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The beautiful holiday weekend weather: Thursday, high 85, low 68, hum. 70 percent; Friday, high 88, low 70, hum. 65 percent and .91 inches of rain; Saturday, high 89, low 67, hum. 40 percent; and Sunday, high 88, low 62, and hum. 60 percent.

The Upstairs art gallery has no board of directors, no officers, no budget and no programs. The non-profit organization which operates the art exhibit space at 409 North Trade Street will reorganize itself starting with a meeting Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 at The Upstairs gallery.

"Today, The Upstairs is sitting unused. It is ready and waiting for people with initiative," the meeting announcement reads. "There is no set agenda. There will be no meeting chairman. It will be up to those present to elect, from among themselves, the leadership of the group. If you are a past member of The Upstairs, please come. If you have never been a member, you are very welcome."

What's happening:
The FENCE Herb Workshop
will meet today at 10:30 a.m. at
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'Kiss Me Kate' And Shakespeare

Although Brush Up Your Shakespeare is one of the songs in Kiss Me Kate, auditions for which are being held at TFAC Friday evening, July 10 and Saturday afternoon, July 11, Debbie Goode, who is directing the presentation for Tryon Little Theater, says that a knowledge neither of Shakespeare in general nor of The Taming of the Shrew in particular is a prerequisite for those interested in auditioning for one of the many roles in the musical comedy.

Kiss Me Kate is the story of a recently-divorced actor and actress who are paired as the leads in a teuring revival of Shakespeare's lively comedy. The Taming of the Shrew, and whose backstage bickerings gradually increase as carry-overs into real life from the shrewish and woman tamer roles they play on stage.

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The play-within-a-play device utilized in Kiss Me Kate is not new in theatrical history, though it's not often that playwrights have been audacious enough to fall back upon Shakespeare in using it.

In fact, Shakespeare himself has a play-within-a-play going on in his original version of *The Taming of the Shrew*. As the Stratford laureate has it, the stormy story of Petruchio's civilizing the rambunctious Katherine is being performed by touring players before a country tinker, Christopher Sly, and his

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Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Blomeley

Married 72 Years

Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Blomeley of Columbus received a plaque recently for their church family in celebration of their 72nd wedding anniversary. The Blomeley's were married on June 19, 1920. They are members of the Tryon Seventh-day Adventist Church. -Community Reporter

Saturday Night Music In The Park

Wanda Lu Greene will be performing her own blend of original and country acoustic folk on Saturday, July 11 at 8 p.m. at the Bandstand with her big voice, guitar picking and wide ranging repertoire.

Saturday Night Music in the Park is free to the public and is sponsored by the Stearns Park Committee and the Town of Columbus.

Elects Officers

The Polk County Unit of the N.C. Retired School Personnel met and elected officers for the next two years: president, Wessye Jackson; vice president, Elizabeth Correll; sec., Martha Ashley; treas., Margaret Mize.

The meeting dates for the year will be on the following Mondays: Sept. 14th, Nov. 9th, Feb. 8, 1993; and May 10, 1993.

These committee chairman have been appointed:

Budget and finance, Margaret Mize; by-laws, and constitution, Elmo Neal; necrology, Beryl Miller; historical, Evelyn Petty; community service, informative and protective service, Polly Scruggs, Frances Pittman, health care, Phyliss Rutledge; legislative, Dorothy Jackson; membership, Catherine Feagan; program, Elizabeth Correll; retirement planning, Sally Jo Carter; publicity, Edna Leonard, callers, Harriet and Catherine Spivey.

-Community Reporter

Meets July 31st

Piedmont Prospecting Association monthly meeting is on Friday, July 31st at 7:30 p.m. at the Rutherford County Arts Council Building 2 W. Main St., Forest City, N.C.

There will be a Keenee Eng. Rep. on hand to demonstrate equipment and answer any questions. For more information call Lloyd Nanney at 704-287-2545 between 5 and 8 p.m. Public is invited.

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