
THE COBALT LODGE

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“Greetings from Ontario’s Most Historic Town”

ST. JAMES ANGLICAN CHURCH:

Celebrating its 100th birthday, August 6th, 2006 - service and dedication of a new bell tower at 10:30 a.m. followed by an open house. A book on the history of the Church will also be published. If you have items of history, please contact Shirley at 679-5403 or email at sagilson@hotmail.com

COBALT MINING MUSEUM:

The Ontario Trillium Foundation awarded \$27,000.00 to the Museum for development of a strategic business plan. Along with this effort the museum is undergoing significant renovations including new tile flooring, painting, and new display cabinets. All of these improvements will be in place in time for Cobalt’s Centennial Celebrations in August.

THE CLASSIC THEATRE - SUMMER PROGRAM 2006

July 27, 28, 29 - August 3,6,10, 11, 12 “The Affections of May”

August 17, 18, 19..... “The Music Man”

The Deep Water Theatre School – a joint effort by Juniors and Seniors

COME FOR A DAY, DISCOVER A CENTURY

COBALT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Remember to come to your library during the summer months. We have invested in a lot of new fiction and non-fiction books that I’m sure you would enjoy reading. Come in and browse through our local history section. We have many articles and pictures of days gone by and about people you know or have heard about. On Friday, August 4th, 2006 we will be holding an Open House from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served, so please come and meet your friends. All are welcome.

Peggy Leaper, Librarian

COBALT'S CENTURY OF MEMORIES CELEBRATIONS

This year marks the 100th year since the incorporation of Cobalt in December 1906. There will be many activities for all ages. Some of the events planned are – opening ceremonies at the Welcome Centre with local entertainment, Slow-Pitch tournament, Theatre, Flea Market, Mine Tours, Mining Competitions, dances all weekend, Mosher Run, parade, BBQ's, kids talent contest, fireworks, kiddies day, teen town reunion, old timers miners breakfast, spaghetti supper, Cobalt car draw, O'Brien Cup on display from Hockey Hall of Fame, kids bounces and many more events for the kids. A great weekend of family fun! For information you can contact Judy Belanger @ 679-5915 or email jbel@personainternet.com you may also visit our website for all up to date information at www.cobalt2006.ca

HISTORIC COBALT CORPORATION

In May 2002, the Cobalt Mining Camp was designated a National Historic District covering 12.23 square kilometers. Since that time, the Town of Cobalt in a joint partnership has been working towards the goal of developing the district into a world-class heritage tourism destination. This began with a Historic Sites Steering Committee formed as a Committee of Council. They established an Action Plan, which successfully generated a Development Planning project in 2004, and a \$2.2 million Phase One project that began November 2004. The Historic Cobalt Corporation was incorporated federally on March 6, 2006 under the Canada Corporations Act as a non-profit charitable corporation. The Board of Directors includes representatives from Cobalt, Coleman and community partners. Historic Cobalt Corporation (HCC) was legally established through modifications to the former Cobalt Mining Museum Charter.

The Objects of the Historic Cobalt Corporation are:

- (a) to conserve and maintain the cultural and natural heritage resources of the designated Historic Cobalt Mining Camp area, including protection, restoration, enhancement, management and the securing of interests in land;
- (b) to collect, conserve and display artifacts and information related to mining, minerals, mining history, and mining communities;
- (c) to promote the appreciation, interpretation, and experience of the cultural and natural heritage of the designated Historic Cobalt Mining Camp area to Canadians and other visitors;
- (d) to strengthen capacity to promote, interpret, educate, research and conserve the cultural and natural heritage of the designated Historic Cobalt Mining Camp area;
- (e) to collaborate with individuals, organizations and government with similar interests; and
- (f) to carry out such other complementary purposes and activities not inconsistent with these objects

FROM PRESIDENT VIVIAN: Talk to your family, friends and neighbours – we need more members to sustain our efforts on preserving Cobalt's History. Send us some names and addresses on the reverse side of your membership card.

Vivian Hylands