

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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Greetings All, August is a very busy month in Birch Hills!! Be sure to read carefully for events and activities for kids, families and adults. Watch for upcoming information on fall activities & registrations for skating, dance, school, curling, hockey including ladies and mens league.

If you haven't been out golfing this year, it is a sure must to visit our beautiful course. Our driving range is open for those that want to practice hitting balls. Only \$6!

Our Community Boosters have been very busy beautifying our main areas of town. Kudos to them and to all who keep our town lookin' good! Take care,
Laurie Berube, Rec Director

Cory Braaten Memorial Golf Tournament

Four Man Best Ball August 16th
Pre-registration required by Aug.13
Please call Naomi at 314-2347
\$160 for 9 holes of golf
(4/team-includes golf & lunch)
Proceeds are going to building fund for Birch Hills Clubhouse



LION'S BALL DIAMOND PARK NEWS

Co-ed Adult Slow Pitch League:

Wed - 7pm Spectators are welcome...even the hecklers!!



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!

BIRCH HILLS LIBRARY NEWS

NOTICE: Change of Library Hours
Tues July 29 & Aug 5th library will be open 12-6:30 instead of 12-8pm

Library Hours:

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



CRAFTS for KIDS -

with Courtney Arnestad
Tuesday evenings we will have
craft night for ages 5-12yrs :
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

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.

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



AUGUST issues of the Birch Hills Community activity newsletter was paid for by: **Birch Hills Historical Society / Museum Group**

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.

Happy 100th Birthday
Weldon!!

Enjoy your
**Centennial
Homecoming
Celebration.**

August 1-3rd weekend



Sask Culture Days

Sept 26-28,
If you are interested

in teaching any kind of arts or culture during this weekend, please contact Laurie at the Rec Office. You don't have to be professional, just interested in teaching a cultural passion of yours.



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

Sunday, August 17, 2014 @ the museum

Admission Free



Visit the museum and the thrift shop and the vintage displays

7:30-9:30 — Pancake Breakfast (Civic Center)

(Proceeds to the First Responders)

10:30-11:30 — Church Service (Cover-All Building on Museum Grounds)

(Collection proceeds to the Birch Hills Ministerial Association)

12:00 — Parade (Birch Hills Dreamland Optimists coordinators)

— Food Concessions: BBQ, Ice Cream stand, and Museum Ladies Auxiliary's beef-on-a-bun meal, and pie and coffee in the Basement

12:00 - 3:30 — Silent Auction (Large Metal Shed)

NOTE: Auction closes at 3:30 pm SHARP !!

1:00 — Children's Events by the Hovdebo's & the Lake Park Church

1:00 - 3:00 — Musical Entertainment (George Pistun & Company)

1:00 - 3:30 — 50/50 Raffle-3 Draws

3:00 — Threshing Demonstration

3:30 — *Quilt draws, 50/50 draws, Silent Auction closed*

The Museum is open every Wednesday from 2:00-4:00PM and admission is free; the Thrift Shop is open every Wed from 9 to 4pm

Keep Health Care PUBLIC Information

BBQ Tuesday, August 19 12:00-2:00pm

South Side of Birch Hills Co-op

Free to the Public. Come and

find out - "What is at Stake?"



Sponsored by CUPE Local 4777

Senior Housing units are available from the Birch Hills Housing Authority.

For information on these units please contact Alan Ruder at 306-749-7541

BOREDOM BUSTIN'

July and August in Birch Hills

Wed Nights @ 6:30pm

Kids 9yrs+ Meet behind the school for Different kinds of Activities.

Send the kids out for some fun, games and play sponsored by the Rec Board

Leader Taylor Mitchell

Birch Hills & District Historical Society

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Email: bhmuseum@yahoo.ca

Visit us at: www.birchhills.ca

We are now Eighteen and like any 18 year-old we are full of enthusiasm and activity. Our energy and zeal is all directed to Preserving Our Heritage.

Roots

Our organization came into being in 1996 when the old Birch Hills Historical Society, The Vintage Machinery Club, and The Birch Hills History Book, and Homecoming '90 joined together. The local Birch Hills governing bodies were able to make available for us the Memorial Hospital building, which had been closed, as well as the surrounding area.

A volunteer executive and board of directors established our by-laws and mandate, "Striving to Preserve Our Heritage". Our efforts since then have been directed entirely towards this goal.

The pooled resources of the three groups mentioned above helped to get us started. We have worked hard to raise money to keep progressing. The Town of Birch Hills supports us by providing services both within the building and on the grounds. Construction and renovations costs have been met through donations, grants, and fundraising events. We are grateful for all the support from individuals and groups, and are confident that we can continue with our work as more helpers join us. We have no paid staff. Volunteers are our lifeline.

Directors (up to 20) serve 2-year terms. Up to ten are elected each year. An executive of 5 members is also elected annually in February. Meetings are held as needed - more often during June, July, and August, to prepare for our Annual Threshing Day Celebrations.

The Birch Hills and District Historical Society is a member of the Museums Association of Saskatchewan. You can become a lifetime member of the Historical Society by paying a one time fee of \$25. See the museum staff for assistance. Thank you for your support.



Birch Hills Dance Centre News

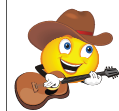
Themed Preschool Day Camps will be offered at the Birch Hills Dance Centre for the little dancers in your life on the following dates:

- 2 ½ to 4 year-olds on Mon/Tues, Aug. 11 & 12 from 10 to 12 noon
- 3 to 6 year-olds on Mon/Tue Aug. 18 & 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon

A three-day camp for ages 8 and up is offered on August 25, 26, 27. All levels of dancers are welcome including those with no dance experience. Ballet, jazz, hip hop, tap, modern/contemporary, lyrical, musical theatre, acro, drama and voice are the disciplines offered.

Classes will run daily from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for Juniors (8 - 10 yrs.) and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for Intermediates and Seniors (11 yrs. & up).

For info e-mail bhdc@sasktel.net, visit Birch Hills Dance Centre on Facebook or phone 306-749-3446



Birch Hills Cowboy Church
@ Community Centre
1st Sunday of each month
(except August)

Next Service **Sept 7 7:00pm**

The Birch Hills COMMUNITY BOOSTERS

Next meeting
Tuesday August 19, 2014 @ 7:30pm
in the Museum Boardroom.
Contact Stewart or Louise Adams or
Shirley Ulvild for more info



SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

Kids 5-12yrs are welcome **Monday thru Friday 1-4:00pm**
at the Sportsgrounds (rain days meet at the golf club-house) Contact Brittany Larson 981-5580. This is a free program thanks to our sponsors, Visitors are always welcome



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.

FOR SALE BY TENDER

1997 GMC C/R 1500 Reg Cab 2wd Truck
1992 International Garbage Truck
1984 Sweeprite Sweeper-Model #SR2400

All equipment sold "as is, where is".

Please submit tenders to the town office by 4:00 on August 20, 2014.

For more information, contact the town office at 749-2232.



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

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

August 1 - Mona Brittain August 8 - Carmen Robertson

August 15 - Life is Good August 22 - Breanne Stubbs

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

St Louis "Car Rally"



Pile in & treasure hunt for cash prizes

Sat, October 11, 2014

Entry Fee \$120/vehicle

Register and pay for your team by October 1st for a discounted price of only \$100/vehicle.

Entry Fee includes, supper and DJ music to follow after prize awards

1st Prize of \$1000

2nd Prize of \$500

3rd Prize of \$300

For more information or to register call 422-8665 or 981-3810

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS FROM THE BIRCH HILLS CHURCHES

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES IN BIRCH HILLS

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



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 9:00am

CHANGE OF WORSHIP PLACE

Beginning August 3, worship services for Birch Hills Community Lutheran Brethren Church will be held at 11:00 a.m. at Birch Hills Lutheran Church building on the corner of Bellamy and 4th Street

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

Farewell to Father Janusz and a warm welcome to Father

Michael at St. Anne's Roman Catholic Parish in Birch Hills.

Father Michael's first mass at our parish will be August 10th

Sunday masses from August 1st to January 31st are at 9:00am

Each mass is a Eucharistic celebration.

The first Sunday of each month is a youth mass.

There are opportunities for sacrament preparation and the receiving of these sacraments.

There is music/singing at each Sunday celebration.

On the first Sunday of each month from August to January coffee and snacks are served after mass. **Everyone is welcome!**

LAKE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

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

Kids Bible Club

Tuesday Afternoon August 5th & 12th

2:00pm to 3:30pm



Children and youth are welcome to come to 101 4th Street, In the Glad Tidings Tabernacle

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

Come and be Blessed!

Saron Lutheran and Birch Hills Community church hosting

VBS (Vacation Bible Study) *Gangway to Galilee*

Mon thru Fri, August 25-29 5:30 - 8:00pm at the Youth Center

Each evening kicks off with a supper for the whole family!

Preschool Play area available.

Receive a Free T-shirt if Preregistered. Call 749-2478

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.

Cans & Bottles Piling Up?

RYSC Youth Group continues to collect **RECYCLABLE BEVERAGE** cans and bottles including Glass Beverage bottles, Metal Juice Cans and Juice Boxes and Juice Cartons. If you have some you would like to donate, please call 749-2478.

We will pick them up or you can drop off at the back of the Youth Center

RYSC Youth is collecting

Canadian Tire Money.

A drop box has been set up on the step railing at the Post Office.

Thank you for donations!

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

Christmas Shopping Bus Tour

Looking for that perfect, unique gift for that special someone, or maybe one for that person who seems to have everything?? Come with us!!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2014 – All day excursion!

Comfort of a chartered bus – stopping in 5 towns at several vendors.
 \$35/person (non-refundable) – ONLY 40 seats available!

Must be prepaid prior to October 1st 2014 (a request will not hold your spot) We can do pickups in Kinistino if requested. Contact Iris Fjeld @ 749-7377.



Birch Hills Crime Watch on Facebook

A meeting was held July 15th at the Clay Oven. (thanks for hosting Stu and Rosa) Corporal Con Lerat, RCMP Community Services and Constable Evan MacDonald, RCMP PA Detachment were present to walk us (30+ residents) through what we as a community can do as a community. Number 1, we need to report incidents & suspicious behaviours!! Call RCMP @ 749-2200 if it's a police matter.

If it is not a serious offence needing immediate police attention, contact [Amanda Bliss](#) @ 306-960-3100 (call or text) OR [Rosa Matice](#) @ 306-749-2998 (home #). These two ladies are offering to be your Crime Watch contacts. They will keep track of complaints and liaise with the RCMP. Give them as much information as you can about incidents or suspicious behaviours (color/make of car, license plates, human descriptions, time of day, house addresses, pictures, etc)

Things we can do in the meantime:

#1 Keep Doors Locked - as stated from RCMP officer...the chances of thieves breaking a window to get into your vehicle is next to zero...unless there is something seen that would give them reason to break in to steal.

#2 Do not leave valuables in open view (btw In Kelowna, BC, vehicle owners can get a ticket for leaving their windows open, vehicles unlocked and valuables in plain view...terrible that the innocent are punished but tis the way of the world now, unfortunately)

#3 Install motion detecting lights on houses, garages

#4 Install video cameras

#5 Residents that work odd/shift hours, take the long way around to check out town for any suspicious behaviours.

#6 Keep your eyes open and share your information

If anyone has any other ideas, please feel free to share. Thanks to those that came out and to those that weren't able to come but expressed interest. I am sure it won't be long and we'll be back to our sleepy, safe little town.



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Fax: 306-749-2545

E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net

Facebook Page:

'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

JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

CASUAL BOOKKEEPER in the

Recreation Department.

Send applications Attn: Tara

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

SKATING RINK CARETAKER CANTEEN MANAGER or LEASE

Tenders & applications being accepted to
work this upcoming season in our rink.

Wages negotiable and dependent upon
experience. Send resumes by Sept 1st to
birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or mail to Box
280, Birch Hills Attn: Laurie

A thank you was posted in the last
newsletter for Flyer Electric LP Men's Night
Golf Tourney that was held in July.

The danger of thanking folks is I may
miss some people...Thanks to Ann
Foster for your help!! And I would
also like to thank all those who contributed
all the wonderful prizes for this tourney...
tv's, tools, small equip, etc Laurie



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



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

Thirty Thursdays: 9 holes & Cart Rental \$30

Members don't forget you have 50% off green fees at Leroy,
Shellbrook, Lanigan, St Breiux and Watrous

Legion Golf
tourney was held
July 19.

Winners of:

Closet to the Pin

Dennis Lypchuk

Ladies Longest

Drive-

Lorisa Ganes

Men's Longest

Drive -

Don Lypchuck

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

August 1-3 - Weldon's 100th Celebration

2 - JJ Voss Concert F&F

3 - Memorial Church Service

5 & 12 - Glad Tidings Kids Bible Club

11-12 - Summer Dance Camp

13 - Magician Show for kids

14 - Golf Board Meeting

15 - Drive-in Movie @ LPBC

16 - Cory Braaten Memorial Golf

17 - 18th Annual Threshing Day

18-22 - Lake Park VBS

18-19 - Summer Dance Camps

19 - Health Care Public Info BBQ

19 - Community Booster Mtg

23 - In with the Old Concert F&F

23 - Shellbrook Street Fair

25-27 - Summer Dance Camps

25-29 - Community Church VBS

Sept 3 - Ladies Harvest Fun Golf Tourney

4 - Minor Hockey Registration

7 - Cowboy Church

26-28 - Sask Culture Days

28 - Brancepeth Fall Supper

LAST CHANCE

**Threshing Day
Parade**

on August 17th

Call Stuart

749-1212 to

register your

float.

Thank you to the
Optimist Club for
helping to
organize parade



Congratulations to Kayla Doderai for her
accomplishments at Nationals and Dance
World Cup at Niagara Falls in early July!

Kayla placed 1st for her Jazz Solo and 2nd
for her Lyrical and Contemporary solos at
Nationals. She was also named Second
runner up for Dancer of the Year, ages 13
and up. At World Cup Kayla placed 1st for
both her Jazz and Contemporary solos.

We are very proud of you Kayla!