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The holiday weekend weather: Friday, high 90, low 67, hum. 60 percent, and .10 inches of rain; Saturday, high 91, low 64, hum. 70 percent, and .01 inches of rain; Sunday, high 82, low 66, hum. 75 percent; Labor Day, high 74, low 64, hum. 60 percent.

Make your guesses now. Did we have more rain, or less than average during August? If you said 'more', put on your galoshes and come on down. Robert Dedmond measured 9.17 inches, nearly four inches more than the August average of 5.23. So far this year, 52.65 inches of rain has fallen, 7.46 inches more than average. By this same time last year, though, we had a surplus over the average rainfall of 8.42 inches.

The hottest days of the month were the third, fourth and sixth, when temperatures climbed to 94 degrees. The coolest night came August 23, when the temperature dipped to 57 degrees.

An anonymous poet shared the following thoughts with us about the replacement for the former Hickory Nut/Oak tree which stood next to NCNB in Tryon:

"When the roads and streets of
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Board Of Elections Questions Whether ACT Is Political

The State Board of Elections has written to Polk County's Association of County Taxpayers (ACT) with questions regarding its activities.

Deputy Director Yvonne L. Southerland of the campaign reporting office, said she received a query regarding ACT's activities from an "I.R. Thompson" in Polk County.

In a mysterious twist, Southerland said she had reason to believe there is no such person as I.R. Thompson. However, she said her agency is charged with investigating such situations, and would do so regardless.

The letter from "Mr. Thompson" included a copy of ACT's January, 1991 Newsletter in which ACT leaders stated their goals.

"The newsletter indicated a possibility of political activity," Southerland said. "But it is not complete proof."

Southerland emphasized that political activity in itself is fine, but that North Carolina law merely requires disclosure.

Southerland cited ACT's stated goals as "indicating support of certain candidates and opposition to others."

"Some of the listed activities are 'seeking to influence an election, or political party, or candidate,'" Southerland wrote

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Dr. Willard H. Parsons

Tryon Rotary Hears New Theory

Geologist Dr. Willard H. Parsons will explain a new theory as the major extinction of the dinosaurs and most other life forms at the end of the Cretaceous Period.

This involves the rise of molten material from a hot spot deep within the earth's interior. This is not a simple volcano but a flooding of lava to the surface with its associated gases such as CO₂, sulfur compounds and others. Every major extinction period is associated with a major lava plateau.

This Tryon Rotary program will be at the Vineyard Restaurant at 12 noon, Monday, Sept. 9th.

Revival and Homecoming

Revival services begin tonight (Wed.) at 7 p.m. at the Landrum Wesleyan Methodist Church and continue through Sunday, Sept. 8 (at 6 p.m.) The speaker will be the Rev. James C. Gennings of West Union, S.C.

Sunday, Sept. 8, the church will observe homecoming. Dinner will follow the morning worship, around 1 p.m. Special music will feature the Hughey Family of Chesnee, the Connor-Cash family of Landrum and others.

Rev. Harold Jones, pastor, and congregation invite everyone to attend this special week of services.

—Community Reporter

Columbus Lions Meet Sept. 5th.

The Columbus Lions kick-off their fall meetings with Anthony Womack as the guest speaker.

Anthony was a participant at Tarheels Boys State this summer, held at Wake-Forest University in Winston-Salem. The public is invited to hear Anthony tell of his weeks stay at Boys State and answer questions about their activities.

Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m. at the Western Steer in Columbus. The program will start at 7:30 p.m.

—Community Reporter