

1. Bruno Guiseppe Simoni
2. Spaghetti- --
3. Geraldine MacDonald wife
4. 136 Lang St.
5. 679-8465
6. 35 years old
7. Soligo Province of Treviso Italy
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9. Italy
10. February 28, 1957
11. By boat to New York on the liner "Constitution"
12. New York to Toronto from Toronto to North Bay
13. Came alone because my sister and her husband were already here and for me saying I would find a job here - there was no back home and my mother was a widow raising a family of five
14. Two weeks after I arrived I began working at Agnico Mines
15. was employed in Dalton Dean's office in Haileybury as a secretary
16. I am a Bricklayer by trade and I work for Link Lake Construction
17. Housewife
18. It a desolate looking town some of the mines were closing and Elliott Lake was just starting quite a few families moved to Elliott lake at the time of the boom. I was promised a good job with bonus pay, so I went to Denison Mine for two years
19. It was a quiet town with about 2700 people, some of the mines were operating and I had no difficulty getting work.
20. I came to Cobalt expecting to find a job and was employed 2 weeks after I got here.
21. The principal industry was mining we had the Cobalt Foundry, Northern Metal Co., and TTL (Temiskaming Testing Laboratory)
22. 8 hours a day and 44 hour week
23. About \$1.30 per hour
24. Was married in 1962 and I rented a small apartment on Lang Street
25. In 1967 I bought a house on Lang Street from Mrs. Rochon who moved to Timmins. It was a roomy house with 6 rooms. I completely remodelled it beginning with a new foundation and new chimney panelled all the walls stuccoed the outside - it had 2 large bedrooms a living room, dining room kitchen and bathroom
26. Always had hot and cold water system
27. Electricity with all the conveniences, TV, automatic washer, fridge, stove, toaster, iron, kettle, mixmaster and radio.
28. Use electric stove for heating
29. Oil furnace. I am now renting a 5 room double house since 1971 for \$145 a month. I feel there should be an investigation into the price of renting in the area, especially Cobalt.
30. There were still quite a few stores when I arrived, Buck's, TBS, Smith's Men's Wear, Chinese Laundry, Peters, Tackle & Gift Shop. Ascillino had a rooming house with store downstairs sold clothing shoes assortment of jewelry and china. Rowdon's Hardware, Blacks Hardware, 3 restaurants, Damiany Grocery, Quality Grocery, Despres Grocery,

Empire Meat Market, and of course every Friday was market day where you could buy fresh meat and produce and dairy products.

31. Theatre, Finn Hall where we held many Italian Dances. Some of the best times I've had were there., Community Hall, Legion and our two hotels, Fraser House and Miner's Home.

32. Soccer both in Italy and here, there was a tri-own soccer team started name of Cohalis the first two letters of Cobalt, Haileybury and the first three of New Liskeard.

33. In Italy

34. Grade 8, took a separate course for a few months in English

35. Bus, train, cars, air travel from Earleton or North Bay

36. Dr. Dunning

37. Misericordia Hospital in Haileybury there was no Hospital in Cobalt

38. In Haileybury, all three

39. Still school age and the youngest is 6 months

40. Not working

41. I found working conditions quite good this was the first mine I ever worked in.

42. Drill contests, mucking contests and I got a first prize in drilling and second prize in mucking in the 1966 trials.

43. Lunch pail - sandwiches and coffee

44. Main meal was always supertime

45. I can remember always wearing sports clothes except when working on plastering.

46. On Sundays dressed in good suit to go to Church then usually change to sports top

47. Watch TV in winter I ski in summer we go to the lake or I like driving around

48. have a set of tools that I brought from Italy which I treasure

49. The new buildings downtown. new subdivisions have done a good job of renovating old buildings, 2 nice parks and everyone seems to be renovating their homes and lots.

50. makes the town look better

51. the downtown area looks better with all the new buildings that have gone up, motel unit, new Red & White, new Library, new Deluxe Grill

52. I don't like the looks of the two muck cars downtown painted silver and rust - they should have been left in their natural form & colour

53. Yes there are several things I don't like about Cohalt

54. Don't like educational system of bussing the children out of town to school when we have schools right here. Don't think the rents should be as high as they are. I am paying \$145. monthly for only 5 rooms and I have heard of other instances about high rental they are much too high for the labour and should be investigated.

55. Yes I would like to see some changes

56. We should entice new business places in town and give local labor the opportunity of a job there are no public bids on jobs - these should all be up for public tender to give everyone a fair chance. I know I have asked about some jobs when I heard they were starting and in

town here you have to be a relative to get one. I am thinking of starting my own business and I have not had any encouragement or help in any way. I could perhaps contract and hire a few people.

57. I enjoy summer the best because you can go out and enjoy the nice weather

58. Like to follow sports on TV ski in winter, swim and go to the lake in summer and driving around.

59. I like carpentry work and I like bricklaying

60. Secondary industry locate new foundries or factories perhaps technical school for the young to learn their trades

61. We should definitely encourage tourist trade as this is a good area for this

62. We have an excellent museum mining tours, historical spots, lakes for fishing, beaches for swimming good spots for hunting and all easily accessible.

Highlights

I went back to Italy to live in 1969 w sold my home furnishings car and all-left but I only stayed over for about 8 months. There were no opportunities for me there. I came back to Cobalt in 1970 and like it here. I would like

I would like to start my own business and stay here so I am hoping for some encouraging help from municipal heads in the way of some contracts and I will start my business at once, I hope to realize this sometime soon before I have to go elsewhere