

News Briefs

Board of Commissioners

The Orange County Board of Commissioners meets tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 at the Orange Central Senior Center adjoining the Triangle Sportsplex on Meadowlands Drive in Hillsborough. The board will consider a proposal for the creation of a Hwy. 54 Transfer Station Community Advisory Group to provide an update regarding progress on evaluation of the two potential transfer station sites and to provide follow-up on other information requested by the board at the Dec. 11 meeting. Other items on the agenda include:

- the transition of the Orange County Farmers' Market at the Public Market House;
- capital project funding;
- changing the start time for board meetings from 7:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. for the remainder of the calendar year starting March 1; and
- a public hearing on proposed deviations from the proposed 2008-09 secondary road construction program for Orange County.

For a complete agenda, visit www.co.orange.nc.us and click on "Meeting Agendas."

Chapel Hill Town Council

The Chapel Hill Town Council held a public hearing Wednesday to hear comment on several proposed developments in Chapel Hill and other items. Items on the agenda included:

- a land-use management amendment on the non-commercial keeping of female chickens in residential zoning districts;
- a proposed development at 1609 E. Franklin St.;
- the concept plan for a proposed hotel in the business district of Southern Village; and
- the concept plan on Chapel of the Cross renovations.

For more information, visit www.townofchapelhill.org. *The Citizen* will post an update regarding the hearings online on Friday.

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County to institute Secure Communities program

BY MARGOT LESTER
Staff Writer

Orange County Sheriff Lindy Pendergrass announced this week his decision to participate in the Secure Communities program, part of the Department of Homeland Security's controversial Immigration and Customs Enforcement program. The ICE

program has come under fire for using local police and sheriff's departments to enforce federal immigration law and policy. Recently, Chatham County commissioners passed a resolution opposing participation in ICE, following on a similar resolution passed last year by their Orange County counterparts. The Orange County Bill

of Rights Defense Committee, which monitors immigrants' rights, met to discuss the issue Wednesday night and the sheriff will attend Thursday's Orange County Board of Commissioners meeting to address commissioners' and citizen's concerns. Pendergrass' decision to participate in the Safe Communities program does not signify partici-

pation in ICE itself. Pendergrass signed up for the initiative because it allows faster identification of individuals through fingerprints and can verify a person's true identity, aliases and outstanding warrants from anywhere in the country. Pendergrass said he does not plan to use any immigration-status data that may be available through the system.

SNOW
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The Carrboro Board of Aldermen canceled their meeting on Tuesday night. The items on the agenda for Tuesday's meeting will be rescheduled for future meetings. In Chapel Hill, all Town of Chapel Hill services had returned to their normal schedules on Wednesday except for Parks and Recreation facilities, which were slightly delayed in opening. Garbage collection was canceled on Tuesday and rescheduled for Thursday. Yard waste collection was canceled this week.

Chapel Hill Transit buses continued to operate on Tuesday at the highest level possible, according to the Town of Chapel Hill, and operated on a regular schedule on Wednesday. Both Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools and Orange County Schools were closed on Tuesday and Wednesday, with an optional teacher workday for faculty. As *The Citizen* went to press Wednesday night, the schools had not yet announced whether they would operate on a normal schedule on Thursday. Both school systems had scheduled a teacher workday for Tuesday, so they did not need to schedule a make-up day for

A Carrboro snowman flashes the peace sign.

those classes. Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools announced that Wednesday's school day would be made up on Feb. 27, which was originally scheduled as a teacher workday. UNC remained open on Tuesday and Wednesday, though some classes were canceled.

OBITUARY

Nancy Bates Boone

Nancy Bates Boone, 79, of Chapel Hill, died Monday, January 12 at UNC Memorial Hospital. She was a native of Buncombe County, daughter of the late General Jasper and Lou Eva Pritchette Bates and wife of 52 years to the late Samuel Moyle Boone. She was retired from UNC-Chapel Hill Academic Affairs Library as a librarian after 30 years of service. She is survived by her daughter, Dr. Nancy Anne Boone, and partner, Julie O'Neill, of Chapel Hill; and brother, Jasper "Jack" Dean Bates, of Las Vegas, NV. Memorial services were conducted Saturday, January 17, 2009 at Walker's Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Jamie Eubanks. Flowers are acceptable or memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Academic Affairs Library at Campus Box 3900, Chapel Hill, NC 27599. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.walkersfuneralservice.com

Jeanne Peck

Jeanne Peck, founding chair of the Komen NC Triangle Race for the Cure, died peacefully at home of lymphoma on January 18. She was 52. In 1997, Jeanne's determination and leadership brought to the Triangle its first Komen Race for the Cure. A breast cancer survivor, she passionately wanted to help others touched by this disease while celebrating her 10 years

of survivorship. The Triangle Race has grown from 2,600 to 24,000 participants and the money raised has grown from \$100,000 to \$2 million. Throughout her lifetime, Jeanne was known for her warmth, caring and compassionate desire to help others achieve their best. Growing up in Chapel Hill, she developed a lifelong affinity for swimming. As a lifeguard and swim coach, she taught and mentored many children in Chapel Hill. At the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Jeanne excelled at competitive swimming, setting university records in several events. She continued mentoring by managing the women's softball team and offering guidance to the team's young coach, who remained a close friend for the rest of her life. Through her 25 year career at North Carolina State University as a database administrator in Administrative Computing Services and later as Assistant Director in Enterprise Application Services, Jeanne was well-liked and highly respected by her peers and colleagues. She often went the extra mile to help and mentor co-workers. It was common for her to spend hours searching for the perfect appreciation gifts for her staff. Jeanne remained an avid and passionate volunteer with Susan G. Komen for the Cure®, always eager to do whatever necessary, while urging her fellow volunteers to stay true to the original grassroots, inclusive Komen spirit. She was named BMW Drive for the Cure Local Hero, and was the recipient of the Jane Mosley Keep Up the Fight Award and the Maureen

Thomas Jordan Spirit of Survivorship Award. Coach Kay Yow, while in the midst of her own battle with breast cancer, awarded Jeanne her special Angel of Courage pin. Jeanne's extensive curiosity led her to explore and develop many different interests. Among other things, she enjoyed traveling, reading, gardening, music, snorkeling and bird-watching. She had a unique ability to reach out to all, with particular tenderness for animals and small children, and this gentle spirit shines clearly through her photography. Jeanne is survived by her longtime companions Kathy Scharl and Dolores Leonard. Also surviving are her parents, Robert and Elizabeth Peck; brother Richard Peck and sister-in-law Barbara; nieces Cathy Powell, Nancy Bowling and Jody McClurg and their husbands; two great-nieces and two great-nephews. She also leaves behind an extensive family of friends who will miss her deeply. Visitation will be held from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 22 at Walker's Funeral Home, 120 W. Franklin St., Chapel Hill. Phone: 919-942-3861. A celebration of Jeanne's life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 23 at The Barn at Fearington, 2000 Village Way, Pittsboro, NC 27312. Memorials may be made to Susan G. Komen for the Cure NC Triangle Affiliate, 133 Fayetteville Street, Suite 300, Raleigh, NC 27601 or www.komennctriangle.org; or Piedmont Wildlife Center, 304 Leigh Farm Road, Durham, NC 27707.

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