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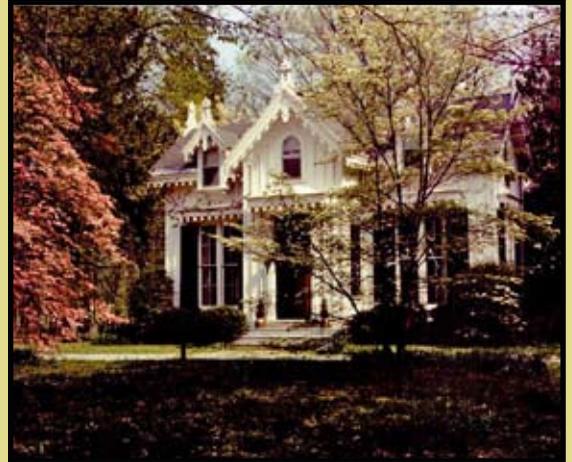
THE BUTLER DID IT!

By Donna Russell, Pewee Valley Historian

Politico Magazine ran a story on March 23 about the nation's first school shooting. It took place in Louisville on November 2, 1853. That day, Matt Ward, the brother of student William Ward, cold-bloodedly gunned down Louisville High School Principal William H.G. Butler, over a whipping Butler had given his little brother the day before. The story of the shooting and Matt Ward's subsequent murder acquittal was front page news across the country. Anyone who's ever taken the historic tour of Cave Hill Cemetery has heard the tale.

But what people don't know is that had that shooting not occurred, Pewee Valley may have been known today as Smithfield or Smithville or Smith City or something else entirely.

That's because William Butler's brother, Noble, was also teaching at Louisville High School. After riots broke out in the city following Ward's acquittal, Noble moved here, where he spent the next decade of his life at Tuliphurst seeking healing and solace in nature. It was Noble Butler who bestowed the suburban settlement first known as Smith's Station with its unusual name.



This photo of Tuliphurst was taken by Peweean and professional photographer Richard Duncan shortly after his brother-in-law and sister restored it in the 1950s. The Duncans purchased a lot in the Tuliphurst Subdivision and raised their family there. Photo courtesy of Richard Duncan, Jr.

The name was actually a joke, as Butler admitted in the poem (see page 10) written under the pseudonym "A. Mutyngne Hedde":

Learn more on the Pewee Valley Historical Society's website at peweevalleyhistory.org.

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APRIL COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council of Pewee Valley, Kentucky was held on the alternate meeting date, Wednesday April 11, 2018. In attendance were Mayor Bob Rogers, Council Members Henry Walser, Paige Bjorn, Norman Schippert, Rex Florence and Michelle Pisano. Also in attendance were John Singler, City Attorney and clerk Denise Haney.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mayor Rogers asked the council members to prepare their budgets for the upcoming fiscal year for first reading at the upcoming May council meeting.

OPEN COMMENTS

A resident of Houston Lane inquired about the sewer project. City attorney John Singler sent a letter to the engineering firm requesting information regarding the timeframe and process of the project. He did not receive an answer from Haggerty consulting but residents may contact Mr. Haggerty at 548-0598.

Oldham County Sheriff Steve Sparrow introduced himself and informed the residents and council that he will be running for another term and thanked everyone for their support.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Larimore stated that residents should not leave cars, garages and houses unlocked. There have been a few thefts from cars and garages because there is easy access to the unlocked vehicles and properties. Also, check in on neighbors and be aware of any suspicious activities.

Residents please be mindful of your driving speed, walkers stay to the side of the road and do not walk two and three abreast in the road. Pet owners please clean up after your animals.

OLDHAM COUNTY DISPATCH
222-0111 or 911 for emergencies

Total police activity for March:

Traffic Stops - 140	Code Enforcement - 11
Traffic Charges - 21	Criminal Invest. - 6
Motorist Assist - 13	School Patrols - 53
Accidents - 4	Complaints - 28
Courtesy Notice - 137	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Rogers announced Environmental Education Day on Friday, April 27th at 1:30. Adding to the presentations this year will be Raptor Rehab, which will bring a great horned owl to talk about the importance of birds and the environment.

Mayor Rogers presented to the council a map of proposed underground fiber optic lines by Verizon. The lines will be run on State highways, running fiber between cell sites to increase speed and coverage. The city will not act on anything until approvals are made by the County and then follow up when approvals are made by the Planning Commission.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Michele Pisano (Public Safety): Saturday April 28th is National Prescription Take Back Day. Open burning ban will begin on May 1st.

Bethany Major (Town Hall/Festivities/Central Park): No report..

Rex Florence (Insurance/Finance/Water Quality): No report..

Norman Schippert (Sidewalks): The city received the deeds regarding the Ash Avenue sidewalk project and city engineer, Mel Milburn, will be assessing the right-of-ways based on survey markers. The city will decide how to proceed once the boundaries are established.

Henry Walser (Communications/Website/Alcoholic Beverage Control Administration): No report.

Paige Bjorn (Waste Management/Recycling): No report.

Bob Rogers (Roads & Drainage/Environmental Board/Mowing): The low bid on a roads construction project is Louisville Paving. The projects (Powhatan, Woolridge and Old Forest) will need to be done by the end of the fiscal year. Tree Give Away is Saturday April 21st at 10am. The City is requesting donations for CASA and proof of residency is required. Mayor Rogers then read the Arbor Day Proclamation proclaiming Pewee Valley as a Tree City USA 2018.

OLD BUSINESS

The 2nd reading of the budget amendment was presented by John Singler, amending one line of the roads budget. Henry Walser motioned to approve the budget ordinance amendment, seconded by Michelle Pisano. Roll call was taken and the motion approved by council.

NEW BUSINESS

An amendment was presented to change the parameters of the Historical Society board, set up in 2011, changing the requirements to 5 board members and 3 to have a quorum at the Historical Society meetings. Motion to approve the amendment presented by Henry Walser, seconded by Norman Schippert and approved by the town council.

Upon approval of payment of outstanding bills, the Council voted unanimously to adjourn.



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ARE YOU PREPARED?

Last month we discussed the importance of putting together an emergency plan for your family in the event of a disaster. Included, was a check-off list for putting together an Emergency Kit. This month, we're including tips for creating an Emergency Communications Plan.

Creating your Family Emergency Communication Plan starts with one simple question: "What if?"

"What if something happens and I'm not with my family?" "Will I be able to reach them?" "How will I know they are safe?" "How can I let them know I'm OK?" During a disaster, you will need to send and receive information from your family.

Communication networks, such as mobile phones and computers, could be unreliable during disasters, and electricity could be disrupted. Planning in advance will help ensure that all the members of your household—including children and people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs, as well as outside caregivers—know how to reach each other and where to meet up in an emergency. Planning starts with three easy steps:

1. COLLECT. Create a paper copy of the contact information for your family and other important people/offices, such as medical facilities, doctors, schools, or service providers.

2. SHARE. Make sure everyone carries a copy in his or her backpack, purse, or wallet. If you complete your Family Emergency Communication Plan online at ready.gov/make-a-plan, you can print it onto a wallet-sized card. You should also post a copy in a central location in your home, such as your refrigerator or family bulletin board.

3. PRACTICE. Have regular household meetings to review and practice your plan.

1. COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Write down phone numbers and email addresses for everyone in your household. Having this important information written down will help you reconnect with others in case you don't have your mobile device or computer with you or if the battery runs down. If you have a household member(s) who is Deaf or hard of hearing, or who has a speech disability and uses traditional or video relay service (VRS), include information on how to connect through relay services on a landline phone, mobile device, or computer.

SCHOOL, CHILDCARE, CAREGIVER, AND WORKPLACE EMERGENCY PLANS

*Because a disaster can strike during school or work hours, you need to know their emergency response plans and how to stay informed. Discuss these plans with children, and let them know who could pick them up in an emergency. Make sure your household members with phones are signed up for alerts and warnings from their school, workplace, and/or local government. To find out more about how to sign up, see *Be Smart. Know Your Alerts and Warnings* at <http://1.usa.gov/1BDloze>. For children without mobile phones, make sure they know to follow instructions from a responsible adult, such as a teacher or principal.*

OUT-OF-TOWN CONTACT

It is also important to identify someone outside of your community or State who can act as a central point of contact to help your household reconnect. In a disaster, it may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town because local phone lines can be jammed.

EMERGENCY MEETING PLACES

Decide on safe, familiar places where your family can go for protection or to reunite. Make sure these

locations are accessible for household members with disabilities or access and functional needs. If you have pets or service animals, think about animal-friendly locations. Identify the following places:

Indoor: If you live in an area where tornadoes, hurricanes, or other high-wind storms can happen, make sure everyone knows where to go for protection. This could be a small, interior, windowless room, such as a closet or bathroom, on the lowest level of a sturdy building, or a tornado safe room or storm shelter.

In your neighborhood: This is a place in your neighborhood where your household members will meet if there is a fire or other emergency and you need to leave your home. The meeting place could be a big tree, a mailbox at the end of the driveway, or a neighbor's house.

Outside of your neighborhood: This is a place where your family will meet if a disaster happens when you're not at home and you can't get back to your home. This could be a library, community center, house of worship, or family friend's home.

Outside of your town or city: Having an out-of-town meeting place can help you reunite if a disaster happens and:

-You cannot get home or to your out-of-neighborhood meeting place; or

-Your family is not together and your community is instructed to evacuate the area.

This meeting place could be the home of a relative or family friend. Make sure everyone knows the address of the meeting place and discuss ways you would get there.

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS AND INFORMATION

You should also write down phone numbers for emergency services, utilities, service providers, medical providers, veterinarians, insurance companies, and other services.

2. SHARE

Make copies of your Family Emergency Communication Plan for each member of the household to carry in his or her wallet, backpack, or purse. Post a copy in a central place at home. Regularly check to make sure your household members are carrying their plan with them.

Enter household and emergency contact information into all household members' mobile phones or devices.

Store at least one emergency contact under the name "In Case of Emergency" or "ICE" for all mobile phones and devices. This will help someone identify your emergency contact if needed. Inform your emergency contact of any medical issues or other requirements you may have.

Create a group list on all mobile phones and devices of the people you would need to communicate with if there was an emergency or disaster.

Make sure all household members and your out-of-town contact know how to text if they have a mobile phone or device, or know alternative ways to communicate if they are unable to text.

Read *Be Smart. Know Your Alerts and Warnings* at <http://1.usa.gov/1BDloze> and sign up to receive emergency information.

2. PRACTICE!!!

TEXT IS BEST!

If you are using a mobile phone, a text message may get through when a phone call will not. This is because a text message requires far less bandwidth than a phone call. Text messages may also save and then send automatically as soon as capacity becomes available

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky – located in Crestwood adjacent to Veterans Memorial Parkway (a segment of KY 329 bypass) – occupies over 66,000 sq ft of park space between South Oldham High School and South Oldham Middle School. The Park has two missions: 1] Recognize and honor those veterans who served their country and 2] Educate Park visitors, especially our youth, in military history.

Construction of the Veterans Memorial Park and its varied monuments/markers is an ongoing, multi-year initiative and that sponsors are still being sought, and continuing donations are highly encouraged: 100% of donated funds go directly towards construction of Park elements, such as monuments, benches, and historical/educational markers, since all 80 or more of the Park project members are volunteers! Anyone interested in sponsoring a Park component (monument, marker, bench, etc) can obtain more information at the Park website, <https://www.veteransmemorialparkky.org> and should contact Don Helton by e-mail at chair@VMPKY.org.

The City of Pewee Valley – in conjunction with its residents – has thus far donated \$4100. to the Park initiative following our Summer 2017 “Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky Fund Drive”. Additional donations by Pewee Valley Residents can be made out to the “The Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky” and mailed or delivered to Denise Haney, City of Pewee Valley Clerk, at Town Hall.

Lastly, the 2018 Annual Park Ceremony - entitled “Tribute to Our Veterans” - will be held Saturday, May 19 at 11:00am at the South Oldham High School Gym, followed by a short ceremony in the Park. Details regarding the program will be made available on the City of Pewee Valley website, and our City Facebook page in the near future, and also will be available at the Park website noted above.

Honor our Veterans – your family and friends and all of those who have served our Country. Consider making a donation to the “Veterans Memorial Park of Kentucky” and visit the Park and its walkway of “300 years of Military History” this Spring!

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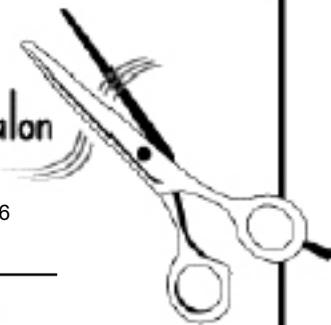
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YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2018

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PEWEE VALLEY,

Section 1:

The budget for the City of Pewee Valley for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018 shall be amended as follows:

City of Pewee Valley
Fiscal Year 2017/18 Budget

	Municipal Road Aid	General Fund	Storm Water Fund	Total Funds
Fund Balance Beginning	\$71,500	\$1,080,000	\$27,500	\$1,179,000
Revenue				
Alcohol Licenses		\$ 2,000		
Franchise Fees		\$ 2,000		
Grants		\$ 25,000		
Insur. Premium Tax		\$ 285,000		
Interest Income		\$ 2,000		
Interest Income/Road Fund	\$ 200			
Misc. Income		\$ 10,000		
Municipal Road Aid	\$25,000			
Newsletter ads		\$ 2,000		
Property Taxes		\$ 215,000		
Storm Water Fees			\$25,300	
Total Revenues	\$25,200	\$ 543,000	\$25,300	\$ 593,500
TOTAL REVENUE & RESOURCES	\$96,700	\$1,623,000	\$52,800	\$1,772,500

	Municipal Road Aid	General Fund	Storm Water Fund	Total Funds
Expenditures				
Administrative		\$ 66,000		
ABC Administration		\$ 2,000		
Central Park		\$ 20,000		
Communications		\$ 16,000		
Contingency		\$ 50,000		
Environment Improv.		\$ 48,000		
Festivities		\$ 16,000		
Insurance		\$ 20,300		
KLC Loan		\$ 49,960		
Police		\$ 93,000		
Public Safety		\$ 15,000		
Roads and Drainage	\$25,200	\$ 100,000 <u>\$200,000</u>		
Sidewalks		\$ 10,000		
Town Hall		\$ 33,000		
Garbage		\$ 80,000		
Water Quality Man.			\$25,300	
TOTAL				
EXPENDITURES	\$25,200	\$ 619,260 \$ <u>719,260</u>	\$25,300	\$ 669,760 \$ <u>769,760</u>
Fund Balance Ending	\$71,500	\$ 1,003,740 \$ <u>903,740</u>	\$27,500	\$ 1,102,740 \$ <u>1,002,740</u>

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Ode to Pewee

(Referred to in article from Page 1)

*Poets herald shrinking merit,
As boys crown an ass and cheer it –
Two achievements much the same
As cooks coffee make and stir it
With an egg and spoon to clear it,
Poets mix the cup of fame.*

*Homer sang of great Achilles.
Herod sang of neat* and fillies--
Clever rhymesters in their way
Moderns drag the muse in seawood
But I'll have her duly Pewee'd
And restore her better day.*

*Ere I sing of Pewee Valley,
Future times will naturally
Wish what Pewee means to hear;
For like phoenix, griffin, scurus,
Dragon, dodo, sphinx, centaurus,
Pewees, too, will disappear.*

*Pewee ne plus poultry birds are
In whose tender praise my words are,
Like Plug Ugly shoulder hitters,
Coarse and brutal, wanting polish,
Touching only to demolish ---
Or like Mynheer's garlic bitters.*

*As an angel, strain their music,
Antidotes the deadly Prussic,
Melancholy in the breast;
Notes, whose soft melodious physic,
Cures the mind of sniveling phthisic**.
Twitter from the pewee's nest.*

*Tempe, Chamossni or Cashmere,
Is, comparatively, flesh mere,
By the side of Pewee Valley.
Can the vales where dwell the Switzer
Rank with Pewee? Not a bit, sir ---
Named nor formed so classically.*

*Here my prancing muse embarrassed,
Finds her foot poetic harassed
By an ugly prick of fact.
Still, in poets lying's fair, as 't
Keeps their verses from being bare, aths-
Matic doggerel crudely quacked.*

*I've essayed this valley's praises;
Now, it swift compunction raises.
To have used the vulgar lingo,
To have called this Pewee Valley.
'Tis no valley and there's really
Not a Pewee in 't, by jingo.*

*'Tis so d---d infernal hilly,
That it's most I (ditto) silly
What they call it and most vile.
Universal Hill, not valley
I would call it. Tom Macauley***
Couldn't do it in better style.*

*Oh, thou far-famed Pewee Valley,
What a pity facts don't tally
With thy antique Grecian name!
Fitting names are sheen and luster
On the rolling drums which muster
The untrained recruits of Fame.*

*But no matter, here's a paeon
To whatever is Peweean;
To that Athens-mirroring town,
Rollington, with all its peoples,
"Publicinn," and tall church steeples, ****
And Lord Mayor Tumbledown.*

*Vale of ponds and frogs and berries,
Vale than which no droller there is,
Prosper more than words can tell!
Bring forth babes, each week a dozen;
Be like mine their names well chosen;*

Long wave Pewee and farewell!

PEWEE VALLEY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ACTIVITY

Mon, May 7	7 pm - Pewee Valley Town Council Meeting	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343
Wed, May 16	9:30 am - 1 pm - Pewee Valley Woman's Club Mtg - 218 Mt. Mercy. There will be a program and lunch. Call if interested.	Pat Nieters 241-7203
Mon, May 21	7 pm - Pewee Valley Environmental Board Meeting - Town Hall, Pewee Valley	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343
Mon, May 21	7 pm - Pewee Valley Fire Protection District Board Meeting - 8607 Foley Ave, Pewee Valley	Pewee Valley Town Hall 241-8343

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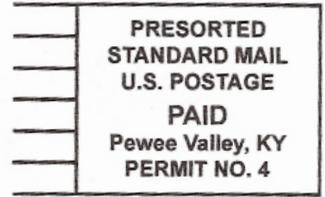

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