1 Transylvania County Courthouse

Corner of East Main and North Broad

Completed in 1881, the Courthouse is an Italianate-Victorian style, two-story T-plan brick building with three-story tower built by Thomas Davis. The original jail was constructed at the rear of the building in 1920-21. The buildings were joined in 1983 with an infill addition.



The building is still owned by Transylvania County and continues to operate as the County Courthouse and Clerk of Court.

As early as 1911 there was talk of a town clock in the tower. Money was raised by showing moving picture shows at the courthouse throughout the summer. Admission was 5ϕ and 10ϕ . Little is known of this undertaking, but the clocks were not installed until 1984.

2 McMinn Buildings

Corner of West Main and North Broad

Built in 1899 & 1902 by C.C. Kilpatrick, the McMinn Building was the first brick commercial building in downtown Brevard. Past businesses include Brevard Banking and Mack Allison's Hardware.



The McMinn building is probably the building with the least amount of interior changes in downtown Brevard. This is largely due to the fact that McMinn family descendants still own the building.

3 Rice Furniture

Corner of West Main and Caldwell





Rice Furniture has been in the same location longer than any other current downtown business in Brevard.

4 Co-Ed Theater

101 West Main St

Two-story brick theater with Art Deco sunburst facade designed by Six Associates, H.G. Stilwell and built by Hendersonville Construction Company in 1939.



From 1939-1956 Brevard had two theaters, side-by-side. The Clemson operated from 1929-1956 and was demolished in the 1990s.

5 Brevard Banking

73 West Main St With yellow Flemish bond brick and limestone details, Brevard Banking was built in 1924 by R. P. Kilpatrick.

After Brevard Banking closed in 1930, the building continued to function as a bank for

the following: Transylvania Trust, 1931-1957; First National Bank & Trust, 1957; First Union National Bank, 1958-2001; Wachovia, 2001-2008.

6 Patterson's Department Store

17 West Main St

Two-story brick commercial building constructed in 1911. Building to far left in photo is O.P. Taylor's. Patterson's is third building. Formerly Patterson's and Belk's Department Stores, the building is currently occupied by Gravy.



About 1970, Patterson's Department Store refaced the two middle buildings with a plain brick front, typical of the era. Today, the two buildings look much like they did in the 1940s.





7 Pickelsimer Building

30-32 South Broad St Two-story brick commercial building constructed by J.H. & Charles Pickelsimer in 1922. Past Businesses include Pisgah Banking, Galloway's Cafe, Dixie-Home Stores, Jones News Stand. Current businesses include Diamond Rush, Broad Street Wines, and Penny Lane Exchange.



J.H. Pickelsimer was the President of Pisgah Banking, the first business in this building.

8 Fraternity Building

36-42 South Broad St

Built in 1907 by John Maxwell and designed by Richard Sharp Smith. Original two-story brick commercial building had elaborate facade which was modified after 1950. The arched entry to second floor and second floor windows are all that remain to make it recognizable. Past Businesses: Masonic Lodge, Williams & Weilt Furniture, Loftis & Kilpatrick Millinery, Brevard Post Office, A&P, Crest, Davis Outlet, Peking Restaurant. Current businesses: Bracken Mountain Bakery, Children's Emporium, Local Color.



The second floor of the Fraternity Building included space "for a Masonic hall and hall for other secret societies."

9 Walgreen's / Varner's

50 South Broad St

Two-story brick commercial building constructed between 1924-31. Current businesses include D.D. Bullwinkel's & Rocky's Grill & Soda Shop.



Before Rocky's, Varner's Drug Store had a soda shop in the building from 1942-1993.

10 Aethelwold Hotel

Corner of East Main and South Broad

Originally built in 1901 by R. P. Kilpatrick as a two and one-half story hotel and commercial building. For over 40 years, the Aethelwold had only two stories. The upper floor was removed for safety reasons in 1960. It was



reconstructed and storefronts restored in 2006. Upper floors are currently under renovation for offices and residential.

Past businesses include Waltermire Hotel, Brevard Banking, Deaver & Loftis Grocers, Galloway, Duckworth & Co. (Real Estate), Morris Fred (Dry Goods), Brevard Jewelers.

11 A&P Grocery / Crary Hotel

12-28 East Main St

A&P is a one-story brick commercial building constructed between 1916-1924 (right). Crary Hotel is a two-story brick commercial hotel built before 1911, originally with covered second floor deck over the sidewalk, removed sometime after 1941 (left).



Brevard's first Chamber of Commerce opened its office in the former Crary Hotel in 1923.

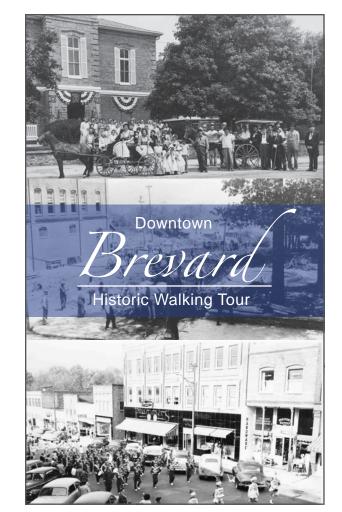
12 Belk's & Trantham's Department Stores

60-66 East Main St

Belk's Store is a two-story commercial building with front and back mezzanines and Art Deco facade built in 1940. Building was most recently occupied by Underground Salvage and Antique Mall. Trantham's is a 1-story brick commercial building built between 1916-1924. Past businesses include Cantrell Motor Company, and B&B Feed & Seed. Building is currently occupied by Theophilus.



Ruth's Harper Method Beauty Shop was located on the front mezzanine level of the Belk's Department Store.



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