**Election 2007** 

Candidates for mayor, board of aldermen and school board offer their views.

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FREE



An unusually heavy fruiting Persimmon Tree in the middle of

### Persimmon season

**FLORA** By Ken Moore

A desperate call two weeks ago: "Ken, that persimmon tree near my office is already dropping fruit and I'm leaving for a couple of days and don't want them to go to waste!" I assured him I would collect those 'simmons during his absence. We shared mutual curiosity that the ripe persimmons were dropping before the first frosts this year. So, it must be shorter days rather than frigid nights that trigger fruit ripening.

Across town, my favorite persimmon tree (Diospyros virginiana) is loaded with fruit again this year. But, wow, when I arrived at the base of my friend's favorite tree, I was stopped in my tracks. The persimmons on his tree hung like clusters of giant grapes.

It was the Wednesday afternoon of UNC fall break and I anticipated being alone. I found several grounds crew members working nearby and they called over to me that they also had claim to some of those fruit on the ground. A few minutes later, a car pulls up and out steps another friend, who for years has been visiting this tree during 'simmon season. It seems this particular tree has more than

one watchful guardian. Most folks use the persimmon pulp for pudding and bread recipes. I simply enjoy the fruit by plucking a ripe one (you'll never put an unripened one in your mouth a second time!) to enjoy that cinnamon colored pulp while being careful not to swallow the five flat, long-oval, darkbrown seeds. Save the seeds to take home and plant in the ground where you want your very own persimmon trees. Be certain you plant several seeds some feet apart, for you need both a male and female plant to have your very own fruit-

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### CREATIVE SPARKS



Mike Roig fires up the blow torch to weld the finishing touches onto his latest piece. The home and studio of Roig and his wife, Clay Carmichael are part of this year's annual Orange County Artists Guild Open Studio Tour. See story in Mill.

### **Inside: MILL**



Inside, you'll find the November issue of MILL, The Carrboro Citizen's monthly arts, music and literature publication.

### Jade Palace to celebrate 25th

By Susan Dickson Staff Writer

Over the past quarter-century, Jade Palace has developed its standing as a staple in the Carrboro community.

The Chinese restaurant, a favorite among many in this community, will celebrate its 25th anniversary November 9-10.

Jenny Chan and her husband, Francis Chan, opened Jade Palace in

After moving to Carrboro in 1975, they bought the building at 103 E. Main St. in 1979 and rented the space to an antique shop for several years.

The space was open for a num-

ber of months, and without any potential tenants Jenny Chan decided to open a restaurant.

"I wanted to see what I could do for myself," she said, adding that the first three years the restaurant was open were very difficult.

With very few customers, Chan couldn't cover the restaurant's expenses and tried to sell it in 1985. She felt that the only offer she received was too low, though, and decided to persevere.

Her husband, who is a biomedical engineer at UNC, helped her on nights and weekends, while her two children, who were about 5 or 6 years old at the time, sat at a table coloring until the restaurant closed.

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The Jade Palace crew is preparing to celebrate the restaurant's 25th anniversary.

### 2007 Carrboro mayoral candidates

### Mark H. Chilton

Age: 37

Neighborhood: Downtown Carrboro Family: Married with two boys, ages 6

Profession/Business: Attorney and broker Education & Experience: Juris Doctor NCCU School of Law 1997; Bachelor of Arts, UNC-CH, Geography, 1993.

Chapel Hill Town Council, 1991-1997; Carrboro Board of Aldermen, 2003-2005; Mayor of Carrboro, 2005-present. Endorsements: The NC Sierra Club; The Hank Anderson Breakfast Club; The Independent Weekly; The Chapel Hill News; The Carrboro Police Officers Association What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

I want to help make Carrboro a more environmentally, economically and socially sustainable community by addressing the issues listed in response to the next question.

What are the top two or three critical issues facing Carrboro? 1. Diversify Carrboro's tax base through careful downtown re-development and revisions to the Northern Small Area Plan. 2. Make Carrboro the most pedestrian and bicycle friendly town in North Carolina by completing

SEE CHILTON, PAGE 5 bicycle and pedestrian improve-

### Chuck Morton

Age: 50 (but I look younger) Neighborhood: Downtown, next to the Town Commons for 15 years (since before there

was a Farmer's Market) Family: Married to Wendy Wenck on May 5, 2005 after 20 years of togetherness. No children, but we have two terrier dogs and

Profession/Business: Recent graduate in accounting, still looking for a real job. I have

worked with Tarheel Takeout since August 2006. Education & Experience: Associate Degree in accounting, Durham Tech. Most of my recent career has been spent in office management and real estate brokerage and appraisal. Further detail can be found at www.chuckmorton.org on my biography page. What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

I would like to continue Carrboro's tradition of good governance, free from any conflict of interest with business investments. Carrboro is blessed with many dedicated souls who work very hard to run the town well, but the current board is too heavily weighted with attorneys and real estate developers. The regular folk of Carrboro need some

SEE **MORTON**, PAGE 5 representation as well.

### **Brian Voyce** Age: 54 Neighborhood: Highlands

Editor's note: Brian Voyce declined to answer The Citizen's candidate questionnaire submitting instead a roughly 730 word essay criticizing Aldermen Dan Coleman and the groups who endorsed Coleman's candidacy. In fairness to other candidates, who were not granted the alternative of an essay, The Citizen declined to the submission. Voyce's views on issues and answers to other candidate questionnaires can be found on his Web site www.yourvoyce.org

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## Reading signed and aha moments

While many of us look down at the ground to keep from tripping, some find signs when they look down.

Ernest Dollar had a big decision to make in March. He had job offers from two places where he wanted to work.

"My dream job as site manager at Bennett Place was of-

fered," he said from the parlor of the Horace Williams House. The jobs were offered si-

multaneously soon after he received his master's degree in public history from N.C. State University. "I came over here to walk

the grounds" while making his

decision, he said. He looked

**RECENTLY...** By Valarie Schwartz

down and found two arrowheads and a pristine piece of broken pottery.

"I took it as a sign."

He chose the job as executive director of the Preservation Society of Chapel Hill where he works in the historical home of UNC's first Williams.

philosophy professor, Horace With a mind that flashes with ideas, Dollar has initiated a number of programs chaeology within 20 feet of

– among them, the Lunchbox

Lectures series. At noon one

Wednesday each month (except December), people are invited to the Horace Williams dining room to ingest a bit of local history along with their brown bag lunch.

Next week, Tom Magnuson, founder of the Trading Path Association (www.tradingpath.org/) in Hillsborough will talk about "The Roads and the Founding of Chapel Hill."

Magnuson finds roads when he looks at the ground while

navigating his way around the southeastern United States. "Roads are landmarks on the land," Magnuson said. "An old road bed has a lot of ar-

that soil.'

It started purely by accident for Magnuson, 63, while he was a graduate student studying geopolitics at Duke. "I was too poor to belong to a pool, so I went swimming at the Flat River." Discovering a ford, he also identified a road, and the things he had learned about fords, choke points and geopolitics produced an "aha" moment. Choke points are areas that

have to be traveled to get from one place to another, as are fords in rivers with no bridges. Fords became a place to start when looking for a road and, upon finding it, looking at

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the ground set back from the road, where homes might have been sited, vielded archeological discoveries.

"We find these old roads so deeply incised in the ground that even when they're 200 years old we can still see them clearly," Magnuson said. "They're heirlooms."

As he talks about the roads of Chapel Hill, he'll share his discoveries concerning lost history of our county.

But while he continues the work he refers to as "my calling," he looks for something

"I'm hunting for some young historians and anthropologists to come in and pick up the reigns," he said, remarking that he has only a few more years of fieldwork left in him and he very much wants to pass on his knowledge and methods.

While Magnuson strives to find and save the roads, Dollar infuses the preservation society with new energy and ideas. See www.chapelhillpreservation.com for the schedule of future Lunchbox Lectures and other events coming next year - including a reenactment of Pres. James K. Polk's visit, with the "Welcome to Chapel Hill President Polk Party."

It's Dollar's favorite way to teach history.

"Living history can be intoxicating. People can learn history by sight, smell, hearing and touch — it comes alive.'

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



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### what's at the market

November 3

Arugula, bok choy, broccoli raab, broccoli, cauliflower, celeriac, fennel, garlic, greens: chards, collards, frisee, Italian dandelion, kale, mustard, mizuna, pea shoots, and turnip; herb 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 - oyster and shiitake; onions - yellow, green, and red; peppers - hot and sweet varieties; potatoes and sweet potatoes, pumpkins, radishes, winter squash, green

tomatoes, turnips, 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, honey, wine, prepared foods,

\*Produce availability dependent on weather conditions

### recipe of the week

Curried Collards with Paneer from Kelly Clark, Market staff

### **Ingredients**

- 2 bunches collards\*, about 16 large leaves
- 4 cups homemade chicken or vegetable stock
- I/2 cup minced onion\*
- 4 Tbls olive oil
- I Tbls Curry Powder (or more to taste)
- 4 oz Chapel Hill Creamery Paneer\*, cut into 1/2 inch cubes
- Salt and pepper to taste
- I/4 teaspoon dried red chili flakes (optional)

### **Procedure**

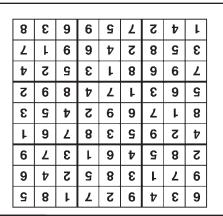
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\*Available at market

I. Wash and stem the collards. Tear the leaves into large pieces. Bring the stock to a boil in a large pot; add the collards in handfuls, stirring and tossing until the

leaves have wilted, then simmer uncovered for at least one hour. The collards are done when the leaves are very tender. Strain the collards, reserving the liquid. Chop the collards very fine.

2. Heat 3 tablespoons of olive oil in a pan, add the minced onion and sauté until translucent. Add the curry powder and sauté for one minute. Add the chopped collards and toss until the greens are well coated. Taste. If you want to add more curry, heat the remaining tablespoon of oil in a small pan, add additional curry and sauté for one minute, then add to the collards and mix well. Add the Paneer and toss to mix well. Add some of the collard liquid to the pan, enough to make the dish wet without being soupy. Heat thoroughly. Add salt and pepper



### **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**

Peak of Autumn Tour at Penny's Bend Nature Preserve - Take a guided walk through the colorful fall landscape. Enjoy a public hike along the Eno River in northwest Durham. Sat, Nov 3, 2-4:30pm. \$8. To preregister and get directions, call 962-0522 or visit www. ncbg.unc.edu.

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.

The Heart of Carolina Jazz Orchestra – 18-piece ensemble performing big band jazz. Presented by Central Carolina Community College. Sun, Nov 11, 2-4pm at The Barn at Fearrington Village. For more info, contact Carl at 542-6495, ext 224.

RSVVP - Help feed local families. Tuesday, Nov 13: Go out to eat at participating restaurants, and 10% of your meal will be donated to fighting hunger in the Triangle. For more info, visit www.rsvvp.org.

Gingerbread House Competition - Fri, Nov 30 at 7pm. Entry forms must be submitted to Hillsborough/Orange Chamber County Commerce at 102 Churton St, Hillsborough by Nov 19. Fax: 732-4566, www. candlelighttour.com. Free!

### Kids

Junior Open Mic - Teens share poems with other teens & gain writing tips from award-winning poet Shirlette Registration Ammons. required. Wed, Nov 14, 6-7:30pm. Free. Carrboro Century Center, 100 N Greensboro St, Carrboro. 918-7385.

on 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 Fridays through Nov 16. \$100-\$140, sliding scale fee available. Contact Lauren at 968-7721 or mills.lauren@ gmail.com.

### Volunteers

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

Ronald McDonald House - Seeks volunteers for tasks around the house, cooking dinners for families & community service projects. 101 Old Mason Farm Rd, Chapel Hill. 913-2040, www. chapelhillrmh.net.

### **Classes & Lectures**

Aging 101 - An 8-part series for boomers and beyond. Upcoming sessions: Nov 5, Long-Term Care Financial Planning; Nov 12, Getting Care Outside the Home. 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 Pam Beck. Sunday, Nov 4, 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 Nov 4, Dec 2 and Dec 9. All classes will focus on the fundamentals but each class will be different.

"Helping Your Baby Stay Safe, Healthy and Happy Presented by Kohl's department stores and North Carolina Children's Hospital. Tue, Nov 13, noon-1:30pm at the UNC Wellness Center at Meadowmont. Admission is free but space is limited. To register, please call 966-6500. For more info, visit www. ncchidrenspromise.org.

#### Health

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.

Diabetes Awareness - The UNC Wellness Center at Meadowmont will hold a series of lectures throughout the month of November to observe American Diabetes Month. Free and open to the public. For more info, call 966-5500 or visit www. uncwellness.com. First lecture is Tue, Nov 6, 6-7:30pm in classroom 111.

### **Theater**

The Amazing Castle - Hands- 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.

> Tupelo: To Elvis & the Town He Left Behind - Up-from-the-trailer-park entrepreneurs risk all in a scheme to reinvent the humble Presley birthplace. Music, religion, race & money collide in this tale of smalltown southerners with dreams of transforming their backwater into a worldrenowned cradle of rock 'n roll. Front & Center. Nov 8-18. \$15; students \$7. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St, Carrboro. 929-2787, www. artscenterlive.org.

### **Dance**

Clogging -Free classes! Mondays, 7:30-8:30pm 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 306-095 I 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.

Israeli Folk - Ist Mondays, 7:30-9pm, \$5. Chapel Hill Kehillah, 1200 Mason Farm Rd, Chapel Hill. For more info, call 942-8914.

#### Comedy

Stand-Up Comedy - Featuring DSI Company Members & special guests. Ist Thursdays at 8pm. \$10; college students \$8. To reserve a spot standup@dsicomedytheater. com. DSI Comedy Theater 200 N Greensboro St Ste B-11, Carr Mill Mall Carrboro. 338-8150, www. dsicomedytheater.com.

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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.

Son of Man - Politically charged retelling of the story of Jesus set in contemporary South Africa. 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.

### **Literary/Open Mic**

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

> Georgann Eubanks - Literary Trails of the NC Mountains: A Guide. Fri, Nov 2, 2pm McIntyre's Fine Books, 2000 Fearrington Village Center Pittsboro. 542-3030, www. fearringtonvillage.com/

mcintyres.asp.

Peder Zane - The Top Ten Writers pick their favorite books. Sat, Nov 3, 11am McIntyre's Fine Books, 2000 Fearrington Village Center Pittsboro. 542-3030, www.

fearringtonvillage.com/ mcintyres.asp.

Discussion Group: Books Sandwiched In - Snow Flower & the Secret Fan by Lisa See Wed, Nov 7, I I:30am. Chapel Hill Public Library, 100 Library Dr, Chapel Hill. 968-2777 www.chapelhillpubliclibrary.

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 www.openeyecafe.com.

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

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

### **News Briefs**

#### Alderman's case settled

Court-ordered mediation last Thursday by the Dispute Settlement Center resulted in an agreement between Carrboro Alderman Dan Coleman and Amanda Kotecki, a cross-coun-

After a Sept. 5 incident at Hank Anderson Park, Kotecki testified to a magistrate that Coleman bumped her with his car after she had stopped traffic to protect runners as they crossed through the park. A magistrate issued a charge against Coleman for misdemeanor assault with a deadly weapon.

As a result of the mediation the charges have been dropped and Coleman agreed to issue the following statement:

"I apologize to Ms. Kotecki for hitting her with my car. I acknowledge the importance of the volunteer work she was doing in the park that day. And I recognize that when she put her hands on my car it was out of concern for the safety of

"I thank Ms. Kotecki for her willingness to talk this through and I thank the Dispute Settlement Center and the courts for making mediation available."

#### IFC honors Foy, Stumpf and local church

The Inter-Faith Council for Social Service last week honored Mayor Kevin Foy, the University Presbyterian Church and volunteer Margaret Stumpf for their commitment and service to the homeless and hungry in the community.

Stumpf, who has volunteered at IFC for nearly 25 years, received the Mildred Berkeley Community Service Award, which is awarded annually to an individual who has made a difference for IFC's board, staff, volunteers and clients.

Foy received the Community Champion Award for his commitment to the homeless community and support of IFC's request to move its men's facility to the county Southern Human Services campus.

The University Presbyterian Church received the Ringwalt Community Partnership Award for its commitment to partnership with IFC as shown by its strong financial support, volunteer involvement and community leadership.

### Open animal house

The Orange County Animal Shelter will hold an open house from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday in recognition of National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, November 4-10.

The open house will provide animal-related literature, an arts and crafts table for children, refreshments and displays of the county's new shelter plans. Visitors will also be able to

More information at www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices.

### Orange business expo

The 6th Annual Orange County Business Expo will take place on Monday, November 5th from 1 to 7:30pm at the Sheraton Chapel Hill Hotel. The Expo showcases the businesses of greater Orange County and is open to the public.

#### Water Report - October 31, 2007 LAKE LEVELS **University Lake** 82.50" below full **Cane Creek** 126.00" below full Total Availability Supply 50.2% of capacity PRECIPITATION THIS MONTH 4.90" Jones Ferry Rd. **Treatment Plant** Cane Creek Reservoir 3.47" Normal rainfall for Oct. 4.00" **CUSTOMER WATER DEMAND** 7-Day Average 7.676 million gallons/day 8.767 million gallons/day 30-Day Average Source: OWASA

### **FLORA**

FROM PAGE I

producing tree.

Persimmons are legendary in our area. You'll enjoy reading more in "Who's Gonna Cover Em Up?!" Chapel Hill Uncovered - 1950-1985, written by Roland Giduz, a local legend himself. Next time you see him volunteering at the information tent at our Farmers' Market, ask him for a persimmon recipe and I suspect he'll have a persimmon story or two to share.

In the late 1950s, Roland described UNC News Bureau Director Pete Ivey's enthusiasm for persimmons in the old Chapel Hill Newspaper. Over the years, Persimmon Pete, the self proclaimed "patron

saint of persimmonry," made the sharing of his persimmon recipes a cherished tra-

Following Ivey's death, Giduz carried on the persimmonry tradition for a time, going so far as to initiate a campaign to have the persimmon declared the state fruit. Sadly, not enough enthusiasts gathered around that cause. The scuppernong grape (Vitus rotundifolia) was declared the official state fruit in 2001.

Since the scuppernong is a vine, perhaps we can pick up the torch and lobby for the persimmon to become our official state fruit tree.

In the meantime, you had better get out there, find yourself a persimmon tree and make daily visits to collect those ripened fruits on the ground before the possums and other critters beat you to it.



Pete Ivey contemplates a persimmon

### **JADE PALACE**

FROM PAGE I

Over the years, Jade Palace slowly developed a loyal following, some of whom still visit the restaurant today. The restaurant has stood the test of time – quite an accomplishment in a town with so many options for those dining out – but not without a few bumps in the road.

Earlier this year, a mural on the side of the restaurant - painted by more than 80 volunteers as a fundraiser for Club Nova – was painted over by a crew of men allegedly hired by a man witnesses identified as Larry Hayes, former owner of Broad Street Coffee.

The Chans had no idea the group was painting over the mural until after the damage was done.

"It was so sad," Jenny Chan said. "The mural was so beautiful." She said that the Town of Carrboro is working with the ArtsCenter to come up with a new wall project.

In January 2000, a fire that caused extensive damage to the restaurant left Chan wondering if Jade Palace could reopen for business. The building had had an electrical fire in the past, and Chan was nervous after the second fire.

However: "I got a lot of encouragement," Chan said, noting that both former Mayor Mike Nelson and Sen. Ellie Kinnaird urged her to reopen the restaurant, which she did in July 2000.

Both Kinnaird and Nelson are regulars at Jade Palace,

Other past and present regular customers include Mayor Mark Chilton and his mother, who eat there every week, and Dean Smith and his wife, Lin-

"People feel welcome. It's a very friendly atmosphere,"

Jade Palace certainly does feel warm and inviting, with several staff members who have been there nearly as long as the restaurant has been

Manager Long Chau, known to everyone as Mr. Long, and assistant manager Christine Hurlbert have both been with the restaurant for more than 20 years.

Fanny Chan – Jenny Chan's sister-in-law – is a longtime server at Jade Palace and a favorite among many repeat cus-

"It's important to have a good staff," Chan said, adding that the chef has been there

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more than 10 years. "We are very lucky to have him."

His emphasis on using fresh ingredients is what keeps customers coming back, Chan

"I don't have to tell people [about the restaurant]," she said. "[The customers] spread the word for us."

Chinese New Year has become a popular event at Jade Palace, with a traditional dinner and celebration. The restaurant also has hosted Glenwood Elementary School's Chinese-English dual-language program for their celebration of the Chinese New Year.

Chan said she enjoys keeping the restaurant involved in the community:

"I'm really proud to be a citizen here." She says she's enjoyed watching Carrboro change over the years. "The whole town is just so beautiful. I think it's our duty to keep everything going well."

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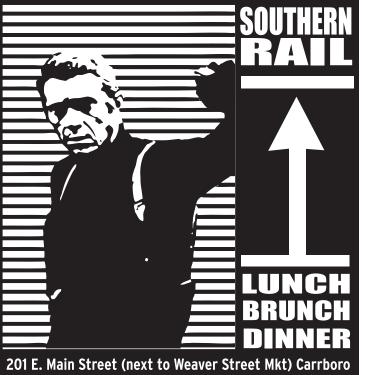


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### 2007 Carrboro Board of Aldermen candidates

### Frank Abernethy

*Age*: 49 *Neighborhood*: The Village Apartments off Smith Level Road

Profession: Unemployed due to disability Education and Experience: B.A. in Psychology at UNC-Chapel Hill.

Former board member Disability Council; volunteer with Orange County Skills Development Center,



Helpline and United Methodist Church; Governor's award for outstanding volunteer of the year What do you hope to accomplish if elected? I'd like to continue to increase the tax base in the town of Carrboro and try to bring more businesses to our community. I would like to keep as much green space and add trails and, if possible, a small park. I'd also like to reduce the amount of runoff into creeks and streams to reduce the amount of pollution going to Jordan Lake. And as the town grows, add police officers to better serve the community and make sure the new fire station gets built as soon as possible.

What are the top two or three critical issues facing Car-

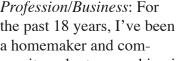
Give the power back to the police to enforce the federal detainer law; maintain and add to sidewalks, bikeways and trails; increase the tax base.

What have you learned about our town in the campaign?

The main thing I've gotten out of running and my first time in politics is learning about the many community organizations and their interest in what candidates have to offer. I feel that this makes Carrboro a stronger community since these organizations are trying to make sure we elect good people.

### Sharon Cook

*Age*: 53 *Neighborhood*: Highlands Family: My husband, Bill, and I have been married for 23 years. We have three teenage children.



munity volunteer working in a wide range of community organizations where I regularly apply my writing, research, leadership, organization and team-building

Education & Experience: BA in Journalism, University of Hawaii at Manoa, 1981. Member of the Carrboro Town Planning Board and representative to the Greenways Commission; participant in Northern Study Area community forums; petitioned the Legislature to create the Hogan Farms precinct; led petition drive to modify the Carrboro Town Charter to favor election over appointment of town officials; member of the Friends of Bolin Creek; advocate for the Rogers Road neighborhood; led grassroots effort to establish and served as representative to the Homestead and High School Road Safety Task Force; co-chair of the Smith Middle School-School Governance Committee; Orange United Methodist Church Youth Local Missions and Services coordinator; tutoring and other volunteer work in the city schools.

Endorsements: Carrboro Police Officers' Association; Chapel Hill-Carrboro Chamber of Commerce noted that I am a "...strong candidate for Carrboro and Carrboro businesses."

What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

I will work in harmony with the school board to plan responsible development to prevent school overcrowding. I'll encourage new schools to be built in locations which are walkable, along with looking at ways to maximize safe walking and bicycling to current schools Our current commercial tax base is 11 percent of town revenues. I'll work to better balance our commercial and residential tax base in order to keep Carrboro affordable for current and future residents, including those on fixed or limited incomes who are finding it difficult to afford to continue living in town. Our longtime residents add invaluably to our community. We need to find ways to make it possible for residents who have spent decades living in Carrboro to remain in our community. I will also work to enhance neighborhood preservation related to new developments.

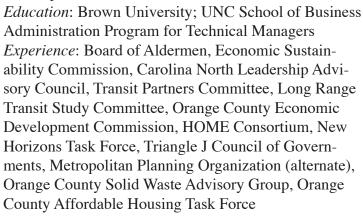
What are the top two or three critical issues facing Car-

Along with the need to increase our commercial tax base, residential development pressure is the most critical issue facing Carrboro. The building of new residences is far outpacing our ability to provide needed infrastructure improvements. This is resulting in everincreasing traffic on our roads, millions of dollars being spent to build new schools while maintenance and upgrading of our older schools is severely limited, increasing demands for SEE COOK, PAGE 5



Age: 55 *Neighborhood*: Fairoaks Family: married with two children

Profession/Business: Develop database software for nonprofits



Endorsements: NC Sierra Club, Chapel Hill News, Hank Anderson Breakfast Club, Independent Weekly What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

Continue to promote a locally-rooted economic development strategy to expand our tax base and provide goods and services to the community and provide entrepreneurial and employment opportunities to residents. Bring a free-standing library to downtown Carrboro. Update north Carrboro planning to provide appropriately located mixed-use, transit-oriented development that fits with neighborhood character. (I voted for and support maintaining the current upper limit of 2,200 new dwelling units in the northern area.) Work to ensure that the projected 20,000 jobs at Carolina North do not overwhelm Carrboro's housing market and transportation and civic infrastructure.

What are the top two or three critical issues facing Car-

Increasing our commercial tax base and increasing our commitment to moderate and low-cost housing so as to improve the town's diversity and affordability. Continuing to connect all of Carrboro, north to south

and east to west, with bike paths, sidewalks and green-Providing necessary and desired services to Carrboro

residents while maintaining careful stewardship of the town budget. What have you learned about our town in the cam-

I've learned that all Carrboroans in every part of town want pretty much the same things: safe enjoyment of their homes and neighborhoods, convenient access to goods, services and social, cultural and public amenities, and security that they can sustain a comfortable lifestyle for themselves and their families.

They understand that town government cannot solve every problem but they want a board of aldermen that will listen to their concerns, work at a steady pace toward desired improvements and seek efficient management of town operations and resources.

### Lydia Lavelle

paign?

*Age*: 46 *Neighborhood:* Fox Meadow Family: Partner, Alicia Stemper; children, Riley (12) and Avery (9) *Profession/Business*: Attorney/Assistant Dean of Student Affairs, North Carolina Central University School of Law



Education & Experience: B.A., St. Andrews Presbyterian College (1983); M.R.R., North Carolina State University (1985); recreation supervisor & recreation manager, City of Durham (1986-1993; 1996); J.D., North Carolina Central University (1993); City of Durham Recreation Advisory Committee (1994-1996); City of Durham Open Space and Trails (DOST) Commission and Trails Committee (1994-2003); chaired the Carrboro New Horizons Task Force, a temporary group created to serve as a liaison and communication conduit between the town and the newly annexed residents (May 2006 - June 2007); member, Carrboro Planning Board.

Endorsements: NC Sierra Club, Carrboro Police Officers Association, The Victory Fund, Hank Anderson Breakfast Club, Chapel Hill News, Independent Weekly What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

I hope to be an effective alderman, offering sound opinions, worthwhile ideas and appropriate questions as items come before the board. I hope to be an alderman that Carrboro citizens can see truly cares about our town. I will carefully research and analyze all sides of an issue and I will explain my reasoning. I will work diligently with the other members of the board to reduce our residential tax burden and to implement our revised Northern Small Area Plan. I am excited about our greenway plan and I look forward to offering my expertise as greenways and trials are SEE **LAVELLE**, PAGE 5 developed. And if elected,

Joal Hall Broun

*Age*: 46 *Neighborhood*: Spring Valley Subdivsion Family: Married to Jonathan E. Broun, two chil-

Center.

Profession/Business: Attorney; director, North

Carolina Department of the Secretary of State, Lobbying Compliance Division Education & Experience:

Two-term incumbent, seeking my third term. I am a graduate of Wake Forest University, B.A. History, 1983; Wake Forest School of Law, J.D., 1986. I previously served on the Orange Water and Sewer Authority for 5 years and I am a former member of the board of directors for the Orange County Dispute Settlement

Endorsements: Hank Anderson Breakfast Club, Carrboro Police Officer's Association, N.C. Sierra Club, Independent Weekly

What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

If I am elected, I want to continue to create policies that will increase affordable housing and more moderately priced housing. I want to continue to increase the commercial tax base in order to maintain Carrboro's affordability and also to alleviate the taxes on the residential taxpayer.

What are the top two or three critical issues facing Carrboro?

- 1. Increasing affordable and moderately priced housing.
- 2. Ensuring that the town remains affordable for all of its citizens.

3. Ensuring that the town will have sufficient revenue to meet its capital improvement needs. What have you learned about our town in the campaign?

I learned that our town still has a great need for affordable housing. The citizens are concerned about the Rogers Road neighborhood's waste transfer site and believe that the site selection was flawed and should be reexecuted. I learned that citizens are happy with the new sidewalks, Adams Tract and the plans for the extension of greenways. The citizens are concerned about the cost of living in Carrboro.

### Katrina Ryan

Age: 40 *Neighborhood*: Highlands Family: Husband, Randolph; daughters, Lara & Courtney; cat, Fred Profession/Business: Pastry Chef, La Residence; Local Business Owner, Sugarland, Chapel Hill



Education & Experience: President, Orange County Democratic Women; founding member, Texas Abortion Access Network; media strategist, Bill Clinton for President 1992; media relations mgr., Ann Richards for Governor 1994; Bill Bradley Campaign 2000; John Edwards Iowa Primary staff 2004; BFA, Northwestern University; Diplome D'Etudes Culinaire- La Varenne Villecien, France

What do you hope to accomplish if elected?

I have several goals that I believe can be accomplished during the next four years. The first is to put commercial zoning on the ground and eliminate the floating zoning that has yielded unchecked residential growth in North Carrboro. The second is to develop a transportation plan to improve transit, traffic and walkability throughout Carrboro, but especially in the Old Fayetteville/Homestead Rd corridor. The third and mos important goal is to aggressively pursue true economic development in Carrboro via a dual strategy of nurturing our own homegrown entrepreneurs while recruiting socially responsible, Carrboro-friendly businesses from around the country.

What are the top two or three critical issues facing Carrboro?

Carrboro's greatest challenge is the ever-increasing burden placed on homeowners due to a lack of economic development. The imbalance created by the unchecked residential growth in Carrboro over the last ten years threatens everything that we love about Carrboro. It is economically and ecologically imprudent and unsustainable to continue on our current path.

We need to target and recruit new businesses to Carrboro that can pay what it costs to live in Carrboro. A recent Chamber of Commerce study tells us that over 40% of Carrboro/Chapel Hill residents drive out of town everyday to go to work and 70% of us leave town once a week to shop. We need to better serve local business owners by increasing parking downtown and create new space for commercial growth. We need to seriously pursue a general merchandiser (I prefer Costco) to come to North Carrboro. One general retailer would provide the same tax benefit as 70 small businesses and provide town residents with basic SEE **RYAN**, PAGE 5 daily needs without driv-

#### COOK FROM PAGE 4

water with limited backup supplies during emergency conditions such as the current drought, and the coming cost and environmental impact of shipping our trash out of the county. Knowing that residential growth doesn't pay for itself, we need to better balance residential with commercial growth, and better balance residential growth with our ability to provide the necessary infrastructure improvements. What have you learned about

our town in the campaign?

### **LAVELLE** FROM PAGE 4

although I will be serving the entire town, I live in northeast Carrboro, and I hope that my perspective as a resident from that area will be helpful to the board.

What are the top two or three critical issues facing Carrboro?

1. We need to relieve the tax burden on homeowners. I believe we need to explore and support commercial or true mixed-use development nodes in northern Carrboro, continue to grow commercially downtown, attract new businesses by strengthening our Economic Development Office and be prepared to help entrepreneurs capitalize on the business op-

**RYAN** 

FROM PAGE 4

ing to Durham. The same resi-

dents in Carrboro that need af-

fordable housing need afford-

All of the things we would

like to provide to our town

— like better trails and green-

ways, sidewalks and more tran-

sit routes through town — are

costly, and we need to develop

**CHILTON** 

FROM PAGE I

ments on Estes Drive Exten-

sion and Smith Level Road and

creating a Bolin Creek Green-

way and a Morgan Creek Gre-

3. Complete revisions to

the Northern Small Area Plan

with an emphasis on diverse

**MORTON** 

FROM PAGE I

What are the top two or three critical

Affordable housing is my

primary concern. If Wendy and I were to need to buy our

house today, it simply could not

happen. We could not afford it,

even though our income has

increased since we bought it.

The values of our little house

and all those around it have

increased to 4 or 5 times what

they were 10 years ago, shut-

ting many of our citizens right

out of the market. This also

imposes a tax burden on older

and low income property owners, and might ultimately force

Joe Herzenberg — the first

openly gay elected official in

the American South, an ardent

defender of civil rights and the

environment, and the unoffi-

cial Mayor of Franklin Street

— died on October 28, 2007

at UNC Hospital. He was 66

to Morris & Margaret Her-

zenberg. His father owned the

town pharmacy in Franklin,

Yale University in 1964, Joe

went to Mississippi to partici-

After he graduated from

N.J., where Joe grew up.

Joe was born June 25, 1941,

**OBITUARY** 

Herzenberg

Joseph A.

years old.

issues facing Carrboro?

enway.

able socks and underwear.

town, and I've learned that most of them are concerned about the same problems that I'm concerned about. Carrboro is a great place with its own merchants and patrons alike.

I've met a lot of great

throughout

people while campaigning in

neighborhoods

closely aligned with Chapel Hill

town leadership, as indicated

by the many letters of endorse-

ment from Chapel Hill leaders

for Carrboro candidates. While

I know that there are many is-

sues which Chapel Hill and

Carrboro leaders must work on

cooperatively, as I experienced

with the multi-jurisdictional

work on Homestead and High

School Road, there are many

things about Chapel Hill that

I would not like to see copied

here in Carrboro. If elected to

represent the citizens of Car-

rboro, I will work to maintain

and enhance the special place

homogenous on any variable. I

have learned that our residents

are opinionated and we are passionate — mostly about issues

that affect us in our neighbor-

hoods or in our wallets. This

is as it should be, but it is why

I believe we need town lead-

ers charged with searching for

solutions that are best for the

town overall, because some-

times our individual needs

compete. I have learned that we

have a great deal of expertise in

our town. We have high ideals

and these ideals are expensive!

Most importantly, I have been

reminded that people respect

the truth. I look forward to

continuing to learn more about

Carrboro, especially if I am

fortunate enough to serve on

local government to protect

their quality of life. Every par-

ent expressed concerns about overcrowding and constant re-

districting in schools due to too

many new houses being built at

breakneck speed. I heard over

and over again that people are

afraid they won't be able to af-

ford to stay in Carrboro when

they retire. I heard over and

over again that Carrburbans

love Carrboro and don't want it

thousands and thousands of

doors. I have had the chance to

speak with a huge number of

residents and collectively they

seem to agree on three points:

1) We need to limit Carrboro's

property taxes. 2) We need to

make Carrboro a more walk-

able community. And 3) we live

to lose its small-town feel.

the board of aldermen.

we call home.

portunities that Carolina North

Orange" campaign.

ture that is both efficient and environmental. I will encourage the use of "smart growth" principles. 3. We need to continue to promote a variety of affordable housing options and to moni-

I have learned that Carrboro is home to such a variety of

our non-residential tax base to be able to provide them with-

town in the campaign?

I have learned that most Carrboro residents have the same concerns. They want safe neighborhoods and good schools. They want to support our local artists and love the music festival and the Farmers' Market. However, they want

housing, economic development, open space preservation, stream protection and farmland conservation. What have you learned about our

This is my third time running for office in Carrboro in the last four years. That means that I have walked along almost every street in Carrboro three times and I have knocked on

even Wendy and I out of the I would like to see the re-

cently annexed citizens of the Northern Transition Area welcomed into the town. The timing of the annexation process and the appointment of the vacant seat after the last election was perceived as a disenfranchisement of those residents, whether or not that is the intent. I am pleased to see the issue debated in this election, so that similar events in the future may well be better handled. What have you learned about our

town in the campaign?

organized Chapel Hill's annual Bill of Rights Day celebration.

decisions now, so that Car-

rboro can remain an inclusive

community for posterity.

Throughout his time in Chapel Hill, Joe was an ardent Democratic Party supporter, serving as longtime chair of his precinct. His party activism brought him brief notoriety in 1984, when Senator Jesse Helms angrily raged at his opponent Jim Hunt during a live televised debate "You're supported by people like Joe Herzenberg and Lightning Brown!" - a moment that Joe was forever after proud of. Joe received a Citizen's Award from the Independent newsweekly in 1984, the first year that award

Joe was an enthusiastic traveler who visited all seven continents and all 50 states. He also loved art and music. He was a member of Chapel Hill Kehillah. Joe is survived by his broth-

er Bobby, his sister-in-law Debbie, his nephew Michael, and his niece Sarah. He was pre-de-In lieu of flowers, well-wish-

ceased by his brother David. ers are asked to make contributions in his name to Equality NC, www.equalitync.org, or the

Inter-faith Council for Social

Services, www.ifcweb.org.

### WATER CONSERVATION RECOMMENDATIONS AND WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

Stage Two water use restrictions went into effect for OWASA customers on October 18th due to the severe drought conditions. The modest amount of rainfall this week did not significantly affect our lake levels as of October 25th.

The current restrictions are listed below, but we recommend that you conserve more than is required by ordinance. We encourage you to meet or exceed, if possible, Governor Easley's request for a 50% reduction in water demand.

### Some recommended water conservation methods

Below are some of the most effective conservation opportunities for many customers.

Cease outdoor use of drinking water for landscaping, cleaning and other non-essential purposes. Although pressure washing of buildings before painting is now allowed under Stage Two restrictions in local water conservation ordinances, OWASA recommends that customers defer pressure washing and painting until the drought is over. (Spray irrigation is prohibited as indicated below.)

Check for and promptly fix leaks in toilets, faucets, piping, hoses and other fixtures. National research indicates

leaks may account for as much as 14% of water demand. Many leaks can be detected by listening carefully for running water or looking for wet spots in the yard between

the OWASA meter and a customer's residence. Toilets are one of the most frequent places where leaks occur, and toilet leaks can result in thousands of gallons of water waste. To check a toilet, put food dye in the toilet tank and wait about 15 minutes to see if color appears in the bowl, indicating a leak. At our office at 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro, we give away leak detection dye tablets for toilet tanks.

Flush only when necessary. In the words of an old Chapel Hill-Carrboro saying, "If it's yellow, let it mellow."

Take short showers. Use a small amount of water to get wet, turn off the water while lathering and scrubbing, and then turn the water on briefly to rinse. Replace old showerheads that use more than 2.5 gallons per minute. OWASA gives away replacement

showerheads rated by the manufacturer as having a flow of only 1.75 gallons per minute (available to customers at 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro). Showerheads installed since 1994 have been required to have a maximum flow rating of 2.5 gallons per minute, and older showerheads may use 3.5 or more gallons per minute. Showers and baths account for about one-fifth of indoor residential water use, so they are a key opportunity for conservation. A 3-minute shower with an efficient showerhead uses much less water than taking a bath with a

Replace old toilets with a new model that uses 1.6 gallons or less per flush. Toilets installed before 1994 are likely to use 3.5, 5 or more gallons per flush, so new toilets can cut water use for flushing by as much as two-thirds. We recommend that customers check the US Environmental Protection Agency's new WaterSense website (www. epa.gov/watersense) for information about toilets and other devices that meet conservation standards.

Toilet flushing is a key conservation opportunity because it accounts for more than 25% of indoor residential water use. National research indicates that residential toilet use averages about 4.2 flushes per person per day. With about 80,000 people in our Chapel Hill-Carrboro service area and a mix of old inefficient toilets as well as new toilets, residential toilet flushing alone accounts for more than a million gallons per day in our community.

Reduce water use in old toilets by putting a container of water in the tank or installing a quick-closing flapper. If you put a container of water in a toilet tank, please make sure that it does not interfere with operation of the flapper or fill valve, etc. Free water-saving flappers are available from OWASA for use in older toilets that use

Use dishwashers and clothes washers only with full loads.

Replace old clothes washers with new front-loading units, which may use 38% less water than top-loaders. About one-fifth of indoor residential water use is for washing clothes. Replace old dishwashers with new waterand energy-efficient models. Please visit the WaterSense website discussed above for more information.

Use paper or plastic plates, cups and utensils that do not need washing.

Report water waste to OWASA at 968-4421 or by e-mail to webmaster@owasa.org. We will follow up on all reports of water waste and violation of current water use restrictions, and will work with local law enforcement when formal enforcement actions are needed. OWASA can also cut off water service for repeated, willful violation of the local water conservation ordinance or excessive water use as defined by ordinance. (Please see the list of Stage 2 restrictions below.)

Turn off water when not needed while brushing teeth, shaving, etc.

Keep a pitcher of cold water in the refrigerator, or put ice in your water glass rather than letting water run to get

For additional information on water conservation techniques, please see the water conservation section of the

### **Stage Two Water Use Restrictions (Mandatory)**

Spray irrigation with OWASA drinking water is not permitted, except by people regularly engaged in the sale of plants, who are allowed to irrigate their commercial stock in trade.

Irrigation by underground, drip irrigation, micro-spray, low precipitation bubblers, soaker hose systems with automatic shutoffs, or by hand held hoses or watering cans is limited to a maximum of one-half inch of water applied to plant material in any given week.

Water waste, including plumbing leaks that can be readily identified and corrected, is prohibited.

OWASA MAY TERMINATE SERVICE for water use at individually-metered single-family residences where water use exceeds the 800 gallons per day in a monthly billing period.

No OWASA drinking water shall be used to wash vehicles except at commercial or institutional car washes in which at least 50 percent of the water has been recycled.

No OWASA drinking water shall be used for filling or re-filling empty swimming pools. OWASA water may be used to top off operating swimming pools.

No OWASA drinking water shall be used to re-fill ornamental fountains, ponds, and like devices.

No OWASA drinking water shall be used for routine cleaning or washing of exterior building surfaces, decks, or paved areas such as sidewalks, driveways, roadways and parking lots. This restriction does not apply to pressure cleaning of exterior building surfaces or decks before painting or re-painting that is necessary to protect or maintain the physical integrity of the structure.

Restaurants and dining facilities shall serve water only on request of the customer. (Year-round requirement)

Hotels, motels, and other facilities providing sleeping accommodations shall change bed linens only upon request of the customer, upon customer changeover, or every five days for long-term customers. (Year-round requirement)

Plumbing systems shall be properly maintained and repaired to prevent water leaks. (Year-round requirement)

Water leaks must be repaired within 10 days of notification by OWASA. (Year-round requirement)

### Water supply and demand data (as of October 29, 2007)

The rainfall last week was a good start, but our Cane Creek Reservoir and University Lake are still about 50% full. Long-term forecasts indicate that the drought will continue into the winter.

Based on recent demand, and with about 1.7 billion gallons of water in our two primary reservoirs, we have enough water in storage to last about 6 months without additional rainfall.

### For More Information or to Report Water Waste

We encourage you to contact us for information about ways to conserve water and to report actual or possible water leaks and water use in violation of the conservation requirements. We will follow up on all reported violations of the water conservation ordinance adopted by the Towns of Chapel Hill and Carrboro and Orange County for OWASA customers, and will take appropriate action including disconnection of service where appropriate for repeated, willful violations of the ordinance. Please feel free to call us at 968-4421; send e-mail to webmaster@owasa.org; visit our website, www.owasa.org; send a fax to 968-4464 or visit or write to us at 400 Jones Ferry Road, PO Box 366, Carrboro, NC 27510.

### **Orange Water and Sewer Authority**

pate in voter registration for Freedom Summer. He joined the faculty of historically-black Tougaloo College, where was appointed chair of the history department. A very popular instructor, Joe was named an honorary member of Delta Sigma Theta sorority. During this time, Joe was briefly mar-

Joe arrived in Chapel Hill in the early 1970s to enroll as a graduate student in history at the University of North Carolina, and, along with his partner

unique charm which is being threatened by uncontrolled and out-of-harmony development. Every time a long-time business closes shop, we lose part of who we are as a community. We need to keep downtown vibrant, accessible and safe for I've also learned that our current town leadership is

will create. We also need to support current businesses through continuing the "Shop 2. We need to steward Car-

rboro's growth and develop-

ment in a way that maintains the quirky charm that we cherish, while providing an infrastruc-

tor all development for access to public transit. What have you learned about our town in the campaign?

people that we cannot be called

out increasing the tax burden on our residents. What have you learned about our

town in the campaign?

in the greatest town in North Carolina. town employees I have spoken with have left me with the impression of good governance, which appears to come primarily from an excellent and professional staff. Carrboro is truly a victim of its' own success. The

wise decisions of the Board of Aldermen over the past 30 years have created an attractive community. This has lead to a price spiral, and a glut of large expensive homes. Our biggest challenge in the near future is to find ways to insure that there remains room for everybody in Carrboro. We must make wise

In my investigation of town

issues related to this campaign, I have been impressed with just how well this town is run. The

Lightning Brown, immediately immersed himself in local, state, and national politics. Although Joe's first campaign for Chapel Hill town council in 1979 was

unsuccessful, he was appointed to the council that year to fill a vacant seat and served until 1981. In 1987, he was elected to the council, becoming the South's first openly gay elected official. He was re-elected in 1991 with the highest vote tally in the four seat race (and, up to that time, the highest vote total ever in a Town Council

race), and served until 1993. As a council member, Joe was responsible for creation of the Chapel Hill greenway system and enactment of the town's

tree protection ordinance.

and political activities. He was a founding board member of Pride PAC, a statewide lesbian and gay political action committee now known as Equality NC. He also served on the board of the American Civil Liberties Union of North Carolina and the Fund for Southern Communities. He served as chair of the local greenways

commission, the tree commis-

sion, and the libraries bond

task force, and served on sev-

eral other local boards. Joe also

Joe remained active in civic

was given.

### For the Record

### Vote like you mean it

Here's your chance to be different, to not be just part of the pack. Tuesday is your day to prove you're a maverick. Come next year, everyone's going to be headed to the polls. This year, nothing says cutting edge like an "I Voted" sticker.

Seriously, it's sad that an act that takes almost no waiting in line and only a few moments to complete seems so difficult a thing to do. It's not exactly the MCAT or the LSAT. (And remember — it's multiple

To make it a little easier to sort out your answers, there are plenty of resources, endorsements, websites and brochures to catch you up on the views of the candidates. In this issue, we've included the views of Carrboro candidates on who they are and their take on our challenges and the future of the town. Please take some time to learn about the folks who aspire to represent you, then do yourself and Carrboro proud and participate in their selection.

And for those of you mourning the loss of Chapel Hill's Joe Herzenberg (we'll be writing some words on his life and work in next week's issue), remember that, like so many of his era, he put himself on the line to make voting possible for the disenfranchised, and for the rest of his life was a strong advocate for greater participation in the most basic duty of civil society. It is right to mourn his passing, but to celebrate what he stood for there is no greater tribute than a trip to the voting booth.

### Heat of competition

No one from this paper was at the East/ Chapel Hill High soccer match that ended in a heated dispute between members of the crowd and officials. So what we have passed on is what we've learned from people who were there and feel we can confirm.

We've learned a little more this week from Chapel Hill High Principal Jacqueline Boyd Ellis, who was at the match. Ellis said she did not hear anyone yelling for the young player from East to be given a "green card" as we reported. If it did happen, she said, it was likely an isolated moment and certainly wasn't an organized chant. That's good news, because we've heard that in other places it's a common taunt. And Ellis confirmed that as a heated exchange between a ref and a parent escalated, an angry insinuation against people of Hispanic descent indeed was hurled.

Afterward, the administration of the two schools agreed not to hire the ref in question again (typically, refs are independent contractors, not school employees) — a good start. An even better follow-up happened late last month, when the two schools met again and cards with some tips on sportsmanship were passed out. Being a good sport is never too cool for school.

### Correction

In last week's article on the adoption of buffer requirements that would allow for a re-alignment of the new northern fire station on the site, we incorrectly reported that the board of aldermen had passed a revisement of sidewalk rules as well.

We'd also like to caution folks not to take the headline "Poke salad days" literally. We were being overly clever. You eat poke salad in the spring.

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### Asphalt overkill on Smith Level Road

### TOM HIGH

Any citizen driving Smith Level Road has probably noted the scores of pedestrians crossing the road at the BPW Club Road intersection after being dropped off at the bus stop. It's bad enough for them currently, and that's with only having to cross three

Imagine what it will be like to have to cross the equivalent of six lanes. That's what the north side of the Smith Level/BPW intersection will be under the current Department of Transportation proposal.

Having trouble imagining it? Think MLK/Weaver Dairy Road in north Chapel Hill. How many folks do you see walking across MLK up there? For those that try, it's a nightmare. The engineering staffers at DOT are feeling pretty

good right now. They have, over the course of the last 25 years, successfully beaten down Carrboro town staff and elected officials into quietly acquiescing to a plan to turn Carrboro's section of Smith Level Road into a multi-lane highway. Another part of the Smith Level plan is equally

illogical: the inclusion of two sections of nefarious center turn lanes. DOT officials, when asked to justify the efficacy of the center turn lane, will usually mutter something about safety.

Hmm. Wonder why most folks refer to them as "suicide" lanes?

There is minimal left-turn frequency at any point along this project that doesn't already have a traffic signal. All that the center turn lanes will do is give pedestrians an extra lane to cross before reaching the relative safety of a sidewalk. The fact of the matter is that there is no justification for a center turn lane in any portion of this project other than a desire to lay more asphalt.

Most assume the Town of Carrboro is desirous of a multi-modal, pedestrian-friendly transportation network, and in the past that has mostly been the case. While it is true this project includes sidewalks and bike lanes, both would have been included in any improvement project on Smith Level, regardless of

Why carry out an improvement project that increases bike/pedestrian safety along the road while at the same time forcing those same bike/ped folks to put their lives in jeopardy each time they try to Don't Carrboro and the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City

Schools want people to walk/bike to school, walk/ bike to visit friends, etc.? If this plan proceeds down its current path, virtually everyone needing to cross Smith Level Road, from the Morgan Creek bridge to Culbreth Road, will do it in a fossil fuel-burning ve-And one final question: In this time of budget

woes and economic shortfall, why is DOT insistent on spending more money on a project the citizens of Carrboro don't really want, when they could spend less on a project they do want? The Carrboro Board of Aldermen, who gave

DOT the go-ahead to proceed with the most recent "improvement" plan by a cowed 6-1 vote (thanks to Joal Broun for her dissent), need to stiffen their collective political spine and let DOT know that this plan won't cut it.

The aldermen and town staff need to stop worrying about giving DOT "heartburn" and instead worry about doing the right thing for the future of Carrboro. We've made it through decades without sidewalks on Smith Level. We can make it another

This is not a question of the perfect being the enemy of the good. The DOT plan isn't perfect or good. It compromises the safety of Carrboro pedestrians. And that is unacceptable.

All concerned citizens should make their voices heard at the DOT workshop at Carrboro High School on Monday, November 5 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., and to their elected representatives. I'll be standing outside CHS during the workshop with a petition opposing the current plan and in support of a viable, common-sense alternative. Hope to see you there.

Tom High is a Carrboro Transportation Advisory Board member who lives on Ray Road. A petition about the Smith Level Road widening is online at www.ipetitions.com/petition/

### Poverty and struggles in school

### **CHRIS FITZSIMON**

Despite what we are told is a healthy economy and relatively low unemployment rates, the percentage of poor students in public schools is on the rise in North Carolina and the South. It is yet another reminder that helping poor families remains the most important education reform.

A report released this week by the Southern Education Foundation finds that poor kids make up the majority of student populations in public schools in 11 Southern states. Forty-nine percent of students in North Carolina public schools are from poor families, up from 40 percent just seven years ago. And that is far from the whole story.

The overall percentage of poor kids in school is 49, but that number varies widely from school district to school district and from school to school within

One thing that varies far less is the correlation between family poverty and graduation rates and students' scores on standardized tests. Putting aside the valid concerns about standardized testing, and there are many, the relationship between poverty and student achievement and performance is clear.

Schools with high percentages of poor students don't do as well as schools with fewer poor kids, even when the measurement is improvement from year to year, not simply raw test scores.

A McClatchy story on the new report noted that test scores of poor students were as much as 30 points lower on math and reading tests that are part of the National Assessment of Educational Progress. The same is true in North Carolina at the school level, where schools are ranked on a variety of criteria, including the improvement in student test scores

The highest designation is Honor School of Excellence. The 2006 version of the testing program named 51 schools with 20 percent or less of their students eligible for free or reduced lunch as Honor Schools of Excellence. No school with a student population of at least 80 percent poor children earned the designation. The same is true for the schools at the bottom of

the ranking, with 19 low-performing schools having

at least 80 percent poor students. Only two schools

with less than 20 percent of students eligible for free

or reduced lunch were low performing. It all makes a compelling case that anti-poverty efforts must be at the center of any education reform, something that continues to be conspicuously missing from the policy agenda and speeches of most of the political leaders in the state.

They do talk about helping children, and earlychildhood programs are important, but are clearly not enough. Just as vital are efforts to help families with child care, affordable housing and access to health care so they can begin the slow climb out of

That is not a new message, but one that continues to be ignored. This week's report also makes the case for more efforts to identify and help struggling students who are overwhelmingly students of color and students with special potential caught in a system stacked against them.

Call it affirmative action if you want, but don't dismiss it until you consider this item in the latest book from economist and New York Times columnist Paul Krugman.

Krugman cites a study by the National Center for Education Statistics that tracked a group of students in the 8th grade in 1988 and divided them into different groups based on their math scores and their family income.

The study found that students in the top 25 percent of family incomes that scored in the lowest 25 percent on the math test were more likely to graduate from college than students who scored in the highest 25 percent on the test and came from the poorest 25 percent of the families in the group.

In other words, a higher percentage of the lowestperforming wealthy students graduated from college, compared to the highest-performing poor students. The inescapable conclusion is that poverty not only matters in how well a student performs in school, it adds huge barriers for the poor students who, against all odds, manage to do well.

Poverty matters in school. And the percentage of poor students in our schools is increasing. The question remains: when will our policymakers finally talk

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

#### **LETTERS**

### Chatham County touch-screen voting

Many Chatham County voters are deeply concerned about the reliability of the new touch-screen computer voting machines that are to be used in the upcoming election in Chatham County. Ensuring accurate voting is a non-parti-

At the most recent meeting of the Chatham County Board of Elections, a meeting required by law to inspect and approve the performance of voting machines, the optical scanners took ten minutes to inspect and pass the test, while it took several hours to inspect the touch-screen machines, one of which never operated correctly and will need repair before it can be

These results confirmed what voters present at the meeting had suspected: that Chatham County's new touch-screen voting machines are so unreliable that voters should request the paper ballots used in optical scanners to ensure that their vote is cast, recorded and counted accurately. Paper ballots/optical scanners will be available at all precincts and voters are urged to use them. Touchscreen machines will also be present but we urge that they not be used.

This is a non-partisan issue. Each vote in this election is important to the future of Chatham County and the results should not be tainted by a possibly faulty election process. To keep their votes safe, Chatham County citizens are urged to use the paper ballot and optical scanning recording devices in the upcoming election.

Remember:

- 1. The electronic voting machines are known to be
- prone to breakdown. 2. Electronic voting is
- vulnerable to hackers. 3. The cash register-type tape produced by the electronic voting machines are difficult to understand and are impossible for the voter to review.
- 4. There is no way to know how the machine records and counts your vote because the software is secret. Thus, recounts are difficult.

### Diane Vannais

Pittsboro; Chair, Voter Access Committee, Chatham Co. Democratic Committee

### Streater, Strom and Coleman

Voters in southern Orange County have great choices in all three local races this fall. For the school board, Annetta Streater has done an outstanding job working for the achievement of all students since she was appointed last year. She deserves a full term. In Carrboro, Dan Coleman has shown that after 20 years as an effective progressive activist in our community, he is just as effective a progressive elected official. We need to keep him on the Board of Aldermen. In Chapel Hill, Bill Strom has provided strong leadership on all the major issues during his eight years on the Town Council, even when the going was tough. We need him to keep fighting for what is right. Please support Annetta Streater, Dan Coleman and Bill Strom this fall.

Fred Battle Chapel Hill

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### Supporting Cook, Ryan

We have a choice in this upcoming election for positive change for Carrboro. That is why we support Katrina Ryan and Sharon Cook for aldermen. Katrina and Sharon will protect Carrboro's identity while promoting sane and reasonable growth. Preservation of our natural environment and the safety of our communities are important issues to Katrina and Sharon. Among other numerous accomplishments, both have worked hard to improve safety for bicyclists and pedestrians in Carrboro. They have been successful in securing sidewalks, smart traffic lights and bikeways along Homestead Road. As neighbors, we have witnessed the devotion Katrina and Sharon have to both their neighborhood and the larger community.

Please join us in voting for Katrina Ryan and Sharon Cook for Carrboro aldermen. Michael and Deborah

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### Supporting Hill

I believe Cam Hill to be the choice for re-election to the Chapel Hill Town Council. Cam, a Chapel Hill native, has shown himself to be the people's representative (all the people) through his record during his first four years on the council. He does not allow himself to be influenced by special interests, but makes his decisions on the issues based on their inherent merit. I've known Cam my whole life and know that he loves



this town and has the best interests of Chapel Hill at heart. Let's do Chapel Hill a favor and keep Cam on the town council.

Kevin Cohan Chapel Hill

#### Supporting Lavelle, **Broun**

I have had the great pleasure of working with Lydia Lavelle on Carrboro's planning board. She takes a patient, scholarly and professional approach to the complex issues that come before us. She brings strong community values and ecological awareness to the task at a time when we are greatly challenged to create a sustainable urban fabric that will serve our children and grandchildren in the future as well as it serves us today.

Joal Broun has always been and, I am confident, will continue to be a strong voice for a diverse and walkable community that must become more affordable. I have long appreciated her humor and outspoken views. Most important to me is her recognition that land use patterns in Carrboro need to change in order for more of our residents to be able to work in Carrboro and for more of the people who work here to be able to live here.

Lydia Lavelle will be a highly-qualified addition to the board of aldermen and I am happy to continue supporting Joal Broun's generous and compassionate service to our community.

James Carnahan Carrboro

### Elect Cook, Ryan, Voyce

I am one of the few people that live and work in Carrboro. I am happy to be able to both work and live in the same town. However; doing business in Carrboro is not easy. It is difficult to get to, office space is limited and

I often find myself driving out of town for shopping and

In order to encourage people to live and work in Carrboro, we need to elect people who will handle our growth responsibly. Growing requires change.

Carrboro needs diversification. We need a diverse tax base, diversified housing and a diversified government. I encourage all Carrboro residents - especially resident business owners — to vote for Sharon Cook, Katrina Ryan and Brian Voyce on November 6th.

John Norton Carrboro

### **Supporting Cook**

Sharon Cook has actively served our community for 10 years and we have benefited from her efforts. She is currently seeking to serve on the Carrboro Board of Aldermen to make an even greater positive impact on our community. Sharon is a member of the Carrboro Town Planning Board and their representative to the Greenways Commission. She has participated in the Carrboro northern study area community forum. She is informed and actively involved in issues facing our community. She is approachable and regularly communicates with neighbors to keep them abreast of the issues.

Sharon is concerned about the welfare of our children and others. In 2003, she led a grassroots effort to improve student safety near CHHS. She was the Orange County representative to the Homestead and High School Road Safety Task Force. She has advocated for pedestrian and bicyclist safety by securing sidewalks, traffic lights and bikeways along Homestead

She is a member of the Friends of Bolin Creek and will work to preserve and protect our environment. She has worked to identify areas for conservation and believes that Bolin Creek needs to be further protected by limiting the density of developments on the creek and the added roadways that go along with them. She is committed to implementing a bicycle and pedestrian pathway from Twin Creeks Park along the Bolin Creek corridor to connect with the Chapel Hill Greenway at Estes Drive Extension.

Sharon will work to keep Carrboro affordable. Our aldermen need to be better stewards of our revenues and find ways to use town dollars more efficiently and effectively! Sharon will work to modify current zoning to include commercial development in order to balance existing residential development with businesses, especially in northern Carrboro, and to increase the commercial tax

Sharon Cook cares for Carrboro! Vote for her on November 6 and help to effect a positive change for Carrboro!

> Janice Bernhardt Carrboro

### **Supporting Coleman**

I enthusiastically support Dan Coleman for Carrboro

In 20 years as a community activist, Dan has demonstrated an impressive ability to study the issues and press for change with a view toward the long term. On the board of aldermen, he has earned a reputation as a well-prepared, thoughtful alderman who comes to every discussion with an open mind and a genuine interest in widespread community participation.

Dan's own participation has been extensive, from serving on housing and transportation advisory boards to organizing living wage and civil liberties campaigns. Dan

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understands that economic development, environmental protection and social justice are interconnected, and he supports thoughtful development that relies on the creativity of Carrboro's residents. Dan knows that smart approaches to issues like expanding the commercial tax base require us to take our time and get things right.

Please join me in voting for Dan Coleman on Novem-

**Damon Seils** Carrboro

### Supporting Wallach

Gary Wallach will make an outstanding advocate for all of our children.

Some of his advocacy efforts have found their way into the news and onto the web, including his defense against teacher assistant and gifted specialist cuts in 2005 and his challenge of the fairness of the latest redistricting plan. And of course, his service on the Frank Porter Graham School Governance Committee benefited a diverse constituency. His skill and wherewithal in the championing of accountability, openness and transparency are tremendous assets.

Any institution as complex as the CHCCS or the Exceptional Children's Department (special needs) encounters breakdowns. Over the past two years, I have accompanied Gary to a half-dozen meetings he initiated with Superintendent Neil Pederson. Following the spotlight Gary directed to issues of concern, steps toward improvement emerged in the form of solutions that can also be applied on behalf of the entire student popula-

- How do we acknowledge breakdowns when it is not in the administrator's inter-
- How can parents, who possess a unique and early

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view of problems, have an unfiltered advisory voice in these issues?

 How can we reduce the adversarial culture that too often rears its ugly head?

Concrete, demonstrable outcomes from those meetings included the formation of the Special Needs Advisory Council, an autism focus group attended by over 40 parents and the hiring of an autism expert/consultant to review the program and recommend improvements.

As always, the long-term outcome is only as good as the follow up, whether for the special needs community or for the general population. In the four years I have worked with him, I have observed in Gary a rare level of persistence and determination to pursue the right thing for our

On November 6, please vote for Gary so he can apply that determination on behalf of your child.

John Huff Chapel Hill

### **Supporting Coleman**

I first met Alderman Dan Coleman in 1989 when we worked together to elect Jacquelyn Gist and Mike Nelson to the board of aldermen. His strong love for the town of Carrboro has motivated him to be involved in local politics over the past three decades and recently motivated him to put himself forward as a candidate for the board of alderman. Dan is an out-of-thebox thinker who has wrestled for a long time with the issues of sustainability and how to maintain and enhance the things that make Carrboro a fun and stimulating place to live. Please join me in supporting him this election.

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Kids: A 22year-old son who attends UNC Medical School, a 16year-old son who attends

East Chapel Hill High School and a 20-year-old daughter who lives in a group home for autistic children and attends school in Granville County *Profession*: CPA with William H. Bunch, CPA, PA Education: Master of Accounting from UNC, Bachelor of Arts in mathematics from the University of Virginia Experience: School board chair since 2006, board member since 2003, former chair of the East Chapel Hill High, Phillips Middle School and Ephesus Elementary School Governance Committees Endorsements: Independent Week*ly*, Hank Anderson Breakfast

Website: www.jamezetta.org Why do you want to be elected to the school board?

I think our district is initiating real change via some key initiatives.

I'd like to continue to serve in order to see these implemented systemically. Professional Learning Communities provide a fundamentally different way for teachers to collaborate for learning (vs. teaching) and to assess student progress and intervene when learning did not occur or when a child already knows that lesson. I am excited about our new partnership with the FPG Child Development Institute and the new academies at each high school. I want to see the reworked Special Needs Advisory Committee soar to improve special education in our district.

### Mia Burroughs



Age: 45 Kids: Two daughters, 11 and 15, who attend Phillips Middle School and East Cha-

pel Hill High School Profession: Freelance grant

Education: Bachelor's degree in political science and Spanish from Duke University Experience: Former chair of the Estes Hills Elementary School Governance Committee, member of the Phillips Middle School Improvement Team, member of the districtwide School Governance Committee/School Improvement Team Advisory Committee

Endorsements: Independent Weekly, Hank Anderson Breakfast

Website: www.miaburroughs.

Why do you want to be elected to the school board?

I've dedicated my career to youth services and my volunteer efforts to my children's schools. Serving on the school board is a chance to combine what I have learned in both venues to help make our schools as effective as possible. This district is faced with the challenge of helping all students achieve to their potential, while it copes with the demands of a rapidly growing student population. I will use my listening, communication and advocacy skills to ensure that the county and the school board work in concert to make sure our students are maximizing their potential.

### Mike Kelley

2007 Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education candidates



Kids: Four children, ages 10, 12, 14 and 20, who attend Rashkis Elementary School,

Phillips Middle School, East Chapel Hill High School and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Profession: Physician scientist at Duke University and the Durham Veterans Affairs Medical Centers

Education: Associate's degree from Monroe County Community College, Bachelor of Science and MD from the University of Michigan Experience: School board member since 2003, former member of the Rashkis Elementary School Governance Committee, former treasurer of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro chapter of Partners for the Advancement of Gifted Education

Website: kelley4schoolboard. blogspot.com Why do you want to be elected to

the school board? I have broad experi-

ence with our school system through my roles as parent of four children, volunteer and board member for the last four years. This experience along with my professional skills allows me to make informed and reasoned decisions that are in the best interest of our students. I have consistently supported evidence-based educational strategies that are proven to increase achievement, worked collaboratively with elected and other officials to improve communications over my term and advocated for more open and accessible board meetings that allow consideration of all stakeholders in the decision-making process.

### Annetta Streater



Age: 43 Kids: 12-yearold son who attends Culbreth Middle School and a 20-month-old daughter

Profession: Registered dental hygienist, clinical practitioner and part-time educator Education: Bachelor of Science and Master of Science from

Experience: School board member since June 2006, Culbreth Middle School PTA member and School Governance Committee co-chair Endorsements: Independent Weekly, Hank Anderson Breakfast Club

Website: www.streaterforschoolboard.org Why do you want to be elected to the school board?

The citizens of Chapel Hill and Carrboro should elect me if they want continued responsiveness to the issues that are important to them. If they want someone who is engaged in meaningful dialogue about the challenges facing the district, then they should elect me. If the residents of this community want a proven leader who will advocate for effective instruction that allows children to grow into happy, well-rounded, productive citizens, then they should elect me.

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### Gary Wallach



Kids: An 11-year-old who attends Frank Porter Graham Profession: Semi-retired not-for-profit consultant

of Journalism in marketing and advertising from Northwestern University, Bachelor of Arts in radio and television from Arizona State University Experience: Former 7th-grade English teacher, founder of the CHCCS Special Needs Advisory Council, Frank Porter Graham mascot Endorsements: The Independent Website: garywallachschoolboard.blogspot.com Why do you want to be elected to

Education: Master of Social

Work in administration from

Fordham University, Master

the school board? The district has a proud history, terrific students and talented, hard-working teachers. But, we face significant challenges. For the last two years, we have missed meeting our adequate yearly progress goals. We advocate for funding and worry about losing critical services. Our children's educational opportunities often depend on which school they attend. We can do better. That is why I decided to run for school board. We need to apply basic management principles to our educational programs. We could do a cost/ benefit analysis of our \$115 million budget. Finding just 1% that could be used more wisely would free up over a million dollars. Expanding our volunteer program could mean more volunteers helping the schools with more at-risk children. As a board member, I would strongly advocate for these changes.

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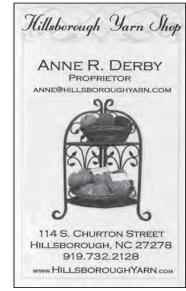
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### Coaches' **Reports**

#### Culbreth Middle **Boys' Soccer** (via Kevin Dixon)

The Culbreth boys soccer team avenged last year's first round tournament loss with a 3-1 victory over Stanford yesterday. Sam Brighton converted a penalty kick after Trey Deimler was taken down in the box for an early 1-0 lead. Man of the match Victor Zhang scored two magnificent goals off first-time volleys, one set up by a Mike McPeak corner kick, the other from a cross by Jack Vozella. Defensive player of the game was goalkeeper Joe Gustainis, who continued to show that he is the best 1v1 keeper in the conference by stopping several breakaway attempts

by the Chargers. With the

the semifinal round.

win, the Cougars advance to

#### Chapel Hill High Field Hockey

(via Lew Borman)

The Chapel Hill Tigers field hockey team won the PAC VI conference title Saturday night at UNC's Henry Stadium with a 1-0 victory over their archrival, East Chapel Hill High's Wildcats.

From beginning to end, it was a game of extreme intensity for both teams, who had faced each other twice this season. The two teams went into the game tied for first place in the conference.

Each team won by one point when they played on their home turf during the regular season.

East held off several scoring attempts and the first half ended scoreless.

Senior Taylor Wahrenbrock scored on a penalty stroke in the second half. The Tigers defense held

off several late East attempts on penalty corners to win the game.

Chapel Hill was focused throughout the game, dominating both halves with 12

corners. The defense was led by senior Hannah Martin, juniors Kira Borman and Hunter Newton and senior goalkeeper Alyssa Stefanadis, who had four saves during the game.

East Chapel Hill had four shots on goal and five corners.

Chapel Hill's Coach Diego Cabellero is in his first season as head field hockey coach. His assistant coaches are Marie Bounds and Xan

The Chapel Hill team takes the first-place conference title and will represent the East Region as they advance to the state finals next weekend at Wake Forest University. They will face the Asheville High Cougars in the state field hockey playoffs.

### McDougle Middle **Cross Country**

(via Danae Whitaker)

In the 2007 OPAC Cross Country Championship, both the boys and girls showed speed and deter-

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mination against the six other teams participating. In the girls' championship race, Tristin VanOrd placed fourth overall and received a medal. Also placing toward the front were Katey Furey in sixth and Emily Williams in 11th.

In the boys' championship race, Mitch McLeod set a new course record. He ran the 1.85-mile course in 10 minutes and 5 seconds. He received both a medal and plaque for his first place

In the open race, we had two girls place. Lexi Savelli came in second overall and Kathryn Penerya came in fourth. Both girls received ribbons. Overall, the team of Tristin VanOrd, Katey Furey, Emily Williams, Rachel Weaver, Erin McGibbon, Marleigh Cannon and Kathleen Cannon came in third place. The boys team of Mitch McLeod, Brendan Neville, Conor Templeton, Mark Flournoy, Ben Babcock, Grant Cabell and Eric Godsey also placed third. Third place out of seven

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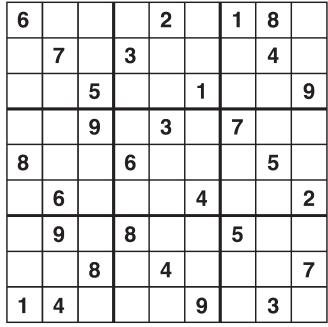
teams is awesome!

Coach Whitaker and Coach Proto are extremely proud of all the runners. They did a great job this season, and yesterday just helped to prove how much the whole team has improved. Go, Mustangs!

Hey coaches! Want to see your team in the paper? Send an email to editor@car**rborocitizen.com** with a description of your game! Send photos too!

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### by Linda Thistle

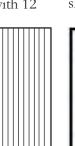


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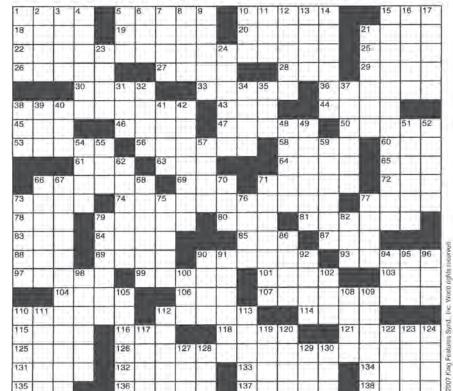
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