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The weather Monday: high 62, low 32, hum. 58 percent.

Demus Chapman was working in his wood shop recently when he can across a piece of oak with a knot in it which resembles a monkey's face plain as day. Chapman, who will have lived in Tryon for 72 years in April, framed the wood block and has hung it in his home.

It's Super Saturday in Tryon this Saturday, when the Children's Theater Festival brings numerous performers to town.

The Tryon Congregational Church will continue its 100th anniversary year celebration with a Bach Festival Sunday, March 17 at 4 p.m. The concert will be directed by Joseph Erwin, minister of music.

Dr. Andy Rogers will offer a lecture on *William Butler Yeats: An Irish Voice in Poetry* Sunday, March 17 at 2:30 p.m. at the Lanier Library.

The Foothills/NCNB Horse Trials will be held at FENCE this weekend, March 16 and 17.

Bette Frost had this definition to share Tuesday: An optimist is someone who sets aside two hours to do his income tax returns.

It's Official! Polk County High

The new high school was officially named Polk County High School by the Board of Education Monday.

However, the board postponed naming the new elementary/middle school that will be at Polk Central.

Polk County High School was suggested most (136) on the "Name Our New Schools!" forms sent out through students and local businesses, followed by Bryan Womack High School (44) and Tony Waldrop High School (26).

"I'm pleased with Polk County High School myself," said school board chairman Georgia Pack.

The School Name Committee suggested that since there was such interest in Bryant Womack and Tony Waldrop that the school board might consider naming a building or area of the new high school after them, Superintendent James Causby said.

Womack was a World War II hero from Polk County who received the Congressional medal of honor. Tony Waldrop was a Polk Central graduate and model student who made a name for himself in track at the University of North Carolina in the 1970's.

Board member Geoffrey Balkam, who was a member of the School Name Committee, reported that he was quite pleased with the hard work of

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Cameron Fitch Plays Lead in "Carousel"



Cameron Fitch, who is an AFS Exchange student in New Zealand has been chosen to play the lead in "Carousel". The musical is being put on by joint colleges in Wellington - St. Patrick's College for Boys, where Cameron is going to school, and St. Catherine's Girls College.

The production, already in rehearsal, will take place about three weeks before Cameron returns home at the end of June. Cameron is playing the role of Billy Bigelow, which has special sentiment for his parents, Stephen and Christine Fitch, as Billy was Stephen's first leading role on Broadway. He ultimately played Billy for over 1500 performances.

Cameron, who has been seen in many TLT, Barn Door, and Tryon Youth musicals, won his role in open auditions and is very thrilled to be doing it.

No Public Hearing For Tuition Issue

There was no second Monday night to a motion by School Board member Geoffrey Balkam requesting a public hearing within the next two months on the issue of higher tuition for South Carolina students attending Polk County Schools.

"The board asked me to look into it (the issue of charging higher tuition) and I have," Balkam said. "I think there is justification to hear what the county has to say about the issue."

"I'm not in favor of it," said board chairman Georgia Pack. "The South Carolina student policy we have now was looked into and discussed and I'm not in favor of a public hearing."

Balkam pointed out that South Carolina is going to \$4,000 for tuition for out-of-state students. He added that Spartanburg District One allows Lake Lanier students to go to Landrum schools and they are given a tax subsidy by Greenville County.

"I don't know what you all are afraid of, to open this up to public sentiment," said Balkam. "If after the hearing takes place and the board feels the same way, then I'll back off," he said.

"You say you're surprised we (the rest of the school board) say no; we're surprised you would suggest a public hearing," said Phillip Feagan.

Feagan pointed out that he has been part of public hearings in
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