

MCDC Project List 1996 - 2012

Year	Request	Project Description	Project #	Board Action
1996	\$23,700	McKinney Fire Dept. - fire museum	#96-01	Denied
	\$25,000	City of McKinney/MCFDC-Civic center feasibility study	#96-02	Approved
	\$50,000	Courthouse Feasibility Study	#96-03	Approved
	\$60,000	Texas Chamber Music Ensemble	#96-05	Denied
	\$25,000	Heard Natural Science Museum	#96-06	Denied
	\$67,000	Library Technology Center	#96-07p	Approved
	\$1,000,000	Library - secondary facility	#96-08a	Denied
	\$127,000	Library - collection enhancement program	#96-09a	Denied
	\$600,000	Senior Recreation Center	#96-10a	Denied
	\$140,000	Lighted In-Line Hockey Rink	#96-11a	Denied
	\$144,000	Towne Lake Shoreline Stabilization	#96-12a	Denied
	\$69,000	Collin County Committee on Aging	#96-13a	Denied
	\$228,854	McKinney Baseball Tournaments, Inc.	#96-14a	Denied
	\$166,000	Parks & Rec. - Maxfield pool improvements	#96-15a	Denied
	\$200,000	Parks & Rec. - Golf Course expansion	#96-16a	Denied
	\$44,500	Heritage Guild of Collin County	#96-17p	Approved
1997	\$300,000	Wilson Creek Skate Place	#97-01	Denied
	\$194,547	City of McKinney - Golf course cart paths	#97-02	Denied
	\$25,000	Rebuilding Neighborhoods	#97-04p	Approved
	\$25,000	Towne Lake Statue	#97-05p	Approved
	\$150,000	Heritage Guild of Collin County	#97-06p	Approved
1998	\$4,000	City of McKinney - Grape Myrtle Trails	#98-01a	Approved
	\$100,000	Downtown parking lot	#98-01	Approved
	\$50,000	Police substation	#98-02	Approved
	\$3,900,000	City of McKinney Parks and Rec.	#98-03	Approved
1999	\$25,000	True Blue Neighbors Coalition	#99-01	Approved
	\$2,100	McKinney Adult Literacy Council	#99-02	Approved
	\$75,000	McKinney Fire dept. - thermal imaging equip.	#99-03	Approved
	\$47,298	Heard-Craig Center for the Arts	#99-05	Approved
	\$16,200	Sons of Confederate Veterans - Civil War Reenactment	#99-06	Denied
	\$250,000	Heard Natural Science Museum	#99-11	Approved
2000	\$228,700	Barney and Me Boxing	#00-01	Approved
	\$650,000	Land acquisition	#00-04	Approved
	\$225,000	Heritage Guild of Collin County	#00-05	Approved
	\$825,000	McKinney YMCA	#00-06	Denied
	\$100,000	Fitzhugh Resource Learning Center	#00-07	Approved
2001	\$31,350	Heard-Craig Center for the Arts	#01-01	Approved
		WEEKENDS - teen club	#01-02	Denied

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	\$20,000	Forever Free - two day event	#01-03	Denied
	\$200,000	Pecan Grove Cemetery - road maintenance	#01-04	Denied
	\$2,000,000	M.I.S.D. - Natatorium @ MHSN	#01-05	Denied
	\$661,000	City of McK PARD - Park in High Pointe	#01-06a	Denied
	\$661,000	City of McK PARD - Park in Berkshire	#01-07a	Denied
	\$661,000	City of McK PARD	#01-08	Approved
	\$6,500,000	Old Collin County Courthouse project	#01-09	Approved
	\$100,000	Community Food Pantry	#01-11	Approved
	\$5,000	Parks and Rec. - Central Park	#01-12	Approved
	\$1,250,000	McKinney Girls Softball Association	#01-13	Withdrawn
	\$64,500	Collin County Central Museum	#01-14	Approved
	\$15,000	Major League Soccer Stadium feasibility study	#01-15	Approved
	\$30,000,000	City of McK - Major League soccer stadium	#01-15a	Reallocated
2002	\$2,400	Art Club of McKinney	#02-01	Approved
	\$44,750	I.E.S.I. - tree & road alignment survey	#02-02a	Denied
	\$480,000	City of McK - Senior Rec. Aquatic center	#02-03	Approved
	\$250,000	Pecan Grove Cemetery	#02-04	Approved
	\$100,000	Samaritan Inn	#02-05	Approved
	\$25,000,000	City of McK - soccer league & tourn. Complex	#02-06	Withdrawn
	\$2,100	Community Lifeline Center	#02-07	Denied
	\$100,000	Avenues Counseling Center	#02-08	Approved
	\$397,658	M.I.S.D. - Parking lot at Alford Stadium	#02-09	Withdrawn
	\$100,000	City of McK PARD - strategic plan	#02-11	Approved
	\$51,473	Reinventing Human Capital, Inc.	#02-12	Denied
	\$67,874	Community Food Pantry	#02-14	Approved
	\$1,608,389	M.I.S.D. - track expansion & lighting	#02-15	Approved
	\$53,620	Collin County Committee on Aging	#02-16	Approved
	\$44,500	Boys & Girls Club - roof repairs	#02-17	Tabled
	\$100,000	Water Slide @ Old Settlers Park	#02-18	Approved
	\$35,000	Heard Museum - raptor food	#02-19	Denied
	\$100,000	MISD - additional funds for stadium turf	#02-21	Approved
2003	\$112,236	McKinney Christian Academy	#03-01	Denied
	\$47,500	Collin Co. Historical Society	#02-20	Approved
	\$6,500,000	City of McKinney - softball & soccer fields	#03-02	Approved
	\$307,000	City of McKinney - added to \$6.5M	#03-02a	Approved
	\$500,000	Community Lifeline - costs to fund services	#03-03	Denied
	\$250,000	Collin Co. Historical Society	#03-04	Tabled
	\$29,252	Heard-Craig - improvements	#03-05	Approved
	\$280,000	Heritage Guild - improvements	#03-06	Tabled
	\$114,900	Heritage Guild - improvements (revised)	#03-06a	Approved
	\$1,200	Christmas lights on courthouse lawn/MCDC promo.		Approved
	\$382,250	MISD - parking lot construction	#03-07	Denied

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2004	\$105,000	Heritage Guild-land purchase & improvements	#04-01	Approved
	\$75,000	City of McK Parks - Gateway Park	#04-02	Approved
	\$681,565	City of McK -(Revised) Cooper Park	#04-04	Approved
	\$347,576	Collin Co. Historical Society	#04-05	Denied
	\$39,277	Collin Co. Historical Society	#04-06	Approved
	\$1,000	City Fed. Women's Clubs/City of McK		Approved
	\$1,295,000	City of McK Parks Dept.	#04-07	Approved
	\$55,000	McNeil Elementary PTO	#04-08	Approved
2005	\$1,000,000	Raytheon	#A-30	Approved
	\$130,000	Habitat for Humanity	#05-03	Approved
	\$148,354	Heard-Craig Center for the Arts	#05-04	Approved
	\$56,000	Heritage Guild	#05-05	Approved
	\$1,500,000	Heard Museum Rescinded 2006		funded
	\$625,000	Crape Myrtle Trails	#05-09	Approved
	\$150,000	City of McKinney-Veterans Memorial	#05-08	Approved
	\$1,860,000	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#05-10	Approved
2006	\$1,000,000	Torchmark	#06-06	Approved
	\$15,000	Summer Nat'l Championship - Promo		Approved
	\$10,000	Collin Co. Hist. Society - Farm Museum (Challenge grant)		Tabled
	\$42,369	Collin Co. Hist. Farm Museum equip.	#06-02	Approved
	\$23,600	Boys & Girls Club - gym renovation	#06-04	Approved
	\$178,300	Heritage Guild - restore 2 buildings	#06-05	Approved
	\$25,000	McKinney Sports Village Funds never used	#06-06	Funded
	\$2,500	McKinney Baseball - Promo.		Approved
	\$10,000	McKinney Main Street - Chair event		Approved
	\$181,553	Habitat for Humanity	#06-07	Approved
	\$17,500	Roundup on the Range - Promo.		Approved
	\$2,500	Run the Trails - Promo		Approved
	\$1,750	Heritage Guild - brochures Promo.		Approved
	\$36,336	Avenues Counseling-computers & tele.	#06-08	Approved
	\$90,000	City of McK-Pecan Grove Veterans Mem.	#06-09	Approved
	\$200,000	City of McK-Vet. Mem. @ Craig Ranch	#06-10	Approved
	\$3,535	Make A Difference Day - Promo.		Approved
	\$41,950	Heard Museum - Dino Promo.		Approved
	\$2,274,000	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#06-11	Approved
	\$10,000	DPO - Sidebar Entertainment - Promo.		Approved
	\$6,000	McKinney Main Street - Christmas tree		Approved
	\$12,031	Frisco Area Children's Theatre - Promo		Denied
	\$7,500	Festival of Trees - Promo		Denied
	\$2,000	Jaycees Parade of Lights - Promo.		Approved
	\$6,905	Heard Museum - promo.		Approved

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	\$15,000	Dickens of a Christmas - Promo.		Approved
	\$4,150	Rotary Club - Promo.		Approved
	\$16,200,000	Gateway Hotel / Conference center	#4B08-03	Approved
2007	\$300,000	Pecan Grove Cemetery	#07-01	Approved
	\$99,114	Heard-Craig Center for the Arts	#07-02	Approved
	\$980,000	SDP Development	#07-03	Denied
	\$50,537	Heard Museum - Dinosaurs Alive! Promotion		Approved
	\$20,000	Collin County Historical Society	#07-04	Approved
	\$5,025	Project Graduation - Promo.		Approved
	\$10,000	Relay for Life - Promo		Approved
	\$98,512	Collin Co. Committee on Aging	#07-05	Approved
	\$7,000	Kiwanis Tri-Historic McK Triathlon-Promo		Approved
	\$40,300	Job Corp/NCCHH Youth Dream Team	#07-06	Approved
	\$56,000	City of McK. Parks Dept brochure-Promo		Denied
	\$20,000	VMC - Roundup on the Range		Approved
	\$7,500	Blackwatch Soccer Club Flamefest		Approved
	\$7,500	Crape Myrtle Trails Fun Run		Approved
	\$20,000	Cross Timbers Youth Orch. Workshop & performance		Approved
	\$20,000	Ballfields @ Craig Ranch - Super Series B-ball		Approved
	\$50,000	Heard Museum - front gate, fencing	#07-07	Approved
	\$1,297,000	North Texas Hist. Center- building	#07-08	Denied
	\$422,500	MISD - locker room expansion	#07-09	Tabled
	\$135,990	City of McK - portable stage	#07-10	Approved
	\$197,450	Heritage Guild	#07-11	Approved
	\$2,592,680	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#07-12	Approved
	\$2,000	Jaycees Parade of Lights - Promo.		Approved
	\$99,900	Habitat for Humanity	#07-13	Approved
2008	\$10,000	Kiwanis Tri-Historic McK Triathlon-Promo		Approved
	\$14,267	Project Graduation - Promo.		Approved
	\$12,500	Relay for Life - Promo		Approved
	\$2,000	McKinney Ice Hockey Club - Promo.		Approved
	\$16,660	Volunteer McKinney Center - Promo.		Approved
	\$10,000	Smiles for Humanity Concert - Promo.		Approved
	\$8,500	McKinney Rotary election night - Promo.		Approved
	\$37,500	McK Main Street - R W&B and Art & Jazz		Approved
	\$92,387	Heard-Craig Center for the Arts	#08-02	Approved
	\$5,500,000	Dr Pepper StarCenter-McKinney	#08-01	Approved
	\$20,000	VMC - Roundup on the Range - Promo.		Approved
	\$12,500	Heritage Guild/NTHC - GhostWalk Promo.		Approved
	\$300,000	Pecan Grove Cemetery	#08-03	Approved
	\$96,100	Heard Museum	#08-04	Approved
	\$155,340	City of McK - equip. for centers	#08-05	Approved

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	\$96,588	City of McKinney McKinney Vision-Promo		Approved
	\$1,000,000	Paul Kite Company Rescinded 2010	#08-06	Approved
	\$170,000	City of McKinney - trolley bus	#08-07	Approved
	\$75,000	McKinney Main St. - Oktoberfest-Promo.		Approved
	\$2,771,000	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#08-08	Approved
	\$3,000	McK Rotary Parade of Lights - Promo.		Approved
2009	\$5,000	Heritage Guild - Promo.		Approved
	\$5,000	Kiwanis Triathlon - Promo.		Approved
	\$16,750	Project Graduation - Promo.		Approved
	\$10,000	Relay for Life - Promo.		Approved
	\$10,000	Smiles for Habitat - Promo.		Approved
	\$38,400	Heard Museum - Promo.		Denied
	\$45,000	McKinney Main Street - Promo.		Denied
	\$54,746	North Texas History Center	#09-01	Tabled
	\$25,000	Home Energy Americas	#09-02	Tabled
	\$19,000,000	City of McKinney/MISD - Natatorium Rescinded 8-25-11	#09-04	Approved
	\$40,000	City of McKinney - RW & B - Promo.		Tabled
	\$16,800	Williams Cemetery	#09-03	Approved
	\$72,000	Heard Museum	#09-05	Approved
	\$24,928	Community Lifeline Center	#09-06	Approved
	\$17,149	Avenues Counseling Center	#09-07	Approved
	\$10,000	Boys & Girls Club - Promo.		Approved
	\$3,250	Crape Myrtle Trails - Promo.		Approved
	\$15,000	City of McK - R W & B - Promo.		Approved
	\$15,000	McKinney Main Street - Promo.		Approved
	\$10,000	Volunteer McKinney Center - Promo.		Approved
	\$21,412	City of McK. Planning Dept. - Promo.		Denied
	\$11,740	Crape Myrtle Trails Run - Promo.		Denied
	\$369,000	Habitat for Humanity	#09-08	Tabled
	\$500,000	McKinney Boys & Girls Club	#09-09	Approved
	\$124,383	City of McKinney Fire Museum	#09-10	Approved
	\$65,491	City of McKinney - CCART shelters	#09-12	Approved
	\$2,440,000	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#09-11	Approved
2010	\$600,000	G.H. Sports Group soccer complex Rescinded 1-27-11	#10-01	Approved
	\$6,035	3e McKinney - Promo.		Approved
	\$9,500	Community Lifeline - Promo.		Approved
	\$5,000	DORBA - Promo.		Approved
	\$5,500	Heard Museum - Promo.		Approved
	\$12,000	Heritage Guild - Promo.		Approved
	\$5,000	Kiwanis Triathlon - Promo.		Approved
	\$7,500	Project Graduation - Promo.		Approved
	\$39,500	McKinney Chamber - "Buy Local campaign"	#10-04	Approved

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	\$25,000	McKinney Main Street - "Bike the Bricks"	#10-03	Approved
	\$25,850	Past, Present, Action - Promo.		Denied
	\$11,045	Relay for Life - Promo.		Denied
	\$50,000	Smiles for Habitat - Promo.		Denied
	\$92,424	SB Harbor Market, J.V.	#10-02	Denied
	\$75,000	City of McKinney Strategic Econ. Develop. Plan	#10-07	Approved
	\$406,058	Baylor Health Care System Foundation	#10-06	Denied
	\$125,000	ManeGait Therapeutic Horsemanship	#10-05	Approved
	\$7,500	3e McKinney - Promo.		Approved
	\$20,000	Boys & Girls Club - Promo.		Denied
	\$2,559	CASA - Promo.		Denied
	\$15,000	Habitat for Humanity "Taste of CC" - Promo		Denied
	\$6,050	Habitat for Humanity ReStore - Promo		Approved
	\$5,000	Heard Museum - Promo.		Approved
	\$15,000	LifePath Systems - Promo.		Approved
	\$15,000	M.I.S.D. - "Rachels Challenge" - Promo		Denied
	\$10,000	North Texas History Center - Promo.		Denied
	\$3,500	Rotary Club Christmas Parade - Promo.		Approved
	\$8,000	Turning Point - Promo.		Denied
	\$5,800	Volunteer McKinney Center - Promo.		Approved
	\$40,000	Samaritan Inn	#10-09	Approved
	\$525,000	The Flour Mill		Denied
	\$226,620	City of McK Parks Dept. - Bobcat & rec. equipment	#10-07	Approved
	\$2,391,700	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#10-08	Approved
2011	\$10,500	McKinney Main Street - "Bike the Bricks"		Approved
	\$12,500	MCVB - Bloomin' to Boomin'		Approved
	\$5,000	Crape Myrtle Trails - CM Days, Veterans		Approved
	\$4,000	Heard Museum - Take A Hike, Green Living Days		Approved
	\$11,750	Heritage Guild - Farmers mkt. Living Hist, Crank-off		Approved
	\$3,750	Kiwanis Triathlon - Promo.		Approved
	\$9,950	McKinney Project Graduation - Promo		Denied
	\$2,500	Smiles Charity - Promo		Approved
	\$300,000	G.H. Sports Group	#11-01	Council Denied
	\$20,385	Heard-Craig Center for the Arts	#11-02	Approved
	\$99,000	Heritage Guild of Collin County	#11-03	Approved
	\$140,000	North Collin County Habitat for Humanity	#11-04	Approved
	\$97,500	The Flour Mill	#11-05	Approved
	up to \$225,000	Flour Mill parking lot improvements	#11-08	Approved
	\$2,628,473	City of McKinney Parks Dept.	#11-09	Approved
	up to \$260,000	McKinney Performing Arts Center	#11-06	Denied
	\$5,000	Crape Myrtle Trails - "Run the Trails" - Promo		Approved
	\$7,500	Especially Needed - Fall carnival - Promo		Approved
	\$5,000	Heard Museum - Dinos Live & Holiday...Lights		Approved

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	\$15,000	McKinney Combat Challenge - Promo		Approved
	\$3,500	McKinney Rotary - Parade of Lights - Promo		Approved
	\$10,000	Community Lifeline Center - WWF tourn & gala		Denied
	\$15,000	McK Education Foundation - 20th Anniv. Gala		Denied
	\$12,000	Heard Natural Science Museum	#11-07	Approved
	\$17,149	Stonebridge United Methodist Church	#11-10	Denied
	\$8,000	McKinney Education Foundation	#11-11	Tabled
	approx. \$79,216.88	McKinney Vision studio	#11-12	Withdrawn
	\$30,000	City of McKinney - transportation service & survey	#11-13	Approved
2012	\$15,000	Chamber of Commerce - "McKinney First" - Promo	P&C #12-05	Approved
	\$3,000	Dallas Off-Road Bike Association - Promo	P&C #12-03	Approved
	\$2,000	Heard Natural Science Museum - Promo	P&C #12-01	Approved
	\$15,000	Heritage Guild of Collin County - Promo	P&C #12-02	Approved
	\$5,000	Kiwanis Triathlon - Promo.	P&C #12-04	Approved
	\$35,000	City of McKinney - Public Art Master Plan	#12-01	Approved
	\$99,000	Heritage Guild of Collin County - Phase II	#12-03	Approved
	\$326,407	McKinney I.S.D - replacement of turf playing fields	#12-05	Tabled
	up to \$2,660,000	City of McKinney PROS and MPAC operations	#12-06	Approved
	up to \$20,000	MPAC - LED marquee sign	#12-08	Approved

Roll and Attendance Summary for McKinney Community Development Corporation

Tracy Rath

Cindy Schneible

Board Chairman

Staff Person Assigned to Assist Board

4th Thurs. of month - 8:00 a

Dowdy Boardroom @ 5900 S. Lake Forest Drive, Suite 110, McKinney, TX 75070

Day/Time/Place of Meeting

Name	Date (June 1, 2011-May 31, 2012)												# of Meetings Attended/Held	
	6/23/12	7/28/12	8/25/11	9/22/11	10/27/11	11/21/11	12/15/11	1/26/12	1/30/12	2/23/12	3/22/12	4/26/12		5/24/12
Chair Tracy Rath	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	13
Vice-chair George Fuller	P	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	11
Dan Hall	A	A	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	A	8
Jason Burress	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	A	P	11
Kevin Griffin	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	12
Michael Puhl	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	11
Eric Davis	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P	P	11

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City develops Public Art Master Plan

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Lovers of fine art will soon learn that McKinney is the place to be, if plans work out as expected for the McKinney Arts Commission (MAC) and other groups in the city.

Neighboring cities got the jump on McKinney when it comes to having statues, sculptures, paintings, water features and other public art. But McKinney is quickly catching up.

McKinney Arts Commission chair Linda Spina and vice chair Hamilton Doak both believe the city will soon be topped in the area only by Dallas when it comes to public art.

Such art is popping up in various locations around town. Sculptures recently placed in the city include "The Basics" by local artist Anthony Atkins at the Alex Clark Memorial Disc Golf Park, and "Infinity" at Valliance Bank on the Sam Rayburn Tollway.

The McKinney Performing Arts Center (MPAC) is rapidly beginning to look like an art museum. Several pieces were recently added to its décor following the first annual Juried Arts Show.

Other artwork is at the Roy and Helen Hall Memorial Library, Craig Ranch,



Dan Eakin/Staff Photo - McKinney Arts Commission chair Linda Spina, right, and vice chair Hamilton Doak look at 'The Nurturing Dancers,' a sculpture by Denton artist Jerry Daniel. The sculpture was recently placed in the lobby of the new Baylor Medical Center at McKinney that opens in July.

Adriatica and at Dowell Middle School.

When Baylor Medical Center at McKinney opens in July, visitors will see a wide variety of public art displayed inside the building. Eight-hundred works of art will be throughout the new building, including 100 commissioned works.

As visitors walk into the hospital lobby, they will first encounter "The Nurturing Dancers," created by Denton artist Jerry Daniel. The dancers, made of steel, are to represent the nurturing or healing that at the hospital will offer. One dancer is more than 14 feet tall and the other more than 9 feet tall.

Doak said the hospital is certainly helping McKinney achieve its goal to be a favorite destination for public art enthusiasts.

Spina and Doak are heading the drive to get more developers to include public art in their plans. The city is willing to do its part, and has, by funding art such as "The Basics" and the sculpture of a man reading to a boy in front of McKinney Memorial Library.

Until about six months ago, the city did not have a policy or a master plan for public art. The McKinney Arts Commission, at the request of the McKinney City Council, researched public arts programs, spoke with neighboring cities about public art and drafted the McKinney Art Program. The city council approved the program last December.

A Public Art Master Plan has been funded by the McKinney Community Development Corporation to identify high-priority sites for public artwork that could be commissioned over the next few years. The planning process is being guided by a 13-member advisory committee with representatives from MAC, City Planning, Parks and Recreation, Historic Preservation and Facilities Construction, Main Street, and a private developer.

Those serving on the advisory committee include: Aretha Harvey, assistant to the city manager; Ross Altobelli, city senior planner; Jenny Baker, city senior park planner; Patricia Jackson, city facilities construction manager; Guy Giersch, city historic preservation officer; Karen Klaussen of Main Street; Cindy Evans, McKinney resident; Dori Mommers of RTKL (the architects and designers for Baylor Medical Center of McKinney); and Linda Spina, Sherry Tucker David and Matt Bado of the MAC. More members are expected to join.

Via Partnership, a consulting company from St. Louis that has worked extensively developing public art master plans with other communities in

North Texas, will develop the plan.

"Public art can take many forms including statues, sculptures, paintings, water features, mosaic walkways, stained glass windows, park benches, or bridge railings. It can enhance the beauty of a city by providing a well-considered, thoughtful, artistic element to a public space," Spina said. "We have a rich history in our city, and we want to make sure that the public art collection feels like it is authentic to McKinney."

Doak added, "Public art is placed in areas such as parks, recreational fields, libraries or other public spaces that are easily accessible. Not everyone can get to an art museum, so it's like bringing pieces of art to where people really live, work and visit. McKinney's reputation as an art destination just north of Dallas is growing, and adding public art pieces will be another element for citizens and visitors to enjoy."

Established in 2005, the MAC is made up of seven members, appointed by the city council, who serve two-year terms. In addition to Spina and Doak, other members are Bado, David, Janet Farr, Beth McGuire and Tameika Miller. Harvey and Mona Robinson support the commission's work.

The public will be invited to help imagine public art possibilities in McKinney through an interactive "Imagine Art Here!" workshop, scheduled for this summer. Spina said the planning team will also be reaching out to McKinney's arts and creative community through interviews and roundtable discussions.

Its goal is to learn more about the work that artists, galleries, cultural organizations and designers are creating, and how that might relate to new public art commissions.

McKinney's Public Art Master Plan is expected to be completed this fall.

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McKinney Senior Center Celebrates its 10th Anniversary with Food, Music, Games, Fun

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After years of hard work, the McKinney Senior Center celebrated its 10th anniversary with a party on Saturday.

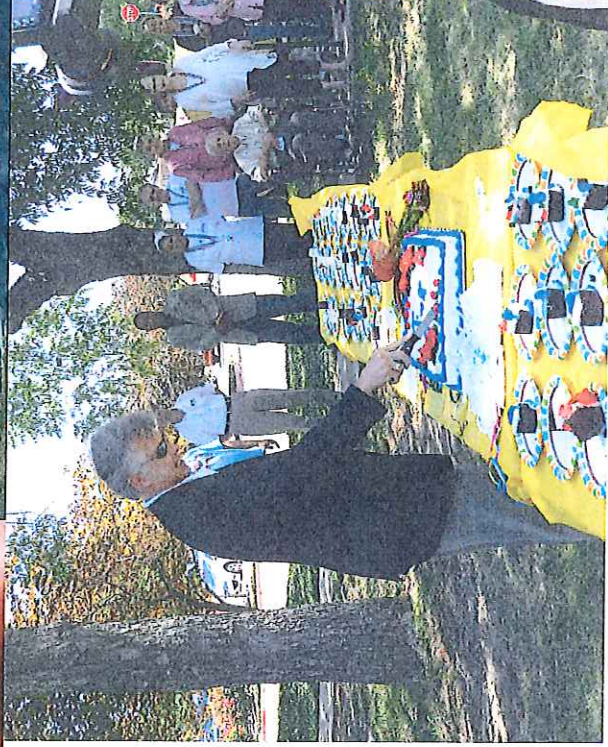
For three hours on June 1, the seniors of McKinney and their families gathered at the Senior Center to eat food, play games, listen to music, and celebrate the tremendous success of the Senior Center. Inside and out, the Senior Center was decked with decorations of all kinds and people filled in to enjoy them.

Members of the Parks and Recreation office of McKinney attended and gave a brief history about the Senior Center and the journey to its amazing success. Mayor Brian Loughmiller also made an appearance and shared personal stories connected to the Senior Center. Awards and recognitions were given to those individuals who have made a lasting impact on the Senior Center because of their help and dedication. To round off the festivities, the Mayor cut the cake and served it to the guests.

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In the competitive field of recruiting businesses to town, McKinney is offering an olive branch to its Collin County neighbors to drum up business for its newly improved airport.

McKinney has told the other cities located partly or completely in Collin County that they may offer a 25 percent abatement on McKinney business personal property tax on airplanes worth at least \$10 million that are stored at the Collin County Regional Airport.

McKinney officials say the cities can include the offer in their incentive packages without notifying McKinney, thereby maintaining coveted confidentiality during recruitment negotiations.

"One of the difficulties in economic development is when you're competing against other cities for projects, a lot of times there's just not a lot of information shared," said [Brian Loughmiller](#), McKinney mayor.

McKinney hopes the incentive will generate new business for its airport as it competes with other general aviation airports like Addison Airport or **Dallas Love Field**.

The Collin County airport is mostly finished with a seven-year, \$71 million improvement plan. The airport opened an air traffic control tower last year and plans to open a runway that can handle wide-body jets next month.

"We want to make sure we're maximizing its potential to the extent that we possibly can," said Jason Gray, McKinney city manager. "We'd be foolish to think that it's just going to happen because we're here. We want to make sure communities understand what that asset is, and it's capable of handling any corporate aircraft in the world."

The incentive hasn't yet played a part in any deals, and Gray said it could be another year or longer considering the length of economic development negotiation deals.

Daniel Bowman, **Allen Economic Development Corp.'s** assistant director for office and industrial recruitment, said McKinney's standing incentive offer could be beneficial, because Allen would be apprehensive to call the airport while in talks with a company.

Bowman said he already touts the airport's convenience for companies scouting Allen. Some companies, such as Cabela's, flew into the airport in the site-selection process, he said.

"We also use it as a marketing tool, because if you're going to have a corporate headquarters, which is what we're all aiming for, then they're going to need somewhere to store those jets," Bowman said.

Dallas-based Texas Instruments is the airport's biggest corporate customer. The company's 42,950-square-foot hangar is home base for two Bombardier Global 5000 jets, said Ken Wiegand, airport executive director.

The 745-acre airport's new runway will be 150 feet wide and 7,002 feet long. The improvement project included relocating Farm Road 546 to make room for a possible runway extension to 8,500 feet in the future.

Other improvements include drainage projects, perimeter security and the construction of new taxi lanes to accommodate existing hangars and open new space for development among the cornfields next to the airport. The airport has about 48 acres of developable land and has its eye on surrounding property for potential acquisitions, Wiegand said.

The airport's long-term plan includes adding a second runway, a general aviation terminal and a commercial passenger terminal complex.

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assistance and sibling support to the families of children diagnosed with solid tumor cancers.

"You don't move on, but you know you've got to move forward, and I think that's what we've tried to do," said

had only four months of remission and endured more than 50 rounds of chemotherapy, six major surgeries, radiation treatment and dozens of blood transfusions.

During Carson's illness,

their friends and neighbors through their church, Cottonwood Creek Baptist, and school, Boon Elementary. The largest fundraising effort was held five weeks before Carson's death at Cottonwood Creek, where

Guatemala for what would be Carson's last treatments. The funds also ended up paying for his funeral arrangements.

It was this kind of support that inspired the Richardsons to pool their

and so many support so many people love and at the same time would go into the hospital and see families and and dads and kids
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GRAPE MYRTLES BEGIN TO BLOOM THROUGHOUT CITY

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Many people are recommending that McKinney be officially registered as "America's Grape Myrtle City."

And for good reason.

The city has more than 5,000 crape myrtles along its streets and trails. Last year, it opened the Crape Myrtle World Collection Park at Craig Ranch, which has every variety of crape myrtles in the world. The seven-acre park is the only site in the world with each of the 120 known varieties.

Phil Wheat, vice president of the Crape Myrtle Trails of McKinney (CMTM) board of directors, said that the crape myrtles along McKinney trails are just now beginning to bloom, but that "this year's bud count is staggering." He predicted that by the middle of June, the crape myrtles will be "drop dead gorgeous."

That McKinney is now home to thousands of crape myrtles is not by accident. City fathers, Crape Myrtle Trails board members, Horticulture Committee members and a long list of interested citizens have helped create one of the most beautiful crape myrtle trails in the world.

The history of the develop-



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ment of the crape myrtle trails goes at least as far back as 1998, when the newly formed not-for-profit CMTM planted 15 crape myrtles at McKinney High School.

The CMTM Foundation was formed, and the following year, large numbers of the "Tuscarora" variety were planted along Eldorado Parkway, which is still the major thoroughfare for those wanting to tour the crape myrtle trails.

The CMTM is now a completely volunteer organization. Susan Owens, who served as executive director of the organization, is a volunteer member of the board. Others on the

board include John Rattan, president, and board members Terri Ricketts, Judi Maurantonio, Carolyn Skie, Lynn Sperry, Neil Sperry, Bill Whitfield, Dan Mitchell, Rodney Hayes, Martin Krueger, Bram Franklin, Scott Keller and Kerry Cassuto (active, but not formally voted on yet).

The CMTM and city staff work together to care for the needs of the crape myrtles throughout the city.

A Horticulture Committee, which includes CMTM members and non-members, helps oversee the needs of the crape myrtles. Neil Sperry, well

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Sammy Kershaw slated June 29 at MPAC

COUNTRY MUSIC LEGEND TO PERFORM IN COURTROOM THEATER

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A man often referred to as the heir apparent to George Jones will perform at 8 p.m. Friday, June 29, in the Courtroom Theater at the McKinney Performing Arts Center (MPAC).

Sammy Kershaw, perhaps best known for "She Don't Know She's Beautiful" and other songs that appeared on his platinum albums, will be the latest of several well-known musical artists to perform at MPAC.

Other renowned recordings by Kershaw include "I Can't Reach Her Anymore," "National Working Woman's Holiday" and "Love of My Life."

A native of Louisiana, Kershaw first gained national fame in 1991 with his album, "Don't Go Near the Water," which produced four hit singles, including "Cadillac Style," "Yard Sale," "Anywhere But Here" and "What Am I Worth?" He recorded other hit albums throughout the 1990s.

"Since his debut on the music scene in the early '90s, Kershaw has remained one of the most consistent power hitters in country music with a chain of hit records and sellout tours," said Ty Lake, MPAC director.

She added, "We are thrilled



Country music star Sammy Kershaw will perform June 29 in the Courtroom Theater at the McKinney Performing Arts Center.

to continue to bring caliber performers to McKinney. Sammy Kershaw entertains to sold-out crowds all across the country. The acoustics of our Courtroom Theater are a truly unforgettable experience.

In 2008, he was named into the Louisiana Music Hall of Fame. In 2010, he was named into the Louisiana Music Association Hall of Fame.

Reserved-seat tickets for Kershaw are \$35 and are available through the Emerson Ticket Office at 214-544-4630 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, or go online at www.mckinneyartscenter.org.

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known for his radio shows about gardening, serves as chair. Others on the Horticulture Committee are Greg Church of the Texas AgriLife Extension, Joe Covington of Covington's Nursery in Rowlett, Johnette Taylor of Roundtree Landscape in Dallas, Rob Weir of the Shades of Green Nursery in Frisco. Jimmy Turner of the Dallas Arboretum, Steve Huddleston of the Fort Worth Botanic Garden, arborist Scott Keller, nurs-

ery consultant Sharon McCants and board members Franklin, Haynes, Krueger and Owens.

Mike Merchant, an entomologist, and Xinwang Wang, a horticulturist specializing in crape myrtles, also serve as advisers to the CMTM.

The CMTM Foundation raises funds each year with a Fun-Run, which is the Saturday immediately prior to Thanksgiving. Last year, 21 local businesses and one family sponsored the event. The McKinney Community Devel-

opment Corporation (MCDC) also provided funding for the run. The event raises funds through sponsorships and entry fees.

Crape myrtles in McKinney have already attracted attention from people far beyond the city.

In addition to publicity given to it on Sperry's radio show, speakers from several parts of the nation spoke at a symposium hosted by the CMTM several years ago. Margaret Pooler, research horticulturist for the U.S. National

Arboretum, has spoken twice in McKinney, and for a while the Crape Myrtle Society of America was based in McKinney.

Wheat said, "With our citizenry's commitment to featuring the South's premier flowering plant in our landscapes, we add one more piece to McKinney being one of the very best residential and business communities in the country."

For information about Crape Myrtle Trails of McKinney, and a map, go to www.crapemyrtletrails.org.

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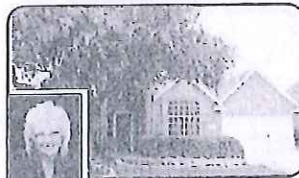
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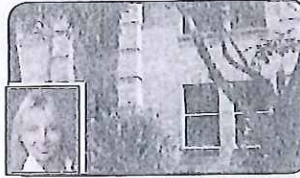
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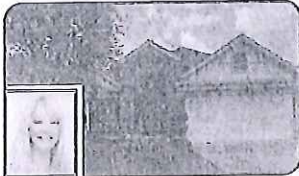
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