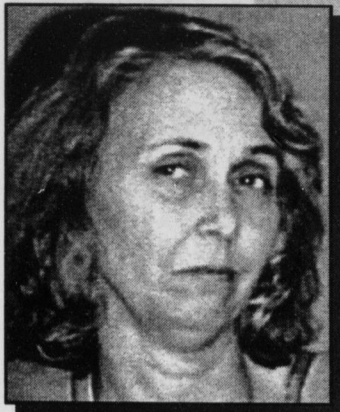


# ELECTIONS Town Council Candidate Profiles ELECTIONS

Chapel Hill will elect four new council members on Nov. 7. Today, The Daily Tar Heel profiles three of the nine candidates seeking to lead the town as it sets new priorities for growth, development and relations with the University.

## Julie Andresen



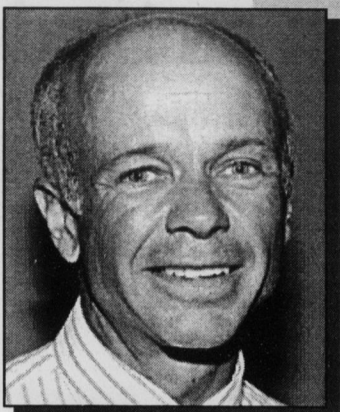
**Age:** 55  
**Address:** 614 Beech Tree Ct.  
**Position Seeking:** Chapel Hill Town Council  
**Previous Experience:** Chapel Hill Town Council, 1985 - 1992; OWASA Board of Directors, 1992 - 1995.  
**Occupation:** Works for Environmental Protection Agency  
**Children:** One daughter, one son  
**Length of Time in the Community:** 25 years

## Chapel Hill Leadership Needs to Listen to Public

Julie Andresen thrives on activity. In the 25 years she has lived in Chapel Hill, Andresen has served on many town committees and boards. She has been a member of the Town Council, chaired the Orange Water and Sewer Authority (OWASA) board, been the vice chairman of Alliance of Neighborhoods (a citizens group), founded Citizens for Livable Communities, worked at the Environmental Protection Agency and the National Institute of Environmental Health Services, coached a track club, served as PTA president at Chapel Hill High School, and raised two children. "I've been very busy," Andresen said. Now, Andresen has decided to run for a seat on the Chapel Hill Town Council after a three-year hiatus from the council. Andresen said these three years had given her a new perspective on town government. "I know what it's like to sit at the back of the room as a citizen with concerns but no decision-making authority," she said. One of Andresen's main concerns is the planned, managed, healthy growth of Chapel Hill, she said. The Meadowmont Development particularly concerns her. "I have tremendous concerns with the project," she said. "It will have a detrimen-

tal effect on traffic on 15-501." Andresen added that the town will have to pay for Meadowmont in costs that will come later, like widening roads, building new schools, and providing fire service, garbage service and other vital services. "The Chamber of Commerce looks at the money that will come in, not the money that will go out," she said. "The town must figure out the effects of development before it comes on line." Andresen said the town had not yet done this with the Meadowmont proposal. Also evident in the public hearings held about the Meadowmont proposal has been the council's lack of responsiveness to the public, Andresen said. "It doesn't seem as if public comment has been fully incorporated in this area," she said. "Public hearings are terribly important." Andresen said her three-year stay at OWASA had given her a new, fresh perspective on working with entities of the town. She said her time with OWASA helped her learn how to be more responsive to the public, an insight she said she would bring to the council if elected. "If on the council, I would work to involve the public in making policy decisions that affect the whole community." PROFILE COMPILED BY ANGELA MOORE

## Joe Capowski



**Age:** 51  
**Address:** 404 Coolidge St.  
**Position Seeking:** Chapel Hill Town Council  
**Previous Experience:** Chapel Hill Town Council, 1991 - present; founding member of Chapel Hill Alliance of Neighborhoods.  
**Occupation:** Computer Design Engineer; faculty member in UNC School of Medicine  
**Children:** Two stepsons  
**Length of Time in the Community:** 28 years

## Council Should Focus On Productive Growth

When Chapel Hill Town Council member Joe Capowski was growing up in Pitman, a small farm town in New Jersey, he said he never thought about stuff like who picked up the garbage. "It was kind of like magic," Capowski said. "I never worried about it." After spending four years on the Town Council, however, Capowski has learned all too well that such things are not accomplished by magic. "I've learned it happens because there are people who want to make sure the town functions well," he said. "So in a way, by doing this I'm trying to give something back to Pitman, New Jersey." Capowski is running for re-election this fall and said his incumbent status was an advantage in the race because he knew very well the people and the issues the council would continue to address. Capowski has served as the town representative for a new cable TV franchise, chairs the Carboro-Chapel Hill annexation boundary committee, is a founding member of the Chapel Hill Alliance for Neighborhoods, is on the planning panel for the Horace Williams and Mason Farm tracts, is active in the UNC-Town coordination committee and is a member of the Durham-Chapel Hill transportation committee. Capowski said one of his main priorities

as a council member would be to assure commercial growth in appropriate locations. "We're growing in people, and the people need services," he said. "Those services are provided by commerce." However, Capowski added that this growth must be carefully planned so as not to damage what he described as the town's three magnets: the University, the hospitals and the Chapel Hill-Carboro School system. "You don't kill your golden goose," he said. "People who talk about residential areas vs. commercial areas are, in my opinion, missing the point," he said. Capowski said the very nature of Chapel Hill would prevent it from ever becoming a commercial town like Durham. Instead, he advocates a system of small commercial areas within neighborhoods. "It could be just a small mom-and-pop grocery store, a restaurant and a bar," he said. Capowski said he was also concerned with protecting existing neighborhoods and the environment, and increasing town services without raising taxes. He added that although improvements could be made, no sweeping changes needed to be made in the way the town is run. "We're doing, by and large, very well." PROFILE COMPILED BY ANGELA MOORE

## Pat Evans



**Age:** 57  
**Address:** 208 Laurel Rd.  
**Position Seeking:** Chapel Hill Town Council  
**Previous Experience:** Chapel Hill Town Council, 1993 - present.  
**Occupation:** Council member  
**Children:** One son, one daughter  
**Length of Time in the Community:** 26 years

## Town-Gown Relations, Transit Are Prime Issues

After two years on the Chapel Hill Town Council, Pat Evans said she had gained knowledge that could sustain her through another term as a Town Council member. Evans said as a council member, one must have the ability to absorb a lot of knowledge. She also said the diverse amount of experience she had made her an effective team player. "I hope the council can continue to build on the achievements of the past, looking to an even brighter future for Chapel Hill," she said. "I bring a broad viewpoint, and I think there is more that I could accomplish." Evans' committee experience includes the Orange County Economic Commission, Orange County Visitors Board, Carboro/Chapel Hill Annex Committee and the Design and Review Board. Evans said she had a list of projects that she would like to continue if re-elected. "I will continue allocating more money to the libraries, funding for sidewalks, funding for Streetscape, and piloting any neighborhood traffic concerns," she said. Evans said having safe walking areas, with more lighting, was also a concern she wanted to address. In the past few years, with the Town Council placing increased emphasis on projects such as development of the Mason

Farm tract, relations between the town and the University have come to the forefront. "As far as town-gown relations, I see the strength between the town and the University must be cooperation," she said. "An example would be the joint planning of the Mason Farm tract of land, and the funding for the new fire truck." Evans said she thought other issues the town and the University needed to address together included transit concerns, daycare needs, park-and-ride lots and bike lanes. "The community is a lot stronger if the community, the University and the businesses work together." Evans said she viewed long-range planning concerns as very important to the community because of issues such as "environment, population, traffic, preservation and developing economic growth." Evans also said that in looking at development, it was important to look at bringing more businesses to the local community. "I have only served on the Council for two years, and I would like to continue working with (Chancellor Michael) Hooker, looking at ways to continue Streetscape, and keeping the downtown vital and safe." PROFILE COMPILED BY EMILY NEWELL

## BCC

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 serious about fund raising and perhaps set an example for potential donors," he said. The executive branch of student government is also interested in getting involved with fund-raising efforts this year, Student Body Vice President Amy Swan said. "We recognize the funding crisis, and we think it's important for different groups to work together on this," Swan said. A meeting of the fund-raising committee

planned for the near future will address not only student fund-raising projects, but also the possibility of placing a student intern in the University's development office, according to Giselle Lancaster, an independent committee member. "The development office needs to change the way it's looking at the BCC project," she said. Marjorie Crowell, special campaigns director in the development office, said raising funds for the center was still a priority. "(We're) continuing to push as hard as we can," she said.

## U-BUS

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 student interest, Presnell said. The source of future funding has not been determined. Student government and the DTP have discussed sources for the U-bus budget, including a student fee. "We will probably see a very, very small student fee put into place to cover the U-bus costs," said Student Body Vice President Amy Swan. If student government chooses to enact a fee, students will probably see the issue on an Oct. 17 referendum, Swan said. "There won't be a fee unless it is approved." According to the original plan for the fare-free routes, the future of the project would be determined by students' reception of the program, Young said. Because student response has been overwhelmingly positive, the program will continue if funding can be found. Officials at both the DTP and University housing said they hoped the project would benefit students living on South Campus. "(We hope the project will) increase accessibility and decrease isolation, especially for those students on South Campus," Young said. "This is something that has been talked about for some time now by (University housing)."

## YOUTH

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 man from Raleigh, began calling his cousin Simba after a character in the film and bought a McDonald's Happy Meal specifically for a Lion King figurine. He said he appreciated the creativity that stems from childhood imagination. "I love Legos," Monast said. "I have two massive chests full of Legos. I can make a whole city out of Legos. You can make anything with Legos." Kamal Wallace, a sophomore from Lexington, said he continued to enjoy watching old cartoons for a different reason - nostalgia. Wallace counts "The Transformers" and "G.I. Joe" among his favorites. He usually watches about two shows a day, either from the new crop of cartoons such as "X-Men" or from his collection of Transformer videos. "There is nothing wrong with watching those old classics," Wallace said. "I like to reminisce. They just made me laugh. It was good to just laugh at stuff you thought was corny." Wallace said he thought the old cartoons were a good break from a bad day. "When I feel down or depressed, I'll look at them," he said. But nostalgia is not the only impetus for

flipping on cartoons. Jason Parker, a junior from Jacksonville, said he preferred the current set of cartoons. His favorites include "Tiny Toons" and "Animaniacs," and he also said he enjoyed the humor found in cartoons such as "Bugs Bunny." "I watch a lot of cartoons," Parker said. "I find it very funny the way they beat up on each other. They drop the anvil on the head. That's in all of the shows." Aside from creativity and nostalgia, some revert to their youths for the security. Courtney Hall, a freshman from Lexington, Ky., said she liked the comfort that Ted, her teddy bear, provided. A good friend gave the gift to her in the sixth grade, and she started sleeping with the stuffed animal about eight years ago. "Why? Why not?" Hall said. "I just do. I was cold one night; he was warm and fuzzy. He makes me feel secure." Those who frequently revert back to youth get diverse reactions to what they do. Hall said her friends thought Ted, her stuffed animal, was awesome. MacLain said she also got similar responses. "They (her friends) just smile and laugh and think I'm cute," she said. Parker said he did not care if other people thought him odd for watching kids' shows. He said others' opinions did not influence him. "I like them," he said. "Maybe that makes me a kid. I don't give a damn what people think."

## Campus Calendar

TUESDAY  
 11 p.m. PRE-LAW FRATERNITY will have a fund raiser in the Pit. Pizza slices for only a dollar.  
 SENIOR CLASS will sponsor a Graduate and Professional School Resource Day in the Pit.  
 2 p.m. STUDY ABROAD will have an information session on Russia programs in 12 Caldwell Hall.  
 3 p.m. SENIOR CLASS will answer any questions concerning graduate school in Union 211.  
 THE GRADUATE SCHOOL will hold the Senior Forum on Planning for Graduate Studies in Arts and Sciences in Union 211.  
 4 p.m. DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP will sponsor a program, "Smarter Monitoring," on the second floor of Student Health Service.  
 6 p.m. CAROLINA CAMPUS CIVITAN will have their new member social in Union 208.  
 6:15 p.m. N.C. STUDENT LEGISLATURE will meet in Union 226.  
 7 p.m. CAROLINA PRODUCTION GUILD will meet in 101A Swain Hall.  
 CAROLINA HISPANIC ASSOCIATION will have a dance workshop in lieu of a meeting in the Carmichael Ballroom.  
 UNC COALITION AGAINST GENOCIDE will have an ice cream social and a discussion on Bosnia in Union 205.  
 JOHNSTON SCHOLARS ISSUES FORUM will sponsor a panel discussion, "Inquiring Minds: The Right to Know vs. the Right to Privacy" in Hanes Art Center Auditorium.  
 CHINESE STUDENT ASSOCIATION will show its first film of the Chinese Film Festival, "Nature is Quietly Beautiful," in the Union Auditorium.  
 GREEN GAMES will meet in the Union Basement.  
 UNC PRE-VET CLUB will meet in 306 Peabody.  
 8 p.m. UNC YOUNG DEMOCRATS will meet in Union 208.

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