



HEARTBEAT

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Hello Everyone,

Happy Easter! I hope you are enjoying time with your family this long weekend.

I am passing the Heartbeat torch on to our new Recreation Director - Jessica Kernohan. I have enjoyed sharing your news and events. I look forward to keeping up with the goings on of our community in the future.

Until next time,

Natalie Matheson



Community Funding Assists our Rec Activities in Birch Hills

SHAVE IT OR SAVE IT!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Pastor Clint has put his head on the line to help raise funds for the operations of the Youth Center.

You decide whether he will...

SHAVE IT OR SAVE IT!

Pledges will be collected by the Youth Center from now until April 7th. Whichever fund has more pledges will determine his fate. **SAVE IT** means his hair AND beard will remain as is, but **SHAVE IT** and they **BOTH** come off!

SHAVE IT \$767.56 SAVE IT \$863.70

Tax Receipts Available Upon Request



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Birch Hills PUBLIC LIBRARY News

STORY TIME with Mrs Joanne
Thursdays @ 1:30pm
Join us for Story Time for pre-schoolers

Library Hours

Tues 11-4, 5-8 ; and
Thurs 9-12, 1-6pm



BIRCH HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY SPRING GALA

*Guest Speaker - Mary-Ann Kirkby
Aurhor of: "I Am Hutterite" & "Secrets
of a Hutterite Kitchen"*

Wednesday April 18, 2018

Doors open @ 6:00pm

Turkey Supper @ 6:30pm

Birch Hills Civic Centre

\$25/person

Silent Auction

Books to Purchase (cash & cheques only)



If you haven't golfed the Birch Hills Golf Course, you're missing out on a challenging but rewarding game of golf. 9 holes, grass greens and lots of water and bush! But beautiful scenery and the best greens around!

You start hole #1 right in front of our clubhouse. The members are working hard to raise funds for a new clubhouse, but in the meantime, the old clubhouse is clean, full of friendly staff and the smell of homemade cooking!

Staff will server you food and beverages in our licensed clubhouse, and you can eat in or out on the deck.

If you want to plan a meeting, golf tournament or private event, catered by the Clubhouse or not, the Wheaton Events building gives you a fantastic view of the golf course and some of the most spectacular evening sunsets you will see, all while enjoying air conditioning and Wi-Fi. The building holds approximately 60 people quite comfortably. Talk to Jamie in the clubhouse to plan your event!

Hole #2 runs beside our airport and runway. Now I'm not sure if any other golf club in Saskatchewan can boast about this...but while you are golfing, you might be lucky enough to have a glider take off or land on the runway right beside you as you are playing this hole. The Prince Albert Gliding & Soaring Club fly out of the Birch Hills Airport and we are privileged to watch them!

Hole #5 is our challenging island hole. Playing to the green on this island can be daunting, depending on where your approach is from.

We could go on, but we'd rather you come try the course for yourself!

We have a fleet of rental golf carts, as well as rental clubs and pull carts. We have a men's club and ladies club and are working hard to get a junior program started. We hope this juniors club will build upon the school program and what they are already doing. We could have a girls division and guys division, or different age groups. We'd like to have a junior's' golf day, and perhaps try to arrange some lessons, then go out on the course.

Really the sky's the limit and if you have juniors (18 years and under) that might be interested, have them contact Jamie at the clubhouse. A junior membership is \$125.00 for the full season (or \$10.00per 9 hole round) and is such a worthwhile investment in a summers worth of fun. The junior membership fee includes a \$50.00 driving range pass.

For updates on events at the Golf Course, you can follow us on Facebook at Birch Hills SK Golf Course. Call 306-749-2211 to schedule your tee time, order your meal, or book your event! Or message us on Facebook! We are hoping to open at the end of April or beginning of May or sooner if the weather cooperates!

Hope to see you at the course. And if you don't golf...come for a homemade bunwich or panini or some other treat that the staff have whopped up! See you soon!

In memory of family members Sam &
Marie Hanson, Colby & Pauline
McClure and Sven & Mae Bergh.

Edna Herd

ST MARY'S ANGLICAN CHURCH NEWS

Community Lunches: 11:30-1:00pm
All community residents are welcome to join us for soup & bun. Join us for lunch 1st and 3rd Friday of each month.

Next Lunch April 6th

Free will offerings accepted but not necessary



Birch Hills Housing Authority

Safety, Security & Wellness Presentation

April 19th @ 2:00pm

Birch Hills Senior's Hall

Guest Speakers: Lyle Evans and Brenda Kernalaguen

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 Lyle Evans 930-8074
Dreamland Optimists Group - Call Stuart Matice 306-314-2378 for info

TUESDAYS

Moms & Tots @ Youth Centre 10am-12pm \$2 drop in fee
Library Open Weekly 11-4pm and 5-8pm
Rec Volleyball 8:00-9:30pm @ school gym \$2 to play
Knitting Grannies meet 2nd & 4th Tues @ museum 1:00pm
Birchview Ladies Auxiliary 11:00am 1st Tues ea month

WEDNESDAYS

Line Dancing all welcome 9:30-11am @ Civic Centre
Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 9am-4:00pm Coffee & Sweets 2 pm
Museum Open 2pm - 4pm
Town Council Meetings 2nd and 4th Wed of the month

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 9am - 12pm and 1pm - 6pm
Story Time 1:30 - 2:15 4&5yrs
Legion Mtg 2nd Thurs ea month 7pm @ Legion hall.

FRIDAYS

Kaiser, Crib & Games Nite @ Youth Ctr 7:30pm every Friday

SATURDAY

Thrift Shop Open at the Museum 1:00-4:00pm Coffee on at 2:00pm
Contact Rec Office if you have changes or events to add to this list at 749-7451.

BIRCH HILLS SCHOOL NEWS

APRIL 2018

- Mar 30 - Apr 8 - Easter Break
- Apr 1 - Grad Applications Due
- Apr 9 - First Day of Classes
- Apr 13 - Term 2/Semester 2 Report Cards
- Apr 18 - Student Led Conferences 3:30 - 6
- Apr 19 - Student Led Conferences 5 - 7:30
- Apr 21 - Grad Fundraiser (Bottle Drive)

MAY 2018

- May 18 - No Classes
- May 21 - Victoria Day - No Classes
- May 23 - Kindergarten Open House @ 6pm
- For all upcoming events please visit our school webpage @ <http://bh.srsd119.ca>.
- If your student is going to be away, please contact the school office at 306-749-3301.

It is time to start thinking about Kindergarten for the fall of 2018 if your child will be 5 years old by December 31, 2018. Parents must fill out the 2018-19 Registration form (link on our webpage) and bring their child's birth certificate to register. There will be a Kindergarten Open House on Wednesday May 23 at 6pm.

Free transportation may be available for your child. If you have any transportation questions, please call the Bus Garage at 306-763-2323.

Annual Meeting



Birch Hills Senior Centre

Reservations Required for Supper (\$15)

To reserve, call or text 306-980-8687
or 306-749-7756 by **April 7th**

**Special Guest Candace Dunham – Sask
Golf Association**

Tues
10
Apr
2018

Happy Hour | 5:30 PM
Supper | 6:30PM
Meeting | 7:00PM

370 Bellamy Avenue

Love to Garden But Have No Space?

Garden Plots (20' x 50') are available East of the Basketball Court for individuals or families interested in planting and caring for a garden. Anyone interested please contact Clint or Kathy at 749-2478.



RECYCLE

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

CRYSTAL SPRINGS COMMUNITY EVENTS

BINGO IS BACK – starting Tuesday April 3rd @ 7:30pm

Coffee Row: Crystal Springs Rec Co-op

Once a Month

Coffee Row 2:00 to 4:00 P.M.

Crystal Springs Hall

Everyone is Welcome!

Next Date is: **April 4th**

Come and enjoy a relaxing afternoon with friends and neighbours! Coffee, tea and goodies are provided



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

GARAGE SALE DAY 2018

With spring house cleaning on our minds it is time to think about Birch Hills' Annual Garage Sale Day on Saturday June 2nd, 2018.

Plan your sale and start gathering your items. This is a great opportunity for groups to have a fundraiser.



Community Arts In Birch Hills

Hey Artsy folks! We have two events coming up!

The first one is 'Drawing with Lana Lorenzen' on Monday April 9, 2018 at 5:30pm.

It will be held in the Art Room of the B.H. Public School.

Our second one is a 'Bob Ross Paint Night' on Friday April 20, 2018 at 7:00pm.

Both events will have provisions so that you can work on your own pieces if you so choose. \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Spread the word!

For more information, call Amy at 306-941-0788.



Birch Hills Golf Course Employment Opportunities

The BH Golf Course is looking for Course maintenance workers and clubhouse staff for the 2018 season.

Course maintenance workers must be physically fit and experience driving riding mowers as well as tractors and other farm equipment would be a definite asset. Included in the equipment used are whipper snappers, chainsaws and other small tools.

Clubhouse workers must be willing to work flexible hours. Experience handling the public is a definite asset. Part of your duties will be making and serving food so the Food Safe Course will be a requirement. If you are 19 yrs old you will also be serving liquor, and the Serve It Right Course will also be a requirement. You will be taking Golf bookings and renting various golf equipment, in person and over the phone, as well as working with cash and utilizing a cash register. Part of your duties will be keeping the clubhouse clean and tidy.

Resumes to be emailed to lgan@sasktel.net, or mailed to BH Golf Course, Box 280, Birch Hills, S0J 0G0, or can also be dropped off at the Town office. Closing date for applications will be April 6th, 2018.

SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

April 2018 will be a busy time for the Birch Hills Seniors Club

Tuesday April 10th, Bowling teams will participate in the Weldon Seniors Bowlarama.

Friday April 13th, Attending the Volunteer Appreciation Tea at Birchview Home to accept a Long Service Award for 35 years of Volunteer Contribution and Dedication to the Birchview Home and the Meals on Wheels Program.

Saturday April 14th. 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Spring Fair at the Birch Hills Seniors Hall , 370 Bellamy Ave. Great variety of goods and venders.

Soup Luncheon with coffee and treats. 50/50 Draw Spring Basket Raffle.

The Seniors will hold a Flea Market Fund Raiser for the Hall. Everyone Welcome.

Tuesday April 17th New Horizons Workshop on preparation of Grant Proposals with Joy Bateman to be held at the Seniors Hall from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

Tuesday April 24th Birch Hills Seniors Club Bowlarama at the Hall.

Thank you to Councillor Keith Matheson for introducing us to our new Recreation Director Jessica Kernohan. A warm Birch Hills Welcome to her, we look forward to working with Jessica.

Birchview Nursing Home April Activities

All are welcome to attend. 2:30pm start, unless otherwise noted

Friday April 13th - Volunteer Appreciation with Wilf & Al Entertaining

Sunday April 15 - Gladtidings

Monday April 16 - Joyful Hearts

Wednesday April 18 - Job Mates Band "Pajama Party"

Wednesday April 25 - Ralph Galambos

If you have a talent to entertain,
contact Shelley to set a date

We are participating in Garage Sale Day. We will be looking for donations of household items!

Grad Bottle Drive

Saturday April 21st

We will be collecting cans and bottles throughout the town.

Please leave your bag outside if you will not be at home.

Thank you for your support!

EVENING WITH GLOBAL NEIGHBORS

Dave and Heather Heppner will share information about their work in Thailand

Sunday April 8th @ 7:00pm

Lake Park Lutheran Church

Coffee will be served



Youth Centre NEWS

Saturday Morning Coffee

7:00 to 10:00 am

Any early bird welcome



Moms & Tots

Tues & Thurs 10-12pm

\$2 drop in fee. Open to All moms

Family Game Night

On Hiatus until fall!

Weldon Spring Trade Show and Sale

Saturday April 21, 10am - 2pm

Weldon Auditorium

Vendors needed. Call or text Brenda at 306-960-8335 or Chelsey at 306-864-8084 to reserve your spot.

Lunch available.

All proceeds to the Weldon Auditorium.

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.



Upcoming Events

- April 3 - Crystal Springs Bingo Returns
- 5 - Saron Ham Supper (Rescheduled)
- 8 - Evening with Global Neighbors
- 9 - CAI - Drawing Class
- 10 - Golf Club AGM & Supper
- 14 - BH Senior's Club Spring Fair
- 18 - Library Spring Gala
- 19 - Safety, Security & Wellness Presentation
- 20 - CAI - Bob Ross Paint Night
- 21 - Weldon Spring Trade Show
- 23 - Rec Board AGM
- June 2 - Birch Hills Garage Sale Day

Saron Lutheran Church Ham Supper!

RESCHEDULED

Ham and Scalloped Potato Supper followed by entertainment from Dean n' Sylvia. (Dean Bernier and Sylvia Schira)

Country and Country Gospel Music

Thursday April 5th, 2018 at Saron Lutheran Church

Supper at 6:00pm and entertainment at 7:00pm.

\$20 per person, \$10 children 12 and under, preschool free

Tickets available from Linda Njaa 306-749-3134

Spring Fair

Sponsored by the Birch Hills Seniors Club

Saturday April 14th, 10am - 2pm

Senior's Hall - 370 Bellamy Avenue

12 tables with a great variety of goods

Noon Luncheon. Coffee and treats.

Raffle and 50/50 tickets.



CPS Birch Hills will be accepting tenders until April 20th for the following items:

40' x 12' Office/Trailer, 2000 Cat 30 Forklift, 2009 S185 Bobcat, 1990 IH truck, 40' x 30' Storage Shed, 8 x 46 Wheatheart auger, transfer auger, Brute bumper, Grain Tester, 2011 450L Propane Tank, Soil Probes.

Call 306-749-3585 for information.

Birch Hills School will be selling Co-op Cards from April 11th to April 20th, 2018

Here is how you can support our teams and activities.

1. Buy a co-op card from the school or from one of our students. Example \$100
2. A percentage of the money from the cards goes to our teams.
3. In a few weeks, you will get a card worth the amount you purchased from the school or student. You can use it towards food, gas or products from any of the co-op's (not bulk fuel). If you buy a \$100 card you get \$100 worth of products back from the co-op.
4. It's a Win Win for everyone and that's great in any activity.

Our students will be canvassing the community from April 11th to 20th. Thanks for supporting our extracurricular programs.

The Birch Hills Sr. Boys Basketball team would like to send a HUGE thank you for the fan support we received at Hoopla. It was overwhelming to see the stands so full of our hometown crowd and surrounding community cheering us on.

It is always a privilege to make it to Hoopla, we were very proud to be representing our school and the town of Birch Hills.

Thanks for making it a memory we will never forget.

The Birch Hills Sr. Boys Basketball Team



BIRCH HILLS REC BOARD NEWS

This week we welcomed Jessica Kernohan as our new Rec Director. After a tour of the town and facilities on Monday, Jessica has spent the past week familiarizing herself with the inner working of the recreation department in Birch Hills. Jessica is working from the Rec Office (Main Street) and is looking forward to meeting the residents of Birch Hills and area. Please drop in and say Hello.

Jessica will be taking over the publishing of the Heartbeat newsletter for the next issue, so please send your information to the Rec Office email, via text, drop it off at the office, or give Jessica a call. (Contact info below)

We would like to thank Natalie Matheson for stepping in again to publish the Heartbeat in the interim while we were without a Rec Director.



Birch Hills & District

Recreation Board

Birch Hills Recreation
Box 280, Birch Hills, Sk
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Jessica Kernohan - Rec Director

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E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net
Facebook Page: 'Town of Birch
Hills Community & Recreation'
Town **Website**: