

## Freedom Festival

The 4th of July is here and you are invited to have a fabulous time in McKenzie as we celebrate living in America!

The evening's events start off with the flag waving parade! Set your lawn chair up on your favorite spot along Stonewall St. and get ready for the parade! The parade gets started in the parking lot of the First Baptist Church located at 619 Stonewall St. If you are entering, be there no later than 5:15 p.m. The parade begins promptly at 6:00 p.m. Grand Marshall this year is our premier fireworks sponsor Phipps Pharmacy. We will travel down Stonewall Street, turning right onto Anderson Drive and ending at the entrance of the McKenzie Recreational Park. Transportation will be available at designated areas near the park entrance and along Como Street from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. Transportation will resume again immediately after the fireworks show. Handicapped parking is at the top of Liberty Lane behind the softball field.

Once you get to the park, the smell of the food vendors will get you strolling the area for BBQ plates, all American hot dogs and hamburgers, BBQ bologna, and who knows what else! For the sweet tooth, get a fried pie or funnel cake. Cool off with home-made ice cream, shaved ice or snow cones. Kids remember the water slide; get your \$ 3.00 bracelet for hours of fun.

During opening ceremonies, you will find out just who has the "Most Patriotic Window" display and whose yard screamed pick me for Patriot Yard of the Month! Parade winners will also be announced at this time.

Bring your lawn chairs or spread your favorite quilt and enjoy the music of Cooper the Band while you relax, eat, visit with friends and enjoy the evenings exciting finale of the spectacular fireworks show under the stars in the best place in the world.....our hometown!

The 4th in McKenzie is always a wonderful family event, so join us in McKenzie on July 4th, 2015 at City of McKenzie's Recreational Park, located 570 Como Rd.

Let's celebrate living in AMERICA!