

**FRIDAY**  
70% Chance of Precip  
81/63 °F

**SATURDAY**  
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**SUNDAY**  
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# C THE CARRBORO CITIZEN



Passion flower is intricate and exotically beautiful.

PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

## FLORA BY KEN MOORE

### Passionate about passion flower

One of my favorite native vines is passion flower, frequently called maypops and officially recognized as *Passiflora incarnata*.

The intricate structure and beauty of the flower inspired early Jesuit missionaries to honor it with multiple descriptions of religious symbolism. If you are curious about the details, simply go online and search for "passion flower religious symbolism," and you should be more than satisfied.

Lauri Lawson, "plant whisperer" and Niche Gardens horticulturist, is downright passionate about passion flower. Recently she told me, "Native passion flower is one of my top favorite plants ever! It's easy to grow, it's exotically beautiful and it has special edible and medicinal qualities. It appeals to numerous important pollinators, particularly some of the big carpenter bee types, that appear to be on quite a carnival ride as they whirl 'round and 'round gathering pollen and nectar and pollinating while they're at it. The fruit, maypops, that follow are full of succulent, tropical-sweet seed sacs. The leaves have a traditional use for calming the nerves, insomnia and hypertension."

Lauri and I both value Dr. Jim Duke's herbal studies, and you will find his passion flower discussion in *The Green Pharmacy* very helpful and most interesting.

We also value this plant in the garden. It's a vigorous vine, and Lauri cautions to make certain it has lots of space to twine and spread. I will add that once it is established, passion flower is certain to remain for a long time. But don't expect its

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## Greenbridge foreclosure again postponed

BY TAYLOR SISK  
Staff Writer

**CHAPEL HILL** – A foreclosure date for the Greenbridge development has again been moved. According to Tim Toben, a partner in the 217,000-square-foot Rosemary Street development, Bank of America sent a note Monday afternoon stating that foreclosure had been postponed until Nov. 7.

The bank originally announced a June 27 foreclosure date, then postponed foreclosure indefinitely. It was announced last week that foreclosure would come on Thursday.

Toben and his partners originally borrowed \$43.5 million from Bank of America. Construction overruns and a bad economy led them to request a loan increase, which was approved. But when the overruns continued, the bank requested a \$1.6 million equity

deposit, which the developers failed to pay. They now owe the bank approximately \$30 million.

Toben remains confident that investors can be found.

"Negotiations with potential buyers are ongoing," he said by email on Monday. "However, the bank has required each to sign a nondisclosure agreement. Consequently, the Greenbridge Partners are not privy to those negotiations and have no knowledge

of the status of any deal."

Chapel Hill Economic Development Director Dwight Bassett said that he and Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt had met in early summer with several individuals interested in making an offer on the property.

"From all indications with those prospects and the developers of the building, we believed at least one

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## Swimming in the rain

Though the turnout was a bit lower than usual (most likely due to weather), those in attendance for Orange County Animal Services' annual dog swim certainly had a blast. The event, held at the A.D. Clark Pool, serves as a fundraiser for Animal Services.

PHOTO BY ALICIA TEMPER



## Voter-owned elections in limbo

BY BROOKE PARKER  
Staff Writer

In light of a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that deemed a similar fund in Arizona to be unconstitutional, the N.C. State Board of Elections on Sept. 9 suspended a funding portion of Chapel Hill's Voter-Owned Elections program, the only of its kind in North Carolina. The future of the program remains in limbo after this November's elections.

On June 27, the Supreme Court invalidated a matching fund that was part of Arizona's public campaign-financing system, writing that the fund violated the First Amendment by hindering speech and spending rights of candidates who raised private money.

In response, the N.C. State Board of Elections removed the rescue fund – additional public money given to candidates using the program if their opponents raise significantly more money – of the Voter-Owned Elections program.

The town launched Voter-Owned Elections as a pilot program in 2009 after receiving authorization from the General Assembly to do so.

The Chapel Hill Town Council enacted the program in order to encourage candidate and voter participation in elections and to address the disparity of spending among candidates.

The program imposes a minimum requirement regarding the number of candidate donors, as well as a restriction on the amount of monetary donations.

In order for a candidate to qualify, he or she must demonstrate a level of public support by collecting a certain number of contributions ranging from \$5 to \$20.

A town council candidate must collect at least \$838 from at least 83 contributors, while a mayoral candidate must collect at least \$1,676 from 165 or more contributors. Town council candidates can raise up to

\$2,514, and mayor candidates can raise up to \$5,027.

Once they qualify for the program, council candidates receive \$3,351, while mayoral candidates receive \$10,053 in public grants funded through the town budget.

The rescue funds – the recently eliminated portion of the program – were an award of public money given to VOE candidates when a privately funded opponent raises more than \$23,458 in a mayoral race or \$9,383 in a council race.

The rescue fund provided \$4,468 for mayoral candidates and \$2,234 for council.

Most candidates in the upcoming Chapel Hill elections said they see the program as a great opportunity.

Town council candidates Donna Bell and Jason Baker have declared that they will use the VOE program.

"It helps people feel like they can really get involved in the process," said Bell, an incumbent.

Baker agreed. "I'm excited about the idea that it's going to stamp out some of the larger-dollar spending issues," he said.

Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt and council member Penny Rich both won in 2009 using the program. Kleinschmidt is a longtime supporter of VOE.

"The program allows voters to engage in politics and with local leaders," he said. "People felt involved and felt important."

Kleinschmidt does not plan on using VOE in the upcoming election because he does not think he will need as much money for his campaign as the program offers.

Council candidate Lee Storrow said that while he does not plan to use the program in the upcoming election, he still believes that the program "demonstrates real-life campaign financing."

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## Council reviews Carolina North ductbank plans

BY SUSAN DICKSON  
Staff Writer

**CHAPEL HILL** – The Chapel Hill Town Council on Monday urged UNC officials to communicate clearly with the public as they move forward with a controversial project that involves the clearance of a corridor in the Carolina North Forest.

The council heard an update on the project as part of UNC's development report.

Early next month, crews will begin clearing a 40-foot-wide swath through the forest for the installation of a ductbank from the Horace Williams Airport to Homestead Road, which will carry electrical and telecommunications wiring to facilities on the Carolina North property.

The clearing is estimated to take about six weeks. Construction of the ductbank will begin in February, and when the project is complete – estimated for next August – the clearing will be replanted, except for a 10-foot-wide access path for maintenance along the ductbank corridor, which will become a paved public greenway route through the Carolina North campus.

The plans have drawn criticism from members of the community who use the popular Pumpkin Loop trails for recreation. The ductbank will intersect the Pumpkin Loop at several points and will run near a segment of the trail. The future greenway will replace portions of the Pumpkin Loop, while some sections of the trail will be converted to narrower, single-track trails or be replanted.

While the actual ductbank will only be 42 inches wide, the 40-foot clearance

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## Chapel Hill-Carrboro real estate outperforming Triangle

BY MARGOT C. LESTER  
Staff Writer

"Be glad you're here, because these numbers are a lot better than the Triangle and the rest of the country."

That quote, from local realtor Mark Zimmerman, pretty much sums up the data points presented at the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce's Orange County Development briefing, held Tuesday at the Friday Center.

### Single-family situation

Zimmerman, owner/agent of RE/MAX Winning Edge, said the county is outperforming the region, with an August year-to-date decrease in sales of only 2.3 percent, versus a 10.1 per-

cent decline for the Triangle as a whole. Days on market increased slightly in the county and sales were a mixed bag (see chart).

High unemployment, continued financial insecurity and limited lending are behind the declines. Ironically, however, sales of the most expensive homes are picking up. From August 2010 to August 2011, 36 homes listed at more than \$800,000 were sold. That's an increase of 38.5 percent from a year ago.

"There's one good reason for that," Zimmerman said. "Jumbo loans are now available at better rates."

Consider that a bright spot.

### Condo calamity

It's another story for condos though. August sales in Orange County were down 39.3 percent from a year ago, and units took an average of 136 days to sell. Townhouses are only slightly better off, with sales down only 14.4 percent and 122 average days on the market. Part of the problem is financing, which is hard to come by, meaning more buyers have to pay in cash. And there are a lot of higher-priced units on the market.

"Expensive plus cash is not easy," Zimmerman said.

"The condo situation will come back when the credit situation changes and people start loaning again. But that could be three to four years out. The economists have stopped predicting when things will get better."

### Commercial appeal

Chapel Hill Economic Development Director Dwight Bassett reported that retail and warehouse space is in

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# MUSIC CALENDAR

## THURSDAY SEPT 22

**The ArtsCenter:** Climb Jacob's Ladder. 8pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** Megafaun, Perry Owen Wright. 9pm. \$12  
**The Cave:** EARLY: Salem Ezz LATE: Ollie Ox  
**City Tap:** Mebanesville. 8pm  
**General Store Cafe:** India Cain, Keith Allen. 7pm  
**Jessee's Coffee and Bar:** Johnson's Crossroad. 8pm  
**Local 506:** Jswiss, Skyblew, Jabee, Driquet London, Dasan Anahu. 9pm. \$6  
**Nightlight:** RoRo Drums, Ti Femme, Crowmeat Bob. 9:30pm  
**Southern Rail:** Stephanie Niles. 10pm



MELISSA FERRICK  
Friday, September 23  
Cat's Cradle

## FRIDAY SEPT 23

**The ArtsCenter:** Woody Witt and The Quantum Mechanics, Seven Steps. 8pm. \$23  
**Carolina Inn:** Lish and The Big Band. 5pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** Melissa Ferrick, Ria Mae. 8pm. \$16/18  
**The Cave:** EARLY: Samantha Tieger LATE: The Static Minds, Pussy Mountain, Reese McHenry  
**Cat's Cradle:** Meliss, Sarah Shook and The Devil. 7pm  
**General Store Cafe:** Greg Hawks and Bluemont Road. 8pm  
**Local 506:** Screaming Crayons, Stretch and The Funk, Gabriel Reynolds. 8:30pm. \$5  
**Nightlight:** Zlam Dunk  
**Open Eye Cafe:** Brothers of Balam. 8pm  
**Southern Rail:** Countdown Quartet. 10:30pm

8pm. \$20 Single/\$30 Couple  
**Local 506:** Madi Diaz, Keegan Dewitt. 8:30pm. \$10  
**Memorial Hall:** Chick Corea Trio. 8pm  
**Nightlight:** Systems, Sons of Tontuh, Whores. 10pm. \$5  
**Open Eye Cafe:** Goat and Faun. 8pm  
**Southern Rail:** Pussy Mountain. 10:30pm

**Local 506:** Fucked Up, Wavves. 9:30pm. \$16  
**West End Wine Bar:** Birds and Arrows. 8pm  
**WEDNESDAY SEPT 28**  
**Caffe Driade:** Aaron Bobis. 8pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** The Joy Formidable, Fang Island. 9pm. \$13/15  
**Local 506:** Jenny Owen Youngs, Hank and Cupcakes. 8:30pm. \$10/12  
**Nightlight:** Harvey-Sue, Old Calf, Charles Latham. 9:30pm. \$5

9:30pm. \$15  
**The Cave:** LATE: J kutchma, The Salts  
**City Tap:** Tracy Wiebeck, Joe Bell and The Stinging Blades. 5pm  
**General Store Cafe:** Portable Hero. 8pm  
**Local 506:** Viva Voce, The Parson Red Heads. 9:30pm. \$8/10  
**Nightlight:** Cave, Dino Felipe and The Heart Electric, Boyzone. 9:30pm. \$6  
**Open Eye Cafe:** North Columbia. 8pm  
**Southern Rail:** Tiny Pyramids. 10pm

## SATURDAY SEPT 24

**The ArtsCenter:** Why, Serengeti. 8pm. \$15  
**Bynum Front Porch:** Nu-Blu  
**Caffe Driade:** Wildflower. 8pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** Mandolin Orange, The Tinder Fruit. 9pm. \$10  
**The Cave:** EARLY: Twin City Buskers LATE: Puritan Rodeo, Bevel Summers  
**City Tap:** Dave Quick and the Head Honchos. 8pm  
**General Store Cafe:** Backbeat.

**SUNDAY SEPT 25**  
**Cat's Cradle:** Carrboro Music Festival  
**Local 506:** Morning After Girls, Blak Box Revelation, The Ill Family. 9pm. \$8/10  
**Open Eye Cafe:** Carrboro Music Festival  
**Southern Rail:** Carrboro Music Festival  
**Tyler's Tap Room:** Saludos Compay. 8pm  
**Weaver Street Market:** The Donnybrook Lads. 11am

**THURSDAY SEPT 29**  
**The ArtsCenter:** Blue Rodeo. 8:30pm  
**Cat's Cradle:** N.E.D., Birds and Arrows. 7:30pm. \$20/25  
**The Cave:** LATE: Monarchs, Anna Rose Beck, Jordan and The Sphinx  
**General Store Cafe:** Ann Arader and John Westmoreland. 7pm  
**Local 506:** Supreme Fiction  
**Memorial Hall:** Anthony Dean Greiffey. 7:30pm  
**Nightlight:** Ani Stark, Seal/Mother, Ghost Hand. 9:30pm. \$5  
**Southern Rail:** Agile Feat, Daniel Walker. 10pm

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**Cat's Cradle:** Stephen Kellogg and the Sixers, Jon McLaughlin, Amy Lennard. 7:30pm. \$16/18  
**The Cave:** EARLY: Walker Lukens LATE: Secret Hearts  
**City Tap:** Daniel Sean. 8pm  
**General Store Cafe:** The Carborators. 8pm  
**Local 506:** Galdytron, Swiff, Treeclmbr. 10pm. \$7  
**Nightlight:** Tomas Phillips and Jason Bivins, PAS Musique, Derek Plotz, Balloon Animal Farm, Powercloud, Subscape Annex. 9:15pm. \$7  
**Open Eye Cafe:** Laura Thurston. 8pm  
**Southern Rail:** Birds and Arrows. 11pm

**MONDAY SEPT 26**  
**Cat's Cradle:** Micky and The Motorcars, Jeff Hart and The Ruins. 8:30pm. \$12/15  
**Local 506:** Cymbals Eat Guitars, Hoorary for Earth, Lyonnais. 9pm. \$10/12  
**TUESDAY SEPT 27**  
**Cat's Cradle:** Cut Copy, Washed Out, Midnight Magic. 8pm. \$25

# SPOTLIGHT: 14TH ANNUAL CARRBORO MUSIC FESTIVAL



Get ready Carrboro — it is that time again. The 14th annual Carrboro Music Festival will be held this Sunday, Sept. 14 from 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. More than 180 acts representing a huge variety of music will take over Carrboro ready to entertain the masses at the free music festival, which will take place at 25 locations around Carrboro including Armadillo Grill, Fleet Feet and the parking lot behind Tyler's. In the event of rain, 10 of the 25 venues have indoor options, and for the other 11 venues a decision will be made by 9:30 a.m. on the day of the event. For a full schedule and more information, see the 2011 Guide to the Carrboro Music Festival section inside this week's issue.

## 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 reopen and resume regular movie screenings in October.

**CHELSEA THEATER**  
Timberlyne, 1129 Weaver Dairy Road, 968-3005  
The Debt; The Future; The Guard; The Names of Love

**THE LUMINA**  
Southern Village, 932-9000  
Abduction; Contagion; Dolphin Tale; I Don't Know How She Does It; Moneyball

**REGAL TIMBERLYNE 6**  
120 Banks Drive, 933-8600  
Abduction; Contagion; Dolphin Tale 3D; Drive; Killer Elite; Moneyball; The Lion King 3D

**THE VARSITY**  
123 E. Franklin St., 967-8665  
Bad Teacher; Bridesmaids; Horrible Bosses



FR 9/23  
MELISSA FERRICK



TU 9/27 WILCO  
RALEIGH AMPHITHEATER



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



TH 10/6 THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA  
LINCOLN THEATRE (RALEIGH)



MO 10/24  
ELECTRIC SIX



MO 10/10  
JUNIOR BOYS



WE 9/28  
JENNY OWENS YOUNG  
LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL)



SA 10/29  
REVEREND HORTON HEAT



TH 9/22 MATT POND & ROCKY VOLATATO  
KINGS BARCADE (RALEIGH)



MO 10/17  
DEER TICK



MO 10/24  
JOHN HIATT  
CAROLINA THEATRE (DURHAM)



FR 11/4  
FITZ & THE TANTRUMS



TH 9/22 THE HEAD AND THE HEART  
W/THAO WITH THE GET DOWN  
STAY DOWN AND THE DEVIL WHALE

TH 9/22\*\*(\$12) MEGAFUAUN  
W/PERRY OWEN WRIGHT  
FR 9/23 MELISSA FERRICK  
W/RIA MAE\*\*(\$16/\$18)  
SA 9/24 CD RELEASE PARTY  
MANDOLIN ORANGE  
W/TENDER FRUIT\*\*(\$10)  
SU 9/25 FREE SHOW  
CARRBORO MUSIC FEST  
THEE DIRTYBEATS, LUD,  
JON JACKSON, KILLER  
FILLER, FAT BASTARD BLUES  
BAND, GRAVY BOYS, THE  
MAHOAGAN DOOR PROJECT,  
SCARLET VIRGINIA  
MO 9/26 MICKY & THE  
MOTORCARS W/JEFF HART  
& THE RUINS\*\*(\$12/\$15)  
TU 9/27 CUT COPY  
W/WASHED OUT AND  
MIDNIGHT MAGIC\*\*(\$25)  
WE 9/28 THE JOY  
FORMIDABLE  
W/FANG ISLAND\*\*(\$13/\$15)  
TH 9/29 N.E.D.\*\*(\$20/\$25)  
(NO EVIDENCE OF DISEASE)  
W/BIRDS AND ARROWS  
FR 9/30\*\*(\$15) WHO'S BAD?  
SA 10/1 STEPHEN KELLOGG  
& THE SIXERS,  
JON MCLAUGHLIN  
W/AMY LENNARD\*\*(\$16/\$18)  
SA 10/1 LATE SHOW  
SIGNAL PRESENTS:  
LORD WALRUS, THIEN,  
NIXED, HIDDEN CAT  
AND STRANGER DAY  
SU 10/2 THE LEMONHEADS  
PERFORMING IT'S A SHAME  
ABOUT RAY IN ITS ENTIRETY  
W/THE SHINING TWINS AND  
NEW YORK RIVALS\*\*(\$17/\$20)

MO 10/3 TAPES N TAPES  
W/HOWLER\*\*(\$14/\$16)  
TU 10/4 FRIENDLY FIRES  
CANCELLED  
WE 10/5 TUNE YARDS  
W/PAT JORDACHE\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
TH 10/6 JAY CLIFFORD  
W/HALEY DREIS AND SMALL  
TOWN GOSSIP\*\*(\$10/\$13)  
FR 10/7\*\*(\$15) THE GOURDS  
W/PATRICK SWEANY  
SA 10/8\*\*(\$18/\$20)  
BOYCE AVENUE  
W/GREEN RIVER ORDINANCE  
AND GARY RAY  
MO 10/10 JUNIOR BOYS  
W/EGYPTRIX\*\*(\$13/\$15)  
TU 10/11 THRICE  
W/LA DISPUTE, O'BROTHER,  
MOVING MOUNTAINS\*\*(\$18/\$21)  
WE 10/12 STARS W/NORTH  
HIGHLANDS\*\*(\$18/\$20)  
TH 10/13 IRATION  
W/TOMORROW'S BAD  
SEEDS AND THROUGH THE  
ROOTS\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
FR 10/14\*\* OCSC  
10-YEAR CELEBRATION  
W/BENJI HUGHES, THE  
GHOST OF ROCK, THE  
TODDLERS, DAVID BAZAN,  
THE DOGWOODS / ENSEMBLE  
SA 10/15\*\* OCSC  
10-YEAR CELEBRATION  
W/SEVEN BRIDES FOR THE  
MEATWAGON, KERBLOKI,  
CROOKED FINGERS,  
GROSS GHOST  
SU 10/16\*\*(\$13/\$15) MC CHRIS  
W/MC LARS, MEGA RAN  
AND ADAM WARROCK

MO 10/17 DEER TICK  
W/VIRGIN FOREST\*\*(\$14/\$16)  
TU 10/18 KEVIN DEVINE AND  
THE GODDAMN BAND  
W/AN HORSE\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
WE 10/19 ROSEBUDS\*\*(\$14)  
TH 10/20 TRAMPLED  
BY TURTLES W/THESE  
UNITED STATES\*\*(\$13/\$15)  
FR 10/21 WILD FLAG\*\*(\$15/\$17)  
W/ELEANOR FRIEDBERGER  
SA 10/22\*\*(\$15/\$17) DAWES AND  
BLITZEN TRAPPER  
W/SMOKE FAIRIES  
SU 10/23 9TH WONDER  
AND PHONTE W/MEDIAN,  
RAPODY, THE AWAY TEAM,  
HALO AND DJ FLASH\*\*(\$15/\$20)  
MO 10/24\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
ELECTRIC SIX W/KITTEN  
TU 10/25 MIKE DOUGHTY AND  
HIS BAND FANTASTIC  
W/MOON HOOC\*\*(\$16/\$18)  
TH 10/27 SOLD OUT  
ODD FUTURE  
FR 10/28 RA RA RIOT  
W/DELICATE STEVE AND  
YELLOW OSTRICH\*\*(\$16/\$18)  
SA 10/29 REVEREND HORTON  
HEAT W/SUPERSUCKERS  
AND DAN SARTAIN\*\*(\$15/\$17)  
SU 10/30 BORIS W/ASOBI  
SEKSU AND TRUE  
WIDOW\*\*(\$15)  
WE 11/2\*\*(\$18/\$20)  
SCRATCH ACID  
TH 11/3 RASPUTINA\*\*(\$15/\$17)  
W/THE WILDERNESS  
OF MANITOBA

FR 11/4 FITZ & THE  
TANTRUMS\*\*(\$18/\$20)  
W/WALK THE MOON  
SA 11/5 IMMORTAL  
TECHNIQUE\*\*(\$15/\$18)  
SU 11/6 TROMBONE  
SHORTY & ORLEANS  
AVENUE\*\*(\$20/\$23)  
TU 11/8 HAYES CARLL\*\*(\$15)  
W/CAITLIN ROSE  
SA 11/11 SAVES THE  
DAY, BAYSIDE, I AM  
THE AVALANCE,  
TRANSIT\*\*(\$15/\$18)  
SA 11/12 BOMBADIL\*\*(\$12/\$15)  
W/JASON KUTCHMA AND  
FUTURE KINGS OF NOWHERE  
SU 11/13 TINARIWEN\*\*(\$22/\$25)  
W/SOPHIE HUNGER  
MO 11/14 ARCHITECTURE  
IN HELSINKI\*\*(\$15/\$17)  
W/DOM, LO FI FNK  
WE 11/15 PHANTOGRAM  
W/EXITMUSIC\*\*(\$14)  
TH 11/17\*\*(\$16/\$19) MANCHESTER  
ORCHESTRA W/WHITE  
DENIM AND THE DEAR  
HUNTER  
FR 11/18 NEIL DIAMOND  
ALL-STARS  
W/DAVE SPENCER BAND\*\*(\$10)  
SU 11/27 FUTURE ISLANDS  
W/ED SCHRADER'S  
MUSIC BEAT AND LONNIE  
WALKER\*\*(\$12/\$14)  
FR 12/2\*\*(\$15)  
STEEP CANYON RANGERS

LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL)  
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 11/22 MARIA TAYLOR W/DEAD  
FINGERS AND THE GRENADINES  
SU 12/4 MACKLEMORE  
ON SALE FRIDAY 9/23 \$10  
TH 12/15 RACHAEL YAMAGATA  
W/MIKE VIOLA  
THE ARTSCENTER (CARRBORO)  
TU 9/24 WHY? SHOW IS CANCELLED  
FR 10/7 BURLAP TO  
CASHMERE  
KINGS (RALEIGH)  
TH 9/22 MATT POND AND ROCKY  
VOLATATO W/APEX MANOR  
FR 9/23 THE ANTLETS  
W/YELLOW OSTRICH  
MO 10/17 GIVERS W/LORD HURON  
TU 11/8 THE GLANDS  
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  
TU 9/27 WILCO  
W/NICK LOWE  
HAW RIVER BALLROOM (SAX)  
SA 10/1 STEPHEN MALKMUS  
AND THE JACKS W/HOLY SONS  
DISCO RODEO (RALEIGH)  
WE 10/12  
ARCTIC MONKEYS  
W/SMITH WESTERNS  
CAROLINA THEATRE (DURHAM)  
TIX VIA CAROLINA THEATRE BOX OFFICE  
AND TICKETMASTER  
MO 10/24 JOHN HIATT  
& THE COMBO  
WE 10/26 THE JAYHAWKS  
PAGE AUDITORIUM (DUKE)  
TH 10/20 THE CIVIL WARS  
W/MILO GREENE

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## ALSO PRESENTING



## News Briefs

### School board candidate forum

A public forum will be held with candidates for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education on Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Chapel Hill Town Hall.

Candidates James Barrett, Jamezetta Bedford, Mia Burroughs, Kris Castellano, Mike Kelley and Annetta Streeter all plan to attend the forum and will answer questions that have been submitted by the public. Brian Bower and Raymond Conrad are also running for election to the board, which has five open seats.

The district PTA Council, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP Education Committee and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro chapter of Partners for the Advancement of Gifted Education are sponsoring the forum.

### UNC responds to NCAA allegations

On Monday, UNC released its response to the NCAA notice of allegations in regards to the investigation of the football program.

The document says that the university will impose a number of punishments on itself, including vacating its wins from the 2008 and 2009 seasons, a \$50,000 fine and putting the program on two years probation.

Representatives from the university are going to Indianapolis on Oct. 28 to appear before the NCAA Committee on Infractions to discuss the possibility of further consequences. View the university's response online at [uncnews.unc.edu/content/view/full/4773/68/](http://uncnews.unc.edu/content/view/full/4773/68/)

### New solid-waste center hours

In response to residents' requests, all five Orange County solid-waste convenience centers will have new hours effective Oct. 3.

The new hours allow all the centers to be open on Sundays so users who work during the week will have more opportunities to go to the centers on the weekends.

All convenience centers will be closed on Wednesdays and Thursdays and will be open on Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Convenience centers at Eubanks Road and Walnut Grove Church Road will be open on Mondays as well.

A complete hours of operation schedule can be found at [www.co.orange.nc.us/recycling/news.asp#Hours](http://www.co.orange.nc.us/recycling/news.asp#Hours)

### OWASA rates to increase in October

Due to higher system maintenance costs, OWASA will enact a 2 percent rate increase on Oct. 1.

Bills will be pro-rated when new rates go into effect. If a customer's bill for service is from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15, then half of the service will be charged at old rates, while the other half will be charged at the new increased rates.

To get an estimate of your bill at the new rates, contact OWASA at 537-4267 or [webmaster@owasa.org](mailto:webmaster@owasa.org).

### Price impressed by community health center savings

U.S. Rep. David Price visited Piedmont Health Services last week, and said he was impressed by a report from the nonprofit stating the significant cost savings PHS is seeing from its seven community health centers.

Price was encouraged by the anecdotes he was told about people saving money through using community health centers and applauded Piedmont Health Services staff for their "good stewardship" of public funds.

However, Price warned that the health centers were in jeopardy because of funding cuts, but he encouraged people to spread the word about community health centers because they both save money and create jobs.

### Carrboro candidate forum on Friday

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce and the Orange/Chatham Sierra Club will host a joint candidate forum for Carrboro municipal candidates on Friday at 7 p.m.

The forum for both mayoral and aldermen candidates is open to the public and will be hosted at Carrboro Town Hall.

# Carrboro prohibits dog tethering

BY SUSAN DICKSON  
Staff Writer

**CARRBORO** — The Carrboro Board of Aldermen last week voted unanimously to adopt an ordinance prohibiting the tethering of dogs.

The ordinance defines tethering as "restrain[ing] a dog outdoors by means of a rope, chain, wire or other line, one end of which is fastened to the dog and the other end of which is connected to a stationary object or to a cable trolley system."

The ordinance also sets minimum enclosure sizes for dogs kept

outside to 100 square feet for a dog less than 20 pounds and 200 square feet for dogs more than 20 pounds.

Carrboro Animal Control Officer Rob Nekoranec said in investigating tethering in Carrboro, he'd counted 49 residences in town with tethered dogs.

The ordinance provides an exception that allows tethering for up to seven consecutive days, using tethering devices meeting certain standards, for dog activities including hunting, training and similar activities; activities where the dog is in the visual range of the owner and the owner is located

outside with the dog; and when residents find a stray dog and are searching for its owner.

In crafting the ordinance, town staff cited research indicating that chained dogs are naturally protective or have tendencies toward aggression.

"Some types of dogs do become highly territorial [when tethered] ... and are more prone to bite," Carrboro Police Chief Carolyn Hutchison said.

Nekoranec said he's also noticed issues with entanglement of tethered dogs.

"They may have a 15-foot chain, but if you're in a yard with

a bunch of pine trees, that doesn't work out so well," he said.

Orange County enacted a tethering ordinance in November 2009 restricting the tethering of dogs to a maximum of three hours within a 24-hour period. Chapel Hill's tethering ordinance, which prohibits tethering, became effective in March 2010. Board members said they preferred Chapel Hill's model, because it would be easier to enforce than an ordinance like the county's.

The Coalition to Unchain Dogs offers pet owners assistance with fence building. For more information, visit [unchaindogs.net](http://unchaindogs.net)

## Biz owners worried about proposed project

BY SUSAN DICKSON  
Staff Writer

**CHAPEL HILL** — Owners of properties on West Franklin and West Rosemary streets are in dispute about the proposed closure of the Dawson Place right of way, an alley off Rosemary Street that provides access for several West Franklin businesses.

The Chapel Hill Town Council heard a proposal for the closure of the right of way during a public hearing on Monday.

Larry Short, who owns the property at 333 W. Rosemary St., has requested that the town consider closing the right of way — located southwest of Breadmen's Restaurant — to allow for the redevelopment of the property. Short proposes constructing Shortbread Lofts, a mixed-use retail, commer-

cial and residential development with 76 residential units on the site, and closing the right of way would allow him to combine two adjacent properties into one.

Should the alley be closed, Short proposes constructing a U-shaped alley that would provide access behind the property to West Franklin businesses from two entrances on Rosemary Street.

David Rooks, an attorney representing Short, said the new alley would provide improved access to what is available now, pointing out that property owners have to cross other properties to access the current right of way.

"The applicant's proposal takes care of that problem," Rooks said. "It strikes us that this is simply a win for everybody."

Rooks said the Dawson Place right of way would not be closed

until a new access was in place.

Jamil Kadouria, who owns Mediterranean Deli, said his business depends on the right of way and that there were many unanswered questions about the proposed project.

"The access to the back door of our building means everything to my business," he said, adding that he uses the access to load catering vans.

"Please do not allow this to happen."

David Rudolf, who owns the property encompassing 312-320 W. Franklin St., also said he was concerned about maintaining access during construction.

"We get a lot of promises about what's going to happen. I have trouble understanding about how it's going to remain open during construction," Rudolf said. "My

real problem is a lack of trust at this point."

Rudolf said he has an easement allowing him access through the right of way, which is important to the businesses in his building, including The Crunkleton. He said he would pursue litigation if the right of way is closed.

"There's going to be weeks or more of disruption and it's going to hurt us and it's going to hurt Crunkleton's," he said.

Council members asked Short for a more detailed proposed timeline regarding the closure of the right of way and the construction of the new alley, and encouraged him and his team to improve their relationship with the nearby property owners to increase the level of trust.

The council will revisit the matter at a meeting on Oct. 10.

## County supports banning deer hunting with dogs

BY ROSE LAUDICINA  
Staff Writer

A proposal to ban deer hunting with dogs had everyone barking at the Orange County Board of Commissioners meeting Tuesday night, where the board voted unanimously to continue to support the ban.

Hunters clad in camouflage and neon-orange hats and shirts to protest the proposed ban occupied half of the room, while the other half was filled with residents in support of the ban.

Commissioners said deer hunting with dogs is a major public-health, safety and property-rights issue, and that due to the county's continued residential growth, it is becoming too densely populated to allow it to continue.

The board heard from a number of residents representing both sides of the charged issue.

Some opposed to the ban said they didn't believe pursuing a ban on hunting deer with dogs was a wise use of the county's limited monetary resources.

"With everything going on in the county related to 911 calls and emergency services, do you really want to spend money on this foolishness? Really, people?" local deer hunter Lamar Chapman said.

"The key word here is 'wasteful spending,'" said Earl Brown, a farmer and hunter from northern Orange County.

Other residents said they supported the ban because of the public-health and safety issues involved.

David and Jennifer Honeycutt, who live in Cedar Grove, an area of the county where this type of hunting is still legal, said 2010 was a very trying year for them because of it, and cited the negative effects on themselves, their

family and their property.

"We had cut-off deer legs and cut-off deer heads drug up to our door by hunting dogs," Jennifer Honeycutt said. "Orange County is getting too crowded. ... Every year, it gets scarier, and the safety and property rights are gone. We ask you to keep fighting."

In 2010, the board voted unanimously to seek a ban on hunting deer with dogs in northern Orange County as part of their legislative agenda for approval by the General Assembly. However, the issue got stuck in committee and was never brought up for a vote during this year's session.

Supporters of the ban also told

stories of hunters illegally hunting on their properties. Hunters at the meeting responded by promising that they have always practiced safe hunting and abided by the rules.

"We applaud you for being responsible, and it would be nice if everyone would be as responsible," Commissioner Pam Hemminger said.

Marilee McTigue, a resident of rural Orange County, said that while many hunters are respectful of "No hunting" and "No trespassing" signs, "unfortunately deer and the dogs that chase them can't read the no trespassing signs."

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## Businesses still hurting from Weaver St. project, owners say

BY ROSE LAUDICINA  
Staff Writer

Beyond the bulldozers, the dust, the orange cones and the construction blockades on Weaver Street are businesses in desperate need of some TLC from customers.

Like their counterparts on the east block of Weaver Street earlier this year, restaurants like Provence and shops like The Red Hen and Balloons & Tunes are feeling the negative effects of the costly Weaver Street reconstruction project.

These businesses and others that have seen their main access road shut down for months at a time due to construction are experiencing a significant drop in both customers and profits.

"We probably would have done better just closing for the month of July than to have stayed open and paid those employees," said Balloons & Tunes owner Pat Garavaglia.

Garavaglia said that even though access to her store is currently open, she believes that due to the construction many people are avoiding the area and are unsure of how to access businesses in the construction zone.

The Weaver Street recon-

struction project to replace the street's collapsing roadbed and the 80-year-old water main beneath it began on the east block in March and is scheduled for completion in March 2012. Construction, which is progressing east to west, has recently moved into phase three, which will last six to eight weeks, according to Annette Stone, Carrboro's economic and community development director. Phase three will close down a portion of West Weaver Street from west of Center Street to west of Oak Street.

Stone said she is in constant communication with the affected businesses and that the town is doing everything it can to help.

Signs are posted around construction areas notifying people that businesses are open and informing pedestrians and motorists of new traffic patterns and open-access routes. Stone also said the town is about to launch an advertising campaign to get the word out about the open businesses and to encourage consumers to visit.

While Carrboro is working hard to help the ailing businesses, some business owners, such as Provence owner Felix Roux,

believe the contractor and the construction workers are doing less than they could to get the work done.

Provence has been at its current location, 203 W. Weaver St., for 10 years, and Roux said he has noticed a significant drop in business since construction began, which has prompted him to try to promote the restaurant through coupon sites like Groupon.

Roux is frustrated with the construction workers because he believes they are not working nearly enough to complete the project in an efficient timeframe.

"They don't work Saturday, they don't work Sunday, some days they don't show up and some days they leave at 3:15," Roux said.

Garavaglia also has noticed the downtime on multiple occasions and believes that the town should have waited to start construction until they had enough money to hire the construction crew to work longer hours.

She said she understands there is a noise ordinance in the area because of nearby residences, but still believes crews should be working as late as possible.

In response to concerns about the contractor's seeming lack of



Residents recently gathered at The Red Hen for an event to support the store during the construction on Weaver Street. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

urgency to finish the project, Stone said, "The contractor is highly conscious of the need to get this finished."

"A timeframe has been set, and we are trying to make it as

easy as possible," she added.

Stone said that since the town is working with a private contractor, it doesn't control the construction workers and when they do or don't work. The town

has negotiated appropriate work times with the contractor in regards to the noise ordinance, and Stone said she believes the contractor is proceeding on a reasonable schedule.

### Briefs

#### Fleet Feet to move next week

Fleet Feet Sports Carrboro has completed work on its new space at 300 E. Main St. in the old VisArt location, and is scheduled to move in next week, reopening on Sept. 29 at 10 a.m.

The new store will be Fleet Feet's first flagship location — one of more than 90 locally owned stores nationwide. As the flagship, it will feature an expanded product selection and test the latest innovations and consumer programs.

The move will enable Fleet Feet Carrboro to more than double its current space — about 2,400 square feet in Carr Mill Mall — to 5,100 square feet.

#### Phydeaux recognized for growth

Phydeaux has been recognized as one of the fastest growing private companies in America on the 2011 Inc. 5000, Inc's annual ranking of the fastest-growing privately owned companies in America.

Phydeaux has grown by 111 percent over the past three years, more than doubling the pet products store's revenue and workforce. After more than eight years in Carrboro and Chapel Hill, Phydeaux opened a second store in Raleigh last fall.

This is the second year in a row that Phydeaux has been featured on Inc's list.

#### Animal Hospital welcomes new doctor

The Animal Hospital of Carrboro has a new doctor on staff, Dr.

Julie de Silvia.

De Silvia graduated from St. George's University School of Veterinary Medicine in 2005 and has special interests in dermatology and internal medicine.

#### Chamber hosts Women's Executive Series

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce will host a Women's Executive Series event for women executives, business owners and managers on Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the Governor's Club.

The seated breakfast event will give attendees the opportunity to network with others and hear from a panel of local women who are community leaders. Panelists include Orange County Commissioner Pam Hemminger and former Chapel Hill mayor Rosemary Waldorf.

#### Compost pickup business launches in Carrboro

Residents that want to compost but can't because of space limitations or simply do not know how can join a new residential compost pickup service in Carrboro.

The organization, called CompostNow, provides residents with a compost bin to fill, which staffers will pick up once a week. Customers also have the option of getting their share of compost back as soil to use in their gardens, or they can have it donated to a community farm of their choice.

For more information visit [compostnow.org](http://compostnow.org)



Bob Saunders

#### Local lawyer honored

Local lawyer Bob Saunders has been recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* for his work with nonprofit/charities law, tax law and litigation and controversy tax. Saunders is a partner at Brooks Pierce Attorneys & Counselors and is an adjunct lecturer on nonprofit law for the Master's Program for Public Administration at UNC-G.

#### Aveda recognized for conservation efforts

The Aveda Institute of Chapel Hill (AICH) was honored by the North Carolina Land Trusts on Sept. 12 for the institute's conservation efforts to protect water quality.

Triangle Land Conservancy has partnered with the AICH for more than five years to help increase awareness about clean water issues facing the triangle. AICH has raised more than \$108,600 for the Triangle Land Conservancy's clean water initiatives.

#### The Peoples Channel director recognized

Chad Johnston, executive director of The Peoples Channel in Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Durham Community Media, was chosen as this month's featured leader on the National Alliance for Media Art and Culture website. The National Alliance for Media Art and Culture (NAMAC) gives the monthly honor to a leader in the independent media community who helps foster the NAMAC's vision.

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### CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

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by Linda Thistle

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## Community Briefs

### Chatham County Fair next week

The Chatham County Fair will be held Wednesday, Sept. 28 through Saturday, Oct. 1 in Pittsboro.

This year's theme, "The Arts of Chatham," will highlight the rich history, significant accomplishments and excitement surrounding the arts in Chatham County. The fair will feature children's carnival rides, a diverse daily lineup of live music, a talent show and beauty pageant, a hot dog-eating contest, watermelon and pumpkin contests, an ice cream churn-off and more. Musical acts will feature musicians and bands from around the region, as well as some of the state's premier singer-songwriters.

The fair also includes dozens of competitions open to entries from residents of Chatham and surrounding counties. For a list of the categories and more information, visit [chathamcountync-fair.com](http://chathamcountync-fair.com)

### Farmer Foodshare Challenge

The Carrboro Farmers' Market will hold its third-annual Farmer Foodshare Challenge on Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.

The market aims to collect 700 pounds of food and \$700 for the Farmer Foodshare Fund, which provides local food to food-insecure community members throughout the winter. The market is teaming up with other farmers' markets and local businesses to meet its goal. There will be activities for children at the fundraiser.

To volunteer or donate, email [margaret@farmerfoodshare.org](mailto:margaret@farmerfoodshare.org) or visit [farmerfoodshare.org](http://farmerfoodshare.org)

### Scarecrow contest

The Orange County Historical Museum in Hillsborough is sponsoring a scarecrow contest from Sept. 27 through Oct. 7.

Scarecrows will be set up along North Churton Street on Tuesday. Viewers can vote for their favorite at the museum or at [oranchistory.org](http://oranchistory.org). The museum will announce winners and award prizes during the first week of October.

Anyone interested in entering should call 732-2201 or email [info@oranchistory.org](mailto:info@oranchistory.org)

### Spay Neuter Day next week

Orange County Animal Services will hold Spay Neuter Day on Wednesday. Animal Ser-

vices will offer no-cost spay and neuter surgeries to pets of households that meet certain requirements.

To see if you qualify or for more information, contact Sarah Fallin at [sfallin@co.orange.nc.us](mailto:sfallin@co.orange.nc.us) or 942-7387, ext. 224.

### Hillsborough residents honored

The Town of Hillsborough honored resident Evelyn Poole-Kober and handed out awards to 12 town employees at Hillsborough's third-annual Innovation and Customer Service Awards Program on Monday night.

Poole-Kober was honored for her help with the Margaret Lane Cemetery monument. The cemetery is located on the south side of West Margaret Lane between South Occoneechee Street and South Hillsborough Avenue.

### Carrboro parks grant for WSM

The Carrboro Parks Project and Baldwin Park Community Garden received a \$400 grant from Weaver Street Market. The grant comes from the Cooperative Community Fund, which supports nonprofits working on issues of sustainability, hunger and malnutrition, environmental protection and local cooperatives.

For more information on the garden, visit [carrboroparks.org](http://carrboroparks.org)

### Ready in 60 Seconds contest

September is National Preparedness Month, and Orange County is participating this year by launching a video contest called Ready in 60 Seconds, for county residents only.

Interested residents should submit an original, 60-second video that explains a concept from a list that can be found at [readyorange.org](http://readyorange.org). The contest will run through Oct. 15, and winners will receive an award package that includes emergency-preparedness supplies.

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THIS ONE'S FOR THE SLOW WALKERS

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## 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](mailto:yourhealth@unc.edu)



This week we respond to questions about lingering cough and Raynaud's of the nipple.

*Dear HOUSE Calls, I've had a cough for almost nine days. At what point should I go see my family doctor?*

There is no short answer. Other conditions (especially emphysema or chronic bronchitis) or other symptoms like fever, shortness of breath and wheezing would modify our response. We'll assume that this is just a lingering garden-variety chest cold, for which time is really the elixir of choice. There is no rule that after seven, 10 or 14 days you should treat this differently (i.e. with antibiotics). Usually we encourage people to put off antibiotics in this situation as long as they can. A small number of people in this category (about 1 percent) will actually have bacterial bronchitis that responds well to antibiotics. However, exactly which 1 percent has

it is hard to predict. Also, after a viral chest infection, the cough may linger. We tell people that if you feel better overall but the cough is continuing, it is reasonable to wait up to six weeks with a post-viral cough before seeing the doctor. Bronchitis can be complicated by pneumonia, so if you were getting better and are now worse (with fever or shortness of breath), consider seeing your doctor soon. It is never wrong to see your doctor to get his or her advice.

*Dear HOUSE Calls, I have Raynaud's syndrome and I'm experiencing vasospasms in the nipple when I feed my 2-week-old baby. Is there anything I can do to relieve the symptoms?*

Congratulations on making the choice to breast-feed — it is so great for your baby and you. We take care of many nursing moms and babies at UNC Family Medicine, and we see this problem more frequently than you might

think. Raynaud's syndrome occurs in up to 20 percent of young women. This most commonly causes painful vasospasms of the fingers and toes, but can impact the nipples as well. The things that we do to prevent vasospasm in the fingers are the same as what we would recommend in the nipple: Try to avoid cold as a trigger, breast-feed in warm spaces, consider warm compresses before breast-feeding and minimize caffeine consumption. Talk to your doctor/nurse practitioner and see if he or she has other advice. Seek the advice of an experienced lactation consultant. Help your doctor to understand that this is part of your Raynaud's, and not a yeast infection or mastitis. We hope you can continue to nurse successfully.

*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. 22

**Celebrate Recovery** — Recognize family members, friends and fellow citizens who are working to overcome substance abuse. Freedom House Community Building, 104 New Stateside Drive Free 942-2803

**OCDW Meeting** — Features Democratic candidates for municipal elections in Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough. OWASA Building 7pm

**Rabies Clinic** — \$10 rabies shots. Public Market House, 144 E. Margaret Lane, Hillsborough 4-7pm Cash only

**Library Closing** — Chapel Hill Public Library will close at 9pm in preparation for its move to University Mall

### FRIDAY SEPT 23

**Botanical Garden Plant Sale** — Opens Friday for members and continues through Saturday for the general public. Funds raised support the programs of the garden. N.C. Botanical Garden, 5-7pm [ncbg.unc.edu](http://ncbg.unc.edu)

**Philadanco** — Dance company Philadanco performs at Memorial

Hall, UNC Campus. 8pm [carolinaperformingarts.org](http://carolinaperformingarts.org)

**Movie Showing** — "Flu Factories: Tracing the Origins of the Swine Flu Pandemic," depicting the many diseases afflicting humans as the result of domesticating other animals. Internationalist Books, 7pm Free

### SATURDAY SEPT 24

**Guardians of Angels** — Benefit to help build an adoption center for cats and dogs in Chatham County. General Store Café, Pittsboro 8pm \$20/singles, \$30/couples [guardiansofangels.org](http://guardiansofangels.org)

**Bird Walk** — Sponsored by the New Hope Audubon Society. Mardi Gras Bowling Alley, 7am [spttdrd-shnk@yahoo.com](mailto:spttdrd-shnk@yahoo.com)

**Rabies Clinic** — Animal Services Center, 1601 Eubanks Road, 10am-noon \$10 [co.orange.nc.us/animalservices](http://co.orange.nc.us/animalservices)

**Bynum Fundraiser** — A concert and auction in support of two annual scholarships given to graduating seniors. Music by Nu-Blu. Bynum Front Porch, 4:30pm

**Foodshare Challenge** — The

Farmer Foodshare Fund provides local food from Carrboro farmers to food insecure community members throughout the winter: Carrboro Farmers' Market, 8am

**Art Festival** — SaxArt River-Walk Juried Art Festival. Saxapahaw 10am-6pm [saxapahawartists.com](http://saxapahawartists.com)

**Pick Up And Play** — In celebration of National Public Lands Day, volunteers will perform trail maintenance, plant trees, remove litter and clear paths around a community garden. Fairview Park, Hillsborough, 9-11am [publiclandsday.org/npld-sites/fairview-park](http://publiclandsday.org/npld-sites/fairview-park)

### SUNDAY SEPT 25

**Carrboro Music Festival** — 25 venues throughout Carrboro as well as food and craft vendors and children's activities. Begins at 1pm [carrboromusicfestival.com](http://carrboromusicfestival.com)

### MONDAY SEPT 26

**Time Out** — With host Bill Hendrickson and guest Senator Ellie Kinnaird. WCOM 103.5FM, 5pm

### TUESDAY SEPT 27

**Bingo** — For ages 50 and up. Car-

roro Century Center, 2pm Free 918-7364

**Movie Showing** — Chatham County Arts Council to screen *Brother Towns/Pueblos Hermanos*, which explores the American immigrant experience. Fearrington Barn, 7pm \$5 [chathamarts.org](http://chathamarts.org)

**Readings from the Banned** — Members of the UNC community will read from banned and censored books in the original editions held by UNC's Rare Book Collection in Wilson Library. Wilson Special Collections Library, 5:30pm Free library. [unc.edu](http://unc.edu)

**WEDNESDAY SEPT 28**  
**Golf Tourney** — With honorary

chair Eric Montross, the proceeds will benefit Cornucopia Cancer Support Center: The Preserve at Jordan Lake. [cancersupport4u.org](http://cancersupport4u.org)

**Spay/Neuter Day** — Animal Services will provide no-cost spay and neuter surgeries to pets of households that meet certain income requirements. 942-7387, ext. 224

**Stewards of Children** — Chapel Hill Y offers a workshop designed to educate adults on how to recognize, prevent and react responsibly to the reality of child sexual abuse. YMCA Children's Center, 7511 Sunrise Road, 5:30-7pm Free 442-9622

**Chatham County Fair** — Celebrates its 61st year with the theme the Arts of Chatham. The fair

continues through Oct. 1. Pittsboro, [chathamcountyncfair.com](http://chathamcountyncfair.com)

**THURSDAY SEPT 29**  
**Friends of Downtown** — Monthly meeting with a presentation on the Shortbread Lofts project. Breadmen's Restaurant, Rosemary Street, 10am

### ONGOING

**Cancer Support** — Support groups at Cornucopia Cancer Support Center for cancer patients and their families. [Cancersupport4u.org](http://Cancersupport4u.org) 401-9333

**Cancer Support** — Support groups and wellness programs sponsored by N.C. Cancer Hospital. [unclineberger.org/patient/support/supportgroup.asp](http://unclineberger.org/patient/support/supportgroup.asp)

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- **Oct. 27:** The Machines of Biology: How Molecular Motors and Materials Make Life Work
- **Nov. 3:** Tiny Particles, Huge Partnerships

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## The General Assembly should act now on jobs

BILL FAISON

Last week when the legislature was in Raleigh, the Republican leadership wasted \$150,000 of our taxpayer money to take up a referendum amending the state constitution when we should have enacted a jobs plan. This unprecedented wastefully expensive boondoggle is Republican partisan game playing for ultra-conservative votes and neither a necessary nor wise use of public money. The cost to bring legislators back to Raleigh is approximately \$50,000 a day, too expensive for constitutional amendments that could have been taken up, at no additional expense, when we meet next year.

Unemployment is the 800-pound gorilla in the room. Almost a half a million folks are out of work in North Carolina. According to N.C. Employment Security Commission August data, 468,140 North Carolinians, 10.4 percent, are unemployed, up from 10.1 percent in July. Unemployment is worse in some metropolitan areas and in our already struggling rural counties. Unemployment generally hits minorities, youth and those with limited education the hardest.

The shocking truth is that the Republican legislature passed a budget in June intentionally terminating 6,455 state employees and throwing away federal matching funds, which together are projected to cause almost 30,000 jobs to be lost in the private sector. The Republican legislature is not creating jobs; it is inflicting widespread job loss at a time when unemployment is already the toughest problem we face. They are part of the problem.

We should put the legislature to work now solving the very real problem of unemployment and put people to work immediately. We are expecting more special sessions in September and November. Our jobs plan needs to be on the agenda.

First, we need to cut the penny sales tax by 30 percent and put it in the budget. Lapsing the penny sales tax cost tens of thousands of private-sector employees and thousands of state employees their jobs. Putting it in the budget allows us to help each other get through these tough times and is broadly and widely supported by folks across the state who say, "This is nothing; if it will save jobs, I want to help." People are willing to share a fraction of a penny to keep each other employed.

We can fix this problem with the "power of a painless penny."

Second, we can use tax incentives for small business to create 155,784 more jobs. Small businesses with fewer than 20 employees hire 640,210 people in our state. We need a tax-incentives policy aimed at the 155,784 little guys who make up 86.7 percent of employers and collectively hire 18 percent of the workforce. The legislature has passed numerous special provisions to bring and keep national companies, but no effort has been made to provide meaningful incentives that will motivate small businesses to invest in people. We can provide for small businesses by closing tax loopholes. The Department of Revenue found \$5 billion in tax loopholes in 2005, which grew to \$5.8 billion by 2009. It also found that 65 percent of regular corporations filing tax returns paid no taxes. We can close 40 percent of the tax loopholes and motivate small business to help solve the unemployment problem.

The legislature should pass a tax-incentive package for small businesses that provides enough to fund a full-time position, and incentives for investment in infrastructure including technology, expansion and marketing. This type of tax incentive has the potential to motivate each small business to hire another employee, cutting our unemployment almost in half.

We can fix this now.

Rep. Bill Faison represents N.C. House District 50, which includes Northern Orange and Caswell counties.

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### LETTERS

#### Responding to residents on DOMA

This past week, I received more than 650 cards and as many emails from constituents in Orange County opposing SB514, "The Defense of Marriage Act" better known as the marriage amendment.

It is not possible for me to respond to each person, so I am offering this public thank you to everyone who participated in this important public policy debate. No issue has prompted such an overwhelming and uniform response since my first session in 1997. Among all the cards and emails I received, fewer than a dozen were in support of the bill.

I voted against the bill and share the disappointment of this community that the bill passed and that legislators would even consider putting discrimination into our state constitution. I also share the hope and expectation that North Carolinians will reject this amendment in May 2012.

REP. VERLA INSKO

House District 56—Orange County

#### Vote Foushee for Aldermen

In 1960, Braxton Foushee and a group of other African-American students from Lincoln High School started the Chapel Hill sit-in movement just weeks after hearing of the Greensboro sit-ins. These youth picketed and sat-in at segregated lunch counters and movie theaters, and they even organized a mass protest that delayed the start of a UNC-Duke football game.

Braxton went on to become Carrboro's first African-American alderman. During his tenure on the Carrboro Board of Aldermen, he was instrumental in the preservation of Carr Mill Mall and of the creation of Anderson Park. Looking back on those decisions, Braxton says the board had to look at the big picture and take a long-term perspective. Clearly, those decisions have resulted in two facilities that are among the most used in town.

Along with his service to the community, Braxton successfully ran his own business for more than 20 years. He has also worked in our local schools and at the hospital. He has volunteered with the local NAACP and the Boy Scouts. He has served on the board of OWASA.

Braxton Foushee has impacted his community in deep and meaningful ways. At an age where he could enjoy retirement, we are fortunate that he is once again stepping up to help. Although I cannot vote in Carrboro elections, I truly love the town and I wholeheartedly support his candidacy for the Carrboro Board of Aldermen.

Today Braxton has the same passion of the civil rights activist, the vision of the former alderman and the common sense of a small business owner. He is connected to Carrboro in so many ways that he thinks about every challenge the town faces from many perspectives. Braxton is a great listener, and he is willing and able to speak clearly and calmly for what he believes.

I appreciate the way Braxton considers the needs of multiple constituencies, and the way he measures the long-term impacts of town policies. He has common sense ideas about how to address the need for additional workforce housing, support the residents of the Rogers-Eubanks neighborhood and use Carrboro's industrial areas.

We are always fortunate when elected service draws those who maintain that magical elixir of passion and wisdom, vision and practicality. Braxton Foushee has all of these. I wholeheartedly endorse Braxton Foushee for Carrboro Board of Aldermen.

GRAIG MEYER  
White Cross

#### Disabled residents need transit

I am a medically disabled woman, living within the legal boundaries of Chapel Hill. I live alone and cannot afford a car. My sole transportation is provided by Orange County Transportation (OCT), and limited to medical appointments during the week.

I may use the city's free public transportation, but the closest bus stop to my home is a dangerous 2-mile walk, which prohibits me from riding Chapel Hill's public buses. I have qualified for EZ Rider, Chapel Hill's system for the poor and/or disabled, but EZ Rider refuses me their assistance.

OCT and EZ Rider have stringent requirements for their riders, yet both are operating at or beyond their capacity. OCT contracts with several Hillsborough schools, and must limit services to the hours between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday. EZ Rider is available to qualifying Chapel Hill residents for all transportation needs, 6 a.m.-10:30 p.m., Monday-Friday; from 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturdays;

and from 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Sundays.

Both receive funding through the state and the U.S. government. EZ Rider also receives funding through the towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro, and UNC.

EZ Rider's last stop is 1 mile from my home. They refuse to come further. Why? I live in what is called "the rural buffer zone," an area of low-residency on the edges of Chapel Hill's city limits. EZ Rider will not pick me up, although it does occasionally help others who live in the rural buffer zone. Since North Carolina can no longer afford to offer Section 8 housing assistance, I, like many disabled Chapel Hill residents, found housing more affordable away from the city's center.

EZ Rider takes people to church, the libraries, large convenience stores just outside Chapel Hill, laundromats, work, school, recreation centers; to art, cultural, political and social events; to grocery and drugstores.

I have no transportation to any of these places. I have no help for my basic needs, or for the normal individual's personal and social needs.

It seems that our city has been unable to devise a transportation plan that equally serves the needs of the poor and/or disabled, the UNC-affiliated population and other Chapel Hill residents. For residents whose needs aren't met by the present system, a reasonable flexibility to its rules is a logical and humane expectation.

NANCY WATKINS  
Chapel Hill

#### Thanks to Home Trust supporters

On Friday, Sept. 9, 150 people gathered to honor former Chapel Hill mayor Kevin Foy and to raise funds and awareness for Community Home Trust. The event was held in the beautiful event space at Greenbridge, home to 15 lower income families.

I want to thank everyone who supported the Home Trust, especially the honoree, Kevin Foy, the award presenter, Roger Perry, our emcee, Hubert Davis and the honorary co-chairs who represented 50 years of public policy leadership in Chapel Hill. They are: Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt, Rosemary Waldorf, Kenneth Broun, Jonathan Howes, Joseph Nassif, Howard and Lillian Lee and Sandy McClamroch.

The event would not have been possible without the hard work of our event committee, made up of Home Trust staff, board members and homeowners. Thank you all for creating such a great event.

I also want to thank our many generous sponsors, all of whom are local businesses and individuals. Special thanks to The Fenwick Foundation and UNC Health Care for your generosity.

Finally I want to thank our many old and new friends for taking the time to support affordable, inclusionary housing in our community. The Home Trust is grateful to have so many generous friends.

ROBERT DOWLING  
Executive Director, Community Home Trust

#### Shangri-La highlight timely

Special thanks to Jock Lauterer for last week's focus on "the little village named 'Shangri-La.'" Can't believe it was more than three decades ago that I first caught sight of it and was so lucky to meet the creator, Henry Warren. He was indeed passionate about that little village. Jock's highlight last week is so timely; I have had occasion to drive by that location several times this summer and was wondering how it could be brought to public attention. So, many thanks for doing just that and demonstrating how engaging are the back roads of our state.

KEN MOORE  
Carrboro

### CORRECTION

The hours of Carrboro's anti-lingering ordinance were described incorrectly in an article in last week's *Citizen*. The anti-lingering ordinance applies from 11 a.m. to 5 a.m.

## Proposed project wrong for space

JACK HAGGERTY

On Tuesday, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen will resume a rezoning hearing on a property on North Greensboro Street. The hearing is specifically about rezoning, but if the zoning change is approved, the developer of a proposed project on the property will have a reasonable expectation that the project itself will be approved.

The proposed project consists of two buildings with 114 apartments and 12,000 square feet of commercial space, totaling 126,000 square feet. That's a lot of space. The underlying zoning, long in place, intends the zoning district "to provide space for assemblage and research and development type enterprises." The description of the zoning district acknowledges that the predominant buildings in the zoned area are older houses, and this is still true.

"The continued use," says the ordinance, "of existing residential dwelling units along North Greensboro Street is encouraged."

The proposed project disregards both the existing context and the uses the zoning ordinance allows. Essentially, the developer is asking for downtown density at a large scale in a place that isn't downtown, and in a location characterized by smaller structures, a good portion of which still function as single-family homes. The underlying zoning is intended to provide a transition area for both use and size, from the larger downtown commercial buildings to the surrounding residential areas. This project annuls any smooth transition.

There's more. There will be something like 147 parking spaces for 114 two-bedroom units, meaning there'll be approximately two spaces for one out of every four units. Some two-bedroom units may use only one parking space, but will three out of four of them use only one space? I'm all for reducing the amount of space given over to parking, but only when the unprovided-for vehicles can be reasonably managed, where the reduction in parking benefits all of us, not just the developer. The current proposal could be a recipe for a perpetual headache — for both tenants who can't find parking and the adjacent property owners who will be troubled by the overage. There's no on-street parking near the property, and no town lots are close.

The major feature of the site design is double-loaded drive aisles. Where there is not parking, there is building. I suspect we will see minimal trees remaining — only those required by ordinance. The unit density and unrelieved parking will be explained and defended as necessary to keep costs manageable. This is what, I'm afraid, "affordable" housing will be: a series of compromises resulting in unarticulated buildings, extensive surface parking that is still insufficient and sites designed by maximizing the building footprint in conjunction with optimizing the amount of double-loaded drive aisles. Because the units are "affordable," we will be asked to accept the project.

At the hearing, there will be talk of affordability, walkability and sustainability. We shouldn't be confused by the use of these words. These are commendable ideas, but their currency doesn't necessarily reflect their value in this case. The lot and its location should determine what kind of project could be done on the lot. That rezoning is required tells us the proposal disturbs and goes against the town's approved planning vision. That might be acceptable, and even necessary, if conditions have changed, but nothing has changed in that area other than a developer seeking an opportunistic rezoning.

What type of development might be good for the area? What about two- or three-story wood-framed buildings scattered artfully across the site, rather than warehoused units and regimented parking? There could be some smaller, appropriately scaled commercial buildings on the street, in keeping with the zoning. Might a variety of unit sizes and shapes provide Carrboro with a richer housing stock? Isn't the bypass full of two-bedroom rental units, with banners flying to proclaim their availability? Don't smaller streets, rather than expansive asphalt lots, better serve walkability? The developer has misread the site, the situation and the opportunity. The board of aldermen should not confirm this misreading.

Jack Haggerty is an architect in Carrboro.



# Pure poison in the state capital

The leadership of the North Carolina General Assembly, self-proclaimed as the most open and transparent in history, called another last-minute press conference a week ago Monday and finally announced what exactly they were going to do during the special session.

All the language from a bill on term limits had been stripped out and replaced with a resolution calling for a vote by the people of the state to write requirements on the act of marriage into the state Constitution. This would happen during the first primary election of the year, scheduled for May. By the following day, both chambers had voted to put the amendment on the ballot.

Most people paying attention knew the marriage amendment would finally see the light of day sometime late into Election Day in November 2010, when the GOP took both chambers of the legislature with fairly large margins. For the past decade, similar bills had been kept bottled up in one committee or another by Democratic leaders. Even in Democratic-run times, the worry was that once the bill was on the floor, anything



could happen.

The reason for this is that the whole thing is pure poison – poison to our community, poison to our economy and poison to democracy. Trumpeted by both sides in this issue was that North Carolina is the only state in the Southeast not to have gone through such a constitutional battle. And now, at a time when people are hurting, when the economy is on the ropes, when political passions are already hot, when trust in government is at an all-time low – now, we take the poison.

Already the symptoms are starting to set in – politicians in

both parties are trying to have it both ways. But there is no real gray area in this debate. You're either for constitutionally protected discrimination or not. (For the record, I'm against it.)

Unlike early on, in the states where a referendum restricting marriage was used to ratchet up turnout among social conservatives, this state takes up an amendment referendum after the current has changed. At midnight on Tuesday, for instance, the United States military ended the absurd policy of Don't Ask, Don't Tell.

GOP leaders said they moved the date of the referendum to the primary because they wanted to take politics out of it, but I think it was just the opposite. They moved it because in November it would surely lose. With the tide against them, the May primary, when most of the key races will be Republican, was their only chance.

Although the deck is stacked, the stakes are too high not to challenge the amendment and its premise that something called traditional marriage is under attack. But it's important to remember that while there is possibility for reasoned debate, winning means

getting out the vote in a very heated primary election.

Naturally, the ads will be ubiquitous and awful. You might as well brace yourself for a return to Helms-era TV ads, where every gay person is a member of the Village People. Oh, and angry storm clouds are coming for your kids.

I suppose the state's media will cover this a little bit better than it did the amendments early in the 20th century, when many of the well-read papers of the day championed the dawn of Jim Crow. But you know darn well that in their online successors, comments sections will swirl with the same hate.

In the end, if it passes, we'll be like a bunch of other states – stuck with a badge of intolerance and a blot on our Constitution that we will overturn at a time a notch or two more enlightened than this one.

If we beat it, well, that would be some party and something to be proud of. We'd show the country, and maybe the world, a thing or two about what kind of state we are, the character of our people and the health of our democracy. North Carolina – First in Fight.

# Tar Heels hit the road this week

BY EDDY LANDRETH  
Staff Writer

Saturday's noon game in Atlanta between Georgia Tech and UNC will neither make nor break either team's season, but the loser will find itself hustling to make up ground.

Each team is off to a 3-0 start, with UNC having defeated Virginia 28-17 in each team's conference opener this past weekend.

Interim coach Everett Withers emphasized to his team throughout the week how important it was for the Tar Heels to win their conference opener, something a UNC team had not done in 10 years.

"We knew if you are going to win the Coastal Division you can't start 0-1," starting left tackle James Hurst said. "Coach Withers talks about conference games counting twice. Someone wins and goes up in the [standings]; the other loses and goes down in the [standings]."

"So we put a lot of emphasis on our conference games."

The Yellow Jackets appear to be a far superior team to Virginia, however. Beating Georgia Tech in Atlanta will be a difficult task.

The Yellow Jackets broke school records for most rushing yards (604) and most total offense (768) in a startling 66-24 victory against Kansas last week. Tech's 12.1 yards per carry also broke an NCAA record.

"It's going to be a big game," Hurst said. "Georgia Tech is killing some people right now. It's going to be a great challenge. I'm excited for it. It's going to be tough and it's going to be different. We'll be ready for it."

Many people focus on the need to slow Tech's option attack, and rightfully so. While that is important, a greater goal for Carolina should be to get an early and substantial lead.

What the Tar Heels cannot afford is to go three-and-out. Sustained drives that end with touchdowns are every team's goal, but their value is especially great for the Tar Heels this week.

Carolina converted a meager 3-of-10 third down opportunities against Virginia.

"We can't have those three-and-outs we had [against the Cavaliers]," said quarterback Bryn Renner, who went 15-of-21 for 143 yards and two touchdowns against Virginia.

"Every opportunity we have to capitalize with a touchdown or field goal, we have to score the ball," Renner said. "We have to try to be ahead."

One way to do that is by continuing to spring redshirt freshman running back Giovani Bernard for big runs. He gained 102 yards on just 12 carries against Virginia, an average of 8.5 yards per carry.

"He's just an electric player," Renner said. "I love having him on our team. He is such a positive guy. We're very blessed to have him on our team."

Heading into practice this week, Carolina had three healthy running backs, all capable of making a positive impact. A.J. Blue got some carries against Virginia and made the most of the opportunity with nine rushes for 40 yards.

Georgia Tech leads the country in rushing, and no one is better than the Yellow Jackets at hogging the ball.

"You don't get the ball very often against Georgia Tech," Hurst said.

So while the UNC offense can help by being efficient itself, the defense is going to have to get some stops and not let the Yellow Jackets dominate time of possession and run up and down the field all day.

"We talk about it all the time," Withers said. "The ball is the issue. You have the ball, nobody can beat you."

The Yellow Jackets' whole game is based on rushing successfully. If they are forced to throw to catch up, the advantage should shift to the Tar Heels. The strategy for UNC's defense never really changes at the core: Stop the run and force teams to throw on Carolina's terms.

So far this season, the Tar Heels have proven to be an all-around talented team whose individual parts are working toward meshing into a synchronized unit.

Saturday's game will provide the perfect test for measuring just where the Tar Heels actually stand, linebacker Kevin Reddick said.

"It's about time for a road to challenge us, to see where we really are with this football team," Reddick said.

## GREENBRIDGE FROM PAGE 1

would follow through," Bassett said.

"It was my understanding that the first delay in the foreclosure was a sign they were considering an of-

fer." Whether foreclosure arrives or investors are found, Toben has said that current property owners and tenants should be able to stay put.

"I would like to convey my deepest gratitude and respect to our tenants who were pioneers," Toben said. "They put their money where

their values were during a very difficult economic downturn."

Greenbridge houses 97 residential units. Of the 60 units the developers had contracts for in July 2008, 37 closed, eight backed out and 15 remain under contract. With liens on the project, developers have been prevented from sell-

ing additional units.

Toben said that while the Greenbridge Partners have lost everything they own, "we are proud of the legacy we leave to Chapel Hill and will continue to work for environmental and social justice during the great transition that so many of us know lies ahead."

## DUCTBANK FROM PAGE 1

is necessary to provide construction vehicles access on either side without having to degrade the trench dug for the ductbank, according to Bruce Runberg, UNC's associate vice chancellor for facilities planning.

"From a safety standpoint, this is just standard practice," he said. "It's really about the minimum we can get away with from a safety standpoint."

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Ward questioned why the project couldn't have been designed to allow for less clearing in the forest.

"If you were going to do this, and you physically did not have that 40 feet, there are all sorts of ways you could solve that problem," he said.

Council member Laurin Easthom said UNC officials should make sure to communicate information about the project, including the reasons behind the clearing, in a clear

and easy-to-understand manner. "It's a huge impact. It's going to dramatically change the forest. I'm there almost every day, and I know there's a huge number of people that use it," she said.

The plans for the ductbank and the greenway are part of the Carolina North Development Agreement approved by the Town of Chapel Hill and the UNC Board of Trustees in 2009.

Anna Wu, university architect and director of facilities

planning for UNC, said that events already scheduled on the Pumpkin Loop this fall will continue as planned and that clearing work will be planned around those events.

However, she added, "There are going to be places and times where there are disruptions."

Trail users should check the Carolina North Forest Facebook page, [tinyurl.com/4484tgz](http://tinyurl.com/4484tgz), for updates regarding trail closures. Updates will also be posted on-site at Carolina North Forest kiosks.

## DEVELOPMENTS FROM PAGE 1

the highest demand across the county. Only 8 percent of the nearly 1.9 million square feet of retail in the county is available and none of the 489,700-square-foot warehouse inventory is vacant.

"It appears retail vacancy is beginning to decline, so there is fairly limited availability in Chapel Hill and Carrboro," Bassett said. "There's not a lot of opportunity for future growth in existing inventory. Warehouse is in the highest demand because there's very little in Orange County – and we don't build a lot of it because it's speculative."

The office market, on the other hand, has lots of available space. There's 1.05 million square feet of Class A (top of the line) office space in the county, and almost a quarter of it (23 percent) is unleased. Even the more affordable Class B inventory of 459,019 square feet is 16 percent vacant.

## Mixed (use) messages

Despite the data, several proposed developments tentatively include offices in the mix.

"What is currently being pro-

posed is soft, meaning [developers] are unclear as to where the demand will be and if they will build it," Bassett explained. "We do not have a significant amount of office currently in the works, primarily because we need to come out of this economic downturn and absorb some of the existing space."

The crowd of more than 130 people also saw presentations from the developers of The Edge, Obey Creek, The Lloyd Property, Carolina North and 123 West Franklin Street, and UNC Health Care, OWASA, AT&T and Time Warner Cable Business Class. Aaron Nelson, the chamber's executive director, closed the event with an overview of the quarter-cent sales tax initiative, which, if approved by voters in November, would benefit education and economic development.

## VOTER-OWNED FROM PAGE 1

But not all candidates running in the upcoming election support VOE.

Council candidates Augustus Cho and Jon DeHart said the program is unnecessary.

"There is no direct correlation

with money and how many votes you get," DeHart said.

"I feel voters always own the elections in that everyone gets one vote," Cho said.

For the program to continue, the General Assembly must approve legislation allowing municipalities to publicly finance campaigns. The program would then need approval from the state board of elections.



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## CARRBORO DEFEATS NORTHERN VANCE



Quarterback Alex McVeigh breaks through the line for big gain.



Douglas Parrish carries the ball.

The Carrboro High School football team defeated Northern Vance on Friday, 35-6, leaving the Jaguars undefeated at 5-0. Carrboro will take on undefeated Chapel Hill High School at CHHS on Friday for a matchup that is sure to draw a crowd.

PHOTOS BY TED SPAULDING

## School Briefs

### CHCCS SAT scores decline

The average SAT score of Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools students has dropped nine points this year, compared to 2010 results.

Eighty-five percent of district seniors took the SAT exam in 2011. District students scored an average of 1,182 on the critical reading and math sub-tests, compared to 1,001 for the 67 percent of seniors who took the test statewide. CHCCS students' average writing score was 567, which is 15 points below the 2010 average.

Overall, CHCCS students had the highest average composite SAT scores of any district in the state.

### CHCCS students named National Merit semifinalists

Thirty-one Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools students were named semifinalists in the 57th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

The students, all high school seniors, will have the opportunity to continue in the competition for the chance at 8,300 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$34 million. Students qualified for the program by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. The semifinalists are the highest-scoring entrants in each state, and represent less than 1 percent of U.S. high school seniors.

Carrboro High School semifinalists include: Laura Hamon, Jason Ilieve, Michael Jushchuk, Frank McBride, Hadley Reid and Hannah Schwarz.

Chapel Hill High School semifinalists include: Zaynah Alam, Eric Anderson, Olivia Dang, Anya Josephs, Kristen Laubscher, Daphne Liu, Abby Muller, Esther Rolf, Melody Song, Katherine Stafford, Jacob Stern, Adam Wang and Jean Ye.

East Chapel Hill High School semifinalists include: Shreya Das, Shuo Deng, Karishma Desai, Katherine Gunn, William Holub-Moorman, Ching-Ying Lin, Daniel Liu, Benjamin Marks, Sophie To, Hannah Weaver, Benjamin Zalutsky and Li Zhang.

### Community Conversations to be held by Superintendent Forcella

New Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Superintendent Tom Forcella has scheduled three community conversations to meet with school and community members to discuss their goals, visions and concerns about the school district.

The events are designed as informal drop-in events with no specific program. Forcella will use the feedback from these conversations to form strategic plan work to undertake in the spring semester.

Conversations will be held:

- Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Hargraves Center, at 216 N. Roberson Street in Chapel Hill;
- Oct. 1 from 3 to 6 p.m. in a tent at the Walk for Education Carnival; and
- Oct. 4 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the media center of Carrboro High School.

### High school homecoming celebrations rescheduled

East Chapel Hill High and Carrboro High schools have rescheduled their homecoming celebrations for Friday, Oct. 21.

The original date of the celebrations was Oct. 7, but the date was changed to avoid conflict with the observance of Yom Kippur.

## School Lunch Menus

### FRIDAY 9/23

Elementary: Cheese MAXX Sticks w/Marinara, Chicken Salad Sandwich, Spinach Salad, Tossed Salad, Black Eyed Peas, Orange Smiles, Fruit Cocktail

Middle and High School: Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Veggie Chili, Baked Apples

### MONDAY 9/26

Elementary: Penne Pasta w/Meat Sauce, BBQ Pork Riblet Sandwich, Chicken Caesar Salad, Oven Fries, Seasoned Green Peas, Raisins, Fruit Cocktail

Middle and High School: Penne w/

Italian Meat Sauce, Garlic Bread, Seasoned Green Peas

### TUESDAY 9/27

Elementary: Chicken Fajita Burrito, Taco Chef Salad, Fruit & Cheese Plate w/Yogurt, Corn Cobettes, Seasoned Pinto Beans, Rosy Apple-sauce, Chilled Peaches

Middle and High School: Beef & Cheese or Bean & Cheese Burrito, Black Eyed Peas

### WEDNESDAY 9/28

Elementary: Double Stuffed Cheese Pizza, Breaded Chicken Caesar Wrap, Garden Salad,

Cucumber Cup w/Dip, Mixed Vegetables, Banana, Pineapple Cup

Middle and High School: Chicken Pot Pie, Locally Grown Squash & Onions, Blueberry-Apple Crumble

### THURSDAY 9/29

Elementary: Lasagna w/Garlic Bread, Cheese Quesadilla/Salsa, Turkey Chef Salad, Caesar Side Salad, Glazed Carrots, Fresh Cantaloupe, Chilled Pears

Middle and High School: Oriental Chicken, Steamed Cabbage, Lo Mein Noodles or Oriental Brown Rice, Oriental Vegetable Blend

## Football Scores

### CARRBORO (5-0)

Sept. 16: defeated Northern Vance, 35-6  
Sept. 23: at Chapel Hill

### CHAPEL HILL (5-0)

Sept. 16: defeated Cedar Ridge, 17-0  
Sept. 23: vs. Carrboro

### EAST CHAPEL HILL (1-4)

Sept. 16: defeated Jordan, 62-49  
Sept. 23: at Riverside

### ORANGE (2-3)

Sept. 16: lost to Southern Guilford, 42-12  
Sept. 23: at Northern Vance

### CEDAR RIDGE (2-3)

Sept. 16: lost to Chapel Hill, 17-0  
Sept. 23: at Cardinal Gibbons

### NORTHWOOD (0-5)

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Passion flower egg-shaped fruits, maypops, and three-lobed leaves are distinctive. PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

**FLORA**  
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reappearance each season at the spot of your original planting (I discovered this from my own experience). Its roots run underground in all directions so that you never know where it may appear until it breaks dormancy in late spring. Telltale vertical, three-lobed leafy stems can appear anywhere in the lawn and garden beds. I watch for the stems every year from late April to mid-May and when I spot them, I set mighty trellises at the base of the stems to help them reach for the sky. I am rewarded from mid-summer until frost with a succession

of the most beautiful flowers imaginable.

And as Lauri described, one can become engaged in observing the bumblebees and other pollinators examining the intricate flowers.

During cool fall afternoons I have observed that some of those big solitary bees nestle down in the flowers, seemingly taking shelter within those closing flowers for the duration of the chilly night.

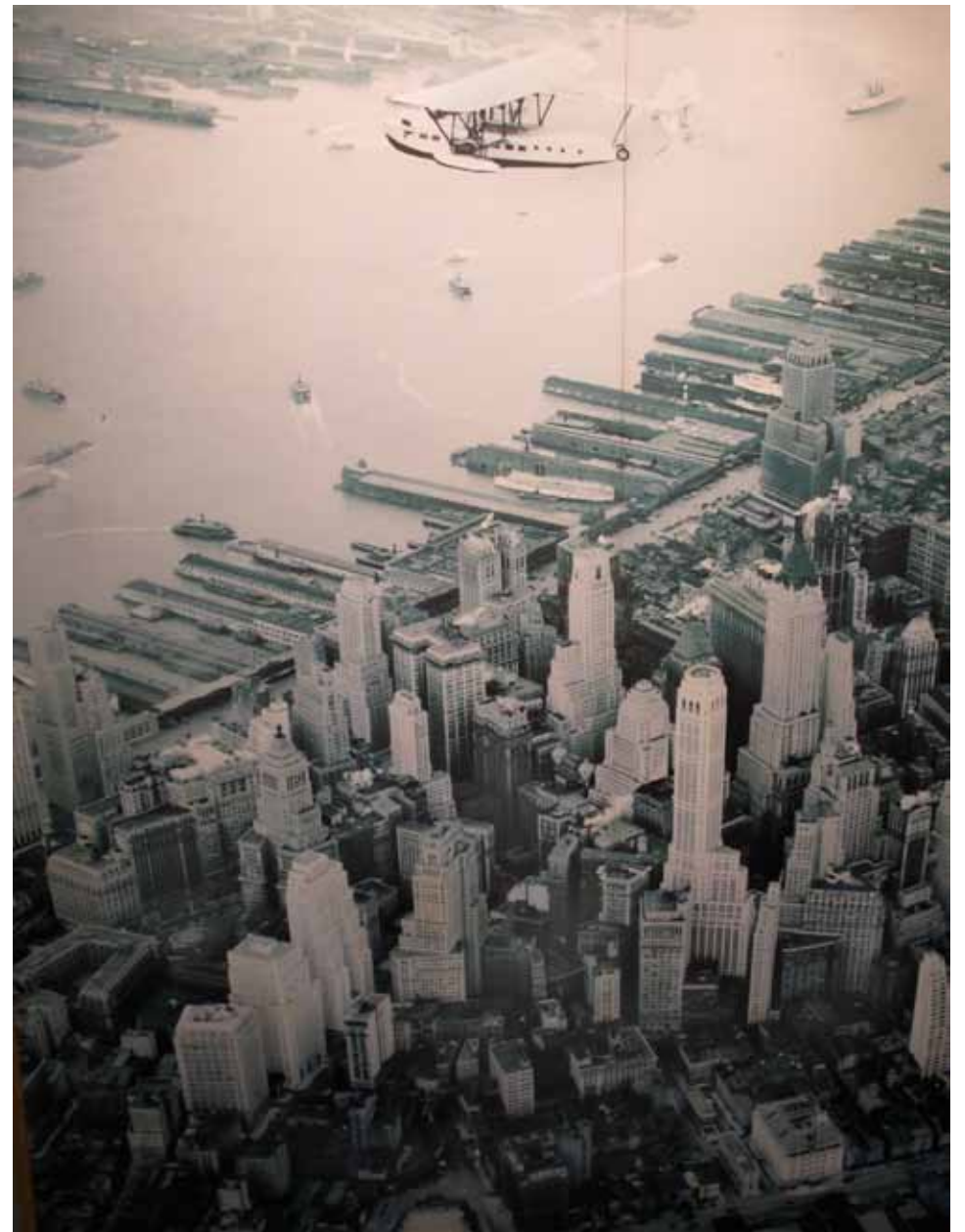
During these next several weeks, I plan to extend my observations of specific bee-sheltering flowers early in the mornings to discover whether or not those bees in fact do spend the night within the flower.

If you desire to have your

own passion flower, you're in luck. The N.C. Botanical Garden will have a few passion flowers at their annual fall plant sale this coming Saturday morning (Friday evening preview for Garden members), and Niche Gardens always has a good supply available.

As no garden exists without passion, no garden should exist without a passion flower vine!

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**Manhattan 1931**

We go through our daily lives seeing but failing to observe. Or to put it simply in that famous Yogi Berraism: "You can observe a lot just by lookin.'" Case in point: this enormous wall photograph that has hung for years in the front lobby of New East. Only last week, during the 10th anniversary of 9/11, did I finally pay attention to this remarkable image for its historical significance. The wall plaque, titled "Lower Manhattan, October, 1931" further explains: "Looking west across the lower tip of Manhattan island, this photograph, taken by the Fairchild Aerial Survey Company - captures the most celebrated city of the Jazz Age. . . . Directly below the aircraft is the future site of the World Trade Center." One can only imagine the lumbering prop-driven aircraft and cumbersome film camera used to make this glorious image. But what must strike you is the dramatic irony - of seeing the World Trade Center site before its birth, death and resurrection.



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