

# DANDRIDGE-HOT SPOTS

## Hickman Tavern & Coach House

The Hickman Tavern was built circa 1820. A highlight of this tavern, one of four still existing in Dandridge, is the beautiful circular staircase winding to the third floor. Now the Dandridge Town Hall, Hickman Tavern is located at 131 E. Main Street and is adjacent to the Douglas Lake Dike. The Hickman Coach House, also built circa 1820, is located directly beside the Hickman Tavern. This narrow, brick, two-story structure was built for stage coach operators traveling between Knoxville and Abingdon, Virginia and on to "Washington City". The Hickman Coach House is now home to the Dandridge Visitors Center.



## Downtown Shopping and Dining

Historic buildings are now home to shops offer antiques, art and photo galleries, unique gift items, handmade home décor and jewelry, one-of-a-kind antique and neo-art pieces, and clothing and accessory boutiques. Southern Hospitality is not forgotten in Dandridge, as shop owners welcome you like an old friend when you step foot through their door. Bring your appetite when you visit Dandridge. Whether you are looking for a quick bite, a step back in time, or a lakeside view, restaurants pride themselves on serving homemade everything.



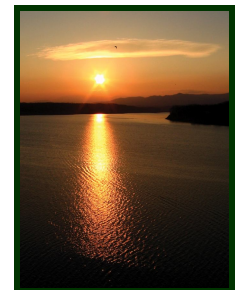
## Jefferson County Courthouse

The Jefferson County Courthouse was built circa 1845 as a Greek Revival structure replaced a smaller brick courthouse on the same grounds. The Jefferson County Courthouse is home to the Jefferson County Historical Museum which proudly displays the marriage bond of Davy Crockett and his sweetheart Polly Finley and the Archives Office, which houses records and documents dating back to 1792. The Jefferson County Courthouse is located at 102 W. Main Street



## Dandridge Dike & Douglas Lake

The Dike that saved Dandridge is the unusual backdrop to this historic downtown district. While creating Douglas Dam, TVA spent one million dollars building an earthen dike to save Dandridge from being completely flooded by the waters of the newly formed lake. A marker on the Jefferson County Courthouse steps indicates where the lake waters would be if it weren't for the dike. The Dike is approximately 1,000 feet long and 50 feet high and from it are great views of the Town, Douglas Lake, and the mountains of East Tennessee.



## Tinsley-Bible Drug Store

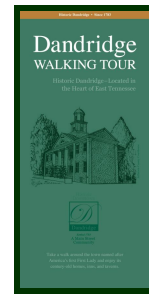
Tinsley-Bible Drug Store is celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March 2011. This old fashioned drug store takes you back to "when times were great". Guests are served breakfast and lunch at their old fashioned soda fountain counter and booths. Residents know the entire menu is good, but visitors can't miss their famous "Bible Burger" and their homemade real ice cream milkshake. Tinsley-Bible is located at 1224 Gay Street.



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## Dandridge Walking Tour

Historic Dandridge bears the distinction of being the only town in the United States named after Martha Dandridge Washington, wife of our first President. With history dating back to the American Revolution, the Town was known for the many taverns. The Taverns are only four of 21 sites featured on the self-guided Dandridge Walking Tour brochure, offering visitors the opportunity to stroll down the sidewalks through history in this quaint pioneer town.



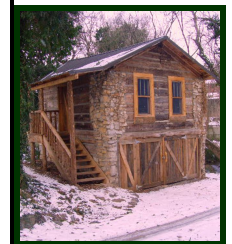
## Scots-Irish Festival

For the 5<sup>th</sup> year Main Street Dandridge will host their annual Scots-Irish Festival on the banks of 'Loch Douglas'. This heritage Music Festival is held to honor the town's earliest settlers. The Scots-Irish Festival is a premiere music festival. Visitors enjoy a variety of bands and entertainers throughout the day. As the sun sets, the "Ceilidh" or Concert featuring all entertainers begin. Don't miss the lone piper on the Dike, a moving end of the Festival. This family-friendly Festival is Free, open to the public and held the last Saturday in September.



## Revolutionary War Graveyard & Vincent Cabin

The Revolutionary War Graveyard was the original meeting site of Hopewell Presbyterian Church, organized in 1785 as the first church in Jefferson County. The Revolutionary War Graveyard is the starting point of the Dandridge Historic Walking Tour and is maintained by the Martha Dandridge Garden Club. The Log Cabin is located adjacent to the Graveyard. The cabin was originally located along the banks of the French Broad River. When TVA began construction of the dike, resident Pulitzer prize-winning author and journalist Bert Vincent relocated the log cabin to its current location. This is the only remaining exposed log cabin structure located in historic downtown Dandridge.



## Dandridge Farmers Market

The Dandridge Farmers Market has become the place to get all your fresh produce and homemade goods from local farms. True to the agricultural roots of Jefferson County, the seasonal market is part of the authenticity of our small town experience. It hosts many demonstrations and activities by organizations of the Dandridge community. 2011 will feature a spring Farmers Market to provide residents and visitors access to fresh early season produce and launch reusable shopping bags as part of Dandridge Main Street Green Initiatives.



## Music on the Town Concert Series

Town of Dandridge embraces the rich music history in Tennessee by hosting their annual "Music on the Town" Concert Series. Organized by the Dandridge Merchants & Professionals Association, this free concert series brings locals and tourists every Thursday evening in September. A variety of local and regional bands are featured entertainment including crowd favorite "The Tams". 2011 marks the 9<sup>th</sup> year of this family-friendly concert series.



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## Hopewell Presbyterian Church

The Hopewell Presbyterian Church was founded in 1785 and is the first and oldest church in Jefferson County. The church was originally organized by the religious Scots-Irish settlers in a log building that stood near the north side of the current Revolutionary War Graveyard. Old church records contain an “L” for Loyalist and “R” for Rebel by each member’s name to indicate affiliation. The Hopewell Presbyterian Church is located at 812 Hopewell Street.



## Bush Brothers Visitors Center

Bush Beans, worldwide brand leader in Baked Beans, is owned and operated by the Bush family, longtime residents of Jefferson County. In 2010, Bush Brothers opened a new Visitors Center across from their Chestnut Hill manufacturing facility, located across the bridge and around the bend from downtown Dandridge. The Visitors Center invites guest to learn about how they have been making beans for over 100 years by walking the museum and through a variety of interactive exhibits. A 75-seat theater tells the story of their history. Bush’s Visitors Center located at 3901 Hwy. 411.



## Appalachian Quilt Trail

The Appalachian Quilt Trail leads visitors across Tennessee with over 470 stops, highlighting colorful quilt blocks located on local farms, businesses, farmers markets, and historic buildings. Two quilts are featured in historic downtown Dandridge. “Martha Washington’s Star” is located on historic Thomas Tavern, one of four remaining taverns in town. “Stars Over Tennessee” is located on the Historic Gass Building. Two additional quilts are located just outside the historic district. “Blockade” and “Dandridge Green Bridge” are both located at the Dandridge Seniors Center.

