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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE Poke berries are bright green before they mature through pink to shiny black.

## Poke salad days

#### **FLORA** By Ken Moore

"My poke's bigger than your poke!"

Believe it or not, that challenging brag has passed between more than two energetic gardeners in this area. While folks may consider the common American Pokeberry, Phytolacca americana, merely a weed, more and more really sophisticated gardeners admire and grow this giant native perennial.

Poke is a striking plant for all seasons.

The tiny flowers, arranged separately on pendulous branch tips, bloom throughout the growing season. Close examination of the flowers reveals white petals surrounding emerald green centers, contrasting with pink to burgundy colored stems. I am always stopped in my stride, unable to believe such color schemes. Though I am known to sing the praises of any native plant presently in my view, no other wild plant evokes my exuberance more than the common poke!

I love everything about this plant. Continuing from the flowers, we have those little emerald green centers maturing into berries turning from green to pink and finally shiny black. Daily entertainment is provided by our year-long resident mockingbird competing furiously with the summer resident catbird for the ripe berries, an obvious favorite treat for both birds.

From late summer through the entire fall, the 4-to-7-foot-tall branching stems of the poke are a brilliant scarlet to rhubarb burgundy color. When highlighted by the low angle of the morning and evening sun, there is, to my eyes, no more spectacular effect in the wild or managed landscape. Even in the dormant months, the dried tan-colored stems of poke remain an interesting architectural feature. I never cut my stems down until the emergence of the lush green leaves from the base of the plant in the early spring. Then we refer to this special plant as poke salad. If you have never eaten poke salad, you're missing out. Visit the farmers' market and get some favored cooking strategies from some of the old timers there. Make certain you note the details, because poke is also a poisonous plant; you have to know what you're doing to safely enjoy this culinary treat.

#### **EARLY VOTING INFORMATION**

Carrboro Town Hall, 301 W. Main St., Carrboro

Oct. 25 - Oct. 26, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 29 - Nov. 2, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Chapel Hill Post Office** 179 E. Franklin St., Chapel Hill Oct. 25 - Oct. 26, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 29 - Nov. 2, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to1 p.m.

**Orange Co. Public Library Conference** Room, 300 W. Tryon St., Hillsborough Oct. 25 - Oct. 26, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 29 - Nov. 2, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Chatham County: 984 Thompson St., Suite E1, Pittsboro Oct. 25-Oct. 26, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 29 - Nov. 2, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Early voting ends November 3, 2007.

## Kinnaird to run again

By Kirk Ross Staff Writer

State Senator Ellie Kinnaird announced Tuesday that she will seek re-election. The six-term incumbent and former Carrboro mayor said she made the decision to seek another term because she wants to continue working on juvenile justice and environmental issues and plans to fight for a bill to prevent executions of the mentally ill. Kinnaird had talked openly



plating a re-election run this sum-

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## **READY TO LEAD**



The Carrboro High School band prepares to lead thousands of walkers down Franklin Street at Saturday's Walk for Education fundraiser. It is the first time they have participated in the walk. The annual event is a fundraiser for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Public School Foundation. This was the walk's 11th year. More pictures of the event are available online at www.carrborocitizen.com.

## **Soccer match** incident leads to referee ban

## School candidates take questions, discuss ROTC

By SUSAN DICKSON Staff Writer

"I do support opportunities for children to explore their career op-

## **Town looks** to curb lingering on Davie Rd.

By KIRK Ross Staff Writer

A new anti-lingering ordinance aimed to prevent the corner of Davie and Jones Ferry roads from continuing as a hangout moved a little farther toward passage Tuesday night after a public hearing at Town Hall.

The area has been a longtime gathering place in the morning for day laborers and contractors seeking workers, but in recent years has also attracted groups of men who use the site for drinking and hanging out. At the board's last discussion on the matter, aldermen said they had heard a steady stream of complaints about loitering, drinking, public urination and crude and offensive comments to female passers-by.

An ordinance drafted by Town Attorney Michael Brough would apply only to a roughly 400-foot section right-of-way along the

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Poke has everything. In addition

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#### By SUSAN DICKSON Staff Writer

An ugly incident at a Chapel Hill High-East Chapel Hill High men's soccer game early this month resulted in the school district banning a referee from working at district games.

According to the Faith Action International House newsletter, fans heckled one of the soccer players – an immigrant from El Salvador – by shouting "Give him a green card" every time he had possession of the ball. In addition, according to the newsletter, the referee called the player out of bounds several times when he was not.

The player's mother spoke with the referee about his calls, and he responded that she "should go back to Mexico and take all those Hispanics with you," and then penalized her with a yellow card, according to the newsletter.

Mark Sills, executive director of Faith Action International House, said he had spoken with someone who was in the stands during the game but wished to remain anonymous.

Stephanie Knott, assistant superintendent for community relations for Chapel Hill-Carrboro

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At an election forum at Carol Woods Retirement Community on Tuesday, school board candidates grappled with issues slightly different from the usual fodder.

Candidates heard questions about military recruitment in schools, Junior ROTC programs, dropout rates and No Child Left Behind mandates.

Incumbents Jamezetta Bedford, Mike Kelley and Annetta Streater are running for re-election, challenged by newcomers Mia Burroughs and Gary Wallach. Four seats on the board are available.

The school district is required to allow military recruiters into the high schools because it receives federal funding. However, parents can fill out a form that prevents students from being contacted by the recruiters.

Candidates had different opinions on in-school recruitment.

tions," Streater said. However, "I would not want to see the district move in a direction where we are pushing certain populations toward



while he believes the military is a legitimate option for some, "I firmly and unequivocally believe that recruiters should not be allowed on campus," adding, "It's hard for me because I've been to too many anti-war protests in my life."

Bedford said she had a different perspective because she grew up in a military family.

"What I want to prevent for our students is ... that their only choice or their only measure is to join the military," she said. "There's a balance of a debt we owe to our veterans and those who want to

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### **Recent moves** may aid efforts to save holly

By KIRK Ross Staff Writer

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Tweaks to the town's requirements for developments may improve the chances for a 200-year-old holly tree on Homestead Road.

The tree is near a proposed entrance for Carrboro's new northern fire station and architects originally had planned to remove the tree.

But after objections were raised at town board meetings and two design charrettes, town planners

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## **Author Lee Smith's** recent speech at

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Condo overhaul conserves water, cash

After over 10 years of writing the Neighbors column in the Chapel Hill News, it's been fun experimenting with different ways to write about our vibrant and eclectic community in The Carrboro Citizen. As some of you know, I continue writing real estate stories for the Chapel Hill News, and the one I've written this week is so timely and important it compels me to scoop my Sunday story with this column.

A group in Carrboro started something in January, while local lakes were full, that has turned them into water conservation trailblazers.

Cedar Court, a complex of 50 condominiums on North

#### RECENTLY... By Valarie Schwartz

Greensboro Street, was built in 1967 as an apartment complex that received its water through a master-meter, with one water bill going to the manager each month.

The apartments became condos in 1981, and today 75 percent of them are rentals with the owners living off the property. Monthly dues go toward paying the water bill, insurance and outdoor maintenance.

People who don't see the monthly expenses for their

use of something tend not to pay as much attention to how much they use. Ann Aylward, 32, saw that clearly when she became the Cedar Court property manager a year ago and started looking for a way to cut down on expenses. Immediately obvious was that the largest expenditure was for water — to the tune of 27,000 a year. She sought information at OWASA, where she gained knowledge that brought the 247,000 gallons used in July 2006 to 107,000 gallons this July.

every unit had them — and switching out the old 4.2-gallon toilets with new 1.6-gallon

toilets, some owners also upgraded faucets and showers, and Aylward initiated a new laundry service lease that replaced old 45-gallon machines with 14-gallon front-loaders.

In a case study Pat Davis, utility manager generalist of OWASA, wrote about this first master-metered water-saving retrofit in town, he listed the factors for success: "An informed, well-organized, and committed individual, who provided consistent leadership and follow-through for the project," as well as cooperative and committed condo owners, a qualified plumber willing to

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#### Friday

Blackbeard's Lost Weekender continues at The Cave. Tonight: Spider Bags, The **Coat Hangers** and Beat Beat Beat. 9 p.m.





#### Saturday Sunday

The Gondoliers,

**Three Crucials** 

and The Butchers

wrap up Edward

Teach's weekend

of piracy. Don't

miss it! 9 p.m.

Or, see **12 x 12 by** 

of Arts.

Artist Miriam Chiarella Sagasti displays her work. Quiet **Corners of** Peru opens at the Community Church of Chapel Hill. Call Fifteen, a new exhibit 942-2050 for by members of the times. Hillsborough Gallery



## Smoke Or Fire and Whiskey & Co. play Cat's Cradle. Doors

open at 7.





**Tuesday** 

## Nightlight kicks

All Saints' Day off early with their Pagan Spook Festival. Live music and more.



## Thursday

Salsa y Samba! The ArtsCenter hosts a samba bash with performers Charanga Carolina and Eduardo de Souza's Holy Samba. Free lessons. 8:30 p.m. \$14 or \$10 for students.

## Arts Calendar

#### Carrboro

Water: Our Most Precious Resource Numerous works on display by a variety of artists, all with the theme of the beauty of water. Through Jan 15 at the Carrboro Branch Library, 900 Old Fayetteville Rd, Chapel Hill (McDougle Schools Media Center). Mon-Thu 3:30-8pm, Sat 10am-2pm, Sun 1-5pm. Artists' reception: Sunday, Oct 28, 2-4:30pm. 932-1533

4 More Years, 1.20.05-1.20.09, A Chronicle in Cranes – Installation by Hunter Levinsohn. East End Gallery at The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. On display through the end of Oct. Gallery open Saturdays 3-6pm or by appt. 929-6728

Orange County Artists Guild Open Studio Tour – Ńov 3 & 4, Nov 10 & II (Sat 10am-5pm, Sun noon-5pm). More than 65 Orange County artists participate in this juried exhibition and sale. Variety of media. To preview, visit The ArtsCenter in Carrboro or Burwell School in Hillsborough. Tour maps available at both of these locations. Meet the artists & preview their works: Fri, Oct 26, 5-7pm at The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. For more info, visit www.orangecountyartistsguild.com or contact Gordón at 932-3438.



Potter Judith Ernst is a member of the Orange County Artist's Guild.

Let's Rebuild – Paintings & drawings by Ryan Helsel. Through Oct 31 at Nested. 118-B E Main St, Carrboro. Tue & Wed 10am-6pm, Thu-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun noon-6pm. 338-8023, www.nestedhome.com

Hours of Operation: Tues. - Fri. 5 7 pm, 2nd Friday of every month:
6 - 9 pm, Saturday & Sunday 2 - 4 pm Or by appointment: Mary Vot-ta, Gallery Coordinator: gallery@ artscenterlive.org

The MF Show – Martina & Frank Russo of MF Gallery, NYC present a visual onslaught of pulp-monster art that is guaranteed to delight and horrify! On display through Nov 6 at Wootini, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro, Ste A-7.



Wootini hosts the MF Show through November 6.

#### Chapel Hill

A Knight to Remember: The Life & Legacy of Sir Walter Raleigh - Items tell the tales of early English explorer Sir Walter Raleigh. Through Jan UNC Campus: Wilson Library, 201 South Rd, Chapel Hill.

Quiet Corners of Peru - Exhibition by Miriam Chiarella Sagasti, artist who uses strong colors and bold shapes to convey her native land. Opens Oct 28, runs through Nov 25. Community Church of Chapel Hill Unitarian Universalist, 106 Purefoy Rd, Chapel Hill. Call for times, 942-2050.



tury explorers & inventors in moments of accomplishment, failure & indecision. Through Nov 1. UNC Campus: Hanes Art Center, 101C E Cameron Ave, Chapel Hill. 962-2015, www.unc.edu/depts/art

Phenomena of Color - Works by Paul Jenkins. Through Nov 8. Animation and Fine Art Galleries, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. Tue-Sat 10am-6pm. 968-8008, www. animationandfineart.com

Works by Laura Azar & Liz Wolf - Through Nov 8. Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr, Chapel Hill. Mon-Fri 10am-9pm (Fri 6pm), Sat 9am-6pm, Sun 1-8pm. 968-2777, www.chapelhillpubliclibrary.org

Recent works by Maria Falbo - Local artist. Through Oct 31 at Caffe Driade. 1215-A E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 942-2333, www.caffedriade. com



Art by Maria Falbo is on display at Caffe Driade.

Paintings by Jane Filer - Through Nov 10 at Tyndall Galleries, University Mall. 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun by appt. 942-2290, www.tyndallgalleries.com

Paintings by Mark Brown & Mar-garet White – Through Nov 10 at Somerhill Gallery. 1800 E Franklin St, 3 Eastgate, Chapel Hill. Mon-Sat 10am-5:30pm, evenings by appt. 968-8868, www.somerhill.com

Handcrafted Items - Paintings, carvings, molas, textiles & fabrics, ceramics, beads & jewelry from West Africa, the Middle East, Central America & the US, collected over years of traveling. Ongoing. Dirt Road Gal-lery, 8218 Bright's Way, Chapel Hill. Sat & Sun I Iam-6pm & by appt. 933-6999, www.dirtroadgallery.net

How HighThe Moon - New abstract and figurative paintings by Carrboro artist Maggi Grace. Through Dec 1 at Tonali Restaurant, 3642 Shannon Rd, Durham. 489-8000.

#### **Pittsboro**

tham county artists. Through Dec I. Reeves Gallery, Pittsboro Memo-rial Library, 158 West St, Pittsboro. Mon-Fri I0am-6pm (Tue 8pm), Sat 9am-5pm. 542-3524, www.pitts-barolibramfrigada art

Cake – A photographic retrospec-Cake – A photographic recrospec-tive of 10 years of wedding cakes. Through Dec. 31. Missy McLamb Gallery, 2000 Fearrington Village Center, Pittsboro, 755-1117, Mon-Sat 10am-5pm.

#### Hillsborough

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 $12 \times 12$  by Fifteen – A show of small works in many different media by the Hillsborough Gallery of Arts' member artists. Through Nov 17. Opening reception Fri, Oct 26 from 6-9pm. 121-D N Churton St, Hillsborough. 732-5001, www.HillsboroughGallery.com

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



Works by Heather Delisle are available at the Hillsborough Gallery of Arts.

Oil Paintings & Jewelry by David Sovero – Simplistic geometric forms with layers of rich color. Handmade jewelry. Ongoing. Sovero Art Gal-lery & Studio, 121 N Churton St, Hillsborough. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm.

## **Music Calendar**

Local

**★**506 **★** 

Wednesday

**Dexter & The** 

**New Romans** 

and Evil Weiner

play the 506 at 10

p.m. Free show!

Happy

Halloween!



Chatham County Line brings bluegrass to the Cat's Cradle Thursday niaht.

#### **THURSDAY OCT 25**

Blue Horn Lounge: Blue Diablo. 10pm

Cat's Cradle: Chatham County Line, Luego. 8pm. \$10 The Cave: The Adult Film Makers, Coffin Bound, Stone Figs.

9pm General Store Café: Jazz with The Second Third. 8:30pm Local 506: The Broken West, The Whigs, Wild Sweet Orange. 9pm. \$10 Nightlight: Suffering Bastard, Boyzone, USA Baby, The Ghost of Saturday Nite. 9:30pm. \$6

Reservoir: SNMNMNM, Juan Prophet Organization.

#### **FRIDAY OCT 26**

Blue Horn Lounge: Randy Whitt & Anthony Lener. 10pm <u>Cat's Cradle</u>: Stars, Magnet. 8:30pm. SOLD OUT The Cave: Spider Bags, The Coat Hangers, Beat Beat Beat. 9pm

General Store Café: Sally Morgan & Peter Sharpe. 8:30pm Local 506: Johnette Napolitino. 9:30pm.\$15

Nightlight: Veer Right Young Pastor, Attached Hands. 10pm Open Eye Café: Nikki Talley. 8pm

Open Eye Café: Pawnshop Roses. 8pm

#### **SUNDAY OCT 28**

Cat's Cradle: She Wants Revenge, Kenna, The Start. 7:30pm. \$15 The Cave: Thursday's Child. Local 506: Say Hi (To Your Mom), The Velvet Teen, A-Sides. 9pm. \$8 Weaver Street Market: The Jeff Brown Quartet. I I am

#### **MONDAY OCT 29**

Blue Horn Lounge: Open Mic Talent Contest. 9pm Cat's Cradle: Lucero, Avail, Bobby Bare Jr., Smoke or Fire, Whiskey & Co. 7pm. \$14 The Cave: Jeff Miller w/ The

Grips. Local 506: Scout Niblett, Picastro, Middle Distance Runner. 9pm. \$8

#### **TUESDAY OCT 30**

The ArtsCenter: Robert Fripp & The League of Crafty Guitarists. 8:30pm. \$25 Cat's Cradle: Shout Out Louds, Iohnossi, Nico Vega. 8pm. \$12 The Cave: Early: Open Mic Comedy w/ Mal Ice. Late: Dexter Romweber.

Local 506: 506 Music Trivia

Abstract Paintings by Nathaniel Quinn – Through Nov I at Open Eye Café. 101 S Greensboro St, Carrboro. Mon-Sat 7am-IIpm (Fri & Sat midnight), Sun 8am-11pm. 968-9410, www.openeyecafe.com

The Randomness of Vision - New and old works by Cat Moleski. 3 distinct bodies of work created over a 7-year period. Through Dec 2. Panzanella, corner of Weaver & Greensboro St, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro. 929-6626, www.panzanella.

From China - by Nerys Levy. The ArtsCenter, East End Gallery, November 2 - 30, 2007 Public Reception: Friday, November 9, 6 –9 Miriam Sagasti's depictions of Peru will be on display.

Considerations – Acrylic paintings by Lynne Clarke. Through Oct 31 at Cup A Joe. 1129 Weaver Dairy Rd, Timberlyne Shopping Center, Chapel Hill. 967-2002

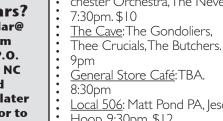
Paintings by Vieni Pawloski -Through Oct 31. Crook's Corner, 610 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Tue-Sun 5:30-9:30pm, Sun 10:30am-2pm. 929-7643, www.crookscorner.com

A Fairly Large Predicament - Largescale charcoal drawings by Ethan Murrow portraying turn of the cenContemporary copper work by Shelly Swan - Through Nov I. Fusions Art & Fine Craft Gallery, 53 Hillsboro St, Pittsboro. 260-9725, www.pittsboroshops.com/fusions. htm

Chatham Moonlight - One of nationally recognized artist Sally Sutton's paintings on display at the new Carolina Brewery and Grill in Chatham County. Sutton's collection of landscapes, gardenscapes and koi ponds will be on display through the end of November. Artist's reception: Sunday, Nov 4, 3-4:30pm. www.chathamartistsguild.org

New and Returning Artists - Featuring artwork from local Cha732-3056, www.soveroart.com.

Got an event you'd like to see in our calendars? email us at: calendar@ carrborocitizen.com or drop us a line: P.O. Box 248, Carrboro NC 27510. Please send calendar items no later than one week prior to publication.



Local 506: Matt Pond PA, Jesca Hoop. 9:30pm. \$12 Nightlight: Curtains of Night,

Avec, Problems. 10pm. \$5



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The Orange County Artist Guild presents their 13<sup>th</sup> annual juried Studio Tour. Explore beautiful Orange County, NC where over 60 artists, working in a wide array of media, open their studios to the public. Experience the excitement of viewing and purchasing artwork where it is made and developing relationships with the artists.

Opening Reception - Friday October 26, 5 to 7 pm at the ArtsCenter, 300G East Main Street, Carrboro. Meet the artists on the Tour and see examples of their work.

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**SATURDAY OCT 27** 

Night. 7pm. Free! Nightlight: Pagan Spook Festival. Blue Horn Lounge: The Second Experience. 10pm 9:30pm Cat's Cradle: Annuals, Manchester Orchestra, The Never. WEDNESDAY OCT31 Blue Horn Lounge: Bill West.

9pm Cat's Cradle: Nada Surf, Sea Wolf, Barghest. 8pm. \$17 The Cave: Dead Celebrity Party w/ Kitty Box & The Johnnys, HWLY. General Store Café: Emaline Delapaix. 8pm Local 506: Dexter and the New Romans, Evil Wiener. 10pm. Free! Reservoir: Fanzig, Misfits tribute band. Vespa: The Blake Tedder Show. 10:30pm

#### THURSDAY NOV |

The ArtsCenter: Charanga Carolina with Eduardo de Souza's Holy Samba. 8:30pm. \$14 Blue Horn Lounge: Mark Wells & Jil Christensen. 9pm Cat's Cradle: The Bravery, Straylight Run. 8pm. \$15 The Cave: Early: The Two Man Gentleman Band. Late: Eric Sommer. General Store Café: Jazz with the Second Third. 8pm Local 506: Holly Golightly & The Broke-Offs, Malamondos. 9pm.\$10 Nightlight: None One, Hazflo, Adam Rottin, The Loud Silence Ghost Dog, Snipes. 9:30pm. \$6

#### UPCOMING

Friday, Nov 2: The Latecomers w/ Stormfront. Early show at The Cave. Sunday, Nov 11: L in Japanese Dance Party. 9pm-midnite at Cat's Cradle. Tickets \$8 in advance, \$10 day of show.

# **FWS**

## **News Briefs**

#### **Rabies in Mebane**

A raccoon and a skunk found in Orange County last week tested positive for rabies at the State Laboratory of Public Health.

The raccoon was found dead in a yard near Mill Creek Road and High Rock Road in Mebane after the resident discovered that one of his two dogs' ears was bleeding. Although the dogs were current on their rabies vaccinations, they had to receive rabies booster shots, which is required within 72 hours of suspected rabies exposure.

The skunk was found running around a yard in northern Orange County near Highway 57 and Highway 157. The resident trapped the skunk in a cat carrier and submitted it to animal control because of possible contact with her three cats and three dogs, which received rabies booster shots.

So far this year, Orange County Animal Services has received 18 positive rabies tests. Public health officials believe the state is on the upside of a raccoon rabies cycle. If any possible exposure to a raccoon, fox or bat is suspected, contact Animal Control at 245-2075 or call 911.

#### Hillsborough passenger rail

The Orange County Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday voted unanimously to pursue a passenger rail service stop in Hillsborough.

The Hillsborough Train Stop Citizen's Group had requested that the board formally seek passenger rail service for Hillsborough. The group presented a petition with 366 signatures asking AMTRAK, the Special Transit Advisory Committee, the NC Department of Transportation, North Carolina Railroad, Orange County Government, Hillsborough Town Government, Triangle Transit Authority and other agencies to work together toward establishing a train stop in Hillsborough.

Commissioner Mike Nelson said he thought the train stop was "a great idea," but he would like to ensure that the bus service from Chapel Hill-Carrboro to Hillsborough would connect directly with the train stop.

The board will research the establishment of this stop, including possible locations in Hillsborough.

#### **UNC** to host national SCALE conference

UNC will play host to the national conference of the Student Coalition for Action in Literacy Education (SCALE) this Friday and Saturday, October 26 and 27.

The conference is titled "Read. Write. Act." It will bring together attendees from campuses around the country for a weekend of workshops and networking on social justice and civic engagement toward creating more participatory literacy programs.

Workshop topics will include literacy and diversity, literacy policy and advocacy, developing effective writing programs and using technology to enhance literacy.

Keynote speaker will be Ami Dar, executive director of Action Without Borders.

SCALE's mission is to mobilize and support college students and campus-based programs to address the nation's literacy needs. Through a dynamic partnership between campuses and communities, SCALE develops leaders to become agents of social change.

To learn more, go to http://readwriteact.org/conference/ registration.html.



#### LAKE LEVELS

## Most Carrboro apartments have no sprinklers

By KATE NEWNAM

Carrboro Commons, Editor

Week after week, the Carrboro Fire-Rescue Department takes the time to go out into the community and stress the importance of fire safety and prevention. And week after week, the information goes in one ear and out the other of many of the people they are trying to educate.

"We go out there, and most [people] don't take it serious because they think it won't happen to them," said Carrboro Fire Chief Travis Crab-

Yet it did happen to the residents of the G building of Colonial Village at Highland Hills. Early in the morning of Sept. 30, tenants awoke to their apartment building quickly being consumed by flames and smoke.

"G-2, they were woken by a neighbor banging on their door, and said the time was 1:38 then," said Crabtree. "We didn't even get [the call and] dispatched until 1:59."

By the time the fire department received the call at 1: 59 - 21 minutes after the blaze was first discovered — four units of the building were already aflame. Firefighters arrived on the scene only four minutes after getting the call. Crabtree said, "That was all in the a.m., so luckily there was no traffic or lights to slow us down. So that's about as good as we can do."

Why had it taken so long for the fire department to get the call?

"I think the residents were in such shock that it was actually happening that time just got away from them," Crabtree said.

When the fire was finally contained, an entire building lay in ruins, one woman was dead and two residents were sent to the hospital after jumping to safety from their apartment.

In the aftermath of such a devastating event, the importance of fire safety precautions is fresh in the minds of Carrboro residents and those who protect them. The absence of a sprinkler system in the Highland Hills building

has led many apartment dwellers to check up on the safety measures in place in their own buildings and develop their own fire plans. Crabtree's advice to the public: Don't as-

sume protection is there.

Multifamily homes con-

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structed prior to 1981 were not required to build in automatic sprinkler systems. This includes the majority of Carrboro apartment complexes. According to Crabtree, most of the apartments in town that do have them are ones that were rebuilt after similar fire tragedies.

Although lacking sprinklers, the complexes do have smoke alarms and fire safety plans.

Dan Vogel, manager of the Chateau Apartments on Hwy. 54, said the staff checks the smoke alarms every 90 days and replaces them every three years. After the fire, they walked through and checked windows to make sure they opened properly and made notes telling residents not to block their windows. They also encourage tenants to purchase renter's insurance to cover some costs in the event that there is a fire or other damage.

"We keep brochures here in the office and really do try to tell them that \$20,000 worth of insurance usually won't cost more than \$200 a year," said Vogel. "You try to push it, but in the end it's up to the individual.'

Of the 12 occupied units in the Highland Hills building, Crabtree knew of only one that was covered by renter's insurance.

"It won't replace like for like, but at least it's something," he said.

A tenant of the Brewer Lane apartments, UNC-Chapel Hill student Aaron Alexander, said he had never heard about renter's insurance from his apartment management. Like many in the area, the complex requires their residents to be responsible for their own insurance and fire safety.

"We have to check our smoke alarms on our own, so after I heard about the fire







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use in case doors are blocked.

They are available at most

hardware stores and come in

different lengths depending

clearly visible to fire personnel

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boro Fire-Rescue Department,

visit their website at www.car-

Kate Newnam is a UNC-CH

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Firefighters sift through the remains of the Highland Hills Apartment Complex. It did not have sprinklers because, like many other Carrboro apartment complexes, it was built before they were required.

it reminded me to make sure they were working," said Alexander. "I was definitely not concerned before."

Crabtree encourages everyone to be proactive in their safety measures. Some measures to take are:

• Have a fire plan and be sure to include a secondary means of evacuation.

• Be sure smoke alarms are working. They should be tested every month and batteries should be changed every six months. Any alarm more than ten years old should be replaced.

· Purchase a fire extinguisher and know how to use it.

• If not on the ground floor, buy a rope ladder for



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**Dan Ryon** 

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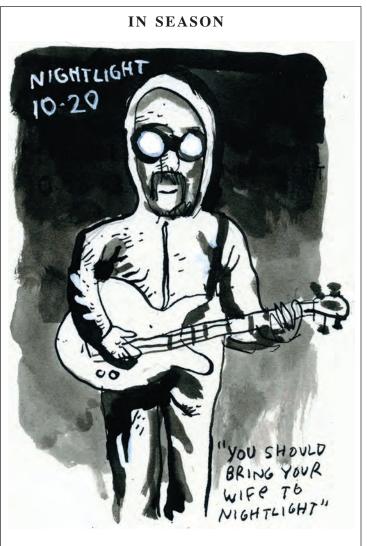


Tiny white flowers and green berries on pink stems are present on poke from early summer through mid-fall.

#### **FLORA** FROM PAGE I

to the sheer beauty of the plant, it is edible, it is poisonous and it is medicinal. Wish I had the space to relate my annual conversation with a friend who collects the dried berries by the pint jars and carries them to her 90-year-old aunt, who concocts a special tea to relieve the pains of arthritis and rheumatism. But don't you try it until you know what you're doing!

Poke stories abound. Some notable ones from the local folks were recorded years ago



by local legend Paul Green, in his Paul Green Word Book, repeated recently in the colorful Paul Green's Plant Book. Check out the wild story about poke as a poison ivy cure. I suspect you won't try the cure, but you will never forget the tale.

#### Chatham bans all outdoor watering

Chatham County is banning all outdoor watering with county-supplied water, including the use of drip irrigation. The ban is effective October 29.

The upgraded restrictions apply primarily to northeastern county users served by Jordan Lake. Chatham users served by Siler City water follow seperate restrictions. The county's restrictions do not apply to Cary's water users who live in Chatham County, but Cary is also banning nearly all outdoor watering as of Nov. 1.

Customers can use a handheld watering can or bucket to take care of urgent situations. They also can use private wells or recycled county water, such as water captured in rain barrels, to water plants.

County water customers should note that they will not receive any warnings for violating restrictions before penalties are issued. A first offense is a \$250 fine, the second offense at \$500. A third viola-

### **In Brief**

#### Market hours shift

The Carrboro Farmers' Market will open an hour later for the rest of the season due to the cold. The market will now open at 8 a.m. instead of 7. The change is effective Saturday, November 3rd. This week's market (October 27) will still open at 7.

#### **Drought workshop**

Orange County will hold an informational workshop entitled "Dealing with the Drought" for well water users in rural areas tonight (Thursday) at 7.

Speakers will present an update and forecast on the drought situation, information about wells and water production in Piedmont North Carolina geology, how to use sustainable landscaping practices and other basic tips on conserving ground water.

The workshop will be held at the Orange Grove Volunteer Fire Department on Orange Grove Road in Bingham Township. For more information, contact David Stancil, Environment and Resource Conservation director, at 245-2590 or dstancil@co.orange. nc.us.

#### **UNC** sustainability

UNC will hold a Campus Sustainability Day event on Friday, October 26 at the James M. Johnston Center in Graham Memorial, on Franklin Street. Attendees can expect refreshments and the opportunity to try out a Segway people mover.

At 9 a.m., Chancellor James Moeser will be presented with this year's campus sustainability report. At noon, State Senator Janet Cowell will speak on green legislation in North Carolina. The event will last from

#### Carrboro FARMERS' MARKE locally grown 🤜 nationally known what's at the market October 27

#### Arugula, bok choy, broccoli raab, broccoli, bush beans broad, green and yellow wax, green and purple Chinese long varieties, and haricot vert; field beans and peas black eye, butter, lady, and purple eye hull; celeriac, edamame, eggplant, fennel, garlic, grapes - scuppernongs and

- oyster and shiitake; okra - red and green varieties, on-

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Among projects at UNC are five buildings built with Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certifications, solar panels at the Morrison residence hall and academic programs geared towards the pursuit of sustainability.

#### OWASA workshop

To help people learn more about water conservation using the principles and practices of Sustainable Landscaping, OWASA is sponsoring a series of public workshops.

The last of the workshops will be held Tuesday. Sustainable Landscaping (Management): October 30 10-11:30 a.m. or 7-8:30 p.m.

The workshops will be in the Community Room on the lower floor of the OWASA Administration Building, 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro.

The workshop is free but

## **Farmers' Markets**

Hillsborough Farmers' Market Carrboro Farmers' Market 301 W. Main Street SunTrust Bank 128 N Churton Carrboro, NC 27510 St, Hillsborough. 732-8315. October 27, 2007, Saturdays, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. 7 - Noon Continues through Oct. 27. Nov 3 - Dec 22, 2007, 8 - Noon. Fearrington Village Farmers' Market Pittsboro Farmers' Market (8 miles south of Chapel Hill Chatham County Fairgrounds, on US 15-501) Fearrington Village. 542-4000. Pittsboro. Thursdays, 3:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 4 p.m. Continues through Nov. 29. Continues through Nov. 20.

pre-registration is required.

For more information contact

Paula Thomas, OWASA Sus-

tainability Administrator, 537-

The Carolina Farm Stew-

ardship Association will hold

its 22nd Sustainable Agricul-

ture Conference from Novem-

ber 9-11. The weekend will

include exhibits, farm tours, meals, social events and more.

Ongoing events include a seed

exchange and a silent auction.

Workshops will address such

topics as "How to start an

organic farm" and "Weeds:

Good, Bad and Invasive." It

will be held at the Durham

Marriott, 201 Foster Street.

Full information can be found

at www.carolinafarmstewards.

org/sac07/index.html.

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Farm conference



Saturdays, November 3 - Dec. 22, 7 a.m. - Noon

rieties; potatoes and sweet potatoes, pumpkins, radishes, squash - summer and winter varieties; green tomatoes, ripe tomatoes - Big Beef, Juliet, and Sungolds are just a few varieties available; turnips, vegetable and herb seedlings, bedding and landscape plants, cut flowers, succulent houseplants; pastured-based meats - beef, buffalo, chicken (limited quantities) goat, lamb, pork; charcuterie: bacon, bratwurst, breakfast sausage, chorizo, country ham, hot dogs, hot and sweet italian sausage; eggs, fresh and aged cow's milk and goat's milk cheeses, pecans, pickles, jams, jellies, wine, prepared foods, and crafts. \*Produce availability dependent on weather conditions

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muscadines; greens: chards, collards, frisee, Italian dandetion means that the county will lion, kale, mustard, mizuna, pea shoots, and turnip; herb take steps to shut off water bunches - basil, cilantro, dill, and parsley; kohlrabli, leeks, lettuces: baby mix, green and red leaf, frisee, and hydroponic lettuce - bibb, red oak, and lolla rosa; mushrooms

#### ions - yellow, green, and red; peppers - hot and sweet varecipe of the week

#### Melted Greens from Sheri Castle of Creative Cooking with Sheri Castle

\*Available at market

#### Ingredients

- 6 ounces pancetta or bacon\*, diced
- I medium onion\*, finely diced
- I small carrot\*, diced
- 3 cloves garlic\*
- 3 to 4 cups chicken broth
- 3 bunches kale, chard or collards\* (about 2 pounds), washed, stemmed and shredded
- 2 teaspoons salt
- I/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon dried red chili flakes (optional)

#### Procedure

I. Cook the pancetta in a large, heavy pot over medium heat until it renders its fat and the meat is crispy, about 10 minutes. Transfer the meat with a slotted spoon to a paper towel to drain, leaving the

- drippings in the pan.
  - 2. Add the onion, carrots, garlic and broth and cook, covered, stirring occasionally, until the vegetables are completely soft, but not browned, about 10 minutes.
  - 3. Add the kale, salt and stock to the pot and stir well. Cook, covered, over medium heat until the kale is very tender, about 45 minutes.
  - 4. Remove the lid, increase the heat to high and boil until the liquid reduces by half, but the kale isn't dry, about 15 minutes.
  - 5. Season to taste with salt, pepper, and chili flakes.
  - 6. Serve warm, sprinkled with the reserved pancetta, if you wish.
  - 7. To Serve: Place roasted squash on a platter, drizzle with warm chilli oil, and garnish with toasted squash seeds.



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## **Community Briefs**

#### Rabies vaccine

Orange County Animal Services will offer low-cost rabies vaccination clinics in Chapel Hill and Hillsborough on Saturday.

The clinics will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Orange County Animal Shelter on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard in Chapel Hill and at the Government Center Annex on South Cameron Street in Hillsborough.

The vaccination fee is \$5 and must be paid in cash. If possible, pet owners should bring their pets' most recent vaccination certificates. Dogs must be on leashes and cats must be in carriers.

Under state law, if a pet is not current on its rabies vaccination and comes into contact with a rabid animal, it must be quarantined for six months or destroyed.

For more information,

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#### visit www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/rabies.asp or call 245-2075.

#### Anti-execution awards

People of Faith Against the Death Penalty next week will present awards to the United Church of Chapel Hill and Chapel Hill resident David Work for their efforts to abolish the death penalty.

Work will receive the group's community service award, while United Church will received the faith in action award at the organization's banquet on November 3.

Work served as executive director of the NC Board of Pharmacy for 30 years, and raised concerns about the chemicals used in lethal injections.

United Church has hosted meetings of PFADP and led efforts to abolish the death

Cedar Court.

"Two hours into a hotly debated meeting, we all voted to be proactive and 'Carrboroesque' to try and save water first by using the recommendations on the OWASA brochure," Aylward said.

It all started because Aylward, an accountant, wanted to save money - not water — and she went to the water source, where the information on how to spend less money by using less water was readily available, and where she

received free aerators for 50 showers and learned the importance of water conservation

Wine fundraiser

The Dispute Settlement

Center is hosting a wine tast-

ing at The Franklin Hotel on

Tuesday, November 13, 2007

from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Par-

ticipants may sample 20 fine

wines selected by A Southern

Season complemented by hors

d'oeuvres donated by various

for two and can be purchased

at www.disputesettlement.org

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ter by calling Julie at 929-8800,

ext 10 or jpotts@disputesettle-

ment.org. Tickets will also be

Center is a nonprofit that has

provided mediation and fa-

cilitation services for nearly 30

years. DSC promotes effective

communication between teens

and their parents, organizes

peer mediation programs and

conducts mediations between

juveniles and their victims.

The Dispute Settlement

available at the event.

Tickets are \$30 each or \$50

local restaurants.

A water company giving away aerators so it will receive less money?

OWASA may be the very essence of "Carrboro-esque."

Learn more in Nov. 4's Chapel Hill News in the real estate section.

Want to pass along a story idea? Contact Valarie Schwartz at 923-3746 or valariekays@ mac.com.

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#### **Community Calendar**

#### Got an event you'd like to see in our calendars? email us at: calendar@carrborocitizen.com or drop us a line: P.O. Box 248, Carrboro NC 27510. Please send calendar items no later than one week prior to publication.

#### **Special Events**

"Meditations to Pacify & Clear the Mind" - Half day meditation retreat. Gen Kelsang Tilopa guides participants in meditations that make the mind free from day to day distractions & concerns. Sat, Oct 27, 10am-Ipm. \$30. Kosala Mahayana Buddhist Center, 605 W Main St, Ste 206, Carrboro. 967-1861, meditationinchapelhill. org.

Southern Ice - Acclaimed international flute soloist, recording and artist photographer highlights his trip to Antarctica in this visual, musical, and narrative presentation. Sun, Oct 28 at the Seymour Center, 3pm. 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill. For more info, contact Susan at sstrobel@nc.rr. com.

Community Pet Memorial Service - Artwork and memorial service in honor of deceased pets. Sun, Nov 4, 3:30pm. The Carrboro Century Center, 100 N Greensboro St, Carrboro. 918-7385.

#### Kids

Toddler Time - This week's feature: Get ready for Halloween with some fun, not-so-spooky kids' stories! Thu, Oct 25, 4pm at the Carrboro Branch Library. All toddlers are invited to this free program. For more info, call 969-3006.

Town of Chapel Hill Fall Northside Carnival -Gymnasium at Hargraves Community Center, 216 N Roberson St, Chapel Hill. Fri, Oct 27, 7-9pm. Featuring fun activities for the whole family (recommended age for activities is 6-10 years). For more info, call 969-6961.

Halloween Preschool Story Time – The Carrboro Branch Library will host a special Halloween story time event on Sat, Oct 27 at 10:30am. All preschoolers are invited to come and wear their costumes! For more info, call the library at 969-3006.

Pam Beck. Sunday, Nov 4 at 2pm at the Friday Center for Continuing Education, Chapel Hill. Reception to follow. Offered by the NC Botanical Garden. Please call 962-0522 to reserve a seat.

Contact Improv Workshops - Learn the basics of contact improv. Sundays, 12:30-2pm at the Balanced Movement Studio; \$12. Call Erika at 384-6092 to register. Dates are Oct 28, Nov 4, Dec 2 and Dec 9. All classes will focus on the fundamentals but each will be different.

#### Health

Cancer Awareness Month - A series of lectures will be held throughout the month of October at the UNC Wellness Center at classroom Meadowmont, III. Free and open to the public. For more info or to register, call 966-5500.

Compassion & Choices of Central NC – The Facts on VRFF: Voluntary Refusal of Food and Fluids. Sun, Nov 4, 2-4pm. Judea Reform Congregation, 1931 W Cornwallis Rd, Durham. Lecture is free and open to the public. For more info, call 419-1373.

Peer Connections Be Well! Be Fit! Meeting will be on Thursday, Oct. 25th, 5:30 -7:00 pm at the Carrboro Town Hall. Call 942-5602 or email peerconnections@ yahoo.com

#### Museums

& Digital Planetarium Theater Shows - Science Ongoing. LIVE Demos. Morehead Planetarium, 250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236, tickets 843-7997. Thu-Sat I0am-5pm, 6:30-9:15pm. Tickets \$5.25; \$4.25 seniors, students & children. For more info, visit www. moreheadplanetarium.org.

#### Theater

students \$10. DSI Comedy Theater, 200 N Greensboro St, Ste B-11, Carr Mill Mall Carrboro. 338-8150, www. dsicomedytheater.com.

Student Showcase - Shows by DSI students & local high school teams. Sundays at 7:30pm, \$5. DSI Comedy Theater, 200 N Greensboro St, Ste B-11, Carr Mill Mall Carrboro. 338-8150, www. dsicomedytheater.com.

#### Film

**CHICLE Movie & Discussion**  The Belonging: A human story of hope and home longing and belonging. A war-torn Palestinian family's loss and displacement. Free and open to the public. Sun Oct 28 at 5pm. CHICLE 101 E Weaver St, 3rd floor Carrboro. 933-0398, www. chi-cle.com.

Son of Man – Politically charged retelling of the story of lesus set in contemporary South Africa. One of the more recent films to depict Christ as African American Thursday, Nov I at 7pm in the Sonja Haynes Stone Center Theatre, UNC Campus. For more info call 962-9001.

Unlocking the Heart of Adoption – Bridging the gap between birth and adoptive families. Free documentary screening presented by the NC Coalition for Adoption Reform and the Triangle Adoption Support Group Sunday, Nov 4, 6-8pm at the Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Room 3. Please RSVP nccar@ mindspring.com.

The Business of Being Born - Documentary screening that questions how most American women have babies Tue, Nov 13 at the William B Aycock Family Medicine Bldg at Manning Dr & Hwy 15-501. Open house reception at 6:30pm, movie starts at 7, panel discussion to follow \$5 donation requested For more info, visit www. thebusinessofbeingborn.

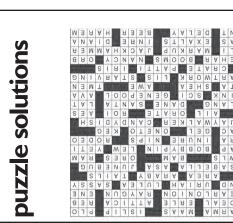


## pets of the week



ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Meet Preston! This handsome lab mix is around a year old and ready to find a place to call home. year old and ready to find a place to call home. He is a really gentle boy that is extremely well behaved and seems to interact well with peo-ple and other dogs. He walks nicely on a leash, doesn't jump and is quite calm and polite for a pup his age. You won't find another one this perfect, so don't miss out! Come see him at Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill, or call 967-7383. You can also see him online at www.co.orange.nc.us/ani-malservices/adoption.asp. malservices/adoption.asp.

APS OF ORANGE COUNTY — Hi, my name is Jack and I'm a 1.5-year-old male. I'm a funny little guy who's housebroken and good with kitties. When I meet new people, I like to talk in my doggie voice to tell you how things have been going around here. I like to play (check out my cute play bow!) and get my belly rubbed, pretty much like most dogs. You mean to tell me you can actually resist this FACE? To visit me or any of my friends, go to www.animalprotectionsociety.org or call 304-2300. APS, 6311 Nicks Rd., Mebane.



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The Amazing Castle - Handson exhibit welcomes children to step back in time & experience life in a medieval castle. Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. 933-1455, www. kidzuchildrensmuseum.

org. Tue-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 1-5pm. \$4 ages 2+; memberships available.

Sunflower Garden Classes - For parents & children, birth to age 3. Creative play, healthy snacks, songs, simple crafts, child development & parenting discussions and more. Tuesdays through Nov 20 or Friday's through Nov 16. \$100-\$140, sliding scale fee available. Contact Lauren at 968-7721 or mills.lauren@ gmail.com.

#### Volunteers

Goathouse Cat Refuge Seeks volunteers to help with rescued cats & kittens. For more info, call Bonny at 545-2825 or email her at rooze@ipass.net.

#### **Classes & Lectures**

Aging 101 - An 8-part series for boomers and beyond. Upcoming sessions: Oct 29, Essential Legal Documents; Nov 5, Long-Term Care Financial Planning. 7-8:30pm at the Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill. All sessions are free. For more info or to register, call 968-2080.

Free Horticulture Lecture - Winter Interest in the Landscape: An illustrated presentation by garden writer, designer, and photographer

A Lesson From Aloes - Three longtime friends, split apart by the apartheid regime, meet for dinner amid suspicion that one of them is a traitor to their revolutionary cause. Through Nov 10. Deep Dish Theater, University Mall, 201 S Estes Dr, Chapel Hill. 968-1515, www.deepdishtheater. org.

Surviving Pearl - A saga of the relationship between a young lewish man and his mother by David Roth; OffCenter. Fri, Oct 26 at 8pm and Sun, Oct 28 at 3pm. \$15; students \$7. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, www.artscenterlive.org.

#### Dance

Ballroom Dancing - 4th & 5th Thursdays at the Seymour Center, 7-9:30pm, \$2. 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill, 968-2070 or 933-8982.

Clogging - Free classes! 7:30-8:30pm Mondays, through Nov 19 at the Chapel Hill Teen Center, 179 E Franklin St. Dance to real live old time music, no partner or experience needed. For more info, call Elizabeth at 306-0951 or visit www.applechillcloggers.org.

Contra - Bring clean, softsoled shoes; no partner needed, lesson 7:30. First Saturday of every month, 8-II p.m. \$8, 932-6050, www. TCDancers.org. Carrboro Century Center, 100 N Greensboro St, Carrboro, 918-7385.

#### Comedy

Best Show Ever - All-star showcase featuring a rotating lineup of DSI's finest improv teams.Saturdays,9:30pm.\$12, com www. or trianglebirthnetwork.org/ BboB.html.

#### Literary/Open Mic

John Santa - Bluegrass is My Second Language. Fri, Oct 26 8:30pm. Market Street Books Southern Village, 610 Market St, Chapel Hill. 933-5111 www.marketstreetbooks. com.

Sex & Culture Discussion Naked on the Internet by Audacia Ray. Thu, Nov I, 6:30pm. Internationalist Books, 405 W Franklin St Chapel Hill. 942-1740, www. internationalistbooks.org.

Being More Intense British Romantic Writers in the Rare Book Collection – Through Dec 31. UNC Campus: Wilson Library, 201 South Rd, Chapel Hill.

Poets Open Mic - Listen to local poets or read from your works. Ist Tuesday of every month. Info: 918-7364. Open Eye Cafe, 101 S Greensboro Carrboro. 968-9410 St, www.openeyecafe.com.

Poetry Workshop - Explore the work of published poets for inspiration and receive friendly group feedback on poems in progress Wednesdays, 6-8pm. Through Nov 14. Market Street Books Southern Village, 610 Market St, Chapel Hill. 933-5111 www.marketstreetbooks. com.

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

## For the Record

# The Governor's challenge — and yours

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This may come as a surprise, but elsewhere in this country there are large metropolitan areas existing in relatively arid climates that are not witnessing an almost daily chiding from elected officials, columnists and community leaders about their squanderous use of water.

Here, though, we are experiencing said chiding and rightly so. We haven't yet thoroughly learned the lessons of 2002, nor fully processed the warnings that our climate is shifting and some parts of this land are destined to be drier and warmer than we're used to.

Gov. Mike Easley has asked the entire state to try to cut its water use in half — a laudable goal, but one that's sure to flummox a culture based on the idea that the stuff is relatively limitless and that a lush, green lawn is a God-given right.

And while we're quick to point to our community as environmentally progressive, the fact is the only thing we've been able to do better here in southern Orange County is plan a little more ahead and get a little more out in front of conservation than some of our neighbors.

But take this conserve water thing to heart and change our lifestyles? Well, what's happened, pardon the analogy, is just a drop in the bucket compared to what we'll need to do in both the short and long term.

Short term, it is time to just plain stop watering anything outdoors unless you're doing it by hand and even then being sparing abut it. The spell of rains we've had this week has added only a few days of water to a supply that's dwindled already down to barely enough to keep us all bathed and quenched for another 175 days.

With a *La Nina* predicted, and with that a greater likelihood of a drier than normal winter, that's not a lot in the kitty. As this paper has preached ad nauseam, every drop saved now is a drop we'll have next summer.

Long term, it's time to take another hard look at the major water users and uses and the projected growth rate of the area and see what we're getting into.

The university, for instance, draws a large amount into its chiller system and power plant. And with Carolina North on the immediate horizon — and with it another power-generating plant and a large array of buildings — there's an additional challenge. New technologies and recycled water will help, but you have to wonder what the water supply would be if we had those few million more square feet of air-conditioned comfort to support.

Further still, is the buildout to the edge of our urban services boundary — a long-agreedupon line beyond which utilities won't pass and from there the gradual increase of density in the urban cores. We may not be sprawling as much as other places, but we're still adding people and demand at a pretty good clip. OWASA has a long record of solid planning and a proactive approach to providing an adequate and safe water supply. But just as the utility and the governments in the areas it serves had to regroup and rethink after the last severe drought, there's a need to reconsider the rules and the plans as a result of this one. Part of this may be an acceleration of new conservation requirements and new technologies and considering, as one OWASA official put it in a recent meeting, joining forces with other jurisdictions to put "a straw in Jordan Lake." But the biggest part of preventing a parched future is changing how we think about using water and then taking action to use less — a lot less.



INION

## **The Working Man**

#### LEE SMITH

Writer Lee Smith celebrated the life of her son, the late Josh Seay, when she addressed the Caramore Community and friends at their Client Achievement Celebration last year. She spoke of Josh's debilitating mental illness and early attempts to find stability. The support of his family and professionals and his participation in Caramore's residential and vocational programs ultimately led to a more satisfied, productive life marked by his pride in being a "working man."

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month. The Caramore Community, on Smith Level Rd. in Carrboro, has served the interests of the mentally ill since 1976. — Peter Kramer

Though my beloved son Josh Seay died almost three years ago, I am not here tonight to mourn him, but to celebrate his remarkable life, a life made possible in large part by Caramore. The exact cause of Josh's death was "acute myocardiopathy," the collapse of an enlarged heart in his sleep. Josh was 34; for half his life, he had battled a brain disorder which first struck at 17, while he was in Boston at the Berklee College of Music summer program.

That's when the hospitalizations began — first, a lengthy stay at Holly Hill in Raleigh, followed by several short heart-breaking tries at normalcy, life back home with us, stints at local schools — then off to long-term care at Highland Hospital in Asheville where he lived for four years, sometimes in the hospital itself, sometimes in a special house on the grounds, sometimes in an apartment with participation in their day program. For a while he was better, then not. Then *really* not. We brought him back to UNC Neurosciences Hospital, where several doctors told us he was so ill that he would never ever live outside a hospital again, and referred him to Dorothea Dix. But then Josh's luck changed: once he got to Dix, they put him into their test program for the brand new wonder drug Clozapine, which had just been legalized in this country.

And up on that beautiful, windy hill overlooking the city of Raleigh, Josh started getting truly better for the first time. Suddenly he could participate in a real conversation: he could make a joke. Yet his life was full and rich and valid and successful and, yes, heroic — as heroic as anybody's on this earth, a special kind of heroism which some of us here share.

lots more coordinated. He began to make friends at the group home, other clients and staff alike friends who would actually last for the rest of his life. He grew more talkative. Now he was filled with stories about activities, arguments, meals, outings and gossip. I realized how *isolating* his illness had been, how good it was for Josh to be in this group situation. Some of his stories were hilarious, like the time the housecleaning crew dared one of their members to jump in the baptismal pool at a local church they were cleaning. When the guy said he'd do it for five bucks, they all chipped in, and he ended up doing it for \$4.11. Josh always called him the "Four-Dollar Christian" after that.

One time Josh asked me whether or not I believed in Jesus, and I said, "Well, yes — but what do you think? Do you believe in Jesus?" Josh thought for a while, then said, "Well, I don't know. Every time I'm in the hospital, there are at least three people in there who think they're Jesus. So sometimes I think, 'Well, maybe Jesus wasn't Jesus at all — maybe he was just the first schizophrenic.""

Josh's sense of humor was coming back.

Before long, Caramore placed him in a job at Carolina Cleaners. At first he was terrified, especially by working the cash register and the computer, so Caramore got a job coach to go to work with him for a while, until he was comfortable with all his tasks. Things settled down. Josh made friends on the job; he made money. He moved into Caramore's supervised Carolina Apartments with a roommate. And best of all, he even got a girlfriend! — also in the Caramore program.

It was about this time that Josh and I were walking along the street and ran into an old family friend who had not seen him for many years. She asked Josh where he was in school.

"Oh, I'm not in school," he said confidently. "I'm

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## Exile on Jones Street Survey of Governance & Policy

#### KIRK ROSS

#### Deal with it

The question is no longer whether the state can deal with a gay candidate running for high federal office. Jim Neal, who announced his run for Senate last month, spent an hour last weekend on BlueNC answering questions about policy, politics and the Senate race. He also plainly and directly answered the question about whether he was gay. His reply went like this:

Subject line: Gay

Text: I am indeed. No secret and no big deal to me -- I wouldn't be running if I didn't think otherwise.

So, now the question is how will this state deal with an openly gay individual running for high federal office. Neal, obviously, is not going to dwell on it and intends to focus on what he would do if elected and on Elizabeth Dole's record as a defender of an administration with an approval rating that rivals Nixon's during the last days of Watergate.

Besides, it's apparent that he's already "dealt" with the fact that he's gay. And, unlike other figures in the state's history, he's candid and comfortable. Now it's everyone else's turn and what remains to be seen is how the rest of the Democratic Party responds, how the press treats the news and how the mudslingers on the right deal with someone who is not trying to dodge things.

Conventional wisdom has GOP strategists licking their chops. Vernon Robinson, who had his lunch consumed regularly in the last election, kept trying to link Rep. Brad Miller to some kind of Bay Area left-wing gay conspiracy. (I'm still trying to follow the dude's logic on that.) And in the twilight of his years, even Jesse Helms, who made any contribution or endorsement of his opponent from the gay community political kryptonite, has acknowledged the damage of his demonizations. Nevertheless, look for prominent Republicans to offer Democrats friendly advice on the subject for the next year. On the Democratic side, there are stories of some campaigns panicked about the effect on the rest of the ticket in eastern NC. There's also a longrunning split among the African-American clergy over gay issues that has been exploited in the past and is likely to be again. Meanwhile, Neal's straightforward acknowledgement has been a breath of fresh air for many Democrats in and out of North Carolina. For some, it's an example of much-needed courage. And the netroots, as one might guess, are a bit blown away that such a story would emanate from the South. And the press? Well, the initial stories have played it pretty straight (pardon the pun), but you can bet the pollsters are redrafting a few question and we'll see stories on the results soon. So a conversation has started — one that we all ought to have had years ago. There's also a higher level of transparency and candor in a business ruled for too long by sleight of hand and coded linguistics. Deal with it.

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It was literally a miracle.

The doctors said he could go home soon, but to our surprise, Josh didn't want to. He loved the hospital, where he had made some friends and played jazz every afternoon on the upright piano they had brought into the dayroom for him. When we attempted to take him off the hospital grounds for dinner at a restaurant or maybe a short visit back home to Chapel Hill, he'd often say, "Well, let's go on back now," when we were only halfway to our destination.

It was a shock for us to realize that Josh had come to identify himself *as a patient*, and only as a patient, pure and simple. And he wanted to remain a patient forever. The last thing he wanted to do was to come home.

But the folks at Dorothea Dix were determined to kick him out, and fast. So in desperation we met with the social workers and looked at whatever programs were then available in the community (and we are lucky to have any at all, I might add — so many communities really don't). We looked at Club Nova, which was just getting started then, and at Caramore, which we had never heard of, and at several day programs.

And then suddenly my father, who was visiting us at the time, weighed in heavily on the subject: "Listen," he said. "He's got to be trained for something. A man's got to have a job." Of course this would be the advice from my dad, a mountain man who had worked every day of his life since he was 11, who would go on to run his dimestore until the age of 85 when he died in the middle of his going-out-of-business sale. "A man's got to have a job," he said.

So we picked Caramore, the only outfit on our list which seemed to offer real vocational rehabilitation training — though at the time, I frankly never thought it would be possible for Josh to ever hold any sort of job again. But to our relief and surprise, Caramore accepted him, and Josh moved into one of their group homes in Chapel Hill, where he started out working with the lawn crew, then the housecleaning business.

At first, it was a complete disaster. Josh kept running away from the job, or "getting lost" somehow between the group home and the job site. Other times he'd just walk off a job and hop a bus down to Franklin Street. Once he hitchhiked back to our house, where he hid in the basement until John and the whole lawn crew came rushing over in hot pursuit, pounding at the door. I didn't even know Josh was down there! They came in, dragged him out, put him in the truck and took him back to work.

After about a month, some significant changes began to occur.

Maybe it was the early wakeup hour — or the rigorous, physically demanding schedule — but Josh began to seem lots more alert, lots more animated, even a working man now."

Of course, I thought. The working man. My father's words rang in my head.

His other friends and roommates similarly identified themselves by their jobs. His best friend said, "I work in the meat department at Weaver Street." His girlfriend said, "I work at the nursing home."

Caramore had given them all an identity — something that their illnesses had taken away.

Work is a *normalizing* experience. It brings skills that we all need in order to be independent — to grow up and away from our own immediate families — another normal experience which illness can rob us of.

Josh also learned to manage his own medication and get to his own doctor appointments. He moved out of supervised housing and into his own apartment.

For the last seven years of his life, Josh worked at Akai Hana Japanese Restaurant in Carrboro. Of course he had a few "tune-ups," as he called them, at Neurosciences from time to time, but other than that he never missed a day of work. Here is what Bob Huneycutt, manager and Josh's boss, said at his funeral:

When Akai Hana opened in 1997, Josh was one of the first employees, a great and loyal worker. For the next seven years, I began every day by going to Akai Hana, and Josh would already be there. He was always the first one there every morning.

"Good morning, Josh," I'd say.

"Good morning, Bob," he would say. "The rice is cooking; the shrimp are thawing, the tuna has just been delivered. Everything is under control." Or, "Everything is good to go." Then later when he was finished with his responsibilities, he would always say, "Goodbye; see you tomorrow."

Josh also played piano at Akai Hana every Saturday night, unique sets which mixed blues and jazz along with his original music. He assembled a tape of his own compositions, which, with signature humor, he entitled "Five Not So Easy Pieces," a title which now strikes me as symbolic of his whole life, which was *not easy*, as he bravely dealt the hand which fate had given him. Yet his life was full and rich and valid and successful and, yes, *heroic* — as heroic as anybody's on this earth, a special kind of heroism which some of us here share. I credit this in large part to Caramore, to the fact that here he learned to manage his illness, to live independently, to relate to people again and most of all to work. It was through Caramore that he became a real "working man."

Local award-winning author Lee Smith's son Josh Seay died October 26, 2004. Peter Kramer is a customer service representative/community planner for the OPC Area Program.

# COMMENTS **CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT LETTERS**

#### Elect Coleman

During the 18 years that I have been privileged to serve as a Carrboro Alderman, I have shared the board table with many dedicated members of our community. Of all of the aldermen I have worked with Dan Coleman, stands out as among the best.

As an alderman I judge my colleagues with a different set of standards than I do as a voting citizen. As a citizen my main concern is that those I vote for to represent me share my values and my goals for our town. The standards I use to judge my fellow aldermen include: coming prepared to board meetings, being actively

involved with and attending the meetings of assigned committees and work groups, treating staff and fellow board members with respect, being mindful that in a democracy, public officials are servants not aristocrats and being true to their word. During my time on the board I served with some fine people with whom I had strong policy disagreements but respected and appreciated as co-workers.

Dan Coleman has earned both my vote as a citizen with his intelligent approach to economic, social and environmental issues and my respect as a colleague whom I can count on to approach his job with integrity and a strong sense of responsibility.

I ask the citizens of Carrboro please to vote for Alderman Dan Coleman so that I may continue to work with him to serve our town.

Jacquelyn Gist Carrboro Alderman

#### Get real

Fellow Carrboro voters: the time has come to make town finances a major part of your thinking about who should get your vote this November. Simple facts: Carrboro has the highest municipal tax rate in the state, its present five-year budget plan requires a 50% increase in that tax rate to maintain bare-bones services, and a group of elected officials (and BOA candidates) is hell-bent to quadruple the planned density in northern Carrboro. If approved, town finances will deteriorate and the tax rate will rise even more because Carrboro-style development raises town costs more than revenues. You can't run your household like that, and Carrboro can't either. I urge you to vote for the candidates who understand the financial ruin that is coming Carrboro's way. Sharon Cook, Katrina Ryan, Brian Voyce and Joal Broun can collectively reverse the path to financial disaster that the mayor and others on the BOA have been blazing. The way forward begins with recognizing the problem: all of these candidates understand how serious the problem is. They also understand that unless Carrboro's mayor and BOA apply common sense and foresight to the town's budget problems, the Carrboro that you know and love won't be that same town in five years. Please do not make the mistake of believing the town can tax its way out of this mess. Take the problem seriously, as these four candidates are, and vote for them on Nov. 6.

Chamber of Commerce for noting that "...Ms. Cook is a strong candidate for Carrboro and Carrboro businesses."

Early voting has begun. Please visit my website at www.CookforCarrboro.org, or Katrina Ryan's website at www.katrinaryan.com for locations and times.

Katrina and I want to help maintain Carrboro's unique charm in the midst of development pressures. We will work in harmony with the school board to plan responsible development to prevent school overcrowding and encourage walkable schools.

We will work to modify current zoning to include commercial development in order to balance existing residential development, especially in northern Carrboro, to provide needed amenities to area residents while keeping local dollars in the local economy.

We will work to promote downtown Carrboro as an arts and entertainment destination, and support the development of local artists and musicians.

Together we will continue to protect Bolin Creek, and limit construction in Carrboro's designated conservation areas, along with connecting northern Carrboro to downtown and Chapel Hill via the Bolin Creek Greenway. And we will work to develop a comprehensive transportation and transit plan for Carrboro to ensure all roads are safe with easily accessed pedestrian and bicycle paths.

Katrina and I will work to keep Carrboro affordable for current and future residents by better managing our financial resources while providing essential municipal services. See you at the polls! Thanks,

Sharon Cook **BOA** Candidate

#### Elect Cook

Sharon Cook is currently a member of the Carrboro Planning Board, and is seeking to further serve the Carrboro community as an alderman.

As a citizen of Carrboro, I know that Sharon has tirelessly served the community for the past 10 years, and has advocated for pedestrian and bicyclist safety, keeping growth in line with infrastructure, preserving our natural environment, and much more. Please join me in voting for Sharon Cook for Carrboro alderman to ensure Carrboro's ability to meet the many challenges it faces without compromising the many unique things that make Carrboro such a great place to live.

#### **Elect Burroughs**

I am supporting Mia Burroughs in her candidacy for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School Board. I have worked with her on school budget advocacy for the last three years and I think she would be a natural as a school board member. She is dedicated, level-headed and works well with a wide variety of people. She takes the time to do her homework and fully understand the issues she is working on.

One of the things I have always admired about Mia is the enormous energy she brings to school issues. [Schools are] a topic she is truly passionate about. School officials at Lincoln Center have gotten used to seeing her turn up regularly in various volunteer capacities. Her excellent documentation of the history of our school district is one of many examples.

In her campaign, Mia has been working hard to gather input from parents, teachers and other citizens about what they think is working and what is broken in our schools. She will be very open to input from a wide array of sources if she is elected. As a parent of young children, I think she'll be especially sensitive to the concerns of parents. For all of these reasons, I hope you'll join me in giving Mia one of your votes for school board representation on Election Day.

**David Weinberg** 

#### Local money

As a longtime participant in campaign finance reform issues, I was delighted when Alderman Dan Coleman worked with state Senator Ellie Kinnaird and Rep. Verla Insko on a campaign finance bill for Carrboro. Dan's bill, modeled on one used successfully in Chapel Hill since 1999, is designed to protect Carrboro from what happened to Chatham County in 2002, when out-of-county developers effectively bought three seats on the County Commission.

I was disappointed when I learned the disturbing news that Katrina Ryan and Sharon Cook, both running against Dan for alderman seats, had induced Rep. Bill Faison to quash Carrboro's campaign finance bill. This unfortunate episode helps at least to illuminate the five-way race for three seats on the Carrboro Board. The choice couldn't be clearer: Coleman who allies with progressive legislators Kinnaird and Insko on democracy-protecting reform, or Ryan and Cook who ally with Faison against it. Kinnaird and Insko received

perfect scores of 100 from NC Voters for Clean Elections. Faison scored 45, worse than any Democrat and many Republicans. (Re the other two candidates: Dan's fellow incumbent Joal Hall Broun voted for the bill, and Lydia Lavelle expressed her support of it.)

Dan's been a force in local progressive politics for longer than the 18 years that I've known him. I have tremendous confidence in his commitment, his foresight, his judgment - impeccably sound in political matters and his considerable, strongly analytical, intelligence.

Please keep Carrboro moving in a progressive direction: vote for Alderman Dan Coleman. Fritzi Ross

### **Elect Burroughs**

Mia Burroughs for school board is an easy choice. Mia is energetic, smart and deeply committed to the children, parents and schools in Chapel Hill and Carrboro. Beyond many years of in-school experience as well as a project documenting the history of the CHCCS system, she has a long history of work in the nonprofit sector focused on young people. She is a team player and a good listener. "Every Student Matters" is not an empty campaign slogan but, rather, Mia's sincere promise that, if elected, she will work diligently for each and every student in our school system.

Susan & Ken Schulz

#### **Elect Wallach**

I am writing to endorse Gary Wallach for Chapel Hill Carrboro School Board. Mr. Wallach has revealed he is concerned and dedicated to making some serious changes. Having just emerged as a student of the Chapel Hill Carrboro City Schools, I think Mr. Wallach presents a 'breath of fresh air' and I feel his concern of students is geniune and sincerely welcomed. He knows this district - and he knows what is needed to make it one of the better districts - he knows students and we need to have people

and faculty. **Devin Giddens** 

#### **Elect Kelley**

I am writing to support the re-election of Mike Kelley to the CHCCS board. Mike has been an effective and tireless advocate for our schools and he thus deserves our vote. I know Mike both personally and professionally. He is smart, articulate and responsive. I urge us all to support him on election day.

Lawrence Marks

#### Elect Coleman

For the past year and a half I have been part of a group that has been attempting to preserve the site of the old Sparrow Pool and turn it into an ecology and community center. I write because throughout this process Alderman Dan Coleman has been absolutely invaluable to our efforts. In fact, I think we might have given up long before if it were not for his support — both in terms of his knowledge of the town and area and his moral support - because of his true commitment to the livability and sustainability of Carrboro.

Throughout this time, Dan has taken the time to meet with us repeatedly, explaining and even researching the zoning and relevant land use ordinance provisions. In addition, Dan brought other aldermen and community leaders to the site to introduce them to us and to our project.

What was so impressive to me was that this was all "extra-curricular" in terms of Dan's responsibilities as an alderman. But it is yet another instance (and many friends of mine have had other similarly

& Hackney

"Community Lawyers"

positive experiences) that attest to not only how committed he is to both community life in Carrboro and environmental issues writ-large, but how much he is willing to give of his own time and effort in order that we residents can actively participate in making this town the special place it is. (Considering the state of democracy surrounding us, this access was almost startling!)

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Please join me in voting for Alderman Dan Coleman on November 6, I really can't think of anyone who better embodies what such a job can and should entail!

Michal Osterweil

#### Coleman & Chilton

We have been residents of Carrboro for more than 20 years, and add our support to re-elect Mayor Mark Chilton and Alderman Dan Coleman. Their vision and leadership has made Carrboro a great place to live. Through their hard work and public service, Carrboro has developed new parks and playgrounds, expanded child care for working parents, increased affordable housing, promoted the arts and supported local businesses.

We have found them to be public officials who are smart and have a heart. While committed to diversifying our local tax-base through creative multi-use developments, they care about the local neighborhoods and the impact of downtown expansion on nearby residents. We have very knowledgeable, skillful, compassionate and respected leaders in Carrboro and urge voters to re-elect Mark Chilton and Dan Coleman.

Michele Rivest and John Alderson

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#### Cook says thanks

Thank you to so many wonderful Carrboro citizens for the time and energy you've already given to my campaign. With only \$200 of my contributions coming from outside of Carrboro, I am proud to be doing my part to keep local elections local. I trust Carrboro's citizens to make the best choice for our elected leadership.

Thank you to the Carrboro Police Officers' Association for endorsing me. Also thanks to the Chapel Hill-Carrboro

**David Deutsch** 

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#### NOTICE OF A CITIZENS INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE PROPOSED TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS TO SMITH LEVEL ROAD (SR 1919) FROM SOUTH OF ROCK HAVEN ROAD TO **BRIDGE NO. 88 OVER MORGAN CREEK**

TIP Project No. U-2803

Orange County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) together with the Town of Carrboro will hold the above Citizens Informational Workshop on November 5, 2007, between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. in the Carrboro High School Café Commons, 201 Rock Haven Road, Carrboro, 27510. Interested individuals may attend this informal workshop at their convenience during the above stated hours. Please note there will be no formal presentation.

The purpose of this workshop is for NCDOT representatives to provide information, answer questions, and accept written comments regarding this project.

NCDOT proposes the following improvements to Smith Level Road:

- widen the northern section (between Morgan Creek and Bpw's Club Road) to a four-lane divided roadway
- widen the central section (between Bpw's Club Road and Culbreth Road) to where four lanes would transition to three lanes
- widen the southern section (between Culbreth Road and Rock Haven Road) to a three-lane roadway with a central turning lane
- install a roundabout at the intersection of Rock Haven Road
- install sidewalks and bicycle accommodations throughout the length of the project

The purpose of the project is to increase capacity, improve bicycle and pedestrian access and to improve vehicle and pedestrian safety.

Anyone desiring additional information may contact Mr. Steve L. Brown, Project Development and Environmental Analysis Branch at 1548 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1548, phone (919) 733-3141, fax (919) 733-9794 or email: slbrown@dot.state.nc.us.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Mr. Brown as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

# SCHOOLS

## **McDougle PTA raises cash with first ever Fall Festival**

Every meal is served with a choice of milk. Breakfast is served daily.

**Elementary** Monday – Cheese Pizza, Pep-peroni Pizza, Chicken Patty Sandwich w/Cheese, Broccoli Cuts, Chilled Fruit Cocktail

**Tuesday**– Baked Potato w/ or w/o Meat & Cheese & Wheat Roll, Ham & Cheese Sub, Green Beans, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Chilled Pears Wednesday – Cheeseburger on

Bun w/Lettuce & Tomato, Fish Nuggets w/Wheat Roll, Baked Beans, Fresh Banana

#### Middle & High

**Monday** – Meatloaf with Gravy and Wheat Roll; Corn Dog; Mashed Potatoes; Garden Peas; Chilled Pineapple

**Tuesday** – Beef & Macaroni with Wheat Roll; Turkey & Cheese Wrap Sandwich; Tossed Salad with Dressing; Fresh Orange

Wednesday – BBQ Chicken w/ Wheat Roll; Toasted Ham & Cheese Sandwich; Green Beans; Fresh Banana

Info: 967-8211 ext. 270

By SUSAN DICKSON Staff Writer

The McDougle Elementary PTA is trying a little something different to raise money this year, with the first annual McDougle Fall Festival.

The festival - a fundraiser for the McDougle Elementary PTA – will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday and will offer a wide range of activities to cater to the whole family.

"We decided to make it a family-friendly event and a community-building event," said Paige O'Luanaigh, festival coordinator. In past years, the PTA has held a silent auction, which, said O'Luanaigh, was a good moneymaker but didn't involve kids or many members of the community outside of the PTA.

This year's fundraiser includes a silent auction, but

that's only a small piece of the festival, which will feature a cakewalk, face painting, a haunted house, miniature golf, a moon bounce, raffles and more

"It's a huge event that's taken a lot of people to put together," O'Luanaigh said.

NC Quest Martial Arts and Skipsations will perform at the festival.

For the raffle component, McDougle Elementary students have been selling \$1 tickets for the past several weeks.

"It allows the kids to go out into the community and do more fundraising that doesn't hit just the families of the students," O'Luanaigh said.

The student who sells the most tickets wins a \$50 Target gift card. Each day at school, teachers announced the winner for the previous day.

"[The kids] are all over it,"

O'Luanaigh said. "It's been fascinating to watch."

Raffle prizes include a Nintendo Wii, an iPod Nano, a \$100 Best Buy gift certificate, a bike and set of Harry Potter books.

Those who don't want to take their chances at the raffle can bid on silent auction items, which include restaurant gift certificates, golf course green fees and more.

Children who want to participate in a raffle can do so for just 25 cents. PTA members and McDougle classes put together themed baskets full of goodies, which will be given away in the raffle.

"[The festival] gives us a lot of different opportunities to bring in money," O'Luanaigh said. "Each little piece has been a big piece."

The PTA will also sell 25cent tickets that can be used to

Jan Gottschalk, an English

teacher and the newspaper

sponsor, said students ex-

pressed "a little bit of furor"

about being required to join

a club. A few students hadn't

signed up for anything at the

of this complication as well as

others — such as certain clubs

having too many members sign

up — the school was planning

on surveying students. After

asking for their top two choic-

es of clubs that would meet

on Wednesdays, the school

planned to assign students to

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find a way for this to work,'

"As I have told the depart-

Most teachers support

"It creates a stronger sense

of community," said L.J. Ran-

dolph, a Spanish teacher and

club meeting days.

Thomas said.

Thomas' efforts.

Thomas said that because

end of Jaguar Jump-In.

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PTA members Amy Stern, Melissa Huemmer, Betsy Giduz and Liz Alzona put together baskets for the McDougle Elementary Fall Festival class basket raffle.

participate in the different carnival games and activities.

"I truly think it's going to be very successful," she said.

So far the students and carnival ticket pre-sales have brought in about \$10,000. Although about half of that will cover event costs, O'Luanaigh expects that costs will decrease

for future festivals.

"This is our first year, so we had to create a lot of these games and buy supplies," she said.

The festival will be held Saturday at McDougle Elementary, rain or shine.

Carrboro High builds clubs, controversy with mandatory participation

#### By ROBIN HILMANTEL Correspondent

When Carrboro High School Principal Jeff Thomas interviewed teachers last year, he made sure to ask them one question that, while seemingly off-handed, played an important role in his decision to hire them

"What club could you see yourself sponsoring?" he asked each teacher before explaining that all members of his staff would be required to act as adviser for at least one club.

"My vision was pretty clear for this school," he said. "I wanted school spirit to be high, and the expectation was clear that all faculty members would sponsor a club."

But teachers aren't the only ones required to get involved at Carrboro. By incorporating about a half-hour for club meetings into the school day once a month, starting Oct. 31, Thomas has made it possible for every student to be part of at least one club.

"Research shows that when students are involved in school, they're going to do very well academically," he said.

"We have several students who are not engaged in school, so my thinking was that if they were required to be a member or required to participate in an extracurricular, co-curricular or club-day activity their participation would enable their academic achievement to improve and therefore their attendance also to improve."

Freshman Laney Meyer was considering joining the Photography Club, Improvisation Club and Rock (music) Club at "Jaguar Jump-In," an event held the last hour of the school day on Sept. 14 for more than 40 clubs to advertise to students and recruit members.

"I didn't know they would make us, but I kind of like it,"

she said.

Not all students were as enthusiastic as Meyer about the attempt to get students involved

"I think it's stupid," said Ratosha Florence, a freshman who signed up for Step Team and Community Clean-Up. "I like having my regular schedule.'

Daniel Matchar, a junior and co-student body president, said while most students seem content with the setup, he has heard from a few who are unhappy. "There are some people who are threatening to boycott," he said, although he doesn't understand their frustrations. "There's nothing to do [during that time] besides go to a club."

Alyssa Shuster, a freshman who was interested in joining the French Club, agreed.

"At first I was kind of disappointed because I wasn't planning on doing any clubs," she said, "but now I'm excit-



sponsor of Carrboro's Key Club, which was so popular that Randolph had to make more copies of the sign-up sheet in the middle of Jaguar Jump-In. "If they don't see a club that they're into, they can start one. It encourages them to be leaders."

Randolph said he was especially impressed at the number of students who approached him wanting to create new clubs.

"They would normally just stand on the sideline," he said.

Since most clubs meet after school or during lunch in addition to the monthly school-day meeting, students can balance more than one.

"Some kids would just go four years without joining a club," said Melvin Griffin, a math teacher and co-sponsor of the Strength and Conditioning Club. "This way gets everyone involved."

Pat Lewis, an English teacher, said the new experiences available at Carrboro, including club day, contributed to her decision to move from Chapel Hill High to the new school. "I've never worked at a school where that has been a possibility," she said. "It's a time in the middle of the day for everyone to take a deep breath and do something they love to do." In addition to club day, Carrboro also instituted what is known as "Third-Friday," a day each month when an hour is blocked off for an assembly or school event. Thomas said student-recognition assemblies, cultural-

awareness assemblies, guest speakers, talent shows and pep rallies all are potential Third Friday events.

"My hope is that they will enhance a sense of pride that kids have in the school, give them a sense of school spirit and give kids something to which they can look forward," he said. "There needs to be something that kids can have fun with and something that can boost morale."

Gottschalk said the Third Friday schedule is something that couldn't have been implemented at Chapel Hill High, her former workplace, because of its size.

"The school was just simply too large, and it really had no spirit and no unity," she said. "And that's really one of the things that we're really trying to turn around. It's a way of really building a community and taking advantage of our size to do it."

Both special schedule days were suggested by the design team — a group of parents, students, administrators and teachers, including Lewis that met every Thursday for three hours before Carrboro opened.

"Everyone came together, and they actually developed a vision for the school, and they developed the rules and looked at mascots and picked furniture," Lewis said. "I think the students are going to find much has been built into the schedule for them to have a rounded high school experience, not just an academic one.'

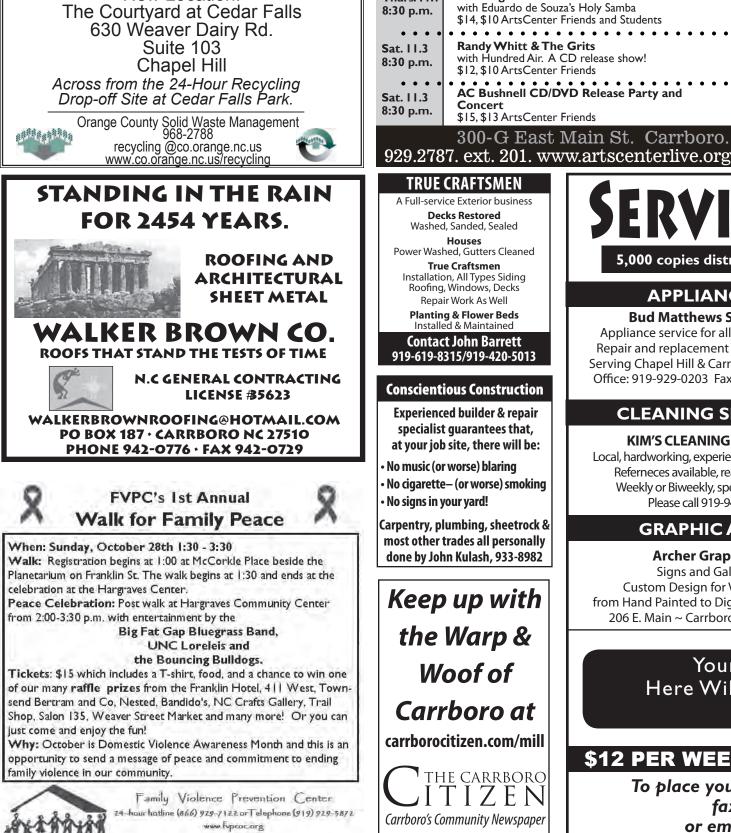
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# Coaches' A Reports

#### Chapel Hill High Field Hockey (via Lew Borman) October 22

It was a night to salute the nine seniors at Chapel Hill HS and the Tigers won 4-0 over the Riverside Pirates. The Tigers dominated as senior Grace Krafte scored three goals for the night. Junior Barbara Parks added one goal to the scorecard. Senior Hannah Martin had two assists in the game.

The undefeated Tiger junior varsity field hockey team blew out the JV Pirates 9-0 in the earlier game.

Chapel Hill faces Jordan on Wednesday and then moves into the Regional Tournament this weekend.

#### McDougle Middle Volleyball (via Tiffany Wooten) October 23

The JV volleyball team finished their season with a win over Southern. The team ends with an 8-3 record!. Great serving to Robin Tanz and aggressive play by Leah Westendorf. Great teamwork!

The varsity volleyball team finished the regular season with a win over Southern as well. They end with an 9-2 record. The team fought back after the first game loss. Great serving by Katelyn

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Layden and awesome defense by Carrie Parker gave the team a big lead during the 3rd game that led to the win.

#### McDougle Middle **Cross Country** (via Danae Whitaker) October 18

The crosscountry team finished out their regular season with a lot of Mustang Pride. Both the boys and girls put their hearts and souls into the meets - and it worked - they both won!

The girls went first. It was the 1st, 2nd, 3rd place finishes of Tristin VanOrd, Katey Furey and Emily Williams that sealed the win against Stanback. Other excellent finishers were Erin McGibbon, Marleigh Cannon, Rachel Weaver and Kathleen Cannon. Final score was Lady Mustangs 25, Stanback 31.

The boys went all out in their meet. The boys received a perfect score because the top five finishers were all Mustangs. They were Mitch McLeod, Conor Templeton, Brendan Neville, Mark Flournoy and Grant Cabell. Final score was McDougle 15, Stanback 48.

Coach Whitaker and Coach Proto are extremely proud of their teams - they finished this season showing determination and heart - which just proves it's anyone's game at next Saturday's **OPAC** meet!

## **Halloween** Caler

"Scare-o-lina Skies" – Madness and Mayhem in the Night Sky. A special, extra-scaru version of Morehead Planetarium's popular star show "Carolina Skies." Fri, Oct 26, and Sat, Oct 27 at 8pm. Standard planetarium admissions apply. Suitable for ages 12 & up.A tamer version for younger children will be presented Sunday, Oct 28 at 4:30pm. For more info, visit www.moreheadplanetarium.org.

"Spirits of Hillsborough" Guided Tour - Discover more about Hillsborough's ghostly sightings. Sponsored by the Alliance for Historic Hillsborough. Oct 26-28, 7, 7:30, 8 & 8:30pm. Info: 732-7741, www.historichillsborough. org.

Pumpkin Fest - Elaborately carved jack-o-lanterns on display throughout the Village; carved by Pumpkin Specialist Steve Mann & the Fearrington gardeners & culinary staff. Mon, Oct 29-Wed, Oct 31. Fearrington Village, 2000 Fearrington Village Center, Pittsboro, 919-542-4000, www.fearringtonvillage.com.

Pipe Screams - Various area organists present spooky music to raise money for Habitat for Humanity. Tue, Oct 30 at 7:30pm. Donations accepted and appreciated. University United Methodist Church, 150 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill, 929-7191.

Pirate/Zombie Day - Prizes for the best art, snacks & boos for all (no pun intended). Wed, Oct 31. UNC Campus: Bull's Head Bookshop, Daniels Building, 207 South Rd, Chapel Hill, 962-5060, store.unc.edu.

Pagan Spook Festival – Complete over-stimulation on the visual & auditory levels: Slides

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in the alley, videos in the bargain bin, projections in the venue, live music. Explore the Spook Pagan element at Nightlight on Tue, Oct 30. The madness starts at 9:30pm.

HALLOW-ENO - Hayrides, storytelling, treats, face painting, balloon sculptures, performances by the Young People's Performing Co & a Haunted Mill. Wed, Oct 31, 6-9pm. Free; Haunted Mill \$2, Info: 471-1623, beth. highley@durhamnc.gov. West Point on the Eno, 5101 N Roxboro Rd, Durham, 620-8154.

Halloween Bash @ Blend - 3 Dollar Hostage and more music TBA, plus DJs and costume party.Wed, Oct 31 at Blend, 157 E Rosemary St, Chapel Hill, 338-2746, www.blendchapelhill.com.

The MF Show – Martina & Frank Russo of MF Gallery, NYC present a visual onslaught of pulpmonster art that is guaranteed to delight and horrify! On display through Nov 6 at Wootini, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro, Ste A-7.

#### Just for Kids

Halloween Toddler Time – Get ready for Halloween with some fun, not-so-spooky kids' stories! Thu, Oct 25, 4pm at the Carrboro Branch Library.All toddlers are invited to this free program. For more info, call 969-3006.

Weaver St Market Costume Contest - Fri, Oct 26, 5:30-7:30pm. Join us for a creepy, kooky evening of scary stories, ghosts & ghouls, and food & fun under the stars. Spooky music, scary puppets and great seasonal tales. Free cookies and cider. Costume Contest Rules: Enter in I category only: 0-5 year-olds or 6-10 year-olds. Costumes will

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be judged on most original, funniest and scariest. All participants must register by 6:45. Winners announced at 7. For more info call 929-0010 ext 115.

Historic Hillsborough Halloween - Ages 4-10. Go on a ghost hunt, hear ghost stories & decorate pumpkins; bring a flashlight Historic Hillsborough Commission. Fri, Oct 26, 6:30-8:30pm Burwell School Historic Site 319 N Churton St, Hillsborough 732-7451, www.burwellschool. org. Free!

Halloween Preschool Story Time – The Carrboro Branch Library will host a special Halloween story time event on Sat, Oct 27 at 10:30am. All preschoolers are invited to come and wear their costumes! For more info call the library at 969-3006.

Halloween Harvest Festival - Pony/horse rides, hay maze barnyard animals, games, pumpkins, music & bonfire. Spence's Farm, 6407 Mill House Rd, Chapel Hill. Sat, Oct 27, 3-7pm. \$7 for Children's Scholarship Fund 968-8581.

Trick-or-Treating in Chapel Hill - Town Hall has confirmed that the official day for trick-or-treating in Chapel Hill this year is Wednesday, October 31, 2007.

Carrboro Halloween Carnival - Oct 31 from 6-8:30pm at the Carrboro Town Commons Ghosts and goblins of all ages come out for lots of free games and fun! Best costumes awarded with prize ribbons; activities include a cake walk, howling at the moon, games, prizes, and much more. Plus, witness the magic of Merlin's Owl.

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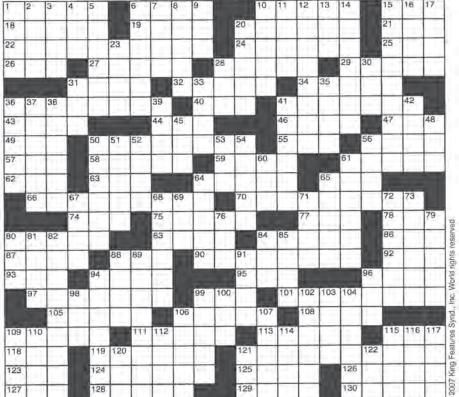
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Neville said he was concerned

that the new rule would only

be a "band aid" and asked that

the town consider moving

the day-labor location. Nev-

ille and others said increased

police presence and efforts

by the town's public works to

clean up the area have helped.

One reason for the new ordi-

nance was to help police, who

have received an increasing

number of calls about behav-

Carolyn Hutchison said she's

also had a good response

from the management of the

Kangaroo Express conve-

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members asked that the man-

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Carrboro Police Chief

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#### SCHOOL BOARD FROM PAGE I

serve, but we want to make sure that every young lady and young man has other career opportunities and that's not their only way out of poverty."

"I'm a strong advocate for education," said Kelley, "and I believe that the best way to go about this is not to prohibit something but to educate our community as to all the pros and cons of what the military might be about. I'm not sure that the military recruiters are always fair in that."

Burroughs said she did not support military recruitment in schools, adding, "My hero is my father who was thrown in jail twice for protesting the Vietnam War."

Regarding a JROTC program, Burroughs said her gut reaction was that she would not want to see it on Chapel Hill-Carrboro school campuses.

Streater said she believes in enrichment opportunities for all children, but said that she was not sure about JROTC. She added: "There are, I think, many positive opportunities for children who want to consider the military as a career."

Kelley said there would have to be a public discussion

about bringing in a JROTC program, but that he supported giving children more opportunities.

The candidates were also asked about dropout rates and how to improve upon them.

Burroughs said she thinks the district should keep a list of at-risk students, including those who change schools several times or have been held back

"Different children drop out for different reasons," she said. "We need to make sure that we find a way to know who [the at-risk children] are."

Several candidates mentioned that dropout prevention efforts must start early.

Wallach said the district needs to be more welcoming to parents, adding that they should create a program to make parents feel welcome when students first register.

"The district isn't known for welcoming parents," he said.

Bedford said the district needs to determine who the at-risk children are by looking at grades and absences so that it's not left to the teachers to identify them.

We need to develop a real plan," she said, adding that the district needs "to let children know that they are valued even if they are on the career technical path" rather than the four-year college path.

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City Schools, confirmed that the referee will no longer work in the school district.

#### According to Knott, Chapel Hill High Principal Jacqueline Ellis investigated the incident, but was unable to find enough information.

Bob Mette

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Orange County shares Senate District 23 with Person County.

Nelson and Herrera have said they will not continue their candidacies.

On his blog Leading from the Left, Nelson wrote that he was suspending his campaign and offered his support to Kinnaird. "While I'm disappointed that I will no longer be a candidate for the seat she now holds, I'm confident the progressive causes I care so much about will continue to be championed under her leadership and that we will continue to work together as we have in the past," he wrote.

Carey said that he will continue running and intends to win the May primary.

"She certainly has the right to change her mind," Carey said in an interview Wednesday. "But I'm not going to change my mind. I'm going to stay in the race and run the best campaign I can."

Carey, who has served on the board of county commissioners for 23 years, said he's been working since early this vear on his campaign, including building ties in Person board of aldermen amended County.

Kinnaird said she will campaign vigorously for the seat and is planning fundraisers to get ready for it. She said the calls and emails since her announcement have been "very positive." And while she expects a tough campaign ahead, she is not relishing the situation.

"Primaries are always divisive in a way because they are contests within the family — with the people you've worked with on issues," she said. Still, she said, "It's always good to have the issues thoroughly debated and put before the public."

Since her election to the Senate in 1996, Kinnaird's district has changed in shape and geography. A GOP lawsuit that resulted in the end of two-member Senate districts pitted her against former Chapel Hill Mayor Howard Lee in a bitterly contested primary in 2002. The district changed again in 2003, dropping Chatham County and adding Person County.

Kinnaird lost the Person vote in 2004 and won it handily in 2006.

"I spend about a day there a week," she said.

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went back to the drawing board. A new configuration for the site made it more likely that the tree could be saved but required changes to the town rules about buffers and sidewalks.

Earlier this month, the

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north side of Jones Ferry Road and a 200-foot section along Davie Road. It bans lingering in the area between the hours of 11 a.m. and 5 a.m. - leaving a window during the hours that day laborers use the area.

The ordinance would make it illegal to "stand, sit, linger, or otherwise remain" in the area. Brough has said that unlike loitering ordinances, which have faced legal challenges, the language in the anti-lingering ordinance is much more specific and addresses a specific concern.

The initial reaction of the American Civil Liberties Union of North Carolina, though, has not been positive.

In a letter to Brough dated Oct. 22 ACLU lawyers said that while they recognize the town's effort to keep the ordinance narrowly defined, it may "impermissibly burden intrastate travel" and "appears too vague to be constitutionally enforceable" and suggest redrafting the ordinance.

sidewalk requirements to specifically exempt a fire station along Homestead Road. On Tuesday, the board adopted a change to the town's Land Use Ordinance that also exempts a fire station in the northern transition area from protective buffer requirements.

Town Manager Steve Stewart confirmed Tuesday that the buffer requirement is





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