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Ryde Community Centre Potluck Dinner

Despite the sudden arrival of winter – complete with power outages in the Ryde area - an enthusiastic group arrived with many assorted dishes to share at the Potluck Dinner held on November 19th. There was a lot to eat - the Ryde cooks did not disappoint - and along with the good food we all enjoyed the conversation and laughter that accompanied the meal.

Coming Events

- ✓ Bid Euchre Dec. 14th at 11:30 Jan. 11th & 25th from 1 pm
- ✓ Sewing/Craft Group is cancelled until further notice
- ✓ Chili Dinner & Cook-Off Jan. 14th at 5:30 pm

Be sure to check the <u>calendar</u> 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 December 19th

During the dinner, Barb Taylor presented a gift on behalf of the membership to Arleigh Luckett in recognition of her service to the Ryde Co-op as President. We thank her for her leadership through a difficult time. Arleigh mentioned that the steppingstone would be a nice addition to the garden at her new home in town.

We greatly appreciate all those people who helped out with getting things ready and cleaning up after the dinner. It was encouraging to note that there were some new helpers at this dinner and hope that more of you will lend a hand for upcoming dinner events. For the past few months we have been relying on the same small group of people who have been doing all the organizing, setting up and cleaning up so it was nice that they were able to enjoy the dinner without having to do so much of the work as they

enjoy the dinner witho have in the past.





Attention Shutterbugs!

Get your cameras ready for an exciting photo contest in 2012. Details are still being finalized and will appear in future editions of *The Ryder*. We encourage all residents of the RR#3 Gravenhurst mailing area and their immediate family to participate in a photo contest with the goal of producing a Ryde calendar for 2013. What we will be looking for are photos that capture the "essence of our community" – landscapes, wildlife, family, farming, logging and whatever else you can imagine that identifies the uniqueness of our area. So start snapping away and watch *The Ryder* for further information.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

• Holy Manger Anglican Church

Services will be held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. The Christmas Eve Service will be held on Dec. 24th at 4 pm

• Ryde Centennial Free Methodist Church

Dec. 11 - The annual Christmas Pot Luck Lunch is being held at noontime

Dec. 18 at 10:30 am - The church's children will present their Christmas skit

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*.





Christmas Luncheon

Decorated for the occasion by several of the RCC members, the Community Centre was a festive place this past Saturday for the Christmas Luncheon. Close to 30 of our members came to enjoy the hearty homemade cream of potato soup, finger sandwiches and desserts along with Christmas music. It was a lovely way to begin the journey towards Christmas within our community. Many thanks to all of the cooks and the helpers who made this another successful community event . 🖘

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.

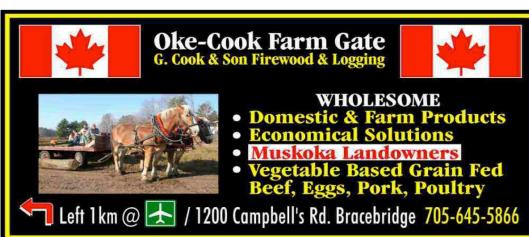
Annual Chili Dinner and Cook-Off

The Annual Chili Dinner will be held on Saturday January 14th, 2012. Admission is \$10.00 per person or \$25.00 per family.

Can you help to prepare cornbread, salad or desserts? You may submit receipts the night of the dinner if you volunteer in advance and wish to be reimbursed for ingredients. Everyone

pays admission. We also need some additional help with setting up for the event and cleaning up afterwards. Please contact Jennie Nice at 705-687-5234 to volunteer.

Enter your favourite chili this year! In addition to the prizes for the Ryde Chili Champ and the two runner-ups, we are also adding a children's category. There will be a Junior Chili Champ prize for children who enter a chili. Last year 40 people came out and we had some great entries. For those of you who are not fond of the beans, chili has various definitions and forms. There are many recipes out there for beanless chili as well as meatless varieties. Get creative - YOU may be our next Ryde Chili Champ! Anyone interested in entering their chili can contact Jennie Nice for information.



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