

Rooms with views

A variety of neighborhoods offer windows on Chapel Hill

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While the window views described here hold nothing in suspense to Alfred Hitchcock's "Rear Window," they do offer an idea of the wide variety of vistas available to home buyers in Chapel Hill.

Wildlife

"There is a greater variety of wildlife here at Camelot Village than anywhere else I've lived in Chapel Hill — and I've been here since 1966," says Marshall Wade.

Wade has lived at Camelot Village twice: once 13 years ago and for the past year. He says he especially enjoys the great heron that sits on a rock out cropping at the edge of the pond. The bird, at four-and-a-half feet, has been dubbed the "king of the pond" by many residents, Wade said. The mature oaks, pines and Catawba trees at Camelot Village attract blue jays, cardinals, hummingbirds, hawks, and of course those pesky squirrels, deer and rabbits.

Although the one-bedroom Camelot Village condominiums are small — approximately 700 square feet — the rental prices are very reason-

able — \$525-\$600 per month. When one of the 100 units becomes available for sale, that cost is also one of the lowest in the area for a place that is within walking distance of shopping, doctors, dentists, and adjacent to one of Chapel Hill's Parks & Recreation facilities.

The most recent unit sold closed at \$62,000 this past week, according to Joel Duvall Properties, the property manager for Camelot Village. The 100 units have 80 different owners.



This view from the balcony of Building C in Camelot Village in Chapel Hill is worlds away from the busy retail life across the street at University Mall.

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