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FOSA members participate in unusual challenges, such as determining the real name for the town of "Berlin, Sask." shown in the photo below.



(Kyle Simpson fonds)

"Berlin" was actually named Birling, a railway siding located east of Maidstone. The naming error was likely due to a misunderstanding, as the two names sound very similar.

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FRIENDS OF THE SASKATCHEWAN ARCHIVES (FOSA)



Providing a forum for exchanging information and ideas related to the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan and its collections.

Friends of the Saskatchewan Archives:



In mid-2011, the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan launched its Friends of the Saskatchewan Archives (FOSA) group.

The Friends consist of interested individuals from across the province and throughout Canada wishing to support the Archives through, volunteer work, advocacy, promotional activities, and social events

We want to:

- promote and foster awareness of the collections of the Provincial Archives
- encourage communication between the Provincial Archives and the people of Saskatchewan
- assist the Provincial Archives in acquiring, preserving and making public and private records of historical importance available to the public
- support the activities of the Provincial Archives by promoting and assisting with projects whenever possible

Projects:

Currently, Friends of the Saskatchewan Archives volunteers are working on a number of projects including:

- Photograph-related projects in both of the Regina and Saskatoon offices:

The Regina Photo Project focuses on images slated for incorporation into the Provincial Archives' website. Each photograph in the collection is reviewed in order to find additional information that has not been included in the Archives' *Threshold* database.



(Garrett Wilson fonds)

The Saskatoon Outreach Photograph and Documents Project enlists the aid of the Friends to locate interesting photographs and documents for use in various outreach projects.

- School Registers Project

The School Registers Project is a project to create an inventory of thousands of teachers' registers located in the Regina office of the Provincial Archives.



Friends provide support for activities associated with events related to Archives Week, Remembrance Day, etc.

Meetings:

The Regina-based Friends meet three times a year to review past activities and plan future programs and events. Meetings for this group are scheduled for the months of April, September, and November. All Regina-based meetings are held at 1:30 p.m. at 3303 Hillsdale Street, Regina.

The Saskatoon-based Friends do not hold regularly scheduled meetings; please contact the FOSA Saskatoon area liaison to be included on email communications.