# COMMUNITY



PHOTO BY KIRK ROSS

Pictured above is musician Dave Laney. Last week, a car making a left from Main Street onto Fidelity Street struck Laney's bicycle broadside. He sustained a broken arm and foot. Gigs were cancelled. He's standing outside his home with his cat, Mittens, and what's left of his bike. The accident was one of several involving cars and bikes that have happened over the past couple of weeks. With weather warming and more bikers out on the streets, The Citizen would like to remind all drivers to keep a close lookout and to remind motorists to share the road.

# **Community Briefs**

#### Healthy teeth for kids

The Orange County Health Department's Dental Health Program will host a free dental-education workshop for parents of children age 5 and under on Feb. 20 from 6 to 7 p.m.

The program is hosting the workshop as part of National Children's Dental Health Month. For the workshop, the dental staff of Dr. Avni Rampersaud will explain how nutrition, regular dental visits and proper brushing can lead to good oral health for children.

The workshop will be held at Rampersaud's office at 205 Sage Rd., Suite 202. Participants will be able to tour the dental clinic after the presentation.

To register for the workshop, call Rampersaud's office at 929-0489. A second dental-education workshop will be held March 11 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the office of Dr. Charles Mauney at 223 Timberhill Pl. To register for this workshop, call Mauney's office at 933-1007.

#### Because We're Still Here (and Moving) Fri. 2.15 This Hidden Voices performance maps a world of 8 p.m. African-American history in our own backyard. Tickets by donation Sat. 2.16 Paul Bunyan Tales by Rags to Riches Theatre II a.m. \$7 All, Children 2 and under free Sun. 2.17 The February 48 \$8, \$6 Members, \$5 Students 7:30 p.m. Lori McKenna with Mark Erelli Wed. 2.20 Buy One Ticket Get One Free at the Door 8:30 p.m. \$24, \$22 Members 300-G East Main St. Carrboro.

929.2787. ext. 201. www.artscenterlive.org



## **INSIDE COMMUNITY RADIO**

The ArtsCenter

Always Inspiring

by DJ Doctor Tofu

WCOM LP FM 103.5 is a 100 watt FM station serving the Chapel Hill - Carrboro Community. Each week we present a brief view of the goings-on in the "100 watt wonder".

High Lonesome Radio Hour" Saturdays 3-4PM Format: Bluegrass, Old Time, and Americana music, artist interviews and in-studio guests.

**DJ Jonathan James** is an avid mandolin player and live music fan. He once traveled to all 50 state fairs to judge pie baking contests for Crisco Shortening.

David Bellin (DJ Doctor Tofu) is the host of Carrboro Live! each Thursday 7-8pm. He can be reached by email at WCOM@David-Bellin.com or via the station website: www.CommunityRadio.coop.

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#### **RECENTLY** FROM PAGE I

1935 while establishing in-state residency before receiving a degree at the University of North Carolina. His plan was to return to Chapel Hill and complete a law degree that he was two years into.

"It was love at first sight," Virginia said. Milton, sitting next to her this past Monday, on his 90th birthday, nodded, then smiled, absorbed in the memory.

Milton went back to school, but six weeks into it decided to return to the haberdashery business. He had sold shoes and socks before the war, but now he joined his brother Maurice, who had started selling to servicemen training in Chapel Hill during the war, but was now serving clientele returning to school, at Julian's College Shop.

The conjugal knot was tied on Dec. 31, 1945 as Milton and Virginia were on their way to Florida. A woman by the title of "Ordinary" married them in McIntosh County, Georgia.

"Then all hell broke loose," Milton said, laughing. They had married outside of their faiths, and both Jewish and Methodist families were in an uproar.

Virginia has an answer for everything.

"I immediately started having babies," she said.

"Virginia said when we were dating that she'd like to have a big family," Milton said brightly. She bore seven — five boys and two girls.

In 1947, Milton decided he wanted his own store; nine months later, after exploring opportunities elsewhere, he opened Milton's Clothing Cupboard, adding to what would become an era with seven men's clothing stores on Franklin Street.

"I started out across the street," Milton said. "We were sometimes not so friendly, but were mostly friendly competitors," he said of Maurice, who would later sell his store to his children, Alexander and Missy, who continue it as Julian's.

Milton expanded, with stores in Atlanta, Dallas and Charlotte, totaling six. With his attention on business, Virginia kept up with the children. As their family also expanded, they outgrew every size of apartment at Glen Lennox and in 1955 moved into a contemporary home designed by George Matsumoto that they built on Ledger Lane.

Shannon Julian, the third son, remembers those halcyon days: "It was pretty neat growing up in the tiny version of Chapel Hill. When I was 10, I thought I knew almost all of the full-time residents. I always enjoyed some of the comments about Virginia. Here was this striking beauty driving around town in a baby-

with a mess of kids in the back." Virginia's love of horses, fox hunting and dog training served her well in raising their brood.

blue Buick Skylark convertible

Milton closed the door at 167 E. Franklin St. for the last time in 1992 (it's now home to Franklin Street Pizza & Pasta), at age 74. He sold the Charlotte store to his son Bruce; but he continues to clothe clients, meeting them in their homes or offices, where he takes measurements and, working with a tailor, delivers the goods a week or so later.

"Last week I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Charlie Nelms, getting new clothes for the chancellor of North Carolina Central University," Milton said.

Three mornings a week, the couple rises at 4:30 and arrives as the doors of the Duke Health and Fitness Center open, where they spend 75 minutes working out, followed by coffee with fellow members.

"I started it in 1981 when it was a new facility," Milton said. "Virginia started six months later. Now it's been 27 years, three times a week."

Virginia, 87, stays busy caring for four horses on property off Old N.C. 86 that she acquired in the late 1980s. A few years ago, they enlarged the smaller of two log cabins on the property, sold their house in town and moved out to the farm, up the hill from their daughter Jami and her fam-

Virginia keeps a garden through the assistance of her "adopted son," David Weaver, who stops by regularly.

"They are the most wonderful people," Weaver said. "They're so funny — they're two people with such different opinions and views — it's somethin'."

They laugh their way through their differences.

"In my eyes there's no sweeter couple," Weaver said. "They're extremely special."

Contact Valarie Schwartz at 923-3746 or valariekays@ mac.com.

# Community Calendar

#### Special Events **Lunchbox Concert Series**

— Thursdays, Feb 14-Mar 6. Bring lunch to the Century Center and hear live music from noon to Ipm. Free coffee provided by Open Eye Café. 100 N Greensboro St. Call 918-7385 or visit townofcarrboro. com/rp/cc.htm for more info.

Old Time Dixieland music by The Decatur Street Band. Sun, Feb

17, 3pm. Seymour Center, 2551 Homestead Rd, Chapel Hill. Call 968-2070 for more info.

#### **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 Fridays from 11:30am-1:30pm. University Methodist Church on Franklin Street. Call 967-1448 or email harwellja@ bellsouth.net.

#### **Health & Wellness** Youth Health & Fitness Fair to

promote healthy eating and living, offered by UNC Athletics and UNC Family Medicine in conjunction with National Girls & Women in Sport day. Sun, Feb 17, 11am. Woollen Gym, UNC campus. Youth who attend health fair are invited to attend the UNC Women's Basketball game against Florida State University at Ipm in Carmichael Auditorium. Call 800-722-4335 for tickets.

**Group,** offered by UNC Hospitals' Bereavement Support Services. Group will focus on sharing and

**Community Grief Support** 

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, 111 Cloister Ct, Ste 220, Chapel Hill. 401-9333, www.cornucopiahouse.

**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. Contave Gove Elder,

967-5403. Classes begin Mar 4. 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 adults grieving the loss of a child or sibling. Third Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Evergreen United Methodist Church. 11098 Highway 15-501. Call Julie Coleman at 967-3221 or visit www. chapelhilltcf.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. 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 29. www.lib.unc.edu/spotlight/universityatwar.html.

# We Shall Not be Moved: A His-

tory of the Tillery Resettlement (2007) — A history of the New Deal resettlement community of Tillery, N.C. from slavery to present through archival film and video footage, historical photographs and narratives by Tillery's elders. Thu, Feb 21, 7pm. Free and open to the public. Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History. 150 South Rd, UNC campus. Call 962-

# **Dance**

9001 for more info.

Havana Nights – Cuban Salsa. Ist 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,

Contra Dance — presented by the Carolina Song & Dance Association. With music and live caller Bree Kalb. Fri, Feb 15, 7:30pm workshop, 8pm dance. \$8 donation requested. Please carry a pair of clean, softsoled, smooth-soled shoes. Call 967-9948 or visit www.csda-dance.

#### **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.

## Other

Public Art 360: A Symposium from Seven Perspectives — a national convention to address the functional and aesthetic interaction among public art, profession design disciplines, private development and government. Registration for the April symposium is \$60 before Feb 22, \$70 after that date. Visit www. publicartcollaborative.org for more

**VITA**, a free tax assistance program for low- to middle-income clients runs through Apr. For enrollement requirements or more info visit www.co.orange.nc.us/aging/VITA.asp.

# Introduction to Buddhism.

Wednesdays through 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.

Weekly Peace Vigils. Fridays, 5-6pm. At the corner of Elliot Rd & E Franklin St. Call 942-2535 for info.

## PETS OF THE WEEK



**APS OF ORANGE COUNTY** — Well, hello there! My name is Sweet Tea and I am a 2-year-old hound/shepherd mix. Not too big, not too small, just right at 50 lbs. I am a housebroken and playful lady. I love to romp around with other dogs and play tug-of-war with a rope toy. I love to be sweet-talked as I snuggle up to you as close as I can get. I came into a county shelter as a pregnant stray mama. We were some of the lucky ones; all of my babies were adopted, and now for ME! Visit me today at Animal Protection Society of Orange County, 6311 Nicks Road, Mebane, or call 304-2300. You can also go online at www.animalprotectionsociety.org.



ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES — Bullet is an adorable beagle mix who is around a year and a half old! He is a playful, goofy little boy who loves toys and adores people! He will be a fun dog for an active family that can keep him entertained. In return, he will certainly keep you just as entertained with his silly antics and goofy smile! Stop by 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/animalser-