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The Nature Observation Trail is just for walkers. PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

Big night for the GOP except in Orange County

BY KIRK ROSS

Staff Writer

Every election makes a little bit of history. Some are just plain historic.

Tuesday's election fell into the latter category, with Republicans taking control of both houses of the North Carolina legislature for the first time since 1898.

The unofficial house tally shows 67 seats for the GOP and 53 seats for Democrats in the house – a swing of 15 seats – and a 28 to 22 majority in the Senate, a pickup of eight seats.

That shift brought about the end of Rep. Joe Hackney's tenure as House Speaker. Hackney won his race against Republican Cathy Wright with 17,948 votes to her 13,305, but will be seated as a member of the minority party when the house clerk gavels in the next session on Jan. 26.

Hackney said he called Rep. Paul Stam, who will likely run for speaker, to offer congratulations Tuesday night. The main task ahead, he said, is to prevent heavy cuts to education as the Republicans try to make good on their promises.

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McKee wins, sales tax defeated

BY KIRK ROSS AND WILL BRYANT

Staff Writers

Going into this election season, Rougemont's Earl McKee knew next year would be a tough budget year for anyone on the Orange County Board of Commissioners.

McKee, a Democrat, won his race, but another outcome of Tuesday's election made his new job a little more difficult.

McKee beat Republican Greg Andrews with 31,804 votes to Andrew's 12,413 in the District 2 commissioners race. He joins incumbent Democrats Alice Gordon and Barry Jacobs, who

both ran unopposed.

Meanwhile, Orange County voters decided not to grant the commissioners the option to raise an estimated \$2.3 million annually through a quarter-cent Sales and Use Tax (see sidebar, page 7).

Aaron Nelson, president of the Chapel Hill-Chamber of Commerce and a proponent of the tax, said the tax would have boosted the county's economicdevelopment effort.

We are pleased to have earned the vote of more than 20,000 Orange County residents for increasing the sales tax to support creating jobs and improv-

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FLORA BY KEN MOORE

A trail just for walkers!

hree cheers for the guys who manage UNC Carolina North's 20-plus miles of trails! There is now a footpath reserved exclusively for walkers. Believe it or not, the markers at the trailheads state that the trail is for "walking only, no dogs, no runners, and no bikes."

Unbelievable. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

I walked it recently and, though near residential areas of hundreds of homes, I experienced peace and quiet akin to being in a far-away wilderness. Mind you, it was in the middle of the week, so even heavily traveled trails elsewhere in the forest would not be too crowded. But I had this particular trail, the Nature Observation Trail, completely to myself for a leisurely hour of walking, contemplation and standing quietly in awe of big pines, oaks and tulip poplars.

One stand of towering tulip poplars made me think of the virgin Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest in the far-western end of our state. Well now, the trees aren't really that big, but big enough to make me think of Joyce Kilmer. The opportunity for uninterrupted, quiet contemplation and nature observation is really special.

The trail is narrow and intimate. At times, one has the sensation of walking along on a deer path. We walkers and quiet nature observers are fortunate to have such a trail; hopefully, the rules of this single pathway will be honored by all the other enthusiastic travelers along more heavily

However, this and many Carolina North trails are under siege.

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Thrilled

Chancellor Holden Thorp, his wife, Patti, and Chapel Hill Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt were among those attending a little dance lesson at The Pit on Monday in preparation for the Eve Ball, a fundraiser for the Eve Carson Scholarship Fund. Lauren Petersburg, president of the Carolina Dance Initiative, demonstrated how to shake it zombie-style to Michael Jackson's "Thriller." The second annual ball, started by Franklin Street Yoga's Lori Burgwyn to honor her former student, takes place this Friday at the Carolina Club and features a costume contest. See franklinstyoga.com/ eveball for more information. PHOTO BY EMILY BOWE

Aldermen to look at CVS ideas

BY KIRK ROSS

Staff Writer

CARRBORO — Town officials will get an early look at a proposed development being considered by drug store chain CVS Caremark at the corner of Greensboro and Weaver streets. The board of aldermen is scheduled to receive an update on the project at a work session scheduled for Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

The project has been the subject of speculation since the an-

nouncement last spring that the Rhode Island-based company purchased the former bank building and parking lot on the northwest corner of the intersection, across from Weaver Street Market, along with a mill house the cooperative

also owned at 104 Center Street. Since then, residents say the company has sought to purchase additional land on Center Street, along with an adjacent building and parking lot on Greensboro Street owned by dentist Dr. Debra

DeAngelis, spokesperson, did not respond to questions from The Citizen about the project.

Jeff Herrick, who has lived on Center Street for 10 years, said he and his neighbors have been concerned about the impact on his street and others downtown since reading of the property sale in the Weaver Street Market newsletter last May.

SEE CVS PAGE 3

Chapel Hill workers fired

BY TAYLOR SISK

Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL – Two Town of Chapel Hill Public Works Department employees who were suspended in September have been fired, according to a statement released by the town on Friday.

Kerry Bigelow and Clyde Clark were placed on placed on paid administrative leave on Sept. 20. Administrators said complaints had been made against the workers, but that they could not disclose the nature of those complaints.

A statement released by the town's public information office stated that as of Oct. 29, Bigelow and Clark have been dismissed from Town of Chapel Hill employment but still have grievance rights under the town policy.

According to the statement: "Under the Town's grievance procedure, in disciplinary cases of demotion, suspension or termination, a grievance must be filed within 14 calendar days from the receipt of the written discipline notice."

The town may elect to hear the grievance or send it to the town's Personnel Appeals Committee. If the manager elects to hear the appeal and the employee isn't satisfied with the results, the employee may appeal the decision to the committee.

Bigelow and Clark say they were targeted for having filed grievances in the past alleging racial bias in job placements and promotions. Bigelow

won a race-discrimination grievance in February, when he alleged that he had been passed over for a promotion, but didn't receive the promotion.

The men's attorney, Al McSurely, indicated on Monday that they would file a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro chapter of the NAACP and the union UE 150 have taken up the men's cause. A letter signed by NAACP chapter president Michelle Laws and the UE 150's Nathanette Mayo of UE 150 said that the suspensions "sent a chilling message to other workers" not to file grievances or "make any criticisms about safety or unfair and discriminatory practice."

OPC discusses merger

BY TAYLOR SISK

Staff Writer

OPC Area Program, the local governmental agency that oversees publicly funded mental health, developmental disability and substance abuse services, has entered into merger negotiations with the Alamance-Caswell Local Management Entity (LME).

OPC is responsible for the oversight and management of services in Orange, Person and Chatham counties. Alamance-Caswell has the same responsibilities for the two counties it serves.

"Our two area authorities have entered preliminary negotiations, but no decisions or commitments have been made at this time," OPC director Judy Truitt wrote in an email to *The Citizen* on Tuesday.

Truitt said OPC was approached by Alamance-Caswell in mid-August and that a number of meetings between the two agencies have since been held.

The potential merger was precipitated when, last year, Rockingham County pulled out of the Alamance-Caswell-Rockingham LME alliance. That left Alamance-Caswell below the consumer population required of LMEs by the state. An agency must have a population of 200,000 or cover a five-county area to maintain what the state believes to be an economical use of administration dollars.

Since the loss of Rockingham County to CenterPoint Human Services, based in Winston-Salam, Alamance-Caswell has been exploring options.

Truitt said the merger would facilitate a consolidation of administrative functions, and that there should be little or no impact on consumers in the five counties, but that reduced administration costs could ultimately mean more funds available for services.

She noted that OPC is one of the smallest LMEs in the state and that a potential benefit of the merger would be the opportunity to demonstrate its ability to manage services for a larger consumer community. In a survey published July 1 by the Office of State Budget & Management, of the 23 LMEs in operation, OPC had the third-smallest consumer population, with 235,707.

"As federal health care reform is implemented across the nation, we expect that the public mental health system in North Carolina will face many changes," Truitt wrote. "OPC is positioning itself to meet the demands of those changes as we move into the future."

Truitt said that the Alamance-Caswell LME is expected to make an arrangement to join another alliance by the end of June of next year.

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Julius Chambers honored

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DJ celebrates 300th show

By Mary Stewart Robins Carrboro Commons Staff Writer

Inside Carrboro's community radio station, WCOM, disc jockey Rocco Nittoli's smooth and professional voice enlivens the small station and the sleepy Saturday mornings of Carrboro listeners and online fans across the country.

Every Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon, Nittoli mixes a variety of popular music spanning the past 70 years on his radio show, "Music Hall."

However, Oct. 9 marked a special

occasion. Dedicated listeners and fans joined Nittoli in celebrating his 300th consecutive Saturday morning radio show with WCOM.

"It's been quite a ride and so much fun," Nittoli told listeners at the start of his show.

To mark the occasion, Nittoli played all No. 1 and top ten Billboard hits from the 1930s to today, a type of program he used when he first started with WCOM.

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PHOTO BY MARY STEWART ROBINS

MUSIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY NOV 4

Cat's Cradle: Ra Ra Riot, Givers. 8:45pm, \$15/17

Petteway. 7pm

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Joe Mejer. 8pm

Steve, Pan. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Nightlight: Benoit Pioulard, Nik Woondt, CJ Boyd, Treeclimber.

FRIDAY NOV 5

Cat's Cradle: Carbon Leaf, Delta Rae, Ian McFeron and Alisa Milner.

The Cave: LATE: Jon Howie Jr and The Rosewood Buff, The Tremors

Fearrington Barn: Bluegrass

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Scott

Local 506: Future Islands, Lonnie Walker, Motor Skills. 10:30pm. \$7/9

Nightlight: Black Skies, Cough, Resister. 9:30pm

Open Eye Cafe: The Wing-Its. 8pm

Cat's Cradle: Man Or Astro-Man? Fiend Without A Face, Nightmares. 9:30pm. \$15

The Cave: EARLY: Bad Dog Blues Band \$5 LATE: Destroyed Ankle Benefit

General Store Cafe: Steph Stewart and the Boyfriends. 8pm

Harts and The Ruins, A Fragile Tomorrow. 8pm

Local 506: Shearwater, Damien Jurado. 9:30pm. \$10/12

Nightlight: Lizzy Ross, Gambling the Muse. 4pm. The Fooligans,

157 East: Crossoverdrive. 10pm.

Open Eye Cafe: Tercer Divisa



The Resevoir: HOG, Mortals, Wizardry. 10pm

The Station at Southern Rail: Windy City Slim and The Sunnyland Rhythm Kings, Matt "Guitar" Mc-Culloch. 6pm

SUNDAY NOV 7

Cat's Cradle: Punch Brothers. 8pm. \$19/22

Local 506: Freelance Whales, Miniature Tigers. 9:30pm. \$10/12

MONDAY NOV 8

The Cave: LATE: Skippy Skip Local 506: Grandchldren, The Charming Youngsters. 9:30pm. \$8 Memorial Hall: Kremerata BAI-

tica, Gidon Kremer. 7:30pm

AMY RAY

Cat's Cradle

Friday, November

TUESDAY NOV 9

Cat's Cradle: Toubab Krewe, Rubblebucket. 9pm. \$13/15

Local 506: Land of Talk, Suuns. 9:30pm, \$8/10

Jack Sprat Cafe: Chris Reymolds Swing 'N' Jazz Trio. 7pm

Nightlight: Bright Young Things, Boy Without Gad

157 East: Johnny Orr. 10pm. Free

WEDNESDAY NOV 10 Cat's Cradle: Ariel Pink's Haunted Graffiti, Diva, Toddlers. 9pm. \$12/14

The Cave: EARLY: Strange Little Folk

Local 506: Magic Kids, Bosco Delray. 9:30pm. \$9/11

Cat's Cradle: Matt Costa, Everest.

The Cave: EARLY: Rusty Belle

General Store Cafe: Marie Van-

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Anna

Local 506: Priestess, Naam.

Nightlight: Monsonia, Make,

157 East: Go Fast Crow. 9:30pm

Cat's Cradle: Amy Ray, Mount

The Cave: EARLY: Robert Griffin

Kent and The Options. 8pm

Monsonia, 33.3. 9pm

Open Eye Cafe: Fiction 20 Down.

Cat's Cradle: Badfish: A Tribute To Sublime, Scotty Don't, Full Service. 8:30pm. \$19/20

Local 506: Alcazar Hotel, Kath-

Nightlight: Sonic Benefit, Systems,

157 East: Harvey Dalton Arnold Blue Band. 10pm. \$5

Whalen and Her Fascinators. Prior to UNC game

THURSDAY NOV II

9pm. \$15

LATE: Dynamite Bros., Weisstronauts, \$5

derbeck Quartet. 7pm

Rose Beck, Ben Braden. 8pm

9:30pm. \$9/11

Moriah. 9pm. \$12/15

LATE: Shark Quest

General Store Cafe: OLLI New

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Jamie

Melos. 9pm. \$10/12

157 East: Tokyo Rosenthal. 10pm.

The Cave: EARLY: Highway 54. \$5

Sat-Thu 7:10; Sat & Sun Matinee at 1:45 309 WEST MORGAN ST. DOWNTOWN DURHAM CAROLINATHEATRE.ORG ~ 919.560.3030



Minor Stars. 9pm

FRIDAY NOV 12

Horizons Swing Band. 7pm

Local 506: Maps and Atlases, Tera

Nightlight: Make, Minor Stars,

SATURDAY NOV 13

LATE: Lud, Titanium Rex

General Store Cafe: Tommy Edwards and Friends. 8pm

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: |eff Hart and Pete Gamble, James Richards. 8pm

erine Whalen and Her Fascinators, Those Eno River Boys. 9pm. \$7

Open Eye Cafe: North Columbia.

Univeristy Mall: Katharine













PRESENTING

WE 12/8 CROOKED FINGERS W/COTTON JONES, MT. MORIA THE ARTSCENTER (CARRBORO)

TH 11/18 AZURE RAY W/JAMES HUSBAND AND DEAD FINGERS SA 11/6 WOLF PARADE

TU 11/16 THE WEEPIES "BE MY THRILL 2010 TOU W/CARSIE BLANTON TU 11/30 MINUS THE BEAR W/TIM KASHER (CURSIVE/GOO SA 12/11 CAROLINA CHOCOLATE DROPS

THE CASBAH (DURHAM) TU 11/16 AUTUMN DEFENSE W/JOHNNY IRION AND SARAH LEE GUTHRIE TH 11/18 MICHELLE SHOCKED

Program in UNC's College of Arts and Sciences



Lizz Winstead, co-creator and former head writer of "The Daily Show," will perform at The ArtsCenter today (Thursday) at 8 p.m. Winstead, who also was co-founder of Air America Radio, brought her political wit to "The Daily Show" as a correspondent and later to the radio waves with "Unfiltered," Air America's mid-morning show, which she co-hosted with Rachel Maddow and hip hop legend Chuck D. Recently, Winstead wrote and produced an independent pilot of her Off-Broadway hit "Wake Up World," which Maddow called "The funniest thing I have seen in years."

Tickets are \$25 or \$21 for ArtsClub members. For more information, visit artscenterlive.org Photo by Mindy Tucker

MOVIES

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309 W. Morgan St., 560-3030 Retrofantasma Film Series, Friday only: The Incredible Shrinking Man, 7 p.m., The Giant Claw, 9:30 p.m.; The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest, Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday-Thursday at

7 & 9:40 p.m., Saturday and Sunday CAROLINA THEATRE DURHAM'S HISTORIC MOVIE PALACE FILM SCHEDULE NOV 5-11

RETROFANTASMA FILM SERIES FRI 11/5 The Incredible Shrinking Man 7pm The Giant Claw 9:30pm THE GIRL WHO KICKED THE HORNET'S NEST Fri at 7;

> HOWL Sat-Thu at 9:30pm NOWHERE BOY Fri at 9:40;

Sat-Thu 7 & 9:40pm; Sat & Sun Matinee at 1:30 & 4:15pm

matinees at 1:30 & 4:15 p.m.; Howl, Saturday-Thursday at 9:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday matinees at 4 p.m.; Nowhere Boy, Friday at 9:40 p.m., Saturday-Thursday at 7:10 p.m., Satur-

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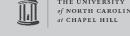
The Revolutionary New Science of Exercise and the Brain AN AFTERNOON WITH JOHN RATEY

John Ratey, Harvard Medical School associate clinical professor of psychiatry and best-selling co-author of Driven to Distraction will discuss principles from his latest book Spark: The Revolutionary New Science of Exercise and the Brain.

The seminar is targeted to high school and college students with LD/ADHD, as well as parents and the professionals who work with them. Dr. Ratey will share information about how aerobic exercise enhances brain functioning in a way that is especially helpful to this population. www.johnratey.com

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2010 Registration 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. / Seminar 1:30 – 4 p.m. George Watts Hill Alumni Center Free and Open to the Public To register: alumni.unc.edu/AcademicSuccess Preregistration is strongly encouraged.

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Local 506: Fang Island, Delicate

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ondo. 8pm 9:30pm. \$6

9pm. \$15/17

General Store Cafe: Applesauce.

Goner and Friends, 8pm

157 East: West Trinity. 10pm. \$5

SATURDAY NOV 6

Jessee's Coffee and Bar: Jeff

Doombunny. 10pm



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SA 11/20

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W/THE MOVEMENT

AND THE GREEN

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Briefs

County commissioners meet tonight

The Orange County Board of Commissioners meets today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at the county Department of Social Services building at 113 Mayo St. in Hillsborough. Items on the agenda include:

- follow up on the Nov. 2 referendum on the quartercent county Sales and Use Tax and discussion of potential
- amendments to the Efland Sewer Resolution;
- a public hearing on a proposed fiscal year 2010 housing rehabilitation program application; and
- a public hearing on the issuance of up to \$9.9 million of qualified school construction bonds for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools and Orange County Schools. For the complete agenda, visit co.orange.nc.us

Chapel Hill evaluating Blue for chief

Chapel Hill officials are taking a look within as part of the hiring process for a new police chief to replace Chief Brian Curran, who recently announced his retirement.

Town Manager Roger Stancil suggested the town review the application of Assistant Chief Chris Blue, who was ranked the number-two candidate in the last job search in 2007.

"A rigorous set of experiences and expectations has been established to assess Assistant Chief Blue's skills in real time with real issues," Stancil said. "As with other assessment processes, this one will focus on the characteristics that have been identified that we need in a chief and the extent to which his behavior fulfills those characteristics. The basic characteristics we are looking for were defined in an extensive public input process in 2007 when Chief Gregg Jarvies retired."

Hillsborough launches leaf pick-up

As of last Monday, the town of Hillsborough has started collecting its fallen leaves. The leaf vacuum truck will operate weekdays through Feb. 28, except on town-observed holidays. The schedule for the collection of loose leaves will follow the same schedule as the collection of garbage.

Town officials ask that citizens place fallen leaves free of limbs and debris within four feet of the curb for collection and keep their leaf piles from blocking storm drains, sidewalks and fire hydrants.

Residents are allowed to collect leaves with biodegradable bags, but households are limited to a collection of 10 bags per week.

The town will deliver the leaves to citizens in and around the Hillsborough area who would like them for mulch or compost. The minimum amount of leaves the town will deliver is 10 cubic yards and the area where the leaves are to be dumped must be accessible by a large truck.

For more information or to request a delivery of leaves, contact public works supervisor Ken Hines at 732-1270,

Hillsborough to swear in new chief

The town of Hillsborough will swear in Duane Hampton as its new chief of police on Monday. The swearing-in will take place before the Hillsborough Board of Commissioners at 7 p.m. in the Town Barn located at 101 E. Orange St.

Hampton was selected from a pool of 200 applicants who applied for the job. He will replace former Chief Clarence Birkhead, who resigned in April to run for sheriff. Since January, he has served as the Durham Police Department's assistant division commander of Criminal Investigations, overseeing the operations of homicide, youth, fraud and domestic violence investigations units and the forensic services and property and evidence units.

Hampton earned his Bachelor of Arts from Virginia Tech, his law-enforcement supervisory certificate from N.C. State and his Master of Public Administration from

Rabid skunk found in Efland

A skunk found in Efland tested positive for rabies last week at the State Laboratory of Public Health.

The skunk was submitted after a resident in the vicinity of High Rock Road and Maple Avenue found her dog barking at the skunk in her yard. The resident brought the dog inside with her other dog while she contacted Animal Control.

Both dogs were currently vaccinated against rabies and received rabies booster shots within 72 hours of exposure, which is required under North Carolina law. Animals exposed to rabies that have not been vaccinated or do not receive rabies boosters within 72 hours must either be destroyed or quarantined for six months.

So far this year, Orange County has received six positive rabies tests. If any possible exposure to a bat, raccoon or fox is suspected, call Animal Control at 245-2075 or call 911.

Harris to retire

James Harris, Carrboro's community an economic development director, recently announced that he will retire after 29 years of service. A retirement party will be scheduled for sometime in January. Harris' last day will be Feb. 1.

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Halloween draws smaller crowd

BY SUSAN DICKSON

Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL – Efforts to reduce the number of Halloween revelers on Franklin Street were successful this year, with Sunday's crowds estimated at about 35,000 people - about 30 percent less than last year.

Chapel Hill officials said they plan to keep up the efforts in future years.

"I think it might be nice if it was a little bit smaller, even smaller than it was [this year], 35,000 in 2008, but increased

but I think [this Halloween] went really well," Chapel Hill Mayor Mark Kleinschmidt said. "A lot went into making sure it did."

In 2008, the town launched Homegrown Halloween, an effort aimed at returning the celebration to a small-town community gathering, out of concern that crowd sizes were becoming unmanageable. More than 80,000 people visited Franklin Street for Halloween in 2007. Crowds shrunk to

to 50,000 for last year's Saturday night Halloween.

"We're looking forward now to having several years where [Halloween is] in the middle of the week," Kleinschmidt said.

Town officials kept the event relatively early, with streets cleared by 11:40 p.m. and open to traffic by 12:40 a.m. Officials also focused on efforts to identify people who might be in trouble, Kleinschmidt said, which helped avoid other types

Orange County EMS re- not yet available.

sponded to seven calls, with three people transported to UNC Hospitals. Six of the seven calls were related to alcohol. One citation was issued for simple possession of marijuana. During last year's event, 22 people were treated for alcoholrelated issues, down from 31 in

Last year's event cost the town about \$197,000, compared with \$203,000 in 2008 and \$221,000 in 2007. Cost estimates for this year's event are

Democratic incumbents defeated in Chatham

BY SUSAN DICKSON

Staff Writer

Democratic incumbent Chatham County commissioners George Lucier, Carl Thompson and Tom Vanderbeck were defeated in Tuesday's election by narrow margins.

Lucier and Thompson could potentially request a recount, however, as 223 provisional ballots have yet to be counted, according to the Chatham County Board of

CVS

FROM PAGE I

Herrick said he has heard that

the company has been negoti-

ating with Seaton and owners

of properties on the east side of

His main concern is that Cen-

ter Street might become more of

a thoroughfare. Any develop-

ment, he said, should have some

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the process," he said. While ac-

knowledging that policymakers

are in active pursuit of a more

development downtown, Her-

rick said after all is said and done

"We want to be a part of

downtown mill village.

Center Street.

Elections Office. Under state law, candidates may request a recount if the margin is less than 1 percent of total ballots cast, and the provisional ballots could put both Lucier and Thompson within that 1 percent margin.

he would request a recount, but

Lucier said it was unlikely that

that he would look to see if there were any irregularities in the voting process. Thompson could not be reached before The Citizen's deadline on Wednesday.

Center Street should remain a livable neighborhood.

He said he received a bit of good news when members of the town planning staff told him that a drive-through would not be permitted. Richard Jaimeyfield, a film-

maker and member of the Carrboro Planning Board, said he has heard there are plans to soon demolish the house at 104 Center Street, isolating property he owns in partnership with four others at 102 Center Street.

"They've gobbled up everything around us," he said.

Jaimeyfield said the project's developer, Mark Pantlin of Cary, has described the plan as a twostory, 22,000-square-foot buildsaid he felt as if the board had done a lot of good things for the county in recent years, adding, "I am concerned about the future of the county." Lucier, Thompson and Vander-

Lucier, the board's vice chair,

beck, who were voted into office amid dissatisfaction with pro-development former commissioner Bunkey Morgan, often voted as a block on the board.

Thompson was defeated by Republican Walter Petty in District

ing with apartments or offices

Planning Board, Jaimeyfield

said he has requested he be re-

cused from discussions on the

property and intends to fight to

preserve the street's historic and

named their LLC The Center

Street Preservation Trust for

a reason, and there is cause to

worry that the block defined

by Center, Greensboro and

Shelton streets could become a

much larger development than

he spoke with Pantlin briefly

about the project earlier this

Mayor Mark Chilton said

what's been proposed so far.

He said he and his partners

residential character.

A recent appointment to the

above a CVS.

5. Petty garnered 12,218 votes, or 50.63 percent, compared with Thompson's 11,913 votes, or 49.37

In District 3, Lucier was defeated by Republican Brian Bock, who won 12,299 votes, or 50.9 percent, compared with Lucier's 11,865 votes, or 49.1 percent.

Republican Pamela Stewart defeated Vanderbeck in District 4 with 12,329 votes, or 51.14 percent, compared with Vanderbeck's 11,780 votes, or 48.86 percent.

year and conveyed his opinion that anything contemplated not "simply be a traditional CVS."

"Ôbviously, the neighborhood-impact issue is going to be important," Chilton said, adding that the intersection is one of the most defining areas of town and that in addition to the site design, the aesthetics of any project would have to fit in with the town.

The work session on Tuesday will be an early look, but isn't likely to feature complete designs for the project. Town planners have said that while they've had preliminary discussions with the developer and residents, no application has been submitted.



Community

Calendar

THURSDAY NOV 4 Growing Fruits — Part 2 of a home gardening class on growing local food. Pittsboro Library, 11:30am 542-8202

Project Homeless Con-

nect — One-day event to serve those who are or are at risk of homelessness in Orange County. Hargraves Community Center, 9am-3pm

FRIDAY NOV 5

Fall Concert — Bluegrass Experience 39th Anniversary Concert with Tommy Edwards. Barn in Fearrington Village, 8pm \$15/20 chathamarts.org

Gratitude — Transactors show at The ArtsCenter. 8pm \$14/12/7 artscenterlive.org

SATURDAY NOV 6

Play Slam — Three-minute plays. The ArtsCenter, 8pm \$8 artscenterlive.org

Tap Concert — Footnotes, Taptations, Friends on Tap and the Seymour Center Tap Dancers to perform. Seymour Center, 12pm \$5 footnotestapensemble.org

Crafts Fair — Annual Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by the Carrboro Civic Club. Civic Club Building, 102 Bim St., 8am-Ipm

Studio Tour — The Orange County Artists Guild sponsors the 16th Annual Open Studio Tour. 10am-5pm openstudiot-

Record Sale — Presented by The Southern Folklife Collection will include sale of CDs, LPs, 45s, cassettes and 8-tracks Pleasants Family Assembly Room 9am-Ipm Free and open to public 962-1345

Jeremy Whitley and Jason **Strutz** — To read/illustrate from "The Order of The Dragonet" Flyleaf Books 2pm

SUNDAY NOV 7

First Sunday — Pittsboro's monthly downtown fair. 12noon-4pm pittsboroshops.

Odyssey Stage — "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button," by F. Schoot Fitzgerald. The ArtsCenter 3pm Admission: One canned food item to support the IFC

Remembering Tim McLau**rin** — The Barn at Fearrington Village 3pm Free Open to the public 962-4207

Chicle Event — Daniel Auguste to discuss "Haiti Now Chicle Language Institute 5pm chicle@chi-cle.com

MONDAY NOV 8 Howard Covington lec-

ture — The author discusses the influence of Albert Coates. Knapp-Sanders Building, 5pm

Time Out — Mac McCorkle provides election analysis 5pm WCOM-FM 103.5

TUESDAY NOV 9

Divorce Workshop — Introduction to Separation and Divorce workshop open to men and women. The Women's Center, 6pm. Registration required. Info: legal-@womens-

WEDNESDAY NOV 10 Mothers Club Meeting —

Chapel Hill/Carrboro Mothers Club presents Garla Smith speaking on "The Ebbs and Flows of Balancing Our Lives for the Busy Mom." Chapel Hill Public Library 7pm Free

Wilson Library — "American Indians in 21st-Century North Carolina" Wilson Special Collections Library 3:30pm Free

Coal Mining — The Beehive Design Collective of Eastern Maine shares their campaign depicting the struggle against Mountain Top Removal Coal Mining. Internationalist Books

THURSDAY NOV II **ArtsCenter Magicians** —

Joshua Lozoff and Mical Cover 7:30pm \$15/17 Adults, \$7/9 Students Show runs Nov 11-14 artscenterlive.org

"To Kill A Mockingbird" — Discussion in honor of the 50th anniversary of the book. Chapel Hill Public Library Conference Room, 7pm 968-2870

FRIDAY NOV 12

Computer Class — In Social Networking. Chapel Hill Public Library, 8:15am Free 968-2780

SATURDAY NOV 13 Parenting Workshop -

Discussing responses to bad behavior in children, facilitated by Raelee Peirce. Emerson Waldorf School, 9am-noon simplicityparenting.com/raeleepeirce

Pie Cook-Off — And square dance. South Estes Farmers Market, 10am southestesfarmersmarket.com

Anarchist Bookfair — Cosponored by the Nightlight and Internationalist Books I-7pm carrboroanarchistbookfair.word-

FAN Workshop — For parents and professionals "Understanding Dyslexia and Specific

Learning Disabilities" Orange United Methodist Church 9:30am julie@mhaorangeco.org, 942-8083

Square Dance — Old-Time Square Dance at the Pleasant Green Community Center with live string band. 7:30pm \$6-8 ncsquares.com

Arts In Action — Students from Frank Porter Graham Elementary School demonstrate dance moves at a raffle to support the arts program. University Mall, 10am, noon ncartsinaction.org

Ongoing



Cancer Support — Support groups for cancer patients and their families. cornucopiahouse. org

A Place of Caring and Sharing

Cancer Support — Support groups and wellness programs.

unclineberger.org/ccsp **Compassionate Friends**

- Free self-help support for all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Evergreen United Methodist Church, third Mondays 7-8:30pm 967-3221 chapelhilltcf.org

Hand In Hand Exhibit — Amultimedia exhibition featuring the work of eight local artists who are lending their support to three local social action groups: the (UNC) Student Health Action Coalition (SHAC), also known as the Carrboro Free Clinic; TABLE, the children's weekend backpack feeding program; and the Orange County Literacy Council. Carrboro Branch Library, through Nov. 30 969-3006

NAMI Classes — Twelve weekly classes for relatives of individuals suffering from chronic mental illness. Seymour Center, through Nov. 18 6:30pm 968-1777

> Send your submissions to calendar@ carrborocitizen.com

HOUSE Calls

Practicing family physicians from the UNC Department of Family Medicine have teamed up with The Carrboro Citizen to bring you a weekly feature responding to your questions about health and medicine. Send your questions or comments to yourhealth@unc.edu

These also are best This week we respond to

questions about keloids and knee pain in a new runner.

Dear HOUSE Calls,

have a skin condition called keloids. I have four on my belly from gall bladder surgery and they are itchy and slightly painful. Is there anything I can do short of surgery, and won't they come back if I go this route?

Keloids are an exaggerated response of the skin to injury. A cut or incision will grow up to four to five times the size of the cut and it gets thick too, like a mushroom. These are more common in people with dark-pigmented skin. It is possible to treat these, especially early, as they are forming. So this is the trick if you choose to get them removed: Work with your doctor to develop a strategy to use potent steroids (injected and as creams) to block the inflammation during healing that is responsible for the keloid formation. There are also laser treatments available.

used during healing and combined with steroids. So there is certainly reason to be optimistic. We recommend you see a doctor experienced in the treatment of keloids, and make sure you consider your tendency to form keloids any time you contemplate elective surgery.

Dear HOUSE Calls, | hurt my knee recently after starting a running program. I'm 62, healthy and active. My knee is swollen and painful and my son's wedding is coming up. I really want to dance at the wedding. I'm taking ibuprofen, but it's not getting better quickly, so I'm hoping you can give me a magic pill and make me feel better.

We would love to have a magic pill to give you. There may be some things that will help you dance through the wedding, like prednisone or opiates, but these may have significant side effects. It's not clear exactly what we are dealing with, so that is probably the place to start. We might be able to offer

you a knee injection, which could really help with the dancing. There are just so many things to consider with a new running program for a 62-year-old. How was your health prior? Do you have any knee arthritis? Any chance of a knee infection? Or is this more of a typical runner's overuse syndrome? Examples here include ilio-tibial band syndrome and patellar tendonitis. Most of this could be sorted out pretty quickly with a visit to your primary doctor and possibly an X-ray. For many running overuse injuries, relative rest, ice and compression (ace wrap) can really get things moving in the right direction. We should say congratulations on starting a running program. Don't let this little setback derail you, and go see your doctor for diagnosis and treatment

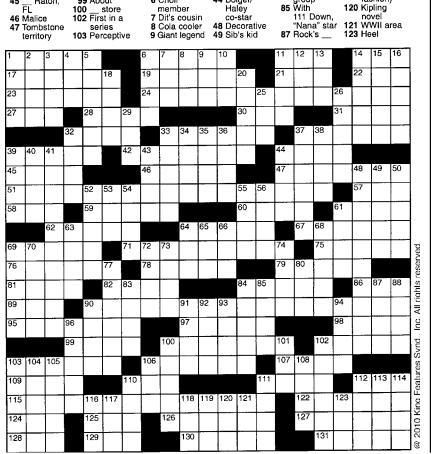
HOUSE Calls is a weekly column by Dr. Adam Goldstein, Dr. Cristy Page and Dr. Adam Zolotor on behalf of Your Health and the **UNC** Department of Family Medicine.

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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

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sunflowers, lilies, tomatoes, melons, corn, potatoes, beans,

and veggie starters, summer squash, zucchini, eggs, parsley,

wheat flour, garlic, salad mixes (spicy and non), fresh herbs,

pecans, meats like goat, beef, pork, lamb, chicken, buffalo, and

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What's at Market?

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also go online at paws4ever.org

Community

Briefs

Scrapel Hill awards announced

You have two more weeks to see the winning works in the Scraple Hill art contest at University Mall

At an artists' reception, held last week, juror Nancy Judd announced the awards for the second-annual contest, which is sponsored by the mall and the Town of Chapel Hill to encourage residents to remember to recycle.

First place went to Greenville sculptor Austin Sheppard for his gestural figurative work titled "See No Evil"; second place to Chapel Hill educator Jane L. Bergman for her underwater seascape titled "Hidden Cost," and third place to Durham designer Tom Dawson for his large sculptural piece "Sign Wave." Award amounts were \$2,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000 respectively. At the event, Judd also revealed her site-commissioned work for University Mall and Madison Marquette, "Tireless Couture" to be displayed at the mall through the end of December.

Exhibit visitors are encouraged to vote for their favorite pieces for the People's Choice Award (\$500), which will be announced in a closing ceremony on 2ndFriday Artwalk, Nov. 12.

Mall visitors can pick up ballots throughout the mall and drop their votes in the ballot box located at the customer service desk or may visit University Mall's Facebook page (facebook.com/UniversityMall) vote.

Haw River Assembly meeting

The Haw River Assembly is holding its 28th annual membership meeting this Saturday at the Bynum Ruritan Club.

Recreational activities start at 10 am and include a flat-water paddle above the Bynum dam, river monitoring with Haw River Watch coordinator Cynthia Crossen, a hike through Bynum exploring the urban and rural highlights led by Elaine Chiosso and a nature art for kids program at the Ruritan Club.

Scheduled from 2 to 4 p.m. are various accolades, updates on the assembly and Haw River Watch, a discussion by Jordan Lake Park superintendent Shedrick Mole on the Bynum mill project and the annual board of directors election.

SPOTLIGHT: STUDIO TOUR



Orange County Artists Guild annual Open Studio Tour

The 16th annual Orange County Artists Guild Open Studio Tour will be held Nov. 6-7 and 13-14.

The tour, funded by artist member fees and small donations from the community, is aimed at making the estimated 700 to 800 Orange County artists visible. Through the tour, artists enjoy contact with supporters and gain a wider exposure of their work, while visitors are able to meet artists in a casual atmosphere, view a wide range of their work and ask questions about the artists' processes.

Tour hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays and noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

For the 2010 tour brochure, directions to studios or more information, visit ibiblio.org/ocag

Pictured above: Judith Ernst's An Ocean of Fire, glazed

The ArtsCenter For more information or to order tickets call 929-2787 x201 or go to artscenterlive.org ArtSchool registration now open!

UPCOMING CONCERTS:

LIZZ WINSTEAD (COMEDY PERFORMANCE) • THU 11/4

KATHARINE WHALEN • SAT 11/13 UMALL AZURE RAY • THU 11/18 THE ALLEN BOYS • SAT 11/20 UMALL

JEFFERY BROUSSARD & THE CREOLE COWBOYS • SUN 11/21 TRIANGLE JAZZ ORCHESTRA • FRFF SHOW WFD 12/1

BIRDS & ARROWS W/LIZZY ROSS BAND • SAT 12/4

JONATHAN BYRD & DROMEDARY PRESENT THE SEA AND THE SKY • SAT 1/8/11

RICHIE HAVENS WITH JOCELYN AREM • SAT 1/15/11

UPCOMING THEATRE:

Transactors: Gratitude • FRI 11/5

PlaySlam! • SAT 11/6 Joshua Lozoff & Micah Cover

"An Evening of Enchantments" • WED 11/10 - FRI 11/12 Transactors Holiday Extravaganza • FRI 12/3 Charlie & the Chocolate Factory • FRI 12/10-12/19

CHILDREN & FAMILY: SuperFun Shows - 11am

Baby Loves Disco • FRI 11/5 [SOLD OUT] "Turtle Island Tales" Hobey Ford's Golden Rod Puppets • SAT 11/20 FALL CLASSES UNDER WAY - REGISTER NOW!

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS: DONATE \$1 TOWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS

facebook. TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

New Hope Turkey Run in Duke Forest

The New Hope Turkey Run, a fundraiser for the New Hope Improvement Association, will take place Nov. 13 at 9 a.m. on Whitfield Road in Chapel Hill.

The Turkey Run, arguably the oldest annual race in the area, is on a roughly 4-mile course in the Korstian Division of Duke Forest.

Times are recorded and awards are given to the top three male and female finishers. There will be a light breakfast afterward and participants will be eligible for a drawing for baked goods made by members of the neighborhood association, as well as merchandise from businesses in Chapel Hill and Durham.

The race is limited to 200 entrants and walking is allowed. Entry forms can be found at Duke Forest gates in the Korstian Division, the Al Buehler Trail parking lot on the Duke golf course and local running shoe stores or downloaded at newhopeneighbors.blogspot.com

Book club honors Margie Ellison

The Chatham County Office of Human Relations has joined with the Human Relations Commission and Chatham's Community Civil Rights Educators to launch the Margie E. Ellison Civil Rights Book Club.

Ellison, who passed away in 2009, chaired the Human Relations Commission and played a key role in its founding.

The first featured books include A Home on the Field by Paul Cuadros, To Right These Wrongs-The North Carolina Fund and the Battle to End Poverty & Inequality in 1960s America by Robert R. Korstad and James Leloudis and the children's book One Million Men and Me by Kelly Starling Lyons.

McIntyre's in Fearrington Village will keep the book club's special selections in stock and offer a 20 percent discount on several titles.

For more information on the book club or to learn more about a free Book Club Membership Card, call 545-8393.

Shelter Appreciation Week

Orange County Animal Services will host "Sheltering and Surplus Pets: Challenges and Opportunities," on Nov. 10 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in conjunction with Animal Shelter Appreciation Week,

The panel discussion is free and open to the public and will cover the challenges and opportunities of animal sheltering and address the problem of pet overpopulation. Panelists include Kelly Ferris of the College of Veterinary Medicine at NCSU; Beth Livingston, executive director of AnimalKind; and Bob Marotto, director of Orange County Animal Services.

Other Shelter Appreciation Week events include a donated staff breakfast and volunteer orientation and training. For more information, visit co.orange.nc.us/animalservices

Workshop on Alzheimer's

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church is sponsoring a free workshop on Alzheimer's disease on Nov. 13 from 10 a.m. to noon at the church, at 581 New Hope Church Road in Chatham

Dr. Ruth Phillips of the African-American Alzheimer's Disease Research Study at North Carolina A&T State University is the keynote speaker.

The community is invited to participate and become more aware of the causes, warning signs, treatments and research on Alzheimer's, particularly in African-Americans. For more information, contact Rev. Norman T. Davis at 362-

Good news for 'food-preneurs'

BY MARGOT C. LESTER

Staff Writer

"The pickles must be out of the jar," quipped Orange County Board of Commissioners Chair Valerie Foushee as she called to order the groundbreaking ceremony for the Piedmont Food & Agricultural Processing Center in Hillsborough last Wednesday.

The food-centric remark got a laugh from the crowd of almost 80 on hand at 500 Valley Forge Road, the site of what will be a \$1.2-million, 10,400-squarefoot commercial kitchen for farmers and food entrepreneurs, particularly those within a 75-mile, 22-county radius. The center will open in March to the delight of local food-preneurs.

"We know that there are some food

entrepreneurs who travel to Asheville to utilize the processing center at Asheville-Buncombe Tech, and we are continually taking phone inquiries form new prospects," said Brad Broadwell, director of Orange County Economic Development. "In our initial feasibility study I believe there were over 40 respondents who said they would utilize this facility."

A few of them were in the crowd, including Richard Holcomb, owner of Coon Rock Farm, and Zely & Ritz restaurant. Hillsborough Mayor Tom Stevens was beaming. "We're one of the



few counties with a growing number of farms, thriving farmers' markets and restaurants using local items. This facility provides a missing link to an important sector of our local economy. What a delight to have it in the happening town of Hillsborough."

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EDITORIAL

Dust yourself off

It sure was a pretty day for the end of civilization as we know it, or whatever description you've settled on to define the historic takeover of the state General Assembly and various other whuppins delivered to Democrats through the collective will of people who cared to vote.

If you were one of the many who cast a ballot on Tuesday, you may have been deceived into conflating high turnout here in one of the state's bluest blue dots as indications of a mighty bulwark rising against an angry electorate bent on ousting incumbents.

The immediate reaction among officialdom here is publicly muted; but in private, there is deep worry about the university, whose champions now sit in the minority. And there is a broad expectation that a slate of conservative bills relating to everything from the death penalty to a constitutional amendment on marriage will finally reach the floor of the North Carolina House.

Closer to home, the defeat of the Sales and Use Tax is already starting to have repercussions. Proponents may have put a lot of sweat and dollars into its passage, but on the ballot it was still a yes-or-no question on a tax in one of the most anti-tax years in recent memory.

What's next is on the minds of many, particularly the officials who will have to craft a budget and the ones who will have to vote on it. A robust economic rebound is probably not going to happen and certainly not in time to shore up federal, state and local finances.

In Orange County, where two referendums on new sources of revenue have been defeated in the past two years, the urgency to move on economic development, fix up old schools, shore up emergency services and increase support for libraries will be tempered by the cold, hard fact that property taxes are the only solid source of funds now available to accomplish those aims.

We urge that the commissioners and other local leaders not give up in looking for an alternative way to meet the goals of the community.

There is some probability that there will be another go at the sales tax. Another suggestion worth revisiting is the idea of a county nonprofit to provide additional support to civic functions like libraries and clinics. This idea, proposed two years ago by County Manager Frank Clifton as part of a comprehensive review of county finances, could tap the enormous generosity and community spirit with which we are blessed.

We may have to rely more on each other in the season to come. There is little doubt that "generosity" won't be among the terms defining the new slate of leaders heading to Raleigh and Washington, D.C.

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No time to quit

CHRIS FITZSIMON

After every election, the pundits and talking heads rush to proclaim the end of this era or that one and predict the long-term realignment that never happens. That's truer than ever Wednesday morning as people continue to misinterpret this election and make generalizations based on their emotions instead of the evidence before them.

The party out of power almost always does well in off-year elections. Not this well, but they always make gains. So this was not necessarily a referendum on President Obama or the Democratic Party. It's largely an expression of anger and anxiety by people suffering in the economic mess Obama inherited, frustrated that things haven't improved faster.

People felt the same way in 1982 when Democrats made big gains in Congress when Ronald Reagan was in the White House and unemployment, at 10.4 percent, was higher than it is today.

A poll taken just a few weeks ago showed people disapproved of the GOP by a 53-25 margin and less than 30 percent of people thought the Republicans in Co gress were acting in good faith.

It's also important to note that the Republican wave did not carry every closely contested race. People may have been mad and frustrated in Nevada and Delaware, but they thought better of voting simply out of anger once they learned about extremists Sharon Angle and

In North Carolina, many pundits said Republicans could sweep the four toss-up congressional races, but it looks like only Republican Renee Ellmers may prevail when all votes are counted.

The congressional campaigns were all high-profile affairs, waged on television and in the media. People knew who the candidates were and in the end, most decided they didn't want to risk making many changes in who they sent to Washington.

That was much less true in state legislative races, where the Republicans took over the House and Senate for the first time in more than 100 years. Those races were apparently decided by the angry anti-incumbent sentiment that was amplified by the endless stream of offensive attack mailers cranked out by the Republican Party and outside groups funded largely by Art Pope and his allies.

People didn't get to know many of the Republicans well, like selfavowed John Birch Society supporter Glen Bradley, or they might have made the same choices as the folks in Nevada and Delaware. Instead, they just voted against everything and everybody they could, from incumbents to revenue increases.

This was an election of negative votes, not a question of people voting for very much.

There's plenty of time for more analysis in the coming days as people parse turnout numbers and precinct patterns. The question is what happens now with a General Assembly controlled by conservatives who pledged to dismantle public schools, roll back environmental protections and slash the budgets of vital public institutions.

The message for progressives who might be feeling bowled over by Tuesday's results could not be clearer. Get up, dust yourself off and get ready for the battle in the General Assembly that could define this generation.

The time to start is not in January. It is today. No bills have yet been passed, no budgets have been written, no progressive laws repealed or protections rolled back.

And remember, people in power want to stay there. It will be difficult for the new majorities in the House and Senate to ignore groundswells of opposition to their extremist agenda and their plans to slash funding for education and human services because of an absurd pledge to never raise taxes.

At the very least, a vigorous opposition to right-wing initiatives will clearly define the issues for the next election and teach people much about the real agendas of the legislators they have el

To paraphrase a legendary labor leader, don't waste time mourning the results of the election. Instead, organize now to stop the damage the ideologues can inflict on North Carolina.

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

LETTERS

Thanks for murals project

On behalf of the Preservation Society of Chapel Hill and the Painted Walls Project, I'd like say thanks for printing the great photograph of Michael Brown leading the trolley tour of his work.

The tour Michael led raised almost \$400 to restore the turtle mural on the corner of Rosemary Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard. But I wanted to write and give credit to two individuals who were instrumental in organizing the entire effort. Mary Anne Steinis and Peter Wilson, from Framer's Market and Gallery, put a lot of time, energy and money into helping the tour become a success. The idea came from a gallery show of mural photographs and they grew it into a street fair, trolley tour and silent auction all to support preservation. Despite their location in Rams Plaza, Mary's and Peter's efforts went a long way to benefit the downtown murals and the businesses who own them.

I want to thank Peter and Mary Anne for the blood, sweat and tears they put into helping downtown Chapel Hill remain a colorful and unique place. But more than just great outdoor works of art, these murals attract visitors, tourists and even residents by demonstrating that downtown has vitality and life. What message would fading, peeling and deteriorating murals send?

I invite everyone who loves these murals to attend Mary and Peter's next project to help raise money to restore the murals. On Dec. 2, Framer's Market and Gal-

lery will host a silent auction at the Horace Williams House to benefit mural restoration. I urge everyone to come out and support a great cause. Lastly, stop by the Framer's Market and Gallery and thank Peter and Mary Anne for all of their hard work supporting the arts and our community.

ERNEST DOLLAR, DIRECTOR Preservation Society of Chapel Hill

Get involved in CVS development

CVS pharmacy is in the process of buying properties in downtown Carrboro across from Weaver Street Market to potentially build a two-story building. This building would house a retail tenant (presumably CVS) on the first floor and office space and/or apartments on the second floor.

In June, Weaver Street Market sold the property on the corner of North Greensboro and Weaver streets (where WCOM and Community Realty used to be) and 104 Center St. The house on 104 Center St. is an historic Mill House built around 1910. This house will most likely be torn down in the near future. The developer working for CVS is working to buy other properties on that same downtown block.

This development is obviously of great interest to everyone who lives in Carrboro, since the corner of Weaver and Greensboro streets is the gateway to the rest of our community and a critical component to a vibrant Carrboro of the future. Whatever happens next on this corner will be precedent setting for the rest of downtown. I am very interested because I live on Center Street right across from this potential project.

The residents of Center Street and some from Oak Avenue have been meeting to talk about this issue. Like everyone, we are concerned about traffic, noise, light pollution, truck deliveries, etc. that might come with a potential 24hour CVS. Everyone realizes that Carrboro is looking to increase its commercial tax base. However, we think that the town of Carrboro and potential developers must carefully craft this project so it keeps Center Street a safe and quiet residential street, compliments the character of downtown Carrboro and minimizes traffic problems at that critical intersection.

We ask the town to engage in a transparent, collaborative process throughout all phases of development for this block. We also think it is important that the residents of the town are fully informed about this important development. There are still many zoning and permit issues to work through in this project and the public will likely have the opportunity to have input on these issues. This development is the subject of a Carrboro Board of Aldermen's Nov. 9 work session at 7:30 p.m. The public can attend this meeting, but they will not take public comments. Come to the meeting if you are interested in the future of downtown Carrboro.

For more information, contact me at CenterOfCarrboro@gmail.

> JEFF HERRICK Carrboro

Time to quit joking about mental health

DAVID CORNWELL

Rodney Dangerfield gained fame with the trademark line, "I get no respect." Compared to the respect mental illness gets, though, he was as revered as Mom, baseball and apple pie.

"D'ja hear about the man who waited nine days to get into Broughton?" No joke. The average wait for a bed in a state psychiatric hospital is 2.7 days.

"How many schizophrenic centenarians does it take to screw in a light bulb?" Chances are there aren't any. Life expectancy for the 3 to 6 percent of the population with severe mental illness is 25 years less than average.

It's no joke that people are dying in the state's adult care homes because more than 6,000 individuals with severe mental illness are being warehoused there. Our state's prisons hold six times as many people with severe mental illness as state psychiatric hospitals. No joke. Suicide, not homicide, is now the leading cause of violent death. It's no joke that parents with children in crisis have had to wait up to eight days for adequate treatment. There's nothing funny about our state's imploding mental health system.

It is a joke, a sick one (pun intended), that construction has begun on a replacement hospital in Goldsboro and will begin at Broughton in Morganton within the year. Hundreds of millions of dollars spent on new facilities when deinstitutionalization and community treatment is the goal. Millions spent on bricks and mortar while budgets for services are cut to the bone. Why? Because it is part of an outdated plan. And needs be damned if they are not part of the plan.

Here's a plan: Let's build more jails and more hospitals. Without funding for services, they will be needed.

While not a joke, mental health advocates must appreciate the irony of the coverage Breast Cancer Awareness Month generated throughout the state in October. Just one example was a shocking pink background run on the Asheville Citizen-Times website that month and a full-page photo front on its Oct. 8 edition showing hundreds turning out to form a human pink ribbon. The irony was that it was also Mental Illness Awareness Week and the same week the World Health Organization reported that up to 85 percent of those with mental health diagnoses in developing countries don't have access to any form of mental health treatment. Low- and middle-income countries have only one child psychiatrist for every 1-4 million people.

More power to those who have made breast cancer awareness their cause, and kudos to the Citizen- Times for its part. My heart is certainly with those who have to face it. But what is it about one illness that can garner such public support while mental illness seemingly has to be in your face or in yourself to create concern? At a core level, I think it's the way society views mental illness, not as an illness largely out of a person's control, but as a condition largely within control. "It's all in your head." "Snap yourself out of it."

How else to explain our dichotomy of language. People with cancer or heart disease go to the hospital, not the funny farm, the madhouse, the nuthouse. "As sick as a dog" is about the most unflattering thing said about most people who are sick. But those with mental illness have been described as: berserk, cracked, crazy, demented, deranged, flaky, flipped out, fruity, lunatic, mad, maniacal, nuts, out of their mind, out to lunch, psycho and schizo, just to name a few.

How in a society where a manic bird going "cuckoo for Coco Puffs" is symbolic of the iconic nature advertising can reduce mental health to, do you make people care? The public would be outraged if someone had to wait a week to get proper care for a broken leg, but where is the outrage for those who wait with a broken mind?

Prayers for Our Peace of Mind, an interfaith prayer initiative slated for Nov. 14, is North Carolina Mental Hope's attempt to create an answer.

On that day, we simply ask faith leaders to pray for healing of those affected by our state's mental health crisis and for wisdom and compassion for state leaders in planning and budgeting state services. We hope to create public awareness and perhaps even send a message to lawmakers that the public does care what happens to citizens with mental illness. More information can be found at ncmentalhope.org/prayers

"Did you hear the one about the state where mental illness isn't a joke?" No, but we hope to.

David Cornwell is executive director of the advocacy organization North Carolina Mental Hope and can be reached at david@ncmentalhope.org

Celebrating the struggle

BY TAYLOR SISK

Staff Writer

At the conclusion of the "The Unfinished Work: A conference in honor of Julius L. Chambers," hosted this week by UNC's Center for Civil Rights, social-justice activist and lawyer Elaine Jones shared with the audience a few words from a Swahili warrior song: "Life has meaning only in the struggle. Triumph or defeat is in the hands of the Gods. So

let us celebrate the struggle!" These words aptly captured the spirit of the conference held Monday and Tuesday at the Friday Center, at which champions of the civil rights struggle paid tribute to the man who has mentored so many, and then steeled themselves for struggle ahead. The conference was co-con-

vened by the N.C. Central University School of Law, the North Carolina Justice Center and the Cedar Grove Institute for Sustainable Communities in Mebane, among others. Chambers - UNC School of Law alumnus, director of the Center for Civil Rights and pioneering civil rights litigator - was recognized for his keen intellect and caring heart. The spirit and force of his work imbued the Friday Center throughout the proceedings and

informed every exchange. Tuesday's concluding keynote session, titled "The Charge," was designed to send attendees away with fuel to fire the pursuit of equal rights and opportunity

for all, and the panelists delivered. Jones moderated, joined by Lynn Huntley, president of the Southern Education Foundation, and Bryan Stevenson, executive director of the Equal Justice Initiative.

Huntley urged a younger generation of civil rights advocates to be mindful of the lessons of those who laid the foundation, pointing out that those who fought in the civil rights struggles of the 1960s and early '70s will soon be gone. "So we're fighting a major battle against forgetting."

If, when they pass, we forget Julius Chambers and the colleagues of his generation, she said, "we won't have that sense of empowerment that comes

from knowing not just who you are but whose you are."

Learn from that legacy, Huntley said, and then translate "it into language and concepts and ways that allow everyone to feel a sense of ownership."

Education, she stressed, is critical, calling it "the most powerful antidote to poverty and inequality."

Stevenson agreed with Huntley on the importance of an awareness of those who have come before and of the indispensible role of education in general.

But, he said, "I believe that the real critical challenge that we face is reconciling ourselves to struggle."

Stevenson believes that in or-

der to advance civil rights in this country, advocates must "position ourselves someplace where it might look hopeless. Because it's in that dynamic that we find our voice, we find our power.

"I'm here to tell you that I don't think we'll complete the unfinished business with ideas in our minds alone. I think to create justice and advance civil rights, those ideas in our heads have to be fueled by some conviction in our hearts."

"If you get proximate to injustice, if you get proximate to suffering," Stevenson asserted, it will make you believe there's nothing to be done but stand with those who are denied their rights. "It will make you think that there is no other choice.

And I think that's what's essential for advancing this movement."

He recalled meeting Rosa Parks and enumerating for her the work he hoped to accomplish with the Equal Justice Initiative. Parks stopped him, saying, "Mmmp, mmmp, mmmp; that's going to make you tired, tired, tired.' And she put a finger in my face, and said, 'And that's why you've got to be brave, brave, brave.'

"It's our courage and our conviction that will ultimately get us there," Stevenson con-

Jones then sent those assembled off to the business at hand, with that admonition, "So let us celebrate the struggle!"

ELECTIONS

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ing schools. We are disappointed that it was not enough to pass the initiative," Nelson said.

Election officials said turnout was heavy all day. Several voters said concerns about the national races brought them out.

Outside the polling spot at Carrboro Town Hall, Cov Deramus said he saw several social and economic issues at stake in the election.

"Also, I have a serious concern about a Republican takeover in congress," Deramus said, "I'm an Obama supporter and I'm out here supporting his agenda.

Rodney Turner, who staked out near campus encouraging students to vote Republican, said worries about the country's debt got him involved.

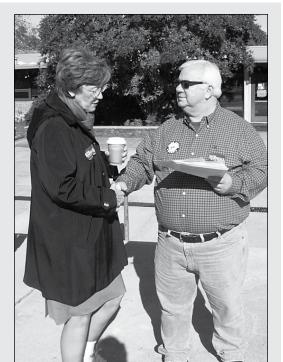
'I am out here today because of my children," he said. "I look at my children and I am scared for what is waiting for them. There is a debt that even my grandkids will not be able to pay off."

Carrboro Board of Aldermen member Jackie Gist, who greeted voters at Carrboro Town Hall, said the turnout seemed much higher than the last midterm election.

"This is amazing," she said. "It wasn't nearly this big four years ago. I think people are worried about the elections."

Turnout was especially heavy in some of the county's northern and rural precincts, including White Cross and Caldwell.

One hitch in the balloting could delay a final tally for several days. Students started turning up in large numbers at the Chapel Hill Coun-



Elaine Marshall greets the Democratic Party's Chris Calloway at Carrboro Elementary.

PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

ty Club precinct requesting provisional ballots rather than at the precinct where they were registered, overwhelming the staff. Elections director Tracey Reams said the result was about 150 more provisional ballots. They and provisional ballots from other precincts will be voted on by the board of elections later this month.

In other local races, Sheriff Lindy Pendergrass was re-elected, winning 34,048 votes to Republican challenger Buddy Parker's 10,546.

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"What we'll try to do is protect the education gains we've made over the years as we've built up our universities and community colleges," he said. He also expects to see the new majority try to advance its agenda on social issues.

Hackney, who has experienced life in the minority party in the house before, said he has not decided whether he will seek a post

in the Democratic leadership. "That's a decision best left for a few days' contemplation," he said. The rest of Orange County's legislative delegation - all Demo-

crats - also survived robust GOP turnout, with Sen. Ellie Kinnaird beating Republican Ryan Hilliard 36,351 to 19,737 votes and Rep. Bill Faison beating the GOP's Rick Smith 13,754 to 10,775 votes. Rep. Verla Insko ran unopposed and received 17,539 votes.

In federal races, Fourth District U.S. Rep. David Price held onto his seat despite a strong showing by Republican B.J. Lawson in Wake County. Durham and Orange county voters helped Price beat Lawson in a rematch from 2008. Price received 152,501 votes to Lawson's 115,715 votes.

Orange County also came out for Elaine Marshall's bid to unseat incumbent Republican Sen. Richard Burr. Marshall, who made a last dash through Carrboro and Chapel Hill on Tuesday, including a stop at Weaver Street Market and Carrboro Elementary, won Orange County with nearly 68 percent of the vote, but lost statewide, pulling in 43 percent of ballots cast to Burr's 55 percent. Libertarian Michael Beitler received 2 percent of the vote.

SALES TAX DEFEATED

Orange County voters narrowly rejected a proposed quarter-cent sales tax on Tuesday's ballot, with 51.24 percent of voters against the referendum.

It was defeated with 21,810 votes against the sales tax, compared with 20,755 votes, or 48.76 percent, in favor.

County Manager Frank Clifton said commissioners proposed the tax to fund specific county needs, and that without it the county would have to deal with existing revenue streams.

"The county has to decide if it's going to pursue those issues, and if they do, the revenues would have to come from spending cuts elsewhere or raising property taxes," Clifton said. "We will not be able to aggressively pursue any of those issues at this time."

The tax could have generated \$2.3 million annually. The Orange County Board of Commissioners had voted to dedicate 42.5 percent of the funds to economic development, 42.5 percent to schools and 15 percent to be split between EMS and library services.

"Those needs are not going to go away," Clifton said.

In its 2007 budget, the legislature gave counties the option of a quarter-cent sales-tax increase or a 0.4 percent land-transfer tax to help compensate for money

taken away from counties when the responsibility for paying for Medicaid was turned over to the state. As a result of that budget, counties lost state-supplied school-construction money and some sales-tax revenue.

Orange County voters overwhelmingly rejected a transfertax referendum in May 2008. According to Clifton, the

county has the option of pursuing the tax again.

The Orange County Board of Commissioners will discuss the tax at a meeting today (Thursday) at 7 p.m. at the county Department of Social Services building at 113 Mayo St. in Hillsborough. —Susan Dickson

WCOM

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WCOM, Carrboro's only low-power FM radio station, was founded in 2004. Because the station is a non-profit, community radio station, it provides an alternative for local listeners who are looking for a different type of program, Nittoli said.

Today, WCOM has 50 live voices who DJ a variety of shows, including several Spanish programs. The station is funded by local donations and underwriters, who sponsor segments of programming.

Nittoli was one of the first three live voices to air on WCOM in January 2005. During its first few months, the station aired regulated programming among segments

by DJ's Bob Burtman, Fred Wasser and Nittoli.

Nittoli began his career in the radio industry in college and worked in a total of 10 commercial radio stations in New Jersey. He also served in the military from 1966 to 1968, broadcasting music for U.S. Army hospitals.

Nittoli returned to radio in January 2005, after a 37 year hiatus. During that time, he taught and administrated in public high schools in Beaufort County, N.C., with his wife, Harriet Nittoli.

Currently, he travels back and forth between the home he built in Bath, N.C., and his apartment in Carrboro. Nittoli said radio and music have always been passions and hobbies of his. "Radio kind of gets in your blood," he said.

Having a foundation in commercial radio, Nittoli said volunteer radio is less pressured.

"We're not in the business for the money," he said. "We're in it to enhance the community and provide a voice." Nittoli's motto, "It's all about the music," shines through his knowledge of almost every popular music artist and band since the 1940s.

His extensive collection of approximately 1,600 CDs, 500 cassettes and 500 albums features many famous artists whom he saw live, such as Frank Sinatra, Doris Day and Lucille Ball.

Bill Hendrickson, WCOM host of "Time Out" and fan of Nittoli's show, commented on the huge stack of CD's Nittoli brings to the station every Saturday. He said Nittoli plays all of the standards, mixed with some

less-known artists as well. "He's got a lot of classic songs from the 40s, '50s, '60s and a lot of toson said.

In community radio, it is especially important to play the right music to attract listeners, Nittoli said.

"If I play one bad song, God knows how many listeners I've lost," Nittoli said. "Good music always works and good radio always works. Being positive on the air will always attract listeners."

Nittoli's wife Harriet is a Romance languages professor at UNC-Chapel Hill. She said her husband has a natural ability to mix songs fluidly to create an upbeat mood.

"He has a talent that is hard to find," Harriet Nittoli said. "He can program music back to back

so that it works. He has a very smooth transition."

Because WCOM streams live day's music as well," Hendrick- radio shows online, Rocco Nittoli often gets calls during "Music Hall" from listeners around the country. He said he has also received calls from people listening in Canada, Argentina and Europe who enjoy his music se-

> Since the community station is located in downtown Carrboro, at 208 E. Main St., listeners and other WCOM hosts can stop by to comment on Nittoli's music selection and make announcements on the air, he said.

> Audrey Layden, co-host of WCOM's "Carrboro Book Beat," "Claudio's Speakeasy" and "West End Report," visited Nittoli's anniversary show to congratulate him and to plug her upcoming

show. She said Nittoli has an "extraordinary knowledge of everything that's been on the air."

Nittoli also contributes to the station beyond his Saturday morning show, Layden said. "He is a great supporter of community radio and he contributes to a lot of the behind-the-scenes things."

Nittoli plans to continue to host his Saturday morning show for as long as possible. However, he will be missing his first ever Saturday on Oct. 23 to enjoy some well deserved vacation time.

Mary Stewart Robins is a UNC student writing for the Carrboro Commons, a bi-weekly online lab newspaper for Jock Lauterer's Community Journalism class at the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.



Raffle Tickets!

CLAWS, Inc. is selling raffle tickets to raise money for vet care for the animals. **Tickets are \$10 each,** with a potential prize of \$1,500! A maximum of 1,500 tickets will be sold. Early bird drawings! Grand prize drawing **held Nov. 20** at Southern Village in Chapel Hill.

To purchase tickets, come see us at A Southern Season on Nov. 7, or online at nc-claws.org/VetFund/vet_fund.htm. CLAWS, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with no paid employees.

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More info at carrborofilmfestival.com

School Briefs

Holmes named principal of Smith

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education recently named Ephesus Elementary School Principal Phil Holmes as the new principal of Smith Middle School.

Holmes has served as principal of Ephesus since 2007. He previously served as principal of Burton IB Magnet Elementary School in Durham County and assistant principal of Ephesus. He holds a master's degree in school administration from UNC and a bachelor's degree in history from Hobart College.

Ephesus Assistant Principal Tori Creamer will serve as interim principal for the remainder of the school year.

Holmes will begin work at Smith on Monday.

Two schools up for Title I recognition

Two Chapel Hill-Carrboro schools are competing for national awards as part of the Title I Distinguished Schools Recognition Pro-

Seawell Elementary School was nominated in the Sustained Student Achievement category, while Ephesus Elementary was nominated for Exceptional Student Performance. Ephesus has also been asked to submit an application to the state Department of Public Instruction for further consideration because of the school's work toward closing the minority achievement gap. North Carolina may nominate two schools for national recognition.

The National Title I Distinguished School Program honors schools across the country for their innovation in helping Title I populations achieve high educational standards.

CHS to partner with Mexican school

Carrboro High School will enter into a partnership with Guanajuato, Mexico, through a program created by the Center for International Understanding at UNC.

CHS joins seven other area schools in partnering with eight Guanajuato schools. The program is aimed at giving students an opportunity to learn how to communicate and collaborate across cultures.

For the program, Principal Kelly Batten and Spanish teacher L.J. Randolph will travel to Guanajuato Friday and spend next week

School Lunch

Friday 11/6 Teacher Work Day

No School Monday 11/8

Bean & Cheese Burrito; Chicken Nuggets with WW Roll; Ham & Cheese Chef Salad; Green Beans; Glazed Sweet Potatoes; Sliced Pears; Fresh Grapes

Tuesday 11/9

Lasagna/Garlic Bread; Whole Wheat Cheese Maxx Sticks; Deli Turkey/WW Bun; Lettuce & Tomato; Local Steamed Broccoli; Blueberry Peach Crumble: Fresh Orange Wedges

Wednesday II/I0 Chicken Pot Pie; Cheese Pizza; Fruit & Cheese Plate/Yogurt; Turnip Greens; Baked French Fries; California Blend Vegetables; Petite Banana

Thursday II/II Veteran's Day No

learning about Mexican culture, history and education systems and meeting with their partner school to discuss a collaborative project.

Students will use communication technology, particularly web conferencing, to investigate the movement of animals, goods and people between the U.S. and Mexico.

Pedersen named administrator of the year

Superintendent Neil Pedersen has been named Administrator of the Year by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Association of Educational Office Professionals (CHCAEOP).

CHCAEOP presents the award annually to an administrator who has shown strong support of educational-office professionals. The letter of nomination for Pedersen cited his commitment to educationaloffice professionals during difficult budget years and his willingness to engage in regular information sessions called "Ask Dr. Pedersen."

Pedersen won the award in 1989 when he served as the district's assistant superintendent for support services.

District honored for technology efforts

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools was honored recently at the Technology and Learning Conference as one of the Top 100 U.S. School Districts in Digital Technology.

The Center for Digital Education and the National School Boards Association, presenters of the award, annually conduct an online survey of district technology practices, particularly the use of technology in communication. CHCCS was number two on the list of school districts with an enrollment between 2,500 and 15,000 students.

Chief technology officer Ray Reitz, web architect Scott Latimore, assistant to the superintendent for community relations Stephanie Knott and publications assistant Robin Nucilli contribute to and maintain the district's digital communications projects.

Wells named Principal of the Year

Culbreth Middle School Principal Susan Wells has been named the 2010 Principal of the Year for Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Wells was selected by her fellow principals in the district. Her leadership in technology education has brought national attention to Culbreth. Every student at Culbreth now uses an iPod Touch, which they use to be active participants in the educational program. Student achievement has been high during Well's tenure, with more than 90 percent of students performing at or above grade level on

end-of-grade tests in reading and mathematics in 2010. Wells will submit a portfolio to enter regional and state principal of the year competitions.

Students to hold hunger banquet

Carrboro High School students will hold a Hunger Banquet at CHS on Nov. 16.

Students hope to raise awareness about the inequality of food distribution in today's world and encourage efforts aimed at stopping world hunger. Students are collecting donations of non-perishable food items and money for TABLE, which provides food for local children.

The event is open to the first 200 to RSVP. To RSVP, visit CHS Food Banquet on Facebook.com. To provide food for the event or for more information, email chshungerbanquet@gmail.com

Culbreth named Honor School

Culbreth Middle School has been named an Honor School of Excellence in North Carolina's ABCs of Public Instruction.

More than 90 percent of Culbreth students attained proficiency on the End-of-Grade Tests and made Adequate Yearly Progress under No Child Left Behind.

The state board of education recently amended the school's status. Culbreth was originally designated as a School of Distinction, but an error was found in the school's testing report and the district filed an

CHCCS nurse honored for child health

Jill Kerr, a family nurse practitioner in the Pre-K/Head Start Program, received the GlaxoSmithKline Child Health Recognition Award on Oct. 27 at the N.C. Public Health Association's annual meeting in Wilmington.

Kerr was honored for her efforts at reducing absenteeism in Pre-K through third grade. She speaks Spanish, French and Arabic and uses these skills to communicate with district families about their children's health. Kerr seeks to eliminate health disparities that exist among the populations she serves.

Schwartz honored

Culbreth Middle School teacher Peter Schwartz was named the 2010 recipient of the N.C. Science Teachers Association Ann Watkins Distinguished Service Award for Middle School Science.

The award recognizes excellence of contributions to science education at the school, district, regional and state levels. Recipients must have spent at least five years in science education and at least two years working in the category in which they were nominated.

Schwarz will receive the award Nov. 11 during the NCSTA's Professional Development Institute at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.

Positive behavior recognized

Eight Chapel Hill-Carrboro schools were recognized by the N.C. Department of Public Instruction for their efforts at adopting Positive Behavior Intervention and Support.

Smith Middle School, Carrboro Elementary School and Scroggs Elementary School were designated Exemplar Schools, while Ephesus Elementary School, Estes Hills Elementary School, Glenwood Elementary School and McDougle Elementary School were named Model Schools. McDougle Middle School was named a Green Rib-

The schools will receive banners in January at a recognition ceremony, where exemplar schools will be asked to share their imple-

Shabazz brings his love of poetry to McDougle students

BY GLORIA LLOYD

Courtesy of the Carrboro Commons

Ask students at McDougle Middle School what they think of their guest poetry teacher Phillip Shabazz, and you will invariably receive the same answer: "I love Mr. Shabazz!

Shabazz is a poet who lives in Carrboro and has published three books of verse. He teaches poetry during residencies at 30 to 50 schools throughout North Carolina and the United States each year, teaching third-graders to college students, but focusing on middle school students.

For more than a decade, Shabazz has taught poetry, a week at a time, to McDougle students. Beginning in fifth grade at McDougle Elementary School, students spend a week studying poetry with Shabazz every year through the eighth grade.

The week of Oct. 11, Shabazz taught more than 100 eighthgraders in Kimberly Battle's language arts classes how to find their inner poets and express themselves through verse. Some students look forward all year to the week of poetry.

"To have someone here who is a working poet – it says that men are poets, African-Americans are poets, you can be a poet, you are a poet. It engages every student," Principal Debra Scott explained. "They see he is here and real and

authentic, writing poetry you can understand."

eighth grade at McDougle and learning poetry from Shabazz. Now, she is in her first year teaching and has lined her classroom with poetry by Emily Dickinson

"It's part of the artisan exp ence," said Shabazz. "Teach the art to the young, so they can find their voices, write, do some good and, as tradition goes, pass it on."

residency, the students began by reading aloud poems they wanted to share from their home-"home fun").

of poetry and composed their own at the end of class. "You can't not write poetry while you're in his class. You can't help it," Scott said.

secret of Shabazz's connection with middle-schoolers is that he "doesn't treat us like we're stu-

very dynamic. So, it's all about energy, being lively and, if possible, interesting in the moment."

Doerfer began writing poetry because of Shabazz's influence before she even met him. After Shabazz appeared in her older sister's class, Doerfer saw her sister writing poems and then began writing poems herself. Doerfer

A decade ago, Battle was in the

and Langston Hughes.

Each day during Shabazz's

work (which Shabazz calls their The class then read examples

Student Sofia Doerfer said the

Shabazz's view is that, "Kids are



After a week of reading and writing poetry at McDougle Middle School, Carrboro poet Phillip Shabazz helps the young eighth-grade poets in Kimberly Battle's Language Arts class get started on writing the poem that serves as their final guiz. PHOTO BY GLORIA LLOYD

makes you feel free."

"I work to meet students where they are, share ideas, try to be relevant, at the same time, keep the workshops open so they can learn new things," said Shabazz. "And, of course, keep it fun."

Scott said McDougle students' interest in poetry has been intensified by Shabazz's visits and that Shabazz gives the message that, "It's OK to write and read poetry and be on the football team."

"I'm definitely more interested and enjoy [poetry] more," eighthgrader Emily Kaplan said.

The school emphasizes creative writing classes and publishes

likes to write poetry because "it a literary magazine that features poems written by students. "The learning environment at McDougle is exceptional, with many experienced and very good teachers," Shabazz said.

> The McDougle teachers hold an annual "Mic Night" in December at Barnes & Noble so that parents can watch the students perform their poetry. Scott compared the atmosphere to "a football game, with parents cheering and clapping."

> On Friday, Oct. 16, after five days of reading, writing and appreciating poetry with Shabazz, the young McDougle poets had 12 minutes to channel their en

their final quiz and a capstone all the drama," Cuervo said. for the week.

dents, "This should be the most important poem you've written all week."

To the background strains of Nirvana, Michael Jackson and Pink Flovd's "Another Brick in the Wall," the students intently studied the word bank and poem titles Shabazz had given them and combined them in their works of art. Student Emilio Zuñiga relished the chance "to be as creative as possible."

As a timer on the overhanging television set counted down the minutes, the kids munched on cookies, brownies and doughnuts while they counted lines, tapped pencils and double-checked similes and metaphors.

When the 12 minutes was up, a stream of young poets volunteered to read their works to the class. Despite the room being packed with sugar-fueled middle-schoolers, the atmosphere was much more casual than that usually found in a poetry slam.

Many of the students read aloud thoughtful rhymes on life as a teenager, with titles such as "Without You" and "Bumps in the Road."

Lady Johana Cuervo, who read a "duet" poem with another student, said that as eighth-graders

ergy and enthusiasm into one the students tackle more serious all-encompassing rhyme or free- topics than they did in elementary verse poem that would serve as school. "You talk a lot more about

"A lot of kids should have this Shabazz reminded the stu- experience of being able to write, getting to know each other in their classrooms on a personal level," Battle said. "Over the course of the week, so many students corand show their true colors."

> What Scott calls Shabazz's "authentic engagement" can be seen in the variety of poems and styles that emerged from the students' work.

> "To us, it's so important that every child feels that what they say has meaning," Scott said.

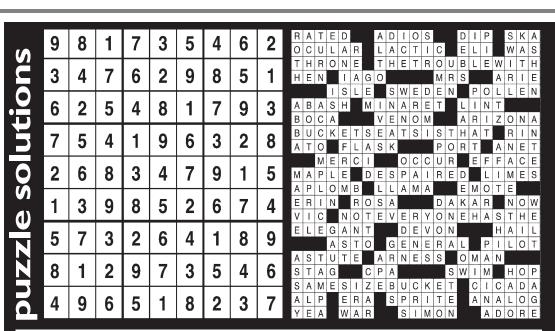
In front of the class, two boys read a humorous duet poem they wrote about playing video games. Another student chose to rap his poem. A few students got up in front of the classroom to dance.

Even when the lesson came to an end and the celebratory party began, two girls passed up the festivities and sat quietly at a table, taking turns writing lines of poetry in a notebook. At one point, they paused long enough to turn around and call out, "We love Mr. Shabazz!"

Gloria Lloyd is a UNC student writing for the Carrboro Commons, a bi-weekly online lab newspaper for Jock Lauterer's Community Journalism class at the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.



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CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: Words

It's very difficult for a Latin American writer to avoid politics. Literature is an expression of life and you cannot eradicate politics from life. - Mario Vargas Llosa, the Peruvian novelist, after winning the Nobel Prize in Literature

Nothing personal

BY EDDY LANDRETH Staff Writer

Carolina's best may not be good enough on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. before a packed house in Florida's capital city of Tallahassee. And that is if the Tar Heels can locate their best game.

FSU can reasonably be expected to bring its best to the game. The Seminoles lost their last time out against N.C. State in Raleigh, blowing an early lead to lose 28-26, so they have some business to take care of themselves.

"They may be a little [ticked] off, but that's just going to make

for better competition in the game," UNC quarterback T.J. Yates said. "A lot of guys on this team took the game we just played as a loss, as well, because we didn't play as well as we wanted to and didn't come out like we should have. So we're itching

to get back out there and start a game off like we want to and just get back on track like we know how to play."

Yeah, well, the problem is the competition is a superior team this time around. There



was a time when that might not have been true. But after all the suspensions and the injuries that are accumulating in Chapel Hill, Carolina is finding it harder to put a team with any experience on the field.

"Obviously, this will be a legitimate challenge this week," Coach Butch Davis said. "When you turn on the film, it doesn't take long to get a pretty good respect for Florida State. At 6-2, they're playing well. I think I've watched

Florida State since 1984, going to Miami as an assistant coach, and some things historically refuse to change. They've always got very fast, athletic kids.

'This year, in particular, I think they're playing with two dynamite linebackers. One of the biggest differences I see in their defense this year from a year ago is their ability to put pressure on the quarterback.

"The two defensive tackles really collapse the pocket well and the defensive ends come off the edge. They've always had good corners, guys that have been able to jump up in people's faces and press guys, play press bump-and-run, so that when they do blitz they've got a real presence at the corner position."

Then there is the QB position. Christian Ponder is an excellent collegiate quarterback. On any given Saturday, he can post numbers that can rival anyone in the nation.

He put together a game like that a year ago in leading the Seminoles from behind to defeat Carolina on its home field.

But don't think this is going to be about UNC owing FSU from that loss a year ago. Sure, the Tar Heels want to win; but that has more to do with

Carolina just trying to survive this nightmare of a season, not trying to rectify any negatives from the past.

"I don't think a lot of guys take it very personally," Hback Ryan Taylor said. "Once you start getting personal with wins and losses, you lose sight of just playing football. So I don't think a lot of guys are looking at it as a revenge game.

"Obviously, we were up last year and would have liked to have pulled that one out, but I think a lot of guys are just focusing on the goals that we've made and trying to come back and win this game."

Kicks for Coats

The following was submitted by Susan Wilson, mother of Carrboro High School soccer player Mikey McPeak:

The Carrboro High School men's soccer team participated in the Kicks for Coats campaign to collect warm clothing for the Freedom House Recovery Center in Chapel Hill, which services people with addiction, mental illness and developmental disabilities. The Freedom House's mission of helping individuals attain self-respect, dignity and the ability to be a contributing member of society is similar to the soccer team's expectation that all athletes will show respect and support for their fellow athletes and coaches.

On Oct. 28, prior to the game against the N.C. School of Science and Mathematics, the team presented to Thomas Millisor, Freedom House's director of development, the clothing items collected during the campaign. Millisor then presented the team with a certificate of appreciation.



Left to right: Millisor, captain Kris Holmquist, captain Ed Lytle, captain Connor Roach, Mikey McPeak and head coach Mark Kadlecik. In the background is the rest of the soccer team.

High school sports reports

BY HENRY GARGAN Staff Writer

FOOTBALL

Durham Hillside 47 -East Chapel Hill 8

It might warm the hearts of Wildcat fans to learn that their football team outscored undefeated Hillside 8-0 in the second half of last Friday's game. Unfortunately, for there to be a second half there must also be a first, and that's what made all the difference.

East Chapel Hill's depleted squad was unable to put up much of a fight, as they allowed 47 points in that first period, after which the Knights took mercy and pulled most of their

Hillside (10-0, 5-0 PAC 6), one of the state's best teams, scored in great variety. Three passing touchdowns, three rushing touchdowns, a fumble return and a safety kept this lopsided contest interesting in much the same way the Harlem Globetrotters keep their blowouts interesting.

Although the East passing attack was able to produce respectably (thanks to Jackson Boyer's

207 yards on 17 completions), the (1-9,Wildcats 0-5 PAC 6) were held to minusfive yards on the ground, a statistic that underscored their lack of size and a crippling re-

liance on the pass. East Chapel Hill's final game of the season at home against 3-7 Person presents a reasonable chance for the Wildcats to end the season on a high note. That contest will

Wildcat Stadium.

Carrboro 49 - Granville Central 7

Apparently, last week was a bad one for parity in high school football.

Carrboro seemed to hit its stride again, as it dominated a conference opponent and hit the brakes on a two-game skid. The Jaguars (8-2, 1-2 Carolina 9) had no issues moving the ball against the overmatched Panthers of Granville Central (1-9, 0-5 Carolina 9). Ouarterback Derek Bryant needed only throw four passes, two of which ended up in the end zone. Carrboro's runof business, finishing the night with a bruising 363 yards on the backs of Douglas Parrish, Torrell Farrar and DeAndre White.

Much like Hillside in its dismantling of East Chapel Hill, Carrboro struck promptly and in earnest, as they jumped out

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out the week's trifecta of lopsided local match-ups with its 41-13 defeat at the hands of conference opponent Southern Vance (4-5, 3-1 Carolina 6).

With the score knotted at ning game took care of the rest seven apiece after one quarter of play, the Tigers (4-6, 1-3 Carolina 6) seemed competitive. Thirty-four unanswered points later, however, the Raiders had thoroughly dispelled this notion, as they capitalized on four interceptions thrown by Tiger quarterback T.J. Johnston. Raider

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and running back Brian Person both contributed a pair of touchdowns. Person averaged just un-

its season on Friday, as it hosts county and conference rival Orange.

East Chapel Hill at Williams: Canceled due to inclement

Carrboro (18-4-1) 8 -Corinth Holders (6-3-1) I CAR: O. Romero 2, K. Hol-

mquist 2, L. Royo 2, E. Lytle 1, S. Hickey 1, R. Yghwai 1

Chapel Hill (14-6-2) 2 -Orange (15-5-0) 0

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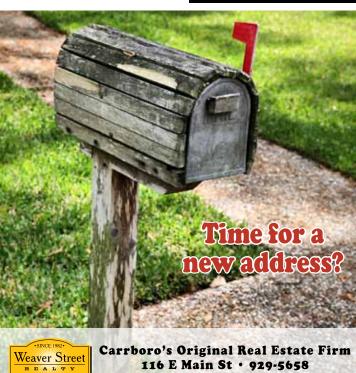
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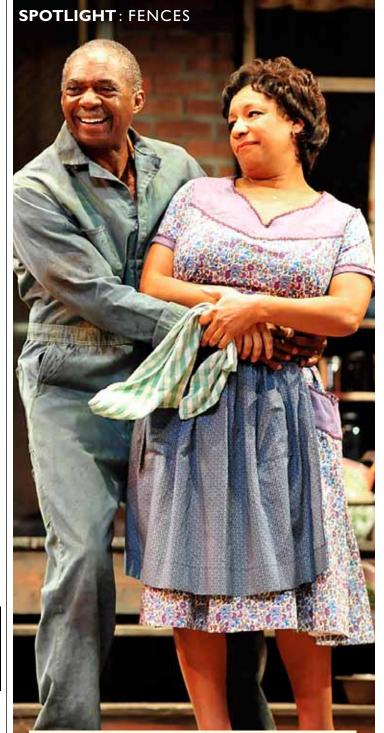
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FROM PAGE I

Exotic invasive plants already have a frightening foothold. Much of the understory shrub layer bordering the creek and beaver swamp is a thicket of one particular exotic invasive, Eleagnus umbellata, silverberry, or autumn, olive. This exotic from China and Japan has literally consumed hundreds of acres of forests. One heavily infested area along the Nature Observation Trail right now offers a dramatic contrast. Spicebush, Lindera benzoin, the host plant of spicebush swallowtail butterflies, is in its yellow fall phase. In contrast is the silver-green foliage of eleagnus, which is visibly poised to outcompete and eradicate the spicebush within the next several years.

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Invasive eleagnus (silver-green leaves) out competes native spicebush (leaves turning yellow).

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from the native spicebush

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program that provides opportunities for community volunteers to take part in assisting with the eradication efforts. Coming up on Nov. 13, they will host another volunteer workday to extract more of this noxious, shrubby weed

forestmanager@fac.unc. edu for more information. Better yet, visit their informative website (fac.unc.edu/CarolinaNorth.com) for trail maps, scheduled special events, regular updates about what's going on in the "forest" and other activities available for volunteers.

> And all you walkers out there, now's a good time to discover for yourself the trail that's reserved just for you!

Email Ken Moore at flora@carrborocitizen.

s UNC football wrestles with the ongoing NCAA investigation, maybe its useful to remember that one of the officials in the hot seat has always been a die-hard Tar Heel fan. When I emailed UNC's Athletic Director Richard "Dickie" Baddour about this photo from his undergraduate days, he shot right back, "That is fantastic! That picture was actually in the DTH. The guy on my right was visiting me from East Carolina. I said to him, 'I'm going to get your picture in the DTH; the photographer down there is from the DTH and I'm going to make you famous.' Of course, I



Dick Baddour 1966

had no idea that would happen, but it did, and he was blown away. He thought I was really a BMOC.... I'll see that guy this weekend, and he (Rob Lee of Warsaw, N.C.) will be amazed ... so your timing is unbelievable." The photo is from the UNC-Dook game (UNC won, 21-15) on Nov. 21, 1964. To that, the old DTH photog adds: Go Heels!

A THOUSAND WORDS

BY JOCK LAUTERER

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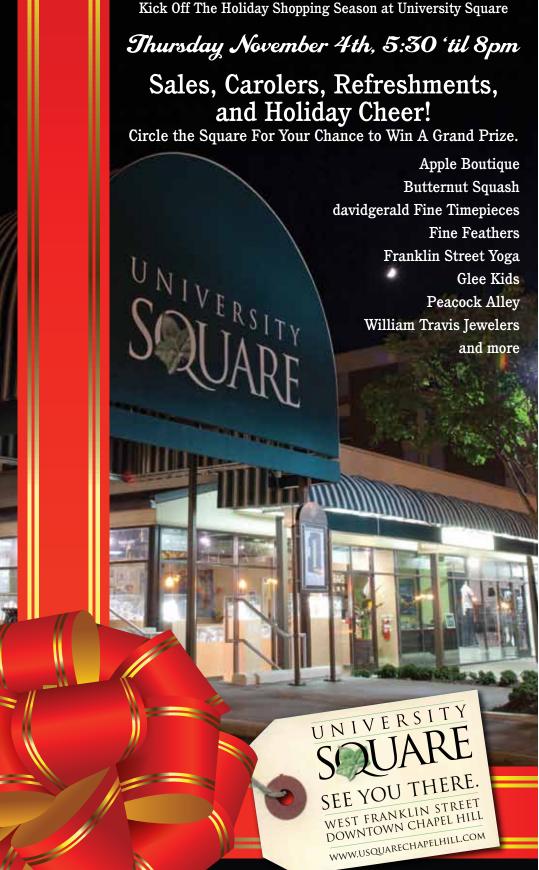
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