

# The Ryder

Ryde Community Co-operative Inc.

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## Ryde Business and Services Directory

Development of the new **Ryde Business and Services Directory** is ongoing. There is still room for your listing, but you should act quickly. Don't miss out! Contact Randy at 687-7137 or email [rjorg@muskoka.com](mailto:rjorg@muskoka.com) for a listing form.

The cost for a listing in the Directory is \$30 for members, \$40 for non-members. It will be distributed throughout Ryde and to various locations around Town. We will work to get the Directory in the hands of many of our seasonal residents as well.

We are considering hosting a business open house for our advertisers when the 2006 edition of our business and services directory is launched.

## Happy New Year!

**Appetizer and Finger Foods Demonstration** - by *Rose Hinzmann*  
Red Seal Chef Ruth Wagg and her helper, Naughty Elf (Carol Wagg in disguise) provided a wonderful morning of holiday foods cooking instruction for Ryde women on December 15. We had been looking forward to this event for some time and we weren't disappointed. We knew we were in for a real treat as soon as we entered that colourfully decorated room! They'd even brought Christmassy name tags.

Ruth had prepared a package of information for each of us that included recipes and web sites to reproduce these delicious menu items. She did a super job explaining and demonstrating to us how to create great tasting Christmas treats, and helping us with our efforts to do what she had shown us.

"Naughty Elf" worked behind the scenes heating our creations, and a beautiful pre-decorated table displayed what we'd worked on all morning. What a feast we had sampling what we'd just learned how to cook! It was delicious. Thank you for the many hours you spent, Ruth, buying and preparing the ingredients ahead of time, and teaching and demonstrating so well. It

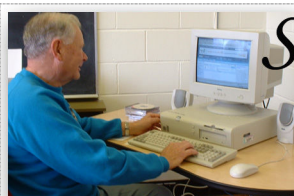


Participants in the Appetizer and Finger Foods Demonstration made Truffles, Tuxedo Strawberries (shown), and Tomato Bocconcini Bites, as well as several other delicacies.



was an excellent cooking experience for us all and a great party too!

Due to the popularity of this event and requests for another one on a weekend, join Ruth on **Saturday, Feb 4 from 1 to 4 pm**. Make eight different dishes including spinach and pumpernickel canapés, mini quiche, and tuxedo strawberries. Participants will take home their creations to enjoy with family and friends. Please call **Ruth Wagg 687-6992** to register by January 29th. Cost \$25. You'll need to bring a couple of plastic containers with you. By the way - gentlemen are welcome to attend!❖



## Shift into High!

Bring this coupon to  
Ryde Community Centre  
(Election Day)  
on Mon. Jan. 23, 2006  
9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

for your free introduction to high-speed Internet.

Check email, find answers to health questions, research a vacation destination, find Ryde on "Google Earth"...  
Volunteers available to assist.  
Refreshments available. All welcome.

## January 23, 2006 - Election Day

The polling station for the Federal Election will be at the Ryde Community Centre. We have arranged to man the high speed internet all day on January 23rd to allow our community members to test drive the high speed internet at no charge with

the coupon at left. Refreshments will be available by donation. If you wish to donate some cookies or other baked goods (nothing with nuts or peanuts please) please contact **Carol Wagg 687-6992** or **Wendy Pilger 687-4575**. You can also renew your Co-op memberships or take our high speed Internet memberships (Internet memberships are \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members. Co-op memberships are \$10.00 per person)

Whatever your choice, be sure to take the time to have your say and vote!❖



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**Name Dropping** - Patricia Cornwell, Maeve Binchy, Clive Cussler, John Grisham, Faye Kellerman, John LeCarre, Sue Grafton... See all these names and plenty more in the lending library at Ryde Community Centre. Drop in any time the building is open, help yourself, and trade for another when finished. No red tape at all.

**Upcoming Events:**

We have been listening to your requests and have scheduled the following events:

**Friday, January 27th from 7 to 9 pm - Games Night** - bring your families, your favourite games, cards etc. and be prepared to have some fun. Soft drinks and snack foods will be available for purchase. Cost per person is \$2.00 to offset our Hydro costs.

**Saturday, February 18th - a busy day**

**Spaghetti Dinner** from 5 to 7- \$6.00 for members - \$7.00 for non-members. Tickets Available at the Community Centre during operating hours or any executive member. Advance tickets are recommended to assist in food purchasing. Dinner will be followed by another **Games Night** until 9 pm

As always, students needing community service hours towards high school graduation are encouraged to help out at these events - contact Randy at 687-7137.

**Members Only - Wild Game Pot Luck** Terry Pilger has agreed to co-ordinate a wild game pot luck night for members only and their invited guests. Tentatively scheduled for a Saturday in late February. Cost will be \$5.00 towards cost of plates, cutlery, hall usage etc. Please contact **Terry** at **687-4575** or [twsm.pilger@sympatico.ca](mailto:twsm.pilger@sympatico.ca) if interested. We are requesting that you bring a list of ingredients or your recipe to go with each dish. Additional desserts or salads would be great! Play some games or just kick back and relax with your neighbours.

**Scrapbooking** Next session is scheduled for **Thursday, January 19th at 7:30 pm** - Theme is presenting those special Christmas memories. Scrapbooking club will now meet once per month on the 3rd Thursday.

**Monthly Workshops:** All these events take place at the Community Centre, 1624 Barkway Rd, and you are invited to take part. Register with Jane Braden at 684-9482

**Basketry Workshop - Thursday January 19th.** This is a full day workshop, 9am - 4pm, for a cost of \$37.00. Call **Jane** at **684-9482** to register and get a list of things to bring. At the end of the day you will have completed one small basket in colours of your choice, and take home materials for two more.

**Bluebird House Workshop** in March - date to be announced.

**Annual General Meeting** This has been scheduled for 10 am on **Saturday March 4th** at the Community Centre. This will be followed by a pot luck lunch. We hope to have a presentation from the OPP on protecting your property from crime.

**Newsletter Sponsorship** It is only through the generous sponsorship of our local businesses that we can produce the newsletter on a regular basis. The cost to sponsor a single edition of the newsletter is \$45.00 for co-op members and \$50.00 for non-members. This newsletter goes to over 350 households in the RR 3 Gravenhurst mailing area as well as many seasonal residents via email and association newsletters. It's a great deal and provides local exposure for your business - contact any executive member to see how you can get involved.

**Birchcliffe Farm**

*This Month's Sponsor*



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