School Briefs

The Echo goes online

East Chapel Hill High School's student newspaper, The Echo, has begun publishing online. In addition to the website, the students also are communicating school news through a blog and a Facebook page. Visit the website at echobserver.com

Art for Haiti

Artwork by advanced art students from Chapel Hill High School and East Chapel Hill High School will be exhibited at The Open Eye Café and the Looking Glass Café in Carrboro. The pieces, part of an Art for Haiti event, are personal responses to the tragedy in Haiti. The exhibit will be held from 2-6 pm on Saturday, February 13. The works will then be sold (prices starting at \$10), and the proceeds will benefit the Red Cross.

Art for Haiti is one of many programs area schools are involved in to raise money for Haiti. The student governments of Chapel Hill High

School and East Chapel Hill High School are hosting a joint benefit at the Century Center on March 7. The benefit will feature several local bands and performers.

Regional music groups

Students from the three district high schools have earned seats in various all-district and all-region musical groups.

Students named to the All-District Band from Chapel Hill High are Sara Aratake, Alex Boyd, Rebecca Clemens, Eric Jiang, Shiyi Li, Yiying Li, Graeme Roberts, Jonathan Schermer and Alex Yan.

Students named to the All-District Band from East Chapel Hill High School are Angela Yu, Emilie Chen, Keila Purnell, Li Zhang, Katherine Whang and Anna Quercia-Thomas.

The All-District Band will perform at Sanderson High School in Raleigh on Saturday, Feb. 6 at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

Students from Chapel Hill High School and Carrboro

High School were named to the All-Region Jazz Ensemble. Chapel Hill High School students are Rebecca Clemens, Alex Smith, Graeme Roberts and Andy Vanderford. Dean Mitchell was selected to represent Carrboro High.

The Central Region All-Region Jazz Ensemble Concert will be held at Northern Guilford High School in Greensboro on Saturday, Feb. 13, at 2 p.m.

Students from all three high schools were named to the Eastern Regional Orchestra. Students from Carrboro High School are Jordan Thomas, Taylor Marlow, Laura Finerty and Jonathan Dolan.

Students from Chapel Hill High School are Sara Aratake, Irene Li, Susan Lee, Jenny Jin, Eliana Rivera, Elana Horwitz, Paul Lee, Andrew Ho Tong, Jenny Lu, Annalee Rigdon, Chisung Cho and Galen Kirkpatrick.

Students from East Chapel Hill High School are Emilie Chen, Eric Chiou, Ethan Chu, Stephan Han, Mary Hu, Alice Huang, Young-Eun Hyun,

Aaron Krolik, Forrest Li, Abigail Lin, Roman Lin, Sandhya Mahadevan, Ben Marks, Laura Molnar, Emer O'Reilly, Chiwoo Park, Lina Sakamachi, Sayoko Sueyoshi, Sophie To, Sirui Wang, Yu Wang and Angela Yu.

The Eastern Regional Orchestra will participate in a clinic Feb. 26-28 at the School of Science and Math in Durham.

Contest winners

Winners of the 2009 Sallie Markham Michie Essay Contest were recently announced by the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Magna Carta Dames. Twenty of the contest's 36 winners are students in the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools.

The purpose of this annual essay contest is to challenge students in grades five through 12 to research and write about historical events and civic and governmental roles in the history and development of North Carolina and the United States.

The contest is funded by the Sallie Markham Michie Trust, which provides awards ranging from \$25 to \$4,000. The contest is in its 13th year and is open to students in Orange and Chatham counties.

Winners are: Matthieu Sieredzki, sophomore at Chapel Hill High; Sophie To, freshman at East Chapel Hill High; Katherine Whang, freshman at East Chapel Hill High; Emily Goldstein, eighthgrader at Smith Middle; Anna Claire Smith, seventh-grader at Culbreth Middle; Nadeem Ramadan, sixth-grader at Phillips Middle; Emily Fox, fifthgrader at Carrboro Elementary; Caroline Smith, fifth-grader at Frank Porter Graham Elementary; Clara To, fifth-grader at Rashkis Elementary; and Ellison Carmichael, Kathik Kaundiny, Clara Breeden, August Moore, Sienna Zueo, Hunter Pearce, Kees Benkendorfer, Aleta Groh Donald, Anne Whitsel, and Annie Huang, all fifth-graders at Estes Hills Elementary.

Meals on Wheels

Students with disabilities in the FOCAL program at Chapel Hill High School participated in a community-oriented cooking project funded by a grant from the Council for Exceptional Children of North Carolina, under the leadership of EC transition facilitator Emily Davis and EC teachers Erin Smith and Dara Heller.

The students prepared frozen meals and desserts for the residents at the SECU Family House, which provides housing for families with an adult family member in the hospital. The students chose what to make, created the shopping lists, purchased the groceries, prepared the meals and delivered them to the residents. They always included a homemade card. Students are finishing out the grant by providing baked goods to those who receive Meals on Wheels.

Davis presented this project at the 2010 Annual Conference of the N.C. Council for Exceptional Children held in Wilmington in January.

FRI 2/I2 — Spaghetti & Meat Sauce w/Garlic Breadstick, Corn Dog, California Mixed Vegetables, Sweet Yellow Corn, Banana Pudding

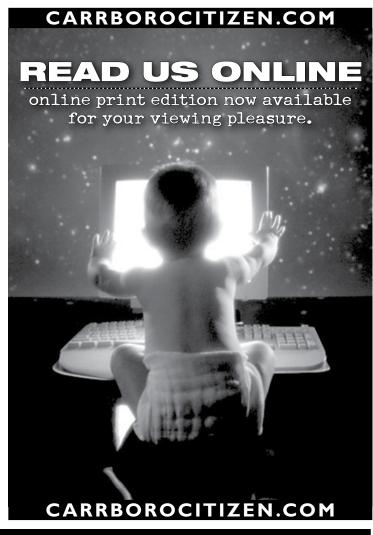
MON 2/15 — Hamburger on a Wheat Bun; Fish Nuggets w/Wheat Roll; Tater Tots; Peas & Carrots; Spiced Apples

TUE 2/16 — Three-Cheese Baked Rotini w/Whole Grain Rotini & Garlic Breadstick; Chicken Fajitas w/Salsa & Sour Cream; "Fun on the Run"; Vegetable Rice; Steamed Broccoli; Chilled Peaches

WED 2/17 — Oven Baked BBO Chicken w/Wheat Roll; Grilled Cheese Sandwich; Baked Beans; Seasoned Collard Greens; Fresh Grapes

THU 2/18 — Chicken Patty Sandwich; Baked Potato w/Chili & Cheese w/Wheat Roll; "Fun on the Run"; Traditional Mixed Vegetables: Chilled Pineapple Tidbits; Chocolate Pudding

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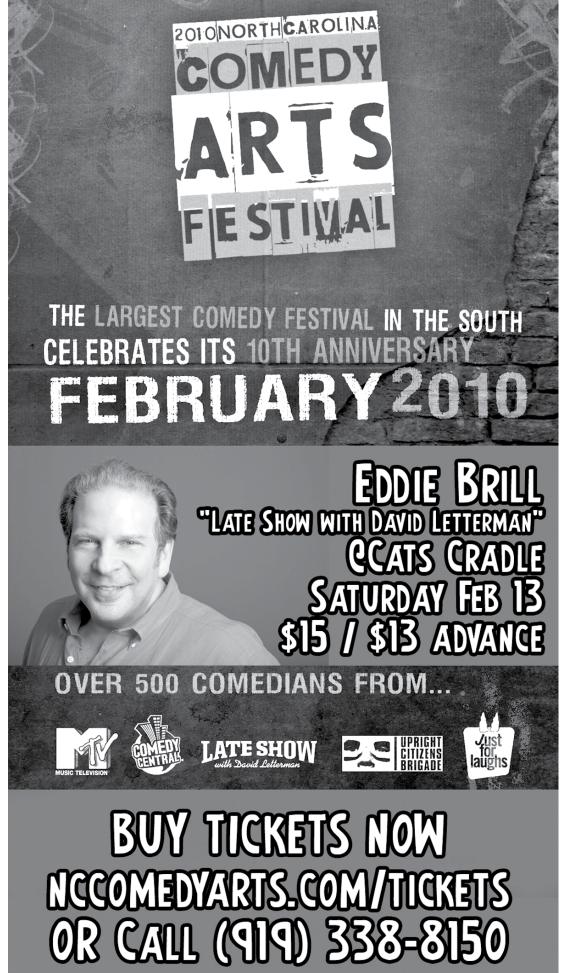
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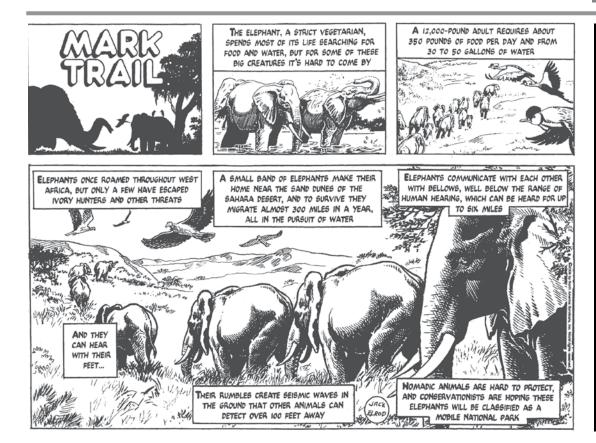
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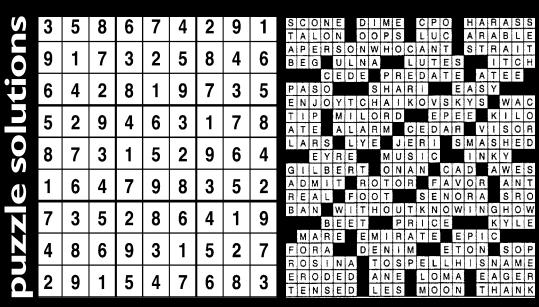


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It's like trying to find a needle in a haystack and each day the needles are disappearing. - Rescue worker Steven Chin, on recovery efforts in Haiti.