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## School Budget Turns Into Numbers Game

The proposed budget for Polk County Schools has turned into a numbers game between the Board of Education and the County Board of Commissioners.

The Polk County Schools proposed 1990-91 budget requests \$2,138,470, broken down into \$1,979,920 for current expenses and \$158,550 for capital outlay. However, the Polk County Manager's proposed county budget provides only \$1,685,132.

County Manager Steve Wyatt says that his proposal gives the schools a 4% increase over last year's budget. Whereas, Superintendent Dr. James Causby says that the county proposal is a 5% decrease from last year's budget.

Both budget makers arrived at correct percentages, but based on different bottom line figures. Wyatt's bottom line concerns only the cost of current expenses. Last year the Polk County Commissioners allocated \$1,620,320 for current expenses. Wyatt's proposal for the 1990-91 fiscal year allots \$1,685,132, which correctly represents a 4% increase over last year's current expense allotment.

Dr. Causby's negative 5% figure is based on total county funds allocated for 1989-90 fiscal year. In overall county funds for the schools, which includes capital outlay, the 1988-89 budget was a 9% cut from the previous year's budget, and the 1989-90

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## Engaged



Miss Jennifer Hartman

Dr. George Hartman and Mrs. Linda Feagan announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jennifer Hartman to David R. Lanzi, son of Ms. Kay Lanzi of Boca Raton, Florida. The couple is to be married on November 23rd, 1990 at the Holy Cross Episcopal Church, Tryon, North Carolina.

## Elected to Converse Honor Society

Angela Lee Frazier was elected into membership in the Gamma Sigma Society, the honorary scholarship society of Converse College.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel I. Frazier of Landrum. A dean's list scholar, she is double-majoring in French and psychology.

## Green Creek Fire Dept.

The annual meeting of Green Creek Fire Dept. will be held Sunday, June 3rd at 2 p.m. at the fire house. The purpose of the meeting is to elect a Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief and Board of Directors.

## Cookout

Fraternal Order of Police Cookout, June 2, 1990 from noon-6 p.m. At the log cabin at Harmon Field. All members and their families invited. Don't forget the desserts!!

## Bible School At Faith Baptist

Vacation Bible School for Faith Baptist Church, Hwy. 9 North, Mill Spring will be held June 3-8 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

For information call 894-8063. There will be classes for all ages, nursery through adult.

## Unitarians Meet At Youth Center

The Thermal Belt Unitarian Fellowship will hold its next service on Sunday, June 3rd at 10:30 AM at the Tryon Youth Center on Rt. 176 Paolet Valley. Service will continue to be held at the Youth Center on the first and third Sunday of each month.

For information call 894-2313 or 859-9819. — Reporter

Weather Wednesday: high 79, low 53, 70 percent hum.

Tonight, Saturday night and Sunday afternoon, the Tryon Theater is bringing a classic picture to the screen, "Cat On A Hot Tin Roof," with Paul Newman as Brick and Elizabeth Taylor as Maggie "The Cat."

A lot of towns the size of Tryon don't have the luxury of viewing just-released hits at a theater within walking distance.

It's not been a real money-making proposition for theater owners to try to stay open in more rural areas, as big city, multi-screen, air-conditioned theaters have drawn the crowds.

But Tryon Theater owners Bill and Anne Crowell have overcome the odds and done just that, running projectors and selling popcorn most nights instead of relaxing at home.

All well and good, except for the hole in the roof. The roof on the theater building must be repaired soon, but the cost of the project could be the straw that breaks the Crowells' backs.

Believing, as we do, that movie buffs and community-minded residents want to be sure the

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