



HEARTBEAT

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Hello Readers,

The Brrr Chills Winter Festival is upon us. Thank you to the countless volunteers who have worked tirelessly to put on this year's festival. Share in the spirit by getting out, taking part, and sharing in the joys of winter!

Until next time,
Natalie Matheson

Spaces available at the TLC Daycare!!

We accommodate children from 6 weeks to 12 years.

Hours of operation - Monday thru Friday
7:00am - 6:00pm.

TLC has trained ECE educators that are also trained in CPR and First Aid.

We offer daily programming, follow the Canada Food Guide for meals, and have an environment that promoted learning and no screen time.

TLC daycare involved our children in our community with our senior citizens and other community groups.

TLC daycare offers all of this and more!! A safe, child loving environment with staff who genuinely care!!

We are also a Charitable Organization and can issue receipts for any donations!!

Check out our beautiful daycare facility!! We have spaces available today for your child/children. If you have questions please call or drop by.

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-ARVIN ULVILD
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-SHIRLEY ULVILD

If you would like to be a sponsor of the 'Heartbeat' newsletter, contact Laurie at 306-749-7451/ birchhillsrec@sasktel.net. The cost is \$100 by 3 sponsors (\$300/mos) for printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for you & the community.

Seeking Newsletter Sponsors for the New Year!!

Call 306-749-7451

Thank you for supporting your community with a free local paper.



KAISER & CRIB NIGHT

Every Thursday
7:30pm at the Youth Centre
Everyone Welcome for a night of socializing and fun!



Funding Assists Rec Activities in Birch Hills

Birch Hills LIBRARY News

STORY TIME - Fridays w/ Ms Joanne.
For ages 3 & 4
Join us each Friday at 1:00pm



**Prince Albert Parkland Health
Region Volunteer Service
Opportunities**

The Prince Albert Parkland Health Region is in need of caring, compassionate and committed volunteers to fill service positions.

If you are in any volunteer service positions, or if you have a particular skill or talent you would like to share with patients, residents, or clients in the Health Region, please call your local health care facility to apply. You can also reach the PAPHR Volunteer Services Department at (306)765-6010, by email at volunteers@paphr.sk.ca or find us on the web at www.paphr.ca. We look forward to matching your talents and interests with the right position for you.

**BIRCH HILLS HISTORICAL
SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

Friday February 24, 2017
Potluck Supper 5pm
Meeting to Follow.
Everyone Welcome.



MANE EVENT Salon & Dance Hall

Sack the Quarterback - Progressive Jackpot

Every Wednesday evening 5-7pm...Draw @ 7:15pm (must be in attendance to win). Food & Drink Specials

We would like to thank everyone for your continued support of our little business! As of January we will be taking a break from the salon for a couple months. We will continue to be open Wednesdays from 5 - 10pm as well as for Events and Rentals.

*Book the Hall for birthdays, anniversaries, reunions, etc .
Call / Text Kristy 306-749-7405*

**BIRCH HILLS BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS
and NEWSLETTER SPONSOR**

CRYSTAL AGENCIES INC.

Crystal Agencies Inc. was established under new ownership in 2009 with Brenda and Grant Fisher. We are a locally owned and operated independent insurance brokerage located in Crystal Springs, SK. We offer a wide selection of services such as farm, auto, home and commercial insurance. Crystal Agencies also offers all SGI products such as plate and drivers' license renewals, Blue Cross, GMS, hail insurance, marriage licences, Hunting and Fishing licences and we are a Canada Post location.

Give us a call or stop by if we can help you with any of your insurance needs.

Phone: 306-749-2632

Fax: 306-749-2926

Email: crystalagencies@yourlink.ca

Website: www.crystalagencies.saskbrokers.com

MUSEUM THRIFT STORE

BIG BAG SALE on now. Fill a bag with clothing items only \$10.00.

We are overstocked in all departments, great selection of clothing for the whole family. Shoes, accessories, kitchen wares, trinkets, jewellery and more.

Open Wednesday 9am to 4pm, Saturday 1pm to 4pm. Coffee is on at 2pm both days.

Ask to tour our wonderful Museum.

Recently Renovated Senior and Family Housing units are available in Birch Hills. For more info on these units please call or text the Birch Hills Housing Authority at 306-749-7541.

Blackhawks Senior Hockey News

The Blackhawks defeated the Dalmeny Sabres 9 - 5 and 5 - 1 in their first round of playoffs. Their second round best of 5 opponents are the St. Louis Blues.

Winner of the Feb 3rd guaranteed \$500 50/50 of \$630 sponsored by Tilford Painting - Brock Tilford was Elmer O. The winner of the February 11th guaranteed \$500 50/50 of \$527.50 sponsored by Pratt Plumbing & Heating - Devin Pratt and Macfie Safety Consulting - Scott Macfie was Bob M.

Watch for posters and signs around town or visit our Facebook page for info on Round 2 dates and times.

The Blackhawks would like to thank their 2016 - 17 Sponsors

Bronze:

FarmersEdge.ca - Kris Babbings, Quayle's Pharmacy, East Side Dental Centre - Dr. C. Gaudet, Palliser Surveys Inc., Ashly Cabinets & Windows, HD Cabinets

Silver:

Wong's Family Restaurant, Affinity Credit Union - Birch Hills, King George Hotel, Prince Albert Co-op - Birch Hills, Crystal Agencies - Brenda Fisher, Cargill, Peak Electric, Sopatyk Seed Farms, Tilford Farms, Markit Signs, Time Worn Apparel

Gold:

Tilford Painting - Brock Tilford, Investors Group - Rupert Bremner, Macfie Safety Consulting Inc. - Scott Macfie, Pratt Plumbing & Heating - Devin Pratt

Platinum:

Crop Production Services - Perry Clarke, Carter's Custom Ag - Carter Braaten, Mackenzie Funeral Chapel & Crematorium - Brian Stobbs, Great Western Brewing Company - James Mueller, Braaten Construction - Neil Braaten, Cornerstone Insurance, Farm World Kinistino, Elsaesser Farms

Please contact Jamie at 306-980-8687 if you are interested in helping with games

League website: www.trhl.ca.



Like us on Facebook - (Birch Hills Sr. Blackhawks) to check the latest scores and find out when we play.

CURLING CLUB BONSPIELS

Masters	Mar 8-12
2 Person	Mar 24/25



Afternoon, Rec and Competitive leagues

Riverbend Quilt Shop from St. Louis will be at the Branspeth Hall on February 25th from 9:00am - 8:00pm with fabric for sale. Please call Leslie at 306-749-7602 for more information.

Crystal Springs Poker Rally

The 2017 Crystal Springs Poker Rally was a success! Thank you to everybody who attended and supported us, and a HUGE thank you to all the great volunteers! Thank you to the 56 riders who registered - we exceeded our goal of 50! Rider only prizes went to Dale Markling & Doris Fong. The 50/50 was won by Paul Symchyt. The hands were won as follows: 1st place Dennis Friensen, 2nd place split by Danny Armon, Kyle Kolay, Colbie Lucien, Melinn Mansiere, Gerry Poncelet & Paul Symchyt, and 3rd place was split by Karen Aubrey, Dave Chyz, Jeff Mansiere & Keith Myhre. See you next year!!



CRYSTAL SPRINGS NEWS

Bingo: Thank you for all the support at Bingo 2016. Bingo resumes in Crystal Springs on Tuesday April 4, 2017.

The hall is available for rent. Contact Lynn 306-864-8013

Coffee Row: The Crystal Springs Rec Co-op will be hosting a "coffee row" once monthly at their newly renovated facility at Crystal Springs Hall. Next date Wednesday March 1st 2:00 - 4:00



The Birch Hills Golf Course still has openings for golf tournaments for the 2017 season - call or text Jamie at 306-980-8687 to reserve your date!

Need a place to meet with a fantastic view (and maybe 9 holes of golf)? We have a great air-conditioned space with high speed internet for you next meeting, call or text Jamie for more information.

The Birch Hills Golf Course AGM will be held Tuesday April 4 at the Senior's Hall. Happy Hour at 5:30pm - 6:30pm, Supper (\$15.00) at 6:30pm, meeting at 7:00pm! Reservations are required for supper. Call or text Jamie with your name and number of attendees by March 31st!



Birch Hills United Church News

Duane will be leading the service at Weldon Country Villa this Wednesday Feb 15th at 2:30pm. Please contact him if anyone would like to join in and needs a ride.

The next United Church service at Birchview is Tuesday February 21st at 2:30pm.

The next bible study session will be Thursday February 25th at 1:30pm in the Evangelical Lutheran Church Fireside Room. The topic is Paul's letter to Philippians. Everyone is welcome.

February Men's Breakfast will be Saturday Feb 25th at 8:30am at the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Donations to the Food for Learning Program are gratefully accepted. All men in the community are welcome.

The next regular United Church service is Sunday Feb 25th at 9:30am. The congregational annual meeting will follow with sandwiches and dessert, coffee and tea.

Dance to the music of

Constant Reminder

Saturday April 8

8:00pm

Weldon Auditorium

Advance Tickets: \$20/each \$35/couple
\$50/family

Contact: Bill 887-2154,
Brenda 887-2038, Elaine 864-2520,
Lois 887-4249

Cash Bar

Proceeds to Weldon Auditorium Renos

Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate my 90th birthday with my family and me. The gifts, cards, and messages are appreciated and treasured.

It was a special day with many memories to cherish and hold dear.

May your lives be as richly blessed as you have made mine.

Effie Cook



The Winding River Colony will have
eggs and baked goods at the
Birchview Nursing Home every
Thursday at 11:00am.

Birchview Nursing Home February Activities

February 15th - Job Mates Band 2:30pm

February 16th - Winter Festival Crowning of Royalty and Activities 2:30pm

February 19th - Country Gospel Concert 2:30pm

February 22nd - Wes Stubbs 2:30pm

February 23rd - Step Outs Line Dancers 2:30pm



Brrr Chills Winter Festival

Feb 16 - 19, 2017

THURSDAY FEB 16

2:30pm Winter Carnival at Birchview Nursing Home
Crown King & Queen - Lumberjack Events - Lunch to Follow - no charge

4:30pm - Meatballs & Gravy Supper at Birch Hills Museum
Full Meal Deal - \$10, Children under 12 - \$5, Preschool Free
Take out available - call 306-749-2262

FRIDAY FEB 17

11:00am Seniors Soup and Sandwich at Senior's Hall
Soup, Sandwich, and Dessert - Free Will Donation
Followed by Carpet Bowling & Shuffleboard for fun

4:00pm Max Creek Tobogganing
Weiner Roast/Hot Chocolate/Pop/Bon Fire and FIREWORKS! FREE
Sponsored by Barry's Rock & Dirt, Evans 8 Excavating,
RM of Birch Hills, Winding River Colony

SATURDAY FEB 18

8:00am - 10:00am - Library Pancake Breakfast at Civic Centre
Homemade pancakes, sausage, fresh fruit and all the trimmings.
Adults - \$8, Children 6 - 12 - \$5, Preschool Free

8:00pm - Wind-up Family Snow Stomp Dance at Civic Centre
DJ Music
Beverages & Snacks Available
Free will Donation



SUNDAY FEB 19

2:30pm - Country Gospel Concert at Birchview Nursing Home
Free Will Donation to Birchview Auxiliary
Lunch to Follow



EVERY WEEK IN THE HILLS

Open to Community

MONDAYS

Bowling at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Dolores Jones 749-2680
Line Dancing (beginners) all welcome 9:30-11am @ Civic Centre
Fire Dept Mtgs every 2nd Mon 7pm @ fire hall Kyle Jensen 749-7536
Dreamland Optimists Group meet 1st and 3rd Mon 7:30pm Sr Ctr

TUESDAYS

Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 10am-12pm \$2 drop in fee
Library Open Weekly 12-4pm and 5-8pm
Bingo in Crystal Springs 7:30 @ Crystal Springs Hall (till Dec 13)
Rec Volleyball 8:00-9:30pm @ school gym \$2 to play
Knitting Grannies meet 2nd & 4th Tues @ museum 1:00pm
Birchview Ladies Auxiliary 11:00am 2nd Tues ea month

WEDNESDAYS

Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am @ Civic Centre
Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 9-4:00pm Great Deals!
Coffee & Sweets 2:00 pm
Town Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Wed of the month
Sack the Quarterback Draw 5-7 @ Mane Event

THURSDAYS

Cribbage at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Dolores Jones 749-2680
Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 9am-12pm \$2 drop in fee
Library Open 12 - 4:30pm
Kaiser & Crib Nite @ Youth Ctr 7:30pm every 2nd Thurs
Legion Mtg 2nd Thurs ea month 7pm @ legion hall.



FRIDAYS

Birch Hills Library Open 12-4:30pm/ Story time 1-1:45pm
4&5yrs

SATURDAY

Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 1:00-4:00pm
Coffee on at 2:00pm
Call if you have changes or events to add to this list; Laurie at 749-7451

St Mary's Anglican Church News

We are hosting a **Community Luncheon** at the Anglican Church on the 3rd Friday of each month from 11am-1:30pm.

Free will offering. Everyone Welcome

The next luncheon is **Friday March 10th**



Saturday Morning Coffee Row
at the Youth Centre

7:00am - 10:00am.



Birch Hills Cowboy Church

@ Community Centre
1st Sun of each month
Next Service



Sunday, March 5th 7:00pm

Featuring Country Gospel Music
with down home bible message with
Pastor Rick Martin (981-2235)

Potluck Cookies & Cake to follow

All are Welcome

The 2017 Graduating Class will be holding a bottle drive. The date has been moved to May. The funds will be used for the ceremony (Grand March) and banquet, not the safe grad.

Individuals wishing to rid themselves of bottles prior to the final drive can drop them off at 25 Birch Drive at anytime.



St Patrick's Day Irish Stew Supper

St Mary's Anglican Church

Birch Hills, SK

Friday March 17, 2017

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Take out available

Adults \$12.00

10 & under \$6.00

Preschool Free





Laurie Berube,
Recreation Director

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Town Website: www.birchhills.ca

In Laurie's absence, please send
your events and information to
natalie.matheson@outlook.com
or leave a message at
306-749-7451.



Sack the Quarterback Progressive Jackpot

Congratulations to the February 1st winner Debbie Lamb who drew the Jack of Diamonds and won \$83, and to the February 8th winner Travis Evans who drew the Four of Clubs and won \$134.

Join us Wednesdays at The Mane Event. Tickets on sale 5:00-7:00pm. Draw at 7:15pm. You must be in attendance to win. Tickets \$5 each, 3 for \$10, 8 for \$20



**Next week's Progressive Jackpot
starts at \$2867.**

Join the 'SACK THE QUARTERBACK'
Facebook page for updates, winners and
Weekly Specials.

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

Feb 16-19 - BRRR Chills Winter Festival
20 - 24 - School Break
Mar 3 - Telemiracle 41 Luncheon
4 - IP MH Tourney
8-12 - Masters Curling Bonspiel
10 - St Mary's Anglican Church Community
Luncheon
10/11 - Gooser Hockey Tournament
17 - St Mary's Anglican Church Irish Stew
Supper
24/25 - 2 Person Curling Bonspiel
April 4 - Golf Course AGM
6 - Birch Hills Library Gala
8 - Community Boosters Spring Trade Show
- Constant Reminder Dance in Weldon

MINOR HOCKEY GAMES

Feb 14 - Novice vs Nipawin 6:30pm
Feb 16 - Atom vs Melfort Colts 6:00pm

FREE LITTLE LIBRARY

Take a book, Leave a book

@ 5 McCallum Avenue and TLC Daycare

Brought to Birch Hills by Kids First out of
Prince Albert

TELEMIRACLE 41 LUNCHEON

Friday March 3, 2017

Birch Hills Civic Centre



11AM - 1PM

Birch Hills entertainers Zack Halkett (piano)
and Tyneal Lundquist (dance) will be
performing on the telecast, and will also
perform at the luncheon.



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Recreation' Facebook page.

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