

The 'Birch Hills Heartbeat' newsletter is printed bi-monthly and available at the following locations on the 1st and 15th of the month: Co-op Grocery, Brahma Insurance, Grumpy's Confectionary, Quayles Pharmacy, and various 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

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Soon, we will have our indoor ice rinks up and running. The Curling Club's AGM is Oct 25th and leagues start in November.

The Skating Arena has been under major construction and 40 some volunteers have put over 1000 plus hours into this project. We are almost done but there is still lots of work to be done. If you can lend a hand, stop in if you see vehicles parked at arena. Lunch served on weekend work bees.

Thank you to the Community Boosters for hosting the meet the candidates this past week, to Stewart Adams for being MC. To those that came out to listen and to those that are offering of their time and expertise to



manage our home town. Municipal election dates and info on page 4.

Have a good couple of weeks.

*Laurie Berube,
Recreation Director*

Drop In Rec Volleyball
Starts Tuesday, October 18th
 in the School Gym
 Ages 16yrs+ are welcome
 Join us Tuesday evenings
 8:00-9:30pm
 \$2 drop in fee.
You don't have to come every Tuesday, but you will want to!



St Mary's Anglican Church
Community Lunches
 Friday, Oct 21st 11:00 - 1:30
 at the church (McCallum Ave)
 Free will offering
 Everyone Welcome



OCTOBER issues of the Birch Hills Community activity news letter was provided to you by:
THE BIRCH TREE CAFÉ,
BETH RUDE,
and FAMILY OF THE LATE EDWARD & EDITH MACFIE
 If you would like to be a sponsor of the 'Heartbeat' newsletter, contact Laurie at 306-749-7451/ 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.

DANCE CENTRE presents...
HAUNTED HOUSE
 Friday October 28th
 7:00 - 9:00pm
 At the Dance Centre



Enter at our own risk or by donation


Bethania Lutheran Church needs a new roof.
Ken Grambo and the Grambo Brothers concert
 Sunday, October 23rd @ 7:00 PM
 at Lake Park Baptist church
 (just north of Birch Hills on Hwy #3)
 Coffee and doughnuts will be served following the concert. Tickets are \$20.00/person and children under 12 are admitted free. Tickets are available at the door.



2nd Annual Colour Run Fundraiser!
 October 20, 2016 at 1:00 pm,

DATE CHANGE

Birch Hills Public School K-12 students will be accepting pledges. If you would like to donate, text or call 306-749-7343 with your name, number and donation amount. Donations accepted until Oct 20th This year we are opening this event to the community and we would like to invite parents and community members to join in. So please, come on down to the parking lot behind the school and be a part of this super fun event! Proceeds will go towards new playground and extra curricular activities.





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 Mane Event

Back by request...

GROUP DANCE LESSONS

by Miles Fiddler & Friends

Tuesday Evenings 7:00-8:30pm
Starts on Oct 25th (includes 5 wks

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



Register now with Miles 981-5396
or contact Rec Office for more
info. Venue to be determined.



MANE EVENT Salon & Dance Hall

Boo's and Booze Halloween Dance

Saturday October 29th Doors Open 8pm
\$15 each Must be 19yrs+ Prizes for best dressed



HALLOWE'EN "REST-BITE"! Trick or Treaters and parents are welcome to stop in to warm up on hot snacks & beverages. Oct 31st

Sack the Quarterback - Wednesday evenings...coming soon

November: We will be having a Men's Wing & Beer Night where we will have booths set up so you can get all your shopping done for your lady for Christmas with out stepping into a mall!

Women's Wine & Shopping Night will also be planned! If you are a small business owner or home business contact Kristy about setting up a booth

Job Opportunity: We are seeking a cook to manage the kitchen/lounge at the hall. Open to many suggestions.

Please contact Kristy @ 749-7405 or email kristynelson@hotmail.ca

Space is Limited, so 1st Come 1st Served
\$75ea (\$150/pair)

Individuals encouraged to join. We
have partners for you! For ages 16yrs+,



Funding Assists Rec Activities in Birch Hills

BIRCH HILLS BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTS

The Birch Tree Café

Owner/Operators: Leslie & Lana LePage, and John McDaid

Hours: M-F 7am-8pm Sat 9am-8pm Closed Sundays
Call 306-749-2223 for take-out orders,
reserving for groups of 6+, private parties and catering.

The café re-opened again May 13, 2016 by new owners. Daily Lunch and Supper specials featuring traditional European and Canadian dishes. Still available (after 3pm) are the clay oven baked pizzas. Favourites of the community are John's English style Fish and Chips and our Steak Sandwich.

Ask about our Senior Specials. Now Licensed
Also available daily is fresh baked treats and breads. Please call ahead for large orders.

'Like' us on Facebook!



Birch Hills LIBRARY News

HALLOWEEN CRAFT - October 25th

3:30-4:30pm at the Library
Free craft for ages 6-12yrs. Must call 749-3281 to register, limited spaces available.

COMPUTER DATABASE SEMINAR -

October 27th, 7:00-10:00pm in the Birch Hills School computer room. The Wapiti Website has many databases that are free for patrons of all ages to use. We have Proquest, Storybird, Hoopla, Zinnio, Press Display, and many more. We will have a Wapiti expert here to teach you how to access them.

Anyone is welcome. Free Class

STORY TIME - Fridays w/ Ms Joanne.

For ages 3 & 4

Join us each Friday at 1:00pm



5th Annual Roughrider Theme Fall Supper and Silent Auction

Thursday, November 10th
6:00 pm at the BH Civic Center
200 Tickets Available

Proceeds to BH Fire Department and Skatepark



Notice of Nominations for Members of Area Authority

The Birch Hills Conservation and Development Area No. 58

Public Notice

is hereby given that for a period of thirty days after the date stated hereunder I will accept duly completed written nominations of owners or occupants of land in the area for membership of the area authority. The number of vacancies to be filled is 3 and forms of nomination papers may be obtained from the Birch Hills RM office.

Completed nominations papers may be mailed or delivered to me at the Rural Municipality of Birch Hills Office, 126 McCallum Avenue, Box 369 Birch Hills, Saskatchewan, S0J 0G0. Date of commencement of the thirty day period: 1st day of October, 2016.

Dated at Birch Hills, Saskatchewan this 1st day of October, 2016.

Grant Getz, Returning Officer

FALL SUPPERS

Sunday, October 16th
Yellow Creek

Weldon Care Home October 29th
Annual Roast Beef Supper
@ Weldon Auditorium
5-7pm, Adults \$24, Kids 6-12yrs \$7

St. Louis Sunday, Oct 30 4:30pm

Wakaw Sunday, November 6th

Meskanaw Sunday, Nov 6th

Birch Hills Thursday, Nov 10th

Domremy Sunday, Nov 13th

CRYSTAL SPRINGS NEWS

Fall Brunch Sun, Oct 30th
10:00am-12:30pm

Bingo: Each Tuesday 7:30pm until
December 13th...(Christmas Bingo)

Tradeshow Sat, Nov 5th, 10-2pm

Deadlines for submissions for newsletter are the 10th and 25th of each month. Email info to birchhillsrec@sasktel.net or call 306-749-7451.

Sack the Quarterback Progressive Cash Fundraiser - will begin soon

Royal Canadian Legion Branch #122 and three local groups will be working together to raise funds for each of their worthwhile community projects.

CHASE THE ACE Progressive Jackpot is becoming a popular and entertaining vehicle in which to raise funds for community needs. The Birch Hills Legion, BH Volunteer Fire Department, TLC Daycare and Skatepark have taken this idea and given it a slight twist...



Tickets will be on sale at **THE MANE EVENT HALL** on Main Street in Birch Hills **each Wednesday from 5 pm - 7 pm** and will be valid only for the date of purchase. Draw will be made at 7:15 pm for 20% of the daily sales and a chance to draw the 4 of hearts that is autographed by Sk Roughrider Quarterback Darian Durant to win the Progressive Jackpot. THE START DATE of the Fundraiser will be determined in the near future... Watch for Details!

BIRCH HILLS SCHOOL NEWS

Football Game in Big River: OCT 17 Good Luck!

Color my Turkey Run Fundraiser

Rescheduled to October 20 -donate today

Picture Day: November 1 -rescheduled-

The school Magazine Campaign will go on November 1st to 16th. 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.OSP.ca (online)
2. Click "Shop Now"
3. Birch Hills Online ID is 3731031
4. Start shopping

2016 Municipal Elections Information

Notice of Poll

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that: A poll has been granted for the election of Mayor and Councilors: Town of Birch Hills. Voting will take place on **Wednesday, October 26, 2016 from 9am to 8pm** at the Birch Hills Civic Centre 126 McCallum Avenue

I will declare the result of the election at 126 McCallum Avenue on the **27th day of October, 2016 from at the hour of 11:00am.**
Tara Gariepy, Returning Officer

VOTER IDENTIFICATION WILL BE REQUIRED TO VOTE

(Section 77 of The Local Government Election Act, 2015) RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BIRCH HILLS NO. 460 2016 Municipal Election

NOTICE of Abandonment of Poll is hereby given for the following offices:

REEVE: Whereas Alan Evans, nominated for the office of Reeve, is the only candidate, I hereby give notice that no voting for the office will take place on October 26, 2016

COUNCILLOR: Division NO. 1 - Brent Fenner
Division NO. 3 - Mathew Njaa
Division NO. 5 - Matt Robertson

Whereas, the above mentioned councilors for Division 1,3,5 offices are the only candidates nominated, I hereby give notice that no voting for these offices will take place on October 26, 2016
Lois Lange, Returning Officer

Notice of Advanced Polls Town of Birch Hills

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that provisions has been made for (an) advance polls.

Voting will take place on **Friday, October 21, 2016** between the hours of 5pm and 8pm at Birchview Nursing Home #3 Wilson Street
Tara Gariepy, Returning Officer

VOTER IDENTIFICATION WILL BE REQUIRED TO VOTE

Your nominated candidates for 2016-2010 Mayor & Council (6)

Mayor Candidates:

Alan Bzdel, Dale Pratt, Randy Wojcichowsky



Councillor Candidates: Dean J. Braaten, Barry Evans,

John Herd, Keith Matheson, Sharon Rolfes, Owen Stubbs,
Graham Tweten

VOTE OCTOBER 26th

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

After taking a short break the Knitting Grannies have their needles going again. Our group is busy making "comfort shawls", mittens and toques; all for donation from yarn that has been donated to us. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tues. at 1:00pm in the Museum's basement.



Anyone interested in knitting or crocheting is welcome to join us. For more info phone Marilyn 749-2286 or Shirley 749-3233

Birch Hills Community Boosters

Fall Trade Show

Saturday November 12th 2016

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

At the Civic Centre

Lunch served by the

Birch Hills Guides and Brownies

ATTENTION VENDORS:

pls send your cheque by Oct 31st or your spot will go to next in line.

Box 178, BH, SK S0J 0G0

The Birch Hills Housing Authority presents...

What is Estate Planning?

Guest Speaker, Shelley Wilson from Affinity Credit Union will discuss wills, power of attorney, health care directives, joint tenancy, succession planning, and life insurance.

October 28th at 2:00pm

At the Senior's Hall

Coffee and Snack provided following the presentation.

Open to anyone

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS -

If you are alone (definition= single or a couple w/ no siblings, children or other relatives) to spend Christmas Day with, then please come and join our family (Bruce and Iris Fjeld and several other family members) at the Mane Event on December 25th for Christmas.

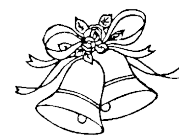


We will have the coffee on at noon, and you can come spend the day visiting, playing cards, board games, etc., finishing off with a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. There is no cost, I just don't want to see anyone alone on Christmas day cause that SUCKS!!! If at all possible (for planning purposes) please let me know if will be joining us, thank you. 306-749-7377

You are invited:

Community Wedding Shower for
Jessica Baier (fiancé of Kyle Jensen)

Saturday, October 29th
2:00pm @ Birch Hills
Lutheran Church



Birch Hills Community Church &
Saron Lutheran Church

"Barley Loaves" Fall Meetings

with Guest Speaker Dan Venberg -

Mission Mobilizer and Recruiter for CLB
Nov. 11 - 7:30pm at Saron Lutheran Church
Nov. 12 - 7:30 pm BH Lutheran Church
Nov. 13 - 11 am BH Lutheran Church
Everyone Welcome!



Once again the **Breakfast for Learning** program (BFL) is in full swing. We have students and staff volunteering to serve the great breakfast snacks organized and prepared under Mrs. Stanford's guidance. We are so very appreciative of all the assistance we have had through the years from students, staff, businesses & individuals from our community.

Without the donations, goodwill and hours of work from everyone who has played a role in this program, we could not continue. Update for those not familiar with this program: the BFL program was started in our school to accommodate those students who had long travel times on buses and were feeling hungry before school even started.

It has grown in popularity as our growing boys and girls come for a morning "breakfast boost". BFL is a time for socializing and sharing which so many students look forward to 4 days a week: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Thank-you ALL again. Your contributions are important to our program-

The BHPS BFL Team



CURLING AGM

Tues, Oct 25th

7:00pm

@ the Curling Rink

All are welcome

Come find out what we've done and what we're going to do!



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!



There is a very good possibility that there will be no Skating Club this year. The Birch Hills skating club has been in search of a certified Canskate /Starskate coach with out any luck.

This position would start in November to March.

If you are interested or you know anyone that could teach our little ones how to skate please contact Amanda at Amanda.Rosteski@gmail.com or call 306-930-5358. This could very well affect our minor hockey program in future, if we are not able to teach our kids proper techniques to skating. Spread the word!!!



MAKE extra \$\$. Be a ref for Minor Hockey or Senior Games!
SHA Referee Clinic in Birch Hills. **Monday November 7th.**

Register with www.sha.sk.ca. Online payments and modules must be complete before attending clinics.

For more info call 306-789-5101.



Fees reimbursed, pending amount of games ref-ed

Birch Hills Hockey Day

Saturday, November 19th.

Volunteers, prize donations (for silent auction) and ideas wanted. Contact Laurie @ Rec Office if you would like to be involved in this annual rink fundraiser.





Laurie Berube,
Recreation Director

Box 280, Birch Hills, Sk S0J 0G0

Cell: 306-749-7451 text or call
E-mail: birchhillsrec@sasktel.net
Facebook Page: 'Town of Birch Hills
Community & Recreation'
Town Website: www.birchhills.ca

Blackhawks Senior Hockey News

The BH Blackhawks will be playing in the Twin Rivers Hockey League. The team is seeking volunteers to help with games and off ice activities, as well as board members to assist with team administration. Our next meeting is Sunday, Oct 16th at 7pm at the Skating Rink. Please contact Jamie at 306-980-8687 if you are interested in helping but unable to attend the meeting.

FIRST GAME is on home ice.

November 12th 8:00pm puck drop against St Louis.



Effective November 1, 2016



Brahma Insurance Inc. is

joining forces with Cornerstone Insurance. We would like to take this opportunity to say Thank You to everyone for your past and continued support. The past 5 years have resulted in many positive changes to our office here in Birch Hills, and we are confident the next 5 will be even better! We have always committed to continuous improvement in both customer service and community involvement and we know the Cornerstone group shares that same vision. Although there will be a new name, the same friendly staff will be here in Birch Hills, so you can look forward to the great service you have come to expect! Thank you!

Sincerely, Leon and Shirley Pratchler

Birch Hills Upcoming Events

- Oct 15 - Golf Member Mystery Lunch CANCELLED
- Paintball Tourney -CANCELLED-
- 16 - Yellow Creek Fall Supper
- Sr Hockey meeting
- 18 - Rec Volleyball starts Tuesdays
- 21 - Advance Municipal Elections Poll
- 23 - Grambo Concert Fundraiser (Bethany)
- 26 - Municipal Elections
- 27 - Library hosted Computer Database seminar
- 28 - Affinity CU Estate Planning seminar
- 29 - Boo's and Booze Halloween Dance
- 30 - Crystal Springs Fall Brunch
- St Louis Fall Supper
- Nov 4 - Fellowship of the Least Coin
- 5 - Crystal Springs Trade Show
- 7 - SHA Hockey Referee Clinic
- 7-11 - No School Classes
- 10 - Roughrider Theme BH Fall Supper
- 11 - BH Legion Remembrance Service
- 12 - Community Booster' Fall Trade Show (BH)
- Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs St Louis
- 18 - Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs Cudworth
- 19 - Hockey Day in Birch Hills
- 25 - Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs Vonda
- 26 - Weldon Trade Show & Sale
- Blackhawks Sr Hockey vs Warman
- Dec 10/11 - PeeWee MH Tourney

BIRCHVIEW HOME OCT UPCOMING EVENTS

2:30pm Everyone Welcome

Oct 19 - The Job Mates Band

Oct 24 - The Gramps

Oct 27 - The Step Out Line Dancers

Oct 31 - Halloween Party with Danny Boy Music

Come / dress up



FELLOWSHIP OF THE LEAST COIN:

The Fellowship of the Least Coin movement began sixty years ago when the wounds of WWII were still sore and the victims of the nuclear attack on Hiroshima and Nagasaki were unable to forgive the allies. To seek reconciliation with the people of these war-torn countries, an international team sponsored by the Presbyterian church women in the USA were instrumental in setting up the Fellowship of the Least Coin movement. When offering a prayer for peace, justice and reconciliation each woman was asked to place a coin of the least currency of her country, in a special money box.

The Birch Hills United Church Women along with other local church women's groups have supported this movement since its beginning. Last year \$187.75 was forwarded to the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.



These funds are part of the grants made each year for projects that benefit women and children throughout the world. The Birch Hills United Church Women invite all those interested, to an Ingathering Service for the Fellowship of the Least Coin at 3 p.m. on Friday, November 4 in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Birch Hills. For further information and to support the Fellowship of the Least Coin, contact Effie at 306-749-3522 before November 1, 2016.