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Community-Based Education Program



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4092:Main Street Coboconk: a historical view

Organization Information

The Shedden Area Historical Society is a small group of concerned residents, interested in collecting, documenting and recording local history. We have an executive which heads each meeting. We run fund-raising activities throughout the year, mainly in the summer months.

Project Information

The purpose will be to develop maps and charts showing what buildings and businesses were located along the Main Street and side streets of Coboconk as well as those along the river. The student(s) will create maps of the business sections of Coboconk. Charts will also be set up listing the various businesses in Coboconk over the years. ie: General Stores, blacksmiths, bakeries, garages, funeral homes, etc.

Benefit to the Host Organization and Community

This project will benefit The Shedden Area Historical Society and the community of Coboconk and surrounding "settlements" by "putting a face" to the history of the area. No longer will "pioneers" be an abstract, generic group of people who struggled to survive. They will suddenly become some one's grandparent or great grandparents. They will take on a real identity. Many of their tombstones can be found in Coboconk or nearby cemeteries. The feelings are strong that if the local history is not gathered, substantiated, recorded and presented to students, it will be lost forever.

What students might learn

Students (and all people) of all ages need to know "their past", whether it is the "past" of their family, their community, their country or how they fit into world history. Student(s) undertaking this project will have the opportunity to experience this sense of history and place first hand.

Screening or Training Requirements

valid driver's license, digital camera photography.

Skills or Experience Needed

-interview skills and comfort in communicating with seniors

- organizational skills
- comfort with computer presentation programmes, multi-media programmes and the use of digital voice recording equipment and software.

Resources Required for Project Provided by Host

Host:

U-Links: The cost of a rental vehicle **OR** reimbursement for fuel (student owned vehicle) to travel to and from Haliburton County for up to **four (4)** visits.

All costs for transportation beyond the four visits, including rental and fuel costs, as well as fuel costs for project related travel within the county are the responsibility of the host organization.