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Greetings Readers,

I hope you are enjoying this lovely spring weather. Soon we will be playing golf and ball.

The golf course workers are getting greens ready and curling/skating rinks have some work projects on the go. If you can help out or you are just curious, feel free to stop in and see what they are doing, talk to members or join us at the AGM's coming up in April for more information.

Recreation facilities and programs would not be here in Birch Hills without the support and dedication of our volunteers. Thank you to anyone who has helped out in anyway, big or small.

To you, April 10-16 we celebrate our community volunteers during National Volunteer Week. Take a bow, pat yourself on the back and know that you have made a difference!!
Cheers!!

Laurie Berube, Rec Director



Funding Assists Recreational Activities in Birch Hills

Saskatchewan Votes!
In Birch Hills at the Community
Centre/Town Office
April 4, 2015 9am-8pm
www.elections.sk.ca

Birch Hills Community Boosters ANNUAL SPRING TRADE SHOW

Saturday April, 9, 2015.
10 am to 2 pm
Lunch served by Birch Hills
Guides and Brownies
Birch Hills Civic Centre
Phone 306 749 2500 for more
Information

The Birch Hills Guiding Association

is running the lunch counter at
the Community Booster Trade
Show April 9th. @ Civic Centre

We will be serving soup,
sandwiches, pie, pop/
coffee/tea. Girl Guide
Cookies Available



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Hills Community activity news-
letter was paid for you by:
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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/ sponsor (3/month)
for printing, advertising and
ensuring that the newsletter stays
free for you & the community.
Sponsoring into May. ..reserve
your spot today!
Thank you for supporting your
local paper.

Family Sunday School

Sundays...

10:00 - 10:45am

Birch Hills Lutheran Church
(4th Street & Bellamy Ave)

Discover a Solid
Foundation!



BH Community
Church invites your family to
a simple exploration of the
stories of the Bible. A chance
for all ages to learn together
as a family with interactive
story telling and discussion.

For more info, Call Pastor
Clint at Youth Center 306-
749-2478



BLACKHAWK SENIOR HOCKEY WIND-UP

Join the team in celebrating the
2015/16 Season Saturday, Apr 2
At Mane Event (Salon & Dance Hall)
Dance Open 8:00pm Adults Only

Weldon Trade Show and Sale

Sat April 30
10am to 2pm
Weldon Auditorium
Come out and support the vendors.
Lunch available.
Call Brenda 887-2038.

BIRCH HILLS SKATING ARENA NEWS

The Rink is closed for the season and we hope you enjoyed the skating season. There are some big projects that will require helpers...a lot of helpers in April and later on...after seeding, May/June-ish!! The more people that can lend a hand, the easier the projects will be. If you can help please contact Stewart (749-7439) or Tyler (749-2228) for more information or stop at the rink when you see vehicles. Thanks for any help you can offer and watch newsletter for more details on how you can help. There will be a Facebook page starting soon.

The Farm Field Project for the rink fundraiser will happen again this year. If you are a farmer and can help with seeding/harvesting, please contact Stewart (749-7439) to lend a hand

CRYSTAL SPRINGS NEWS

Bingo is back! Tuesday, May 3rd,
7:30 pm at Crystal Hall

Spring **Brunch** at Crystal Hall
Sunday May 1st,
10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Birch Hills Library Annual Spring Gala

Thursday, April 21st

@ BH Civic Centre

\$25 /person

Doors open @ 6pm

Roast Beef Supper @ 6:30pm

Guest Speaker:

Ernie Louttit author
of "Indian Ernie" and
'*Insights from the
Streets*'



BOUQUETS OF THANKS

I would like to thank Dale Hanson, Allan Harper, Kalem Adams and Tyler Cochrane for helping prep the skating rink for a major rebuild this summer, our plan is to repair the footing for the boards in the west end of the ice surface, to lift all the artificial ice piping and install 3 inches of insulation and reinstall new piping.

We will need the help and support of our skating family and of the larger community to complete this project this summer. Thank you again and please help by spreading the word.

Stewart Adams

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF THE ASSESSMENT ROLL

Rural Municipality of Birch Hills No. 460

Notice is hereby given that the assessment roll for the RM of Birch Hills No. 460 for the year of 2016 has been prepared and is open to inspection in the office of the assessor from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm on the following days: Monday to Friday inclusive April 5th to May 5th, 2016, except public holidays.

A bylaw pursuant to Section 214 of *The Municipalities Act* has been passed and the assessment notices have been sent as required.

Any person who wishes to appeal against his or her assessment is required to file his or her notice of appeal, accompanied by a \$50.00 appeal fee which will be returned if the appeal is successful, with:

The Assessor

RM of Birch Hills No. 460

Box 369

126 McCallum Avenue

Birch Hills, SK S0J 0G0

By the 5th day of May 2016

Dated this 5th day of April, 2016 Lois Lange, Assessor

BIRCHVIEW NEWS
APRIL UPCOMING EVENTS
Everyone Welcome 2:30pm



April 8	Eat, Play, Laugh Dinner Theatre (Tickets required)
14	Volunteer Appreciation Tea w/ Sinclairs
20	Job Mates Band
21	Birch Hills Step-Out Linedancers
25	The Gramps

If you like to dance or just listen to the music, please come join us

BIRCHVIEW DINNER THEATRE

Eat, Play, Laugh

Friday, April 8th, 2016

Birch Hills Civic Centre

Italian Feast

Cocktails 6pm, Dinner 7pm

\$25 per person

Call 749-2288 for tickets

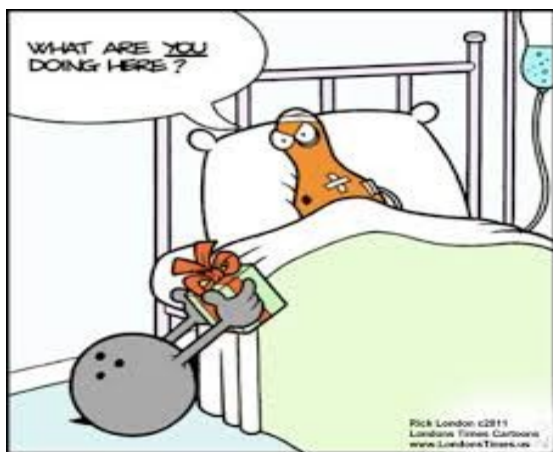
Age of majority required



Birch Hills Public School will be selling CO-OP CARDS from April 4 to April 15, 2016. Here is how you can support our extra-curricular programs!

1. Buy a Co-op card from the school or from one of our students.
2. A percentage of the money from the cards goes to our extra-curricular programs!
3. You will get a card worth the amount you purchased from the school or student. You can use it towards food, gas or products from any of the Co-ops (not bulk fuel). If you buy a \$100 card you get \$100 of products back from the Co-op!
4. A Win / Win for everyone!

If you want to pre-order, please contact Kevin Tait at Birch Hills Public School 306-749-3301. Our students will be canvassing the community from April 4th to April 15th. Thanks for supporting our extra-curricular programs!



BIRCH HILLS SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL CALENDAR



April 8 - Report Cards

15 - PLC no classes

22 - School Wide Celebration

May 1 - Drama Dinner Theatre (afternoon) at the school

18 - Kindergarten Open House 6pm Supper

Birch Hills Dance Centre News

Congratulations to all the dancers who competed in Dance Blast on March 10 – 13 in P.A. Birch Hills dancers brought home 5 Gold Star medals for marks of 90 or over, 15 Gold medals for marks of 85 or over, and 15 Silver medals for marks of 80 to 84. Special adjudication awards were given to Jaemynn and Jovana Hoey for Most Outstand Song & Dance/Novelty Duo , 15 yrs. & over \$50; to Divas Helping Divas for Most Outstanding Song & Dance Novelty, any age Small group, \$100; to Dancing On My Own for Most Outstanding Modern Small Group, any age, \$100, to Hold Me Down for Most Outstanding Modern Large Group, 12 yrs. & over, \$200; to Clap Snap for Most Outstanding Jazz Small group, 9 – 11yrs., \$100 and to Zigga Zig for Most Outstanding Hip Hop Small Group, 15 – 18 yrs., \$100.

We are gearing up for competitions in Tisdale and Warman this month. Then our Annual Recital called "Dance Showcase" is Friday, April 29 at the E.A. Rawlinson Centre in Prince Albert.

Everyone is welcome to attend and support our local dance talent. Tickets will be for sale on-line or at the E.A. Rawlinson box office. Or call 765-1279

BIRCH HILLS HIGHLIGHTS and NEWSLETTER SPONSORS



I have just started up my own business and I am looking forward to providing the community and surrounding areas with any plumbing or heating concerns you may have.

Devin Pratt

Journeyman Plumber

Licensed and Bonded Gasfitter

(306) 280-5137

prattplumbingandheating@sasktel.net



CMT SignShop is a new business ready to serve the community of Birch Hills and surrounding area.

Give us a call for a free quote on 4x8 coroplast or aluminum backed signs for the rinks or ball diamonds, a variety of other signs, banners, vehicle decals, custom vinyl wall art/lettering and much, much more!

If there is something you need for your home, office, shop or toys try us! Call Marlene Hovdebo at

749-7604 for free quotes on your project!



Spring Fling

Saturday, April 23rd
Doors open at 8
\$20.00 a ticket!

TIM TOUTANT BAND

This is the last big fundraiser for the new playground at the school.

Hosted by the Birch Hills Beauties



TLC Daycare
Hours of operation
7am - 6pm
Monday thru Friday

Still looking for a casual maintenance man to do odd jobs around the Daycare.

Juanita is hosting a Tupperware sale fundraiser at the Daycare, April 7 from 3-7pm. Flyers and info available at daycare. All proceeds will go towards the new playground. Sale will continue until May 25.

Our AGM is scheduled for Tuesday, May 3 at 6pm. Nominations will be accepted and the election held for new board members prior to the AGM. Please keep checking our Facebook page and emails for further info and if you are interested in becoming a member.

The Daycare is holding a Spring Clothing drive on May 13...start your spring cleaning early and bag up your clothing, boots, sheets, towels and any other items for the Daycare to pick up at your doorstep!! Keep checking our Facebook page for more info.

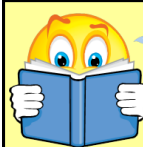
Information Presentation for Seniors

All seniors living in Birch Hills are encouraged to attend a presentation on **Safety and Wellness** on April 20th at 2:00 pm at the Seniors Hall. Presenters include the Birch Hills Fire Department and Tiffany Olsen (Health and Wellness). Coffee and a snack will follow the presentation. If you need transportation to the event please contact Phyllis Braaten at 306-749-2774 before April 19th.

Senior Housing units available from the Birch Hills Housing Authority. For more info on these units please contact Alan Ruder at 306-749-7541.

SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

There are plans in place again for the playground program this summer. This program has been free to all kids ages 5-12yrs and we would like to continue the program at no charge. There are grants available but not all costs are covered. In the past businesses and individuals have donated towards this program that offers nutrition snacks, t-shirts, supplies, tons of fun Mon-Fri (Jul/Aug) and competitive wages for our leaders. If you are interested in assisting with budget requirements, please contact Rec Office for more info. Taxable deductions apply.



LIBRARY NEWS

STORY TIME
Fridays
for 3 - 5yrs old
1:00-1:45pm

Stop in to get your tickets for the **Annual Supper & Speaker Gala** on April 21st

Come Visit your Local Library Today

Saskatchewan Games Estevan Summer 2016 July 24 - 30, 2016

Selections will be made Apr/May for the Sask Games teams. Kids ages 11-19 are welcome to try out (ages & dates pending sport...see <http://saskgames.ca/summer> for more details). Costs are very reasonable and everything is included. Call Lyle LDSCR 953-1623 if you are interested.

If you are interested in taking a Sask Firearm Safety and/or Hunter Education Courses, Federal Firearm Course
Contact Bill 306-749-3394 for more info

BIRCH HILLS GROW PROJECT

The Canadian Food Grains Bank has 15 different church organizations who contribute to help produce food to help feed the hungry people in the world.

Dave Meier is coming to the BH Glad Tidings Tabernacle on April 24th at 11:00am to give a Food Grain presentation and the Meier Quartet will be singing. Dinner to follow. There will be a **Meier Quartet Concert at the church in the evening starting at 7:00pm**. A special offering will be taken for the Grow Project. Pie and coffee will be served. Everyone is welcome.

A big Thank You to all the people who give donations, the people who do the organizing and the work for the Birch Hills Grow Project to be such a success. Thanks a million!
Inez Schilling

NOTICE
ANNUAL MEETING
of the BIRCH HILLS

Conservation and Development Area # 58
Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting
of the Birch Hills
Conservation and Development Area will be held
In the Birch Hills Civic Center
on Tuesday,
April 19, 2016
at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Secretary-Treasurer, Grant Getz

Clubhouse Update:

The committee has been meeting
and some exciting ideas are
coming up. Join us at the Golf
AGM Supper to learn more.
Golf Cart Raffle tickets on sale now.



Limited Tickets.

All proceeds towards new clubhouse

Early payment of annual Golf Membership fees

To allow for the early purchase of an annual membership
(individual or family) at *current rates to avoid a possible*
increase in the new season, those who elect to purchase their
memberships for the new season will have until January 15,
2016 ***Extended to April 15, 2016**** to do this. If the rates
increase in 2016, the purchaser will not have to pay the
increase. The payment must be made IN FULL by January
15, 2016 ***Extended to April 15, 2016****.

**Installment payments of annual memberships
(individual or family)**

To allow for the gradual purchase of the annual member-
ship through installment payments, those who elect to do
this will be able to make up to 5 payments, via cash, money
order or cheque (receipts will be given). You may start as
soon as you wish but the final payment **must be made** no
later than May 1st, 2016 and must include any new season
increase. There will be an administration fee for any refunds.

Payment can be made at the Rec Director's office (Laurie
Berube) or at the AGM April 6, 2016.



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
Also on Facebook
'Birch Hills SK Golf Course'

ADULT SLOW PITCH

is coming. Start gathering your
team and register with
the Rec Office 749-7451
Games are weekly in
July/August.

Day to be determined



Spare players needed

MANE EVENT

(Salon & Dance Hall)

Sat, Apr 2 - Sr Hockey Windup
Starts 8:00pm

Saturday, Apr 16th
April Birthday Celebration



Monday, Apr 18th
Winter Festival Wind-up
Potluck! All welcome

Hall Rentals: Contact Kristy 749-7405

NOMINATIONS being accepted at the Rec
Office for those you would like to recommend as
Outstanding Volunteers in our Community.

Send information of who and why you would like
to recognize them for their Volunteerism and the difference that
they make in our town. Big or small it all counts

Email Laurie at birchhillsrec@sasktel.net



National Volunteer Week

April 10 - 16, 2016

You are cordially invited to attend the Volunteer Appreciation Event
held at Birchview Home April 14, 2016 @ 2:00pm

Volunteers are the Root to Strong Communities

Thank You for Outstanding Volunteer

We would like to send out a special
thank you for the nomination for the
Volunteer Appreciation. We have
always called Birch Hills home, and love
putting back into the community what
it gives to us. We enjoy volunteering
within Birch Hills, as it has offered us
a chance to get out and meet new
people.

Wayne & Karon Thompson



Laurie Berube,
Recreation Director
Box 280, Birch Hills, Sk
S0J 0G0

Cell: 306-749-7451 text or call
Fax: 306-749-2545
E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net
Facebook Page: 'Town of Birch Hills
Community & Recreation'
Website: www.birchhills.ca



CURLING CLUB NEWS

EASTER RAFFLE - Dinner for 6 catered by
Chef Jenni (Willems) in your own home.
Winner was Leyton Elsasser

ANNUAL CURLING RAFFLE

Summer/Winter Vacation Packages @ Waskesieu or Elkridge
Winner was Arlene Mansiere

Congratulations Winners & Thanks for everyone's support

Birch Hills Recreation AGM's

Golf Board

Wed, April 6th
@ Senior Centre
5:30 Social, 6:00 Supper &
Meeting to Follow
Call 749-7451 to RSVP
for supper. Anyone welcome for
meeting after, 7:00pm

Skating Arena Board

Tues, April 12th
7:00pm @ Arena

Rec Board

Tues, April 26th
7:00pm @ Museum

Anyone is Welcome

Community members with
vested interest in recreational
activities in any of these
facilities are encouraged to
attend these meetings and to
consider joining a board that
they would like to see youth
and adult activities continue.
There will be empty seats and
it's time for new faces and
new ideas to relieve those
that have already given many
years to these boards. Thank
you to all of the volunteers
that help manage to keep
Recreation in Birch Hills.
For more info call
749-7451

Looking for volunteers to form a
'Walking Trail Committee' for the Town of Birch Hills.
Please call or text Dale Pratt @ 306-960-4171, if you are
interested.

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

- April 2 - Sr Hockey Wind Up
- 3 - Cowboy Church
- 6 - Golf Board AGM
- 7 - TLC Daycare Tupperware Fundraiser
- 8 - Birchview Nursing Home Dinner Theatre
- 9 - Community Boosters Spring Trade Show
- 12 - Arena Board AGM
- 14 - Volunteer Appreciate Event @ BV
- 16 - April Birthday Celebration
- Metis Local 43 AGM
- 18 - Conservation & Development #58 AGM
- Winter Festival Windup Potluck
- 20 - Sr Safety & Wellness Presentation
- 21 - Library Annual Gala
- 23 - Beauties Playground Fundraiser Dance
- 24 - Meiers Presentation & Concert
- 26 - Rec Board AGM
- 29 - Dance Centre Showcase
- 30 - Weldon Trade Show
- May 1 - Crystal Springs Brunch
- 3 - Bingo starts Tuesdays in Crystal Springs
- 3 - TLC Daycare AGM
- 28 - St Louis Community Garage Sale
- June 18 - Town vs Country Golf Tourney
- Jul 1 - Raffle draw for new Golf Cart

Thank you to everyone who
supported the St Patricks
Day Irish Stew Supper at St
Mary's Church on
Mar 17.



Birch Hills Cowboy Church
@ Community Centre
1st Sun of each month
Next Service

April 3rd 7:00pm
All are welcome

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

All are Welcome



Please Share
Paper with a
friend or Send
request to birch-
hillsrec@sasktel.n
et to receive the
news letter online

Kinistino & Birch Hills Area
METIS LOCAL 43

General Election Meeting.
Come join us for a supper meeting
April 16th 6:30 to 9pm Kinistino Half Century
Club. Call Betty 864-3117 or Darlene 920-8182

