PROGRESS SENTINEL

By Emily Killette

Registered voters will turn

out across the country to vote

in the national election, and

many local community races

are on the November 4th

Lenoir counties will be

electing members to their

County Board of Commis-

sioners, Board of Education,

Register of Deeds, State

House of Representatives.

State Senate and Soil and

Water Conservation District

In Duplin County, one

candidate is on the ballot for

the office of Register of

Deeds. Christine W. Wil-

liams is a 28-year veteran of

the Register of Deeds posi-

One seat will be up for

election on the Duplin Board

of Education, and Hilbert Joe

Swinson runs unopposed for

the position. Swinson is an

assistant principal at Beula-

ville Elementary School.

After the May primary,

Swinson won a run-off elec-

tion, defeating candidate

Faye Bryant of Rose Hill.

running against incumbent Board of Education member

G. Fredrick Rhodes.

candidates were

tion in Duplin County.

Board Supervisor.

Voters in Duplin and



OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBERS - The most outstanding county 4-H members in the junior and sanior divisions were recognized during awards night last week. Pictured above are the outstanding members, left or both, Wanda Costin of the Warsaw Shamrock club, Ar. 5 Hall of the Stanford Club, Glenn Brinson of the Stanford Club, and

Laurie Swain of the New Horizons Club. Also pictured is the outstanding 4-H leader, Lucy Pearsall of the Wallace DECA 4-H Club. Laurie and Arthur were the junior winners and Glenn and Wanda were the senior outstanding 4-H members. Each received a trophy.

Antenna Will Bring Clear PBS To Duplin County

Jake Dundop, successor of the University of North Carofina Center for Public Television, told the Duplin County commissioners a new Public Television antenna will be erected on a 2,000foot tower near Jacksonville enabling most Duplin residents a "quality" broadcast signal for UNC-TV on channel 19.

If everything goes as should be complete and in doctors. peration by June 1, 1981. The UNC-TV antenna will be placed on a tower owned by the New Bern station, which now under construction near ing his residency at Baptist at the Warsaw Baptist the \$3 million.

Duplin County Hospital administrator Richard Harrell told the board that plans to convert the old nursing quarters to doctors' offices is progressing nicely.

. The old nursing quarters will be renovated for use as specialty doctors' offices. The hospital hopes to attract new specialists by having the facility ready. Duplin curplanned, the installation rently has a shortage of

Jeffrey Margolis will set up practice in Faison at the Goshen Medical Center in Hospital in Memphis, Tenn. In other business, the com-

missioners also: -Toured the new \$55,000 kitchen in the old Duplin County jail set up to cook meals for the nutrition for the aged program. The kitchen was built with federal funds obtained by the county.

The program provided 340 meals for elderly persons in Duplin and Onslow Counties. an average number of meals for the program.

four sites in the county: the Lyman Fire Department, in Wallace at the old C.W. broadcasts on channel 12, July 1981. Margolis is finish- Dobbins School, in Warsaw

Church, and in Faison at the recreation center.

-Heard Agricultural Extension chairman Lois Britt explain a new nutritional education program. Four aides will be hired at \$4,463 for a 25-hour week to canvass homes and educate people on good nutrition.

Decided not to accept \$45,000 from the N.C. Clean Water Fund. The commissioners had requested \$3 million to help fund a countywide water system but did get the full amount. They will allow the \$45,000 to revert to the Clean Water Fund and re-apply later for

Plans For 1980 Farm Week Include Tractor Driving Contest

Plans for the 1980 Farm-City Week will include a tractor-driving contest with high school Future Farmers of America chapters competing against each

The 1980 Farm-City Week is November 21-27. The national theme of "Partners in Progress' was discussed at the Agri-Business meeting last week. The Duplin County Farm-City Week will be held at James Sprunt Technical College, where an exhibit of farm and business displays has been planned. Exhibits will be opened Friday, Nov. 21 remaining available for public inspec-tion during JSTC school

As part of the Farm-City Week activities, Nov. 25 a

special program is planned at JSTC featuring a guest speaker, musical entertainment and a tractor-driving contest. The program on Tuesday will begin at 7 p.m. with the speaker appearing in the Hoffler auditorium at 8 p.m. Entertainment will begin at 7 p.m. and conclude at 10 p.m., with many local singing groups appearing. Scheduled to appear in the Hoffler auditorium are the Charlie Albertson Band, the East Duplin Chorus, Annabelle Rand and Miss Duplin County Shari Jones. Additional entertainment will be announced at a later date. said entertainment chairman

Plans for the tractordriving competition will also

Charlie Albertson.

be announced at a later date. Agri-Business vice-president Robert Grady, a FFA teacher at East Duplin High School, is working to establish rules and prizes for the event.

All events in the Duplin Farm-City Week are free. and the public is invited to attend the activities on Farm-City Night or visit JSTC to see the displays, said the chairman of the project, Roy Houston.

The Agri-Business Council discussed the use of the old Kenansville elementary school and surrounding facilities and grounds for a future county agricultural fair. A resolution from the council was approved to be sent to the Duplin Board of Education. The resolution

encouraged the school board to preserve the old school for public use by county citizens and not turn the property over to any person or group to destroy or limit its use.

And, continuing to work

with the idea of having a county fair, the Agri-Business Council will host a speaker from a neighboring county fair organization. The speaker will appear at the Agri-Business Council meeting, and the Council encourages civic groups in Duplin who are interested in the possibility of starting a county fair to attend the meeting.

Exhibits planned for display during Farm-City Week include local industry, agriculture, government, schools and merchants. The exhibits will be in the McGowen and Hoffler buildings at JSTC and farm equipment is going to be on display on the campus lawn. Coordinating the displays at JSTC will be Jack Alphin, Agri-Business secretary, John Kilpatrick and Bill Warren.

Door prizes will be given away each half-hour during Farm-City Night at James Sprunt. Prizes will be donated by local Duplin County merchants; Carey Wrenn of Kenansville is coordinating the project, And, Doug Clark of Kenansville has recruited Congressman Charlie Whitley to be the guest speaker for the Farm-City Night. Robert Worthington, with the Duplin Farm Bureau, is acting as fund-raising chairman for the Farm-City Week.

In the race for County Commissioner, William Costin of Warsaw runs unopposed for the first district seat, and D.J. Fussell of Rose Hill is unopposed in the fifth district race. Both candidates are incumbent members of the Duplin County Board of Commissioners. Fussell has served on the board since 1968 and

Candidates In The

November Election

State House of Represen-tative neat in the 10th distirct, Duplin County has two candidates on the ballot. incumbent Representative Doug Clark will face chal-Clark is a resident of Kenansville and has served one term as representative. Wiggins, the Republican challenger, is from Glisson Township; he is the owner of

Costin is ending his first

term as county commis-

Red Hill Fixture Co. in Mount Olive. Soil and Water Conservation District Board Supervisor William F. Pickkett Jr. will be unopposed for reelection. Lenoir County Soil and Water Conservation District Board Supervisor election has one candidate on the ballot, Kenneth Wesley Jones. Jones is running for his first term as Conservation District Board Supervisor.

Other Lenoir County can-didates include Ray Killette and J. Oliver Smith for two seats on the Board of Education. Both Smith and Killette are incumbent candidates. Killette was appointed to the board to complete the unexpired term of Earl Kinsey.

Two seats on the Lenoir County Board of Commissioners are up for election. Incumbent Howard Hardy, Democrat, is up for re-election after one term. Can-didate E. C. (Ed) Denmark Jr., Democrat, defeated incumbent Commissioner Billy Brewer in the primary and will be running along with two Republican candidates. Republicans John R. (Jack) Poole and Richard Harper Smith are running in the countywide race for the two seats on the Lenoir Board of Commissioners.

In the Register of Deeds election, incumbent Gwynn Lee Rouse runs unopposed. Ms. Rouse has served one term as Lenoir Register of Deeds.

The third district State House of Representative candidates are incumbents Gerald Anderson, Chris S. Baker Jr. and Daniel Lilley. The incumbent candidates will run on the Demo-

lican challengers Paul V. Boulia, Patrick Dorsey and John H. Hadnott. Three representatives will be selected in the third district.

In the fifth district State Senate race, incumbent Harold W. Hardison runs unopposed for re-election. The fifth district includes both Lenoir and Duplin counties.

Voters in Lenoir and Duplin counties will be electing four judges in the eighth Judicial Count District. Kenneth R (Ken) Ellis, John Patrick (Pat) Exum. Paul Wright and Rodney R. Goodman run unopposed for the judicial seats.

During the primary elec-tion, Duplin had 8.194 voters who turned out at the polls. At the time Duplin had 21,116 registered voters. which meant 38.8% of the eligible voters participated in the primary election. Since the primary, the number of registered voters has increased by 567 voters.

Voting in Lenoir during the primary were 10,335 registered citizens. According to the Lenoir County Board of Elections, 44.56% of the registered voters turned out the primary. There are 23,192 voters registered in

Board Of Education Closes Door On Complaints

The Duplin County school board members closeted themselves for more than an hour last week with guidance counselors from the Wallace-Rose Hill High School discussing complaints that counselors are slow in helping students apply for scholarship programs such as the Morehead Scholar

There are delays in students getting the applica-tions on time," board member Graham Phillips said at an earlier meeting. adding the Morehead pro-gram is handled "very

poorly" at Wallace-Rose Hill

high school. Phillips asked the board on October 7 to examine the guidance program at the high school to determine why there are delays in the students getting the necessary application.

Phillips' daughter is a Morehead nominee this year.

The counselors attended last week's meeting and a heated executive session the board members ensued. The board claimed exemption from the state's open meetings law under the

'personnel matters' clause. The counselors and the

principal of the high school refused to make any public comment on the issue except

Dr. E. Boyette, the chairman, said the board will appoint a committee to resolve any disagreements which mayt exist.

to say they had not been

The board also permitted the East Duplin Band Boosters Club to sell tickets for a barbecue dinner to pay for and equipment.

Last year the board limited school-wide fund-raising activities to two per year. Last Tuesday's action will break their earlier stated

policy, as East Duplin has already received approval for two other fund-raisers.

The board changed its meeting from 8 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and decided to cancel their scheduled Nov. 4 meeting because of the general election. They also decided to have only one meeting in December.

Assistant superintendent L.S. Guy said the administration will seek an additional state-funded teacher's position due to unanticipated increases in the student population at Rose Hill-Magnolia elementary school.

Faison Engineer Fee Dispute **Ended During Special Meeting**

By Emily Killette

The Faison Town Board voted to pay \$9284.09 in the settlement of the \$14,000 dispute between Engineer Finley Boney and the commissioners on the design fee for the town water project during a special called meeting last week.

Included in the settlement is the redesign charge after bids were too expensive for the town on the original project, two change order designs and fees for rehabilitation and supervision of the water treatment plant by the engineer. The redesign fee of \$4120, change order fee of \$2,236 and the \$2,928 rehabilitation charge totaled

The dispute began in July; Boney had contended that design fees for the water project should be based on the estimated cost of the project. However, Faison commissioners, along with the Farmers Home Administration officials were only willing to pay design fees for the actual cost of the contracts let in the project, which resulted in a difference of \$14,000.

In August, Boney recommended two change orders in the project allowing the use of additional money to install

6,000 more feet of distribution lines and a tank overflow pipe and door to prevent public access to the water tank ladder. The change orders involved \$16,100. money saved on the tile and concrete foundation for the elevated storage tank. The total saved on the pile and concrete foundation was \$21,000. The \$4,900 remaining after the change orders were completed was recommended by Town Administrator Niel Mallory for use to pay the engineering fees involved in the additional changes to the water tank.

The \$14,000 design fee resulted after the first bids received by the Faison Board of Commissioners on the water improvement project were too expensive. After redesigning the project, bids were taken a second time and let for a total cost of \$325,000. The estimated cost had been \$470,000, which carried a design fee of \$38,000. The design fee of \$24,000 was approved for the project according to the actual cost of contracts let on the water system. The agreement for settlement of the design fee called for payment of approximately

half the disputed amount, According to Faison Mayor

Bill Carter, he, along with Town Attorney Jene Thompson, Mallory and Boney had met and discussed the fee difference. During the meeting a settlement of \$9,284.09 had been agreed upon for recommendation to the town board. The payment of approximately half of the disputed design fee difference, plus an additional orders in the distribution lines and elevated storage tank, was approved by the Faison commissioners.

The special meeting of the town board had been called vember.

to discuss an Environmental Protection Agency grant of \$740,350. The grant was discussed and a motion was made by Commissioner Rachel Clifton and seconded by Commissioner Fred Wheless to accept the offer. The motion was approved unanimously.

The board voted to move the November 4 regular \$2,236.89 for the change meeting of the commissioners to November 5 at 7 p.m. The regular meeting date had conflicted with the general election to be held on the first Tuesday in No-

Williams Killed In Accident

20-year-old man was killed Friday evening when he apparently lost control his car in the rain and was hit

by an oncoming vehicle. The State Highway Patrol reported Teddy McCoy Williams of Chinquapin was driving too fast on country road 1801 just outside Beulaville at 5:15 p.m. when he lost control, skidded sideways and his car was struck in the side by an oncoming

others reportedly injured

Williams graduated from East Duplin High School in 1978. He was a student at North Carolina State University in Raleigh.

Surviving: parents, the Durwood M. Williams of Chinquapin; sister, Mrs. Vickie Quinn of Warsaw; brother, Randy Williams of Chinquapin; paternal grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Williams of Beulaville.



Friday, October 31 **Beware Of**