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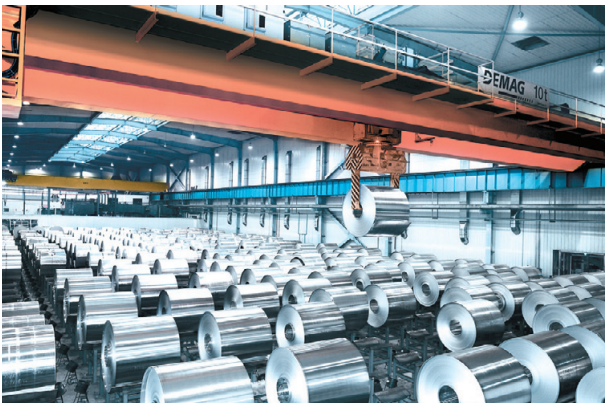
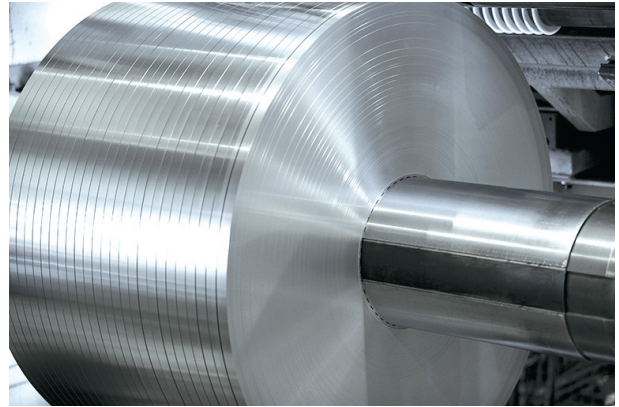
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WELCOME MESSAGE

FROM

Mayor Ryan Griffin

On behalf of our City Council and all our citizens, I am excited to welcome you to our city as a resident or visitor. We are eager to share the best of what our city has to offer because we know that new people bring vitality and new ideas to an area.

McKenzie has so much to offer and all in a small-town setting without the challenges of living in a large city. We enjoy our growing economy and great educational institutions. We are so pleased to boast that we are so fortunate to have a Special School District that provides the highest quality of education possible for all students while being able to offer both a Tennessee College of Applied Technology and Bethel University to promote higher education. Our sports, culture, and many activities provide the amenities of big city living in a small, safe, and friendly environment.

As you wander through our city, keep an eye out for our brand-new mural. It's a vibrant and artistic tribute to McKenzie's heritage. Take a moment to admire the colors and let the mural inspire you with its beauty as you become more knowledgeable about our heritage.

If you're up for some active fun,



head over to City Park and engage in a game of pickleball or disc golf. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, you'll find a welcoming environment and plenty of excitement. Join in the friendly competition or simply enjoy the company of others in this lively park setting. Children can also enjoy our recreational park participating in baseball,

softball, soccer and coming soon, a track course. Downtown, we have a delightful splash pad that is another tout to our train heritage and how McKenzie came to be! Don't miss the chance to visit the historic Park Theatre in Downtown McKenzie for the latest movies and community performances.

Another delightful spot to explore is our lively Farmer's Market. You'll be immersed in a bustling atmosphere filled with fresh produce, tasty treats, and one-of-a-kind crafts made by talented local artisans. It's an opportunity to experience the vibrant flavors and unique creations that our community has to offer.

Welcome to McKenzie, a city brimming with charm and unforgettable experiences. We invite you to enjoy the fun and comradery of being a part of our community. Take the time to explore our hidden treasures, and create lasting memories in our vibrant community.

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Welcome to the City of McKenzie.
We hope you enjoy your visit.

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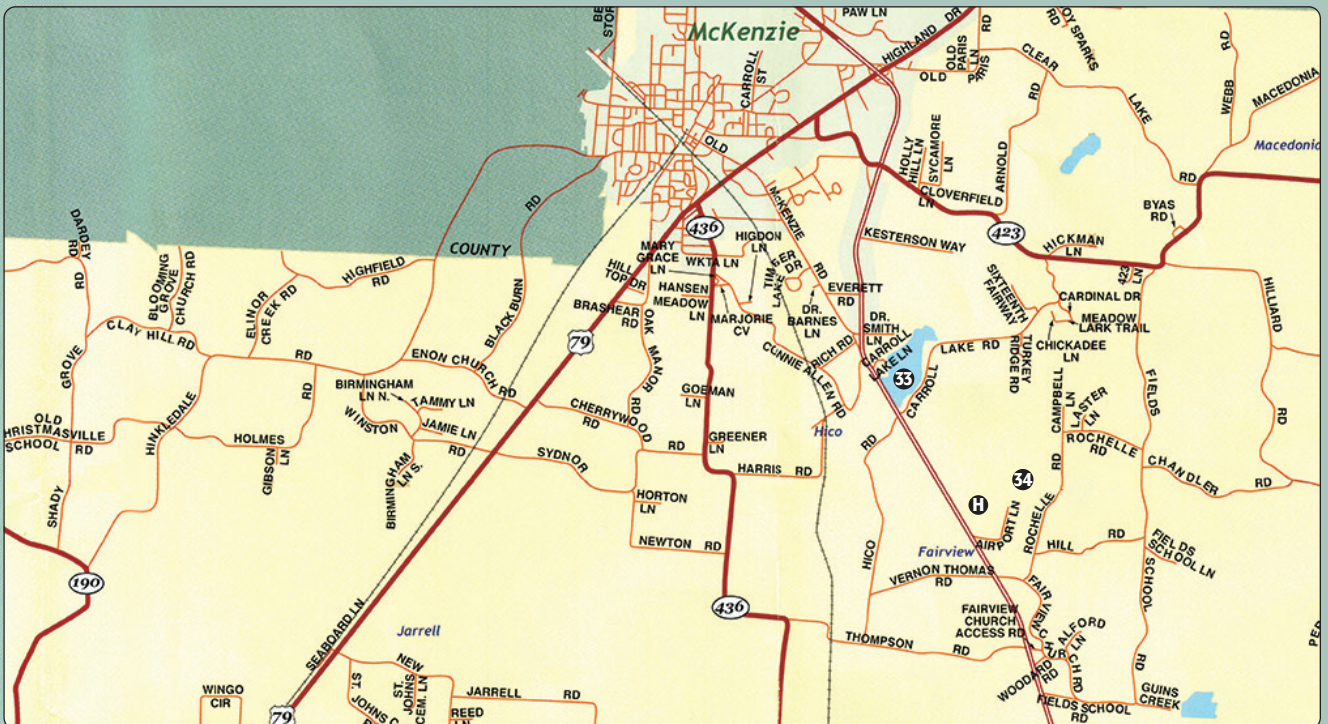
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1. McKenzie City Hall, Police & Fire Dept.
2. McKenzie Station Splash Pad/ Harmony Park
3. Historic Railroad Depot
4. Farmers' Market
5. The Nook
6. McKenzie Memorial Library
7. Gordon Browning Genealogical Museum
8. McKenzie Banner
9. Veterans Park
10. Park Theatre
11. United Neighbors
12. Bethel University
13. Bethel Wildcat Stadium
14. McKenzie Middle School
15. Randy Thomas Football Field
16. McKenzie Elementary School
17. Medical Facilities
18. McKenzie Park
19. McKenzie Dog Park
20. Walking Trail
21. Disc Golf
22. Softball/Baseball Fields
23. Pickleball Court
24. National Guard Armory
25. McKenzie Industrial Park-North (Henry Co.)
26. TCAT-McKenzie
27. McKenzie High School
28. McKenzie Skate Park
29. Post Office
30. Mulberry Park
31. Webb School & Museum
32. Carroll Co. Humane Society
33. Carroll Lake
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Experience McKENZIE TENNESSEE

Located on the confluence of Carroll, Henry and Weakley counties, McKenzie serves as the hub city for the tri-counties. What started out as the Chickasaw Territory of Western Tennessee has developed into a pristine location ripe for retail, education, leisure and industry.

Following its sesquicentennial in 2019, McKenzie's population of 5,328 residents makes it the largest city in Carroll County and the second-largest in Henry County behind the City of Paris.

Home to Bethel University and a Tennessee College of Applied Technology campus, education is an important factor in the growth of McKenzie. Public education falls under the dominion of the McKenzie Special School District. With its three schools, elementary, middle and high school, the school

district works to promote a safe environment with high expectations for every student.

From festivals to disc golf, pickleball and a dog park, McKenzie offers recreation to those of all ages. In need of worship services, McKenzie has over three dozen churches in the surrounding area under a multitude of denominations.

If history is your thing then you are in luck as McKenzie is home to two museums.

McKenzie also is home to one of the finest assisted living facilities in West Tennessee, Lakeside Senior Living Community. Located on Carroll Lake, residents reserve top-notch care while still possessing individual flexibility.

The McKenzie community is fortunate to provide a host of activities and amenities to its residents and visitors.

McKENZIE CITY PARK

McKenzie's primary recreational park is located at 570 Como Street. The park features a new walking trail, baseball, softball and soccer fields, a playground, a pond with a pier and a pavilion known as "the Barn."

Several events take place at City Park each year. The Festival of Freedom, held on or near the 4th of July each year, attracts large crowds, with cars lined up for miles to watch the fireworks extravaganza. Earlier in the day, you may find Betsy Ross or Uncle Sam strolling the grounds

while bands play and the crowd enjoys the ice cream contest, watermelon, grilled burgers, and all other types of picnic fare in anticipation of the main event.

The pavilion can be reserved for birthday parties, family gatherings and social events. Two new small pavilions do not require a reservation. The pond is stocked with catfish, bream and bass. TWRA stocks trout during the winter months. Two duck feeders have been installed around the pond to promote the health of the baby ducks.



MULBERRY PARK

Located on Mulberry Street near the city's Public Works facilities (the old National Guard Armory) and historic Webb School, Mulberry Park has an illustrious histo-

ry as well. Many middle-aged citizens and baby boomers recall games played on the fields that were the city's main sports region before the founding of City Park.



VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

Named for the memorials that pay tribute to soldiers of Carroll County, the park, located in the central square downtown, is a place of beauty, with towering trees and peaceful park benches situated beneath old-style lamp posts

amid flowers and greenery.

A central gazebo now graces the park where once a fountain stood, back when older gentlemen of the town sat and whittled, the cedar shavings from their efforts perfuming the air.



PICKLEBALL COURTS

The McKenzie pickleball courts opened Monday, May 22, 2023, replacing the former tennis courts located along Como Street in the city park.

There are six courts with concrete walkways and player benches. Sod completes the exterior landscaping.

The courts are lighted with

LED fixtures that are controlled by a switch that activates the lights for two hours at a time. As the expiration time approaches, an indicator light alerts players, who can then activate the lights for another two hours. The lights shut down at 10 p.m.



McKENZIE STATION SPLASH PAD

McKenzie Station Splash Pad opened in June 2017, to the great delight of many youngsters. The well-maintained facility is free to use by area children. Located downtown across from the former railroad depot with ample parking available on Waldren Street, parents and visitors

can walk back and forth from the Splash Pad then one block over towards Broadway to visit the farmers' market and various businesses near the square. The mechanical housing was built to mimic the 1927 depot located next door. The splash pad is open daily 10 a.m.-8 p.m.



CARROLL COUNTY AIRPORT

Located at 535 Airport Lane in McKenzie, the Carroll County Airport is a county-owned public-use

airport. Offer a 5,507-foot runway, the airport is accessible to most private aircraft and corporate planes.



HARMONY PARK

Harmony Park, located beside the splash pad, is one of three new additions to McKenzie's parks and recre-

ation areas. Located beside the splash pad, Harmony Park features five oversized musical instruments.



CARROLL LAKE GOLF COURSE

The 18-hole course at the Carroll Lake Golf Club facility in McKenzie, Tennessee features 5,517 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 71. The course rating is 68.5 and it has a slope rating of 121 on Ber-

muda grass. From the back tees, the course will challenge even the best golfers. Designed by Roy Albert Anderson, the Carroll Lake golf course opened in 1961. Jerry Stanley manages the course as the owner.



McKENZIE DOWNTOWN MURAL

Allison Bowers of Gleason was commissioned to paint the McKenzie downtown mural based on the history of the 154-year old city.

It includes themes around nine elements: Bethel University, Webb School, McKenzie Schools, the railroad, Park

Theatre, the downtown gazebo, the zip code, the airport and the tri-county star, representing McKenzie's geographic location.

A committee helped choose the theme and the individual elements of the 66- x 16-foot mural.

McKENZIE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The McKenzie Memorial Public Library is located at 15 Broadway in downtown McKenzie. The library contains 14,902 volumes and circulates 9,031 items per year.

The library has four public access Internet-ready computers and a wireless Internet option that may be used in the reception area on the main floor of the library.



CARROLL LAKE

In 1949, the State of Tennessee purchased land on the edge of McKenzie to begin the construction of Carroll Lake. Before the state's acquisition, what we know as Carroll Lake was a small rail or dinky line used to haul ball clay from the "Hobb Mines."

After the purchase of the land, Ira H. Scates was awarded the contract to remove the timber to construct a 100-acre lake. His son, Theron, who helped in the construction of the lake became the long-time manager of Carroll Lake.

In 1998, the lake was drained and later refilled and

restocked the following year.

In June 2014, Carroll Lake was forced to close due to heavy rains and flooding that caused the lake to overflow its earthen embankment damaging the mechanical spillway that controls the release of water.

The spillway gates were repaired in 2017, but the lake bed was unable to be dredged because of the marsh-like soil. Over the next three years, Carroll Lake was restocked with fish as water levels began to rise. In May 2020, the lake was opened to the public.



GORDON BROWNING GENEALOGICAL MUSEUM

Housed in the historic old McKenzie Post Office Building, the Gordon Browning Museum and Genealogical Library is a publicly owned museum/repository for documents, images and artifacts that represent the history and culture of Carroll Coun-

ty, Tennessee.

The museum is named in honor of the two-time Governor of the State of Tennessee; Gordon Browning. The museum contains numerous papers, photographs and personal effects of the former governor.



WEBB SCHOOL HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Webb School Alumni Museum opened in 2016 and is housed inside the former Webb School, an all-African American school that opened its doors in McKenzie in 1927 and served 22 communities throughout West Tennessee. The school operated

until 1966.

The museum pays tribute to the educators who played vital roles in this first African-American school in the county, in addition to displaying artifacts and items which reflect the educational curricula during this era.



18-HOLE DISC GOLF COURSE

McKenzie opened its 18-hole professional disc golf course in 2014.

The real estate intensive sport is played just as golf, except with flying discs. Essentially, the object of the game is to complete the course with the fewest throws. Players can achieve par, birdies, and eagles, just as in regular golf. Players can play as individuals or teams in scramble play.

The course is located at the McKenzie City Park

on the far side of the pavilion (The Barn) by the water tower. It is a beautiful, well maintained, 18-basket course with manicured fairways.

The players have described the course as "challenging." It is filled with hazards, including trees and bushes, and holes that are not in the straight line of sight.

There is no cost to play other than the costs of the discs.



PARK THEATRE

The Park Theatre began its second life in the community in 2016. Starting in 2011, ACT II: Plan, Preserve, and Protect was founded to identify and pursue grants as well as raise cash through a broad range of events and fundraisers.

Grants from LPRF and the Delta Regional Authority along with the City of McKenzie began the work of making the building structurally sound, safe,

and usable for community meetings, workshops, theatrical performances and movies on the week-end.

Community Leaders such as McKenzie Banking Company, the McKenzie Industrial Board, Carroll Bank & Trust, Bank of Gleason, Ruth & John H. Morris Memorial, the Kermit Holland family and Beta Sigma Phi donated various sums of money to buy equipment for the theatre.



McKENZIE DOG PARK

The city of McKenzie opened its dog park in August 2019 on Como Street.

McKenzie was the winner of a grant for a dog park from the Randy Boyd Foundation. Boyd, president of the University of Tennessee,

viewed the newly completed facility.

Boyd was impressed with the design, the separate areas for large and small dogs, fencing, seating for humans, and the water fountains for the pets.



McKenzie Farmers' Market — 1. Kathy McDonald sells baked goods. 2. The local Amish visiting McKenzie's Farmers' Market on Saturday morning. 3. Linda Swalley sells canned and freshly baked items. 4. Various arts and crafts can be found at the Farmers' Market. Including this decorative door found. *Photos by Brittany Martin*

VISIT MCKENZIE'S FARMERS' MARKET

Farmers' Markets are becoming increasingly popular. The U.S. Department of Agriculture states, between the years of 2008 and 2013, the number of farmers' markets doubled across the country.

One of the quaintest and nicest farmers' market in Northwest Tennessee can be found in McKenzie. The refurbished facility offers both indoor and outdoor booth space.

The McKenzie Farmers' Market is open Saturdays from 8 a.m.-12 noon and opens on Tuesdays from 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Farmers' markets will continue to thrive and expand as people increasingly realize the benefits of supporting local food providers.

Just by visiting a farmers' market, you are attempting to formulate a healthy diet to ensure a better quality of life for seniors and support the immune system to fight sickness, arthritis and numerous diseases.

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heart disease.

Visiting all the booths and vendors counts as exercise.

Any time of the year is perfect for grabbing a tote bag and browsing the wares at a nearby farmers' market, where shoppers are bound to find something fresh, unique and delicious.

Take the time to visit McKenzie and its farmers' market. You'll make new friends, stock up on produce, have a cup of coffee and browse the many booths of baked goods and homemade crafts.



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Trey Boucher
Asst. Chief

Justin Brister
Lieutenant

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Narcotics Investigator

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Sergeant

Austin Jones
Sergeant

Cody Coleman
Sergeant / K-9 Officer

Jason Artymovich
Sergeant

Jeremy Brooks
Patrolman

Darren Davis
Patrolman

Tanner Jackson
Patrolman

Bryan Batchelder
Patrolman

Matthew Cunningham
Patrolman

Sean Beck
Patrolman

Shy'Ann Williams
Patrolman

Colton Broyles
Patrolman

Dalton Raspberry
Patrolman

STUDENT RESOURCE OFFICERS (SROS)

Andy Weaver
Sergeant / Student Resource Officer

Colton Broyles
Patrolman / Student Resource Officer

DISPATCHERS

Carol Barker
TAC

Teresa Johnson
Dispatcher

Tiesia Dowland
Dispatcher

Brandon Hill
Dispatcher

Lauren Denny
Dispatcher



Salute to Local Heroes — MCKENZIE FIRE

(L to R): Jason Arnold, Robert Ross, Michael Hudson, Colton Higdon, Jonathan Castleman, Ashton Marr, Daniel Tucker, Daniel Hollowell, Kevin Hill, John Nelson, Brandi George, James Pettit, Greg Pruitt, Ben Boyd, Brian Tucker, Jake McDaniel, Ethan Travis, Robert Williams, Roger Christian, Tim Marr and Josh Cary. Not pictured: Jonathan Gaskins, Caleb Cary, Nathan Nanney, Ginger Nanney, Ryan Hamilton, Jonathan Wheat, Brennan Marr, Hunter Petreman and Austin Bennett.



McKENZIE, TENNESSEE DEMOGRAPHICS

Population Estimates, July 1, 2022, (V2022) 5,531

PEOPLE

Population

Population Estimates, July 1, 2022, (V2022) 5,531
 Population estimates base, April 1, 2020, (V2022) 5,540
 Population, percent change - April 1, 2020 (estimates base) to July 1, 2022, (V2022) -0.2%
 Population, Census, April 1, 2020 5,529
 Population, Census, April 1, 2010 5,310

Age and Sex

Persons under 5 years, percent 6.0%
 Persons under 18 years, percent 20.1%
 Persons 65 years and over, percent 19.9%
 Female persons, percent 50.4%

Race and Hispanic Origin

White alone, percent 79.4%
 Black or African American alone, percent(a) 15.5%
 American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent(a) 0.0%
 Asian alone, percent(a) 1.9%
 Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent(a) 0.2%
 Two or More Races, percent 0.6%
 Hispanic or Latino, percent(b) 3.4%
 White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent 78.5%

Population Characteristics

Veterans, 2017-2021 368
 Foreign born persons, percent, 2017-2021 3.8%

Housing

Housing units, July 1, 2022, (V2022) X
 Owner-occupied housing unit rate, 2017-2021 59.6%
 Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2017-2021 \$116,900
 Median selected monthly owner costs -with a mortgage, 2017-2021 \$1,004
 Median selected monthly owner costs -without a mortgage, 2017-2021 \$387
 Median gross rent, 2017-2021 \$654
 Building permits, 2022 X

Families & Living Arrangements

Households, 2017-2021 1,986
 Persons per household, 2017-2021 2.53
 Living in same house 1 year ago, percent of persons age 1 year+, 2017-2021 83.5%
 Language other than English spoken at home, percent of persons age 5 years+, 2017-2021 4.8%

Computer and Internet Use

Households with a computer, percent, 2017-2021 87.0%
 Households with a broadband Internet subscription, percent, 2017-2021 80.0%

Education

High school graduate or higher, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2017-2021 88.5%
 Bachelor's degree or higher, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2017-2021 31.0%

Health

With a disability, under age 65 years, percent, 2017-2021 16.1%
 Persons without health insurance, under age 65 years, percent 13.0%

Economy

In civilian labor force, total, percent of population age 16 years+, 2017-2021 52.0%
 In civilian labor force, female, percent of population age 16 years+, 2017-2021 45.2%

VALUE NOTES

* Estimates are not comparable to other geographic levels due to methodology differences that may exist between different data sources.

Some estimates presented here come from sample data, and thus have sampling errors that may render some apparent differences between geographies statistically indistinguishable.

The vintage year (e.g., V2022) refers to the final year of the series (2020 thru 2022). Different vintage years of estimates are not comparable.

FACT NOTES

(a) Includes persons reporting only one race

(c) Economic Census - Puerto Rico data are not comparable to U.S. Economic Census data
 (b) Hispanics may be of any race, so also are included in applicable race categories

VALUE FLAGS

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the number of sample cases is too small.
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Total accommodation and food services sales, 2017 (\$1,000)(c) D
 Total health care and social assistance receipts/revenue, 2017 (\$1,000)(c) 56,754
 Total transportation and warehousing receipts/revenue, 2017 (\$1,000)(c) NA
 Total retail sales, 2017 (\$1,000)(c) 64,410
 Total retail sales per capita, 2017(c) \$12,003

Transportation

Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16 years+, 2017-2021 24.5

Income & Poverty

Median household income (in 2021 dollars), 2017-2021 \$44,392
 Per capita income in past 12 months (in 2021 dollars), 2017-2021 \$22,609
 Persons in poverty, percent 18.2%

BUSINESSES

Businesses

Total employer establishments, 2021 X
 Total employment, 2021 X
 Total annual payroll, 2021 (\$1,000) X
 Total employment, percent change, 2020-2021 X
 Total nonemployer establishments, 2019 X
 All employer firms, Reference year 2017 115
 Men-owned employer firms, Reference year 2017 24
 Women-owned employer firms, Reference year 2017 S
 Minority-owned employer firms, Reference year 2017 S
 Nonminority-owned employer firms, Reference year 2017 90
 Veteran-owned employer firms, Reference year 2017 S
 Nonveteran-owned employer firms, Reference year 2017 91

GEOGRAPHY

Geography

Population per square mile, 2020 868.2
 Population per square mile, 2010 848.5
 Land area in square miles, 2020 6.37
 Land area in square miles, 2010 6.26
 FIPS Code 4744940

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, census.gov, July 2022



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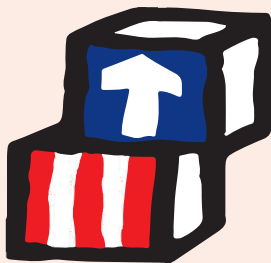
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what you need, they can get it. If they can't get it, then you don't need it — according to their Facebook page. Carroll County Lumber is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. It is closed on Sundays.

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21203 Highway 22, McKenzie, TN 38201

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Cedar Street Studio also offers wedding/event prop and furniture rentals. Available furniture and props include velvet chairs, settees, sofas, picture frames, vintage suitcases, antique dishes and more.

For more information, connect with Ashley Bell at (731) 514-8267 or cedarstreetstudiotn@gmail.com. Visit <https://www.cedarstreetstudiotn.com/> for a calendar of events, booking information, and studio reservations.



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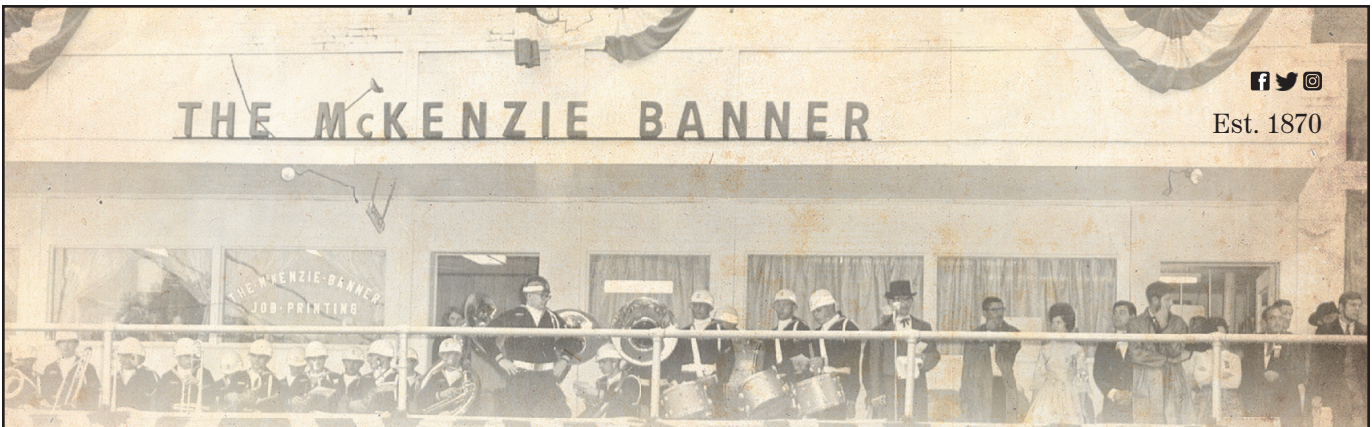
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The Chamber's mission statement is to promote business, enhance economic and community development of McKenzie and serves as a catalyst for improving the overall quality of life of all citizens of McKenzie, Carroll County and West Tennessee.

The Chamber's vision statement to be the driving force in building a vibrant and prosperous community through business leadership. Our membership will represent the interests of the majority of our community's business and Industry, and we will passionately support these entities in such a way as to engage

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Members benefit from networking with other businesses and individuals, training programs and update information on events.

Members receive:

- *Monthly Newsletters
- *Business Referrals
- *Listing on Chamber Website
- *Invitations to Seminars, Workshop and Annual Banquet
- *After Hour Gatherings
- *Open house, Ground-Breaking and Ribbon-Cutting Ceremonies
- *First Choice Selection to Members for Catering, Sponsor and Dinner Events

The Chamber is housed in the Rail-Yard building at 9 Broadway St.

Board of Directors Officers: Jan Latimer, Chairperson / President; Jason R. Martin, Vice-Chairman; and Myra Car-



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Industrial Board Representative: Joel Washburn.

For more information contact Monica Heath, Executive Director at 731-352-2004 / mckenzieindustry@gmail.com.

CAN'T MISS CHAMBER Events

AUGUST 2023

AUGUST 12 — Bethel University's Welcome Weekend Freshman Carnival

McKenzie Chamber of Commerce will be giving out approximately 250 care packages to Bethel students with food items, local business coupons, local restaurant menus and more. The Chamber will have a drawing for a gift basket of school supplies and Bethel-branded items for one student that visits the Chamber's table during Freshman Carnival.

AUGUST 15 — Chamber Coffee

Hosted by Steven Morton State Farm at 8-9 a.m. Enjoy coffee and networking at State Farm on Lee Street in McKenzie.

AUGUST 25 — Chamber Golf Tournament

McKenzie Chamber of Commerce kicks off the Sweet Tea Festival with its annual 18-hole, four person scramble at Carroll Lake Golf Course. Registration is open — Sign up now! Chamber members are donating items to include in each participants' swag bag. To sponsor or register a team, or if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Monica Heath, 731-352-2004.

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 14 — Lunch & Learn

Social Media (Facebook) • 11-12:30 p.m. Free to all Chamber Members. RSVP to reserve your seat.

SEPTEMBER 26 — Chamber Coffee & Ribbon Cutting

At Wildcat Grill. Hosted by Bethel University at 8-9 a.m. Enjoy coffee and networking at Wildcat Grill on Bethel University's campus in McKenzie.

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 6-13 — Manufacturing Week

OCTOBER 16 — Chamber Coffee

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OCTOBER 19 — Lunch & Learn

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NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 9 — Lunch & Learn

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Student to teacher ratio 12:1

Gender Percentage:

Male 55%
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Racial/Ethnic Percentage:

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 Hispanic 7%
 White 75%

Students Specific Grouping:

Economically Disadvantaged 29%
 Students with Disabilities 21%

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Grade 5 - Grade 8

Principal: Dorethea Royle

80 West Woodrow Ave., McKenzie, TN

Student Enrollment: 341

Student to teacher ratio 17:1

Gender Percentage:

Male 49%
 Female 51%

Racial/Ethnic Percentage:

Asian or Asian/Pacific Islander Less than 5%
 Black/African American 16%
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 White 78%

Students Specific Grouping:

Economically Disadvantaged 20%
 Students with Disabilities 11%

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Grade 9 - Grade 12

Principal: Kelly Spivey

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Student Enrollment: 371

Student to teacher ratio 14:1

Gender Percentage:

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Racial/Ethnic Percentage:

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The current Hometown Hangout opened in September 2022 on the same site as the big orange trailer, but now encompassed several re-purposed service bays from his grandfather's car dealership.

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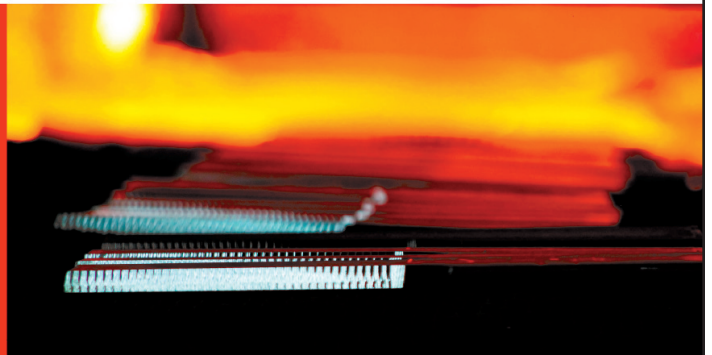
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Left, The First Purchase in downtown McKenzie was made by Caroline Rumley Allen. Allen was on her way from Kentucky to Benton County in a covered wagon about 1869. Center, McKenzie Train Depot And Freight Loading Station, Early 1900s. Right, Joseph Anna Hawkins (Cole) 1848-1917.

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The Founding of McKenzie

In 1818, through the Jackson Purchase, brokered by Andrew Jackson and Isaac Shelby, West Tennessee was purchased from the Chickasaw Nation. Andrew Jackson and Isaac Shelby brokered the treaty. At the time of settlement, the West Tennessee Chickasaw Trail ran through what later became McKenzie.

Historical celebrities like Daniel Boone and David Crockett passed through the area. Crockett was known to attend Shiloh Church when he was in this portion of his congressional district.

Early settlers to McKenzie territory were Stephen Pate, John M. Gilbert in the North, Colonel John D. McKenzie, R.S. Cole and Garland Snead. The Sneads and Gilberts built up the area with the construction of two trading posts.

Gardner Gilbert and his son John M. Gilbert were the leaders of an area they called Marrieta. Centered near the intersection of Magnolia and

Stonewall, the settlement included a business office, a log schoolhouse and a few other small buildings. The large rock found on the corner of Magnolia and Stonewall served as a step to the old schoolhouse.

The Snead family claimed to found the Dundas settlement. Lasting only five years, the trading center consisted of a trading store, a post office, a saloon, blacksmith, and a hotel “The Carroll House.”

In 1859, James Monroe McKenzie built the McKenzie Hotel. The McKenzie family prevailed at the close of the Civil War as the railroad crossed through the McKenzie property. George McKenzie became the station manager at the behest of his father, James Monroe. The first timetables printed bore the name “McKenzie, Tennessee.” In 1869, McKenzie was officially chartered.

Though McKenzie was not a fully incorporated municipality, it was taking shape during the War Between the States. Without going into the buildup of the Civil War, it is important to know that Tennessee was a state of divided loyalties. The area of McKenzie and its smaller communities were pro-Confederate while the Town of Huntingdon was Union. Thus began one of the earliest divides between the two territories.

Though Carroll County and McKenzie failed to produce a battle, they served as a pathway for troops.

McKenzie’s most noted Civil War event dates back to Christmas day

1862. Confederate Lieutenant General Nathan Bedford Forrest was following the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad to Dresden. Forrest learned of Union troops surrounding his location and preventing him from moving to the Tennessee River. With plans to outmaneuver the Union, he mobilized his forces to McKenzie Station on Christmas afternoon.

A young lady named Joseph Anna Hawkins (Cole) is considered the most intriguing figure in McKenzie’s Civil War era. Born May 3, 1848, Annie was born in McKenzie. She was one of eleven children born to Richard Cole and Martha Smith. The Cole Family settled in the McKenzie area around 1830 near present-day Carroll Lake.

A sympathizer of the Confederacy, the Cole home was visited regularly by Confederate troops including General Forrest. In Annie Cole’s writings entitled War Leaflets she wrote, “One day when General Forrest’s command was passing and the men and boys were cheering and singing all along the line, a brave handsome little fellow, not yet out of his teens, was riding in the rear and singing in a sweet melodious voice...”

Annie wrote her Civil War memories 25 years after the war. She told numerous stories of life in McKenzie from 1861-1865. Her husband, Camillus Hawkins, served as mayor of McKenzie and was the first publisher and proprietor of the McKenzie Times.



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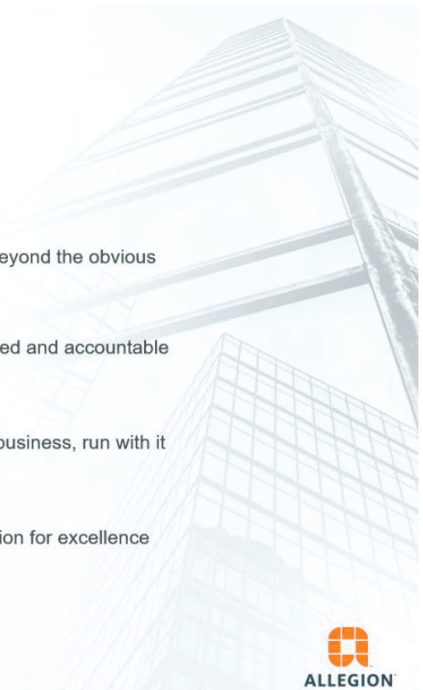
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James Monroe McKenzie was born February 14, 1818, to Colonel John D. McKenzie and Patsy Bonner McKenzie.

Known for his kindness and benevolence, James Monroe was responsible for donating land for the Masonic building, Bethel College and the McKenzie Depot Station. A member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, James Monroe died at the age of 56 in 1874 and was interned at Mount Olivet Cemetery along with his wife, Martha Louisa Coleman McKenzie.

Much of the wealth accumulated by the McKenzie family can be traced to Colonel John D. McKenzie. Colonel

McKenzie fought in the American Revolution and was captured at Valley Forge. A British soldier struck him across the back and broke his shoulders. Legend has it, the British presented their bayonets intending to impale the colonel. Before they could attack him, McKenzie gave the Masonic signal of distress. The commanding officer ordered him to be taken down and sent to a house. The officer paid for the colonel's care until he was able to return home.

For his disability, he received a pension of fifty dollars per month for life. Fifty dollars at that time is equivalent to approximately \$1,000 in today's money. After visiting the Colonel's sister, Millie Gilbert, in 1827, the McKenzies moved to this area. The family homestead, located near the rail-



road depot and Stonewall Street, was purchased through the McLemore Land Grant.

James Monroe McKenzie donated the land to form the depot, on the condition that his son, George Washington McKenzie, would be the first railroad station manager. George was employed by the L&N and NC&StL Railroads, serving as station manager for 50 years. His wife, Willie Diechman McKenzie, was a socialite who often hosted elaborate affairs at the Hotel McKenzie.

Two other notable children of James Monroe McKenzie were a pair of doctors, John David McKenzie and James Albert McKenzie. They built matching homes side-by-side on Stonewall Street in McKenzie.

The last of the family to bear the name McKenzie was George D. McKenzie, son of George Washington McKenzie. He was a cashier for Citizen's Bank and for the railroads.



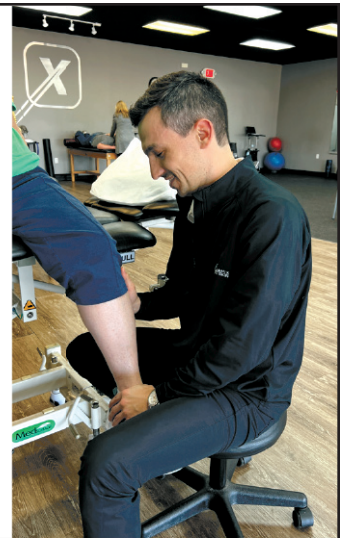
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Camp Gordon Browning

The New Deal in McKenzie (Part I)

Deep in the throes of the Great Depression, the people of McKenzie like the rest of the county and most of the world worked as hard as possible for every available cent. The American Dream was out of reach, while “Brother, Can You Spare a Dime” became the anthem of the Great Depression. On November 8, 1932, Franklin Roosevelt was elected President of the United States and was charged with the task of righting the American economy.

On April 5, 1933, through an executive order, Roosevelt created the Civilian Conservation Corps or CCC. This “New Deal” legislation was designed

to put hundreds of thousands of young men to work on environmental conservation projects. By July 1, 1933, 1,433 work camps were established and employing 300,000 men. It was the most rapid peacetime mobilization in American history.

In May 1933, McKenzie was one of the five proposed sites for a camp. According to the Banner archives, there were five 200 men forestry camps to be located in West Tennessee. McKenzie was under consideration by District Forester R.H. Peek, who visited the city.

The two possible locations were recommended, the Burkhalter farm west of McKenzie on the Gleason Highway and the Bethel College property on the Huntingdon Highway just east of McKenzie. Formal approval was given to the

Bethel property, the men would be paid \$30 a month plus room and board in the CCC camps.

On June 29, 1933, Camp 1470SC-4 (Camp Gordon Browning) located in McKenzie was the first camp to open in West Tennessee. The archives state, “The first contingent of forestry recruits to hit West Tennessee are scheduled to report today (Thursday) at the forest campsite located one mile east of McKenzie on State Highway 22.

Locating the camp to a modern location...travel southeast along Cedar Street/Old McKenzie Road towards Huntingdon. Immediately after what was Smith’s Tire Barn as you moved up the hill starts the location of the camp. The CCC camp was adjacent to the farm of Aaron Bradfield, father of Dan Bradfield and LaRenda Scarbrough. Across the road, near the farm of Ben Everett, were the camp officers for the engineers and foremen along with tool and equipment sheds.

The first group of 185 men under the supervision of Captain B.H. Hensley and Caption W.G. Cambell entrained at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia Wednesday, reaching here this Thursday morning. They will immediately pitch camp at the site selected by the government for this camp.”

At no point were the enrollees part of the U.S. Army. The Army was given

certain responsibilities to assist the program, i.e., provide housing, issue clothing, oversee healthcare, discipline and recreation. So in actuality, the first enrollees in McKenzie were under the supervision of the Army officers but working for the U.S. Forestry Service.

In a letter from John Waddle, he wrote, "We arrived at the camp at 4:30 p.m. tired and hungry. Saturday morning we began working on our permanent camp. Our first job was to clean out a space for our tents which were to be our home until a permanent building could be erected.

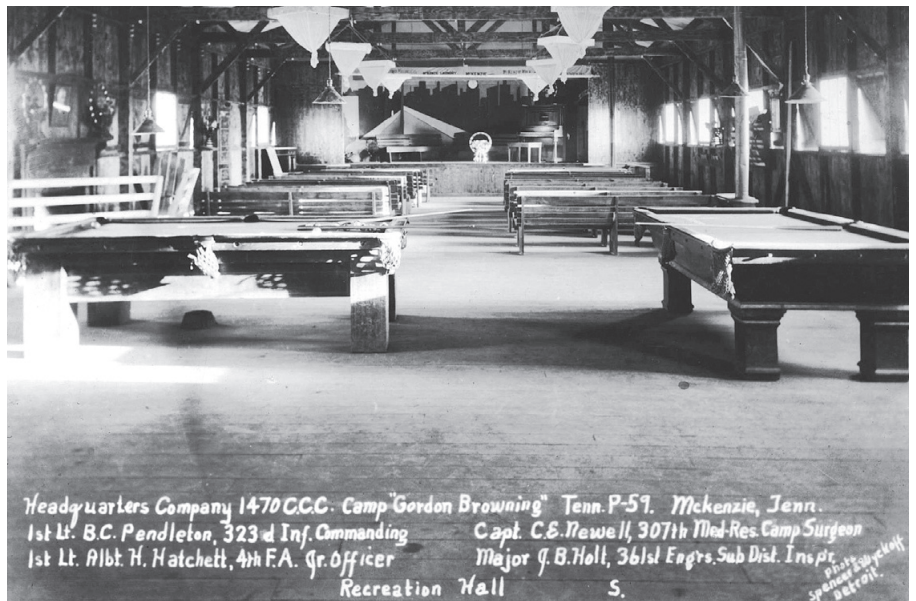
"While the majority of the 185 boys were clearing off the ground the crew of carpenters started work on the temporary mess hall. We expect to have electric lights and running water within a few weeks."

In another letter from John Waddle dated July 7, 1933, he wrote, "Last night the merchants of McKenzie gave the camp an invitation to the McKenzie theatre to see the picture show 'Humanity.' The entire camp attended and enjoyed the show."

By July 22, the camp was making great progress. The well was near completion and a fence was constructed along the highway. Garages were being constructed to store nine work trucks and flooring was being put in place in the officers' quarters. The workers were also constructing a baseball diamond and a volleyball court for recreation.

From the archives, dated October 13, 1933, "The barracks are complete now and soon as the stoves are installed we will be ready for winter. The past few nights have been cold as the dickens and we are anxiously waiting for the stoves. Next week we will get our first issue of winter clothing.

"A great change in eating has been made, departing from the Army style lining up and passing by the cooks and getting a mess kit full. They are now eating out on plates and food is placed on tables. The old Army mess kits were not thrown away, however — when the crews were working in the field which was most of the time after the field-work started, food was brought out in



large containers and each truck driver made the trip back to camp each day before noon to bring the hot food out to the crews and each man used his mess kit at the time."

The first winter of 1933/1934 was spent working around the camp and trying to make the rough living quar-

ters more comfortable. Wool Army uniforms were issued along with wool blankets and plenty of wood to feed the stoves in the barracks.

Next week, I will pick up with the spring of 1934 and how the camp began working with the soil.

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Camp Gordon Browning

The New Deal in McKenzie (Part II)

On June 3, 1934, local Civilian Conservation Corps. (CCC) camps were granted the authority to enroll fifteen local men. The purpose behind the authorization was to bring in individuals with local knowledge and experience. The locals would be more familiar with the area and had certain training and experience that could be used to the camp's advantage. Some of the locals enrolled at the camp were Bailless Simmons, Morris Beadles, Howard Sparks, David Chandler, Hugh Brooks, Wilburn Aden, Graden Featherstone and Joe McClure.

The camp developed a newsletter called The Tomahawk which was printed by The McKenzie Banner. David Chandler and Joe McClure were responsible

for content. The newsletter was published each Friday and a copy was given to every enrollee.

The camp was under the direction of the Army except for the fieldwork which was under the direction of the Tennessee Division of Forestry and the Soil Conservation Service. All enrollees were assigned a shift on guard duty. Five guards were on post each night, working a two-hour shift walking around the grounds and buildings. Bed check was at 11 p.m. and anyone not in bed at the time was reported to the top sergeant, Bailless Simmons. The consequences were usually an assignment on KP duty (kitchen patrol).

Camp cooks had their own living quarters at one end of the barracks. There were three full-time cooks plus an Army mess sergeant and one of the Army officers was in charge of the mess hall, food,

food preparation and all things food-related. The cooks started their day at 3 a.m. getting reading breakfast and were on duty until after 8 p.m. with the conclusion and cleanup of dinner.

The field crews started work at 7:30 a.m. and worked until 3:30 p.m. The camp rule was to get in at least 40 hours of work each week and if the weather was not bad then the men did not have to Saturday. Some days during the rainy seasons and winter months, crews were unable to work outside. This forced the men to work Saturdays to clock their 40 hours.

A sub-camp with 20 men was established at Pilot Knob on the Tennessee River. The Pilot Knob work project, which later became Nathan Bedford Forrest State Park, was designed to build a large stone building on the top of the hill. Not only did the crew construct the building, but they also built the road leading to the top of the hill. As a rule, the men would go to Pilot Knob on Sunday afternoon and return to Camp Gordon Browning on Friday.

Toward the end of 1935, Camp Gordon Browning was transferred to the Soil Conservation Service. This provided an enlarged and more balanced land use program; not only in soil erosion work but helping farmers establish a system of crop rotation fertilization and soil conservation at the individual farm level.

Starting in December 1935 through

December 1937, the camp had 61 farms under contract in Carroll, Henry and Weakley counties covering 12,757 acres and 200 other farms were under application covering 40,000 acres. Work completed to November 30, 1937, on farmed under contract in this area were 279 miles of terraces, protecting 4,640 acres, 512 concrete dams built in gullies and outlets for erosion control; 68,212 yards of Bermuda sod set in gullies, 119,400 black locust trees set out; trees planted 15,910 white ash, 4,650 yellow poplar, 20,700 red oak, 13,000 shortleaf pine, 36,000 loblolly pine, 26,580 black walnut; and seed collected from planting 24,650 pounds.

In the Banner archives, it is reported in the January 29, 1937 edition the local CCC camp was playing a major role in helping after a major flood occurred along the Mississippi River near Tiptonville, Tennessee, Hickman and Paducah, Kentucky. The archive stated, “the entire camp personnel along with their trucks and equipment were used to help get thousands of people out of the flooded areas and to the homes, schools, churches all over West Tennessee.”

Camp personnel spent several weeks working to hold the levies from breaking and transporting people. The entire camp moved to strategic areas along the river to put down sandbags and reinforce levees for two weeks. Camp personnel suffered long hours in cold and wet conditions in the emergency.

As time progressed, it became obvious Camp Gordon Browning could not do work on all the farms that had asked for its assistance. A different approach was decided; local farmers would have to learn the various conservation practices used by the camp and put the practices to work for themselves.

Camp officials choose representative demonstration farms in various communities. The owners of the farms had to enter into a contract with the Soil Conservation Service for five years. The agronomist, engineers and forester then made a detailed study of the farm making a map showing all fields, ponds, fences, wooded areas, eroded areas, soil types, and crop history.

Then a plan was developed to include whatever practice was determined to be needed including terracing, crop rota-



tion, fertilization and erosion control. The farm operator had to agree to work closely with the camp officials. Camp personnel did much of the work with the help of the farm operator. Local farmers observed what was being done and could see actual results while learning what they could do to their farms.

By 1939, it was decided the Tri-County area had been adequately served. Since other portions of the state had areas in desperate need of their services, the camp relocated. On June 15, 1939, Camp Gordon Browning was moved to Bolivar, Tennessee. The entire complex, people, equipment and anything mobile were transported to the new location. Camp 1470SC-4 lasted another four years in Bolivar.

The work and accomplishments of Camp Gordon Browning provided a great service to this area and its farmers. Much

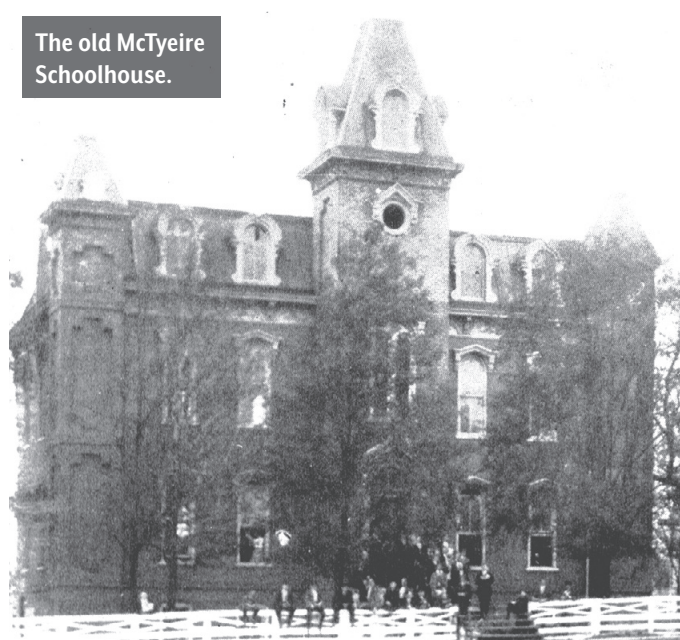
of what we see in terms of soil conservation around Carroll County is thanks to this great group of men.

On a side note, I have wanted to write this two-part series since the inception of the Weekly 150 but finding much in regards to research proved to be tedious. At one point, I contacted the National Archives in Washington, D.C. requesting any records they had about Camp Gordon Browning.

The response was not encouraging, “Contact your local newspaper.” They didn’t read my email signature. Either way, I tabled the idea to a later date. Then one day, I came across a story and research by Joe McClure about the camp. So, I can’t take full credit for this series but I am so thankful for Mr. McClure doing most of the leg work for me as the story of Camp Gordon Browning can be preserved a little longer.



The 1906 McTyeire Baseball Team



The old McTyeire Schoolhouse.

McTyeire School

The story of McTyeire School dates back to 1858 in the Caledonia Community of Henry County. Started by Edwin H. Randal, it began as a boarding school and was chartered in 1860 as Caledonia College. The onset of the Civil War temporarily closed the doors to Caledonia College.

The building burned and the school relocated to McKenzie in 1867. The new facility was known as the McKenzie Male and Female Institute.

In 1871, Captain H.C. Irby purchased land on present-day McTyeire Street. Two buildings were constructed and chartered as McKenzie College. It became McKenzie's first educational facility beating out the relocation of Bethel College from McLemoresville in 1872.

Irby resigned in 1874, and the property was purchased by Dr. A.P. Waterfield with Professor Randal taking over as president of the school.

The Methodist Church looked to purchase the school and property from Waterfield. Believing the price was too high for the property, the church purchased a different lot further from town and constructed a separate campus.

On April 10, 1882, McKenzie College changed its name to McTyeire Institute in honor of Holland Nimmons McTyeire, an American Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Bishop McTyeire was responsible for co-founding of Vanderbilt University in 1873.

McTyeire initially granted degrees, but in 1879, the school became a preparatory school. Under the leadership of A. Grier Peoples, the name changed to the McTyeire School in 1899. McTyeire School curriculum followed the custom of the time, focusing on classics, English, math and history, aimed at the Vanderbilt entrance exams.

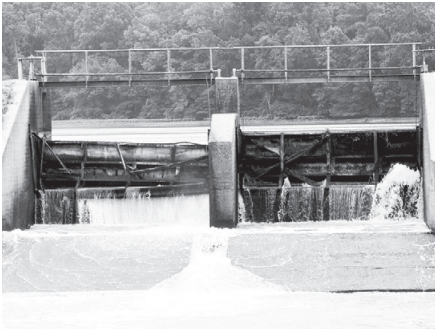
When Vanderbilt was established, there were few schools in Tennessee designed to prepare students for college. Only three preparatory schools were established before 1873. Montgomery Bell Academy (Nashville) and the McTyeire School (McKenzie) were founded in 1867, followed by the Webb School (Culleoka/Bell Buckle) in 1870. These three schools set the standard for preparatory schools in the State of Tennessee.

By the arrival of James Robins, the McTyeire Institute was going by the McTyeire School and was accredited by the Southern Association of Secondary Schools. Serving as a four-year

preparatory school for colleges. Its students were allowed to enter any of the colleges and universities of the Southern Association. After Professor Harrison's tenure, the McTyeire School housed 75 teenage boarding students (male and female) developing them academically and spiritually.

James Robins held the longest tenure at McTyeire with 32 years of service. In his own words, Robins stated he regarded education, "not as a pouring in process, but rather as a drawing out, training, and developing of the highest impulses that come to boys and girls during a period when their standards and ideals are becoming fixed."

As the Great Depression took hold in 1929, McTyeire School was greatly affected by the economic crisis. Limited funds prevented families from sending their children to preparatory school. The end of the 1931 academic year saw the closure of the once great school. In 1936, Professor J.L. Seets and McKenzie Mayor Glen A. King worked to purchase the 30 acres and five buildings of the abandoned McTyeire School. The once-great school for white students became the great school for African-Americans, Webb School.



Above, June 2014, McKenzie and the surrounding area received over 10 inches of rain. The torrential rains and run-off severely damaged the spillway gate allowing Carroll Lake to drain. Top Right, The dinky engine, manned by Noel Mann and Hugh Cozart, hauling clay from the Hobbs Mine near present-day Carroll Lake. Right, Carroll Lake was reopened in 2020 after the spillway gates were replaced.




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McKenzie's 100-Acre Lake

Growing up, I was led to believe Carroll Lake was built back in the 1930s. This led to my assumption it was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps. Well, you know what they say about assuming. Turns out the State of Tennessee bought the land to build the lake in 1949. So this week's story shines a little light on the history of Carroll Lake.

Before 1950, what we know as Carroll Lake was a small rail or dinky line used to haul ball clay from the "Hobb Mines." The mines, long abandoned, were located adjacent to Carroll Lake Golf Course. Dirt was dumped from the mines as the clay was excavated on the adjoining property; which explains some of the hills on the course.

The clay, purchased by the Johnson Porter Clay Company (now Kentucky-Tennessee Clay), was loaded on the dinky (small rail engine) and moved from the Carroll Lake area to Rich Road near Connie Allen Road in McKenzie. The clay was then offloaded onto railcars. The rails and three dinkies used to haul the clay were later

sold for scrap iron.

After the State purchased the land, Ira H. Scates was awarded the contract to remove the timber to construct a 100-acre lake. Ira's son, Theron, worked with his father to clear the land. This led to Theron's appointment as the manager of Carroll Lake until he died in 1983.

Known as an honest, fair and trustworthy man, Theron, worked with the State on what was termed as a "restoration project" to construct the lake. Working alongside the engineers in building the spillway, he took part in the planting of pine trees, stocking the lake with fish and various other phases. In 1954, he and his wife, Betty, moved to the lake along with their one-year-old daughter, Danette. Later they had a son, Daniel.

Celebrated fisherman, Steve McCadams, cut his teeth at Carroll Lake and worked for the Scates family. Steve was quoted as saying, "The Scates babysat a lot of kids out there." As many parents from the area would drop their children off and leave them to fish.

In 1998, the lake was drained and later refilled and restocked the following year. The lake continued to provide recreation and served as a sportsman refuge for several years under the Gateley

family who predecessors of the Scates family.

In June 2014, Carroll Lake was forced to close due to heavy rains and flooding caused the lake to overflow its earthen embankment damaging the mechanical spillway that controls the release of water. The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency said the lake would eventually dry up because the dam could not be closed.

The next spring, the TWRA began making plans to reopen the facility. Wildlife District 7 commissioner Kurt Holbert at first thought it would be a quick fix and be open by the 2015 summer. Holbert said, "We're going to have a lot of dirt to move," Holbert said. "We're going to take some dirt out of the bottom of where the lake will be now to make it deeper like it was when it was originally built." In the beginning, the Carroll Lake project was appropriated with \$200,000 funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The spillway gates were repaired in 2017, but the lakebed was unable to be dredged because of the marsh-like soil. Over the next three years, Carroll Lake was restocked with fish as water levels began to rise. In May 2020, the lake was opened to the public.

Webb School, Professor J.L. Seets

Before 1898, very few records exist on African-American education in the McKenzie area. It is theorized local churches provided the basis of what qualified as an “adequate” education through the segregation laws of Jim Crow and the U.S. Supreme Court decision of Plessy v. Ferguson (1896) “separate but equal.”

Near the turn of the 20th Century with the introduction of the public school system, a rudimentary one-room schoolhouse was constructed on the outskirts of town for “Negro Education.” One teacher was responsible for teaching all the students and the subjects.

The little one-room building evolved into a two-room school about 1900 and provided education from first grade through eighth grade. This addition allowed for an additional teacher. This was the earliest beginnings of formalized African-American education in McKenzie. The building complex was named Booker T. Washington High School. Things would not change considerably for the next 15 to 20 years.

According to Professor Seets, “During this period, the following teachers were employed: Bob Coleman, Nelson Love, F.L. Buck and wife Lena Buck, Murray Mitchum, Rev. L.B. Tinsley. Salaries ranged from \$15 to \$50 per month and in some cases only room and board.”

In 1920, Professor James L. Seets became principal of the Booker T. Washington school. It was in this period education leaped forward for African-Americans in the area.



Early Webb School Campus



Mrs. Eva Seets' first grade class at Webb School in the late 1940s or early 1950s.

The Carroll County Board of Education built the Carroll County Training School in Smyrna Community near Buena Vista. After four years, the training school closed and moved to McKenzie to be under the supervision of Professor Seets.

With the acquisition of the training school, Professor Seets began working on

an expansion of the facility through the philanthropic endeavors of Julius Rosenwald. The matching monetary grants donated by Rosenwald (approximately \$70 million) were used throughout the rural South to improve educational facilities for African-Americans.

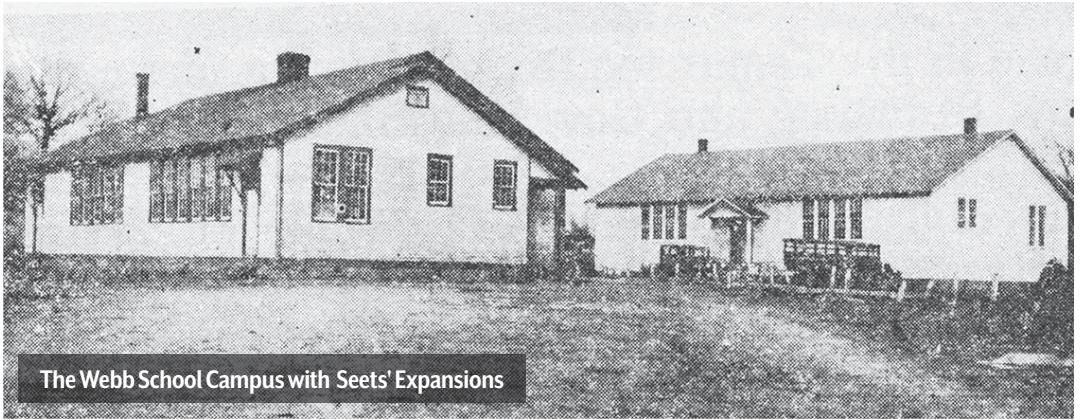
The Rosenwald Foundation donated \$1,000 to the

McKenzie school and the matching \$1,000 was quickly raised by authorities and members of the community.

There was still a need for additional funding as Professor Seets' plan involved an additional building and course expansion. This forced the school to request more money from the Rosenwald Fund. An additional



Prof. J.L. Seets



The Webb School Campus with Seets' Expansions

\$8,000 was acquired through the grant and donations.

The name of the school was changed to Webb High School after John L. Webb. Mr. Webb, an African-American, was a very generous benefactor to the school providing more money than any person of any race or group in McKenzie.

Two school buses were obtained at this point as well since Webb School was the only high school for African-Americans in Carroll County.

Enrollment increased from four to well over one hundred; teachers increased from one to fifteen; the curriculum was enriched by adding new courses based on the needs of the children.

In the summer of 1936, a fire would destroy the school, and a new facility would be constructed.

As school began in 1936, Webb School temporarily moved into the old Masonic Hall which needed repairs. Students and faculty made needed improvements as school was conducted for that academic year.

As the academic year played out, Professor J.L. Seets and McKenzie Mayor Glen A. King worked behind the scenes to procure the abandoned McTyeire College grounds for the county school. The former white college included five brick build-

ings on a thirty-acre spread.

Professor Seets, with the help of Z.D. Atkins used the federally funded National Youth Administration (NYA) program to make the school's needed repairs. For the NYA program to encompass the school, the curriculum had to change. The altered program of study included building trades that provided finished products such as school furniture, mattresses and book-binding.

As the curriculum took hold, Webb School had new water and sewer lines connecting to the city lines, doing away with the old dilapidated septic tanks. Soon, needed plastering and interior painting were completed.

In addition, school furniture, such as sewing tables, tablet-arm chairs, teacher's desks, library tables and chairs were provided. The lunchrooms were screened, a recreation field was built, and an auditorium/gymnasium was erected. Running short on bricks for the auditorium, students in their "extra-curricular duties" picked 12,000 pounds of cotton at \$1.25 per hundred pounds to pay for the needed bricks.

Webb School provided a strong academic education for all of its students. Webb had an elementary school with five teachers teaching math, health, spelling and music. From elementary,

students graduated to high school where Professor Seets made sure all the children, boys and girls, were provided courses in Social Studies, English, Math, Home Economics, Agriculture, Music, Science, Cosmetology, Art, Physical Education, Audio Visual Aids, and classes for the mentally challenged.

With 30 acres of land, the Webb School farm was important to the school. According to Professor Seets, "the vocational agriculture program provided the basis for boys needed to learn how to farm more profitably."

The agricultural program benefited the students at the school especially those enrolled in Home Economics. The female students used the produce in learning to prepare meals, and during World War II the class prepared Victory Gardens to help sustain itself during food rationing.

Home Economics was a key part of the Webb School curriculum. Ms. Selita Hyder led the charge in Home Eco teaching girls a variety of skills including cooking, sewing, gardening, caring for children and caring for small livestock.

In 1957, Professor Seets retired as principal of Webb School. He remained active with the school and its students far beyond his retirement. The extraordinary leader and educator served as

a voice for the African-American community until he died in 1972.

Thornton A. Warford took the reins of Webb School with Professor Seets' retirement. Professor Warford led the students and faculty until the school's closure in 1966.

From two graduates in 1929 to over 1,000 graduates in total at the time of its closing, Webb School along with Professor Seets, Mr. Warford and numerous faculty left a lasting impression on the African-American community.

The effect was so lasting that in 1969 the Webb Alumni Association was organized with Obie Roscoe McKenzie serving as its first National President. Numerous chapters hold charters all over the United States.

In 1973, the association created the Webb Development Group to purchase the Webb School property. By April of 1976, Carroll County passed a resolution to sell the property to the Webb School Association.

In the words of Professor J.L. Seets, "It will not be enough that he was labored, nor he, nor she, nor they. What can only matter is that the young will come to know the Webb story and understand that a story such as this, is never to be forgotten."



Left, The McKenzie Banner building, present day. Since October 1926, the newspaper has been located at the corner of Main Street and Banner Row (according to old city maps). Right, The late James and Ramona Washburn, former publishers of The McKenzie Banner, 1981. Below, Joel Washburn, publisher 2015 – present.

The McKenzie Banner

McKENZIE'S OLDEST BUSINESS

Since 1870, The McKenzie Banner has served as McKenzie's newspaper and oldest continuously operated business. The newspaper was named the McKenzie Times; Camillus Hawkins as editor/publisher.

By 1884 the McKenzie Times changed hands and became the Tri-County News with Tri-County Sun. The publishers were Gilbert & Cannon. Over the next 16 years, there were several owners and name changes.

In 1900, the Tri-County Sun portion of the company name was dropped and the newspaper was solely the McKenzie Herald.

Dr. J.E. Goldsby, a local physician, purchased the newspaper in 1901.

From 1907 to 1915, the McKenzie Herald took its modern moniker The McKenzie Banner. David A. Burkhalter and W.A. Rurb held the titles of publishers and editors. In 1924, E.G. Ward and B.B. Fowler were co-publishers with Fowler as the editor.

In June 1936, Lucian A. Woodson became the publisher. He was employed at

the newspaper for five years before being named publisher, his lifelong dream. He served as publisher only one week before dying suddenly.

From 1936 to 1941, The Banner was published by Curtis C. Moody with a variety of editors. The newspaper was taken over by J.E. Laney in 1941.

From May 1949 to May 1968, J. Frank Barlow owned The McKenzie Banner. Under Barlow, the newspaper operation expanded with the purchase of the Dresden Enterprise and growing the commercial print side.

On April 1, 1968, the paper sold once again. This sale provided the beginnings of the paper's longest run by one family. James L. Washburn, who had worked for J. Frank since 1948, partnered with J. Frank's son, Karl. The Washburn-Barlow partnership lasted until July 11, 1980.

In July, Washburn purchased Barlow's shares in the business. Under Washburn's leadership, the newspaper converted from manual to computer typesetting.

In failing health, Washburn named his son, Joel, managing editor of The McKenzie



Banner. When James died in February 1985, his wife, Ramona, was bequeathed his half of the company. Ramona, Jeff and Joel were co-owners together for 30 years. Jeff was managing editor of the Dresden Enterprise.

Mrs. Washburn held the title of publisher from 1985 until April 2015 when brothers Joel and Jeff purchased their mother's half of the company. Ramona held the title of Publisher Emerita until her death on June 28, 2021.

September 2019 saw a shift in ownership as Joel bought his brother's shares of Tri-County Publishing, Inc. becoming sole owner. Joel sold the Dresden Enterprise in 2020.

Joel has served in almost every position at the newspaper from paperboy to printer's devil all the way to publisher. He has spent his entire life around the news-

paper and returned full-time in June 1979 after graduating from Union University.

Today, Joel and his wife, Teresa, own and operate the newspaper and printing company.

Teresa came to work at the newspaper part-time in 2014, bringing her 35+ years of accounting background. She serves as the bookkeeper and a manager for the company.

They have one daughter, Brittany (Washburn) Martin who started in 2009 after graduating from MTSU; spent an additional year working in Middle Tennessee; then returned full-time to the newspaper in May 2011.

Brittany serves as a graphic designer and manager, helping her parents.

Brittany's husband, Jason Martin, joined the family business in 2015 and serves as print shop manager, writer and part-time sales.

Jason and Brittany have two children, Charles "CJ" Martin, 5, and Savannah Martin, 3.

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