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School is almost out and everyone will be looking for things to do when they can get away for some well-deserved downtime! Here are some events coming up in southwest Saskatchewan, taken from SaskTourism.com. To see events from all over the province, go to the website, click on "Things to Do", then "Events". You can also access information there on the many attractions within our borders such as museums, art galleries, and historic sites.

June 23-25	Long Day's Night Music Festival	Swift Current
June 25	Hike With An Expert - Wes Olson	Grasslands Park
June 25-26	SaskPower Windscape Kite Festival	Swift Current
June 25-26	Fox Valley Slow-pitch Tourn. & Dance	Fox Valley
June 29-July 2	Frontier Days Regional Fair & CCA Rodeo	Swift Current
July 1	Canada Day Celebrations	Maple Creek, Gull Lake, Herbert
July 1	Dominion Day Celebration	Fort Walsh
July 1-Aug. 31	Southwest Quest for Sask. Art & History	Cypress Hills Destination Area
July 3	Maple Creek Ranch Rodeo	Maple Creek

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July 7-10	Summer Chautauqua: A Theatre Festival	Swift Current
July 10	Murraydale 103rd Stampede & Picnic	Murraydale
July 15-17	Dino Days	Eastend
July 20-22	Maple Creek Cowtown Rodeo	Maple Creek
July 22-24	Boomtown Days & Rodeo	Shaunavon

Another site with links to all the attractions in our area is www.cypresshills.ca.

Reno Rodeo

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RENO RASCALS EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE IN REVIEW (Part 4 – General Information)

This is the final part of our review/report to update you on pertinent information with respect to operational and personnel standards.

(a) Operational

<u>Child Care Service:</u> offered for children ages six (6) weeks to twelve (12) years.

<u>Hours of Operation:</u> 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday and closed all statutory holidays and weekends (prior arrangements may be made with the centre Director for consent of late pick-up after 5:30 p.m.) For bookings, you can call 299-5655; if calling after 6:00 p.m. please leave a message and the voice mail will be checked the next morning.

<u>Fees:</u> charged in accordance with attendance and type of care--hourly/daily rate for casual care and a <u>reduced</u> monthly rate for full-time (minimum 15 days/month attendance). As well families with multiple children have been considered and we offer a <u>well-reduced</u> rate for all additional children in attendance (the 2nd, 3rd, etc. child of each family gets this reduced rate!)

(NOTE: Being licensed allows *Reno Rascals ELCC* to receive a monthly operating grant of \$6300. Child care fees make up approx. \$2500 per month.)

<u>Income Support Program</u> (offered by the Ministry of Social Services): parents can apply for a monthly child care subsidy provided directly to child care facilities to reduce the fees charged to eligible parents.

(b) Personnel

<u>Job Requirements:</u> criminal record search, TB (tuberculin) test, first aid/CPR training

<u>Training Requirements:</u> all child care workers employed more than 65 hours per month in a licensed child care centre are required to be certified as Early Childhood Educators (Levels I, II, or III) by the Ministry of Education. This ensures that they are equipped with the skill and abilities to care for and educate young children (the early years of life are recognized as a crucial period, when brain development is rapid and the foundation for all aspects of growth is established).

(NOTE: In the past we have been funded with a \$3120 Education Support Grant and Tuition Reimbursement Grants to help offset some expenditure incurred with respect to completing these courses that are required.)

(c) Additional Information

<u>Record of Attendance:</u> In the past two (2) years we supported 36 families through fulltime or casual child care.

<u>Affordable:</u> We are one of the most affordable daycares in this southwestern part of the province!

<u>Staff:</u> We currently have 10 employed (including part-time and casual). <u>Summer Job Grant for Students:</u> We have provided employment for local students who were interested in gaining some early work or career-related experience for the past three summers.

<u>Parents Welcome:</u> We welcome all parents to visit and interact with their children at anytime.

Volunteers Welcome: We encourage local volunteers (16 yrs. or older) who would like to help out or acquire some experience with children. (NOTE: Volunteers are adequately oriented as well as screened through the use of criminal records searches.)

Seasonal Newsletter: This includes program information including activities, events, ministry initiatives and other pertinent information as well as pictures. This is available for pick-up here or at several businesses throughout Consul.

This now concludes our review/report for Reno Rascals Early Learning and Child Care. We hope this has given some clarification for you in all aspects. This Centre has proved to be a very viable and beneficial service for many young families in this community and we hope to accommodate and support families for many more generations to come! We welcome all interested community members to check this facility out. You may contact us by phone 299-5655 or email renorascals@sasktel.net.

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The **Scattered Scooters** would like to thank everyone who sponsored them in the Relay For Life which was held at Tompkins on May 28th. A special thank you also goes out to the South West Community Club for paying for their registration. The Scooters raised over \$3200.00. This money all goes to the Canadian Cancer Society.

We would like to send a HUGE thank you to the community of Consul for wishing us well across the miles for our wedding. We are truly surprised and deeply touched that so many of you took the time to think of us and send cards and gifts. Your warmth and generosity definitely withstood the journey across the ocean! A special thank you to Connie Behrman and Peggy Brown for organizing the "Wishing Well" list. We hope to be able to thank you all in person one day! Kelly Sandor & Yang Hao (Tom).

community events

Everyone! You are invited for cake and coffee and to meet baby Luke David Manley, son of Irene and Ben. This coffee time will be held in the Church of God lower auditorium, Sunday, (yes, this Sunday) June 26th starting at 1:00 p.m.

rcmp news release

The Maple Creek RCMP are requesting the public's assistance in the following crime:

Sometime between April 8th, 2011 and April 13th, 2011 a Quonset on the 615 grid, a half mile north of the Highway 13 junction, was broken into and gas and several tools were stolen. RCMP are seeking witnesses to this event.

If you have information about this or any other crime, please contact Maple Creek Detachment at 662-5550 or you may call Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), through SaskTel Mobility Network at *8477, or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com where you can also view information on other unsolved crimes.



SUMMER RENO READERS

A reminder to everyone that in July and August there is only one issue printed each month.

This year, in July, the date of the paper is July 14th, and in August, it is August 25th.

WISHING ALL OF OUR READERS A GREAT SUMMER!