

Local woman joins Peace Corps

Laura McIver Boggess, 25, of Carrboro, N.C. has been accepted into the Peace Corps.

Boggess departed for Guatemala on Jan. 9 to begin pre-service training as an environmental education Peace Corps Volunteer.

After graduation in April, Boggess will work with rural schools to integrate conservation and environmental awareness into the curriculum.

She attended the UNC, where she earned a bachelor's degree in biology, graduating in 2006.

Boggess previously worked for a conservation non-governmental organization in Borneo, N.C.

"I had a lot of support from friends, some who had been Volunteers themselves. My father was a Peace Corps Volunteer in India," said Boggess. "Hearing all of their experiences has always been inspiring to me."

During the first three months of her service, Boggess will live with a host family in Guatemala to become fully immersed in the country's language and culture. After acquiring the language and cultural skills necessary to assist her community, Boggess will serve for two years in Guatemala, living in a manner similar to people in her host country.

Community Briefs

Holidays shared

The Orange County Share Your Holiday and Toy Chest programs supported more than 2,500 children and families this past Christmas.

Through the Share Your Holiday program, the Orange County Department of Social Services paired 313 community sponsors with children or families and provided gifts to 514 children and elderly or disabled adults in the county.

In addition, the first annual Orange County Toy Chest, co-ordinated by DSS in partnership with Toys for Tots, provided low-income parents with two or three toys per child. The toys were donated by community members and area businesses.

The Hillsborough Moose Lodge donated \$3,500 to the Toy Chest from proceeds received from the First Annual Bubba and Earl's Barbeque held last April. The event, coordinated by Harold Wagoner and Jeff Woods, featured a cook-off of 10 teams from the Hillsborough area. They sold more than 1,000 pounds of pork and 700 tickets. Plans are underway for the second-annual event to benefit the 2008 Toy Chest.

Platanos play

The Blue Ribbon Mentor-Advocate Program and the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History will co-sponsor a performance of the off-Broadway play *Platanos and Collard Greens* on March 1.

The play addresses stereotypes, prejudices and urban myths that exist between blacks and Latinos. Based on the David Lamb novel *Do Platanos go Wit' Collard Greens*, the play dispels misconceptions within the context of hip-hop, humor and satire.

The performance will start at 2 p.m. at the Stone Center on the UNC campus. Free tickets are available, with a limit of four per person, at the Stone Center front desk, open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. For more information, call 962-9001.

CAT'S CRADLE

WE 1/30 **COREY SMITH**
W/JOAL RUSH**(\$15/\$18)
FR 2/1**(\$8/\$10) **URBAN SOPHISTICATES / DUBCONSCIOUS**
SA 2/2 **DELOREAN**
W/9 PM TRAFFIC, BRIO**(\$5)
WE 2/6 **HIGH ON FIRE**
W/A LIFE ONCE LOST, SAVIOURS, CAR BOMB**(\$12/\$15)
FR 2/8 **JAY CLIFFORD**
W/SLOW RUNNER**(\$10/\$15)
SA 2/9 BOB MARLEY'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
MICKEY MILLS & STEEL
W/DUB ADDIS, JAMROCK + MORE
TU 2/12 **CITIZEN COPE** **SOLD OUT**
FR 2/15 **ABBEY ROAD LIVE!!** (PERFORMING THE BEATLES' ABBEY ROAD LP IN ITS ENTIRETY)**
SA 2/16 **CARBON LEAF****(\$14/\$16)
SU 2/17 SUNDAY SHOWCASE:
JOE GRIZZLEY, DIREKT FREQUENCY, TORCHED, CASTA, DOLY TORO, ASCELLA VEGA**
PROCEEDS BENEFIT CARNIVORE PRESERVATION TRUST - 7PM-MIDNIGHT
MO 2/18 **JOE LALLY** (FUGAZI) W/EDIE SEDGWICK, FIN FANG FOOM**
TU 2/19 CANCER SUCKS '08 A BENEFIT FOR RELAY FOR LIFE FEATURING:
THE HONORED GUESTS, THE SAMMIES AND THE FUTURE KINGS OF NOWHERE
TH 2/21**(\$14/\$16) **MELISSA FERRICK TRIO**
FR 2/22 & SA 2/23 DSI FESTIVAL
MC CHRIS,
W/DEATH BY ROO ROO, BASSPROV, ADULT SWIM & MORE**
TU 2/26 **DEAN & BRITTA, KEREN ANN****(\$15/\$18)
TH 2/28 **TOUBAB KREWE****(\$12/\$14)
FR 2/29 **JUNIOR BROWN****(\$16)
MO 3/3 **THE WALKMEN**
W/OFFICE**(\$12/\$14)
TU 3/4 **ENGLISH BEAT & RX BANDITS**
TH 3/6 **MATT COSTA**
W/JONATHAN RICE**(\$10/\$12)
FR 3/7 CD RELEASE PARTY
CHATHAM COUNTY LINE
W/EVERYBODYFIELDS**(\$12/\$15)
SU 3/16 BOB MOULD
SHOW HAS BEEN CANCELLED
MO 3/17 **THE UNSEEN**
W/A WILHELM SCREAM**(\$10/\$12)

TU 3/18 SONS AND DAUGHTERS
W/BODIES OF WATER**(\$10)
TH 3/20 **HOTEL CAFE TOUR** INGRID MICHAELSON, CARY BROTHERS, JOSHUA RADIN AND CHRIS DENNY**(\$13/\$15)
MO 3/24 **BROTHER ALI**
W/ABSTRACT RULE, TOKI WRIGHT, BK-ONE**(\$10/\$12)
FR 3/28 **WXYC 80s DANCE**
TU 4/1 **CARIBOU**
W/FUCK BUTTONS**(\$10/\$12)
WE 4/2** **SAY ANYTHING**
W/MANCHESTER ORCHESTRA, BIFFY CLYRO, WEATHERBOX
WE 4/9 **THE WEAKERTHANS****
WE 4/16 **SUSAN TEDESCHI**
**(\$20/\$22) ON SALE 2/6
WE 4/23 **ANTI-FLAG, STREET DOGS, THE BRIGGS, FAKE PROBLEMS****(\$16) ON SALE 2/2
SU 4/27 **DESTROYER**
W/ANDRE ETHIER**ON SALE 2/2
MO 4/28 **MEAT BEAT MANIFESTO****(\$15/\$18)
FR 5/2 CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION BENEFIT
PRESSURE BOYS
REUNION SHOW!!**(\$16/\$20)
MO 5/26 **CLINIC****(\$13/\$15)

also presenting:
LOCAL 506 (CHAPEL HILL):
TH 2/6 - MARAH SHOW IS CANCELLED
SU 3/16 - (\$10) **BLACK LIPS, QUINTRON MISS PUSSYCAT, GONDOLIERS**
MO 3/17 - (\$12)
TILLY AND THE WALL
W/CAPGUN COUP AND MIDTOWN DICKENS
CAROLINA THEATRE (DURHAM)
SA 3/22 - (\$24-\$21)
TIFT MERRITT
W/SARA WATKINS (OF NICKEL CREEK)
TIK VIA BOX OFFICE OR CAROLINATHEATRE.COM
THE ARTSCENTER (CARRBORO)
SU 3/16 - (\$20/\$23)
DAVID WILCOX
SA 3/22 - (\$28/\$30)
GREG BROWN
W/SARAH LEE GUTHRIE & JOHNNY IRION
WE 4/30
AMERICAN MUSIC CLUB
THE BREWERY (RALEIGH)
FR 3/14 - (\$10/\$12)
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Special Events

Hawbridge School open house - on February 9 from 2-4 p.m. Inviting all prospective students and families to attend. The school emphasizes environmental sciences and the arts. The open house will include a meeting with current teachers and students and a glimpse at student artwork. More information at www.hawbridge-school.org or 336-376-1122

Focus the Nation: Climate Change Awareness Day will be hosted by UNC in the Great Hall of the Frank Porter Graham Student Union. Activities will include a carnival with environmental speakers, info booths and entertainment on Thu, Jan 31, 8am-5pm. Call 252-916-2794 or visit focusmethenation.org for more info.

Cooking with Love – a hands-on cooking class with the chef from Pittsboro's co-op grocery Chatham Marketplace. Thu, Feb 7, 7:30-9pm. Cost is \$45 and includes dinner, wine, dessert & notes. Call 542-2643 to reserve space or visit www.chathammarketplace.coop for more info.

“A Chocolate Affaire” 2008, a live auction benefiting Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center, will be held Sun, Feb 10 from 2-5pm. Tickets are \$40 and include wine, coffee, cheeses, fruit and chocolate desserts. The Carolina Club, George Watts Hill Alumni Center, UNC Campus. Call 401-9333 for tickets.

First Annual Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball to Benefit Chatham and New Orleans, complete with Big Easy-style fun. Guests are invited to collaborate and participate in an auction for a group service trip to New Orleans to benefit the Musicians' Village, sponsored by Habitat for Humanity. Sat, Feb 2, 7pm. Chatham Mills, 280 Hillsboro St, Pittsboro. \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door; \$2 discount for ChathamArts members. Proceeds go to the Abundance Foundation, ChathamArts and Katrina relief efforts. Call 542-0394 or visit www.chathamarts.org for more info.

Facing Controversy: Struggling with Capital Punishment in North Carolina – a panel discussion of current and historical perspectives. Tue, Feb 5, reception at 5pm, program at 5:45pm. Pleasants Family Assembly Room, Wilson Library, UNC Campus. Free and open to the public. Call 962-4207 for more info. www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/2008/deathpenalty.html

Ethical Sex, a presentation led by Kate Lovelady, leader of the Ethical Society of St. Louis will be hosted by the North Carolina Society for Ethical Culture on Sun, Feb 3 at 11am. The discussion will cover who should have sex, when, how, with whom and under what circumstances. The ArtsCenter: 300 E Main St. Free & open to the public.

Fieldwork on Mexican Migration in Tijuana and North Carolina, a presentation by UNC post-doctoral scholar Sergio Chavez, will be given Sun, Feb 10 at 5pm. The presentation will include photographs and findings from Chavez's research in Mexico and North Carolina and an overview of day laborers in North Carolina. Chapel Hill Institute for Cultural and Language Education. 101 E Weaver St, 3rd Floor. Visit www.chi-cle.com for more info.

Celebration of Earth and Sky, with keynote speaker Aaron Nelson. Sun, Feb 10, 2-6pm. Sponsored by Chapel Hill High School S.U.R.G.E. and The Foundation for a Sustainable Community. \$2 donation. Century Center, 100 N Greensboro St.

The Vagina Monologues, presented by V-Day Chapel Hill/Carrboro 2008. Fri, Feb 8, 8pm. The ArtsCenter, 300-G E Main St. \$12 general public, \$10 ArtsCenter friends, \$7 students. Call 929-2787 or visit www.artscenterlive.org for tickets. Proceeds benefit the Orange County Rape Crisis Center and the Family Violence Prevention Center of Orange County.

Kids

Toddler Time – At the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Thursday at 4pm. For more info, call 969-3006.

Preschool Story Time – At the Carrboro Branch Library. Every Saturday at 10:30am. All preschoolers are invited to this free program. For more info, call 969-3006.

ComedySportz 4 Kidz - Games & improv for the 12 & under crowd. Saturdays, 5pm. \$10, students \$8, kids under 5 \$5. DSI Comedy Theater, 200 N Greensboro St, Ste B-11, Carr Mill Mall, Carrboro, 338-8150, www.dsicomedytheater.com.

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

Volunteers

Meals on Wheels – Seeks volunteers to deliver meals and/or bake simple desserts for recipients in the Chapel Hill/Carrboro area. For more info, call 942-2948.

Goathouse Cat Refuge – Seeks volunteers to help with rescued cats & kittens. For more info, call Bonny at 545-2825 or email her at brooze@embarqmail.com.

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

Health & Wellness

Community Grief Support Group, offered by UNC Hospitals' Bereavement Support Services. Group will focus on sharing and moving toward healing in a safe, supportive setting. Mondays through Mar 10, 6:30-8pm. United Church of Chapel Hill, 1321 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Free and open to anyone, regardless of faith background. To enroll, contact Heidi Gessner at 966-0716 or hgessner@unch.unc.edu.

Living with Advanced/Metastatic Cancer – A bi-weekly support group. Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of every month, 3:30-5pm. Drop-in, no charge. Cornucopia House Cancer Support Center, Chapel Hill. 401-9333, www.cornucopiahouse.org.

NAMI Family-To-Family Education Program will host a series of 12 weekly classes for people who have family members with a serious mental illness. Classes offered in Chapel Hill & Hillsborough. In Chapel Hill, contact Gove Elder, 967-5403. Classes begin Mar 4. In Hillsborough, contact Bill or Sandy Moyer, 382-7408. Classes begin Feb 2. Registration required. Email confidential inquiries to gbelder@bellsouth.net.

The Compassionate Friends: Self-help support after the death of a child. Free and open to all. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Evergreen United Methodist Church. 11098 Highway 15-501.

Feelings: What's Appropriate and When to Say It, hosted by Charlie Bernacchio, professor of counseling and psychology. Thu, Jan 31, 5:30-7pm. Carrboro Town Hall, 301 W Main St. Call 942-5602 or email peerconnections@yahoo.com. This meeting is part of the Peer Connections Be Well! Be Fit! program.

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. Tickets \$5.25; \$4.25 seniors, students & children. For more info, visit www.moreheadplanetarium.org.

A Nursery of Patriotism: The University at War, 1861-1945. Exhibit on war's historic impact on UNC-Chapel Hill. In the Manuscripts Dept (4th floor), Wilson Library, UNC Campus, through Feb. www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/universityatwar.html.

Dance

Edsel 500 Swing Dance – Feb 9, lesson at 7:30pm, dance at 8pm. With music by Rockabilly. Visit www.TriangleSwingDance.org for more info.

Havana Nights – Cuban Salsa. 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 10pm. Mansion 462, 462 W Franklin St, Chapel Hill, 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 (Hillsborough).

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

Warren Rochelle will read from his new novel *Harvest of Changelings*.

Literary Discussion /Open Mic

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

Warren Rochelle will read from his novel *Harvest of Changelings*. Thu, Feb 7, 3:30pm. Donovan Lounge, Greenlaw Hall, UNC Campus.

Films

El Camarrón, from Puerto Rican director Ivan Ortiz, will be shown as part of the Diaspora Festival of Black and Independent Film. Tue, Feb 5, 7pm. Free at the Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History. UNC Campus. Call 962-9001 for more info.

Other

VITA, a free tax assistance program for low- to middle-income clients, begins Feb 1. For enrollment requirements and more info visit www.co.orange.nc.us/aging/VITA.asp.

Introduction to Buddhism. Wednesdays, Feb 6-Mar 5, 7:30-9pm. Piedmont KTC Tibetan Buddhist Meditation Center. 35 Perkins Dr, Chapel Hill. Call 933-2138 or visit www.piedmontktc.org for more info.

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to know
about?

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PETS OF THE WEEK

APS OF ORANGE COUNTY — My name is Redbud! I am 3 years old and I am a southern gentleman. I am completely housebroken and do not chew on inappropriate objects; just my rawhides. I love to go for walks and get belly and chest rubs. I do really well on leash. I will lean against your leg to get my head petted. I love to play with lady dogs, but males tend to get me mad. I am ready to play and chill with you. Visit him today at Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill, or call 967-7383. You can also see him online at www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp.

ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Cleopatra is a 4-year-old pit mix who is more than just good looks! She adores people and also has quite a fondness for tennis balls! She'll entertain herself for hours with a ball or toy and her silly antics will have you just as entertained! Stop by Orange County's Animal Shelter, 1081 MLK Jr. Blvd, Chapel Hill, or call 919-967-7383. You can also see her online at www.co.orange.nc.us/animalservices/adoption.asp.