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The weather Monday, high 88, low 65, hum. 62 percent.

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We heard recently from the cool, breezy Fisher Island, Fla., where Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bandler are languishing while we swelter. There the newspaper of record, The Miami Herald, of course, is writing about how nice it is to visit in the Asheville area!

Richard Bandler sent along a clipping in which the writer traces the literary steps of Thomas Wolfe, Carl Sandburg and the Flat Rock Playhouse.

It's true that we always think the grass is greener. Keep the grass. Give me a breeze.

What's happening:

The St. Luke CME Church will hold a chicken and lamb dinner June 13 at 6 p.m.

The Polk County Planning Commission meets Thursday, June 13 at 7:30 in the courthouse courtroom.

The Tryon Town Council meets Monday, June 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the town hall.

U.S. Rep. Charles H. Taylor will visit Tryon and Columbus on Monday, June 17. In addition to speaking at the Tryon Rotary at noon, and the Association of County Taxpayers

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Budget Process Never Finalized Until After Public Hearing

Though the marathon budget sessions of the Polk County Board of Commissioners is open to the public, no agreements made during any one work session is final.

"Anything can happen and probably will," said commissioner Tim McCormack of any proposals included in the working budget.

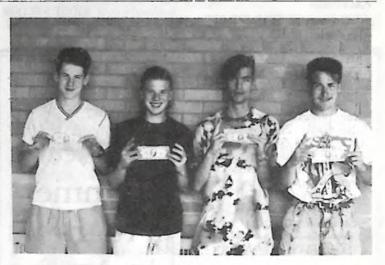
Legally the county commissioners cannot formally approve anything decided on in the budget sessions, McCormack explained. In addition, anything decided during the budget session can change from day to day and even minute to minute, he said.

By law, any approval voiced by the commissioners during such a budget work session is not official, he pointed out. Official approval of the 1991-92 county budget will not come until after the June 17 6 p.m. public hearing on the budget, McCormack said.

Depending on the length of the public hearing, the commissioners will either give final approval to the budget in open session immediately following the hearing or they will set a special meeting prior to July 1, McCormack said.

Any salary increases or additional personnel discussed during these work sessions are not

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Scale Models Put To The Test

For the past few weeks the students in Becky Schneider's drafting class at Polk Central High School have been designing their own truss bridges. After coming up with a design they each built a scale model of their designs. Once the bridges were completed the students tested their bridges for efficiency by hanging weights from them. They added weights until the bridge collapsed. First place was awarded to Keith Nelon. Jesse Juenger won second place. The tie for third place was between Chad Bailey and Chad Edwards. Cash prizes were donated by Holland Brady, Anton Cedervall and Ralph Sherer, who are all local architects. Students learned a great deal about designing processes and developing efficient designs. Shown in the photo are, left to right, Edwards, Bailey, Juenger and Nelon. —Becky Schneider, Drafting Instructor

Pressure Canners Checked

Dial-type pressure canners are checked for correct pounds of pressure at the Polk County Cooperative Extension Service office in Columbus. This should be done every year as your canner gets older. This service is free of charge. It is not necessary to check pressure canners

with a weighted gauge. Call Home Economist, Eloise Johnson, to make an appointment. You will need to bring the lid only and it only takes about 20 minutes. Call 894-8218, Monday - Friday, 8:30-noon, 1-5 p.m.

-Community Reporter