

1624 Barkway Road, Gravenhurst
Ryde Community Co-operative Inc.

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Our Best Wishes for a Happy & Healthy 2012!

A Message From Our President



Terry Pilger and Randy Jorgensen present our cheque to Rosemary King

We're into another year for the Ryde Co-op and it's time to re-examine how things are going. I thought I would just give a snapshot of our organization from a financial perspective. **Membership and participation are crucial** to keeping our Co-op vibrant! The majority of our revenue comes from memberships, special events & dinners.

We have been fortunate to have had the Town of Gravenhurst support us by taking over the responsibility of the property (the former Ryde School) from the board of education. The agreement in place for 2011 has the town paying the majority of the expenses (hydro, snow clearing etc.) to the budgeted amount of around \$6000.00 and the Co-op is to do their best effort through fund raising to assist with the expenses. Although a very tiny portion of the overall town budget, this assistance comes under yearly budgetary scrutiny. We need to continue the efforts to be able to prove to the Town that the Co-op is a viable expense that should be continued. Your ongoing support is needed to do this successfully.

Through your support, the Co-op has presented a cheque for \$1000 to the town towards the expenses for 2011. With better input and communications with the town the Board of Directors feels that we will be able to do more both dollar-wise and through increased volunteerism.

Our community co-operative is a type of organization like many other rural neighbourhoods have put in place to help develop ideas and projects that benefit its members and the community. We all play a vital role in the success of the Co-op and I think the town appreciates that. We are able to celebrate our history and enjoy a nearby place to visit with other folks from Ryde, both permanent residents as well as seasonal.

It is important that we continue our efforts to show our commitment to our community centre in order to maintain this support from the Town. Your participation as members and volunteers is how we are able to do this. As yet we don't have many events or programs set up for this year. We need your input. Let us know how you feel about our Co-op and how you would like to see it being used. Get out and meet your neighbours! Statements like **ask not what your community can do for you but what you can do for your community** should not be relegated only to presidents. Together we can really make a difference! Take pride in being a part of Ryde!

Terry Pilger



Terry Issues A Challenge!

Attention Ryders! I am coming out of retirement to issue a Chili challenge to all-comers at the 2012 Ryde Chili Championship. Now is the time to enter your chili! Let's see how many will accept my dare! 🌶️

Coming Events

- ✓ Bid Euchre Jan. 11th & 25th from 1 pm
- ✓ Chili Dinner & Cook-Off Jan. 14th at 5:30 pm
- ✓ Foot Care Feb. 1st from 9:30 - 11:30 am
- ✓ Quilter Fabric Exchange Feb. 11th from 1-4 pm

Be sure to check the [calendar on the website](#) for additional information and new events

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Remember to submit news items to rydernews@bell.net for the next Ryder Newsletter by January 25th

WANTED

We are in need of gently used bookshelves and a VCR/DVD player for the RCC. If you are willing to donate please contact Brenda Cooper at 705-687-1272.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

• Holy Manger Anglican Church

Services will be held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

• Ryde Centennial Free Methodist Church

Feb. 3,4,5 - The Annual Winter Youth Retreat (for those 13-18) is happening at a cost of \$45/person. JP Smits (as heard on occasion on Life 100.3) is again leading the band, and Andrew Brown is back as our speaker.

Feb. 12 - The Annual Winter Picnic will be held after the morning service. The time is to be arranged, but you're invited to attend church dressed for this outside event. Bring hot dogs to roast, sleds, crazy carpets, etc. Questions? Please call 705-687-3005.

Do you know of special events or occasions happening in our community? If so, please send the information to: rydernews@bell.net.



Still Time To Enter The Annual Chili Dinner & Cook-Off

There is still time to enter the Annual Chili Dinner being held on Saturday January 14th, 2012! Help is still needed to prepare cornbread, salad or desserts. We also need some additional help with setting up for the event and cleaning up afterwards. *Please contact Barb Taylor at 705-687-4591 or Jennie Nice at 705-687-5234 if you can help.*

Foot Care Opportunity

Qualified Foot Care Specialist Diane Bradley has offered to provide 'Foot Care' as she does at the Seniors' Centre in Gravenhurst, at our own community centre. The date for the first "session" is Feb. 1st, between 9:30 & 11:30 am. Diane will care for your nails, trim them, and then give you a relaxing foot massage. The cost is \$15 for our Co-op Members. Tea, coffee and muffins will be provided that morning and the library will be open. *Please call Diane at: 705-687-4743.*



Ryde Centennial Free Methodist Church

The newest stained glass window was installed on December 3rd, and dedicated on December 4, 2011. The work was commissioned by the former Housey's Rapids Neighbourhood Club for Ryde Centennial Free Methodist Church, and was created by Maureen Haines.

Quilters!

Are you one of the many quilters who live in Housey's Rapids? I know that getting to a fabric store can be a problem, especially in the winter. Now you can attend our fabric exchange at the Ryde Community Centre on Saturday, February 11, from 1:00 until 4:00. No money will change hands. The fabrics must be cottons or poly-cottons. Please have only one kind of fabric in each bundle. To make it easy to exchange with others, I suggest that you have you fabric in bundles of 20 - 5" charm squares or cut into fat quarters (21" x 18"). If you have several yards or metres of one design and don't really want to chop it up before hand, you may cut fat quarters at the RCC, if someone wants to trade for it. Coffee and tea will be available to warm you up. For more info, email oknala@bell.net or call 705-867-0843. Plan to be there!



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2012 Annual Membership Form

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