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## Stepping Out Front



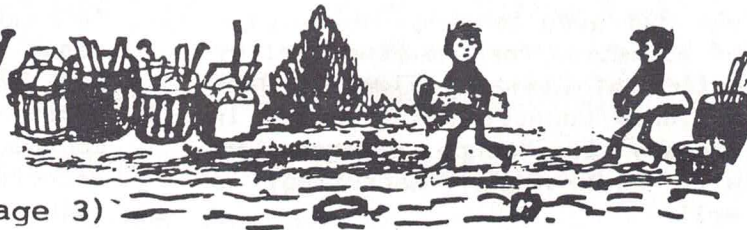
Look for the South Oldham High School Band in this year's Derby Parade, and leading them will be Field Commander Sondra Effinger, daughter of Joyce and Johnny Effinger of Pewee Valley. 17-year-old Sondra is a junior at SOHS. She and the Marching Dragons have had an outstanding year in band competitions. They won the 3rd place trophy in the Kentucky Class AA competition.

One more challenge remains for this school year...a May trip and competition to Williamsburg, VA and Washington, D.C.

## Clean-Up Day

This SATURDAY,  
APRIL 18<sup>th</sup>

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# Our Town



By Lee Heiman, City Clerk

## SIGN-STEALING IS A FELONY

Over the years a number of street-name signs have disappeared from street corners in Pewee Valley--hopefully, not the work of local residents.

The cost of buying one of these signs and installing it now runs over \$100, and that puts the crime of stealing one in the category of a felony--not a misdemeanor anymore.

One of the most recent instances was the theft of a Peace Lane sign--during the night following the day it was put up.

Hopefully, anyone with information about any of these thefts will report it to the Pewee Valley Police Department. You can bet there will be some speedy action.

## BANK MANAGER

This item comes to you rather stale, because he was too modest to let us know: Scott Fowler, who had been serving as manager of marketing for the Pewee Valley office of Citizens Fidelity Bank - Oldham County, was promoted in January to branch manager. He will continue in marketing, as well.

PUBLIC HEARING on the City's proposed budget for fiscal year 1992-93 Monday evening, May 4, during the regular City Council monthly meeting beginning at 7 o'clock in the Town Hall.

## A SIGN TO SAY WHAT'S UP

Our Town will soon have a centrally located permanent sign to advertise community events.

The City Council has voted to order the sign, details of which Councilmember Kathie Hodge has been working on for weeks.

It will be situated between LaGrange Road (Highway 146) and the CSX Transportation tracks. CSX has authorized placement of the sign on its property, but the exact location still needs to be determined.

The sign will be double-faced and top-lighted, with the words "Welcome--City of Pewee Valley" and the City's emblem above the space where changeable letters will announce approaching events.

## LATE TAXPAYERS, NOTE:

Delinquent City taxpayers have another month of grace before their names are published in The Call Of The Pewee.

Instead of in this issue, as indicated previously, names of those who have not paid 1991 City taxes will be listed in the May issue. This publishing of names has been a custom for several years--not for meanness, of course, but just as an effort to encourage everyone to pay his/her fair share of the taxes.

## CABOOSE LESSEE: AS WAS

The lease now held on the Caboose by John Stewart Jr. has been renewed by the City Council at the same annual rate, \$100, as for the past six years.

Three others had sought the lease for this year. The main factor in awarding it to John was the considerable amount of maintenance work he has done on the Caboose while lessee.

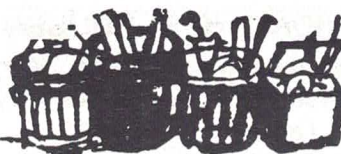
John originally used the spot as an office for his architectural firm, Formmorphics Inc., which now is located in Crestwood. For the past couple of years he has subleased the Caboose to Snyder Sheet Metal, which last year replaced the roof.

For the first time, the City Council has now come up with a set of regulations covering the leasing--the work of Councilmen Walter Hayes and Norman Turner.

## 1992-93 LEGAL COUNSEL

An ordinance designating Stewart & Roelandt, Attorneys, as Our Town's legal counsel for 1992 and 1993 was adopted by the City Council following its second reading April 6. The firm has been serving the City since partner John Frith Stewart ended his tenure as Pewee Valley's Mayor.

The ordinance provides for the payment of a monthly fee of \$100 to cover attendance at six Council meetings a year and preparation of ordinances, with additional services to be paid for at \$90 an hour the first year, \$95 the second.



# Clean-Up Day

## This SATURDAY, APRIL 18th

A notice for Pewee Valley residents only: Time to look around in your yard for junk to get rid of (even if you just can't bear to give it up).

The City's annual Clean-Up Day will take place this Saturday, April 18. Take that junk to the Old Town Square between 8 and 11:30 a.m., and two dumpsters will be waiting to receive it -- with these exceptions: no wood, no paint, no chemicals! And remember...Pewees only!

## A CHANGE IN COLLECTORS

Mayor Reinhardt has announced that Elsie Heiman will retire at the end of August as the City Tax Collector, after many years at the job, and will be succeeded by Marilyn Walls, wife of Police Chief Larry Walls.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Voters must be registered by April 28 to vote in the May 26 primary. To register, go to the county clerk's office in the new courthouse (formerly Citizens Fidelity Bank Building), First and Jefferson in LaGrange. For more information call 222-0047.

## TWO MORE NEW HOUSES

Construction permits for two new houses in Pewee Valley were issued last month by the County Planning & Zoning Commission:

At 112 Stoney Creek Court in Stoney Creek subdivision off Ash Avenue, a three-bedroom residence for Gary Marconi.

At 115 Rest Cottage Lane, a four-bedroom residence for Kenneth L. Sherwood.

Permits also were issued for:

A 28x16-foot addition to the residence of Dr. John Oldfather, 7409 Powhatan Lane.

A 22x27-foot addition (bedroom, kitchen and bath) to a residence at 402 Peace Lane, owned by Charles Hosler.

A 10x10-foot accessory building on property of Charles E. Hinkle at 118 Old Floydsburg Road.

A 12x16-foot accessory building for H.I. and Jean Riggs at 140 Rosswoods Drive.

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So far this month, one more building permit has been issued: For construction of a 24x24-foot garage at 113 Stoney Creek Court, property owned by Dean Shields of Crestwood.

### **The Call of the Pewee**

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## NEW COMPLAINT ABOUT DOGS

An anonymous letter from a Pewee Valley resident was mailed to "The Call Of The Pewee", asking neighbors to please abide by the leash law and keep their dogs in their own yard. He/she cites extensive damage to their yard (digging, wetting, getting into garbage cans), aggression toward their children, and their own small dog killed in their yard.

Many of the roving dogs do the damage during the night or early morning. Most have collars; some owners are known; the letter identified some dogs in the Wooldridge, Hamilton, Briar Hill area.

With this frustrating problem, they have called the Animal Control; "We have hesitated to shoot or catch your animal, but we are at our limit as to what else to do. Please be considerate of your neighbor's property and keep your pet in your yard. You may think your pet is incapable of this destruction and killing, but I can assure you when your pet is allowed to run, especially if your pet meets up with another dog or a smaller pet, destruction can occur. If your dog is caught, the damage will be assessed and the dog's owner will be expected to pay damages."

The Call Of The Pewee does not print anonymous letters, but recognizes the problem of dogs running loose in developed areas, especially when the leash law is in effect.

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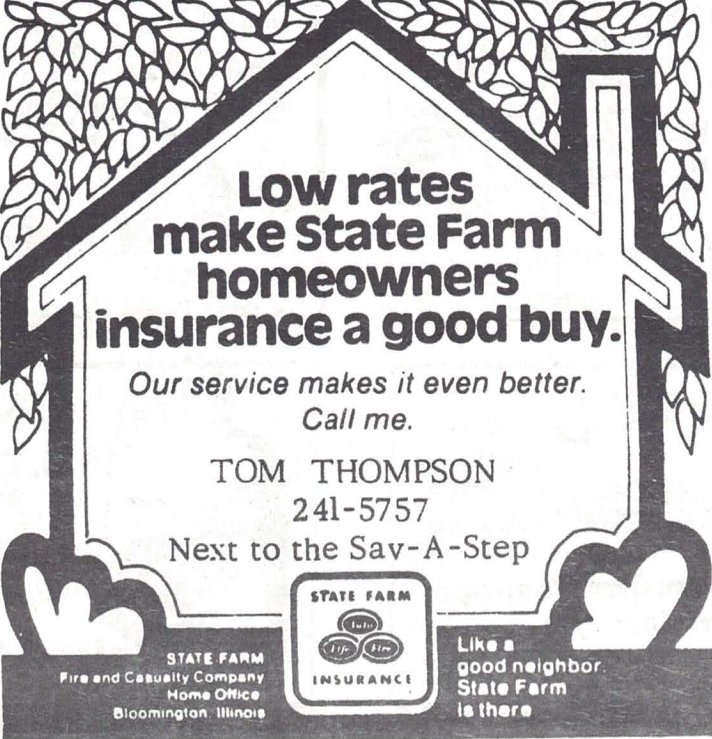
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Pewee Valley has made it into the Congressional Record.

Senator Mitch McConnell's "Tribute to Pewee Valley" was recorded in The Record of March 31, into which he also inserted the entire article on Pewee Valley that appeared in The Courier-Journal of March 23 as one of its weekly Monday series on "Our Towns," "personality sketches" of small Kentucky cities.

Courier-Journal Publisher George Gill, who happens to be a resident of Pewee Valley, has

presented Mayor Vivien H. Reinhardt with a framed copy of the "Our Towns" article.

And now the Mayor has received from Senator McConnell a signed copy of the Congressional Record that includes the Pewee Valley tribute.

All this tends to support our long-proclaimed assertion that Pewee Valley is, indeed, the Garden Spot of the World.

Senator McConnell's remarks in the Congressional Record are reprinted here.

#### TRIBUTE TO PEWEE VALLEY

● Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the town of Pewee Valley, located in north-central Kentucky.

Pewee Valley is located in Oldham County, sits on relatively flat ground that is interrupted in places by low-rolling fields. It does not stray far from the traditions of many American small towns. Pewee Valley is remarkably tranquil and serene, and is considered by its citizens to be the perfect place to raise a family.

Pewee Valley has been home to a number of talented journalists, teachers, and artists. W.N. Haldeman, owner of Louisville's Morning Courier and, after the Civil War, founder of

the Courier-Journal made the valley his home.

Besides the natural beauty, the real strength of Pewee Valley is its citizens. Residents are willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need and generously look out for one another.

The railroad has played a major role in Pewee Valley's history. Today, CSX runs through the center of town. Residents enjoy a \$13,753 per capita income, \$1,756 above the State average. There is no doubt, that Pewee Valley is a confident and viable community.

The town of Pewee Valley is a special place in Kentucky. It should be recognized as one of Kentucky's finest communities.

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# STAGES

## "NIGHTIE" --NAUGHTY?

Rehearsals are in progress for the upcoming play at the Little Colonel Playhouse on Mt. Mercy Drive. Opening on May 14 will be "Natalie Needs a Nightie", a farce by Neil & Caroline Shaffner. The plot concerns a bachelor executive who has convinced his boss that he is married and has children so that he is eligible for a bonus. Zany confusion reigns when he ends up with too many wives and too many babies. Jill Dunlap, the director, promises an evening of fun and entertainment.

Production dates are May 14, 15, 16, 22, 23 at 8:00 p.m. and a

2:30 matinee on May 24.

Tickets are \$4.50 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$6.00 for adults, and \$3.00 for students thru grade 12. Reservations may be made by calling the 24-hour answering service at 588-1557.

## MARCH WAS A LAMB

March was a rather quiet month for Pewee Valley police--only two citations, one for DUI, the other for no operator's license on person, and reports on two non-injury accidents.

## DEATH OF SUSAN REID

Susan Reid, a long-time resident on Wooldridge Avenue in Pewee Valley, died April 16 at Baptist Hospital East. She was 74. Mrs. Reid was a retired real estate agent.



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