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CLEAN-UPPERS

Our Town-sponsored Clean-up Day on April 18 was a big success, filling 2 big dumpsters that the City made available in Town Square.

◀ These Cubs and Boy Scouts worked hard on Clean-up Day picking up clutter and litter, making Pewee Valley a prettier and neater place in which to live. Members of Pack 171, sponsored by Pewee Valley First Baptist Church, they are (Back Row) Glen Gordon Jr., Stephone Ritchie, Christopher Bridwell, (Front Row) Cubmaster Robin Gordon, and Chauncey Wilson. Not pictured were Aaron Gritten and Jonathan Gordon.



COME TO THE CONFEDERATE MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE

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Our Town



By Lee Heiman, City Clerk

TAX RATE: IN A RUT

An ordinance setting the City tax rate for 1992 at 22 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation - same as last year - was given first reading by the City Council on May 4. Second reading and approval will be on June 1.

The new bills are scheduled to go into the mail early in July.

A BETTER CONNECTION

If you've phoned Town Hall when no one was in the office, and found that the answering machine wasn't doing its job, be assured that the problem has been solved. A new message-taker was installed after the old one suffered several breakdowns.

Town Hall number is 241-8343. But if you're making a non-emergency call to police, phone Oldham County Central Dispatch at 222-0111 and leave a message for the Pewee Valley officer on duty at the time, who will then return your call.

The number to call for emergency police, fire, medical or rescue service remains 9-1-1.

GREETER'S BACK IN ACTION

Nancy Futral has recovered sufficiently from a January bicycle-accident injury to resume her duties as Pewee Valley's official Town Greeter.

For the time being, City Councilmember Kathie Hodge, who was Nancy's predecessor as Town Greeter, will accompany her on visits to new residents.

If you know of newcomers, please report their names to Nancy at 241-1628.

TOPPING FOR MUIR LANE

A request from Gary Caudill, 104 Muir Lane, that he be permitted to pave Muir Lane, at his own expense, from Mt. Mercy Drive to his residence has been granted by City Council.

The public roadway is not now in public use but is used for access to the Caudill residence.

TAXPAYERS IN ARREARS

For several years it has been the City Council's policy to publish names of those delinquent in paying their Pewee Valley city taxes. According to City records, these are the unpaid bills as of May 11, 1992:

1989: Bill No. 382, John & Donna State.

1990: Bill No. 199, Raymond Goss; 402, John & Donna State.

1991: Bill No. 128, Mary Lou Durham; 186, Raymond & Maury Lee Goss; 252, John Hurd; 308 and 309, Michael & Delores McCann; 423, John & Donna State; 426, Steven Stephens.

CITY BUDGET: HEARING ...

The City Council will conduct a public hearing in the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 1, to obtain input regarding the use of State Municipal Road Aid and Mineral Severance Tax funds as proposed in the City's 1992-93 budget.

...ORDINANCE...

An ordinance adopting the budget was given first reading on May 4. Second reading and passage are scheduled following the hearing.

...MESSAGE

Mayor Vivien Reinhardt delivered the following budget message to the City Council at its May 4 session:

The 1992-1993 Budget is calculated to match expenditures to revenues. It is very similar to the 1991-1992 Budget.

There are only three increases over the 1991-1992 Budget. Those are found in the budgets of the Police Department, Insurance Department and Town Hall/Festivities Department.

The Police Department has requested an operating budget of a 3.8% increase over the 1991-1992 Budget. This increase is attributed to salary increases in line with the national cost of living index of 3.8%.

This year, rather than hoping for a budget surplus to increase the cruiser reserve fund, \$5,000 has been added specifically for cruiser replacement. This amount will fund a used replacement vehicle approximately every 1.5

years, or a new vehicle every 3 three years.

The Insurance Department requests a \$2,000 increase over the 1991-1992 Budget due to higher health insurance premiums and higher workman's compensation premiums.

The Town Hall/Festivities Department requests an increase of \$4,500 to cover the cost of the new public sign to be erected. There are increases in the costs of festivities organized from this department.

There are no major changes in the City's Fiscal Policies.

CONFEDERATES'

DAY:

JUNE 6



The public is invited to attend the annual observance of Confederate Memorial Day in the Pewee Valley Confederate Cemetery at the end of Maple Avenue.

The event will take place on Saturday, June 6, with the program beginning at 2 p.m.

Prior to that there will be a chicken dinner on the grounds at \$5 a person. For this, reservations must be made with Frank Rankin, phone 425-2078.

The speaker for the 2 o'clock program will be Eurié Hays Smith III of LaGrange, past commander of John Hunt Morgan Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Pewee Valley Mayor Vivien Reinhardt will greet the visitors.

NOTICE TO ALL PEWEE VALLEY POST OFFICE LOCKBOX CUSTOMERS:

You may have noticed bright yellow stickers on some of your mail recently. They are a friendly reminder that if you receive your mail through a post office lockbox THE POST OFFICE BOX NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE MAILING ADDRESS.

Why is that so important? This is the age of automation, and once the Pewee Valley office is added to the automated system, mail will be delayed and/or returned to sender if it does not have the correct mailing address!

If you desire you may include BOTH a P.O. Box # and a street address, but the ADDRESS OF DELIVERY MUST BE DIRECTLY ABOVE THE CITY AND STATE. For example:

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Any questions? Please contact D. D. Hendrickson by stopping by the post office, or by calling 241-1623.

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CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

Construction of a four-bedroom residence for Matthews Fletcher at 108 Peace Lane has been approved by the County Planning & Zoning Commission. It will measure 40 feet, 10 inches by 35 feet, 10 inches.

Matthews ("Mackie"), who resides at 100 Peace Lane, was Pewee Valley postmaster for many years.

Also authorized by the Commission are two accessory buildings - one measuring 16x10 feet on property of Mark Scussel at 7100 Oak Terrace, and the other, 8x20-feet, for J.C. Barnett at the rear of his residence and antique shop at 205 LaGrange Road.

Also: a 12x16-foot storage building on property of Dennis Kinlaw at 7400 Powhatan Lane, and a 9x16-foot addition to a residence on property of Walter A. Nussbaum Jr. and Beverly A. Burger at 112 Tulip Avenue.

VET'S BACK IN TOWN

Extensive fire damage has now been repaired, so the Pewee Valley Veterinary Center has moved from temporary quarters in Crestwood and is back in its building at Central Avenue and Mt. Mercy Drive.

Hours have been extended to 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturdays, with drop-off beginning at 7 a.m. The veterinary center, operated by Dr. Jerry Meyer, also offers 24-hour emergency service. The phone is 241-8834.

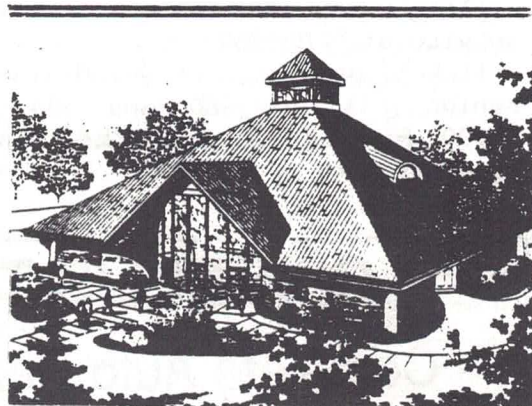
A NEW SUBDIVISION 5

A proposed subdivision named Central Place to be built off Central Avenue at the northeast corner of the intersection with Peace Lane (East) has been approved by the County Planning & Zoning Commission.

Plans call for construction of six homes on lots of an acre or more. The area contains 7.65 acres. The developers, Bramer Brothers Builders Inc., of Crestwood, expect the houses to sell for \$180,000 to \$200,000 each.

Subdivision approval came following a public hearing conducted by the Commission on April 28.

Concern about the density of housing was expressed at the P&Z hearing by William L. Griffin of 308 Central. He believes larger-than-acre-size lots would be more in keeping with the character of the neighborhood.



In case you've forgotten, here's how the big new St. Aloysius Church building now under construction will look when completed.

STAGES

"NIGHTIE" --NAUGHTY?

Currently onstage at the Little Colonel Playhouse in Pewee Valley is the fun-filled farce "Natalie Needs a Nightie", written by Neil and Caroline Shaffner, and directed by Jill Dunlap. The plot centers around a bachelor executive who, to be eligible for a company bonus, pretends to be a married family man. Zany confusion reigns when he ends up with too many wives and too many babies!

The cast includes Tim Woods, Darren McGee, James Conger, Bruce Pate, Lisa Brundage, Laurel Robinson, and Babs Kosko. Karen Henson is Assistant Director, and Kim Pappas is Producer.

Curtain time is 8:00 p.m. on May 14, 15, 16, 22 and 23; on May 24, a matinee will begin at 2:30 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling the 24-hour answering service at 588-1557.

Ticket prices are \$4.50 for senior citizens 60 and over, \$6.00 for adults, and \$3.00 for students thru grade 12.

AUDITIONS ARE FOR HIGH SCHOOL-AGE ONLY FOR THIS NEXT SHOW AT LCP!

The first play of the summer season at the Little Colonel Playhouse will be presented by those thespians of high school age. Open auditions will be held Sunday, May 31, at 2:00 p.m.

The play is "Adventures of Tom Sawyer" and has roles for 6 males and 6 females. Billi Bailey will direct the play to be produced July 10 and 11 at 8 p.m., with a 2:30 p.m. matinee on July 12.

FOR AGES 9-14: The Little Colonel Players sponsor a Children's Summer Workshop for ages 9-14. Pre-register by calling Cynthia Talley, 241-1073. The workshop begins June 29th and culminates in a production by the children onstage July 31, August 1 and 2. The cost is \$20 per child, or \$30 per family. The workshop is limited to 25.

Co-director with Cynthia Talley will be Tracey Buttons.

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MORE LETTERS ABOUT DOGS

The "Call" editor has received more letters from residents who are disturbed by other people's dogs digging and messing in their yards, maiming or killing their pets, etc., and irritated that the neighboring dog owners have so little respect for others' property - and the law - that they do not abide by the leash law. They question why the leash law is being so loosely enforced.

Some excerpts:

"...Just recently these two [neighbor] dogs practically dug up a new \$75.00 weeping willow tree on our property trying to get a mole out of its hole."

"Two dogs came to our neighbor's property last winter and killed 8-10 ducks that lived at their pond. The dogs just picked them up, snapped their necks, and left them dead." The dogs still run the wild ducks, (who at least can fly away).

"We also have a problem with cats eating the nesting eggs and the baby ducklings, not to mention the beautiful song birds."

"I feel for the dog warden, they [the dogs] are hard to catch and some of them show strong signs of attacking you. I would hate to see a tragic situation be the only way this leash law can be enforced (i.e. a mauled child or adult)."

"Our daily intruders include: white bird dog, rottweiler, blond cockerpoo, brown Lab, brown standard terrier"

"The Dog Warden is just one

person. Enforcement of the leash law takes the city council's backing and action. Constant patrolling for a period of time could possibly help...once a few people have to pay a fine to get their pet back and/or pay for any damages, they may see the light".

Simple solution: respect your neighbor's property and care enough for your pet to keep it safe and off the roads. That is the how and why of the leash law, and it should be enforced.

TWO RECENT DEATHS

Albert N. Bottorff Sr., of Goshen, brother of Bertha Baumeister of Pewee Valley, died on April 6 at age 93. Survivors include his wife Bernice and a daughter.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hollingsworth Tanselle, mother of Robert and Thomas Tanselle of Pewee Valley, died at age 95 on May 1. Also surviving are another son, a daughter, a sister, 13 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

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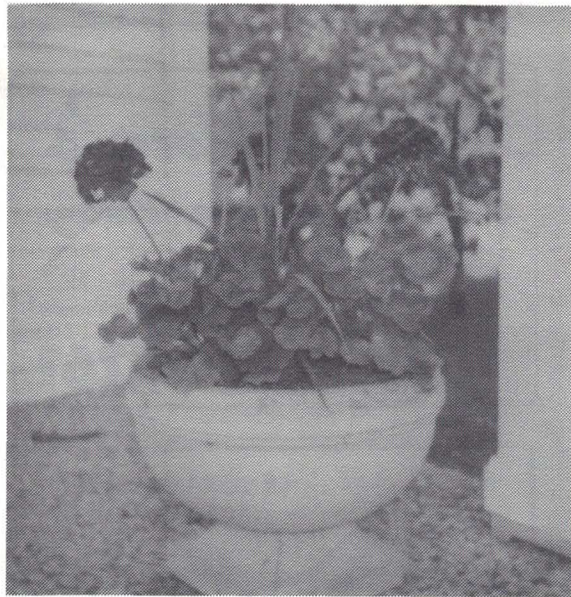
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KEEPING PEWEE VALLEY A
BEAUTIFUL PLACE TO LIVE

The bright red geraniums that greet you from the fire pit in Town Square were planted May 5 by Kathie Hodge, Dorcas and Ted Merhoff, and Steve Woods. As you can tell from the picture, they braved a cool misty day to help beautify Our Town. >



Carey Hirtzel [pictured] and other volunteer fireman will help water throughout the summer to keep the flowers healthy. All citizens are encouraged to pick any weeds as they go by.



The pots of geraniums flanking the front door of City Hall also look pretty.

(And Mayor Reinhardt's hanging baskets of flowers, which annually decorate our street corners, are expected to be in place about May 15.)