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The weather Tuesday: high 78, low 64, hum. 62 percent, and by 7 a.m. Wednesday .34 inches of rain had fallen.

The first class is now meeting for the Seniors Health Insurance Information Program. A group of volunteers are being specially trained by the N.C. Department of Insurance to help retired persons with their health insurance problems.

They will not sell anything.

If you need help with some of your insurance questions, call Margareta Greene at The Meeting Place, 859-9707, and she will help schedule a meeting for you with a counselor.

What's happening:

The Bigelow-Sanford Inc. plant, 300 Landrum Mill Road in Landrum, will celebrate its 35th anniversary with an open house from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, August 18.

The Polk County Board of Commissioners will meet Monday, August 19 at 3 p.m. at the courthouse annex.

The Polk County Republicans will hold their annual BBQ Picnic August 24, starting at 6 p.m.

The price for the Tryon Thermal Belt Chamber of

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August 24 Is Buck Ford Day

The Town of Columbus will join with the U.S. Army in celebrating the accomplishments of Edward E. 'Buck' Ford on August 24.

By proclamation passed last week, the Town Council declared August 24 to be 'Buck' Ford Day in Columbus.

That is the day that Ford, born April 23, 1920 in Mill Spring, will be awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, 46 years and 7 months after being wounded in World War II.

Ford was inducted into the U.S. Army March 12, 1941 and was assigned to Battery C 81st AB AA Bn 101st ABN. He qualified as a marksman with the M1 Rifle on June 6, 1942 and received Glider Wings Sept. 18, 1944.

During his time of service, he was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the European African Middle Eastern Theater Campaign Ribbon with three Bronze Stars.

He was wounded twice on Jan. 4, 1945. He was recommended for both the Congressional Medal of Honor and Distinguished Service Cross, but has never received either one.

Red Fox Bridge

Ladies Bridge at Red Fox Tuesday results are: 1. Trudy Kohlbry; 2. Wendy Carder; 3. Buna Karney; 4. Kathleen Glunz.



Beth Laughridge

Laughridge Honored As 'Point Of Light'

Beth Laughridge of Landrum has been recognized for her volunteer work as a "County Point of Light."

She was presented a certificate of recognition by the Spartanburg County Council in a ceremony Wednesday.

Beth is one of more than 800 volunteers nationwide recognized by the National Association of Counties (NACo).

Her photo is included in a recently published book, "County Points of Light," presented to President George Bush and the National Points of Light Foundation.

President Bush, when campaigning for President in 1988, referred to "1,000 points of light," average citizens who contribute to their community and country through volunteer-

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Postmaster At Convention

Columbus Postmaster Pat Kencipp, is one of the more than 1,500 delegates attending the 88th Annual National Convention of the National League of Postmasters.

The theme of the 88th convention is a renewed commitment to service and a pledge to live up to the Postal Service's advertising slogan proclaiming, "We Deliver." The League of Postmasters believes strongly in a continuing effort to improve upon a postal system that is both deserved and paid for by all citizens.

—Community Reporter

Jr. High Football Practice Tuesday

Polk County Jr. High Football practice will begin Tuesday, Aug. 20 at 3:30 p.m. at Harmon Field.

Coach Craig Culbreth says to come ready to practice, (old shorts and T-shirts) and bring completed physical forms and parental permission slips.

Edith Gilbert, a part-time employee at the Lynn Post Office for the past seven years, was recently presented with a certificate of Appreciation for a job well done by the U.S. Postal Service. Presenting the certificate was Virginia Owensby, Postmaster at Lynn. Mrs. Gilbert resides in Sunny View.