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May 1st, 2015

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Greetings Everyone
Spring has finally arrived and so have the mosquitos and ticks! Make sure to check your kids, dogs and yourself if you've been in the great outdoors.

Town Clean Up Week is May 11-15. Leave your bags of leaves, grass, and easy to manage bundled branches and tree clippings at back alley for pick up.

May 1st is a big day for a long time local business man. I don't know the whole story but I am told George McIntyre started his contracting business several decades ago. George; you have been a friend to many, a fair employer to several and from plenty that I have heard your generosity, business sense & community mindedness will certainly be missed. On behalf of the community, I wish you well in your retirement.

Laurie Berube, Rec Director

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



May 3rd 7:00pm

Featuring Country Gospel Music
with down home bible message.

All are Welcome

Pastor Rick Martin 981-2235

Grand Olde Opry

At St Louis Hall

Saturday, May 2nd

7:00pm

Featuring Several singers
and bands. Tickets \$17.50 for show
and dance. Dance only \$10.
Maximum 300 tix. 50/50, Door
Prizes. Tickets available at Sandy's
Groceries (St Louis) or call 961-4250



Lutheran Broadcast Annual Meeting & Fundraiser Potluck Supper

Sunday, May 3, 2015 - 3 p.m. at

Birch Hills Lutheran Church

Lutheran Broadcast airs at

8:30-9 a.m. Sunday mornings on

CKBI radio

Donations up to \$500.00 matched by

Faith Life Financial

Everyone is welcome!

The Birch Hills Memorial Museum
will be celebrating Museum Month
with special features each Wednesday,



please join us for coffee
and Strawberry Shortcake
on

Wed. May 6th from 2 to 4 pm.

The Thrift Shop is open from 9 to 4.

The Museum Quilters have a display
of quilts for sale

MAY issues of the Birch Hills
Community activity newsletter
was paid for you by: **Birch
Hills Ladies Golf Club
Peace Love Reiki,
Birch Hills Lions Club**

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 each sponsor
(3/month) for printing, advertis-
ing and ensuring that the news-
letter stays free for you & the
community.
Thank you for supporting your
local paper.

SYTTENDE MAI FEST

17th of May - 3:00 p.m.
at the Brancepeth Hall

- pot luck lunch



BBQ FOR SENIORS

Saturday, May 9th

11:00 - 1:00pm

Come on down
to the Senior
Hall for a free
homemade
luncheon served
by loving community
members.



Funding Assists Recreational Activities in Birch Hills

LIVE AUCTIONS:

McIntyre Construction
Bev & Maxine Cromartie

Friday May 1st
Wednesday, July 22nd

The Annual Library Gala with local author Hope Pederson was a success. A big thanks to all those who came, helped out, or provided a door prize, your generosity is very much appreciated. Thank you to Marie Braaten and crew for a wonderful meal. The raffle winners were as follows:

1st prize- Shirley Lowe, 2nd prize- Kerry Kyler,
3rd prize- Gordon Hood
Congratulations Winners!

BIRCH HILLS MINOR BALL



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|--------------|-----------------|
| Mite Boys | Mon, May 4th |
| Mite Girls | Tue, May 5th |
| Squirt Girls | Wed, May 6th |
| PBM Girls | Thurs, May 7th |
| Mite Boys | Mon, May 11th |
| Squirt Girls | Wed, May 13th |
| PBM Girls | Thurs, May 14th |

PBM (PeeWee/Bantam Midget) Games start 6:30pm

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Birch Hills Summer Playground Program is free of charge thanks to grant funding and supporters of the program but not all expenses are covered by grants and therefore we rely on other donations.

T-shirts help to identify our kids & leaders on field trips and we would like to continue offering our kids nutritional snacks.

We are seeking financial sponsors for the nutrition snacks and children's t-shirts. If you can contribute a little or a little more, any bit would help and certainly be appreciated.

Tax receipts can be issued. Contact the Rec Office for more information asap, as we need to order these shirts to be ready before the program starts.

Thank you to our past contributors to the program. You help keep our kids active, by giving them opportunities to learn skills such as team work, play, and cooperation. You give opportunity for 3 youth each year to be locally employed and learn skills to become our future leaders. Other youth have learned the importance of community volunteerism and have received employment because of our program. And let's not forget the 3-4 hour a day break that parents get through July & August!!

Watch for future details of upcoming Youth Programming such as Wed Night Boredom Bustin' & Sport Clinics. If your child is interested in a specific sport, feel free to mention it to me.

Laurie, Rec Dir



The Blackhawks held their awards banquet on Apr 25th to recognize

the team and volunteers. Award winners were Chad Fauchoux - Most Sportsmanlike, Brent Bremner - Rookie of the Year, Adam Olchowy - Most Improved; Tyler Tilford - Top Scorer, Best Defenseman and Regular Season MVP, Mark Peterson - Coaches Award & the Bill Lewis Memorial, Matt Laturnas - Regular Season MVP and Playoff MVP, Mike Markell - Playoff MVP

See you next fall.

WANTED - Please check your closets to see if you would have any flannelette sheets or blankets you could part with that could be used as fillers in our quilts at the Museum. We make quilts for many folks in need.

Drop them off at the Thrift Shop or call me at 306 749 2500 and I will pick them up. Thank You.

Shirley Ulvild

FLUTE and FIDDLE UPCOMING EVENTS

May 9th - Jeffrey Straker Concert 8:00pm

Award winning 'singer-songwriter-pianist' on tour with his new album "North Start Falling"

\$20 tickets available at Clay Oven, Bunny Hug Inn or www.fluteandfiddle.ca



June 6th - Trade Fair & Erin Hill Concert

Open Mic & Karaoke Friday Night Hosts in May

May 1 - John Quinn May 8 - Ron Samson

May 15 - Breanne Stubbs May 22 - Erinn Hoffmann

May 29 - Pam Cochet & Students

Grandma B's "Soup on Sundays" Serving 10:30 - 2:00pm

Like us on Facebook

Follow us on Twitter

The Knitting Grannies



are taking a break from our meetings (but still knitting at home).

Consider joining us when we start up again in the fall

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 2015 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 24th to May 25th, 2014, 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 25th day of May 2015

Dated this 24th day of April, 2015

Shirley Pratchler, Assessor

MOMS & TOTS GROUP

Tuesday and Thursdays from

10-12pm At the Youth Centre

\$2 drop in fee for centre hosting

All Moms welcome

Join the "Birch Hills Mamas" Facebook Page
to meet other moms in Birch Hills

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

You supply the 4'x8' Sign and pay \$150/year
For year round Outdoor advertising at the
Birch Hills Ball Diamonds.

Contact Rec Office for more info 749-7451.

Attention all Parents of Kindergarten aged children for the 2015-16 school year.

Birch Hills Public School invites you to an open house on
May 12th at 6:00 PM.

Supper will be provided, on the menu is hamburgers, hotdogs and macaroni salad. Please come and join us as we walk through what you and your child can expect during their Kindergarten year. Our staff is excited to meet you and your child and begin what we hope to be a long standing partnership.

Principal, Jeff Court

Tourism Saskatchewan Week

May 31-June 6

There is funding available for us to host a community event, ..such as a Community BBQ, Open House, etc, not to be used for fundraising but to promote tourism in Birch Hills. Grant applications have to be in by the 15th. Contact Rec Office asap if you have ideas.

BIRTH RHYTHMS from Saskatoon will be coming to Birch Hills to teach the professional doula (child birth support) training course.

The course will be held every Sunday May 31-June 28, 2015. For more information please refer to the Birth Rhythms website: birthrhythms.ca and contact information can be found on there, or call Jenny Riviere 749-2237

The Birch Hills Community Boosters... held a very successful Spring Trade Show, thanks to all who attended and the many vendors that participated, The Birch Hills Girl Guides served the lunch. As we get back into the swing of things for Spring, we invite anyone interested in the happenings around Birch Hills to come to a meeting at the Museum on **Tuesday May 5th at 7:30**. This is a chance to share ideas, make plans and hopefully get more people involved. The Town Clean Up week is from May 11th to 15th, but anytime is a good time to get started. We will once again have our yard signs around Town, Thanks to everyone for making our job so easy when we went looking for nice yards. The Community Boosters were pleased to support The Birch Hills School Playground Project with a cheque For \$300.00

Shirley Ulvild

BIRCH HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT Members are actively raising funds for a new Command Unit.



Tupperware Fundraising on Now!

Place an order for your Tupperware with any BH Fire Fighter by calling the Youth Center at 749-2478 or by ordering online.

UNTIL May 4th

Catalogues are available

2015 Arena Board

Tyler Cochrane, President, Town Council/Hawkeye Rep
Shannon Vey, Vice Pres /Lions Club Rep
John Herd, Town Council Rep Alternate
Jaesen Dansereau, Rec Hockey Rep, Gooser Rep
Greg Manson, Blackhawk Rep,
Stewart Adams, Member at Large
Malissa Hall, Skating Rep
Karla Lyons, Minor Hockey Rep
Welcoming this year Jeff Whitfield, Treasurer
Thank you to Ron Lyons for several past years served &
Vicki Eldstrom for helping in 2014



2015 Birch Hills & District Recreation Board AGM



The Rec Board consists of members from each of the facilities, RM and Town Council and members at large. They oversee and discuss quarterly the rec facilities future, infrastructure and programming. Thank you to those that volunteer to help keep Birch Hills an active and healthy community.

The Rec Board Meeting of Apr 29th has been re-scheduled and will be finalized on May 11th. 7pm in the Museum Basement..

MAY NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

2015 Golf Board

Welcoming this year Larry Strand, President
Stewart Adams, Member at Large
Lionel Turgeon, Treasurer
Returning Jordan Carrier, Vice President
Lorisa Ganes, Secretary,, Ladies Club Rep
Keith Matheson, Member at Large
Dale Pratt, Town Council Rep
Owen Stubbs, Town Council Rep Alternate
Thank you to past board reps Iris Fjeld and Jamie Tilford,
Brock Tilford and Gordon Cochrane,



Birch Hills & District Lions Club

Famous Spaghetti Supper & Silent Auction

Saturday May 30, 2015

Birch Hills Civic Centre

NOTE: DATE CHANGE

5:30 - Cocktails

6:00 - Supper Silent Auction to Follow

Adults - \$10.00 Students 6 - 12- \$6.00



5 and Under - FREE . Takeout available for in town delivery. Get your advanced tickets from any Birch Hills Lions Members. Proceeds go to fund various projects of the Birch Hills Lions Club

Peace Love Reiki

by Mackenzie Ackerman - Crystal Reiki/Usui Reiki Master

Reiki (pronounced ray-key) is a non-invasive natural healing technique that gently balances, realigns and recharges the body triggering its natural ability to heal. Reiki works by releasing negative energy blocks that are caused by emotional, mental or physical stress and pain. Reiki is deeply relaxing and can be very healing! Treatments are done at my home office in Birch Hills, distantly or at your home if travel is difficult.

Call 306.961.1386 for more information.

Birch Hills Ladies Golf Club

Hello from the Birch Hills Ladies Golf Club. We are a group of seventeen women strong and counting, who enjoy golfing and having fun doing it. We meet twice a week to enjoy each others company and practice our golf swings.

We host one tournament in the fall season and with funds raised over the years we have made contributions to the club house for equipment, ball washers or as in last year we developed a small orchard area beside the first tee box in memory of Darlene Elsaesser.



SPRING MEETING & SUPPER

Wednesday, May 6 at 6:00 pm

at the golf clubhouse

Please contact Gaylene at 749-7474 or Sandra at 749-3216 if you are able to attend, so we have an idea of how many to prepare for. We will soon officially begin our 2015 season, starting with a supper meeting.

We encourage all levels of golfers to come out and join us.

Watch the Heartbeat for more information on our planned activities.

EVERY WEEK IN THE HILLS

MONDAY

Bowling at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Dolores Jones 749-2680
~~Line Dancing 9:30-11:30 Sr Hall~~ **returning next fall**
 Thimbles & Threads Sewing Club 6:30pm @ Birchview Melissa 749-3482
 Fire Depart Mtgs every 2nd Mon 7pm @ fire hall Kyle Jensen 749-7536



TUESDAY

~~Knitting Grannies 1pm @ Sr Hall~~ **returning next fall**
 Walking Group @ the Civic Ctr 10-11am
 Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 10am-12pm \$2 drop in fee
 Library Open Weekly 12-4pm and 5-8pm
 Crystal Springs Bingo 7:30pm @ Crystal Springs Hall
 St Louis Karate 7-8pm Call 422-8665 or 749-7500
 Optimist Club 2nd & 4th Tues of the month New members welcome

WEDNESDAY

Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am @ the Sr Hall
 Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 9-4:00pm Great Deals!
 Coffee & Sweets at the Museum 3:00 pm
 Birchview Ladies Aux 9:30 every 2nd Wed ea month New members welcome
 Town Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Wed of the month



THURSDAY

 Cribbage at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Dolores Jones 749-2680
 Walking Group @ the Civic Centre 10-11am
 Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 10am-12pm \$2 drop in fee
 Library Open 12 - 4:30pm
 St Louis Karate 7-8pm Call 422-8665 or 749-7500
 Legion Mtg 2nd Thurs ea month 7pm @ legion hall. New members welcome
 Drama Club for Kids @ Dance Center 6:30pm \$25/mos

FRIDAY

Lutheran Church Coffee Break 9:30-11am Bellamy & 4th St
 Birch Hills Library Open 12-4:30pm/ **Story time 1-1:45pm Final May 1st**
 Flute & Fiddle Open Mic & Karaoke Night Happy Hour 7-8pm All ages welcome

Call if you have changes or events to add to this list; Laurie at 749-7451

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES IN BIRCH HILLS

Birch Hills Community Lutheran Brethren Church @ 11:00am
 Pastor Clint Knutson (Lutheran church corner of Bellamy & 4th St)



Lutheran Church Service 9:30am w/ Pastor Dan Haugen
 (1st, 3rd & 5th Sun of the month)

United Church Service (2nd & 4th Sundays of the month)
 Glad Tidings Tabernacle (Pentecostal) @ 101 4th St 11am

Lake Park Baptist Church @ Hwy 3 11:00am
 Saron Lutheran Church near Hagen 9:30am NOTE: Time changes
 St Mary's Anglican Church @ 255 McCallum Ave **9:00am**
 St Anne's Roman Catholic Church @ 255 McCallum Ave **11:30am**

Thanks to all who attended the Birch Hills Co-operative Meeting Apr 22nd. The members voted almost unanimously to dissolve the BH Coop and PA would take over. More details to follow

RYSC YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISING



We are continuing to accept donations of **RECYCLABLE BEVERAGE** cans & bottles.

Donations of Canadian Tire Money can be dropped off in mailbox outside Post Office Call 749-2478 for more info.

BIRCH HILLS LIBRARY NEWS

STORYTIME FINAL Friday is May 1st 1:00-1:45pm

Thank you to 'Ms Joanne' for the Friday Afternoon stories, games, crafts and treats. See you in the fall



"Can you pretend you're Grandma just once and give us whatever we want?"

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY - May 10th

WALKING GROUP

10:00-11:00am on Tuesdays & Thursdays @ the civic Center We will walk at our own pace and stay active. Contact Shirley Lyons 749-3233 for more info All Welcome





Laurie Berube,
Recreation Director
Box 280, Birch Hills, SK
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Fax: 306-749-2545
E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net
Facebook Page: 'Town of Birch Hills
Community & Recreation'
Website: www.birchhills.ca

LAKEPARK BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

AWANA is now over for the summer
and will resume again in the fall.

LINK UNION concert on Thursday,
June 18th 7pm at Lake Park Baptist
Church. Free Will Offering

BIRCH HILLS GOLF COURSE NEWS

The course is now in full *swing*! Golf special for a limited
time is \$15/ 9 holes. Clubhouse is now open for lunches with
homemade buns and hot lunch specials on Mondays. Watch
facebook for updates. Order ahead by calling 749-2211.

Mark your calendars for upcoming tournament dates. See up-
coming events and watch paper for more details as dates get closer.

We have not increased our fees since 2012, therefore a minimal
increase has been added. ie: Green Fees are now \$19/round.

For our golf members, we have again the 50% off Green Fees
Anytime, Any day at partnering courses (St Brieux, Shellbrook,
Lanigan, Leroy, Wynyard and Manitou Beach) Members now also
receive 10% off meals, golf accessories and clothing in Birch Hills.

REMEMBER: 10packs can be used towards your Golf membership
until June 15th.

As we start the year with new board members and fresh ideas, we
welcome your thoughts too. Feel free to communicate with board
members any concerns, encouragements or ideas pertaining to our
golf course or clubhouse. Thank you to all who attended our AGM.

Our next Golf meeting is May 25th 8pm @ the Clubhouse



GREENHOUSE BUS TRIP:

Mothers Day - May 10th,
hop on a chartered bus in
Birch Hills and make your way
to 3, somewhat local, green-
houses and finish the day at
Riverlot Orchards Winery
and Bistro on the banks of
the South Saskatchewan
River for supper/tour and
wine tasting.
Need 35 prepaid people to
make it a go.

Cost is \$25/person
(bus only) lunch and
supper and shopping
extra.

First come first
serve.

Deadline is May 1st call or
text 306-749-7377



NOTICE: Town of Birch Hills Compost Schedule

The BH Transfer Station
remains closed for any waste
disposal.

The transfer station will be
open for **COMPOST ONLY** on
the following Saturday from
9am-3pm (closed at noon)
May 9, 16, 20, July 25, Aug 15,
Sept 19, Oct 10 & 17

This is garden refuge only &
brush only (no construction
material or garbage)
Compost pickup in town May 6,
June 3, July 2, Sept 2, Oct 7

SPRING CLEAN UP WEEK

May 11th - 15th

FALL CLEAN UP WEEK

October 5th - 9th

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

- May 1 - McIntyre Construction Auction
 - Final Library Story Time till fall
- 2 - Grand Olde Opry in St Louis
- 3 - Lutheran Broadcast AGM & Potluck
 - Cowboy Church
- 5 - Community Booster Meeting
- 6 - Museum Open House
 - Ladies Golf Meeting & Supper
- 9 - BBQ for Seniors
 - Jeffrey Straker Concert
- 10 - Greenhouse Bus Trip
- 11-15 - Spring Clean Up Week
- 12 - Kindergarten Open House @ School
- 17 - Syttende Mai Fest (potluck Brancepeth)
- 30 - Lion's Club Spaghetti Supper
- June 6 - BH Garage Sale Days
 - F&F Trade Fair & Erin Hill Concert
- 18 - Link Union Concert @ LPBC
- 20 - Town vs Country Golf
- 27 - Terry Sanderson 2 person best ball golf
- July 14 - Flyer Electric Mens Golf (full)
- 18 - Legion Golf Tournament
- TBA Cinammon Bun Golf Classic
- 8 - Corey Braaten Memorial Golf Tourney
- Aug 31 - PreSchool Registration
- Sep 2 - Ladies Harvest Golf Tournament



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