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The weather Wednesday: It was the hottest day of the year so far, according to Robert Dedmond's official thermometer — 98 degrees. The night time temperature dropped 30 degrees, however, to a cool 68. The humidity was 52 percent.

Cooler weather and thunderstorms were predicted to end the siege of hot weather this weekend.

Hendersonville barely escaped the imposition of water restrictions thanks to a bit of rain which fell last weekend, the city's water director said Thursday.

Our "green pledge" idea for this Friday involves saving water. Manufacturers are making toilets which flush much less water these days, and that's great.

But the millions of us with older models can still save water. When you're through with that 2-liter bottle of soda, refill it with water, put the cap on, and set it inside the tank at the back of your toilet.

Each flush from then on will use 2-liters less water. You'll save money on your water bill and preserve yet another precious resource we're only

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Motorcycle Chase Began In Columbus

Columbus Police Chief Billy Stepp attempted to stop a motorcycle on Hwy. 108 near the Western Steer last Friday night.

The rider wasn't wearing a helmet and there was no tail light.

However, it wasn't until many miles later, and not until after two Highway Patrol cars were damaged, that the motorcyclist was stopped, Polk County Sheriff Boyce Carswell said.

Michael Cantrell of Landrum was charged with driving after his license was revoked, speeding, failing to stop for a blue light, and driving under the influence, Carswell said.

Cantrell was injured when his motorcycle sideswiped a police cruiser and was treated at Spartanburg Regional Hospital for a broken ankle and some cuts, Carswell said.

Stepp and two highway patrolmen chased Cantrell from Columbus, down I-26 to Landrum, down Hwy. 14 to Collinsville Road, to Hwy. 9 toward Spartanburg before finally stopping him near the South Carolina border, Carswell said.

Sales, Use Tax

Polk County collected \$75,765 from the 2 percent local sales and use tax in May, the North Carolina Department of Revenue reports.

Rutherford County collected \$506,798, Henderson \$742,225 and Buncombe \$2.58 million.

Jones Completes Basic Training



Airman Ronnie A. Jones has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

He is the son of Lester B. and Leona A. Jones of 1831 Granite St., Hendersonville, N.C.

His wife, Leah, is the daughter of Frank and Sadie McKaig of 210 Rippy Road, Tryon, N.C.

The airman is a 1988 graduate of West Henderson High School.

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On Dean's List

Several Campobello and Landrum students were named to the dean's list at Spartanburg Technical College for the spring quarter.

They are: from Landrum, Glen Wade, studying industrial electronics technology, and Rosemary Woodson, ward secretary; and from Campobello, Robert Towery, marketing, Richard Ruebush, civil engineering technology, and Gregory Walker, machine tool technology.

Chesnee Man Charged With 8 Break-Ins

Rutherford County police arrested 27-year-old Robert Louis Collier of Shady Ford Road in Chesnee Wednesday after receiving a call about a break-in off Hwy. 108 on Union Road, Polk County Sheriff Boyce Carswell said Thursday.

When the officers stopped Collier they found stolen items from Polk County, where four break-ins occurred Wednesday in Green Creek, Peniel Road and Pea Ridge.

Meanwhile, Spartanburg County deputies had warrants to search two houses in Chesnee connected with the suspect and recovered more stolen items on Wednesday.

Collier, who is now in Polk County jail, faces eight breaking-and-entering charges in Polk County alone, Carswell reported.

Carswell said the arrest of
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