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PHOTO BY KEN MOORE

An ant exploring a female holly flower. Note the immature berry at the flower center.

FLORA By Ken Moore

Holly flowers

Holly flowers are really neat. Though not big and showy like dogwoods and magnolias, once you have looked closely at a cluster of holly flowers you may get hooked on looking forward to them each spring. And you'll feel really special when you can determine for your neighbors and friends whether or not a particular holly will have berries in the fall.

Knowing that holly trees are either male or female, you can describe that a winter berry display on a female tree depends upon the presence of a male holly within flying distance for insects to carry pollen from the male to the female tree.

I took a close look at the male and female Deciduous Hollies, *Ilex decidua*, in my yard. All holly flowers have four petals, though you may find a five-petal flower among all the others. There's always an exception to the rule.

Female flowers are distinguished by having a little green bump, an immature ovary, in the center. That's the future holly berry. The four accompanying stamens are nonfunctional, in that they do not produce pollen bearing anthers.

The flowers of the male tree are more numerous than the sparsely flowered female trees and the stamens are quite obvious, with globs of pollen waiting to adhere to the body of some unsuspecting insect for the flight over to those female flowers.

I noticed several ants crawling among the female flowers. I'm not certain what attracted them to make such a long journey up the tree and out to those flowers — perhaps to collect some nectar or nibble at the tips of the

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Big turnout marks Orange primaries

by Kirk Ross
Staff Writer

Going into Tuesday, higher registration numbers were already indicating a heavy turnout for Election Day, when Orange County voters would cast their ballots for everything from a tax referendum to the next president. The early vote total swelled as well, nearly reaching 18,000 votes by the close of business on Saturday, meaning that 18 percent of those registered voted prior to Election Day, a total close to the average total turnout in a typical primary year. By the time Tuesday's votes were added in, more than 46,190 had voted in the county, putting turnout at an estimated 48 percent.

As evidenced by the results, driving the turnout was a surge of interest in the Democratic presidential race. In that contest, Barack Obama won 62 of North Carolina's 128 delegates with 56 percent of the vote. In Orange County, where Obama had high visibility and an office full of volunteers on West

Franklin Street, the Illinois senator won 70 percent of the vote to Sen. Hillary Clinton's 29 percent. Clinton did not appear in Orange County, but her husband, former president Bill Clinton, made a stop in Hillsborough.

A 14 percent victory in North Carolina and a tighter than expected race in Indiana shifted momentum back to Obama, who on Wednesday picked up the endorsement of state Democratic Party chairman Jerry Meek, one of the roughly 800 so-called superdelegates who may decide the nomination.

Election results also showed that concerns that thousands of new voters would not participate in down-ballot races were exaggerated.

The state Senate District 23 primary between incumbent Sen. Ellie Kinnaird and veteran County Commissioner Moses Carey drew a total of 34,831 votes in Orange County — about 5,000 less than those at the top of the ticket.

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PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

Lorie Clark was an enthusiastic supporter of Moses Carey who lost to Ellie Kinnaird in the state Senate race. She and Obama poll worker Julia Tarr camped out all day Tuesday at the OWASA precinct.

Transfer tax crushed

by Kirk Ross
Staff Writer

Like elsewhere in the state, voters in Orange County overwhelmingly rejected a proposed 0.4 percent land transfer tax.

The ballot referendum was defeated by a margin of 28,053 to 14,288, or 66 percent to 34 percent.

Real estate and homebuilder groups spent more than \$205,000 through the end of April toward defeating the measure. A pro-transfer tax group spent only about \$2,000 in advocating for the effort. And though the county allocated \$100,000 for an education campaign, many observers expect the actual money spent to be lower than that, given the short amount of time between the decision to add the tax to the ballot and the election.

In an email response to *The Citizen*, Mark Zimmerman, who owns a local real estate brokerage and is spokesman for anti-tax group Citizens for a Better Orange County, said the results were clear.

Sixty-six percent of the county's voters, he said "agreed that the County needs to find another way to support our wonderful schools and parks. The vote followed a vigorous debate and an unprecedented county education campaign. Our already well educated voters were very well informed on the issue, and they joined voters in 19 other counties who have overwhelmingly said a land transfer tax is not the way to raise new revenue."

County Commissioner Barry Jacobs saw the results differently. "When the biggest financial

bullies in North Carolina government are out to defeat you," he said, "they will."

Jacobs said the county did not have enough time to educate voters on the tax nor did it see sufficient success in articulating what the tax was about. He said the tax is a "less-painful" way to cover the county's growing need for new schools and parks. "The property tax," he said, "is the real home tax."

Jacobs said the commissioners will meet and discuss the issue and may decide to put the tax back on the ballot in November or try to put a sales tax on the ballot instead, an idea they rejected earlier this year.

The transfer tax and the sales tax were the two routes given counties to make up for reductions in state funding for counties as part of last year's budget.

Tax hikes cometh

by Kirk Ross
Staff Writer

It's budget time for local governments and indications are that no matter where you live in Orange County, your tax bill is likely to rise.

Carrboro Town Manager Steve Stewart presents his annual budget on Tuesday. Though it is uncertain how much of an increase he's built in, the town is faced with the same challenges as many others, including rising health care increases and the cost of staffing new facilities.

After last year's 4.8 percent hike in the Carrboro tax rate, Stewart noted that staffing the new fire station remains one of the town's biggest costs. But a \$314,000 Federal Emergency Management Agency grant the town received in February eased that a bit by helping cover the costs of three new firefighter positions for the next four years.

Carrboro Mayor Mark Chilton said the grant helps considerably.

"Even though there's a local match, it still saves us about a penny on the tax rate," Chilton said. As a result, Chilton said Carrboro will see a tax increase this year, but he expects it to be lower than in other towns.

On Monday, Chapel Hill Town Manager Roger Stancil revealed a budget proposal with an 11 percent tax hike. He cited health care costs, increases in debt service, a small raise for employees and the opening of the Homestead Road Aquatics Center as key reasons for the increase, the town's first in three years.

The county budget will also contain increased spending to open new offices and facilities as well as to continue to pay for school and park bonds already approved by the voters.

County Commissioner Barry Jacobs said the county will see at least \$8 million in additional costs for health care, employee costs-of-living raises, debt service and opening the new Durham Tech campus.

One penny added to the county tax rate yields about \$1.25 million in additional revenue.



PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

OWASA precinct chair Susan Siegel said many in the precinct took advantage of the early voting opportunities, keeping lines flowing on Election Day.

Haw festival this weekend

by Susan Dickson
Staff Writer

Now that spring is finally in full bloom, it's time to head on down to the banks of the Haw River in Bynum, where this Saturday, the Haw River Assembly will host the 19th annual Haw River Festival.

Cynthia Crossen, the Haw River Assembly's River Watch coordinator, said she hopes the festival, a fundraiser for the Haw River Assembly, will bring folks from all over the watershed area.

"It's the best kind of fundraising, which is just fun, educational and outreach for the work that we do," Crossen said. "I hope people that come will get to know us a little bit and want to join the Haw River Assembly."

Even if it rains, the festival will continue, she said. Last year, people celebrated under the Bynum Bridge during the rain.

"We're expecting a good crowd," Crossen said, adding that the festival will offer a wide swath of activities.

Festival goers can take a walk down the trails that wind along the banks of the Haw River, help river watchers check the health of the water or kick back and take in the surroundings while listening to live music.

Local musicians will perform throughout the festival, from 1 to 6 p.m.

In addition, Crossen will lead a river-monitoring demonstration from 2 to 4:30 p.m. in which participants can learn how to check water health by looking for different river critters. Both children and adults are encouraged to take part in the demonstration.

Assembly members will also provide free canoe rides for kids 13 and under, while parents can participate in a \$1 canoe raffle, bid on sunflower paintings by nationally known folk artist Clyde Jones or buy native streambank and wetland plants to support the Haw River Assembly.

To increase awareness of environmental issues surrounding the river and watershed area, environmental and community organizations will host booths at the festival to provide information to festival participants.

Crossen encourages people of all ages to come down to the festival.



PHOTO BY ISAAC SANDLIN

Maria Hitt, right, a Stream Watch volunteer from Chapel Hill, educates Pittsboro Elementary School fourth graders Jessica Delgado and Samaria Chance at last year's Haw River festival in Bynum.

"It's a wonderful festival, very community-oriented and friendly," Crossen said.

The festival will be held on the banks of the Haw River off Bynum Road.

Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 14 and free for babies.

To volunteer at the festival, call 542-5790 or email info@hawriver.org. For more information or directions visit hawriver.org.

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MUSIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY MAY 8

Blue Horn Lounge: Modena
Cat's Cradle: The Casualties, Krum Bums, Antagonizers, No Revolution
The Cave: Early: Tim Krekel Late: McCauliffe Brothers
General Store Café: Club Boheme
Local 506: The Physics of Meaning, Filthybird, Tiny Meteors
Nightlight: Monsonia, Algebra of Need, Hazera

Nightlight: Robobilly!, Mighty Zorgon, Anal Anguish, Dash

SUNDAY MAY 11

The Cave: Glissade, Polynya, If/When
Weaver Street Market: Joe Woodson and the Bean Trees II am
MONDAY MAY 12
Blue Horn Lounge: Open Mic
The Cave: Spider Bags, The Golden Boys, Girls of the Gravitron
Local 506: Snowden, Colour Revolt, The Never

TUESDAY MAY 13

Blue Horn Lounge: Blake Tedder
Cat's Cradle: Drive By Truckers, Dextateens
The Cave: Early: Will Dawson Late: Strange Faces, A Rooster for the Masses
Local 506: Ladyhawk, Neva Dinova, A Is Jump
Nightlight: Eberhardt, Empty Orchestra

WEDNESDAY MAY 14

Blue Horn Lounge: Windy City Slim, Ken Yow
Cat's Cradle: Drive By Truckers, Dextateens
The Cave: Early: Bernie Lamb, Mike Pitts Late Huguenots, Minipop
Local 506: Blood On The Wall, Americans In France, Dry Heathens
Nightlight: Thrones, Caltrop, In the Year of the Pig



Catch Caltrop at Nightlight next Wednesday night.

THURSDAY MAY 15

Blue Horn Lounge: Jule Brown Band
The Cave: Early: Jake Melnyk Late: Common World Collective
General Store Café: Tony Galiani
Local 506: Indian Jewelry, Boyzone, Clang Quartet
Nightlight: Nothing Noise, Attached Hands, Satellite

FRIDAY MAY 16

Blue Horn Lounge: David Spencer Band
Cat's Cradle: Les Dudek
The Cave: Early: Guitar Bomb, Miwa Late: Cartridge Family
General Store Café: Andy Coats
Local 506: Joe Romeo & The Orange County Volunteers, Brendan Rice, Scarlet Rider

SATURDAY MAY 17

ArtsCenter: Red Stick Ramblers
Blue Horn Lounge: The Breaks
Cat's Cradle: Southern Culture On The Skids, Violet Vector And The Lovely Lovelies
Nightlight: Jooklo Duo, Rahdunes, Clearvoiant, Todos Somos Ninjas, Black Yeti
The Cave: Early: Jeff & Vida Late: Puritan Rodeo, The Youngers
General Store Café: Martha Bassett
Local 506: Red Collar, The Pneurotics, Hammer No More The Fingers, The Proclivities, DJ John Booker



Colour Revolt will be at Local 506 this Monday.

MUSIC VENUES

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 300 E. Main St.
 967-9053
 catscradle.com

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 101 S. Greensboro St.
 968-9410
 openeyecafe.com

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 reservoirbar.net

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 125 E. Franklin St.
 929-1511
 bluehornloungechapelhill.com

CAROLINA PERFORMING ARTS
 843-3333
 carolinaperformingarts.org

THE CAVE
 4521/2 W. Franklin St.,
 968-9308
 cavernstavern.com

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157 E. Rosemary St.,
 929-9666
 chapelhell.com

LOCAL 506
 506 W. Franklin St.
 942-5506
 local506.com

MANSION 462
 462 W. Franklin St.
 967-7913
 mansion462.com

NIGHTLIGHT
 4051/2 W. Rosemary St.
 933-5550
 nightlightclub.com

HILLSBOROUGH

BLUE BAYOU CLUB
 106 S. Churton St.
 732-2555
 bluebayouclub.com

PITTSBORO

GENERAL STORE CAFÉ
 39 West St.
 542-2432
 thegeneralstorecafe.com



See No Weevil will be at General Store Café on Saturday night.

Got Gigs? Send your calendar events to calendar@carrborocitizen.com



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FR 5/9 THE OLD CEREMONY
 W/TONY SCHERR**(\$10)
SA 5/10 POLVO SOLD OUT
MO 5/12 FLICKER FILMS
TU 5/13 AND WE 5/14 DRIVE BY TRUCKERS
 W/DEXATEENS**(\$20/\$22)
FR 5/16 LES DUDEK(\$15)**



FR 5/16 LES DUDEK



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SA 5/17(\$10/\$12)**
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MO 5/26 CLINIC
 W/BBQ**(\$13/\$15)
TU 5/27(\$2/\$23)**
X W/DETROIT COBRAS
WE 5/28 NORTH MISSISSIPPI ALL-STARS
 W/AMY LEVERE**(\$16/\$18)
TU 6/3 IVAN NEVILLE'S DUMPSTAPHUNK
TH 6/5(\$18/\$20)**
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FR 6/6 SWERVEDRIVER
 W/TERRY DIABLO, THE NEIN**(\$15/\$17)
TU 6/10 MUDHONEY
 W/BIRDS OF AVALON**
MO 6/16 MARIA TAYLOR
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WE 6/18 INGRID MICHAELSON(\$15/\$17)**
SA 6/21 ROONEY
 W/LOCKSLEY, THE BRIDGES**

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SU 7/13\$7 CLUB IS OPEN FEST: SALVO HUNTER, SHAKERMAKER, I WAS TOTALLY DESTROYING IT, THE NEVER**
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FR 8/8 - ON SALE NOW WILCO

THE ARTSCENTER (CARRBORO):
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SA 6/21 - (\$10/\$12) ANNUALS

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TU 6/10 HAYDEN W/HALEY BONAR
FR 8/22 ONEIDA W/DIRTY FACES

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TU 7/29 - ON SALE NOW WOLF PARADE

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News Briefs

County business director

Bradly Broadwell has been appointed as economic development director for Orange County.

As economic development director, Broadwell will be responsible for creating and implementing strategies to enhance the economic well-being of Orange County. He will also oversee the Visitor's Bureau and Arts Commission.

Broadwell comes to Orange County from Dorchester County, Md., where he served as the director of economic development. He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. Broadwell will begin work on May 19.

Rabid raccoon

A raccoon found northeast of Hillsborough tested positive for rabies on Tuesday at the State Laboratory of Public Health.

The raccoon was submitted after a resident in the vicinity of New Sharon Church Road and Schley Road saw one of her four dogs with the raccoon. The dog was the mother of three five-month old puppies who were also outside at the time. Although the puppies were not seen with the raccoon, contact could not be ruled out.

The mother dog was vaccinated against rabies and received a rabies booster shot, required within 72 hours of exposure. The puppies, however, were not vaccinated, and must either be destroyed or quarantined for six months.

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

Planning session

This Tuesday, the Orange County Planning Department will host a public information session for residents, property owners, businesses and others interested in the Eno Economic Development District at the Planning and Agricultural Building on Revere Road in Hillsborough.

The Eno Economic Development District is in the general area of Highway 70 and I-85 near the Durham County line. The session will be held as an open house and those interested can drop by anytime between 4 and 7 p.m.

For more information, visit www.co.orange.nc.us/planning/admin_Eno_EDD_SAP.asp or call Perdita Holtz, special projects planner, at 245-2575.

Brown bagging on the streets of Carrboro

RECENTLY . . .

By Valerie Schwartz

There have been recent reports of Carrboro pedestrians walking around in the vicinity of South Greensboro and Main streets covetously carrying brown paper bags. There have been no reports of people drinking from the bags, but some may have been "huffing" from them.

Further investigation revealed more of the same.

No wonder — the classic brown paper bags have been streaming from Neal's Deli, where the surge is not for the bags, but the real deal inside — delicatessen sandwiches — and the bodacious aromas they provide. The deli-done-right duo of Matt and Sheila Neal have been talking about how to venture forth culinarily-wise during much of their 10-year relationship.

"Sheila was looking at doing something hospitality- and food-oriented," said Matt, son of Moreton and Bill Neal, who together opened La Residence in the 1980s, while Bill later opened Crook's Corner, two iconic Chapel Hill restaurants.

Matt and Sheila opened Neal's Deli on April 4.

A deli, you may ask?

"That was Matt's idea," Sheila said.

"It seemed like a good fit for a neighborhood town," Matt said. "And there was no deli in town."

"It's simple food done well," Sheila added. "But it's more deli than sandwich shop."

Walk in — or simply drive past — on a day when they're smoking pastrami and you'll not only know it's a deli, you may also be transcended back to your first delicatessen experience. If the aroma sends you — wait until that first bite (especially of the Manhattan). Then you'll un-

derstand the gaze on the faces of the brown-baggers looking for a place to sit down and dive in.

Some folks forego the bag altogether and stay at Neal's, where there are three tables inside and a counter outside.

On market days, the atmosphere is like a family kitchen.

"We're headed over to Neal's," Cathy Jones announced at noon-sharp the first Saturday that Neal's was open, as she slammed shut the back of her Perry-winkle Farms truck and headed over with her husband, Mike Perry, and their helpers. Moments later, Neal's had people lined up out the door, as farmers and market shoppers ordered from Matt and called out to Sheila, the former Carrboro Farmers' Market manager, making sandwiches with the crew.

"They've been coming back," Sheila said this week of the farmers who come over hungry after Wednesday and Saturday markets. They buy from her, but she also buys from them, creating daily sides and special sandwiches from ingredients she knows were grown or produced nearby, like the "Cheesy," made with Hickory Grove cheese, or the "Frenchy," made with Carolina Moon, both cheeses from Chapel Hill Creamery. The Italian deli meats come from Giacomo's in Greensboro and the oh-so-good bread comes from Guglhupf Bakery in Durham.

Matt grew up here and considers Carrboro home and where he wanted to own a business.

"We looked at a bunch of places," he said. "We held out for a place in Carrboro."

Chandra Noyes, who works with the couple, has heard how happy people are that they opened where they did.

"People say a lot that they're glad we're here," Noyes said. "I'm glad to be here too. I met Matt when I was a little kid," when Matt worked at Margaret's Cantina, which her father co-owned. "I just moved back to town and saw Matt out here on the street one day trying to get the place ready." Matt offered her a job. "I'm



excited to be part of a new great business." "It's really exciting to be part of the Carrboro business community," Sheila said. "This is a bustling little area."

"It's a busy intersection, and Open Eye got people in the habit of hanging out," Matt said. "I've been walking around this block my whole life wanting to do something like this."

Popular opinion and brown bags about town would suggest that he's doing it right.

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OBITUARY

C. Matthew "Mac" Maynor

C. Matthew "Mac" Maynor, 68, of Chapel Hill, died in his home March 26, 2008. He was a lifetime resident of Chapel Hill, and the son of the late Clyde and Blanche Maynor.

Mr. Maynor is survived by his wife of 45 years, Patricia "Pat" Maynor; daughter Vicki Maynor Isley; son-in-law Duncan Isley; grandson, Angus Isley of Durham; sister Clydia "Holly" Holland; and two brothers, Ross Maynor of Lynchburg, Va. And Harold Maynor of Todd, NC.

Mr. Maynor retired from the Chapel Hill Fire Department in 1992 with 31 years of fire service. He began his career in 1965 as a fireman and retired a Battalion Chief.

A "Celebration of His Life" will be held on Saturday, May 17 at 11 a.m. at Duke Memorial United Methodist Church, 504 W. Chapel Hill Street in Durham. Officiating will be Rev. Albert Williams.

Armed robbery suspects charged

A man was shot during an armed robbery at a residence on Fan Branch Lane in Chapel Hill early Wednesday morning.

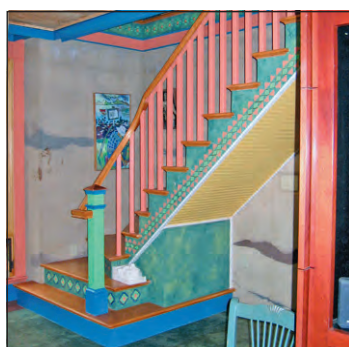
Carrboro police apprehended four suspects shortly after Chapel Hill police responded to a report of an armed robbery. The victims reported that they returned home to discover three intruders, and two of the victims struggled with the suspects.

During the struggle, a suspect's handgun fired, shooting one of the suspects in the leg, and the suspects fled the scene.

The suspect who was shot has been identified as Jaquay Lamar Blacknail, 18, of 3203 Bach Terrace in Greensboro. He will be charged with armed robbery upon release from the hospital. Patrick Cole Clark, 17, of 3708 Hazel Lane in Greensboro, and

Ryan Craig Gartrell of 5122 Southwind Road in Greensboro have been charged with armed robbery and felony breaking and entering. Taumafalofi Leasiolagi, 18, of 2201 Pisgah Church Road in Greensboro has also been charged with armed robbery.

Clark, Gartrell and Leasiolagi are being held in Orange County Jail under \$4,000 secured bond. —Susan Dickson



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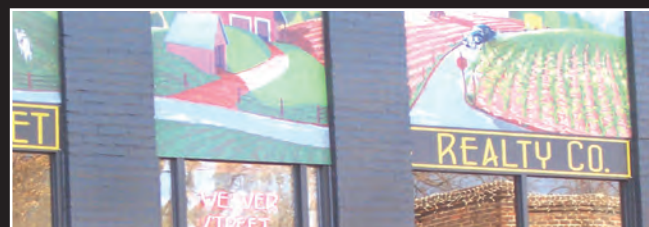


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Children's book features Carrboro settings

by Susan Dickson
Staff Writer

The Paris of the Piedmont now has its very own children's book.

A Weekend in the Paris of the Piedmont, written by Irma Tejada and illustrated by Chris Kanoy, recounts the adventures of young Lizzie and her mother, as they spend a weekend touring Carrboro. The pair travels to several Carrboro hot spots – including the Farmers' Market, Elmo's and Cliff's Meat Market – as Lizzie's mother explains to her daughter why Carrboro is called the Paris of the Piedmont.

"It's a great guide for visitors to Carrboro, and in a sweet way," Kanoy said.

Tejada and Kanoy officially launched the book at Carrboro Elementary School in April, after working on the project for nearly two years. Tejada had always loved children's books, and Carrboro, and decided to write a story about the town.

"[Carrboro] is, to me, the quintessential village," Tejada said, adding that she has spent a great deal of time touring the villages of France.

Tejada had worked with Kanoy at UNC Hospitals and had seen some of her pastel work, so she approached her about illustrating the book.

"My pastel paintings were of

Carrboro places," Kanoy said. "[Tejada] knew I loved these places in Carrboro."

Tejada said she felt the illustrations would be extremely important for the book, adding that she always first notices the illustrations in children's books.

"We really collaborated both on illustrations and text," Tejada said. "I think the book came out so much better because we did that."

The illustrations throughout the book are black and white, so children can use the book also as a coloring book, Tejada said.

Both Tejada and Kanoy said they knew they would be hard pressed to find a local publisher to back the project, so they looked for assistance from other sources.

The Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors' Bureau supported the project, donating seed money and offering feedback to Tejada and Kanoy. In addition, Alamance Community College helped out with graphic design.

"It was a community effort," Tejada said.

Tejada and Kanoy plan to work together on other books in the future, including books centered around Chapel Hill and Hillsborough.

However, Tejada emphasized that the stories will be different, because the towns are all so different.

ARTS CALENDAR



Find hand-built ceramics by Cathy Kiffney at the Spring open Studio.

CARRBORO

THE ARTSCENTER Center Gallery—community photography contest

EAST END GALLERY ELEMENTS—the fifth annual Community Art Project through May 28

THE BEEHIVE SALON Sincerely Yours—works depicting life in Chapel Hill by Washington Capps

CAFFE DRIADE Bridget Walsh—acrylic paintings

CENTURY CENTER ELEMENTS—the fifth annual Community Art Project through May 28

TOWN HALL ELEMENTS—the fifth annual Community Art Project through May 28

CLAY CENTRE GALLERY New works by the gallery's resident potter

DEWITT LAW Call for details

FLEET FEET GALLERY Seascape Poetics—paintings exploring the interactions between light, sky, water and land by Carolyn B. Levy

NC CRAFTS GALLERY Art Nouveau—ceramic tiles by Raleigh artist Marina Bosetti. Reception during Artwalk

NESTED Kerri Lockwood—Condition, Circumstance, Order

OPEN EYE CAFE ELEMENTS—the fifth annual Community Art Project through May 28

SOUTHERN VILLAGE

BAGWELL, HOLT, SMITH, TILLMAN & JONES, PA The Color in No Color—paintings by Amy White through May

BLOOM Flowers and abstracts by Marcia DiMartino through May

HILLSBOROUGH

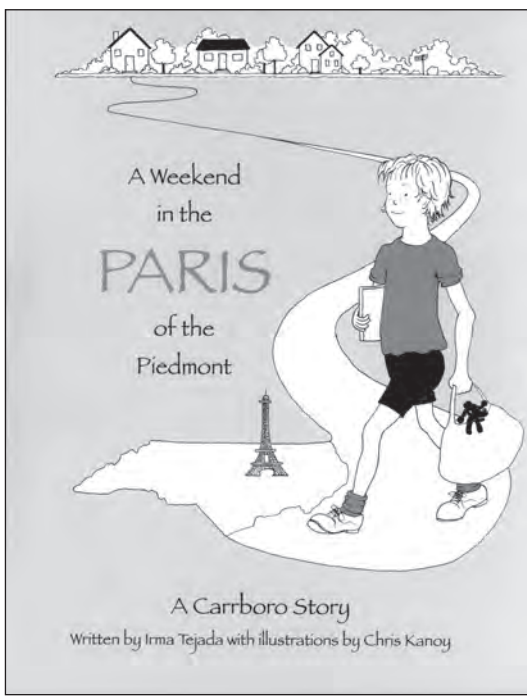
HILLSBOROUGH GALLERY OF ARTS A Walk in the Woods—new work by Pat Lloyd and Jude Lobe through May 24

PITTSBORO

CHATHAMARTS GALLERY New artwork from Chatham County high school students through May 31
Fusion Art and Fine Craft Gallery
Recycled Art—works by Michele Bonds through May

OPEN STUDIO

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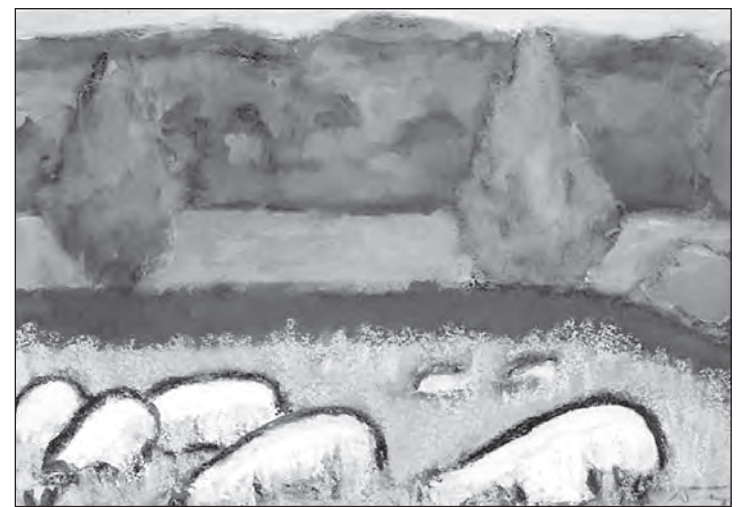
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TURNING POINT GALLERY Mixed media on canvas and bronze sculptures by Maeve Harris and Wayne Salge



Nerys Levy works are on display at the Community Church.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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PETS OF THE WEEK



APS OF ORANGE COUNTY — I'm Shack, a 1-year-old male Bassett Hound mix. I am a real cool guy who goes at his own pace. I love getting scratches and hugs, but don't be offended if I get distracted with some sniffin' outside in the grass. Inside I am affectionate and lovable. Come meet the short-legged Shack Attack and I will love you completely! I get along great with other doggies! Come see me at Animal Protection Society of Orange County, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at www.animalprotectionsociety.org

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Community Briefs

Swim for Smiles

The second annual Swim for Smiles Youth Triathlon will be held June 1 at Chapel Hill Country Club.

The triathlon is open to children ages 7-17 and is sanctioned by USA-Triathlon. There will be two courses for all levels of participants, each with a swim, bike ride and run.

All of the money raised goes to the N.C. Children's Hospital. For more information, visit www.swimforsmiles.org.

UNC Commencement

Commencement for May 2008 graduates will be held in Kenan Stadium on Sunday, May 11 from 9:30 to about 11:30 a.m. A reception for graduates and their families will follow in Polk Place. This year's commencement speaker is opera singer Jessye Norman. In the event of rain with thunder, lightning and high winds, the ceremony will be moved to the Smith Center.

State employees vote to join SEIU

The State Employees Association of North Carolina voted to join the Service Employees International Union. The SEANC convention, held in Greenville, included nearly 700 delegates representing about 55,000 members of the SEANC, and about 80 percent voted to join.

Dana Cope, executive director of SEANC, said, "This vote marks the largest union victory ever for working people across the South — especially in North Carolina, which previously had the lowest rate of unionization in the country."

The partnership aims to lobby for better pay, health coverage and pension benefits for North Carolina state employees. SEIU has about 1.9 million members.

CHPD wants aid in missing-person case

The Chapel Hill Police Department is looking for help in finding Laquandra Reid, a 17-year-old girl missing since April 27. Reid is a black female, about 5'9" and weighing about 150 pounds. She was last seen April 27 in Chapel Hill but may be in the Raleigh or Durham areas. Anyone who has seen Reid or has information about her whereabouts should call the Chapel Hill Police Department at 968-2760.



Laquandra Reid

Community Calendar

SPECIAL EVENTS

Fourth Friday Studio Stroll — downtown Pittsboro artists open studio doors from 6-8pm, May 23. Demonstration at Side Street Gallery 6:30pm pittsboroshops.com

Classic Car Show — Saturday, May 17, 10am-2pm at the Walnut Grove UMC. Classic American and European cars. Refreshments will be available. \$20 car show entry fee. Winners receive a dash plaque certificate and gift. Proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society and the Orange/Hillsborough Relay For Life. donwollum@gmail.com or 732-5722

Carrboro Day — 13th Annual Carrboro Day Celebration. Music, games, magic show, art, stuff for kids, poetry, gardening, history food and more. Town Hall Lawn, from 1-6pm on Sunday, May 4

Talent Auditions — May 6, 7pm and May 8, 2pm for Senior Spring-time Gala. Must be 55 or older. Seymour Center. Performance dates May 30 and 31. 968-2070

"Songs of Innocence and Dreams" — Women's Voices Chorus spring concert on Sunday, May 4, 4pm, University United Methodist Church. 684-3855, allan@duke.edu, or www.womensvoiceschorus.org. Tickets \$10 adult, \$5 student. Hymns, spirituals, and folksongs from around the world.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Niche Gardens guided garden walks — Saturdays through June, 10am. Spring planting, garden maintenance, design & gardening for wildlife with bird and butterfly gardens. Free. Niche Gardens, 1111 Dawson Rd, Chapel Hill. 967-0078 or www.nichegardens.com

Senior Morning Walk on the Trail — Bolin Creek Trail walk will be led by Greenways Commission

member, Mary Blake. May 14-Aug 6. Wednesdays, 8:30-9:15am. 55 years and older. Chapel Hill Community Center Park. Pre-registration is required by May 12.

Guided Tours — of the N.C. Botanical Garden's Plant Collections, every Saturday at 10am. Led by trained volunteer tour guides and Botanical Garden curators. Free.

Digital Camera Workshop — Lecture and photo sessions in the gardens. Free, Fridays from 12:30-4pm

Kayak trips — small-group, local flatwater trips hosted by Kayak Adventures. 929-3805, kayakadventuresnc.com

KIDS

Toddler Time — at the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Thursday at 4pm. 969-3006

Preschool Story Time — at the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Saturday at 10:30am

Express Yourself! — art program for ages 3-8 & their caregivers. Weekly art projects for children & adults to explore their own creative paths. Saturdays, 10:45-11:15 & 11:30am-noon. \$2. Kidz Children's Museum, 105 E Franklin St, 933-1455, www.kidzchildrensmuseum.org

Nature Tales: Storytime in the Garden — NC Botanical Garden. Thursdays, 10-11am Children 3-5 years old are invited to attend a storytime in the garden. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Free.

VOLUNTEERS

RSVP 55+ Volunteer Program — seeks volunteers to match other volunteers with opportunities for public service. 968-2056

Meals on Wheels — seeks volunteers to deliver meals and/or bake simple desserts for recipients

in the Chapel Hill/Carrboro area. 942-2948

English as a Second Language Conversation Club — seeks volunteers to talk with groups of international students Fridays from 11:30am-1:30pm. University Methodist Church on Franklin St. 967-1448, harwellja@bellsouth.net

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Dedication — SECU family house. Thursday, May 8, 4-7pm. www.secu-familyhouse.org or 932-8009

Women's Check-up Day Health Fair — Monday, May 12. Health fair in the lobby of the N.C. Women's Hospital between 4:30 and 6pm. Health screenings information on maintaining good health. Two free health screenings at the health fair: blood pressure and body fat analysis. Cholesterol screening will start early, 3:30-5:00pm, and cost \$15.

Living with Advanced/Metastatic Cancer — a bi-weekly support group. Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 3:30-5pm. Drop-in, no charge. Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center. 401-9333, cornucopiahouse.org

The Compassionate Friends: Self-help support after the death of a child — free and open to all adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Evergreen United Methodist Church. 967-3221. chapelhillctf.org

MUSEUMS

Planetarium & Digital Theater Shows — science LIVE Demos. Ongoing. Morehead Planetarium, 250 E Franklin St, Chapel Hill. Info hotline 549-6863, office 962-1236, tickets 843-7997. Thu-Sat 10am-5pm, 6:30-9:15pm. moreheadplanetarium.org

DANCE

Havana Nights — Cuban Salsa. 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 10pm. Mansion 462, 462 W Franklin St, 967-7913, www.mansion462.net

Salsa/Mambo — 3rd Saturdays, lesson 8pm, dance 8:30-11pm. \$7. 358-4201, salsa_4u2@yahoo.com. Fred Astaire Dance Studio, 4702 Garrett Rd, Durham.

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

Carrboro DanceJam — free-style dance to an eclectic mix of music. First Fridays. Balanced Movement Studio, 304 W Weaver St, upstairs. Smoke & alcohol free. Call 968-8776 for more info.

LECTURES, DISCUSSIONS & OPEN MICS

Open Mic — Poetry, music & short fiction. Tuesdays, 7pm, Market Street Books & Maps, Southern Village. 933-5111, www.marketstreet-books.com

LITERARY

Nim's Island — The Movie/Book Club meets Monday, May 12 at 7pm to discuss *Nim's Island* and the book it was based on by Wendy Orr. Children are welcome at this discussion. Carrboro Cybrary, 918-7387

Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace... One School at a Time — discussion of the book by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. Carrboro Readers Non-Fiction Book Club. 7pm May 22, Carrboro Cybrary. chapelhillctf.org

Then She Found Me — May 28 at 7pm. Movie/Book Club meets to discuss *Then She Found Me* and the book it was based on by Elinor Lipman. See the movie, read the book or both and you are invited. Carrboro Cybrary. 918-7387

OTHER

Seven Points of Mind Training — Wednesdays, 7:30-9pm. All are welcome. Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center, 35 Perkins Dr. 933-2138, piedmontktc.org

NOTICIAS EN BREVE

Clases de inglés

Durham Technical Community College ofrece clases de inglés en Chapel Hill y Carrboro para adultos durante el verano. Las clases empiezan el 2 de junio. Todas las clases de ESL de Durham Tech son gratuitas. Para inscribirse en las clases en Chapel Hill: para clases de la mañana, tiene que tomar un examen el 19 de mayo a las 0900H en el University United Methodist Church, 150 E. Franklin Street; para clases de la noche el examen es el 20 de mayo a las 1800H en el University Presbyterian Church, 209 E. Franklin Street. Las clases en Chapel Hill son de todos niveles. Hay clases de inglés básico en El Centro Latino en Carrboro. Los horarios en El Centro son: lunes y miércoles, 930H a 1200H; y martes y viernes 1830H a 2100H. Inscripciones para las clases de inglés en El Centro: debe inscribirse el primer día de clase para la clase de la mañana, y para la clase de noche hay que inscribirse el 3 de junio a las 1830H en el Orange County Skills Development Center (OCSDC), 503 W. Franklin Street. Hay que traer documento de identificación con foto, su dirección actual, su fecha de nacimiento y lapicero/bolígrafo para inscribirse. Debe de tomar un examen de inglés durante el proceso de inscripción, por eso no se permiten a los niños. Al traer niños, usted no tendrá la oportunidad de inscribirse en la clase. Para los otros horarios y los detalles de las clases, llame al 536-7221 o visite a la página web www.durhamtech.edu/current/noncredit/esl.htm

Campamentos y clases para niños

Ya mismo estamos en el verano, y los niños y adolescentes estarán en casa en vez de estar en la escuela o el colegio. Hay varios programas para niños y adolescentes durante el verano que les permiten a desarrollar habilidades, intereses y el autoestima. Hay diferentes clases y campamentos ofrecidos por diferentes organizaciones, como el Carrboro ArtsCenter y el Carrboro Recreation and Parks Department. Los niños y las niñas pueden aprender a coser, bailar, pintar, tocar instrumentos o divertirse jugando deportes. Hay campamentos para niños del kínder a séptimo grado en el ArtsCenter, y clases para todas edades. Por el Recreation and Parks Department hay cursos para todos, y campamentos para niños y adolescentes. Las dos organizaciones ofrecen becas a personas de familias de bajos recursos económicos para ayudarlas pagar el costo de los programas. Tienen clases para adultos también. Visite al Carrboro ArtsCenter, 300 E. Main Street, o al Recreation and Parks Department en el Century Center, 100 N. Greensboro Street para recoger los folletos de las clases y para informarse sobre inscripciones y becas. Aceptan inscripciones hasta que las clases/los campamentos se llenen.

MAY BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, May 21 11am-3pm

FPG Student Union, UNC Campus.

www.unc.givesblood.org

Saturday, May 31 9am-1:30pm

Ebenezer Baptist Church, Hillsborough. 990-8489

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Ordinarily, the editorial after an election day, and especially after a primary, is our opportunity to scold. Turnout has been so dismal for so long that it's part of the drill. We even took to reporting the numbers in inverse as a form of shock therapy (as in, "73 percent of the registered voters failed to vote Tuesday").

But by late Tuesday night, it was clear that an energized presidential primary in an already-tumultuous and not-so-predictable election year has sparked a serious interest in the act of voting. In Orange County, 47.8 percent of registered voters cast a ballot this primary.

Orange County turnout numbers are traditionally hard to figure given the transient nature of a good chunk of the populace of southern Orange, but we haven't posted a primary turnout nearing 50 percent in some time. In fact, the results are closer to those we typically post in November, when turnout often tops 60 percent. In the 2006 Democratic primary, just over 13 percent voted. In 2000, the number was less than 25 percent.

Whether your candidate won or not, a doubling of political interest, if not outright engagement, is a good reason to feel a little upbeat about the results. A deeper look at the numbers reveals several other reasons.

One is that while percentages were higher, even more impressive is the total number of those voting. In the rather dull 2000 primary that pitted Al Gore and Bill Bradley, the total votes cast in Orange County was just shy of 11,000, with 652 of them listed as "no preference." By contrast, unofficial results for this year indicate that 39,976 of the county's Democratic and unaffiliated voters cast a ballot in the Democratic presidential primary. That's three thousand more than voted Democratic in the 2004 general election. (And by the way, the number of "no preference" votes dropped to 363.)

In addition to the size and percentage of turnout, there was also good news in the number of first-time voters and a considerable jump in countywide registration.

Also helping collect more votes this year was the growing habit among many of voting early. Close to 18,000 voted early this year at the four one-stop sites. In addition to boosting turnout, there was another benefit: On Tuesday, precinct workers reported no problems with lines as a result.

The early voting seems to have helped considerably in boosting turnout. The first week in May is usually a slow time on campus, and that's kept participation down. But with the opportunity to vote now starting three weeks prior, the number of young people registering and voting here has jumped. On top of that, there appears to have been less of the down-ballot drop off many had worried about.

Let's hope what we're seeing is a trend — not a blip.

Another clear signal from NC

There was another indication from this week's primary that we're seeing a shift in the political winds. This indication comes from the state's Third U.S. Congressional District. And though it's a ways from Orange County, the shift is one local residents can take to heart.

In the third district, Walter Jones Jr., an incumbent Republican, held off a strong primary challenge. Jones has all the conservative bona fides, except for one — he broke, and broke hard, with the current administration on the Iraq War. He's said he was driven to do so after feeling the weight of writing all those condolence letters to families of soldiers wounded and killed. So, in a heavily Republican and military district, he rebelled from the lock step of his party over Iraq and insisted that we bring home the troops. Even though he was pilloried in the primary campaign for it, Tuesday's tally gave Jones 60 percent of the vote.

Last year, our own congressman, David Price, noted that for all the opposition, the beginning of the end of the Vietnam War came when members of the GOP leadership went to the White House and demanded that Pres. Nixon pull out the troops. Given the hubris of the current resident of the executive mansion and his congressional backers, that won't likely happen this year. But Jones' victory indicates that even among the party's hardcore base, their day is nearly done, and the sooner we are rid of this president and his war the better.

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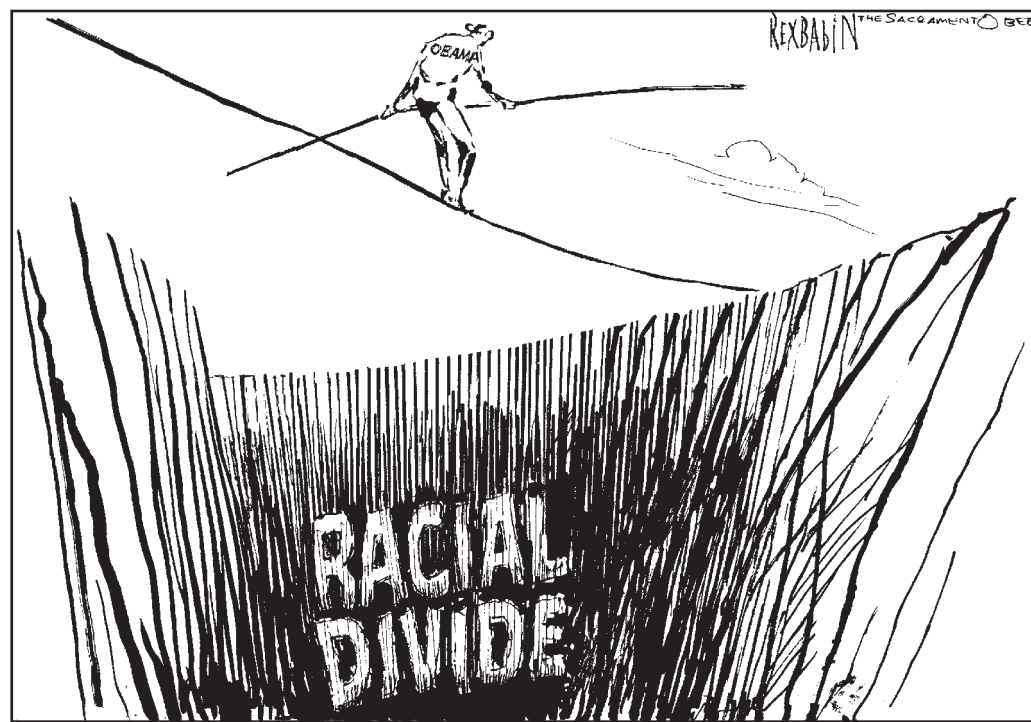
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Gas tax moratorium? A sputtering idea

ELAINE MEJIA

Earlier this month, presidential hopefuls John McCain and Hillary Clinton, along with gubernatorial candidate Bill Graham, endorsed a temporary gas tax holiday to last through the summer vacation season. These proposals should come as no surprise given the squeeze that rising gas prices is putting on middle-class families.

While the notion of suspending the federal and state gas taxes is attractive in its simplicity and political popularity, it would do little to help working families affected by the downturn in the economy. Moreover, it would have devastating consequences on already-strained public-road construction and maintenance budgets.

The state gas tax is currently set at 30.15 cents per gallon. The federal gas tax is another 18.4 cents for a total of 48.55 cents per gallon. That amounts to about 14 percent of the current price of a gallon of unleaded gasoline.

It's important to note that the gas tax is an excise tax and not a sales tax. So when a driver purchases gas, the amount he pays in tax isn't shown as a separate expense on the receipt. Unlike sales taxes, the gas tax is included in the price of the product — so when the sign outside of a gas station says that gas is \$3.55 per gallon, that price includes the tax.

Because the tax is set per gallon rather than as a percentage of the purchase price, the amount paid doesn't go up when the price of gas goes up. In fact, as people transition to more fuel-efficient vehicles they end up paying less in gas tax per mile driven. This, along with skyrocketing costs to construct and maintain roads, is why national and state transportation budgets are in such a bind. While drivers are paying less in gas taxes overall per mile driven, their wear and tear on the roads is not declining.

If the tax were cut, even temporarily, as has

been proposed, the price of gas might drop initially, but then it might go up again to as high as, or possibly even higher than, it was before. That's because oil and gas companies are not obligated not to raise their prices after the tax is cut. And with the complicated way that prices are set, who's to say that companies won't raise their prices in response to the tax cut?

In addition to the fact that the price of gas wouldn't necessarily go down if the tax is cut, federal and state highway budgets cannot absorb this loss of revenue. They would have to cut back on already-underfunded highway needs.

Even if the federal gas tax is left alone, experts say that the tax will actually need to increase by at least 12 cents per gallon next year in order for the federal government to continue paying the same share of transportation costs nationwide. In fairness, Sen. Clinton's plan would offset the loss in federal gas tax revenue by instituting a "windfall profits tax" on oil and gas companies, but the likelihood of such a tax being enacted and signed by Pres. Bush is anything but certain.

The North Carolina transportation budget is in similarly dire straits. The Department of Transportation is projecting a multi-billion funding shortfall over the next three decades. If the federal gas tax doesn't increase, then North Carolina will be footing the bill for an even greater share of road costs in our state.

So federal and state highway funds are broke because of skyrocketing costs and increasing fuel economy. Moreover, a gas tax cut might not even be felt at the pump and instead might serve to further inflate the profits of gas and oil companies. It's no wonder that proposals to suspend the tax are, like many working families, going nowhere this summer.

Elaine Mejia is the director of the N.C. Budget and Tax Center.

Reduce teen pregnancies to reduce the dropout rate

PAIGE JOHNSON

For a senior in high school, there is no greater season than spring. Warm weather and trees in bloom seem to coincide with a 12th grader's growing sense of triumph and potential. Prom night, family celebrations and high school graduation are only days away. Her future is filled with promise or, at least, that's how it should be.

The future of far too many students in our state does not include this rite of passage. They never celebrate reaching the milestone of high school graduation because they drop out. In fact, roughly one-third of North Carolina's high school students fail to receive a high school diploma.

The reasons for this alarming statistic are as complex as the lives of many high school students. Some lack parental involvement, others fall behind early and never catch up. For a relatively small but significant number, the demands of parenting make completing high school virtually impossible.

Ask any parent of any age and they are sure to say that becoming a parent made their life more complicated. Having a child may bring joy, but it also brings financial and emotional demands that most 16 year olds are not prepared to handle, especially on their own.

In North Carolina, 53 teenage girls become pregnant every day. We have the ninth highest rate of teen pregnancy in the country. Almost 30 percent of teen pregnancies in North Carolina involve teenagers who are pregnant for a second time. More than 60 percent of seniors in high school say they have had sex. Yet, "abstinence until marriage only" is the standard healthy-living curriculum in our schools.

No wonder so many students think high school is irrelevant to their lives. According to "The Silent Epidemic," a recently released study funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, 26 percent of students who dropped out of high school did so because they became a parent. Almost 50 percent of those who dropped out said they became disengaged because school had little relevance to their lives.

When a young person drops out of school before graduating, we all lose. We lose the con-

tributions these students could make as productive and educated workers and we end up paying much more for welfare programs and prisons. Studies show students who drop out of high school are more likely to rely on public assistance and become involved in the criminal justice system.

But the real cost is borne by the teenager, who in all likelihood will live a life mired in poverty and reduced potential. This is particularly true for young women who give birth as teenagers and do not finish high school. Girls who drop out are less likely than their male counterparts to be gainfully employed and more likely to rely on public assistance.

The tragedy of lost potential tends to be passed on to the next generation as well. According to "When Girls Don't Graduate, We All Fail," a new study by the National Women's Law Center, children of teenage mothers who drop out of high school are also more likely to leave school before receiving their diplomas.

North Carolina's high drop-out rate has recently garnered much deserved attention by the state Legislature. Business and education leaders joined legislators in awarding \$7 million dollars in dropout-prevention funding. The Joint Legislative Commission on Dropout Prevention and High School Graduation will be responsible for evaluating the effectiveness of this investment.

Issues tend to be trendy, garnering media and legislative attention for a while and then disappearing from the public's eye. Teenagers have always, and will always, get pregnant. If we expect those who have babies to succeed in school, then we need to make sure that they have adequate resources and support to do so. Wishful thinking cannot make this challenge go away.

We can, however, do more to reduce unintended pregnancies. For starters, we can make school relevant to the lives of young people by providing real sex education in the classroom. We can stop wasteful spending on "abstinence until marriage only" programs and instead invest in the real lives and the real needs of young people.

Paige Johnson is the director of public affairs at Planned Parenthood of Central North Carolina.

Two choices for Wednesday

CHRIS FITZSIMON

When the votes are finally counted Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning, except for a few possible runoff, the primary season will be over and the general election push begins.

There are plenty of issues likely to define the general election battle in statewide and legislative races, and plenty of issues that should define it, and if past campaigns are any indication, the two lists are likely to have little in common.

One fundamental decision is how to treat immigrants in North Carolina, those who are undocumented and those who have documentation. That is an issue where thoughtful, honest debate has been almost nonexistent.

Gubernatorial candidates of both political parties are talking as tough as they can, none of them supporting the decision by the leadership of the State Community College system to allow undocumented students to enroll if they can pay out-of-state tuition, more than it costs the state to educate a student at a community college campus.

Gov. Mike Easley has spoken out strongly in favor of the decision, but all of the people who want Easley's job publicly oppose it, posturing to deny children who have excelled in North Carolina public schools the right to continue their education.

The community college flap, as frustrating as it may be, isn't the most troubling part of the current immigration debate. State and local officials are not only crusading against education and even emergency services for people based on their immigration status, they are demonizing human beings in the process and increasing anti-immigrant sentiment to dangerous levels in some parts of the state.

The Beaufort County Board of Commissioners is among the leaders in this demagoguery. The board voted in February to end Spanish-language options on the county phone system, which would limit the access of some citizens to county services. The county health department reinstated the Spanish option after learning that removing it would violate federal law and jeopardize federal funding.

That hasn't slowed down the anti-immigrant rhetoric one bit. Commissioner Hood Richardson is still at it, now proposing that county employees report the number of residents accessing health department services who have Spanish surnames, calling it a good indicator of "illegals."

Richardson complained last fall that the county was spending too much money on alternative schools for troubled kids, saying "it costs twice as much to educate them. If they're incorrigible... let them be out on the streets."

Now Richardson says that anyone with a Spanish surname is an undocumented immigrant. That could be embarrassing for the Republican county commissioner if Florida Sen. Mel Martinez, the former chair of the National Republican Party, comes to town.

And what will he say if former Attorney General Alberto Gonzales stops by, or if some of the local kids see Yankee slugger Alex Rodriguez on television and can't understand how he could be born in New York under Richardson's ridiculous assumptions? Not to mention New York native Jennifer Lopez or naturalized citizen Gloria Estefan.

Richardson's claims place him close to Alamance County Sheriff Terry Johnson in the most offensive statements category. Johnson has said undocumented immigrants have bad morals and described them as alcoholics and pedophiles. Gaston County commissioners have passed a resolution criticizing immigrants for a "lack of social and personal health care standards."

Those are elected officials making those statements, not anonymous people commenting on websites. That's what the debate has been reduced to: racism, ignorance of federal law and fear mongering.

It's a sad commentary on the state of our political discourse that few candidates in either party are willing to stand up to it, though many know better and privately believe otherwise.

A Spanish surname has nothing to do with citizenship. And for most statewide candidates this year, standing up to racists is nowhere to be found in their campaigns, and we are all the worse for it.

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PRIMARY RESULTS 2008

ORANGE CO. RESULTS

All results as of 12:06 a.m., Wednesday, May 7, 2008.
All results preliminary and unofficial. The Board of Elections is scheduled to certify results on May 19.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES

Presidential Preference

Barack Obama 69.60% 27,824
Hillary Clinton 28.87% 11,540
Mike Gravel 0.62% 249
No preference 0.91% 363

US Senate

Kay Hagan 50.83% 17,208
Duskin C. Lassiter 2.81% 952
Jim Neal 38.64% 13,082
Howard Staley 2.34% 792
Marcus W. Williams 5.38% 1,821

Governor

Richard H. Moore 45.17% 16,753
Dennis Nielsen 2.88% 1,067
Bev Perdue 51.95% 19,265

Lieutenant Governor

Walter H. Dalton 24.93% 7,953
Hampton Dellinger 52.95% 16,889
Pat Smathers 10.03% 3,199
Dan Besse 12.08% 3,854

Auditor

Beth A. Wood 70.09% 20,129
Fred Aikens 29.91% 8,590

Commissioner of Insurance

Wayne Goodwin 65.30% 17,754
David C. Smith 34.70% 9,433

Commissioner of Labor

Mary Fant Donnan 39.72% 11,088
Ty Richardson 14.55% 4,061
Robin Anderson 30.56% 8,531
John C. Brooks 15.17% 4,235

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Eddie Davis 40.96% 12,064
June St. Clair Atkinson 59.04% 17,386

Treasurer

Janet Cowell 58.30% 17,122
Michael Weisel 21.49% 6,313
David Young 20.21% 5,936

NC State Senate District 23

Ellie Kinnaird 65.88% 22,946
Moses Carey Jr. 34.12% 11,885

County Commissioner At-Large

Neloa Barbee Jones 20.36% 5,612
Bernadette Pelissier 50.30% 13,865
Mary M. Wolff 29.34% 8,087

County Commissioner District 2

Tommy T. McNeill 13.45% 1,466
Steve Yuhasz 37.23% 4,057
Leo L. Allison 27.72% 3,021
Luther K. Brooks 21.60% 2,354

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES

Presidential Preference

Mike Huckabee 9.85% 554
Alan Keyes 2.17% 122
John McCain 70.26% 3,950
Ron Paul 12.90% 725
No preference 4.82% 271

US Senate

Pete Di Lauro 11.46% 635
Elizabeth Dole 88.54% 4,904

US Congress District 4

Augustus Cho 31.72% 1,467
William (B.J.) Lawson 68.28% 3,158

Governor

Bill Graham 11.70% 603
Pat McCrory 39.26% 2,023
Robert F. (Bob) Orr 12.83% 661
Elbie Powers 1.20% 62
Fred Smith 35.01% 1,804

Lieutenant Governor

Timothy Cook 13.69% 591
Greg Dority 10.68% 461
Robert Pittenger 54.26% 2,342
Jim Snyder 21.36% 922

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Joe Johnson 21.80% 850
Richard Morgan 53.58% 2,089
Eric H. Smith 24.62% 960

NONPARTISAN OFFICES/ REFERENDUM

Court of Appeals Judge

Jewel Ann Farlow 27.17% 8,813
Dean R. Poirier 10.69% 3,467
James A. (Jim) Wynn 62.14% 20,159

Court of Appeals Judge (b)

Sam J. Ervin IV 31.79% 10,582
Janet Pueschel 11.76% 3,915
Kristin Ruth 42.23% 14,056
John M. Tyson 14.22% 4,735

District Court Judge District 15B

Glenn Gerding 21.97% 7,315
Lamar F. Proctor Jr. 14.34% 4,774
Page Vernon 63.69% 21,204

County Land Transfer Tax

For 33.75%
Against 66.25%

Orange County Board of Education

Eddie M. Eubanks 20.96% 7,089
Stephen H. Halkiotis 21.97% 7,432
Al Hartkopf 14.83% 5,016
Tony McKnight 18.24% 6,172
Jeff Michalski 12.29% 4,156
Stan Morris 11.08% 3,747
Write-In 0.64% 217

CHATHAM CO. RESULTS

County Commissioner District 1

Patrick Barnes 40.37% 5,466
Sally Kost 59.63% 8,074

County Commissioner District 2

Mike Cross 43.27% 5,780
Armentha Lee Davis 23.96% 3,200
Jeffrey Starkweather 32.77% 4,377

ELECTION FROM PAGE 1

Overall in the state senate race, Kinnaird won 27,084 votes or 64 percent of the total. Cary received 14,982 votes for 36 percent.

Person County totals for the race were somewhat closer, with Kinnaird winning 57 percent of the total to Cary's 43 percent.

Kinnaird said Wednesday that she thought it was a good race in which both candidates dealt with issues and showed considerable respect for each other's contributions in public life.

"I think we were very respectful of each other," she said. "All in all, it was a good campaign."

County races

In the county's first election with a mix of district and at-large races, planning board member Bernadette Pelissier won 13,865 votes or 50 percent. Her closest challenger was Mary Wolff, with 29 percent, followed by Rogers Road neighborhood activist Neloa Jones, who received 20 percent of the votes.

Pelissier faces Republican Kevin Wolff, the husband of her primary challenger, in the fall.

District 1 representatives will be incumbent board member Valerie Foushee and Pam Hemminger, who ran unopposed.

In District 2, Steve Yuhasz was the top vote-getter with 37 percent, followed by Leo Allison with 28 percent, Luther Brooks with 22 percent and Tommy McNeill with 13.5 percent.

Though the ballot was mainly comprised of primaries, there was one election. In the race for Orange County Schools Board of

Education, former County Commissioner Steve Halkiotis will return to local office as a member of the school board, along with newcomers Eddie Eubanks and Tony McKnight, defeating board incumbent Al Hartkopf.

Candidates Jeff Michalski and Stan Morris were also defeated. While Halkiotis brings local government experience to the board, Eubanks and McKnight, who are both black, will bring diversity to

"I think we were very respectful of each other, all in all, it was a good campaign."

—Ellie Kinnaird

the previously all-white board.

Halkiotis, 64, won the highest percentage of the vote, with 22 percent. Eubanks received 21 percent, while McKnight won about 18 percent.

Hartkopf, Michalski and Morris received 15, 12 and 11 percent, respectively. Hartkopf had served on the board for four years.

Halkiotis served on the board of county commissioners for 20 years. A Hillsborough resident, he worked in Orange County Schools for 30 years as a principal, teacher and administrator.

Eubanks, 64, has worked in social work for 30 years. He lives in Hillsborough.

McKnight, 41, joins the board after running unsuccessfully in 2006. He is a former teacher and lives in Hillsborough.

The new members will take the seats of Hartkopf, Liz Brown,

who did not run for re-election; and Dennis Whitling, who resigned in February following his arrest on charges of embezzlement.

Other races

In other top-of-the-ticket races, state Sen. Kay Hagan of Greensboro trounced Jim Neal, a Chapel Hill investment banker, winning 60 percent of the vote in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate. Neal won 18 percent and Marcus Williams received 13 percent. Neal ran strong in Orange County, winning 39 percent here, while Hagan won 51 percent. Hagan faces incumbent Republican Elizabeth Dole in the fall. She beat Pete Di Lauro by capturing 90 percent of the vote.

The GOP race to decide the party's candidate for the Fourth U.S. Congressional District was won by B.J. Lawson of Cary, who beat former Orange County GOP chair Augustus Cho with 70.5 percent of the vote to Cho's 29.5 percent.

In the nonpartisan race for district court judge in N.C. District 15B, covering Orange and Chatham counties, Chapel Hill resident Page Vernon and local attorney Glenn Gerding were the two top vote-getters, and will thus be on the ballot in November. Vernon tallied 65 percent of the vote, Gerding finished with 21 percent and Lamar F. Proctor Jr. was third with 14 percent.

In the GOP presidential primary, Orange County voters gave presumptive nominee John McCain of Arizona a comfortable win, with 74 percent of the vote.

Susan Dickson contributed to this report.

Orange County diverges from state in two Democratic races

by Taylor Sisk
Staff Writer

Incumbent Lieutenant Governor and Chapel Hill resident Beverly Perdue scored a decisive victory on Tuesday, earning the Democratic nomination for governor over challengers Richard Moore and Dennis Nielsen. On an Election Day in which just over 36 percent of registered voters turned out statewide, Perdue gathered 56 percent of votes cast; Moore, the state treasurer, finished with 40 percent; Nielsen, a retired military officer, received 4 percent.

Moore fared slightly better in Orange County, finishing with 45 percent to Perdue's 52 percent.

In the race for the Republican nominee for governor, Charlotte mayor Pat McCrory turned back four challengers and will face Perdue in the November general election. McCrory won 46 percent of the votes; state Sen. Fred Smith won 37 percent; attorney Bill Graham, nine percent; former state Supreme Court Justice Bob Orr, seven percent; and Elbie Powers, a farm owner, one percent.

In the run for lieutenant governor, a couple of state senators from the western half of the state — Democrat Walter Dalton of Rutherfordton and Robert Pittenger of Charlotte — will be facing off in the November election.

Dalton gathered 45 percent of votes cast to defeat Hampton Dellinger (34 percent), Pat Smathers (14 percent) and Dan Besse (seven percent).

Orange County voters, however, favored Dellinger, 53 percent to Dalton's 25 percent.

Pittenger won 59 percent of the votes in the Republican primary, defeating Jim Snyder (19 percent), Tim Cook (12 percent) and Greg Dority (10 percent).

Janet Cowell, a state senator and former Raleigh City Council member, won 47 percent of the vote to gain the Democratic nomination to hold Richard Moore's state treasurer's seat. David Young took 36 percent; Michael Weisel, 17 percent. She will face state Rep. Bill Daughtridge, who was unopposed for the GOP nomination.

With no candidate earning 40 percent of the vote, a runoff will be held to determine the Democratic nominee for commissioner of labor, who will then face unopposed Republican incumbent Cherie Berry.

Mary Fant Donnan finished first, with 28 percent of votes cast. John Brooks finished second with 24.29 percent of the vote, followed by Robin Anderson with 24.12 percent and Ty Richardson with 24.03 percent. As second-place finisher, Brooks may request a runoff, to be held June 24.

In the race for superintendent of public instruction, former state House co-speaker

Richard Morgan won 51 percent of the vote to handily defeat Eric Smith (25 percent) and Joe Johnson (24 percent) and win the Republican nomination. He will face incumbent June Atkinson, who beat Eddie Davis, 53 to 47 percent, on the Democratic side.

In the state auditor's race, former state auditor employee Beth Wood won 64 percent of the vote to Fred Aikens' 36 percent, to win the Democratic nomination. Wood will face incumbent Les Merritt, who was unopposed for the Republican nomination.

Rockingham attorney Wayne Goodwin won the Democratic nomination for commissioner of insurance, defeating David Smith, 56 to 44 percent.

Jim Wynn will be defending his N.C. Court of Appeals seat against Jewel Ann Farlow in November. Wynn, with 48 percent of the vote, and Farlow, with 37 percent, were the top two vote-getters. Judicial races are nonpartisan, with the top two finishers squaring off in the general election. Dean R. Poirier finished third with 15 percent.

In the other race for an open court of appeals seat, Sam J. Ervin IV finished first with 36 percent of the vote, followed by Kristin Ruth, with 26 percent. Failing to make it to the November ballot were incumbent John Tyson, who gathered 22 percent of the vote, and Janet Pueschel, with 16 percent.

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Monday — Chicken Nuggets w/BBQ Sauce & Wheat Roll; Beef Taco w/Salsa; Steamed Carrots; Apple Halves

Tuesday — Chicken Fajita w/Salsa; Hot Dog on a Bun; "Fun on the Run"; Mixed Vegetables; Chilled Pears

Wednesday — Cheese Pizza; Pepperoni Pizza; Pork Rib-B-Q on a Bun; Broccoli Cuts; Chilled Apricots

Thursday — Oven Baked Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Grilled Cheese Sandwich; "Fun on the Run"; Green Beans; Fresh Banana

MIDDLE & HIGH

Friday — Chicken Nuggets w/BBQ Sauce & Wheat Roll; Double Cheeseburger w/Lettuce and Tomato; Garden Peas; Baked Beans; Fresh Apples

Monday — Cheese Ravioli w/Garlic Bread; Steak & Cheese Sandwich; Green Beans; Tossed Salad w/Dressing

Tuesday — Fishwich; Beef Taco w/Salsa; Sweet Yellow Corn; Chilled Fruit Cocktail

Wednesday — Chicken Nuggets w/BBQ Sauce and Wheat Roll; Hot Dog on a Bun; Potato Wedges; Broccoli Cuts; Chilled Pears

Thursday — Beef Chili w/Crackers; Pork Rib-B-Q on a Bun; Mixed Vegetables; Fresh Apple

School Briefs

Principal grad



Burnette

Shelia Burnette, principal of Frank Porter Graham Elementary School, graduated on May 1 from the Leadership Program for New Principals offered by the Principals' Executive Program of the UNC Center for School Leadership Development.

One of 44 principals selected statewide to participate in this rigorous, 12-day program, Burnette completed 72 hours of classroom instruction over a four-month period. Major areas of study included teacher effectiveness, instructional improvement, school finance and data analysis.

Burnette was also named the recipient of the program's Jack McCall Award, which honors the graduate whom the class members elect as the greatest contributor to learning throughout the program.

Autism training

The Orange/Chatham Chapter of the Autism Society of North Carolina and the North Carolina Family to Family Health Information Center of the Exceptional Children's Assistance Center will hold a free parent training tonight (Thursday) from 6 to 8:30 at Extraordinary Ventures on South Elliott Road.

The training, called Public Health Programs 1, will feature discussion of public programs, including CAP waivers, Medicaid, SSI, EPSDT, Medicare and NC Health Choice.

Dinner and childcare are available with a reservation. To make a reservation, email Shanna Capps at scapps@ecamail.org or Lisa Danker at bigchief2@bellsouth.net.

Student leaders

Students from Chapel Hill and East Chapel Hill high schools placed in contests at the North Carolina State Leadership Conference in Greensboro, April 24-26.

Chapel Hill High School senior Audrey Vaught finished second in the state in Impromptu Speaking, while Chapel Hill High junior Nick Ludlow finished second in Business Procedures. Both will represent North Carolina at the Future Business Leaders of America National Leadership Conference in Georgia in late June.

In addition, Chapel Hill High senior Ben Bohlen placed third in Public Speaking II and East Chapel Hill High junior Ben Blach finished in the top 10 in the Accounting II test event. East Chapel Hill High senior Quian Zheno placed in the top 10 in the Economics event.

CHHS concerts

The Chapel Hill High School Symphonic Band and Percussion Ensemble will perform a concert at 7:30 p.m. on May 13. The concert will feature a new piece performed with visiting eighth-grade band students from McDougle and Smith middle schools.

The Jazz Combos will be presenting their spring concert at 7:30 p.m. on May 16. The concert will feature jazz works by Clifford Brown, Miles Davis, Duke Ellington, Dizzy Gillespie, Charlie Parker, Buddy Rich, Wayne Shorter, Horace Silver and others.

Both concerts are free and open to the public.

United 5K

The first People United 5K will be held at Culbreth Middle School on May 17 at 8 a.m.

The race promotes awareness of nonviolence and peaceful interactions within the community and raises money for the Family Violence Prevention Center.

Both runners and walkers are invited to participate. The event will also feature music, games, a raffle and a watermelon-eating contest. For more information, visit peopleunited5k.googlepages.com/home.

Excellent writer

Claire Royals Wilson, a fifth grader at Frank Porter Graham Elementary School, recently received the National Award of Excellence from the PTA's National Reflections Program.

For the contest, Claire submitted a piece entitled "One Smile" in the intermediate division of the literature category.

This year's theme was "I can make a difference by..." Claire will receive \$200 and a medalion and her writing will appear on the PTA's national website.

Math champs

Ten students from Phillips Middle School competed in the State Math Finals at UNC-Greensboro on May 1.

Students who placed in the contest include: Alex Kelly, ninth place in Algebra I; Bernie Almadoss, 13th in Algebra I; Sheila Deng, fifth in Geometry; Yu Wang, eighth in Geometry; Alice Huang, 20th



PHOTO BY LUCY BUTCHER

Kindergarten students at McDougle Elementary School sell flowers as part of the school's annual "Bunny Ville" event in teacher Karen Reid's classroom on Friday. For Bunny Ville, students hosted their own businesses, including a pizza shop, ice cream shop, museum, hospital, flower garden and art jewelry shop, and classroom visitors received \$10 in "bunny bucks" to spend on products and services at the students' businesses. The activity is aimed at teaching students economics, community, cooperative learning and social skills.

in geometry; William Holub-Moorman, 16th in Algebra II; and Avi Aggarwal, 17th in Algebra II.

To qualify to compete at the state level, students had to score in the top 10 percent in the regional contest. The students are coached by Angela Short.

Special PTA

Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools will hold a meeting to organize a chapter of the Special Education Parent Teachers Association in Chapel Hill on May 14 from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. at the Chapel Hill Public Library on Estes Drive.

At the meeting, members will elect officers, enroll charter members, approve bylaws and pay \$10 membership dues. In addition, members will have the opportunity to provide input into chapter development and future programming.

The meeting will be held in the lower-level conference room.

Teacher grants

The Public School Foundation presented 31 Student Enrichment Grants to staff members from across the district at the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education meeting last week.

Recipients are: Dianne Jackson, Heather Taxis, Patrick Bradshaw, Marylin True-love, Lisa Edwards, Kiersten Barker, Christine Cotten, Lisa Frangiapane, Cheri Ensby,

Amy Rickard, Kay Johnson, GeorgeAnn McCay, Claudia Haskins, Mary Ann Baldwin, Melinda Fitzgerald, Nancy Margolin,

Kindergarten Team of McDougle Elementary, Jenny Anderson, Flicka Bateman, Kathleen Harrell, Vanessa Diggs, Barbara Simmons, Nancy Yelverton, Michelle Reich, Lisa Joyner, Julia Cureton, Judy Giguere, Livy Ludington, Kimberly Manning, Jean Vaughn, Kirsten Bergman, Barbara Smith, Jill Burk, Rita Dealy and Stacy Poindexter.

Chess champs

Chapel Hill-Carrboro students recently competed in the 35th Scholastic Chess Championship.

The Rashkis Elementary School Chess Team finished second in the state in their category. Team members are Dane Simon, Hans Singh, Benjamin Senior, Thomas Wang, Joshua Lai, Iyin Battle, Arnab Subramanya, Anida Manocha, Nathaniel Lai and Jeffrey Williams. Dane Simon won second place in the K-5 championship. Carol Holmes is the chess club sponsor.

The Phillips Middle School Chess Team won first place in the K-8 Championship and the K-8 Under 1000 Championship. Team members are Drew Clary, Gabriel Goss, Indira Puri, Alexander Kelly, Charles Higgins, Richard Fu, Jeffrey Zhou and Bernard Amaldoss. Martin Roper is

the chess club coach. Drew Clary earned second place in the K-8 championship.

Jay Goss of Chapel Hill High earned second place in the K-12 championship.

The Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools Board of Education recognized team members at their meeting last week.

Tech champs

Carrboro High School students competed in the 29th annual North Carolina Technology Students of America conference in Greensboro on April 12-15.

Natalie Carpenter and Amy Dreher received first-place awards for Manufacturing Prototype. In addition, Dakota Pahel-Short received a second-place award for Architectural CAD 2D and Aidan Burns and Sally Rothwell won second place for Construction Systems.

Students advancing in competition will travel to Orlando for the National TSA contest.

Blood Done talk

Timothy Tyson, author of *Blood Done Sign My Name*, will discuss his book and racial challenges at 6:30 p.m. on May 14 in the Carrboro High School Café Commons.

His book tells the story of the racial and sexual tension surrounding a 1970 lynching in his hometown of Oxford.

Participants should arrive early, as seating is limited.

Events

Calendar

May 10

Carrboro High School Prom, Carrboro Century Center, 8-12 p.m.

May 17

Chapel Hill High School Prom, Sheraton Hotel, 8-12 p.m.

June 4-10

High School Exams

June 10

Last day of classes/exams for all students

June 14

East Chapel Hill High School Graduation 9 a.m.

Chapel Hill High School Graduation 2 p.m.

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Sat., May 17 8:30 p.m.

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Sunday, May 18 7 p.m.

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Sat., May 24 8:30 p.m.

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CHS WOMEN'S SOCCER

(VIA TONY BLANFORD)
Monday 4-21

Carrboro beat the Durham School of the Arts 4-0 at Carrboro.

Goals scored by Olivia Blanford (2), Vicky Aldana and Mel Cranfill, assisted by Katie Gilmore, Peyton Kennedy, Kelly Casey and Molly Acuff. Shots taken: Carrboro 16, DSA 9. Saves: Carrboro's Rachel Horton had 7, DSA 8.

Wednesday, April 23

Carrboro's match with Raleigh Charter ended in 2-2 draw after two overtimes.

Donna Omile and Camille Morgan scored for Raleigh Charter and L. Creech and O. Omile had assists. Katie Gilmore and Vicky Aldana put in goals for Carrboro with Peyton Kennedy and Kelly Casey assisting.

Saves: RC: 3 by Meg Barrow, Carrboro: 6 by Rachel Horton.

Friday, April 25

Carrboro lost 2-1 at Northwood.

Northwood goals by Anna Elkins and Erin Walker, assisted by Annie Cleaver and Casey Norris. Olivia Blanford scored for Carrboro, assisted by Peyton Kennedy.

Carrboro's Rachel Horton had 4 saves, Marshall Babcock had 2.

Tuesday, April 29

Carrboro defeated Cedar Ridge 6-0. Goals by Olivia Blanford (2), Peyton Kennedy (2), Mel Cranfill and Kelly Casey.

Assists by Peyton Kennedy, Andie Aldana and Allison Rosen.

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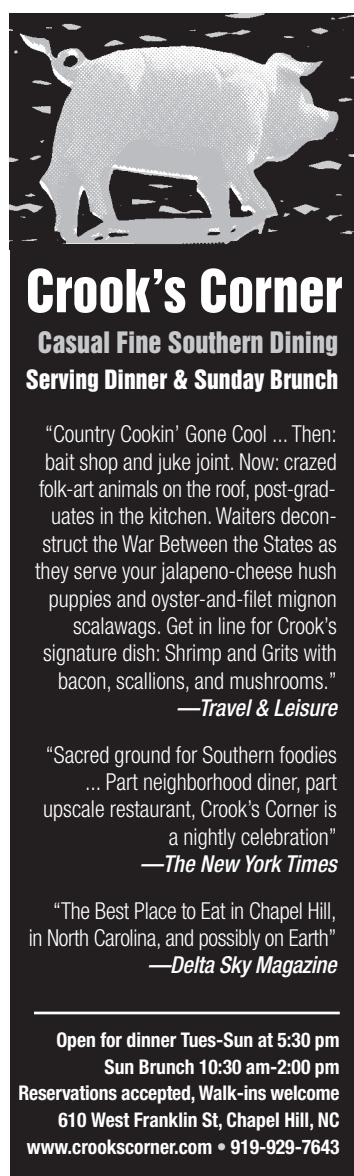
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Pollen evident on the male holly flowers. Note the uncharacteristic five-petal flower in the lower right

FLORA FROM PAGE 1

nonfunctional stamens. I don't think the ants are the effective pollinators. I can't imagine even a diligent ant, making the long journey from a male tree to a female tree, inadvertently making a pollen transfer. It will require a good bit of ant antics observation to know for certain.

The recent rains were not extensive enough to interrupt the flying-insect activity, so my deciduous hollies are loaded with tiny green berries. Sparse holly fruiting in some years results from extended cool, rainy periods that prevent the boy and girl trees from getting together. Now I have my fingers crossed

that I won't lose my anticipated holly-berry displays this year as I did last year due to the harsh drought.

The photos accompanying this article is of the Deciduous Holly. They have just about finished flowering. The similar flowers of evergreen American Holly, *Ilex opaca*, are just now fully opening, so you still have an opportunity to discover holly flowers.

So, while they are out there carrying on, take yourself outside to have a closer look at your holly flowers. If you notice passers-by giving you a curious look, invite them to share in your discovery. At least they will learn that you're simply a normal human out enjoying nature.

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- 3/4 t. cinnamon
- 1/2 t. ground ginger
- 1/4 t. ground nutmeg
- 1 lb. carrots, grated
- 3 eggs at room temperature
- 1/3 c. buttermilk
- 1 t. vanilla
- 2 c. sugar
- 1 1/2 c. vegetable oil
- 1 T. fresh ginger, grated

Oven 350. Toast pecans for about 10 minutes, then allow to cool completely. Sift together dry ingredients. In a large bowl, whisk together everything except pecans. Fold flour mixture into carrot mixture until combined. Fold in 1 cup pecans. Bake for 20-25 minutes, until golden brown and springy to the touch. When cool, frost with orange-ginger cream cheese frosting and top with the rest of the pecans.



IN SEASON



ILLUSTRATION BY PHIL BLANK

WATER WATCH WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

LAKE LEVELS

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Certainly the first weekend of May in 2008 will be remembered as one of the town's most hectic, festive and musical. Friday started with a major rock show for presidential candidate Barack Obama featuring Arcade Fire (shown middle right) and Superchunk. With a crowd estimated at 3-4,000, it was probably the biggest single event in the history of the Town Commons. Friday night was the first of two heavily attended reunion shows by the Pressure Boys (upper right).

Saturday was the 30th anniversary of the Carrboro Farmers' Market, which also drew thousands to the commons. Sunday was Carrboro Day, where events included kid fun like the obstacle race (in the top left photo we see David Knox, age 7, trying his hand at the course) and parachute play. The Carrboro High School football team helped the entertainment rolling. The day also included a wonderful recollection of town history, courtesy of unofficial town historian Richard Ellington (shown above sharing a laugh with Margaret Watt).

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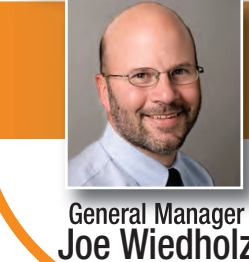
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