

CELEBRATE NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH



Willock Building
110-112 East Main Street

This three-story building was constructed for commercial purposes in 1908 by Joe Willock, who began Coco-Cola in Campbellsville in 1905. Seven bays wide, it is constructed of brick with a cast iron front façade. Round arched windows are found on the second and third floors. Attic windows with stone lintels are decorated with carved scroll work and stone sills. Brick corbelling is beneath the stone parapet wall with detailed panels between the brackets. Leaded glass transom windows have been painted. Pressed tin ceilings remain intact.

A paneled entrance has display windows with an egg and dart design above. The entrance to the second floor on the east side has beaded wainscoting. Floor coverings and light fixtures remain intact on the 3rd floor where the Masonic Lodge met.

Originally constructed for commercial purposes, the Economy Store, the town's first dime store with a long candy counter, was on the first floor. An Opera House was on the second floor, and a meeting room for the Pitman Masonic Lodge was on the third floor with stages around the room's perimeter.

Among the businesses housed on the first floor were (Daniel) Hatcher - (Lynn) Mitchell Men's Store (now Mitchell's Men's Wear, 221 E. Main), who opened a store February 1911. Buchanan-Lyon Hardware occupied the building between 1915 and 1916. Kentucky Utilities was located in 110 and Russell Stores in 112 during 1924. Following later was the Tuner Store. The motion picture show began on the 2nd floor in February 1911. Vaudeville acts, amateur talent shows, and other stage entertainment played on the 2nd floor until it became a skating rink.

During the 1930s, U. V. Walker had an undertaking establishment on the 2nd floor. When Tennessee Gas Transmission moved into the county in the late-1930s and early-1940s, the 2nd floor was partitioned into rooms and rented out due to a housing shortage. These partitions remain intact. A back room was used as the dining hall and is separated from the front by a small dressing room with a balcony above it.

In recent years, The Wallpaper Store occupied the right half of the first floor. Currently the building is being renovated.

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**The White Orchid
Primitive Blessings on Main
Hieneman Law Office
Victor's
223 East Main Street**

Formerly Tom E. Hoskins Millinery and Dry Goods was located here. Victor's had children's clothing downstairs and ladies' apparel upstairs on the balcony floor. This is the only building with an open second floor balcony on Main Street. Silver Spoon, a children's clothing store was located here previously. The Hieneman Law Office occupied the building until 2015 when Primitive Blessings sold items here. Currently The White Orchid occupies the building.

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A Different Drummer Awaken Boutique 105 South Court Street

The office of Dr. W.W. Shepherd was located here in the 1950s and 1960s. Dr. Steve Bower and Dr. Ken DeSimone, followed by Mark Chandler in the 1970s and 1980s. Government office for Selective Services was located here in the 1990s. Previously, the building was owned by Frank Page Smith. In 2012, Brent and Brianna Burden purchased and renovated the building into their private residence on the second floor with their business Awaken Boutique on the first floor. Currently, Chad and Shannon Curry own the building and live on the second floor with their children. Shannon teaches dance on the first floor in her business known as A Different Drummer.

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The Big Dawg WVLC Coca Cola, Scott's, Checkmate 101 East Main Street

Located on the northeast corner of Main and Columbia, this Italianate style building was built between 1876 and the early-1900s. Its cast iron details on the front façade accent the common bond brick walls. Segmental arched windows pierce the walls on the second floor. Dentil work is found under the metal cornice.

The building was occupied by the Taylor County Enquirer in 1900, Coca-Cola Bottling in the 1920s, Louie the Greek Bar in the 1920s, and later by Scott's, Cato Teen Clothing, and Rusty Tungate's Grill. It is now occupied by a radio station WVLC also known as The Big Dawg.

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James Art Glass Studio 311 E. Main Street

The corbelled brick work and brick panels that have a saw-toothed effect in the parapet wall enhance this two-story brown brick building. In 1915, a doctor's office occupied the building, an office building in 1933, then Blue Bunny, Boone's Antiques, Telephone Sales, and Copier Sales. Allie and Ben Montgomery owned the building until the late-1990s. Tim Cox now owns the building with a private residence on the second floor and the James Art Glass Studio on the first floor.

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Oak & Axe Family Consignment Town and Country Restaurant 204 East Main Street

Built between 1876 and 1900, this two-story Italianate style, two-story brick building housed the office of the Border's Hotel with George Borders, proprietor. Uncle Billie Warren's Tailoring Shop, James Carroll's gun shop also occupied the building. VanHoy & Hill, Jewelers in 1903, followed by R.L. Hill Drug & Jewelry Store, were housed here in the early-1900s. The Campbellsville Circulating Library loaned books from its 600 volume collection in a rear room of the building in the early 1900s. Fire damaged the building in 1911 resulting in new storefront windows. Between 1954 and 1961, Town and Country Restaurant with Turner's Grocery in the back was located here. Then Gaddie's Antiques, Ritzy Raggs, Designer Window Fashions in 1982, and Family Consignment store were here. As of 2016, Oak & Axe, a custom picture framing shop with numerous artisan items for sale, occupies the building with a residential unit on the second floor.