

Park House Scavenger Hunt Guidelines

1. This scavenger hunt is intended to make your walk around our neighbourhood more interesting, enjoy the fresh air, and learn something about our community.
2. Stay safe, practice social distancing, and follow protocols.
3. You can do this on your own, with your dog, or with anyone who lives in your house.
4. Do not venture/ trespass on private property - photographs can be taken from the sidewalk. Some of the historic homes are privately owned, so please be respectful of the residents and their privacy.
5. Once you have collected ALL of your photos, submit them via social media message or email parkhousemuseum@bellnet.ca. You're welcome to be creative... a collage and slideshow... just have fun.
6. Like, comment "done," and share our post.
7. Every participant who submits the photographic answers will be entered for a chance to win one of our tin mugs.
8. Have submissions in by May 20th, 2021 at 9:00pm.
9. The winner (via live draw) and correct answers will be announced live on Facebook, on May 21st, 2021.
10. Winner will arrange for a curbside pick-up of tin mug... no rush we can hold onto it until we move into a safer colour.
11. Your photo submission consents to your name and photo being posted to our social media.
12. If you happen to take a photo of yourself on your adventure, you can tag us on Twitter @parkhousemuseum, or Instagram @parkhouse_historyrocks.
13. If we've said it once, we've said it a thousand times... have fun and stay safe.
14. If you're not comfortable or unable to get outdoors, don't worry, we will offer another chance to win tinware later this year.

Park House Historic Scavenger Hunt

LET'S START

1. Splish, Splash! This was once the location of the kiddie wading pool; its name comes from one of the town's past councillors, who shares his name with a wintery drink.
Take a picture of the sign
Bonus: Can you name the 8th-century Scottish drink?
2. Franklin Hough, a past mayor of Amherstburg, turned this one-time laundry of the Asylum into a residence in the early part of the 20th-century.
Take a picture of the building
Bonus: Can you name the company that operated after the asylum?
3. Moved to Upper Canada in 1798, this structure is the oldest building in the Town of Amherstburg, it is Detroit's oldest building, and it was a headquarters for the Miami Fur Trade Company.
Take a picture of the building.
Bonus: Can you list why it's important to Canada's history?
4. The Town of Amherstburg was occupied by American forces during the War of 1812. Which monument in town signifies the efforts of those who fought in the particular battle that weakened the British naval defenses and allowed the opportunity for an American invasion.
Take a picture of this monument.
Bonus. Can you name the battle?
5. "Extra! Extra! Read all about it"... this classic revival building housed the Bell telephone operators on the second floor in the early part of the 20th century.
Take a picture of the building.
Bonus. Can you name the building's original use?
6. *No question, but since you are already here... take a break... grab a drink... something to eat... enjoy the riverview... seriously... this isn't a trick question.*
7. This 21st-century building is a reproduction of the original 1849 structure that once stood on the site; it's also adjacent to the location of the attack of Captain Miner that took place in October of 1868, who eventually died at the Convoy Hotel that was located a block south of the property.
Take a picture of the building.
Bonus: Can you find the item that was donated by the Amherstburg Rotary Club?

8. This building was owned by the father of the famous *Deadwood* character, “Seth Bullock.” An 1838 event here helped to abolish the Michigan death penalty. This watering-hole has come full circle; although built in the early 19th century, today’s patrons would give it a 10/10.
Take a picture of this building.
Bonus: Can you name two businesses that occupy the modernised Georgian-genre structure?
9. This building is one of two Georgian-style buildings that stood on Dalhousie Street that have been moved north to new locations also on Dalhousie St. It’s also the first house built in Amherstburg.
Take a picture of this building.
Bonus: What is this building used for today?
10. This building has had many faces. Jones & Tylor General Store were the first to occupy the space in the 1840s, but it has been an antique shop and currently shares its name with the town’s public high school that was built in 1922; its neighbour to the south was once the residence of Menzies’ Family.
Take a picture of this building
Bonus: Take a picture of the Menzies House.
11. Whoa, where did they go? This is the original site of the Park House and its past neighbour mentioned in question #9. We’re still like good neighbours.
Take a picture of this area.
Bonus: What was the business expanded and occupied this spot following the Park House relocation?

**STOP
IT’S TIME TO
CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE!**

SHORT WALK... follow the directions: travel to Gore street, next travel one block east to what was known as Second Street (hint: the river is west), and then turn north... now skip to question number 17

LONG WALK... skip to question number 15

OR

GO THE DISTANCE... a few more km to get those steps in... continue directly to question number 12 on the next page.

12. Stay on Dalhousie St. This house was built by Robert Reynolds between 1816 and 1819. It was one of the few remaining examples of Palladian architecture in Canada and is awaiting restoration.

Take a picture of this building.

Bonus: Can you name one or more past uses of this premise?

13. This dock is owned by the Federal government and was Amherstburg's gateway to summertime amusements. The property across the street was once owned by Matthew Elliot.

Take a picture of the field and dock.

Bonus: What 1852 novel is connected to this property?

Extra Bonus: What's another museum in town that's best equipped to discuss the Underground Railway and the African Canadian Experience?

14. Last stop before turning around. 849 Front Rd South. This brick house belonged to Sarah Elliot and was built in 1836.

Take a picture of the house.

Bonus: How many fireplaces do you think it had?

Now, turn back and go the way you came.

15. This street was once the end of Amherstburg; the current Boblo ferry dock is near the west end of this street where it meets Dalhousie.

Take a picture of the street sign.

Bonus: Did you make it here without getting lost?

16. Travel one block east to what was known as Second Street and then turn north. (Hint: the river is west). This church was built in 1820 and was used by the soldiers stationed at Fort Malden.

Take a picture of the Church.

Bonus: What street are you on?

17. This corner lot is known as the Chittenden House, often mistaken as a train station, it is the only example of Regency architecture in Amherstburg. James Chittenden was a yeoman and also the clerk of Monguagon County, Michigan.

Take a picture of the house.

Bonus: What is your favourite feature of this house?

18. Keeping north, this home was built as a residence and bakery of Daniel Smith in 1861. It's called the Dunbar residence. James Dunbar Jr. was also a baker.

Take a picture of the residence.

Bonus: Can you find the nearby Kolfage house? He was Amherstburg's first mayor.

19. "Give me liberty"... this building, circa 1919, is located on the northeast corner of Apsley and Richmond St.

Take a picture of the building's original sign... you'll need to look up.

Bonus: What was this building and what is the current name of Apsley St.?

20. Check this out, it may not be Carnegie Hall, but the building was financed by the named philanthropist and opened, as smoothly as a book, in 1913.

Take a picture of the building's original sign... stretch that neck again... look up.

Bonus: What is your favourite book?

21. Speaking of books... This building just went through a major renovation. It was built in 1885 for C.M.S Thomas. It has housed a drug store, snack bar, and clothing store named after its address.

Take a picture of the mural on the building.

Bonus: Booklover? Go ahead tell us another book you love.

22. Cut a rug on your way back to the riverfront to find this last location. While this building was never a true *nightmare*, it was built in 1913 and financed by Henry Ford; this dance pavilion was the second largest in North America.

Take a picture of the location of this building

Bonus: Did you have fun on this historical scavenger hunt?

YOU DID IT! GREAT JOB!

PAT YOURSELF ON THE BACK...

ENJOYING NATURE,

KEEPING FIT,

AND

STAYING SAFE!