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Bushy-beard lichen (Usnea strigosa) is a common fruticose form found on trees.

PHOTO BY GARY PERLMUTTER

# FLORA BY KEN MOORE

### Lichens, another kind of flora

Lichens are pioneer plants, colonizers on boulders and other bare surfaces, slowly developing layers of soil particles for the establishment of larger plant communities.

They are diverse and beautiful, and frequently engage us to pause for an admiring closer look, after which, if you're like me, you most likely move on wishing you knew more about lichens. These are the times we need the company of one of those rare lichenologists, and we are fortunate to have one, Gary Perlmutter, right here in our

Gary contributes an introduction to lichens for this week's

"Just what are lichens anyway?" When out in the woods or even in your backyards, you often admire the trees, shrubs and wildflowers. But if you look closer on the trees, rocks and soil, you'll see little colorful, plant-like things quietly growing on them. They may look like splotches of paint, ruffled leaves or tiny shrubs. These aren't plants at all, but strange life forms called lichens.

Lichens are symbiotic organisms, consisting of a fungus and a photosynthetic partner living together as one. I say 'photosynthetic partner' because it could be a green alga, which is a plant, or a blue-green alga, which is really a type of bacteria.

My old college buddy Greg who led hikes in northern California would say, 'Freddy the fungus took a lichen to Angie the algae,' to describe this unusual type of life

Recent research has revealed the relationship is even more

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# County plans to close landfill in 2013

### Mitigation plan for Rogers-Eubanks outlined Campbell, a leader in the Rogers-Eu-

BY ROSE LAUDICINA

Staff Writer

For 40 years, the Rogers Road community has heard promises of water and sewer hookups, and, instead, have been given trash, vermin and pungent

At the Orange County Board of Commissioners meeting Tuesday night, the board decided to do right where previous boards had failed and give what was promised to the community years ago.

The board voted unanimously to de-

velop a plan to provide water and sewer hookups in the neighborhood and authorize the cleanup of illegal dumpsites in the community.

The commissioners also voted 5-1 not to pursue extending the life of the landfill and to declare an intent to close it in 2013. County solid-waste staff had determined that the life of the landfill could be extended until as late as 2018, with revenues from the extension reaching as much as \$11.7 million.

"The town and county have always come with promises, but only trash has followed, not the promises," said Robert

banks community. "We are requesting tonight that you do the social-justice thing and that you do the right thing."

The Rogers Road community, which is situated behind the landfill, has asked for water and sewer hookups, money for a community center and the removal of illegal trash dumpsites.

In April, the board made a public commitment to take action and directed county staff to determine the cost of fulfilling these promises.

"It is hard to separate the landfill solid-waste issues from the Rogers Road discussion, both emotionally and financially," said County Manager Frank Clifton.

Clifton explained that in order to provide water and sewer hookups to residents of the neighborhood, the county needs to determine if the money would come from solid-waste revenues, the general fund or both. He also urged commissioners to establish a partnership with Chapel Hill and Carrboro, who own property surrounding the landfill, so that funds could be drawn from multiple

Community members argued that by keeping the landfill open, it would continue to negatively impact the Rogers Road neighborhood.

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Tricia Mesigian, behind the bar at Orange County Social Club, Carrboro's favorite hostess PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

**BY TAYLOR SISK** 

Staff Writer

At OCSC, of a Friday, on this you can rely: Jamie in the early evening, Lee on the late shift and \$1.50 Pabst Blue Ribbon till the quittin'-time whistle

Tricia Mesigian is seated on her throne. Well, actually, she's seated on a back patio bench at the Orange County Social Club on a lovely early-autumn afternoon, pausing her prep to chat. But the calm of this familiar perch affords a vista of the past 10 years of rich memories and solid times, over which she has reigned as downtown Carrboro's hostess nonpareil.

The Orange County Social Club has just turned 10 (a full week of festivities will ensue), and Jamie McPhail and Lee Waters have been inked in as Friday

bartenders since that first week's schedule. Jamie opens, Lee closes, and, in the interim, the Pabst doth flow.

It's a family thing, you see - a family that now numbers some 8,100 members; intimates all - and that's how it was intended. "I just made a list to thank everyone

who's ever worked here," Mesigian says, "and it was only, I think, 21 people. And that counts the nine working here now," including Jenny Waters and Tracy Swain, who came on board early on.

Mesigian's objective in opening the OCSC - aka, Orange County, the social club, the club - was to accommodate. She'd headed south out of Virginia Tech, worked at Skylight Exchange and Cat's Cradle, met tons of folks, interned at Mammoth and then Merge records, and there at Merge mined her muse: thirsty rockers.

"My favorite part of the job was when Merge bands came to town," she recalls, "and I took them out, took them around, they stayed at my house and I made them big breakfasts. ... It wasn't a paid part of the job."

But it surely was fun. It was a calling, is what it was.

### They came

A bar. A bar bar.

"Hell was awesome," Mesigian says of the once and glorious Chapel Hill establishment, itself a bar bar: cheap beers, good tunes, heady language, little to distract – and a sound model for what she had in mind.

"It would be a bar; it's not a rock

Her job at Merge was in sales, but club, it's not a restaurant – it's a bar. And then I wanted to create a place where there was a happy-hour crowd, there was a mid-evening crowd and then there was a late night."

> And, of course, it had to be in Carrboro, which Mesigian had long since made her home.

> She would be home; she would preside. It was, she says, "a hostess thing."

> The town embraced her. Mark Dorosin, owner of Hell and a Carrboro alderman at the time, became for Mesigian "this amazing mentor." He guided her into a small-business training course, and town hall otherwise provided what assistance it could.

> "I really didn't think I was taking a risk in opening this place," she says. "I always said, 'I know that

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# School board hopefuls discuss imperatives

BY ROSE LAUDICINA

Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL - For children from every background to graduate with the same amount of high-level skills that will help them compete in the global marketplace, improving science, technology, engineering and mathematics programs and reducing the achievement gap are imperative, candidates for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education said at a forum last week.

At the forum, hosted by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP, CHCCS PTA and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Partners for the Advancement of Gifted Education, candidates answered questions submitted by the public.

Six out of the eight candidates attended the forum, with candidates Brian Bower and Raymond Conrad

There is one two-year seat open on the board, which incumbent Chair Jamezetta Bedford is running for unopposed. Four four-year seats are also up for grabs this November.

Bedford said the board needs to look at best practices, such as those



used in Knowledge is Power Program (KIPP) charter schools, in order to help reduce the achievement gap effectively, and focus on literacy rates.

"I found out during the superintendent search that we don't just have a minority achievement gap, but we have a global achievement gap," Bedford said. "To make our children more globally competitive is to look at the dual-language program," she added in support of the program.

Candidate Kris Castellano said she too is seeing success with the district's dual-language program giving students who typically underperform the skills to succeed.

"The Carrboro Elementary duallanguage program is showing early but good results for African-American and Hispanic students," Castellano

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### Carrboro protects gardens

BY SUSAN DICKSON

Staff Writer

CARRBORO – Guaranteeing a future for two of Carrboro's community gardens, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen on Tuesday voted unanimously to include both the Carrboro Community Garden and the Growing Healthy Kids Garden in plans for Martin Luther King Jr. Park.

In 2004, the board approved a master plan for the park, on Hillsborough Road, with work to begin in 2008-09, but construction was delayed until 2013. However, because of financial constraints due to the current economic climate, town planning staff advised the board that it would be difficult to pursue construction of the park in 2013.

'We're not going to have money to do this for a long time," board member Jacquie Gist said, adding that spaces in the park - like the community gardens and an open field - are already heavily used.

The Carrboro Community Gardening Coalition and the Orange County Partnership for Young Children both have created gardens within the park, which the board approved as interim uses in 2007.

Maria Hitt, project manager for

the partnership's Growing Healthy Kids Garden, said the garden has served 75 participating families in the last four years, the vast majority of them low-income minority families. Volunteers guide families with young children in growing their own fresh fruits and vegetables.

"It's really a wonderful program, and it's wonderful to see families out there together," board member Randee Haven-O'Donnell said.

Board member Joal Hall Broun suggested that the town look to add improvements to the park that are "low-hanging fruit" and would be inexpensive to accomplish, like finding a way to make the park's field accessible for pick-up soccer games.

Board member Jacquie Gist agreed. "How wonderful in the center of town to have this big open space where people can go do what they want to do," Gist said.

Board members also asked staff to look at adding amenities like picnic tables incrementally, improving the park over a longer period of time.

Town public works director George Seiz cautioned against adding improvements at this point that will create additional work for town staff,

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### MUSIC CALENDAR

### THURSDAY OCT 6

The ArtsCenter: Leon Redbone.

Cat's Cradle: Jay Clifford, Haley Dreis, Small Town Gossip. 8pm.

The Cave: LATE: The Womack Family Band, Chris Castle. \$5

City Tap: Doug Largent Trio. 8pm General Store Cafe: Jazzbeau.

Local 506: American Aquarium, Wylie Hunter and The Cazadores. 9:30pm. \$8

Nightlight: JSwiss, Optimus Rhymes, JayRo Will Hoggard. 10pm.

Southern Rail: Brad Maiani Trio.

### 7pm

FRIDAY OCT 7

The ArtsCenter: Burlap To Cashmere. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: The Gourds, Patrick Sweany. 9pm. \$15

The Cave: LATE: Killer Filler, The Malamondos

City Tap: Patrick Dyer Wolf, Brenda Linton. 5pm

General Store Cafe: Scott Dameron, Jay Ladd. 8pm

Local 506: The Design, Hadwynn, Lizh. 9pm. \$8/10

Nightlight: Brainbows, Useless Eaters, Lame Drivers, The Polyps. 9:30pm. \$5

Open Eye Cafe: Whispering Trees. 8pm

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

### **SATURDAY OCT 8**

Cat's Cradle: Boyce Avenue, Green River Ordinance, Gary Ray. 7:30pm. \$18/20

The Cave: EARLY: Turntable Graveyard LATE: Gasoline Stove City Tap: The Swang Brothers.

8pm General Store Cafe: New Town Drunks. 8pm

Nightlight: Unholy Tongues, Akris, Derek Poteat. 9:30pm

Southern Rail: Not Dead Yet, The Rebellion Feat, M16 and The Full Moon Wolves. 6pm

### **SUNDAY OCT 9**

Cat's Cradle: Bonerama. 8pm.

Local 506: Dominant Legs, Nurses. 9pm. \$9/11

Southern Rail: Dave Spencer Band. 8pm

Southern Village: Jazzbeau, .406, leff Hart and the Ruins, 5pm

### **MONDAY OCT 10**

Cat's Cradle: Junior Boys, Egyptrixx. 9pm. \$13/15

The Cave: LATE: Buffalo Clover.

### **TUESDAY OCT 11**

Cat's Cradle: Thrice, La Dispute, O'Brother, Moving Mountains. 7pm.

The Cave: LATE: John Craigie **General Store Cafe:** Gregory Blaine, Rootzie. \$12/15-

Local 506: Murs, Tabi Bonney, Ski Beatz and The Senseis, McKenzie Eddy, Sean O'Donnell, Da\$h. 9pm.

**Southern Rail:** Honeychile. 10pm

### **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 Hedgehog; Higher Ground; The Guard; Restless

### **THE LUMINA**

Southern Village, 932-9000 50/50; Contagion; Dolphin Tale; Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows - Part 2; Moneyball; Real

### **REGAL TIMBERLYNE 6** 120 Banks Drive, 933-8600

Dream House; Killer Elite; Moneyball; Real Steel; The Ides of March; The Lion King 3D; What's Your Number

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

Captain America: The First Aveng-

er; Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 2; Horrible Bosses

### WEDNESDAY OCT 12

Cat's Cradle: Stars, North Highlands. 9pm. \$18/20

The Cave: LATE: The Trabants,

**Nightlight:** Abraham Leonard, Ships, Stripmall Ballads. 9:30pm. \$5

### **THURSDAY OCT 13**

Cat's Cradle: Iration, Tomorrow's Bad Seeds, Through The Roots. 8pm, \$12/14

**The Cave:** EARLY: Harmonica Bob, Near Blind James, Tim Stambaugh, Birds and Arrows LATE: Crankshaft, The Record. \$5

City Tap: George Worthmore. 8pm

Local 506: Dirty Guv'nahs. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Nightlight: Bear Romantic, Cement Stars, Nick Driver Band. 9:30pm. \$5

### **FRIDAY OCT 14**

Cat's Cradle: Benji Hughes, The Ghost of Rock, The Toddlers, David Bazan, The Dogwoods. 8pm. \$10/1



night, \$18/2 nights

The Cave: EARLY: The Cavemen Go LATE: The Honeycutters, Megan Jean and The KFB, Alana Amram

and the Rough Gems

**CH Community Church:** The Claire Lynch Band. 7:30pm. \$15/20 City Tap: Justin Johnson, Doug

Largent Trio, George Worthmore.

Ballads. 7pm

Internationalist Books: Stripmall

**Nightlight:** Spider Bags, State Champion, Animal city. 9:30pm. \$5

**Southern Rail:** The Blood Moon Festival. 5pm

### **SATURDAY OCT 15**

Cat's Cradle: Seven Brides for the Meatwagon, Kerbloki, Crooked Fingers, Gross Ghost. 8pm. \$10/1 night, \$18/2 nights

**The Cave:** EARLY: Great Big Gone City Tap: Steph Stewart and the

Boyfriends. 8pm **General Store Cafe:** Tommy

Edwards and Friends. 8pm

Local 506: Frontier Ruckus.

8:30pm, \$10

Nightlight: Adam Arcuragi and The Lupine Chorale Society, Chris Bathgate. 9:30pm. \$5

Open Eye Cafe: Saludos Compay.

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





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 BOYCE AVENUM/GREEN RIVER **ORDINANCE** 

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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\*\*(\$10) OCS W/BENJI HUGHES,

THE GHOST OF ROCK, THE TODDLERS, DAVID BAZAN, THE DOGWOODS / ENSEMBLE

SA 10/15\*\*(\$10) OCSC 10-YEAR CELEBRATION W/SEVEN BRIDES FOR THE MEATWAGON, KERBLOKI, CROOKED FINGERS, AND GROSS GHOST

SU 10/16\*\*(\$13/\$15) MC CHRIS W/MC LARS, MEGA RAN AND ADAM WARROCK

W/VIRGIN FOREST\*\*(\$14/\$16) TU 10/18 KEVIN DEVINE AN THE GODDAMN BAND W/AN HORSE\*\*(\$12/\$14)

WE 10/19 ROSEBUDS\*\*(\$14)
W/HOSPITALITY AND
HEATHER MCENTIRE TH 10/20 TRAMPLED
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AND TRUE WIDOW WE 11/2\*\*(\$18/\$20)
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OF MANITOBA FR 11/4 FITZ & THE

W/WALK THE MOON **W/KILLER MIKE\*\***(\$15/\$18)

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S THE DAY AVALANCE, TRANSIT\*\*(\$15/\$18) SA 11/12 BOMBADIL\*\*(\$12/\$15) W/JASON KUTCHMA AND FUTURE KINGS OF NOWHERE

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PRESENTS: AKESTRA\*\*(\$12/\$14) TH 11/17\*\*(\$16/\$19) STRA W/WHITE DENIM AND THE DEAR HUNTER

FR 11/18 NEIL DIAMOND ALL-STARS W/THE INFIDELS\*\*(\$10) SU 11/27 FUTURE ISLANI W/ED SCHRADER'S MUSIC BEAT AND LONNIE WALKER\*\*(\$12/\$14)

FR 12/2\*\*(\$15) EEP CANYON RANGE W/GREG HUMPHREYS TH 12/8 BEIRUT\*\*(\$18/\$20 W/PERFUME GENIUS



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SA 10/15 FRONTIER RUCKUS
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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 AND
BROTHERS OF BRAZIL

FR 11/11 THE SEA AND CAKE W/BROKEBACK SA 11/12 THE FLING / FLOATING ACTION

FINGERS AND THE GRENADINES
SU 12/4 MACKLEMORE
& RYAN LEWIS TU 12/6 MAX BEMIS (SAY ANYTHING) WSHERRI DUPREE TH 12/15 RACHAEL YAMAGATA W/MIKE VIOLA

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FR 10/7 BURLAP **TO CASHMERE** 

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### **News Briefs**

### OC dems to host forum

The Carrboro precincts of the Orange County Democratic Party will host a community forum for candidates running for the three open seats on the Carrboro Board of Aldermen on Monday from 7-8:30 p.m. at Carrboro Town Hall.

All four candidates have confirmed they will attend the forum to answer questions from both the moderators and the audience about issues that pertain exclusively to the town of Carrboro.

### Shelter plan committee seeks members

In response to the Chapel Hill Town Council stipulations to approving the Inter-Faith Council Men's Community House Transitional Shelter Special Use Permit, the IFC is expanding its Good Neighbor Plan Advisory Committee

The IFC is accepting applications for four open slots on the advisory committee. Ideal candidates would be from neighborhoods or businesses surrounding the proposed homeless shelter site, according to the IFC.

The application can be found at ifcweb.org/ GNP-app.htm and must be submitted by email to Allan Rosen at project@ifcmailbox.org before Oct. 14. For more information, call 929-6380, ext. 27.

### Lovette trial date set

The trial of Laurence Alvin Lovette Jr., who is accused of murdering former UNC student body president Eve Carson in 2008, is set to begin on

Lovette has been charged with first-degree murder and if convicted could face life in prison without parole. He is not eligible for the death pen-

alty because he was 17 at the time of the murder. Demario James Atwater, Lovette's accomplice, was sentenced to two counts of life in prison after he plead guilty on Sept. 23, 2010, in federal court.

Lovette and Atwater are accused of kidnapping Carson from her home, forcing her to withdraw \$1,400 from her bank account and then shooting her five times.

The trial will be held at the Orange County Courthouse in Hillsborough.

### CH 2020 meeting tonight

The Town of Chapel Hill will hold its second stakeholder meeting to discuss Chapel Hill 2020 today (Thursday) from 7-9 p.m. at the East Chapel Hill High School auditorium.

Attendees will have the opportunity to sign up for committees on key themes for the comprehensive plan that will also be decided at the meeting.

The first Chapel Hill 2020 event was held on Sept. 27, and more than 400 people attended.

### **New OC health director**

The Orange County Board of Health has hired Colleen M. Bridger as the new director for the county's health department. Bridger will begin work on Oct. 31.

In the position of health director, Bridger will be responsible for overseeing the activities of the 95 staff in the department and a \$7 million budget, as well as providing strategic leadership among a variety of health and human services providers in the county.

Bridger has served as the executive director of South Carolina Institute for Child Success in Greenville, S.C., for the past year and has served as the director of the health departments in Gas-

ton County and Stokes County. She received a Doctor of Philosophy degree in health services research from UNC-Charlotte.

### **Orange County assistant** manager retires

Assistant Orange County Manager Willie Best has announced his retirement after spending a little more than four years in this position with

As assistant county manager, Best was in charge of helping to implement the county's fiveyear strategic plan, "Investing in Innovation." He also was instrumental in helping create the notyet-open Piedmont Food and Agricultural Pro-

Michael Talbert, Orange County's deputy finance director, will serve as the interim assistant county manager.

### **Bid awarded for Chatham** courthouse project

The Chatham County Board of Commissioners awarded a bid of nearly \$4.41 million to the H.M. Kern Corporation on Oct. 3 to rebuild the historic Chatham County Courthouse.

Commissioners also approved the proposed installation of audio-visual equipment and a sound system so that upon completion the courthouse can be used effectively for commissioner

The Chatham County Courthouse was severely damaged in a fire on March 25, 2010. Reconstruction is expected to start in the next few weeks and is projected for completion in fall 2012.

# Speaker Ban plaintiffs remembered

On University Day, Wednesday, Oct. 12, UNC students who worked to bring an end to the Speaker Ban Law will be honored with the dedication of a granite marker along the stone wall between McCorkle Place and Franklin

Twelve names will appear on the marker, each of whom was a plaintiff in a successful suit challenging a state law that prohibited from speaking on UNC campuses anyone who was a member of the Communist Party, advocated for the overthrow of the government or had invoked the Fifth Amendment in response to questions about subversive activities.

In March 1966, in defiance of the law, the campus chapter of Students for a Democratic Society invited Herbert Aptheker, a Marxist historian, and Frank Wilkinson, a civil-rights activist, to speak from the Franklin Street sidewalk, just beyond the low wall, while the audience listened from the campus lawn. The talks served as a foundation for the lawsuit; two years later, the law was overturned.

A ceremony unveiling the marker will be held at 3 p.m. A reception in the Johnston Center lounge will follow. All are invited.

The University Library's Special Collections has created an online exhibit on the history of the speaker ban at museum.unc.edu. The site also includes a list of publications, archives and manuscripts relating to the ban available for research at Wilson Library. – *Staff Reports* 

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### **LANDFILL**

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"We have a moral obligation to close this landfill now," said Stan Cheren, a member of the Rogers-Eubanks Coalition. "The county's toxic landfill has been operating for 40 years at the expense of the community," he added, giving examples of decreasing real estate values and waste leaching into their drinking water.

Commissioner Valerie Foushee gave a passionate speech about how the community deserves help, despite costs, and the longer the county waits the more expen-

sive it will be.

She encouraged the board to find a way to pay for hookups to the actual houses and not just to property lines, because many residents cannot afford the fee of \$5,000 or more to connect.

'[S]aying that we will do [water hookups to property lines] is just like putting a sandwich a mile away from a hungry person and saying go get it. These people cannot afford to hook it up themselves," she said.

Board members said they plan to extend an invitation to local municipalities to discuss Rogers Road and the closure of the land-

### **PARK**

FROM PAGE I

which is already shorthanded, with a number of vacant positions frozen.

Board member Sammy Slade, who is a founding member of the Carrboro Community Gardening Coalition, said the town should be more proactive in supporting the gardens and, in light of the recession, look to using the community garden as an educational space to teach people how to grow food.

The board also voted to change the signage on the park

so that it no longer reads "The future home of Martin Luther King Jr. Park," so that residents know the park is open to the

The board will revisit plans for the park during their annual review of the town's Capital Improvement Plan.

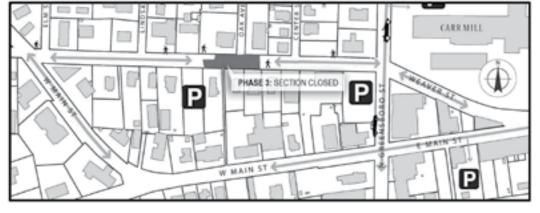
In other action Tuesday night, the board approved additional penalties for towing companies that violate town regulations that require companies to accept credit and debit cards as payment. The changes would allow the town to revoke a company's license to tow for such violations.



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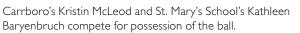


Neela Mahanty on attack against St. Mary's defender Kathleen Baryenbruch

The Carrboro High School field hockey team defeated St. Mary's at home last week, 2-0, after defeating Chapel Hill and East Chapel Hill the previous two days. On Tuesday in a rematch against ECHHS, the Wildcats prevailed in double overtime, 3-2, leaving the Jags' season at 9-2.

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Carrboro's Maddie Smith moves ball upfield against St. Mary's.

# Tar Heels seek proper focal point

**BY EDDY LANDRETH** 

Staff Writer

Everett Withers has faced many challenges since he was named interim head football coach at North Carolina.

He invoked disciplinary measures against significant contributors, like Zach Brown and Todd Harrelson.

A tank disguised as Georgia Tech squashed his defense.

And more than a few Tar Heel fans refuse to attend home games. One doesn't need to conduct a poll to determine that a



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Eddy Landreth by Chancellor Holden Thorp just days before summer camp convened.

On Saturday, all of that will be past tense. The challenge Withers and his assistants now face is getting the Tar Heels mentally and emotionally prepared to play Louisville on Saturday at noon in Kenan Stadium.

The game will be broadcast on ESPN2.

This is not the Louisville team that played dominant football in the middle of the 21st century's opening decade. The Cardinals crushed Carolina during those years. They won 34-0 in Chapel Hill in 2004, and the following year they used that shutout as a foundation to erect a true monu-

ment to humiliation: The Cardinals rolled to a 69-14 win on a field named for a pizza-delivery

Those games have no bearing on this one, other than serving as a guidebook for a team that says it wants to play football at a higher level than UNC has since Mack Brown left for Texas in 1997. To achieve that goal, Carolina needs to beat Louisville in 2011.

"They lost last week to Marshall, so they have a point to prove," senior cornerback Charles Brown said. "We can't have them come out here and prove that point on us."

In order to accomplish this goal, the Tar Heels will have to find a way to focus on the present instead of last week's game in Greenville. Returning to the present probably has not been easy. Odds are that a reasonable number of students have friends attending East Carolina, so the players heard a lot of positive feedback as they strolled around campus this week.

Given what it has been through, this group deserves a pat on the back. Nonetheless, part of being consistently successful in business or athletics means immediately facing one's errors, even in the midst of success.

Teams move forward, or, by default, slide backward. No team stops time.

We talk about eliminating the noise," Withers said. "Everybody is going to pat them on the back this week for beating ECU. Everybody is going to tell you how good you were. Well, you're only as good as that next game you play.

"This team is going to come in and fight and scratch," Withers said.

Louisville is 2-2, with victories against Murray State (21-9) and archrival Kentucky (24-17). The losses came to Florida International University (24-17) and Marshall (17-13).

"We have a lot of good things going on," Withers said, but, "we could even be better. When you're searching for perfection, you want to try to get some excellence on the way. That is what we're trying to do."

To do so this week, Withers said the Tar Heels will need to force turnovers again, but this time turn a greater percentage into touchdowns for Carolina.

"I showed a film to our team," Withers said. "We called it 'Meat on the Bone.' We left a lot of meat on the bone. On special teams, we have two kickoffs where if we get one block, we're to the house. A block on offense – if somebody makes one block, [Giovani Bernard] has 240-something yards rushing. We showed all those things, thinking the score could have been 50-something.

"In the rest of this schedule, we have to start taking advantage of those opportunities," Withers

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by Linda Thistle

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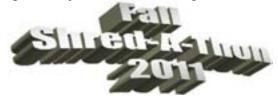
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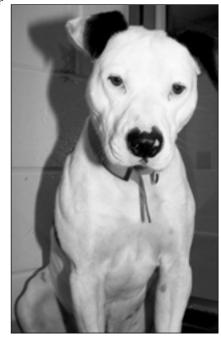


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### Thousands hit the streets for education

### **BY CAROLINE CORRIGAN**

Staff Writer

Thousands of parents, teachers and students swarmed Franklin Street Saturday during the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Public School Foundation's 15th Annual Walk for Education.

This year's walk, themed "Funky 15," went well beyond what was expected in both attendance and fundraising.

"This year the police said we had 6,000 people, which is a huge jump from last year's 4,000 people," said Kim Hoke, director of the Public School Foundation. "We raised more than we expected, which was a wonderful outcome. Last year we raised \$85,000, while this year we raised over \$100,000."

Hoke said the successful turnout can be attributed to several causes.

"It was a cool and gorgeous day, and we didn't have substantive conflicts such as the State Fair, football games or any other major event in the community," she said. "Folks really came out."

The walk, which was designed to generate community interest and support for public education, went from UNC's Mc-Corkle Place to a carnival held at the Lincoln Center on Merritt Mill Road. The carnival, in addition to functioning as a fundraiser for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, was a major incentive for student participation. Complete with cotton-candy machines, live music and inflatable tiger-, alligator- and piratethemed bounce houses, kids and parents alike were thoroughly entertained.

"My favorite is the bouncy houses!" said Jack Wainio, a sec-



Participants in the Walk for Education head down Merritt Mill Road toward the carnival at Lincoln Center. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

ond-grader at Seawell Elementary School.

Hoke said that the event helps raise funds for school supplies that the state and local budget does not provide. Among these are technological needs, such as Smart Boards and Netbooks, textbooks, science materials, physical education equipment and outdoor facilities, such as playgrounds.

The proceeds also help to fund school-based projects. Ruben Angulo, a junior at Carrboro High School, volunteered with other students at the Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate program's popcorn booth to raise money

for a school in Kenya.

"I think it's important because everyone is here to make money, not for themselves, but for their school and for people in need," he said.

While most of the event went smoothly, Hoke said the foundation did have to face one unexpected problem.

'We under-ordered our Tshirts because we didn't anticipate the amount of interest in the event," she said. "We put in an emergency order that came in Friday, but we didn't have exactly all the right sizes. It's a good problem to have - the event and the shirt were popular."

Despite this setback, Hoke said that the event was successful because of the wide range of community involvement.

"It's an enormous undertaking that involves a wide range of people in our community," she said. "Everybody worked together beautifully."

Unity was a sentiment that others also felt was important.

"It's a chance to meet and do something with the community of parents and kids," said parent Stephen Fraser. This is one of the only chances where everyone gets to do something together."

### **School Briefs**

### **CHCCS** students commended in the National Merit program

Fifty-two students in Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools were named commended students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program.

About 34,000 students nationwide have been commended for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2012 competition for National Merit Scholarships, commended students placed among the top 5 percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT.

Commended students from Carrboro High School include: Dylan Arant, Mehmet Calikoglu, William Clark Cole Crisco, Erin Graham, Joseph Gustainis, Caroline Hamilton, James O'Grady and Aaron Warshauer.

Commended students from Chapel Hill High School include: Kelly Archer, Matthew Arena, Benjamin Babcock, Emily Bulik-Sullivan, Logan Davis, Trevor Gasdaska, Maya Handa, Conor Hendershot, Elizabeth Howe, Melissa Hu, Madeline Kameny, William Knapp, Audrey Larson, Hunyoung Lee, Roberts Nelson, Megan Phelan, Priyanka Reddy, Hannah Reynolds, Adylan Rigdon, Matthieu Sieredzki, Ashish Valentine and Dylan Wignall.

Commended students from East Chapel Hill High School include: Aarti Asrani, Rolf Bates, Herman Bhupal, Erica Brennwald, Erika Clary, Gabriel Fernandez, Laura Fradin, Sophie Gan, Stefan Garval, Sarah Grichnik, Zhen Hu, David Mc-Donogh, Lydia Osborne, Samuel Schaefer, David Serody, Dorotea Skela, Paul Skiba, Yang "Kevin" Tie, Samuel Towne, Sirui Wang and Christina Zhou.

### CHCCS Asian Parent Night

The Asian-American Parent Advisory Council hosts the fourth annual Asian parent night featuring speaker Dr. Emil Kang on Oct. 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Smith Middle School Auditorium.

Kang, executive director of the arts at UNC, will discuss his experience growing up as an Asian-American and how his passion led him to his current career. Under Kang's leadership, Carolina Performing Arts has grown into an internationally recognized program presenting more than 50 performances each year.

The event will also feature an Asian parent panel discussing various parenting issues and the book Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother.

### Hazel Gibbs retires after 30 years

Hazel Gibbs, executive director of human resources for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools, retired on Sept. 30 after 30 years of service to the district.

Gibbs joined the district in 1981 as a guidance counselor and interim principal at Frank Porter Graham Elementary School. She then became the assistant principal of Carrboro Elementary School.

Gibbs became the executive director of human resources in 1987, and since then has overseen the development and administration of many notable programs, including the mentor teacher program and the annual recognition reception.

### Just say know

Chapel Hill High School will sponsor "Alcohol, Drugs and Teens: Just Say Know," presented by Jim Wise on Oct. 17 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the school's media center.

Wise is the student assistance program specialist. The event is designed as a presentation and conversation on the topic of alcohol, drugs and teens for parents and other interested adults.

For more information contact Wise at 929-2106, ext. 41270, or by email at jwwise@chccs.k12.nc.us.

### **School Lunch Menus**

### **FRIDAY 10/7**

Elementary: Chicken Nuggets, Penne Pasta w/Meat Sauce, Garden Salad, Vegetarian Baked Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Fruit Cocktail, Blueberry-Peach Crumble

Middle and High School: Baked Ziti, Garlic Bread, Locally Grown

### **MONDAY 10/10**

Elementary: Beef Tacos, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Chicken Caesar Salad, Black Bean & Corn Salsa, Steamed Turnip Greens, Fresh

Apple, Raisins

Middle and High School: Pulled BBQ Pork Sandwich, Ranch Potato Wedges

### TUESDAY 10/11

Elementary: Cheese MAXX Sticks w/Sauce, Ham and Cheese Wrap, Spinach Salad, Glazed Sweet Potatoes. Seasoned Squash, Orange Smiles, Chilled Peaches

Middle and High School: Chicken Nuggets, Sweet Mustard Dressing, Apple Crumble, Seasoned Green Beans

### WEDNESDAY 10/12

Elementary: Meatloaf w/Wheat Roll, Pepperoni Pizza, Cheese Quesadilla w/Salsa, Mashed Potatoes, Green Bean Salad, Apple Crumble, Orange Smiles

Middle and High School: Fajita Chicken, Tortilla, Green Peppers & Onions, Corn Cobettes

### THURSDAY 10/13

Elementary: Baked Ziti w/Garlic Bread, Grilled Chicken Sandwich, Spinach Salad, Glazed Carrots, Wild Greens Salad, Fruited Jell-O,

Middle and High School: Chicken Teriyaki Stir Fry, Brown Rice, Locally Grown Steamed Cabbage

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by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency under the 2011 Single-Family Rehabilitation Program. The program provides funds to assist with the rehabilitation of moderately deteriorated homes thatare owned and occupied by lower-income households. Typical repairs may include roof replacements, door and window replacements, and electrical and plumbing upgrades.

Only Orange County homeowners that are 62 or older or disabled who have incomes below 80% of the area median income are eligible to apply. For

example, to qualify, the annual income of a single person household cannot exceed \$38,000 and for a two person household the income cannot exceed \$43,400. All financial assistance is provided as a deferred, forgivable loan.

Interested persons should contact Renee D. Holmes, Housing Programs Coordinator, with the Orange County Housing, Human Rights and Community Development Department at (919) 245-2495 for an appointment. Applications must be received by Wednesday, November 30, 2011 at 5:00 pm.

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### Restricting voters

### **CHRIS FITZSIMON**

In late July, when the House failed to override Gov. Beverly Perdue's veto of the Republicans' voter ID law, it looked for a moment like the issue was dead until the 2013 session.

But then House Majority Leader Paul Stam immediately invoked a parliamentary procedure to keep the bill alive for another veto override vote that could happen any time before the General Assembly adjourns its short session

House Minority Leader Joe Hackney told the House not to allow Stam to keep the veto override alive forever, saying that the voter ID issue had been decided.

Stam responded, "It's not settled until it's settled right." It was a telling moment, and not just because of the arrogance of the statement.

Republicans came to Raleigh with a long agenda this year, but making it more difficult for people to vote was near the top. That was clear, not only from the passage of one of the most restrictive voter ID bills in the country and Stam's troubling maneuver to keep it alive, but also from other proposals that surfaced, all

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of which remain alive for consideration in next summer's short session.

They include limiting the length of the earlyvoting period, prohibiting voting on Sundays and even regulating efforts to drive people to

Republicans in North Carolina don't seem to want a large voter turnout, especially from people more likely to vote for Democrats, so they are intent on putting up barriers to make it harder for seniors, people with a disability and low-income citizens to make it to the polls and

It turns out that Republicans in North Carolina did not come up with the idea. Instead, they seem to be following a script provided by national Republican leaders.

A study released this week by the Brennan Center for Justice at the New York University Law School found that new laws and executive orders in 14 states will make it significantly harder for more than 5 million people to vote in 2012, most of them young, minority and lowincome voters.

All three of those groups generally vote Democratic. Virtually all the states that passed legislation to restrict voting rights are controlled politically by Republicans.

The study also finds that the states that have made it more difficult to vote will account for 171 electoral votes in the 2012 election, almost two-thirds of the 270 votes a candidate needs to be elected president.

And those are just the numbers where the legislation has passed. They do not include North Carolina and more than 20 other states where voter ID legislation or other voting restrictions were introduced.

Twelve states considered bills to require a birth certificate or other proof of citizenship to vote and 13 considered proposals to abolish or shorten early voting, limit voter-registration drives and end Sunday voting, all ideas that the Republicans brought up in North Carolina this

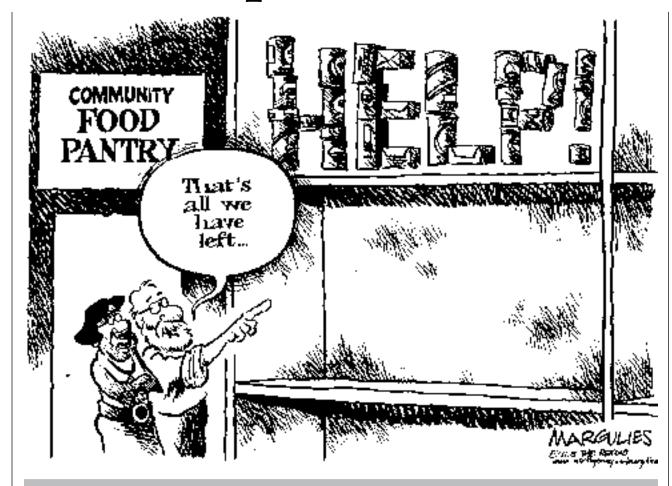
It is hardly a coincidence that the explosion of voting restrictions happened this year. Republicans took control of 19 more state legislatures in the 2010 election and now hold a majority in 26 states.

The study finds that before the 2011 legislative sessions, only two states had imposed strict voter ID requirements for voting. Four times that many states impose them now and legislation is pending in many more. The study points out that more than 21 million citizens do not have a government-issued photo ID.

There's a reason Rep. Stam jumped up on the House floor in late July to keep the disenfranchising voter ID law alive. He and his fellow Republicans across the country know that if they want to stay in power, they need to make it as tough as possible for people to vote against them - even though it's their constitutional right.

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





### **LETTERS**

### **Project Connect 2011 needs you!**

On Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011, Orange County will host its fifth Project Connect event at Hargraves Community Center in Chapel Hill from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Project Connect (formerly Project Homeless Connect) is a one-day, one-stop center created to efficiently provide people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness with a broad range of services. These services include housing, employment, health and dental care, mental health care, veterans' and social service benefits, legal services and more. At the 2010 event, 131 guests were served with 1,616 individual services provided. Since the first event in 2007, more than 700 guests have been assisted.

Project Connect is made possible by the generosity of the entire community. Through a unique community-wide partnership, Project Connect unites dozens of businesses, local governmental agencies, faith-based communities, UNC students and departments, service providers and several hundred volunteers to assist fellow community members to end and prevent homelessness in Orange County. Project Connect educates the community about the issues of homelessness while allowing individual community members to contribute their efforts, talents and compassion. Many volunteers are still needed to make this Oct. 13 event a success. Volunteer positions are available for all schedules, abilities and interests; shifts are between 2 and 2.5 hours. Spanish interpreters are especially needed.

Please visit our website, phc-orange.org, for more details and to register as a volunteer. We hope to see you on Oct. 13 and thank you in advance for your efforts to end and prevent homelessness in Orange

> MEREDITH COSTA Chapel Hill

### Proposed store not a good fit

Those of us who live in Carrboro know what a special town it is: beautiful natural surroundings, a welcoming small-town atmosphere, many unique locally owned businesses and neighbors who care about one another. However, those wonderful qualities are facing a serious threat in my neighborhood. A Family Dollar store has been proposed for the small wooded lot at the end of my street, right behind the Pantry on Jones Ferry Road. Developers of this ordinary chain store plan to cut down all the trees and pave over the small stream on this site, then they will locate its dumpsters just 20 feet from my neighbor's bedroom window, all in order to sell their mass-produced foreign products to the residents of our town. Yes, Carrboro will benefit from this development to the tune of eight new jobs and some property- and sales-tax revenues, but the real profits will follow the developers back to their homes in Wake County. More importantly, this store will cost our town in lost beauty and reduced uniqueness, plus it will compromise the safety and well-being of yet another historically African-American neighborhood. A Family Dollar store is NOT the "perfect fit" for my neighborhood or our town that its out-of-town developers claim! If you agree with me, please join me at the Town of Carrboro Planning Board meeting at Town Hall today, Thursday, Oct. 6, at 7:30 p.m. to show your support and/or express your opinion.

> REBECCA BENNETT Carrboro

### **Carrboro Branch Library open to** the community

We would like to remind the community that even though the Chapel Hill Public Library is closed until Oct. 22, both local branches of the Orange County Public Library – the Carrboro Branch Library at McDougle School and the Carrboro Cy-

brary in the Century Center – are open to the public. On arrival, patrons will have to register for an Orange County Library card, but that is a simple operation. The hours of the Carrboro Branch Library are: Monday through Thursday, 3:30-8:00 p.m.; closed Friday; Saturday, 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. The hours of the Carrboro Cybrary are: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; and closed Sunday. Everyone is welcome, and for Orange County residents there is no charge to become a member of the Orange County Library.

ALEX BROWN

President, Friends of the Carrboro Branch Library

### Committee needs balance

Picture this. You and your neighbors negotiate in good faith for over a year with a developer. They and the town ignore documented neighbor issues and fail to adopt any suggestion from the neighbors. The developer fails to acknowledge riskier components of the development and mischaracterizes important facets of the project.

Embarrassed, the town mandates a developercreated plan to silence the neighbors. The developer invites 16 people to the first meeting. Only one invitee resides within a half-mile. No invitee (other than you, the 17th invitee) is on record opposing the site selected for this publicly funded development. Thirteen are affiliated with organizations supporting the developer or directly support the project. A stacked deck.

The developer says the first meeting is closed to the public, to neighbors and to your chosen alternate. You ask if state open meeting laws apply to this committee. Their report has been mandated by the town, and they are advising the town. The developer says no open meeting laws and no recordings. The developer withholds information that you requested six times until one business day before the first meeting, but provides it to the handpicked participants days earlier.

Past mediation between neighbors and the developer resulted in developer-supporting participants removing controversial statements from official notes (the only public "record"). You are faced with attending meetings by yourself, without witnesses or recordings. The record will be controlled by the developer supermajority. Future meeting rules will be "open for discussion," but the developer supermajority will de-

Would you participate? The stacked committee only wants your presence as a token fig leaf, not your voice and your reason. The record is malleable.

A developer advocate calls you repeatedly asking you to be that fig leaf. Your discussions about transparency and fundamental fairness are ignored and left out of the story. Instead, they write an editorial letter mischaracterizing your position.

Would you participate? Of course not.

Sadly, the real victims here are not just the IFC shelter neighbors. It's the reputation of the town, the IFC and its supporters. We don't need more editorial letters like Mrs. Eleanor Howes attacking Mr. Mark Peters. We need a balanced Good Neighbor Plan committee membership and common sense transparency practices.

> BRIAN D. VOYCE Chapel Hill

### **LETTERS POLICY**

Letters should be no more than 425 words in length and must be accompanied by the author's name, address and contact information. Lengthy letters written in longhand will mysteriously become lost. Emailed letters are preferred. That said, send your letters to:

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### After the **Great Recession:** What next?

### **BILL SCHWEKE**

Journalist Don Peck has just written one of the most important books yet published on the Great Recession. Entitled Pinched: How the Great Recession Has Narrowed our Futures and What We Can Do About It, the book does not delve into what caused the downturn, like the countless other books already published on the subject. Rather, Peck wrestles with how the Great Recession is affecting Americans today and how it is already

> Unlike the Great Depression, this economic era may actually drive us apart.

reshaping our future. Indeed, Peck argues that the bigger effects are still to occur.

Peck's main thesis is that major periods of economic deflation and inflation put a stamp on a society. This one, without intelligent responses on our part, is likely to produce: even greater inequalities in wealth and income, a reduction of men employed in the workforce, increased bread-winning roles for women, more tensions about race issues and immigration, later marriages and parenthood, the economic weakening of cities without unique and competitive assets, potentially ineffective political leadership, a protracted recovery and many other sobering challenges.

Some in the workforce find themselves in "occupational ghettoes" where it is hard to find and step onto the next rung to upward mobility. Working poverty will likely become even more common. And moderate-income families are starting to resemble inner-city households, rather than the middle class, with joblessness, family conflict, drug and alcohol abuse, divorce and single parenting.

Unlike the Great Depression, this economic era may actually drive us apart, culturally and politically, as well as reinforce current trends toward widening economic segregation. It could even encourage mass radical movements. At this point, these are more likely to be of the right-wing quasi-populist sort than left social movements.

But who knows? Mass apathy and weakened links of solidarity may be much more likely, given present trends.

The book's final chapter offers, humbly, a manifesto for action.

Peck calls for further short-term economic stimulus by government combined with plans for significant federal deficit reduction during the medium-term.

Public subsidies should be provided for businesses to hire the long-term jobless. Bigger investments should be made in public works. Regulatory reforms that would speed the process of research and development through commercialization should be developed and applied. We must get a handle on health care costs. The wealthy should be taxed at a higher rate. Career academies should be established in order to smooth the transition from secondary schools to a job. Another experiment ("wage insurance" to "top up" the salaries of those persons who took a job that paid less than their previous employment) should be explored. Peck regards our present situa-

tion as dire, not desperate. Avoiding the latter danger is a function mainly of our coming together again as a people that are committed to each other. The proposed programs just listed would help immensely. But even more important is timely cultural change; a renewed societal commitment to strong, intentional public solutions is critical.

In other words, Americans and their leaders would do well to recognize and remember the importance of Benjamin Franklin's famous admonition that they hang together lest they hang separately.

Bill Schweke is a senior fellow at the Durham office of the Corporation for Enterprise Development.

# Don't just sit there

Politics and public policy can be rather baffling, but the answer to a lot of questions about government and policy can be stated quite simply as "the first Tuesday after the first Monday in Novem-

That's the official definition of Election Day, and it's the answer to common questions like, "When is all of this going to change?" "What can we do about these idiots?" And my favorite, "When do I get my say?'

I'm not particularly cynical about politics, which is surprising considering all the hard-to-washoff gunk that I've seen thrown around during campaigns and three decades of witnessing the annoying propensity of even the best-intended elected officials to get bogged down trying to figure just the right way to play something. I still believe in elections, despite the vast conspiracy between politicians and pundits to make them all about who is up, who is down and what the flavor of the week is.

There's a side to elections that seldom gets as much ink and electrons as the horse race, and it's the side that really matters, especially in local races.

In addition to picking our political leaders, elections are an opportunity for each of us to participate in the conversation about where we are going as a community. It's a time when we decide what's important and can speak to those eager for our votes in a frank and direct way.

Having a community dialog focused on the best way forward and a hard look at the recent past

**SCHOOL BOARD** 

FROM PAGE I

Castellano also said the dis-

trict needs to be committed to

giving teachers the opportunity

for professional development to

put new best practices to use in

achievement gap, candidate

James Barrett said the biggest

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by society about the success of

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and letting them know they can

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is essential to charting a path ahead in public policy that reflects our values and beliefs. There are few opportunities when ears and hearts are quite as open to something new, challenging or even contrary to the status quo.

In towns as small as Chapel Hill, Carrboro, Pittsboro and Hillsborough, opinions stated directly to candidates, whether at forums, neighborhood gatherings or via door-to-door canvassing, actually have a chance to sink in.

Money is not the mother's milk of politics at this level. It's getting there, but not yet. The one-on-one with voters or the small group discussions are still where opinions are swayed and impressions made.

The cycle is upon us. Candidates are making the rounds, and forums and meet-the-candidate events are happening almost non-

Year in, year out, the government closest to you tends to make the biggest impact in your life. It's also where your individual vote will have the biggest impact. The people who decide what can be

built where, how tall buildings are going to be downtown, the funding levels for schools and parks and where and when the buses run are often elected by just a tiny fraction of the eligible voters. Not casting a ballot in a local race or giving an eager candidate an earful means passing up a golden opportunity to actually have an impact.

This is your chance to look a mayor or aspiring alderman or councilperson in the eye and tell them what you really think.

So, speak your mind and let the chips fall as they may. The next time you see the mayors, they might be holding a gavel and you might be asking for something or trying to get them to support an idea or a cause. You'll probably have to be polite, or even guarded, about what you say in that case. Election season is the only time when the transaction goes the other way. When the people making decisions about the future of our community want something from you. They want your vote.

Politics, as an old friend has often reminded me, is the art of persuasion. So persuade somebody. You've got a few more weeks until the deadline. Take a guess when

Note: I'll be moderating Orange County's first online candidate forums on OrangePolitics.org. The first forum is this Sunday and features the candidates for Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education. The forum for candidates for Carrboro Board of Aldermen is on Oct. 17 and the forum for Chapel Hill Town Council and mayor is on Oct. 23. All forums run from 7 to 9 p.m.

reduce the achievement gap, she would like to see the district pick one or two things to focus on,

such as improving instruction

and literacy, and make sure that the schools are doing them really

"An important thing that everybody should know and remember is that every child who comes to us on the first day of kindergarten comes excited and nervous, but not everyone comes with the same skill set," Burroughs said.

Incumbent Annetta Streater "I don't believe we should be also said improving literacy, both reading and writing, is important to help reduce the achievekids for a period of time in our ment gap because literacy skills schools and we need to focus are imperative to success in other academic areas.

"Teachers should reduce the urge to consider factors outside Incumbent Vice Chair Mia the classroom as a predictor of child's success," Streater said.

She hopes that by committing more local funding to training teachers in best practices, they will be more prepared for educating students who are underperforming.

Incumbent Mike Kelley discussed the planned elementary school 11, which the board hopes will be built by 2014, and making it a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) magnet school.

However Kelley said the board should also look at improving the world language programs at all district schools.

"You have to be able to communicate globally," Kelley said. And this doesn't happen by putting everyone into a STEM program."

The candidates will face off again in an online forum on Sunday from 7 to 9 p.m. at orangepolitics.org.

### **ENDORSEMENT LETTERS**

### **Vote Castellano for** school board

Please join me in voting for Kris Castellano for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education this Novem-

Kris has been actively involved in the CHCCS district for more than a decade. Her involvement began as a classroom volunteer when her children were in elementary school. Witnessing the eager students that surrounded her in the class, she completed Coach Write and Reading Partners training and personally volunteered in the schools to provide additional resources to work toward closing the achievement gap.

Kris increased her level of involvement through election to three different school improvement teams (SIT) in the district over the past 8 years. I have had the privilege to serve on two of those SITs along with Kris. Working together, Kris and I have not always been on the same side of every issue – but her leadership, patience in maintaining an open dialogue and desire to achieve consensus has routinely led to positive results for all stakehold-

While co-authoring school improvement plans for elementary and middle schools and serving on a CHCCS District Committee for Dual Language Programming have continued to deepen her understanding of district policies and procedures, it is her commitment to thoughtful communication that prepares her best for the challenges facing the Board of Education members.

For the past decade, Kris has been an active volunteer for our schools. She has exhibited tireless effort in working to ensure that all children receive the support they need to reach their full potential. She has worked with administration and staff to deliver strategies that better develop our students to be critical thinkers and engaged community members. She has encouraged those in the community with concerns to speak and

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School Improvement Team Elementary School Improvement

### cally and openly, has an impeccable sense of right and wrong and plays well with others. We can count on Dan to keep up the good work for as long as he's willing to do it.

Please join me in supporting Alderman Dan Coleman.

> CATHERINE DEVINE Carrboro

I am proud to support the reelection of Dan Coleman to the Carrboro Board of Aldermen. I have known Dan for more than 20 years as someone with a consistent vision of social justice, environmental preservation and economic fairness. I have seen Dan attempting to put that vision into practice as he has grappled with various local issues in our town, such as paying wages to town employees that would enable them to actually live in this community. I have read articles in the paper and heard commentaries on local radio stations where Dan's name comes up constantly as someone advocating for more inclusive policies, such as more public transit, better bikeways and encouraging local businesses to grow and flourish. I also see that Dan had a role recently in making sure that no town employees were laid off, no services were cut and taxes were not raised during these difficult economic times. Dan has become more and more the voice of Carrboro in local politics, and his vision always seems to ring true - no small feat in these times of compromise and hardship. I want Dan to continue his valuable work helping to make Carrboro a unique and wonderful place to live, for everyone.

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### has also stressed the importance of listening. She would be a tremendous asset to our board of

KIRSTEN BARKER Chair, McDougle Middle Parent Chair, Morris Grove

### **Support Foushee for** Aldermen

As a resident of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro community, I am proud to endorse my friend, Braxton Foushee for Carrboro Board of Alderman. Webster's Dictionary defines a servant as "one who serves others." This is a perfect description of Braxton. He has toiled in this community for many years and for many different causes too numerous to name. He is an avid civil/social rights activist and he values the environment that we

As a citizen and registered voter of Carrboro, I want our aldermen/ alderwomen to be of unquestionable character, caring of ALL residents, transparent, experienced and knowledgeable of our local government. Each of these qualities is possessed by Braxton, who is a lifelong resident of this area. I strongly encourage everyone to cast their ballot for him on Nov. 8, 2011, to ensure continued growth and progress for our community.

> LILLIE P. ATWATER Carrboro

### **Vote Coleman for** Aldermen

Dan Coleman deserves reelection to the Carrboro Board of Aldermen. He thinks analyti-

Carrboro

### NOMINATIONS SOLICITED FOR THE 2011 PAULI MURRAY HUMAN RELATIONS AWARDS

The Orange County Human Relations Commission is currently soliciting nominations for the 2011 Pauli Murray Human Relations Awards. The Pauli Murray Award is presented annually by the Human Relations Commission to an Orange County youth, an Orange County adult, and an Orange County business that have served the community with distinction in the pursuit of equality, justice, and human rights for all residents.

<u>Deadline for submitting nominations is Monday, October 31, 2011.</u> 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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# Community

### **Community Briefs**

### Club Nova observes mental illness awareness week

Club Nova will host its third annual recognition of Mental Illness Awareness Week from Thursday to Saturday at 103D W. Main St. in Carrboro.

All proceeds from the events throughout the week support the work of Club Nova, part of a global community of more than 300 clubhouse model programs worldwide offering opportunities for recovery through education, employment, friendship and hope.

For more information and event dates and times visit clubnova.org.

### **Orange County fights homelessness**

The fifth annual Project Connect will be held Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Hargraves Community Center in Chapel Hill. Project Connect provides a broad range of services to people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homeless-

Since 2007 the event has served more than 700 people in Orange County.

For more information, visit phc-orange.org or contact Jamie Rohe, Orange County homeless program coordinator at 245-2496 or jrohe@ co.orange.nc.us.

### Strowd Roses to celebrate 10 years

Strowd Roses, a nonprofit foundation that supports projects in the Chapel Hill and Carrboro area, will host a ceremony to celebrate a decade of community support on Sunday. The ceremony will take place from 3-5 p.m. in the Gene Strowd Rose Garden in Chapel Hill's Community Center Park.

In the past decade, Strowd Roses has provided almost \$4 million in grants to fund several hundred nonprofit organizations and community initiatives in the Chapel Hill and Carrboro area. For more information, visit strowdroses.org.

### Village farmers market extended

The Southern Village Farmers Market has been extended through Nov. 17. The market was scheduled to end Sept. 29.

The market is held every Thursday from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Aberdeen Drive.

Many customers requested that the market stay open later in the year, and several of the markets' vendors farm throughout the winter to continue to have an assortment of produce.

Beginning in November, the market will reduce its hours to 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Visit svfarmersmarket.com for more informa-



### **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

### **Community Calendar**

### **FRIDAY OCT 7**

**OC Players** — To present *Smoke* on the Mountain Homecoming. Performances will continue through Oct. 9. Central Orange Senior Center, 3pm \$10/12 ocpnc.com

### **SATURDAY OCT 8**

Swing Dance — Music by Skeedaddle. Carrboro Century Center, 7pm/ lesson, 8pm/dance \$8/members, \$12 non-members trangleswingdance.org

**Auditions** — Chorus and understudy auditions for Long Leaf Opera's productions of Amahl and the Night Visitors and A Shipwreck Opera. The ArtsCenter, 10-11:30am longleafop-

Lineberger Fundraiser — Chapel Hill firefighters will collect donations for the Lineberger Cancer Center. Kenan Stadium, noon

Fire Prevention — Kick off Fire Prevention Week at Carrboro FireRescue Department. 301 W. Main St., 10am-2pm townofcarrboro.org

### **SUNDAY OCT 9**

**Movie Showing** — NC Friends of Safe Passage to show Manos de Madre, which shows the struggles of the poor in Guatemala. CHICLE, 5pm Free chi-cle.com

**Bald Eagle Count** — Jordan Lake, 7am mgirolami@mac.com

### **MONDAY OCT 10**

**Time Out** — With host Bill Hendrickson and guest Ambassador Michael Cotter. WCOM 103.5FM, 5pm

Kathryn Burns — To discuss her recent book Into the Archive: Writing and Power in Colonial Peru. Wilson Special Collections Library, 5pm Free

**TUESDAY OCT II** 

**Burrito Bash** — To benefit Dogs

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Off Chains and Triangle Wildlife Rehab Center. General Store Cafe, Pittsboro. 6-9pm \$12/15 thegeneral-

### **Assistance Dog Program**

— Deb Cunningham to discuss "Partnering People With Dogs to Improve Lives." Animal Services Center, 6:30-8pm Free co.orange.nc.us/ animalservices

**Political Forum** — To be held with candidates for office in Chapel Hill. St Joseph CME Church, 510 W. Rosemary St., 6:30pm Free

### WEDNESDAY OCT 12 OC RSVP +55 — Meeting for po-

tential volunteers. Seymour Center, 10am 968-2056

**Letter Writing** — To political prisoners whose birthdays fall in October: International Books, 7pm THURSDAY OCT 13

### **Shred-a-Thon** — University Mall, 10am-2pm townofchapelhill.org

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FRIDAY OCT 14 **Bingo** — For ages 50 and up. Car-

rboro Century Center, 2pm Free

Carbon Nation — Film to be shown at Southern Village, 7pm green.southernvillage.org

This week we respond to questions about diabetes symptoms and preventing the flu. Dear HOUSE Calls, What are

some warning signs of childhood diabetes and adult diabetes?

We refer to childhood diabetes as Type I diabetes or insulindependent diabetes, and adult diabetes as Type 2 diabetes or non-insulin dependent diabetes. Children can develop Type 2 diabetes, especially with the increase in childhood obesity. Adults can also develop Type I diabetes. The classic signs of diabetes are increase in thirst and urination. It tends to be more dramatic in Type I diabetes. There is usually weight loss at the onset of Type I diabetes. Type I diabetes is an autoimmune disease in which antibodies attack the pancreas, which then stops making insulin. Insulin is required for the body to use sugar. Type 2 diabetes is caused by resistance to insulin, most commonly in people who are overweight. Most people with Type 2 diabetes make excess insulin, but it is less effective. People with Type I diabetes will have excessive thirst and urination, followed by increased appetite with weight loss. If they are not brought to medical attention, they will usually get very sick over a few months. People with Type 2 diabetes will usually have a slower onset. They may not have any symptoms for years, and then start to develop an increase in thirst and urination, and later on they may experience weight loss. Many people are diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes during routine blood work. People with both types of diabetes may develop blurry vision with very high blood sugar. They are also more prone to yeast infections. If you have any questions about diabetes for yourself or a loved one, see your doctor for a cheap and easy blood test.

Dear HOUSE Calls, My roommate in the dorm gets the flu every year. If I get the flu shot, will I avoid the flu?

If she truly has the flu, and you are exposed to her, a flu shot will markedly decrease your chance of getting the flu. There are a number of "flu-like" illnesses and hundreds of cold or respiratory viruses. The flu shot is best at preventing real influenza. This is a common and severe virus, so getting a flu shot is important. We try to predict the most likely circulating strains in the vaccine each year. The prediction turns out correct most of the time. We recommend that everybody get a flu shot, but it is most important for those who are younger than 5, older than 50 and anybody with a chronic health condition such as asthma, diabetes or heart disease. So get your flu shot, wash your hands and make sure your roommate covers her mouth when sneezing or coughing.

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.

### The ArtsCenter or more information or to order tickets call 929-2787 x201 or go to artscenterlive.org

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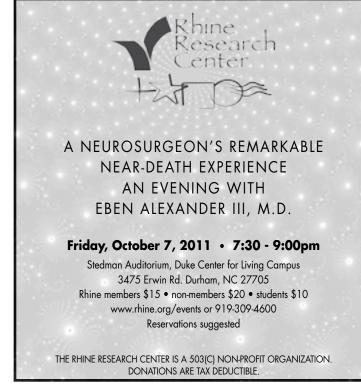
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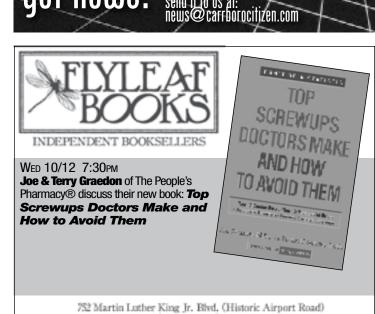
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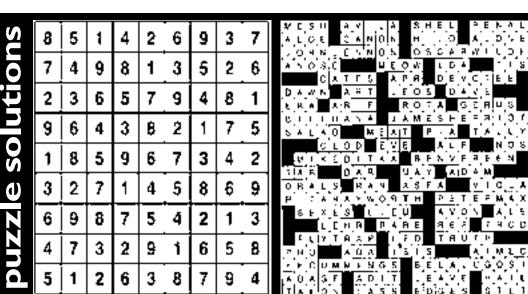


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There are at least six species of crustose, foliose or fruticose lichens growing on this boulder surface.

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### FLORA

FROM PAGE I

complicated, with entire communities of bacteria living inside lichens. Some researchers consider lichens not as individuals but entire ecosystems in miniature.

We lichenologists use the term 'thallus' to describe a lichen body. To blur things further, a lichen thallus can be a single lichen or a colony of several lichens merged into one. So the concept of the individual is thrown out the window!

Generally, lichens come in three growth forms or body types: 'crustose' (crust-like), 'foliose' (leaf-like) and 'fruticose' (shrub-like). And they come in a wide array of colors, from black to brown, to green, blue, yellow, orange, red and white. Most are a grayishgreen.

Given enough time, lichens grow on just about anything — bare soil, rocks, wood, mosses and even on the bark of trees, from the roots up the trunk and to the canopy branches

and twigs. Some lichens grow on other lichens, crowding each other as they compete for light and space. Sometimes if you pick up a fallen branch, you'll see it's completely covered with several different kinds of lichens — a community unto itself. In the natural world, you are never far from a lichen."

Gary, who is engaged in surveying the lichens of the Piedmont region, will lead a one-day introductory class on the identification and weird ways of lichens at the N.C. Botanical Garden on Oct. 15. I'm definitely sitting in on this one. Call the garden at 962-0522 to register and become the first lichenologist in your neighborhood.

Thank you, Gary, for introducing Flora readers to the world of lichens.

Email Ken Moore at flora@ carrborocitizen.com. Find previous Ken Moore Citizen columns at The Annotated Flora (carrborocitizen.com/flora).



The dark squiggly lines on the holly tree trunk are common script lichens (*Graphis scripta*).

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10 THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2011 THE CARRBORO CITIZEN



### Return to the wall

arch 2, 1966, a crowd of some 1,200 UNC students, faculty, staff and townspeople gather to protest the infamous Speaker Ban Law. On the left of the campus wall facing East Franklin Street, the protesters – and to the right of the wall and safely on town property, the outlawed speaker Frank Wilkinson, bracketed by reporters. When I examine this photograph 45 years later, a splashdance of impressions assail me: that we were witnessing history, that this was not just another '60s-era demonstration for the sake of protesting, that we were a part of something large and important. And then there was the news photographer's bone-deep thrill of knowing that I, perched in a tree overlooking McCorkle Place, had secured the exclusive, and therefore best, view of the event. The resulting

image, a veritable cross-section of the campus in 1966, captures the emotions of all manner of folk. Who are the faces in the crowd? Every one is a story – no, every one is a book! There's Student Body President Paul Dickson, looking downright pleased with himself – and for good reason ... there's DTH reporters Joe DePriest and Scott Goodfellow with small smiles of grim satisfaction that this had come to a head ... there's best pal Carol Gallant shooting me a private hello ... and there's Bill McDiarmid, a thoughtful-looking blond kid over on the center-left side of the crowd, who four decades later would return to UNC as Dean of the School of Education ... and then there's the love of my life, Lynne Vernon, standing demurely there in the front line, who I wouldn't meet and fall in love with for another 27 years. All these people, memories and emotions come jostling, intersecting and colliding next Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 3 p.m. in this exact location when UNC will dedicate the Speaker Ban Marker embedded on that rock wall. Credit for this long-overdue tribute goes to the late Paul Dickson's sister, Anne Dickson Fogleman, who spearheaded the idea – as well as to younger brother and *Camboro Citizen* Publisher Robert Dickson. Of course, Bill Friday's fine hand is writ in all of this too. And I'll be there too – up in the

same tree with the same old camera. Following the dedication of the marker, a reception will be held in Graham Memorial where this enlarged photo will be displayed for old Speaker Ban protesters to find themselves and their friends — and perhaps to share a story or two. Hope to see you there.



### A THOUSAND WORDS

BY JOCK LAUTERER

Do you have an important old photo that you value? Email your photo to jock@email.unc.edu and include the story behind the picture. Because every picture tells a story. And its worth? A thousand words.

### ocsc

FROM PAGE I

everyone in town whose first names I know wants to come to this bar."

And they came.

As for how the name came: Mesigian and her friends riffed, like will-be rockers, on names for months. She had a fondness for bars with geography in their titles. The Buena Vista Social Club CD had recently been rereleased. And there it was.

"I don't even know if I said it or who said it," she now says. "And then OCSC just falling so gracefully off the tongue ..."

### Buck and a half

Dean Smith keeps watch from the television wall, biding his time till game time. "I always loved hosting basketball game party-times," Mesigian says, "so that stuck." The energy's electric on big-game nights for the Heels.

Otherwise – unless something big's gone down – Obama's elected, Michael Jackson dies – the set's turned off, a distraction.

Has the clientele changed in 10 years? Mesigian says no, though certainly many of the faces have.

"I think that people start peeping in here when they're 21, start really dipping in when they're 25, and it's their place when they're 28. They start peeling off when they get married and have kids – and then come back on a date night."

Open to close, Mesigian says, Jamie to Lee, "it's about great bartenders and great music. It's different people, but drinking PBR, be it 6 or 1 in the morning. That I know."

And, my, what a body of PBR, far, far and away –10 times more than any other brew. And still at a buck and a half a bottle, just as the day Mesigian opened the joint. Right refreshing at 5, 9 and 2. Glasses raised to a most gracious hostess.

In appreciation of the community's 10 years of support, Mesigian is establishing a scholarship fund with the town to allow, initially, seven individuals to enroll in a small-business class similar to the one she attended prior to opening OCSC. All proceeds from the OCSC anniversary happy hour shows on the event calendar will go to the scholarship fund. Mesigian will also be donating proceeds from the Cat's Cradle shows and a raffle to Hunger Relief and MusiCares.



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