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## COUNTDOWN TO CONSUL'S 100TH

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It's harvest time across the prairies, but we don't do it like this anymore! Everyone has seen these types of old harvest pictures. This one is of Axel Madsen and his brothers threshing at Covlins, likely in the 1920s. Just looking at this photo, you can tell that the harvest took a lot more manpower and time back then.

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Imagine, too, just how hot and tiring this work was. To start the day, whoever owned the steam engine would come before breakfast and would fire it up so he would get enough steam to be able to run for the day. A few days earlier, one machine would have cut the wheat and then bound the stalks into stooks just big enough for a man or boy to carry. The stooks were gathered on threshing days and brought to a centrally located thresher machine. Farmers fed the wheat into the machine where the stalks were beaten and flailed to separate the wheat seeds from the stalks and chaff. Other farmers had the job of hauling the wheat to a granary or elevator. No air conditioning or machines with cabs for these workers!

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While the men and boys worked in the field, farm women and girls faced long hours in a steamy hot kitchen, preparing meals for hungry field hands. With no microwave oven, refrigerator, or frozen foods to ease the work, the women cooked and baked for several days in a row, fixing huge meals for the threshing crews. As with field work, neighbour women shared the cooking and kitchen work. At threshing time, even children helped. Older boys loaded bundles of wheat into the threshing cylinder and piled up straw that was used later for livestock bedding and to stuff mattresses. Older girls worked in the kitchen, helping cook platters of fried chicken or roast beef, potatoes and gravy, beans and squash, homemade bread and butter, pies and cakes and much more to feed the hungry workers. Little girls ran back and forth to the field, carrying sandwiches and snacks to workers, and little boys hauled jugs of cool water to workers in the hot, dusty fields.



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It took many weeks and many hands to get the harvest done, but the fellowship with neighbours and the satisfaction of a job well-done for everyone involved made it all worthwhile. And just like today, what a relief when it was all done!

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## COMING EVENTS

**REMINDER: Robsart 4-H Club - Organizational Meeting - Thursday, September 26**  
(That's tonight!) at 7 pm at the Seniors' Center. Come & learn about 4-H!

**Harvest Bingo & Silent Auction—Monday, October 7th** at Consul Community Hall. Doors open at 6:30. Bingo starts at 7:00. Great prizes and auction items. 50/50 draw. Snack Booth. Great fun for the whole family! Hosted by St. Stephen's CWL.

The **Southwest Community Club** will hold their **Annual Bingo and Bake Auction** on **Friday, October 18th** at 7:30 p.m. in the Govenlock Hall. Doors will open at 7:00 p.m. Draw will be made for the quilt that is on display at the Credit Union in Consul. Lunch served.

## NOTICES

In lieu of a bridal shower in honour of Ashley Gonzalez, bride-elect of Nicho Wenzel, anyone interested can add their name to a **Wishing Well** list at the Co-op Grocery Store. This will be picked and given to the couple by October 26th.

The **R.M. of Reno** has increased the **Fire Call Fees** to \$400.00 per hour effective September 9, 2013. Council recommends that you ensure you have adequate insurance coverage to help offset this cost should you require this service.

**Storage space for rent.** Call Glen @ 306-299-4951



## Consul School Events

**Terry Fox Run - September 27 @ 2:10.** Sponsor a student or come out and walk with us!

**Parent Information Night - September 30 @ 7:00 pm**

**Cougar Sports -** (All league games start at 4:45 pm; call the school for all other times.)

- Jr. Mixed Home Tournament - September 28
- Sr. Boys league - October 1
- Jr. Mixed league - October 3
- Sr. Boys league - October 16
- Jr. Mixed league - October 17
- Sr. Boys Exhibition Game - October 21
- Jr. Sectional Playoffs - November 2



**SRC Magazine Drive - September 30 - October 15**

Please consider renewing your magazines through the school!

**New Archery Club Fundraiser -**

Get your tickets on a Rider Package. Package includes 4 tickets, 2 rooms, and souvenirs for the October 19 home game.

Draw date: October 4 Tickets: \$2 each or 3 for \$5

**School Newsletter -** If you would like to receive the newsletter with all the school news (via email), contact Jamie @ the school.





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**Healing Journeys Through Art**

October 4 & 5

Shaunavon, Saskatchewan

*Workshop Fee: \$50 (includes breakfast and lunch on Saturday)*

This workshop will featuring Bonnie Chapman, artist and arts-based researcher. Bonnie will present a keynote address Friday evening entitled "Compassionate Arts as a Healing Technology", along with 2 workshops on Saturday: "The Soul and the Arts" and "The Body, Voice and the Arts". Three mini-workshops will also be offered by local artists including African drumming with Trea Jensen, clay with Stephen Girard & Shon Profit of Whitemud Clay, and writing with author Ted Dyck.

Space is limited--call 297-3882 to register before September 27. Read more on our website at [www.shaunavonmuseum.ca](http://www.shaunavonmuseum.ca)



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- \* Muscular Dystrophy Month

**THANK YOU**



THANK YOU, MARLEE RUTKOWSKI and AVRIL SWIHART, for your volunteer time coordinating our annual birthday carnival held on August 28. The children that were able to attend enjoyed the various fun activities. We all had so much fun! As well thank you to ANN BEHRMAN for your volunteer time decorating the delicious cupcakes and SOPHIE RUTKOWSKI and BEV PENNER for volunteering your time this afternoon as well. ~ RENO RASCALS EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE INC.

■ Many thanks to family and friends for attending my birthday party on September 14th! ~ Bob Watson

**Reno Reader Notes**

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✦ If you know someone that would enjoy *The Reno Reader* but doesn't have the internet, they can get the newsletter by mail. A one-year subscription is only \$20 (basically the cost of envelopes and postage for the year). Send a cheque to Box 144, Consul, along with the subscriber's mailing address and we will get that set up.

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