

School Briefs

Organic garden celebrates anniversary

The Chapel Hill High School Green Tiger Campaign's Community Garden will celebrate four successful years on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the garden.

The campaign has provided more than 200 grocery bags of organic produce and has received contributions from more than 300 teen volunteers over the years. The event is free and open to the public.

Active Estes Hills

Staff members at Estes Hills Elementary were named the top team in the state in the "Be Active Schools Challenge."

The challenge was conducted across North Carolina, with more than 30 schools and more than 300 individuals taking part. Members of the winning team included Courtney Clapp, Kelly O'Hare, Stacie Creech, Christine Shooter and Jes-

sica Booker.

District health coordinator honored

Scarlett Steinert, the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools coordinator for athletics and healthful living, was recognized by NCAAPHERD as one of three outstanding North Carolina healthful living coordinators.

NCAAPHERD is the state professional organization for athletics, physical and health education, recreation and dance. Steinert has been invaluable to the organization in her support of their obesity prevention program, and she has held her current position since 2008.

Parent workshop

The Family Advocacy Network will sponsor a free workshop to help parents understand the difference between typical adolescent behavior and that which

can indicate a need for treatment services on Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. at Orange Methodist Church.

Dr. Karen Graham from the UNC OASIS program will lead the discussion. Today is the last day to register by contacting Georgia Gamcsik at 942-8083 or georgia@mhatriangle.org.

Teen fundraising for documentary

Starting Tuesday, Chapel Hill High School Student Body Vice President Kristen Powers will launch an online fundraiser for a documentary chronicling her decision to get tested for Huntington's Disease.

Her mother lost an eight-year battle with the disease last January, and the teen has a 50 percent chance of inheriting it. Visit twitchdocumentary.com for more information or indiegogo.com/twitchdoc to donate.

Heels continue to improve

BY EDDY LANDRETH
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Sophomore Harrison Barnes is once again emerging as the central offensive force on UNC's roster.



Eddy Landreth

A year ago, Barnes became the player the Tar Heels looked to with the game on the line. He produced time and again, sinking last-second shots against Miami and Florida State. Then at the 2011 ACC Tournament he scored 40 points against Clemson.

This season, he started somewhat sluggishly as he appeared to be changing the basic structure of his offensive game. Now his momentum is hurdling forward at an ever-increasing pace.

He's played his finest basketball ever since third-ranked UNC defeated Texas on Dec. 21, 2011.

Barnes no longer appears hesitant when he drives, and he takes the 3-point shots he gets with confidence.

Junior forward John Henson threw a perfect skip pass across the court to the waiting hands of Barnes in the Tar Heels' 83-60 win against Boston College on Jan. 7.

Barnes calmly drilled the shot for three of his eventual 25 points.

Barnes played his finest game this season against Boston College because of his overall balance offensively and his smooth approach to scoring on drives.

"We have talked about becoming a more efficient player, and he's doing that," coach Roy Williams said. "He's more explosive. He gets up there quicker, and he stays up there longer because he goes higher. We want him to get to the free-throw line more."

"Right now he's shooting over 50 percent from the 3-point line

and 50 percent from the floor," Williams said. "I said, 'Why don't you take the open shot?'"

"If there is a path there, I want you to take it," Williams said. "You can't be Moses and create one if there is not one there."

Early this year, Barnes forced the issue by attacking the basket even when a crowd blocked his way. Now he's weaving through the defense and making difficult drives appear easy.

"There is such a difference [in Barnes]," Boston College coach Steve Donahue said. "Just watch his body language out there. It is so different. First of all, his body is a lot different. He looks a lot better. He has such a purpose to his game now."

"Everything is sharper. He has a sense of where his teammates are. He understands he can slow down when he needs to slow down. That is a good thing for [BC's players] to see. They will not realize until next year how hard it was the first year."

"Harrison Barnes is as talented a player as there is in the country," Donahue said. "I think he gets it, too. He has a nice head on his shoulders. He has a sense of not just playing well but helping his team win."

Donahue said the Tar Heels impressed him with their all-around improvement.

"You have to give Carolina credit," Donahue said. "They are a lot better basketball team than they were last year. In particular, the three kids [Tyler Zeller, Henson and Barnes] who decided to stay around, I think they are playing with a purpose. All three frontline guys have gotten substantially better in my opinion."

Boston College freshman Ryan Anderson said the Tar Heels taught him a valuable lesson.

"Their poise, all playing together for two years, most of them as starters," Anderson said, "I think they are poised in everything they do. Their execution was precise on every play."

School Lunch Menus

FRIDAY 1/13

Elementary: Cheese MAXX Sticks, Chicken Salad Sandwich, Spinach Salad, Tossed Salad, Seasoned Black-Eyed Peas, Orange Smiles, Fruit Cocktail

Middle and High School: Macaroni & Cheese, Homemade Blueberry Square, Seasoned Green Peas, Fish Sticks w/Wheat Roll & Tartar

Sauce, Ranch Potato Wedges

MONDAY 1/16

No School

TUESDAY 1/17

No School

WEDNESDAY 1/18

Elementary: Cheese Pizza, Chicken Caesar Wrap, PB&J, Seasoned

Green Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Blueberry-Peach Crumble, Pine-apple Cup

Middle and High School: Meatball Sub w/Mashed Potatoes, Chicken Pot Pie, Blueberry-Apple Crumble, Baked Sweet Potato

THURSDAY 1/19

Elementary: Lasagna w/Garlic

Bread, Cheese Quesadilla w/Salsa, Turkey Chef Salad, Caesar Side Salad, Glazed Carrots, Fruited Jell-o, Orange Smiles

Middle and High School: Baked Turkey Corn Dog w/Baked Beans, Oriental Chicken, Locally Grown Seasoned Cabbage, Lo Mein Noodles, Oriental Brown Rice, Oriental Vegetable Blend

NORTHSIDE

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Some neighborhood residents cited the car limit as one of the more important regulations under consideration.

"Eight vehicles is a lot of cars coming down the little teeny streets in Northside and in Pine Knolls," Northside resident Estelle Mabry said, adding that every student living in Northside doesn't need to have a car, since one of the benefits of living in the neighborhood is being able to walk to town and campus.

In 2004, Chapel Hill established the Neighborhood Conservation Districts to help limit student-housing development, but according to town staff, developers have figured out ways around regulations. NCD regulations prohibit new duplexes, limit single-family dwellings to 2,000 square feet and limit bedroom-to-bathroom ratios for houses occupied by unrelated residents. Town staff has identified several prop-

erties in the neighborhoods that were developed – within regulations – for student housing with as many as eight bedrooms.

The council also approved affordable-housing and cultural-and-historic-preservation measures as part of the community plan for the two neighborhoods, but Town Manager Roger Stancil noted that the plan is not yet funded.

Delores Bailey, a resident of Northside and director of EMPowerment Inc., said the preservation of the neighborhoods was important, and that the town and the residents should work to find a way to fund it.

"I can almost see us doing car washes and bake sales," she said. "I know that we can make this change, but I know funding is going to be an issue. ... This is how our process starts."

The ordinances will go into effect Feb. 1, following the close of the moratorium, but the parking limit will not apply until Sept. 1 in order to allow landlords adequate time to make arrangements with student tenants.

LIBRARY

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are used, the board of aldermen would hear the public's comments and concerns.

"I think that it would be unwise of us to get in a position where we would be delegating that responsibility. The siting of a library will be a big deal," Gist said. "I think whatever process we choose, it must be one where the public is giving input to the board of aldermen and the board of aldermen is the one making the final decision, or we'll set ourselves up for some unhappy results."

Randee Haven-O'Donnell agreed, noting the backlash from

residents regarding the previously proposed site on Hillsborough Road.

"[The commissioners] were shocked and saddened by the response of the community," she said. "If the citizens were more involved up front, maybe that wouldn't have happened."

Haven-O'Donnell added that she would like for the process to be very open, considering as many locations as possible, including downtown.

"I just don't think the county realizes that folks in and around Carrboro aren't looking for a 'suburban model' necessarily," she said. "That's where I think having citizen input is important."

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Solid Waste Convenience Centers will be **CLOSED** January 16. Normal hours will resume on January 17.

The Orange County Landfill will be **CLOSED** January 16.

Curbside recycling will be collected Monday, January 16 as scheduled. Please have your bins out by 7:00 a.m.

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