

# Reno Reader









#### Merry Christmas Greetings

to all our neighbours and friends in our second home territory!! May your cattle be fat and your horses all buck in the New Year! Stay well and have a wee nip whenever you get the chance. See you all at the Rodeo....think of you often. Come visit anytime!

Cheers from Doug, Jill, and the whole Richards tribe XOXO





### Consul Museum

wishes to thank all our advertisers and readers for their support of the Reno Reader and our website! Wishing you all a very merry Christmas!





## Celebrating Christmas

<u>Consul Church of God</u>: Christmas Eve Candle Light Service - December 24, 5:00 p.m. It is our intention to provide a safe and welcoming Christmas Eve Candle Light Service. Please consider attending this evening hour of quiet reflection of God's Greatest Gift. All welcome!

St Stephen's Catholic Church - Christmas Day Mass on December 25th at 1 p.m. Everyone welcome! God bless your Christmas! PAGE 2 RENO READER



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#### coming events

Mark your calendars for the Reno Multiple 4-H Online Facebook Auction! Unfortunately we have decided to not have our annual Bingo/Bake Sale this year but instead there will be lots of goodies up for grabs on our Online Facebook Auction. Bidding will start on January 11th, 2022 and bidding will end on January 18, 2022. Watch for more details! Thanks for supporting 4-H!

SAVE THE DATE! January 22, 2022 Celebrating Women in Ag

Join me and a few of my favourite Women in Ag for a day of fun, connection and of
course food:) More details in the next Reno Reader. Tami Reynolds

#### notices

**Community Farewell Lists** for Dan & Nora Zilkie and Bob & Shirley Pridmore are at the Consul Pioneer Co-op. Add your name to wish them all the best in their new homes.



#### **Community Christmas Trees**

Rural communities celebrated Christmas through church and large community parties, or Christmas Trees, so-called because originally gifts for the children were placed on the tree. In the 1930s, Eaton's introduced a Christmas Tree Shopping Service that selected gifts based on budget, gender, and age information provided. Some children only received gifts at school or community celebrations, not at home. In certain cases, teachers purchased gifts through the Eaton's catalogues and placed them on the tree to be given out during the Christmas concert for children whose families could not afford to buy for their children.



1956 Eaton's Catalogue

Celebrations also included entertainment such as the school concert, a special movie, or theatrical performance (with angels' costumes made from gauze ordered by the roll from Eaton's), and refreshments. Community organizations raffled items like Eaton Beauty Dolls, for which members had made clothing and blankets. Eaton's sold prepackaged stockings and Christmas candy.

#### **Marketing Christmas**

Even though modest by today's standards, Eaton's appreciated the value of the Christmas market from the beginning. The stores and the catalogues complemented each other. Store ads promoted the mail-order service. In 1905, Eaton's marketing department sponsored the first Santa Claus parade in Toronto as a means of encouraging people to spend their Christmas dollars at Eaton's. As department stores opened across the country they each had their own Toyland at Christmastime, loved by all children.

Eaton's stores existed in Canada from 1883 to 1999.

#### rm of reno #51

The R.M. of Reno No. 51 is accepting tenders for weekly cleaning (2 hours/week) of the R.M. office. This job would also include extensive fall/spring cleaning of the entire building including ceilings, walls, windows etc. as required. Tenders will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. Monday, January 10th, 2022. Please send your hourly wage proposal to the R.M. of Reno No. 51. The R.M. reserves the right to reject any or all tenders. Lowest tender not necessarily accepted. Please call the R.M. office if you have any questions.

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The Consul Community Hall Board would like to send a huge "Thank You" to everyone that donated to our hall in 2021. We really appreciate these donations.

FMC- on behalf of Richardson Pioneer Maple Creek

Cliff Smith

Dale & Doreen Pridmore

Reno Rodders

Rayleigh Newman (Consul Travel Club)

Warren & Son Funeral Home-Larry Sawden Memorial Robbie & Jaylene Watson- Dwaine Watson Memorial

Larry McMillan (Gene Howell) – sewer pump-out

David & Nancy Weisgerber

Rodney & Lisa Fairbrother

Ed & Sharon Sandor

Donna Reynolds

Don & Kathy Smith

Gerry & Colleen Reynolds

Also to those who donated to Our Quick Dick McDick Celebration Evening:

#### **Door Prize Donations:**

Hall Decorations:

Pepper Jelly: Ann Behrman

Ag-Plus Mechanical Wired for Weddings- Karen Sanderson

Cypress Hills Golf Course

**Reamer Trucking** 

**Cypress Motors** 

Perlich Bros. Auction Market

Medicine Hat Feeding Company

**Farmers Business Network** 

John & Barb Gabruch

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THANK YOU AGAIN from the Consul Community Hall Board....

Debra Sanderson, Shelley Seifert, Melanie Reamer, Barb Gabruch, Angela Buchanan, Miranda Wenzel, Jo Genert, Cindy Genert.

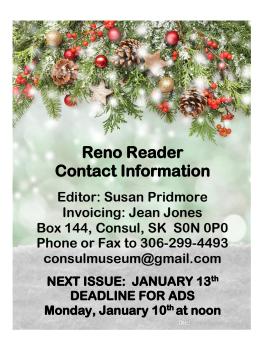












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Shirley Mae Wenaas (nee Clark) passed away suddenly on December 3, 2021, shortly after celebrating her 87<sup>th</sup> birthday. Shirley was born on November 28, 1934 on the family farm near Hart, SK to Lindsay and Mary Clark and was the second eldest of 8 children. Her family lived on the farm until Shirley was in Grade 8, when they moved to Moose Jaw. Shirley excelled at school (skipped Grade 3), was an exceptional athlete in speedskating, softball, bowling, basketball, curling, and was on the Moose Jaw Wildcats Team that won the Dominion Cup National Championship in Women's Hockey in 1951.

Following high school, Shirley worked at R.L Cushing Millwork as a secretary. She loved her job and the independence it gave her, allowing her to save money for a three-month trip to Europe with two girlfriends, something quite unusual in the 1950s.

Shirley married Gene Wenaas in 1960 and they farmed at Robsart for the next 55 years. Together, they built a family and a home as they raised their two children, Catherine and Martin. Shirley was very involved in the community as a 4-H sewing leader and 4-H Club General Leader, served on the Hall Board, the School Board, Homemakers, Robsart Women's Institute, and the Saskatchewan Women's Institute. Shirley also served on the board for the Cypress Health Region during the turbulent times of amalgamation and canvassed for the Canadian Red Cross for over 25 years.



Shirley was Catherine and Marty's #1 fan and was at every basketball and hockey game. She sewed clothes, uniforms and costumes, baked goodies, drove them and their friends, hosted great birthday parties, and was always there. It was never a question about education following Grade 12; it wasn't IF you were going to get more education, it was WHERE.

As grandchildren arrived, she was there for them at every moment. She was a wonderful Mom and Grandma. Shirley was a homemaker and a caregiver to her siblings, husband, family, and friends. She was smart, kind, fashionable, and loved to laugh.

Gene was the love of her life and predeceased her in 2017. Shirley was also predeceased by her parents, Lindsay and Mary Clark, her sister Donna, and her brothers Leonard, Gerald, and Leslie. She is survived by her daughter, Catherine (Shawn) Gryba, and her son Martin (Jean) Wenaas, seven grandchildren, Eric (Cate), Sarah (Andrew) and Victoria Gryba, Allan (Krista), Clayten (Lauren), Braden (Minnie), and Lauren (Tom) Wenaas, and six great grandchildren (Rylan, Kade, Reese, and Kyler Wenaas and Peyton and Clarke Gryba). She is also survived by her sister Elizabeth, brothers David and Lindsay, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, and many nieces and nephews.

Mom loved crocuses. We will have a celebration of her rich and beautiful life for friends and family in the spring when the crocuses come out on the hills. If you wish to donate in Mom's memory, please make your donation to the Canadian Red Cross at <a href="www.redcross.ca">www.redcross.ca</a> or Canadian Red Cross, Saskatchewan Office, P.O. Box 4740 STN Main,

