

# Historic Old Town Fairfax

## MAIN STREET SCAVENGER HUNT

Going for a walk down Main Street Fairfax to pick up some carry-out at one of our restaurants? Try this challenging visual three block scavenger hunt along the way!

Start at the corner of Main and East Streets, walk along Main St. from East to West and match up these architectural details with an Old Town Fairfax building. HINT: Some buildings do not front on Main, and some of these pictures are taken from an unusual angle.

**Name the building, identify when it was built, and answer the question based on signage near or on the building.**

Check your answers by emailing [historicresources@fairfaxva.gov](mailto:historicresources@fairfaxva.gov) Good luck!



**1. This house has two front doors. Based on the title of the house builder, what was his job?**



**2. A complex roofline, pillared porch and decorative woodwork define this “charming” house as from what architectural time period?**



**3. The stars on this house are both functional and decorative. They are end caps to iron support rods that go into the house structure. When was the house placed on the National Register of Historic Places?**



**4. Imposing Doric columns are one indication this building is Greek Revival style. Besides the name of the building itself, what other function is listed on the old sign?**



5. The little backwards S “shutter dog” is still useful to hold this building’s shutters open. What paper was published here?



7. Stand on the portico of the oldest part of this building to look out through one of its iconic arches. What monument do you see through this archway?

6. This big picture window sure would be handy for a store front. What was originally sold here?



8. This crenelated brick is a pretty decorative feature which may be surprising given the function of this building. Who lived here until 1954?

