

THE RYDER

Christmas 2003

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MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS:

MAYOR - John Klinck
DISTRICT - Terry Pilger, Bob Colhoun and Jim Hie
WARD 1 - Sandy Cairns and Mark Clairmont
WARD 2 - Lou Guerriero
WARD 3 - Paisley Donaldson
WARD 4 (Ryde) - Bryan Pilger
TRILLIUM LAKELANDS BOARD OF EDUCATION -
Rosemary King

Gravenhurst will see 3 new faces to Municipal Council - Lou, Mark and Paisley. We welcome back to public service John, Terry, Bob, Jim, Bryan and Sandy. Many thanks to all that allowed their names to stand for public office.

FLU SHOTS

What great press we got about our flu shot clinic on October 30th. 35 people in our neighbourhood took advantage of the local free flu shot clinic....and what great press too with your editor on the front page of the Gravenhurst Banner! (really, it didn't hurt at all, honest!)

BAZAAR - November 15th

Cancelled due to a lack of vendors and volunteers.

SEASONAL EVENTS:

Friday, December 12th - 7 - 8:30 pm
Annual Children's Christmas Party - Including fun, games and a visit from Santa. We are requesting a donation of \$5.00 per child to help offset our expenses. Please contact **Liz Holder at 687-8577** to register your child/children by **December 10, 2003**

Baking Exchange - date & time as above

Always a hit in the community. Bring some of your favourite Christmas baked goods and exchange for others. The coffee will be on and it's a great opportunity to visit with your neighbours and exchange recipes.

Ryde Free Methodist Church Christmas Pageant - Sunday, December 21st

Christmas Tree Bonfire and Family Fun Day Saturday, January 3rd 2-5

Fun and games for all ages and featuring our hot chili, hot dogs and hot chocolate.

We need volunteers to make this event a success. Our tree burning will take place at 5 pm so round up your previously loved real Christmas tree and bring it to the Ryde Community Centre. Last year we were treated to a fabulous display at our tree burning. **Call 687-4575 for more information or to arrange for your tree to be picked up (donation for pickup of trees is requested)**

WANTED - persons with a pick up truck who would be willing to pick up trees for us to add to our display. Honorarium to be paid for gas expense.

ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERSHIP

- DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

PRELIMINARY AGENDA-

Pot luck dinner followed by our meeting
Presentation by Gravenhurst Fire Department - Station 3 regarding the need for manpower
Presentation by Gravenhurst Communities in Bloom Committee
Q & A with Bryan Pilger (Ryde Councillor)
Election of executive for 2004 and establishment of committees:

Communities in Bloom
Property Standards
Program & Events
Community Services

In order to vote for the executive, you must have been a paid up member by September 30th, 2003.

Memberships for 2004 are now due.

EMERGENCY SHELTER

Our recent 2 day hydro outage has raised a very important issue - we have the school available if needed for an emergency shelter. Are there people interested in serving on a community services committee that would fulfill the role of setting up such a shelter in case of a major outage including finding a generator, putting the coffee on etc.? The school also has a refrigerator, stove and microwave for meals. When we first approached the town about utilizing the school this was one idea that was presented. Also, it would be helpful for a group to call around to seniors and those with very young children, especially in the winter to make sure that they are ok. Thoughts??

Many thanks to Gravenhurst Fire Department Station 3 and our friends at Ontario Hydro for their assistance during the recent major outage in our community.

GREETINGS OF THE SEASON

Your executive would like to extend the best to all members of our community at this festive season.

Remember, when enjoying get togethers with friends and co-workers, please don't drink and drive.



FITNESS CLASSES

Yoga will be continuing in January on Monday nights at 6:30.

We will also be offering aerobics once again, if you are interested, please call Wendy at 687-4575 so we can determine the best night to have this class. This will be on a drop in/pay as you go basis - cost is yet to be determined but will be very reasonable.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday December 12th (7 - 8:30) - Kids Christmas Party
(RSVP to Liz at 687-8577 no later than Dec 10)

Friday December 12th (7 - 8:30) - Christmas Baking Exchange - bring your baked goods in packages of 6 and try some other local specialities

Sunday December 21st - 11 am - Ryde Free Methodist Church Christmas program

Saturday, January 3rd 2-5 pm - Family Fun Day and Christmas Tree Burning (**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**)
(High school students needing their community service hours are welcome and encouraged to participate)

GARBAGE PICK UP DAYS IN DECEMBER

December 1st, December 15, December 29
Recycling every week

CONTACT YOUR EXECUTIVE

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Muriel Fitchett 687-8349 (membership renewals)
Bruce Stephenson 687-3948
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