Samantha Tieger
LATE: The Static minds, Pussy Mountain, Reese McHenry

Cat's Cradle: Melissa Ferrick, Ria Mae. 8pm. \$16/18

City Tap: Too Much Fun, Sarah Shook and The Devil. 7pm

General Store Cafe: Greg Hawks and Blumont Road. 8pm

Local 506: Screaming Crayons, Stretch and The Funk, Gabriel Reynolds. 8:30pm. \$5

Nightlight: Zlam Dunk

Southern Rail: Alex Bowers and Friends. 7:30pm

SATURDAY SEPT 24

The ArtsCenter: Why, Serengeti. 8pm. \$15

Caffe Driade: Wildflower. 8pm

The Cave: EARLY: Twin City Buskers
LATE: Puritan Rodeo, Bevel Summers

Cat's Cradle: Mandolin Orange. 9pm. \$10

City Tap: Dave Quick and the Honchos. 8pm

General Store Cafe: Backbeat. 8pm. \$20 Single/\$30 Couple

Local 506: Madi Diaz, Keegan Dewitt. 8:30pm. \$10

Memorial Hall: Chick Corea Trio. 8pm

Nightlight: Systems, Sons of Tona-tiuh, Whores

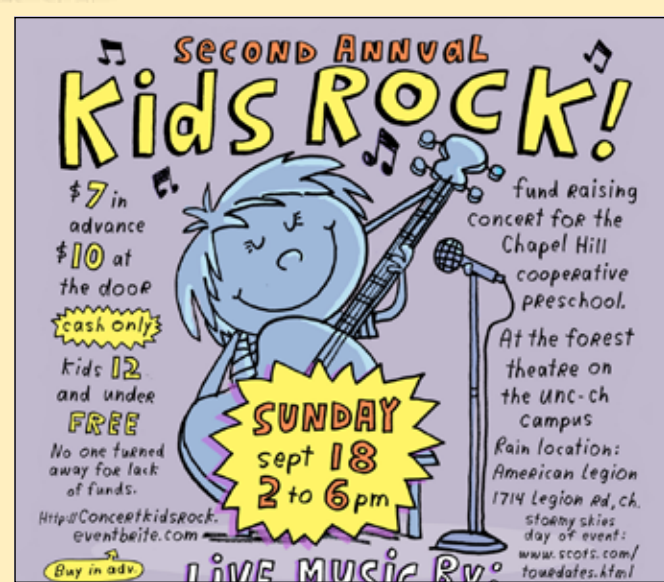
Southern Rail: Pussy Mountain. 10:30pm

SPOTLIGHT: KIDS ROCK!

Kids Rock! And to prove it Southern Culture on the Skids are bringing their rockabilly swamp pop to the Forest Theatre at UNC on Sunday, Sept. 18 from 2 to 6 p.m. for a family-friendly show to benefit the Chapel Hill Cooperative Preschool.

The Kids Rock! concert will also feature Flying Hippo performing original folk-rock kids songs and Mister John Saylor playing kid-friendly tunes with a rockabilly country twist.

Attendees will also be able to partake in face painting, drinks and ice cream, and are welcome to bring a picnic. Kids 12 and under get in free. Tickets are \$10 at the door and are available online for \$7 at concertkidsrock.eventbrite.com.



MOVIE LISTINGS

We suggest you call for exact show times. All listings start Friday.

CAROLINA THEATRE OF DURHAM
309 W. Morgan St., 560-3030

Closed temporarily for renovations. Will resume regular movie screenings in October.

CHELSEA THEATER
Timberlyne, 1129 Weaver Dairy Road, 968-3005

The Debt; The Future; The Guard

THE LUMINA
Southern Village, 932-9000

Contagion; Cowboys & Aliens; I Don't Know How She Does It; Midnight in Paris; Seven Days In Utopia; The Help

REGAL TIMBERLYNE 6
120 Banks Drive, 933-8600

Contagion; Drive; Rise of the Planet of the Apes; Straw Dogs; The Help; The Lion King 3D

THE VARSITY
123 E. Franklin St., 967-8665

Bridesmaids; Super 8; Horrible Bosses

SPOTLIGHT: ANDREW MARLIN AND JEFF STICKLEY

If you find yourself outside on the patio at Milltown on Sunday, Sept. 18 between the hours of 8:30 and 10:30 p.m. you might also find yourself a bit confused by the musical duo performing. Are you watching Hammer No More The Fingers play? Mandolin Orange? Or Mason's Apron? The answer is none of the above.

Jeff Stickley, of Hammer No More The Fingers and Mason's Apron, and Andrew Marlin, of Mandolin Orange and Mason's Apron, will bring their bluegrass and folk rock prowess to the Milltown patio Sunday night as a pairing that is sure to please.

This free show won't disappoint – get there early before the patio gets packed.



CAT'S CRADLE

WE 9/21 FLEET FOXES
RALEIGH AMPHITHEATER

SA 10/1 STEPHEN MALKMUS & THE JICKS
HAW RIVER BALLROOM

SA 9/24 MANDOLIN ORANGE
ALBUM RELEASE PARTY

MO 9/19 RAY LAMONTAGNE
KOKA BOOTH AMPH

SA 9/24 MADI DIAZ
LOCAL 506 (CH)

MO 9/26 MICKY & THE MOTORCARS

SA 9/24 THE OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL
CASBAH (DURHAM)

WE 9/28 THE JOY FORMIDABLE

TU 11/8 HAYES CARLL

ALSO PRESENTING

LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL)
WE 9/14 DAN ANDRIANO IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM (FEAT. DAN ANDRIANO OF ALKALINE TRIO) W/DAVE HOUSE AND OWEN FITZGERALD (JOKES&JOKES&JOKES)
SU 9/18 THE LOW ANTHEM W/WILLIAM ELLIOT WHITMORE
TU 9/20 SECRET CHIEFS 3
WE 9/21 NICK 13 (OF TIGER ARMY) W/ BRETT DETAR (OF THE JULIANA THEORY)
SA 9/24 MADI DIAZ AND KEEGAN DEWITT
WE 9/28 JENNY OWEN YOUNGS W/HANK & CUPCAKES
TU 10/25 THE WOMBATS W/THE POSTELLES AND STATIC JACKS
FR 10/28 THE FRONT BOTTOMS
TH 11/3 SISTER SPARROW & THE DIRTY BIRDS
TU 11/8 GIRL IN A COMA W/COATHANGERS
FR 11/11 THE SEA AND CAKE W/BROKEBACK
SA 11/12 THE FLING /FLOATING ACTION
WE 11/27 MARIA TAYLOR W/DEAD FINGERS AND THE GRENADINES
TH 12/15 RACHAEL YAMAGATA W/MIKE VIOLA

MOTORCO (DURHAM)
SA 9/17 FRUIT BATS AND VETIVER W/CITAY

CASBAH (DURHAM)
SA 9/24 THE OLIVIA TREMOR CONTROL W/THE MUSIC TAPES
FR 11/4 MATT HIRES W/RACHEL PLATTEN

LINCOLN THEATRE (RALEIGH)
TH 9/22 THE HEAD AND THE HEART W/THAO WITH THE GET DOWN STAY DOWN AND THE DEVIL WHALE
TU 10/4 DAS RACIST: W/DANNY BROWN & DESPOT
TH 10/6 THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA
SU 10/16 NORTH MISSISSIPPI ALL STARS
FR 10/21 MINUS THE BEAR W/THE VELVET TEEN

RALEIGH AMPHITHEATER
TICKETS VIA TICKETMASTER

WE 9/21 FLEET FOXES
W/THE WALKMEN

TU 9/27 WILCO
W/NICK LOWE

HAW RIVER BALLROOM (SAX)
SA 10/1 STEPHEN MALKMUS AND THE JICKS W/HOLY SONS

DISCO RODEO (RALEIGH)
WE 10/12 ARCTIC MONKEYS W/SMITH WESTERNS

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WE 10/26 THE JAYHAWKS

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News Briefs

New OC economic development director

Mark Steven Brantley has been named the new director of economic development for Orange County, starting on Monday.

The director of economic development is responsible for creating and implementing strategies to enhance the economic well being of Orange County while coordinating with the Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitor's Bureau.

Brantley has worked for more 20 years with the North Carolina Department of Commerce. He received his bachelor's degree from UNC in economics.

Town government TV

Subscribers of AT&T U-Verse will now have access to the Carrboro Town Government Channel on Channel 99. Residents who have Time Warner Cable also have access to the town government channel on channel 18. If an AT&T U-verse subscriber has trouble accessing this channel he or she should call Residential Customer Technical support at (800) 288-2020 and indicate "Technical Support" as the reason for the call.

CH 2020 kicks off

Chapel Hill 2020, a communitywide effort to create a new comprehensive plan for Chapel Hill, will kickoff Sept. 27.

The first meeting will take place at East Chapel Hill High School and is open to all Chapel Hill residents and visitors. It will start with an open house from 5 to 6 p.m. and will be followed by a meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. to identify the key themes and overall vision for the plan.

Bus service is available until 5:45 p.m. on the T route, and bus rides home can be arranged by contacting the Planning Department at 968-2728 or by email at compplan@townofchapelhill.org with the subject line "bus ride" before Tuesday.

To find out more about Chapel Hill 2020, visit townofchapelhill.org/2020

Low-cost rabies shots

A low-cost rabies vaccination clinic will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. on Sept. 22 in Hillsborough at the Public Market House, 144 E. Margaret Lane.

One-year vaccinations will be offered for \$10. Dogs must be brought on a leash and cats must be brought in carriers.

Additional clinics will be held on Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to noon and on Oct. 20 from 4 to 7 p.m. in Chapel Hill at the Animal Services Center, 1601 Eubanks Road.

Police seek peeping suspect

The Chapel Hill Police Department is investigating multiple reports from the Glen Lennox, Briarcliff and Ridgefield neighborhoods regarding a possible peeping Tom.

The suspect is described as being a 20-40 year-old, 5-foot-8-inch to 5-foot-10-inch tall, light-skinned male, possibly African-American or Hispanic. He is believed to be operating a dark-colored sedan and has been seen standing near the wood line, and on some occasions has knocked on residents' doors and windows.

Residents with any information are asked to contact the Chapel Hill Police Department at 968-2760 or call Crime Stoppers at 942-7515.

CH launches biz info website

To provide information for new and expanding businesses in Chapel Hill, the Town of Chapel Hill has launched opentobusiness.biz.

The website contains information about demographics, building availability and links to market studies and the town's economic development web page.

Buses to the game

Tar Heel Express shuttle service will be provided Saturday for the UNC football game against Virginia.

The game is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. and shuttle service will begin at 12:30 p.m. from the Friday Center and University Mall, and at 2 p.m. from Southern Village and Jones Ferry park and rides. Shuttles will run every 10 to 15 minutes prior to the game and will operate for 45 minutes following the game. It costs \$5 to ride the shuttle round-trip and \$3 for one-way.

Retail could replace Lloyd Farms

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

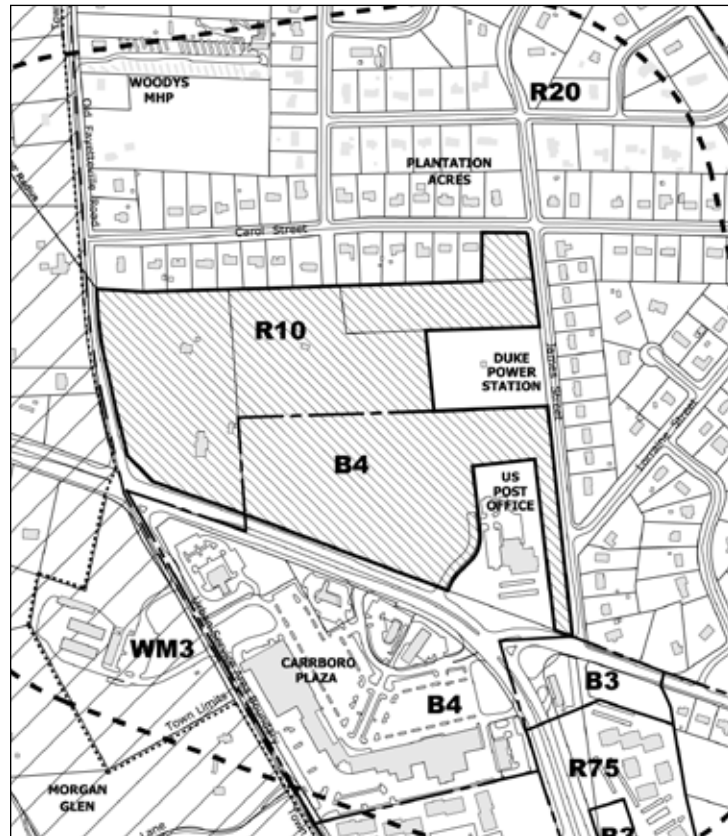
Roy Lloyd Farm covers 40 acres and encompasses large ponds, beautiful old trees and sprawling pastures. It is the last parcel of land of its size available in Carrboro, and plans are being put into motion to make it the town's newest development.

The farm is located on the corner N.C. 54 and Old Fayetteville Road, across from Carrboro Plaza.

Interim Town Manager Matt Eford said that Argus Development has submitted a concept plan for the property, though plans are still in the very early formative stages.

Thus far, one meeting has been held with the neighbors who live adjacent to or near Lloyd Farm, providing developers a chance to introduce themselves and discuss with residents what's wanted and not wanted on the property.

Jack Smyre of The Design Response of Cary, the project's principle planner, said that after meeting with the neighbors and joint advisory boards in Carrboro, planners were starting to develop an illustrative plan, with elements of what would be included in the development.



A map of the area surrounding the proposed development
MAP COURTESY OF THE DESIGN RESPONSE

Smyre said that out of the 40 available acres, they plan to use 24 acres for the development, anchored by a grocery store about the size of an average Harris Teeter – 50,000-55,000 square feet.

In addition to a grocery store, the development would include

other retail shops and room for offices above those shops; however, according to Smyre, there are no plans for the space to include residences.

"This is not a major mixed-use development. It will be primarily retail, which is Argus Development's specialty," he

said.

Some residents have expressed concern about the development, as it will be situated almost directly across from Carrboro Plaza, which houses a Food Lion grocery store.

Smyre said he recognized that concern, but that the grocery store that would go into the new development will be larger than the Food Lion and will carry a wider variety of products.

In addition, Smyre said he has heard from a number of Carrboro residents that they typically go to Chapel Hill to shop for groceries because parking can be hectic at Carr Mill Mall. A grocery store at this location would provide not only Carrboro residents with another option, but also those coming into town from western Orange County looking for services, he said.

Smyre emphasized his desire that everyone, from town government to the neighbors, be on the same page regarding what services the development should provide.

"We are taking a no-drama approach," Smyre said. "We are being very open and transparent, and we don't seem to be completely scaring anybody off."

Fire depts. voice concern over dysfunctional system

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

If you live more than 6 miles away from a fire department, your insurance rates are significantly higher than if you were to live within a 6-mile radius of a department.

If you're a firefighter, there's a strong chance you've bravely gone into a burning building and temporarily lost communication with those outside, known as a "busy-bonk."

And if you're a member of the Orange County Board of Commissioners, you heard fire chiefs, chairs and presidents of the boards of directors of individual fire stations from across the county stress these and other concerns at a meeting Tuesday night.

Earlier this year, the board heard results of a study completed by the MMA Consulting Group assessing the fire, rescue and emergency services of Orange County. The study highlighted both successes and pitfalls of the county's fire, rescue and emergency services delivery

and response model.

Board Chair Bernadette Pelissier said that it was important

to address how the departments were adapting to their changing environments and what is still needed to be done to

make the fire and rescue services in the county better. In March 2010, county EMS reported that it was failing to meet performance goals and would remain unable to do so unless additional resources were allocated to the department.

Concerns addressed Tuesday included major problems with the Voice Interoperability Plan for Emergency Response (VIPER) communication system, which allows fire and rescue teams to communicate with one another when out responding to calls and when in dangerous situations.

Many who spoke at the meeting said the VIPER system is

outdated and was created for use by police officers on patrol, not fire and rescue services. As a result, the system doesn't work well in large urban areas with tall buildings.

A number of fire chiefs expressed frustration with the system, sharing stories of how they have lost communication in critical times and saying that in order to make this system work more towers need to be installed – which come at a high cost.

"We have already sunk so much money into [VIPER] that we don't want to throw it away, but now we have to make additional investments to fix it," said Chapel Hill Fire Chief Dan Jones.

"I think that a Dixie cup and wire system would work better than what we have now," Jones added.

Board members emphasized that in order to help the fire and rescue services and EMS

improve, they would need fire chiefs to develop a strategic plan.

Since most of what needs to be fixed comes with a high price tag, the commissioners said it would be important for the fire chiefs to help them determine the highest priority and a long-term fix.

"The county needs to be part of the communication, we need to hear from all of you," Commissioner Pam Hemminger said.

"We need your help to understand what needs fixing first. It is hard for an average citizen and for an average commissioner to understand all of this," she added.

While the ability to address the board at the meeting on Tuesday night was limited to fire chiefs and board presidents and chairs, Commissioner Earl McKee urged residents in attendance with concerns to address those with the board at a non-work session meeting.



Bernadette Pelissier

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Deadline for submitting nominations is Monday, October 31, 2011.

For applications or more information please visit the website at: <http://www.co.orange.nc.us/housing/pmurray.asp> or contact the Human Relations Commission at 919 245-2489. Nomination information is also available at Orange County public libraries; and the Town Halls of Carrboro, Chapel Hill, and Hillsborough.

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Despite errors, Heels win with talent

BY EDDY LANDRETH
Staff Writer

If Carolina defeats Virginia on Saturday, the mistake-riddled 24-22 victory against Rutgers will serve more as a testament to the Tar Heels' depth of talent than to the preponderance of errors in the game.

The Tar Heels (2-0) completed a difficult task by winning a game in which they committed five turnovers while failing to force a single one. Carolina also led in a flag-happy penalty parade, reversing ground for 94 yards on nine penalties.

"This can help us a whole lot," said defensive end Kareem Martin, who was named the defensive player of the game by the Carolina coaching staff.

"It shows how good of a team we really are," Martin said. "We had five turnovers and a lot of penalties, which shows we can still come out on top. When we play penalty-free and turnover-free, we can win by three or four touchdowns."

This Saturday's game, which will kick off at 3:30 p.m. at Kenan Stadium, is the conference opener for both teams.

The Tar Heels will try to eliminate the errors while continuing such positive trends as quarterback Bryn Renner completing 43 of 51 (84.3 percent) passes in his first two games as a starter, and running back Giovanni Bernard rushing for 81 yards and two touchdowns

against Rutgers, including a TD run of 60 yards.

The problem is that as well as Carolina has played in some areas, the odds are heavily against continued success if the Tar Heels continue to give away their possessions.

"I think the percentage is below 10 percent to win a game in which you turn the ball over five times," interim head coach Everett Withers said. "If you win those kinds of games, you take a positive approach about it. That's what we did."

Withers' statistical analysis may not be perfectly accurate or scientifically gathered, but it is likely close to the truth. Carolina has not won a game in which it committed at least five turnovers since defeating Louisville 17-10 in a Thursday-night game in 1995.

In addition to the individual accomplishments, there were plenty of promising performances as a team against Rutgers.

UNC's defense held Rutgers to 1 rushing yard. After two games, Carolina leads the ACC in rushing defense and is third in the country, allowing just 30 yards rushing per game.

The Tar Heels sacked Rutgers quarterback Chas Dodd four times, and otherwise delivered a consistent and brutal beating, even on the plays when Carolina failed to get there in time to keep Dodd from releasing the ball.

This beating is the reason Withers said he is not really concerned about the personal fouls when they involve pounding the QB like a tough piece of meat.

"We talk about hits on the quarterback and how it affects him at the end of the day,"

Withers said. "I think it showed the effects on [Dodd]."

"Some of the personal foul penalties, roughing the passer, those are emotional things. Guys are working their butt off to get to the quarterback. I have a hard time getting real angry at our guys for sacking the quarterback. Those are some things that just happen in a ball game."

UNC's challenge this week is to stop the ACC's fourth-leading rushing offense so the Tar Heels can once again dictate when the opponent throws, and be able to rush the quarterback without hesitation.

The Cavaliers have averaged 201 yards rushing in their first two games. Virginia is fourth in the league in rushing defense, allowing an average of 98 yards to its first two opponents.

"[Virginia coach Mike London] is building a team that wants to run the ball well and play good, solid defense," Withers said. "They are a little bit like us: They want to be good running the ball and stopping the run. He's a defensive-minded coach, and you can see it in their approach and their philosophy."

As far as the Tar Heels' mistakes in Week 2, Withers said he has every confidence the team will make the necessary corrections before Saturday's kickoff.

"[Turnovers] are more of a mindset than a fundamental or technique issue," Withers said. "When I watched the tape with the staff that is what we thought. We just have to emphasize it more. We'll continue to do that throughout the week."

"It's not something I think will linger. When it's a mindset, it's more of a focus and concentration on it."

JAGUARS POST DECISIVE VICTORY OVER WILDCATS



Carrboro's Trai Sharp stretches the ball across the goal line on a touchdown run.

The Carrboro High School football team defeated cross-town rival East Chapel Hill High last Friday at Carrboro High, 44-25.

PHOTOS BY TED SPAULDING



Carrboro's Deandre White breaks through the East Chapel Hill High line, while Joseph Adileh (#44), Andrew Moore (#7) and Mohammed Mansaray (#25) pursue.



Carrboro High defense chases East quarterback Drew Davis.



Carrboro High's Jarred Lennon makes a diving tackle to take out East's Alex Moore.

Football Scores

CARRBORO (4-0) Sept. 9: defeated East Chapel Hill, 44-25 Sept. 16: vs. Northern Vance	CHAPEL HILL (4-0) Sept. 9: defeated Northwood, 19-14 Sept. 16: vs. Cedar Ridge	CEDAR RIDGE (2-2) Sept. 9: lost to Southern Vance, 25-22 Sept. 16: at Chapel Hill
EAST CHAPEL HILL (0-4) Sept. 9: lost to Carrboro, 44-25 Sept. 16: vs. Jordan	ORANGE (2-2) Sept. 9: defeated Jordan, 34-33 Sept. 16: at Southern Guilford	NORTHWOOD (0-4) Sept. 9: lost to Chapel Hill, 19-14 Sept. 16: at Riverside

SUPER CROSSWORD MEN OF LETTERS

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CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

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Hybrid classes defy school board decision

BY ROSE LAUDICINA
Staff Writer

Hybrid cars might be a current trend in the automotive industry, but according to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board, hybrid classes are a trend that shouldn't exist.

Despite support from former Superintendent Neil Pedersen, in December 2010 the school board voted against hybrid classes — a model in which honors and standard-level courses are taught together. However, two schools in the district, East Chapel Hill High and Carrboro High schools, didn't get the message.

Jamezetta Bedford, school board chair, said she received an email in August from an unhappy parent of a student who was

enrolled in a hybrid biology class at East Chapel Hill High.

Bedford was unaware that East Chapel Hill High was teaching hybrid classes, and the school board had explicitly voted against them. When the board looked into it, they discovered that Carrboro High was also still offering hybrid classes.

"There has been a very big communication snafu," Bedford said, explaining that communication to the schools had not been clear enough on the issue.

"The teachers meant well and they weren't doing anything deliberately wrong, but the principal should've known better," she said.

For the past year, Carrboro High has been offering hybrid ninth-grade English 1 and World History classes, combin-

ing students and curriculum from honors and standard-level courses.

Bedford said she was made aware that Carrboro High was teaching these classes during the 2010-11 school year last October, but felt it was too late in the school year to ask them to remove the classes.

Additionally, Bedford said teachers at Carrboro High were unaware the school board was unhappy, because Pederson was praising their work.

Carrboro High continued to offer hybrid classes this year, and the school board and new Superintendent Tom Forcella spoke with the principal and communicated that by teaching these courses the school is in direct violation of the school board's decision.

Although they have been told to quit teaching the courses and switch to the approved separate standard- and honors-level courses, the teachers at Carrboro High continue to teach them.

Mary Beth Braker, an English 1 and 3 teacher at Carrboro High, said teachers are frustrated about the communication breakdown, but don't feel they should be forced to change.

"It is not in the best interest of our students. It is not their fault and it is not our fault a chain of command was broken, and it definitely doesn't seem like that is a legitimate reason to disturb the schedules and lives of our freshman students," she said.

Bedford said Forcella was careful in considering the impact that changing schedules would have on the students, and

he determined it would be minimal.

The teachers at Carrboro High disagree. They say the impending changes have already caused anxiety among parents and students, and many have expressed concern about the elimination of the courses.

Beyond rescheduling difficulties, teachers say there are moral and ethical issues involved.

Jan Gottschalk, the journalism teacher at Carrboro High, believes that by creating separate honors- and standard-level courses, the school will be segregating its students.

"Unfortunately, when you have the great divide between honors- and standard-level classes, you wind up with kids of color dominating the standard level," Gottschalk said.

The teachers believe the current program removes the issue of segregation and allows students to challenge themselves with a higher level of thinking.

Al Donaldson, English department chair at Carrboro High, also opposes the idea of removing the hybrid classes.

"This is part of a whole school plan, which, frankly, is driven by the state and the intentions of our board members and district leadership to create a school that actively is anti-racist and anti-classist, and in fact is determined to make a commitment to every kid learning at the highest level," Donaldson said.

Bedford said she believes that the principals at both ECHHS and CHS are in the process of implementing the changes.

School Briefs



The Chapel Hill High School Marching Tiger Band

PHOTO COURTESY OF CINDY PARKS

CHHS band makes its debut Friday

The Chapel Hill High School Marching Tiger Band will debut its 2011 field show on Friday during halftime of CHHS' first home football game against Orange County rival Cedar Ridge.

This year's theme is "Bach in Motion," and the production will feature familiar baroque tunes meeting modern day.

The band will take the show on the road for four competitions over the next six weeks.

Google director visits CHCCS

Tom Mills, director of Google's enterprise education division, visited Smith Middle School last week to learn how Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools students are interacting with technology.

Mills is on a tour of various North Carolina K-12 schools and universities to collect feedback from educators concerning Google education applications. CHCCS is among the first school districts in North Carolina to use Google applications for education.

Mills discussed the expansion of the Google Marketplace, an application store where teachers can add third-party education applications directly to their Google accounts.

ECHHS named school of excellence

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction confirmed East Chapel Hill High School as an Honor School of Excellence last week.

An Honor School of Excellence is a school that meets Adequate Yearly Progress standards and has 90 percent or more of students at or above grade level on End-of-Course tests. Initial reports indicated ECHHS failed to fill Honor School of Excellence requirements; however, ECHHS contested the calculations, and the status was overturned.

Schools host college fair

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools and Orange County Schools will host a joint college fair on Tuesday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Dean Smith Center on the UNC campus.

More than 100 colleges, universities, community colleges and technical schools will attend the event to help students get all the information they need to choose a college.

Contact high school counseling offices for

more information.

Teacher named to SAVE board

James Wise has been named to the board of directors for the National Association of Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE). As a board member, Wise will commit to and uphold the vision and mission of SAVE.

Wise, a student assistance program specialist at Chapel Hill High School, has worked as a school social worker at elementary, middle and high school levels throughout the state for more than 20 years and has worked at SAVE CHHS since 2005.

SAVE is a student-run public nonprofit violence prevention organization with nearly 2,000 chapters in 48 states with more than 200,000 members in communities nationwide.

Free college admission seminar

Kristin Hiemstra will host a free seminar on Wednesday at the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce in suite 102 from 7 to 8:15 p.m. to explain what happens during the college admissions process.

Hiemstra is the president of Art of Potential Career and Colleges Services and the host of the Art of Potential Radio Show.

Register for this event at ArtofPotential.com

School Lunch Menus

FRIDAY 9/16

Elementary: Chicken Nuggets, Ham & Cheese Wrap, Garden Salad, Oven Fries, Seasoned Green Beans, Fresh Watermelon, Fruit Cocktail

Middle and High School: Cheesy Nachos w/Beef, Seasoned Corn, Southwest Black Beans

MONDAY 9/19

Elementary: Chicken Filet Sandwich, PB&J, Turkey Chef Salad, Lettuce & Tomato, Ranch Potato Wedges, Fresh Apple, Chilled Peaches

Middle and High School: Macaroni & Cheese, Herbed Broccoli & Cauliflower

TUESDAY 9/20

Elementary: Macaroni & Cheese, Sloppy Joe on Bun, Fruit & Cheese Plate w/Yogurt, Steamed Zucchini, Seasoned Cabbage, Blueberry-Peach Crumble, Fruited Jell-O

Middle and High School: Chicken &

Cheese Quesadilla, Glazed Carrots

WEDNESDAY 9/21

Elementary: BBQ Chicken w/ Wheat Roll, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Taco Chef Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Steamed Turnip Greens, Fresh Cantaloupe, Baked Apple Slices

Middle and High School: BBQ Chicken, Wheat Roll, Baked Beans, Baked Potato

THURSDAY 9/22

Elementary: Chicken or Veggie, Teriyaki Rice Bowl, Ham & Cheese Hoagie, Garden Salad, Carrot-Raisin Salad, Pineapple Cup, Chilled Pears

Middle and High School: Thai Peanut Chicken Noodles, Steamed Cabbage, Peach Crumble

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CHRIS FITZSIMON

It is hard to know where to start in describing what happened at the General Assembly Monday when the House voted to allow discrimination to be written into our state constitution.

It was politics at its worst, but it was more than that. It was elected officials lying to the people they represent, but that doesn't fully describe it either.

It was certainly a startling display of arrogance and abuse of power, but that's also not enough to capture what happened.

It was simply a disgusting day in the Legislative Building, one of the most disturbing in years, designed to make sure one group of North Carolinians knew that state lawmakers think they are second-class citizens, unworthy of the rights and privileges enjoyed by everybody else.

The House and Senate sessions convened with expectations that a Senate committee would take up the anti-gay amendment first, but soon after the sessions began, things changed quickly. The House recessed and the House Rules Committee met to discuss a version of the amendment that no one had seen.

House leaders brushed off questions about the timing, then refused to allow any members of the public to address the committee, including law professors who came to explain the consequences of the amendment for domestic violence protections, same-sex partner employee benefits and visitation rights.

The Republicans would rather not know, preferring instead to only refer to a legal memo presented by House Majority Leader Paul Stam, the Fundamentalist-in-Chief of the General Assembly.

After a brief debate, the committee approved the amendment on a voice vote and it was off to the House floor, where the anti-gay amendment was brought up "for immediate consideration," which as Rep. Susan Fisher pointed out, is hardly the prudent way to consider changing the state's founding document.

Stam's plea to his fellow lawmakers included the lie that he told the Rules Committee, that the amendment before them was exactly the same as the Defense of Marriage Act that passed the General Assembly in 1996 with the support of most Democrats.

The amendment is not the same. Unlike the 1996 law, it also outlaws civil unions, which has many more ramifications, like ending benefits for same-sex partners of many local government employees, weakening domestic violence laws, etc.

And the 1996 measure was a law, not a permanent change to the constitution. It was also 15 years ago. The times change. Thoughtful people often change with them.

The rest of the House floor debate was dominated by Democrats who made passionate legal, moral and personal arguments against adding discrimination to the state constitution – to no avail.

The debate came a few hours after a rally by amendment supporters behind the legislative building at which one speaker complained about her side being called bigots by opponents of the amendment.

Rep. Marcus Brandon, the only openly gay member of the General Assembly, told the House that as he was walking to the House Rules Committee meeting, he heard another speaker at the rally say that being gay was an abomination and that gay people were going to hell.

Bigots indeed.

After more than three hours of pleas for tolerance and understanding, the majority of the members of the House voted instead for intolerance and discrimination. They did it over the objections of several hundred religious leaders and the executives of major corporations who are worried about the amendment's effect on the state's ability to attract new companies to North Carolina.

And they did it out of desperation, for as several lawmakers pointed out, the tide of history is not on their side.

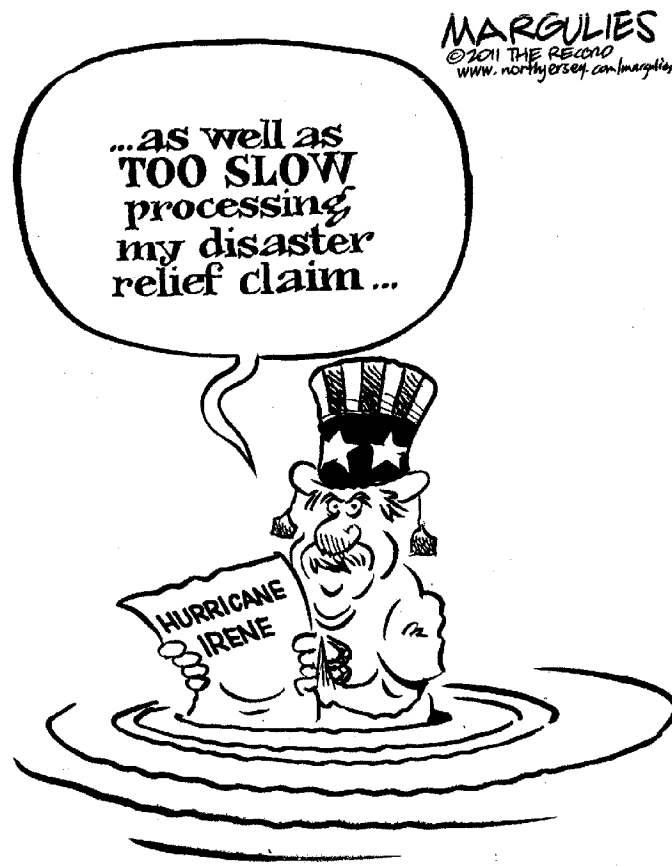
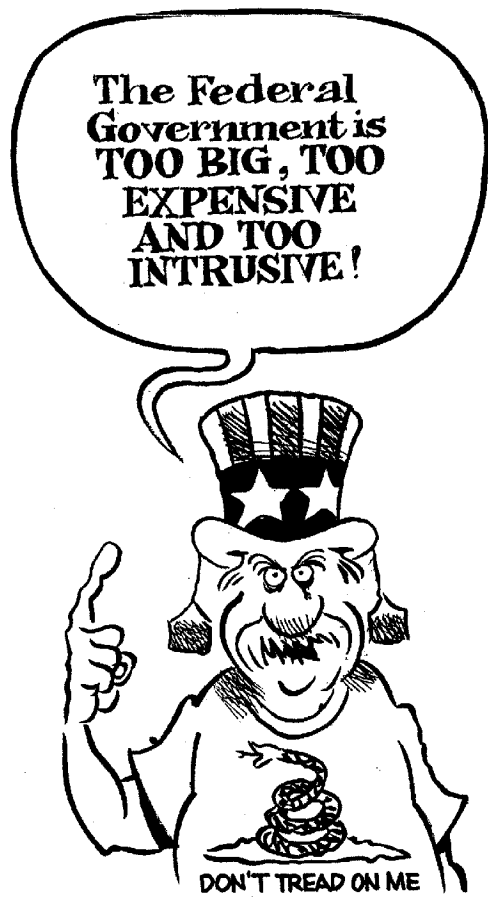
House Speaker Thom Tillis likes to portray himself and the House he leads as mainstream conservatives concerned about jobs and the economy. He vigorously protests when people rightly characterize the actions of the House as part of a radical right-wing agenda.

He can protest no more. The last corner of the reactionary veil was lifted Monday by Tillis, Stam and the rest of the House majority.

This is not a jobs General Assembly. This is a radical right-wing, fundamentalist, pro-discrimination General Assembly, desperate to hold on to its outdated intolerance.

And its full hateful colors were on display Monday.

Chris Fitzsimon is the executive director of N.C. Policy Watch.

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Making your kindness count

ELAINE MARSHALL

All of us were deeply affected by the tragic happenings of Sept. 11, 2001. As that painful day unfolded, our emotions ranged from hurt, anger and fear, to awe at the courage of our brave emergency responders and pride in being an American as we heard more stories of bravery following the first shocking images.

All of those emotions brought out the best in many of us, including the thousands who generously sent contributions to various 9/11 charitable causes. Sadly, we have now learned that many organizations misused, never delivered or otherwise failed to fulfill any stated charitable assistance objective. Associated Press writers Brett J. Blackledge and David B. Caruso recently detailed such shady operations in a story published last month. This news makes the tragedy of 9/11 more distressing.

Meanwhile, the new anguish caused by Hurricane Irene here in North Carolina and in states to our north has again pulled at our heartstrings, and our purse strings, as we see our neighbors in hard-hit areas trying to survive under difficult circumstances.

Just as we did following 9/11, we want to give and we want to make a difference. Our best way to do that is through charitable donations. Your charitable dollars represent your commitment to helping others. But, you also need to be able to trust those receiving those dollars to carry out your commitment.

That is why as North Carolina's state administrator for charitable solicitations, I always suggest "giving locally." I recommend you always first look to give to or through those you know, even to provide relief in far away locations.

For example, giving to relief funds at your church or temple, where you know the past record of service, is much wiser than sending money to distant places and to groups with fancy names you are hearing for the first time after a crisis hits.

A civic club you know, such as Rotary, Lion's or other proven organizations, is another good choice. You will feel better about a group with an established reputation that has local citizens who are invested in the organization. It's true that no one charitable organization is perfect, but you stand a much higher probability of knowing how your dollars have

been used when you know the people involved.

Also, in North Carolina residents can review the efficiencies of a variety of charitable organizations online. The North Carolina Secretary of State's office maintains a database of licensed charitable organizations and their fundraisers. By going to sosnc.com and clicking on "Check Before You Write One," you can see a given organization's record of what percentage of every dollar given has gone to administrative expenses, including fundraising costs, and what percentage has gone to providing services.

Using this valuable tool will make you not just a charitable donor, but a knowledgeable donor as well.

North Carolinians are very generous people, having contributed more than \$30.5 million in the last reporting year to organizations regulated in this state. Almost 54 percent of that amount went for delivery of services, a 13 percent improvement over the prior year. The highest percent that ever went directly into services, versus administrative costs, was in 2007-08, when almost 60 cents of every dollar given was used to provide direct services.

Those numbers reflect annual averages of course. In any given year, some charitable organizations manage to put almost every cent they receive into delivering services, while others use most of the money they receive on administrative costs and promotional endeavors.

I believe most North Carolinians do want the substantial portion of their donated dollars to go to the delivery of services, not administrative overhead. Placing your charitable giving in the hands of a newly formed or unregistered or distant charity reduces your ability to know how your donation was actually used.

Our secretary of state database does not contain all organizations, due to state-mandated statutory exemptions, but organizations that use a professional fundraiser, pay officers or raise more than \$25,000 annually, unless specifically exempt, must register and file their information.

So, while this database does not tell the entire picture of all charitable giving in North Carolina, it does give you a good starting place to educate yourself on how charities are doing and it does provide good tools to help make everyone a wiser giver.

Elaine Marshall is the North Carolina secretary of state.

LETTERS

Bad advice

I just read the Sept. 8 House *Calls* column suggesting to the parent of a 3-year-old that toilet training should be "all positive," and that "eventually" this child will naturally become toilet trained. What hogwash! In most of Latin America, toilet training IS positive and is accomplished by the time kids are 30 months (that's 2 1/2). How? Using simple techniques passed down by generations. Why are children in Carrboro not toilet trained by age 3? Because parents are not taught HOW to potty train and therefore do not invest the time and energy to get it done. Between the diaper makers, who I'm sure are planning to introduce the "kindergarten pull-ups" sometime soon, and uninformed doctors, we are extending diaper training to ridiculous lengths. Why on earth would we wait until a three-year-old is "interested" to teach him what he needs to learn? Back when I was running a Spanish-immersion preschool with other Latina mothers, our policy was to partner with parents as soon as their children entered the 2-year-old class to potty-train them. EVERY child in our program succeeded in a few weeks. No tears or battles – just a great sense of accomplishment. All it takes is some enthusiasm and practice to get a toddler potty-trained. Your readers deserve better advice.

MARIA T. UNGER PALMER
Chapel Hill

Development raises concerns

As a citizen of Carrboro, I'm concerned about the plans to build grocery and retail stores on what is now the Roy Lloyd farm – the swath of land directly across Carrboro

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Plaza on N.C. 54. (Most Carrboro dwellers will know it as that plot of land near the post office where cows graze the green hill.)

My concern is as follows: I truly don't believe that a retail/grocery complex is a viable use for that land. My evidence is as follows: I can count pretty high before I run out of retail/residential spots in Carrboro and Chapel Hill that now lie fallow or at most, suffer from under-tenancy. Let's try it!

- East 54 (brand-new, high-end, poorly tenanted; right next to the Fresh Market shopping center which isn't doing so well itself);

- University Mall (plenty of parking; "anchor stores" like what they're touting for the Lloyd complex, but still not enough shoppers to keep it healthy);

- that semi-hidden piece of retail space right on Franklin Street across from the Siena Hotel (with its rotating restaurants);

- University Square (a slow death, but mortal, nonetheless);
- Greenbridge (still at only 40 percent occupancy);
- 605 W. Main in Carrboro (which hasn't been full since it's completion).

So my point: The old line that goes "build it and they will come" isn't exactly accurate. My personal eyeball market research tells me that a "high end" (read: complicated rooflines and cheeseball lampposts) shopping center on the way out of Carrboro on 54 is a folly. I see, in the future, another big parking lot with a bunch of weeds growing from the asphalt. This, folks, is what they mean when they say, "urban blight."

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Ecology,
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DAN COLEMAN

During a recent discussion of environmental politics in Carrboro, a friend directed me to a video of a conversation between Buddhist Monk Thich Nhat Hanh and environmental activist and Right Livelihood Award-winner David Suzuki. Their topic was mindfulness, climate change and how to bring about "the collective public awakening needed to restore health to the planet." (Watch it at vimeo.com/27873038.)

The conversation began with a quote by Paul Mazer of Lehman Brothers, who advised business leaders in 1930 that, "People need to be trained to desire, to want new things even before the old have been entirely consumed. . . . Man's desires must overshadow his needs."

This elevation of desire over need is at the root of many of our environmental challenges. It leads us to consume 150 percent of planet Earth's regenerative capacity every year. Contemplate that number. If your household spent one and a half times its income each year, how long could it survive?

Much of the conversation centered around climate change and Suzuki's point that while scientists are virtually unanimous in agreement about human impact on global climate, they have been surprised by the pace at which those impacts are appearing. As he put it, "Never before has humanity been so powerful as to be a geological force. . . . There is a crunch coming."

Nhat Hanh offered a somber note of his own, pointing out that civilizations have failed in the past and that ours might do so as well. Suzuki added that it is commonplace in natural history for species to become extinct (it is estimated that 99.9 percent of all species that have ever existed are now extinct).

Acknowledging that the above topics are pretty much a bummer (not his word), Nhat Hanh talked about how to overcome despair, and suggested personal, spiritual transformation and community building as profoundly effective tools.

Recasting Mazer's point on expanding desire, Nhat Hanh explained that "there are good desires, like the desire to love, to protect, to serve, the desire to be loved, the desire to understand . . . desires if fulfilled you become a happier person . . . you cannot set a limit to that kind of desire."

To elevate those desires above the materialism of modern society requires that we "look deeply, gain insight, and with insight you are freed of anger and despair and you are a better worker for the environment."

Nhat Hanh enjoins the environmentally concerned to "organize a community where you live in such a way that shows that there is a future for mankind, where you live simply but happily . . . this is very healing, healing this way is not possible without a hopeful environment, building community must include a hopeful environment."

So much of this already takes place in Carrboro in the preservation efforts of Friends of Bolin Creek, the runs organized by Fleet Feet, the community-based work of PORCH, the various community gardens or the always-inspiring urban farm tour. Our farmers' market anchors one of the nation's leading farm-to-table success stories, as plentiful local food becomes the cornerstone of our commitment to a vibrant local economy.

Nhat Hanh says we need communities that "can inspire hope," places where "if people come to the city and see community, they have confidence, they have hope in the future." Carrboro is such a community.

Nonetheless, in Carrboro we understand that we are tied to a destructive global economy and that "restoring health to the planet" will require that countless like-minded communities join in. A great thing about our town is that we are not content to rest on our laurels, and continually seek new opportunities for more sustainable and resilient living. As we do so, let us not forget those nonmaterial desires whose fulfillment, Nhat Hahn reminds us, will make us happier people and more effective activists and citizens.

Dan Coleman is a member of the Carrboro Board of Aldermen.

The aftermath, part two

The phone rang one night just a little later than usual. The person on the other end of the line was a member of the clergy with a story, which she laid out in detail while fighting back tears.

The story was that dozens of Latinos had lost their jobs at local Food Lion and Harris Teeter stores. In at least two places, workers said there was a mass meeting called and there was fear of an immigration raid. After a couple of hours running down the story, the count of jobs lost had gone up into the hundreds, with reports of similar events at stores elsewhere in the Triangle. A common detail also emerged: The companies had gotten a letter.

This was late November 2001. The meetings and the job losses had occurred a week earlier, just before Thanksgiving.

A lot of things happened after

the Sept. 11 attacks. Clearly, the United States of America was going to bomb the hell out of somebody. Here, "home" changed to "homeland," and the structure of the government was shifted via the Patriot Act to make way for a new super department – the Department of Homeland Security. Wrapped into the bill that created the DHS was a lot of agency consolidation and new layers of cooperation. Among them was a change in policy at the Social Security Administration.

The SSA had a standard notice that went out to employers whenever there were a significant number of discrepancies in a company's Social Security bookkeeping. The main reason for the policy is to make sure that Social Security income is being recorded for the right accounts. When names and numbers don't jibe, it's called a no-match. Sometimes,



it's just a bookkeeping error; most often, it's somebody using someone else's number. A company with a significant number of no-matches would get a notice from the SSA, called a no-match letter, about the discrepancies. Prior to the Patriot Act, companies would get a letter if the numbers for more than 10 percent of its work-

force didn't match. After the act, the threshold went away.

What was happening at the grocery stores was the thin edge of the wedge. Letters eventually started going out to even very small employers. Different employers reacted differently; some just ignored them. Immigration lawyers I talked to said unless a company was doing something on a wholesale basis, it was very unlikely they'd be prosecuted. The government folks I talked to had a hard time explaining just how it would be enforced and what the penalties were likely to be.

For the grocery store workers who were suddenly out of work just before the holidays, it was the end of being able to hold a long-term job with benefits. For all of us, it was an indication of how different the country was becoming.

Not many people know what George Bush was up to on Sept. 11, 2001, other than reading *My Pet Goat* to a bunch of school kids. The president had stopped at the school on his way to Mexico and a meeting with President Vicente Fox. The two were trying to work out a deal to somehow put an end to an immigration system that keeps people in the shadows and legitimizes a black market in human labor.

The people who worked in our grocery stores had dared to step out of the shadows just a bit. Now, 10 years later, we're nowhere near a sensible solution to immigration and there's anger and fury and outright lies spouted about Latinos every day.

I don't know how or when we'll ever get to where we can solve this. What I do know is that we lost good solid members of our community that November,

and it didn't seem right. Most of the workers didn't show up for the meeting called by the grocery store management. They knew what the deal was, and there was that worry that La Migra would be there. Those who did go were told to get their numbers straight or move on. When I remember the butcher who'd been at his job for 15 years or the married couple – one with a green card, one with a bogus SSN – who opted to move on, I still think it was a damn cold thing to do.

We're a nation of immigrants. We haven't stopped people from coming here in search of a better life, all we've done over the past decade is drive more people underground and perpetuate a system that exploits their status for profit.

When it comes to immigration, our ideals and our politics is the biggest no-match of them all.

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they were together in Williams' car and Fowler was acting up, trying to push Williams away.

"The volunteer pulled over and said, 'You can do whatever you want but I'll still be here.' Ginny went on to graduate from college and grad school and became a teacher," Worley said. They have been there for each other throughout.

Worley is excited that the mentoring program has really caught on with UNC students involved with the APPLS (Assisting People in Planning Learning Experiences in Service) program.

"There are 42 students signed up to help us for the entire academic year," Worley said. "The idea is so ambitious, and the undergrads have completely astounded me."

Federal and state funding for VFY has been drastically cut over the past decade, but the community continues to keep them alive through dedicated support. This will be the 12th year for VFY's major annual fundraiser, now called the Hubert Davis Golf Tournament. Davis, a former UNC standout basketball player who is an ESPN analyst, gladly lends his name to the event that he and his wife generously support.

The tournament will be held Monday at the Finley Golf Course in Chapel Hill. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., with the first tee-off at 11. On Sunday, anyone interested is invited to a free reception with a silent auction from 5 to 7 p.m. at Studio 91 in Glen Lennox.

Learn more about the tournament and volunteer opportunities at volunteersforyouth.org or call 967-4511.

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

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But what must also be considered are the cuts to the state's share of Medicaid funding – \$354 million, which, with the federal matching dollars factored in, comes to just over a billion dollars lost.

Overall, these budget cuts are going to make it much harder to serve the uninsured, said Bebe Smith, co-director of the UNC Center for Excellence in Community Mental Health. "And some of the cuts to Medicaid are simply inhumane."

As an example, Smith cites the elimination of Medicaid coverage for dental care.

"Many of the people we serve have poor health in general," Smith said. "I've seen people in agony with tooth pain, through neglect of dental hygiene and the great difficulty in accessing dental care if you are poor."

"We've worked hard to get our Medicaid clients connected to dental care. Now that Medicaid will no longer pay for it, I don't know how we'll get them what they need."

That said, Smith believes the state is overly reliant on Medicaid to fund mental health services. Many with serious mental illness don't have Medicaid; they fall through the cracks in the system with too much income to qualify, but not enough to pay for insurance.

Among the Center for Excellence's programs is Outreach and Support Intervention Services (OASIS) for adolescents and young adults who are experiencing, or are at risk of experiencing, early psychosis.

"Many of the young people newly developing psychotic disorders are likely to have no insurance; they are not yet disabled, but struggling greatly," Smith said.

She tells of a young man who

has been homeless for nearly a year, has a serious mental illness and got into legal trouble while ill.

"He has just been turned down for benefits from Social Security, and so is not eligible for Medicaid," Smith said. "He may not be disabled, but life has been very tough."

Now there are fewer dollars still to provide for the uninsured.

A very thin margin

The latest overhaul of the state's mental health care system, was the creation of a new designation of provider. The Critical Access Behavioral Health Agency (CABHA) consolidates mental health, developmental disabilities and substance-abuse programs within fewer, larger providers. Under the new system, service providers who wish to continue to receive federal and state funds must offer an array of state-mandated services. Some exceptions are made to providers offering a few specialized services.

Meanwhile, the state is also moving to a managed-care system. As opposed to a fee-for-service system, under which the state has been operating, service providers are given one pot of federal, state and local dollars and must determine what services are required by each client and at what level. Client options are often limited under managed care; it's designed as a means of controlling costs while striving to ensure quality of service.

These changes, combined with budget cuts, create a precarious situation for providers – and, of course for those with mental illness.

Carolina Outreach has made the necessary changes to become a CABHA, and has now been certified by the state as such. But, said Tim Brooks, the

expenditures involved, and now the budget cuts, has "created a real burden."

"The state is asking us to hire more people and increase our administrative duties while simultaneously cutting reimbursements," Brooks said.

"So far, what we have seen are across-the-board cuts that don't take into consideration what is working and what is not working in the system."

The state is "trying to legislate quality," Brooks said. "What we need is the freedom to try some creative solutions to reach folks while spending less money."

He suggests, for example, more preemptive services that keep people out of hospitals.

He's concerned about clients who come in for one visit, exhibiting stress, but then don't return.

"We want the freedom to go out in the community and find out what's going on with that person," he said. "We do that now, but with what's going on" – budget cuts and the restricting and restructuring of services – "I'm afraid we won't be able to continue to."

Brooks is nonetheless optimistic. He hopes that managed care will allow for some flexibility.

Julie Bailey, too, is preferring to look on the bright side of things – and as both an administrator of services and the mother of children with special needs, she has a rich perspective.

"One of the things these changes have caused is our community to look at ourselves and figure out how to fill the gaps," she said. "I think we've done a pretty good job with that." She cites, for example, the Pro Bono Counseling Network, which OPC funds.

"This system is not perfect," Bailey said, "but we need to know how to work in it."

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work. They're from the people that are going there to get high, and those are two separate sets of problems."

Gist said she has heard from a number of residents of the surrounding neighborhood, most of them female, who feel uncomfortable and threatened by comments made to them by men at the corner.

Gist said she would not feel comfortable repealing the ordinance without another plan in place to mitigate the issues that surround the corner.

Board member Joal Hall Brown agreed, adding that it's a public-safety issue for the neighborhood.

"In my opinion, and we are as guilty of it just as any other municipality in North Carolina, we sometimes tolerate a certain level of inconvenience in some neighborhoods that we would not tolerate in others," she said.

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Rich said she felt that Chapel Hill should lead the state with such a regulation.

"For me, the biggest problem with talking on the phone [while driving] ... is public safety," she said. "I am very concerned every year when 30,000 kids come to school bringing 15,000 extra cars."

"It's just a dangerous setting. It's a small town with a lot of cars with people on the phone."

Easthom said she felt the regulation had the potential to be very confusing for residents, since it might apply only on certain

Board member Lydia Lavelle said that while she agreed that women should not have to feel threatened when they walk by the corner, she did not support the ordinance, regardless of whether it would be held up in court if challenged on the basis of constitutionality. Lavelle said if it were to be upheld, she would hate for other communities to use it as a model to perhaps take it in a different direction.

Judith Blau, a UNC professor and director of the Chapel Hill and Carrboro Human Rights Center, said in an email to the town Tuesday night that the center employs a community organizer who spends most of his time at the corner and is helping the day laborers to develop a code of conduct. Additionally, Blau said, the organizer has been approaching residents of Davie Road to ask how things are going regarding the corner.

Staff will report back to the board regarding the ordinance and surrounding issues in November.

"My broader question is, where does it all end?" she said. "There are so many things that we should not be doing that we don't currently have ordinances against. ... People assume their own personal responsibility for their actions."

"Where do we stop legislating what we shouldn't be doing?" she added.

A group from the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health made a presentation to the council regarding the risks of phoning while driving, citing data that likens the danger of cell phone use while driving to that of drunk driving. Other residents questioned whether the town would be able to enforce a ban, and whether it should spend taxpayer money on a potentially unenforceable regulation.

If the council decides to consider the drafted ordinance, it will call a public hearing regarding the regulation.



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CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: Security?

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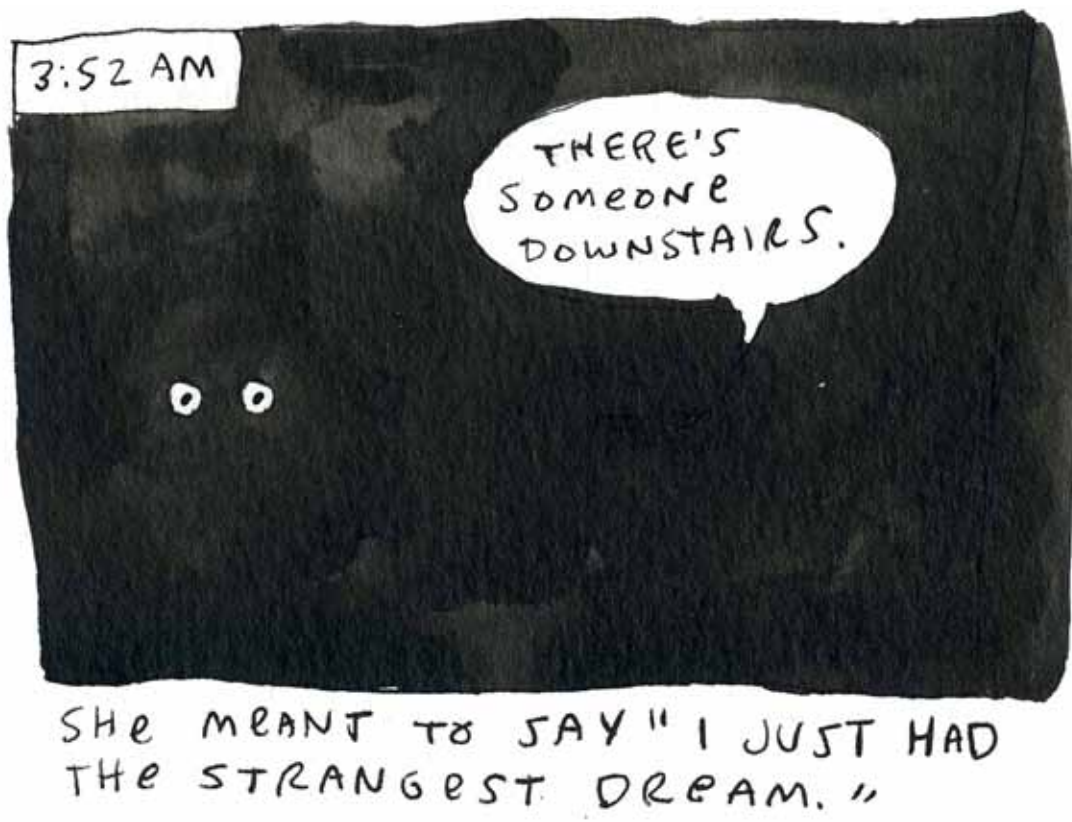


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Community Briefs

Free prostate cancer screenings

UNC Health Care will offer free prostate cancer screenings Sept. 21-22 from 1 to 6 p.m. The screenings will take place in the Urology Clinic on the second floor of N.C. Memorial Hospital. Men 40 years old or older, or who have a family history of prostate cancer, may walk in without an appointment on either day or make an appointment by calling 966-1315. Free parking will be provided for those screened.

Online pet licensing

Orange County Animal Services has added licensing to its list of online services available to the public. Starting this month, residents receiving a license renewal mailing will be directed online as a payment option. Visit www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices for more information on this new service.

Piedmont Laureate applications

Applications for the 2012 Piedmont Laureate are currently being accepted only from writers of works including plays, musicals and screenplays for film, television and video games (excluding documentary) currently residing in Orange, Alamance, Durham and Wake counties. The new laureate will receive an honorarium of \$6,500 and serve for one year. Tuesday is the last day to apply. For more information or to apply, visit piedmontlaureate.com

Local midwife to host fundraisers

Reina Galjour of Chapel Hill has been living and working in Haiti as a midwife since February 2010. She has recently returned to host two fundraisers for the organization for which she works. The first fundraiser will take place Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Haw River Ballroom in Saxapahaw. The second will be at Carr Mill Mall inside the Weaver Street entrance on Sept. 24 at 4 p.m. There will be music, dancing and light refreshments.

If you would like to help but cannot attend, visit midwivesforhaiti.org to donate.

Local restaurants honored

Last week, 14 Chapel Hill and Carrboro restaurants were honored for their commitment to local hunger-relief efforts at a reception at Top of the Hill hosted by the Inter-Faith Council for Social Service. IFC President Herb Paul presented plaques recognizing each restaurant's long-term commitment to RSVVP Day, a fundraiser for IFC's hunger-relief programs now in its 23rd year.

The restaurants honored were Caffe Driade, Domino's Pizza of Carrboro, La Hacienda, Mama Dip's Country Kitchen, 35 Chinese, Café Parvaneh, Top of the Hill, Elmo's Diner, Flying Burrito, Hunan Chinese, Subway of Glenwood Square, Subway of Timberlyne, Ye Olde Waffle Shoppe and Captain John's Dockside.

Music festival needs volunteers

Volunteers are needed for a variety of duties at the 14th annual Carrboro Music Festival on Sunday, Sept. 25. All volunteers get a free festival T-shirt and raffle ticket. Sign up online at carrboromusicfestival.com. Contact Meg McGurk at cmfvolunteer@gmail.com with questions.

Seventh annual Dog Swim

Orange County's Animal Services Department will hold its annual Dog Swim on Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the A.D. Clark Pool in Chapel Hill's Hargraves Community Center. Admission is \$5 for dogs and free for people, though a donation is encouraged. Refreshments will be provided for both people and pets. To enter, dogs must be current on vaccinations, not in season and leashed. For more information or directions, contact Sarah Fallin at 942-7387 or sfallin@co.orange.nc.us

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 painful urination in toddlers and PSA testing.

Dear HOUSE Calls, I have a 2-year-old daughter who was recently potty-trained. For a few days, she has been complaining that it hurts sometimes when she pees. She otherwise seems fine. When does she need to see her doctor?

You raise the issue that this might be behavioral. This could be part of the potty-training process for her. For example, now that she has learned to hold it, she might hold it too long, which can cause discomfort. If the pain was consistent, or was combined with any other symptoms (belly pain, fever, vomiting, blood in urine), we would want you to take her to her doctor right away. We also wonder if she is toilet-trained with bowel movements as well. And how is her hygiene? Who is doing the wiping? Is there any vaginal irritation? We see quite a

lot of irritation/inflammation of the vagina around toilet training. If this persists beyond a few days, checking in with her doctor for an exam and possibly a urine test seems like a good idea. In the meantime, hang in there. This is part of the potty-training process, which can take months.

Dear HOUSE Calls, I am 66 years old. Do you recommend I get a PSA? It is so difficult to decide, with some experts recommending a PSA and some recommending against it.

This is a great question, and the answer is, it depends on your values. The PSA is not a great test in that many positive tests are false positives. The patient can have an abnormal test, but not prostate cancer. Many people with prostate cancer will have a negative test, or a false negative. The biggest problem by far is that most prostate cancers do not cause pain, suffering or death, and the treatments have significant side effects. Most men with prostate cancer die with

prostate cancer and not of prostate cancer. On the other hand, we all know people who have suffered from late-stage prostate cancer. Could they have prevented this with PSA testing? For an individual, the answer is not known. However, for large populations, PSA testing does not result in a longer life or improved quality of life. We try to explain this complicated set of issues to patients in a short amount of time. Would you rather know or not know? Some people feel like they can take the test, and if they learn that they have prostate cancer, they do not necessarily need surgery. This is a reasonable position, but it is hard to know that you have cancer in your body and not get it treated.

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.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY SEPT. 15 Fiddlers' Convention — The Hoppin' John Old-Time and Bluegrass Fiddlers' Convention opens its 5th year at Shakori Hills, through Sept. 17. hoppinjohn.org

Pittsboro by Gaslight — Take a step through time and see what Pittsboro was like at the turn of the last century, sponsored by the Pittsboro Business Bureau. Downtown Pittsboro, Noon pittsborobygaslight.blogspot.com

Diaspora Festival — Presents a double feature of films *Contesting Race* and *The Place In Between*. Stone Center, 7pm

Miracle Drugs — Amy Greeson, UNC registered pharmacist and founder of the Healing Seekers, will lecture on "The Search for Miracle Drugs." Seymour Center, 2:30pm 968-2070

Dulcimer Players — The Carolina Mountain Dulcimer Players to meet. Carol Woods Woods Retirement Community, 7pm 929-5359

Prepare Yourself — A seminar on preparing for emergencies will be presented in conjunction with National Preparedness Month. Orange County Main Library, 6-7pm Free 245-2537

FRIDAY SEPT. 16 Contra Dance — Music by The Donnybrooks Lads and caller Eileen Thorsos. Carrboro Century Center;

7:30pm/Workshop, 8pm/Dance. \$8 csda-dance.org

Reading from Prison — Marshall "Eddie" Conway will be calling in from prison to read from his new memoir, *Marshall Law: The Life & Times of a Baltimore Black Panther*. Internationalist Books, 7pm internationalistbooks.org

SATURDAY SEPT. 17 Super Cooper — 2nd Annual Rockin' Run and Family Fun. Funds support Super Cooper's Little Red Wagon Foundation, supporting families of children with cancer. Southern Village, supercooperfoundation.org/run/

Hillsborough Jazz Festival — Held at Historic Moorefields, 220 Moorefields Road. 11am-6pm

Migratory Bird Festival — At Eno River State Park, for all ages. Fews Ford Access, 7am newhope-audubon.org

SUNDAY SEPT. 18 Diane Daniel — Presents Farm Fresh North Carolina, a photographic journey through the state's family farms, farmers' markets, wineries and orchards. Orange County Main Library, 2pm orangecountync.gov/library/friends.asp

MONDAY SEPT. 19 Adult Book Group — To discuss *A Thread of Grace* by Mary Doria Russell. Chapel Hill Public Library, 7pm Free

Cancer Workshop — Look Good, Feel Better: for women coping with cancer. Cornucopia Cancer Support Center 5pm 401-9333

Time Out — With host Bill Hendrickson and guest Kim Abels discussing the book *Eating Animals*. WCOM, 103.5FM 5pm

WEDNESDAY SEPT. 21 Trans Discussion — Co-hosted by the North Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition and Internationalist Books, is a bi-monthly support/discussion group for people who identify as trans, genderqueer or gender-questioning. International Books, 405 W. Franklin St., 8pm internationalistbooks.org

Lollipop Series — Camelot Puppets present Hansel and Gretel. Carrboro Century Center, 10:30am \$3/person

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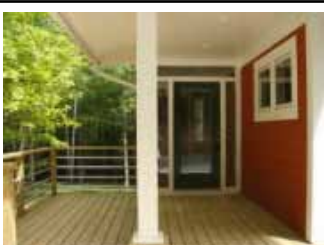
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Recipe of the Week

Crispy Eggplant Sandwich

Recipe provided by Hamilton Harper, Glasshalfull

Ingredients:

- 2 1/2 cups Japanese bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup of your favorite fresh herbs, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan
- 3 eggs, whisked **
- 1 eggplant, sliced into 1/8-inch circles **
- 4 garlic cloves **
- 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise
- bibb lettuce **
- tomato, sliced (optional) **
- sourdough bread
- olive oil
- salt
- pepper

Crispy Eggplant:

Preheat oven to 450 degrees and coat a baking sheet with olive oil. Salt both sides of eggplant and layer between paper towels. Allow the moisture to draw out for about five minutes. In

the meantime, blend breadcrumbs, parmesan, 1 teaspoon salt, and 1 teaspoon pepper in a food processor until fine. Place in a large bowl and toss in half of the herbs. Pat excess moisture from eggplant slices and dip in egg. Cover both sides with crumb mixture and lay out on baking sheet. Bake until crumbs turn golden brown, about 10 to 15 minutes.

Garlic Spread:

Place garlic in a small skillet and submerge in olive oil. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer until soft, about 5 minutes. Remove cloves with slotted spoon and blend in food processor with mayo. Mix in remaining herbs by hand and season to taste with salt and pepper. The leftover olive oil is now infused with garlic and can be saved as a dipping sauce for bread.

To finish:

Toast sourdough and cover with garlic mayo. Layer with eggplant, bibb lettuce and fresh tomato, if available. The crispy eggplant may also be enjoyed for dinner atop pasta and marinara.

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Creeping cucumbers are definitely pendulous. PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

FLORA
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resulted in edge habitats everywhere. It may be necessary to step in and modestly curtail the exuberance of our valuable native vines from time to time, like the backyard morning-glory management I described in last week's Flora. When dealing with the sometimes invasive qualities of our native vines, it is important to keep in mind that the natives provide critical food and shelter for our native fauna, whereas the value of the exotic vines is negligible or nonexistent.

In my wild yard I am managing another exuberant native vine; keeping it

in check is easy, less than a half-hour weeding per year. Some of you may recognize this sprawling, small three- to five-lobed leaved vine with tiny yellow flowers followed by miniature watermelon-shaped fruit. It's called creeping cucumber, *Melothria pendula*, and the species epithet is descriptive of the very pendulous oval berry.

I well remember years ago when an older friend of mine discovered it in my yard and began consuming it with gusto, but please be advised that though this little cuke is described on some websites as being edible while still green (before it ripens black), I don't recommend it. My native plant guru, Dr. Jim

Duke, does not include it in his *Handbook of Edible Weeds* and Ritchie Bell and Anne Lindsey, *Wild Flowers of North Carolina*, advise: "The berries have a strong laxative effect and are considered toxic; do not ingest!"

Be like me and simply observe the miniature flowers and fruits and contemplate what manner of wildlife may depend on this diminutive native vine.

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Just Down the Road in Shangri-La

have the best job in the world in the summer when I hit North Carolina's backroads that take me to the state's many community newspapers, where I lead journalism workshops. And it is these modest backroads – the so-called "Blue Highways" – that provide the unhurried soul with such a rich visual experience. From this summer, here's my favorite "roadside vernacular" – just outside of Yanceyville (between Hillsborough and Danville, Va.) you'll come upon a miniature white-rocked village that is worth a stop just to gawk. According to a 1979 edition of *The State* magazine, the little village named "Shangri-La" is the result of nine years' work by the late Henry Warren, a retired farmer who never met a little white rock he didn't like. Working on the miniature rock village as a hobby from the time he was 77 until his death at 84 in 1977, Henry told reporter James Earl Hester, "The more you build, the more enthused you get." So it would seem. Henry's village includes an old mill, a bank, a gym, a library, a fire station, a church, a theatre, a water tower – and at the time of his passing he was working on a hospital. You'll find Shangri-La on N.C. 86 just across the Caswell County line, set back from the road on the right in the community of Prospect Hill.



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BY JOCK LAUTERER

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