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Weather Friday: high 53, low 39, hum. 83%, precipitation .48 of an inch; Saturday: high 56, low 48, hum. 64%, precipitation 43; Sunday: high 48, low 41, hum. 83% and a trace of precipitation. Monday At 7 a.m. precipitation was .96

S.C. Gov. Carroll Campbell enters the 1990 election year with his highest approval ratings yet according to a December poll by The State newspaper, which found that 89%, of respondents approved of his performance.

The Polk Central gymnasium was full Saturday night for the Madison County-Polk County basketball games. The fans got their money's worth. Madison defeated the Polk County JVs 63-60 for Polk County's first loss. Then the Madison County girls broke open a close game in the second half to down Polk County 68-40. The final game brought everyone to their feet as the Polk County Wolverines won 81-78 in overtime. Both teams had opportunities to win. Polk County is now 10-2.

The Democrats are assured of a primary as Don Splawn filed for Sheriff Monday morning at the Election Board Office

Columbus Native Head Game Officer

Wildlife Master Officer John Blanton, 40, recently has been promoted by the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission to the rank of sergeant and has been assigned to Henderson County.

Sergeant Blanton will be responsible for coordinating the enforcement of game, fish, and boat laws in Transyvlania, Hendrson and Polk counties.

A native of Columbus, Blanton graduated from Polk Central High School in 1967. He joined the Wildlife Resources N.C. Commission in 1977 and has been stationed in Lawndale in Cleveland County prior to his promotion and transfer to Henderson County

"We're pleased to make this appointment," said Colonel W. H. Ragland of the Wildlife Commission's Division Enforcement. "John Blanton is an excellent wildlife officer, and we're sure he will do a fine job in his new role."

Sergeant Blanton will live in Hendersonville.

Bible Studies Resume

The Bible Study Group meeting at the home of Rev. Ray Weber, 129 Wilderness Rd., Tryon each Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 will resume their studies by examining St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians. These classes are open to all, and any interested student of the Word is cordially invited to attend.

Splawn Announces For Polk Sheriff



H. Don Splawn of Peniel Road in Columbus filed Monday morning his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff of Polk County.

Splawn, a wholesale distributor and supplier with Biltmore Dairies for 23 yrs., is married to the former Hazel McIntyre. They have two children.

The Splawns are members of Peniel Baptist Church. He serves as a member of the Polk County Rescue Squad and he served two years in the U.S. Army.

Splawn was the chief jailer with the Polk County Sheriff's Department from 1982-88.

He is presently employed with Freeman-Wood Construction of Greenville

Upstairs Writers

After two postponments because of threatening weather, The Upstairs Writers Group will meet tonight, 7:30, at The Upstairs. Please use parking lot entrance.

Landrum Seniors **Vote Superlatives**

The Landrum High School Class of 1990 has named its "superlative" students. The seniors chose the following classmates:

Most Scholarly: Eric Nodine, Martha Pryor.

Most Talented: Gary Sherman and Kathryn Meador.

Most School Spirit: Michael Mills and Tricia Shults.

Best Sense of Humor: Eric Horton and Jennifer Brooks

Most Friendly: Billy Littlefield and Sandra Burnette.

Best Dressed: Shannon Smith and Chris Belue.

Best Personality: Craig Allison and Kathy Wright.

Biggest Flirt: John Doar and Jennifer Nanney.

Most Likley To Succeed: Jay Langford and Kim Branch. Most Athletic: James Miller

and Tiffany Blanton.

Most Dependable: Randy Morris and Stacie Jennings.

Best All Around: Paul Jones and Sandy Morris.

Green Blades Garden Club

On Thursday, Jan. 11 the Green Blades Garden Club will meet at the Mural Room in the Tryon Fine Arts Center at 1:30 p.m. The program "Wales and England" a House and Garden tour film will presented by Jane Shumacher. The hostesses are Sheila Bessell and Marie Louise Woody.

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