

# 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](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net)

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Hello Readers and a warm welcome to those visiting Birch Hills on Threshing Day.

I hope everyone enjoys all the activities the Museum Group has been working endlessly on preparing for this annual Family Fun Day.

Unfortunately, at the moment we are experiencing water issues. Please be aware we are under a water boil advisory until further notice. Water is to be boiled for at least one minute before household use. Crews are working to fix the issue and we ask for understanding and patience. If all goes well the water should be running clear within the week. ...fingers crossed! Take care,

*Laurie Berube, Rec Director*

## Cory Braaten Memorial Golf Tournament

Four Person Best Ball

August 16th

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



## 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

**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](mailto: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.

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

**Admission is Free**



Sunday, August 17, 2014 @ the museum

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 (Organized by Birch Hills Dreamland Optimists coordinators)

Food Concessions: BBQ (by Barracudas Ladies Hockey), Ice Cream stand, 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 !!**

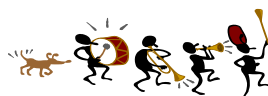
1:00 - Children's Events by the Hovdebo's & the Lake Park Church

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

## Sask Culture Days

Sask



Sept 26-28,

weekend

Save the

date and watch for details of how you and your family can

experience activities free of charge.

Classes for yoga, drama, painting, language arts, dancing, museum tours and more.

Tenders being accepted to supply and install new windows in the Civic Center.

More details and tender information available at the town office

### **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

### **BIRCHVIEW NURSING HOME NEWS**

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Birchview Farmer's Market**

On Thursday Sept 11 from 1:30-3:30  
In the Birchview Dining Room  
Fresh Cinnamon Buns and Coffee



#### **Silent Auction**

August 28 - Sept 11  
Last bid will be at 3:00 at the Farmer's Market

Family and Friends If you have garden veggies, fruit, baking, crafts, canned goods etc and you would like to donate them to the sale we would love to have them. Please bring them to the Activity Room in the morning of the sale.

Thank you so much for your generosity and kind hearts!

### **Yoga in Birch Hills**

Yoga classes will be returning to Birch Hills for the fall season! The fall session will run for approximately 8 weeks starting mid-September. Classes will take place in the evening and will be held in the small gym at Birch Hills School. Two beginner classes and one multi-level class will be available depending on interest.

Previous participation in yoga classes or Rebecca's beginner class is a prerequisite for enrolment in the multi-level class. If interested, please contact Rebecca at (306) 960-7736 or [rebecca\\_quaale@hotmail.com](mailto:rebecca_quaale@hotmail.com). Watch for details regarding registration, dates, time, and cost in upcoming issues of the HeartBeat and around town.

Rebecca completed her 200 hour Yoga Teacher Training at the Sivananda Ashram in the Bahamas in February, 2014.

She is registered with the Yoga Alliance.

**Kudos to Shelley and Carlene for the energy they spread through the Birchview Nursing Home with their Creativity and activities. Those seniors are very fortunate to have you two!**

### **Birch Hills & District Historical Society**

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Email: [bhmuseum@yahoo.ca](mailto:bhmuseum@yahoo.ca)

Visit us at: [www.birchhills.ca](http://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

There are a few spaces left in the Themed Preschool Day Camp for 3 – 6 year-olds Monday Aug. 18 and Tuesday, Aug. 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). Guest teachers include: Miss Alicia Wotherspoon, Miss Sephanie Lokinger, Miss Kayla Doderai, Miss Megan McConnechy and Miss Andrea Fontaine.

To pre-register for this year's classes that will be starting the week of Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, attend pre- registration night on August 19 from 6 to 8 p.m. for returning dancers and regular registration on August 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. for all new dancers. For info e-mail [bhdcc@sasktel.net](mailto:bhdcc@sasktel.net), visit Birch Hills Dance Centre on Facebook or phone 306-749-3446.



Blow your mind at [FUNsubstance.com](http://FUNsubstance.com)

## 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 clubhouse)

Contact Brittany Larson 981-5580. This

is a free program thanks to our sponsors,

Visitors are always welcome

Last day is August 22nd.



Parents  
and kids,  
please

keep to one side of  
the road on the way  
out to the diamonds.  
Drivers be aware of  
bikers and

## 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.

## St Louis "Car Rally"



Pile in & scavenger 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



## FLUTE and FIDDLE UPCOMING EVENTS

*In With the Old Concert* Aug 23rd

*The Great Plains* (Saskia and Darrel) Oct 11rd

Purchase concert tickets at Clay Oven online [www.fluteandfiddle.ca](http://www.fluteandfiddle.ca)

### Open Stage & Karoke Friday Night Hosts in August

August 15 – Life is Good (band)

August 22 – TD Christopher (Tim Dyck)

August 29 – The Goats (band)

### Friday BBQ Nights 5-8pm

\$12.50 for BBQ Buffet BBQ your own (steak provided).

Like us on Facebook,

Follow us on Twitter



## 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 11:00am

St Anne's Roman Catholic Church @ 255 McCallum Ave 9:00am

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

### 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.

Tune in through FM radio frequency



### 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 Ecumenical Service

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

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

### 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

On behalf of the Birch Hills Golf Course and the Cinnamon Bun Classic Committee  
**We would like to thank the golfers, clubhouse and course staff and the following sponsors & organizers:**

Wong's Restaurant

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Pasquia Golf Centre

Anita Elsaesser

Jamie Tilford

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Ethel and Doug Rutherford Farm World

Salon Krush - Kristy Nelson

Grumpy's Confectionary

Shellbrook Chev-Olds

CIBC - Birch Hills

Advantage Real Estate

The Flute and Fiddle

Ag World

Cropper Motors



**Your support is greatly appreciated!**

### How important is our Skating Club Anyway?



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

Our skating club in Birch Hills is divided into two levels. Canskate which starts as early as age 3 and open to any age that would like to learn the basics of skating. These classes teach the basics of skating and prepare the kids to go further into Star Skate or to play Minor Hockey.

Star Skate is for kids that have passed the basic requirements of Canskate and wish to continue to learn more intricate moves and are prepared to compete. The Star Skaters assist coaches with the wee ones in Canskate. Canskate conditions children to proceed into Minor Hockey and Star Skate. These kids eventually grow up and are potential competitive Senior Hockey and Recreational Players. Do you see where I'm going here....? The issue of loosing our Skating Club would be financially detrimental to our skating arena and to the activities offered in town.

If you have children participating in skating, please consider becoming involved in the planning and organizing of the upcoming season. Contact Malissa Hall or Jackie Manson for more info. Also, watch for upcoming registration dates and details

Laurie, Rec Director

## Birch Hills Council News

We apologize for the inconvenience the recent water issues have created, but please be patient as we work through the problems we've encountered. The Public Works folks are working hard in effort to resolve the water problems. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation. The following media release was issued August 12, 2014

### 'Media Release

#### Water Issues - Town of Birch Hills

Members of the Birch Hills Town Council, Administration and Public Works met with the Town's Environmental Project Officer, Rahul Hampaul from Water Security Agency, this morning to discuss the water issues the Town is having.

An immediate short term process plan, moving forward with their long term plan will enable the Town to set up preventative issues such as this in the future.

A precautionary Water Advisory is in effect immediately due to a spike in the turbidity of the water, due to high algae bloom.

Mayor & Council  
Town of Birch Hills'

## BIRCH HILLS LIBRARY NEWS

### Library Hours:

Tuesdays: 12-4 & 5-8 pm,

Thursdays & Fridays:  
12 to 4:30 pm



### LIBRARY's READING PROGRAM

*Read for prizes.*

Inquire at the Library for more details

### CRAFTS for KIDS -

with Courtney Arnestad

Tuesday evenings we will have

craft night for ages 5-12yrs :

**Only 2 dates left! Aug 19,26**

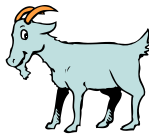
6:30 to 7:30

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

### 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



### St Mary's and St Anne Church Fundraiser

**Beef on Bun Supper**  
Wed Sept 10th  
5:00 - 7:00pm

Take out available  
Call 749-7480

### PreSchool Registration Night

**Tuesday, September 2nd, 2013**  
**@ Birch Hills School Library 7pm**

Enroll your 3 and 4 year olds for  
games, crafts, stories, snack time,  
singing and learning opportunities!

For more information contact:  
Lisa @ 749-3137 or  
Jody @ 749-2843

**Interment of Margaret (Lewis) Perry**  
on August 24, 2014 at 1:00pm in the Birch Hills Memorial Cemetery.  
Luncheon to follow at the Birch Hills Senior Hall (corner of Bellamy  
Ave. and 4th St.) at 1:30pm.  
All who knew her come and meet her family.



### Birch Hills Cowboy Church @ Community Centre

1st Sunday of each month

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

Featuring Country Gospel Music with  
down home bible message.

All are Welcome.  
Pastor Rick Martin 981-2235

### Christmas Shopping Bus Tour

**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.



Town Community Open Forum Planning  
in progress. A survey will be sent  
out soon seeking ideas, suggestions,  
concerns and solutions from town & RM  
residents. Watch for more details in  
upcoming Newsletters and mailboxes



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Website: www.birchhills.ca



Funding Assists Recreational Activities in Birch Hills



### BOUQUET OF THANKS

Elaine, from Melfort would like to extend her sincere thank you and gratitude to Kim Lemon of Mighty Moe's Tire. He came out on his own time to help a 'lady in distress'. Although service calls are not offered he helped her with her flat tire and she was able to get home safe. Nice job Kim, of proving Birch Hills is still the town with a big heart!

### JOB OPPORTUNITIES:

#### RINK CARETAKER CANTEEN MANAGER or LEASER

Applications being accepted to work this upcoming season in our skating rink. Wages negotiable and dependent upon experience. Training Provided.

Send resumes by Sept 1st to  
birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or mail to  
Box 280, Birch Hills Attn: Laurie

Ladies Harvest **Fun, Fun, Fun** Golf Tourney  
Wednesday, September 3rd  
9holes Texas Scramble

shotgun start at 10am  
Registration w/ Muffins &  
Coffee 9:00-9:45am  
Cost is \$35, includes golf & lunch  
Call Myrtle Brown 749-2652 or Clubhouse  
749-2221 to register now



## 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

Don't forget to get your friends or enemies a raffle ticket for a real live goat. Tickets available at clubhouse, or with Iris Fjeld, Jamie Tilford, Laurie Berube, Brahma Insurance... Draw Sep 30

To the lady that bought the screen door at the Birch Hills garage sale June 7 at 211 McCallum We have frame parts for you contact 1306 382 2706

Congratulations to Sandra Barber & Larissa Ganes for taking 1st place in the Ladies 2 Person Scramble Golf Tourney in St Brieux on Aug 13th

### Birch Hills Upcoming Events

**August** 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  
Aug 28-Sep 11 Birchview Silent Auction  
**Sept** 3 - Ladies Harvest Fun Golf Tourney  
4 - Minor Hockey Registration  
7 - Cowboy Church  
10 - St Anne/St Mary's Beef on Bun Supper  
11 - Birchview Farmers Market  
19 - Ladies Night Out Jewellery Party  
26-28 - Sask Culture Days  
28 - Brancepeth Fall Supper

**Oct** 11 - St Louis Car Rally Scavenger Hunt  
18 - Christmas Shopping Bus Tour  
**November** 16 - Hockey Ref Clinic  
**December** 6 - Ladies Hockey Tourney

### PIANO LESSONS

Carroll Birkland will be taking on new piano students in the fall, if there are any interested families out there call 306-749-3458.



Deadlines for submissions for newsletter are the 10th and 25th of each month.

Send entries to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or call 306-749-7451

## 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 Evening 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**  
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**

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Afterschool Programing Supervisor** -  
Each day Mon to Fri or one day a week. Could involve activities such as Curling, Skating, and other indoor/ outdoor activity.  
This adult will be supervising Gr 5/6 students and mentoring youth to become future leaders.

**Girls Club Leader** - seeking someone to start a program at least once a week for girls 12yrs+.

Contact Laurie Rec Dept 749-7451

### LADIES NIGHT OUT



Jewellery Exchange Party  
September 19th  
Watch for more details

### BIRCH HILLS WASTE TRANSFER SITE

Summer hours  
Frank Rowluck will have site open from  
9:00am -5:00pm on Saturdays  
4:00pm - 7:00pm on Wednesdays

Bring your household garbage, cardboard, metal, brush or compost.  
Fees may apply. Inquire within.

#### Items not accepted:

Liquid or hazardous waste,  
contaminated soils, domestic sewage,  
drugs, recalled foods, combustible materials, biomedical waste & animal carcasses or construction waste.

### Taxi Service in Birch Hills

Service 7 days a week. Around town, to P.A and back and even to Saskatoon if you have to catch a plane (must make arrangements in advance). Call **306-749-1222**

### 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 21 7:00pm

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!