

**AUGUST  
UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

August 2014



NEIGHBORHOOD **NEWS**

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**Tues. Aug 5 • 4-8:00pm**  
NNO/Ice Cream Social  
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riverstilbury@yahoo.com

**Mon. August 4, 11, 18, 25**  
**2:00 pm**  
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**Wed. Aug. 6 • 7:00pm**  
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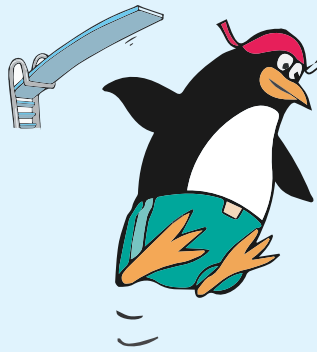
**Fri. Aug. 8, 22 • 5:30pm**  
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**Sat. Aug. 9 • 6:00pm**  
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**Tues. Aug. 12 • 7:00pm**  
ALLIANCE BOARD MEETING  
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**Thurs. Aug. 14, 28**  
**9:30am**  
WOMEN'S COFFEE KLATCH  
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**Thurs. Aug. 21 • 7:30pm**  
POKER NIGHT  
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**National Night Out!**

**Tuesday, August 5**  
**Ice Cream Social &  
FREE SWIM**

**Clubhouse 6-8pm**  
**Free Swim 4-8pm**

**Come meet your neighbors!**

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**Get to Know Your Neighbor!**

**Message from the president**

**How well do you know your neighbors?**

Do you know their names, their pets' names, how many children they have? Do you know when they are leaving for vacation - and when they expect to return? Do you care?

Police have known for decades that neighborhoods where people know something about each other, even just the basics, are safer and require less police effort. We're lucky here in Falconbridge that many residents make an effort to get to know their neighbors. That's especially true of you, the members of the Falconbridge Alliance. You are all part of the network of relationships that makes life here so nice.

Police departments across the country, including Durham, have been promoting "National Night Out" for

many years. Its purpose is to encourage neighbors to get out and meet their neighbors on at least one summer evening. The Alliance is supporting the program this year and will hold the event on August 5. *See details above.*

I encourage everyone to make an effort to meet some new neighbors that night. Falconbridge is full of interesting people and many of them live on your street. So if you can, walk down to the clubhouse and say Hello. The least you'll get is free ice cream, and perhaps some new friends. Both make your life a little sweeter.

— Jim Carroll

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### Children's Corner

As summer comes to a close, and the doors of school buildings begin to open, I offer two interesting articles on mathematical computation. Both articles are provocative and helpful. I am eager for feedback.

• What does it mean to coach math instead of teaching it? For C. J., it means I give him a "mystery number" to think about before bed. "I'm thinking of a mystery number, and when I multiply it by 2 and add 7, I get 29; what's the mystery number?" And already you're doing not just arithmetic but algebra. <http://nyti.ms/1nyw0aU>

• In the hands of unprepared teachers, the reforms turn to nonsense, perplexing students more than helping them. This article provides good insights. <http://nyti.ms/1nnhIcV>  
– Larry Charny

## Board Elections: *It's Your Turn to Serve the Neighborhood*

**Falconbridge needs YOU to join the Alliance board!** This is an exciting place to live, in large part due to the energy and imagination of the Falconbridge Alliance Board, who have put together all the wonderful clubs and events as well as neighborhood watch, and other vital services. This is an all-volunteer board of neighbors who serve a 3-year term.

In October there will be 3 board vacancies as terms expire. Jim Carroll, Lisa Anthony & Mia Prior will be stepping off the board. Do you have a few hours a month, and some ideas that might help our neighborhood grow and thrive? Please consider running for the board.

Do you want to be an active part of your neighborhood, get to know

### Welcome New Neighbors

**Peter and Peggy Brill** are our new neighbors at 6903 Knotty Pine Drive. They moved into their new home in June. They lived in Chapel Hill for twenty years. Pete is an engineer and Peggy is a pre-school teacher. They have two children. Dayna is a kindergarten teacher in Chapel Hill and Nick works for the Disney Corporation in Los Angeles.

They are still getting settled in to their new home. When they have time, Peggy likes to walk and run outside and Pete likes to golf. They were excited to see the Fourth of July parade at the end of their driveway and are looking forward to meeting more people soon.

**WELCOME!**

more people, or have a say in neighborhood policies and activities? Here is your chance!

If you have questions, or are interested in running, please contact: Jim Carroll.

**Elections to the Board will be held at the Annual Meeting Sunday, Oct. 12.**

Current board members will present an annual report of what has been accomplished in the past year as well as a summary financial report.

The voting will take place during the meeting.

More details will be in next newsletter.



### ALLIANCE-SPONSORED SOCIAL GROUPS

#### TRAVELING PUB

For all neighbors  
Every other Friday, 5:30-7:30 p.m.  
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#### BOOK GROUP\*

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#### GAME NIGHT GROUP\*

Quarterly  
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#### GOURMET DINNER CLUB\*

Every other month  
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#### MAH JONGG\*

Every Monday, 2 p.m.  
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#### THIRD THURSDAY POKER\*

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#### WINE TASTING GROUP\*

Every other month  
Ron Hutchinson: [roseron61@gmail.com](mailto:roseron61@gmail.com)

#### WOMEN'S COFFEE KLATCH\*

Every other Thursday, 9:30-11:00 a.m.  
Nancy Laney: [nrlaney@gmail.com](mailto:nrlaney@gmail.com)

\* Must be a member of the Alliance to participate

**Join Falconbridge Alliance**

The Falconbridge Alliance newsletter is distributed monthly to all Falconbridge Alliance members.

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## ● ● **UPDATE:** Alliance-Sponsored **Events**

# Fabulous Falconbridge **FOURTH OF JULY**



The Fourth of July parade and cookout at the Clubhouse were a great success! There must have been more than 100 people in the parade—children and adults—with decorated bikes, wagons, strollers, and even a convertible with the Grand Marshall Charles Cain! The parade started with a fire engine and continued with all the walkers and riders AND a pony!



The cookout (hamburgers and hot dogs) with additional dishes from attendees was enjoyed by about 150 people, with games in the pool for kids after the meal. Free swimming for all!



More pictures are posted on the Falconbridge Alliance Website.

**CLICK HERE!**

## First Lesson



Lie back daughter, let your head be tipped back in the cup of my hand.

Gently, and I will hold you. Spread your arms wide, lie out on the stream and look high at the gulls. A dead-man's float is face down. You will dive and swim soon enough where this tidewater ebbs to the sea. Daughter, believe me, when you tire on the long thrash to your island, lie up, and survive. As you float now, where I held you and let go, remember when fear cramps your heart what I told you: lie gently and wide to the light-year stars, lie back, and the sea will hold you.

— Philip Booth

## Falconbridge to join 31st National Night Out

The 31st National Night Out (NNO) is Tuesday, August 5. This year, Falconbridge is participating. (See details on page 1 of newsletter)

The NNO is a police-community cooperation effort sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch. The idea behind it is simple: The best way to make neighborhoods safer is for neighbors to look after neighbors.

To that end, on one night of each

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year, you get outside and speak or introduce yourself to the people who live next door. That's it. Get to know the folks who are geographically and physically proximate.

Now, to make that task a little easier and more enjoyable, the Alliance is sponsoring an ice-cream social at the clubhouse from 6-8pm. There's also a free swim at the pool for the entire community from 4-8pm.

We'll have some giveaways and such, too, but the real focus is going to be on building a sense of community, of solidifying... Wait a minute, who am I kidding? The real focus is going to be on the ice cream—sundaes, cones, sprinkles, goopy stuff to pour on top and just about everything else you could possibly want to accompany that wonderful frosty delight.

Now, the idea of neighbors looking out for each other rather than relying on 911 or the police is nothing more than common sense. I suspect that most of us here in Falconbridge, particularly those of us in the townhomes, already are acquainted with the folks on either side. But that certainly doesn't apply to everyone, and if the NNO can motivate us to get out and perhaps take a little stroll on a summer evening, then so much the better.

But don't forget about the ice cream.

— *Mike Mayo*



### TIP

Durham is one of the few places that can handle 911 texts, along with conventional telephone calls. It is not something that most of us are likely to need, but it is useful for the hearing impaired and in an emergency situation where talking is dangerous. Also, remember that a text will go through when cell traffic is overloaded or when you've got low bars. The service is available on Verizon and AT&T. It's coming soon to T-Mobile.

### TIP

Close your front blinds or curtains. In other words, don't give passers-by and potential thieves the opportunity to window shop by letting them see your stuff. That's also one of the tips in a nice short video from the West Midlands Police. Search YouTube for "Top 10 tips to keep your home safe from burglaries"



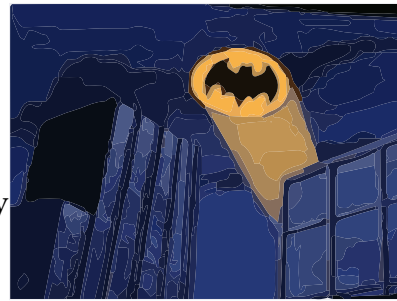
## ● ● *Architectural Review Committee:* Update

# The Good, the Bat, and the Ugly

In response to the recent flurry of email exchanges on the Falconbridge listserv regarding bats and their squatter tendencies we thought it was a story that had, if not legs, then wings, and deserved some further attention. So, if you are running out of conversational material at the next cocktail party, try introducing some of these pieces of information -- while avoiding the temptation to do an imitation of Bela Lugosi.

Findings from a quick internet search include the following nuggets about bats:

- Bats are our friends! They eat tons of flying insects, including mosquitoes.
- The best way to remove a bat from the living quarters of your home is to turn off the interior lights and open the doors and windows. The bat can usually find its own way out. Do not try to chase or capture the bat, and never handle a bat with your bare hands.
- A bat colony in your attic or other roosting place is best removed by a commercial pest controller.\*
- Prevent bats from taking up res-



idence in attics, crawl spaces, or other interior areas by closing or screening off the openings to these spaces. Be sure that any attic ventilation louvers are screened from the inside. (This won't prevent the bats from roosting harmlessly between the louvers and screen, but it will keep them out of your attic.)

- Bats can and do transmit rabies. But, of 561 rabies infections confirmed in North Carolina during 2004, only 28 (or 5 percent) occurred in bats. By far, the greatest majority were found in raccoons, skunks, and foxes.
- The little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*) is the most common North Carolina bat species. A fungal disease called White Nose Syndrome has decimated bat populations in the northeastern US during recent years and has spread to other areas -- recently to western North Carolina. Let's hope it doesn't find our friends here in Falconbridge.

If you have questions about what outside improvements you can make to your home, Architectural Covenants can be found on the Falconbridge Alliance website:  
[falconbridgealliance.org](http://falconbridgealliance.org)

Please click on these links below

[Restrictive Covenants Architectural Guidelines](#)

\* If you have bats in your attic, please refer to our [list of vetted vendors](#) on the Falconbridge Alliance website for help.

You can now buy advertising in the Falconbridge Alliance Newsletter! Low cost, and a great way to promote your business to the Falconbridge neighborhood. Advertising proceeds help to support the Falconbridge newsletter. Email Larry Charny for details [thecharnygroup@gmail.com](mailto:thecharnygroup@gmail.com)

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SAMPLE AD



## Good Morning, Falconbridge!

So you get up one morning and say, "How about breakfast out today?" Of course, you can always go to Sunday brunch at a variety of top notch restaurants, e.g. Il Palio, Acme, Rue Cler, Crooks Corner, Carolina Crossroads, Weathervane, or Herons. But, where do you go for a quick, inexpensive, and casual breakfast with a spouse, a friend, business colleague or the grandkids?

Try Brig's on Highway 55 for a full service, family style meal with large portions of eggs, omelets, pancakes, waffles, and all the extras you could want like bacon, sausages, grits, fruit, and baked goods.

Similar to Brigs and a long time popular hangout with two locations is Elmo's Diner (in the Carr Mill in Carrboro and in Durham on Ninth Street). It too has all the delicious op-

tions and combinations you might want with a more Chapel Hill/Durham ambiance with brick walls, art work, and friendly and efficient student wait staff.

Two classic places almost next to each other on Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd in Durham are Guglhupf and Foster's Market (also in Chapel Hill next to Flyleaf Bookstore) both widely praised that deliver quality food all the time. Both have excellent bakeries to complement your breakfast or take home. Additionally, Foster's has all kinds of specialty foods for sale along with wine and Sarah Foster's famous cookbooks. Wine for breakfast? Why not?

The above represent excellent choices for the family, business colleagues, and friends. Elmo's, Guglhupf and Foster's have a special ambiance for



the university and art crowds. But for a real piece of downhome Americana, nothing compares to the iconic Waffle House, a classic American chain that offers consistent, inexpensive food including memorable pecan waffles, basic eggs and meat, and great grits prepared and served by a very "interesting" staff.

Tell us your favorite place for breakfast or brunch?

— Bob Jackson

## ● ● Cook's Corner ● ● Flavors of Italy

Capri Flavors is a retail store and attached is a distribution center located in Morrisville which supplies restaurants and hotels in the area with an array of Italian gourmet products. Constanzo and Titina Vuotto are the proprietors originally from Capri. (The very name Capri evokes beautiful visions of a sunlit Italian coastline) Their store carries pastas, olives, breads, coffees, wines, vinegars, oils, tomatoes, chocolates, and 00flours for making homemade pasta. There are cooked meats and cheeses in the freezer. Also in the freezers are Tiramisus made by Titina and other delicacies. Bunches of dried oregano hang on the end of the shelves. Basil is growing in an aero-garden, so the aromas of basil,

oregano, freshly brewed coffee and all things Italia pervade the atmosphere.

Cooking classes are organized by Titina in a specially equipped kitchen in the store. There is a large photograph of the Italian coastline on the wall behind the table so when you are eating the results of your cooking class you can imagine you are in Italy.

The website [www.capriflavors.com](http://www.capriflavors.com) mentions that "Titina has published two cookbooks; "Le ricette di Titina" - Titina's Recipes and "Odori e Sapori di Capri" - Aromas and Flavors of Capri. These books are usually accompanied with photographs taken by Constanzo, who has had

two major photography exhibitions in Rome and Capri. "Sciué-Sciué" tomato sauce known in Capri (easier to prepare than pronounce) is a Titina original recipe which is offered the world over on pasta, meat and fish dishes. This recipe is published in Faith Willinger cook-book "Red, White and Greens" published in the USA".

Capri Flavors transports you to Italy within a 20 minute drive. It is certainly worth a visit. **(Capri Flavors 1012 Morrisville Pkwy, Morrisville, NC, 800-861-5440)**

— Rosemary Hutchinson

*[Editor's apologies for misspelling the author's name in the previous issue. Clearly the heightened gustatory sense overwhelmed lexicological judgment.]*

## MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

available for loan to Falconbridge Alliance members through Falconbridge Aging in Place and Falconbridge Friends. Includes walkers, bedside commodes, shower chairs.

**Please contact  
Claudia Stephens at  
919-490-1397 • 919-489-0133**



The Falconbridge Friends Groups welcomes new volunteers as part of our Aging-in-Place effort.

**Please contact  
Paula Clarke at  
paulaclarke@nc.rr.com  
or call 919-608-8560**

## ● ● *Aging in Place:* Falconbridge Friends

### Unable to drive? *NEW* Transportation Services available in Falconbridge!

The Friends group met on July 12 for its quarterly meeting to review current needs and issues. Along with those discussions, members again emphasized the need for transportation in this neighborhood when some of us may be unable to drive. This may mean driving to medical appointments and shopping, special events or social events.



#### Need a ride?

There is now a list of potential drivers who may be contacted individually when someone has a need. This begins immediately! When the individual you contact is unavailable, try someone else on the list until you are able to get your needs met. The [list of names](#) is on the website under Aging In Place and Neighborhood Services. We will operate in this manner for a couple of months on a trial basis. If it seems to be working for everyone we will leave things as they are. However, when we need more regular scheduling, for example for weekly or bi-weekly shopping trips we will schedule for these, and make these scheduled trips available to those who need this help.

#### Need help? Many services right here in Falconbridge

Now, in addition to the Friends group helping neighbors in need, we have medical equipment loans available, airport transport, recommended providers for routine household tasks, and neighborhood volunteer transportation, a pretty full menu of options to help folks remain in their own home when they need help, whether young or old.

Congratulations, Falconbridge neighbors, for your generosity and community spirit as well as your real concern for your friends and neighbors needing help. All offers of volunteering and requests for help may go to Paula Clarke, Ronit Weingarten, and Nona Saling.

—Paula Clarke

**Falconbridge Village Friends** provides practical, emotional, and spiritual support for people who need help with caregiving so individuals and families will not have to cope alone. Falconbridge Village Friends form teams of neighbors, family, and friends who work together to help with health-related needs—temporary or longer-term. These support teams do not replace professional services, but focus on the ways in which friends and family members can help someone get through a difficult time.



### WHY JOIN THE ALLIANCE?

With your Alliance Membership you can:

- Stay up-to-date on neighborhood news with our newsletter and website
- Share information with your neighbors via our listserv
- Look up a neighbor in our Falconbridge directory
- Meet your neighbors at our numerous social events
- Pursue your interests with a variety of sponsored social groups
- Participate in special members-only events
- Feel more secure knowing that Neighborhood Watch is on the lookout
- Be reassured that trained neighborhood volunteers can help your family with transportation, meals and other services if you have a short-term health or other crisis

### CLICK HERE TO JOIN TODAY

Single family homes = \$50/year

Townhomes = \$20/year

## WEB ACCESS

[www.falconbridgealliance.org](http://www.falconbridgealliance.org)

(Falconbridge Alliance) - [Newly launched, constantly being improved, an increasingly vital source of information - progressive and historical. Do visit often.]

[talismangementroup.com](http://talismangementroup.com) (Town Homes)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/falconbridge>  
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