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**August 1st, 2017**

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Hello Readers,

I hope you are enjoying this beautiful weather. There has been an interest in re-starting the Business Association in Birch Hills. If you or your business is interested contact the Rec Office and stay tuned for future info.

A reminder to support local businesses and events by attending or helping share info to others. Attendance and support is needed to ensure we keep Birch Hills growing and active.

Have a great couple of weeks.

*Laurie Berube,  
Recreation Director*



#### RECYCLE

Please Share Newsletter with a friend Send request to [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net) to receive the news letter online

#### Birch Hills Cowboy Church

@ Community Centre 1st Sun of each month

Next Service **Sunday, Aug 6th 7:00pm**

Featuring Country Gospel Music with

Pastor Rick Martin (981-2235)

**Potluck Cookies & Cake to follow**



All are Welcome

You are invited to a

Come and Go Tea to celebrate **Hazel Welch's**

90<sup>th</sup> birthday at the Brancepeth Hall on

**Saturday August 5<sup>th</sup>**

from 1:00 to 4:00.

No Gifts please..



#### Boredom Bustin'



Tues and Thurs  
Evenings 6:30-8:00pm

Meet behind the school to  
play games.

Intended for ages 8-12 how-  
ever, all ages are welcome.

Kids bring your parents!

**AUGUST** issues of this Birch Hills activity news letter was sponsored by:  
**BIRCH HILLS LADIES GOLF CLUB**  
**BIRCH HILLS GOLF COURSE AND**  
**GLAD TIDINGS TABERNACLE**  
**(PENTECOSTAL CHURCH)**

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Community Funding Assists our Rec Activities in Birch Hills

Transwest Air, and RYSC Youth Centre

#### Helicopter Shoe Drop and Sneaker Scramble

Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

At the Birch Hills Skatepark

BBQ 5pm Shoe Drop 6pm

Shoe scramble for kids to follow!

Skateboard Jam & More!



Purchase your 'shoe' from the youth centre.

On the day, shoes will be dropped from the sky and the shoe that lands in the toilet bowl wins \$1000!

(Multiple shoes split the prize money)

Shoes \$10 ea from youth centre.

Each shoe purchased enters your name into a draw for a Roughrider Fire Pit!

All proceeds to a Skatepark Camp Gazebo & wash-rooms. Sponsored by ScotiaBank and Propoganda

BIRCH HILLS & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY hosts the ...

## 21st Annual Threshing & Family Fun Day

Sunday, August 13th

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7:30-9:30am Pancake Breakfast, (Civic Ctr, hosted by Town Council, proceeds to Multi-use Facility)

10:30-11:30am Ecumenical Church Service (Museum Coverall)

Collection proceeds will go to the BH Ministerial Assoc

12:00pm Parade Downtown (BH Dreamland Optimists)

Contact Register with Stuart Matice, parade marshal 314-2378

12:00-3:30pm Silent Auction (Closes 3:30pm SHARP!)

1:00pm Childrens Events & Facepainting

(Alexis Hovdebo & Summer Playground Program leaders)

1:00-3:00pm Musical Entertainment

(Dean Bernier & Sylvia Schira)

1:00-3:30pm Ticket Sales 50/50 Raffle - 3 draws

3:00pm Threshing Demonstration

ADMISSION FREE!.....DONATIONS ACCEPTED!

### FOOD:

11:30 - 2pm Beef on a Bun (Museum Auxiliary)

11:30 BBQ Stand & Beverages (BH Optimists)

1:00 Pie & Coffee, Ice Cream Cones & Sundaes

### ACTIVITIES & DISPLAYS

\*Childrens fun activities, Face Painting

\*Musical entertainment

\*50/50 Tickets

\*Log Barn

\*Barnyard display (J&M Howe)

\*Njaa's milk house

\*Blacksmith Shop

\*Northway Station Display

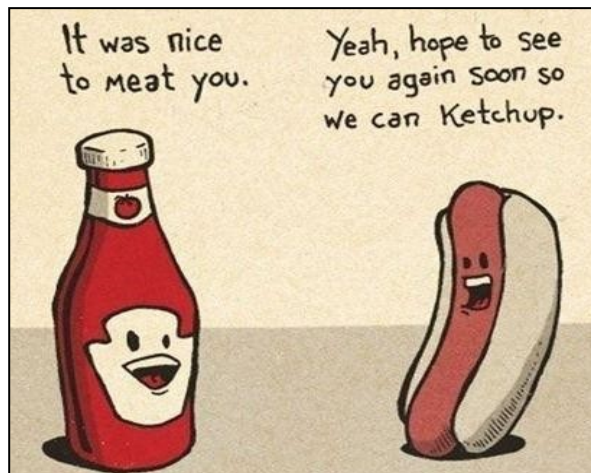
\*Restored tractors & equipment

\*Stationary engines

\*Threshing demonstration

\*Silent Auction

\*Museum Tours



### CRYSTAL SPRINGS EVENTS

**Bingo:** Get your daubers ready! Bingo in Crystal Springs  
Tuesdays 7:30pm

**Crystal Hotel Mudfest:** Saturday, Aug 12th 3:00pm  
Registration for 4WD, ATV, Side by Sides 12:00-2:00pm  
Entry Fee \$20, Call 306-864-8013 for  
more info. Door Prizes, Beer Gardens,  
BBQ and Family Fun



### Braggin' about our kids!

Emma Mickelson with the PA Pee wee "A" Aces are the Provincials Champions (held in Regina, July 15th) They were 6-0, had 59 runs for and 10 against. They played 24 innings of a possible 42, merced 5 of the 6 games! Awesome playing girls! The final game was 7-0 in 5 innings of play against Regina Rage. The Aces will head to Brampton, Ontario mid August for Nationals. Go Get 'em Girls!!



### NOTICE

The Town of Birch Hills will have some excess clay and dirt from our local improvement project.

If you are interested in some fill dirt, the Town will have some available for sale at \$1.00/ yard sold in engineered measured, truck load quantities only.

Please let the Town Office know if you are interested.

### Birch Hills LIBRARY News

#### SUMMER CRAFTS w/ Allicia Hood

~~July 11, 18 & 25~~ — **Aug 8, 15 & 22**

6:30pm-7:30pm Ages 5-12yrs, No Cost

#### Roger Boucher, Magician

August 15th @ Mane Event

1:30-2:30pm Everyone Welcome



Register at the Library for the  
**Summer Reading Program**

### MANE EVENT *Salon & Event Hall*

It is a bittersweet time for us, we have decided to put the hall up for sale.

It has been one heck of a ride and we've loved every minute of it! Ok almost every minute.. unfortunately running a business with our young boys has our plate a little too full.

We'd also like to send a huge thank you out to Carol Johnstone, Teena Nelson & Trudy Harris. The women in the background keeping this business going!

We will stay open for events in the near future and would love to hear from you!



Thank you for your support,  
Kristy, Shea, Madden, Charley & Slade

Lake Park Baptist & BH Community Church hosting..  
VBS for kids (Vacation Bible School)



#### "Mighty Fortress"

At the Sportsgrounds

August 21st - 25th

9:30am to noon

Contact Clint 306-220-5245

Or Brian 306-981-0024



Birch Hills Dance Centre  
online registration opens  
July 1st.

[www.birchhillsdancecentre.net](http://www.birchhillsdancecentre.net)

For more info email [bhdc@sasktel.net](mailto:bhdc@sasktel.net)

### TECHNIQUE TUESDAYS & WORKSHOP WEDNESDAYS

Aug 11, 18, 23, 30

5-6pm Ages 7-9,

6-7pm Ages 10-12, 7-8pm Ages 13+

\$50+gst for all classes, \$15 drop in

### CREATIVE PROCESS

For intermediate and senior dancers. Each Monday  
starting in September 5:00-5:45pm

### PAW PATROL & SING! DANCE CAMPS

August 18

Ballet, Jazz, Creative Movement, Hip Hop, Tap,  
Crafts and more! 10-12pm 6-8year olds (sing)

1-3pm 3-5yr olds (Paw Patrol)

### Community Arts Initiative for Birch Hills

Lets get together and do Art!  
This initiative is to

1. To create and foster an arts community within and around Birch Hills (actual & virtual) wherein old and young minds alike can explore and experience the joy of creating in their desired art mediums.

2. To have periodic art gatherings where people can work on pieces of interest collectively as a community (e.g. art class/ parties).

3. To have art shows periodically to reflect local art work by artists.



I'm looking for people interested in getting involved. You can reach me, Amy Dow, at (306) 941- 0788. You can also find us on Facebook Book @ bhlocalart . Keep an eye out for posters re. contests and more info!

come celebrate **Elmer Olchow's** "big" birthday

The kids will be hosting a social  
evening August 19th 7:00pm at  
Crystal Springs Hall

All friends are welcome







## Birchview Nursing Home welcomes all August Activities

2:30pm Ralph Galambos August 10th  
2:30pm Gordon Dixon 21st

If anyone is interested in sharing their talent of music, dance, acting for our residents and guests, contact Shelley 306-749-2288.

### Annual Farmers Market

Bake Sale & Silent Auction (Starts Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> ends 3:00 day of Market)

August 30<sup>th</sup> 1:30-3:30 Dining Room  
Donations are welcomed and greatly appreciated!



### BIRCH HILLS UNITED CHURCH NEWS

Friday, November 3 Birch Hills  
United Church Western Night

There will be no United  
Church worship services in July.  
We hope you will join us at the  
ecumenical service on Threshing  
Day at the Museum on August 13

### TUBE STEAK TUESDAY!!

at the Skatepark.  
Bring your chairs, hot dogs  
and drinks and  
spend a relax-  
ing time with  
friends and  
neighbors  
around the campfire!  
Every Tuesday from 5:30 pm to  
7:00 pm. Weather permitting  
Love to see you there!



### TABS FOR CANCER

We are collecting tabs off of beverage  
cans on behalf of children  
affected by cancer.

Check out the bulletin board  
by the post office and at the  
Lake Country Coop in Birch  
Hills for more information.

Tabs can be dropped off in  
the jar that is at the Co-op,  
Grocery side.

Thank you!

Shirley Graupy



A huge thank you to the  
community of BirchHills!

You have blessed our  
family with your generosity  
and love through many  
gifts for us and for our children as  
well as helping fix up our house,  
whether it be meals, baking,  
clothes, etc.

Thanks for making the past 5 years  
so awesome! I hope one day we can  
return the favor!

Sincerely,

Amy and Chris Dow

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone in  
Birch Hills and beyond who voted,  
shared and supported our contest entry  
in the #Tangerine20 Contest  
this past three weeks! Results  
will be posted live by Tangerine  
on Facebook on August 9 ----  
Huge shout out to Shelley at  
6th Ave Carwash for posting  
our sign to get our plea out to  
Prince Albert area, and to Iris, Rachel  
and the many other people and busi-  
nesses who consistently and faithfully  
shared every post we put out there and  
encouraged daily voting for our cause!

Every vote and share counted and  
definitely made a difference ----  
thank you again for standing behind us!!  
RYSC Youth

### COPS - Citizens on Patrol

The community is invited for a general  
info & orientation session

August 1 6:00-9:00pm  
Birch Hills Town Hall

Refreshments sponsored by  
Lake Country Co-op



### 2017 SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

The Playleaders for 2017 are

Taylor Mitchell, (306-749-7789)

Megan Thompson and Matthew Hood.



Join our facebook page for updates, notices, and other info.

'Birch Hills Summer Playground Program'

*Kids must be registered before attending the program*

Registrations available on Facebook or at the park

### Co-ed Rec Slow Pitch

Tuesday Nights 7:00pm

Come out and cheer on your favourite players/teams

Pecan Sandies (5/0)  
Balls Deep (2/3)

Red Dogs, (3/2)  
YankDeez (0/5)

Join the "Birch Hills Slowpitch" Facebook page  
for updates and ball info



## BIRCH HILLS & AREA BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS and NEWSLETTER SPONSORS

### GLAD TIDINGS TABERNACLE

Is a local BH church affiliated with the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada and has been apart of the community since 1931.

Central to it's life and ministry, is the promotion at home and abroad of the vital cause of the Lord Jesus Christ and His gospel.

Also the church views, as of essential importance it's contribution to humanitarian work and relief efforts around the world through such agencies as ' Emergency Relief, and Development Overseas' (ERDO)

A participating member of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. As well, in being blessed to be apart of the great community of BH, Glad Tidings considers it a privilege to serve the community and to contribute to and promote its overall well being & prosperity.

**Sunday Services 11:00 am**  
**101 4th Street in Birch Hills, SK**  
**Pastor Rod Gabriel**  
**306-749-2723**

**Wednesday Evening 7pm Bible Study**  
**Email: rgabriel@sasktel.net**  
**All are welcome to the Ecumenical Church Service August 13th, at the museum cover all 10:30am**

### Birch Hills Ladies Golf Club

The Birch Hills Ladies Golf Club was officially organized on Sept. 28, 1980 with 31 members. Our current executive consists of Gaylene Cooke, president; Sandra Barber, vice; Paula Sundbo, secretary; Jeanette Tomtene, treasurer. Gaylene and Sandra are also sharing the club captain position. We charge a nominal yearly membership fee and new members are always welcome. We golf at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday and 5:30 pm on Wednesday.

There is a weekly schedule of events from May to Sept with fun little competitions and various team games.

We stay for lunch the first Tuesday of the month and invite all of our former ladies' golf members to join us as well. On June 27 our ladies dressed up in red and white to celebrated Canada's 150 th birthday.

We assisted the club house staff and Rec Director, Laurie Berube with the Nine and Dine evening which was a great success. Thanks again to all the caddies who braved the high winds and offered their expertise. It made a fun addition to the game.

We all love to Golf. We all hit ,,and we all sometimes miss....It is a wonderful sport that we all enjoy, however some games the best thing you can say is that it was a great walk through a beautiful park like space with a friend who shares the same passion.

We will again be hosting a Texas Scramble tournament on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. It is known as the Harvest Fun Tournament and books up very early. We will host a maximum of 80 ladies for the 9 holes of golf with an excellent meal prepared by the clubhouse staff. Our members will endeavor to provide garden/harvest prizes to all participants. If you wish to register you can call Gaylene at 749-7474 or email her at gaylenecooke@sasktel.net. Our little fruit tree garden by the first tee box in memory of Darlene Elsaesser continues to grow and our club takes pride in it.



Just outside of Birch Hills is a beautiful hidden gem – a 9-hole grass green golf course, founded in 1926. The course is challenging to play; men's par is 35 and ladies' par is 37. The maintenance staff (Ed Fusick, Adam Morrison, Carl

Hanson, Ethan Elsaesser and Sarah Pratchler) do a fabulous job keeping the course in pristine condition. We have a full fleet of rental carts, as well as rental clubs and pull carts. Monday and Friday are two 2 fore 1 days (2 golfers, 9 holes \$20; not applicable on statutory holidays). The Ladies Club golfs Tuesdays at 9:00am and Wednesdays at 5:30pm; the Men's Club golfs Thursdays with registration at 5:30pm and golf at 6:00pm.

Whether you golf or not, you can always partake in a beverage, snack or meal in the licensed clubhouse or on the deck. The clubhouse menu features breakfast, sandwiches, salads and lunch specials. On the weekend, you can enjoy a fresh, homemade cinnamon bun or a grab-n-go hot dog or smokie (regular menu items are also available). Our buns and baking are all made in-house. There is also a catering menu for your special events. The clubhouse staff (Ethel Rutherford, Emma Enns, Courtney Arnestad, Megan Elsaesser, Sarah Pratcher and Jamie Tilford) manages the pro shop and also prepares the delicious baking and meals.

The Wheaton Events Building features air-conditioning and can seat up to 60 people. It is used for catered events and meetings, and can be rented for private events.

The Golf Course Board (insert names) and Clubhouse Committee (insert names) are planning for and designing a new clubhouse for our beautiful course. Watch for more information on this exciting initiative!

For updates on events at the golf course, you can follow us on Facebook at Birch Hills SK Golf Course. Call 306-749-2211 to schedule your tee time, order your meal or to book your event. Happy Golfing!





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E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net  
Facebook Page: 'Town of Birch Hills  
Community & Recreation'  
Town Website: www.birchhills.ca



Book Tee Times at Clubhouse 306-749-2211  
Check us on Facebook (*Birch Hills SK Golf Course*)



Monday FUN-days - 2 fore 1 Rounds  
NOW ON FRIDAYS 2 can golf for price of 1  
Ladies Welcome Tuesdays 9:30am & Wednesdays 5:30pm  
Thursdays - Men's night 6:00pm  
Sponsored Men's Night August 17th

LUNCH SPECIALS DAILY MONDAY-FRIDAY



## 10th & Final Cory Braaten Open Memorial Golf Tournament

\$10,000 Hole in One Prize

August 19th, 2017

9:00 am Start 4 Man Best Ball

\$200 entry fee per team of 4 (includes lunch)

20 teams max

Money raised will go the *Cory Braaten Scholarship* fund for a graduating student from Birch Hills High School entering into a trade.

Please register with Naomi by Aug 15th 306-314-2347

## Upcoming Events



- August 1 - Citizens on Patrol info nite
- 5 - Hazel Welch 90th Bday Tea
- 6 - Cowboy Church
- 12 - Crystal Hotel MudFest
  - BH Fire Dept Golf Open
- 13 - Annual Threshing & Family Fun Day
  - Pancake Breakfast (CC)
  - Ecumenical Church Service (museum)
  - Parade downtown
  - Family Fun & Entertainment (museum)
- 15 - Magician @ Mane Event Open to all
- 17 - Sponsored Steak & Men's Night
- 18 - Paw Patrol & Sing Dance Camps
- 19 - Cory Braaten Golf Memorial Open
  - Elmer Olchow's Bday Celebration
- 20 - RYSC Youth BBQ & Shoe Drop
- 21-25th - VBS all week
- 27 - BH Cemetary Walkabout & Tidy Day
- 30 - Birchview Farmers Market
- Sept 5 - Pre-school Registration Night
- 6 - Ladies Harvest Fun Golf Open
- 23 - Donkey Cup Open Golf Tourney
- Oct 29 - Crystal Springs Fall Brunch
- Nov 3 - United Church Western Night
- 4 - Crystal Springs Fall Trade Show

## Fire fighters and spouses are invited to the Birch Hills & Muskoday Fire Department Golf Tourney

4 person Best Ball & BBQ  
Saturday, August 12th

For more info or to register  
contact Lyle Evans  
930-8074.

## Donkey Cup Golf Open

3 clubs only

(2 clubs and a putter)

2 - person scramble

Saturday September 23rd

\$70 ea includes supper &  
golf

Contact Brett Honish  
960-0114 for more info  
or to register.



## Men's Golf & Steak Night

Thursday, August 17th

Meal and prizes sponsored by  
Brian Stobbs of  
MacKenzie Funeral Chapel,

Must register at the Clubhouse  
by Aug 14th. 306-749-2211  
Golf & Men's Night fees, carts,  
and/or club rentals extra

## Annual Ladies Harvest Fun Open Golf Tourney

Wednesday, September 6th

Register at clubhouse or  
with Gaylene 749-7474

Texas Scramble.  
Many prizes and  
lunch provided  
Call today, this  
event fills up  
quickly!



## BIRCH HILLS JOB OPPORTUNITY

Are you a mature person looking for a little  
extra cash over a short period of time?  
Maybe extra funds for upcoming Xmas gifts?  
A chance to work at the place to be in town?

The Birch Hills Golf Course is looking for  
short term counter and kitchen staff for late  
August to mid October.  
A Food Safe Certificate and experience  
working with the public would be a definite  
asset. You must be 19 to apply. You could work  
a few days a week or up to full time.

Please forward your resume or letter of  
interest to [lganes@sasktel.net](mailto:lganes@sasktel.net) (or drop it off  
at the golf course) For more info on the  
position, please call Jamie at the golf course  
@ 306 749 2211.