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The weather Tuesday, high 69, low 52, hum. 65 percent, and by 7 a.m. Wednesday .61

inches of rain had fallen.

Raphael Foy, Polk County Dog Warden, recently brought us the following letter written by another animal control officer for publication in newspapers across the country:
"I am your animal control

officer. I am not the dreaded "dogcatcher" or the "murderer" you call me.

"It is not I who allows your pet to roam the streets, to contract diseases from other freeroaming animals, to be hit by passing motorists or poisoned

by rotting garbage...
"It is not I who allows your pets to breed, then dumps the unwanted puppies and kittens on the roadsides and in the shelters...

"It is not I who keeps a pet confined in an area too small without food, water, shelter or exercise...'

In his letter, the animal control officer points out that it is him who must find the starving animals and put them to sleep to end their suffering. It is him who must pick up the fright-

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P.C. In Sectional Championship Game

Polk County squeaked into the Sectional Championship by downing Blue Ridge 78-67 Tues, night in a game much closer than the final score indicates. The Wolverines didn't take control of the see-saw battle until the last seven minutes of the game.

Polk County jumped ahead early behind Larry Fagan's 9 points, taking a 13-4 lead at the 4:55 mark. Blue Ridge came right back and went ahead 17-16 with 13 seconds left in the quarter.

The second quarter saw the game tied twice and the lead change ten times, with both teams pushing the ball up and down the court. The Wolverines took a 38-37 lead into halftime.

The Wolverines kept the lead until Blue Ridge connected on a 3 point play at the 6:30 mark of the third quarter to go ahead 42-40. Dewayne Anderson's basket tied the score at 42 with 6:19 to go. The lead changed two times and was tied again at 49 with 2:51 left before Polk County outscored Blue Ridge 9-3 and took a 58-52 lead into the final quarter.

Blue Ridge tied the game at 58 with 7:44 left in the game. The Wolverines took the lead for good at the 7:23 mark. They went up by as much as 8, 68-60, with 4:55 to go before Blue Ridge cut the lead to 4, 68-64, at the 2:24 mark. That was as close as Blue Ridge

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Stott's Ford Wins Ford's Top Award

Harold Stott of Stott's Ford is shown receiving the "Chairman's Award" from District Manager, John C. Dingens Wed., Mar. 11.

Stott's has won the "Chairman's Award" rated by customer surveys as having delivered superior sales and service satisfaction, (Norris Ford) is among the top two percent of all the 5,340 Ford, Lincoln-Mercury and Heavy Truck

dealerships.

"In the past year, these dealers have demonstrated an unyielding commitment to the highest standards of customer satisfaction," said Ford Chairman Har-old A. "Red" Poling of the award recipients. "Through dedication, hard work and continuous improvement of their service quality, they have distinguished themselves and their dealerships."

Mr. Poling noted the overall customer satisfaction rating for the company's dealers has increased consistently since the award program began in 1985.

"In today's competitive market, winning the battle for sales means meeting and exceeding the customers expectations in every aspect of sales and ser-vice," he said.

This year's "Chairman's Award" was given to the 91 Ford, 38 Lincoln-Mercury, and five Heavy Truck dealers scoring highest on customer satisfaction surveys. Customers rate dealers in all areas of sales, service, technical proficiency and convenience.