

## Purcellville Old Town Quest

**To get there: This quest starts at the Gazebo in the Town Parking lot across from the Purcellville Train Station**

Please study our map and go to #1.  
Then go to each number until you are done.  
At each stop collect one or two letters as well,  
Fill in the blanks and then see what they spell.



#1. Look up to the top to start your tour  
You'll see it was built in year 1874.  
Mr. Dillon sold fertilizer and lime  
To Farmers to help their crops do fine.  
A seed company it became in '46  
Now it is bicycles you bring here to fix.  
Find this business name on the sign  
And write it carefully on the line \_\_\_\_\_  
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#2. Two brothers named Baker began this Carriage Works  
In 1886 to give Purcellville residents some perks.  
Starting in 1913 Mr. Steele sold autos from here  
Buicks replaced horse and carriages and all of their gear.  
The sign beside the door is what you need  
Write it on the line as a good deed \_\_\_\_\_  
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#3. Nick Hampton's stable is this stop on the quest  
A salesman could rent a horse, or an out-of-town guest.  
The best way to see this is to go around the rear.  
The doors are tall enough to imagine a stagecoach will appear.  
This stable had horses checking in all day and night  
Stable hands often played cards until the morning light.  
There is no sign but find this clue  
The building is painted a light grayish \_\_\_\_\_  
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#4. Furniture and hardware is what has been sold  
Since the 1914 opening so long ago.  
It has stayed in the same family all these years  
And a most fascinating store—that is clear.  
So please step inside and look around  
Before you leave write the sign name that is found \_\_\_\_\_  
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#5. Asa Moore Janney sold clothes for men and boys  
Next door John B. Nichols' clothing gave girls and women joy  
Pancoast Brothers opened their shop here in 1944  
Which until 1986 was known at the Pancoast Brothers Store  
Look at the top and you will see Pancoast 1909  
Write what occupies this space now on the line \_\_\_\_\_ AND  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5

#6 Built for Nick Hampton in 1908  
In 1921 it sold ice-cream that was great.  
If you wanted to see movies; this was the place you would seek  
A few years later it became known as "The Greeks."  
The oldest restaurant in Loudoun County  
The people who owned it sure made a bounty.  
You can find it with balls on the roof  
There is even logical proof  
So if you want to see our best waitress Alice,  
Come and dine at the \_\_\_\_\_

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#7 For our veterans, it is shaped like a tear  
There is also a commemorative plaque here  
It is called Bethany Circle and is near a place where you can dine  
But there is another name used, write it on the line. \_\_\_\_\_

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#8 Built in 1904 for religious reasons  
It is open all seasons  
First service held in August 1929  
People there were dressed so fine  
The Dalton Family donated the land  
All of Purcellville thought it was grand  
William Baker laid the stone  
Townpeople had "arrived" in the place of their own.  
Write the name of the building here  
The sign with the name is very clear \_\_\_\_\_

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#9 Many came here to listen to famous speakers  
Especially religious or temperance seekers.  
Built in 1904  
3000 people it could store  
The 4H Fair was first held here.  
The 50s brought Patsy Cline's performance for all to endear.  
A skating rink since 1939  
All of Purcellville think this place is just fine.  
Write the name of the building on the line \_\_\_\_\_

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#10 This building was built in 1957 as a Safeway Grocery Store  
With window displays, cart corrals, the visit was never a bore.  
Today, for any town question, here you can call  
Although this will not be here for the long haul  
Just look at the sign on the wall,  
It became this in 1991 and says \_\_\_\_\_

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#11 The house is white  
And it's by a light.  
As a hotel this used to be busy  
But now helps house hunters all in a tizzy.  
Hatcher and Main create the border  
Of this lovely historical corner.  
Samuel Purcell owned this,  
But buying it was Nick Hampton's wish  
Purcell's stagecoach ride would wait  
In the year of 1838.  
A different business is located here now  
Write the name in the space allowed      &       
11

#12 Valentine Purcell started the name  
With his Purcell's store that garnered fame.  
It held many conveniences and stamps to post  
All sorts of mail from those townies who boast  
The name was changed in 1852  
To Purcellville to all who knew  
The Virginia General Assembly incorporated the town  
When the fine year of 1908 came around  
Then the store became town hall  
Along with the Police and all  
All the way until--  
1991 in the town of Purcellville.  
A different kind of store is now here  
Write what is sold, when fired, they are loud to the ears       
12

#13 It was built in 1915 to be our national bank  
It was fire-proof and robber-proof and as sturdy as a tank.  
The old bank was ashes due to a fire's fault  
The new one still stands and resembles a vault  
We hope you are enjoying your tour of the town.  
Please put the business name on the line, it is a proper noun       
13

#14 This place was known as the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company store.  
It sold foods, tea, and much, much more!  
Among all the food a man was there,  
Busily working and always aware.  
He was Elmer McDonald and yes, that was his name.  
He was the man who changed it to Mac's Market -- the domain.  
But now the products sold is not the same.  
Write what it is to continue the game.       
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#15 This is a mill where farmers brought grain  
 They put it on the W&OD train.  
 The mill was made fire resistant  
 So it would be safe for every shipment  
 This is the main mill  
 In our town of Purcellville  
 Now it is a restaurant.  
 Stop in for a bite and write it non-chalant -----15-----

#16 There is a path you should know  
 From VA to DC is where the train used to go  
 This structure was built in 1904,  
 And there was a mill next door.  
 Farmers came here to ship their milk  
 Passengers rode as smooth as silk.  
 Some arrived for vacation  
 Others awaited trains in the station  
 It brought people to Purcellville,  
 On the W&OD; such a thrill.  
 Your quest is at an end, your treasure is near  
 Go around the building, you will find it here.  
 One last clue includes all that you have learned  
 Put them in order and the treasure you will earn.

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# Map

