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**November 18th, 2016**

**Issue 130**

Hello Readers,  
I have taken on the job of producing the Heartbeat in Laurie's absence. I apologize for the lateness of this edition. Farmers were again busy in the fields in the last few weeks, until Mother Nature decided to change the weather in time for winter's arrival. There are many events happening in the community in the next few weeks leading up to the Christmas Season. Stay tuned for more events in the next newsletter. Until next time,  
**Natalie Matheson**

Birch Hills Guiding Association is selling poinsettias for Christmas. To make an order, please call Audrey at 749-2217 by November 30th. Poinsettias will be available to pick up on December 9th.



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**LOTTERIES**



Funding Assists Rec Activities in Birch Hills

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**BIRCH HILLS LEGION  
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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 by 3 sponsors (\$300/mos) for printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for you & the community.

**Seeking Newsletter Sponsors for the New Year!!**

Call 306-749-7451

Thank you for supporting your community with a free local paper.

Birch Hills School will be having a **Magazine Campaign** from November 1<sup>st</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>. The profits will go to our extracurricular programs, including (transportation, speakers, lunches, and other items to run our Various programs). Last year we sold 374 subscriptions. This year's goal is 400 subscriptions, gifts, jewellery, bulbs, and chocolates. You can either order through one of our students or order online. To order online go to [www.qsp.ca](http://www.qsp.ca), code **3731031**. Anyone in Canada can order through the website and choose a student to benefit from it. If paying by cheque, please make it out to 'Birch Hills School'.

The students and staff thank you for your support



**COMMUNITY  
KAISER NIGHT**

Every second Thursday,  
beginning November 3  
7:30pm at the Youth Centre  
(Main St)  
Everyone Welcome!

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Museum will be having a Meatball Supper on Friday January 20th. Stay tuned for more information.



The Museum Thrift Shop is a very busy place. Open Wednesday 9:00am - 4:00pm and Saturday 1:00pm - 4:00pm. We are in need of Christmas items. If you have extra items when you finish decorating, please bring them to the Museum.

Back by request...

## GROUP DANCE LESSONS

by Miles Fiddler & Friends

Tuesday Evenings 7:00-8:30pm  
(includes a variety of dances



lessons, pending on group. Followed by an Old Tyme Themed Dance)

Register now with Miles 981-5396 or contact Rec Office for more info. At Mane Event Dance Hall. Space is Limited, so 1st Come 1st Served

\$75ea (\$150/pair)

Individuals encouraged to join.

We have partners for you!

For ages 16yrs+.

St. Mary's ACW

## Annual Cookie Walk & Christmas Tea



Cookies, Baking  
& Meat Pies for Sale

Saturday, December 3rd

2:00pm to 4:00pm

255 McCallum Ave

## BIRCH HILLS BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS and NEWSLETTER SPONSOR

### The Birch Hills Royal Canadian Legion #122



The Remembrance Day Services will be at the Civic Centre, starting at 10:45am on the 11th of November.

Supper is available for \$25 per couple. Tickets available from Carol & Ian Pryznyk. Please come out to the service to remember our

Veterans who fought for our freedom!

Poppy trays are now in the community at local businesses. Please wear a poppy in remembrance of those who lost their lives in war for us.



## MANE EVENT Salon & Dance Hall

### Sack the Quarterback - Progressive Jackpot

Every Wednesday evening 5-7pm...Draw @ 7:15pm (must be in attendance to win) Food & Drink Specials

November 25th Ladies Wine, Shopping and Appetizer Night

December 9th Mens Beer, Shopping & Wing/Rib Night

we will have booths set up so you can get all your shopping done for Christmas with out stepping into a mall! Vendors contact Kristy

Book your Family, Friends or Staff Christmas Party with us!!

We do all the work, you come and have a great time  
contact Kristy @ 749-7405 or email [kristynelson@hotmail.ca](mailto:kristynelson@hotmail.ca)

### Sack the Quarterback Progressive Jackpot

**Congratulations to the November 9th winner, Dane Tessier who won \$64 by drawing the 10 of Hearts, and the November 16th winner Teena Nelson who drew the 10 of Clubs and won \$154.**



Join us Wednesdays at The Mane Event. Tickets on sale 5:00-7:00pm Draw at 7:15pm You must be in attendance to win. Tickets \$5 ea, 3 for \$10, 8 for \$20

**Next week's Progressive Jackpot starts at \$697.50.**

Join the 'SACK THE QUARTERBACK' Facebook page for updates, winners and Weekly Specials.

## Birch Hills LIBRARY News

STORY TIME - Fridays w/ Ms Joanne.

For ages 3 & 4

Join us each Friday at 1:00pm



### STAY UPDATED

'LIKE' our Facebook page to get activity and news updates. Feel free to add your own event or activity info on the 'Birch Hills Community & Recreation' Facebook page.

Also on Facebook 'Birch Hills SK Golf'



## Dreamland Optimist Club of Birch Hills Presents **SANTA PICTURES & BAKE SALE**

Sunday November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

1:00pm – 4:00pm

@ The Seniors Hall (370 Bellamy Ave)

Get your picture with SANTA himself & pick up some YUMMY baking as well.

All proceeds will stay within Birch Hills for our children,  
Our dream is to build a splash park for our community!



Come and join us for an evening of socializing with fun and games at St Mary's Anglican Church every Friday until Christmas starting at 7:00pm.



## **BIRCH HILLS SCHOOL NEWS**

The school Magazine Campaign will go on November 1st to 18th. One of the concerns is that people want to renew their magazines. They can do that and even buy different stuff from the website. All their purchases will still benefit the school. Here is the way to do this:

1. Go to [www.QSP.ca](http://www.QSP.ca) (online)
2. Click "Shop Now"
3. Birch Hills Online ID is **3731031**
4. Start shopping

**Picture Retake Day:** November 22

No Classes PLC November 28

Christmas Break December 22—Jan 2, 2017

No Classes PLC January 30

## **SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Sat. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 11am–1 pm @ the Senior's Hall

Come enjoy a free dinner and fellowship.

For deliveries contact Judy or Vili Bati

306-263-3581 or 306-263-3571

Hope to see you there. All welcome



## **CRYSTAL SPRINGS NEWS**

**Bingo:** Each Tuesday 7:30pm until December 13<sup>th</sup>...  
(Christmas Bingo)

The hall is available for rent.  
Contact Lynn 306-864-8013



**Coffee Row:** The Crystal Springs Rec Co-op will be hosting a "coffee row" once monthly at their newly renovated facility at Crystal Springs Hall. Next date  
**Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> 2:00 P.M. to 4:00**

A set of keys with a tag labelled "Mop Room" were found at the school. If these belong to you, please contact the school office.





## EVERY WEEK IN THE HILLS

Open to Community

### MONDAYS

Bowling at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Dolores Jones 749-2680  
 Line Dancing (beginners) all welcome 9:30-11am @ Civic Centre  
 Fire Dept Mtgs every 2nd Mon 7pm @ fire hall Kyle Jensen 749-7536  
 Dreamland Optimists Group meet 1st and 3rd Mon 7:30pm Sr Ctr

### TUESDAYS

Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 10am-12pm \$2 drop in fee  
 Library Open Weekly 12-4pm and 5-8pm  
 Bingo in Crystal Springs 7:30 @ Crystal Springs Hall (till Dec 13)  
 Rec Volleyball 8:00-9:30pm @ school gym \$2 to play  
 Knitting Grannies meet 2nd & 4th Tues @ museum 1:00pm

### WEDNESDAYS

Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am @ Civic Centre  
 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  
 Town Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Wed of the month  
 Sack the Quarterback Draw 5-7 @ Mane Event

### THURSDAYS

Cribbage at the Senior Hall 2:00 pm Dolores Jones 749-2680  
 Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 9am-12pm \$2 drop in fee  
 Library Open 12 - 4:30pm  
 Kaiser Nite @ Youth Ctr 7:30pm every 2nd Thurs (starts Nov 3)  
 Legion Mtg 2nd Thurs ea month 7pm @ legion hall.

### FRIDAYS

Lutheran Church Coffee Break 9:30-11am Bellamy & 4th  
 Birch Hills Library Open 12-4:30pm/ Story time 1-1:45pm 4&5yrs



### SATURDAY

Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 1:00-4:00pm

Call if you have changes or events to add to this list; Laurie at 749-7451

## Weldon Fall Trade Show and Sale

Saturday, November 26th

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

@ Weldon Auditorium

Come visit our vendors and have lunch.

Proceeds to Weldon Auditorium.

Contact Brenda for more info

306-887-2038

## Birch Hills Cowboy Church

@ Community Centre

1st Sun of each month

Next Service

Sunday, Dec 4th 7:00pm

Featuring Country Gospel Music  
 with down home bible message with  
 Pastor Rick Martin (981-2235)

Potluck Cookies & Cake to follow

All are Welcome



## Drop In Rec Volleyball

Tuesdays 8:00-9:30pm

in the School Gym

Ages 16yrs+ are welcome

Join us Tuesday evenings

\$2 drop in fee.



*You don't have to come  
 every Tuesday, but you  
 will want to!*

## MUSEUM NEWS

The Birch Hills Historical Society held their regular board meeting on Wednesday November 2nd. Chairman Grant Getz gave a review of what was accomplished over the summer.

Moved old log barn to new site. Used on Threshing Day for farm pets.

Chimney's repaired using local contractor's Devin Pratt and Harvey Stobbs. A big THANKS!

Rooftop air conditioners fixed by Steven Gjesdal in time for Threshing Day. Much Appreciated.

Oat sheaves and straw taken care of for another year.

The to do list is prepared and will be worked on in the coming months.



## Blackhawks Senior Hockey News

November 18 8:30pm vs Cudworth  
 19 8:00pm vs Cudworth  
 (Hockey Day)  
 25 8:30pm vs Vonda  
 26 8:00pm vs Warman



### SAVE THE DATES

Comedy Night w/ Sterling Scott December 31  
 Blackhawk Shootout Calcutta December 28

Please contact Jamie at 306-980-8687 if you are interested in helping with games

## Hockey Day in Birch Hills

Games played from Minor and Senior Hockey Teams.  
 Silent auction, Canteen Breakfast, Lunch, Supper Specials,  
 50/50 draws and more

Fri Nov 18th	5:30pm	PW vs Hudson Bay
	8:30pm	Seniors vs Cudworth
Sat Nov 19th	9:30am	IP vs St Brieux
	10:30am	Novice vs Porcupine Plain
	12:30pm	Atom vs Kinistino
	2:30pm	Bantam vs Porcupine Plain
	4:45pm	Midget vs Porcupine Plain
	8:00pm	Seniors vs Cudworth



Silent Auction Sponsored by RamJak Sports

### MINOR HOCKEY GAMES

Nov 18/19	Hockey Day in Birch Hills (see ad above)	
Nov 20	Atoms vs Melfort Mavericks	10:00am
Nov 26	Atoms vs Red Earth	11:00am
Nov 27	Atoms vs Hudson Bay	11:00am
	Midgets vs Tisdale	6:30pm
Nov 30	Atoms vs Melfort Mustangs	6:30pm

Thank you to all the volunteers who have been working many long hours to get the skating rink and curling rink ready for the winter season. Please come out and cheer on the teams that use these great facilities.



## CURLING CLUB BONSPIELS

Sticks Only	Nov 25/16
Open	Jan 20/21
Ladies	Feb 3/4
Masters	Mar 8-12
2 Person	Mar 24/25

Seniors bonspiels to be determined.  
 Afternoon, Rec and Competitive leagues starting mid November.



### Community Rink Affordability Grant

.... Reaches Five Year Milestone

The CRAG (grant) provides funding to Saskatchewan's community-owned indoor skating and curling rinks. Communities, schools, non-profits and First Nations are eligible to apply to the program.

Successful applicants receive an annual grant of \$2,500 per indoor ice surface. The grant may be used to offset the cost of rink operations and minor capital upgrades.

Thank you Government of Saskatchewan!

## Line dancing

### WEDNESDAYS

Please feel free to join us on  
 Wednesdays at the  
 Civic Centre 9:30-11:00am  
 All Skill Levels welcome

**MONDAYS** for Beginners  
 -Starts November 7th

9:30am at Civic Centre



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



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In Laurie's absence, please send  
your events and information to  
[natalie.matheson@outlook.com](mailto:natalie.matheson@outlook.com)  
or leave a message at  
306-749-7451.



## Birch Hills United Church News

First Sunday of Advent Service on  
Sunday November 27th at the  
Evangelical Lutheran Church. All are  
welcome.



The United Church Women are again collecting new and  
gently used clothing for the Women's Shelter in Prince  
Albert. Please phone the church at 749-2488 if you have  
items to drop off after December 1st, or they can be  
brought to the back door of the church from 9:15am to  
11:15am on December 14th. Toiletries, crayons, coloring  
books, small calendars, and note pads are greatly  
appreciated.

Dreamland Optimist Club of Birch Hills Presents

**CUPIDS FEBRUARY TRADESHOW** Sat Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2017

We are now accepting vendor registrations.

Contact Susan @ 306-941-0400 or [sdutchak3@gmail.com](mailto:sdutchak3@gmail.com)

Or Rosa @ 306-930-1040

Table Fees: \$40/table. Book early so you do not miss out!

## Birch Hills Upcoming Events

- Nov 18 - Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs Cudworth  
- Community Lunch (pg 4)
- 19 - Hockey Day in Birch Hills (pg 5)
- 20 - Santa Pics & Bake Sale
- 25 - Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs Vonda  
- Ladies Wine, Appys & Shopping Night  
- Sticks only Curling Bonspiel
- 26 - Weldon Trade Show & Sale  
- Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs Warman
- Dec 3 - Anglican Church Annual Cookie Walk  
- Seniors Community Christmas Dinner
- 9 - Men's Beer, Appys & Shopping Night
- 10/11 - PeeWee MH Tourney
- 13 - Crystal Springs Christmas Bingo
- 22-Jan 2 - School Christmas Break
- 28 - Blackhawks Shootout Calcutta
- 31 - Blackhawks 3rd Annual Comedy Night
- Jan 20 - Open Curling Bonspiel
- 21 - Birch Hills Barracudas Ladies Hockey  
Tournament
- 28 - Novice MH Tourney
- Feb 3/4 - Ladies Curling Bonspiel
- 4 - Dreamland Optimist Trade Show
- 4/5 - Atom MH Tourney
- 20-24 - School Break
- Mar 4 - IP MH Tourney
- 8-12 - Masters Curling Bonspiel
- 10/11 - Goosier Tourney

## "IN TOUCH TUNES"

Stanley Windels Pianist and Vocalist (Blind from birth)

Performing at Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church in Birch  
Hills on Sunday November 27th.

11:00am - Morning Program (dinner to follow)

7:00pm - Evening Concert (pie and coffee to follow)

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR BIRCH HILLS MULTIUSE FACILITY

St Mary's Anglican  
Church

**Community Lunches**

Friday, Nov 18th

11:00 - 1:30 pm

at the church (McCallum Ave)

Free will offering (donation)

