

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, Grumpy's Confectionary and various other businesses downtown. Pick up your free copy and share with a friend. Send your email address and request for mailing list to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net

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Greetings All,

I would like to give kudos to the members of the Birch Hills Royal Canadian Legion for hosting a beautiful tribute to past and present veterans. A lovely way to pay respects and to keep reminding the young and old how very blessed we are to live in peace now because of those that had fought for our freedom.

I would also like to extend a thank you to the Muskoday and Birch Hills fire department members for giving of their time and dedication to serve in our communities with quick response and risking their safety to protect and fight fires.

If you are interested in joining the local fire department, you are welcome to attend the AGM scheduled for Monday, November 18th @ 7:00pm at the Fire Hall. New members always welcome.

The Curling Rink is offering free curling lessons on Mondays for a limited time. Get your groove on before bonspiel season in the new year. Take Care and Keep Active,

Laurie Berube, Rec Director

Food Safety Course

Saturday, November 23rd

9:00 - 4:30pm

in Birch Hills, @ the Museum
\$55/person. Reserve spot by
November 18th with Laurie at
749-7451. Minimum 10 needed
to hold course. Call Now!
Catered lunch available for \$10
extra from the Clay Oven.

SOUP FOR SENIORS

November 23rd 11:00 - 1:00pm

@ the Senior Centre

Ham Dinner

70th Birthday Celebration
for DALE MEYERS



Come and Go Tea
@ the Civic Centre
Saturday, November 30th

2:00 - 5:00pm

All are welcome

Your presence is our presents

NOVEMBER issues of the Birch Hills Community activity newsletter was paid for you by:

Birch Hills Royal Canadian Legion Branch #122 and Ian & Carol Pryznyk,

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) towards printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for the you & the community. Individual sponsorships are welcome. Thank you for supporting your local paper.

FALL SUPPERS 2013

Sat, Nov 16, Birch Hills

Sun, Nov 17th Domremy

Annual Cookie Walk and Christmas Tea

Sat. November 30
2:00- 4:00 p.m.

@ St. Mary's Anglican Church



Crystal Springs Christmas Trade, Craft, Bake Sale

Saturday, November 23rd

10:00 - 3:00pm

@ the Crystal Springs Hall

Lunch available

Lots of tables such as

Jewellery, Clothes, Crafts, Candles,

Baking, Personal Care, and many more



Fall Supper and Silent Auction

Saturday, November 16 5:00 - 7:00pm

@ Birch Hills Civic Centre

Autographed Saskatchewan Rider Jersey & Shadowbox

Raffle. Tickets \$5 each or 3/\$10

Available at Co-op Agro Centre.

Draw Nov 16th at supper

All proceeds to the Outdoor Basketball Court



BIRCH HILLS SKATING ARENA NEWS

BIRCH HILLS SENIOR BLACKHAWKS



GAMES

Sat, Nov 16	vs Meadow Lake Broncos	away game
Sat, Nov 23	vs Big River Braves	8:00pm
Sat, Nov 30	vs Leoville Rebels	8:00pm
Fri, Dec 6	vs Big River Braves	away game
Sat, Dec 14	vs Debden Jets	away game
Fri, Dec 27	vs St Louis Blues	8:30pm



Thank you to all who came out in support of **HOCKEY DAY IN BIRCH HILLS**, on Nov 9th.

Our Minor Sports teams played hard and our Seniors walked away with their 2nd victory game of the season.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped with selling 50/50's, keeping score and various other jobs to make this day a success and to Minor Hockey managers for organizing games. A Special Thanks to Perry Clarke with Crop Production Services Birch Hills & Hagen who sponsored the communities free admission to the Sr Hockey Blackhawks Game.

HOCKEY OFFICIAL REF CLINIC

Become a hockey ref, make some \$\$

Sunday, November 17th In Birch Hills
Classroom 9am-1pm Ice 1:30-3:30



SEEKING REFEREES FOR MIDGET & BANTAM GAMES

All potential officials must first complete an online training session at www.sha.sk.ca. 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

Book a **Birthday Party** at the rink. \$150 for 10 kids.
1 hours Private Ice time & burger/hotdog meal (fries/drink)
Contact 749-7451 to book today

DROP IN SCRIMMAGE

Mondays 9:30-11:00 pm
\$10 per person. Rink Members \$5, Goalies Free
Helmets & pads required.
Contact Natalie for more info 960-3408

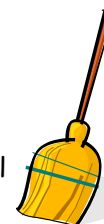


Rink memberships are available at rink canteen or town office. Help support your local skating rink.



A Ladies Hockey Team is forming nicely but there is still room for any **Ladies** (16yrs+) wanting to learn to play or who do play hockey. Next Practices are Tues, Nov 19 & 26th 8:45pm Contact Laurie 749-7451 for more info.

Family Broomball? - if your family would be interested in playing some broomball, contact the Rec Dept for more info. Potential for one day a month or more if there is interest. Brooms & Balls provided. No street shoes



LADIES HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Saturday, December 7, 2013

@ Birch Hills Arena
raffle table, 50/50, canteen specials, and more.



Portion of proceeds towards Breast Cancer Research and to start up a Birch Hills Ladies Hockey Team. Seeking sponsors for prizes and donations for raffle table. Looking for refs & score keepers to help too.

2 spots left for teams.
For more info, contact

Natalie 960-3408 or Laurie 749-7451

MINOR HOCKEY in BIRCH HILLS

Nov		
16	Novice Tourney	All Day
21	PeeWee Game	7:00pm
25	Bantam Game	7:00pm
29/30	Atom Tourney	All Day
Dec 2	PeeWee Game	7:00pm
3	Atom Game	6:30pm
5	PeeWee Game	7:00pm
Sat 14	Novice Game	10:00am



The Birch Hills and Muskoday fire departments wish to extend a very big thank you to the following for their support during the fire on the evening of Nov 6th.

Linda Cocks and the condo association for coffee and the chance to get warm in their lobby, Ian Pryznyk, Wayne and Karon Thompson from the curling rink and Gerry McCann from the coop for giving us coffee and soup and another place to warm up in through out the night. Once again showing people this is a small town with a big heart. Also we are having the fire department annual general meeting the night of Nov. 18th at 7 pm at the fire hall

Stan Bliss



BOUQUET OF THANKS

A thank you to Wayne, Phyllis, Kelly & Kathy Braaten for all the work they did to organize and run the Braaten-Whelen Family Reunion in August 2013. I wasn't able to attend but I purchased a CD of the event. I watched it 3 times to make sure I saw everyone there and thanks for supplying a name list because I wouldn't have known very many without it. Thanks again for a job well done!

Darlene (Braaten) Evans

BIRCH HILLS GOOD NEIGHBOURS

Do you have a neighbour that goes out of their way to help others? Tell us about how great they really are...

email birchhillsrec@sasktel or mail to Box 280

Get your photos taken
with Santa.
In Birch
Hills.



Coming in
early December....
Watch for more details
in the next Heartbeat.

GREY CUP PARTY

Sunday, November 24th
At the King George Hotel Bar

Grey Cup Specials

Wings 5 / \$1.00

Drinks \$3.75

Bottomless Popcorn



Wear your green to support the team

Birch Hills Beauties hosts

The 4th Annual

BIRCH HILLS BOXING DAY BASH

December 26th

@ the Community Civic Center

Doors open at 8:00pm

\$20 advance tickets available at

Advantage Credit Union and Grumpy's

Proceeds going towards Marauders

High school Football

COMMUNITY BOOSTERS

Next Community Booster Meeting
meet in the Museum Basement

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 @ 7:30pm
(ends 9pm sharp...we promise)

ANYONE interested in town improvements
is WELCOME



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

Birch Hills Cowboy Church



@ Community Centre
1st Sunday of each month
Next **Dec 1st 7:00pm**

Featuring Country Gospel Music
with down home bible message.

All Welcome.

Refreshments to follow.

Pastor Rick Martin 981-2235

BIKE BOB/BOB McRURY HOUSE PROJECT

If you have driven past #337 Bellamy Ave. lately or seen the posters around town you will see that the project has had a great start and we thank you all for your involvement. We have put together a supply list of those things which are needed to complete the house. (See the posters) If you would like to purchase any of these supplies or a portion of some, please contact Vili Bati at 306-749-2760 or 306-263-3571 or Kevin Hawreschuk at 306-749-3193. Cash donations are still welcome at the Birch Hills branch of the Affinity Credit Union in "Bob's House" account. Also if you are interested in baking or buying baking we need you! All funds raised to the house project.

Thanks for your continued support.

Judy Bati



FLUTE and FIDDLE UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec 31, 2013 NEW YEARS EVE DANCE!!

Grease Theme Dance featuring *CONSTANT REMINDER*
Midnight Lunch and Champagne Toast
Tickets: \$30 advance \$40 at the door

Purchase tickets at the Clay Oven or online at
www.fluteandfiddle.ca

One Year has passed! How are we doing?
Help us, help you by clicking or signing on to
this link and answering a quick survey.
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CZDNBCQ>
Thanks for your support over the year!



CHRISTMAS INSPIRATIONAL BOOK STUDY

Author: Donna VanLiere

Join us, read and discuss 3 of Donna's Christmas books. The books will be provided for you.

FIRST MEETING: November 19 7:00pm
(to Dec 10th)

Place: Birch Hills Library

These books will make a difference in your life!
Register at the library or call Maxine Cromartie at
749-2564

BIRCH HILLS LEGION #122



Birch Hills Royal Canadian Legion #122 continues to be very active within our community. There are presently 89 members and we are presently renewing our memberships at a fee of \$50/year. Our goal is to have 100+ members and to have all our dues collected **before November 30, 2013** as we will then receive a Certificate for 100% Early Bird recognition and a Gold Star for increasing our membership. Becoming a member of the legion shows your support for past and present veterans, helps to pay the Dominion Command Fees and our members assist with local fundraisers in support of community events and groups.

Birch Hills Legion #122 will be hosting some sporting events over the next few years. We have been awarded District Golf on June 22, 2014, the Dominion Curling Competition in March 2015 and the Provincial Curling Competition in February 2016. We hosted the Provincials in 2012. Once again we will be needing volunteers and new members to make these functions successful. Anyone may join the Legion. For further information contact Don Lypchuck, President or any other Legion member for further information.

The Knitting Grannies are at it again! This year they are making items for charity in addition to the comfort shawls. Join them at 1:00 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in the Seniors' Hall. Contact Marilyn at 749-2286 for more information.



CHRISTMAS CAROLLING??

If there are any groups or individuals interested in carolling this upcoming Christmas Season, contact Amy 941-0788 to let her know so to be able to make plans.



Mark your calendars!! **OPEN HOUSE** at **Bethel House** on Saturday, Nov.23, 30, and Dec. 7 from 10-4 each day. Or make an appointment anytime at 306.749.3311. **SILPADA BLOWOUT** continues on retired items and new stock available too!! New stock in **BETHEL HOUSE!!** Come and bring friends...do some Christmas shopping and have coffee!!

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

T.O.P.S. (take pounds off sensibly) 5-6pm at the Health Centre

Thimbles & Threads Sewing Club 6:30pm @ Birchview Melissa 749-3482

Drop In Co-ed Hockey 9:30pm contact Natalie 960-3408

TUESDAY

Knitting Grannies 2nd & 4th Tues of ea month @ Sr Hall

Karate 7:30pm St Louis Karate Club 422-8665

Library Open 12-4pm and 5-8pm

Community Booster Mtg 3rd Tues of the month Civic Centre 7:30-9pm

St Louis Karate 7-8pm Call 422-8665 or 749-7500

Crystal Springs Bingo 7:30pm

Optimist Club 1st Tues of the month

AWANA Kids 6:45pm @LPBC For Kids 5-12yrs / kind-grade 6

Guitar Lessons Freddie Pelletier Oct 1-mid Dec) call 749-2498



WEDNESDAY

Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am at the Sr Centre

Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 9-4:00pm Great Deals!

Coffee & Sweets at the Museum 3:00 pm

Sparks/Brownies/Guides/Pathfinders Contact Audrey 749-2217 to join



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** 1:00pm

Flute & Fiddle Steak Night, Open Mic & Karaoke Starts 5pm All Welcome

SATURDAY / SUNDAY

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

BIRCH HILLS LIBRARY NEWS

Library Hours:

Tuesdays: 12 to 4 & 5 to 8 pm,

Thursdays & Fridays: 12 to 4:30 pm

StoryTime

Every Friday 1:00-1:45pm

For kids 3yrs+-



Book Study: Starts Nov 19-Dec 10

Tues & Thurs @ Library Call Maxine

749-2564 for more info

COMMUNITY COMMITTEE CONTACTS

Senior Hall

Vel Bompais at 749-3364 Rentals

Birch Hills Royal Cdn Legion

Lyle Mohn 749-7927 Rentals

Marlene Lypchuk 749-2571 Member Info

Lions Club



Bruce Tilford 749-7743

Todd Devenis 749-3425

Birch Hills Historical Society

Shirley Ulvild 749-2500

Community Boosters

Stewart & Louise Adams 749-3521

Dreamland Optimist Club

Stuart Matice 306-314-2378

Community Garden

Ann Woods 306-749-3237

Sparks/Brownies/Guides/Pathfinders

Audrey Matheson 749-2217

'Like' our facebook page to get activity

updates. Feel free to

add your own event or activity info

'Birch Hills Community & Recreation'



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES IN BIRCH HILLS



Birch Hills Community Church @ Civic Centre 11:00am

Birch Hills Lutheran Church @ 428 Bellamy Ave 11:30am

Birch Hills United Church @ 428 Bellamy Ave 9:30am

(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

Other Local pages:

Birch Hills Bargain Basement, Birch Hills Mamas, Birch Hills Dance Centre, Birch Hills Blackhawks, General Quarters Paintball, Flute and Fiddle, Birch Hills Community Garden, Birch Hills Sno-Posse, Clay Oven Café, Birch Hills Co-op, Partie Perks Rental Studio, KG Bar & Grill

'Like' these pages to become part of these groups activities events

Birch Hills & District Recreation

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Fax: 306-749-2545
E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net
Text or call cell: 306-749-7451
Facebook Page: 'Birch Hills Recreation'

Communities that play together,
...grow together!

Season Opener Curling Funspiel



November 16th
Register at 749-2951
4 person team Each team
must have 2 new players
(non members) \$60/team



Funding Assists Recreational Activities in Birch Hills

NOTICE Saskatchewan Lotteries Community Grant Funding will be disbursed according to applications for grants and services provided to the Birch Hills and surrounding community. Contact the Rec Office if your group is committed to Sport, Culture or Recreation and to see if your group qualifies for funding.

LINEDANCING

Wednesday morning
linedancers are going to
include an evening class.

Monday evenings
7:00 - 8:30pm

We will also continue with our
Wednesday class from 9:30-11:00am.
We meet at the Seniors Hall. There is no
cost, however we have been donating a
toonie per person to the Seniors Hall for
its use. If you want to come out for
some fun and exercise, please join us.
Beginners Welcome! The first evening
class will be November 18, 2013



CURL-A-DROME NEWS

Curling Season has begun...



Monday: Fun League 7:00pm and Free Lessons 6:15
Tuesday: Senior League 4/team 1:30pm coffee & dessert
Wednesday: 2 Person League sponsored by Brahma Insurance
Thursday: Super League 4/ team competitive 7:00pm
Friday: Senior League 4/team 1:30pm coffee & dessert

Drop In Fees \$10, for those that want to try curling!
Memberships Available (inquire at curling rink)

Raffle tickets available soon for this years draw...Watch for
detailsnew prizes available

JOB OPPORTUNITY IN BIRCH HILLS

Part-time Condo
Maintenance
Personnel required:

Please apply to:
Capstone Condo Corp.
Box 874
Birch Hills, SK
S0J 0G0

Interior maintenance
and minor repair.
Hours of work and
wage to be discussed

**DON'T FORGET FREE
CURLING LESSONS
MONDAY NIGHTS
6:15pm.**

Learn the basics of
curling before the
upcoming bonspiels in
the new year

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

- Nov16 - Season Opener Curling Funspiel
- Youth Centre Fall Supper
17 - Hockey Ref Clinic
18 - Mon Night Linedancing starts 7pm
- Fire Dept AGM
19 - Community Booster Mtg
- Library hosted Book Study (to Dec 10)
23 - Crystal Springs Trade/Craft/Bake Sale
- Food Safety Course
- Soup for Seniors
- Sr Hockey Game
24 - Grey Cup Party @ KG Hotel
30 - Anglican Church Cookie Walk
- Dale Meyers 70th Bday Celebration
- Sr Hockey Game
Dec 1 - Cowboy Church
3 - Optimist Club Mtg
4 - Brrr Chills Winter Fest Plan Mtg
6 - Sr Hockey Game
7 - Ladies Hockey Tournament
- Town, RM & Fire Christmas Party
8 or 15 - Photos with Santa (TBD)
12 - Royal Cdn Legion Meeting
14 - Sr Hockey Game
17 - Community Booster Mtg
26 - Beauties Boxing Day Dance
31 - New Years Grease Dance F&F

3rd Annual Brrr Chills Winter Festival??

PLANNING MEETING

Wednesday, December 4th, 2013
7:00pm @ the Museum Basement

If you or your committee is interested in
participating in a winter festival in 2014, please come to the
meeting or contact the Rec Office 749-7451

