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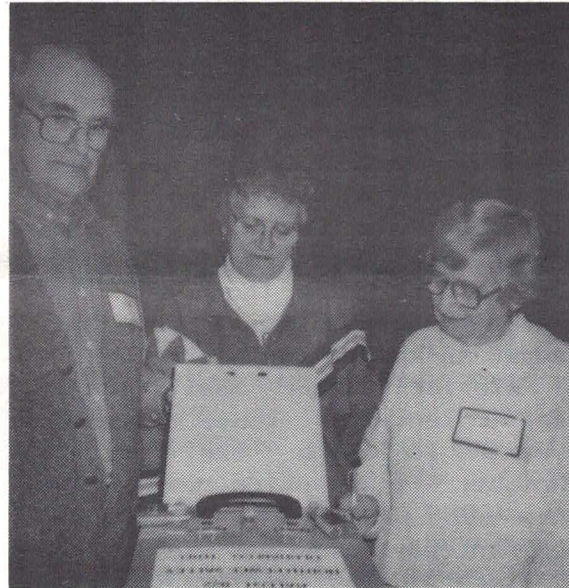


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HOW WE VOTED



At the North Pewee voting site, Iris Felmley explains how to use the new ballot to Ann Davis. Instead of pulling levers, voters on Nov. 2 marked their choice with a special pencil.



Thomas Felmley, Margaret Mefford, and Mary Pound demonstrate how the voter then puts the ballot in a metal sleeve and slides it into the locked ballot box.

YOU HAVE
A DATE
FOR

*The Little
Colonel's*

CHRISTMAS

...and that date is:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

POLICE HAVE MADE THEIR MOVE

Seven months after making a decision to move its headquarters from Town Hall to the Caboose, Our Town's Police Department is now firmly - although not aesthetically - entrenched in its new home on wheels.

Completion late last month of an extensive renovation of the Caboose - with Pewee Valley resident Paul Staniford as contractor and City Councilmember Kathie Hodge and Police Chief Larry Walls as coordinators - enabled "the force" to move in.

But if you'd like a peek inside without making an actual visit, you'll have to wait until next month for a photograph of the interior in *The Call Of The Pewee*. The Chief wants to wait until the final touches - like curtains and plants - have been added to soften the stark look.

Exterior photos - well, you've seen plenty of those over the years including one in our October issue which showed the new lattice-lined ramp entranceway, and a full-color picture in *The Courier-Journal's* "Neighborhoods" on Oct. 27.

In this issue you'll find photos made at the time the Caboose was settling into retirement in Pewee Valley's Old Town Square.

First thoughts were to create a museum of railway items and Pewee Valley mementoes within the

2 PHOTOS FROM THE CABOOSE'S ALBUM: PAGE 7

Our Town



By Lee Heiman, City Clerk

Caboose, or simply make it something for little folk to play on, in the way they seem to like to climb aboard locomotives or fire trucks.

But second thoughts were that the cost of making those first thoughts materialize might be too much, so the Caboose was "just there" for many of its years in Pewee Valley.

For two summers it was operated by Marty Todd and Patti Nuermberger as a snack-and-gift shop. Later it was used as an architectural studio by former Mayor John Frith Stewart's son John Jr., who eventually moved his office to Crestwood and subleased the Caboose to Snyder Sheet Metal, which specialized in roofing work and of course sheltered the place with a new roof while there.

At the time of the Police Department's decision, two real estate agents and a local resident seeking a location for his small business of repairing golf clubs, as well as John Jr., were all interested in renting the Caboose.

Renovation costs, approved by the City Council on Nov. 1, totaled \$11,197 - including \$7433 for contractor Staniford's fee and materials expenses, \$2200 for electrical work by Mideastern Electrical, and \$2200 for heating and air conditioning installations by Davis Mechanical. Payment is being made from the City's contingency fund.

The move won't make any difference for someone wanting to get in touch with the Pewee Valley police by telephone. The Town Hall number, 241-8343, wasn't supposed to be a police number, anyway, although the officers were headquartered there.

The way to phone police is - as well as was - as follows:

EMERGENCY (of any kind) - DIAL 9-1-1. (This puts you in touch with Oldham County Central Dispatch, which will immediately contact the proper agency to handle your problem.)

NON-EMERGENCY - DIAL 222-0111. (This also reaches OCCD, but on its non-emergency phone. Give OCCD your message, plus phone number where you can be called, and the Pewee Valley policeman on duty will respond as quickly as possible.)

For any other City business, 241-8343 remains the number to call. If no one is present, there is an answering machine to take your message. It has not been working properly, but repairs have been made, and it is now ready to record calls.

CITY COUNCIL WHO'S WHO

All of the four City Council incumbents who sought a new term and two of the five newcomer candidates were elected on Nov. 2 to terms beginning in January. Mayor Vivien H. Reinhardt was re-elected without opposition.

The Council will be composed of the following [listed with number of votes received]:

Incumbents: Kathie Hodge [313], John Bishop [251], William Durham [238], and Walter Hayes [233].

Newcomers: Mark Abrams [204] and Robert E. [Bob] Lee [195]. Bob has previously served on the Council.

The three other candidates on the ballot were Steve Reeves [168], Bruce Bolton [165], and Alan Gould [120].

CABLE-TV RATE REGULATION

Responding to recent federal legislation that permits municipalities now to regulate cable-TV rates within their boundaries, the City Council on Nov. 1 enacted an ordinance allowing just that in Our Town, and another ordinance creating a Cable Rate Commission to oversee the regulatory process.

Mayor Vivien Reinhardt appointed, with Council approval, the following members of the commission: Ralph Beverly, chairman, 3 years; Walter Hayes, 2 years; John Bishop, 1 year. All are members of the City Council, although Ralph will retire from his Council job at the end of this year.

MORE "OUR TOWN," PAGE 4

"LANDMARK HOMES"

The City Council has approved a proposal by Pewee Valley resident Ann H. Montgomery to prepare a small book containing photographs and short descriptions of "35 Landmark Homes of Pewee Valley."

For the most part, the contents will be adaptations and updates of illustrated articles Ann wrote for The Call of the Pewee over a period of about three years in the mid-1970s.

The City Council voted to spend up to \$600 on the book, and expects to get all or nearly all back on sales. We'll let you know when it's published.

WHERE THERE'S SMOKE—CARE!

Some of us have been performing the annual ritual of leaf-burning. The smoke may be offensive to neighbors, but there's no law against it - in Our Town or in Oldham County.

But some have been doing the burning right next to the street. And that's a no-no. The heat is ruinous to the asphalt surface.

So burn on, to the extent your lungs can stand it. But you should consider one of the alternatives: mower mulching, or composting.

FIREMEN'S TREAT

Volunteer firemen gave out only treats - no tricks - to the many children and young people who came by the Pewee Valley firehouse on Halloween night, October 31. The City provides the funds for the treats, and the firemen provide the fun.

EVERYONE'S
WELCOME



P&Z CLARIFICATION

The City Council has given first reading to an ordinance approving a change in the Oldham County Joint Planning Unit Agreement that would permit public officials to serve on the County's Planning & Zoning Commission. Similar ordinances by the Cities of Crestwood and LaGrange and by the County Fiscal Court are also required.

This action is considered to be the solution to questions raised in recent lawsuits regarding the legality of persons who hold public office - such as Pewee Valley's Mayor Reinhardt - to also serve on P&Z.

101 VOTES TOO FEW

Pewee Valley resident Bob Payne, Republican candidate for Oldham County jailer, almost made it. He was defeated by Democrat Mike Simpson by exactly 100 votes - 4193 to 1093.

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TRAVEL AGENCY SAILS INTO PEWEE VALLEY, ALMOST

Airlanse Travel, owned by Rita Bodart of Pewee Valley, has moved from Crestwood to larger quarters

in the new English Manor office building at the west edge of Our Town on LaGrange Road.

Airlanse opened as Oldham County's first travel agency eight years ago. There are now five full-time employees in addition to the owner.

Staff members include Carol McMahan, Sandy McCarson, Linda Abell, Jill Richards, and Julie King.

Rita has a second location on North Hurstbourne Parkway in Jefferson County. She is currently president of the Louisville chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners.

REAL ESTATE NOTES

Construction of a residence for Edward Heymann at 104 Central Place [in Central Place subdivision off Central Avenue] has been approved by the Oldham County Planning & Zoning Commission. It will be a three-bedroom house measuring 70 feet 5 inches by 69 feet 3/4 inch, with an estimated cash value of \$225,000.

Recent property transfers recorded in Oldham County included these in Pewee Valley:

Edgewood Manor subdivision, Lot 6, Michael J. and Leslie A. Carroll to Adams & Adams Custom Built Homes Inc., \$69,000.

Ross Woods subdivision, Lot 14 and adjacent tract at northeast corner, Gary L. and Nellaine C. Gorsuch to Donald A. and Margaret A. Daniels, \$224,900.

Shadowood subdivision, Lot 1, David E. and Laura L. Toombs to John I. Mason Jr., \$187,500.

RECENT DEATHS

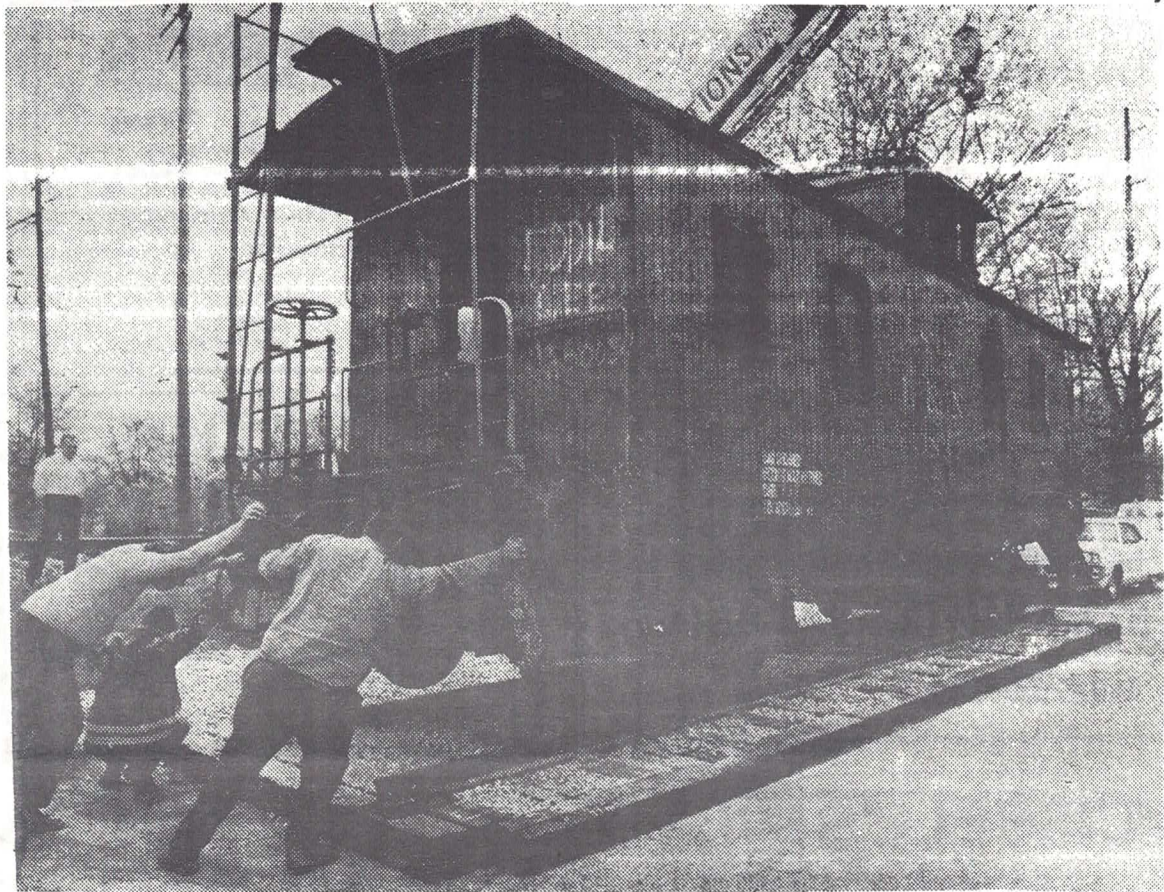
Mrs. Arnold Via, resident of Old Floydsburg Road in Pewee Valley and a retired Oldham County teacher, died at 75 on Oct. 18 in Tri-County Baptist Hospital. Among those surviving are two sons, Roy and Dave, residing in Crestwood.

Marguerite E. Cornett, 77, died at her Louisville home October 31, 1993. One of her daughters, Diane Ferebee, is a Pewee Valley resident.

Raymond C. Goss, 73, of Gainesboro, Tenn., formerly of Westport, died Oct. 22, 1993 in Carthage, Tenn. One of his sons, Raymond Kriel Goss, is a Pewee Valley resident.

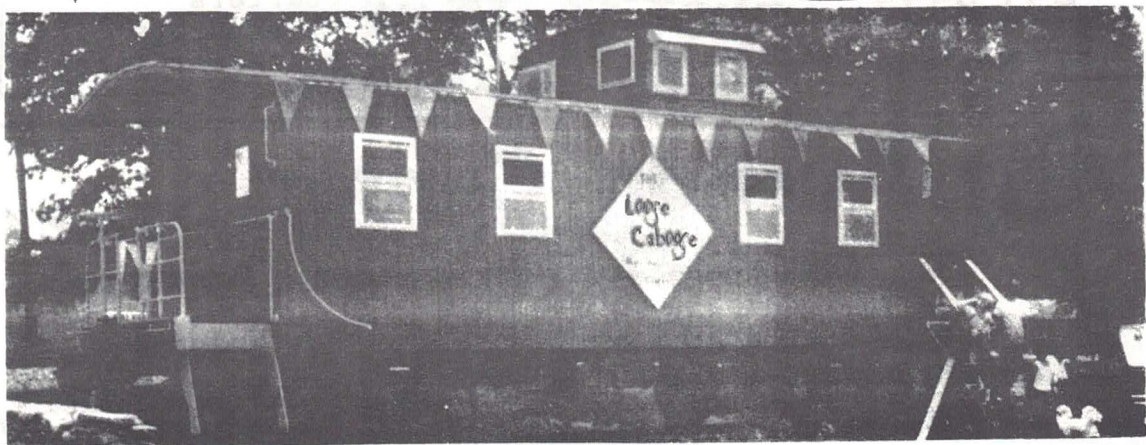
NATURE'S HALLOWEEN TRICK

One of the earliest snows on record in Pewee Valley's history surprised residents on October 31. Standiford Field in Louisville recorded 2.4 inches. Snow covering the colorful fall leaves made an unusual sight. It was mostly melted by the time trick-or-treaters went calling.

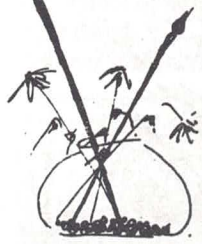


OUR CABOOSE ↑
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On April 26, 1971, they were easing the Caboose into place after it was railroaded into town as a gift from the L&N. In 1984 it was the Loose Caboose—snacks 'n' gifts.



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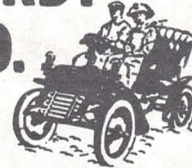
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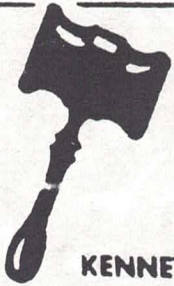
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Four arrests for driving under the influence [DUI] were made by Pewee Valley police in October, according to the monthly report from Chief Larry Walls.

Also in October the following arrests were reported: Felony theft [juvenile] 3, minor with alcohol 3, resisting arrest 2, wanton endangerment 2, suspended operator's license 2, and, one each, assault [domestic violence], assault [on officer], defacing firearm [juvenile], receiving stolen property [juvenile] and mental inquest warrant.

Speeding citations during the month numbered 51, while 81 warnings were given out. Nearly half the citations and warnings for speeding were issued on LaGrange Road.

Twenty-two citations and 43

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A LETTER: "FUN GUY"

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank Officer Carey for being so kind to stop and talk to me. I am ten years old and feel good knowing we have a good policeman named Carey around town. I like how he asked his girlfriend to marry him, he's a fun guy.

Sincerely,
Kolter Kalberg

(A word of explanation: "Officer Carey" is Carey Hirtzel. And he proposed by hiring a plane to pull a banner saying "Jen, will you marry me" above a Redbirds baseball game last July.)

warnings for a variety of other traffic violations were given. Improper parking accounted for 13 of the warnings, and a missing headlight for 9 others.

Miscellaneous activity included: Suspicious persons 20, suspicious vehicles 6, debris in road and cattle in road, one each, criminal trespass 4, open doors [business] 2, non-injury accidents 3, motorist assists 4, assisting EMS 4, assisting firemen 3.

PAUL CRISP IS ON THE MEND

Paul Crisp, a good friend of many Pewee Valley residents, is at home recovering from recent cancer surgery, and wants to express appreciation to all of the church families in Pewee Valley and individuals who supported him and his family with cards, calls, and especially prayers during this time.

Paul operated "Paul's Beauty Shop" in Pewee Valley in the 1970s - located on the second floor of what is now Dr. Stephen Applegate's office on Mt. Mercy Drive.

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STAGES

"STEPPING OUT" NEXT MONTH

Rehearsals are underway for the second play of the 1993-94 season at the Little Colonel Playhouse. It will be the entertaining comedy "Stepping Out", written by Richard Harris and directed at LCP by Sandy Cohrs.

This lively show about a beginning tap class will be performed on December 2,3,4,10 and 11 at 8:00 p.m., and on December 12 at 2:30 p.m.

Individual ticket prices are \$7 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens, and \$4 for students K-12.

Mark your calendars for a full-filled evening.

Reservations may be made by calling the 24-hour answering service: 588-1557. This service is activated about two weeks before opening night.

Mark your calendars for a fun-filled night!

ST. AL'S FALL FESTIVAL

St. Aloysius Catholic Church on Mt. Mercy Drive will host its annual fall festival on November 20, from 3 to 9 p.m. in Allgeier Hall.

Chili, brats, hot dogs, fish sandwiches and french fries will be on the menu. There will be a variety of game booths, plus arts and crafts for sale in the Altar Society's boutique.

The festival is co-sponsored by the Men's Club and the school PTA.

"HOLIDAY AT OWL CREEK"

The Pewee Valley Woman's Club presents "Holiday At Owl Creek", Tuesday, November 16 from 10 am til 2 pm, at Owl Creek Country Club in Anchorage. Tickets are \$12.50, and must be purchased in advance. Contact Liz at 241-0904.

This annual event features homemade crafts, raffle, door prizes, buffet luncheon, bake sale, cash bar, and style show by Rodeo Drive.

Funds from the event provide monies that support the club's community projects. These include, but are not limited to: high school scholarships, support of Pewee Valley Pre-school, Food and clothing for needy families, and financial support of local charities.



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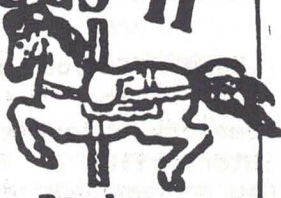
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Some of you readers may not know that the Pewee Valley Cemetery - located at the end of intersection of Maple Avenue and Old Floydsburg Road - is not a

state-owned cemetery. Only the small Confederate Section - at the left of the entryway - is owned and cared for by the state of Kentucky.

The rest of the grounds are under the care of the Pewee Valley Cemetery Board of Trustees, who would like for you to know there are many lots there for sale.

In years past, lot owners were responsible for the care of their lots and those of deceased family members. The present board, however, is working toward a perpetual care fund that will maintain the appearance and upkeep.

Recent improvements include trellis archways to denote walking paths, and new rock for the restored roads and walkways. According to Bea Murphy, Chairman of the Cemetery Board, many people walk and jog the paths, enjoying the off-street safety and the beauty of the grounds. "Just remember to respect the privacy of those who may be there visiting the grave site of a loved one".

Those of you interested in purchasing a burial site in the Pewee Valley Cemetery should contact Bea at 241-8049, or one of the Trustees: Bert Stoess 241-4202, Bill Herdt 241-4194, Buford Cobb, or Barry Stoess.

Those of us who love Pewee Valley can have a final resting place here, too!



The sign at the rear of the Confederate section of the Pewee Valley Cemetery has been replaced by a new one - a gift from the John Hunt Morgan Camp, Sons of Confederate Veterans.

The old sign had become unsightly - the woodpeckers had pecked out the black painted letters. (Evidently black paint tastes better than white to those birds).

The new sign is an improvement to the grounds of the Confederate Section and the Pewee Valley Cemetery overall.