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After forty-two years of practice in Wadesboro, I have decided to retire effective April 30, 2015.

Until then, records may be picked up or requests made for transfer of records to other dentists by calling 704-694-5707.

Mon. - Wed. 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. & 1 to 5 p.m.
Thursdays 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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Free Movie is Wadesboro in the 30's & the Bicentennial (1949)

Library has three historic Wadesboro and Anson DVDs for sale

The Hampton B. Allen Library will be showing the film *Wadesboro in the 30's & the Bicentennial (1949)* on Monday, March 23 in the Little Theatre at 10 a.m. If time permits they will show some of the *Ray Shelton Ballfield Dedication* film.

The library has the DVD *The Ed Emory Years with the Wadesboro Tigers, Years 1963-64 & 1965-66* as well. These three films are available for purchase for \$15 each or \$40 for all three DVDs. Checks should be made payable to Friends of the Hampton B. Allen Library. Everyone is invited to join us and bring a friend for the showing.

For more information call 704-694-5177.

Free Groceries - Mobile Food Pantry is April 1

The Mobile Food Pantry and CMC Mobile Health Unit will be at Lilesville United Methodist Church (310 East Wall Street) on Wednesday, April 1 at 11 a.m.

You may qualify for this free food. This chart offers income guidelines for the Mobile Food Pantry. Senior citizens are invited to participate if they qualify.

Be sure to bring your own bags, boxes or carts to carry your food. Do not arrive before 9:30 a.m. If it is raining the day of or before the delivery, it will be canceled. If you have not yet done so, bring proof of your income to register. You can only pick up food for yourself and one other registered household.

This event is sponsored by Anson Crisis Ministry and local United Methodist, Baptist, Apostolic and Presbyterian Churches. Interested in volunteering? Call Rev. Kaye Fry at Lilesville UMC 704-270-4010 or Rev. Cindy Lunsford (828) 891-2753.

Enjoy this Remembering column from 2004

Remembering.....

By Ed McBride



Bowman's Restaurant

This one goes back a few years. Bowman's Restaurant was located on Old 74 east of Wadesboro - not as the highway is today, but back then 74 came into town past the present Post Office, then on to Lee Avenue, down the hill, and continued on Highway 74. In later years the present Highways 74 and 52 combined, moving to their present location - with many more changes and improvements added.

Mr. Bowman opened a 24-hour restaurant and gas station in the mid 1920's - and for many years it was the only restaurant open day and night from Charlotte to Wilmington. Years moved on - Mr. Bowman had gotten older and slowed down some - Howard Teal had finished high school, and he came to work for Mr. Bowman. There Howard spent the rest of his life (1916-1991) serving good food, gas, great conversation, some politics - the "spot to be in Anson County."

"We doze - but never close" and "Drift to Bowmans."

Through the years there were several additions to the original station - an enlarged kitchen and dining space on the east side. The signs in the picture were on the new dining addition with Howard. I did them in May of 1958 for the sum of \$20 each - 3x3 feet. Later, the Confederate Dining Rooms were added to the west side.

No politician would never ever miss stopping at Bowman's, not only to "get Howard's ideas," but to see

what was going on! Some of the folks like Clarence Beck, Lester Dawkins, James Hanna, Walter Mull, Addison Moore, Sr., Richard Perkins, Sophie Kinlaw and Nanie Moore were just a few that I remember, along with the many "occasions" at Bowman's. After Lucy and I got married on Sunday night, September 20, 1942, we went to Bowman's for a "big orange" (only 5¢) - with curb service, delivered right to the car. Other occasions some years later - after the Easter sunrise services at First Methodist Church and others from their churches would meet at Bowman's for breakfast - complete with eggs, grits, toast, jelly and coffee - all for less than a dollar!! No, there were no Hardees, McDonalds, Wendys, Burger King - none of those, and the City Cafe was not open on Sundays. The Tea Room had not come along, and the National Hotel probably had already closed too!

These are just a few "remembrances" - there are many, many more! Now memories are all that's left of Bowman's. The property was recently sold, the lot cleared - ready for a new generation! Will the "new use" make an impression as widespread as Bowman's 24 Hour Restaurant - a place remembered by "travelers" through Wadesboro, a conversation place, a place where many people were hungry, had no money, but were fed - a place of "memories dedicated" to Howard and all of the good folks who "Bowman's Restaurant" connected through the years!

Fraud Seminar March 27

Ponzi Schemes, Affinity Fraud, Elder Financial Exploitation, we are all surrounded by scammers ready to steal our money. But, investment thieves can also cheat you out of your dreams and your peace of mind.

Don't let that happen to you. Come to a free seminar at Grace Senior Center on Friday, March 27 at 1:30 p.m. The Secretary of State's Investor Education Specialist, Barbara Bennett, will discuss warning signs of fraud, resources available to you and other ways to protect yourself. Persons interested should call Grace Senior Center at 704-694-6616 to register.

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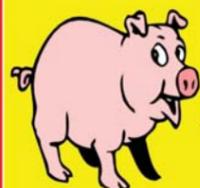
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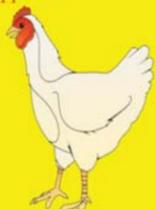
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Take-Out

Pork or Chicken

All plates: \$10.00

Dessert donations are greatly appreciated!