

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, Quayle Insurance, Quayle Pharmacy, Grumpy's Confectionary and various other businesses downtown. Pick up your free copy and share with a friend.

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Hi Everyone,

As we are about to open our Skating and Curling rinks and close up the Golf Course, I would like to remind you to *never* under estimate the 'behind the scenes' work that goes into making these town facilities available in your community. I am very much appreciative of the efforts that volunteers and paid staff put in. The many and late hours and energy that it takes to make ice, and keep compressors and get other machines working; to keep our golf course lush and green all summer; to continue to make fresh, homemade lunches at the clubhouse; to organize tournaments in all facilities; and to keep our buildings and areas clean for all to enjoy.

These things do not happen magically. They only happen because people take pride and realize the importance of recreation, socializing and financial benefits for our town. So to you, on behalf of many who utilize these facilities, I give to you KUDOS! With that said, there is still some painting and cleaning to be done at both rinks before they soon open for the season. If you can help, you only need to ask how.

Don't Forget To Vote for your Town Council and Mayor on October 24th. Take care,

Laurie Berube, Recreation Director

Birch Hills Skating Club and the Birch Hills Legion hosts

MONSTER BASH HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sat, Oct 27 Doors open at 8pm

at the Civic Centre

Advance Tickets \$10 \$15 at the Door

(available at Quayles Pharmacy, Quayle Agencies,

Advantage Credit Union, Anna

Devenis, Jackie Manson & Legion

Members)



Prizes for best costume

****Sorry, No Minors****

Notice of Advance Poll

Public Notice is hereby given that provisions have been made for an Advance Poll for electors who:

- 1: Are physically disabled;
- 2: Have been appointed as election officials; or
- 3: Anticipate being unable to vote on the day of election

Voting will take place on

Friday, Oct 19, 2012. 5-8pm at he Birchview Nursing Home #3 Wilson St

Tara Gariepy, Returning Officer

KG Hotel Birch Hills Bar
under new Management.

Halloween Party

October 27 7pm - 2am

*KelMan DJ Services,

Shooter Specials,

\$5 cover without costume

*Free with costume



Saskatchewan author Mary Harelkin Bishop will be doing a presentation at the Birch

Hills School on **Tues. Oct. 15**

for the students. She has written many books including the

Tunnels of Time series about the **MOOSE JAW TUNNELS**.

She will talk about her books, do a short reading and answer student questions. *This program is sponsored by the Birch*

Hills School

This issue of our Community activity newsletter was paid for by you:

Hartvig Boger

If you would like to be a sponsor of the 'Heartbeat' newsletter, contact Laurie at 'birchhillsrec@sasktel.net'

The cost is \$100 for printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for the community. Individual & half sponsorships are available. Thank you for supporting your local paper.

BIRCH HILLS CURLING RINK AGM

October 25

7pm at the

curling rink. All who are interested in the rink are welcome to attend



Birch Hills Library APPRECIATION TEA

Thurs, Oct 18 12-4:30

Free Coffee and Donuts

at the Library on McCallum Avenue



BIRCH HILLS CO-OP HOSTING A PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 27th at the Civic Centre

8:00-11:00am

Proceeds will go towards a new Golf Clubhouse



WHO'S WHO IN BIRCH HILLS ?

Who's 102? I was born November 3, 1910 in Mongnor, Norway and have visited there numerous times since I turned 50. I am the oldest of five kids. In 1929, I came by boat to Canada, and landed in Halifax. I took a train to Lake Elma, Saskatchewan. I worked as a farm hand on very dry and difficult land. In 1935, I came to the Birch Hills area and met a lady. I married Ida Berg on Sept 18th that same year. I moved to Birch Hills in 1965 and have resided here ever since. I have three children, 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. I worked in Birch Hills at the garage for 13 years and farmed for over 60 yrs. I was a curler and now enjoy carpet bowling and playing cards. My name is Hartvig Boger, and I will be 102 on November 3rd!!

Happy Birthday Hartvig!



FLU CLINIC

October 16 9:30 to 12 (noon)

Birch Hills Senior Hall

Contact : Inez Shilling 749-2716



SaskEnergy **Hockey Day in Birch Hills**

Saturday, November 17th

Starting with a Community Breakfast, Minor Hockey Games, Skating Routines, Canteen Specials, ending with the day with an Evening Dance hosted by the Blackhawks Sr Hockey Team.

Silent Auction and more...watch for details. **Progressive 50/50** tickets on sale now

Birch Hills 2nd Annual Christmas Trade Show

Sat, Dec 1st at the Civic Centre

10am - 4 pm

Looking for home based business' interested in booking for this show. We would love to welcome new vendors this year!! This will be open to ANY business in Birch Hills and Area. To book a table (\$25)

Susan Dutchak at 749-2772 or 981-1871 or email: rstedutchak@hotmail.com

CIVIC CENTRE JANITOR Town of Birch Hills

is accepting tenders for the contract for Janitorial Services to the Birch Hills Civic Centre

The Town will supply all necessary janitorial supplies and equipment for the janitor to perform required duties as outlined in the Janitorial Agreement.

Successful applicants will require a criminal record check, with the position beginning January 1st, 2013.

Please submit tenders by 4:00 pm on November 27th, 2012 to: Town of Birch Hills, Box 206
BIRCH HILL SK S0J 0G0

THE FLUTE AND FIDDLE

GRAND OPENING!!

Friday, November 10

Family BBQ and Open Stage 5:30-8:30

Grambo Bros 9:00 - 2:00am

Advance Tickets \$15, available on line or \$20 at door

Sunday Brunches Starts November 11 10am-2pm

Teen Dance November 16

Watch for Upcoming Events at www.fluteandfiddle.ca



A Tribute in memory of Ellen Johnston from her many friends at the Birch Hills Museum. We enjoyed her friendship, helping hands and always being there to wash up after coffee. She will be missed.



FORM B

(Subsection 160.15 (1) of the Act)

Notice of Call for Nominations

Rural Municipality of Birch Hills No. 460

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that nomination of candidates for the offices of:

Councillor for Division No. 2

will be received by the undersigned at the municipal office during normal office hours until Wednesday, October 31, 2012 at 4:00 pm local time.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Rural Municipal office in Birch Hills.

Dated this 16th day of October, 2012.
S. Pratchler, Returning Officer

HOCKEY OFFICIAL CLINIC

Sunday, November 18th

In Birch Hills

Classroom 9am-1pm Ice 1:30-3:30



All potential officials must first complete an online training session at www.sha.sk.ca. Clinic fees are \$90 for ages 17 & under and \$135 for adults. Registered hockey players and coaches will receive a \$40 discount as insurance only needs to be paid with one registration. To register or for more info, please call or text Rob at 930-7635 or email robboulding@hotmail.com

NOTICE OF POLL

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that:

1. A poll has been granted for the election of:
Mayor: Town of Birch Hills
Councillor: Town of Birch Hills
Number to be elected: 6
2. Voting will take place on Wednesday, the 24th day of October 2012, from 9:00am to 8:00 pm at the polling places listed below.
3. I will declare the result of the election at 126 McCallum Avenue (Town Office) on the 25th day of October, 2012, at the hour of 11:00 am.

Polling Place Address:

Birch Hills Civic Centre 126 McCallum Avenue
Dated at Birch Hills, this 1st day of October, 2012

Tara Gariepy, Returning Officer

FOR SALE BY TENDER

- * 1992 Chevrolet Silverado C2500 Truck
- * 1987 GMC 2500 Series Truck
- * 2003 Jacobsen Mower HR5111
- * 1985 Bush Hog Mower
- * 1984 Sweeprite Street Sweeper SR2400

All equipment sold "as is, where is" Please submit tenders to the town office by 4:00 on October 23, 2012. For more info, contact the town office at 749-2232

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS ELECTION

Candidates for Mayor

Alan Bzdel Shirley Ulvild

Candidates for Councillor

Wayne Boyle	Tyler Cochrane
Ryan Court	Lorne Crane
Adam Dyck	Barry Evans
Lyle Evans	Brad Halayka
John Herd	Kim Lemon
Keith Matheson	Amanda Murphy
Dale Pratt	Jeffrey Pratt
Sharon Rolfes	Owen Stubbs
Terry Tessier	Graham Tweten

For more information on the upcoming election please visit www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/administration/elections-general or contact the Town Office at 749-2232

Thank You to the Advantage Credit Union, Birch Hills Community Boosters, CIBC, Quayle Agencies for hosting the Meet the Candidates Evening Oct 3rd

VOTE: OCTOBER 24, 2012

2013 Legion Membership Renewal Cards

have arrived and are ready for pickup. 2013 Membership dues have remained at last years rate of \$45.00 per member. The Early Bird Award Date closes November 30th so please re-new your membership today. Membership Chairperson is Marlene Lypchuk - 749-2571

Saskatchewan Rivers Public School Division **Board of Education Election** Shawn Budnick and Wayne Steen running for 'trustee' in Sub Division 1
For more info visit www.srsd119.ca/election
VOTING DAY: October 24, 2012

FALL SUPPERS IN THE AREA

Saturday, October 20th -
Weldon Villa
Sunday, October 21st -
Yellow Creek
Sunday, October 28th -
St. Louis
Sunday, November 4th -
Wakaw
Sunday, November 18th -
Domremy
(submitted by S Ulvild)

DROP IN RECREATION VOLLEYBALL

for 16yrs +
in the School Gym
Wednesdays &
Sundays
8 - 9:30pm
Starting October 17th
\$2 to play or \$40 from
Oct-Dec. You don't
have to be good, just
have to want to have fun



Town of Birch Hills "FALL" CLEAN-UP WEEK

Monday, October 15 - Saturday 19th

Residents are asked to have any extra compost/refuge ready to be picked up. Please have your grass clippings and yard clean up in clear bags and your branches and brush bundled in manageable pieces. The Town crew will be around at various times during the week collecting the garbage



Cans & Bottles Piling Up?

RYSC Youth Bottle Drive

Sat, Oct 20 Pick up will be 10-12pm.
If you have bottles you would like to donate, please leave them on the front curb or Phone 749-2478 to make other arrangements. Bottles can also be dropped off at the back of the Youth Centre.
We appreciate your donations!



Having a kids birthday party or small gathering??
The Seniors Hall rents out by donation *Hall, Kitchen, Tables, and Floor Bowling.*
Contact Vel Bompais at 749-3364



Bouquet of Thanks!

Your support and friendship during the recent loss of our mother, Marie, has been very much appreciated. Your gifts of food, visits, phone calls, and personal tributes have reached out to us and our community in a very special way. Community is far more than "a place where one lives." You have, indeed, taught us that community is "a very special place that responds in times of need. For your caring, your compassion and your thoughtfulness, please accept our most heartfelt gratitude.

The Marie Lypchuk Family

RYSC YOUTH Fall Supper and Silent Auction Sunday November 18th

At The Civic Center Adults \$10

10 & under \$6 Preschool free

Featuring Autographed SK Roughrider Merchandise

Proceeds going towards the

Skatepark Basketball Court



CLUBHOUSE CORNER

Another successful golf season has come to an end and on behalf of the Birch Hills Golf Club, we wish to thank all those who patronized our golf course. It is your financial support that allows us to continue to make improvements to this beautiful course.



On a sad note, the Golf Club lost one of its most valuable and treasured personnel in the passing of our clubhouse manager, Mrs. Darlene Elsaesser. Darlene has been with the golf course for over fifteen years-- it will feel so strange opening the course next spring without her there. When you came to the course on weekends, it was the aroma of Darlene's famous and renowned cinnamon buns that made your experience at the course a great memory. Most importantly, it will be hard to replace Darlene's friendly smile, the warmth of her personality, and the joy of working with the people who came out to the course. If you had the pleasure of knowing Darlene, then you know that your day was made when you signed the register and had a pleasant conversation with such a kind hearted soul. What a great way to start your round of golf.

A special thank you to Ethel Rutherford and Megan Manson for picking up the work load when Darlene became ill. You have done an outstanding job.

Bill Yeaman

See you all in the Spring 2013!

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2012

Vote on October 24, 2012

Your vote in a municipal election will impact the quality of life in your community. Municipal councils make decisions about things that are crucial elements of daily life. Your vote will impact the current and future sustainability of your community. Your vote is your opportunity to send a message on how you want your community governed. The more votes cast, the more powerful the message. Every vote counts. Your vote is your voice. Don't let others speak for you.

Who can vote?

To vote in a Saskatchewan urban municipal (town) election, you must be a Canadian citizen on the day of the election, *and* be age 18 years or older, *and* have resided in Saskatchewan for at least six months, *and* on the day of the election, in the case of a municipality *other than* a Resort Village, you must be a resident of the municipality for at least three months, *or* the owner of assessable land situated in the municipality for at least three months

What to Look for in a Candidate - A Voter's Guide

As a voter, you may or may not know which candidate(s) to vote for. Depending on the issues facing your municipality, you may want to attend the meet the candidates evening (candidates' forum) to see where candidates stand on a particular issue.

Municipal Affairs has also prepared a *Candidates Scorecard* to assist voters when evaluating candidates on some general areas of interest.

You can view this at <http://www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/Elections/Voters/Scorecard> or stop by the town office for a copy.

Voter Identification

As of March 2012 new requirements for voter identification for municipal elections are in effect similar to those in place for federal and provincial elections.

The purpose of the voter ID requirements is to maintain the integrity of local election processes. Your name and address must appear in some form on your voter identification documents. Bringing proper identification will ensure your voice is heard and will help your local election run as smoothly as possible.

Photo identification is your best option but there are other alternatives available to you.

To learn more about acceptable voter identification options visit: www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/voterID/voters

EVERY WEEK IN THE HILLS

MONDAY

Bowling at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Vel 749-3364
T.O.P.S. 5-6pm at the Health Centre
Thimbles & Threads 6:30pm at Birchview Melissa 749-3482



TUESDAY

Karate 7:30pm St Louis Karate Club 422-8665
Community Booster Mtg 3rd Tues of the month Civic Centre 7:30-9pm
Crystal Springs Bingo (Until Dec 4th) 7:30pm at the Crystal Springs Hall

WEDNESDAY

Line Dancing Senior Hall 9:30-11 am Carol 749-3173 **till mid Oct**
Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 9:00-4:00pm Great Deals
Coffee & Sweets at the Museum 3:00 pm
Volleyball School Gym 8-9:30 \$2 Drop In All Welcome



THURSDAY

Cribbage at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Vel 749-3364
ZUMBA 9-9:45pm at the Dance Centre \$10 drop in



FRIDAY

Lutheran Church Coffee Break 9:30-11am Bellamy & 4th St
Storytime for 3 - 4 yr olds 1-1:45 at the Birch Hills Library
TLC Bingo 3rd Friday of the month at the Civic Centre 7 - 9pm

SUNDAY

Family Brunch & Skate Skating Arena 10-2pm Memberships available
Volleyball School Gym 8-9:30 \$2 Drop In All Welcome

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

GIRL GUIDES in BIRCH HILLS

Girls ages 5-14 can join Sparks,
Brownies, Girl Guides & Pathfinders
Tuesdays Sparks 6-7pm,
Brownies 6-7:30pm
Wednesdays Guides 6:30-8pm
Thursdays Pathfinders 6:30-8pm
For more information contact
Audrey Matheson at 749-2217

It has been decided! The **2013 Brrrr Chills Winter Festival** will run February 8 - 16th. Plans have begun but there is room for more. The next Winter Festival Planning Meeting is Tuesday, October 30 7:30pm in the museum basement.



All ages are welcome



KNITTING GRANNIES

2012 Meeting Dates:
Oct 23, Nov 13 & 27,
Dec 11

Shawls now available for anyone in need of comforting.

Donations of yarn or cash are accepted at any time.
Contact: Florence 749-2795, Shirley 749-2416, Marilyn 749-2286



Birch Hills Dance Centre offering

Zumba Classes from 9-9:45pm on Thursday evenings
Starting Nov 1-Dec 20. (pending interest) Cert'd Zumba Instructor,
Jennifer Maczek is offering 8 wk classes. \$60 or \$10 drop in. Sign up by
emailing Erica at bhrdc@live.com. If there is no interest, no classes

for the 2012-2013 season at the
Birch Hills Skating Arena

**Sunday Brunch Specials and
Family Skate** 10 - 2pm

Starting October 21st

Monday Lunches 11:30-1:30pm
Starting October 22nd

Ice available for rent. Call 749-7451

NEW local Facebook page

'Birch Hills Bargain Basement' buy, sell, trade
your unused treasures



'Birch Hills Community & Recreation'

'Like' our facebook page to get activity updates.
Feel free to add your own event or activity info



Funding Provides Recreational
Activities in Birch Hills

CHRISTMAS TRADE SHOW

Sat, Nov 24th 10-3pm
At Crystal Springs Hall.

Tables are \$15,
please call Brenda
749-1190 or

749-2632

Lunch available



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

Birch Hills Recreation

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Text or call cell: 749-7451
Facebook Page: 'Birch Hills Recreation'

Communities that play together,
...grow together!



"My name is Helga, and I have a tendency to fly off the handle"



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news letter online

BOUQUET OF THANKS



The Birch Hills United Church Women sincerely thank everyone who helped in any way and also those who attended our Tea and Apron Bazaar on Sat, Sept 29. The generous support of the community has enabled us to send \$789.69 to the UCW's 50th anniversary project of training midwives at the Morogoro Women's Centre, an ecumenical education centre in Tanzania Africa



WELCOME BACK BLACKHAWKS SR HOCKEY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER

Saturday November 10 Home Game vs Flying Dust 8:00 pm
Friday November 16 Home Game vs Leoville Huskies 8:30 pm
Saturday, November 24 vs Flying Dust 8:00 pm
Friday, November 30 Home Game vs Muskeg Lake 8:30 pm

It's Christmas in
October at the
Museum Thrift
Shop in Birch Hills.
Great Selection,
Good prices, Open
Wednesdays 9am to
4pm. Thrift Shop
over stocked in all
departments, Take
advantage of the
BIG BAG SALE.

*Lutheran Ladies
Christmas
Program
7:30pm Dec 4th
Watch for details*

Glad Tidings
Tabernacle (4th St)
hosting special
guests **KOUNTRY
SONSHINE'**
November 4, 11 am
Lunch to follow
At 7pm Gospel
Concert with Pie &
Coffee after

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

Oct 15-19 - Fall Clean Up Week
15 - Library Author Special Guest
16 - Flu Clinic
- Community Boosters Meeting
17 - Volleyball Starts (Wed/Sundays)
18 - Library Patrons Appreciation Tea
19 - Advance Poll
- TLC Daycare Bingo
20 - RYSC Bottle Drive
21 - Sun Brunch & Family Skate starts
22 - Mon Lunch at Skating Rink starts
23 - Knitting Grannies Meet
24 - Town & RM Council, Mayor &
Reeve, School Board Election Day
25 - Curling Rink AGM
27 - Co-op Community Pancake Breakfast
27 - Halloween Monster Bash Civic Ctr
- Halloween Dance KG Hotel
30 - Winter Festival Meeting
Nov 1 - Weekly Zumba Classes start
2 - Novice Hockey Tournament
3 - Bake & Craft Sale
4 - Glad Tidings Concerts 11 & 7pm
10 - Flute and Fiddle Grand Opening
- Sr Hockey's 1st Home Game
16 - TLC Daycare Bingo
- Blackhawks vs Leoville
- Teen Dance at Flute & Fiddle
17 - Hockey Day in Birch Hills
17 - Chef Jenni Book Launch
18 - Referee Clinic
- Youth Fall Supper & Silent Auction
24 - Women's Hockey Tournament
- Crystal Springs Trade Show
23-25 - Jr Men's Curling Provincials
30 - Blackhawks vs Muskeg Lake
Dec 1 - Home Business Tradeshaw
4 - Lutheran Ladies Christmas Program

PUMPKIN PATCH PICK UP and DROP OFF

Do you have an over abundance of pumpkins? Bring them to the Community Garden beside the post office for others to enjoy carving or baking



Birch Hills Community Boosters Fall Handmade Crafts & Home Baking Sale

Saturday November 3rd 10-3pm
Birch Hills Civic Centre Tables \$20 Noon luncheon
and coffee breaks. Phone 749-2784 to book your table

