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Copper and Birchbark Jewellery Workshop. On October 20th, nine eager crafters turned out to learn the intricacies of making jewellery from woven copper and birchbark. After the basics were demonstrated by instructor Carolyn Houlden, many branched out on their own to design their own creations using the skills taught and materials provided.

See below for our upcoming workshops...

Please Consider Joining the Co-op

We need members to help offset the cost of providing our services, including the cost of this newsletter. Members get discounts on many of our events and services, like \$5 off the \$10 annual cost of an Annual Internet Use Membership. If you enjoy this newsletter and would like to see it keep coming, please join the Co-op using the form below. Thanks!
 Contact Randy @ 687-9038 if you are interested in becoming an annual business sponsor.

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Name: _____ Name: _____

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Bring Your Own Craft Day
 First Monday of each month from 9 - 3. Next one: Dec 5th when you can see a demonstration of basketry. Come and stay as long as you can. Bring a bag lunch and enjoy a social time with your neighbours. All welcome.
Yoga - Monday Evenings 6:30-7:30. New members welcome - No experience necessary.
Christmas Cookie Exchange - Following the Appetizer activity on Dec 15, bring several packages of your favourite Christmas Treats wrapped in half-dozen quantities. Trade for packages made by other families. Bring as many packages as you wish, and take home a variety of treats. You're welcome to join us at 1 p.m., even if you are not taking part in the appetizer activity.

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
Watercolour Painting Workshop - Nov 17, 9 -noon, followed by a pot-luck luncheon for those who wish to participate - taught by Nancy Hunter who makes painting fun and easy. We will be doing a Christmas Card of Two Cardinals. Suitable for beginners, novice, advanced. All materials supplied. \$22. Last minute sign-up welcome - just call **Jane** at **684-9482**
Simple and Elegant Appetizers and Finger Foods - Dec 15, 9 - 1 (includes sampling the creations for lunch! - \$25) just in time for holiday gatherings, but perfect for entertaining anytime. Instructor Ruth Wagg is a Chef at RiverWalk Fine Dining. All ingredients and take-home recipes and instructions provided. Call **Jane** at **684-9482**
Basketry workshop - Thursday, Jan 19th, 9-12. More info to follow next month

History Tidbit: The name of Ryde Township was taken from a town on the Isle of Wight, off the south coast of England. Surveying into lots and concessions began in Muskoka in 1857, before there was any settlement of any kind, and even before the lumbermen arrived. All the lands had been ceded to the Crown under treaty with the native bands in 1850. On Oct 9, 1861, Thomas Burns, a young qualified surveyor completed the surveying of Ryde Township into lots and concessions.

The north part of Ryde is drained by the Gartersnake River, which flows through Barkway Lake westward to Bass Lake. Streams from Buck Lake and Benn's Lake also feed into Bass Lake, and below Bass Lake the river runs on to the east end of Kahshe-she-bog-amog Lake. Still another drainage system centres on Riley Lake from which Riley Creek runs south to join the Black River.
 Taken from History of Ryde Township, by R.J. Boyer and published by the Ryde Centennial Committee in 1979.