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Spring has sprung!
It seems we may be seeing the end of winter sooner than later. YAY!! We survived another Saskatchewan wind chill.

If all is co-operative with Mother Nature, the golf club will have the driving range open on Sunday and the golf course open on Monday at 9am. Watch for lunch specials and other golf announcements. Cheers!!

Laurie Berube, Rec Director

WINTER FESTIVAL WIND UP

Anyone who volunteered, participated, sponsored, donated to or just wants to join us for supper is welcome
Monday, April 18th at the Mane Event for a potluck meal. 5:30pm



Birch Hills School Drama Club presents....
"Dinner at Eight, Dead by Nine"
by Michael Druce

This play is a clever comedy mystery written to keep all involved guessing as to whodunit!

WHERE Birch Hills School Auditorium

WHEN Sunday, May 1 3:00 pm

Dessert followed by the play

COST \$7/ adult
\$4/student



Come and enjoy !

FIRST FRIDAY COFFEEHOUSE

May 6th @ 7:30pm
at Lake Park Baptist Church
Featuring the "First Friday Band"
Come and enjoy
Music, Coffee,
Desserts & Fellowship
\$8.00 at the door



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'



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.



Funding Assists Rec Activities in Birch Hills

APRIL issues of the Birch Hills Community activity newsletter was paid for you by:
A & M BARTH, CMT SIGN SHOP, PRATT PLUMBING & HEATING

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 June. ..reserve your spot today!
Thank you for supporting your local paper.

You are invited to attend
60TH WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY of
DOUGLAS & DOLORES
WELSH

Sat, April 30, 2016

2:00 O'CLOCK

@ Nutana Legion

3021 Louise Street

Saskatoon, Sask

Hosted by the family!



Old Time Dance

Live Music by George & Alice McIntyre

Saturday, April 30th

Starting at 8pm in Brancepeth

\$10/person. Cash Bar.

Late lunch provided

All proceeds go to Brancepeth Community Hall

BIRCH HILLS SKATING ARENA NEWS

There are some big projects that will require helpers...a lot of helpers!! The more people that can lend a hand, the easier the projects will be. Please contact Stewart (749-7439) or Laurie (749-7451) for more information or stop at the rink when you see vehicles. We are gathering names to send out information when there will be work bees. We need labourers, expertise, cooks and help spreading information. Join our Facebook Page for updates, progress reports and find out how you can help out at **'Birch Hills Skating Arena Project 2016'**



BLACKHAWK SENIOR HOCKEY YEAR END

2015-2016 Blackhawks award winners:
Regular Season MVP - Derek Becker
and Riley Lajeunesse
Top Rookie - Josh Dueck
Most Improved Player - Mark Peterson
Top Defenseman - Tyler Tilford
Most Sportsmanlike - Bryce Nemish
Playoff MVP - Matthew Laturas,
Preston Regnier and Tyler Tilford
Top Scorer (exhibition, regular season
and playoffs) - Tyler Tilford
Bill Lewis Memorial - Jamie Tilford
Coaches Award - Riley Lajeunesse and
Derek Becker
League Top Defenseman - Tyler Tilford

Congratulations to all the award winners! Thanks to the team for a great season, to the volunteers for all their assistance, to the sponsors for their support and to the best fans! See you next Season!!

It seems our area (as well other rural communities) are experiencing an increase in unwanted visitors. Some solar lights at the cemetery have been stolen again and it was mentioned for those to check their loved ones grave sites. Vehicles and garages are

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

The Farm Field Project for the arena fundraiser will happen again this year. If you are a farmer and can help with seeding/harvesting, please contact Laurie (749-7451) to lend a hand. Come be a part of the change

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

being rummaged through. Keep doors locked and valuables out of sight. If you notice any mysterious behaviours or if anyone knows more information to please contact the RCMP at 306-749-2200

BIRCHVIEW NEWS APRIL UPCOMING EVENTS Everyone Welcome 2:30pm



April 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

St Mary's Community Luncheon

Third Friday of the month starting ...

Friday, April 22 11:30-1:00pm

Soup, bun, dessert. Cost is by donation.

Wednesday Morning Coffee

at St Mary's Anglican Church.

9:30-11:00

Everyone Welcome

CLUB VOLLEYBALL

Apr 15-17 the U14 Club Volleyball Team Birch Hills Adrenaline will be playing in Saskatoon/Warman for a Provincial title.

Best of luck to the players: Alayna Braaten, Alex Manson, Alexis Devenis, Casey Pratchler, Ciana Meyers, Emma Mickelson, Jenna Amyotte, Kaitlynn Carriere, Nicole Mitchell, Tayah Rolfes, Tori Dutchak and Jordyn Forsyth

Special thank you to coaches Vicki Eldstrom and Roxanne Mitchell. Good luck Birch Hills!!

LIONS CLUB ANNUAL SPAGHETTI SUPPER



Saturday, May 7th

at the Civic Centre

5:30pm Cocktails, 6:00pm Supper
Silent Auction

Adults \$10, ages 6-12 \$6, under 5 free

Take out available

Advance tickets from any Lions members. Part of the proceeds to the multipurpose facility. For more information, contact Todd Devenis 749-7726

Love to Garden But No Space?

Birch Hills Community Church has garden space available east of the Basketball Court for individuals or families interested in planting and caring for a garden. Interested? Contact Clint or Kathy at the Youth Centre 749-2478 for details.



BIRCH HILLS SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL CALENDAR



April 15 - PLC no classes

22 - School Wide Celebration

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

18 - Kindergarten Open House 6pm Supper

23 - Victoria Day no classes

Birch Hills Dance Centre News



Annual Recital called "Dance Showcase"

is Friday, April 29 6:30pm

at the E.A. Rawlinson Centre in Prince Albert.

Dancers from ages 3 and up will be performing

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/website. Or call 765-1270

Medical 1st Responders

April 19, 2016 7:00pm

at the Birch Hills Civic Centre

There will be a meet and greet for those interested in being a 1st responder or want to support the group and learn what 1st Responders do.

Contact Lyle Evans for more info 930-8074

Spring Cleaning? Donate your **recyclable pop cans, bottles and juice cartons** to the Youth Centre or drop off by ramp at the back. We appreciate your support!

Canadian Tire Money can be donated at Drop Box at Post Office mailbox on their railing



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. 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.

If you are interested in taking a Sask Firearm Safety and/or Hunter Education Courses, or Federal Firearm Courses

Contact Bill 306-749-3394 for more info



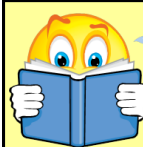
Information Presentation for Seniors

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

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. Thank you to those businesses and individuals that have donated towards this program in the past. We are seeking donations to use towards nutritional snacks, t-shirts, games & craft supplies, and competitive wages for our leaders. If you are interested in assisting with budget requirements, please contact Rec Office for more info. 749-7451 *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.

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

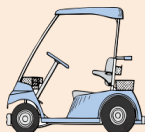
NOTICE
ANNUAL MEETING
of the BIRCH HILLS

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.



Golf Cart Raffle tickets on sale now . Draw
July 1st, 2016 Limited Tickets.
proceeds towards new golf carts



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'



DID YOU KNOW THAT - according to a brief historical
write-up done by Ken Bird, the original Golf Course was
started in 1926. It started first with 4 holes and then in-
creased to 6 holes with sand greens. During 1951-1954 the
land was actually farmed, and then in 1954 with renewed in-
terest in golf brought by Bert Quayle, a new 6 hole sand
green course was built.

2016 then - is our golf course's 90th Birthday from the origi-
nal start date!!!! What a way to honor all the founding mem-
bers dream; by making a contribution to the Golf Course
Fundraising. To get a **tax deductible receipt**, please make
your cheque out to the "Town of Birch Hills - Golf Course
Fundraising". You can drop it at the town office, or at the
golf course when it opens in the next while.

DID YOU KNOW THAT - only \$20.00 gets you a chance on
a \$6000.00 golf cart. If you don't golf, take it to your cabin
or farm! A brand new 2016 Yamaha golf cart with full war-
ranty!! Get your ticket from the Recreation Director, the
Golf Course, Golf Board Members or Golf Members.

DID YOU KNOW THAT - the membership rate formula of-
ten used is 35 rounds x 18 hole rate - your Birch Hills adult
membership pays for itself after 16 rounds! AND that your
membership includes 10% off food, accessories, beverages
(no including alcoholic beverages, golf fees or cart rentals.
PLUS 50% off green fees at participating golf partners.
See clubhouse for more details.

DID YOU KNOW THAT - the Birch Hills Golf Course has
started a loyalty program - buy 9 rounds, and get the 10th
round free!

2016 Golf Board

DID YOU KNOW:

Junior Golf
Memberships now
include 1 basket of
balls for driving
range use per day!!

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 too!!



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



Co-Ed Slow Pitch Tournament
May 14/15, 2016 in Birch Hills
\$500/team, 16 team limit. Cash Prizes
up to \$3000.
Register with Ryan 306-961-1300



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

MANE EVENT (Salon & Dance Hall)

Saturday, Apr 16th
March/April Birthday
Celebration



Monday, Apr 18th 5:30
Winter Festival Wind-up
Potluck! All welcome
Hall Rentals: Contact Kristy 749-7405

Family Sunday School

Sundays....
10:00 - 10:45am
Birch Hills Lutheran Church
(4th Street & Bellamy Ave)

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



Birch Hills Recreation AGM

Tuesday, April 26th
7:00pm @ Museum
Anyone is Welcome

Community members with a vested interest in recreational activities in any BH Rec facilities are encouraged to attend the meeting to learn what we've done and where we're going.

COMING SOON....

Town of Birch Hills
Garage Sale Day

Sat, June 4th
Yard Sales, BBQ's
Street Hockey
Tourney
and Dance...
Watch for more
details to follow in
upcoming
newsletters

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

- April 16 - March/April Birthday Celebration
 - Metis Local 43 AGM
- 18 - Conservation & Development #58 AGM
- Winter Festival Windup Potluck
- 19 - Medial 1st Responders Meet & Greet
- AGM Conservation & Devel Area #58
- 20 - Senior's Safety & Wellness Presentation
- 21 - Library Annual Spring Gala
- 22 - St Mary's Community Luncheon
- 23 - Beauties Playground Fundraiser Dance
- 24 - Meiers Presentation & Concert
- 26 - Rec Board AGM
- 29 - Dance Centre Showcase (in PA)
- 30 - Weldon Trade Show
 - Brancepeth Old Time Dance
- May 1 - Crystal Springs Brunch
 - BH School Drama
- 2 - BH Library AGM
- 3 - Bingo starts Tuesdays in Crystal Springs
 - TLC Daycare AGM
- 6 - LPBC First Friday Coffee House
- 7 - Lion's Club Annual Spaghetti Supper
- 14/15 - Co-ed Slow Pitch Tournament
- 28 - St Louis Community Garage Sale
- 29 - St Saviours Soil & Seed Church Service
- June 4 - Town of Birch Hills Garage Sale Day
- 18 - Town vs Country Golf Tourney

NOTICE: The Town and the RM of Birch Hills will both host an open community information forum regarding the past and recent crime activity that has been happening in our municipalities. Dates to be determined. Please watch for further updates about this important information gathering.
Councillor, Dale Pratt

SEEKING MEMBERS...

Birch Hills Minor Sports and the Birch Hills Skating Club

If you would like to see hockey, ball and/or skating continue in Birch Hills for our youth please consider joining one of these boards. AGM's in May, watch for dates.



BOUQUET OF THANKS

I would like to thank my family for my 80th Birthday Celebration and for everyone that came to the come and go tea, for the cards and best wishes.

It was much appreciated.
Marie Madraga

Birch Hills Library AGM

Monday, May 2nd
7:30pm

at the Civic Centre

If you are interested in supporting your local library, please come join us



Please Share Paper with a friend or Send request to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net 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