



THE FACES

of Main Street

The Luray Downtown Initiative was formed to facilitate rehabbing the town through the Virginia Main Street program. This feature is an introduction to some of the folks that form the fabric of Luray's Downtown ...

WHO: Mac and Elaine McConnell of Springfield own building and contents. Lorayne Gray manages store, assisted by Martha Anne Griffith, Nancy O'Brien, Elizabeth Worden

WHAT: Mama's Treasures

WHERE: 22 E. Main St.

HOW LONG: Since 1989

DID YOU KNOW?: Elaine and Mac's love of antiques is reflected in their private collections and the exquisite glassware they have chosen for the shop. Additionally Richard Worden is caretaker of "Papa's Toys and Trains," which appeals to children of all ages in the rear of the store. Martha Anne Griffith rearranges the table of the month in the front of the store using different patterns of depression glass, giving her the opportunity to showcase her floral artistry. Nancy O'Brien, known in crafting circles as the "Gingham Goose," sells and displays her creations here. Lorayne's husband, Alvin, made the white petunia boxes in front of the shop, adding to its "Curb appeal."

WHAT'S SPECIAL ABOUT DOWNTOWN LURAY?

Downtown Luray is a diamond in the rough. We're really beginning to shine. We at Mama's Treasures appreciate each of the new shops locating downtown. It is constantly changing and all the new people we draw are a joy to meet. We are constantly amazed by the interesting people our shop attracts, and it is very rewarding meeting people who share our love of the treasures of the past. Our shop gives our customers the opportunity to take a part of Luray home with them.

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