

PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

This time of year, rabbit tobacco is a fine dried arrangement.

FLORA BY KEN MOORE

An engaging herb, rabbit tobacco

One of my favorite native herbs, rabbit tobacco, is an eye-catching wildflower with an engaging aromatic quality.

The ample late-summer rains have been good for this common annual of open fields and roadsides.

Its scientific name, Gnaphalium [naff-AY-lium] obtusifolium, from the Greek, gnaphalon, refers to the soft, woolly hairs on stem and leaves.

I'm more intrigued with the common name, the heritage of which I've yet to discover.

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THANKSGIVING

Keeping it Local

Saturday's Farmers Market had a decidedly Thanksgiving theme, with acorn squash and gourds by the dozens.

PHOTO BY BETH MECHUM

From Jaguars to Lions: CHS football players mentor Frank Porter Graham kids



PHOTO BY MEGAN BALLARD

Demarcus Powell, 17, listens to the goals Jarius McCall, 10, has set for the next five years. Fifth-grade students worked with their mentors to picture themselves and visualize their futures.

BY MEGAN BALLARD
Courtesy of the Carrboro Commons

CARRBORO —Jaguars lending a "paw" to lions is not something you hear about every day.

The program was started this year after a summer spent planning by Principal Shelia Burnette of Frank Porter

Graham Elementary, Principal Kelly Batten at Carrboro High School and CHS football coach Jason Tudryn.

"This was all the brainchild of coach Tudryn," Burnette said.

Tudryn has been with the school since its opening in August 2007. His goal since starting at Carrboro has been to create a "community-based football program."

Tudryn's wife, Barbie Tudryn, works at Frank Porter Graham Elementary and encouraged her husband to get his players involved at her school.

The Tudryns pushed for the "Paws to Paws" program to "establish a pro-

gram to get kids to think with a future vision and get them to develop their community and their education," Jason Tudryn said.

When Jason Tudryn pitched the program to Batten, the principal was immediately sold on the idea.

"I just threw it out there as, 'Hey what do ya think,'" Batten said. "She was pumped and excited about the whole idea."

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Town and schools argue billing

BY KIRK ROSS
Staff Writer

CHAPEL HILL — The Town Council plans to examine the cost to the town for services provided to local schools.

The decision came during a meeting Monday night at Town Hall after several council members bristled over a past-due \$60,000 bill from the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools for use of Lincoln Gymnasium.

Butch Kisiah, head of the Chapel Hill Parks and Recreation Department, said the gym is heavily used, but that in many cases rents on town facilities, such as use of the Homestead Road Aquatics Center by school swim teams, are not billed.

"We were using the argument that it was all public money, and when it comes down to it it's the taxpayers who are paying the bills," Kisiah said.

Council member Matt Czajkowski objected to the bill from the schools.

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Living Legends

RECENTLY... BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

Some vibrancy may have faded, but the radiance of graduation day still shines on the faces of Carolina Living Legends.

Clarence Whitefield, who has chaired the group for 14 years, led the program following a continental breakfast and social hour.

"Each spring during commencement weekend, one activity is to induct the 50-year graduating class into the Old Students' Club," Whitefield said.

He further explained that L.C. Bruce of Raleigh and some of his

contemporaries decided that the "old students" needed more. They'd come back for games and such, but felt disconnected from university life.

"There was certainly no way to get to meet the new chancellor, dean or coach; and no one to tell them what a new building was," Whitefield said.

The idea grew, and the Office of University Development began to sponsor it, holding fall and spring events at the Friday Center.

Virginia Powell (class of 1952) greeted me soon after my arrival. When asked what year her husband, esteemed North Carolina historian William Powell (who was schmoozing nearby), became a Carolina Living Legend, she quipped, "the minute Bill graduated in 1940!"

Eleanor Morris, a Chapel Hill native (class of 1955), said she enjoys the events. "It gives us contact with the university. We hear wonderful speeches from coaches and the chancellor — Jack Evans is speaking today."



PHOTO BY VALARIE SCHWARTZ

Geri and Bob Laport of Chapel Hill were among 250 attendees at the fall gathering of Carolina Living Legends.

Evans presented an update on Carolina North at the end of a program that included other associates of the university: Barbara Fredrickson talking about her studies in positivity; Lisa Broome, a finance lawyer, speaking about the government's response to the financial crisis; and Dr. Travis

Meredith, an ophthalmologist who introduced the Kittner Eye Center. Following lunch, attendees were invited to a tour of the newly opened visitor education center at the N.C. Botanical Garden.

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Community Briefs

Varsity Theater to reopen Nov. 27

Franklin Street's Varsity Theatre, located at 123 E. Franklin St., will reopen on Friday, Nov. 27. New owners Paul and Susan Shareshian selected *The Wizard of Oz* for the opening weekend.

The Varsity will have showings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 1, 3:10, 5:20 and 7:30 p.m.

Opening week, the Varsity also will have matinee and evening showings of *The Invention of Lying* and *The Informant*.

Alcohol has been added to the concession stand at the refurbished Varsity and will be available for certain shows. The Shareshians have applied for a liquor license, but for now it's beer and wine on the menu.

More information is available on the theater's website at varsityonfranklin.com

Dual language cookbook submissions

Saludamos of Sustain Foundation is accepting recipes from residents of Carrboro and Chapel Hill to be compiled in a dual language cookbook. The cookbooks will feature healthy recipes in English and Spanish from Hispanic women who are part of the program, other community members, local chefs and local farmers.

The cookbook, called *Sabores de la Comunidad - Flavors of the Community*, creates a way to promote connections between all members of the community and can be used as a language tool for those who want to learn English or Spanish, and its proceeds will help support Saludamos. Recipes will be translated by the Saludamos staff, and both translations of each recipe will be printed side-by-side with key words highlighted in both languages.

Saludamos is accepting recipe submissions electronically and in person at the Saturday Carrboro Farmers' Market. To submit a recipe electronically, email it to saludamos@gmail.com.

Artists sought for community projects

Selected artists and artist teams residing in Orange, Durham, Chatham or Wake counties with ties to Chapel Hill or Carrboro are sought to create temporary or more permanent artwork that engages specific communities in Chapel Hill and/or Carrboro. The artist-led project(s) will take place in Chapel Hill or Carrboro during the spring of 2010 and may include the following media: spoken-word performances, musical performances, dance, video or electronic media and 2-D and 3-D visual installations. Project proposals are being accepted through Jan. 15; interested artists should visit the Public Arts Office webpages. at ci.chapel-hill.nc.us/index.aspx

Volunteer coaching positions

The Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department is accepting volunteer coach applications for the 2009 Youth Baseball Program and the Youth Girls Volleyball Program. Coaches must exhibit the ability to organize practices and communicate effectively with players (ages 6-15 for baseball and 10-13 for volleyball), parents and recreation department staff. Coaches also must exhibit the ability to teach proper playing skills, fundamentals and sportsmanship and provide an enjoyable atmosphere at practices and games. Initial deadline is Friday, Dec. 11. To receive a volunteer coaches' application or additional information, contact the recreation department at 918-7364.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY, NOV 27

Community Day at Ackland Art Museum

A day-long exploration of art and ideas from around the world. Muralist Michael Brown will lead an art-making workshop. UNC art students will help screen-print your own T-shirts, gallery teachers and docents will lead guided tours, and several other programs and events offer something for the whole family. Events begin at 10am and continue until 5pm. Admission is free. Info: 966.5736, ackland.org.

TUESDAY, DEC 1

Love Actually — The Friends of the Chapel Hill Public Library present the film *Love Actually* as a part of its "Movie Nite @ the Library" program. 6:30pm in the Library Meeting Room. Free, no sign up needed. The film is rated R.

THURSDAY, DEC 3

American Beauty — Gallery Gala and Exhibit opening at ChathamArts Gallery, 115 Hillsboro St.. The gala will include a wine and chocolate tasting as well as an artist lecture. ChathamArts' new exhibit focuses on the theme "American Beauty." Lots of locally hand-crafted items displayed with the holiday gift-giving season in mind. 6-8:30pm.

SUNDAY, DEC 6

Immigration Talk at CHICLE

"How to Help NC Immigrant Students Go to College," a talk with Melinda Wiggins, executive director of Student Action with Farmworkers (SAF). 5pm at CHICLE, 101 E Weaver St. Suite G-1, third floor over Weaver Street Market, Carrboro. 919-933-0398, chi-cle.com.

SATURDAY, DEC 12

ELF Arts and Crafts Fair

— ELF is an imaginative holiday arts and crafts festival in Carrboro. Selection of handmade soaps, knit goods, jewelry, pillows, silk screened clothing, ceramic vessels, holiday cards, imaginative magnets and lots of art. West End Theatre of the Artscenter, 1-5pm

Ongoing



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

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

Introduction to Buddhism — Classes offered Wednesday nights, 7:30-9pm in November at Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center at 109 Jones Creek Place, Carrboro. All are welcome. The class is informal and designed for discussion. A brief sitting meditation will be included. Suggested donation for each class: \$5. 968-9426, piedmontktc.org.

DivorceCare — Support group for those separated or divorced. Mondays, 7pm, Orange United Methodist Church. 942-2825, connect2orange.org

Family to Family — A series of 12 weekly classes structured to help family members understand and support a family member suffering with mental illness. The class is free and sponsored by NAMIOrange. Contact Gove Elder at 967-5403 or gbelder@bellsouth.net.



Garden Tour — Free tour of the N.C. Botanical Garden display gardens. Saturdays, 10am, in front of the Totten Center at the Garden. 962-0522, ncbg.unc.edu

Free Yoga — The UNC Comprehensive Cancer Support Program will offer free yoga classes in November. Yoga for Everyone on Mondays 11am-12:30pm, Meditative Yoga on Fridays 10-11:30am. Carolina Pointe II, 6013 Farrington Road, Suite 101, in Chapel Hill. 966-3494 for more info.

Jazz at the Mall — University Mall presents free jazz concerts every Sunday, 2-4pm

Job Search Meeting — A networking and support group for job hunters. Wednesdays, 9:30-11am, Binkley Baptist Church, 1712 Willow Drive. 942-4964

Open-Mic Poetry — Tuesdays except first Tuesday, 7-9pm, Looking Glass Cafe & Boutique, 601 W. Main St. 636-5809

Walking Tour — The Preservation Society of Chapel Hill offers "Walk This Way," walking tours of Franklin Street every Sunday at 2 pm. \$5. 942-7818 or chpreservation.com for more information. Reservations recommended for groups of five or more people.

Breastfeeding Cafe — An informal drop-in gathering of breastfeeding moms will be held every Monday from 1-2pm at the Red Hen. A La Leche representative will be there to provide information and answer questions, 201 Weaver St.

Kids Toddler Time — Carrboro Branch Library. Thursdays, 4pm. 969-3006



Preschool Story Time — Saturdays, 10:30am, Carrboro Branch Library. 969-3006

Express Yourself! — Art program for ages 3-8 and their caregivers. Saturdays, 10:45-11:15am, 11:30am-noon, Kidzu Children's Museum, 105 E. Franklin St. \$2. 933-1455, kidzuchildrensmuseum.org

Volunteers RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program — Seeks volunteers at least 55 years of age and older who would like assistance in finding an opportunity that matches their interests. 968-2056, co.orange.nc.us/aging/RSPVPindex.asp

Meals on Wheels — Seeks volunteers to deliver meals and/or bake simple desserts for recipients in the community. 942-2948

Orange County Literacy — Seeks volunteers to help with adult literacy, basic math and English language tutoring, creative writing workshops at local homeless shelters and family literacy workshops. New tutor training workshops every month. Skills Development Center, 503 W. Franklin St. 933-2151

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CRYPTOQUOTE ANSWER: READINESS?

The only thing that's certain is uncertainty. - Thomas Fieber, director of the Center for Disease Control, on the difficulties of preparing for swine flu.

News Briefs

Locals selected to Lineberger board

Lillie Atwater of Carrboro, Lisa Jones and Ashley Osment of Chapel Hill and Bill Wagner, formerly of Chapel Hill, were selected to serve on the Patient and Family Advisory Board for the North Carolina Cancer Hospital in Chapel Hill. The hospital is the clinical home of UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center.

The new 19-member advisory board was created to strengthen the collaboration between patients, family members and caregivers and the N.C. Cancer Hospital's health care team to provide the highest quality of comprehensive, safe and compassionate health care.

Atwater, a breast cancer survivor, previously served on the UNC Lineberger Breast Cancer Advisory Board and is retired from UNC Hospitals. Jones, a breast cancer survivor, is a community volunteer, including serving on the Chapel Hill Public Library Foundation board. Osment, currently undergoing treatment for a rare type of ovarian cancer, is a senior lawyer at the UNC Center for Civil Rights at the UNC School of Law. Wagner was the caregiver for his wife, who lived six years with ovarian cancer before her death just over a year ago.

Leaves available in Hillsborough

The Town of Hillsborough has leaves available for delivery to citizens in and around Hillsborough who would like them for mulch or compost.

The minimum amount the Hillsborough Public Works Department will deliver is half a truckload, about 10 cubic yards. The area where the leaves are to be dumped must be accessible by a large truck.

For more information or to request delivery of leaves, contact public works supervisor Ken Hines at 732-1270, ext. 78.

Animal services holiday events

During November and December, the Orange County Animal Services Department features tours, activities and special outreach events designed to raise awareness of adoption and lost-pet recovery during the holiday season.

Orange County Animal Services also will participate in the Hillsborough Parade on Saturday, Dec. 5, and the Chapel Hill Carrboro Parade on Saturday, Dec. 12. Other events include horse and carriage rides at Eastgate Mall on Saturday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to midnight and pictures with Santa at the Durham/Chapel Hill PetSmart on Tuesday, Dec. 19, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit co.orange.nc.us/animalservices for more information on animal services' holiday events and to see pictures of animals that are lost or available for adoption.

Tethering amendment in effect

The tethering amendment to the Orange County Animal Ordinance, which restricts the tethering of dogs to a maximum of three hours within a 24-hour period, became effective, Nov. 19. During the first six months of the ordinance, only warning notices will be issued for tethering violations.

The ordinance only applies to the unincorporated parts of the county and Hillsborough. Chapel Hill has adopted its own tethering amendment, which differs from the county's and becomes effective in March 2010. For more information on Orange County's amendment, including a full list of changes and exemptions, visit the animal services website at co.orange.nc.us/animalservices or call 942-7387.

Carolina North bike connector workshop

The Town of Chapel Hill and UNC will hold a community workshop from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, in suite 133G of University Square to explore the location for a greenway and bike path connection between the Carolina North campus and the main UNC campus.

For more information, contact Mary Jane Nirdlinger, special projects coordinator for the Town of Chapel Hill, at 968-2739 or mnirdlinger@townofchapelhill.org

Changes at University Mall

Madison Marquette announced a number of changes in store for University Mall, including the addition of eight new businesses, totaling 25,000 square feet, in time for the holiday season, and the unanimous approval of numerous exterior renovations by Chapel Hill officials.

The new retailers are:

- **Night Gallery** – vintage furnishings and garden antiques and an exclusive line of women's apparel;
- **The Virginia Gail Collection** – a Rachel Ashwell-inspired retail store and design studio with an emphasis on luxury bed linens;
- **The North Carolina Hammock Company;**
- **Izabelle's Closet** – a women's casual and resort wear concept;
- **Southern Charm** – an arts-and-crafts concept organized as a co-op by more than 30 local artisans;
- **The Manana** – a kiosk featuring the work of creative artisans and craftspeople;
- **Day-by-Day Calendar** – a kiosk that offers calendars for 2010; and
- **Soft & Sleepy Sheets** – a kiosk that offers high-quality bed linens.

Holiday affects reporting schedule

BY BETH MECHUM
Staff Writer

The Carrboro Citizen went to press a day early so that staff could spend Thanksgiving with family. The happenings of Tuesday night's Board of Aldermen meeting will be updated in next week's edition.

First on the agenda for the meeting that took place at Town Hall was a resolution supporting Buy Carrboro Week 2009, as recommended by the local business network known as LocalMotive.

The week would be Dec. 5-12, and will encourage all Car-

roro residents to do as much of their holiday shopping in Carrboro as possible.

Four public hearings were scheduled to take place at the meeting. The first had to do with the Chapel Hill and Carrboro 2035 long-range transit plan. The board was anticipated to receive public input and advisory board recommendations for the final draft of the plan.

Next, a public hearing for a land-use ordinance amendment was scheduled. Sara Macko submitted a request to allow elementary and secondary schools as a permissible use in the B-4 Zoning District.

Macko's family owns property that is B-4 zoned and is under consideration as the new site for Pace Academy, a charter school that provides secondary education to children in Chatham, Orange and Wake counties. Vocational schools and many other uses are allowed, but elementary and secondary schools are not permitted in this district. Macko prepared the amendment to make that permissible.

A public hearing discussing rezoning notices also was scheduled.

Lastly, a public hearing was scheduled about a draft ordi-

nance that would make changes to the income limit and proportion of affordable units needed to determine other regulatory requirements.

Robert Dowling of the Community Home Trust prepared a letter addressing these issues. The letter requests two changes: lowering the income limit for buyers of affordable homes to 65 percent of the median income and that the percentage of affordable units provided be reduced to less than 15 percent.

The outcome of these public hearings will be reported in next week's edition.

New business group launches Buy Local Week

BY ALISON SHAY
Courtesy of the Carrboro Commons

Just in time for the holiday shopping season, a new organization will launch an effort to help build the business community and encourage Carrboro's residents to shop locally.

Buy Local Week, Dec. 5-12, will mark the first project by Carrboro's LocalMotive.

"The goal of [Buy Local Week] is to encourage the community to at least consider doing their shopping in Carrboro," Jenny McMillan says, "to realize that ultimately it's for their good as well."

McMillan plans to use her store, Nested, a home and gift gallery, to highlight items made by local people.

McMillan says another goal of LocalMotive is to give business owners and community members the opportunity to get to know each other face-to-face.

"We really want to create a support network for businesses," she says.

Michael Maher, owner of Wootini, says it will be helpful for members of the business community to have a place to discuss issues. Although the members all have different voices and may think independently, LocalMotive will allow them to work together, and Maher believes people will see the value in that.

Terri Turner, the business manager of Weaver Street Realty, says she will act as an ambassador during Buy Local Week, visiting business owners to tell them about the group and get them involved. Turner, who "came here as a student and didn't leave," says Carrboro has a real sense of community.

This sentiment is echoed by Brian Russell, owner of Carrboro Creative Coworking.

"All I have to do is walk down the street and meet all these people, and I feel so much more connected," Russell says.

Russell's business provides space and a community environment in which local people can work.

Russell, an active member of LocalMotive, is interested in developing strategies for communication (especially web-based), both between members of the business community and between businesses and other community members.

"I think it's really important that everybody works together, no matter what group they're part of," Russell says. "We need to be really helping each other as much as we can."

McMillan says that research suggests that local businesses present a smaller tax burden to their towns, have a greater rate of giving to local causes and have more stable employee bases.

Other communities have created similar groups, and LocalMotive will be able to use those as models and adapt them to fit Carrboro's needs.

McMillan, and LocalMotive, want more people to get involved. No business is too small to play a role.

Although Turner doesn't own a business, she wants to make sure Carrboro's busi-

nesses are successful. She hopes LocalMotive will educate residents that they don't have to shop out of town to find the goods or services they're looking for, and believes the "foundation, energy and juice" is here for LocalMotive to be successful.

"If you buy locally, you're giving back to yourself because you're helping your community," McMillan says. "It's like investing in yourself."

The group is already discussing plans for the coming year. These include a local market during the holidays at which local artists could show the community what they have to offer.

LocalMotive will also participate in the annual holiday parade, scheduled to take place Saturday, Dec. 12, at 10 a.m.

Alison Shay 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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EDITOR'S NOTE — Several presidents, starting with George Washington, have issued Thanksgiving proclamations. It was Abraham Lincoln's, issued on Oct. 3, 1863 and penned by Secretary of State William Seward, that began the tradition of setting aside the last Thursday in November as the official date.

The year that is drawing toward its close has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever-watchful providence of almighty God.

In the midst of a civil war of unequal magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign states to invite and provoke their aggressions, peace has been preserved with all nations, order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere, except in the theater of military conflict; while that theater has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union.

Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defense have not arrested the plow, the shuttle, or the ship; the ax has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege, and the battlefield, and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom.

No human counsel hath devised, nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the most high God, who while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy.

It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently, and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American people. I do, therefore, invite my fellow-citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next as a day of thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the heavens. And I recommend to them that, while offering up the ascriptions justly due to him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners, or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the almighty hand to heal the wounds of the nation, and to restore it, as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes, to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility, and union.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this Third day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, and of the Independence of the United States the Eighty-eighth.

By the President: Abraham Lincoln
William H. Seward, Secretary of State

CORRECTION

We reported in last week's issue that the parking lot on South Greensboro Street approved by the board of aldermen will cost \$7,500 a month to lease. In fact, it will cost \$7,500 a year.

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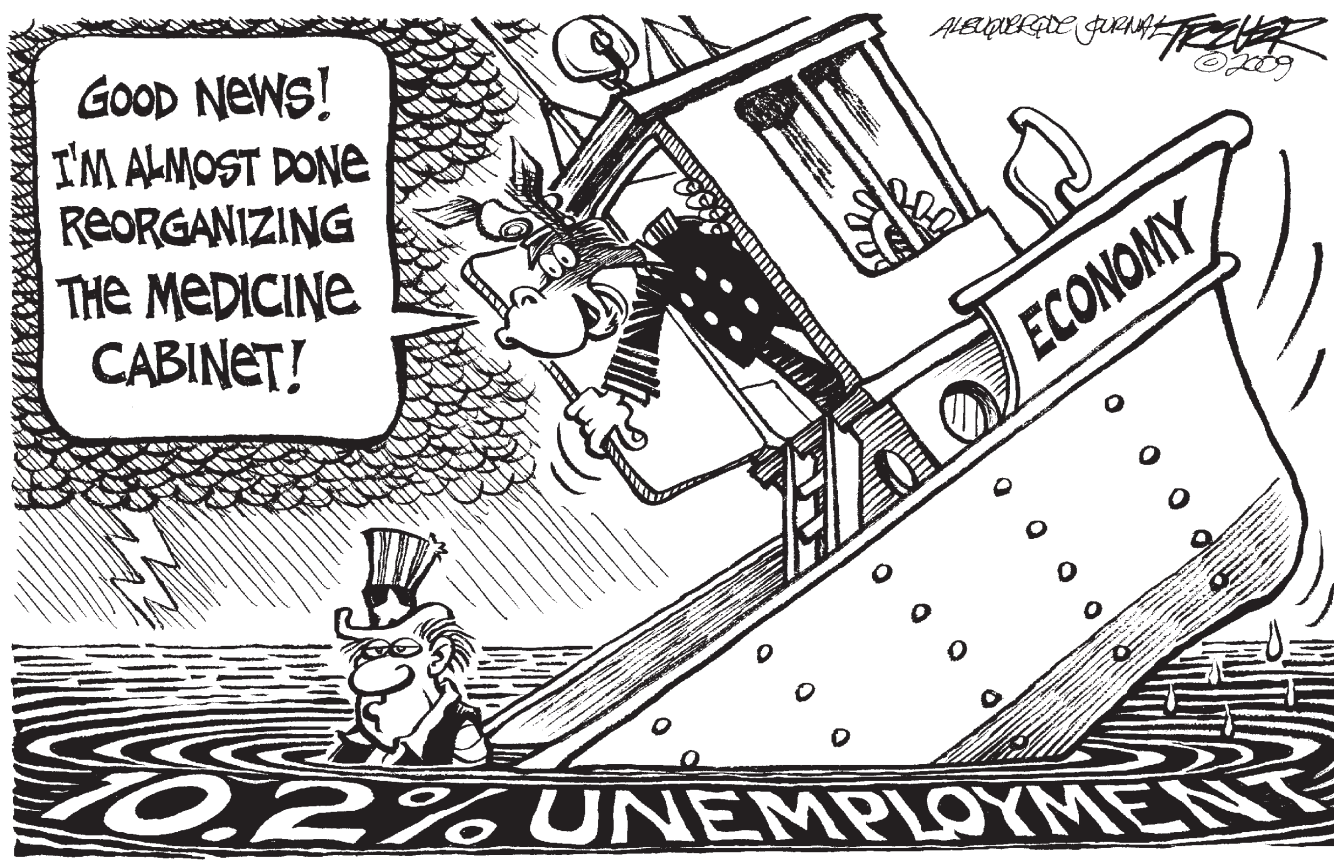
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Never in my lifetime

PERRY DEANE YOUNG

It was one of those extraordinary moments when a historic event touched me personally. And I could not hold back the tears.

Never in my lifetime did I ever expect to hear a president deliver the kind of courageous and compassionate speech President Obama gave recently to the Human Rights Campaign.

For way too long, our political leaders have been bullied into silence on the subject of human rights for homosexuals by hate mongers such as Jesse Helms and Jerry Falwell and Pat Robertson. It was a chilling moment for me when President Jimmy Carter, the most overtly religious president in history, refused to meet with a delegation seeking gay rights. One of those Georgia frat boys he surrounded himself with dismissed the issue with the words, "We have more important things to do with our time." We should never forget the unspeakable cruelty involved in Helms' letter to a Raleigh mother whose son had died of AIDS: "I'm sorry your son chose to play Russian roulette with his life."

How many times have political candidates pulled me aside over the years and said, "Look, personally, I'm for gay rights, but you know it would kill me at the polls." Barack Obama, almost alone, saw the issue as one of human rights for all people. He is not the first to recognize that so long as one of us is not free, none of us is free. And Obama has consistently had the courage to speak out about it. He also saw that the people who now oppose human rights for gays and lesbians are the very same people who opposed equal rights for women and African-Americans in the past.

Many of us have felt that the president was not carrying through on his pledge to end the ludicrous "don't ask, don't tell" policy in the military. But the president has now assured us that he will do away with this ridiculous law that re-

wards lying. "I am with you," he said to the cheering crowd in Washington.

Those of us who have actually served in the military are fully aware that thousands of homosexuals now serve proudly and well, as they always have. We have had to sit quietly by while those who never got near a military uniform, much less the dangers of war, expounded on the threat to our security if gays were "allowed" in the military. The point is, we're already there. The only question is whether we have to live in fear of being "found out."

A wise old survivor of the death camps in Germany said it best: "Freedom is not having to lie about who you are."

I am haunted by the vast number of good and decent men and women who simply could not deal with the societal prejudice against homosexuals and chose suicide as the only way out. Even now, the suicide rate among gay teenagers is several times that of heterosexuals.

For decades, whole categories of jobs were denied to people known to be homosexual. During the McCarthy witch hunts, the words "homosexual" and "subversive" were used interchangeably — even though McCarthy's chief instigator, Roy Cohn, was himself actively homosexual. Frank Kameny worked in astronomy for the government in the 1950s, but he was fired for being gay. Nobody at that time dared to wonder how his private sex life had anything to do with studying the stars, much less how that made him a communist sympathizer. Until very recently, we had no choice but to slink away quietly, lest the public outcry further destroy our careers. But we have always had certain heroes among us, like Frank Kameny, who had the courage to speak out for what was right.

Now, at long last, we have a champion in the White House. He is a man

who understands that like the prejudice against African-Americans, the prejudice against gays harms our whole society. It isn't just that "don't ask, don't tell" is unjust to gays in the military, it creates a cloud of distrust among everybody in the military.

After former Washington Redskins running back David Kopay publicly discussed his homosexuality, he got a letter from a young secretly gay man in Maryland, who wrote: "Man, when I think what a long cruel hoax it's been, I just want to go out and cream somebody." Long after the book I wrote with Kopay was published, we heard the very heartening story of Esera Tuaolo, who played with the San Diego Chargers. He was so bitterly distraught over his homosexuality, he would never play to his full potential because he feared the attention would expose his dark secret. He was seriously considering suicide when a friend gave him a copy of *The David Kopay Story* — and he realized he was not alone, no different from millions of others who were born gay.

There are those who say that our president did not deserve the Nobel Prize because he is a man of words, not deeds. In truth, words are deeds. Long after they were spoken or written, the words of Jefferson and Lincoln, Franklin Roosevelt and Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr. continue to inspire us to change and better our lives.

We are privileged to have a president now who understands the importance of words in the ongoing struggle for the rights of all people. His courage and his eloquence may help us all to overcome "the last respectable prejudice" against homosexuals. I never thought I'd live to see the day.

Perry Deane Young is the author of The David Kopay Story (with Kopay) and God's Bullies/Power Politics and Religious Tyranny and Gays and Lesbians in Sports. He lives in Chapel Hill.

Reward the good, punish the bad

BOB HALL

When a politician cheats or steals, the press loves to play "gotcha" and the public is outraged. But what if the rules of the campaign system invite a candidate to cheat and lie in order to win election?

Will the media and public demand that the system change? Will they praise the politician who acts ethically and still wins? Why don't politicians such as House Speaker Joe Hackney or state Treasurer Janet Cowell get more kudos for their leadership on ethics and efforts to reform the campaign finance system? It's easy to criticize, but so much harder to take responsibility for fixing the problem.

Earlier this year, the News & Observer identified a number of travel-related donations the Mike Easley campaign committee failed to report and the State Board of Elections began investigating the committee. In July, Democracy North Carolina provided additional information and urged the State Board of Elections to investigate if the N.C. Democratic Party was "being used by a candidate as a conduit to launder earmarked donations that would be illegal if they were given directly to that candidate."

We acted because cheating in politics harms voters and the good candidates who abide by the law.

Last month, the State Board of Elections found that earmarking had occurred. By a unanimous vote, the board ordered the Democratic Party to forfeit the \$9,000 involved in two earmarked donations and, more importantly, sent a message that it is illegal for a candidate to use a political party to conduit a donor's funds back to the candidate's campaign, particularly when

the donor, candidate and party conspire together to evade the normal contribution limits for a candidate.

The board took a cautious approach in reaching its decision. Memos, detailed strategy plans, emails, ledger sheets and other documents revealed that a "Governor's Fund" had been set up within the Democratic Party to receive and spend money raised for the Mike Easley campaign, but most witnesses could not recall or simply denied any earmarking occurred. The board focused its penalty on two donors who admitted they knew their checks to the party were really for the Easley campaign.

The board also voted to fine the Easley committee \$100,000 and refer Mike Easley "and others" who testified to the district attorney. It's a sad day when evidence justifies referring a governor for criminal investigation, but it's in the best interest of the public and of the thousands of candidates who are acting properly for the state board to make it clear that no one is above the law. In another unanimous vote, the board recommended that the General Assembly amend state law to require a candidate to pay election-law fines if the candidate's campaign committee is broke. Candidates should be held responsible for their campaign's conduct.

The board's decisions highlight the need to reward the good politician as well as punish the bad:

- The public and all candidates need the protection of strong laws, fairly enforced, to weed out the cheaters and hold everyone accountable. But no set of regulations can prevent immoral candidates and their consultants from using loopholes to chan-

nel large amounts of private money into a campaign. More regulation alone won't produce better public officials.

- We need more candidates with the personal moral strength to withstand the temptations and pressures of raising large amounts of private money for their campaigns. As the costs climb and the campaign's consultants devise new methods to skirt the law, fewer candidates can hold on to their core values. How can we help them?

- We need to provide honorable candidates with an alternative campaign system that helps them stay focused on how to serve the public, rather than where to find the next \$4,000 or \$50,000 check from a donor with a selfish agenda. The voluntary public-financing program for some candidates in North Carolina and in other states provides such an alternative, because it rewards candidates who raise a qualifying number of small donations with a public grant to run their campaign under strict rules.

- We need to support good public officials and tell them we appreciate their service. We hurt ourselves by not noticing who is doing a good job or by stereotyping all politicians as corrupt. Good government requires many solid leaders and participation by all of us. Making a \$20 contribution, volunteering in a campaign, and organizing a base of supporters for a leader who champions people's real needs are all crucial for a new kind of politics in North Carolina.

Bob Hall is executive director of Democracy North Carolina, a nonpartisan research and advocacy center for campaign finance reform and voting rights.

A double struggle for the poor

CHRIS FITZSIMON

Thanksgiving is upon us, a time when most media outlets tend to focus on the poor who can't afford a feast to celebrate the holiday. There are more families than ever in that boat, living in poverty or teetering on its edge, just one illness or missed mortgage payment away.

And that's true all year long, not just during the holiday season. The U.S. Department of Agriculture released its food insecurity report this week, which found that almost 50 million people couldn't afford enough to eat at some point during the last year. Almost one in four children went hungry. That's the highest number since the federal government began issuing the report.

Almost 50,000 families in North Carolina went without food, a startling number, though one that is consistent with other indicators of the suffering in the state, as families struggle to access health care and transportation and find a safe, affordable place to live.

More than 10,000 homes in the state have no heat as winter approaches. Almost 20,000 don't have indoor plumbing. More than 1.5 million people have no health insurance. More than 40,000 children are now languishing on the waiting list for a child care subsidy, making it next to impossible for their mothers to take a low-wage job or go back to school to begin the slow road out of poverty.

And if all that is not enough, poor families are still paying more in state and local taxes as a percentage of their incomes than the richest one percent of North Carolinians.

A report released Wednesday by the Institute on Taxation & Economic Policy finds that the poorest 20 percent of taxpayers, who earn less than \$17,000 a year, pay 9.5 percent of their income in state and local taxes.

The wealthiest one percent, who earn more than \$398,000 a year, pay 8.1 percent of their income in state and local taxes. When you include the offset from the federal deduction of state taxes, the percentage for the wealthiest one percent drops to 6.8 percent.

The report analyzes the tax systems in all 50 states, and North Carolina's is not among the most regressive, though that is little consolation to poor families here struggling to meet their basic needs while paying more of their income in taxes than their wealthy counterparts.

Just over 500,000 families in North Carolina earn less than \$15,000 a year, according to the American Community Surveys of the U.S. Census Bureau.

That puts them squarely in the poorest fifth of the population that pays far more in taxes than the wealthiest one percent. Close to a million households earn less than \$25,000.

Every time lawmakers raise the sales tax like they did this summer, they make the system more regressive, especially considering that North Carolina does not tax many services, most of which are used by folks at the upper end of the economic ladder.

That's what makes tax reform so important, though the corporate lobbyists who encourage lawmakers to raise the sales tax are the same special interests fighting efforts to broaden it, not to mention their opposition to closing tax loopholes enjoyed by multistate corporations.

Times are as tough this Thanksgiving as they have been in generations, and it's not just the economic slowdown that's to blame. It's the willingness of many state leaders to largely ignore the plight of the poor, and their unwillingness to change a revenue system that makes an escape from their despair even more difficult.

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

TOWN CLOSINGS FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS

Carrboro
The town will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. There will be no garbage collection on these days. Thursday's garbage will be collected one day early; Friday's garbage will be collected two days early.

Chapel Hill
Most municipal offices will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of Thanksgiving. There will be no residential collection on Thursday or Friday and no curbside recycling collection on Thursday. Thursday

routes will be collected on Saturday. There will be no change in recycling schedule on Friday. The parking office will be closed Thursday and Friday. On-street parking and town-owned lots and the Wallace Deck will be free on Thursday. The Wallace deck and Lot 2 will operate from 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 a.m. Friday and Saturday and regular enforcement of all parking will resume on Saturday.

Orange County
Orange regional landfill and the Orange County solid waste convenience centers will be

closed Thursday and will re-open at 7 a.m. Friday. Chapel Hill Transit will not operate on Thursday. A reduced Saturday service schedule will be in effect on Friday and Saturday, U and NU routes will not operate and E-Z Rider service will operate from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. On Sunday, a reduced Sunday service schedule will be in effect: U and NU routes will begin operating at 2 p.m. and a reduced-service shared ride will operate from 9:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Public libraries will be closed Thursday and Friday.

Avoiding H1N1

With H1N1 flu causing illness all across the country, the American Red Cross has some steps to take that will lessen the chances of getting sick over the long Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Before traveling ...
• If sick, stay home. It's disappointing to not be able to join in the family celebration, but act responsibly and stay home to avoid spreading the flu.
• It's possible to spread the flu virus one day before actually showing symptoms. Those who have been in close contact with a sick individual should be extra

careful about using good hand hygiene and cough etiquette, and very aware of what might be flu symptoms.

While traveling ...
• Wash hands with soap and water as often as possible. If soap and water aren't available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60 percent alcohol.
• Use sanitizing wipes to disinfect hard surfaces such as airplane tray tables, luggage handles, cell phones, door handles and seat armrests.
• Remember to wash hands or use a hand sanitizer before eat-

ing any meals or snacks. It's important to remember that you are touching a lot of surfaces that others are touching as well. Make sure your hands are clean before you put anything into your mouth.
• Bring personal blankets, pillows and earphones to avoid using something that may have been in contact with the flu virus.
• After washing hands in a public restroom, turn off the faucet with a paper towel. Then use another paper towel to dry hands and open the door when exiting the restroom.

OBITUARIES



Alan Mathias Miller
Alan Mathias Miller, 49, died Nov. 17, 2009, in UNC Hospitals after a valiant struggle against liver disease. Born March 26, 1960, in Winston-Salem, he was the son of Mathias and the late Alice (Call) Miller. He was married in Chapel Hill on April 27, 1991 to Mandy, who survives with their three children, Zachary Daniel, Kylie Elizabeth and Carson Belle, all of Hillsborough, N.C. In addition to his father, survivors include his brother, Michael; the Burks, Chet, Erin, Nicholas and Chase; the Ingles, Bruce, Jennifer, Sarah and Matthew; David Friedman; and William and Elizabeth Friedman.

Alan was the maintenance supervisor for Timberlyne Apartments for more than 20 years. He took deep satisfaction in his ability to fix anything. He aspired to perfection in all things, and his home was truly the House that Alan Built. Alan and Mandy spent many hours in various, sometimes far-flung locations, often involving extreme weather conditions, in order to watch their children participate in baseball, softball, soccer, track, basketball and wrestling. No matter what, they rarely missed a game. They considered those among the best times of their lives. They enjoyed traveling with their children, endeavoring to expand their horizons and to show them the world. Alan liked hunting, fishing, gardening and boating, and shared his love of the outdoors with his children and his nephews. All of them benefitted from his considerable knowledge of the natural world. He loved to play with his children, his niece and his nephews, too, and they well

remember wonderful times on their boat, fun at the beach and camping. His family was his greatest joy. He loved his wife and children with all his heart, and they, him. We all will miss his sweet smile, his dry wit, his friendship and his hearty laugh.

Memorial service for Elias Sorokin
There will be a memorial service for Elias Sorokin, who passed from this world July 21, 2009. Friends are asked to meet and celebrate his life on Sunday, Nov. 29, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Carrboro Century Center. Everyone is welcome. If you have a special memory or thought about Elias, there will be time and space for you to share. If you play a musical instrument and would like to honor Elias by sharing your music in a communal jam, feel welcome to do so. Bring a pillow to sit on, a bottle of water and your purest and strongest intentions to laugh, cry, sing and dance Elias into the next world. If you have questions, please contact Ann Humphreys at ann@hoopath.com or 923-3565.

Gloria Jean Barkley Neville
Gloria Jean Neville, of Chapel Hill, N.C., died Friday morning, Nov. 20 at Meadowlands Hospice in Hillsborough, N.C. Gloria Jean was born Aug. 15, 1946, in Suffolk, Va., to the late Gordon and Margaret Barkley, and grew up in Roanoke Rapids, N.C. She was formerly employed by Granville Towers. She is survived by her husband, Augustus; her son, Michael, and his wife, Brenda; her daughter, Jennifer DeMello, and her husband, David; grandson, Patrick Neville; and granddaughter, Elizabeth Neville. She is also survived by two sisters, Brenda Broglin of Gastonia and Margaret Miles of Roanoke Rapids. She was predeceased by a brother, Gordon Barkley Jr., of Midlothian, Va. Gloria Jean was diagnosed with cancer in July of 2008 and fought a courageous fight that ended peacefully with her family by her side. Jean was an animal lover and an advocate of dog and cat rescue. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Goathouse Cat Refuge, 680 Alton Alston Road, Pittsboro, N.C.

Catherine Eugenia Thomas
Mrs. Catherine Eugenia Thomas, 91, formerly of Hillsborough, N.C., died Saturday, Nov. 21, 2009. She was a native of Portsmouth, Va. but lived here for many years. She attended Hillsborough United Methodist Church. She retired from the Duke University purchasing department, where she worked as an expedite clerk. Surviving are two sons, David Forsythe, and his wife, Roxanne, of Henderson, N.C.; and Donald Forsythe, and his wife, Vicki, of Efland, N.C.; and one daughter, Diana Perkins, of Mebane, N.C. She was predeceased by two husbands, Kelsie R. Forsythe and Roy "Moses" Thomas; one son, Dennis Forsythe; and two sisters, Phyllis Vernon and Charlotte Cole.

Wiley Nichols Gravitte
Mr. Wiley Nichols Gravitte, 80, died Friday, Nov. 20, 2009 at Duke University Medical Center following an extended illness. Wiley was a native of Person County, N.C., and son of the late George Gravitte and Lillian Gates Gravitte Ligon. He was a retired welder with Western Electric and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Nettie Strum Gravitte, and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews who all cared and loved him. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, William Gravitte. Funeral services were held on Nov. 25, 2009 in Walker's Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Odell Link.

Jeanne M. Galbo
Jeanne M. Galbo, 60, formerly of Darien, Conn., died peacefully Saturday morning, A native of Darien and a longtime Chapel Hill resident, Jeanne was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother and friend to many. She is survived by her high school sweetheart and husband of 41 years, Gerald. She also is survived by her daughter, Nicole Willets, and her husband, Marshall Willets, of Apex, N.C.; her son, Wes Galbo, and his wife, Julie Galbo, of Raleigh, N.C.; her grandsons, Nicholas and Charlie Willets of Apex; and her granddaughters, Katie and Abby Galbo of Raleigh. Jeanne also is survived by her father, Jack Capocci, of Darien; a brother, Joseph Capocci, of Grove City, Ohio; a sister, Rosemary Capocci, of Superior, Wis.; and a brother, Jack Capocci, of Tokyo, Japan. She was predeceased by her mother, Jenny Capocci.

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School Briefs

Board members honored

Board members Jean Hamilton and Lisa Stuckey attended their last Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education meeting last Thursday night. Hamilton and Stuckey did not seek re-election to the board for the upcoming term.

Board Vice Chair Mike Kelley presented Hamilton and Stuckey with certificates and gifts to honor their service. Hamilton received a clock to commemorate the role she has played as the group's timekeeper. Stuckey received an engraved wooden box.

Hamilton served a four-year term on the board. Stuckey served two consecutive four-year terms and was elected board chair on three occasions.

New board of education members Michelle (Shell) Brownstein and J. M. (Joe)

Green will be sworn into office on Thursday, Dec. 3 at 6:30 p.m. in Chapel Hill Town Hall.

East Chapel Hill December concerts

East Chapel Hill High's Holiday Concert season is coming up soon. The choral concert is Friday, Dec. 4, the band concert is Tuesday, Dec. 8 and the orchestra concert is Thursday, Dec. 10. All concerts are at 7:30 p.m. and are held in the East auditorium for \$5 at the door.

Project Graduation needs volunteers

Project Graduation takes place on June 12, but work is already underway to create this free, all-night non-alcohol and substance-free celebration of music, games, door prizes, scholarships, food and more.



Some volunteers will be needed beginning in the next few months, while others won't be needed until the night of the event. In the past, volunteers have included parents of students in all grades. Many teachers volunteer, as well as community members without children in the schools. If you're interested in volunteering, sign up as soon as possible at projectgraduationchccs.org/volunteer.htm

Fifth annual orchestra concert

The Chapel Hill High School Orchestra will hold its fifth annual Philharmonic Foundation Benefit Tea on Sunday, Dec. 6 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Maple View Agricultural Center at 3501 Dairyland Road. Admission is \$8 (adults) and \$5 (students), available at the door or from orchestra members. There also will be a silent auction and raffle.

For more information, contact Beth Teague at beth-teague@earthlink.net

Chapel Hill soccer loses in finals

Senior all-state forward Matt Risher scored in the first minute of sudden death overtime to lift Waxhaw Marvin Ridge to a thrilling

2-1 victory over Chapel Hill in the North Carolina High School Athletic Association 3-A men's soccer championship Saturday afternoon at WakeMed Soccer Park.

Chapel Hill, which finished 19-8-1, had an unusual trip to the championship match, its first since 1983. The Tigers battled Jacksonville in the Eastern Regional final on Wednesday night, but after 80 minutes in steady rain the officials deemed the field to be unplayable. Chapel Hill had to go back to Onslow County Friday night to complete the game with the previously unbeaten Cardinals. The Tigers finished the contest with a 2-1 overtime victory to advance to Saturday's state final.

PAWS

FROM PAGE 1

"If there were enough football players, we would love to have all fifth-grade students involved in the program," Burnette says.

Fifth-grade students were selected for the program to get them excited about school. According to Batten, recent studies have found that dropout rates

can be reduced as early as fifth grade.

"We realized fifth-graders are only three years away from high school. So much today rides on the high school experience that it is important to get them excited about that now," says Batten.

The students meet once a week for fun activities. Each week there is a different plan. The events are coordinated by Renee Williams,

the guidance counselor at Frank Porter Graham.

Activities have included goal setting. "It is about building a relationship over time," says Batten.

The first semester of the program has already been deemed a success. According to Burnette, school attendance and involvement of participating students is on the rise.

The energy in the meetings is undeniable. "It is better than coffee in the morning," Jason Tudryn says.

"The [football] players are already an outgoing group... In the sessions, there is a definite energy in the room," says Batten.

While "Paws to Paws" is designed to help the fifth-grade students prepare themselves for their futures and get excited about the

opportunities to come, it also has been beneficial for the high school mentors.

"The high school students have been able to develop their leadership," Tudryn says.

Fifth-grade participants have begun attending Carrboro High School football games to cheer on their mentors.

"It is cool to see them cheer the guys on at the games," Tudryn says,

"Paws to Paws" is about bringing the community together."

"[The football players] are superheroes in the eyes of the fifth graders," says Batten.

Megan Ballard is a UNC student writing for the Carrboro CommonS, a bi-weekly online lab newspaper for Jack Lauterer's Community Journalism class at the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

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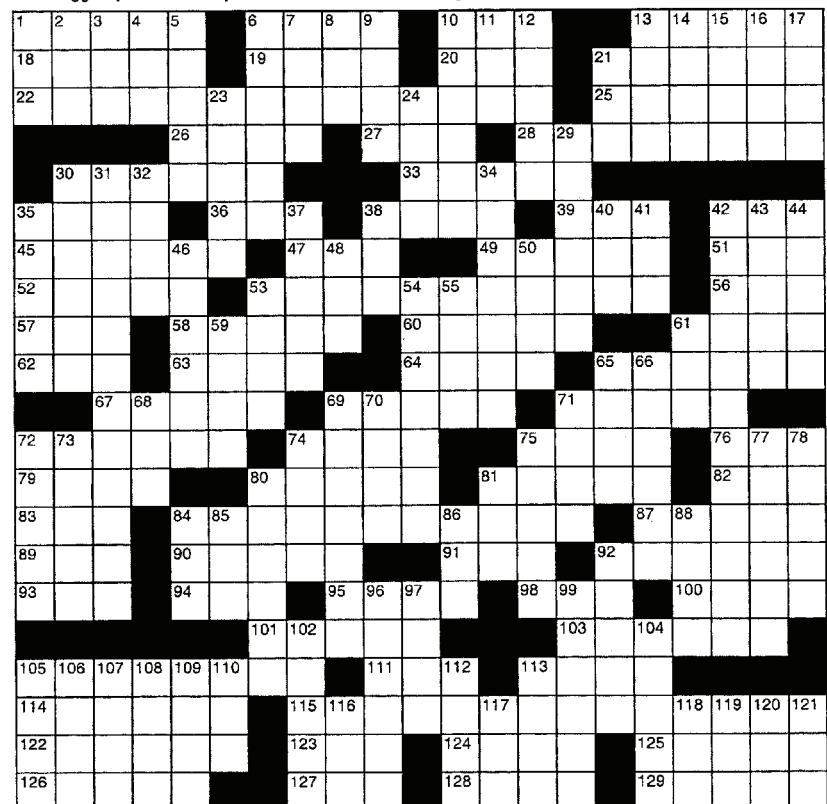
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| ACROSS | 53 Dislike of a relative? | 89 Mythical monster | 2 Shiba — (Japanese dog) | 38 Moisten | 81 Triangular sail |
| 1 Williamson of "Excalibur"? | 56 Branch | 90 Danger | 40 Letters of desperation? | 44 Rink legend | 84 Mimic |
| 6 The — Brothers | 57 Swiss canton | 91 UK honor | 3 Mongrel | 5 Bowe blows | 85 Word with on or off |
| 10 Urban transport | 58 "— Dawn" (73 song) | 92 Steven of "Exit Wounds" | 4 Rink legend | 6 Charge | 86 — degree (somewhat) |
| 13 Get the lead out | 60 Moving man? | 93 Comic Louis | 5 Bowe blows | 7 Reformers | 88 Skater Lipinski |
| 18 Harden | 61 Strait-laced | 94 JFK info | 8 Lilly or Mintz | 43 Hawk's home | 92 Forms a dart |
| 19 Stallion's son | 62 71 Across feature | 95 Literary ioness | 9 Command at a corner | 44 One of the Yukums | 96 Trudge |
| 20 "Agnus —" | 64 Not quite adult | 98 Edinburg | 10 Perry White, for one | 46 "Swingin' School" singer | 99 Come to |
| 21 Mason's tool | 65 Kevin of "American Beauty" | 101 Emit | 11 Meyerbeer's "—" | 48 Actra or Balin | 102 Emoyeyes |
| 22 Cat-show judge? | 67 Renown | 103 Indiana river | 12 Lucknow | 50 — impulse (suddenly) | 104 Ms. Midler |
| 25 Puts aside | 69 Board game | 105 Wood-chopping mishap? | 13 Art Deco name | 53 Landed | 105 With 51 Across, central Asian lake |
| 26 Carpenter's item | 71 Casals instrument | 111 Married | 14 Carrot or parsnip | 54 Centipede's sensor | 106 Lucy Lawless role |
| 27 Cavity | 72 Messenger | 113 Identical | 15 Crooked | 59 "My word!" | 107 Shrewd |
| 28 Model boat? | 74 "Younger — Springtime" (49 song) | 114 Use logic | 16 Trickle | 61 Chum | 108 Land in the ocean |
| 30 Degraded | 75 Exceptional | 115 Like a quick-fingered poker player? | 17 In addition | 66 Kindly | 109 Action figure |
| 33 MongOOSE's enemy | 76 Be a buttnsky | 122 Chased rainbows? | 21 "For shame!" | 68 Pantry item | 110 Greene's "The — of the Affair" |
| 35 Bungle | 79 So be it | 123 Wallace of "The Princess Bride" | 23 "Sleeping — with the —" ('91 film) | 69 Atlas of Azaour | 112 Falco or Adams |
| 36 One of the Marches | 80 Wallace of "The Princess Bride" | 124 "Dies —" | 24 Mediterranean port | 70 Actress Goldie | 113 Injury after-effect |
| 38 "If I — you..." | 81 Type of orange | 125 — colta | 29 Foul | 71 Java joint | 116 Herd word |
| 39 White House grp. | 82 Bray beginning | 126 Stratum | 30 Charm | 72 Wore | 117 Significant years |
| 42 Beret kin | 83 Lion's lair | 127 TV's "Too Close — Comfort" | 31 Aggressive-ness on Wall Street? | 73 Abrasive substance | 118 Gun the engine |
| 45 Queen of mystery | 84 A different place to get married? | 128 Deserve | 32 Genesis figure | 74 Bangkok native | 119 Nev. neighbor |
| 47 Tell it like it isn't | 87 Newscaster Lesley | 129 Occurrence | 34 Suits | 75 Poe crow | 120 Decorative vase |
| 49 Winter warmer-upper | | | 35 Disgusted | 77 Cover old ground | 121 Tended a tot |
| 51 See 105 Down | | | 37 Fills to the gills | 78 Bellows | |
| 52 Stuggishly | | | | 80 Athlete's injury | |



CitizenCryptoquote By Martin Brody

For example, YAPHCYAPLM is WORDSWORTH. One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the two O's, Y for the two W's, etc.. Apostrophes, punctuation, the length and formation of the words are all hints.

"Readiness?"

V W R U Y C A V W H Y M
V W J V ' I S R Z V J H Y H I
X Y S R Z V J H Y V A . - V W U B J I
P Z H R N R Y , N H Z R S V U Z
U P V W R S R Y V R Z I P U Z
N H I R J I R S U Y V Z U C , U Y
V W R N H P P H S X C V H R I U P
F Z R F J Z H Y M P U Z I O H Y R
P C X .
Find the answer in the puzzle answer section.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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1		7			3
	7		8	1	
	6		5	4	2
	8		5	9	
6	1	3			7
	2		1		8

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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PETS OF THE WEEK

PAWS4EVER — Meet FRED!

Fred recently went home for a sleep over with one of the staff members for two nights and did beautifully! Fred rides calmly in the car and relaxes in his crate easily. He also quickly settles into his open crate at night, or when napping during the day. He did a wonderful job visiting the radio station (even though it was totally new to him!) He was a little shy for the first minute or two, but relaxed quickly (treats help). Fred got along with an old, irritable Jack Russell, and he did not bother the (tough) cat next door! He learns quickly, is quiet, and will make a fantastic family dog. Fred is still learning his house-training, so he will need a regular routine for walks and going out, and he may need reassurance when he sees totally new suburban things (such as leaf blowers, bicycles, buses, joggers in pink suits, storm drains, etc). He has never seen any of these sorts of things at paws4ever, but this sweet pup is ready for new experiences at your house. Come visit Fred and his brothers Roger and Bumble. Fred's eyes will melt your heart! Please come by the shelter and take a look, at Paws4Ever, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at paws4ever.org



ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Meet Duce & Bagel.

These two grey tabby brothers are around 4 months old and are the best of friends. They were quite shy when they first came to us, but have warmed up nicely and have come to love people and attention. They will still be cautious in new situations and would therefore do great in a home where they could go together. Not only are they best buddies, but they also look to each other for confidence. And adopting two cats is often recommended. They'll not only entertain one another when you aren't around, but will have twice the love for you every time you come home. Visit these handsome boys today at Orange County's Animal Services Center, 1601 Eubanks Road, Chapel Hill or call 919-942-PETS (7387). You can also see them online at www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.



SCHOOLS
FROM PAGE 1

"It seems as though the Town of Chapel Hill is always being asked to endure additional costs when we're not given recognition for the services we're providing," Czajkowski said.

Mayor Kevin Foy agreed that the charge was unfair. He said he talked to school officials and was told bluntly that the school board felt the town was stonewalling on the bill and should pay up.

Council member Jim Ward said the town should get a better handle on the costs of services because it might give taxpayers and policy-makers more clarity.

"It will help everybody see more clearly where the give and where the take is," he said.

The council approved a budget amendment to cover the cost of rent and asked for a report on the costs for services and uses provided to the schools.

In other action, the council heard complaints from residents and received a petition objecting to a request from Greenbridge Partners to temporarily change Graham Street and Merritt Mill Road to one-way around the development.

Council member Ed Harrison said he was concerned that the state Department of Transportation and the town should have informed the residents of the change rather than the developer.

Under a plan approved by the town's transportation department, the streets will convert to one-way around the development with one lane to be used for deliveries to the development.

The council also received several petitions including:

- a request from the Campus to Campus Bike Group asking the town to identify a mostly off-roadway bike route from the main campus to Carolina North;
- a request that the town provide a veterans memorial; and
- a request for a public forum and a town review of a potential urban archery program to cull the town's deer population.

RECENTLY
FROM PAGE 1

Geri Snider Laport of Fayetteville (class of 1955) was among the first women who lived on the UNC campus as freshmen, in the School of Nursing.

"There were only 27 women [in the nursing program] in 1951," she said. "We lost 10 of them the first year. We had to work very hard. Of the 17 who were left, everybody finished."

At that time only women in nursing and pharmacy could live on campus.

"Their academic work was premed," added her husband, Bob, whom she met when he came down visiting from New Jersey.

"We married five days after graduation, went on our honeymoon, and the next day I took the state boards," Geri said. With Bob in the U.S. Air Force, she never had the opportunity to work at Memorial Hospital, but she enjoyed a long career until they returned to Chapel Hill in 1986, where they've lived since.

"Our class is still very, very close," Geri said. "I always felt like I had a really wonderful education and always felt proud of my university."

Rollie Tillman (class of 1955), a UNC professor emeritus and former vice chancellor, followed a cousin to Carolina from Florida.

"I saw my first snowflake in Chapel Hill and before that I saw my first autumn leaf," Tillman said. "By spring, I knew I'd probably never go back to live in Florida."

"[Carolina Living Legends] is a huge success," Tillman said. "It brings people back and it runs on time. People really like that."

And with that, Clarence Whitefield ignited the auditorium microphone and the program began at exactly 10 a.m.

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- Milltown
- Carrburritos
- Piedmont Health Services
- Midway Barber Shop
- VisArt Video
- Carolina Fitness
- Looking Glass Café
- Carrboro Business Coop
- Orange County Social Club
- Speakeasy - Greensboro & Main
- Weaver Street Realty
- Carrboro Family Vision
- Century Center
- Great Clips
- Cybrary
- Capelli's
- Elmo's Diner
- Spotted Dog
- Nice Price Books
- Carrboro Town Hall
- Carrboro Town Commons
- Cliff's Meat Market
- PTA Thriftshop

Calvander Food Mart

- Carrboro Mini Mart
- Southern Rail
- Open Eye Cafe
- Carrboro Branch Library
- The Beehive
- Auto Logic
- Reservoir
- Johnny's
- Carolina Cleaners Laundromat (Willow Creek)
- Crescent Green Assisted Living
- Jones Ferry Rd Park & Ride

CARRBORO PLAZA

- Carrboro Plaza Park & Ride
- North American Video
- Tar Heel Tobacco
- Super Suds
- UPS Store
- Curves
- Wingman

WHITE CROSS AREA

- Harry's Market
- Fiesta Grill
- White Cross BP
- White Cross Shell
- Express Lane

CHAPEL HILL

DOWNTOWN

- Caribou Coffee/downtown
- Village Plaza
- Visitors Center
- Jiffy Lube
- Job Development Center
- Sandwich/The Courtyard
- West Franklin town racks (near Chapel Hill Cleaners)
- Internationalist Books
- Franklin Hotel
- Ham's Restaurant
- Time Out
- East Franklin town racks (near Subway)
- Courthouse Alley town racks
- North Columbia St. town racks (at bus stop)
- UNC Campus
- UNC Student Union
- Bullshead Bookshop
- Davis Library / UNC
- UNC Family Medicine
- Carolina Inn

EAST

- Chapel Hill Post Office/Estes
- Caribou Coffee/ Franklin at Estes

Café Driade

- Siena Hotel
- Whole Foods
- Village Plaza
- Borders Books
- Harris Teeter / University Mall
- University Mall / Kerr Drugs
- Phydeaux
- Owen's 501 Diner
- Bruegger's Bagels/Eastgate
- Chapel Hill Public Library
- Food Lion/Ram's Plaza
- Chamber Of Commerce

NORTH

- Human Chinese Restaurant
- Chapel Hill Senior Center
- Southern Human Services
- Carol Woods
- Bagels on the Hill
- Eubanks Rd. Park & Ride
- That Coffee Place
- Cup a Joe
- Margaret's Cantina
- Aquatic Center
- Chapel Hill Mini Mart

SOUTH

- N.C. Botanical Garden
- Covenant House
- 15-501 South Park & Ride

GOVERNOR'S CLUB

- Bean & Barrel/ Governor's Village
- Carolina Meadows/Café Tarantini

MEADOWMONT

- UNC Wellness Center
- Brixx Pizza
- Café Carolina
- The Cedars
- Young Simpson Underwood
- Friday Center Park & Ride
- Courtyard Marriott
- Amanté Pizza - Falconbridge

SOUTHERN VILLAGE

- La Vita Dolce
- Park & Ride bus stop
- Market Square

FEARRINGTON AREA

- McIntyre's Books
- Fearrington House Inn
- Galloway Ridge

HILLSBOROUGH

- Weaver Street Market
- Andy's
- Maple View Farms
- Visitors Center
- Orange County Senior Center
- Orange County Public Library
- Cup a Joe / outside box
- Daniel Boone Shopping Center
- Sportsplex
- Durham Tech/student lounge
- UNC Family Medicine

PITTSBORO

- Pittsboro General Store
- Suntrust Bank (outside)
- Chatham Marketplace
- Pittsboro Public Library
- Carolina Brewery
- Pittsboro Family Medicine

CHATHAM CROSSING

- Torrero's Restaurant
- Chatham Crossing Medical Center
- Lowes Foods / outside box



PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

Pearly white-topped rabbit tobacco is easy to spot in early fall.

FLORA

FROM PAGE 1

I presented my question to revered Lumbee herbalist Mary Sue Locklear at the American Indian Heritage Celebration in Raleigh last Saturday. She replied that she had never read or heard a satisfactory explanation, though she enjoys imagining that the bunch of tiny white flower heads

resemble the rabbit's tail, and thus the name. I like her explanation.

She also said there's nothing better for breaking fevers than a long steeped tea of equal parts dried rabbit tobacco leaves and flowers, green pine needles and green sweet gum leaves. Sweet gum leaves are collected green and dried for use during the winter months.

Earlier Saturday morning at the Carrboro Farmers' Market, I visited with local herbalist, wild-crafter and teacher Will Endres. Like so many of us, Will also was puzzled about the heritage of the common name; he considers the name a bit demeaning for an herb of such great value. As a digestive bitter, chewing the green leaves is one of nature's finest herbal aids. Will prefers to use the green leaves.

When asked about smoking rabbit tobacco, Will had a lot to describe. He said it does relieve symptoms of asthma and similar respiratory ailments. He prepares a rabbit tobacco mixture, with other herbs, that is helpful for folks trying to break a smoking habit.

I could have talked with Will Endres and Mary Locklear all day without exhausting the medicinal, ceremonial and spiritual heritage of this engaging plant.

And as for those rabbits — well now, Peter Rabbit was known to enjoy rabbit tobacco tea, though it was most likely a lavender substitute, perhaps the very first "pseudognaphalium." And then there was Uncle Remus' Brer Rabbit who "tuck a big char terbacker ... you know this life everlastin' that Miss Sally puts among the clothes in the trunk; well, that's rabbit terbacker!"



A community finds its VOICE, 2009

This Thanksgiving, I've got so many blessings I scarcely know where to begin counting. So we'll start with a photograph. After a summer of teaching photography to inner-city kids in Durham and a year and half of community organizing, we launched the Northeast Central Durham Community VOICE in September. Local urban youth and journalism students from UNC and N.C. Central University produced five editions this fall — and thanks to *The Daily Tar Heel*, we'll add a print version in February. We couldn't have gotten this far without the cooperation of the Salvation Army's Boys' and Girls' Club, SeeSaw Studio and the Durham Inner City Gardeners at SEEDS (South Eastern Efforts Developing Sustainable Spaces). Inspired by the groundbreaking work of UNC homecoming queen Carly Brantmeyer, we're working this fall with the SEEDS kids on an oral-history project, "Heroes in our Midst: the Village Elders." Many of you will recognize Durham civil rights lioness Ann Atwater, 74, in this photo, surrounded by an adoring gaggle of gardeners after a recent storytelling session. And a special shout-out to the UNC Center for Public Service and assistant professor Mai Nguyen of the UNC Department of city and regional planning, who helped birth the VOICE. Check us out at durhamvoice.org



A THOUSAND WORDS

BY JOCK LAUTERER

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