




This Weekend



**FRIDAY**  
10% Chance of Precip  
56/40 °F



**SATURDAY**  
50% Chance of Precip  
58/45 °F



**SUNDAY**  
10% Chance of Precip  
58/50 °F

# C THE CARRBORO CITIZEN



Evergreen, three-lobed hepatica leaves are unmistakable.  
PHOTO BY BRIAN STOKES

## FLORA BY KEN MOORE

### Getting lost in the winter woods

Last week woods-walking companion Tony Blanford took the lead to introduce Brian Stokes and me to his favorite “secret forest” of legendary oaks and beeches. Part of the goal was to get lost, and Tony succeeded in getting us totally turned around, leaving us with the unusual satisfying feeling of, “Well now, we may really be lost.”

Though Tony’s “secret forest” was a rather large acreage, we comforted ourselves with the thought that wild areas hereabouts are so contained that if we simply walk in a straight path, we’ll eventually emerge on some, hopefully familiar, road.

The real challenge then became walking a straight unmarked route through the forest.

We did eventually emerge from the forest right behind our parked vehicle. We humorously made note that our walk into and out of the woods described a circular straight route.

Brian and Tony continued to humor my preference for winter as my favorite outdoor season. And they remained keen to continue appreciating the diversity of tree bark. At one spot we enjoyed noting the differences of bark patterns of our three local pines.

The flat, smooth bark plates of loblolly pine, *Pinus taeda*, contrast with the bark plates of shortleaf pine, *Pinus echinata*, that exhibit distinctive depressed pinpoints, called resin ducts. The smaller bark plates of the Virginia scrub pine, *Pinus virginiana*, are less organized in appearance, often being scaly or otherwise peeling off the trunk. However, one needs to study other characteristics of leaf and cone to accurately recognize these three

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## CPAC calls for outside investigator for Yates

BY SUSAN DICKSON  
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**CHAPEL HILL** – Following up on a decision last week to seek an outside investigator to report on incidents surrounding the Nov. 13 raid of the former Yates Motor Co building, the Chapel Hill Community Policing Advisory Committee on Tuesday formalized that request, voting unanimously

to petition the town council for necessary funding.

The request, which the town council will hear at its meeting on Monday, follows the council’s referral of the review to the CPAC at its meeting last week, where council members voted not to consider a measure proposing an independent review of the events.

Town Manager Roger Stancil had recommended the referral of the re-

view to the CPAC in his report on the Yates incident, which stated that the actions of police were the best decisions that could have been made given the information available at the time.

However, CPAC members said they felt they needed the assistance of an outside investigator to adequately review the incident, noting the extensive time involved in interviewing involved parties.

Concerns have been raised about the police’s response to the occupation of the building, which began the night of Nov. 12 – led, reportedly, by attendees of the Carrboro Anarchist Bookfair – and resulted in a dramatic encounter with police the afternoon of Nov. 13, with seven arrests.

Committee Deputy Vice Chair

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Michelle Laws, president emeritus of the Chapel Hill-Carrboro NAACP, delivers a rousing sermon on renewing Martin Luther King Jr.’s call to conscience at the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day service at First Baptist Church on Monday. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

## ‘Forever Forward’

BY ROSE LAUDICINA  
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Temperatures were low, but enthusiasm was high during the morning hours of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday in Chapel Hill.

More than 100 people attended a rally at Peace and Justice Plaza, choosing to spend Martin Luther King Jr.’s birthday as a day on, reminding themselves of King’s message and legacy, rather than treating it like another holiday from work and school.

Those who spoke at the rally encouraged attendees to take the energy and enthusiasm from the day’s celebration and let it propel them “Forever Forward,” the theme of the celebration, through 2012 to invoke change in both politics and their community.

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A full house listens as Rev. Albert Williams introduces Rep. Larry D. Hall from the N.C. General Assembly. Hall gave the keynote address during the Martin Luther King Jr. Day service at First Baptist Church. PHOTO BY ALICIA STEMPER

## Chilton landfill proposal draws ire

BY ROSE LAUDICINA  
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**CARRBORO** – Conversation got tense at the Carrboro Board of Aldermen meeting Tuesday night at Town Hall, with Mayor Mark Chilton and Orange County Justice United member Tish Galu squaring off over solid waste.

At the beginning of the meeting, Galu spoke with the board about the upcoming Assembly of Governments meeting, set for Jan. 26, at which the closing of the landfill and the mitigation plan for the Rogers Road community will be discussed.

Galu spoke to the board about why she believes closing the landfill in 2013 is important for fulfilling promises that were made to the Rogers Road community in 1972.

“Closing the landfill ends an era that has contradicted our values as neighbors and stewards of the environment,” Galu said.

She urged board members to be sure to attend the meeting to discuss the closing of the landfill, plans to help the Rogers Road community and what will happen to the county’s trash once the landfill closes.

Galu’s presentation to the board came on the heels of Chilton’s an-

*“Closing the landfill ends an era that has contradicted our values as neighbors and stewards of the environment.”*

nouncement that he believes the landfill should remain open until 2015 to give Orange County time to build a solid-waste transfer station.

Once the landfill closes, county trash will be hauled to Durham for disposal, and Chilton is concerned

about both the fiscal and environmental impacts of doing so.

Chilton told Galu it would cost the town of Carrboro \$200,000 a year to haul trash to Durham because the

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## Carrboro High hosts first quiz bowl tourney

BY ROSE LAUDICINA  
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Try to answer this question without looking it up on Google or asking Siri on an iPhone.

Maria Francesca wrote *The Shadow of Dante*. William Michael edited the art journal *The Germ*. Christina wrote *Goblin Market* and posed for her brother. Dante Gabriel painted *Proserpine*. Give the shared surname

of these siblings of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood.

No idea? No problem. There are about 100 students descending on Carrboro this weekend who would love to tell you the answer is Rossetti.

They will be participating in the Carrboro Cup, a quiz bowl tournament hosted by the Carrboro High School Quiz Bowl Team, on Saturday.

Jason Ilieve, founder and president of the Carrboro High team and orga-

nizer of the tournament, is excited for the awareness it will raise about quiz bowl.

“Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools hasn’t ever hosted anything like this,” Ilieve said. “Not just quiz bowl, but Model UN too. We haven’t hosted any big academic event here.”

The Carrboro Cup will bring 25 teams from all over North Carolina and one from Virginia to Carrboro High to compete in two team battles

to crown one winner.

“All the people participating are really competitive and we all really like winning – the ultimate prize is really just the sense of accomplishment,” Ilieve said. “But we do have a trophy for the winner.”

Ilieve compares quiz bowl to Jeopardy – someone reads out a question, each team member (four members per

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