# McCoy Farm & Gardens NEWSLETTER

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This beautiful red 1934 Plymouth rumble seat convertible is being loaned by board member Charles Adams as a bright backdrop for photo sessions as a fund-raiser for the Walden's Ridge Civic League on Fairmount Pike in Walden.

### Holiday Family Photos

Have your family's photograph taken at McCoy Farm & Gardens by internationally known professional photographer Bruno Nieri, in cooperation with designer Chiara Rotta and McCormick Tree Farm for the benefit of another fine community organization.

As background, choose either the antique car at left or the decorated front porch. To learn more about the photo sessions and the Walden's Ridge Civic League, visit <u>https://www.facebook.com/WaldensRidgeCivicLeague/</u>

## Progress Review - Year 2020

Though most everyone will remember 2020 as the year of the *Pandemic*, it was a year of *Progress* for McCoy Farm & Gardens thanks to the generosity of folks like you and the Tucker



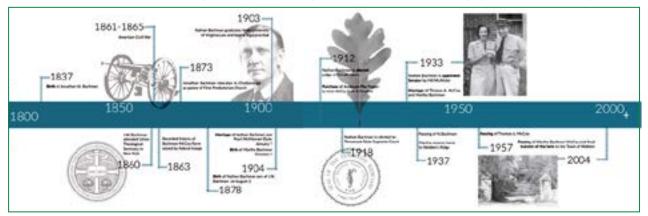
Taft Highway interim entrance March 2020



Taft Highway new entrance November 2020

The Mission of McCoy Farm & Gardens is to restore, enhance and preserve the historic McCoy homeplace so that it may serve the community as an arboretum, natural area, and venue for public and private events.

A Look Inside the Master Plan: The Master Plan booklet is 17" wide by 11" tall, so it is hard to show details in the format of this newsletter. However at your request, we will publish some aspects in coming issues. Below is an image from pages 8-9 with timeline that graphically demonstrates history and ownership of the property by the Bachman-McCoy families.



December 2020

Foundation. Following are pictures that highlight some accomplishments. Many of these projects were undertaken and completed in accordance with the Master Plan.



Old stone wall at Emma Bell Miles homesite, July 2020



Restored stone wall at the homesite, October 2020



New white fences along Anderson Pike and along the back drive to the newly expanded parking lots, June 2020



Taft entrance old internal security gate, March 2020



Taft entrance new internal security gate, September 2020



Restored Anderson Pike entrance with coordinating gate

### Latest McCoy Video

Join Sallie Ford and Elizabeth Hamilton to indulge in the beauty of the season, from early fall with late bloomers to the last leaves with splendid colors. <u>https://youtu.be/gXVQSSxMn6U</u> You might also enjoy looking at some of the previous videos while you are on YouTube.

We encourage our visitors to practice healthy COVID measures at all times.

### Hours, Access & Information

The 1.1 mile long walking and running trail is open during daylight hours, seven days per week. Access the trail by the 1604 Taft Highway entrance and park in the trail parking spaces or the gravel lot. Dog waste pickup bags are at the trailhead.

The MFG buildings are temporarily closed. We encourage our MFG visitors to practice healthy COVID measures at all times.

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The 38 acre parcel contains the Bachman-McCoy home, pavilion, carriage house, barn, blacksmith workshop, apple house, various other structures, and gardens. Volunteers are very important to the organization in all areas. Your donations are welcome and will be used to improve the structures and gardens.

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