





three children. Ronald Gudgel died with a brain tumor. Shannon married a man with two children after his death. Then the new couple had twin boys. Busy little family. Like the Brady Bunch.

Sorry to hear that Ft. Elliott Lady Cougars lost their game Thursday night for area to Nazareth in a close game 48-55. They played a good game.

Pray for Nova Powledge. She seems to have some serious health problems. But we have a great God. About one gallon fluid drained off behind her lungs. Should be home soon.

Jimmy and Danny Nelson and Greg Koelzer went to Oklahoma City Saturday to a boat and tackle show. Danielle and Amy spent the weekend with Larry and Vicky Nelson and Kerri.

Saturday night, Earl and Shirley Jolly and Larry and Vicky Nelson went to Pampa and met Sybil and Ivy Alexander at Dos Caballeros for supper and a good visit.

Did you know that Gena Zybach keeps baby calves in her house some-

times? She had a twin calf there Saturday. The other one wasn't coming so had to take the heifer mom to Ben Ed at Wheeler. Meantime the calf stayed in Gena's "Nursery". But she thought things got a bit smelly. She was washing the clothes the guys (Bob and Steve) had on and scrubbing up the nursery Sunday. But sure worth it to save the baby calf. Guess most farm wives have done that sometime. But she isn't taking in boarders.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Donald Ray Byars in his death. His parents, the Elmer Byars, ran the Briscoe Store and Donald started to school at Briscoe in the 1930's. He was in Fat Childress' class.

Nice to have J. P. and Martha Meek come over after church Sunday night and play some 42. Good to see J. P. sorta back to his old self. Don't know who won the games, but we had a good visit.

Ray and Glenda Hudson from Midland came in over Valentine weekend to their Briscoe House. They are doing well. Friday Lois Hudson took them out to eat at Maxeys and had a good visit. Sonya Hudson and Patrick

also visited at Briscoe with them. Ray and Glenda visited family and friends at Perryton and Canadian also.

Kay Luttrell and Addie Swift went to Shannon, Texas, to the 50th anniversary celebration of Addie's youngest brother, Hap and Sorghum Castle on Saturday. Addie enjoyed seeing many people that she had not seen in many years. Most of them had gotten older, but not Addie!

Fat and Wanda Childress also went to the Castle Anniversary Celebration and also visited Roy and Jane Swift at Eastland.

Ed and Laurel Hershman left Tuesday, Feb. 15, to take Ed's mom, Delilah Hershman home to Indiana. They visited with sons, Alan and Troy, and Cindy while there. Ed also helped Troy with some needed electric wiring in the house they had bought. Ed and Laurel started home Sunday, but stopped in Weatherford to spend the night. They enjoyed having niece Londa Crownover eat breakfast with them in Weatherford Monday morning before starting on home.

Nice to have Ed and Laurel join us for supper at Maxeys Monday night. We missed them.

Nice to have Wilma Bible from Fritch join us for lunch Wednesday at Furs. She is looking well and beautiful. Carla, Nancy and Tom and Michelle Bible all live in Fritch. Tom works for Honda in Amarillo and really likes his job. Tom always loved motorcycles and doing wheelies. Wilma taught at Briscoe several years.

Rita Pearson went to Canyon Thursday and took Lindsey to Amarillo for a root canal in a painful tooth. Sounds like fun-not. Lindsey is to have two teeth capped next week. Good luck!

Thanks Barbara Austin for a call and update on Chuck Jones. He was already retired from teaching. The stroke has affected his speech and paralyzed his right side. He is in rehab. Chuck is a fighter. Keep praying for him and Ann. Hope he will soon be able to be back out in his beautiful garden and orchard and playing golf. All the kids have been visiting home frequently. They have six granddaughters—a basketball team.

Sincere sympathy to family and friends of Grady Havenhill, 80, of Pampa in his death. I remember his wife Berniece as a sweet little girl at Corn Valley School, about 1929. Best wishes, Berniece. May God comfort you.

Nice to have Charlie and Edie Phillis come by and visit awhile Thursday afternoon. Charlie had been working south of Oklahoma City with compressors and they were on their way home to White Deer. We had such a good visit and went to Maxeys to eat supper. Their daughter Stacie and Jeff Haiduk are expecting a baby in June. They bought a house next door to Charlie and Edie in White Deer. Stacie works at a doctor's clinic in Pampa. Jeff works for K and K in White Deer.—his family business. Pray for them. Also for Edie. She had to have gall bladder surgery a year or two ago. Then she developed blood clots that settled in her lungs. So they have had trouble keeping her blood regulated to not be too thick or so thin will cause bleeding.

At Canadian nice to meet Roberta King for lunch at the Pizza Hut, Thursday. Roberta and husband Ernest live at Higgins. We've been friends from way back when she was Dr. Morris' receptionist in Canadian. We also visited Frankie Pelton at the Abraham Home. She was getting her hair fixed at the beauty shop there. Several volunteers were working on different ladies. Such a nice service, if your hair looks nice, you feel perkier. Some ladies working were Pauline Rivers, Judy Stock, Eugenia Byard and Shirley Flowers. Frankie looked so pretty. She said tell all the Wheeler Senior Citizens "Hello".

Three cadets and four teachers from the Boot Camp were eating at the Pizza Hut. The cadets had earned the privilege of eating out by their behavior. Jane Rivers and Ronnie Barney were two of the teachers with the group. They get to eat out if they read so many books, and really treasure the all you can eat Pizza Hut Buffet.

Many fans from many places were out to Amarillo to watch the Ft. Elliott vs. Nazareth girls game Thursday night. We all are proud of you all.

We enjoyed going to Miami Fun Bunch Monday night. New members there were Carl and Shirley Williamson, who had moved back to Miami. Carl was asking about Tooter Helton and his brothers. They use to play Miami against the Briscoe team. Some others there were Sid and Betty Talley, Vera Nolty, Vera Murphy, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Frank and Evelyn Heare, Twyla Taylor, Barbara Alexander, Earline Hoffer (new members), Cecil, Laverne and Gladys Smyth, J. P. and Martha Meek, June Wheeler, Irene Shearer, Guy Folley, JoAnn Morgenstern, Georgia Dea Holland, Esther Bowers and Willis and Verna Fillingim. Delicious food, 4 tables, 42 and 3 of cards. Next meeting will be Feb. 28, with Jane Bright and Evelyn Huff as hostesses. Everyone invited.

There was a big retirement party at Amarillo last Saturday for Bill Helton. Thomas Roy Helton took his parents, Tom and Alice Bell Helton to the party. Congratulations, Bill, for all your years of service. Bill and Phyllis Helton are moving back to Amarillo from Denver to retire.

You'll want to try Vera Murphey's delicious Salmon Surprise 1 tall can Salmon (1 lb. or so)



1/3 cup milk  
1/2 lb. Velveta Cheese  
1 can biscuits (7.5 oz.)  
Flake Salmon into 8x8 casserole. Melt cheese and milk together and pour over salmon. Arrange biscuits on top and bake 350 degrees till hot through and biscuits brown. This is quick and easy and very good. Note: you could make biscuits with 2 cups biscuit mix if preferred.

Congratulations to all the deserving people who received recognition at the Wheeler Chamber of Com-

merce. So many fine people!  
We enjoyed going to Country Chapel Revival services Monday night. Good crowd there for the lively  
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**TUESDAY**  
Breakfast: Ham, Egg, Cheese on Muffin, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Soft Tacos, Salad, Beans, Fruit, Milk or Tea  
**WEDNESDAY**  
Breakfast: Pancakes, Ham, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Potatoes w/ Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Fruit, Milk or Tea  
**THURSDAY**  
Breakfast: Biscuits w/Gravy, Eggs, Jelly, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Spaghetti w/Meat & Cheese, Corn, Salad, Garlic Toast, Fruit, Milk or Tea  
**FRIDAY**  
Breakfast: French Toast, Bacon or Sausage, Juice, Milk  
Lunch: Hamburgers, Hamburgers Fixens, French Fries, Cookies, Milk or Tea  
(Menu subject to change)

**Greenbugs Have Been Found in Carson, Gray**

Greenbug infestations are very heavy in some fields in Carson and Gray Counties. A few sample sites have infestations at or near 1000 greenbugs per foot of row. Fields being checked in Ochiltree County experienced a dramatic increase in greenbug numbers this week. Infestations increased from less than 10 per foot of row to nearly 50 per foot of row. A similar increase occurred in the Dallam County area. Fields being checked in Collingsworth County have no greenbug infestations.

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**Computer Training Coming to Wheeler**

An "Essential Computer Skills" class will be presented in Wheeler on Friday, March 3rd, by Dan Cowan of Accelerated Learning Center of Amarillo.

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Two classes will be held in Wheeler, an afternoon class and an evening class, at the Wheeler Banking Center, 405 Alan Bean. The cost is \$69 per person, payable at the door. Group discounts are available. Call (888) 320-5552 to reserve your seat.

The class is suitable for all beginning and intermediate computer students. Each student will be given a reference guide that will probably be the student's constant companion for all Microsoft applications. This permanent guide gives the simple keystrokes that separate the computer competent person from the person who lacks computer skills.

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Proverbs 23: 19: Listen, my son, and be wise and keep your heart on the right path.

Happy Birthday to Jackie Don May on Feb. 27; Toots South and Dixie Cook on Feb. 28; David Hale, Rozena Zybach and Jeff Herd on March 1; Janet Stevens, Zane Zybach, Alan Hershman, Curt Duncan and Brady Hudson on March 2; Bob Finsterwald, Joey Keelin and Collin McCurley on March 3; Mary Gorley, Chuck Hartline, Dawson Hefley, Clara Beckel, Larry Finsterwald on March 4.

Happy Anniversary to Ralph and Mary Hovey on Feb. 28; Steve and Sami Corse on March 4.

Fellowship of Christian Cowboys meets Saturday night, Feb. 26, at 6:30 at Clyde Carruth Pavilion in Pampa for Potluck supper, good music, prayers and sometimes a short sermon. Everyone invited.

Edna May fixed supper Saturday night for Virginia Puryear, Irene Keys and Lou Dean. They also had fun playing 42.

The Briscoe Ex-Student Reunion has been set for the last Saturday in July, July 29. Hoping for a good crowd. Many have passed on since the last reunion in 1995. Meeting to make plans Sunday were Lou Dean Douthit, Lois Meadows, Brenda Hefley, Winnie Gilmer and Thurman Horn. President, Tonya Finsterwald was sick and unable to be there. Vice-President, Tammy Maddox was not back from the stock show at San Antonio. Hope all ex-students plan to attend.

Lou Dean Douthit went to Amarillo Tuesday and Thursday nights to the Ft. Elliott girls games with Gruver and Nazareth. She went with Debbie Kinnaman to watch granddaughter, Kirby Kinnaman, a junior, play basketball.

Caaron Laverty has a beautiful new engagement ring. She and Scott Nabors announced at Gageby Church Sunday that they plan to be married, but no date or place given. Best wishes and prayers.

Nice to have Brittaney Laverty out to church Sunday. She is the daughter of Claude and Missy. Aaron and Claudetta and Brittaney and Scott all ate lunch at Caaron's Sunday.

Mobeetie First Baptist Church members, Marion Grimes, Doris Finsterwald, Melba Corcoran, Lorene Rector and Orville Greenhouse visited Wheeler Care Center Sunday afternoon. Doris and Marion played the piano and guitar for 30 minutes to start with. C. B. and Maurine Brotherton also came and helped sing. Several residents came out to listen and join in on the songs, especially the chorus. Doris also visited with her mom, Ina Mae Brotherton and others.

Barbara Austin says to tell everyone "Hello". She still feels close to all the people in the area, especially the Kelton people. She still works part time in the prisons and enjoys being closer to her family. Barbara lives at New Braunfels.

Nice to have Horace and Juanita Fillingim go to Wheeler with us Saturday night. We ate at Wheeler Dairy Queen and got some groceries and had a good visit.

Last week Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber were at the San Antonio Stock Show. Jennifer won fifth on a pig and Amber won 8th on a pig. They both made the sale Saturday night, Feb. 19. Georgia Tipps also went with the family. This was the first time for the Maddox girls to make the sale. None of the other Ft. Elliott pigs made the sale. They had to take care of them all week and then they went on the trucks. They got home late Sunday night.

"The love of God surrounds us  
Like the air we breathe around us  
As near as a heartbeat,  
As close as a prayer,  
And whenever we need Him,  
He'll always be there."—by Helen Steiner Rice

Nice to have Marie Gudgel join us for supper at Maxeys Tuesday night. Kay and Jim Batton were also there, showing pictures of their beautiful grandchildren, some of which they share with Marie. Marie's son married Shannon Batton and they had

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Titus 2: 11-13: For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men.

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Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God, and our Savior Jesus Christ.

A bright sunny Monday morning here in Allison with some wind.

Peggy Chandler and Jennie Walker were in Shamrock last Tuesday for Peggy to take care of some business.

Ruby Craig and Rhonda McWhorter, Tanner and Tyler went to Amarillo last Monday for the boys to see the orthodontias.

Darrel and Johnnie Harrison of Amarillo were here Saturday for a while. Johnnie fixed my hair then we ate lunch. Darrel had gone down and visited his mother and ate lunch with his mother. They went home early in the afternoon.

Nadine Lane and Betty Dyer went to Pampa last Monday evening to visit their brother, Charles George, who is in the hospital recovering from cancer surgery. He is making good progress.

The United Pentecostal had a visiting minister and his wife last Sunday for both morning and night services. They were Bro. and Sis James and Mary Battrell from Sterling, Colo. There was an evening meal and fel-

lowship after the night service. Roma and Billy Brown took Opal and Juanita Boydston to Pampa last Wednesday for Juanita to see her doctor for a checkup. Opal and Juanita's visitors last Wednesday night after church were Len and Betty Brown from Dumas. Len and Betty spent a few days here in Allison at their home here.

Judi Cornell entertained the poetry club in her home Feb. 13. After the meal poetry was enjoyed by Lorena Males, Glenna Bell Crane, Kate McDaniel, Dorothy Alexander and Devy Napier, Frank and Becky Buster, Doris and Ivan Minor, Virginia Reynolds, Elanie and Tony Adams and the host-

ess, Judi Cornell. They had fun. Hiram and Darena Begert, and Bret and Hayley Begert were in Houston last weekend attending the Limousin cattle events at the Houston Livestock Show. They had a good time while there.

Pearl Harrison and Cheryl Dupont visited at the Care Center last Tuesday to visit Edith Levitt and Nona Black there.

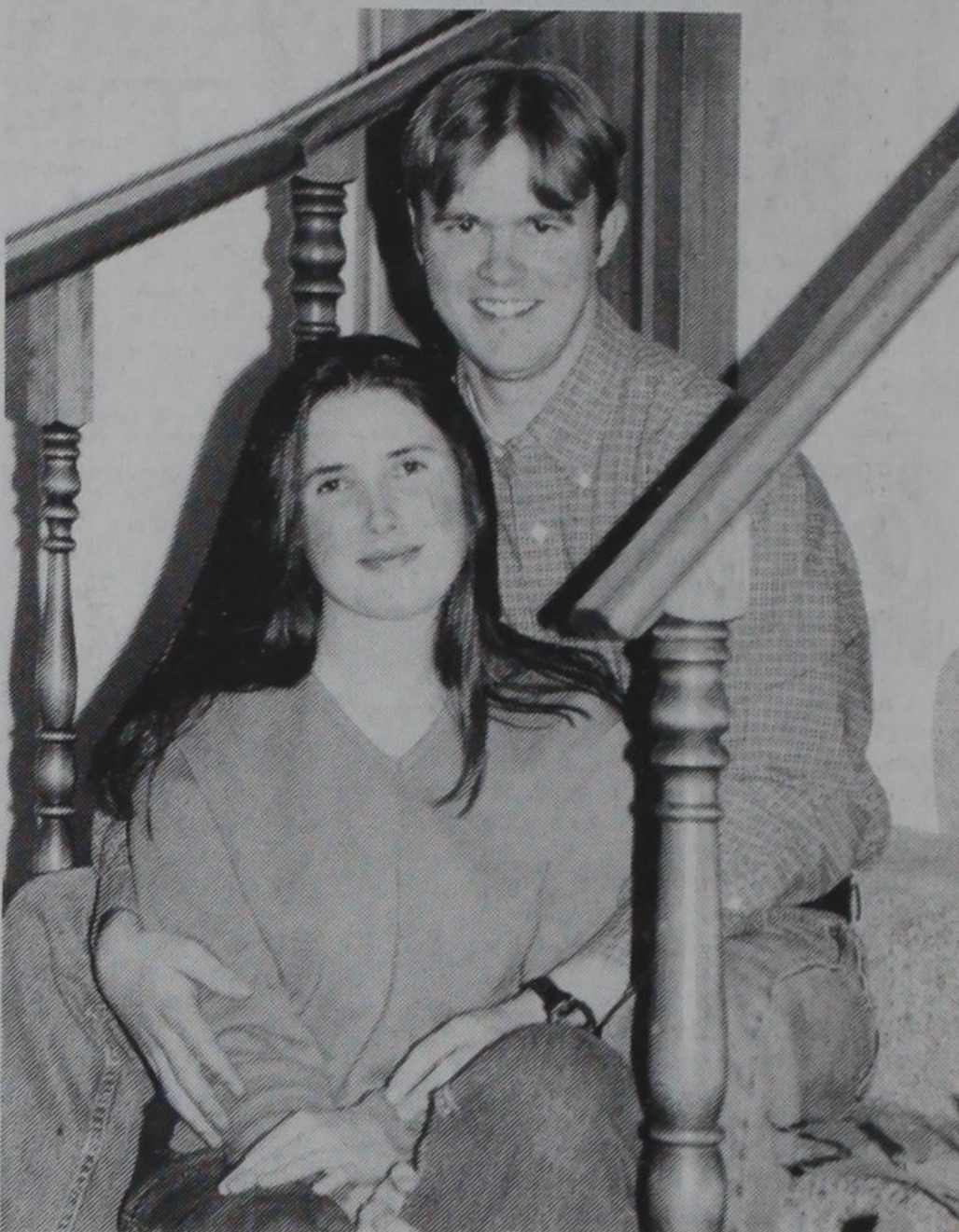
Pearl's Tuesday evening supper guests were Vance Boydston, Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody. Darrel Harrison was last Saturday dinner guest with Pearl. Pearl's Sunday dinner guests were Bro. and Sis James and Mary Battrell from Sterling, Co., Bro McDaniel, Hershel Sanford from Higgins, Clifton and Louise Boydston, Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody.

Ruby Craig and Rhonda McWhorter were in Pampa last Wednesday for business reasons.

Ruby and Wilma were in Wheeler last Sunday afternoon visiting Billy and Rhonda McWhorter, Tanner and Tyler.

Virginia Miller spent the weekend in Amarillo with Lynda Banger and her husband. Sorry I forgot what his first name is.

Take time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.



**ENGAGEMENT AND APPROACHING MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED:** Joe and Jody Gilmore, of Evanston, Wyoming, are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Darian Jo Gilmore, to Wade Wiley Hampton, son of Steve and Nancy Hampton, of Wheeler, Texas. Darian is the granddaughter of Myrtle and Robert Gilmore and Wanda Cowan, all of Evanston, Wyoming. Wade is the grandson of Ruth and the late Max Wiley and the late Bill and Marie Hampton, of Wheeler, Texas. Darian is currently a senior at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, where she will finish course work for Music Therapy in May. She will then pursue a degree in Special Education. Wade is a graduate of Wheeler High School and a graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He currently is the director of bands at Seiling, Oklahoma. The couple will exchange vows Saturday, July 15, 2000, in Evanston, Wyoming. After their marriage, they will make their home in Seiling, Oklahoma.

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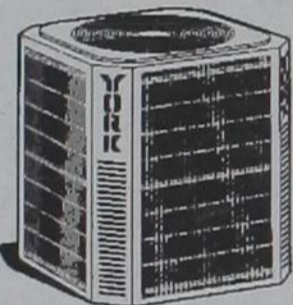
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**Extension Update**  
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**SHOPPING FOR LEANER BEEF**

When we as consumers go to the grocery store to pick out our beef purchases we should begin by checking the outside fat on the cut of meat. Extra trim cuts should have less than about 1/3 inch outside fat.

Marbling, the intramuscular fat varies with the individual cut. In general your leaner cuts of meat will include flank steak, top and bottom sirloin steak, top loin steak, top round steak, beef tenderloin steak, round tip roast and bottom round roast.

Lean cuts of beef become tough if dry heat methods, such as broiling or grilling are used. To help ensure tenderness try marinating the meat first. Marinating helps break down the connective tissue rendering the meat more tender.

Another way to prepare your beef for tenderness would be to stir fry with a minimum of oil or pan broiling which is similar but uses no fat or water.

Also avoid overcooking lean beef. As it cooks, water and fat cook out. To prevent a dry texture, cook to rare, or medium - browning the exterior of the meat quickly also helps hold in the juices.

How to store your beef purchases? After you have made your meat purchases, it is very important that you store the food to maintain optimal quality if you do not intend to use it right away. Fresh beef cuts should only be stored for 3 to 4 days in the refrigerator and 6 to 12 months in the freezer. Ground beef should be stored no longer than 2 days in the refrigerator and 3 to 4 months in the freezer. Cooked meats should be wrapped or placed in tightly covered dishes or containers and refrigerated within two hours after serving.

Below, I have provided you with a great recipe for the family favorite.

**FLAVORFUL BEEF ROAST**  
3 pound beef eye round roast  
1/3 cup soy sauce  
1/3 cup dry sherry  
1/3 cup lime juice  
2 tablespoons cooking oil  
1 tablespoon minced ginger root  
1 tablespoon honey  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
Combine soy sauce, sherry, lime juice, oil, ginger root, honey and garlic. Place roast in utility dish or plastic bag; add marinade, turning to coat. Cover dish or tie bag securely and marinate in refrigerator 6 to 8 hours (or overnight, if desired), turning occasionally. Remove roast from marinade. Place roast on rack in open roasting pan. Insert meat thermometer so bulb is centered in the thickest part. Do not add water. Do not cover. Roast in a slow oven (325 degrees Fahrenheit) until thermometer registers 135 degrees Fahrenheit. Allow 20 to 22 minutes per pound. Brush roast with reserved marinade during last 20 minutes of cooking. Carve into thin slices. 8 servings.

Nutrition data per 3 - oz. Trimmed serving: 178 calories; 7 g fat; 2 g carbohydrate; protein 25% U.S. RDA; 334 mg sodium; 59 mg cholesterol.

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We want to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude to Parkview Hospital employees and Dr. Mendiola for the continuous care given to our loved one, Homer Sanders. To our extended family, the Gem Community, we love you. To all his friends who showed their concern with visits, cards, plants, and other expressions of sympathy, we're at a loss for words to tell you how much we appreciate each and everyone of you.

God Bless You,  
The Family of Homer Sanders

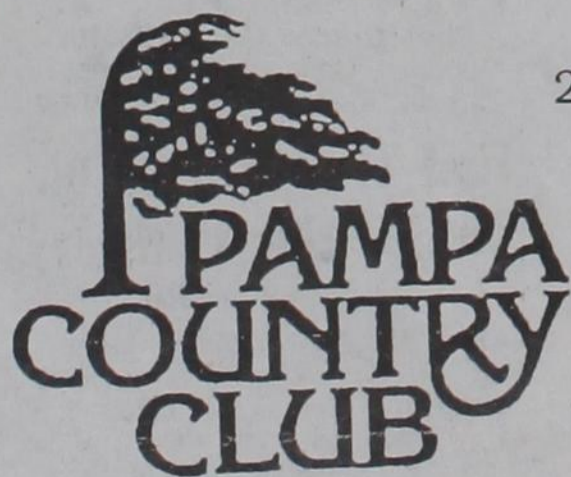
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I would like to continue representing the people of Wheeler County as Tax Assessor Collector. If you choose to vote for me I will continue doing the best I can for the people of Wheeler County.

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