

## Welcome Steeplechase Fans

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The weather Wednesday, high 85, low 51, hum. 68 percent, and by 7 a.m. Thursday .25 inches of rain had fallen.

Welcome to race fans! Easter weekend is a beautiful time to visit Tryon and the weather promises to be fantastic for the 46th running of the Block House Steeplechases.

Everyone who plans to attend the races should check the envelope with their parking ticket. Inside they will find a green "Designated Driver" badge.

If folks in your party plan to partake of alcoholic beverages, be sure to find one hearty fellow or gal among you who will pin on the badge. You'll all get home safely. And you'll personally witness the awful truth - the Designated Driver will have just as much, if not more, fun.

What's happening: Today is the deadline to make reservations for the Spring Barbecue Dinner of the 4-H & Youth Foundation. The event, to be held April 24th, will raise money for the maintenance and expansion of the Columbus youth center.

The 46th running of the Block (Continued On Back Page)

#### **FENCE Honors** Sandlin At Block **House Steeplechase**

FENCE, the Foothills Equestrian Nature Center, will honor the memory of Col. David Ward Sandlin at a dedication of the race course at Saturday's Block House Steeplechase.

Col. Sandlin, a full Bird Colonel, 33 years retired from the United States Air Force, was responsible for the design, engineering and building of the entire equestrian center, including the race course.

Col. Sandlin and Mrs. Sandlin, known to all here as Pinckney, returned to their southern roots and arrived in Tryon in the early 1980s following his retirement from the Air Force in Rome, New York.

In 1985, Col. Sandlin took up his wife's longtime interest in horses by volunteering his organizational and engineering background into the FENCE project which was then in its infancy. Generous donations from the Tryon Riding and Hunt Club and from many individuals made concept and design a reality.

From pine woods and thickets he carved the course, planned the placement of stables and riding rings, built the bridges and stairs and designed and directed the building of the tower with its viewing deck and modern jockey's rooms. He solved the problems of wells, septic systems, and under-(Continued On Back Page)



Ron Campbell (Photo by Robert F. Hunter)

### Father In 'The Diary'

Making his eighth appearance with Tryon Little Theater, Ron Campbell has the role of the father, Otto Frank, in The Diary of Anne Frank, the drama that is being presented at Tryon Fine Arts Center April 30, May 1, 2,

In the role of Mr. Frank, Ron is the person responsible for the safety of the eight souls hiding out in an Amsterdam garret.

He is the wise, strong head of the family who, with no heroics, organizes and sustains the refugee colony in their hideout. He comes through as disciplined, quiet, indomitable and gentle.

But the playwrights have not presented this man as excessively heroic. He is a reasonably good businessman thrown

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#### Water Projects Cost Landrum \$100,000 Less Than Expected

Bids for three water projects in Landrum were awarded to three separate contractors for a total project cost \$100,000 less than the original estimates.

The projects are to be partially funded by the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA). Landrum will contribute water tap fees to the project.

In the meantime, the Landrum Town Council will apply for a fourth division grant from the FmHA to paint an existing reservoir tank in need of repair and to replace a pressurized tank for the pump at the water tank which pumps water to the Hearth Stone Ridge area.

The estimate of painting the one water tank is \$38,000, which includes contingency funds. There is no estimate for replacing the pressure tank.

Equipment is expected by the second week in May for:

(Division 1) the Alum Sludge Handling Project at the water plant, contracted by R. T. Construction for \$145,750, \$50,000 under the estimate;

- (Division 2) the N. Blackstock Rd. and Bird Mountain water line, contracted by Tom Brigman Construction for \$89,518;

and (Division 3) the South Blackstock water line, contracted by Carolina Demolition and Grading for \$122,390.

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