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Obama wins, according to kids' vote

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

It might seem that it doesn't matter that presidential hopeful Barack Obama won the 2008 Scholastic Kids Presidential Election Poll. But the poll hasn't been wrong in more than 40 years.

Since the poll began in 1940, the results have accurately predicted the winner of the general election all but two times. In 1948, kids voted for Thomas E. Dewey over Harry S Truman, and in 1960, more voted for Richard M. Nixon than for John F. Kennedy.

Almost 250,000 kids from across the country in grades one through 12 voted by paper ballot or online. The poll closed Oct. 10. Obama won with 57 percent of the vote; McCain received 39 percent.

NOTED. After being fined \$150 for playing rap music too loudly on his car stereo in July, Andrew Vactor of Urbana, Ohio, was offered a bargain.

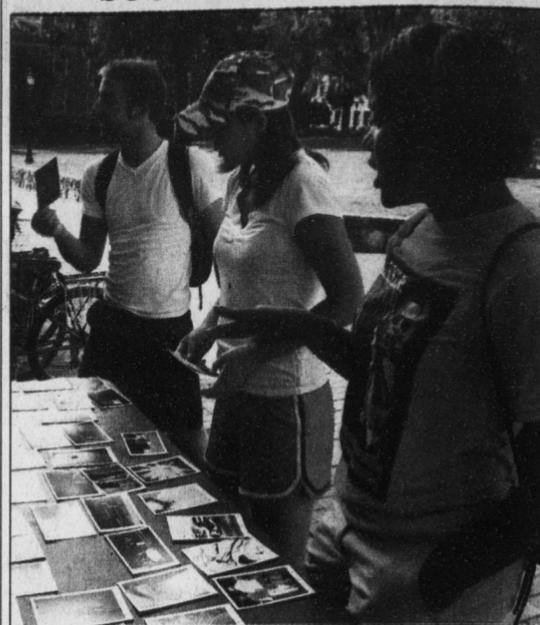
A judge offered to reduce the fine to \$35 if Vactor spent 20 hours listening to classical music by Bach, Beethoven and Chopin.

A probation officer said Vactor, 24, lasted only about 15 minutes.

QUOTED. "The two are completely different, ours is a music and entertainment brand, theirs is a vodka drinks brand, and we are confident that our listeners recognise the difference between the two."

— an Absolute Radio spokeswoman. Absolut liquor company is suing Absolute Radio over copyright violation on the grounds that people may confuse radio with vodka.

SOULARIUM SURVEY



DTH/ZOE LITAKER

Seniors Kennetra Irby, Jennifer Rimbach and Jeremy Crouthamel (right to left) discuss the photographs and questions of the Soularium project. The survey asks questions such as "Which image would you use to describe God?" The survey is being conducted worldwide.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY

Sneak peak: PlayMakers invites anyone interested to bring lunch and get a behind-the-scenes look at its production of "Blue Door." Those attending can meet Tony Award-winning director Trezana Beverley and see the set in progress before the production opens.
Time: noon
Location: Paul Green Theatre

Jazz lecture: Professor James Ketch will discuss the development of jazz in 1958, focusing on Miles Davis' *Kind of Blue*, John Coltrane's *Giant Steps* and the emergence of Ornette Coleman. The event is free for members and \$5 for nonmembers. For more information or to register, call 966-5736.
Time: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Location: Ackland Art Museum

Family day: The Carrboro Farmers' Market will hold a Fall Family Day to celebrate the last Wednesday Market of the season. The event will include pumpkin decorating, a scavenger hunt and broom-making.
Time: 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Location: 301 W. Main St.

THURSDAY

Book reading: Author Clyde

Edgerton will read from his latest work, "The Bible Salesman." Edgerton, a Durham native, is the author of eight novels and teaches creative writing at UNC-Wilmington. A 5 p.m. reception will precede the program. For more information, call Liza Terll at 962-4207.
Time: 5:45 p.m.
Location: Wilson Library

Concert: Come listen to the music of the Chris Reynolds Swing 'n' Jazz Trio with Peter Innocenti and Tony Greco. For more information, call 968-7955.
Time: 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Location: Capt. John's Dockside, 11550 U.S. Hwy. 15-501 N.

Author reading: William Conescu will read from his book, "Being Written," and Diana Spechler will read from her book, "Who By Fire," at McIntyre's Fine Books at Fearington Village. For more information, call 542-3030.
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: 2000 Fearington Village Center

Political meeting: The Orange County Democratic Women will hold its monthly meeting featuring guest speaker Meg Gray Wiehe, policy analyst with the N.C. Justice Center's Budget and Tax Center. The lecture,

titled "Creating a Revenue System that Works for North Carolina," will include a discussion of tax fairness. The event is open to the public. For more information, call Anne Thomas at 929-0547.
Time: 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Location: Binkley Baptist Church, 1712 Willow Drive

FRIDAY

Corn maze: McKee's Cedar Creek Farm is home to one of the largest corn mazes in North Carolina. The maze offers a 12-acre, four-mile labyrinth for families and a two-acre maze for children. There also will be entertainment, farm animals, picnicking, pumpkin picking, ice cream and more. For more information, visit their Web site at <http://www.mckeecornfieldmaze.com> or call 732-8065. Tickets are \$8 for adults or \$6 for children under 10.
Time: 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Location: 5011 Kiger Road in Rougemont

To make a calendar submission, e-mail dthcalendar@gmail.com. Events will be published in the newspaper on either the day and the day before they take place. Submissions must be sent in by noon the preceding publication date.

POLICE LOG

■ Chapel Hill police received false reports of a motorist pointing a gun Monday afternoon on Estes Drive, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

■ Someone threw a rock through the window of a Chapel Hill home and opened the door, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

Reports do not indicate that anything was stolen from the Forbush Mountain Road home Monday.

■ Two incidents of breaking and entering into office trailers on Fordham Boulevard resulted in the theft of \$8,320 worth of items, according to Chapel Hill police reports.

Reports state someone cut the lock on one trailer and stole \$7,420 worth of tools, including drills, a studgun, saw and grinder. The incident also caused \$100 damage to the door and lock.

Reports state that \$900 worth of items, including paint guns and an air compressor, were stolen

from a second trailer.

■ A Carrboro man reported receiving a phone call from his business before the store opened Monday, according to Carrboro police reports.

Reports state that the responding officer checked the business and found no signs of anyone inside.

■ Someone spilled 55 gallons of used cooking oil in the parking lot McDougale Middle School this weekend, according to Carrboro police reports.

Reports state the school's principal informed police Monday that someone spilled the drum from the loading dock outside the school's cafeteria during the weekend.

■ Someone stole an Obama yard sign from a Carrboro woman's house on Westview Drive, according to Carrboro police reports.

The woman reported that a small white car with a loud muffler drove up in front of her house and someone got out and stole her sign, reports state.



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