

# The Northside News

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## COMMUNITY REFLECTIONS & THANKS

Once again, the holidays are upon us! As the nights grow cold and the lights go up, we asked some of our Northside neighbors to share out a bit of what they're feeling particularly grateful for this year:

"I'm thankful that we have a village of people who are concerned about each other and that we are our brother's keeper. We are a community that looks out for each other and share love with one another"  
-- Thomas Merritt Jr

"2017 has been a prosperous year. Reflecting back on the success I have had with the Jackson Center and Habitat for Humanity bring joy to my heart, knowing that someone cares and loves means so much to me as a senior now living in the Northside Community with little identity. Thanks to all for all that you do. May God bless all of you."  
-- Doris Wilson

"I am thankful for moving into my new home in May 2017. I love the Northside Community gatherings and the diversity of Northside."  
-- Tiffany Watson

"I'm thankful that God saved me! And on November 24<sup>th</sup>, I turned 78 years old! If God doesn't do anything else for me, He will always be my God."  
-- Matrina Morrow

"I am thankful for my family's good health and spirit. Since I am in college at UNC, I don't get to see my family as much. So when holidays come around, I love going home and being with the family and the dog. I am the oldest of 5, so my heart fills up with joy whenever I get to catch up with my brothers and sisters. Growing up I didn't understand the importance of family bonding due to my youthful mind. But now, I can truly see and feel the power of family bonding. I am so thankful for having a loving and caring family that I can call mine!"  
-- Tre'Williams

"My name is Sallie Pendergraft and I celebrated my 99<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. I have been a member of First Baptist Church for many years and I am thankful for my church experience. I have lived in Chapel Hill for the majority of my life and it is a joy to live here in the Northside Community. I am thankful for this community and all the many people I have seen grow up over the years and move forward in their lives as well as the many generations of families that have done wonderful things in and around the community. I am thankful to see this happening in Chapel Hill. I have two children, Christie Adisa, and Steven Pendergraft and one granddaughter Imasha Adisa whom I love with all my heart and am very proud of. I give thanks for excellent health and the ability to still be somewhat active in my life. I worked many years in Holmes Daycare Center as it was known then and the center is still in operation."  
-- Sallie Pendergraft

## WATER CONSERVATION: THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

Using water efficiently in the home can help save water and money. The following tips can help keep your water bill low this holiday season and all year long. **Bathroom—where over half of all water use inside a house takes place:**

- Do not let the water run while shaving or brushing teeth.
- Take short showers instead of tub baths.
- If you must use a tub, close the drain before turning on the water and fill the tub only half full.
- Bathe small children together.
- Never use your toilet as a waste basket.
- Be sure to check for leaks. A running toilet can waste about 200 gallons of water a day.

**Kitchen and Laundry—simple practices that save a lot of water:**

- Keep drinking water in the refrigerator instead of letting the faucet run until the water is cool.
- Wash fruits and vegetables in a basin. Use a vegetable brush.
- Do not use water to defrost frozen foods; thaw in the refrigerator overnight.
- Scrape, rather than rinse, dishes before loading into the dishwasher; wash only full loads.
- Add food wastes to your compost pile instead of using the garbage disposal.
- Wash only full loads of laundry or use the appropriate water level or load size selection on the washing machine.

You can visit [www.owasa.org](http://www.owasa.org) for more water conservation tips and videos on how to save water and money.



IN A SEASON OF THANKS, CONSIDER GIVING SOME OF YOUR TIME TO

## Heavenly Groceries

Heavenly Groceries is an award winning, one of a kind food bank ministry of St Joseph CME dedicated to providing quality produce and grocery items to underserved communities in and surrounding Chapel Hill. The ministry strives to preserve individual dignity by asking no questions of the patrons and cultural food ways by allowing patrons to hand select their own foods. Heavenly Groceries thrives off of a culture of compassion and community, cultivated by food's ability to nurture the body and soul.

Heavenly Groceries was started in 2004 by Rev. Troy Harrison and his wife, Bernice, as a bread ministry. Hunger in and around Chapel Hill has continued to grow and today, Heavenly Groceries reclaims food from local grocery stores and serves approximately 3,000 people monthly.

Heavenly Groceries is open Monday- Friday, serving patrons from 3:30- 4:30 pm daily. So, what can you do to help? Sign up to volunteer at one of the three daily shifts at Heavenly Groceries.

**2:00- 2:30 pm** | **2:15- 3:15 pm** | **3:30- 4:30 pm**  
Pick Up | Unloading & Set Up | Serving & Clean Up

For more info, visit the Heavenly Groceries section on the Jackson Center Website!

You're invited to the Jackson Center's  
Holiday Party



Let's Eat, Drink & Be Merry  
Please join us for a COMMUNITY POTLUCK on  
Thursday, December 14 from 5:30- 7:30  
At the Marian Cheek Jackson Center!

We will provide drinks and kindly ask that you contribute a sweet  
savory dish to share if you are able. Jingle On!  
512 W. Rosemary St

## COMING THIS SPRING: THE PORCH REVIVAL TOUR!

**MARCH 24TH, 2018 | CELEBRATE HOME ON YOUR PORCH!**

### Want to be a Host?

In Northside/Pine Knolls, the front porch is more than just a physical place. It is a restorative space where residents share life history, welcome new neighbors, and celebrate home; a place where many long-time Northside residents have made and continue to make history. The Porch Revival Tour will celebrate and revive the longstanding role of the front porch in building community: a close, connected, and proud community that has grown through Jim Crow, urban renewal, and current housing crisis.

### What does a Porch Revival Tour Look Like?

Over the past couple of years neighbors have hosted pop-up cookouts, hot cocoa on the porch, and lemonade on the porch events. The Porch Revival Tour will be a day-long event during which a house on every block of the neighborhood hosts a celebration of a similar scale at the same time! Imagine: diverse gatherings of Northside/Pine Knolls neighbors (families, long-term residents, young professionals, and students) interacting and moving from porch to porch, enjoying a different activity creatively crafted by each individual host.

Imagine walking down Lindsay St. where your neighbor is grilling wings on their porch while "Before I Let Go" by Frankie Beverly and Maze is playing and the electric slide is in full force. Make your way around the corner and learn from another neighbor how to make delicious banana pudding. Grab an ice cream sundae from a student neighbor on Cotton St. Take a break to swing in a hammock at your neighbor's house on Whitaker St. before your last stop to learn history from your neighbor on Knolls St. who marched in local civil rights protests during the 1960's.

The Porch Revival Tour will be an event where neighbors get to be neighbors. A celebration of the social networks that are crucial to the sustainability of our community. Meet us in the middle, take a technology freeze, and celebrate the reviving space that is the front porch!

You are invited to open your porch to neighbors. Be part of the great tradition of hosting neighbors on your porch or in your front yard. If you'd like to be a Porch Revival host, call the Jackson Center (919-960-1670) or email George Barrett at [george@jacksoncenter.info](mailto:george@jacksoncenter.info). You can even come by the Jackson Center to talk about it!



## ASK KEITH

Ms. Keith Edwards is a lifetime resident of McDade St. and a lifelong advocate for the community. Keith is widely known as a fighter for justice and receives calls from neighbors asking her about programs and referrals for help with household and community issues. To submit questions for "Ask Keith," call us at (919) 960-1670 or email at [contact@jacksoncenter.info](mailto:contact@jacksoncenter.info)

What are resources in our community where young children can receive toys for the holidays?

### Orange County Toy Chest

**Saturday, December 16th | 10:00am-6:00pm**  
**Sunday, December 17th | 12:00pm-5:00pm**

The Orange County Department of Social Services partners many local businesses and community agencies to run the Orange County Toy Chest. The Toy Chest provides an opportunity for low-income parents to select two to three gifts per child to ensure that every child in Orange County has something to celebrate during the holidays. Anyone within Orange County that receives medicaid or food stamps is eligible and parents can be referred from Social Services, churches, and other agencies that serve low-income families. Gift selection is on a first come-first serve basis at the Orange County Social Services office located at **113 Mayo St, Hillsborough, NC 27278**. Contact Serena McPherson at 919-245-2871 for more information.

### Durham Rescue Toy Drive

**Friday, December 22 | 9:00am-3:00pm**

Come to **1201 E. Main St. Durham, NC, 27701** for the Durham Rescue Mission's annual Christmas Community Dinner and Toy Giveaway! Lines will begin forming before doors open at 9:00. After attending a twenty-minute service, you will receive a meal ticket and opportunity to receive clothing, food, games, and toys for kids! One bag of toys per child containing 3-4 gifts per bag. For more information call the Durham Rescue Mission at 919-688-9641 and ask to speak with David Cash.

### RENA Community Center Christmas Toy Drive

**Time: TBD | Please call (919) 918-2622 for specific details**

The RENA Community Center, located at **101 Edgar St, Chapel Hill, NC 27516**, will be doing its annual Christmas Toy Drive this year! Over 150 families received free toys during the drive last year. RENA will start collecting donations of toys and funds from the public on December 1st, and the giveaway occurs the weekend before Christmas. For more information, please call 919-918-2822 or email [rogers.road.cc@gmail.com](mailto:rogers.road.cc@gmail.com)

## COMMUNITY BOARD

11/1	Manju Rajendran	11/22	Olivia James
11/5	Billue Baldwin	11/24	Matrina Morrow
11/6	Eva Barnett	11/29	Belinda Caldwell
11/16	Paul Caldwell	12/4	Corey Edwards
11/18	Sallie Pendergraft	12/27	Paris Miller



*november and december birthdays*



## Party Smart

- 1** Call 911 to report party noise. Police will immediately text or call the registered party and the party will have 20 minutes to end or quiet down.
- 2** Give the party 20 minutes to end or quiet down.
- 3** Call 911 again if the situation has not been resolved after 20 minutes.

UNC-Chapel Hill & CHPD have introduced a new way for anyone who has a concern or complaint to deal with loud parties. Calling in a complaint about a noisy and out-of-control party in your neighborhood will not hurt students or damage their records. In fact, utilizing the new system will help students manage their parties before they get out of hand.

You can reach Aaron Bachenheimer at the UNC Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and Community Involvement with any questions: Email: [bachenhe@email.unc.edu](mailto:bachenhe@email.unc.edu) | Phone: 919-843-5827



## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Holiday Festivities with the Chapel Hill Philharmonia | FREE

Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> | 9:00 am (Open Dress Rehearsal)

Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> | 7:30 pm (Concert)

Moeser Auditorium, Hill Hall

The Chapel Hill Philharmonia will present a free concert on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in Moeser Auditorium on the UNC campus. The program opens with the familiar overture to Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel" followed by a colorful suite from Khachaturian's "Masquerade." Beethoven's "Symphony #2," a cheerful and energetic piece, completes the evening. There's also an open dress rehearsal on Saturday, so feel free to bring your children and stay a while before heading to Franklin Street for the Holiday Parade!

### Chapel Hill-Carrboro Holiday Parade | FREE

Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Beginning at the old Post Office on E. Franklin Street

Ending at the Carrboro Town Hall on Main Street

Come be a part of a wonderful holiday tradition in the Triangle: The Chapel Hill-Carrboro Holiday Parade! Experience exciting sights and sounds of marching bands, vocalists, beautifully decorated floats, and youth group performances. The parade promises to deliver everything the holidays have to offer including elves, reindeer, candy canes, and of course, Santa Claus!

### Story Time, Puppet Show, and Art Activity based on Gingy | FREE

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 am - 11:30 pm

Carrboro Branch Library located inside McDougale Middle School

900 Old Fayetteville Rd, Chapel Hill, 27516

Puppet Show Inc. is offering a family series puppet show based on Gingy: The True Story of the Gingerbread Boy on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The show includes a brief lesson on the types of puppets used and Make and Take activities. Recommended ages for this family-friendly event are 4-9.

### St. Joseph CME's "I'm Every Woman" Conference | \$25 Registration

Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> | Doors open at 10:00 am, Conference begins at 11:00 am

The Sheraton Hotel | 1 Europa Dr, Chapel Hill, NC

Join us for St. Joseph CME Church's first annual Women's Conference on January 13, 2018! The conference theme is "I'm Every Woman" and will be filled with fellowship, vendors, miming, liturgical dance, and more. Reverend Dr Cathy Jones, Elder Rashia Cox, Prophetess Catina Goldston, and Psalmist Marshetta Parker will join for this all day event. The \$25 registration fee includes lunch. To register or receive more information, call Latesha Foushee at (919)951-5534.

### 6th Annual St. Paul Village Community Walk & 5K Run

Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> | 9:00 am

McDougale Middle School | 900 Old Fayetteville Rd, Chapel Hill, NC

Online registration for the sixth annual St. Paul Village Community Walk and 5K Run is now open! If interested in participating, please visit [www.stpaulamechapelhill.org](http://www.stpaulamechapelhill.org) to register. The Early Bird registration special is open for \$20/individual and \$40/family until February 1, 2018. After that date the registration fees will be \$25 (individual) or \$45 (family depending on the number of children). Every paid entrant will receive a free T-shirt.