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The weather Thursday: high 60, low 37, hum. 55 percent.

Watch out potential volunteers! Area organizations have been trained now, and know how to encourage you, develop your skills, and make your work as a volunteer more rewarding.

Steps to Hope should be congratulated for being the agency which sponsored the recent workshop on recruiting and retaining volunteers which was conducted by the N.C. Department of Human Services. Fifty four organizations were represented.

Steps to Hope is a hopeful organization in more ways than one. And with all that's going on out there, we surely need some hope.

What's happening:

The A.A.U.W. "Exploring Ideas" study group meets today at 2 p.m. at Nancy Flashar's house.

Registration is underway now for the eight-part Great Decisions discussion series on foreign policy at Isothermal Community College. The series starts Feb. 6. Call 894-3092 for more information.

A month long exhibit of calligraphy, that is "beautiful writing" (Continued On Back Page)

Motorcycle Accident Injuries Cause Death

Jimmy Parker had a motorcycle accident on Grady Avenue three days before his death, his stepmother Frances Parker said this week.

But he didn't know he was hurt and refused to be transported to the hospital after the wreck, she said.

His grandfather found him dead Saturday morning, and his death certificate cited the cause as "multiple trauma" from internal injuries apparently sustained in the motorcycle crash.

Parker, 30, lived on Payne Street with his grandfather, Wofford Foster.

Rotary Club Speaker

John Flanagan will be the guest speaker at the Thermal Belt Rotary Club on Monday evening, Feb. 3rd.

He is a vice president of Alcoa Aluminum and is General Manager at Cellwood Products in Greer, S.C.

One of John's interests is with Talk of the Town Toastmasters Club. He is a firm believer in developing one's communication and leadership skills. He feels that the Toastmaster program offers this opportunity.

He had prepared a program on the many advantages of becoming a toastmaster.

Guests are welcome and the program starts at 6:30 p.m. at Western Steer in Columbus.

—Community Reporter



Dr. B. Farzanegan

'Great Decisions' Starts February 6

Dr. Bahram Farzanegan, executive director of the World Affairs Council of Western N.C., says he expects the "Great Decisions" series which starts at the Polk County Campus of I.C.C. on Feb. 6 to be one of the best ever.

Dr. Farzanegan was the speaker on Jan. 27 at the monthly meeting of the AAUW in Tryon. He indicated that the break up of the Soviet Union, the volatile situation in the Middle East, our relations with Japan, and the fact that 1992 is a presidential election year all contribute to increased interest in the "Great Decisions" series this year.

"Great Decisions 1992: A Series on World Affairs," is sponsored by The World Affairs Council of Western N.C. in cooperation with the University of N.C. at Asheville

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Announce Engagement

Sarah Garrett of Monroe, N.C. and Ronald Smith of Columbus, announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Michelle Smith of Monroe to John Eric Goodman of Hendersonville.

The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Goodman of Hendersonville.

A May 2nd wedding is planned at Pea Ridge Baptist Church.

Communication

Dear Jeff:

Ever since my visit to Tryon a year ago, I have been thinking seriously of moving there when I retire this year. I first read of your community in a business publication, and was pleased to see that it mentioned a "swimming club". Inasmuch as that is the only exercise my arthritic condition will tolerate to any great extent, I was disappointed to find out when I visited Tryon that the "club" was filled and a long waiting list existed. Because of that, I must admit I am now having second thoughts about moving to your community.

Inasmuch as most senior citizens suffer from some kind of arthritis and swimming is the most desirable form of exercise for that condition, it is too bad that Tryon hasn't made some effort to accommodate the older residents, if that is what Tryon wants.

Looking forward to reading more about Tryon, I remain,

Very truly yours,
Thelma Jean Smith