

THE UNVEILING CEREMONY

OF

HERITAGE BUILDING PLAQUES

ON

THE FIRE HALL and THE MARKET BUILDING

by the

LOCAL ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF COBOURG

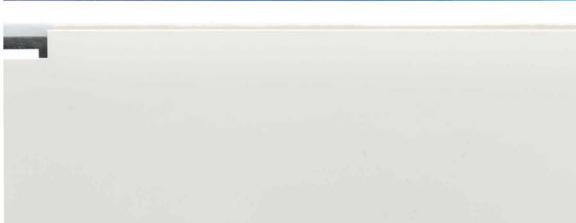
Sunday May 16th, 1982. 3 p.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME - Robert D. Mikel -Chairman, L.A.C.A.C.

UNVEILING OF PLAQUES - J.M. Lees -Mayor, Town of Cobourg

A Reception will follow in the Market Building -Please join us

Town of Cobourg Heritage Building Plaque Design -Richard P. Randall



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The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC) of Cobourg was formed in 1979-80 by the Town Council, to advise and assist Council on all heritage conservation matters.

A LACAC must have a minimum of five members, who are chosen by Council as citizens interested in, and dedicated to, the cause of heritage conservation in their community. Approximately 125 municipalities in Ontario have established a LACAC since the Ontario Heritage Act was passed in 1974.

TOWN OF COBOURG COUNCIL

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We gratefully acknowledge the financial assistance of the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture in our Plaquing programme. We wish to thank the Golden Age Club for hosting the reception.



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THE FIRE HALL 1882-83

The Second Street Fire Hall, was constructed in 1882-83 with mansard roof, pierced chimneys, arched dormer windows and graceful eave brackets, all of which details still remain. Its historic career began in May 1883 (Queen Victoria's Birthday), with a gigantic firemen's parade, games and Firemen's Ball in Victoria Hall, and continued through many years to be a centre of civic activity, including from the very beginning, band practice on the top floor.

THE MARKET BUILDING Circa 1850

The Market Building has been designated for architectural and historical reason. It had been completed by December 1856 when the cornerstone of Victoria Hall was laid, and has served Cobourg through the years, first as a centre for meat marketing, later as a municipal weigh station, and even now as a summer and autumn marketplace. It is of stylish construction with its ample windows retaining their original twelve over eight panes, the pedimented pilasters in the brick walls and its traditional market building roof with wide overhanging eave.

These two buildings together with Victoria Hall have created a splendid core for the Town of Cobourg for many years. The variety of architecture is interesting. The buildings compliment each other, and sitting as they do in the heart of Cobourg within sight of the old harbour, they are its main architectural and historical block.



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