

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS

HEARTBEAT

The 'Birch Hills Community Heartbeat' newsletter is printed bi-monthly and available at the following locations on the 1st and 15th of the month: Co-op Grocery, Brahma Insurance, Quayle Pharmacy, and various other businesses downtown. Pick up your free copy and share with a friend. Send your email address and request to be added to newsletter emailing list to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net

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Happy Summer Finally!!

The Birch Hills Playground Program has begun and the kids and leaders are enjoying the new play area at the ball diamonds. Out of town visitors are always welcome. There are field trips to Kidzfest (Jul 17) and Struthers Lake (Jul 24), that require parental consent and space is limited. Send in your child's permission slips asap to Brittany Larson, Playleader.

There are and has been sport and craft activities being offered for our youth. They are not always well and sometimes not even attended. I need your help to know why you might think this is the case. Dollars and hours are consumed planning and waiting, which is rather frustrating, especially when comments are heard like "there's nothing for our kids to do" There are posters, billboards, the newsletter, facebook and we've even talked to the kids. What else can be done? I'm guessing kids don't read posters so parents, it's up to you. Please tell your kids about these activities and encourage them to participate while activities are being offered.

Enjoy the sun and don't forget sunscreen!

Laurie Berube, Rec Director

LADIES NINE & DINE

rescheduled to Wednesday, July 23

Quick 101 lesson at 5:30pm

Tee off 5:45pm

Appetizers around 8:00pm

\$25 includes 9 holes & appys

\$10 for those not wanting

to golf but want to visit.

Pre-register at clubhouse



Cinnamon Bun Classic

Best Ball Golf Tournament

(Darlene Elsasser Memorial)

Saturday, July 26, 2014

Shotgun Start 1:00pm

Ham Supper @ 5:00pm

\$60/golfer includes 9 holes of golf & supper (carts extra)

Team or individual entries welcome.

Registration requested at the Clubhouse

749-2211 by July 23rd



Birch Hills Legion Lester Franklin Memorial Open Golf Tourney

Saturday, July 19th, 2014

Cost is \$50 includes Golf Fees

and Supper. Proceeds go

towards the Legion Hall

Registration requested at the

Clubhouse by July 15th



BOREDOM BUSTIN'

July and August in Birch Hills

Wed Nights @ 6:30pm

Meet behind the school

Activities for 9yrs+.

Send the kids out for some fun, games

and play sponsored by the Rec Board

Leader Taylor Mitchell

Birch Hills Crime Watch

Open Community Meeting

Tuesday, July 15th 7:00pm

@ the Clay Oven.

RCMP representatives in attendance.

JULY issues of the Birch Hills Community activity newsletter was paid for you by: **Bev & Maxine Cromartie, Northern Light Orchard, Iris Arksey**

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 ea sponsor (3/month) for printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for you & the community. Thank you for supporting your local paper.

RANDOM PLAY

If you see activity in the parks or behind the school, just ask these 3 simple words...

"Can I play?"

Start

your

own

random

play

today...Grab a ball and

some friends. Post &

invite on the Birch Hills

Community facebook

page if you'd like.

Watch for kids

activities behind the

school around 6pm

(M,T,T,F) Tori Dutchak

& Jessica Harris are

offering to host games.



BIRCH HILLS BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

NORTHERN LIGHT ORCHARD

Northern Light Orchards, www.northernlightorchards.com located on the Northern Light Road 2 ½ miles south of the Hagen/Highway #25 intersection, began growing haskap in 2008. Local owners include Carl and Sandra Barber, Kevin and Craig Ulvild and Jason Green. Our 10 acres of haskap are well sheltered and continue to increase both in size and productivity. This fruit has a wonderful full and complex flavor and intense color without being full of seeds. Thank you to all who have provided encouragement and support since we began.

Although we sell primarily wholesale and now harvest most of our fruit mechanically, we are pleased to continue to offer U-Pick, pick on shares, or already picked- fresh or frozen haskap to all who ask as well as limited quantities of other products. We expect harvest the beginning of July. You may have experienced our fruit at local events in pancake toppings, over ice cream, or in a variety of baking. LB Distillers has an amazing liqueur made from our berries. As Bryce Wilde explained on the Dr Oz show this past winter he considers haskap one of the new “superfoods” because it is not only higher in anti-oxidants than blueberries and full of Vitamin C and other nutritional goodies it tastes great and can be consumed in many ways.

If you are interested in our orchard, purchasing our fruit or other products, or part time employment, we hope to hear from you or see you soon.

Contact Carl or Sandra at 306-749-3216, Carl at 306-749-7782, or email northernlight@sasktel.net.

 **Sask Culture Days**
September 26-28, 2014
Funding has been approved! If you are interested in teaching any kind of arts or culture during this weekend, please contact Laurie at the Rec Office. Mark your calendars for a weekend of free classes of yoga, painting, language arts, dancing and more. Watch for more details of the different classes you and your kids can participate in for FREE!! Thanks to Sask Culture Funding and our local resident teachers of culture.

Memorial Service
at St Saviour's
Anglican Church
Sunday, August 3rd
starts at 3:00pm

Potluck supper to follow.
Rev Chris Dow officiating.
Everyone welcome to come celebrate and remember those that lived and passed before us.



ONLY 3 LEFT...

Buy a table or bench in memory of a loved one or on behalf of your family or friends. These tables will be used at the Birch Hills Sportsgrounds. We can make plaques as per your request. Families, Individuals, Businesses, Groups are welcome. Contact Laurie birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or call 749-7451 (First come, First served)



Come and go tea to celebrate the
90th Birthday of Argentine Rust
July 27th 2:00-4:00pm
@ the Senior Hall
Everyone is Welcome



COMMUNICATION WORKS!!

Yay, we got our sheds!!
Thank you to Pat & Amanda Murphy for one shed & Bob Hekelaar for the other.

A Huge Thank You to Gord Hood & son for picking them up and delivering them. **AND** for shingling a shed roof (shingles donated by Lorne Ridgway) **AND** for cutting and stocking wood for campers. **AND** for installing the Horseshoe Pits at the Sportsgrounds (donated by the Museum Group). *Bring your own shoes or borrow ours. Can be picked up from the Golf Clubhouse. deposit requested)*



Deadlines for submissions for newsletter are the 10th and 25th of each month.
Send entries to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or call 306-749-7451

The Birch Hills COMMUNITY BOOSTERS

THERE IS NO MEETING IN JULY

Next meeting Tuesday August 19, 2014 @ 7:30pm
in the Museum Boardroom.

Contact Stewart or Louise Adams or Shirley Ulvild for more info



Summer Dance Camps

** for ages 8yrs & up on August 25, 26, 27.
No dance experience necessary

** Preschool Summer Dance Camps - Themed day camps for the little dancers in your life Register Now for Early Bird Pricing!

Ages 2.5 - 4yrs August 11 & 12th

Ages 3 - 6yrs August 18 and 19th

Early Bird Registrations by July 15th for discounted fees

For more info email bhdc@sasktel.com or phone 749-3446

or Join us on Facebook *Birch Hills Dance Center*

Kids Bible Club

In Glad Tidings Tabernacle

Tuesday Afternoon August 5th & 12th

2:00pm to 3:30pm

Children and youth are welcome to come to 101 4th Street, Birch Hills for a Kid's Bible Club

There will be contests, prizes, lively singing, bible stories, memory verses, games and lunch.

Come and be Blessed!



JOB OPPORTUNITY:

Bookkeeper Required to help in the Recreation Department.

Casual hours paid on a monthly salary. Send applications Attn:

Tara birchhills.town@sasktel.net or mail to Box 206, Birch Hills

FLUTE and FIDDLE UPCOMING EVENTS



JJ Voss Concert August 2nd

In With the Old Concert August 23rd

Purchase concert tickets at Clay Oven online www.fluteandfiddle.ca

Open Stage & Karoke Friday Night Hosts in July

July 18 - Barry Hodgson July 25 - Danielle Boulet

August 1 - Mona Brittain August 8 - Carmen Robertson

NEW:

Friday Steak Nights 5-8pm BBQ your own (steak provided).

\$12.50 for steak, baked potato, home baked beans, coleslaw & bun.

Like us on Facebook,

Follow us on Twitter

Birch Hills Cowboy Church

@ Community Centre

1st Sunday of each month

Next Service **August 3rd 7:00pm**

Featuring Country Gospel Music with
down home bible message.



All Welcome.

Pastor Rick Martin 981-2235

The 18th Annual Birch Hills & District Historical Society's Threshing & Family Fun Day

Sunday, August 17, 2014

@ the museum.

Admission is free.



Visit the museum and the thrift shop
and the vintage displays.

The day's schedule begins at 7:30 am:

7:30 Pancake Breakfast

10:30 Church Service

12:00 Parade (on main street)

Food Concessions

Silent Auction

1:00 Children's Activities

Old Time Musical Entertainment

50/50 Raffle ticket sales begin

3:00 Threshing Demonstration

3:30 50/50 Raffle ends with 3 draws

Quilt Raffle tickets drawn

Silent Auction closes

The Museum is open every Wednesday

from 2:00-4:00PM and admission is

free; the Thrift Shop is open every

Wednesday from 9:00 to 4:00pm

GET YER GOAT...OR THEIRS!

Golf Course Raffle \$5/ticket

Buy your Friend or Foe a chance to

Win A Real Live Goat!! No KIDDing!!

Goat Insurance \$20

(ensures you won't win the goat)

Draw Date Sept 30, 2014

Tickets on sale now at
Golf Course or from golf
board members



SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM



Kids 5-12yrs are welcome to attend the Summer Playground Program Monday thru Friday 1:00-4:00pm at the Sportsgrounds (rain days meet at the golf clubhouse) Contact Brittany Larson 981-5580. Visitors to Birch Hills are welcome to attend as well. This is a free program Parents and kids, please keep to one side of the road on the way out to the diamonds. Drivers be aware of bikers and walkers.

LION'S BALL DIAMOND PARK NEWS

Co-ed Adult Slow Pitch League:

Wednesday Nights - 7pm



Drop in SlowPitch Fridays

7pm at the diamonds. \$2 to play
Everyone is Welcome. Come once in awhile, come all the time...just drop in!

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



HELP NEEDED

The museum group is seeking someone to help with the Threshing Demonstration on August 17th at the Threshing Day Celebration. Please call 749-2262 if you can help.

ATTENTION YOUTH



A special Junior Golf Night was held Monday, July 7th. This was a FREE & FUN evening for any one under 18yrs.

This included free club rentals, green fees and a BBQ. No juniors attended!!

Just wondering if you would like to share reasons why you think these activities for our youth are not being attended. Can we do something different? We have collected a list of youth that want lessons and to play. If your kids missed out on this evening but are interested in learning or playing. Contact Ethel at the Clubhouse 749-2211.

Take advantage of **July!! Junior's Month. \$5 green fees!!**

Thank you to Lorissa Ganes that came out *once again* to give golf lessons and waited while no one showed.

Birch Hills Crime Watch on Facebook

There will be a meeting for anyone concerned about the delinquent activity happening in Birch Hills lately. If you are interested in learning more about how to become involved and to be part of the solution to return our town to a safe and secure place to raise our kids and live, please consider attending this meeting

July 15th 7pm at the Clay Oven.

Constable Con Lerat and an RCMP representative will come and walk us through starting up a community patrol program. We can discuss issues and concerns relating to RCMP patrol in town.

If you are unable to attend the meeting but want to be involved or have information regarding what's happening, contact Amanda Bliss or Rosa Matice or join the Facebook page for updates.

In the meantime, keep vehicles and doors locked and your eyes open for suspicious behavior. Contact RCMP 749-2200 if you have any incidents to report.

If RCMP doesn't hear from Birch Hills residents, they won't have any reason to come out here. It's your responsibility to speak up for our community!

LAKE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Link Union in Concert Tuesday July 22nd, 7pm @ LPBC

Drive-in at LPBC featuring "Heaven Is For Real". August 15th
Movie starts @ 9:30pm \$10 per vehicle, concessions available

Wilderness Escape VBC August 18 thru 22 9am to noon
for kids ages 5 to 12yrs. At the church.
Call 306-749-3185 to pre-register

Threshing Day Ecumencial Service Sunday, August 17th
10:30am in the cover-all building at the museum



Please Share Paper with a Friend or Send Email to receive the news letter online

EVERY WEEK IN THE HILLS

MONDAY

Bowling at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Vel 749-3364
 Thimbles & Threads Sewing Club 6:30pm @ Birchview Melissa 749-3482
 Fire Department Meetings 7pm @ fire hall

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf 9:00am Mens Golf Night 6:00pm
 Karate 7:30pm St Louis Karate Club 422-8665
 Library Open 12-4pm and 5-8pm [Craft Nights...check schedules](#)
 Community Booster Mtg 3rd Tues of the month Civic Centre 7:30-9pm
 St Louis Karate 7-8pm Call 422-8665 or 749-7500
 Optimist Club 2nd & 4th Tues of the month New members welcome
 Crystal Springs Bingo 7pm



WEDNESDAY

Ladies Night Golf 5:30pm
 Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am at 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
 Randy Hoback Office 1st Wed of month @ Town Hall 1-3pm
 Holy Trinity Church Srvc 7pm Brancepeth starting June 4- Aug 13th
Boredom Bustin' July/Aug evenings 7pm behind school
Adult SlowPitch League 7pm @ diamonds



THURSDAY

Cribbage at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Vel 749-3364
 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



FRIDAY

Lutheran Church Coffee Break 9:30-11am Bellamy & 4th St
 Birch Hills Library Open 12-4:30pm **Story time done till fall**
Drop in Slow Pitch @ ball diamonds 7pm \$2 to play
 Flute & Fiddle Karaoke & Steak Nite Happy Hour till 8 All ages welcome

If you have something to add to this list, contact Laurie at 749-7451

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES IN BIRCH HILLS

Birch Hills Community Church @ Civic Centre 11:00am
 at 428 Bellamy Ave 9:30am:



Lutheran Church Service (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

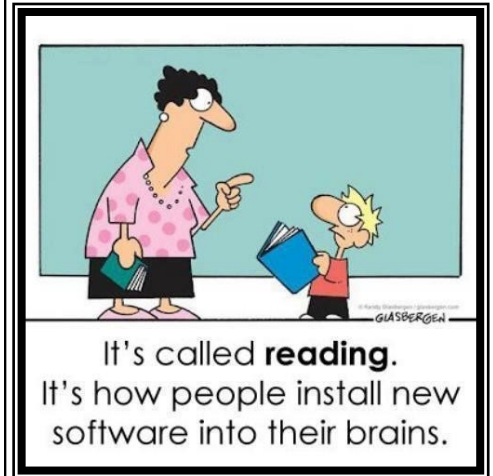
St Mary's Anglican Church @ 255 McCallum Ave 9:00am

St Anne's Roman Catholic Church @ 255 McCallum Ave 11:30am

BIRCH HILLS LIBRARY NEWS

Library Hours:

Tuesdays: 12-4 & 5-8 pm,
 Thursdays & Fridays:
 12 to 4:30 pm



LIBRARY's READING PROGRAM

Sign up at library for your summer reading kit. *For every 5 books you read, you get to put your name in a draw for great prizes.*

CRAFTS for KIDS -

The following Tuesday evenings we will have craft night for ages 5-12yrs : **July 8,15, 22 and Aug 12,19,26**

NO CRAFT on July 29 or Aug 5 due to holidays 6:30 to 7:30

This is a free program, supported through the Sask Lotteries Community Funding

WATCHING EYE MAGIC MAGICIAN

Roger Boucher will be performing a magic show at the Flute and Fiddle Wed. Aug 13 at 1:30pm



This is a free program for all ages The Playground Program will be attending

Birch Hills Lutheran Church worship is cancelled July 20, Aug. 3 & 17 and starts again Aug. 24th.



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'Birch Hills Community & Recreation'

Website: www.birchhills.ca



Funding Assists Recreational Activities in Birch Hills

Board Members Needed

Are you interested in *Golf, Skating Club or Minor Sports (Ball/Hockey)?*

Contact Rec Office or a current member for more information or attend a meeting to see how you can get involved.

Watch for details in upcoming newsletters.

Next Golf Meeting is Aug 14 7:00pm
@ the Clubhouse

Bouquet of Thanks!



The family of Len & Greg Myhr wish to sincerely thank all the wonderful people who brought and sent cards, flowers, donations and food etc, after their passing. It was really overwhelming and much appreciated. It showed us how many friendly and caring people there are in Birch Hills and around the area.

Thanks so much all you nice people, it all helped us greatly through the ordeal. Love you all!
The Myhr Family

Flyer Electric LP Men's Night Golf Tourney



was held on July 8th. The Golf Board would like to thank Jamie Tilford & Ethel Rutherford for organizing and helpers Linda Cox, Alyssa Stubbs, Laurie Berube, Megan & Sandy Elsaesser. A very special thank you to Bob Cockwill for his support with this annual tournament. Final numbers have not been confirmed but fundraiser brings in close to \$10,000 each year. Proceeds will go towards the new clubhouse.

BIRCH HILLS GOLF COURSE NEWS

Lunch at the Clubhouse

Call 749-2211 to pre-order lunch

homemade & fresh buns and meats

Fresh baked Cinnamon Buns on Sat & Sun

Monthly 50/50
Draw. Tickets
available at
Clubhouse

Mens Night 6:00pm Tuesdays

Ladies Golf Tues 9:00am
Wed 5:30pm



Fun day Mondays: 2 for 1 green fees (\$18)

Thirty Thursdays: 9 holes & Cart Rental \$30

JUNIOR JULY GOLF PROMOS:

Any golfers under 18yrs will pay \$5/round of golf throughout July
Any time, Any day when accompanied by and adult

Congratulations to Wendy Ozmun Winner of June's 50/50 draw

HOLE IN ONE

Bill & Agnes
Crawford's
grandson, John
Crawford got a
hole in
one July
long
week-
end on
hole #3 with his
8 iron.
Way to Go, John!



Threshing Day Parade

on August 17th
Call Stuart
749-1212 to
register your
float.

Thank you to the
Optimist Club for
helping to
organize the
parade this year.



Birch Hills Upcoming Events

July 15 - Community Booster Mtg

- Citizens on Patrol Program Meeting
- Dance Center Early Reg deadline
- 19 - Legion Golf Lester Franklin Open
- 22 - Link Family Concert @ LPBC
- 23 - Ladies Nine & Dine
- 26 - Cinnamon Bun Classic Golf Tourney
- 27 - Come & Go Tea for Argentine Rust

August 1-3 - Weldon's 100th Celebration

- 2 - JJ Voss Concert F&F
- 3 - Memorial Church Service
Cowboy Church
- 5 & 12 - Kids Bible Club
- 11-12 - Summer Dance Camp
- 13 - Magician Show for kids
- 15 - Drive-in Movie @ LPBC
- 16 - Cory Braaten Memorial Golf
- 17 - 18th Annual Threshing Day
- 18-22 - LPBC Vacation Bible School
- 18-19 - Summer Dance Camps
- 19 - Community Booster Mtg
- 23 - In with the Old Concert F&F
- 25-27 - Summer Dance Camps

Sept 3 - Ladies Harvest Fun Golf Tourney

- 4 - Minor Hockey Registration
- 26-28 - Sask Culture Days
- 28 - Brancepeth Fall Supper

October 18 - Christmas Shopping Bus Tour

Mark your calenders: August 1-3, 2014

Weldon's 100th Celbration. For more info
contact Kathy Lima or check out

www.weldoncentennialhomecoming.com