

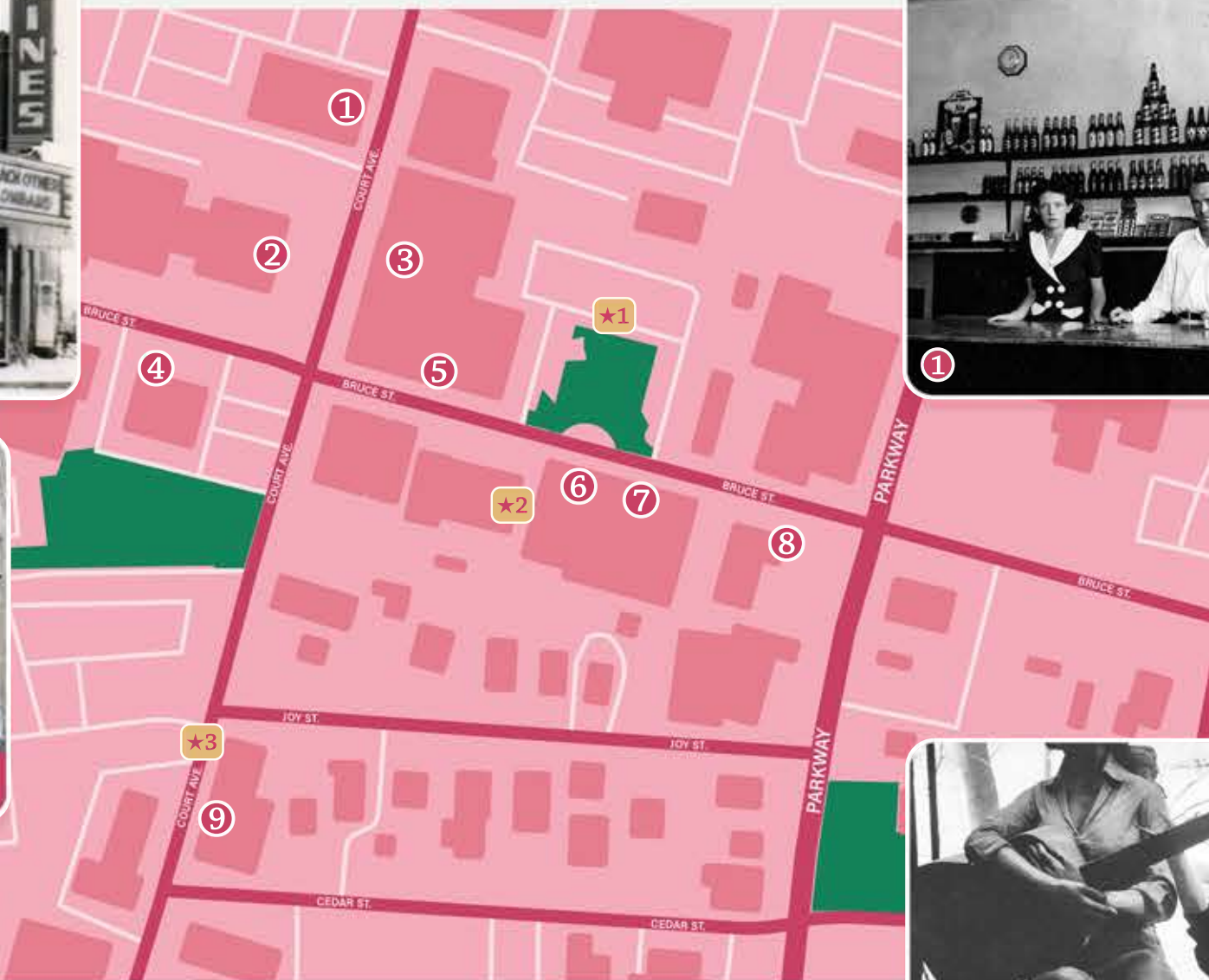
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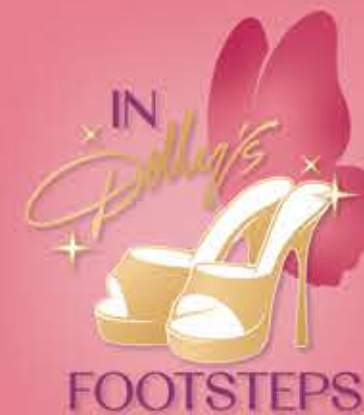
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In Dolly's Footsteps Walking Tour

Before Dolly Parton inspired the world, she was a young dreamer growing up in Sevierville, Tennessee. Explore the downtown community that shaped her childhood, inspired her imagination, and fueled her remarkable journey on this self-guided walking tour. Take a walk in Dolly's footsteps and see her hometown through a whole new lens.



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1 Red's Cafe - 119 COURT AVE.

Red's Café was one of Dolly Parton's favorite childhood stops. After a memorable visit following a dentist appointment, her father, Lee, made good on a promise to bring her back, and Saturday hamburger outings before her performances at The Pines Theater became a cherished tradition. The café remained such a special memory that Dolly later based Red's Drive In, a restaurant at Dollywood, on the downtown café.



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2 Dolly Statue - 125 COURT AVE.

Funded by local residents and unveiled in 1987, Sevierville's bronze statue of Dolly Parton is a beloved landmark and favorite photo stop. Sculpted by local artist Jim Gray, it depicts Dolly as she appeared in 1964 before leaving for Nashville. While she considers it one of her proudest honors, the statue holds special meaning because of her father's advice and the care he took in watching over it, making this tribute especially close to her heart.



Scan to hear Dolly share the statue's story and learn more about the community effort behind its creation.

3 Carr Dry Goods Co. - 140 COURT AVE.

Carr Dry Goods was a special destination for the Parton family. After selling a tobacco crop, Lee and Avie Lee Parton would bring the children downtown to buy new clothes for the winter. For Dolly and her siblings, these shopping trips were a much-anticipated event and a rare opportunity to choose something new.

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The store reflects both the hard work of the Parton family and the simple joys that marked Dolly Parton's childhood in Sevierville.



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4 Temple Milling Co. - 106 W. BRUCE ST.

Temple Milling Company played a practical but important role in the Parton family's life. Parton's mother, Avie Lee, often purchased flour sacks there, then carefully transformed the colorful fabric into dresses and clothing for Dolly and her siblings. In a family where resources were limited, her creativity and craftsmanship helped provide for the children. Those handmade outfits became part of the resourcefulness, love, and determination that shaped Dolly Parton's early years.



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5 Raymond's Shoe Store - 110 BRUCE ST.

Raymond's Shoe Store was where the Parton family bought new shoes when they could afford them. After selling a tobacco crop, Lee Parton would bring the children in for fittings, knowing their choice needed to last all year. The younger kids especially loved the suckers handed out by Raymond. As a teenager earning her own money, Dolly Parton returned to buy the high heels she wore on stage.

from Sevier County High School in 1964.



Scan for more information on Raymond's Shoe Store.

6 Easy Way Five & Dime - 137 BRUCE ST.

As soon as Dolly Parton began earning money from singing, she loved shopping for makeup at Sevierville's Easy Way 5 & 10 Cent Store, perhaps inspiring her famous quip, "It takes a lot of money to look this cheap." Run by Audrey and E.R. Dodd, the beloved shop was a downtown fixture. Today, the store name lives on in Dollywood's Jukebox Junction, where several Sevierville landmarks are celebrated in tribute to Dolly's hometown roots.



Scan for more information on Easy Way Five and Dime.

7 Kilpatrick's Drug Store - 139 BRUCE ST.

Kilpatrick's Drug Store was a favorite gathering spot for Sevier County High School students. After classes, teens filled the lunch counter for slaw dogs and milkshakes. Pharmacist Bill Kilpatrick remembered Dolly Parton arriving with her guitar, surrounded by friends and laughter. He also recalled her parents, Lee and Avie Lee, as hardworking, honest customers who faithfully paid their bills despite the financial challenges of raising a large family.



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8 Old Post Office - 167 BRUCE ST.

Although the Parton family received mail by rural delivery, they visited the Sevierville Post Office to mail special items and buy stamps. Built in 1940, the historic building reflects the growth of downtown Sevierville during Dolly's childhood. As a young girl pursuing big dreams, Dolly would have known this landmark well, making it another connection to the community that shaped her early years.



Scan for more about the history of this building.



9 The Pines Theater - 230 COURT AVE.

The Pines Theater was where Dolly Parton took some of her first steps toward stardom. During Cas Walker's Saturday night Jamboree, she made her debut before a paying audience and quickly became a crowd favorite. Her talent and determination impressed Walker so much that, by age 10, Dolly was performing regularly on his stage and appearing on his radio and television pro-

her dreams, helping transform a talented Sevierville girl into a rising entertainer destined for the international spotlight.



Scan for more stories, videos, and images about Dolly and The Pines Theater.



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