



# 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)**

November 15th, 2022

Issue 294

Scrap Metal Drive fundraiser for the rink is still ongoing. There is a collection bin located at the lift station on Ward Road. Anything with metal on it can be donated. There will be an account under "Birch Hills Skating Rink" at McDonald's Metal in Prince Albert for those who wish to drop stuff off there. **DO NOT DUMP IF BIN IS FULL, also DO NOT DUMP METAL ITEMS ON THE GROUND.** This project is 100% on donation if we abuse this project we may lose it. Sometimes it has taken a while for the bin to be picked up so please check before you haul your metal. Thank you to all that have donated and continue to do so!

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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.



Birch Hills Curling Club  
Save Our Rink Fundraiser  
Spaghetti Supper



Saturday November 26<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00

Location: Birch Hills Civic Centre

Supper

Adults and Teens \$15.00

Seniors - \$10.00

Kids under 12 - \$5.00

Cash Bar Available

Succeeding with our fundraising will be made possible with the support of our community. We look forward to welcoming everyone to our event.

**BIRCHVIEW  
BIG BUCKS**

**Get your Ticket Now**  
**You Don't Miss Out**  
**On the Chance to Win**

**TICKETS \$100.00 EACH**

**Prizes**  
11-\$1,500 Cash Prize  
1-\$2,500 Cash Prize  
12 Chances to Win

Contact for Tickets:  
Krista- 306-749-7468  
Pam- 306-960 0771  
Birchview Home- 306-749-2288

**St. Mary's ACW**  
**Christmas Tea**  
Baking &  
Turkey Pies for Sale  
**Saturday, November 26th**  
**2:00pm to 4:00pm**  
279 McCallum Ave  
Birch Hills, SK  
(PREORDER PIES - Call or text  
306-981-4959 with your name  
and # of pies  
by November 14th)

## RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BIRCH HILLS NO. 460

## ELECTION 2022 RESULTS

Division 2 Councillor: Kyle Jensen

Division 4 Councillor: Eric Mickelson

Division 6 Councillor: Leyton Elsaesser

We would like to thank Ted Boutin for his dedication to  
the RM and his years of service as the Division 4  
Councillor from 2014-2022.

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

All events at **St. Mary's, Birch Hills** unless otherwise indicated. Contact Father Jordan to attend an event via **Zoom**.

**The wearing of masks and social distancing, while not mandated, is encouraged.**

Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup> – **Bible Study** (location TBD)

Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00AM – **Holy Communion; Sunday Next Before Advent**; Coffee to follow

Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> – **Bible Study** (location TBD)

Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> – **Youth Event**: Gym Games at Weldon (contact Father Jordan for details)

Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> 2:00 to 4:00PM – **St. Mary's ACW Christmas Tea & Bake Sale**

Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> 11:00AM – **Morning Prayer; First Sunday in Advent**; Coffee to follow

Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup> – **Feast of St Andrew**: Ordination to the priesthood of Deacon Michael Lyons, Deacon Ted Williams and Deacon Brody Albers at St Alban's Cathedral, Prince Albert.

Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> – **Youth Event**: Christmas Tree Hunt (contact Father Jordan for details)

**Reach Out** - Anyone who has clothing donations to supply to homeless and needy folks in Prince Albert can leave them outside St Mary's Church or leave them inside the door if you have a key. They will be taken to the Prince Albert organization, Reach Out, which serves the homeless.

Contact Ethel Rutherford (306-749-7444) regarding Sunday School.

Contact Fr Jordan to arrange 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)

**For more information** about youth activities and other events:



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

## **Birch Hills Library Report**

135 Bellamy Ave  
(306)749-3281

[bircirc@wapitilibrary.ca](mailto:bircirc@wapitilibrary.ca)

Open Tues: 11-5 and 6-8;

Thurs 12:30 – 2:30 and 3 – 7 new times

Fridays 9 -1.

Masks are encouraged.

Join our Facebook group at: [https://](https://www.facebook.com/groups/289306315777789/)

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### **Weekly events:**

Tuesdays – afterschool crafts.

Story time with craft and snack on Fridays at 10:00 am. All ages welcome. Contact the library if you have a book you would like to recommend for others to read

Check out our artist of the month! This month features Holly Bergen Photography as well as Natalie Matheson and her crocheted critters.

### **Special events:**

**Tues, Nov 1 at 6:00 pm – Meet and Greet the Artist of the Month, Holly Bergen.** Stop by to see her beautiful photography and have coffee with a treat!

**Saturday, Nov 19 at 7:30 pm – Dessert Night at the DLCC** with Gary Hoium, author of "Don't They Kick When You Do That". Guaranteed to be an evening of laughter and delicious desserts! Tickets available at the library or from any Board member.

**Tues, Nov 22 at 3:20 pm – Santa Trav** will be here to help make a Christmas ornament, collect your Santa letters and pass out goodie bags. Be sure to preregister by contacting the library at (306)749-3280. **Get your photo taken with Santa!!**

### **RECYCLE**

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



**Friday, Dec 2 at 9:30 am – Christmas Card Making.** \$20 includes materials to make 3 cards and a gift bag. Contact the library to preregister.



# 2023 Membership Payment Plan



As of October 1, 2022, we are required to collect PST on golf memberships; therefore the amount payable will be \$635.00 (price is valid until 2023 AGM held in April)

## How to Pay:

- Leave post-dated cheques payable to the Birch Hills Golf Course at the Recreation Office (125 McCallum Avenue)
- E-transfer to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net (include golfer's name and what you are purchasing so we can track it properly)
- Stop at the Recreation Office and pay with cash or a cheque (open 9 to 5 M-F)
- Pay at the Golf Course until October 10, 2022



Santa Trav will be at the Birch Hills Public Library on Tuesday, November 22 at 3:20.

Preregister at the library at (306)749-3281.

Santa Trav will help with making a Christmas decoration, collect your letters to Santa and pass out goodie bags.

## CHURCH SERVICES:

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



St Anne Roman Catholic

9 AM Sunday

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

November 13,27

Dec 11, 18

Candle light service December 23rd 7:30 Pm @ Dethania

Lake Park Baptist Church

For the Sunday school time can you take the starting date out as it has now passed and just say Sunday School for all ages at 10 AM

Sunday Morning Service 11 AM

live stream and weekly viewing available at lakepark.ca.

Ladies Bible Study - Monday mornings from 9:45-12. All ladies welcome.

Contact Billie-Jean Thompson 306-981-4574

Club DJ for ages K-Gr 6. Tuesdays from 6:45-8:15. \$45.00 for crafts and book. Contact Rachelle Gitzel to register - 306-314-1234.

Tuesday evening Youth Bible Study

Friday night Youth Events.

Contact James Banman at lakeparkyouth@gmail.com for more information.



## Birch Hills Community Tradeshow

Saturday November  
19th 10AM—2PM

Birch Hills Civic Centre  
Lunch Counter on site

Tables are \$25 and are  
requested to be pre-  
paid

For a table text Audrey  
at 306-961-9199

## The Birch Hills Curling Club

### Save Our Rink Fundraising Campaign

Our Birch Hills Curling Club has been the hub of activity for years. Recently, the much-needed upgrade to our ice plant, has insured that it will be the hub of activities for many more years to come. We, as a club, are proud of our rink both with regards to the facility and the active membership. We have unfortunately seen other clubs in the rural areas close their doors due to low membership and that is not the case for our rink. We are thriving and our board is proud to say that our membership continues to exceed our expectations and our bonspiels are events that our curlers and community members look forward to every year. For this reason, we did not hesitate to move forward and upgrade the ice plant even though the financial obligation is of considerable size.

Our club is looking for financial support from the community to assist with the \$86,000 owing for the curling club's share of the upgrade. (ice plant is shared with the skating rink) This support can take place through attending fundraisers this season, and we look forward to bringing activities to the community that will be fun and profitable for our club. This support can also be received by donation. If anyone in the community and surrounding area would like to contribute with a donation, we would greatly appreciate your support. You can send your donation to The Town of Birch Hills and in return receive a taxable receipt for your generosity. A minimum of \$25 to receive a receipt, make cheques payable to Town of Birch Hills with a note that the money is to go towards the curling rink.

Stay tuned for upcoming fundraising events.... The 2022/2023 Curling Season Registration Nights will be held on: November 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 at the rink

Bonspiels are scheduled as follows: Town Vs Country December 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> (Town Won Last Year!!), The Open Bonspiel January 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, The Seniors Bonspiel January 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, The Ladies Bonspiel Feb 10 & 11 and The 2 Person Bonspiel March 17<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>

Any questions concerns can be directed to the club president: Shelly Carriere 306-961-8810



## FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN

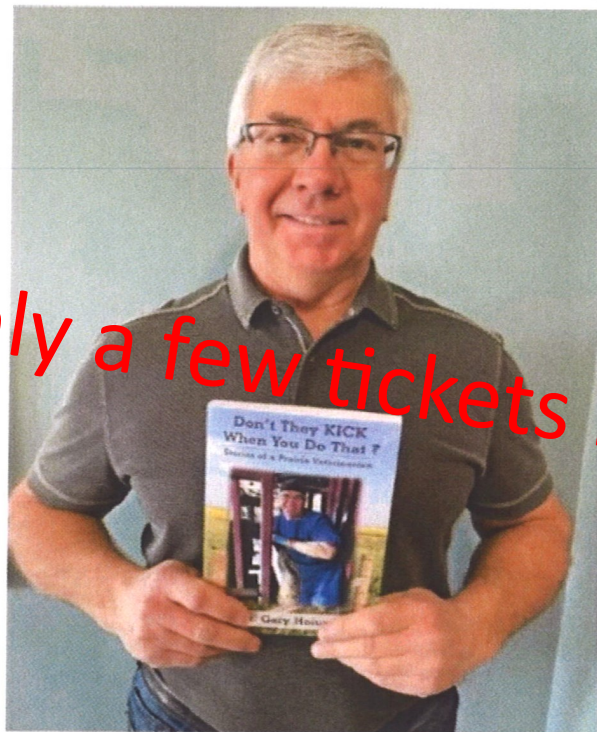
Thank you to everyone who attended the Ecumenical Fellowship of the Least Coin on Nov. 1. Special thanks to St. Mary's/St. Anne's for the use of their church.

A total of \$162 is being forwarded to Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. These funds will then be sent on to the International Fellowship of the Least Coin committee for projects to help women and children in need around the world. For information go to the Women's Inter-church Council website at [www.wicc.org](http://www.wicc.org)

Come and enjoy an evening of dessert and comedy with Dr Gary Hoium, author of *Don't They Kick When You Do That?*

Veterinarian Dr. Gary Hoium spent 37 years looking after animals — and a few humans — while working in Weyburn, so you can bet that he has a few stories to share.

And share he does in his new book, *Don't They KICK When You Do That? Stories of a Prairie Veterinarian*, published by Regina-based DriverWorks Inc. His time as a mixed animal rural vet produced enlightening, funny, intriguing and educational adventures, experiences, mishaps and successes that will entertain readers and animal lovers everywhere.



Only a few tickets left

Saturday, Nov 19, 2022 at 7:30 pm.

Doors open at 7:00 pm.

\$10 per person.

Tickets available from the library or any board member.

Please join us at the Birch Hills Memorial Museum where over 4000 artifacts and items of interest are stored, Even if you have visited several times we can always show you something new. Peter and Shirley Jensen's Nature Display is very popular. Finish off your visit with a stop at the Thrift Store down stairs and a cup of coffee in the Coffee Shop. Open Wednesday 10 to 4 and Saturday 10 to 2.



### **Birch Hills Senior Rec Club**

Hosting

Seniors Multicultural Potluck Luncheon

Thursday, Nov.17/22 – 12pm

at the DLCC in Birch Hills with a social to follow for those who'd like to stay- you do NOT have to be a member.

Anyone 50+ years is welcome to join in!!! There is no cost other than bringing a food dish to share for lunch( maybe something of your heritage).

Beverages will be supplied.

Hope to see you there.

Date	Home	Away	Location	Time
11/05/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Rosthern Wheatkings	Hesje Centre	7:00 PM
11/12/2022	Allan Flames	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Allan Arena	8:00 PM
11/18/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Cudworth Tricky Maroons	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
11/20/2022	Shellbrook Silvertips	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Shellbrook Skating Rink	3:00 PM
11/26/2022	Clavet Cougars	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Clavet Arena	8:30 PM
12/02/2022	Beardy's	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Beardy's Memorial Arena	8:00 PM
12/03/2022	Hanley Huskies	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Hanley Arena	8:30 PM
12/09/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Allan Flames	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
12/11/2022	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Hanley Huskies	Hesje Centre	3:00 PM
01/06/2023	Cudworth Tricky Maroons	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Cudworth Arena	8:00 PM
01/13/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Clavet Cougars	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
01/14/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Hague Royals	Hesje Centre	8:00 PM
01/20/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Kinistino Tigers	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
01/21/2023	Kinistino Tigers	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Kinistino Sports Complex	7:30 PM
01/27/2023	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Dalmeny Sabres	Hesje Centre	8:30 PM
01/28/2023	Waldheim Warriors	Birch Hills Blackhawks	Waldheim Rec Centre	7:30 PM





## Ho-Ho-Hole In One



Shop from home and shop local – contact  
 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 2023 season, we are offering half-price  
 memberships (\$317.50) for new adult members (haven't  
 been a member in the previous 5 seasons 2018-2022;  
 purchase deadline TBD when we open in the Spring)

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



# SUNDAY

# SCHOOL

**St. Mary's Anglican Church**  
**Sunday School**

**Starting Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00am to ~12:00pm**

**279 McCallum Avenue**

**Call Ethel @ 306-749-7444**

**for more information**

The Birch Hills Rec Board is looking for  
 a fitness instructor contact the Rec  
 office for more info. 306-749-7451 or  
 birchhillsrec@sasktel.net

# Blackhawks vs. Cudworth



## Go Hawks Go!

**Fri**  
**18**  
**Nov**  
**2022**


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

Heise Centre  
 2nd Street, Birch Hills



If you or your business would like to sponsor  
 the Blackhawks for the 2022-2023 season,  
 please email [blackhawkssrhockey@gmail.com](mailto:blackhawkssrhockey@gmail.com)

### 2022-23 Sponsorship Opportunities

	Bronze	Silver (50/50 \$250)	Gold (Regular Season Game Night Sponsor)	Gold (50/50 \$500)	Gold (Comedy Night or Calcutta Sponsor)
Cost	\$150.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Additional Cost (To be paid within 1 week after game)		\$250 minus share of jackpot total (if less than \$250)		\$500 minus share of jackpot total (if less than \$500)	
Ad Size	Business Card	Business Card	Business Card	Business Card	Business Card
Recognition in Arena	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Verbal Recognition at all Games	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Additional Ad		1/2 page on 50/50 Night	1/2 page on Sponsor Night	1/2 page on 50/50 Night	Comedy Night Program 1/2 page on Calcutta Night
Game Passes		5 regular season game passes (\$40.00 value)	10 regular season game passes (\$80.00 value)	10 regular season game passes (\$80.00 value)	10 regular season game passes (\$80.00 value)
Comedy Night Tickets (pending Covid)		1 comedy night ticket (\$25.00 value)	2 comedy night tickets (\$50.00 value)	2 comedy night tickets (\$50.00 value)	2 comedy night tickets (\$50.00 value)
Year-end Windup (pending Covid)		1 windup ticket (\$25 value)	2 windup tickets (\$50 value)	2 windup tickets (\$50 value)	2 windup tickets (\$50 value)
Other Info			Fans admitted free on Sponsor Night		



## Multicultural Week - NOV. 12- 19TH of November

At the Town Council Meeting on Oct. 19th, the Town declared the week of November 12 to 19th to be Multicultural week with the support of my co-chairs the President (Elin Cochrane) and Vice Chair( Cole Shore) of the Grade 5 class of the Birch Hills School and the Council of the Town of Birch Hills.

Indeed, my initial thoughts were WHY, after all, we are all just Canadians, but after further reflection, the following thoughts came to mind. We are indeed a multicultural mix, a cross of so many different migrations of different ethnic sources and cultures, even if you transferred here from some other part of Canada like Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, Vancouver or even Newfoundland, we welcome the perspective that you bring.

As my thoughts developed, I thought that I would summarize the migrations that have occurred since we were first inhabited by the first Nations of the Cree as they travelled and settled across this wonderful part of North America.

The first European influence came with the early fur traders of English and French beginnings, their offspring from the Red River Settlements were the next to arrive in this area and many notable names link back to Turnor, Harper, Campbell, Norquay and other early traders associated to the Hudson Bay Company and the Northwest Trading Company, this group established early settlements along the main highways of the time, namely the North and South Saskatchewan Rivers and the Churchill River system. In the mid 1800's there was a migration of families from the Red River Settlements to the Prince Albert, Duck Lake areas as they outgrew Manitoba and reached west.

By the late 1800's we began to see the introduction of other ethnic groups of immigrants as the west began to become known as the Bread Basket of the world. We saw immigration ramp up as our Canadian Government began a race to welcome settlers and populate the West. We initially saw folks come from the west of Europe, such as England, France, Norway, Germany and Sweden, after World War 1 we saw Eastern Europeans from Russia, Ukraine, Poland, Germany, Finland and we began to see the beginning of migrations from the rest of the world, early entries into this area from China were notable.

By the mid 1950's and indeed to the present day we are seeing many different ethnic influences beginning to show up in our area, from Africa, the middle East, the Philippines, even from Fiji and again from China and south east Asia, South America, and from the Indian subcontinent.

Indeed, we are a MultiCultural Mix, and with that in mind, I think it would be awesome to ask each of you to join me in declaring where your family has originated from by writing it down on a notepad and pinning it up on the bulletin board in the entrance to the Civic Center. We will accumulate your notes there for the month of November and we will share your ethnic background with your permission, you may post with your name or leave your history nameless as you wish.

We are stronger in our diversity, We are stronger when we recognize our differences, We are stronger when we recognize that we are all unique and that we all bring our individual backgrounds and perspectives to the table to create this awesome Town of Birch Hills and this totally wonderful Country of Canada.

Please, have a great month of November, and celebrate Multicultural Week from the 12 to the 19th of November.

God Bless each and everyone of you who are part of this community

Stewart Adams, Mayor

Town of Birch Hills



TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS COMMUNITY WELL BEING SURVEY.

WE ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO COMPLETE THIS SURVEY AS PART  
OF COUNCILS STRATEGIC PLANNING INITIATIVES.

PLEASE NOTE THE OTHER METHODS OF COMPLETING THIS SURVEY:

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS DECEMBER NEWSLETTER - QR CODE

TOWN OF BIRCH HILLS WEBSITE - POP UP ON HOME PAGE

HEARTBEAT NEWSLETTER - QR CODE

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VIA EMAIL

SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO COM-  
PLETE THE SURVEY, PLEASE CONTACT THE TOWN OFFICE 306-749-  
2232.