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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC The Henry C. Peak House  
AND/OR COMMON  
Warsaw Womens Club Building

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
Sparta Pike

CITY, TOWN  
Warsaw

STATE  
Kentucky

VICINITY OF

COUNTY  
Gallatin

CODE  
021

CODE  
077

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
4

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER Womens Club Bldg.

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Warsaw Womens Club C/O Mrs. Mary Lawton Poe

STREET & NUMBER  
Sparta Pike

CITY, TOWN  
Warsaw

STATE  
Kentucky

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
Gallatin County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER  
Main Street

CITY, TOWN  
Warsaw

STATE  
Kentucky

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS  
Kentucky Heritage Commission

CITY, TOWN  
Frankfort

STATE  
Kentucky

# 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Henry C. Peak House is located in Warsaw, a small Ohio River community, in Gallatin County, Kentucky. The structure faces east and sits on Highway 35, approximately 2 1/2 blocks from the main town square.

Built in 1869, this structure is basically Gothic Revival with a few Greek tendencies. This is evidenced by the general massing and the pilastered facade and corners. The other main features on the facade include: five openings with wooden lintels and sills and 6/6 panes in the windows. The foundation is of rough cut stone and the brick pattern is common bond. All four gables boast a round arched window opening with the exception of the facade which has a door above the porch. It is thought that this was originally a window, also.<sup>1</sup> The present portico is of recent construction but is thought to be similar to the original one (see photo 1). It is simple with square posts and bracketed eaves. The main door surround is also unadorned with plain pilasters and a transom but no sidelights (see photo 2).

One unique feature of the structure is the split-flue chimneys. One chimney stack at the crest of each gable end splits to support two fireplaces. The window openings are located between the flues (see photos 3-4).

The kitchen block to the rear of the main structure was originally separate with an interior end chimney. A recent addition enclosed the dogtrot between the two and a 20th century porch was constructed in the angle of the ell (see photo 5).

The interior incorporates a central hall, double pile plan, original wood trim of interest and includes seven inch baseboards and chair railing throughout. Ornate plaster medallions grace the ceilings of most of the rooms (see photos 6-7). The mantelpieces are similar with round-arched openings, modified colonnettes bow-front shelf, panelled spandrels and a cartouche element. Also contained is an ornate iron grate and richly colored ceramic tiles that lend variety to the overall mantle element (see photos 8-9).

A vertical boarded barn is the only outbuilding extant. It has a projecting dormer, with barge boarding along the eaves (see photo 10).

The nomination includes the main house, a frame barn and the rectangular lot on which they sit.

<sup>1</sup>The previous porch was larger and the window was probably lengthened to provide access to the upper porch.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1869 BUILDER/ARCHITECT Henry C. Peak

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Henry C. Peak House is an example of the Gothic Revival style, embodying the cross-axis plan which appears to be unique to the Gallatin County area. Built in 1869, the house exhibits a high degree of craftsmanship that makes it one of the best examples of this design in this region of northern Kentucky.

The style combined with the plan (Gothic Revival, cross-axis) appears to be somewhat unusual for the regions outside northern Kentucky, but not uncommon however, in this particular area. The expertise and skill evident in the construction of this building makes it one of the superior examples of this design. The fine brickwork is one of the features of note. Also, the round arched hood molds on the second story windows are uncommonly well laid, with a deep but even profile.

The interior molding and woodwork are among the outstanding features of the house. Although not elaborate, the ceiling friezes are detailed and finely crafted. Of special interest are the mantle elements. In addition to a superior mantelpiece, the ornate iron grates and richly colored ceramic tiles of the hearth are particularly noteworthy.

The house was constructed on Sparta Pike by Henry Clay Peak (1832-1913), a Confederate Civil War veteran who resided here until 1881.

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bogardus, Carl R. "The early history of Gallatin County, Kentucky, 1798-1948." Warsaw, Kentucky: The Gallatin County News, c.1948.

Collins, Lewis. Historical Sketches of Kentucky. Lexington, Kentucky: Henry Clay Press, c. 1968.

**UTM NOT VERIFIED**  
**ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED**

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Florence, Ind., Ky. Quad.

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A 16 682300 4294420  
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B           
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

C         

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

City Lot

A rectangular lot measuring 180' x 215' with the road as the north east boundary.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION Jayne C. Henderson/Historian

DATE

November 1979

STREET & NUMBER Kentucky Heritage Commission

TELEPHONE

502/564-3741

CITY OR TOWN 104 Bridge Street

STATE

Kentucky

Frankfort

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL   

STATE   

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

*Edward W. Snelton*

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE

1-10-80

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

4/10/80

*W. Ray Lane*  
 KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST: *Kristin O'Connell*  
 CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

4/10/80

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Gallatin County, Kentucky

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ADDENDUM

Verbal Boundary Description:

The boundary of the Henry C. Peak nomination is shown as the red line on the accompanying Gallatin County Property Identification Map, drawn at a scale of 200 feet to the inch. Warsaw city map, Block 19, Parcel 4.



Henry C. Peak House  
Warsaw  
Gallatin County, Kentucky  
Property Identification Map  
Kentucky Dept. of Revenue

Scale: 1" = 200'

APR 10 1967