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The weather Thursday was rainy — very rainy. Bob Richardson of Blue Ridge Weavers in Tryon measured five inches of rain in his gauge in Morgan Chapel Village outside Columbus.

Our regular weather reporter, Robert Dedmond, measured 4.93 inches of rain at his gauge on South Trade Street in Tryon.

Two local architects were also measuring during the night. Mike Derrick of Columbus and Kelly Murphy of Hunting Country, Tryon were up around 2 a.m. counting the seconds between the time they saw lightning until they heard the thunder.

Using the speed of sound to figure, one second equals one mile, Derrick figured the lightning was eight miles away. Murphy calculated four miles distance. The next morning they compared notes and decided it had passed in between their two homes.

Richardson said wherever the lightning and thunder was, it sure lasted a long time.

The high Thursday was 88, the low 71, and the humidity 75 percent. The low last Wednesday 65.

It is after Labor Day and the  
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## St. Luke's Hospital Receives \$1 Million

St. Luke's Hospital has received a \$1 million donation from a trust fund established under the Last Will and Testament of Walter Scott Green. Green, one of the founding hospital board members, participated in the 1928 signing of the original hospital charter. He died in the mid '50s, leaving several beneficiaries.

At the time of his death, Greene's estate was valued at about \$155,000, and his will named St. Luke's Hospital as the final beneficiary. The hospital has accepted the corpus of the trust, which after years of investment by trust officers, now totals \$1 million.

"The donation, our largest to date, will be placed in the hospital's endowment account," stated Joseph Claud, chairman of the hospital board, "bringing our total endowment fund to over \$3 million."

"The trustees feel it is very important for the endowment to continue to grow," continued Claud, "particularly in light of the heavy Medicare percentage at St. Luke's. Trustees are now considering plans to increase the endowment fund. Continued growth will ensure our success in meeting the healthcare needs of the community during an era of dramatic improvements in technology, changes in the delivery of care, and the restrictive government payment  
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## At Rotary



Mrs. Vera H. Guise, Founder and President of Alzheimers's Association of Western N.C., Inc., which is the fifth largest in the nation, will present a program Sept. 10 to the Tryon Rotary Club about new developments in diagnosis, treatment, care and possible new discoveries in the field.

She has a BA in psychology from UNC Asheville and is a candidate from MA in Public Affairs at Western Carolina University. she has worked at Smokey Mountain Mental Health Center, The Blue Ridge Community Mental Health Center in Asheville and Appalachian Hall Hospital.

Her honors include Woman of the Year, Governor's Commission on the Status of Women for 1983, and Distinguished Women of Buncombe County for 1984.

She is married, has 4 children and 1 grandchild.

Mrs. Guise will be introduced to the Rotary Club by William McLennan, who lives in Tryon and is on the Board of Directors of the Alzheimer's Association.

## Sea Captain To Speak At Kiwanis

The scheduled meeting of the Tryon Kiwanis Club at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 4 at the Western Steer Steakhouse in Columbus will feature Captain Esko Pattrakka as guest speaker.

Capt. Pattrakka was born in Enso, Finland which is now part of the USSR. His family moved to Ittla Finland which is Central Finland where he grew up and attended school. After serving in the Finnish Navy, he attended Navigation School in Finland. He started his career as a deck boy and now serves as Captain on the large boat carrier Puhos.

During his career he served in capacities on general cargo, boat carrier and container ships and in 1981 he served as Port Captain in United Arab Emirates.

His wife, Sandy was born in the Twin Cities area of Minnesota. They lived in Helsinki for 20 years where she taught school in a Finnish American School system. They currently live in Mill Spring.

Esko is a hobby blacksmith. Frank Giordano is in charge of the program.

## Landrum V.F.W.

Landrum V.F.W. Post No. 4873 will have business meetings 1st Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

Meetings will be at 408 S. Shamrock Ave., formerly Hall's Garage.