



# HEARTBEAT

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](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net)

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Hi everyone,

Please have any Heartbeat submissions emailed to me by December 30th. As I will be off the 24th until after the New Year. Any paper submissions can be turned into the town office before December 30th. Happy Holidays!

-Zac Pitzel

The Birch Hills Lions club is looking to get started back up and running after being forced to put activities on hold due to COVID. The Lions Club have held fundraisers and have been instrumental in the development of the community recreation facilities. If you are interested in joining, rejoining or attending a meeting contact Al Harper @ 306-749-3252.

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

## **Kleen Bee**

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

## **DARTS ARE BACK**

EVERY MONDAY STARTING, 7PM AT ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION

Open to Legion members and guests.

PROOF OF DOUBLE-VACINATION REQUIRED

LADIES ARE WELCOME – We have female players

In addition to darts, we now have a refurbished snooker table.

Don't know how to throw darts or use a pool cue – DON'T WORRY – We give free lessons.

COME AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN EVERY MONDAY

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#4 – 293 17<sup>th</sup> Street West, Prince Albert, SK S6V 3X6 (306) 763-1726

**POLAR ICE MELT 11 LB**

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

**\$6.95!!**

Keep sidewalks safe!

Will not harm grass or concrete!!



**PURELL MULTI-SURFACE**

**DISINFECTANT 3.78L**

**\$26.55!!**

Kills Covid virus in 30 secs!!

No rinse on food surfaces!!



*Wishing you a very merry Christmas and a safe and wonderful New Year*

## Curling News

### Upcoming Events

Open Bonspiel JANUARY 7th & 8th

Senior Bonspiel JANUARY 17th, 18th, 19th & 20th

Ladies Bonspiel FEBRUARY 4th & 5th

2 Person Bonspiel MARCH 18th, 19th & 20th

Call the Rink @ 749 - 2951

The Walking Club is back! Tuesdays and Thursday morning (9:00-12:00) at the Civic Centre. Come in out of the cold and get some exercise!

All COVID procedures will be followed to attend:

Proof of Vaccine/negative Test

Masking

Must check in at the rec office before being admitted.

If you have questions contact the Rec Office @ 306-749-7451 or [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net)



**St. Mary's Anglican Church, 279 McCallum Avenue,  
Birch Hills, SK**

Please wear a mask to church, sanitize and practice social distancing!

All events at **St. Mary's, Birch Hills** unless otherwise indicated:

Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 10AM **Book Study** (Laurus by Eugene Vodolazkin) at the Rectory (210 Taylor Avenue)

Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> 11AM – **Fourth Sunday in Advent** (social to follow)

Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> 7PM – **Lessons & Carols** (social to follow)

Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 1:30PM – **Christmas in the Barn** at the Hovdebo Farm (north of Brancepeth)

Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 9PM – **Christmas Eve** (Holy Communion)

Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> 11AM – **Christmas Day** (Holy Communion)

Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup> 11AM – **Sunday After Christmas** (social to follow)

**Sunday School** at 11AM – contact Karen Pratt @ 306-749-7240 for more information.

**Weekday Morning Prayer** is at 8AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday in person at St. Mary's or over Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88566261667?pwd=VFo0VU9DSERWWFFiV2YxcmplVfZBQT09>

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920; Meeting ID: 885 6626 1667  
Passcode: 499814

**Weekday Evening Prayer** is at 5PM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday in person at St. Mary's or over Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81759855488?pwd=S0U5V21mRUhqbWhZa0R3aW1tMTB2QT09>

Or by telephone: +1 204 272 7920; Meeting ID: 817 5985 5488  
Passcode: 726370

**Reach Out.** Jan and Stan Bliss are coordinating an effort to supply homeless and needy folks in Prince Albert with donated clothing from Birch Hills. Anyone who has clothing donations can leave them outside St Mary's Church, or leave them inside the door if you have a key. They will be taken to an organization in Prince Albert which serves the homeless called Reach Out.

Contact Fr Jordan to make arrangements for Holy Communion at home.

Private Confession is by appointment. Contact Fr Jordan.

Reach Fr Jordan by phone: (306) 749-2229 or email:

[jordan\\_draper@hotmail.com](mailto:jordan_draper@hotmail.com)



Follow us on Facebook [Parish of Birch Hills, Kinistino & Muskoday | Facebook](#)

## Birch Hills Public Library Report

**The Library is now fully opened.  
Stop by to see what we have to offer.**

**Open Tues: 11-5 and 6-8;  
Thurs 1 - 7  
Fridays 9 - 1.**

**We are now fully open however  
masks are required.**

We've finally moved to our new location! Come and check us out at 135 Bellamy Ave. Our hours will remain the same

Annelle's pick : From Fjord to Frontier; A History of Norwegians in Canada by Gulbrand Loken

The library will be closed Friday, Dec 24 and Friday, Dec 31

Join us for Story Time on Fridays at 10:00 am. All ages welcome.

We're running a program, Book and/or Author recommended by patrons. Contact the library at (306)749-3281 to make your pick

We have Grab and Go books. It's a selection of common themed books that patrons can pick up without having to search for them.

Watch our Facebook Group for upcoming events.

Join us for a story and craft every Tuesday after school.

Be sure to check out Natalie Matheson's art display from Jan 4 th through Jan 28. Stop by between 6 pm - 8 pm on Tues, Jan 4 to meet Natalie and have coffee.

You asked and we provided!

Courtney Evans is proud to start her Yoga teaching journey. Come and join her on Thursday nights at the Civic Centre!

Class Begins at 6:30 PM—8 PM.

Series 1 "Introduction to Yin Yoga". Running from January 13th—January 27th.

\$30 must pre register at the Rec office

Limited spots available.

Series 2 and 3 to run consecutively, based on interest.

Birch Hills Ministerial



Christmas Hamper Donations  
of Food or Cash  
Gratefully Accepted  
at Birch Hills Co-op  
Until Dec. 16

Hampers will be distributed before  
Christmas

Please join us for cake and coffee to celebrate Doris Reid's 90th Birthday.

January 1st

2:00-4:00

Duane Lowe Community Centre

(Multi Purpose Centre)

\*No gifts please

\*Vaccine Required\*



Candlelight Service  
Sunday, December 19  
7:30 pm  
Bethania Church  
Northern Light

The Birch Hills Brewers and the Birch Hills Blackhawks would like to thank everyone who attended the Gord Bamford / Duane Steele "Kick Covid in the A\$\$" concert as well as the Volunteers. appreciate your support and we hope you had a great time.



**Blackhawks 7th Annual  
Comedy Night**  
Sponsored by Nutrien Ag Solutions  
Featuring Kathleen McGee



**Nutrien**  
Ag Solutions™

Tickets available from players,  
at Quayle's Pharmacy and on  
Eventbrite

Proof of COVID-19 Double Vaccination (14  
or more days since 2<sup>nd</sup> shot) required to  
attend; Properly Worn Masks are required  
(Bandanas or gaiter masks are not  
appropriate face coverings)



Sat  
**8**  
Jan  
2022

**Doors Open | 7:00pm**  
**Comedian | 8:00pm**  
Silent Auction, Lunch & Dance to follow

Birch Hills Civic Centre  
No Minors



**RECYCLE**

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



**CHURCH SERVICES:**

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

St Anne Roman Catholic  
Church— June thru September

7:00 PM on Saturday

Christ Alone Lutheran Brethren Church

(Formerly called Birch Hills Community Church)

Sunday Service 11:00 am

Corner and 4th of Bellamy

Bible Study Thursday Evenings 7:30 pm

Saron Lutheran Church

Hagen, Sk

Sunday Service 9:20 am

Lake Park Baptist Church

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Sunday Prayer Time: 8:30-9:30 AM

Morning Cafe 9:30 AM

Sunday School for All Ages 10:00 AM

Sunday Morning Service: 11:00 AM

Tuesday Evening: Club DJ: 6:45-8:15 PM

Youth Bible Study: 7:00 PM

- Live Streaming will occur during the

Sunday Morning Service and later

uploaded to Youtube for viewing.

visit our website @ [www.lakepark.ca](http://www.lakepark.ca)



If anyone is interested in starting a  
Pickleball club or Tennis club in Birch  
Hills please contact me at [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net) or by phone at  
306-749-7451 or stop in at the rec  
office and see me.



# Ho-Ho-Hole In One



Shop from home and shop local – contact [birchhillsrec@sasktel.net](mailto:birchhillsrec@sasktel.net) or 306-749-7451 for the perfect gift for the golfer in your life – gift certificates, memberships and passes are available.

For the 2022 season, we are offering half-price memberships (\$300) for new adult members (haven't been a member in the previous 5 seasons 2017-2021; purchase deadline is June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022)

*Golf Canada / Golf Saskatchewan membership not included;  
Installment payments are not available for this offer*



## **Birch Tree Café,**

We are **HIRING RESTAURANT SERVERS**

- Full-time or Part-time (Lunch & Supper)
- Job Description: Food serving, Customer service, Till, Stocking, Help dishes and cleaning & Etc.
- Wage depends on experiences

Feel free to ask for details

**!!Resume!!** at [birchtreecafe@naver.com](mailto:birchtreecafe@naver.com)

**or Drop at the restaurant**

A big thank you to everyone who sent me birthday greetings, and to my family who made my day so special. I was overwhelmed with the wonderful memories you have of me.

-Love Myrtle

# BlackHawks Vs. Clavet





50/50 starts at  
\$500 courtesy  
Njaa Farm Ltd.

Free Admission  
courtesy  
Great Western  
Brewing Co.

Fri  
**7**  
Jan  
2022

**Time | 8:30pm**  
**Beverage Garden, Canteen**  
**& 50/50 Available**

Proof of Covid Vaccination or  
negative Covid test required to  
attend



Thanks to  
Great Western Brewing Company for  
providing the  
Comedy Night & Windup Tickets  
& Game Passes for the  
Community Food Hamper draws  
at the Dec 10<sup>th</sup> Blackhawks game



Jan is taking  
a leave from  
the library  
Dec 21, 2021  
to April 5,  
2022.

Sheena Mul-  
ligan will be  
filling in for  
Jan. Be sure  
to stop by  
and say hi to  
Sheena!











The Town of Birch Hills wishes to express our condolences to the family of Brian Hesje. Mr. Hesje was born and raised in our community and attended school here in Birch Hills. He received his MBA in Accounting from the University of Alberta, and served as Chairman of Fountain Tire and later was the chairperson of Alberta Treasury Branch for many years. His support of Birch Hills was highlighted with contribution of capital in support of the Birch Hills Skating Rink (Hesje Centre), he only asked that his family name be recognized with his support.

He was present in Birch Hills when his contribution was acknowledged and in conversation with me, he shared that he could have supported his university, but felt that a gift to his home town was every bit as important to him. He indicated to me that it is important to always remember where you came from. He has always been known for his work ethic and his common sense approach to business, work and life. Our deepest condolences to Brian's family, he will live on in our memories as the years go by.

Mayor,

Stewart Adams

# December Birchview Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>December 2021</b> <b>Birchview Home</b>						
1 10:30 Tonechimes 2:30 Calendar Posting 	2 8:00 Breakfast Club ~Group 4 Haircare 2:30 Olive and Friends 	3 Carlene EDO 2:30 Bingo 	4 	5 Haircare 2:30 Making Christmas Cards for Families 	6 10:30 Exercises & Trivia 2:30 Memorial Service with Father Jordan 	7 10:30 Tonechimes 2:30 Reminiscing with Christmas Latte's and Sweet Treats 
8 8:00 Breakfast Club ~ Group 1 9:00 Making Hot Chocolate Bombs 	9 10:30 Music with Zack 2:30 Bingo 	10 	11 	12 <i>All programs unfortunately are subject to change depending on the health of the residents and the guidelines from the Health Region</i>	13 Shopping for Rec KFC Supper 	14 Haircare Ladies Aux Lunch Meeting 2:30 Anglican Church 
15 10:30 Tonechimes 2:30 Ralph Galambus 	16 8:00 Breakfast Club ~Group 2 Haircare 2:30 Christmas Carol's With Ang 	17 Decorating morning 2:00 Light up a Seniors Life Santa Photo Shoot with Gifts 	18 <i>Happy Birthday Jennie Min</i>	19 Portia Haircare 10:30 Manicures 2:30 Christmas Movie ~ Christmas Chronical with popcorn 	20 10:30 Christmas Sing a long with Barb 2:30 Roman Catholic Church 	21 10:30 Christmas Cheer Wagon 2:30 Tonechimes Christmas Concert with Egg Nog and Christmas Treats <i>Christmas Doors will Be Judged!!</i>
22 Portia Haircare 11:45 Lunch Club ~ Group 3 2:30 Hot Chocolate and Christmas Reminiscing 	23 Christmas Eve 	24 <i>Happy Birthday Jewel</i> 	25 <i>Happy Birthday Jewel</i>	26 	27 Annika 10:30 Exercises and Trivia 2:30 Bingo 	28 11:00 Resident council Meeting 2:30 Church 
29 8:00 Breakfast Club ~Group 4 Calendar Postings 12:00 Chinese Lunch 2:30 New Year's, Resolutions, Countdown and Wine and Cheese 	30 Stat Off 	31 <i>Happy New Year</i> 