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A majority also recommended gradually raising the normal retirement age from 65 to 66...

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Patrol cautions winter drivers

By LYNN EARLEY
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With a winter storm moving across North Carolina, drivers should use caution when traveling on icy and snowy roads...

"We notice the biggest problem is that people fail to decrease their speed and they fail to increase their following distance," said Wilkins...

Master Officer Gregg Jarvies of the Chapel Hill Police Department said people also should consider taking alternate routes to their destinations to avoid hills or bad roads...

Drivers should stay calm and drive cautiously, Jarvies said. "Some of the people don't know how to operate in inclement weather," he said...

If a driver hits an icy spot and starts skidding, he should take his foot off the accelerator and steer into the skid, Wilkins said. The officers said drivers should take certain things with them if they do plan to drive...

Vehicles need to be in good working condition. "Wintertime is here," Wilkins said. "They should have winterized their vehicles."

Car owners should check their heaters, defrosters, windshield wipers and tires. They should also use antifreeze, snow tires and chains if possible, Wilkins said.

"They (chains) do give you added traction for the snow; they help you move," he said. "But you can't be solely dependent on them."

Additionally, Jarvies said, "They remember to get the snow off their windows but they forget their lights."

Wilkins said the highway patrol would "have all available officers patrolling the roads. But as many roads as we have, it's easy to miss someone."

Above all, he said, motorists should remember, "Safety comes first."



Animals upset local residents

By MARK ANCONA
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A controversy about the presence of wild, exotic animals — such as leopards, tigers and bears — has arisen in the past few months...

The controversy started last summer when two bears escaped from a Chapel Hill farm owned by Ted Green. The bears were safely recovered without incident...

Lori Stephenson, a Chapel Hill resident who has rallied citizens and has formed the Orange County Citizens Against the Keeping of Wild Animals...

"Please think about our children," Stephenson said to the board. "Why should we lock our children up and let a few people own dangerous animals..."

Ted Green, in defense of his animals, said he did not think his animals were a safety threat. "I have got my cats in more than adequate housing," Green said...

"I have got my cats in more than adequate housing," Green said. "My leopards are in a cage with a top on it. They have dens, platforms and plenty of room to exercise..."

Stephenson presented the board with a petition with about 300 names and asked the board to consider the potential danger involved with keeping wild animals...

Stephenson and her supporters convinced the board that some measure had to be taken to prevent wild animals from roaming the county...

"Something needs to be done," Richard Whitted, commission chairman said. "It is the general consensus of the board that something needs to be done, whether it be regulation through an ordinance or a total ban..."

Bill Sheffield, an attorney from Durham, presented an ordinance to the board. The ordinance sets strict guidelines for the containment of the animals...

Jack Griffith, associate professor of bacteriology at UNC said that Stephenson's fears were warranted but that preventive measures are a better solution to the problem...

"We are concerned with an ordinance that would ban all non-domesticated animals," Griffith said. "It (the banning ordinance) would affect animals used for experiments and smaller non-domesticated pets that are not considered dangerous..."

The board will discuss the options available to them during the next few weeks and address the issue at their next meeting.

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