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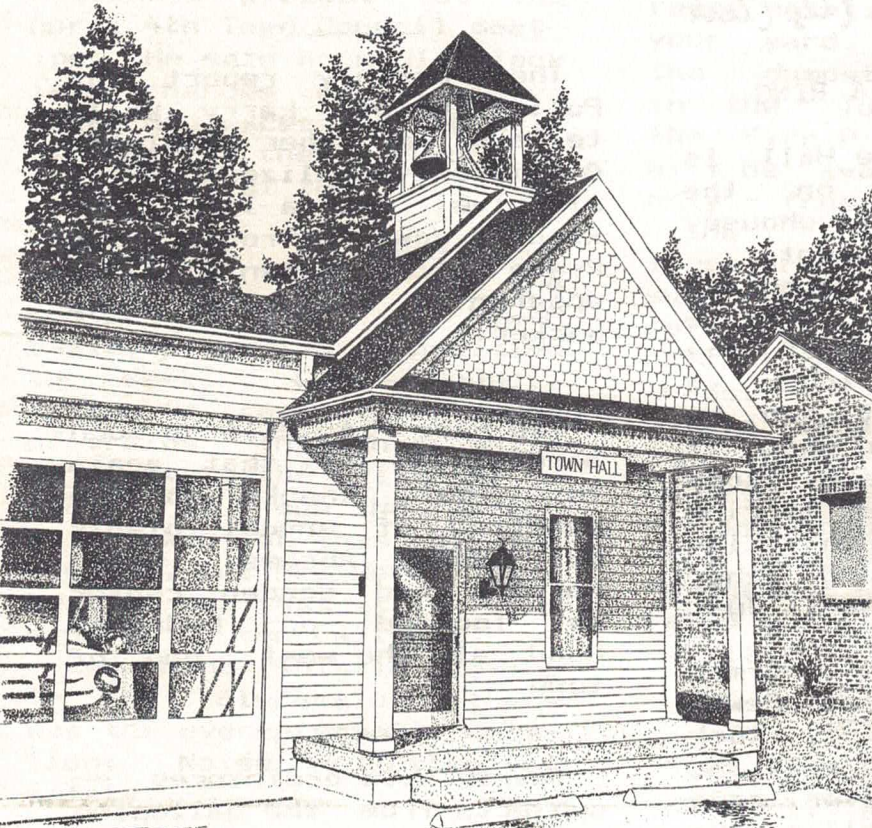
# The Call of the Pewee

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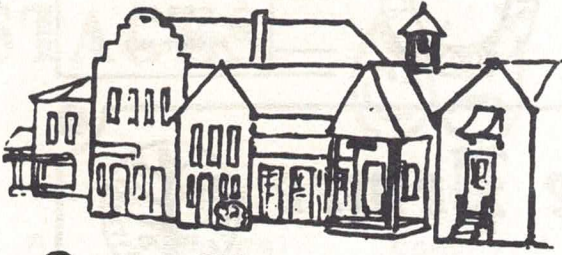


*This pen and ink drawing of our Town Hall is the work of Pewee resident Bill Ferebee, artist and partner in the advertising firm of Ferebee & Galvin in Louisville.*

*See p. 2 for story about the Town Hall Bell.*

**Clean-Up Day** Saturday, April 23

(See p. 3)



## Our Town

*By Lee Heiman, City Clerk*

### WE'LL GIVE YOU A RING

The Bell of the Hall is resting quietly on the floor of the firehouse, awaiting her big moment.

What that paragraph really said is: They've taken the bell out of the Town Hall bell tower so that its support can be strengthened, and when it goes back in place, some way will be devised to ring it to announce monthly City Council meetings and other events in Our Town. Just like in the old days.

City Councilman Norman Turner, who is also Pewee Valley's fire chief, took it upon himself to make the repairs. He believes rope attached to the bell can be lowered into the building, thus bringing the ringing whenever the occasion arises. And there you have a tale that needed to be told.

### TWO ACCIDENTS IN MARCH

The wreckage looked bad, but no one was injured when a train struck a car March 10 at the town-center crossing, pushing it against the signal-light post.

Just a few feet away, at LaGrange Road and Ash Avenue two cars collided, with one injury. No Pewee was involved.

The monthly report of Police Chief Larry Walls tells of two other problems: A mailbox vandalized on Rebel Drive, and a lamp post knocked down in front of the Pewee Valley Woman's Club, apparently by a careless backer.

The Fire Pit will be much more than just that again this year, thanks to the donation of annual plants by Sandy Abrams, whose nursery and garden center is located on LaGrange Road at the west end of town.

Thirty old ordinances -- subjects from the galloping of horses to obscene language -- have been repealed by the City Council on advice of legal counsel John Frith Stewart. Eight other ordinances are being updated.

### Noise Pollution or Safety?

There was a lot of discussion, but not much action, when residents of Woodridge subdivision sought the help of the City Council in alleviating the noise of passing trains.

CSX Trainmaster James R. Woody came from Cincinnati to talk with the Woodridge residents present at the April 4th Town Council meeting. He said he would look into charges of excessive speed and excessive whistle blowing in the stretch of track west of the city limits.

Residents of Woodridge and other areas in the western portion of Pewee Valley presented a petition to seek City Council action to control the speed of trains "through or while adjacent to" the city not to exceed 25 mph. No action was taken on this by the Council, but Mr. Woody said he will see that it is considered by the railroad.

Regarding whistle-blowing in the discussion, there was the ever-present question: Noise pollution vs. safety.

The City Council has agreed to install a decorative street light at the entrance to Woodridge subdivision.



## Clean-Up Day

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

Our Town's annual Cleanup Day will be Saturday, April 23. This is the time to round up all the rubbish in your yard and take it to the dumpster awaiting you in the Town Square near the Fire Pit. The dumpster will be available to Pewees only - from 8 AM til 4 PM.

The only unacceptable items are large appliances, such as ranges and refrigerators, automobiles, or cuttings from shrubs and trees.

This annual Cleanup Day is sponsored by your City Council. The dumpster will be furnished without cost, as in past years, by Waste Management of Kentucky, located on Grade Lane in Louisville.

### Spring Storm

That storm the first week of April sounded bad, but Pewee Valley escaped severe damage. Two or three big trees went down in people's yards. But, this time, there was no disruption of electricity as in neighboring areas of Jefferson Co.

## DAIRYMEN'S CHOICE

Pewee Jim McDowell has a new, and bigger, title with Dairymen, Inc., Louisville-based dairy co-operative.

The Rosswoods resident, who grew up on a farm in Larue County and has been involved in the dairy industry since 1965, has been promoted from chief operating officer of the co-op to chief executive officer.

*"Derby Queen" Candidate*

Mrs. Mary Lou Durham of Old Floydsburg Road will represent Pewee Valley in the "Derby Queen" contest sponsored by the E.B. Tinsley Senior Citizen's Center. The contest, which will culminate in May, is a fundraiser for the center.

People may "vote" for Mary Lou by sending a donation to the Tinsley Center in honor of her. The Derby Queen candidate having the most money donated in her honor will be named Derby Queen of Tinsley Center.

*Our Gal in Washington*

Sarah Hendrickson, of Rebel Drive, Pewee Valley, has joined Senator Mitch McConnell's Washington staff as a legislative intern for the spring of 1988.

## A PRIZE-WINNING DESIGNER

John Stewart Jr. has won \$1000 in an international house-design competition, enough to pay his rent on the Pewee Valley Caboose for the next ten years.

The competition, titled "Innovations in Housing," was sponsored by Progressive Architecture magazine, and was right down John's alley (if you'll pardon the expression) in the designing and bulding of houses. He and a partner are trying right now to get a "new-age" community off the ground in Oldham County on Highway 393, 3 miles north of the high school. A showcase home has been built there.

In the magazine's competition, John placed second among 350 entrants. His firm, Formmorphics Inc., leases the Pewee Valley Caboose as headquarters for \$100 a year.

John is a son of John Frith Stewart, former mayor of Our Town and now the City's legal counsel. Designing the Stewart & Roelandt law office in Crestwood about four years ago was among the younger John's accomplishments.

PEWEES IN  
THE NEWS

## THREE NO'S IN A ROW

The Pewee Valley Board of Adjustments & Appeals said "no" consistently to applicants for dimensional variances at a meeting March 24.

Peter Nemeth sought approval for construction of a garage five feet from his side lot line at 315 Elm Avenue.

Daniel Keith Hall asked to be allowed to create a lot of less than an acre at 7401 Powhatan Lane in Shagbark Farms subdivision.

David A. Bramer wanted to put a barn three feet from the side property line at 8500 Houston Lane.

## RECENT BUILDING PERMITS

Permits have been issued by the Oldham County Plan- & Zoning Commission for:

A 2-bedroom residence for David and Jutta West at 104 Rollington Rd.

A 3-bedroom residence for Russell L. Carrithers at 411 Old Floydsburg Rd.

Addition to the home of Curt and Deborah Davenport, 110 Peace Ln.

Storage building on the property of Robert and Donna Roseberry, 111 Dogwood Ln.

Garage on property owned by Larry Z. Smith of Shelbyville at 105 Maple Ave.

All three applications were denied.

The board also refused a requested re-hearing of a previous decision to permit a dimensional variance for a barn one foot from Donald Thiel's property line in Woodridge subdivision.



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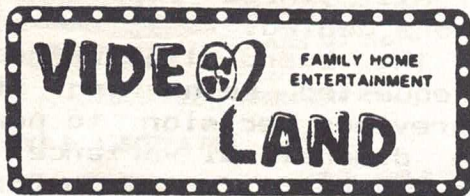
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## New Pewees:

*By Jean Gleason  
and Kathie Hodge*



Ellen Hammel

Kentucky is now home for Ellen Hammel, a native of Long Island, N.Y. She has had a chance over the years to appreciate Kentucky from her visits with her daughter and 2 grandchildren who live in Clovercroft subdivision.

Back home in New York, Ellen left 3 grown children, Marie Urbanski and sons Ronald and Kenneth.

For 16 years, Ellen worked at Huntington Hospital, New York, in the medical records department. Since moving into a newly built home just 3 weeks ago, she has had only a few chances to play bridge, one of her favorite hobbies.

After the mud settles, Ellen says she will contemplate a garden and looks forward to the rest of her family visiting her in Pewee.



Peter and Emily Johnson

Peter and Emily Johnson both grew up in Anchorage but moved here in March from the Highlands in Louisville. Emily feels its nice to be closer to their families.

Peter plans on using a little professional experience in making a few changes here and there to their home at the corner of Floydsburg and Maple. But the biggest change for them is to have more space and lots of leaves to rake in the fall. Peter has been a salesman with Stanley-Shultze Glass Company for 11 years.

Emily is a Home Ec major and keeps her skills by making wedding gowns while she waits for a teaching position to open up here in Oldham County. She is currently a customer representative for Telecheck.

Both enjoy getting out into the wilderness to camp and fish. Emily kids she doesn't share Peter's thrill of hunting deer, but does love just getting away.



Neil and Margaret Bell with Paul (front) and Kevin

Former Georgetownians, Neil and Margaret Bell met in college in Kentucky. Originally from Memphis, Neil uses his degree in Psychology and Philosophy in the business field now. Seven years ago he started his own company, Recognition Express, specializing in recognition products such as names, messages, plaques.

Margaret grew up in Drift, Kentucky and holds a degree in Mathematics from Georgetown. She is now chief financial officer for the joint venture division of Capital Holding.

The Bells lived in Middletown 13 years before moving to Rebel Drive last month. They have 2 young sons, Paul and Kevin. They belong to Middletown Christian Church where Neil is a deacon. Gardening, backpacking and canoeing are among his favorite pasttimes.

**DOG ORDINANCE AVAILABLE**

Are you troubled by your neighbor's dogs? Or the ones that challenge your right to jog along the street?

The County's ordinance covering loose dogs was explained to the City Council by the county dog warden on April 4. You don't have to put up with the annoyance of those which sound ferocious (or, even, are).

Copies of the ordinance are available upon request: Phone City Clerk Lee Heiman, 241-4551.

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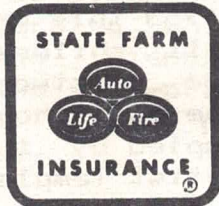
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# Valley Vignettes

## SCHOOL DAYS

In 1836, one-fourth acre in Rollington was set aside for a meeting house and school house...Pewee Valleys first. In 1838, the Kentucky Legislature passed an act encouraging communities to set up public schools with some state aid to be provided. Each county was required to take a census of all the school-age children and levy a tax for the Common School. Thus, the established school in Rollington became one of the first Common Schools in Oldham County.

In 1870 the old Methodist church near Rollington was purchased for use as a school.

On Aug. 1, 1873 ten acres of land running from Ash to Tulip was purchased for a private non-denominational school -the Kentucky College for Young Ladies. Opening in 1876, there were 40 rooms. Boys could attend the day school. In 1890, when it was destroyed by fire, the school moved to Villa Ridge Inn. (The present Ken Hays home was built in 1906 on the foundation of the College for Young Ladies.)

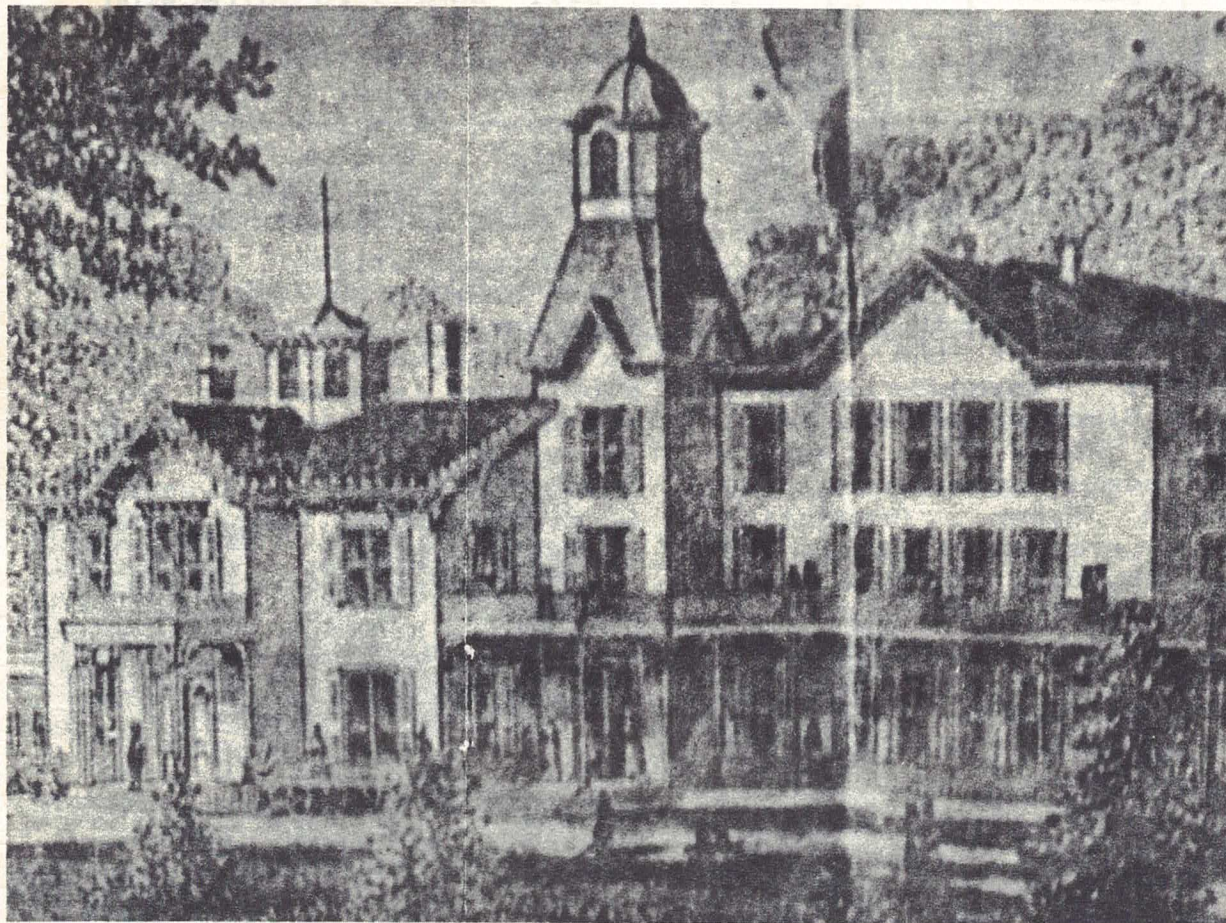
In 1902 when the Inn was sold to the state, Miss Fannie Craig opened a school in the building behind her home (now called Edgewood) on Central Avenue.

In 1891, S.H. Curl was selected to build a new school on Maple Avenue behind the Episcopal Church. It opened in 1892 with 27 students. The first town school board was composed of H. M. Woodruff, W.N. Jury, and W. S. Lee.

Few schools were maintained for black children until 1874, when an act passed by the General Assembly provided that a system of education be organized for these children. The first school was a 2-room building on the Baptist Church property. In 1950 a new school for the black children was built on Ash Avenue. In 1963 this one was closed and all children were sent to the Crestwood School. Today the old school property is occupied by the Pewee Valley Baptist Temple.

As the town grew, the school for white children was no longer adequate.





#### PEWEE VALLEY'S KENTUCKY COLLEGE FOR YOUNG LADIES

When Mr. J.W. Calvert, owner of the property, refused to let more rooms be added, the Pewee Valley school board purchased the lot on Tulip, put the school house on rollers and moved it to its last location. A new home on this property is now owned by Mr. Bob Lee.

In the early 1900's, Mrs. G.T. Blackley operated a private school in the Rich-

ard's residence- "Fair oak".

Two schools now operate in Pewee Valley. Mt. Mercy Boarding School, opening in 1926 and operated by the Sisters of Mercy - first holding classes in the former Foley home on Mt. Mercy, is now St. Aloysius, offering grades 1-8. The Pewee Valley Junior Academy, affiliated with the Seventh Day Adventist Church, offers grades 1-9.

# STAGES



## "THEY'RE PLAYING OUR SONG"

A musical comedy, "They're Playing Our Song", will be the fourth and final production of the Little Colonel Playhouse season. Neil Simon wrote the play, with music by Marvin Hamlisch and lyrics by Carole Sager. Production dates are May 12,13,14 and May 19,20,21. Curtain time is always at 8 PM.

Jill Dunlap is directing the cast which stars John Berry and Melinda Horvath in the leads, with Marla Thomas, Gloria Shipley, Jeannie Monroe, Scott Crawford, Ron Pittman and Mark Gaff in the chorus.

Instrumentalists include Patti Nuermberger and Louise Bornwasser. Monica Cowles is the choreographer. Jamie Klosterman is assistant director. Karen Henson, Jane Benner, Susan Reihle, and Steve Dunlap are involved in wardrobe, props, tech, and set crews.

For reservations, call 241-4210.

## UK SENIORS VS. UK GREATS

Lovers of Kentucky basketball will get one last chance to see the Big Blue in action. The South Oldham Lions Club is sponsoring the UK five seniors, Winsten Bennett, Rob Lock, Ed Davender, Cedric Jenkins and Richard Madison, in a game against former UK greats to include Oldham Countian and former Pewee Louie Dampier, Jack Givens, Jim Masters, LeRoy Byrd, James Blackman, Roger Hardin, Paul Andrews, Jerry Hale, Larry Stamper and Jim LeMaster.

The game will be played at the Oldham County High School in Buckner on April

26th. Game time is 7:30 p.m.; however, there will be an autograph session beginning at 6:00 p.m. Tickets will go on sale April 18 at Oldham County High School and all three Crestwood State Banks in Oldham County. All tickets are \$5 each. Ticket sales will be limited to 2500.

### MARRIAGE VOWS SAID

A new bride in Pewee Valley is Wendy Logan, who was wed to Jeff Curtis in ceremonies at Crestwood United Methodist Church on Saturday April 9th. She is the daughter of Zack and Carole Logan.