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Collapsed Wall Kills Construction Supervisor

James P. Longest, 30 of Rose Hill was killed last Wednesday when a cement block wall collapsed on him at the site of the new elementary school beside North Duplin High school near Calypso.

Longest, construction supervisor for Coastal Construction Company of Rose Hill, was checking a form for flooring near the unsupported wall when a gust of wind blew the wall over.

North Duplin Principal, Fred Pickett said the wall was about ten feet high and sixty feet long. Another wall of about the same height and forty-five feet long, collapsed minutes after the first wall fell, but no one was injured. Pickett said one workman estimated the wind gust to be fifty miles per hour.

Longest was transported to Sampson Memorial hospital by the Faison Rescue Service. Longest was pronounced dead upon arrival at the hospital. Funeral services were held Friday at Mount Zion Presby-

terian Church in Rose Hill. Officiating ministers were Rev. James E. Atwood, assisted by Rev. W. Clark Porter, III. Interment was in the Rose Hill cemetery.

Longest was a native of Duplin County and attended Wallace-Rose High school. He was a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and a member, deacon and Sunday school teacher at Mount Zion Presbyterian church.

Survivors include his wife, the former Emily Browder; two sons, James Patrick, Jr., and Timothy Worth Longest, both of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Beaufort B. Longest, Sr., of Rose Hill; three brothers, Dr. Beaufort B. Longest, Jr., of Forest Park, Ga., David C Longest of Jonesboro, Ga., and Phillip Longest of Wallace; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. C. L. Faircloth, Sr., of Rose Hill; and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Longest of Rocky Mount.



DUPLIN 4-HERS IN CHICAGO -- Goldie Smith, \$1,000 scholarship from General Motors. Miss Smith attended the Congress as state home management winner. They are shown with Dr. Chester Black, state 4-H leader at North Carolina State University. The Tar Heel delegation returned home Friday (Nov.30).

RECEIVES HIGH AWARD—Glenn Moon, left, of Goldsboro, council commissioner of the Croatan District One, presents the Scouting Medal of Merit to Steve Brinkley for saving the life of his brother, Jay, beside him, after Jay was bitten by a water moccasin (snake) this past summer. Others in the photo are, l-r:

Doris B. Brooks, Scoutmaster Charles Brooks of Troop 35, Wallace, of which young Brinkley is a member; the boys' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brinkley of route 1, Teachey; and Tom Denton, Scout Executive of Mount Olive. The award was given at a banquet at James Kenan High school Friday night.



RECEIVE AWARDS—Several adult Scout leaders were presented awards at the annual Croatan District One banquet, held Friday night at James Kenan High school cafeteria near Warsaw. Among those honored were, l-r: First row, Elaine Taylor, Magnolia; Sharon Mabry, Beulaville; Norma Dew, Beulaville; Betty Jo Jones, Albertson; Imogene Sybrant, Beulaville; and Johnnie Rose Whitman of Mount Olive. Second row, Billy Cavanaugh, Northeast; Steve Williamson, Kenansville; Ray Wells,

Wallace; Rod Dew, Beulaville; Ken Smith, Beulaville; Edsel Rivenbark, Wallace; and Charles Brooks, Wallace. Third row, Horace Ward, Rose Hill; Richard Thigpen, Wallace; Elmore Spell, Wallace; Jerrell Brown, Wallace; Ed Rayner, Jordan Chapel (near Grantham); Carl Rivenbark, Scotts Store (route 1, Mount Olive); and Dan Wallace of Scotts Store. Several others who received awards were absent when this photograph was taken.

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Farm Users Get More Diesel Fuel

Area farmers needing more diesel fuel may request it by applying immediately to distributors according to W. T. Reece, State Executive Director for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Reece has received notice that this revision on distillates in the emergency fuels program is effective for 80 days. It should go a long way toward enabling many farmers who need diesel tractor fuel, to continue a variety of farming activities important to producing food for the nation.

The revision notice is from the Office of Petroleum Allocation (OPA), Department of the Interior.

Nicholas H. Smith, Assistant Deputy Administrator of Programs for ASCS in the U.S., Department of Agriculture (USDA), who has been appointed coordinator of energy for the USDA, said this revision in the use of distillates was approved November 19, 1973. Smith said this change is now 'the law of the land' and suppliers are obligated to give farmers and ranchers preference in supplying their needs of diesel fuel. In addition to farmers, those given preference under this revision are mass transit and those who produce the fuel itself.

The mandatory distillate fuels allocation program went into effect November 1, 1973, basing

a farmer's initial allocation on the amount of diesel and other distillates he had used in the corresponding month of last year. Unfortunately, heavy rains and other problems developed in many states in 1972 bringing many farm activities to a halt, and farmers had little or no record of fuel purchases usable as a base for current allocations. The revision now allows farmers to get the necessary fuel for fall work.

Reece said that state and county offices of ASCS have been monitoring the farm fuel situation for months and assisting farmers by reporting their fuel needs to the appropriate governmental units. He said this service will continue, but quoted Smith as saying 'there are no fuel spigots at ASCS offices.'

Reece noted that fuel supplies for North Carolina could be very tight and stressed the need for energy conservation. He added that farmers understand conservation and was sure that North Carolina farmers would be taking leadership roles in saving energy. Reece said, 'We all need to make available supplies go further in the months ahead.'

North Carolina Coed National 4-H Safety Scholarship Winner

A 19-year-old North Carolina coed, who spoke on the importance of good safety practices at all 21 public schools in her county, has been named one of eight national winners in the 4-H safety program.

Susan Craft, Kenansville, received a \$1,000 scholarship from General Motors during the 52d National 4-H Congress in Chicago Nov. 25-29. Winners were selected by the Co-operative Extension Service, which supervised the program.

Miss Craft, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Craft, is a sophomore at Peace College Raleigh, N. C., where she is majoring in special education and is a member of the Student council and women's swimming team.

She spoke on safety over her local radio station before visiting the schools, alerting Duplin County residents of the upcoming countywide campaign to make homes, highways, business buildings and farms safer.

Miss Craft also prepared her own newspaper publicity releases on the project and then stamped 4,850 pieces of literature that she distributed to

students.

She also zeroed in on highway traffic accidents and launched her own campaign against them, using highway safety posters liberally. 'My posters were put up at main intersections where more drivers would be able to see them. I put up my posters on various holidays and usually something about the holiday on my posters,' the winner said.

Miss Craft, a member of the Town Beautification Committee in her community, was named chairman of its 'Tin Can Committee.' She quickly determined that discarded bottles and cans were a safety hazard, as well as unsightly. She organized 4-H members to pick up discarded debris from along road-

sides, making roads safer.

Miss Craft also became an expert on first aid and water safety in her five years in the safety program. She sprained her ankle last summer just before being tapped into the state 4-H Honor Club and said that she hobbled out onto the stage using a crutch after being introduced as state safety award winner, a humorous incident.

The Duplin County Miss has been president of her county 4-H Council and currently serves as vice president of the State University Collegiate 4-H Club. A camp counselor, the 10-year 4-H member has completed a variety of 4-H projects and activities.



NORTH CAROLINA STATE 4-H WINNER IN CHICAGO — Goldie Smith, state winner from North Carolina of the Tupperware sponsored 4-H Home Management Program, meets with Tupperware Vice President Harry Welch during National 4-H Congress Week, November 25-29. Goldie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Smith of Magnolia. She was among 45 state Home Management winners who won an all-expense trip from Tupperware Home Parties to National 4-H Congress.

Croatan Scout Leaders Recognized

Cmdr. Tom Keane was guest speaker at a recognition banquet Friday night for Scout leaders in the Croatan District of the Tuscarora Council. The banquet was held at James Kenan High School.

Cmdr. Keane of the U. S. Navy

(ret.) told the Scout leaders that the Scout Oath 'is the finest code of ethics known.' Keane, an 84 year-old veteran of the two World Wars, also told the leaders that because of their dedication to youth they were the arch of the community. He also stated the scouting move-

ment in the United States has had a tremendous influence on the development of leadership qualities among young people along with the men and women associated with scouting.

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Tuscarora Council Elects Officers

Low Fetterman was elected President of the Tuscarora Council, Boy Scouts of America, at their Annual Business meeting, Wednesday evening, November 28th, held in the Mt. Olive College cafeteria. Other officers elected included Vice-President, Howard Vann, of Wallace; Aron Butler of Roseboro; Ray Boyers of Kenly; and Hans Funderburk of Goldsboro. Other officers elected included Vice-President, Howard Vann, of Wallace; Aron Butler of Roseboro; Ray Boyers of Kenly; and Hans Funderburk of Goldsboro. Other officers elected included Vice-President, Howard Vann, of Wallace; Aron Butler of Roseboro; Ray Boyers of Kenly; and Hans Funderburk of Goldsboro.

Vice-President, His business affiliation is with the Lundy Packing Company of Clinton, N.C., where he serves as Treasurer.

Commander Tom Keane, the first National Director of the Explorer program of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, gave an inspiring talk on letting the public know the human side of Scouting. He cited the Boy Scouts of America as the only youth program in the United States that had as its direct purpose the preservation of freedom, love of Country, and love of God.

Council Commissioner Glenn Moon, in his presentation of the new year's program cited the past year as being most successful. He indicated that new projects were going to be undertaken. He stated that the \$87,000 borrowed

Operation Santa Claus

Again we approach the Christmas Season and our hearts are filled with love in anticipation of sharing this Holy Season with family and friends.

Some are less fortunate and have no one to care for them. Some patients in our mental hospitals have had no mail, no visits, no personal concern within the past year.

Sharing with these persons will make our holiday a more meaningful one. Their needs are the same as ours, small gifts like cosmetics, wearing apparel, games, candy, etc.

Duplin County's response in the past has been terrific. If you are interested again this year, please get your gifts to the Mental Health Center by December 15, if possible.

Commissioners Hire Health Coordinator

The Duplin County Board of Commissioners voted to hire William W. Calhoun as Director of Duplin County Health Services at their regular meeting held on Monday, December 3rd at the Court House in Kenansville.

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Stiles be employed as Sanitarian.

It was unanimously carried that Commissioner Leon Brown be chairman for the coming year.

Commissioner E. E. Kelly made the motion, seconded by J. W. Hoffer and unanimously carried that the following citizens be re-appointed on the Duplin Development Commission for (3) years, term ending December 31, 1976: Dennis Ramsey, Craven Brewer and Amos Brinson.

The Board received a check for \$50,818.00 which represents a 13 1/2% matching grant for construction by the Duplin County Airport Commission, with a letter from Governor James E. Holshouser, Jr., complementing Duplin County on the new airport.

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