The 'Birch Hills Heartbeat' newsletter is printed bi-monthly 1st and 15th of the month. It is available at the following locations: Birch Hills Recreation Office, Lake Country Co-op, Grumpy's Confectionary, Quayle's Pharmacy, and 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

March 1st, 2021 Issue 253

New Library Hours in the New Year!

Tuesdays 11:00 am - 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm (additional hour)

Thursdays 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm (additional hour and moved to afternoon)

Fridays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm (moved to morning)

March issues of this Birch Hills activity newsletter are sponsored by:

### SONNY SHORT

If you would like to be a sponsor of the 'Heartbeat' newsletter, contact 306-749-7451/ birchhillsrec@sasktel.net. The cost is \$100 by 3 sponsors (\$300/month) for printing, advertising and ensuring that the newsletter stays free for everyone.

#### **"VIRTUAL BOTTLE DRIVE**

The 2021 Graduating class is holding a virtual bottle drive over the winter/spring to raise some funds for this momentous day and are looking for your support while still following COVID requirements. Individuals willing to donate recyclables can do so at any SARCAN location in the province by following these steps"

- 1. At home, separate your recycling put plastics, cartons and aluminum cans into bags, put glass beverage containers into boxes. Don't forget to include milk containers!
- 2. Visit a SARCAN Depot and look for Drop & Go
- 3. Follow instructions on the screen. Type **"BHGrad"** when prompted to enter the group phrase. It is simple!

The amount of your order will be processed and paid directly to the **Birch Hills Graduating class** 

The group phrase works at all 72 depots across the province, so your friends and family across Saskatchewan can donate too! Please share this with your social media friends. Together we can make this day special regardless of how it may be affected by COVID."



# GOLF COURSE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Septic Removal and Disposal

The Birch Hills Golf Course c/o the Birch Hills & District Recreation Board is seeking to contract out septic removal and disposal annually, for the months, April through to October (golf season) for the year 2021, with the possibility of an on-going agreement. The Birch Hills Golf Course is located on the northwest corner of Birch Hills approximately 35 km southeast of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan along Highway 3.

### **SPECIFICS:**

There are two septic tanks in total – the first is a 1,000 gallon tank located near the clubhouse. The second is a 500 gallon tank and is located on hole #5 on the golf course.

There (is) will be an agreement in place with the Town of Birch Hills and the hired contractor to dispose of recreation facility sewage at the town sewage plant for a fee of \$25/dump. This will be totalled at the end of the season to be paid by the successful contractor. This fee can and is to be added to each invoice and charged to the respective recreation facility where the sewage was picked up. *This arrangement is only for dumping of Birch Hills' recreation facility sewage*.

Typically, the 1,000 gallon tank will need emptying approximately every 7-10 days throughout the months April through to October, and pending tournaments, arrangements would be made ahead of time to avoid any rush pick ups. The disposal for tank on the 5<sup>th</sup> hole is approximately once or twice per season.

Please reply with a quote of cost for each pick up or a monthly contracted fee. Other suggestions are welcome.

Any company wishing to submit a written proposal or requiring additional information can contact Zac Pitzel, Recreation Director at 306-749-7451. Proposals and associated quotations can be submitted to Birch Hills Recreation via email at <a href="mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net">birchhillsrec@sasktel.net</a>; or can be mailed to the following address:

Birch Hills & District Recreation Board Box 280 Birch Hills, SK SOJ 0G0

This year's World Day of Prayer Service is on-line and available for all to access and enjoy in the comfort and safety of their own home. It was written by the Vanuatu World Day of Prayer Committee.

The World Day of Prayer 2021 service video, prepared by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada, can now be accessed by going to wicc.org and clicking on the One Hour Service Video button.

Anyone wishing to donate is encouraged to do so online or by mail to WICC at 47 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, Ont. M5S 2C3. Tax receipts will be given for any donations of \$20 and over.

If you have any questions please contact our World Day of Prayer Field Rep: LINDA ERVIN at fieldrep567@wicc.org

phone no. 250-493-5333 or WICC Office Administrator: NANCY WEIR at wicc@wicc.org phone 416-929-5184.

### 2021 SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

Help Support your Playground Program: There are plans in place again for a playground program this summer. This program has been free to all kids ages 5-12yrs and we would like to continue the program at no charge. There are grants available but not all costs are covered. In the past businesses and individuals have donated towards this program for nutrition snacks, craft supplies, tons of fun Mon-Fri (Jul/Aug) and competitive wages for our leaders. If you are interested in assisting with budget requirements, please contact Rec Office for more info.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Applications are being accepted at the Rec Office for Play Leaders and assistants this summer. Hours vary with positions. Must be available June 21st through Aug 21st, Monday to Friday. Must be 14 yrs+, a current full time student returning to school in the fall.. Please summit your application to the rec office April 30th.

### Weldon 4-H Beef Club Report

Submitted by Ava Timm

Our 2020/2021 4-H year has started!

Back in December our club held its annual weigh day for the members to register and weigh their animals. This year while following COVID protocols, we had families book a time to do so during December 20<sup>th</sup> and December 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the Timm Family for once again hosting everyone at their farm. The members animals look great and our fingers are crossed that we will be able to exhibit our projects this year!

We have held two virtual meetings so far through Google Classroom, with our first organizational meeting held on January 30<sup>th</sup>. This year we have 21 members from the Weldon, Kinistino, Birch Hills and White Fox areas.

Our club executive for the year is as follows:

President - Alex Manson

Vice president - Shelby Wenig

Treasurer - Courtney Hansen

Secretary - Kylee Hansen

District Representatives - Alex Manson and Courtney Hansen Club Reporter - Ava Timm

Photographer - Payton Braaten (with assistance from Ramona Swenson)

Our second meeting of the year was held on February 13<sup>th</sup>. We discussed receiving our new record books, checking our uniforms, and holding speeches.

Our club speeches will be held virtually among our members on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

Our club would like to give a huge THANK YOU to the following for their generous donations:

Farm Credit Canada (FCC)

SaskPower

**Affinity Credit Union** 

SGEU (Unionized Employees of Saskatchewan Crop Insurance, Local 2151)

Weldon Sports club

Thank You also to everyone who supported our Community Calendar fundraiser, including all our advertisers. We appreciate your support!

Although with the current situation of COVID, our club year is looking different once again. We are hoping that this year will be better and that we can get back to the activities that teach us to "Learn to do by Doing".

#### THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION BIRCH HILLS BRANCH #122

would like to express our sincere appreciation to all the individuals and businesses for the financial support given to the Poppy fund which enables us to carry out the various activities we undertake. It helps serve the needs of veterans, provides bursaries and scholarships as well as the essay, poem and poster competitions at the school.

Our year end from October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

The **2019** Poppy campaign raised and dispersed funds in the following manner:

Wreath Campaign donations from individuals, businesses and organizations totalled \$ 1,555.00

Poppy Trays which are distributed to the local businesses for the general public to contribute to, took in \$ 1,214.10

Bursaries of \$300.00 were presented to Jordyn Forsyth, Tayha Rolfes, Samuel Kuperis, and Casey Pratchler

Literary contest

Primary Art-colour 1st Chloe Custer-Bergen Art-B&W 1st Petal Meadows

2<sup>nd</sup> Brantley Hesje 2<sup>nd</sup> Elin Cochrane

3<sup>rd</sup> Brielle Tweten 3<sup>rd</sup> Elizabeth Mickelson

Junior Art- colour 1<sup>st</sup> Kohl Swales Art-B&W 1<sup>st</sup> Troy Boutin

2<sup>nd</sup> Cooper Johnstone 2<sup>nd</sup> Max Thompson

3<sup>rd</sup> Kayla Halayka 3<sup>rd</sup> Blayke Oakes

Intermediate Art-colour 1<sup>st</sup> Nova Shore Art B&W 1<sup>st</sup> Kaylee Hassler

2<sup>nd</sup> Sienna Braaten 2<sup>nd</sup> Leah Madden 3<sup>rd</sup> Reese Oakes 3<sup>rd</sup> Emily Simmonde

We apologise to all the 1<sup>st</sup> place finishers that we missed the submission deadline for the Zone Competition as the date had been moved to an earlier time this year. Thank you to all those who entered. Please note there were no submissions in the essay or poetry competition so keep that in mind for this year.

The current executive of the Birch Hills Branch is:

President Russell Barton
Secretary Sandra Barber
Treasurer Dennis Lypchuk
Poppy Chair Wayne Boyle
Sports Chair Ron Lyons

We encourage everyone to consider joining the Legion to keep our branch alive. Please contact Russell who is also the membership chairman at 930-1318. We greatly need your active participation. We meet at the Legion the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs of the month and hope to host our AGM on March 11<sup>th</sup> following covid protocol.

The Birch Hills Public Library will be selling Co-op gift cards to help with any expenses we have.

It's a win win! You buy \$100 Co-op gift card from the library, you get \$100 dollars to buy whatever you like from the Co-op and the library gets a percentage of the amount sold!

Great way to purchase to purchase your fuel for your farm too!

Cards are available in denominations of \$25, \$50, and \$100. Payment is due when cards are ordered. We accept cash or cheques made out to the Birch Hills Library.

Last day to order is Friday March 26

Contact the library at (306) 749-3281 to order yours! Cards will be in March 30.

Help Support your Local Library!

### ST MARY'S ANGLICAN Church UPCOMING EVENTS

279 McCallum Avenue

Morning Prayer: Sunday, March 7th - Third Sunday in Lent 9:00am

Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82274837070? pwd=NFZidElpb1MvYWJxeWtuYkdBTWoyUT09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920

Meeting ID: 822 7483 7070; Passcode: 743940

Morning Prayer: Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:00am

Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82274837070? pwd=NFZidElpb1MvYWJxeWtuYkdBTWoyUT09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920

Meeting ID: 822 7483 7070; Passcode: 743940

**Daily Offices:** 

Morning Prayer 8:00am:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88566261667? pwd=VFo0VU9DSERWWFFiV2YxcmplVFZBQT09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920

Meeting ID: 817 5985 5488; Passcode: 726370

Evening Prayer 5:00pm:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81759855488?

pwd=S0U5V21mRUhqbWhZa0R3aW1tMTB2QT09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920

Meeting ID: 817 5985 5488; Passcode: 726370

Catechism and Compline: Wednesday 7:00pm Wednesday

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83759468424? pwd=MnNBWnd6Zll4R29WVSt5MnVyY0c0Zz09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920 Meeting ID: 837 5946 8424

Passcode: 836891

Bible Study "The Cross": Wednesday 8:00pm over Zoom

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83759468424? pwd=MnNBWnd6Zll4R29WVSt5MnVyY0c0Zz09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920 Meeting ID: 837 5946 8424

Passcode: 836891

Contact Father Jordan to sign up

St Mary's AGM: Tuesday, March 9th 7:30pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85333912517? pwd=YmlzeHZFMXdaRGI5L3IPWDVLZHQvUT09

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920

Meeting ID: 853 3391 2517; Passcode: 411021

Private Confession and Holy Communion is by appointment. Contact Father Jor-

dan.

Reach Father Jordan by phone (306) 749-2229 or email jor-

dan draper@hotmail.com

Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/bhkmparish



### **Birch Hills Public Library**

Birch Hills Public Library Report

Birch Hills Public Library will be open by appointment only. Please call (306)749-3281 during our regular business hours to book your appointment.

Story hour every Tuesday afternoon on our Facebook page

Thank you to Ron Bodnarchuk ,who has kept our skitrails in excellent condition over the last number of years. Especially this season it is greatly appreciated to allow the people of Birch Hills to get physically active! Thank you Ron for everything you have done!

Thank you to the Tin Bin Bakery and Deli for your fundraising efforts for the Heartbeat. Due to COVID we have had a tougher time getting sponsors so we appreciate the extra support.

#### **RECYCLE**

Please Share your Newsletter with a friend. Send request to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net to receive the news letter online.





## VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEMBER INFORMATION MEETING

MARCH 18, 2021 @ 6:30 PM

All members planning to attend must pre-register by 5:00 pm March 15, 2021.

To register, visit our website at www.lakecountryco-op.crs.

Stella Sorenson would like to thank the young man for helping me up when I fell at the CO-OP.

### Wear your Blackhawks Pride Gaitors and Masks for Sale



Gaitors - \$10.00

Masks with adjustable elastic - \$15.00 Email – blackhawkssrhockey@gmail.com

Message on Facebook Birch Hills Sr. Blackhawks Or call / text 306-980-8687



### March Birchview Calendar





Hello Supporters of the Birch Hills Sno Posse Snowmobile Club:

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the SnoPosse are not able to host the annual

rally, for 2021 it is officially cancelled.

Early snowfalls in November and the Pandemic have increased the amount of riders in our area. It is a sport that allows masking, social distancing and fresh air. In saying that we are looking for your support to maintain the three warm up shacks our club looks after.

Please see details of the attached poster.

The hands purchased will run just like on previous rallies. We will monitor the hands purchased over etransfer or (cash) and write your name in the book of numbers. Random number draw will take place on March 6, 2021.

With the purchase of hands, you will also be in the random number draw for prizes as well. Prizes will be posted to our Facebook page closer to the draw date.

If you or your business would like to donate a raffle item please contact any Sno Posse member, or message us on Facebook, or text Matt or Tammy. We will make safe arrangements for pick up. We will also advertise your business on our Facebook page. If you are not able to etrasnsfer, we will make arrangements to accept cash. tickets sold is open to all ages and you do not need to be a "rider".

Contact: Matt @ 306-749-7010

Tammy @ 306-960-9246

Email/Etransfer address is bhsnoposse@hotmail.com

The Birch Hills Sno Posse thanks everyone for your continued support.

SAVE THE DATE: Rally 2022 is scheduled for Saturday February 12, 2022.

### The Tin Bin Bakery & Deli

Thanks to everyone who purchased our old-fashioned doughnuts on Saturdays in February!

Together we raised \$100.00 for the Heartbeat!



Like us on Facebook: Tin Bin Bakery & Deli Email: <u>tinbinbakery@gmail.com</u> Phone:639-919-7300 (Birch Hills # - call or text) 270 Simpson Avenue (entrance on east side)

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays: 11:00am-7:00pm Saturdays: 11:00-5:00pm



### The Tin Bin

Bakery & Deli

Based on availability (new items in bold; prices subject to change):

White or Mixed Grain Bread \$4.00; Raisin Bread \$5.00 Burger & Hotdog Buns \$4.00; Dinner Buns \$3.00

Pretzels, Apple Fritters, Boston Creams & Jelly-filled Doughnuts \$2.00 each
Old-Fashioned Doughnuts 8 for \$5.00

Sausage and Spinach & Ricotta Rolls \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00/6 for \$10.00
Pizza Buns (with or without bacon) \$2.00 or 6 for \$10.00
Cingago Burs 1 tray for \$8.00; ingles \$3.00

Cinnamon Buns 1 tray for \$8.00; singles \$2.00 Farm Fresh Eggs 1 dozen \$3.00 Garlic Sausage ¾ stick \$10.00; full stick \$18.00 2 Pre-cooked Boneless Chops 450g \$6.00

Smoked Back Bacon 230g \$5.00, Smoked Beef Sandwich Meat 230g \$6.00 Deli Meals: Turkey Pot Pies \$4.00, Chili on Basmati \$7.00; **Chicken Teriyaki \$8.00, Lasagna (with homemade noodles) \$8.00** 

Soups & Stews: 450g \$4.00; 900g \$6.00 : Hearty Cabbage Roll, Turkey Rice, Smoky Bacon Potato Chowder, Roast Pork Stew

And other goodies (cookies, muffins. cheesecake bites, fruit loaves, butter tarts, nuts & bolts, Birch Hills Blend popcorn, croutons, bread crumbs)

Gift Certificates available Pre-orders are welcome and recommended Will deliver for free in Birch Hills (minimum \$20 order)

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: Tin Bin Bakery & Deli Email: tinbinbakery@gmail.com Phone:639-919-7300 (Birch Hills # - call or text) 270 Simpson Avenue (entrance on east side)

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays: 11:00am-7:00pm Saturdays: 11:00-5:00pm

## Annual Meeting



### Via Zoom

Email birchhillsrec@sasktel.net Or call / text 306-749-7451 2 Board Position Openings

Tues

6

Apr 2021 Zoom link will be sent prior to meeting Meeting 7:00PM

recting 7.001 M

RSVP by Noon Tuesday, April 6th

### **CHURCH SERVICES:**

Glad Tidings Tabernacle - Sunday services at 11:00 am.



St Anne Roman Catholic

Church—Starting February 7th service starts at 11:00 AM on Sundays will continue until May.

Lake Park Baptist Church - "We are once again hosting In-Person Services. To attend you must Pre-Register on our Website @ www.lakepark.ca Only 30 people are allowed to attend each service. Service Schedule: 9:00 AM Early Service 10:15 AM Prayer Time 11:30 AM Second Service Live Streaming will occur during the second service and later uploaded to Youtube for viewing.

The Birch Hills Golf Course has seasonal employment opportunities for 2021 as follows:

Course maintenance workers (full time & part time) - must be physically fit and experience with riding mowers, tractors and other "farm related" equipment would be a definite asset.

Clubhouse reception/sales and kitchen staff (full & part time) - must have Food Safe certificate and Serve it Right certification (or be willing to take course; online is available) and provide proof of certification, prior to employment.

Computer Skill, and working with public would be considered an asset. Must 19 years of age to apply.

Please submit resumes to email address: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or birchhillsgolfcourse@gmail.com no later than March 15, 2021, or drop off at Birch Hills Recreation Office on Bellamy Ave by March 15th, 2021.

### The Birch Hills and District Rec Board seeks Recreation Bookkeeper

The Bookkeeper will be responsible for providing administrative services and data entry. Providing these services in an effective and efficient manner will ensure that Recreation Office records are well maintained. The position has flexible hours approximately (16 hours) in the Recreation Office per week.

### This position will require the applicant to:

- Maintain accurate and current financial records, journal entries into general ledger. Data entry into computer program. Monthly bank reconciliation, ledger balance sheets and financial reports are required.
- 500 cheques and 300 deposits per year. Deposit slips and Cheques must be checked for accuracy and
  corrected on occasion. Deposit slips and cheques will need to be broken down into smaller account
  codes prior to entering in the computer. Preparation of some cheques with board member signature to
  countersign.
- Administration and GST returns (quarterly) Provincial sales tax (monthly) and liquor consumption tax for golf course and curling rink monthly.
- Prepare payroll for up to 20 seasonal employees. Includes monthly payroll remittances to Canada revenue agency, and preparation of annual T4 slips and records of employment.
- Preparation of Recreation board books for audit with MNP. Availability for 2 days while auditor verifies books in Birch Hills.
- Create and update file system to share with Recreation Director and Bookkeeper

### **Knowledge Abilities skills**

- Ability to use computer for basic functions including Microsoft Office (word & excel) and Simply Accounting
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision.
- Ability to prioritize deadlines.
- Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with Recreation Director, Seasonal Staff, and volunteers in the Recreation Board system.
- Ability to work within legislation as required by Federal Provincial and Municipal Governments.
- Must respect the confidentiality of certain records maintained by the Recreation Office and ensure ethical behavior. Must be bondable.

Salary is dependent on experience and qualifications. Applicants are asked to submit a detailed resume, by 5:00 p.m. March 5, 2021 to:

Birch Hills Recreation Board

146 Bellmany Avenue, Box 280 BIRCH HILLS SK SOJ 0G0

e-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net