



HEARTBEAT

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February 15th, 2018

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Hello Everyone,

Have you been bitten by the Olympic bug and want to try a new winter activity. Dust off your cross country skis, lace up your skates and take in public skating, or go throw a few rocks at the curling rink.

If you are more of an armchair athlete, there are still hockey playoffs and curling bonspiels to enjoy as a spectator.

Enjoy what is left of winter in our own back yard.

*Until next time,
Natalie Matheson*

SHAVE IT OR SAVE IT!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Pastor Clint has put his head on the line to help raise funds for the operations of the Youth Center.

You decide whether he will...

SHAVE IT OR SAVE IT!

Pledges will be collected by the Youth Center from now until April 7th. Whichever fund has more pledges will determine his fate. **SAVE IT** means his hair **AND** beard will remain as is, but **SHAVE IT** and they **BOTH** come off!

Tax Receipts Available Upon Request



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**BIRCH HILLS BLACKHAWKS SENIOR HOCKEY CLUB,
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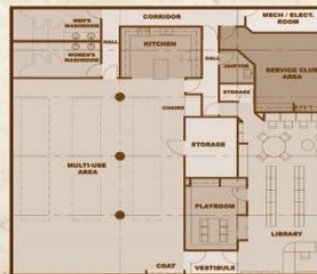
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NEWS FOR TODAY

January 1, 2018

KICK-OFF FUNDRAISER



Finally ready to begin construction

The committee has been working hard to reach their goal of \$500,000 to remodel the old Co-op into a facility that will house the Public Library, the Senior Hall, and the Lions Club Meeting Room. However this building is for all the community to enjoy. The library will be bigger and better, and the hall will be available to rent for private or community functions.

Supper & Raffle planned

Birch Hills Multiuse Facility kicks off its fundraising efforts with a supper and the opportunity to win great prizes. You can't go wrong with hot food and cold drinks.

Pork Cutlet Supper

Sat. Feb. 17, 2018

Cash Bar

Doors open: 5:30pm

Supper: 6:30pm

Place: BH Civic Centre

Cost: \$30/ticket

Get tickets at the town office or call 749-2232

\$ IF YOU'D RATHER MAKE A DONATION PLEASE DROP IT OFF AT THE TOWN OFFICE. \$

A year membership for the Birch Hills Golf Course.

RAFFLE PRIZES:

Exercise equipment from Flaman Fitness

And much more!

BIRCH HILLS & AREA BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS and NEWSLETTER SPONSOR

In memory of family members Sam &
Marie Hanson, Colby & Pauline
McClure and Sven & Mae Bergh.

Edna Herd



Community Funding Assists our Rec Activities in Birch Hills

PASH PROJECTS YOGA

Pash Projects began from a dream to pursue my passions of teaching yoga, growing vegetables and building wood crafts. To support this local business, follow along on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on yoga classes, workshops, energy healing, trade shows, and purchasing local Vegetables come Summer! Thank you Birch Hills for your warm welcome and continuing support.

For questions email pashprojects@outlook.com

January 8th - February 15th

Time	Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
9:30-10:30 am		Vinyasa Flow	Yin
5:30-6:30pm	Introduction to Yoga		Vinyasa Flow
7:00-8:00pm	Vinyasa Flow		

BLACKHAWKS SENIOR HOCKEY



Thanks to Macfie Safety Consulting Inc. for sponsoring the guaranteed \$500 50/50 at the February 2nd game. The winner was Tanis E. Thanks also to Advantage Real Estate for sponsoring free admission to our first playoff game.

Birch Hills leads Clavet 2 to 0 in the first round best of 5 series. The third game will be held in Birch Hills Friday February 23rd at 8:30pm. Tilford Paining is guaranteeing a \$500 50/50 for the third game. If game 4 is required, the Blackhawks travel to Clavet on Saturday February 24th at 7:00pm. The 5th game, if required, is in Birch Hills on Sunday February 25th at 2:30pm. Peak Electric is guaranteeing a \$500 50/50 for the 5th game.

Follow the Blackhawks on Facebook - Birch Hills Sr. Blackhawks and check out league results at www.trhl.ca.

The Blackhawks would like to thank our fans, sponsors and volunteers for all your support this season. Please support the following businesses who have supported the Blackhawks:

Bronze:

Wong's Family Restaurant
Quayle's Pharmacy
Affinity Credit Union - Birch Hills
Palliser Surveys Inc - Ernie Muller
Mane Event - Kristy Nelson
T & C Inscriptions - Teena Nelson

Silver:

King George Hotel
Crystal Agencies - Brenda Fisher
Cargill - Ashley Heavin
Tilford Farms - Bruce Tilford
Investors Group - Rupert Bremner
Revive Salon - Pam Grambo
Farm World
TC Electric - Luc Robin
M & E Elevator
Elsaesser Farms - Leyton & Trevor Elsaesser

Gold:

Tilford Painting - Brock Tilford
Pratt Plumbing & Heating - Devin Pratt
Peak Electric - Lenny Gaudet & Chase Berge
Century 21 Prestige Real Estate - Jesse Heit
Macfie Safety Consulting - Scott Macfie
Carter's Custom Ag - Carter Braaten

Platinum:

Crop Production Services - Perry Clarke
Lake Country Coop
Braaten Construction - Neil Braaten
Advantage Realty - Duane Braaten
Great Western Brewing Company - James Mueller
Cornerstone Insurance - Birch Hills
Mackenzie Funeral Chapel & Crematorium - Brian Stobbs

ST MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH NEWS

Community Lunches: 11:30-1:00pm
All community residents are welcome to join us for soup & bun. Join us for lunch 1st and 3rd Friday of each month.

Next Lunch February 16th

Free will offerings accepted but not necessary



St. Patrick's Stew Supper

St. Mary's Anglican Church

Saturday March 17th

5:00pm - 7:00pm

\$12 - adult, \$6 - 10 and under, preschool free



You are invited to meet & greet:

Dr. Oriana Watt

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

2-4 p.m.

Birch Hills Health Centre Meeting Room

Refreshments will be served

Saskatchewan Health Authority



saskhealthauthority.ca

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 Lyle Evans 930-8074
Dreamland Optimists Group - Call Stuart Matice 306-314-2378 for info

TUESDAYS

Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 10am-12pm \$2 drop in fee
Library Open Weekly 11-4pm and 5-8pm
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 1st Tues ea month

WEDNESDAYS

Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am @ Civic Centre
Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 9am-4:00pm Coffee & Sweets 2 pm
Museum Open 2pm - 4pm
Town Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Wed of the month

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 9am - 12pm and 1pm - 6pm
Story Time 1:30 - 2:15 4&5yrs
Legion Mtg 2nd Thurs ea month 7pm @ Legion hall.

FRIDAYS

Kaiser, Crib & Games Nite @ Youth Ctr 7:30pm every Friday

SATURDAY

Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 1:00-4:00pm Coffee on at 2:00pm
Contact Rec Office if you have changes or events to add to this list at 749-7451.

BIRCH HILLS SCHOOL NEWS

FEBRUARY 2018

Feb. Feb. 12 - 16 - Spirit Week
Feb. 14 - 15 - SLC Bake Sale
Feb. 17 to 25 February Break
Feb. 26 - First day of classes

MARCH 2018

Mar. 9/10 - Sr. Boys Basketball conferences @ BH
Mar. 9/10 - Sr. Girls Basketball conferences @ TBD
Mar. 12 - PLC - No Classes
For all upcoming events please visit our school webpage @ <http://bh.srsd119.ca>.
If your student is going to be away, please contact the school office at 306-749-3301.



Cross Country Skiers

Trails are being set at the golf course. Follow updates on Facebook "Birch Hills Cross Country Ski Club". Feel free to share ski trail info and partner up and try new trails around Sask.



Birch Hills Dreamland Optimists Club presents....

DREAMLAND FEBRUARY CRAFT & TRADE SHOW

Saturday, February 24th, 2018
@ Birch Hills Civic Centre

10:00am - 3:00 pm

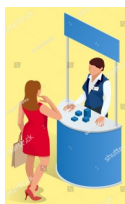
Many vendors will be in attendance, many different business to shop from all under one roof!

Lunch will be served starting at 11:00am

Door Prizes, FREE ADMISSION, 50/50 tickets will be available

To book a table contact Susan 306-941-0400 or

Rosa 306-930-1040 Email: dreamlandoptimist@gmail.com



Youth Centre NEWS

Saturday Morning Coffee

7:00 to 10:00 am

Any early bird welcome



Moms & Tots

Tues & Thurs 10-12pm

\$2 drop in fee. Open to All moms

Family Game Night

Friday Nights Kaiser, Crib

Now new games available to play:

Pool, Foosball, Dominoes, Chinese Checkers, Chess, Dutch Blitz, etc.

Kids 10yrs < are welcome if accompanied by an adult

Fun starts 7:30pm @ Youth Center...

Potluck Snacks

Anyone Welcome!



DREAMLAND OPTIMIST CLUB 50/50 CASH DRAW

DRAWING WILL BE HELD AT 9:00PM
@ OUR STEAK NIGHT SOCIAL, FEB 24TH AT BIRCH HILLS CIVIC CENTRE

TICKETS \$5.00 EACH

OR

3 TICKETS / \$10.00

DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN

LOTTERY LICENCE #SR17-2701



DON'T MISS OUT

TICKETS AVAILABLE UNTIL FEB 24, 2018

Your chance to win some money & support your local optimist club!

All proceeds from our fundraiser will stay within the community and put towards the many ongoing projects of Dreamland Optimist Club of Birch Hills

Thank you for supporting our club during 2017, we look forward to your continued support in 2018.

DREAMLAND OPTIMIST CLUB OF BIRCH HILLS EVENT



DREAMLAND STEAK NIGHT SOCIAL

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24TH, 2018

Birch Hills Civic Centre, 126 McCallum Ave

5:30 pm



TICKETS \$25 EACH

TICKET INCLUDES: STEAK, POTATO, SALAD, BUN, DESSERT & 1 DRINK TICKET

ONLY 150 TICKETS AVAILABLE

Come out & support your local Optimist club as they raise funds to help the children of the community. Our steak night social will help programs within the community like Birch Hills Playground program, Breakfast for Learning (offered at the Birch Hills School) plus much more.

Birch Hills PUBLIC LIBRARY News

STORY TIME with Mrs Joanne

Thursdays @ 1:30pm

Join us for Story Time for pre-schoolers

Library Hours

Tues 11-4, 5-8 ; and

Thurs 9-12, 1-6pm



Steak Night Tickets available by contacting 306-941-0400, from members & at the KG Bar.

MINOR SPORTS NEWS

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone that supported our minor sports elimination draw. It was a great fundraiser to help keep our children's sports local and reasonably priced. Congratulations to the winners!!

Softball sign up will be coming in March.

BHMS is looking for coaches. Managers, teenage volunteers and umpires for the upcoming ball season and would like a head start on next year's hockey season. If this is something you're interested in please email bhminorsports@outlook.com.

Ball - Kristy 306-749-7405

Hockey - Tanya 306-930-1892

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS!!

40th ticket pulled for \$100 - Steve & Janie Carrier

80th ticket pulled for \$100 - BHDC Teachers

120th ticket pulled for \$100 - Justin Lavoie

160th ticket pulled for \$100 - Kyle Nelson

200th ticket pulled for \$100 - Ryan & Nicole Shore

232nd ticket pulled for \$1000 - Marissa Tweten

GRAND PRIZE WINNER 233rd Ticket pulled for \$10,000 - Roger Regnier

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT

After many volunteered years as treasurer for Combined Appeal, Marilyn has resigned as treasurer.

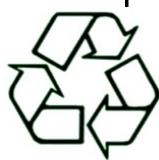
If anyone is willing to accept the position, please call Shirley Lyons at 749-3233.

If the position isn't filled by February 28, 2018, Combined Appeal will be forced to fold.



STAY UPDATED

'LIKE' our Facebook page to get activity and news updates. Feel free to add your own event or activity info on the 'Birch Hills Community & Recreation' Facebook page.



RECYCLE

Please Share Newsletter with a friend Send request to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net to receive the news letter online

CRYSTAL SPRINGS COMMUNITY EVENTS



Coffee Row: Crystal Springs Rec Co-op

Once a Month

Coffee Row 2:00 to 4:00 P.M.

Crystal Springs Hall

Everyone is Welcome!

Next Date is: **March 7th**

Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon with friends and neighbours! Coffee, tea and goodies are provided

The hall is available for rent.

Contact Lynn 306-864-8013

Saron Lutheran Church Presents an Easter Celebration!

Ham and Scalloped Potato Supper followed by entertainment from Dean n' Sylvia. (Dean Bernier and Sylvia Schira)

Country and Country Gospel Music

Sunday March 25th, 2018 at Saron Lutheran Church

Supper at 5:00pm and entertainment at 6:00pm.

\$20 per person, \$10 children 12 and under, preschool free

Tickets available from Linda Njaa 306-749-3134

Community Arts In Birch Hills



March 5 7:00-9:00pm **Playing with Plasticine** with *Alan Ruder*.

An art class for everyone! Each participant will create a plasticine relief based on the photographs or electronic images they have brought to class. The plasticine relief will be similar to the illustrations in Barbara Reid's children's books. Each participant will leave the class with their own original, framed, plasticine relief.

Our final event will be in April (Drawing with Lana - tentative) for this year, taking a break from May to August and starting up again in September. If you or anyone you know who is/was a resident has art that you would potentially like to showcase for an art show in late April, please let me know. If we get enough people interested, I can plan something!

We are now able to offer you tax receipts for donations made to the community arts initiative through the Recreation Board. For those who would like to give, please contact me, Amy, at 306-941-0788. Thank you!! And thanks to the Recreation Board for all their support!

Calling all artists who like working with paints and want to get together for paint nights over the summer! Let me know so we can find like minded people where we can visit over art and social time!

Follow updates, activities and photos on our Facebook Page.



The Birch Hills & District Lions Club is proud to present:

The Shamrock Shaker

Featuring: Nightside District

Location: Mane Event; 239 Bellamy Ave, Birch Hills

Date: March 17, 2018

Time: Doors open at 8:00

Advance tickets \$20 (available from any Lions Club Member)

Or

\$25 at the door

Proceeds for this event will be going to various community initiatives.



Fundraiser Brunch

Sunday February 18, 2018

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Weldon Auditorium

\$10 per person

Silent auction and monetary donations accepted for Rod and Mona Doerksen who lost their home to a fire.

Please come out and support this family.

Glad Tidings News

Women's Network Service will be held on March 4th at 11:00am. Sharon Gabriel will lead the service. Special speaker will be Janice Walker from Saskatoon.

Lunch will follow.

Everyone welcome!

Candlelight Way of the Cross

Every Friday night in Lent (Feb 16 - Mar 30) at 7:00pm

St. Mary's Anglican - St. Anne's Catholic Church

Join us for this meditative entry into the biblical story of Our Lord's Passion. This quiet, contemplative service is only 20 - 30 minutes long. All are welcome, including children.



You're at home here.



Notice of

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Lake Country Co-operative Association Limited

Saturday March 17, 2018

John M. Cuelenaere Public Library

125 12th Street East

Prince Albert, SK

10:30 am

ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!



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Box 280, Birch Hills, Sk
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text or call 306-749-7451 or
E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net
Facebook Page: 'Town of Birch Hills
Community & Recreation'
Town **Website:** www.birchhills.ca

Birch Hills Historical Society

Annual Meeting Friday February 23rd

Museum Basement

Pot Luck Supper 5:00pm

Annual Meeting to follow

Everyone Welcome

BIRCH HILLS UNITED CHURCH NEWS

There will be a joint worship service on Sunday February 25th at St. Andrew's United Church in Kinistino at 10:00am. We will have a guest student from St. Andrew's College, Aurora Coulthard, leading the service. Fellowship and a potluck lunch will follow.

Birch Hills United Church Women are hosting the World Day of Prayer on Friday March 2nd at 3:00pm at the Lutheran Church. This year's service was written by the women of Suriname. This is a special ecumenical service for everyone in the community. It is provided by the Women's Inter-church Council of Canada. All are welcome!

Birch Hills Curling News



Weekly league curling

Tues/Fri afternoons 12:30pm

Wed night 2 Person Sponsored by Cervus Equipment

Thurs Night Super League Sponsored by Cornerstone Insurance

Upcoming Bonspiels

Mar 2 & 3 Open 4 Person Bonspiel

Mar 23/24 2 Person Bonspiel & Season Wind Up

Annual **Weekend Getaway** Raffle tickets on sale now.

Thx for your support with these curling fundraisers!

Upcoming Events

- February 16 - Community Luncheon @ St. Mary's
17 - Multiuse Fundraiser Dinner
18 - Fundraiser Brunch @ Weldon
23 - BH Historical Society AGM
24 - Optimists Craft & Trade Show & Steak Night
26 - Golf Board Meeting
27 - Meet & greet Dr. Watt
- March 2/3 - Open 4 Person Bonspiel
2 - World Day of Prayer
3 - Tway Poker Rally
4 - Janice Walker @ Glad Tidings 11:00am
5 - CAI - Plasticine Art w/ Mr Ruder
17 - Lake Country Co-op AGM
- St. Patrick's Stew Supper
- Shamrock Shaker
18 - Skating Club Carnival
23/24 - 2 Person Bonspiel & Season Wind Up
25 - Saron Lutheran Church Easter Ham Supper and Music
- April 10 - Golf Club AGM & Supper
23 - Rec Board AGM

Birchview Nursing Home Feb Activities

All are welcome to attend. 2:30pm start,
unless otherwise noted

Feb 18 - Gladtidings

21- Job Mates Band

26 - Joyful Hearts Chorus

If you have a talent to entertain,
contact Shelley to set a date

Birch Hills Skating Club Carnival

Sunday March 18th, 2:00pm

Birch Hills Arena



Town of Birch Hills seeks Recreation Director

The Town of Birch Hills invites application for the position of Recreation Director.

We are seeking a professional, outgoing individual for a variety of duties including:

- o arts, culture & recreation programming and special events
- o recreational planning, development and operations
- o support to the Town facilities that include a skating rink, curling rink, golf course, ball diamonds and campground.

The Recreation Director will also be responsible for developing long range plans, overseeing maintenance, operating and capital budget preparations, fostering volunteerism and ensuring policies and procedures of the Town of Birch Hills and Recreation Board are carried out.

Qualifications include:

- o Ability and experience working with the public
- o Strong written, verbal and interpersonal skills
- o Strong management skills
- o Strong marketing and organizational skills
- o Experience with financial management and control
- o Experience working with youth
- o Experience working with a Board of Directors
- o Post-secondary education in recreation, community development, leisure studies or related field is an asset

This full-time permanent position begins as soon as possible. We offer a competitive salary and a comprehensive benefits package. Salary will be based on level of education and experience.

A detailed resume and cover letter outlining experience, qualifications, education, and references must be received no later than 4:00 pm on February 23, 2018. Please submit by mail, fax or email to:

Tara Garipey, CAO

Town of Birch Hills

Box 206

BIRCH HILLS SK S0J 0G0

Phone: (306) 749-2232

Fax: (306) 749-2545 Email: birchhills.town@sasktel.net

A job description is available at the Town office by contacting the above. We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those being considered for an interview will be contacted.