

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

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# The Ryde Chili Challenge is on for 2014!! January 18th is the date!

The much-coveted chili-cook-off aprons are ready for the annual contest. Dust off your best chili recipe and bring your creation to the coop. We'll all treat our taste buds to the variety of offerings and the favourite will prevail! We are sure to see many former entrants return for this dinner and evening of challenge and fun. Let's give them lots of competition. Don't

forget to encourage the youngsters to join the challenge, as there are also Junior Prizes. We are looking forward to seeing everyone out to this first community dinner of 2014. Arrive by 5:30 pm. Remember to bring your dishes, bowls and cups to reduce the garbage. Bring your chili heated as we cannot heat them at the centre. Salad, breads and desserts will complete the yummy meal and fun evening. \$10.00/person or \$25.00/family. *To enter your chili, call Barb at 705-687-4591.* 

### **Groundhog Day Breakfast**

Don't miss this important Ryde tradition. Boy do we need a promise of Spring after this crazy winter. Join us for a lovely pancake breakfast on February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9 am. Prices are only \$10 per person. A family with two children under 16 eats for \$25 and children under 5



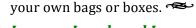
are free. 🖘

### **Baking with Beckie**

Join the Baking with Beckie class on Tuesday, January 21st at 9:00 am for another enjoyable morning of cooking and noshing! The cost is only \$10. A University of Ryde credit class! Please pre-register by contacting Beckie at 705-687-2919 or email beckiefitchett@gmail.com to sign up.

### February Food Baskets

If you would like to participate in this popular program, the fee is \$20 cash per basket. The funds are payable at the Summerland General Store before Tuesday, February  $4^{\rm th}$ , with the pick up on Thursday, February  $13^{\rm th}$ . Remember to bring





January Lunch and Learn
Our Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup> Lunch and Learn will
once again offer a delicious lunch catered by Chef
Larry. Come at 10:30 for snowshoeing with Bruce
Stephenson and stay after lunch for an informative
slide show led by Bruce. A retired Park Naturalist,
Bruce has vast knowledge of wildlife and
ecosystems. Please register for this University of
Ryde course, as we will need to book snowshoes
from the Town. Call Judy at 705-687-2406 by

January 27th to reserve snowshoes.

### 2014 Memberships Are Due

It's that time of year again! Ryde Co-op Memberships are now due. Memberships are valid for a calendar year running from January 1st until December 31st 2014. Individual memberships are \$10 and family memberships, that cover 2 adults and children under the age of 16, are \$20. Membership forms are available online at www.rydecommunitycoop.com, at the Co-op and we will leave at Summerland General Store as well.

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We are happy to see that our membership has been steadily growing over the last two years. Did you know that we depend on your memberships to help show the town that the centre is a valued resource in our community? Your membership dues help provide the financial base that we use to provide programs, dinners and other events held at the Co-op. We also depend greatly on our volunteers who put in many hours to make our Co-op so successful. If you are interested in volunteering a little of your time to your community we would be happy to hear from you!

### **Upcoming Events**

- 2014 Memberships are due
- ✓ Bid Euchre Every Wednesday at the RCC from 1 pm.
- ✓ Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> Seniors Wellness Focus Group – 10 am
- ✓ Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> Chili Cook-off 5:30 pm
- ✓ Jan. 21st Baking with Beckie 9 am
- ✓ Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> Lunch 'n Learn 10:30 am
- ✓ Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Groundhog Day Pancake Breakfast – 9 am

Remember to submit news items to rydernews@bell.net for the next Ryder Newsletter by January 20<sup>th</sup>

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

- Holy Manger Anglican Church
  The January service will be on
  January 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm with Rev.
  Simmons. No other services will be held in January.
- Ryde Free Methodist Church
- Sunday school, ages 7-15, 10:00 am
- Fridays, Young Teens, ages 10-16, 7 9 pm.
- Sunday Worship Service 11:00am.
- Annual Winter Youth Retreat, Feb. 7 - 9. Call 705-687-3005 for information and registrations.
- Summerland General Store
- Wednesday night Spaghetti Dinners begin on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm
- Don't forget to order your February monthly food basket \$20 by February 4th at 9 am.
- Pickup for February food baskets is February 13<sup>th</sup> after 2 pm bring boxes or bags.



Elaine Duncan whispered her Christmas wishes into Santa's ear at the Christmas Tea Lunch!



### Seniors Wellness Focus Group

On January 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 am, we have the opportunity to speak up for our futures. Heather Hay, a local resident who works with seniors, is conducting an assessment to determine how best to make communities senior friendly by looking at issues such as health care, transportation, housing, social

participation and community support. As isolated rural dwellers, we are more vulnerable to barriers that will prevent us from aging in place. Please plan to attend this focus group and let your voice be heard. Coffee and snacks are provided free of charge.

### Free Gentle Fitness Classes Coming to Ryde Next Month!

We are very pleased to be able to offer the SMART program of fitness classes through the Victorian Order of Nurses. These classes are intended for people 55 years old and up and will be offered twice a week. The classes are designed to improve strength, balance and flexibility. All movements are performed on a chair or standing; there are no floor exercises or weights. Stay tuned for more information. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer instructor (all training provided), please call the VON at 705-789-1996.



# Ryde 135

### Ryde's 135th Anniversary Celebrations

The countdown is on! Our huge culminating celebration day is only eight months away. Saturday, August 16 will be a day to remember. All hands on deck for this exciting day, with *Doors Open*, great food, quilts galore, a parade and more. Your 135 committee is working hard to put together the celebrations for Ryde's big birthday bash. Stay tuned to the Ryder and Chickadee Cheeps for updates. And don't forget to spend some quality time

on the Ryde Barn Quilt site (www.rydebarnquilttrail.com) and like our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/RydeQuiltTrail. Carol Wagg and Janet Merkley are constantly updating the webpage with fascinating historical documents, and we pleased to say that more financial support is still being donated for our project.

### Friends of Ryde

We are very pleased to welcome **Great Moose** 

Adventure and Yoga North as our newest Friends of Ryde for 2014. Did you know that our sponsors – the Friends of Ryde – make it possible for our newsletters get out to the community? The Co-op relies on the income generated through sponsorships to be able to print and deliver our news out to the entire P1P 1R3 postal area. In addition, we send our newsletters by email to close to 250 email addresses each month. We currently have nine of the twelve sponsorships filled, which means we need three more to ensure that our



newsletter gets out every month. If you are interested in becoming a *Friend of Ryde* and help us with this, please email ryde.coop@gmail.com or call Jennie at 705-687-5234.

### **Friends of Ryde**

Great Moose Adventures & Yoga North 705-687-3903

www.greatmooseadventures.com



Ryde Centennial Free Methodist Church (705) 687-3005



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 All breed grooming
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Summerland General

705-687-7776 Ron Post & Carrie Marriot

### Congratulations!!!



**Great Moose Adventure** is an outdoor education centre and yoga studio offering:

- Yoga with Becki Dickey for all levels
- Summer canoe tripping camps
- March Break day camps
- All camps facilitated by qualified teachers

Jeggorth

For info and upcoming events see: greatmooseadventures.com / yoganorth.ca 1368 Housey's Rapids Rd | (705) 687-3903 beau

Congratulations
to Jerry
Thomson &
Jim
Leeworthy
who each
took home
one of the
beautiful
poinsettia trees!

## Kate's Sewing & Alterations

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