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- by Ken Armstrong

Right up until the arrival of an all-weather road and the party-line telephone, the CPR station in Consul was the central point upon which most town commerce either originated or terminated.

While it was humorously said that most rural Station Agent/Operators had to "learn the art of killing time while being lonely" they were actually the best paid people in most Saskatchewan burgs, much to the chagrin of a bank manager.

The Station Agent/Operator had many responsibilities that included rail traffic control duties, reporting train movements to the Train Dispatcher in Moose Jaw, copying and delivering train movement orders to affected trains and engines, as well as receiving and sending Morse code telegraph messages and telegrams. They also received and booked freight shipments, handled Canada Post Office mail and packages, passenger baggage, sold passenger tickets and travel insurance --- you name it, they had a hand in just about anything and everything one needed in the early days. Everything, arriving or leaving, went through their busy hands.

In addition to their weekly wage, Station Agent/Operators earned a commission on all the CPR services they either sold, ticketed, handled, received, or shipped.

Before telephones. Consul received all of its news from the outside world via telegraph at the CPR station. One went to the station to hear the very latest word on such events as the SS Titanic, the Halifax explosion, casualty lists from World War I, and such like. The CPR station, in many Saskatchewan burgs, was the window to the outside world.



The train station at Robsart, built in 1914. The first station agent was Mr. Sarka.

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COMING EVENTS

O - O - O 9th Annual Reno Rodeo O - O - O

Friday, July 29 - Jackpot (Family Fun) Team Roping @ 6 pm

Saturday, July 30 - "Original" Kids Rodeo @ 2 pm CCA/CRA Rodeo @ 5:30 pm

Sunday, July 31 - Slack @ 9 am

CCA/CRA Rodeo @ 2 pm

For local and kids rodeo entries, email tully6@live.com. **Entries due** by 2 pm on Monday, July 18.

Stock Contractor - Richards Rodeo. Free Camping. Concessions. Sand Pile Fun. Grandstands. Beer Gardens/Music. Tarp Auction. Come kick up your heels!

For more info visit consulrenorodeo.com.

Bridal Shower for Chelsea Jacksteit, bride elect of Kelly Leismeister, will be held in the Consul Seniors Hall on **Friday, August 19**th at 7:30 p.m.

SASK. PARTY CYPRESS HILLS GOLF TOURNAMENT

hosted by MLA Doug Steele

Friday, August 5, 2016

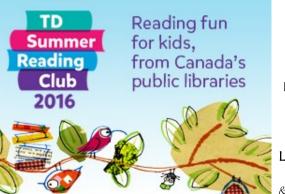
Streambank Golf Course, Eastend, SK

Registration: 11:30 am Shotgun Start: 1 pm

\$100 per golfer includes 18 holes/cart/lunch/supper

To register contact Casey Ziegler @ casey.ziegler75@gmail.com or 295-7065

Limited spots available, please register by July 29, 2016



Join the fun!

Drop into the Chinook Library – Consul Branch to participate!

Every child who takes out a book will have their name entered into a draw.

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Jennifer Phair and Akeso Massage Therapy will be in Consul on **MONDAY**, **July 25th**, 9:15 am to 8:15 pm, and **TUESDAY**, **July 26th**, 9:15 to 4:00 pm. Please call, email or fb to book a massage therapy appointment or if you have any questions. Jennifer Phair R.M.T.

j.phair@sasktel.net 306-778-2059 or 306-741-8026

In lieu of a bridal shower for Corey French & his fiancée, Richelle Perlich, a **Wishing Well** is available at the Consul Co-op Grocery Store until August 26th for anyone who would like to give to the future newlyweds.

Congratulations to Marty & Stacey Funk who were married on February 13, 2016! Join in wishing them all the best by contributing to the **Wishing Well** that is set up in the Consul Co-op Grocery Store until the end of August. If you wish to, the box is large enough to drop in a card.

Looking for a house to rent in the Consul area, at least 3 bedroom, preferably out of town. Call Abe Fehr at 403-915-7460.

For Sale: 2001 Dodge 2500 4X4. Gas motor. Good condition. 207,000 km. \$3400. Call Harold @ 306-299-4400.

THANK YOU

Thank you to our family for the surprise party for our 60th anniversary. Also thank you to everyone for the cards and gifts, and to Darrell and Sheri for hosting. It was a great party.

~ Alberta & Howard



The Reno Rodders Car Club would like to send out a huge THANK YOU to all of our sponsors, participants, spectators, and volunteers who helped make our RM Reno 51 Car Show a success. We are proud to announce we will be donating \$450 to the Reno Seniors Hall, and \$450 to the Community Hall. A special thanks goes out to Ira Blakley, Jody Newman, and Marc Benjamin for mowing and weed whipping the car

show area the day before the show. It looked great!

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Monday, August 21

at noon.

LOOKING BACK

We have only been able to locate the first issue from 1986 of *The Reno Reader*. Here we share with you some of the June 18, 1987 issue. (If you are reading this on a print copy and it is too small to read, look for it online at consulmuseum.ca.)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ivan & Anne Sanderson are pleased to announce the BIRTH of their son LEVI WILLIAM SANDERSON. May 28, 1987 6 lbs. 9 oz. Proud grandparents George and Shirley Sanderson

WANTED a man to do mechanic work on a percentage basis. Shop space available. Contact Warren Seifert at Consul Service Station 299-2112.

NASHLYN COMMUNITY PASTURE BIENNIAL MEETING is June 23, 7:00 p.m., Consul Community Hall. Lets break a record and have 100% patron attendance. Anyone interested please attend. R. Moorehead

FOR SALE: KOZI WOOD STOVE. Constructed of cast iron and is airtight. Contact Clerk, Carrie Funk, Village of Consul, Box 185 for details. Highest tender not necessarily accepted. Tender closes Tuesday, June 30, 1987 at 5:00 P.M.

BURNABLE garbage will not be picked up if not in garbage bags or boxed and tied. Cardboard boxes are to be flattened and tied in bundles. H Lewis

FAREWELL POTLUCK AND SOCIAL to follow for Barry and Debbie Forbes and girls in Consul Hall, June 26 at 6:00 P.M. Sponsored by Consul Cubs Fastball team.

SALE - TOPS & TRENDS, June 15 to June 28. Style 14 T-shirt: infants \$5.00, youth \$6.00 and adults \$7.00. Personalizing included. Also anyone interested in having a TOPS & TRENDS party contact Rosemary Sawden 299-4141.

A BRIDAL SHOWER honouring Beth Hobbs will be held June 19 at 8 p.m. in Consul Hall. Everyone Welcome.(Susan Pridmore)

WINNERS of the Elks Lottery Draw from March to June 10th are: Connie Genert, Neil McDonald, Darryl McGregor, Andre Paquin, Tommy French, Jimmy and Brian Richards, Blythman's Agencies Ltd., Mark Howell, Grace Darling, Harley Palmer, Billy Behrman, Bob Behrman, Pat Dunn and Pat Dunn again.

SPECIAL NOTICE to all Consul Elk members: There will be an initiation on Monday June 22 at 8:00. All Elk members please attend.

On Saturday June 27 at 12:00 there will be a district 15th HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT Elks Hall. All Horseshoe players and members please come out. (Gordon Ormiston)

Join Family and Friends at Cypress Lake June 30th & July 1st to CELEBRATE CANADA'S BIRTHDAY. Events: June 30th starting at 7:00 P.M. - Pick up Slow Pitch, and Fireworks Display at Dusk. July 1st starting at 1:00 P.M. - Ball games, kids races, bingo, speciality events, horseshoe please enter in pairs. Beer Gardens & Snack Shack on grounds both days. (Board of Trade)

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